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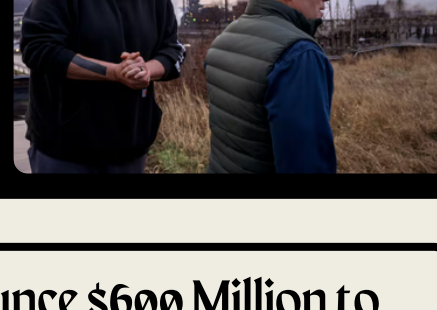
MARCH

WATCH "THE TAKEOUT" WITH MAJOR GARRET



Here's why we're behind a bipartisan plan to help first-time home buyers

By: U.S. Senators John Fetterman (D-PA) and Dave McCormick (R-PA)



Fetterman, McCormick Announce \$600 Million to Replace Delaware River Bridge, Improve PA Turnpike

"This \$600 million investment is one of the most consequential infrastructure commitments in Pennsylvania's history, and we are proud to have fought to secure this funding by writing directly to Transportation Secretary Duffy to make the case for why the Delaware River Bridge deserves federal investment," said Senators John Fetterman and Dave McCormick. "The Delaware River Bridge is not just a Pennsylvania asset; it is a backbone of our national freight and passenger transportation network. This funding will make it safer and more resilient for the commuters, families, and businesses that depend on it every single day."

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Treasury starts new anti-money-laundering program after bipartisan push by Sen. Fetterman

Senator Fetterman notched a win in the fight against money-laundering, terror-financing, and sanctions violations as Treasury began its program to receive whistleblower tips in February. Earlier this year, Senator Fetterman sent a letter with Judiciary Committee Chair Chuck Grassley (R-IA) urging Treasury department to fully implement the new anti-money-laundering whistleblower program, which congress authorized over 5 years ago. In response, Treasury finally opened their whistleblower website, a win that will give law enforcement additional tools to stop the illicit funds that flow to drug-traffickers, terrorists, and dictators.

Small Business Administration disaster funds available for recent droughts available until April 20th, 2026

Pennsylvania small businesses and non-profits affected by recent droughts and excessive heat should apply by April 20th for SBA low-interest federal disaster loans. After the droughts of Summer-Fall 2024 and Summer 2025, the SBA made Economic Injury Disaster Loans available to small businesses and non-profits in affected Pennsylvania counties. Apply online by visiting sba.gov/disaster. Applicants may also call SBA's Customer Service Center at (800) 659-2955 or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov.

Endless Mountains National Heritage Area Act

"Our public lands are some of the very best parts of what our great country has to offer," said Senator Fetterman. "We have a responsibility to safeguard the Endless Mountains National Heritage Area. I'm proud to help ensure it will be protected and enjoyed for generations to come while supporting economic development throughout the region."

Fair Prices for Local Businesses Act

"High costs are crushing working families and small businesses," said Senator Fetterman. "The Fair Prices for Local Businesses Act would level the playing field and make sure small businesses can buy products on the same terms as big corporations."

Guardianship Bill of Rights Act

"We have a responsibility to ensure that those living under a guardianship aren't ever stripped of their rights, and we need a guardianship system that respects the voices of our veterans, seniors, and those with disabilities," said Senator Fetterman. "I'm proud to join my colleagues in reintroducing the Guardianship Bill of Rights Act, which protects those living under a guardianship from fraud, exploitation, and abuse and makes sure their dignity always comes first."

In Letter to Department of Education, Fetterman Expresses Opposition to Professional Degree Reclassification

"Since the beginning of the second Trump Administration, the Department of Education has implemented several changes that have effectively dismantled pathways to higher education, weakened oversight and student protections, and reshaped nearly every corner of the nation's education system. Thousands of Pennsylvanians who have invested their time, effort, and hard-earned money to achieve graduate degrees in essential fields, like nursing, have had their student loan repayment thrown into total chaos by the Department's shortsighted actions and policies," wrote Senator Fetterman.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE COMMONWEALTH?

This month there was a NEPA (National Environmental Policy Act) read at Greater Nanticoke Area School District in Luzerne County and the Bloomsburg Area School District in Columbia County for Read Across America Week. NEPA focuses on regional development, tourism, and community life in seven counties.



Montgomery and Berks Counties local elected officials are investing in a project that focuses on bringing economic development, affordable housing, and tourism growth, while providing higher safety in the utilization of the freight rail systems. Included in that process is a tourist train that will travel from Boyertown to Pottstown, in the picture. The project will also include affordable housing and employment opportunities for members of the greater Pottstown community.



Our NWPAs office attended the 12th Annual Her P.O.W.E.R. (Professionalism Ownership Wisdom Entrepreneurship Readiness) Awards Luncheon and Symposium on Education, Business, and Mental Health. The event addressed the challenges and gaps NWPAs women and families face in childcare and mental health accessibility. Local women were also honored for their contributions in the private and public sectors.



Staff attended the Fayette County Chamber Government Luncheon to hear from local leaders and businesses.

CONSTITUENT SERVICES

IRS: Tax Filing Deadline & Modernizing Payments

The deadline for your federal income taxes is April 15, 2026. Taxpayers who still need to file their 2025 federal tax returns should utilize free options available on [IRS.gov](https://irs.gov).

Tools and information to help you file accurately and on time:

How to File Your Taxes: Step by Step: A guide to completing Form 1040.

Let Us Help You: A central hub for filing and payment resources.

One, Big, Beautiful Bill Provisions: Information on tax law changes that may affect refunds or tax liability.

If you need more time to file your taxes, request an extension by the April due date by filing **Form 4868**, Application for Automatic Extension of Time to File U.S. Individual Income Tax Return. This gives you until **October 15** to file without penalties.

Note: In accordance with Executive Order 14247, the IRS is beginning to phase out paper checks. To ensure prompt receipt of your refund, make sure you set up direct deposit on the IRS website or at time of filing. The IRS will send notice to update your payment method if no direct deposit information is on file. If ignored, a paper check will eventually be mailed out after 6 weeks (but could take longer). The average direct deposit refund is received within 21 days.

OPM Form 1099-Rs

The Office of Personnel Management (OPM) notified annuitants starting in November of last year that Form 1099-Rs can now be [downloaded online](#). While ~93% of annuitants have downloaded or received a mailed copy of their Form 1099-R, OPM recognizes that some of annuitants have still not received a copy. If you have not received a copy, email requests@opm.gov with your CSA Number to request a copy. Please contact our office with any issues at (717) 782-3951 or through our [Help with a Federal Agency Form](#).

Military Share Food Distributions

The Veterans Leadership Program has two upcoming food distribution events in Pittsburgh and Central PA in April 2026! All veterans in need of food are welcome.

Pittsburgh Food Distribution - Monday, April 13th at 10AM at 845 Talbot Avenue in Braddock, PA 15104.

Johnstown Food Distribution - Tuesday, April 28th at 11AM at 27 Goucher Street Johnstown, PA 15905.

2026 C-SPAN StudentCam Winners from PA

StudentCam is C-SPAN's annual documentary competition inviting middle and high school students to produce short films on issues of national importance. This year's theme, "America's 250th Anniversary: Exploring the American Story through the Declaration of Independence," inspired nearly 4,000 students to participate. C-SPAN received almost 1,850 entries from 38 states and Washington, D.C. Read more

- Eve Childers from Lenape Middle School for their documentary [The Consent of the Governed: The 2020 Election & No-excuse Mail-in Ballots in Pennsylvania](#)
- Praasa Palakollu from Lenape Middle School for their documentary [Marching For Equality: The Evolution of Civic Action From 1963 to 2020](#)
- Sasha Bell from Lenape Middle School for their documentary [Flag of Valor](#)
- Evan Hartman and Eli Wharton from Hampton Middle School for their documentary [Endless Pursuit: Income Inequality vs. The Declaration of Independence](#)
- Mozi Weisenberg from Philadelphia for their documentary [Troubled Stewardship](#)
- Adhitiya Adavan from Nazareth Area High School for their documentary [Lines of Power](#)

A CENTURY OF STRENGTH



Mae Krier

March 21 is "National Rosie the Riveter Day" — the annual observance honoring the women who powered the WWII home front and transformed America's workforce.

At the WWII Women's Memorial Foundation, they are also celebrating the 100th birthday of one of the original Rosies: Mae Krier, of Levittown, PA.

In 1943, Mae left her home in Dawson, ND to work at Boeing's Seattle aircraft plants building B-17 Flying Fortresses and B-29 Superfortresses. She was one of the more than 18 million women who stepped into factories, shipyards, and laboratories during World War II.