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DEADLINE

The deadline for requesting mail-in ballots is today at 5pm. Applications can be requested online or in person and must be returned to the county no later than 8pm on Primary Election Day, May 19th. If you don't get your ballot on time or decide to still vote in-person, you can do so as long as you have not already submitted a ballot. *GOTV!*

FAITHFUL TO OURSELVES, TOGETHER AHEAD!

State Senator **Doug Mastriano** has been tapped by President Trump to become the U.S. Ambassador to the Slovak Republic. Mastriano must still be confirmed through the U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and he will remain serving as the State Senator for the 33rd Senatorial District. Slovakia has more than 5 million citizens; it borders the countries of Poland, Ukraine, Hungary, Austria, and the Czech Republic.

VIOLATION

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) has reported once again that the prior year saw a record-breaking number of reported government imposter scams. In 2025, the FTC reported over one million filed complaints, which was nearly double the previous year. Most disturbingly, the agency added the losses as a result of the imposter scams for 2025, which grew to \$3.5 billion. *Get a real job...*

NO FINALS

A recent cyberattack of the commonly used college learning platform, Canvas, is causing chaos at campuses across the country for finals week. Some schools chose to cancel or postpone finals. Notably, Penn State and Boise State University canceled last Friday's exams while James Madison University postponed its Friday morning exams. Canvas is now back up and running.

We at Harrisburg: ONLINE share our deepest sympathies with the friends and family of **John Bolger**, who passed away last week at the age of 90. A pillar to the community, John spent his days with the Pennsylvania Bankers Association but will be remembered for his generous heart and time giving back. Serving in multiple roles, he was involved with the Notre Dame Club of Harrisburg,

the Good Shepherd Capital Campaign, Hospice of Central PA, West Shore County Club, and the State System Higher Education Foundation. He will be remembered for his dedication to making a difference in the lives of all the organizations that he supported. Services will be held on Friday at 2pm at the Good Shepherd Catholic Church (Camp Hill, PA) with a visitation the day prior from 6:30 to 8:30pm. *Rest in Peace, dear friend.*



Happy Birthday

- State Representative **Jordan A. Harris**, House Democratic Appropriations Chairman
- **Will Dando**, Senior Associate, Allegheny Strategy Partners
- **Jen Weeter**, Executive Director, PA House Commerce and Gaming Oversight Committees
- **Emily Lewis**, Senior Director of Education Planning and Development, HAP
- **Alex Gamble**, Communications Coordinator, Office of Senator Gebhard
- **Doug Harbach**, Director of Communications, PA Gaming Control Board
- **Nick Cummins**, Bennett, Bricklin & Saltzburg
- **Danielle Floyd Prokopchak**, Communications Director, PA Senate Democratic Caucus
- **Alexis L. Barbieri**



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