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# Radio Pennsylvania Network Roundtable Public Affairs Issues/Clearance Report 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2022

## **January 1, 2022**

Segment 1 Topic: COVID 19/Healthcare

Guest: Dr. Denise Johnson, Physician General, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

**Segment 2 Topic: Elections** 

Guest: Dr. Terry Madonna, Senior Fellow for Political Affairs, Millersville University

Segment 3 Topic: News Recap of the Year

Guest: Radio PA Reporters Mark Sims, David Payne and Tory Gates

## **January 8, 2022**

Segment 1 Topic: Politics/Election Fairness

Guest: US Senator Bob Casey (D-Pennsylvania)

Segment 2 Topic: COVID-19/Healthcare

Guests: Dr. Pablo Tebas, Professor of Medicine, Infectious Diseases, Director of AIDS Clinical Trial Unit,

University of Pennsylvania; Dr. Ryan Bariola, Clinical Associate Professor of Medicine, University of

Pennsylvania, Medical Director of Antimicrobial Stewardship, UPMC

Segment 3 Topic: Opioid Use Disorder/ Drug Prevention

Guests: Jen Smith, PA Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs (DDAP); Gary Mendell, Founder/CEO,

Shatterproof; Dr. Joe Smyser, CEO, Public Good Projects (PGP)

# **January 15, 2022**

Segment 1 Topic: Education/Student Loans

Guests: Josh Shapiro, Attorney General, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Alexis Miller, Drexel University

Student

Segment 2 Topic: COVID Vaccination/Healthcare

Guests: Dr. Denise Johnson, Acting Physician General, PA Department of Health; Dr. Chavone Momon-

Nelson, Chair, OB-GYN Dpt, UPMC Carlisle, PA; Keara Klinepeter, Acting Health Secretary,

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

**Segment 3 Topic: National Radon Month/Health** 

Guests: Ramez Ziadeh, Executive Deputy Secretary, Department of Environmental Protection (DEP);

Giselle Fetterman, Second Lady, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

# January 22, 2022

Segment 1 Topic: Infrastructure

Guests: Rich Fitzgerald, Allegheny County Executive; Governor Tom Wolf

Segment 2 Topic: COVID-19 Vaccinations/Healthcare

Guests: Dr. Denise Johnson, Acting Physician General, PA Department of Health; Ray Barishansky,

Deputy Secretary of Health Preparedness and Community Protection, PA Department of Health

Segment 3 Topic: Racism/Day of Racial Healing

Guests: Dr. Dan Jurman, Executive Director, Governor's Office of Advocacy and Reform; Frances Wolf,

First Lady of Pennsylvania; Esteban Serrano, co-producer "Symbol of Solidarity;" Dr. Phillip Jeffrey

Tietbohl, Poetry That Works

## January 29, 2022

Segment 1 Topic: HR 165/Rewriting of Congressional Map

Guests: Senator Jay Costa (D-Allegheny), Sen. Minority Leader; Senator David Argall (D-

Schuvlkill/Berks/Carbon/Lehigh/Monroe/Northhampton), Chair State Government Committee

Segment 2 Topic: HR 253/Healthcare

Guests: Governor Tom Wolf; Senator Kim Ward (R-Westmoreland), Senate Majority Leader;

Representative Joanna McClinton (D-Delaware/Philadelphia), House Minority Leader

Segment 3 Topic: Healthcare Workers/Healthcare

Guests: Keara Klinepeter, Acting Secretary, PA Department of Health

## **February 5, 2022**

Segment 1 Topic: American Rescue Plan Act

Guests: Governor Tom Wolf: Senator Vincent Hughes (D-Montgomery/Philadelphia)

**Segment 2 Topic: Education** 

Guests: Dr. Noe Ortega, Education Secretary, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Rep. Sheryl Delozier (R-

Cumberland), Board Member, Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency (PHEAA)

**Segment 3 Topic: Agriculture** 

Guests: Russell Redding, Agriculture Secretary, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Christa Barfield,

FarmerJawn Agriculture, Philadelphia; Senator Sharif Street (D-Philadelphia)

## February 12, 2022

Segment 1 Topic: Budget/Fiscal Planning

Guests: Governor Tom Wolf

Segment 2 Topic: Community Safety/Policing

Guests: Attorney General Josh Shapiro, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Police Chief Scott Schubert,

Pittsburgh, PA

Segment 3 Topic: Education

Guests: Brian Polito, Superintendent of Schools, Erie, PA; Donna Wall, Teacher, Pfeiffer-Burleigh

Elementary School, Erie, PA.

## **February 19, 2022**

Segment 1 Topic: Budget Hearings/Education

Guests: Governor Tom Wolf; John Sygielski, President/CEO, Harrisburg Area Community College (HACC);

Kellen Johnson, Student, HACC; Representative Jordan Harris (D-Philadelphia)

Segment 2 Topic: Public Safety

Guests: Melissa Batula, Acting Deputy Secretary, Pennsylvania Department of Transportation

(PennDOT); Major Robert Krol, Assistant Director, Bureau of Patrol, Pennsylvania State Police

**Segment 3 Topic: Rural Broadband** 

Guests: Representative Pam Snyder (D-Greene/Fayette/Washington); Senator John Kane (D-

Chester/Delaware); Representative Martin Causer (R-Cameron/McKean)

# **February 26, 2022**

Segment 1 Topic: War in Ukraine/Military

Guests: Representative Emily Kinkead (D-Allegheny)

Segment 2 Topic: Budget Hearings

Guests: Timothy DeFoor, Auditor General, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Segment 3 Topic: American Rescue Act/Childcare

Guests: Representative Pam DeLissio (D-Montgomery/Philadelphia); Governor Tom Wolf; Krista Weider,

Director, North Light Community Center, Philadelphia

March 5, 2022

Segment 1 Topic: Budget Hearings/Public Safety

Guests: Governor Tom Wolf; Dan Hassell, Secretary, PA Department of Revenue

**Segment 2 Topic: Infrastructure** 

Guests: Larry Shifflet, Deputy Secretary, Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT); David

Sanko, Executive Director, Pennsylvania Association of Township Supervisors (PSATS)

Segment 3 Topic: Gambling Addiction/Mental Health

Guests: Jen Smith, Secretary, PA Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs (DDAP); Eva Swope, Press

Secretary, PA Lottery; Claire Yantis, Administrative Director, PA Gaming Control Board

March 12, 2022

Segment 1 Topic: War in Ukraine

Guests: Governor Tom Wolf; David Briel, Deputy Secretary, Office of International Business

Development, PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED); Viktor Kolesnyk,

Managing Director, Orange Pavers, Stroudsburg

**Segment 2 Topic: Election Security** 

Guests: Senator Bob Mensch (R-Berks/Bucks/Montgomery); Leigh Chapman, Acting Secretary of State,

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Senator Steve Santarsiero (D-Bucks); Senator Vincent Hughes (D-

Montgomery/Philadelphia), Minority Chair, Senate Appropriations Committee

**Segment 3 Topic: Environment** 

Guests: Patrick McDonnell, Secretary, PA Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)

March 19, 2022

Segment 1 Topic: Public Safety/Policing Shortage

Guests: Josh Shapiro, Attorney General, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Danielle Outlaw, Police

Commissioner, Philadelphia

Segment 2 Topic: Labor & Industry/Equal Pay Day

Guests: Moraih Hathaway, Executive Director, Pennsylvania Coalition for Women; Jennifer Berrier,

Secretary, PA Department of Labor & Industry; Representative Patty Kim (D-Dauphin)

**Segment 3 Topic: Affordable Housing** 

Guests: Senator Sharif Street (D-Philadelphia); Senator Amanda Cappelletti (D-Delaware/Montgomery);

Gail Loney, resident, North Philadelphia

# March 26, 2022

Segment 1 Topic: War in Ukraine/Law Enforcement Support

Guests: Governor Tom Wolf; Colonel Robert Evanchick, Commissioner, Pennsylvania State Police; Joseph

Jacob, Superintendent, PA State Capitol Police

Segment 2 Topic: Congressional Map/Politics

Guests: Dr. Terry Madonna, Senior Fellow for Political Affairs, Millersville University

**Segment 3 Topic: Agriculture** 

Guests: Russell Redding, Secretary, PA Department of Agriculture; Doug Wolfgang, Director, PA Bureau of Farmland Preservation; Sarah Hershey, President, Juniata Chapter, Future Farmers of America (FFA)

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Provided are news stories broadcasted during the weeks of January 1 through April 10, 2022, either live or pre-recorded which focusing on daily or topical concerns and providing listeners with up to the minute information, directions or solutions.

News for the week of 1/10/22

- -The 106th Pa. Farm Show was held this week in Harrisburg
- -Barta reduces bus service on some routes due to a shortage of drivers caused by Covid-19
- -Local and state fire officials remind residents to practice fire safety after deadly blazes in Philadelphia and New York City
- -Animal Rescue League of Berks County issues a Code Blue for pets in Reading because of frigid temperatures
- -Joel Richardson, owner of Soul Joel's Comedy Club remembers actor, comedian and Philadelphia area native Bob Saget
- -Snow and ice cause schools in Berks County open late
- -New West Reading Mayor Samantha Kaag talks about her goals for the borough
- -Congressman Dan Mueser criticizes the Biden administration for middle-of-the-night flights bringing illegal immigrants to cities in Pennsylvania and the rest of the U-S
- -Berks County D-A John Adams praises local law enforcement for solving most murders in Berks

## in 2021

- -Reading City Council approves 3 million dollars in American Rescue Plan funds for First Energy Stadium improvements
- -Local Realtor Jeffrey Hogue explains the Berks County housing market amid Covid, inflation and the economy
- -A 16-year-old girl is severely injured when she crashes her vehicle in Jefferson Township
- -State Health officials assure pregnant women from Berks County and the rest of Pa. Covid vaccines are safe
- -An independent contractor working for the Reading School District is arrested for allegedly trying to contact a state police trooper posing as a 13 year old girl
- -The plot of a Medical Helicopter that crashed in Delaware County is hailed as a hero
- -The Berks County Commissioners restart efforts to build a new county jail after a 2 year delay because of Covid
- -Wyomissing financial manager Craig Hafer talks about the effects of 40 year high inflation rate on the economy and the stock market
- -Residents of Berks County and all of Pa. are reminded of the deadline to enroll in a health insurance plan under the state marketplace known as Pennie
- -Three schools in the Governor Mifflin School District go virtual due to a staff shortage caused by Covid
- -The Perry Township supervisors give conditional approval for a warehouse project off of Rt. 61
- -Penn State Health-St. Joe's Medical Center adjusts visitation policy due to Covid
- -Albright College enters a partnership to create a college E-Sports facility
- -Berks Co. State Senator Judy Schwank talks about the need for mental health services for members of the agriculture community
- -A Montgomery County jury convicts 3 Pottstown men for the murder of a rival drug gang
- -The number of Covid-19 cases in Berks Co, from the Omicron variant begins to fall, but hospitalizations remain steady

#### News for the week of 1/17/22

- -Reading police identify a man who was shot and killed a week earlier, no arrests have been made
- -The pilot who crashed landed his medical helicopter in Delaware County is released from the hospital
- -A Pottstown man and a fire fighter were treated for minor injuries after a fire at the man's home
- -Reading Mayor Eddie Moran hosts a day of service in honor of Martin Luther King's birthday
- -The number of new Covid-19 cases and re-infections in Berks County begins to decline
- -The Shrine Circus closes for good because of Covid, other factors
- -Penn Dot sets speed and vehicle restrictions on major highways because of snow
- -A Reading man is sentenced to 2 to 7 years in prison after pleading guilty to choking his former girlfriend until she passed out
- -The State Department of Health announces it will keep the drive-through Covid-19 testing center in Bern Township through January 29th
- -The Animal Rescue League of Berks County again issues a Code Blue for dogs in Reading because of frigid temperatures
- -Reading City Hall will be closed until at least January 31st to stop the spread of Covid
- -New West Reading Mayor Samantha Kaag presides over her first Borough Council meeting
- -A Maxatawney Township man is arrested for pepper spraying a medic responding to a call about a woman with Covid-19 symptoms
- -The Exeter Community Library gives out Coats for Kids
- -The Animal Rescue League of Berks County raises 28 thousand dollars in the Betty White Challenge
- -A Reading man is arrested for the alleged sexual assault of a girl on her 12th birthday
- -A local doctor talks about the effectiveness of N-95 masks being distributed by the Federal Government in the fight against Covid-19

- -A Lower Alsace Township couple and their dog are chased from their home by fire
- -The Reading School Board establishes an advisory committee to support the educational mission of the Reading Public Museum
- -Congressman Dan Mueser and Senator Bob Casey offer different views of President Joe Biden's first year in office
- -A New York woman suffers minor injuries when ice flies off of he top of a tractor trailer and crashes through her windshield on I-78 near Hamburg
- -A Douglass Twp., Montgomery County man is sentenced in the drug overdose death of a friend
- -The Berks County Commissioners approve the hiring of a consulting firm to help with the design of a new county jail
- -The Commissioners also join an lawsuit to prevent Penn Dot from tolling Interstate Highway bridges to raise revenue for repairs
- -Berks and Schuylkill County State Representative Jerry Knowles will step down when his term expires at the end of 2022

## News for the week of 1/31/22

- -A weekend fire damages a home in Amity Township, no injuries reported
- -Berks County's Covid-19 cases and hospitalizations continue to drop
- -Berks and Montgomery County State Senator Katie Muth conducts a committee hearing on a proposed wind farm in Schuylkill County
- -Reading City Hall reopens after a 2 week closure because of Covid concerns
- -A Reading woman is killed in a 3 vehicle accident in Penn Township
- -Reading Fire Chief William Stoudt says he will retire in April
- -Berks County Congresswoman Chrissy Houlahan talks about her visit to Ukraine amid Russian troop buildup
- -A Hereford Township man dies in a 3 vehicle crash in Lehigh County
- -The head of the Berks Community Health Center raises concerns about the possibility of a new Covid variant
- -The State Health Department announces it will keep the Covid Testing Center in Bern Township open through February 12th
- -Conflicting opinions from Punxsutawny Phil and Reading's Patty Pagoda
- -Organizers say this year's Berks County Fair will run from July 10 through 15
- -A Jefferson Township man is sentenced to 5 to 10 years after pleading guilty to charges related to a fatal hit and run crash in Reading
- -Six people, including a child, were treated for injuries after an accident in Ruscombmanor Township
- -A Pottstown man is sentenced to up to 17 years in prison for an armed robbery in Reading
- -Berks County receives a share of 28 million dollars in state funding for mental health programs
- -Berks County Congressman Dan Mueser criticizes President Biden on policy regarding Ukraine
- -Reading police investigate an early morning shooting near 3rd and Penn Streets
- -State Senate Democratic Policy Committee discusses school staffing shortage at schools in Berks County and all of Pa
- -Fire causes 400 thousand dollars damage to a home in Jefferson Township, no injuries reported
- -A Winter Weather Advisory is issued for Berks, Lehigh and Northampton Counties for a possible mix of freezing rain, sleet and snow
- -A Reading man is arrested for the alleged sexual assault of a young girl
- -A man is injured when a tree falls onto the roof of his garage in South Heidelberg Township, trapping him inside
- -A new Director of Election Services is appointed by the Berks County Commissioners
- -Reading Mayor Eddie Moran announces that street sweeping will resume Feb. 7
- -A Tower Health surgeon is fired for allegedly prescribing unapproved treatment for Covid-19
- -The Diocese of Allentown temporarily suspends a policy that prevents boys from wrestling with girls

News for the week of 2/7/22

- -One man is killed, 2 other residents injured in a house fire in Spring Township
- -Reading Public Works Department resumes street sweeping
- -Berks County Congresswoman Chrissy Houlahan talks about her recent trip to Ukraine and her advice to President Biden, if he asks for it
- -Former Reading Hospital Doctor charged with illegally prescribing prescription drugs
- -Berks County Covid-19 cases continue to fall
- -A Reading city employee files sexual harassment complaint against a former special assistant to the mayor
- -Berks County Congresswoman Madeliene Dean praises passage of the America Competes Act that strengthens the supply chain and invests in technology
- -Blankets of Hope sells chili to raise money to buy blankets and beds for the needy
- -Local state lawmakers react to Governor's 43-point-7 billion dollar budget which would increase spending by more than 6 billion dollars with no tax increase
- -Fire damages a barn in West Caln Township, Chester County
- -The Berks Residential Center in Bern Township is again being used to detain illegal immigrants seeking asylum
- -No one is injured in a dire that causes extensive damage to an Ontelaunee Township home
- -Muhlenberg School District keeps mask mandate in place, Boyertown Schools go optional
- -Chancellor of the 14 State owned universities, including Kutztown, asks for more state funding to freeze tuition rates
- -Alvernia University receives a grant from First Energy Foundation to fund the new engineering program at it's campus in downtown Reading
- -Reading Zoning Hearing Board approves plans to build a church at a former farm in the city limits
- -The Berks County Commissioners pss a resolution to lift the mask mandate for county employees and visitors to county buildings
- -The Berks Cares Covid- vaccine center changes hours of operation
- -The state awards grants to 55 fire and ambulance companies in Berks County
- -The preservation of four more county farms helps the state pass 6 thousand farms exempt from development
- -A 5 year old Schuylkill County boy dies after falling through the ice at a pond near his home
- -Two Berks County men are ordered held for trial for the murder of another man whose body was found near a park on Mount Penn in Lower Alsace Township

## News for the week of 2/14/22

- -After a forecast of a coating to an inch, most areas of Berks County had about five inches of snow over the weekend
- -Penn State Health-St. Joe's revised its policy to allow more visitors as Covid cases continue to decrease
- -Berks and Montgomery County State Sen. Katie Muth says she will sue the company that manages the pension fund for Pa. teachers because of a lack of transparency
- -Berks and Lehigh County State Rep. Ryan Mackenzie says American Rescue
- Plan funds can and should be used to pay down the debt of the state unemployment compensation fund, which grew during the pandemic
- -Reading City Council hears a presentation on a proposed Empty Homes Tax to address vacant properties
- -A Reading woman is charged with cruelty to animals after leaving three dogs outside without shelter during extreme cold
- -The State Department of Health extends the drive through testing site in Bern Township February 26th, then through April 2nd
- -Fire causes extensive damage to a Robesonia home, no injuries reported
- -A Lebanon County man pleads guilty to starving and beating his son to death

- -A Berks County jury convicts a man of rape in sexual assault of a 13 year old victim
- -Two men go on trial for the murder of another man in Reading in 2014
- -Reading Police arrest a Shillington man for robbing another man and crashing his getaway vehicle into 3 other vehicles, injuring a pregnant woman and 3 children
- -The Berks County District Attorney says a former Maidencreek Township Manager is cleared of theft accusations
- -A Berks County company that makes uniforms for public safety professionals is sold to an Ohio company that manufactured protective equipment for first responders
- -The Senate State Government Committee, chaired by Berks and Schuylkill County State Sen. Dave Argall holds a hearing to discuss election reform measures
- -Fire destroys a mobile home in Exeter Township, no one was injured
- -Governor Wolf wants the legislature to approve the Nellie Bly Scholarship Program to make college more affordable for students at community colleges and the state owned universities
- -The owners of Dorney Park near Allentown reject a mulyi-million dollar takeover bid
- -Helping Harvest Food Bank in Spring Township asks for cash donations to replenish food supplies at food pantries in Berks and Schuylkill Counties
- -Strong wind causes power outage, school closings in parts of Berks County

## News for the week of 2/21/22

- -A Reading man was acquitted by a Montgomery County jury in a fatal home invasion in Norristown in 2019
- -Berks County seniors are reminded that income requirements for the state-run PACE-NET prescription drug program
- -The Reading Fire Marshal says unattended cooking was the cause of a fire that displace five tenants of a Cotton Street apartment building
- -The Berks County Film Office presents a screening of the film, "Men of Honor" as part of a celebration of African American excellence
- -A Philadelphia man is arrested for shooting and killing 2 people on West Greenwich Street in Reading
- -A woman died, and a man was injured when fire swept through the Pottstown home
- -Police charge a shooting victim for speeding and causing an accident in Wyomissing while driving himself to Reading Hospital
- -Organizers announce the return of the Kutztown Folk Festival in July as an in-person event
- -Berks County State Senator Judy Schwank talks about the new State Legislative District map and changes to Berks County districts
- -Senator Schwank outlines priorities as Senate Appropriations Committee begins state budget hearings
- -A Georgia woman is extradited to Berks County to face charges of stealing 70 thousand dollars from a sinking spring couple
- -A Lancaster County man gets 2 years of probation for his role in the U-S Capitol riot
- -The Governor Mifflin School Board votes to make masks optional
- -Governor Mifflin administrators talks about a teacher shortage during State of the District address
- -A fire in Longswamp Township causes extensive damage to a garage
- -The Chester County D-A's office announces the arrest of a Philadelphia woman for murdering a student at Lincoln University
- -The State Supreme Court approves a Congressional redistricting map, leaving Berks County with 3 representatives in the U-S House
- -Reading maintenance crews fill nearly 540 potholes in the city in February alone
- -Santander Bank institutes a Covid vaccine mandate for employees, even as cases continue to drop
- -Freezing rain changes school schedules, causes power outages
- -Alvernia University History Professor Dr. Tim Blessing talks about Russian invasion of Ukraine

News for the week of 2/28/22

- -State Wine and Good Spirits stores in Berks County and across Pa. remove Russian-made products from their shelves after the invasion of Ukraine
- -A Topton man leaves for Beijing to compete in the 2022 Paralympics
- -State Senate Agriculture Committee member Judy Schwank of Berks Co. talks about precautions to prevent Avian Flu in Pa.
- -Reading Police issue an arrest warrant for a man accused of shooting and killing another man on West Green Street over the weekend
- -Albright College shows the film "Black Inventors Got Game" highlighting the accomplishments of Black inventors to close out Black History Month
- -Berks County Convention Center Authority officials says the high cost of event parking could drive events away from the city
- -A Shillington man was ordered held for trial for the murder of his mother in January
- -Reading City Council approves the allocation of nine million dollars for construction of the new Ninth and Marion Fire Station
- -The Exeter Township Supervisors vote to cancel the proposed municipal complex at the formal Promenade Shopping Center on Perkiomen Avenue
- -Reading Hospital celebrates 5 year anniversary of its Opioid Use Disorder Center of Excellence
- -Berks Co. Congressman Dan Mueeser comments on the Russian invasion of Ukraine
- -A 7 year old boy from Mohnton vies to become a member of Sun Maid Raisins Board of Imagination
- -Lawyers for an Albany Township woman accused of killing her children try to have some evidence suppressed
- -Fire destroys a home in Greenwich Township, no injuries reported
- -Kutztown University and the Kutztown Community Partnership are teaming up to bring a world-class fitness park to the K-U campus in the name of Kutztown artist Keith Haring
- -The City of Reading and "We Agape You" host a Covid-19 Family Resource event
- -A Peace Vigil is planned in support of the people of Ukraine
- -The Berks Co. Commissioners schedule a public hearing to discuss the
- creation of an authority to bring back passenger rail service between Reading and Philadelphia
- -A fundraiser is held tor the family of a Sinking Spring police officer born in Ukraine
- -Berks County Congresswoman Chrissy Houlahan talks about her Ukrainian ancestry and her recent visit to Ukraine
- -Berks Co. and all of Pa. seeing higher gas prices due in part to Russian invasion of Ukraine
- -Reading Mayor Eddie Moran lifts mask mandate for City Hall and all city buildings
- -The Raddison Hotel in Wyomissing closes, reasons not disclosed
- -Albright College receives a grant for it Pedestrian Safety initiative

## News for the week of 3/7/22

- -Local auto repair shop owner offers tips to improve gas mileage as gas prices soar
- -A peace vigil at a Reading church raises funds to help Ukrainian people as Russian invasion continues
- -Berks County fire fighters assist Schuylkill County companies battle a 3 alarm blaze near Orwigsburg
- -The Reading Parking Authority plans to remove parking meters near North Ninth Street businesses
- -The State Supreme Court hears arguments on a state legislative district map approved in February
- -Governor Tom Wolf announced Pennsylvania will sever financial ties with Russia over invasion of Ukraine
- -Authorities say a fire that destroyed a mobile home in Exeter Township in February was an accident
- -Reading City Council will hold public hearing on proposed new council district boundaries

- -Storms and strong winds knock electric service to about a thousand Berks customers
- -The price of gas climbs to record high in Berks County, due in part to Russian invasion of Ukraine
- -U-S House and Senate members who represent Berks say more sanctions are needed against Russia after the invasion of Ukraine
- -The Reading parking Authority defends high rate at some city parking garages during big events at Santander Arena
- -Immigrant activist groups protest the reopening of the Berks Residential Center to detain women seeking asylum-
- -State lawmakers announce plans to divest from Russian financial assets because of Unkraine invasion
- -A Pottstown man is ordered held for trial in the murder of another man in Pottstown in January
- -Berks County residents are invited to complete an on-line survey on how federal American Rescue Plan funds should be spent
- -Company withdraws court request to reopen sale process for 2 hospitals in Chester County owned by West Reading-based Tower Health
- -State Police in Hamburg arrested a fugitive from Texas during a traffic stop on I-78
- -A Douglassville company is picked to help with the process of planning to toll Interstate highway bridges to raise revenue for repairs
- -New Reading City Council member Briana Tyson resigns after just 3 months
- -Reading Mayor Eddie Moran announces return of First Friday Block Party events in downtown Reading
- -Reading Police investigate the fatal shooting of 2 people on Miltimore Street

## News for the week of 3/14/22

- -Fire destroys a barn in Longswamp Township, 42 cows rescued
- -A weekend storm drops 3 to 6 inches of snow in many parts of Berks County resulting in numerous traffic accidents
- -Berks County Covid-19 cases and hospitalizations continue to fall
- -Berks County Congressman Dan Mueser calls reports of using chemical weapons against Ukraine Russian propaganda and calls for move to energy independence
- -A Schuylkill County man is killed in a 2 car crash on Route 61 in Perry Township
- -Reading City Council plans to introduce an ordinance that would ask voters if they want to change from a Charter form of government
- -Berks and Montgomery County Congresswoman Madeliene Dean tests positive for Covid-19
- -The Exeter Township Supervisors plan to sell the former Promenade Shopping Center property that was being considered for new township offices
- -One teen was killed and 3 others were wounded in a shooting at a Reading playground, no arrests yet
- -The trial of a Tennessee woman accused of murdering the owner of Murphy Jewelers of Pottsville in New Orleans 3 years ago set to begin
- -An alternative to tolling Interstate Highway bridges, including the I-78 bridge in Lenhartsville is proposed in the state legislature
- -A man is arrested for shooting a woman and another man at 11th and Pike Streets in Reading
- -Rallies were held this week in Reading and across the state to promote fair funding for education
- -The drive-thru Covid test center in Bern Township is extended to April 2nd
- -The V-A Medical Center in Coatesville is slated for closure
- -Local movie theaters participate in efforts to raise funds to benefit Ukraine
- -Plans are announced for events to celebrate Reading's 275th anniversary in 2023
- -Two women and about 20 dogs rescued from burning home in Fleetwood
- -Two students and an adult injured in a fight at Reading High School
- -A Lenhartsville man is killed in a 3 car accident after driving the wrong way on the West Shore Bypass
- -A special enrollment period will allow berks and Pa. residents to sign up for health insurance through Pennie by using their state tax form

-A 2 car crash in Heidelberg Township sends a 76 year old man to Reading Hospital in serious condition

## News for the week of 3/21/22

- -Police release the identities of the suspect and victim of a fatal shooting in Wyomissing over the weekend
- -Fire destroys a three-car garage at a home in Robeson Township
- -A Leesport woman is crowned Miss Greater Reading 2022 at a competition at Twin Valley Middle School and will vie for the title of Miss Pennsylvania
- -Berks County's Covid-19 numbers continue their decline
- -Two State Police Troopers with ties to berks County and a pedestrian are killed by a speeding vehicle on I-95 in Philadelphia early Monday, a Montgomery County woman is arrested
- -The Reading Fightin' Phils get ready to open the 2022 season with numerous promotions
- -A New Jersey woman is injured in a 3 vehicle crash while driving the wrong way on route 422 in Amity Township
- -An Upper Pottsgrove Township, Montgomery County man is arrested on child porn charges
- -A flag raising ceremony at Reading City Hall shows support for Ukraine in its war with Russia
- -Reading Mayor Eddie Moran reaches out to city youth to reduce violence
- -Gas prices drop considerable in Berks County, but prices could go up again as the war in Ukraine continues
- -Penn Dot contractors begin demolition of the eastbound I-78 bridge in Hamburg
- -Alvernia University celebrates a two million dollar federal grant for it College-Towne project in Pottsville
- -Congressman Dan Mueser talks about his Ukrainian ancestry as the war with Russia continues
- -The Reading and Northern Railroad announces the return of excursions between Reading and Jim Thorpe in the spring
- -The berks County Department of Veterans Affairs begins a new program where private donations are accepted to help local veterans in need
- -A public hearing is held on proposed new Reading City Council districts
- -A man is arrested for the alleged abduction and sexual assault of a 14-year-old girl as she walked to school
- -A Berks County Jury convicts a man for sexually assaulting 2 young girls in Reading over a 3 year period
- -Berks County State Representative Jim Cox says he will not seek a ninth term
- -A medical marijuana supporter from Berks County advocates for adding edibles to the state medical marijuana program
- -Advocates show support for legislation to help homeowners in Berks County and all of Pa. repair their homes during a rally in Reading
- -State Police report scam artists are trying to cash in on the deaths this week of 2 state troopers with ties to Berks County

## News for the week of 4/1/22

- -A peace march was held over the weekend, calling for an end to the violence in Reading
- -The Maidencreek Twp. Supervisors fill a vacancy on the board
- -After it was first discovered in Berks County in 2014, the State
- Department of Agriculture expands the Spotted Lantern Fly quarantine area to 11 more counties
- -A Mount Penn teen is charged as an adult for shooting at and pistol whipping a man in Reading
- -The bird flu is confirmed in Pennsylvania after a bald eagle is found dead in Chester County
- -Reading Police arrest a man for the murder of another man on Schuylkill Ave. a few days earlier
- -Reading City Council recognizes a city teen for writing a book about coping with the Covid-19 pandemic
- -A snow squall is blamed for an 80-vehicle pileup on Interstate 81 in Schuylkill County that left 6 people dead
- -Berks County Covid numbers remain low

- -Reading City Council formally approves the removal of parking meters along 3 blocks of N. Ninth Street
- -Berks County officials learn the county will get 16.3 million dollars from a settlement of a federal lawsuit against opioid providers and manufacturers
- -State and local police begin a month-long aggressive driving enforcement campaign
- -A former day-care center worker is sentenced to 34 to 68 years in prison for the sexual assault of 3 young children
- -A Brecknock Twp. police officer is involved in a shooting after confronting a man with a mental health crisis
- -The Montgomery County D-A says police were justified is returning fire against an Upper Providence man
- -The Transgender flag is raised at Reading City Hall
- -Fire destroys a barn with hay and farm equipment in Jefferson Twp.
- -Reading City Council interviews 5 candidates interested in filling a vacancy in the 1st council district
- -Fire causes 100 thousand dollars damage to a garage and other buildings in Rockland Twp.
- -Dr. Charles Barbera, a frequent guest on WEEU's Health Talk Show, is named President and C E O of Reading Hospital
- -Berks County begins accepting new applications for Emergency Rental Assistance Program
- -One Lebanon police officer killed, and 2 others wounded after responding to
- -Council on Chemical Abuse joins Reading School District to inform students about the danger of tobacco use
- -Pa. U-S Senator Pat Toomey criticizes President Biden's latest budget proposal
- -Berks Jazz Fest begins its 10-day run in Berks County.

#### News for the week of 4/8/22

- -No new cases or re-infections of Covid-19 reported in Berks County on Saturday
- -Governor Wolf orders all Pa. flags to fly at half-staff to remember a Lebanon Police Lieutenant who was shot and killed in the line of duty
- -Funeral services were held in Montgomery County for State Trooper
- Brandon Sisca, who was struck and killed along with another trooper and a pedestrian on Interstate 95 in Philadelphia
- -The Reading Civic Theater announces plans to move to the former Fox movie theater in Exeter Township
- -Former Reading City Councilman Chris Daubert is named to fill a vacancy on Council
- -State Police arrest a Windsor Township man on several outstanding warrants after a brief standoff
- -A shoplifter is arrested after trying to take items from a store in Wyomissing and crashes into 3 vehicles as he tries to get away
- -A Montgomery County man is sentenced to 23 months in prison for selling drugs to a man who died of an overdose of fentanvl
- -Pennsylvanians are reminded that the deadline to register for the primary election is May 2nd
- -Berks County State Rep. Mark Rozzi holds a rally urging the Senate to
- vote on a bill to give sex abuse victims a 2-year window to file lawsuits against their abusers
- -Reading Police, the FBI and U-s Marshals arrest a suspected gang member for a shooting in Reading last September
- -Philadelphia-born 1960's teen idol Bobby Rydell passes away at 79
- -Reading developer Alan Shuman prods city and county officials to use
- American Rescue Plan funds to turn a former candy factory in Reading into a youth athletic facility
- -Governor Wolf announces funding for a program to let high school students in Berks and Chester Counties explore a future in agriculture and manufacturing
- -Congressman Dan Mueser criticizes President Biden's plan to tap oil reserves to lower the cost of gas at the pump
- -A Pottstown man is sentenced to prison and court supervision for his role in a methamphetamine

# trafficking ring

- -Pa. Education Secretary Noe Ortega visits Amanda Stoudt Elementary School to promote environmental education
- -Penn-Bernville Elementary takes first prize in the Can-Structure Contest to raise food for the Helping Harvest food bank
- -Berks Encore receives a donation of more than 18 thousand dollars for its Meals on Wheels program
- -A shooting suspect wanted in Reading is arrested nu Buffalo, N.Y.
- -A Reading man surrenders to face charges of the sexual assault of a young girl
- -Heavy rains causes flooding, damages a house in Union Township
- -Donations are being collected at Reading City Hall for Ukrainian refugees
- -Reading Fightin' Phils open the 2022 season