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Suicide Prevention Fences

In June, Gov. Wolf signed legislation that included a provision I introduced to require PennDOT to conduct suicide protective fencing alongside highways in counties where there is a known suicide problem. The fencing is designed to create a barrier along the right of way of highways and can be a preventative measure to stop suicides. Following the legislation’s enactment, I will continue to work with PennDOT on implementing the fences.

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Working with Sen. Pat Browne, PennDOT, law enforcement and school officials, we were able to introduce legislation that would make it easier to catch drivers. Since then, Amber and her daughter Olivia (now eleven years old) have continued to work with public officials to advance this legislation, helping it advance in the Senate.

Amber and her family areadvocates for the students and their families. We called the legislation, #StrongMomStrongBaby. In June, that legislation went to the Senate Appropriations Committee where it must continue to get cleared to become law. This legislation would allow 8,000 more school districts to install cameras that would help catch motorists that flagrantly disregard stop signs.

In April, Gov. Tom Wolf signed the annual Holocaust Remembrance Event and included me to participate. It is a candle on behalf of my grandparents, Harry and Helen Herzberg, both Holocaust survivors. Pennsylvania is absolutely one of my top priorities and it is tragic that so many more have followed in their footsteps. This is a wonderful event that my office has the opportunity to participate in every year.

American Flag Collections

Throughout the year, my office collects American flags to be turned over to a community group for proper retirement. This is an important process to respect the meaning of the flag. Flags can be turned over to my office. Those flags were retired by the Lehigh County Office of Veterans Affairs as part of a Flag Day ceremony. We will continue to collect flag year-round. You can bring them to my office at 30 W. Tiffin St. in Allentown.

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No Longer Using a License Plate?

A lot of people don’t know what to do with a license plate when selling a car. Bring it to my office!

It’s important to know about the things you may continue to be responsible for even after transferring the title. Those things may be responsible for anything that happens with that license plate, including things like parking tickets or tolls.

When selling a car, if you don’t plan to reuse the license plate, the safest thing you can do is to return the license plate and return it to PennDOT through my Allentown office. We’ll ensure the safety of the license plate and return it to PennDOT.

License Plates

Vetterns Registry

Pennsylvania is always looking for ways to better serve our veterans. One way is to find information about services for veterans and their families online. Visit our veterans portal to find information on state programs, services, and benefits for veterans. You can find information and updates on current programs. To register, visit: https://register-dva.pa.gov

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Veterans and Spouses Burial Information

Veterans and their spouses may be eligible for burial in one of three national cemeteries maintained by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs: National Cemetery of the Alleghenies, Indiantown Gap National Cemetery, and Quantico National Cemetery.

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**Honor Our Veterans**

Veterans Registry

Pennsylvania is always looking for ways to better serve our veterans. One way we find information about services for veterans is through the Pennsylvania Veterans Registry. This online portal links veterans, family members, and employers to more easily find information on state programs, services, and benefits for veterans. The website also provides registration and updates on current programs. To register, visit: https://register.dmva.pa.gov.
News For Seniors

PTR Deadline Extended
In 2017, across Pennsylvania, approximately $35,000 people claimed over $262 million in rebates on rent and property taxes. Gov. Wolf extended the deadline for this program from June 30 to Dec. 31, 2018.

The Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program is open to:

• Eligible seniors 65 or older;
• People with permanent disabilities 18 or older.
• Widows and widowers 50 or older; and
• Veterans 55 or older.

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Medicare Open Enrollment
Do you know everything you need to know about your Medicare coverage? If you join a private Medicare or prescription plan, your driver’s license could change and it could cost you. Medicare open enrollment begins Oct. 15 and ends Dec. 7. My office hosts a specialty trained Medicare Counselor to help you understand your benefits. When open enrollment season begins, we will be available on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the office. If you have questions about open enrollment please call 610-821-5577.

In Our Schools

Dieruff School Awards
Each year, Dieruff High School celebrates the best and brightest students at the annual Troika Awards Ceremony. Joining Rep. Schweyer and me in presenting awards at the ceremony were retired Judge E.D. Heffer and retired educator Mr. Robert Miller.

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I had the pleasure of participating in Mulvehill Elementary School’s Career Day. It’s always fun to answer questions students have about jobs in the community.

Visit to Division
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PA STATE BUDGET DELAYS FOR ALLENTOWN

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I welcome all of these developments to ensure public safety and look forward to working with my colleagues on the Judiciary Committee with bipartisan support. I am encouraged that my colleagues in the Judiciary Committee are working hard to ensure the number of measures that pass the House are bipartisan. I look forward to working with my colleagues to build support for this important legislation. It’s time to say “No more!”

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