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Township Video News



TVN's Roulette | Happy Thanksgiving from PSATS!

There are a couple of days left until the big holiday...do you have everything you need for Thanksgiving this year?

We hope you enjoy this short Thanksgiving video greeting from everyone at PSATS!

Latest News

Alternative Fuels Grant Available until December 16

The state Department of Environmental Protection is accepting applications for the Alternative Fuels Incentive Grant (AFIG) Program. Townships and municipal authorities are eligible to apply for funding through this program. Applications are due **December 16**. Funding may be used for retrofitting vehicles to operate on alternative fuels, purchase of new alternative fuel vehicles, costs to purchase and install fleet-refueling equipment for alternative fuel vehicles. [Click here](#) to learn more.

AG Reaches Settlement with Illegal Event Venue

Atty. Gen. Josh Shapiro announced that his Office has reached a [settlement](#) with The Barn at Forestville, a Bucks County wedding and event venue, and its managing members. The Barn operated in Furlong, Pa., as an event venue, and offered related goods and services, without obtaining the required zoning permit. The defendants falsely advertised and misrepresented to consumers that they had the legal ability to hold events, including parties, weddings, and receptions. After a court ruled that the defendants had no such authority to hold events, the defendants had to abruptly cancel numerous consumers' events.

As part of the settlement, the defendants will pay \$11,750 to the Office of Attorney General in civil penalties and costs, and the defendants are prohibited from, among other things, holding and advertising any events for compensation at the venue in question. [Click here](#) to read the press release.

Reminder: Townships May Apply for 2023 Governor's Awards for Environmental Excellence

Local governments, farms, and non-profits that developed or participated in a project between October 4, 2021, and October 11, 2022, that promotes environmental protection and stewardship in the commonwealth may apply for the 2023 Governor's Awards for Environmental Excellence, the state's top environmental honor. This year's spotlight is on the spirit of resistance, for entities who've transformed environmental obstacles into opportunities. Applications are due December 21. [Click here to learn more.](#)

Today in History.....

On November 22, 1988, In the presence of members of Congress and the media, the Northrop B-2 "stealth" bomber was shown publicly for the first time at Air Force Plant 42 in Palmdale, California. The aircraft, which was developed in great secrecy for nearly a decade, was designed with stealth characteristics that would allow it to penetrate an enemy's most sophisticated defenses unnoticed. The B-2 also successfully evaded infrared, sound detectors, and the visible eye.

Learn

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

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.

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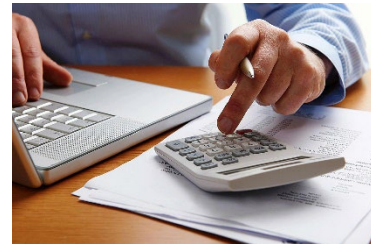
QUICKBOOKS

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



The ABCs for Elected Auditors - Virtual Class - 1/19/23

In this virtual class, you will learn about the responsibilities of elected auditors under the Second Class Township Code, the nuts and bolts of conducting a thorough audit of the township's finances, how to best navigate DCED's online financial reporting requirements, and ways to ensure a healthy working relationship between the elected auditors and the township.



Steering Through Difficult Township Situations - Virtual Class - 1/24/23

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.



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