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Township Video News



TVN's Coffee and the Capitol | Representative of the 70th Legislative District Matt Bradford

In this month's Coffee and the Capitol, PSATS Director of Government Relations Joe Gerdes and Matt Bradford of the 70th Legislative District discuss the state budget, goals to keep people in Pennsylvania, and how local government leaders help shape the diversity of the commonwealth.

Latest News

DGS to Auction More Than 440 Vehicles

The state Department of General Services will auction more than 440 vehicles at Manheim Keystone Pennsylvania in Grantville on **Tuesday, August 23 at 10 a.m.** Pre-registration and in-person preview of vehicles runs Thursday, August 18, through Sunday, August 21. Pre-registration is mandatory and must be completed by Sunday, August 21, at 4 p.m.

The auction features a number of vehicles seized by state law enforcement agencies, a variety of 4-wheel drive SUVs, utility vehicles, and pickup trucks, as well as sedans and mini-vans, including Police Interceptor sedans and SUVs. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Reminder: Enter Salary Survey Data by Tomorrow!

Be sure to enter your township's wage and benefit data by tomorrow, August 17, so that the PSATS Salary Survey Plus reports for 2022 can be released. Thanks to the hundreds of townships that have participated so far, we are nearly ready to release results, but need your help to make this product a success!

To access Salary Survey Plus, log onto psats.org and look under "My PSATS" for "Salary Survey Plus." If you have any issues accessing the survey or need to change the township official who is designated to enter data (the PSATS Salary Survey Plus processor), email memberservices@psats.org.

Questions about the survey? Need help with a report? Email salarysurveyplus@psats.org or call (717) 763-0930, ext. 126, for Katie Lizza or ext. 138 for Holly Fishel.

Residents Impacted by Mariner Eligible for Free Water Testing

Energy Transfer will pay for independent evaluations of water quality impacts for homeowners potentially impacted by the construction of the Mariner East 2 Pipeline. Residents must reach out to the Office of the Attorney General to apply for a free water test for their home by Friday, August 18. Email watertesting@attorneygeneral.gov. There are no distance limits from the pipeline that would limit eligibility. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Today in History...

On August 16, 1948, baseball legend George Herman "Babe" Ruth died from cancer in New York City. For two days following, his body lay in state at the main entrance to Yankee Stadium, and tens of thousands of people stood in line to pay their last respects. He was buried in Hawthorne, New York.

Learn

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

Developing Your Township Budget

This class will provide proven and effective methods and techniques to help new and veteran township supervisors, secretaries, treasurers, managers, road masters and public works officials develop budgets that work.

[8/24/22 - Chester County](#)



Basic Training For Secretaries And Administrators - 8/23/22 - Lackawanna Co.

Topics covered will range from budgeting, purchasing, advertising and meeting management all the way to human resource issues and public engagement.



PSATS 2022 Regional Forums

This series of full-day educational sessions is scheduled for multiple locations statewide. Learn more about issues that matter to your community, discuss common interests with other local leaders, earn PMGA and other professional credits, and attend specialized workshops designed for township officials. This educational event will be the perfect opportunity to hear from experts on the **local issues** that matter to you and your municipality.



PSATS Southcentral I 2022 Regional Forum - 8/31/22 - Lancaster
PSATS Northeast 2022 Regional Forum - 9/22/22 - Tannersville
PSATS Southwest 2022 Regional Forum - 9/29/22 - Cranberry Township
PSATS Southeast 2022 Regional Forum - 10/6/22 - Plymouth Meeting
PSATS Southcentral II 2022 Regional Forum - 10/11/22 - Gettysburg
PSATS Centre Regional 2022 Regional Forum - 10/25/22 - State College
PSATS Lehigh Valley 2022 Regional Forum - 11/1/22 - Allentown

[Click here for more information and to register](#)

[Effective Township Administration: Steering Your Township Through Difficult Situations - 9/8/22](#)

Elected and appointed officials are often asked to solve problems that are either not within their authority to solve or where the proposed “solution” might create negative unintended consequences for the municipality. Navigating these difficult issues requires skill, diplomacy and, often patience.



2022 PSATS Fall Solicitors Seminar

This seminar will cover a wide variety of emerging and important trends and issues vital to the practice of every municipal solicitor.

[9/20/22 - Cumberland County](#)

[11/10/22 - Montgomery County](#)



Human Resources And Labor Management Institute

This class is a must-attend for anyone who has responsibility for HR and personnel management in their township. In this seminar, the team from Eckert Seamans will detail what to expect in human resources and labor relations.

[10/27/22 - Allegheny County](#)

[11/15/22 - Montgomery County](#)

[12/5/22 - Lycoming County](#)



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