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META BIG SETTLEMENT

An agreement has been made between Meta and a bipartisan group of 52 attorneys general, including **Dave Sunday**, in what is being considered the largest consumer protection settlement since the tobacco settlement in the 90s. The agreement will include an \$18 billion settlement used for funding online safety for children and youth and will be directed over a ten-year period. Pennsylvania is expected to receive \$516 million with the option of up to \$729 million. The agreement includes additional safety measures, forcing YouTube and TikTok to implement a one-hour daily limit, night mode, and age assurance. Additionally, there will be a school mode that mutes notifications during school hours, prompts to teens every 15 minutes signaling overuse, hidden likes on posts, age restrictions on certain content, and more protections for teens that will last for the entirety of the settlement.

A HOT REMINDER

A Chambersburg house sustained an estimated \$175,000 in damage after lithium-ion batteries for an electric lawnmower sparked a fire Tuesday evening. The homeowner had recently finished using the mower and placed the batteries on a charger. Investigators found that the non-OEM batteries were purchased online, and incompatible with the manufacturer's charger. The home's sole occupant escaped safely, and firefighters rescued the family's dog. Thirty-seven emergency personnel responded, including the Franklin County Hazmat Team. Fire officials are reminding consumers to only use manufacturer-approved batteries and chargers. *If only they could be recycled properly...*

AFFORDABILITY ACCOUNTABILITY

Pennsylvania is creating a statewide database to track affordable housing properties and their expiration within the program. More than 9,700 affordable units are expected to lose their rent protections over the next five years, and the database will help state officials and housing advocates identify at-risk properties and explore ways to preserve them. The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency will manage the database, which is expected to be publicly available by the end of 2027.

HORA DE CIERRE

A longtime Mexican restaurant, El Sol Cantina, is closing its doors this Saturday, Aug. 29. The restaurant, located at 3721 Market St. Camp Hill, will serve its final customers this weekend. This follows the closure of the location in Downtown Harrisburg just several months ago. However, the owners are prepared to open Señor El Sol Dos on Grayson Road in Harrisburg as an offshoot to their current Señor El Sol location in Hummelstown.

DOING THE TIME WARP NO MORE

On Tuesday, legendary actor **Tim Curry** passed away at the age of 80. He was best known for his roles in The Rocky Horror Picture Show, It, and Clue. Curry suffered a stroke in 2012 which limited his mobility, and he suffered from health issues in recent years. He will be deeply missed by fans everywhere.



Happy Birthday

- State Senator **Lindsey Williams**
- State Representative **Rob W. Kauffman**
- Former State Senator **Robert D. Robbins**
- Former State Senator **Bob Mensch**
- **Ralph E. Kaiser**, Magisterial District Judge, Baldwin Borough; Former State Representative
- **Casey Fellingner***, Director of the Northeast Delegation, PA House of Representatives
- **Ethan Rosenberry***, Government Services Intern, PA Department of Corrections
- **Jaclyn Victor**, Executive Assistant to the Deputy Secretary of Tourism
- **Paige Cognetti**, Mayor, City of Scranton
- **Kelly Radcliffe**

Committee Meetings

- (H) Republican Policy – 1:00PM
- Public hearing on Keeping Pennsylvania Moving:
Addressing the Rising Cost of Energy



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