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will return on Wednesday.

AN AGREEMENT

The U.S. House is expected to vote on a budget to fund the federal government early this week, ending the more than 40 day government shutdown. Over the weekend, the U.S. Senate agreed to the spending bill on a 60-40 vote with eight Democrats voting in favor of it. In exchange, Democrats were promised a vote on extending tax credits for the Affordable Care Act and for government workers that were fired during the government shutdown to be rehired.

SHOOTING BLANKS

The Department of General Services (DGS) will kick off its annual crow dispersal effort at the Capitol Complex starting today and residents may hear loud pops and whistles in the early evening. DGS says the USDA-approved devices are non-lethal and used to move large flocks away from walkways and buildings. Crews will conduct the work between 5 and 7 p.m. as needed throughout the season to keep the grounds clean and safe for visitors and employees.

RUMBLE IN NY

New York Republican Congresswoman *Elise Stefanik* announced that she is running for New York Governor in 2026, challenging current Democratic Governor *Kathy Hochul* for the office. Elected to Congress back in 2014, Stefanik established herself as a moderate Republican before joining the MAGA coalition of the party. If she won, Stefanik would be the latest Republican to serve as governor since George Pataki was in office from 1995 to 2007.

HALFWAY THROUGH

The Steelers' offense never found a rhythm in their 25-10 loss to the Chargers, managing just 211 total yards while **Aaron Rodgers** threw two interceptions. Pittsburgh scored first on a long field goal, but Los Angeles controlled the rest of the night with big plays from **Justin Herbert** and **Ladd McConkey**. A late Steelers touchdown narrowed the

margin, but the game was already sealed, dropping Pittsburgh to 5-4 and shrinking their AFC North lead to a single game. On the other side of the state, the Philadelphia Eagles will play the Green Bay Packers tonight.

We at Harrisburg: ONLINE extend our condolences to the friends and family of **David J.** "Chip" Brightbill who passed last week at the age of 83. Brightbill first served in public office on the Lebanon school board at the age of 22. He also served as Lebanon County district attorney for 4 years. At the age of 40, Brightbill became the Senator for the 48th district. Donations can be made in his honor to Clarence Shock Memorial Park or Lebanon Valley Rails-to-Trails.



Happy Birthday

Today:

- Patty Mackavage, Senior Associate, Milliron Goodman, LLC
- Samuel A. McCullough, Chairman Emeritus, Griffin Holdings Group LLC

Tuesday:

- Former State Representative **Peter Zug**
- Debby D. Stark*
- Lillian Harris
- Kimberly S. Sokoloski, Partner, One+ Strategies
- **David Morrison**, Executive Director, Historic Harrisburg Association
- Walter W. Cohen, Partner, Obermayer Rebmann Maxwell & Hippel LLP
- *Olivia Riek*, Policy Analyst, PA House of Representatives

Happy Belated Birthday (Sunday):

• *Kyle Schaeffer*, Executive Director, PA House of Representatives



Committee Meetings

- (S) Democratic Policy 10:00AM - Public hearing on supporting home care workers and consumers
- (S) Republican Policy –
 2:30PM Public hearing on protections against harmful
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