

PA Transportation Recap



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Co-Sponsor Memos

HCO1807	Dawkins, Jason	Requires the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation to waive the \$29.50 fee for an identification card for homeless, low-income, and disabled individuals.
HCO1808	Dawkins, Jason	Eliminates the identification card fee of \$29.50 for individuals surrendering their licenses.
HCO1824	Causer, Martin	Names the bridge that spans the Allegheny River leading to Avenue A in Coudersport, Potter County as the Commander Philip F. Jet Palmatier Jr. Memorial Bridge.
HCO1830	Bullock, Donna	Re-Designates the railroad station located at 2955 Market Street in Philadelphia, PA as the William H. Gray, III 30th Street Station.
HCO1838	DeLuca, Anthony	Amends Title 75 by adding talking on a cell phone while driving as a primary offense.
HCO1845	Hanna, Mike	Designates a bridge at the junction of State Route 150 and State Route 64 over Fishing Creek in Mill Hall Borough, Clinton County, as the U.S. Navy SOC David M. Collins Veterans Memorial Bridge.
HCO1855	Hanna, Mike	Requires all school vehicles, whether carrying passengers or not, to stop at railroad crossings.
HCO1857	Hanna, Mike	Amends Title 75 (Vehicles) to permit the operation of modified golf carts on certain trails.
SCO 797	Rafferty, John	Amends Title 15 (Corporations and Unincorporated Associations) regarding quick take condemnation relief in the event a public utility company pursues the power of eminent domain in a railroad's right-of-way.
SCO 798	Rafferty, John	Directs the Joint State Government Commission to study the consolidation of interstate operations of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) and the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission (Turnpike).

Bill Actions

HB 1079	Bizzarro, Ryan	Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in licensing of drivers, further providing for Medical Advisory Board.
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Bill History: 04-04-17 H Filed
04-07-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Transportation

HB 1084	Cruz, Angel	Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in general provisions, further
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providing for definitions; and, in other required equipment, providing for side underride protection systems.

Bill History: 04-04-17 H Filed
04-07-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Transportation

[HB 1096](#) [Cruz, Angel](#)

Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in powers of department & local authorities, providing for a pilot program to place speed humps in school zones.

Bill History: 04-05-17 H Filed
04-07-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Transportation

[HB 1119](#) [Sims, Brian](#)

Amends the Board of Vehicles Act, further providing for definitions; and providing for disclosure requirements for used vehicle dealers.

Bill History: 04-06-17 H Filed
04-10-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Professional Licensure

[HB 1137](#) [Snyder, Pam](#)

Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in registration of vehicles, providing for special plates for children with autism.

Bill History: 04-07-17 H Filed
04-10-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Transportation

[HB 1152](#) [Boback, Karen](#)

Amends Title 42 (Judiciary), in particular rights and immunities, providing for civil immunity for use of force in motor vehicle rescue.

Bill History: 04-10-17 H Filed
04-12-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Judiciary

[HB 1154](#) [Sankey, Thomas](#)

Act transferring roads between Burnside Township, Clearfield County, and the Department of Transportation.

Bill History: 04-10-17 H Filed
04-12-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Transportation

[HB 1163](#) [Dawkins, Jason](#)

Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in licensing of drivers, further providing for issuance and content of driver's license.

Bill History: 04-10-17 H Filed
04-12-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Transportation

[HB 1165](#) [Dawkins, Jason](#)

Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in licensing of drivers, further providing for issuance and content of driver's license; and, in fees, further providing for exemptions from other fees.

Bill History: 04-10-17 H Filed
04-12-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Transportation

[HB 1182](#) [Dean, Madeleine](#)

Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in official inspection stations, providing for notice of safety recall upon inspection.

Bill History: 04-11-17 H Filed
04-12-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House

		Transportation
HB 1185	Boback, Karen	Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in registration of vehicles, providing for a Bullying Awareness and Prevention Plate; and, in fees, establishing the Bullying Awareness and Prevention Fund and further providing for payments to special funds. Bill History: 04-11-17 H Filed 04-12-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Transportation
HB 1187	Taylor, John	Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in rules of the road in general, providing for pilot program for automated speed enforcement system on a designated highway. Bill History: 04-11-17 H Filed 04-12-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Transportation
HB 1193	Hanna, Mike	Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in registration of vehicles, further providing for period of registration. Bill History: 04-11-17 H Filed 04-12-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Transportation
HB 1215	Tobash, Mike	Act designating the bridge on State Route 125 before Ridge Road in Pitma, Schuylkill County, as the Abner Yoder Memorial Bridge. Bill History: 04-12-17 H Filed
HB 1216	Farry, Frank	Amends Title 18 (Crimes & Offenses), in riot, disorderly conduct & related offenses, further providing for the offense of cruelty to animals. Bill History: 04-13-17 H Filed
HB 1219	Reed, Dave	Act designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 1012, known as the Diamondville Bridge, Cherryhill Township, Indiana County, as the Sgt. Robert Eugene Goodlin Memorial Bridge. Bill History: 04-13-17 H Filed
HB 1227	Bloom, Stephen	Amends the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act, further providing for definitions. Bill History: 04-13-17 H Filed
SB 133	Ward, Kim	Act imposing a duty on the Department of Transportation to file with the Department of Homeland Security a request for extension of time to comply with the REAL ID Act of 2005; and making a related repeal. Bill History: 03-28-17 S Set on the Senate Calendar 03-28-17 Laid out for discussion 3:40pm 03-28-17 Third consideration 3:41pm 03-28-17 S Final Passage (Vote: Y: 46/N: 2) 04-12-17 H Received in the House and referred to House State Government
SB 589	Langerholc, Wayne (F)	Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in fees, further providing for annual hauling permits; and, in size, weight & load, for maximum gross weight of vehicles & for permits & security for damages

& for movement of freight via natural gas vehicles.

Bill History: 04-13-17 S Filed
04-13-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Transportation

[SB 604](#) [Rafferty, John](#)

Amends the Gas & Hazardous Liquids Pipelines Act replacing PA Public Utility Commission with the Department of Transportation of the Commonwealth; and providing for Federal delegation.

Bill History: 04-13-17 S Filed
04-13-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Consumer Protection & Prof. Licensure

[SB 606](#) [Folmer, Mike](#)

Amends the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act further providing for definitions.

Bill History: 04-13-17 S Filed
04-13-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Labor and Industry

[SB 614](#) [White, Donald](#)

Act designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 1012, known as the Diamondville Bridge, Cherryhill Township, Indiana County, as the Sgt. Robert Eugene Goodlin Memorial Bridge.

Bill History: 04-13-17 S Filed
04-13-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Transportation

PA Bulletin

[PENNDOT: PROPOSED DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PUBLIC CONSULTATION FORUMS; FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION AND FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION METHODOLOGY AND GOALS FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEARS 2018—2020](#)

The Department of Transportation provided notice of its Public Consultation Forums regarding the proposed methodology and goals for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation for Federal Fiscal Years 2018 through 2020. An agenda and full list of meeting times are available in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

[PENNDOT: TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING](#)

The Transportation Advisory Committee will hold a meeting on Thursday, April 20, 2017, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Commonwealth Keystone Building, Harrisburg. For more information contact Ellen E. Sweeney, (717) 787-2913, ellsweeney@pa.gov.

[PPA: AUTHORIZATION OF WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE TAXICAB MEDALLIONS; DOC. NO. 17-003](#)

The Philadelphia Parking Authority, effective June 1, 2017, will be empowered to issue and sell an additional 15 new taxicab medallions from the current 46. Questions should be directed to Christine Kirlin, Esq., Taxicab and Limousine Division, (215) 683-9653.

Upcoming Events

PA Turnpike Commission

April 18, 2017 - 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

Independent Regulatory Review Commission

THURSDAY - 4/20/17, 10:00 a.m., 14th Floor Conference Rm., 333 Market St, Harrisburg

To consider the following regulations:

Reg. No. 3135 Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission #57-312: Reduce Barriers to Entry for Passenger Motor Carriers

PA State Transportation Advisory Committee

April 20, 2017 - 10:00 a.m., Commonwealth Keystone Building, Room 8N1, 400 North Street, Harrisburg
Committee Meeting. For additional information: (717) 787-2913

PA Public Utility Commission

April 20, 2017 - 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

April 26, 2017 - 11:30 a.m., SEPTA Headquarters, 1234 Market Street, Mezzanine Level, Philadelphia
Public Hearing. For additional information: (215) 580-7800

Southeastern Pennsylvania Transit Authority (SEPTA) Board

April 26, 2017 - 5:00 p.m., SEPTA Headquarters, 1234 Market Street, Mezzanine Level, Philadelphia
Public Hearing. For additional information: (215) 580-7800

Department of Transportation

April 28, 2017 - 10:00 a.m., Riverfront Office Center, Transportation University, Room 409, 1101 S. Front St.,
Harrisburg
Medical Advisory Board Meeting. For additional information: (717) 783-4534

Session Schedule

Senate

April 18, 19, 24, 25, 26
May 8, 9, 10, 22, 23, 24
June 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 19, 20, 21, 22, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30

House

April 18, 19, 24, 25, 26
May 8, 9, 10, 22, 23, 24
June 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 19, 20, 21, 22, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30

In the News

- 04-13-2017 [Stateline Daily: Where Are the Most Distracted Drivers? Where Are the Safest?](#)
(Press Release)

- 04-13-2017 [The carefully calculated process airlines use to strategically overbook flights](#)
Overbooking flights often looks like a random lottery process in the sky, filled with guessing games and pandemonium — even if it's typically not quite as chaotic as the United Airlines flight Sunday that saw a passenger dragged off the plane. Turns out it's a carefully calculated process.... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)

- 04-13-2017 [Governors group calls for alcohol safety programs for bikers, walkers](#)
Citing research that shows the number of deaths involving drunken pedestrians and bicyclists isn't falling as fast as drunken driving deaths, the Governors Highway Safety Association is calling on states to increase safety campaigns for walkers and bikers. A report released Wednesday by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)

- 04-13-2017 [The Thursday wrap](#)
It's disturbing, at the minimum, that a Feb. 17 unannounced state inspection of UPMC Shadyside would flag the hospital's improper storage of clean and soiled linens after an internal UPMC report, which surfaced in January, revealed mold growth on linens delivered to UPMC Montefiore. Amid... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)

- 04-13-2017 [United Airlines will stop asking police to remove passengers, CEO says](#)
The chief executive of United Airlines said the carrier will no longer ask police to remove passengers from full flights after the uproar over a man who was dragged off a plane by airport officers in Chicago... - [AP](#)

- 04-13-2017 [Controversial Riverfront 47 access road plan dropped in Aspinwall](#)
A developer has dropped a controversial plan to turn Eastern Avenue into a dual access road to the Riverfront 47 commercial development and Aspinwall Riverfront Park. Aspinwall council announced the surprising development at a Wednesday night meeting in front of about 70 people who packed its chambers and spilled... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 04-13-2017 [Pilot dies when vintage plane crashes at Rostraver Airport](#)
The president of the Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics was killed Wednesday when the antique plane he was piloting crashed at Rostraver Airport. The Westmoreland County Coroner's Office identified John Graham III, 42, of Jefferson Hills as the victim. Graham was the president and CEO of the institute, a position formerly held... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 04-13-2017 [Trump takes more undue credit](#)
President Donald Trump wrongly boasted that Toyota's plan to invest over \$1 billion in its largest manufacturing plant in Kentucky would "not have been made if we didn't win the election." A Toyota spokesman told us the car company had long been planning to make the... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)
- 04-13-2017 [Sinkhole repaired, Center City street reopens](#)
The sinkhole that shut down traffic to a busy Center City street has been repaired, and traffic has resumed. The depression, which was discovered Monday night in the middle of 17th Street between Walnut and Locust streets, created delays Monday night through Wednesday afternoon.... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)
- 04-13-2017 [DCED grant to fund Main Street paving project in Kingston Township](#)
A \$250,000 grant will give the township the means to repave Main Street, said Supervisor Chairman James Reino. Main Street, which runs parallel to Route 309 and extends behind the Shavertown Volunteer Fire Department building, features large cracks and potholes.... - [Wilkes-Barre Times Leader](#)
- 04-13-2017 [Increased use of I-81 discussed at forum](#)
A crowd of more than 100 people, including state legislators and representatives of the state Department of Transportation, were told Tuesday morning that Interstate 81 is seeing more traffic than was ever envisioned for the highway. "Those who originally designed route 81 could not foresee the volume of... - [Wilkes-Barre Times Leader](#)
- 04-13-2017 [Put price on overbooking](#)
It's hard to imagine an airline being more inept than United Airlines was Sunday in handling an overbooking problem on a flight from Chicago to Louisville, Kentucky. Just about everyone who flies on occasion, including members of Congress, has seen the video of armed police dragging a passenger from the airplane... - [Scranton Times](#)
- 04-13-2017 [Widening Interstate 81 far off](#)
For drivers who deal with heavy Interstate 81 traffic, major help isn't on the way any time soon. The long-discussed widening of I-81 to three lanes for more than 30 miles north and south between the Clarks Summit and Nanticoke interchanges remains dependent on funding that so far doesn't exist, experts made... - [Scranton Times](#)
- 04-13-2017 [There's only one way into Indian Creek 55-plus project, PennDOT just fine with that](#)
An age-restricted community on the former Indian Creek Golf Course spans three municipalities but provides residents with just one way in and out — Indian Creek Road. Emmaus, Lower Macungie and Upper Milford officials agree this exacerbates existing traffic problems, particularly at the challenging intersection of... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)
- 04-13-2017 [Let Richard Branson kill United Airlines](#)
Most semi-frequent travelers have their own private no-fly list—that one airline whose aggressive incompetence and casual cruelty leads them to say "never again." Even before introducing the term "re-accommodate" into the National Registry of Corporate Euphemisms, United has been that no-go airline for me, the result of a long... - [Los Angeles Times](#)
- 04-13-2017 [By the way, United has the worst U.S. record on pet deaths, too](#)
As if you needed another reason to think twice before booking a ticket on United Airlines, which

breathtakingly dragged a passenger off a flight this week, here is one: United had the worst record of U.S. airlines on pet deaths on planes in 2016, according to a recent report from the Department... - [Los Angeles Times](#)

04-13-2017

['It's unconscionable': Fury over United Airlines' treatment of passenger is felt in Little Saigon and beyond](#)

Minh Phu Le's cousin called her about the news shaking up Little Saigon : The man who'd been dragged off a United Airlines flight, seen in a viral video, was someone they all knew. "I can't believe it's him," Le recalled saying after viewing the footage, over and over, of Dr. David Dao. "And I can't believe they're... - [Los Angeles Times](#)

04-13-2017

[Uber could face \\$1.1-million state fine for failing to investigate drivers accused of being intoxicated](#)

California's ride-hailing regulator is proposing a \$1.1-million fine against Uber for allegedly failing to investigate or promptly suspend drivers who had drunk or drugged driving complaints filed against them. The California Public Utilities Commission said in a legal filing released... - [Los Angeles Times](#)

04-13-2017

[Editorial: Turning Mike Fusco's dream into a reality](#)

It's only 2.8 miles. But for many it's the Highway to Heaven. Or at least the footpath. They came on bikes, pushing strollers and just on their own two feet last weekend to see something with their own two eyes that they've been waiting to experience for more than two decades.... - [Primos Delaware County Daily and Sunday Times](#)

04-13-2017

[Airport pumps \\$15.4B into region, new study shows](#)

Philadelphia International Airport employs thousands of Delaware County residents and has a \$3.6 billion economic impact on the county, based on figures released in a report earlier this week. Entitled "Regional Economic Impact of Philadelphia International Airport," the analysis completed by Econsult Solutions of Philadelphia... - [Primos Delaware County Daily and Sunday Times](#)

04-13-2017

[Johnstown airport manager quitting](#)

RaNell Fenchak has submitted her resignation as manager of John Murtha Johnstown-Cambria County Airport. Saying personal reasons led to her decision, Fenchak said she will remain on the job through April. Facing problems with commercial air service and budget cuts, Fenchak admits... - [Johnstown Tribune-Democrat](#)

04-13-2017

[Don't miss the deadline to register to vote in primary!](#)

The voter registration deadline for the 2017 municipal primary is fast approaching. Residents have until Monday, April 17, to register. It's also the deadline for a voter to change his or her name, address and/or party affiliation. Applications will be accepted and processed as long as they are postmarked... - [York Daily](#)

04-13-2017

[County leaders approve airport's no-interest loan extension](#)

The repayment schedule for a no-interest \$400,000 county loan for a hangar project at Port Meadville Airport has been extended for five years by Crawford County commissioners. The Crawford County Airport Authority borrowed the money in 2008, using it and \$100,000 in donations as match funds for a \$500,000 state grant to... - [Meadville Tribune](#)

04-13-2017

[Rhynhart: Controller failed at preventing Parking Authority 'dysfunction'](#)

With just a month left until the May 16 primary election, Democratic candidate for City Controller Rebecca Rhynhart has chastised incumbent Alan Butkovitz for not auditing the beleaguered Philadelphia Parking Authority (PPA). Butkovitz last audited the authority in 2009, following a request by... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)

04-13-2017

[United Passenger May Need Reconstructive Surgery, Lawyer Says](#)

Thomas A. Demetrio, a lawyer for Dr. David Dao, blamed a culture of disrespect at United Airlines and overly aggressive tactics from Chicago aviation police for the injuries to his client. Kamil Krzaczynski/Reuters CHICAGO — In an hourlong news conference that touched on race, policing... - [New York Times](#)

04-12-2017

[Allegheny Institute Policy Brief: Mon Fayette Expressway on Hold-Again and...](#)

(Press Release)

- 04-12-2017 [Pittsburgh International looking for 'ambassador' linguists](#)
Sprichst du Deutsch? Hvernig um íslensku? ???????? Well, maybe you don't speak German, Icelandic or Chinese. But those aren't the only languages of interest to officials at Pittsburgh International Airport as they seek to recruit more multilingual volunteers to greet... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)
- 04-12-2017 [United CEO issues new apology as details of passenger's past emerge](#)
After people were horrified by video of a passenger with a bloody face getting dragged off a full United Express flight by airport police, the head of United's parent company said the airline was reaching out to the man to "resolve this situation."... - [AP](#)
- 04-12-2017 [United, you fail: Forcibly ejecting a passenger is a new low](#)
Those pat-downs at the airport security line don't seem all that intrusive now that United Airlines has set a new low for treating passengers. Have the temerity to balk when United employees try to bump you from a flight you're already on and they'll summon an airport goon... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)
- 04-12-2017 [Bus rapid transit would benefit Oakland universities to the neighborhood's detriment](#)
The proposed bus rapid transit is yet another project that will greatly benefit the University of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Mellon University, among others, to the detriment of the residential community of Oakland. This neighborhood has already lost 80 percent of its residential population due... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)
- 04-12-2017 [Pittsburghers for Public Transit has many concerns about the BRT proposal](#)
I am writing to let the Post-Gazette and the public know that the reference to Pittsburghers for Public Transit's news release in "Bus Rapid Transit Proposal Gets Good Reviews" (April 6) is a mischaracterization of our organization's position. Using the word "praise" is not... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)
- 04-12-2017 [SOS for BRT](#)
Pittsburgh's proposed \$250 million, Downtown-to-Oakland bus rapid transit link might be a great development for the city. The problem is it's the last great idea the city needs now. Just ask a local mechanic. I have an uncle in that business. Pittsburgh's pockmarked streets bring... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)
- 04-12-2017 [Gas prices will rise this summer but should remain low](#)
You didn't think those super-low gas prices would last forever, did you?... - [AP](#)
- 04-12-2017 [United episode shows airline passengers need a new 'Bill of Rights'](#)
Remember the so-called Airline Passenger Bill of Rights that the Obama-era Department of Transportation put into effect seven years ago? Unfortunately, those rules didn't include a prohibition against dragging a passenger down the aisle if he refuses to be bumped from an overbooked... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)
- 04-12-2017 [Air law expert in Philly says United was dead wrong](#)
A lot of people have a fear of flying. For most, until Sunday, that fear didn't include being battered and dragged down an aircraft's aisle to open up a seat for an airline employee. There's dumb, there's Congress dumb, and then there's airline dumb. United Airlines is flying to new depths.... - [Philadelphia Daily News](#)
- 04-12-2017 [Philly Parking Authority will kill pay-by-app system as firm mysteriously leaves town](#)
The Philadelphia Parking Authority scrapped its parking app Tuesday, announcing it would be shut down because the company providing it couldn't pay the bills. The MeterUP app built and managed by Pango USA will go offline at midnight, the PPA reported. About 20,000 people have the app, and it generates up to... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)
- 04-12-2017 [Sinkhole causes Center City street closure, traffic issues](#)
A sinkhole shut down traffic Tuesday to a busy Center City street. The depression, which was discovered Monday night in the middle of 17th Street between Walnut and Locust streets, is creating delays throughout the day. - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)
- 04-12-2017 [More railway becoming road in Allentown's Waterfront development](#)
Purchase of a railroad right-of-way has led to new plans for the main road in Allentown's Waterfront, the \$400 million redevelopment along the Lehigh River in Allentown. Originally, Riverside Drive was designed to extend from North Front Street, near Linden Street, to Furnace Street on 3 1/2 miles of an old

industrial... - [Easton Express-Times](#)

- 04-12-2017 [Editorial: Earl Redner's legacy will live on in business, community](#)
 This innovative retailer will be sorely missed by the many whose lives he touched. www.readingeagle.com/news/article/proposed-state-merger-worries-berks-encore-chief#.WO4UhqIpAdU *Penn Street Bridge construction: the road ahead in Reading There will be pain, that much is sure.... - [Reading Eagle](#)
- 04-12-2017 [The never-ending construction project: Rebuilding the Pa. Turnpike](#)
 It took a small army a little less than two years to build the original Turnpike, from Irwin to the outskirts of Carlisle. Working almost around the clock from 1938 to 1940, 18,000 men bored through the Allegheny Mountains, leveled farmers' fields and paved their way across... - [Harrisburg Patriot-News](#)
- 04-12-2017 [Grab lunch at LVIA and earn points for plane tickets](#)
 Eat a bunch of sandwiches at LVIA, earn a plane ticket. The next time you scarf down a sandwich or buy a newspaper before your flight at Lehigh Valley International Airport, you could be working toward your next plane ticket. LVIA on Tuesday launched an airport rewards program that allows anyone who... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)
- 04-12-2017 [Officials mull Chestnut Street access to Indian Creek community; PennDOT demurs](#)
 An age-restricted community on the former Indian Creek Golf Course spans three municipalities but provides residents with just one way in and out — Indian Creek Road. Emmaus, Lower Macungie and Upper Milford officials agree this exacerbates existing traffic problems, particularly at the challenging intersection of... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)
- 04-12-2017 [\\$5 vehicle fee offers millions for Lehigh County roadwork](#)
 A week after Northampton County voted down a \$5 vehicle registration fee, Lehigh County commissioners are scheduled to introduce their own version. But Lehigh County plans to share the wealth. Under a proposal outlined Tuesday by county Executive Tom Muller, the... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)
- 04-12-2017 [Officials mull Chestnut Street access to Indian Creek community; PennDOT demurs](#)
 An age-restricted community on the former Indian Creek Golf Course spans three municipalities but provides residents with just one way in and out — Indian Creek Road. Emmaus, Lower Macungie and Upper Milford officials agree this exacerbates existing traffic problems, particularly at the challenging intersection of... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)
- 04-12-2017 [Fear of Flying, for Good Reason](#)
 Flying was once an adventure, more than just a way to get from here to there. But over the years, it has become something to dread. You wait in endless lines for the chance to be poked, patted, X-rayed, interrogated, generally insulted and, in the final indignity, separated by class as you,... - [New York Times](#)
- 04-12-2017 [United Airlines Is Not Alone](#)
 United Airlines found itself at the center of social media controversy this week, after a horrifying video of a doctor being forcibly removed from a coach class seat on one of its planes went viral. The man was, according to published reports, randomly selected to be bumped because the airline... - [New York Times](#)
- 04-12-2017 [Video of United Airlines Passenger Creates Furor in China, Too](#)
 A day after the forced removal of a passenger from a United Airlines flight provoked a social media furor in the United States, a similar outcry followed in China, after state-run news outlets here described the man as being of Chinese descent. Long before the man's name was widely known, another passenger on the... - [New York Times](#)
- 04-12-2017 [United Grapples With PR Crisis Over Videos of Man Being Dragged Off Plane](#)
 On social media, the firestorm swept around the world. Chinese social media users accused United, which does a lot of business in the country, of racism by targeting Dr. Dao, who appeared to be Asian. In the United States, customers showed pictures of their United loyalty or credit cards... - [New York Times](#)
- 04-12-2017 [Why people will keep flying United even if they don't want to](#)
 The video of a bloodied Asian passenger being forcibly pulled from a United Airlines flight sent the company's stock tumbling Tuesday, prompted calls for the chief executive to step down and sparked a viral

campaign in China to boycott the company. But will the damage last? History suggests it may well not.... - [Washington Post](#)

04-12-2017

[A few pointers in customer service for the United Airlines CEO | Opinion](#)

Last week, Jersey City's mayor signed an executive order directing 10% of all future agreements for payments in lieu of taxes (PILOTs) to go towards public schools. While this is a positive step, and will help Jersey City close the financial gap created by long-term tax abatements, Jersey City... - [Trenton Times](#)

04-12-2017

[Grant application OK'd for Sylvan Dell project](#)

The Lycoming County commissioners unanimously voted to approve an application for state grant funds to purchase over 200 acres of land in Armstrong Township. The proposal to create the Sylvan Dell Nature Preserve aims to transform two parcels of land just off Prospect Road in Armstrong Township into a... - [Williamsport Sun-Gazette](#)

04-12-2017

[Opinion: Take Penn Station out of Amtrak's incompetent hands](#)

Responsibility for operating and managing Penn Station should be wrested away from Amtrak, which oversees the spaghetti of tracks, tunnels and switches there. Commuting by rail in the metropolitan area was horrific this past week. Four days of delays, cancellations, and overcrowded stations were enough to... - [Pocono Record](#)

04-12-2017

[Farm Bureau to celebrate Rural Roads Safety Week](#)

The Mifflin County Farm Bureau is celebrating Rural Roads Safety Week April 16 through 22 by encouraging county motorists to travel safely on roadways this spring and throughout the year. You may have noticed that farmers are returning to the fields to begin... - [Lewistown Sentinel](#)

04-12-2017

[Meeting planned for Centre bridge projects](#)

The community is invited to a public meeting on the replacement of two Centre County bridges included in PennDOT's Rapid Bridge Replacement Project. The meeting is slated for next Tuesday from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at Aaronsburg Civic Club (the Aaronsburg Community Building), 315 W. Aaron Square. It... - [Lock Haven Express](#)

04-12-2017

[Airport Authority asks for extension to loan repayment](#)

Crawford County commissioners are being asked to extend the repayment schedule for a no-interest loan made to the Crawford County Airport Authority created nearly 10 years ago for a hangar project at Port Meadville Airport. In 2008, the Airport Authority completed a \$1 million project for 20 new... - [Meadville Tribune](#)

04-12-2017

[Pa. Grain Processing, Sheetz partner in ethanol relationship](#)

Two local companies in the region have partnered to make a huge difference in fueling Pennsylvania's economy, literally. Pennsylvania Grain Processing Corn Merchandiser Brian Kelly was a little doubtful four years ago when he first approached Sheetz Inc. about selling... - [DuBois Courier-Express](#)

04-12-2017

[Dad wants kids' bike trail; county says no](#)

There are more than 12 miles of trails at Rocky Ridge County Park. Matt Mowry wants to add just one more mile. He wants to create a space for his kids to learn to ride mountain bikes without worrying about traffic or roots and rocks too big for their bikes' little tires.... - [Hanover Evening Sun](#)

04-12-2017

[Legally, there's really no reason to wear shoes in Pa. this summer](#)

Summer public service announcement: If you want to ditch the shoes and socks this summer, you're perfectly free to do so in Pennsylvania, in most situations. There are no health codes against being barefoot in public in areas where food is served, according to a 2016 letter that has been confirmed by the... - [Hanover Evening Sun](#)

04-12-2017

[Damage control expert on lessons learned from United Airlines mess](#)

As United Airlines scrambles to address one of the more self-destructive corporate responses to a developing crisis in recent memory, they underscore a useful lesson for other company CEOs, managers and politicians to consider. Toss out the 20-year-old communications playbook, think digital first and... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)

04-12-2017

[United CEO 'ashamed' about passenger's removal](#)

United Airlines CEO Oscar Munoz says he felt “ashamed” watching video of a passenger being dragged off a United Express flight and has promised to review the airline’s passenger removal policy... - [AP](#)

04-12-2017

[Airport pumps \\$15.4B into region, new study shows](#)

Philadelphia International Airport employs thousands of Delaware County residents and has a \$3.6 billion economic impact on the county, based on figures released in a report earlier this week. Entitled “Regional Economic Impact of Philadelphia International Airport,” the analysis completed by Econsult Solutions of Philadelphia... - [Primos Delaware County Daily and Sunday Times](#)

04-12-2017

[Philadelphia Parking Authority Suspending Mobile Payment App](#)

Some 40,000 Philadelphia drivers who’ve been paying for street parking by phone are once again prisoners of kiosks and meters. The Parking Authority is ending its “Meter Up” mobile payment program, for at least several months starting 12:01 a.m. Wednesday. Philadelphia Parking Authority Deputy Director Corrinne O’Connor blames... - [KYW News Radio 1060](#)

04-12-2017

[Lengthy NFL Draft Road Closures Are Leaving Some Residents Upset](#)

People who live and work near the Ben Franklin Parkway are enduring the extra inconvenience of preparations for the NFL Draft. Residents in the Art Museum area are used to inconveniences for events such as the Papal visit, Made in America and fireworks. But they don’t expect them to last as long as the current disruptions... - [KYW News Radio 1060](#)

04-12-2017

[AAA Study Finds Millions Of Drivers Struggle To Budget Vehicle Repair](#)

The sticker shock that often comes with vehicle repair is that it is too much to afford for many Americans. That’s the upshot of a new AAA survey. The study found that an estimated 64 million drivers have to cover their repair bills with credit cards because they don’t have the cash on... - [KYW News Radio 1060](#)

04-12-2017

[Small plane crashes at Rostraver Airport](#)

A small plane has crashed at Rostraver Airport in Rostraver, Westmoreland County. The crash occurred around 2:45 p.m. Wednesday at the eastern end of the airport’s runway, according to the Federal Aviation Administration. The “general aviation aircraft” was engulfed in flames, and heavy... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)

04-12-2017

[Coroner called to Rostraver Airport where plane went down](#)

At least one person reportedly died when a plane went down at Rostraver Airport around 2:40 p.m. Wednesday. Westmoreland County Deputy Coroner Joshua Zappone arrived at the scene about an hour later. Emergency personnel responding to the initial calls for a crash in a wooded... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)

04-11-2017

[Real-time intermodal transit information available in Oakland](#)

For Ryan Bourque, development manager at the SkyVue Apartments on Forbes Avenue in Oakland, this is a regular scene as he works in the lobby: Residents who have called Uber for a ride gather in the lobby, track their ride on a screen behind a welcoming desk in the lobby and head outside when... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)

04-11-2017

[Tuesday takes](#)

Cleared for takeoff?: Initially Southern Airways Express flights from Arnold Palmer Regional Airport to Pittsburgh International Airport were supposed to get off the ground at the end of 2016. Then that got pushed back to late spring. Now we’re told the time frame is October. Optimism... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)

04-11-2017

[After United incident, police say they're not 'the muscle' for airlines](#)

Airlines routinely overbook flights, but they rarely encounter as much turbulence as United Airlines did after video surfaced Sunday showing police dragging a man from an overbooked United flight in Chicago. "I don't know of any examples of overbooking rising to the level where we... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)

04-11-2017

[FCC chief says 'no' to cell phone calls on planes](#)

Flying can be a hassle with cramped seats and added fees. But for the foreseeable future you won’t have to listen to the passenger next to you yak on their mobile phone. Federal Communications Commission chairman Ajit Pai announced Monday that he is terminating the FCC’s proposal to allow cell phone calls during... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)

- 04-11-2017 [Governors want 'verification' of Penn Station track safety](#)
TRENTON, N.J. (AP) - The governors of New Jersey and New York say they want "independent verification" of track safety at New York's Penn Station, citing recent train derailments and serious service disruptions... - [AP](#)
- 04-11-2017 [Philadelphia International Airport is growing again after a decade of ups and downs](#)
Philadelphia International Airport is growing again. After a decade of spotty growth, much of it due to the 2008 recession, the airport is seeing upticks in passengers, freight, and flights from low-cost airlines. "It was a crazy decade that we went through," said Philadelphia... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)
- 04-11-2017 [BY THE NUMBERS](#)
\$15.4B Annual economic impact. 54,000 Direct jobs at or near airport. 20,000 Badged workers in terminals. \$1.85B Annual visitor spending. 30 million Passengers annually. Published: April 11, 2017 — 3:01 AM EDT The Philadelphia Inquirer - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)
- 04-11-2017 [What? Printing your new vehicle registration twice is technically illegal](#)
With the elimination of the vehicle registration sticker, Pennsylvania drivers must have a printed registration certificate from the DMV. But if they print the form twice, that's technically breaking the law. (File) With the elimination of the vehicle registration sticker, Pennsylvania... - [Harrisburg Patriot-News](#)
- 04-11-2017 [Here's what to do if you get bumped from your flight](#)
A viral video of a United Airlines passenger being forcibly dragged from his plane seat may leave you wondering what your rights are if you're involuntarily bumped from your flight. The video, which was first posted on Facebook, shows the shocked faces of other passengers on the Chicago flight as police unbuckle the man's... - [Harrisburg Patriot-News](#)
- 04-11-2017 [Cellphones lure more Lehigh Valley drivers to break law](#)
It has been five years since Pennsylvania outlawed texting while driving, but the number of people being pulled over for distracted driving keeps growing. The number of people pulled over for illegally using cellphones or headphones has increased by 52 percent over the past three years, according... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)
- 04-11-2017 [Key link in D&L Trail planned in Jim Thorpe](#)
Construction is about to begin on a key link of the 165-mile D&L Trail that stretches from Bristol, Bucks County, to Wilkes-Barre, including a large swath that cuts through the Lehigh Valley. A 250-foot bridge is being built to carry pedestrians and bicyclists across... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)
- 04-11-2017 [New York businessmen buy Days Inn in Dickson City](#)
A New York firm plans renovations to the Days Inn after purchasing the hotel for \$2.86 million last month. Dickson City Hospitality LLC, whose partners are based in New York, closed March 21 on the business at 1946 Scranton/Carbondale Highway. They plan to update the facade, lobby and common areas and replace carpet... - [Scranton Times](#)
- 04-11-2017 [Parents of man killed in crash sues trucking company, others](#)
The mother of a 21-year-old Blakely man killed when a tractor-trailer struck the disabled vehicle in which he was a passenger filed a lawsuit against the trucking company and two other drivers. Rhonda Walsh is seeking damages for the Jan. 24, 2016, death of her son,... - [Scranton Times](#)
- 04-11-2017 [Newsmakers: April 11](#)
TPD welcomes regional planning expert Pottstown-based Traffic Planning and Design Inc. has welcomed Alex Meitzler, Pike Creek, New Castle County, Del., to the firm as a senior project manager in its transportation planning department. Meitzler will serve as the office manager for a new TPD office to be located in Maryland.... - [Reading Eagle](#)
- 04-11-2017 [Birdsboro-based Translogistics lauds its transportation partners](#)
Birdsboro-based Translogistics Inc. has announced the winners of the 2016 Certified Provider Partner Program, or CP3, awards, according to a release. CP3 awards recognize transportation service providers for consistently high performance, exemplary on-time service and strong, collaborative... - [Reading Eagle](#)
- 04-11-2017 [Up front: Transportation and mega-commuting](#)

Because this is the transportation and travel issue of Business Weekly, I thought we might chat about commuting. Do you have a significant commute? I do. Every day, I travel 56 miles from Hershey to Reading, and back again. I pass the time listening to radio, surfing between WEEU, NPR, sports and... - [Reading Eagle](#)

- 04-11-2017 [EMTA formalizes new board configuration](#)
Members voted unanimously to approve the new set up, which was part of the agreement to end city-county stalemate. The Erie Metropolitan Transit Authority's board of directors unanimously approved a resolution Monday that formalized, for state officials, part of the agreement which ended an 18-month-long city-county... - [Erie Times-News](#)
- 04-11-2017 [PennDOT officials understand local frustration, say road projects are necessary](#)
CENTER TWP. -- When given the chance to question PennDOT officials about significant construction projects on major arteries like Route 65 and Interstate 376, Center Township Supervisor Rich George echoed the sentiments of many county residents. "So basically we're all supposed to stay home for the next two... - [Beaver County Times](#)
- 04-11-2017 [5 PennDOT projects total \\$21M in county](#)
Five major construction projects totaling about \$21 million will be set in motion, continued or completed in Lycoming County by this fall, according to the state Department of Transportation. PennDOT's Sandra Toska, executive of District 3, headquartered in Montoursville, held an editorial board meeting with the Sun-Gazette, along... - [Williamsport Sun-Gazette](#)
- 04-11-2017 [How to report potholes in Lancaster County](#)
With spring comes potholes. Winter's temperature fluctuations cause potholes, as melting snow and water drains into cracks, freezes and breaks up asphalt. They're annoying and costly. On average, drivers in the U.S. pay \$300 to repair pothole-related vehicle damage, according to John Nielsen, AAA's... - [Lancaster Intelligencer Journal](#)
- 04-11-2017 [If you print your new vehicle registration form twice, you're technically breaking the law](#)
People who click "print" twice while renewing a vehicle registration online are, technically, breaking the law. Prior to 2017, whether you renewed your registration online or by mail, the state Department of Motor Vehicles mailed you an official-looking, blue-tinted registration card to sign, along with a dated decal to place on... - [Lancaster Intelligencer Journal](#)
- 04-11-2017 [Conestoga Valley student designs billboard to combat distracted driving](#)
A new billboard along Manheim Pike features the work of a Conestoga Valley High School student who has a simple message for her fellow teenagers: Don't let friends distract you when you're driving. The design by Lindsay Alshouse was selected as the winning Lancaster County... - [Lancaster Intelligencer Journal](#)
- 04-11-2017 [Legal Marijuana Ends at Airport Security, Even if It's Rarely Stopped](#)
The agency focuses "on terrorism and security threats to the aircraft and its passengers," a spokesman, Bruce Anderson, said. Airport screeners are looking for things that can take down an airplane, like guns or explosives, not marijuana, he said. But if screeners do notice marijuana in someone's carry-on or checked... - [New York Times](#)
- 04-11-2017 [G.M. Takes a Back Seat to Tesla as America's Most Valued Carmaker](#)
While the rise of Tesla is based on prospects rather than profits, G.M. is being dogged by its checkered history, and a perception on Wall Street that its days as a dominant force are over. G.M. is working hard to establish its own bona fides in automotive innovation, developing home-grown technology, acquiring or investing in... - [New York Times](#)
- 04-11-2017 [United Airlines Passenger Is Dragged From an Overbooked Flight](#)
The videos show a security officer removing the unidentified man from his seat and dragging him off the plane as he screams. The flight was scheduled to depart O'Hare International Airport in Chicago for Louisville, Ky., at 5:40 p.m. but was delayed two hours. Charlie Hobart, a United spokesman,... - [New York Times](#)
- 04-11-2017 [Tesla's 'crazy' climb to America's most valuable car company](#)
The luxury electric-car company Tesla has yet to turn a profit, losing hundreds of millions of dollars last year alone. But on Monday, the darling of Silicon Valley became the most valuable American car company,

surpassing General Motors, the Detroit granddaddy with \$10 billion in sales on nearly... - [Washington Post](#)

04-11-2017

[Delays expected Tuesday at Pa. Turnpike's Lansdale Interchange, Exit 31](#)

The Pennsylvania Turnpike is advising drivers traveling Tuesday on the Northeast Extension to the Lansdale Interchange, Exit 31, in Montgomery County, to expect delays due to toll equipment maintenance. Beginning Tuesday at 9 a.m., northbound Express E-ZPass exit lanes 13 and... - [Norristown Times Herald](#)

04-11-2017

[Philadelphia International Airport Continues To Be Economic Engine, Study Shows](#)

A new study shows Philadelphia International Airport has a \$15-billion impact on the regional economy. But it also shows why a new runway is no longer a priority. The study is the first look at the airport's economic impact in more than a decade — and reassures that through a recession, airline... - [KYW News Radio 1060](#)

04-11-2017

[Maintenance Work To Temporarily Close Express E-ZPass Ramps At Busy NE Extension Interchange](#)

If your travels take you to the Pennsylvania Turnpike's Northeast Extension's Lansdale exit Tuesday, you may find traffic moving more slowly than usual. It's because of maintenance work on the tolling equipment on the Express E-ZPass ramps. The Express E-ZPass ramps allow drivers to get on and off the Northeast... - [KYW News Radio 1060](#)

04-11-2017

[PennDOT officials detail county projects](#)

April showers bring May flowers — and road construction for better driving in Lawrence County. From local paving projects to bridge replacements, litter pickup, line painting and shoulder stabilization, Pennsylvania Department of Transportation officials on Monday morning detailed their upcoming work... - [New Castle News](#)

04-11-2017

[Editorial | Adaptive equipment helps kids with disabilities fit in](#)

Life became a little less challenging last week for Daniel Dunsten, Kate Williams and nine other area children after they took control of adaptive equipment designed to help them lead fuller lives. Four kids, including Daniel, received special bicycles, three accepted... - [Johnstown Tribune-Democrat](#)

04-10-2017

[PennDOT's Northwest Region Posts Results of Customer Survey](#)

(Press Release)

04-10-2017

[As Pittsburgh courts self-driving technology, new report sees one company leading the race](#)

The first ride in a fully autonomous vehicle will most likely have ties to Pittsburgh, market researchers now believe. But they don't expect that ride will come courtesy of Uber, which for more than two years has plugged away at autonomous cars in its Strip District facilities, sending test vehicles out onto the city streets to try... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)

04-10-2017

[New report gives U.S. airlines better grades across the board](#)

DALLAS — The airlines are getting better at sticking to their schedules and are losing fewer bags... - [AP](#)

04-10-2017

[Get on track](#)

By Jason White According to an assessment by the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission, recently reported by the Post-Gazette, our region can expect a 40 percent increase in freight movement by 2040. Infrastructure is the foundation that supports our state's economy, and Pennsylvania must shore it up during... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)

04-10-2017

[Port Authority conducting national search for new CEO](#)

Port Authority has begun a national search for a new chief executive officer to replace the ousted Ellen McLean. The agency last week signed formal documents with Krauthamer & Associates of Maryland, which is charged with recommending Ms. McLean's replacement. The company, which has had a contract with the the Port... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)

04-10-2017

[Port Authority of Allegheny County paying firm up to \\$111K to find new CEO](#)

Port Authority of Allegheny County is paying a Maryland firm up to \$111,575 to find a new CEO for the agency who stands to make \$50,000 more than the current CEO, according to an agreement obtained by the Tribune-Review. The transit agency will pay Krauthamer & Associates up to 33 percent of the... -

[Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)

- 04-10-2017 [**A Delaware County trail gets its debut, with promises of more to come**](#)
A steady traffic of joggers, cyclists, and parents pushing strollers crossed an old railroad bridge over Chester Creek Sunday afternoon. Lured by balmy weather, they walked, ran, and pedaled from the bridge to the rest of the 2.8-mile Chester Creek Trail, a ribbon of asphalt largely through... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)
- 04-10-2017 [**Mom gets jail sentence in texting crash that killed daughter**](#)
MIDDLE TOWNSHIP, N.J. (AP) — A New Jersey mother who authorities say was texting and driving when she caused a crash that killed her young daughter will have to serve a jail sentence... - [AP](#)
- 04-10-2017 [**Key link in D&L Trail planned in Jim Thorpe**](#)
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- 04-10-2017 [**School districts: Wolf's vow of more funding undercut by drop in transportation dollars**](#)
A \$50 million cut for transportation in Gov. Tom Wolf's proposed budget has Lehigh Valley school districts concerned the changes would wipe out some if not all of the funding gains he is promising them. Wolf's 2017-18 spending plan includes a \$200-million hike in education... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)
- 04-10-2017 [**RailRiders deserve fan support**](#)
The Scranton/Wilkes-Barre RailRiders celebrate Sept. 20 in Memphis after defeating the El Paso Chihuahuas for the Gildan Triple-A National Championship. (The Commercial Appeal/Times-Tribune File) Every baseball home opener is a joyous event — a herald of summer after... - [Scranton Times](#)
- 04-10-2017 [**Sonney: Infrastructure key to Erie County job growth**](#)
Tim Sonney is one of 5 candidates seeking the Republican nomination for Erie County executive in the May 16 municipal primary. Tim Sonney wants to make it easy for businesses to come to Erie County. His vision for the region includes shovel-ready plots of land with... - [Erie Times-News](#)
- 04-10-2017 [**Editorial: Thumbs up, thumbs down**](#)
Thumbs up to Delaware Water Gap Borough, where residents can expect new water meters in coming months. The borough was recently awarded grant money through a Local Share Account, which will fund installation of more accurate meters that transmit readings wirelessly. Councilwoman Elvi... - [Pocono Record](#)
- 04-10-2017 [**Study: Philadelphia International Airport is growing again after a decade of ups and downs**](#)
Philadelphia International Airport is growing again. After a decade of spotty growth, much of it due to the 2008 recession, the airport is seeing upticks in passengers, freight, and flights from low-cost airlines. "It was a crazy decade that we went through," said Philadelphia... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)
- 04-10-2017 [**PennDOT: Road work will close Northway Road Extension this week**](#)
This week, a state Department of Transportation maintenance crew will replace drainage pipes on the Northway Road Extension in Loyalsock Township. The road will be closed during work hours — 8 a.m. through 2 p.m. — today through Wednesday, weather permitting... - [Williamsport Sun-Gazette](#)
- 04-10-2017 [**AAA advises preventive steps to avoid repairs**](#)
AAA advises drivers to take preventative steps to avoid costly repairs - [Shamokin News-Item](#)
- 04-10-2017 [**Work on Route 322 Project Set to Resume**](#)
Drivers will encounter lane closures and possible travel delays starting Monday as work resumes Monday on phase two of the Potters Mills Gap project on Route 322. The project will create a new local interchange on Route 322 at Sand Mountain Road, just west of Seven Mountains.... - [State College News](#)
- 04-10-2017 [**Consultant Picked for Bellefonte-Milesburg Trail**](#)
A consultant has been selected and could be hired in a few weeks as the aggressive plan to connect Bellefonte to Milesburg with a multi-use trail chugs forward. At the April 4 meeting of the Centre County Board of Commissioners, senior county planner Mike Bloom said a five-member review committee looked at... - [State College News](#)

- 04-10-2017 [**Pothole reporting question answered**](#)
Question: I have to swerve around a pretty deep pothole on my way to work every day. What's the best way to get in touch with PennDOT to report this pothole? Answer: PennDOT has a toll-free number that they ask citizens to use when reporting potholes or other problems they observe with Pennsylvania roads.... - [Somerset Daily](#)
- 04-10-2017 [**Snarled Commutes, Squabbling Agencies and Amtrak's Penn Station Responsibilities**](#)
Commuters from the East End of Long Island to the western edge of New Jersey suffered a transportation meltdown and four days of upheaval last week — all because of the faulty maintenance of a federal railroad they may never ride. Amtrak accepted blame for the minor train derailment that forced... - [New York Times](#)
- 04-10-2017 [**Over 1,000 Airport Workers Push For Contract After Unionization Vote**](#)
More than a thousand workers at Philadelphia International Airport voted overwhelmingly last week to unionize. Now comes the hard part. Gabe Morgan, vice president of 32 BJ of the Service Employees International Union, says the first step is a big one...getting a... - [KYW News Radio 1060](#)
- 04-10-2017 [**US Gas Prices Rise 9 Cents Over 2 Weeks, To \\$2.43 A Gallon**](#)
The average price of a gallon of regular-grade gasoline rose 9 cents nationally over the past two weeks, to \$2.43... - [AP](#)
- 04-10-2017 [**Town hall discusses additional transportation funding in Centre**](#)
Centre County has the potential to bring in an additional \$602,685 annually for transportation projects throughout the county. This would be possible due to a potential \$5 increase to motor vehicle registrations that the Centre County Board of Commissioners has been... - [Lock Haven Express](#)
- 04-10-2017 [**Pump prices climb higher in Meadville area**](#)
Gas prices are up in the Meadville area for the second straight week. - [Meadville Tribune](#)
- 04-10-2017 [**PennDOT announces countywide road work for week of April 10**](#)
The following county maintenance schedule is announced for the week of April 10 for roadways maintained by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation. Sign upgrades and bridge cleaning will be done countywide. Patching will be done in Wayne, Greenwood, Cussewago, Cambridge, Rockdale... - [Meadville Tribune](#)
- 04-10-2017 [**School bus driver killed in Route 22 crash in Westmoreland County**](#)
A 54-year-old school bus driver in Westmoreland County died Monday when a dump truck rear-ended the school bus on Route 22. No students were on board the bus when the crash happened in the westbound lanes at 7:16 a.m. near the intersection of Auction Barn Road in Derry... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)
- 04-09-2017 [**A splash of color on the riverfront: Opening day on trails mixes cyclists, artists**](#)
A trio of Spandex-skinned cyclists slowed for a bottleneck on the Three Rivers Heritage trail on the South Side Saturday where people were painting concrete trail liners gold, turquoise, green, blue, pink, orange, red and deep purple. Leashed dogs strained to touch noses, and there were little kids to avoid.... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)
- 04-09-2017 [**Uber fires back at Google spinoff**](#)
Uber is scoffing at claims that its expansion into self-driving cars hinges on trade secrets stolen from a Google spinoff, arguing that its ride-hailing service has been working on potentially superior technology.... - [AP](#)
- 04-09-2017 [**University of Pittsburgh group invents wheelchair powered by compressed air**](#)
Years ago in Germany, Rory Cooper learned from the director of a production, engineering and automation institute about motors powered by compressed air. It got him thinking. Most wheelchairs are heavy, run on batteries with lots of electronics involved. They do work well — but only if they stay dry.... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)
- 04-09-2017 [**Citations for distracted driving continue to rise**](#)

Beware the driver with the cell phone in his hand. Of all the citations for being distracted by one's cell phone issued in Pennsylvania last year, a full 70 percent went to men, according to data compiled by the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts. The number of citations has risen every year since 2012, when... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)

04-09-2017

[Adding turnpike exits in Penn. Mt. Pleasant townships explored](#)

A longstanding discussion about turnpike ramps in two Westmoreland County communities has been revived by a study of what it would take to build them. The Pennsylvania Turnpike travels through Penn and Mt. Pleasant townships but does not have an interchange in either. The Southwestern Pennsylvania... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)

04-09-2017

[Distracted driving citations on the rise in the Lehigh Valley](#)

The Lehigh Valley has seen a steeper rise in citations for distracted driving than Pennsylvania as a whole, according to a state analysis released Friday. The data go back to 2012, when Pennsylvania's ban on texting while driving a passenger vehicle took effect. This analysis by the Administrative Office... - [Easton Express-Times](#)

04-09-2017

[Highway construction gears up for season](#)

As one construction project on Interstate 70 starts to wind down and two more continue, drivers traveling the highway in Washington County should be prepared for two new construction zones. There will be five construction projects on different stretches of the... - [Washington Observer-Reporter](#)

04-09-2017

[Commissioners approve cost proposals for county airport projects](#)

Greene County commissioners Thursday approved two cost proposals from Management Engineering Corp. having to do with the last two infrastructure projects at the county airport. - [Uniontown Herald-Standard](#)

04-09-2017

[Distracted driving tickets rise sharply in Pennsylvania](#)

Citations for distracted driving are up dramatically in Pennsylvania... - [AP](#)

04-09-2017

[Why tiny electric planes and \\$25 tickets could be the future of regional air travel](#)

Imagine taking your next trip of a couple hundred miles. New York City to Boston, for example. Or Houston to Dallas. Tampa to Miami. The obvious choice now might be to drive. But what if you could show up at an airport at one of those cities, bypass security checkpoints, board a... - [Washington Post](#)

04-09-2017

[Nearly \\$1 billion in side deals by Gov. Brown and Democratic leaders cemented the legislative vote to raise the gas tax](#)

In one of the biggest legislative victories of his storied political career, Gov. Jerry Brown pushed through an ambitious plan last week that will increase gas taxes and vehicle fees to raise \$52 billion over the next decade for the repair of California's system of crumbling roads,... - [Los Angeles Times](#)

04-07-2017

[SEPTA resists petition to end transfer fees](#)

(Press Release)

04-07-2017

[Wolf Administration Hosts Forum on Women in Public Service, Transportation](#)

(Press Release)

04-07-2017

[Driver's Seat: Lidar could make autonomous future of driving shine bright in dark, snowy weather](#)

So winter finally came to southeastern Pennsylvania — all at once, in a couple days in March, when snow, ice, freezing rain and terrible temperatures landed with a whump. It's safely past now, but it certainly left an impression: During one of the winter storms, I was test driving a car with today's latest... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)

04-07-2017

[A 'builder' in the White House](#)

After decades of a monopoly on the working class of America, Democrats saw their blue-collar kingdom crumble on Election Day when Donald Trump won Wisconsin, Michigan and Ohio. Three things led to this downfall. First, the left has completely abandoned working-class principles in favor... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)

04-07-2017

[Clemente Bridge will be open to vehicles during most 2017 Pirates home games](#)

For the first time in PNC Park's 17-year existence, views from the seats during Pirates games will include cars and trucks on the Roberto Clemente Bridge. Allegheny County announced Thursday the span over the Allegheny River linking Downtown and the North Shore will be open to vehicular traffic... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)

04-07-2017

[SEPTA still filing rough edges on Key fare system](#)

The beep of a SEPTA Key card's swipe is becoming as familiar a sound on city transit as the clink of tokens and curses from people who forgot to carry exact change. After a two-week rollout in March of the fare card's most flexible function, Travel Wallet, Key cards are active on the city's buses,... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)

04-07-2017

[Philadelphia City Council passes moratorium on electric vehicle parking permits](#)

A bill that suspends the reservation of on-street parking spots for electric vehicles passed in City Council on Thursday, following spirited complaints from residents on both sides of the issue. Council voted, 11-6, to place a moratorium on new electric-vehicle parking... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)

04-07-2017

[See a distracted driver? N.J. wants you to be a snitch: Call #77](#)

For months, Mike Kellenyi said, he was so distraught that he was unable to return to work after the loss of his 18-year-old daughter, Nikki, in an April 2012 distracted-driving accident. Nikki Kellenyi, about to graduate from Washington Township High School, was in a car with two friends when... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)

04-07-2017

[Christie calls for hearings after Amtrak takes blame for NJ Transit derailment](#)

Amtrak acknowledged Thursday that problems with its tracks apparently caused the derailment of a NJ Transit train at New York City's Penn Station this week, delaying commuters across the region. NJ Transit said that it expected full service to be restored Friday morning... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)

04-07-2017

[Rough week for Coatesville trucker caught up in state insurance cases](#)

It's been a tough week for Coatesville-based trucking company owner Samuel D. Carbo Jr., whose self-named firm and 30 drivers haul mail for the U.S. Postal Service, and other cargoes. On Tuesday, "that was one of my trucks" whose trailer slipped sideways on I-95, blocking afternoon traffic at the Cottman Ave. exit, Carbo told me.... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)

04-07-2017

[Uber pays \\$3.5M fine to settle fight with Pa. taxi regulators](#)

Uber Technologies Inc. has agreed to pay \$3.5 million to settle a complaint with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, a fraction of the amount the ride-sharing company had initially been fined. The PUC, by a 4-1 vote, on Thursday approved the penalty to settle... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)

04-07-2017

[Mayor Kenney, please veto this really dumb bill](#)

One issue we've talked about here on several occasions since the unfortunate events of November 8 is the role that local governments -- especially a large, inclusive city such as Philadelphia -- can play in resisting the worst that the Trump administration has to offer.... - [Philadelphia Daily News](#)

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[Uber settles with Pennsylvania regulators for \\$3.5 million](#)

HARRISBURG, Pa. Pennsylvania regulators are settling a legal dispute with the ride-hailing company Uber Technologies Inc. for \$3.5 million... - [AP](#)

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[Philadelphia airport baggage handlers, sky caps unionize](#)

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[Bandwagon gets stuck in snow](#)

The Lackawanna County commissioners quickly jumped on the bandwagon Wednesday, joining other local politicians who want the federal government to pay for most of the cleanup costs following the recent blizzard. Then, they drove into the rhetorical ditch. Lackawanna and several other local counties exceeded their individual... - [Scranton Times](#)

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[Schedule set for Carbondale bridge replacement](#)

Carbondale could have a new Sixth Avenue bridge by early 2019. If all goes well — and when it comes to this bridge, the ifs come big — the almost 25-year saga of the decrepit 60-foot-long, 36-foot-wide bridge

over the Lackawanna River will end with its actual replacement next... - [Scranton Times](#)

- 04-07-2017 [11 workers laid off at Air Products](#)
Another 11 union workers were laid off from Air Products in Hanover Twp, a company spokesman said Thursday. The plant once employed about 200 unionized workers and is now down to about 75 union and non-union workers, said spokesman Art George. When asked if the plant could close, George said the goal is to continue to... - [Scranton Times](#)
- 04-07-2017 [A \\$600 million power plant planned for Hatfield's Ferry site](#)
APV Renaissance Partners Opco LLC said Wednesday it will buy 33 acres at the Hatfield's Ferry Power Station in Masontown for \$40 million from FirstEnergy Corp. The deal, expected to close in roughly a year, will allow APV, based in Bernardsville, New Jersey, to proceed with its plans to construct... - [Uniontown Herald-Standard](#)
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Amtrak budget cuts proposed by Trump administration would end Lake Shore Limited line, which serves Erie. A national advocacy organization is encouraging rail passengers in northwestern Pennsylvania to write letters to their U.S. representative and senators, asking them to save the Lake Shore Limited.... - [Erie Times-News](#)
- 04-07-2017 [Route 15 Thruway project can have dramatic impact](#)
Next month will mark the start of the Susquehanna Valley Thruway with construction of the Route 15 interchange south of Winfield in Monroe Township in Snyder County, and Union Township, Union County. It will be a modest, understated start, but the end product will be... - [Williamsport Sun-Gazette](#)
- 04-07-2017 [Town hall looks at proposed \\$5 fee](#)
The prospect of another fee levied by the government does not sit well with some county residents, but others voiced their support of a \$5 registration fee during the commissioners' town hall meeting Thursday evening. The Lycoming County commissioners said a decision has not yet been made... - [Williamsport Sun-Gazette](#)
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If you are familiar with western Pennsylvania, you know there are many steep hills and roads to travel across. However if you are from the midwest flat country, a visit to Somerset County may surprise you. - [Somerset Daily](#)
- 04-07-2017 [Swamp Creek trail study moves ahead with changes](#)
LOWER FREDERICK >> Saying they heard and responded to the objections from residents in January, Montgomery County planners held their second public meeting on the proposed Swamp Creek Greenway and Trail on March 30 to showcase the changes they've made. As proposed, the greenway and trail through the Swamp Creek Valley would... - [Phoenixville News](#)
- 04-07-2017 [Trump Cuts Leave Bridge and Rail Projects Hanging](#)
Maryland had been just four days away from clinching some \$900 million in federal aid in August when a federal judge ruled to temporarily invalidate environmental approvals for the project. But under President Trump's plan, projects that don't yet have complete federal funding agreements... - [New York Times](#)
- 04-07-2017 [What Californians need to know about the state's \\$52-billion transportation plan](#)
California lawmakers are weighing legislation that would fund much-needed repairs to the Golden State's roads, highways and bridges. Why a new transportation tax plan? California has not increased the base excise tax on gasoline in 23 years. The result is a backlog of some \$130 billion in road, highway and bridge... - [Los Angeles Times](#)
- 04-07-2017 [Philly Airport Workers Stage Victory Rally Following Unionization Vote](#)
PHILADELPHIA (CBS) — Philadelphia airport workers staged a victory rally on Thursday after voting overwhelmingly to unionize. The victory sweet for nearly 1,400 workers at the airport who are joining 32BJ, Service Employees International Union. Sam Jenkins has worked at the airport since the '70s.... - [KYW News Radio 1060](#)
- 04-07-2017 [NJ To Amtrak: No More Money Until Rails Are Up To Snuff](#)

TRENTON, NJ (CBS) — New Jersey won't be making monthly payments to Amtrak for operating expenses for awhile, and could seek some money back, after two NJT trains were involved in derailments at New York's Penn Station in the last week. Governor Chris Christie fired off a letter to Amtrak's Chairman saying,... - [KYW News Radio 1060](#)

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[City Warns Conrail To Improve Conditions Of North Philly Property](#)

PHILADELPHIA (CBS) — The city is warning rail company Conrail it's time to improve conditions on their North Philadelphia property. The city issued citations to Conrail after recent failed attempts to get them to clean up what Mayor Kenney calls "hazardous conditions"... - [KYW News Radio 1060](#)

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[Philadelphia City Council Casts Vote On Electric Vehicle Parking](#)

PHILADELPHIA (CBS) — Philadelphia City council, put a temporary end to reserving parking spaces for electric vehicles Thursday, over the pleas of many of the vehicle owners, and it was a rare divided vote in council. In a body that passes most bills unanimously, the 11 to six vote shows this... - [KYW News Radio 1060](#)

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[Making a connection: Ceremony kicks off work on D&L bridge in Jim Thorpe](#)

Twenty-five years in the making, construction on a \$3.9 million pedestrian bridge spanning the Lehigh River is underway in Jim Thorpe. Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor officials joined federal, state and county representatives at the site, south of the Jim Thorpe Train... - [Lehigh Times News](#)

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[Report calls Philadelphia the second smoggiest city in the northeast — then City Council suspends an electric car program](#)

Environmental advocacy group PennEnvironment announced at a Thursday press conference that Philadelphia is the second smoggiest city in the northeast. They challenged Congress, President Donald Trump and local legislators to respond. But just hours later, the Philadelphia City Council voted to... - [Daily Pennsylvanian](#)

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[CAEDC to launch traffic study of I-81 exits in South Middleton](#)

The Cumberland Area Economic Development Corp. Thursday said it will launch a planning study this month of the area around Interstate 81 exits 48 (York Road) and 49 (High Street) in South Middleton Township. CAEDC had earlier mentioned the study, but said Thursday that the effort... - [Carlisle Sentinel](#)

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[Turnpike's Lehigh Tunnel reduced to single lane Sunday night](#)

Motorists traveling the Pennsylvania Turnpike's Northeastern Extension (Interstate 476) are advised of single-lane traffic at the Lehigh Tunnel from 6 p.m. Sunday until 5 a.m. Monday. The restrictions are necessary to allow crews to safely perform tunnel inspections, a news release from the turnpike commission states.... - [Hazleton Standard-Speaker](#)

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[EDITORIAL: Pull over, buddy](#)

Thumbs down: To drivers who don't adhere to the "keep right, pass left" law on Pennsylvania highways. It's frustrating to be in that line of cars behind the driver who just won't get out of the left lane. It's created quite a blame game on which state harbors the most... - [York Dispatch](#)

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[Public-private partnership rapidly replacing Pennsylvania's dangerous bridges](#)

HOLBROOK – Decades of erosion have dramatically raised the creek bed below a small bridge over House Run in Greene County, causing the span to suffer repeated damage during floods, which send rushing water over its deck. The bridge along Route 18 in the village of Holbrook in Greene County also... - [Washington Observer-Reporter](#)

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