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PAVING THE WAY

PennDOT and the Pennsylvania Department of Education announced an \$11.8 million investment to expand career and technical education opportunities tied to transportation and infrastructure careers. The funding will support programs designed to strengthen Pennsylvania's future workforce and help address ongoing labor shortages in skilled trades and related fields. The initiative reflects the Commonwealth's continued focus on workforce development and creating career pathways for PA students.

FLOW STATE

The Shapiro Administration has approved \$190.3 million through PENNVEST for 24 water infrastructure projects across 19 counties, supporting lead line replacements, PFAS treatment, wastewater improvements, and other upgrades aimed at improving water quality and modernizing aging infrastructure. The investment builds on the more than \$4.9 billion in PENNVEST funding directed toward water projects already.

TASTE OF PARIS

If you're a Pittsburgh Steelers fan hoping to soak up the team's Paris matchup against the New Orleans Saints this Sunday, you can save the airfare. Pittsburgh-area businesses are hosting French-themed watch parties complete with croissants, mimes, Eiffel Tower photo ops, and plenty of black-and-gold spirit as the Steelers take the field overseas. Among them is a free watch party at Bakery Square, where fans can enjoy Steelers-French trivia, themed photo opportunities, and complimentary pastries.

TRANSFER PORTAL

Philadelphia's iconic Portal, the livestream attraction connecting the city with communities around the world, is set to leave its home at City Hall on October 31. Organizers say the city cannot extend the permit and are now searching for a new host site in Philadelphia, which remains their preferred outcome. The installation is currently the only Portal in North America and has been a fixture in Center City since 2024. If a local partner and funding source cannot be secured, the attraction could ultimately relocate to another city.

GLOW WITH THE FLOW

The Enola Low Grade Rail Trail in Manor Township will host its annual Midnight Ride tonight from 6:30 to 9 p.m. The free event will begin at the River Road parking area in Washington Boro, where cyclists can hear brief opening remarks before setting off along the trail. Participants can ride at their own pace and travel as far as they wish. The event is open to the public, requires no registration and aims to bring the community together while highlighting local outdoor recreation opportunities. Cyclists are encouraged to bring bike lights and wear reflective clothing for visibility during the nighttime ride.



Happy Birthday

Today:

- State Representative **Gina Curry**
- Former U.S. Congressman **Fred Keller**
- Former State Representative **William F. Adolph, Jr.**
- **Keara Weltmer**, District Office Manager, Office of Representative Kerwin

Saturday:

- State Representative **Steven C. Mentzer**
- **Krystjan K. Callahan**, President, K. Callahan and Associates
- **Jennifer Cloonan**, Director of Community Affairs, Cypress Creek Energy
- **David Thomas**, President, DT Firm
- **Ausha Green**, Harrisburg City Councilmember

Sunday:

- State Senator **Wayne Langerholc, Jr.**
- **Michael Carroll**, Secretary, Pennsylvania Department of Transportation
- **Mike Wilson**, President/CEO, Members 1st
- **Tracy Lawless**, Government Affairs Counselor, K & L Gates



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