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As Fall rolls into Winter there will be a flurry of outdoor activities, with our annual holiday parades, tree lightings, Delaware River crossings and other holiday observances. The Fall has been full of events, including Veterans Day parades and ceremonies, street fairs and Halloween and harvest celebrations. As your state representative, it is a pleasure to attend and participate in these wonderful events, to meet friends and neighbors and to share in the life of our communities.

With the 2022 legislative redistricting we welcome the residents of Upper Makefield Township to the 31st District! Upper Makefield joins Lower Makefield Township, Newtown Borough, Newtown Township and Yardley Borough to make up one of the most active, creative and vibrant districts in Pennsylvania. It has been a joy reconnecting with old friends and meeting new neighbors in Upper Makefield, and participating in events in and around Washington Crossing Historic Park.

Please come visit or contact us at my new district office at 509 Floral Vale Blvd. in the Floral Vale Professional Park, conveniently located off of Township Line Road and Yardley Langhorne Road in Lower Makefield. My district office staff and I are on hand to assist our residents with state services and state-related issues. The office is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays. In addition, we will be holding an Open House at the new district office on Thursday, January 5, 2023 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Stop by then, or any time, to meet our great constituent services team.

I look forward to the upcoming term and working with Governor-elect Josh Shapiro, my House colleague Lieutenant Governor-elect Austin Davis, our State Senator Steve Santarsiero, and all of my colleagues in the Pennsylvania House of

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SAVE THE DATE!

Open House

Join me for an **Open House** at my new district office from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on **January 5th**.

My new office is in the Floral Vale Office Park, at 509 Floral Vale Blvd. in Yardley, PA 19067.

We'll feature light refreshments and good company!

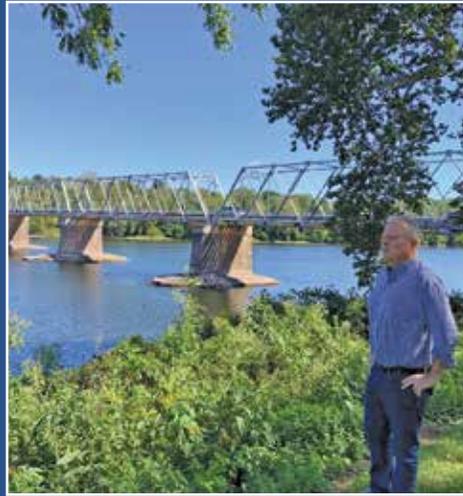
You can get help with state services and discuss legislative business facing the Pennsylvania House of Representatives.

I look forward to seeing you there!



Did you know that every Pennsylvanian lives within 25 miles of a state park?

Here in the 31st Legislative District we are fortunate to have three great state parks.



Surveying the Yardley Canal-O-Ween Carve-O-Thon with Yardley Police Chief Joseph Kelly. The creatively decorated pumpkins lit up the Delaware Canal State Park Towpath in Yardley thanks to the Yardley Borough Police Department, Experience Yardley and Yardley Borough Council for this annual community event!

Zooming in from Tyler State Park! Our state parks, Tyler, Delaware Canal State Park and Washington Crossing Historic Park are great places for virtual meetings.



Salute 2 Service, Helping Veterans Step Up and Stand Tall, celebrated the opening of its new location at Chandler Hall in Newtown to coincide with its Veterans Day ceremony. Bucks County Commissioner Bob Harvie, Senator Steve Santarsiero and I joined residents from throughout our community to welcome Executive Director Rodney Wyatt and Salute 2 Service to Newtown.



Thank you to VFW Post 6393 Commander Kirk Saboda and Vice Commander Russ Davidson, American Legion Post Commander Ted Smith, Veterans Square Foundation President Kevin Treiber and Vice President Kathy Kraeck, Parks and Recreation Director Monica Tierney, and all the VFW, American Legion and Foundation board members, Lower Makefield Police, Lower Makefield Parks and Recreation and public works, Yardley Makefield Fire Company and all the participants and volunteers who joined together to honor veterans at the 16th Annual Lower Makefield Township Veterans Day Parade and Ceremony.



Newtown Middle Schoolers spent a weekend in October "CANping For Hunger" as they collected canned and non-perishable foods to help stock food pantries and shelters in Bucks County. Thanks to the students, parents, administrators, teachers and staff who camped out to collect food and raise awareness of hunger in our community.



The 16th Annual Lower Makefield Township Veterans Day Parade processed along Edgewood Road, led by Parade Marshal and Lower Makefield resident James Vincent McGrath. Lower Makefield Supervisors John Lewis and Dan Grenier and I carried the banner, as residents joined us in honoring veterans.



Veterans Day ceremony at Knowles-Doyle American Legion Post 317 in Yardley.



It was the perfect day for Yardley Harvest Day! Thank you to everyone who stopped by our booth, located over the scenic Delaware Canal, to chat and learn about state services offered through my office. Thank you to the Yardley Harvest Day Committee for organizing this great event and the Yardley Borough Police Department and Yardley-Makefield Fire Company for keeping pedestrians safe and traffic flowing.

Governor Signs Bill Ending Child Marriage Into Law

Regular readers of my newsletter may recall my bill that I wrote and co-introduced with Representative Jesse Topper that established 18 years of age as the minimum age to marry in Pennsylvania. The bill was passed by the House of Representatives and Senate and signed into law by Governor Tom Wolf in May 2020 during the Covid-19 pandemic.

On November 15 this year, Governor Wolf held a ceremonial signing of the bill, where Representative Topper and I were joined by representatives of Unchained at Last, CHILD USA and Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape, advocacy groups working to end child marriage in the United States and

around the globe. One of the advocates flew in from Miami, Florida for the signing ceremony.

The law sets the minimum age at which a marriage license may be issued at 18 and protects children from underage and coerced marriage.

The issue of child marriage was first brought to my attention in 2017 by two residents, including Newtown Borough Councilor Tara Grunde-McLaughlin. I researched the issue and wrote and introduced the bill to end child marriage. When Governor Wolf signed the bill into law as ACT 18 of 2020, Pennsylvania became the third state to end child marriage and the first to do so by



unanimous vote of both chambers of the legislature. Since then, four other states have ended child marriage. Thank you to Governor Wolf, Representative Topper and all advocates for child protection!

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Representatives for our residents and for the betterment of our state, county and communities.

Many of the bills I have introduced began with a conversation with a resident, and I welcome your input on suggested or pending legislation. I can always be reached by email at repwarren@pahouse.net, and our office telephone number is 215-493-5420.

Have a happy holiday season, and I hope to see you in the community, at our Open House, and any time I may be of assistance with any state issue or service.

Perry Warren



Property Tax/Rent Rebate Extra Payment

I'm doing everything I can in Harrisburg to help get more support for our seniors and people with disabilities, and I'm happy to announce that the 2022-23 state budget includes a \$140 million boost to the Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program. That means this year, recipients who are approved for a rebate on property taxes or rent paid in 2021 will receive a one-time supplemental payment equal to 70% of their original rebate amount.

The Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program is available annually to qualifying Pennsylvanians, and our office is happy to answer questions about the program and assist people in filing. The program deadline is December 31, 2022, so there is still time to apply.

The rebate program benefits eligible Pennsylvanians 65 or older; widows and widowers 50 or older; and people with disabilities 18 or older. The income limit is \$35,000 a year for homeowners and \$15,000 annually for renters, and half of Social Security income is excluded.

If you need help with the paperwork or have any questions about this one-time payment, contact my office.



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Don't Miss This Year's Area Holiday Parades and Lightings!

Yardley Olde Fashioned Christmas Parade & Tree Lighting

Sponsor: Yardley Business Association

Location: *The parade will run down S. Main Street in Yardley, beginning at the American Legion Post (215 S. Main St.) and ending at Buttonwood Park. Buttonwood Park will then host the borough's tree lighting directly following the parade.*

Date: December 3, 2022 • **Time:** 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

NBA/McCaffrey's Newtown Holiday Parade 2022

Sponsor: Newtown Business Association

Location: *From South State Street at the Stocking Works, then it continues north to Washington Avenue and makes a left turn, then turns right onto Sycamore Street, ending at the corner of Sycamore Street and Durham Road.*

Date: December 4, 2022 • **Time:** 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.



My Office Can Help With:

- SEPTA Senior Key Card applications (for those 65+)
- PennDOT problems or questions — including disability license plates and placards
- Obtaining birth or death certificates
- Voter registration forms and absentee ballot applications
- Property Tax/Rent Rebate forms (for qualified seniors)
- PACE (pharmaceutical assistance for qualified senior citizens)
- Information regarding PHEAA (PA Higher Education Assistance Agency)
- Information on PA's 529 College Savings Plans
- CHIP (Children's Health Insurance Program)
- Requests for state informational materials
- Questions or problems with any state agency
- Tours of the state Capitol for individuals or groups
- Citations from the PA House of Representatives for outstanding local accomplishments and important family milestones