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In observance of MLK Day, Harrisburg: ONLINE
will return on Tuesday

NOT TODAY, CHAT

Recently, a co-sponsorship memo was circulated for legislation that would limit AI usage for children in Pennsylvania. The bill, proposed by State Representatives *Jeanne McNeill* and *Chris Pielli*, would require AI companies to verify a user's age and prohibit minors from accessing AI as well as any sexually explicit AI content. The memo comes after concerns have been raised about children becoming involved in dangerous conversations with bots.

SMALL BATCHES OF CHANCE

The Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board will be opening a limited-release lottery for rare whiskeys. Pennsylvania residents and licensees can visit this site to opt in to the lotteries, which will close at 5pm tonight. The rare whiskeys will be from Van Winkle set, Buffalo Trace Antique Collection, and E.H. Taylor. There are 1,434 bottles available for purchase, and three separate lotteries will take place for each collection. Only one entry per household is allowed. *Gambling for liquor... pursue your happiness*

MOOVING ON

This week, President Trump officially signed the Whole Milk for Healthy Kids Act. This act reverses a previous ban on both whole and 2% milk in schools around the country, allowing schools to now serve children whole milk. The law had been supported by U.S. Representative *Glenn Thompson* (R – PA), who witnessed its official signing into law. Although it will take time for the law to officially make its way into the schools, we can expect to see kids drinking more whole milk soon. *An udderly good decision...*

SPACE EVACUATION

Four SpaceX astronauts from crew-11 landed safely back on Earth after their mission was cut short due to medical concerns. This is the first time that an emergency evacuation from space has taken place. This early departure leaves only three crew members on board the orbital lab who will not

see relief until crew-12 joins them on February 15th. NASA is claiming the first medical evacuation as a victory since statistically they should have seen one emergency every three years.

VOLUNTEER

Martin Luther King Jr. Day is on Monday and there are countless volunteer opportunities available. MLK Day, also recognized as a Day of Service, presents a chance to do some good in our communities. Many organizations in the capital region are hosting service projects and seeking group and individual volunteers. To learn more about giving back to the community, click [here](#).



Happy Birthday

Today:

- Former State Representative **Mike Zabel**
- Former State Representative **Mark Longietti**
- Former State Representative **Katie True**
- **Fred Dannels**, Retired Sales Leader, State Farm Insurance
- **Michael A Catarino**
- **Jay Wiederhold**, Senior Lobbyist, Wanner Associates

Saturday:

- **Anne Baloga**, Chief of Staff, House Majority Leader Bradford
- **Nate Spade**, VP of External Affairs, UnitedHealth Group

Sunday:

- State Representative **Gary Day**
- Former State Representative **Carole Rubley**
- **Doug Rickards**, Treasurer, Republican Committee of Dauphin County
- **Rick Russell**, Partner, Englewood
- **Roseann Cadau**, Campaign Fundraiser, TeamBizzPa.com

Committee Meetings

- Joint Center for Rural Pennsylvania – 10:30AM - Board meeting to conduct the regular business affairs of the center

Monday:

- State Representative **Danilo Burgos**
- Former State Representative **William F. (Bill) Keller**
- Former State Representative **Mike Veon**
- **Andreas Dienner**, Executive Budget Specialist, Commonwealth of PA
- **Fritz Bittenbender**, Senior VP, Access & External Affairs, Genentech



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