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***The State Senate will
convene at 11am.***

FAIRWAY WIN

South Mountain Golf Course is no longer facing closure after a surge of community support pushed the state to reverse course. DCNR had planned to end the family's lease to build a visitor center, but public outcry and pressure from local lawmakers prompted the agency and the Shapiro Administration to extend the lease for ten years. The decision keeps the decades-old course open and highlights how fast a hometown favorite can rally support when its future is on the line.

GETTING OUT WHILE YOU CAN

Alina Habba, New Jersey's top federal prosecutor and former personal attorney of President **Donald Trump**, announced her resignation as acting U.S. attorney in New Jersey. This comes as an appeals court ruled that her conduct in the position was unlawful. The Justice Department stated that they will fight this ruling with the expectation that Habba will resume her role as attorney should the appeal be successful.

OVERRULED

The U.S. Supreme Court has shown signals of support for the President's decision to fire board members of federal agencies with Justices **Brett Kavanaugh** and **John Roberts** saying that the President has the right to do so. The case came as a result of the firing of Federal Trade Commission member **Rebecca Slaughter** without a given cause. However, this may have legal implications for previous firing decisions for Federal

BEAR MINIMUM

Starbucks announced the return of its Bearista cups as an available prize in a sweepstakes event called the "Starbucks for Life Merrython." These bear-shaped cups were originally for sale early this November, but they were sold out almost immediately. It is unclear whether the Bearista cups will ever be sold again at Starbucks locations as the company has not publicly announced any plans to do so.

HOLIDAY MAYHEM

SantaCon is gearing up across the country as crowds of twenty somethings in Santa suits prepare to hit the bars. The tradition, which started as a quirky 1970s protest in Copenhagen and later took off in San Francisco, is now a nationwide holiday crawl. Nearly one hundred events are listed on SantaCon.info through Dec 21 and the article notes that Pennsylvania is expected to join in before then, with exact dates shared through the site and local social media groups. Anyone looking to join the chaos can check their town's route, ticket info, or toy drive details online.



Happy Birthday

- State Senator **Amanda Cappelletti**
- Former State Representative **Isabella Fitzgerald**
- Former State Representative **T.J. Rooney**
- **Steve Kuntzelman**,
Principal, J.M. Uliana &
Associates

Committee Meetings

- (S)
Appropriations – OTF – To
consider: HB 274, HB 1615
- (S) Rules and Executive
Nominations – OTF - To
consider certain Executive
Nominations
- (S) Transportation – 9:00AM
- Public hearing to collect
testimony on "Commercial
Vehicle Safety and
Nondomiciled CDLs
- (S) Education – 10:00AM –
To consider: SB 116, SB 974,
SB 1014
- (S) Intergovernmental
Operations – 10:30AM
- Motions to authorize the
issuance of subpoenas



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