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## Township Video News



### **TVN's DaveTalk | Fresh Eyes and New Approaches**

Executive Director Dave Sanko explains how the pandemic has brought out the best in PSATS, its staff, and its services. (2:38)

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## Latest News

### **U.S. Treasury Rules to Require DUNS Number for Reporting Rescue Funds**

The U.S. Treasury has provided guidance that all municipalities that receive federal funds through the American Rescue Plan (ARP) will need to have a valid DUNS number to meet reporting requirements under the program. Dun & Bradstreet provides DUNS numbers, which are unique nine-digit identification numbers.

If your township already has a DUNS number, you do not need to do anything further. If you are not sure if you have a DUNS number, you can use the company look-up [feature here](#).

If your township does not currently have a DUNS number, now is the time to request one. DUNS numbers are free for entities required to register with the U.S. government for grants. [Click here](#) or call 1-866-705-5711 to begin the registration process.

Municipalities with populations of *more than 50,000 (entitlement communities)* must also ensure that they have an active SAM registration in place to receive the funds. SAM is the official government-wide database to register with to do business with the U.S. government. SAM registrations must be renewed annually. To learn more, [click here](#).

Treasury is expected to release additional guidance for ARP funds over the coming weeks, and PSATS will continue to keep you informed.

### **2021 Virtual Conference Workshops Begin Next Week!**

April 26 through May 31, PSATS will host more than 60 of the 2021 Conference workshops through its virtual classroom. Learn from experts from across the commonwealth on a wide variety of township administration, public safety, public works, and planning and zoning topics and gain valuable knowledge and insight that you can immediately put to work to benefit your township. [Click here](#) to view the wide selection of workshops!



Click on ticket above to access pass

For just \$99, you can attend all PSATS Virtual Conference Workshops, live and on-demand. [Click here](#) and log in to purchase the pass! If you were registered for the conference, these sessions can be deducted from your refund, but you must register first. Call Mary Lehane at (717) 763-0930, ext. 107, with questions.

**Missed the Farm Show This Year? Spring Food Fest Scheduled for May**

The state Department of Agriculture will hold an outdoor Spring Food Fest May 7-9 in the North Lot of the Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex & Expo Center from 11a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. The event will feature many of the food favorites from the Farm Show To learn more, including menu options, [click here](#).

**National Pineapple Upside Down Cake Day**

National Pineapple Upside Down Cake Day on April 20th celebrates a sweet cake that contains pineapples and cherries. Americans have been enjoying this springtime cake since the early 1900s when many cakes were made in cast iron skillets.

To make a Pineapple Upside Down Cake, line the bottom of a cake pan with pineapple rings. Then place a cherry in the center of each ring followed by a butter and sugar mixture. Finally, the cake batter is poured over the pineapples and baked. When the cake is done, it is turned upside down onto a platter before serving, revealing a delightful and delicious masterpiece.

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## Legislation & Policy



The House and Senate will convene for session today, April 20. Watch session live [here](#).

PSATS Comments on Proposed Underground Storage Tank Regulations  
The Association recently submitted comments to the Environmental Protection Agency in opposition to a proposal which would place an unfunded mandate on

townships that have underground storage tanks (UST).

Under current rules, all UST systems must be compatible with the substance stored. If a UST will be used to store biofuels, a notify of intent to store must be filed by the tank owner, compatibility must be documented, and records must be kept.

Under the proposed rulemaking, if an UST needed to replace any of the component parts, they would need to purchase biofuel compatible parts up to E100 even if the tank was not compatible with E100 and the tank owner had no intention of storing E100 because their fleet is not compatible with it.

“Due to the lack of vehicles, particularly work trucks, that are compatible with 100 percent biofuels, this is another unnecessary and expensive mandate for keeping fuel that is substantially less than 100 percent biofuels” PSATS Executive Director David Sanko commented.

[Click here](#) to view the full comments submitted to EPA.

### **House Passes Lemonade Stand Legislation**

Yesterday, the House unanimously passed HB 664 which would prohibit a municipality from requiring a license for a business that a minor operates occasionally and makes a profit of less than \$5,000. HB 664 is now awaiting committee assignment in the Senate.

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## Learn

### **[QuickBooks Tips and Tricks - Virtual Class - 4/22 & 29/21](#)**

Join PSATS and your colleagues from around the state for this two-session, newly REVISED virtual class where Diana Patton, who has spent 30 years as a township secretary/treasurer and the last 19 years as a Certified QuickBooks Instructor and Trainer, will show you all the ways you can use QuickBooks to better serve the financial needs of your municipality. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.



**[20 Great Policies, Procedures, and Forms - Virtual - 4/26/21](#)**

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**[20 Ways to Improve Your Public Meetings - Virtual - 4/26/21](#)**

Learn how to build a better meeting structure, prepare better meeting materials, improve communications with residents, and more! [Click here](#) for more information and to register.



**[Why Saving With COSTARS is Sweeter Than a Chocolate Bar! - Virtual - 4/27/21](#)**

Attend this session to learn about COSTARS, including tips for navigating the website, searching contracts, and negotiating with suppliers to save taxpayer money on goods and services. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.



**[Right-to-Know Law Update: The Second Decade - Virtual - 4/27/21](#)**

This session will explore significant Right-to-Know Law decisions in the last year from both the courts and the Pennsylvania Office of Open Records. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.



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