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Township Video News



TVN's Training Tuesday | October is packed with must-attend events!

PSATS' fall calendar is overflowing with October events! Make sure to attend our webinars and get up-to-date information on data breaches and protecting information for Cybersecurity Month. Use your Webinar PowerPass to learn more about storefront vacancies, multifamily housing, using your solicitor efficiently, bidding basics, and capital improvement plans. Don't forget about our seminars on zoning officials, engineers, and QuickBooks, and the upcoming regional forums on October 27 (Southeast) and November 10 (Northeast)!

Latest News

Make Plans to Be in Hershey October 15 to Help Decide Important PSATS Business

For the first time since 2019, PSATS members will gather in person on **Friday, October 15**, to network with one another and take care of important Association business at PSATS' Annual Business Meeting at the Hershey Lodge. If you haven't yet registered yourself or a voting delegate to represent your township or county association, you still have limited time to sign up. **We have added a panel discussion on American Rescue Plan funding and several new speakers!**

The Annual Business Meeting will convene from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Delegates will vote on bylaws changes and proposed resolutions and elect officers and Executive Board members. Delegates to the business meeting will vote on at least 75 resolutions, which set Association policy and direct PSATS' legislative agenda. A meeting packet containing these items was mailed to each member township and county association the first week of September.

Every member township is entitled to one voting delegate, and county associations can also designate voting delegates. However, everyone is encouraged to attend the meeting. Register for the Business Meeting at voting2021.psats.org. Learn about safety guidelines for the event at this website as well.

Reminder: Natural Gas Firefighting Grants Available Until October 15

Applications are being accepted until **October 15** from fire companies and emergency medical services in the 40 counties where unconventional gas wells are located or counties that directly border these counties. The grant is part of the 2021 Act 13 Unconventional Gas Well Grant Fund.

Grants of \$2,000 to \$6,000 are available for professional national certification of members, purchase of firefighting, emergency medical, rescue, and air monitoring equipment used at or related to an unconventional gas well pad incident, and training for incidents at these pads. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Today in History....

On October 5, 1947, President Harry Truman (1884-1972) makes the first-ever televised presidential address from the White House, asking Americans to cut back on their use of grain in order to help starving Europeans.

At the time of Truman's food-conservation speech, Europe was still recovering from World War II and suffering from famine. He asked farmers and distillers to reduce grain use and requested that the public voluntarily forgo meat on Tuesdays, eggs and poultry on Thursdays and save a slice of bread each day. The food program

was short-lived, as ultimately the Marshall Plan succeeded in helping to spur economic revitalization and growth in Europe.

Legislation & Policy



The House will be in session today, October 5. Watch the session live [here](#).

Yesterday, the House approved [HR 69](#), which would direct the Joint State Government Commission to conduct a study on the impact of common-interest ownership communities on local governments and the commonwealth and the challenges facing these entities and the public at large and make recommendations for the commonwealth to help local governments and common-interest communities deliver adequate services to their residents at an affordable cost.

Learn

PSATS educational events will be listed as follows: Mondays – All webinars; Tuesdays – Administrative; Wednesdays – Planning/Zoning; Thursdays – Public Works; Fridays – Public Safety.

[Budgets with QuickBooks - Virtual Training - 10/6/21](#)

This virtual training class will teach how to pull years of financial data from QuickBooks and send to Excel to more easily create your proposed township budget.



[Breaking Down Generational Differences in Order to Build Up Your Team - Virtual Class - 10/12/21](#)

This discussion will examine generational differences, as well as the unique value that each group brings to the table. It will identify some key similarities and shared beliefs that can sometimes go overlooked.



[QuickBooks Year-End Reports - Virtual Training - 10/26/21](#)

In this virtual class, you will learn how to print W-2s and 1099s and file all year-end taxes and reports with the Internal Revenue Service and state agencies.



2021 Solicitors Virtual Fall Seminar

In the Solicitors Fall Seminar learn from experts on a wide variety of topics critical to the practice of a municipal solicitor.

[10/7/21 - Central](#)

[11/4/21 - East](#)



QuickBooks for Beginners

This class is designed to provide each student with a fundamental understanding and working knowledge of QuickBooks Accounting Software, and is intended to demonstrate the application of QuickBooks and QuickBooks Pro to assist in municipal accounting.

[10/12/21 - Cumberland Co.](#)

[10/19/21 - Lehigh Co.](#)



Intermediate QuickBooks

Come learn with us as we discover the benefits of using the Account Payable-A/P and Accounts Receivable-A/R System in QuickBooks.

[10/21/21 - Montgomery Co.](#)

[10/28/21 - Centre Co.](#)

[11/12/21 - Cumberland Co.](#)



PSATS Regional Forums

“PSATS Live” is back, and we’re going on the road again with our ever-popular Regional Forums at a location near you starting in July in Erie and running through November in Wilkes-Barre. We have all-new content and a one-day-only format now. Be sure to sign up for the one closest to you!



PSATS Southeast 2021 Regional Forum - 10/27/21 - Exton

PSATS Northeast 2021 Regional Forum - 11/10/21 - Wilkes-Barre

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