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New Year. New Term. New Responsibilities.

It was an honor to be sworn in on New Year's Day to serve another term as your representative – and exciting to be surrounded by the most women to serve in the House in history!

It's a privilege to serve our community and I'll continue to fight to make sure we're putting your needs first in Harrisburg. My priorities for this term include fighting for the rights of workers, standing up for pipeline safety, protecting access to health care and standing up for survivors of sexual harassment and abuse.

I'm also pleased to share that I am taking on expanded responsibilities in the state House while continuing to serve on important committees including Appropriations, Environmental Resources and Energy, and Labor and Industry, where I continue to serve as Secretary. These new responsibilities include being appointed Democratic Chair for the subcommittee on Government & Financial Oversight for the Appropriations Committee and Regional Vice Chair for Delaware County within the House Democratic Southeast Delegation.

As subcommittee chair, I work to ensure that taxpayer dollars are used responsibly while advocating for state budgets that support vital programs and services in Delaware County and communities across the Commonwealth.

My appointment as Regional Vice Chair for Delaware County is a tremendous opportunity to give DelCo a strong voice in the House's largest delegation. I look forward to continuing to work with my colleagues from Delaware County and the region to make addressing our region's issues a priority in the state legislature.

I'm grateful to my colleagues for entrusting me with these expanded roles and promise to continue fighting for you in Harrisburg.

Sincerely,

Leanne





Budget proposal

In February, members of the General Assembly came together to listen to Governor Tom Wolf deliver his annual budget address in the House chamber. I was pleased to hear that his proposal includes an overdue increase in the state's minimum wage as well as investments in workforce development, programs that protect our most vulnerable neighbors, and our state's education system from pre-k through college.

Over the past two months, I've been in Harrisburg for 26 Appropriations Committee hearings as almost every department and state agency came before us to explain their budget requests. I have used these hearings as a chance to understand the Governor's budget proposal and evaluate its impact on our district.

These hearings have also been an important opportunity to better understand how our agencies are addressing Pennsylvania's most pressing problems and what additional programs and actions are needed to continue moving us forward.

You can watch videos of my questions by visiting my website at www.pahouse.com/Krueger.

REAL IDs are now available



October 1, 2020 is the deadline to get a REAL ID.

Pennsylvanians will need a REAL ID to:

- Board a domestic flight
- Enter a federal building
- Enter a military base

PennDOT recently announced the optional REAL ID-compliant driver's licenses and photo ID cards are now available for PA residents. To get a REAL ID driver's license or photo ID, residents have three options:

1. Order online if you have already been pre-verified;
2. Visit any PennDOT Driver's License Center, have your documents verified and imaged and your REAL ID driver's license or photo ID will be mailed to you within 15 business days; or
3. Visit one of the twelve REAL ID Centers, have your documents verified and imaged, and receive your REAL ID driver's license or photo ID over-the-counter at the time of service.

A REAL ID driver's license or photo ID costs a one-time fee of \$30, plus a renewal fee (\$30.50 for a four-year non-commercial driver's license or photo ID). In Delaware County, you must have a check or money order. You DO NOT need a Real ID to drive, vote, access hospitals, visit the Post Office, access Federal Courts, apply for or receive federal benefits.

To get a REAL ID in Pennsylvania

You Will Need:

1 Choose Proof of Identity:

- Certificate of Birth
- Valid Passport



+ Your Social Security Card



+ Choose 2 Acceptable Proofs of PA Residency:

- Current PA Driver's License/ID Card
- Current PA Vehicle Registration
- Proof of Insurance
- Bank Statement (no more than 90 days old)
- W-2 Form or Pay Stub
- Tax Records
- Lease Agreement or Mortgage Documents

AND Proof of all Legal Name Changes (If applicable)

- Certified Marriage Certificate
- Court Order



Call my office if you need assistance obtaining documents or with questions!

Mariner East problems lead to intervention by Governor Wolf

There have been two major recent developments in the safety concerns regarding the Mariner East 1 and 2 pipelines.

In February, the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection suspended all reviews of clean water permit applications and other pending approvals associated for Energy Transfer and subsidiaries, including Sunoco Logistics, until further notice due to non-compliance. This means Sunoco will not receive any new permits to finish construction on the ME2 until they fix every outstanding violation.

Following DEP's action, Governor Wolf made his first major public statement on pipeline safety, which read in part: "The Department of Environmental Protection has acted swiftly and decisively to hold this operator accountable to the conditions of its permits. The permit bar by the Department of Environmental Protection is the latest step my Administration has taken to ensure pipeline operators and builders are accountable for the work they do in Pennsylvania. There has been a failure by Energy Transfer and its subsidiaries to respect our laws and our communities. This is not how we strive to do business in Pennsylvania, and it will not be tolerated."

This is a major step forward for those who want to hold Sunoco Logistics and its parent company accountable. I do not think DEP and Governor Wolf would have taken action



without the tireless advocacy of citizens on the ground in Delaware and Chester counties who have been making sure their elected officials are aware of the problems.

Also in February, the Delaware County Council joined the effort when it voted to have the county solicitor file a petition to become an interested party in the suit filed against the owners of the Mariner East pipeline following continued safety issues.

I will continue to keep you updated as we closely monitor this situation and advocate for policies that prioritize your safety.

I am also proud to announce the recent formation of the bipartisan

Pipeline Safety Caucus. The Pipeline Safety Caucus will be composed of members of the Pennsylvania Senate and House who will work to advance the ultimate passage of comprehensive pipeline safety legislative reform, increase transparency and communication related to pipeline construction and operation, and demonstrate to the public that we, as public officials, recognize the importance of this growing public safety issue.

The caucus held a rally on March 19 at the Capitol Rotunda. Hundreds of people participated.

Creating jobs while protecting the environment with the Blue Green Caucus

Every seat was full in January for the first meeting of the Blue Green Caucus, a brand new bipartisan group of legislators that I organized to work toward policies that are good for job creation and the environment. I'm grateful to Rep. Dan Miller from Allegheny County for his efforts as Co-Chair and the 35 other members who signed up to join us. Stay tuned for more information!



SEPTA Key Photos

Those 65 or older can apply for a free SEPTA Senior Key Card through my office, eliminating the need to travel to SEPTA headquarters in Center City. No appointment is necessary but proof of age is required. Call (610) 534-6880 with questions.



Upcoming events in the 161st Legislative District:



Shredding Event

held in conjunction with Rep. Dave M. Deloso

Saturday, May 4
9 a.m. – noon

Leedom Elementary School Parking Lot
620 Chester Pike
Ridley Park, PA 19078

Please bring your personal documents to be securely shredded and recycled during this free event for constituents. Please remove all plastic bags and tape in advance. No electronics will be accepted.



Senior Update Events

I will be hosting Senior breakfasts and lunches throughout the district to provide updates to Senior Citizens regarding legislation, Real ID, and state services. Call my District Office at (610) 534-6880 to RSVP.

- **Ridley/Rutledge: April 25 at 9:30 a.m.**
- **Brookhaven/Rose Valley: May 16 at 9:30 a.m.**
- **Nether Providence/Swarthmore: May 24 at noon**
- **Aston: June 7 at noon**



APPRISE Appointments

Pennsylvania offers a free health insurance counseling program (APPRISE) designed to help older Pennsylvanians with Medicare. Counselors are specially trained staff and volunteers who can answer your questions about Medicare and provide you with objective, easy-to-understand information about Medicare, Medicare Supplemental Insurance, Medicaid, and Long-Term Care Insurance. Call (610) 534-6880 to schedule an appointment in my Folsom Office with an APPRISE volunteer.

Unclaimed Property Treasure Hunt

Tuesday, June 4th
11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

701 E. MacDade Blvd
Folsom, PA 19033

Wednesday, June 5th
11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

2 Cambridge Road
Brookhaven PA, 19015

Stop by my office and see if you have Unclaimed Property!

No appointment is necessary. Unclaimed property can include:

- Closed bank accounts
- Uncashed checks (including paychecks)
- Lost stocks and bonds
- Contents of safe deposit boxes
- Life insurance policies
- Expired gift cards/gift certificates



Leanne in the community



In February, I joined grandparents and grandchildren from across DelCo at "Gratitude for Grandparents." Due in large part to the opioid crisis, over 90,000 Pennsylvanian grandparents are responsible for the basic needs of one or more grandchildren under the age of 18.



Congratulations to Sasha Siomades, Braden Morris and Samuel Traverso from Troop 272 for receiving the honor of Eagle Scout!



Congratulations to Matthew Box for receiving the honor of Eagle Scout! Matthew is a member of Troop 493 here in Delaware County.



Congratulations to Ryan Isenberger for receiving the honor of Eagle Scout! Ryan is a member of Troop 206 here in Delaware County.



My staff and I welcomed Catherine Bittle, the Director of the Delaware County Library System, into my office to talk about the importance of public libraries.



I volunteered to help sort and box donated food for the Souper Bowl of Caring at Chambers Memorial Presbyterian Church in Rutledge. This annual community service project helps local residents donate food for our neighbors in need. It was great to team up with Mayor Kevin Cunningham and State Senator Tim Kearney.



March is National Reading Month! I had the honor of visiting with some of my youngest constituents and reading to them. I hope you had the chance to read a good book in March!



I was honored to join other Delaware County elected officials at the Delaware County Community College Legislative Breakfast.



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