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BIG MONEY

Temple University announced on Friday that they have received the biggest donation in their history, \$55 million from University Trustee **Christopher Barnett**. Temple President **John Fry** also announced that the new College of Public Health will be named the Christopher M. Barnett College of Public Health in recognition of the donation. Barnett is an alumnus who launched ABA Centers, an autism care provider that provides services in 12 states and Puerto Rico.

END OF AN ERA

Penn State has parted ways with longtime head coach **James Franklin** after 12 seasons, ending an era marked by bitter losses against unranked teams and unfulfilled championship hopes. The move comes after back-to-back upset losses and growing frustration among fans, capped by "Fire Franklin!" chants at Beaver Stadium on Saturday. Associate head coach **Terry Smith** will take over in the interim as the university faces a \$49 million buyout, which is the second largest in college football history.

GREEN LIGHT

Interstate 81 has received approval from PennDOT for a \$132.7 million contract to continue construction. This will cover widening two lanes to three lanes from Cameron Street to 29th Street both ways, construction of a new bridge to connect with 13th Street, and to widen and reconstruct two bridges on I-83. Work on these improvements is expected to begin sometime in the fall.

MAINE EVENT

Maine's Democratic Governor **Janet Mills** recently launched her campaign for U.S. Senate to unseat Republican Senator **Susan Collins**. She entered a crowded primary with eight other candidates vying for the position. In 2020, Collins held on to her seat by nine points against Democrat **Sara Gideon**. Mills was the first woman to serve as Governor and Attorney General of Maine.

We at Harrisburg: ONLINE are saddened to hear of the passing of former State

Representative **Katherine True**, who served in the PA House from 1992-2000 and 2002-2010. True was dedicated to public service, founding Kids Saving Kids, serving as Youth Director for Pennsylvanians AWARE, and serving as a Member of the National Federation of Parents for Drug Free Youth. The family will be having a private celebration of life, but contributions can be made [here](#) in her memory.



Happy Birthday

- State Representative **Tarik Khan**
- Former State Representative **Bob Allen**
- Former State Representative **Robert E. Nyce**
- Former State Representative **C. Adam Harris**
- **Matt Rucci***, Associate, Greenlee Partners
- **David Kleppinger**, Vice-Chairman, Penn State Board of Trustees
- **Pat Halpin-Murphy**, Founder & President of the PA Breast Cancer Coalition
- **Patricia Poprik**, Chair, Bucks County Republican Committee
- **Lynn Deary**, Former President & Founder, PA Legislative Services



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