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Latest News

PA Township Farm to Provide 2022 White House Christmas Tree

A West Brunswick Township, Schuylkill County farm has been selected to provide the White House Christmas tree for 2022. [Click here](#) for more details.

DEP Awards \$3 million to Restore Watersheds, Reduce Water Pollution

The state Department of Environmental Protection awarded \$3 million in grant funding to local governments and organizations to restore local watersheds. The Section 319 grants target nonpoint source pollution that enters waterways from widespread sources, such as agricultural activities, stormwater runoff, streambank erosion, and acid mine drainage. Townships were recipients or beneficiaries of most of the grants. Click here to [learn about the winning projects](#).

“Reducing current and future nonpoint source pollution is critical to restoring the health of the water ecosystems Pennsylvanians depend on,” said DEP Acting Secretary Ramez Ziadeh. “It requires painstaking work based on understanding the impact that activities on land have on our streams and rivers. DEP is pleased to support communities across Pennsylvania that are working to improve their watersheds one stream segment, one land parcel, one best-practice project at a time.”

Looking for Township Wage and Benefit Information?

Wondering how your employee’s wages compare to those townships most like yours? Curious about what types of employee benefits similar population-sized townships provide? All of this and more is available to you as a member service in 2022 PSATS Salary Survey Plus!

This online platform lets township officials securely and anonymously compare their employees’ wages and benefits with those of similar townships with easy-to-use filters. Participating townships can make comparisons using filters such as region, population, and budget, all of which have a major impact on wage rates and benefits. If you already participated, your township supervisors, manager, secretary, and other township-designated officials have access to the results now.

If you haven’t participated yet, it is not too late! Enter your data today and the real-time portal will instantly calculate your answers into the results. Once your data is entered, you will be given instant access to results. Participating now will make a great product even better for all townships! And if the board decided to change pay rates mid-year, take a minute to update your answers.

To access Salary Survey Plus, log onto psats.org and look under “My PSATS” for “Salary Survey Plus.” If you need to change the township official designated to enter data (*the PSATS Salary Survey Plus processor*) or have issues with access, contact memberservice@psats.org or (717) 763-0930, ext. 112.

Here are some quick tips on running reports!

- Under **“Run Reports,”** scroll down to below the filter box. Click on any report and it will automatically download the 2022 statewide results. Or apply a filter and click on a report to download that report with your filter applied. The cover page will state whether a filter was applied.
- Under **“Compare Townships,”** choose a position group, choose the “Salary Details” tab, and scroll below the filter box. Just under the legend there is a drop down with the current position. Scroll down to view the full 2022 statewide results for that position. Choose a different position as desired from the drop-down menu. Apply any filter to analyze the results.

Questions? Don't see the Salary Survey option? 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.

Today in History....

On October 11, 1975, William Jefferson Clinton marries Hillary Rodham in Fayetteville, Arkansas. Bill and Hillary met in 1972 while both were studying law at Yale University; both also worked on George McGovern's 1972 presidential campaign. After marrying, they settled in Arkansas, where Clinton immersed himself in politics and practiced law until he decided to run for governor of the state in 1978. He won and became the youngest man ever to hold the position of governor in any state. In 1992, he ran for the presidency against Republican incumbent George H.W. Bush. He won, becoming, at age 46, the youngest president since John F. Kennedy, who took office at age 43.

Learn

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

[Basic Training For Secretaries And Administrators - 10/12/22 - Chester County](#)

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



QUICKBOOKS

[Payroll With QuickBooks - Virtual Class - 10/20/22](#)

[Intermediate QuickBooks - Virtual Class - 11/9 & 11/10/22](#)

[QuickBooks Year-End Reports - Virtual Class - 12/15/22](#)



[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 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](#)

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](#)

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.

[10/20/22 - Virtual](#)

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



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