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Session Status

At 12:17 p.m. on Wednesday, June 27, 2018 the Senate met briefly in non-voting session and now stands in recess until the call of the President Pro Tempore. The Senate is not expected to reconvene until September 24.

At 3:37 p.m. on Monday, June 25, 2018 the House stands in recess until the call of the Chair. The House is not expected to reconvene until September 12.

Upcoming Session Days

House

September 12, 13, 24, 25, 26
 October 1 (NV), 2 (NV), 9, 10, 15, 16, 17
 November 13

Senate

September 24, 25, 26
 October 1, 2, 3, 15, 16, 17
 November 14

WEEKLY TRANSPORTATION RECAP

Around the Rotunda

No press conferences this week

Committee News

No committee news this week

Bullet.in.Points

[PDI: PENNSYLVANIA COMPENSATION RATING BUREAU: RULE FILING FOR RATE AND RULE MANUAL REVISIONS: COAL HAULING](#)

The Insurance Department received from the Pennsylvania Compensation Rating Bureau a filing that proposes revisions to the Bureau's underwriting guide for classification code 810—Coal Trucking and classification code 811—Trucking, N.O.C. Currently, truck delivery of unprepared coal is assigned to classification code 810 and truck delivery of prepared coal is assigned to classification code 811. This filing proposes to combine all coal hauling under classification code 810. The currently approved bureau loss costs for classification codes 810 and 811 are \$3.77 and \$6.44, respectively. The revised classification code 810 will continue to utilize code 0162 to designate the nonratable premium for coverage under the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977. The filing is available for review on the bureau's website at www.pcrb.com in the "Filings" section. Interested parties are invited to submit written comments, suggestions or objections to Dennis J. Sloand, Insurance Department, Insurance Product Regulation, 1311 Strawberry Square, Harrisburg, PA 17120, desloand@pa.gov within 30 days after publication of this notice in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

Cosponsor Memos

HCO3642	Comitta, Carolyn (F)(D)	Prohibits individuals from carrying loaded firearms in their vehicles.
HCO3650	Kaufer, Aaron(R)	Makes the builder, or puller of the building permit, responsible for 20% of the infrastructure improvement, while the remaining 80% will be taken care of by PennDOT.
HCO3655	Owlett, Clint (F)(R)	Designates the bridge located on Pennsylvania Route 14 in Troy Borough, Bradford County, and runs over Fall Brook as the Troy Area Veterans Memorial Bridge.
SCO1566	Hughes, Vincent(D)	Makes it clear that no loaded firearm shall be carried in a vehicle.





Bill Actions

[HB 2596](#) [Sankey, Thomas\(R\)](#)

(PN 3908) Act designating a bridge on that portion of Peg Run Road, PA Route 240, over the West Branch of the Susquehanna River, Susquehanna Township, Cambria County, as the United States Army Sergeant Scott O. Henry Memorial Bridge. Effective in 60 days.

Bill History:

08-10-18 H Filed
08-13-18 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Transportation

[SB 1223](#) [Vulakovich, Randy\(R\)](#)

(PN 1953) Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in powers of department and local authorities, further providing for specific powers of department and local authorities; and, in enforcement, further providing for prosecutions under local ordinances superseded by title and for admissibility of department of records. The bill includes the power, in cities of the second class (Pittsburgh), to regulate or prohibit the display of an obscured registration plate on a parked motor vehicle. Also provides for issuing tickets by mail and to issue tickets for obstructed license plates. Effective in 60 days.

Bill History:

08-13-18 S Filed
08-13-18 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Transportation

Upcoming Events

House Transportation

August 20, 2018 - 1:30 p.m., Senator John Heinz History Center, 1212 Smallman Street, Pittsburgh
Informational meeting on Allegheny County Port Authority Busway Extension

House Transportation

August 21, 2018 - 9:00 a.m., Duquesne Club, 325 6th Avenue, Pittsburgh
Informational meeting on Briefing on Norfolk Southern Projects

PA Turnpike Commission

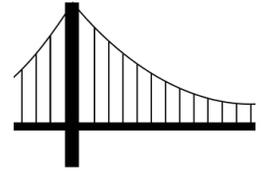
August 21, 2018 - 10:00 a.m. Turnpike Admin. Bldg, Large Board Room, 700 S. Eisenhower Blvd., 3rd Fl., Middletown
Commission Meeting. For additional information: (717) 831-7333

House Transportation

August 21, 2018 - 10:30 a.m., Duquesne Club, 325 6th Avenue, Pittsburgh
Informational meeting on Port of Pittsburgh Commission Briefing

House Transportation

August 22, 2018 - 10:00 a.m., Bedford County Airport, 697 Beldon Rd., Bedford
Informational meeting on Drones



PA Public Utility Commission

August 23, 2018 - 10:00 a.m. Commonwealth Keystone Building, Hearing Room 1, 400 North St., Harrisburg
Public Meeting. For additional information: (717) 783-1740

Southeastern Pennsylvania Transit Authority (SEPTA) Board

August 23, 2018 - 3:00 p.m. SEPTA Headquarters, 1234 Market Street, Mezzanine Level, Philadelphia
Board Meeting. For additional information: (215) 580-7800

Department of Transportation

August 29, 2018 - 12:30 p.m. Turnpike Commission, Executive Board Room, 700 Eisenhower Boulevard, Middletown
Motor Carrier Safety Advisory Committee Meeting. For additional information: (717) 787-8645

Independent Regulatory Review Commission

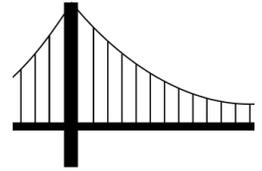
September 13, 2018 - 10:00 a.m., 14th Fl. Conf. Rm., 333 Market St., Harrisburg
To consider the following regulations: Reg. No. 3155 Department of Transportation #18-469; Hazardous Material Transportation

In the News

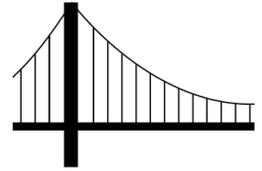
- 08-16-2018 [State Transportation Commission Adopts Updated 12-Year Transportation Program](#)
(Press Release)
- 08-16-2018 [Mayor Kenney becoming a national embarrassment](#)
During the past weekend or so, I've been thinking of Philadelphia's experience with the A&E cable show [ITALIC]Parking Wars[ITALIC]. The show followed Philadelphia Parking Authority workers ticketing, booting, and towing cars in relentless style. Meryl Levitz, president of the Greater Philadelphia Tourism Marketing... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)
- 08-16-2018 [North East railway museum acquires Erie-built locomotive](#)
NORTH EAST — There's a new 320,000-pound exhibit at the Lake Shore Railway Historical Society. The museum recently took possession of a General Electric U36B locomotive, built at GE Transportation in Lawrence Park Township in 1970. "It was a joint donation transfer from CSX and the firefighter training... - [Erie Times-News](#)
- 08-16-2018 [Bridge linking Pittston and West Pittston to close for lighting work](#)
The Firefighters' Memorial Bridge on Water Street, which links Pittston and West Pittston, is expected to be closed Aug. 21 and 22 for lighting upgrades, Luzerne County Manager C. David Pedri announced Wednesday. County council recently approved an agreement authorizing PPL Corp. to... - [Wilkes-Barre Times Leader](#)
- 08-16-2018 [Wolf, PennDOT give update on road-fixing blitz](#)
WILKES-BARRE — PennDOT is moving ahead with accelerated repaving contracts after applying more than 109,000 tons of patching material and improving more than 1,000 miles of roadway through July to deal with the widespread outbreak of potholes after a long and destructive winter season.... - [Wilkes-Barre Times Leader](#)



- 08-16-2018 [**WBS airport to expand Pittsburgh service with weekend flights by new carrier**](#)
PITTSTON TWP. — Southern Airways Express, described as a fast-growing regional carrier that operates daily flights to seven Pennsylvania cities, was introduced Wednesday as the new carrier for air service between Wilkes-Barre/Scranton International Airport and Pittsburgh.... - [*Wilkes-Barre Times Leader*](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**Members of public, officials address safety concerns related to Interstate 81 bridge rehab projects**](#)
SCRANTON — Public officials and private citizens expressed safety concerns Wednesday night over a planned bridge and roadway rehabilitation project on Interstate 81. More than 20 people gathered inside city council chambers to hear from state Department of Transportation officials on plans to rehabilitate nine... - [*Scranton Times*](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**Bucks, NJ reps see hope for 9/11 bill in legislative rule changes**](#)
Lower Makefield's Ellen Saracini has fought in Congress for additional barriers to aircraft cockpits since 2013. It's not controversial. It's got 86 co-sponsors. And it's never seen the House floor. Long championed by 9/11 widow Ellen Saracini, bipartisan House Resolution... - [*Levittown Bucks County Courier Times*](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**McSherrystown traffic concerns predate Eisenhower Extension project**](#)
The Eisenhower Extension project has a long history that dates back more than 20 years. The current proposal is the construction of a limited access road in Conewago Township that would redirect traffic away from Route 116 and McSherrystown. The traffic through McSherrystown was identified as a problem in the late... - [*Hanover Evening Sun*](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**West York got nearly \\$1M from state over 10 years, spent \\$90K**](#)
Story Highlights Council member Richie Stahle since March has talked about organizing a public meeting to discuss borough traffic projects. West York has received nearly \$1 million in state Liquid Fuels funds over 10 years but has spent only about \$90,000 of that money, according to the... - [*York Dispatch*](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**Flood recovery continues as parts of Gilberton remain underwater**](#)
PORT CARBON — Borough residents said they are thankful for the support from the community, even from people who don't even live in Schuylkill County, as they recover from flooding this week. On Wednesday, the Greater Berks Food Bank donated a 5,000-pound shipment of... - [*Pottsville Republican and Evening Herald*](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**Fallen tree causes traffic headaches for Route 422 drivers**](#)
WEST POTTS GROVE >> A fallen tree created some traffic headaches for drivers on a stretch of Route 422 already known for backups thanks to ongoing construction work. A large tree fell Wednesday afternoon blocking the eastbound lane of Route 422 and part of the westbound side. Eastbound traffic was at a standstill... - [*Pottstown Mercury*](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**Residents hit hard by flood still recovering, seeking aid**](#)
Flash floods have done damage to homes in the region, with several residents pumping out basements today as groundwater tables are slow to drop. Officials also are providing disaster relief assistance in various places. Up to 10 residences pumped water out of basements south of Route 220 bridge... - [*Williamsport Sun-Gazette*](#)



- 08-16-2018 [**Land purchased for Conemaugh Health System's Ebensburg outpatient center**](#)
EBENSBURG – Work will begin this fall on a long-awaited Conemaugh Health System outpatient center in Ebensburg. The health system, through its parent company, Duke LifePoint Healthcare, has purchased just over five acres of property near the intersection of routes 22 and 219 in Cambria Township.... - [*Johnstown Tribune-Democrat*](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**Crane collapse closes Route 15**](#)
WINFIELD — A construction crane carrying a steel beam collapsed onto Route 15 near County Line Road in Union Township on Tuesday night, spilling fuel and hydraulic fluid onto the ground and creating a traffic nightmare in the Valley through the weekend. No one was injured.... - [*Sunbury Daily Item*](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**Accident worsens traffic in already congested Valley**](#)
Many of the drivers heading north on Route 15, which has been closed due to a crane collapse at the thruway construction site, are taking a detour that will divert them into Sunbury, on Front Street, and into Northumberland Borough. PennDOT does not know what caused the accident at the Union Township site,... - [*Sunbury Daily Item*](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**ACROSS THE VALLEY: Diesel, motor oil to be cleaned up today along I-80**](#)
A contractor is scheduled to clean up hazardous waste today along Interstate 80 eastbound at Mile 215 (Limestoneville Exit) in Northumberland County, the state Department of Transportation announced. Traffic will be reduced to a single lane during daylight hours so diesel... - [*Sunbury Daily Item*](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**Route 15 likely closed into weekend**](#)
WINFIELD — Widespread traffic congestion was expected into a busy weekend after a Central Susquehanna Valley Transportation (CSVTV) project crane collapsed Tuesday night. The crane, and large steel beam, fell over and onto the right of way of Route 15. Though no injuries were reported, fuel was reportedly spilled... - [*Milton Standard*](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**Conewago Township grapples with impact of Eisenhower Extension**](#)
Nick McDaniel, owner of Nick's Garage in Conewago Township, had plans to expand his business. But with the possibility that one of the proposed routes for the Eisenhower Extension could cut through the property, he has to reconsider. McDaniel planned to create a parking lot in the field next to his garage to... - [*Hanover Evening Sun*](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**No definite plan for closing block of Culp Street, Gettysburg officials say**](#)
Opposed to the potential closing of a block of Culp Street, Colt Park residents submitted a petition bearing 83 signatures during the recent Gettysburg Borough Council meeting. The petition asks borough officials to “reject and dismiss any and all plans that require the permanent closure to automobile traffic of Culp... - [*Gettysburg Times*](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**DuBois OKs land development plans for Penn Highlands Healthcare facility**](#)
DuBOIS — Lot consolidation and land development plans for a Penn Highlands Healthcare facility received provisional approval Monday from the DuBois City Council. The city Planning Commission recommended approval for the Center of Excellence, which will be located off Prospect Street in the hospital's... - [*DuBois Courier-Express*](#)



- 08-16-2018 [**Federal grant to help with upgrades at Bradford Airport**](#)
SMETHPORT — U. S. Rep. Glenn "GT" Thompson, R-Pa., has announced a federal grant that will help Bradford Regional Airport make equipment upgrades and remove obstructions from the runway. The U.S. Department of Transportation awarded the \$186,423 grant to Bradford Regional Airport Authority for the safety initiatives.... - [Bradford Era](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**End of summer to bring DUI enforcement campaign**](#)
HARRISBURG — Officials with the U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration will join forces with law enforcement nationwide for the 2018 Labor Day "Drive Sober Or Get Pulled Over" high-visibility enforcement campaign. The campaign runs from Friday through Sept. 3 and coincides with the Labor... - [Bradford Era](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**Rezoning discussed in Antrim Township**](#)
A hearing on rezoning parts of Bemisderfer Road is on the agenda for Oct. 23. A change from highway commercial to community commercial is being requested for land from Route 16 to Frederick Drive. The lots have frontage on both Bemisderfer and Grindstone Hill roads, according to Sylvia House, zoning... - [Waynesboro Record Herald](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**Planning commission talks roundabouts and more at meeting**](#)
City Planners discussed the facade program, blighted property, and even roundabouts Wednesday morning. Commission member David Hildebrand told members of the City of Warren Planning Commission that the downtown facade program is moving forward. Members from the subcommittee – including two members of the planning... - [Warren Times Observer](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**Brine: A matter of public health?**](#)
Is the use of brine from oil and gas operations as a dust suppressant and de-icer on dirt roads a human health hazard? There hasn't been a vast amount of research done to outline the health effects. What it appears to come down to is this – should we be more concerned... - [Warren Times Observer](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**New measure encourages use of brine as non-waste**](#)
A redraft of the Oil and Gas Act put forth by State Senator Scott Hutchinson (R-21) would essentially re-define brine and require the Department of Environmental Protection to "encourage" its use. The measure, SB1088, was referred to the Environmental Resources and... - [Warren Times Observer](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**A Question for Tesla's Board: What Was Elon Musk's Mental State?**](#)
There's no question that Elon Musk is one of the great entrepreneurs of this era. He may even be in "a class of one," as he recently described Tesla, the revolutionary electric car company he founded. But Mr. Musk's tweet last week — expressing his intent to take... - [New York Times](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**New York law curbing Uber may spread — and return focus to congestion pricing**](#)
New York City's new law capping the number of ride-hailing vehicles and setting a minimum wage for drivers could mark the beginning of a new wave of governmental attempts to regulate ride-hailing services. The measure was passed amid growing concerns about traffic congestion, fair... - [Washington Post](#)



- 08-16-2018 [**How to prevent another rogue flight in a stolen plane**](#)
ON FRIDAY NIGHT, Seattle residents were greeted by a bizarre sight in the skies over Puget Sound. A 76-seat Bombardier plane performed stunts, flew erratically and, at one point, attempted a barrel roll, leading some observers to believe they were being treated to an impromptu air show. The... - [*Washington Post*](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**The Energy 202: Internal squabbling over Trump's fuel standards may boost lawsuits**](#)
A tiff between two key government agencies over how to justify one of President Trump's biggest reversals of his predecessor's climate policies may provide progressive litigators with leverage to bring the rollback to a skidding halt. At the beginning of August, the Environmental Protection Agency and the... - [*Washington Post*](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**California lawmakers divided over long waits at DMV offices**](#)
Long wait times at the Department of Motor Vehicles were the subject of continued controversy Wednesday at a Capitol hearing and at a campaign event where Republican gubernatorial candidate John Cox said the problem has been mishandled. The Assembly Budget Committee voted 15 to 10 Wednesday on a budget bill... - [*Los Angeles Times*](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**Odor diverts Philadelphia-bound flight to North Carolina**](#)
PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A Frontier Airlines jetliner has arrived in Philadelphia nine hours after an odor forced it to land in North Carolina... - [*AP*](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**Via Ford, Argo AI is the first self-driving firm in Pittsburgh to release a full safety report**](#)
By way of Ford, Strip District-based Argo AI is the first autonomous vehicles company in Pittsburgh to release a fully fledged safety report as suggested by the federal government nearly one year ago. On Thursday, Ford released its internal safety assessment about 11 months... - [*Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**Schnecksville Notary, offering PennDOT services, opens on Route 309**](#)
A new notary service is helping customers in Lehigh County. Schnecksville Notary, offering notarization of various official documents, opened in July at 4445 Route 309, across from Lehigh Carbon Community College. "We are also a full agent for PennDOT doing vehicle transfer, titles,... - [*Allentown Morning Call*](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**Taxpayers foot bill for Pennsylvania politician's car wrecks**](#)
PHILADELPHIA (AP) . State records show that a Pennsylvania state representative has had three car accidents in three years . with repairs and insurance claims covered by state taxpayers... - [*AP*](#)
- 08-16-2018 [**Allentown bypass: Residents aren't happy light-rail vehicles don't stop in their neighborhood**](#)
The irony of this situation isn't lost on Aaron Sukenik: As a result of last week's train derailment near Station Square, the Port Authority has shifted its light-rail vehicles for the next three or four weeks to the dormant line that runs through Pittsburgh's Allentown neighborhood, where... - [*Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*](#)



- 08-15-2018 [**Governor Wolf Tours Areas Affected by Severe Weather and Flooding in Bradford...**](#)
(Press Release)
- 08-15-2018 [**PHIA: PennDOT July Letting Results**](#)
(Press Release)
- 08-15-2018 [**Study: State should plan now for self-driving vehicles**](#)
Although self-driving vehicles may be years away, states should begin passing laws, preparing policies and developing educational programs as soon as possible to deal with them, a study released Wednesday recommended. The study, prepared by the Governors Highway Safety Association, said... - [*Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*](#)
- 08-15-2018 [**EMTA routes questioned, explained**](#)
Why is there limited bus service on some routes on weekends, and why there is no bus service on many holidays? Diana Neely has two good reasons to be concerned about how the Erie Metropolitan Transit Authority does business. Neely, 55, is a city of Erie resident who works as an intake screener at... - [*Erie Times-News*](#)
- 08-15-2018 [**Bedford Fulton authority to revamp abandoned road**](#)
BEDFORD — The Bedford County commissioners unanimously approved the creation of a joint authority to preserve and revamp an abandoned section of the Pennsylvania Turnpike. The Bedford Fulton Joint Recreation Authority will aim to fix two abandoned turnpike tunnels in Bedford and Fulton counties to create a recreational... - [*Altoona Mirror*](#)
- 08-15-2018 [**Monaca gets \\$3M grant for roads near cracker plant**](#)
MONACA – Gov. Tom Wolf was in Beaver County Tuesday to announce approval of a \$3 million grant for infrastructure work at the site of the ethane cracker plant Shell is building. “The Shell cracker plant represents a truly transformative project for this region, creating more than 600 new jobs. But with that growth comes... - [*Washington Observer-Reporter*](#)
- 08-15-2018 [**Monaca gets \\$3 million grant for traffic roundabout**](#)
MONACA — Gov. Tom Wolf understands how much Beaver County is going to change when Shell Chemicals’ ethane cracker plant comes online, which is why his administration awarded a \$3 million grant to help Monaca modernize Pennsylvania Avenue. Wolf, along with a handful of other local, county and state officials,... - [*Beaver County Times*](#)
- 08-15-2018 [**Rep. Stan Saylor says I-83/Mt. Rose project 'endangering people every day'**](#)
Story Highlights The I-83 Mount Rose Ave. reconstruction project could be heading toward litigation, Mike Keiser of PennDOT confirmed. The latest superintendent, assigned to the project a few months ago, was a positive move, Keiser said. State Rep. Stan Saylor wants to change the way Pennsylvania awards large... - [*York Dispatch*](#)
- 08-15-2018 [**Editorial: Marple debates future of the Don Guanella tract**](#)
First there was Cardinal Crossing. Now it’s the Town Center at Marple Preserve. It’s been the talk of Marple Township and the surrounding neighborhood now for several years. In fact, ever since the Archdiocese of Philadelphia decided to close the longtime home of the Don Guanella School for those... - [*Primos Delaware County Daily and Sunday Times*](#)



- 08-15-2018 [**Bloomsburg, Danville under flood warning**](#)
The Susquehanna River will continue to rise throughout the day Wednesday and Thursday, prompting the National Weather Service (NWS) in State College to issue a river flood warning for Danville and Bloomsburg. The weather service expects the river to crest at 22.3 feet in Danville by... - [*Sunbury Daily Item*](#)
- 08-15-2018 [**Buses, racists and bridging the Baltimore city-suburban divide**](#)
When urban historians tell the story of Baltimore in the years since the Freddie Gray uprising, they'll have at least three narrative lines to follow: how some institutions, Johns Hopkins University most prominently, doubled-down on their commitment to address the city's chronic problems... - [*Baltimore Sun*](#)
- 08-15-2018 [**Uber Picks N.S.A. Veteran to Fix Troubled Security Team**](#)
Last November, Uber's new chief executive, Dara Khosrowshahi, penned an apologetic note to riders and drivers explaining that hackers had obtained 57 million personal records from the ride-hailing company — and rather than disclosing the breach immediately, the company had paid the hackers... - [*New York Times*](#)
- 08-15-2018 [**Tesla forms special committee to consider going private**](#)
Tesla announced on Tuesday that the board of directors has created a three-person special committee to consider taking the all-electric car company private. Chief executive Elon Musk has not yet presented a formal proposal to go private, the company said, and the special committee has not come to a... - [*Washington Post*](#)
- 08-15-2018 [**Trains cause headaches for emergency responders in Meyersdale**](#)
The main discussion at the Meyersdale Borough Council meeting Tuesday centered on the ongoing issue of trains preventing traffic from crossing Meyers Avenue for prolonged periods of time. As a result, there's a delayed emergency response for people who live on the other side of the tracks.... - [*Somerset Daily*](#)
- 08-15-2018 [**Bridge construction could cause delays**](#)
LEWISTOWN — School officials expect that buses being rerouted due to construction on the Charles Street bridge could cause slight delays, especially in the afternoon. Nancy Craig, coordinator of transportation for Mifflin County School District, said delays for the first few days of school are expected to be... - [*Lewistown Sentinel*](#)
- 08-15-2018 [**Crane collapse on bridge job closes Route 15 near Winfield; detours are in place**](#)
WINFIELD -- A section of Route 15 south of Winfield area is closed after a crane lifting a steel girder in place on a bridge over the highway collapsed about 9:30 p.m. Tuesday. No one was injured in the collapse. What caused the collapse is unknown and is under investigation, the... - [*Penn Live, Patriot-News*](#)
- 08-15-2018 [**Southwest Changes Emotional Support And Service Animal Policies**](#)
DALLAS (CBS) – Southwest Airlines is making changes to its emotional support and trained service animal policies. Starting September 17, 2018, Southwest will only allow trained service dogs, cats, and miniature horses in its cabins. The airline will also accept fully trained psychiatric service animals as trained service... - [*KYW News Radio 1060*](#)



- 08-15-2018 [**Child hit by train in Fayette County**](#)
A westbound CSX train struck a child riding a bicycle on railroad tracks Wednesday in Dawson, Fayette County, according to a statement from CSX. A call came in at 9:35 a.m., according to Fayette County 911 dispatchers. Fayette EMS, Dawson Fire Department, CSX Railroad Police and State Police... - [*Pittsburgh Tribune-Review*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**PennDOT Launches Visit 511PA Webpage for Little League World Series Travelers**](#)
(Press Release)
- 08-14-2018 [**Rep. Vitali: REAL ID Frequently Asked Questions**](#)
(Press Release)
- 08-14-2018 [**Drenching rains flood highways, trap motorists**](#)
Torrential rainfall on Monday flooded roads and highways around the Philadelphia area, trapping dozens of motorists in high water and prompting officials to evacuate residents from homes where creeks had overrun their banks. An Upper Darby police officer was taken a hospital for treatment of... - [*Philadelphia Inquirer*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Atlantic City train shutdown feeds fears for the future**](#)
Amid lengthening lines of business travelers carrying briefcases and wheeling suitcases in 30th Street Station's concourse last week, two tanned, - [*Philadelphia Inquirer*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Harley dealers respond to Trump's support of boycotting company's motorcycles**](#)
Two major Harley-Davidson dealers in Western Pennsylvania expressed little concern Monday about President Trump supporting a boycott of the motorcycle company in a weekend Twitter post. Trump said in the post that many Harley owners "plan to boycott the company if manufacturing moves overseas."... - [*Pittsburgh Tribune-Review*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Big rig safety: Tougher penalties needed to get drivers' attention**](#)
Heavily loaded semi-tractor-trailer rigs that travel at 60, 70, or 80 mph are carrying tons of death-dealing energy, and when those drivers hurtle into a much tinier sedan, or SUV, or minivan, the damage imbalance is enormous. Too often we see innocent people in comparatively tiny sedans and SUVs... - [*Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Greene County to borrow \\$1.12 million for county bridge funding program**](#)
WAYNESBURG – Greene County commissioners plan to borrow more than \$1 million from the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Bank as part of a state funding program that will provide the county with \$3 million to rehabilitate county bridges. The commissioners in May approved participation in the programs under which... - [*Washington Observer-Reporter*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**CUP official: construction process caused garage collapse**](#)
As student of California University of Pennsylvania prepare to move in at the end of the month, there's one campus facility that won't be available for the new school year. For two years, the Vulcan Garage has been shuttered — forced to close after a partial collapse of the second deck left the newly built garage a... - [*Uniontown Herald-Standard*](#)



- 08-14-2018 [**Whitehall Township resists paying to maintain Race Street retaining wall**](#)
Whether or not Whitehall Township is on the hook for maintenance of a portion of a retaining wall along Race Street is far from a settled matter despite an order from the state, local officials say. A letter from the Governor's Office of General Counsel dated July 31... - [*Allentown Morning Call*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Southern Lehigh reroutes pickup/drop-off while Preston Lane is closed for construction**](#)
Parents in the Southern Lehigh School District who use Preston Lane to bring their children to and from school will be rerouted in September to use school entrances on Routes 378 and 309. The reason for the change is that Preston Lane will be closed because of... - [*Allentown Morning Call*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Gallitzin to spend \\$8K for pavement spreader**](#)
GALLITZIN — Gallitzin Borough Council members agreed last week to purchase a pavement spreader despite one official's admission that employees do not know how to operate it. The idea is to use the spreader to pave borough streets instead of hiring outside contractors to do the work, Councilman Phillip Mazzaresse said.... - [*Altoona Mirror*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Some residents say roadwork making flooding worse in Fleetwood**](#)
Several residents of East Arch Street in Fleetwood have complained about sewer backup and flooded basements in the wake of the recent heavy rain plaguing Berks County. Meeting with borough council on Monday night, the residents recounted the experience, and blamed the reconstruction of Arch Street for the flooding.... - [*Reading Eagle*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Flood waters show signs of receding after heavy rains in Lackawanna County**](#)
MOOSIC — The Lackawanna River, swollen from heavy rain, appears to have receded somewhat overnight. On North Third Street, at the bridge on the Moosic Side, assistant police chief Jim Holland had the road closed at 5:30 a.m. He pointed a flashlight down at the river, which was high enough to brush... - [*Scranton Times*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**CHRIS KELLY: After rainout, school board treads water**](#)
Despite our strong differences, Bob Lesh and I share at least one weakness — pressing the pedal through every puddle no matter how hard it's raining. Reached by cellphone as he drove home Monday, Lesh said his emergency meeting of the Scranton School Board was washed out by flooding. A... - [*Scranton Times*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Dunmore council OKs Schautz Memorial Stadium revival**](#)
DUNMORE — Borough council approved plans Monday for a sweeping renovation of Schautz Memorial Stadium. Once known as the gem of area fields, the stadium off Prescott Avenue was established in 1950 and over the decades hosted sporting events that sometimes attracted thousands of spectators.... - [*Scranton Times*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Heavy rain inundates communities throughout Schuylkill County**](#)
Continual heavy rain Sunday night through Monday morning fell upon Schuylkill County, causing severe flooding in several communities, forcing people from their homes, closing roads and stranding motorists. The historic flooding forced at least 60 evacuations in Schuylkill Haven... - [*Pottsville Republican and Evening Herald*](#)



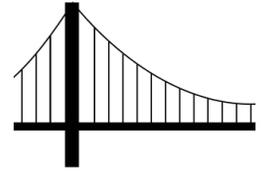
- 08-14-2018 [**Heavy rain causes flooding, road hazards**](#)
You can't get there from here. More heavy rainfall has caused flooding throughout Chester County and the Philadelphia region on Monday morning. Several roads were flooded, and some roads were impassable. By mid-morning, there had been 41 water rescues throughout the county... - [*West Chester Daily Local News*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Flash Floods: King of Prussia flooding closes 50 stores at Plaza; PA Turnpike temporarily shuts down at Valley Forge**](#)
UPPER MERION >> With heavy downpours resulting in flash flooding throughout the area, King of Prussia became ground zero for emergency crews responding to a rush of flooding and water rescue calls Monday morning. Amid recurring warnings of "turn around, don't drown," a flurry... - [*Norristown Times Herald*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Train derails in Windber, blocking streets**](#)
WINDBER – Crews were responding to a train derailment in the heart of the borough on Monday night. The derailment was reported shortly before 7:30 p.m. below Graham Avenue, Somerset County 911 officials said. Windber Fire Chief Bob Haddad said no injuries were reported.... - [*Johnstown Tribune-Democrat*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Roundabout debut planned**](#)
Sharon residents will soon be able to make their way around Dock Street without a detour. Plans are in the works for an official opening of the city's brand new roundabout Friday. Work on the roundabout is the final stage of a \$28.2 million project from Broadway Avenue at Council Street in... - [*Sharon Herald*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Pennsylvania ranks near bottom in state-by-state infrastructure comparison**](#)
HARRISBURG — A new state-by-state comparison of the quality of roads, bridges and dams nationwide finds that the condition of Pennsylvania's infrastructure is among the worst in the country. The review, by Wall Street 24/7, a finance-oriented website, concluded that... - [*Meadville Tribune*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Municipal dialogue will strengthen development efforts**](#)
Concrete piers rising from the ground, steel beams extending high across river waters and bulldozers blazing new trails across area hillsides should all be signals to area elected officials that it's time to ensure their commercial zoning affairs are in order.... - [*Sunbury Daily Item*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Dickinson College, borough work through parking issues**](#)
Dickinson College is working with borough officials to make sure the opening of a new residence hall at the corner of West High and Conway streets doesn't limit parking for its neighbors. Delores "Dee" Danser, Dickinson's chief of public safety, said the college had been working with residents of Conway Street even before... - [*Carlisle Sentinel*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Letterkenny is Pa.'s No. 2 military installation in economic impact**](#)
HARRISBURG -- Letterkenny Army Depot is Pennsylvania's No. 2 military installation when it comes to economic impact. A study commissioned by the Pennsylvania Military Community Enhancement Commission found that the state's 13 major military installations have... - [*Chambersburg Public Opinion*](#)



- 08-14-2018 [**Uber and Lyft Drivers Rush to Register Cars Ahead of City's New Cap**](#)
building in Queens on Monday, clutching umbrellas and paperwork. The frenzy was not driven by a buzzy new restaurant or a new Apple store. Instead the line led to an Uber office and was prompted by the City Council's recent decision to limit ride-hail apps by imposing a cap on new vehicle... - [New York Times](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Elon Musk's Tweets on Tesla Started a Tizzy. Someone Should Hit the Brakes.**](#)
Why do people say the craziest things on Twitter? What is it about social media that makes powerful, accomplished individuals say things that they later need to recant, walk back or at least explain? This isn't about President Trump (although it could be). It is about... - [New York Times](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Tesla Board Surprised by Elon Musk's Tweet on Taking Carmaker Private**](#)
An abrupt tweet last week by Elon Musk about the prospect of taking Tesla private was dashed off with little forethought, and had not been cleared ahead of time with the company's board, two people familiar with the chain of events said Monday. The account raised new questions about the cryptic Twitter post last week... - [New York Times](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Hahn Asks Borough Council to Consider Changes to Overnight Parking Permit Pilot Project**](#)
State College Mayor Don Hahn is asking borough council to consider several revisions to the pilot program approved in April to create a permit system for overnight parking in the Highlands neighborhood. In a letter to council, published Sunday on Hahn's blog, he asks council... - [State College News](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Public meeting set on vehicle fee**](#)
LOCK HAVEN — The Clinton County commissioners will hold a public meeting on the potential \$5 vehicle registration fee, the latest in a series of actions on the highly controversial proposal. Commissioners were poised to vote on implementing a \$5 fee to the registration of trucks, cars, motorcycles, trailers, RVs and campers in the... - [Lock Haven Express](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**When will you need it? Can you fly?**](#)
Have vacation plans? Want to bust out of the rain, heat and humidity that is Pennsylvania weather of late and head to cooler, drier climes? If Real ID was the law right now, less than 7 percent of commonwealth adults would be able to board a commercial flight to go anywhere in the... - [York Daily](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Unsafe Philly: Traffic deaths a rising concern in all neighborhoods, not just Center City | Editorial**](#)
Eleven people have died in traffic accidents on Philadelphia's Roosevelt Boulevard so far this year. But a plan that might have saved some of. - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Flight risk? Lawsuit over OneJet incentives highlights pitfalls in paying for airline service**](#)
The lawsuit seeking to reclaim more than two thirds of the \$1 million paid to a regional airline to fly from Pittsburgh International Airport highlights the perils of such subsidies. To aviation experts, such agreements carry risks — both to the airport extending them and to the airlines that accept them.... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)



- 08-14-2018 [**Light-rail service up and running again after switching problem shut down T**](#)
The Port Authority resumed service on the light-rail system at about 1:10 p.m. Tuesday, about an hour and 50 minutes after service was shut down because of a broken switch. Authority spokesman Adam Brandolph said riders can expect some delays inbound and outbound, but service should return to normal by the afternoon... - [*Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**State to spend \\$3 million on Monaca roads to accommodate Shell cracker plant**](#)
Pennsylvania will spend \$3 million on roads in Monaca to help accommodate increased traffic due to the Shell cracker plant, Gov. Tom Wolf's office announced Tuesday. The borough's deteriorating roads aren't designed for heavy industrial traffic and often become bottlenecked, according to a news... - [*Pittsburgh Tribune-Review*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**Authority OKs \\$2M in improvements at Unity, Rostraver airports**](#)
The Westmoreland County Airport Authority on Tuesday awarded contracts for about \$2 million in capital improvements at the Arnold Palmer Regional and Rostraver airports. More than \$1.3 million in work will be involved in installing a second passenger loading bridge at the Arnold Palmer airport terminal in Unity.... - [*Pittsburgh Tribune-Review*](#)
- 08-14-2018 [**EPA challenged rationale for administration mileage freeze**](#)
Internal documents show the Environmental Protection Agency privately questioned the Trump administration's finding that freezing Obama-era mileage standards would make drivers safer... - [*AP*](#)
- 08-13-2018 [**Gov. Wolf Provides Updates on Water Rescues, Road Closures from Flash Flooding**](#)
(Press Release)
- 08-13-2018 [**Delaware River Port Authority \(DRPA\) & PATCO August 15, 2018 Meeting Agenda**](#)
(Press Release)
- 08-13-2018 [**Gov. Wolf Provides Update on Weather-Related Flooding and Road Closures**](#)
(Press Release)
- 08-13-2018 [**Wolf Administration Provides Update on Statewide 'Resurface PA' Initiative**](#)
(Press Release)
- 08-13-2018 [**Kids soar at Northeast Philly helicopter camp**](#)
The idea of a summer camp as a place for archery or swimming seems pretty quaint as 13-year-old Iris Sanchez climbs into the cockpit of an AW139 helicopter and looks over the control panel of the roughly \$10-12 million bird. Iris and her fellow campers – Elvia Mejia and Hillary Wong, also 13... - [*Philadelphia Inquirer*](#)
- 08-13-2018 [**Interstate 81 headaches to return next year**](#)
DUNMORE — Local drivers enjoying the summer off from major Interstate 81 road construction might feel sentimental by next summer. Things will get back to normal then — in other words, plenty of I-81 construction around here. “It was a short vacation so enjoy it. It’s going to last (only) for... - [*Scranton Times*](#)



- 08-13-2018 [Scranton complies with state ruling, provides parking info to newspaper](#)
SCRANTON — The city complied with a state Office of Open Records order to provide information about the parking system to The Times-Tribune. In a Right to Know Law request filed in April, the newspaper sought from the city the annual operating and capital budgets and monthly expense... - [Scranton Times](#)
- 08-13-2018 [Bikers raise funds for animals](#)
DUNCANSVILLE — Rumbling under an overcast sky, dozens of motorcycles turned Saturday from a Duncansville area parking lot to embark on a 100-mile ride. And that journey wasn't without purpose. The riders were participating in the 18th annual Bikers for Barkers Charity Motorcycle Run — a... - [Altoona Mirror](#)
- 08-13-2018 [Developer plans to build homes near Thruway's Shamokin Dam interchange](#)
SHAMOKIN DAM — Valley developer Robert Grayston envisioned a bucolic setting for his family and a couple hundred others when he purchased nearly 200 acres in Shamokin Dam several years ago. Specifically, he bought the site off Baldwin Avenue and Sunbury Road to... - [Sunbury Daily Item](#)
- 08-13-2018 [Local airports offer vital services](#)
The Danville Airport Authority is working to attract more local residents and businesses to the airfield in Riverside. The nonprofit facility along Sunbury Road dates back to 1936, and is owned by Montour and Northumberland counties. The airport — just like the Penn Valley Airport near Selinsgrove and... - [Sunbury Daily Item](#)
- 08-13-2018 [Thruway route change could delay completion](#)
The need to alter the route of the southern portion of the Central Susquehanna Valley Transportation project to avoid fly ash waste basins might delay its completion. The \$670 million bypass project had been scheduled for completion in 2022, but Pennsylvania Department of Transportation officials are now evaluating... - [Sunbury Daily Item](#)
- 08-13-2018 [Commercial growth expected around thruway interchanges](#)
The commercial potential surrounding the Central Susquehanna Valley Thruway's two northern interchanges depends on what side of the river you're on. East of the Susquehanna, Point Township Supervisor Randy Yoxheimer is making preliminary plans for future change and economic opportunities at... - [Sunbury Daily Item](#)
- 08-13-2018 [Mill Hall bridge dedicated in memory of fallen Navy SEAL](#)
MILL HALL — A large group of veterans, local officials, family and friends gathered Wednesday with State Rep. Mike Hanna to honor a fallen war hero, as Hanna dedicated a Mill Hall bridge in honor of U.S. Navy Special Warfare Operator Chief Petty Officer David M. Collins.... - [Lock Haven Express](#)
- 08-13-2018 [LEGISLATIVE TALLY: Airport authority accepts art donation](#)
Locally elected and appointed officials voted on the following matters in the past week: Federal • Congress was out of session this past week. State • The state Legislature was out of session this past week. County • The Williamsport Municipal Airport Authority voted 4-1 to approve an... - [Williamsport Sun-Gazette](#)



- 08-13-2018 [**Clinton County tables vote on vehicle fee**](#)
LOCK HAVEN — Clinton County commissioners have tabled action on the hotly contested proposal of a countywide \$5 fee on motor vehicle registrations to be used for roads and bridges after hearing from the public. Residents attending this week's meeting complained of a lack of... - [Williamsport Sun-Gazette](#)
- 08-13-2018 [**Flash flood warning in Philadelphia**](#)
PHILADELPHIA (KYW Newsradio) — The National Weather Service in Mount Holly, New Jersey, has issued a flash flood warning for Philadelphia County until 12:45 p.m. Thunderstorms are producing heavy rain across the area. Over two inches of rain have already fallen just west of Philadelphia. The storms will... - [KYW News Radio 1060](#)
- 08-13-2018 [**You can weigh in with your vote on who should be the voice of SEPTA?**](#)
Since much ado has been made about Seth Rogan lending his voice to the public transit system in his hometown of Vancouver, British Columbia, SEPTA wants to jump on the bandwagon. But no mere Canadian will do to be the voice of southeastern Pennsylvania (and parts of Delaware) public transit. No, SEPTA is looking for a... - [Wilmington News Journal](#)
- 08-13-2018 [**State to spend \\$45M to upgrade interstate guardrails over three years**](#)
The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation is taking a proactive — and costly — approach to meeting new federal guidelines for guardrail design across the country. Next year, the state will begin a three-year process to replace the ends of all guardrails on interstate highways with an “end terminal” that... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)
- 08-13-2018 [**Airport authority sues OneJet for only serving 2 cities with \\$1M incentive**](#)
Allegheny County Airport Authority sued startup airline OneJet for only flying to two cities instead of the 10 it promised when it received a \$1 million incentive to operate out of Pittsburgh International Airport. The lawsuit, filed Friday in the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County,... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 08-13-2018 [**Elon Musk Says Meetings With Saudis Preceded Tweet on Taking Tesla Private**](#)
Elon Musk, Tesla's chief executive, said on Monday that he had held meetings with representatives of a Saudi sovereign wealth fund who expressed an eagerness to help him take the electric-car maker private. Writing in a post on Tesla's corporate blog, Mr. Musk offered his... - [New York Times](#)
- 08-13-2018 [**Derailed train was carrying low-level radioactive soils**](#)
Officials say a freight train that derailed along a stretch of the Delaware River separating New York and Pennsylvania included railcars carrying low-level radioactive soils but none of those cars wound up in the water... - [AP](#)
- 08-13-2018 [**Drenching rains close roads, prompt rescues in Pennsylvania**](#)
Overnight rains triggered flash flooding in parts of central and eastern Pennsylvania on Monday, closing down a heavily traveled interstate and sending water into homes in the mountainous coal regions... - [AP](#)



- 08-13-2018 [**Drenching rains flood Schuylkill Expressway, King of Prussia Mall and parts of Schuylkill County \[video\]**](#)
Overnight rains triggered flash flooding in parts of central and eastern Pennsylvania on Monday, closing down a heavily traveled interstate and sending water into homes in the mountainous coal regions... - [AP](#)
- 08-13-2018 [**Port Authority's Station Square station will be closed another 3-4 weeks**](#)
Port Authority announced Monday it expects its Station Square station to be closed three to four more weeks as a result of damage from a Norfolk Southern train derailment Aug. 5. The authority said in a news release it has assembled a team of two consultants and four contractors to repair tracks and overhead electrical... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)
- 08-13-2018 [**52,247 potholes filled and counting in Philadelphia this year | Opinion**](#)
Philadelphians, we hear you. All of your tweets, calls, emails, and 311 requests about potholes have not gone unanswered. In fact, we are on track to fill 18,000 more potholes this year than last year. Our current tally is more than 52,247 potholes filled, and that is without... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)
- 08-13-2018 [**Parts of Schuylkill County being evacuated due to flooding**](#)
Residents of low-lying areas of Schuylkill County were being evacuated this morning as the area deals with more flooding. The borough of Pine Grove has opened a shelter at Pine Grove High School with the help of the American Red Cross. The borough also declared a state... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)
- 08-13-2018 [**Sinkholes, sinkholes everywhere. What can we do?**](#)
Sinkholes are a recurring problem in central Pennsylvania, not just at the Tanger Outlets complex in Lancaster County where an enormous one is steadily swallowing the parking lot. We are blessed, or cursed, with the kind of bedrock, mostly limestone, which is more or less a perfect nursery for sinkholes both large and small,... - [Penn Live, Patriot-News](#)
- 08-13-2018 [**Barring disruption, gas prices could fall further as summer comes to a close**](#)
The price of gas hasn't changed much in Pittsburgh in the past week, but relief may be on the way as summer comes to a close, according to Patrick DeHaan, head of petroleum analysis for GasBuddy. "Yet again, average gas prices have remained fairly quiet. This summer... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 08-13-2018 [**Port Authority expects Pittsburgh light-rail stop to reopen in 3-4 weeks**](#)
The Port Authority of Allegheny County has hired a team of consultants and contractors for repairs to light rail tracks and equipment damaged eight days ago during a Norfolk Southern train derailment on Pittsburgh's South Side. A Port Authority official said the T stop at Station Square, which has been... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 08-13-2018 [**Report: Pittsburgh could get nonstop flight to Dublin**](#)
Pittsburgh could soon get a nonstop flight to Dublin, according to The Irish Times. Dublin-based carrier Aer Lingus is considering a flight between Dublin and Pittsburgh, the newspaper reported, citing unnamed sources. On Monday, an Aer Lingus spokeswoman said the airline would announce the... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)



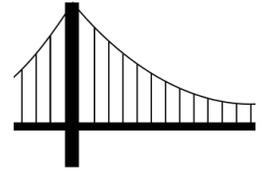
- 08-12-2018 [**Protesters should pay dearly for blocking streets**](#)
Any protester who is blocking a street anywhere in the United States should be arrested. The minimum fine should be \$1,000 and up to \$5,000 and 90 days in jail. If restitution is not made and the protester has a valid driver's license, a motor vehicle license and a plate, these should be terminated.... - [*Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*](#)
- 08-12-2018 [**Brown's patriotic plan: Congress should pass incentives to buy U.S. cars**](#)
U.S. Sen. Sherrod Brown, D-Ohio, has come up with a solid proposal to support the U.S. auto industry. Mr. Brown's bill, the "American Cars, American Jobs Act," has two components: First, it would provide a \$3,500-per-car reimbursement to the buyers of American-made cars. Second, it would revoke a tax cut on... - [*Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*](#)
- 08-12-2018 [**OneJet subject of lawsuit claiming it owes the region more flights**](#)
OneJet, a business-oriented regional airline that flies from Pittsburgh International Airport, is facing a lawsuit for not delivering on the routes it promised under a 2016 agreement. In a complaint filed Friday, the Allegheny County Airport Authority claims... - [*Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*](#)
- 08-12-2018 [**On Philly's North Broad Street, traffic of the good kind**](#)
Ah, the sweet sound of no cars and buses. Philly Free Streets returned for a third year, this time with North Broad Street playing host to all those who wanted to walk, run, or bike in the middle of the city's spine, without fear of being taken out by something powered by a motor. Alas, such carefree living — inspired by... - [*Philadelphia Inquirer*](#)
- 08-12-2018 [**At a Philly transit hub, a stabbing highlights the dangers faced by city homeless**](#)
This week, for the second time in a year, a person in a Philadelphia transit station after hours died an unnatural death. A man in his 30s, possibly homeless, was fatally stabbed in Jefferson Station before dawn Thursday. In November, a teenage runaway was burned to... - [*Philadelphia Inquirer*](#)
- 08-12-2018 [**Montco commissioners approve countywide plan to boost bike infrastructure**](#)
The Montgomery County commissioners this week unanimously approved a plan to create 800 miles of "bike infrastructure" in the county. Bike Montco, a project steeped in data and analysis, was unveiled in late June by members of the county Planning Commission.... - [*Philadelphia Inquirer*](#)
- 08-12-2018 [**Authorities probe how airline employee could steal plane**](#)
Investigators are piecing together how an airline ground agent stole an empty commercial airplane, took off from Sea-Tac International Airport and crashed into a small island in the Puget Sound after being chased by military jets that were quickly scrambled to intercept the aircraft... - [*AP*](#)
- 08-12-2018 [**School bus overturns on turnpike, 36 people hurt**](#)
Officials say a school bus taking families home from a picnic crashed on the New Jersey Turnpike, sending dozens of people to the hospital with non-life-threatening injuries... - [*AP*](#)



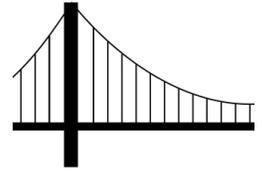
- 08-12-2018 [**Pittsburgh derailment put spotlight on train safety**](#)
The derailment at Station Square in Pittsburgh was more severe than most train accidents, but it isn't particularly unusual for trains to jump the tracks. There are, on average, 226 "accidents or incidents" involving a freight train in Pennsylvania every year, including about 41 derailments,... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 08-12-2018 [**Port Authority tweets inject a little humor into derailment frustrations**](#)
It hasn't been the best week for Port Authority. On Sunday, a Norfolk Southern train carrying containers full of Listerine, cat and dog food, diapers, office furniture and more derailed above the Station Square T stop. Light service between Downtown and the South Hills was snarled for most of... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 08-12-2018 [**Have you noticed the backward storm grate near the Fort Pitt Tunnel entrance?**](#)
Anal-retentive Pittsburghers united against a backward storm drain near the entrance to the Fort Pitt Tunnel inbound appear to have PennDOT's attention. A Change.org petition simply asked that someone flip the grate of a storm drain that appears to be out of place in the left lane.... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 08-12-2018 [**Our view: EMTA stance harmful, tone-deaf**](#)
This was the moment when the Erie School District, the worst of its financial crisis behind it, was supposed to pivot to core tasks identified with broad-based community input, especially strengthening academics. Instead, leaders have been forced to squander time and energy to resolve an... - [Erie Times-News](#)
- 08-12-2018 [**EMTA drops demand for aides on Erie student buses**](#)
'Based on the information I have available to me right now, we're going to back off of that position because of insurance issues,' transit authority's chief says. In another reversal in its tense dealings with the Erie School District, the Erie Metropolitan Transit Authority has dropped its contract demand... - [Erie Times-News](#)
- 08-12-2018 [**Erie gas prices among state's highest**](#)
Pennsylvania's gasoline tax, the highest in the nation, is a big reason why our gas prices are well above the national average of \$2.86 a gallon. If you've traveled far from home in recent months, you might have noticed that Erie's gas prices are some of the highest in the country.... - [Erie Times-News](#)
- 08-12-2018 [**5th straight EMTA fare increase kicks in Oct. 1**](#)
The final annual fare increase in the Erie Metropolitan Transportation Authority's five-year plan will go into effect Oct. 1. Cash fares will increase 10 cents to \$1.65, a 31-day pass will increase \$3 to \$52, and a 20-ride pass will increase \$2 to \$28, among other increases,... - [Erie Times-News](#)
- 08-12-2018 [**Flash flooding closes roads, wreaks havoc around Lehigh Valley: 'landslide' on Pa. Turnpike**](#)
Across the Lehigh Valley, high water turned a leisurely Saturday afternoon into a slog. A strong thunderstorm apparently was the culprit, drenching the Quakertown and Southern Lehigh areas in particular as it rumbled across the region. A landslide closed a portion of the Pennsylvania Turnpike's Northeast... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)



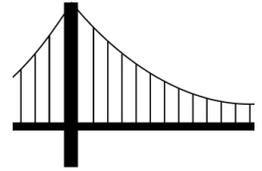
- 08-12-2018 [**Rains help carry diesel spill from train derailment down Delaware River**](#)
"High river flows" have dispersed a spill of up to 4,000 gallons of diesel fuel, resulting from a train derailment on the West Branch of the Upper Delaware River in New York State, according to National Park Service officials. The 63-car train headed from New Jersey to Binghamton derailed about 2 a.m.... - [*Easton Express-Times*](#)
- 08-12-2018 [**Sinkhole at Lancaster outlet mall parking lot is growing: Report**](#)
The sinkhole in the parking lot of the Tanger Outlets in East Lampeter Township, Lancaster County appears to be getting larger, according to a report from WGAL. Pictures posted on the station's Facebook page show the collapsed area of the parking lot was still expanding on Saturday evening.... - [*Penn Live, Patriot-News*](#)
- 08-12-2018 [**NJT saves its worst for South Jersey riders | Editorial**](#)
NJTransit, the subject of hundreds of "mean tweets" by commuters in recent days, backed itself into a corner when it kept pursuing extensions for installing federally mandated Positive Train Control (PTC). As much as riders complain about delays this work entails, we urge federal... - [*Trenton Times*](#)
- 08-12-2018 [**What's the Right Number of Taxis \(or Uber or Lyft Cars\) in a City?**](#)
When Uber and Lyft first entered the market, offering a ride-hailing service that would come to include tens of thousands of amateur drivers, most major American cities had been tightly controlling the competition. New York City allowed exactly 13,637 licenses for taxicabs. Chicago... - [*New York Times*](#)
- 08-12-2018 [**Uber and the False Hopes of the Sharing Economy**](#)
Not long ago arrived word of a new start-up, Wonderschool, which as its website explains, is a "network of boutique, in-home early childhood programs" — the Airbnb or Rover of preschool. Already established in San Francisco, Los Angeles and New York, with significant capital behind... - [*New York Times*](#)
- 08-12-2018 [**Richard Russell, Who Stole Plane Near Seattle, Raises Troubling Security Questions**](#)
The story is as bizarre as it is tragic: An airline worker who had no business being in a cockpit somehow took off from a major airport in a turboprop passenger plane, dipped and soared in the skies above the Seattle area, and then crashed into an island on Puget Sound.... - [*New York Times*](#)
- 08-10-2018 [**Port Authority finds 'extensive damage' to its tracks after Norfolk Southern derailment**](#)
Port Authority engineers found what officials feared Thursday when they were able to inspect the track on the light-rail system at Station Square: "extensive damage" to about 1,600 feet of track, some rails lifted out of place and some mangled like to look like pretzels as a result of... - [*Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*](#)
- 08-10-2018 [**Uniontown City Council approves two-way traffic on East Church Street**](#)
UNIONTOWN — City council authorized allowing two-way automobile traffic at the intersection of East Church Street and East Main Street, which will allow access to East Main Street from East Church Street. Thank you for Reading! Please log in, or sign up for a new account and purchase a subscription to... - [*Uniontown Herald-Standard*](#)



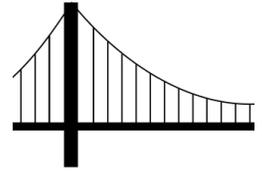
- 08-10-2018 [**Hyndman solution overdue**](#)
Most communities victimized by some troubling or terrible event aren't prevented from moving forward and putting what occurred behind them relatively quickly. But the southern Bedford County community of Hyndman, which was the scene of a derailment involving 33 cars of a 178-car train on Aug. 2, 2017, can... - [*Altoona Mirror*](#)
- 08-10-2018 [**Berks commissioners talk about updating the county elections system**](#)
The Berks County commissioners on Thursday looked at possible changes coming to the county and state voting system as well as reported errors on the state's voter rolls. Commissioner Chairman Christian Y. Leinbach said that among the information he gathered at the County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania's... - [*Reading Eagle*](#)
- 08-10-2018 [**Geigertown sewer project will require detours**](#)
The Geigertown Area Joint Authority has seen a proposed schedule of sewer line work and detours that will be necessary during the closure of Haycreek Road. The work is part of the ongoing \$6 million sewer project undertaken by the authority, which was created by Union and Robeson townships to address... - [*Reading Eagle*](#)
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- 08-10-2018 [**PennDOT unveils plan to upgrade guardrails, end treatments**](#)
Upgrades are planned for guardrails across the estimated 40,000-mile state-maintained highway network. Pennsylvania Department of Transportation officials on Thursday announced a new long-range plan to upgrade guardrail and guardrail end treatments to comply with changing federal standards.... - [*Erie Times-News*](#)
- 08-10-2018 [**Parking kiosks, payment app in place in Erie**](#)
Officials announced the start of new payment options on Thursday New ways of paying for parking have launched in Erie. Erie Mayor Joe Schember and officials with the Erie Parking Authority and the local developers of meterEZ announced during Schember's weekly news... - [*Erie Times-News*](#)
- 08-10-2018 [**Roundabout provides welcome relief to Route 222 congestion**](#)
Roundabout provides welcome relief to Route 222 congestion A traffic circle replaced stoplights at routes 222 and 662 in Richmond Township, Berks County in May. A traffic circle replaced stoplights at routes 222 and 662 in Richmond Township, Berks County in May.... - [*Allentown Morning Call*](#)
- 08-10-2018 [**Maintenance makes bulk of Upper Southampton authority projects**](#)
Ratepayers won't see any changes to their bills this year as the Upper Southampton Municipal Authority plans multiple maintenance projects through 2022. Upper Southampton Municipal Authority officials expect rates to hold steady this fiscal year while planning numerous maintenance projects through 2022.... - [*Levittown Bucks County Courier Times*](#)



- 08-10-2018 [**Major travel changes near Scudder Falls Bridge start Monday**](#)
Ramp closures, temporary ramps and new traffic signals at the Taylorsville Road interchange will be installed over 36 hours beginning Monday in Lower Makefield. Road crews will spend 36 hours setting a new traffic pattern on I-295 westbound at the Taylorsville Road interchange beginning Monday morning as... - [Levittown Bucks County Courier Times](#)
- 08-10-2018 [**I-83 Mount Rose project: What's in store, changes made**](#)
Elected officials met with Mike Keiser, the state Department of Transportation's district executive for south central Pennsylvania, on Thursday about the nearly two-year delay with the Interstate 83 Mount Rose Avenue project. The project, which was awarded to Cherry Hill Construction Inc. of Jessup,... - [York Daily](#)
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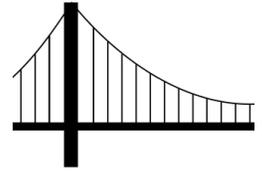
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