

REAL ID Enforcement to Begin Oct. 1

By Rep. Joe Emrick

BANGOR - Effective Oct. 1, the federal government will require all citizens to use a REAL ID or other federally accepted form of identification to board a commercial flight (including domestic flights) or visit a secure federal building that requires ID at the door.

REAL ID is optional for Pennsylvanians, but if you plan to fly or visit a secure federal building and choose not to obtain a REAL ID, you will need another form of federally accepted identification, such as a U.S. passport or passport card or a military ID.

To date, more than 700,000 Pennsylvanians have chosen to get a REAL ID-compliant product. Based on data from other states with optional REAL ID programs, PennDOT anticipates that approximately 1.3 million of its customers will get a REAL ID before the federal enforcement deadline of Oct. 1.

Federal regulations require that to be issued a REAL ID-compliant product, PennDOT must verify documents that ensure proof of identity; Social Security number; current, physical Pennsylvania address; and all legal name changes. Customers can bring the required documents to any PennDOT Driver License Center. A list of accepted documents for verification may be found here.



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Pen Argyl Borough presently has vacancies on the following Boards and Commission. If you are interested please submit a letter of intent to the Borough Manager by February 21, 2020.

You must be a resident of the Borough and up to date with any monies owed to the Borough.

Planning Commission- One (1) Vacancy

- The Planning Commission consists of five regular members all of whom are residents of the Borough. Members are appointed to serve four (4) year terms. It meets as needed.
- The Commission is tasked with developing plans and implementation policies that provide the foundation for the community to manage changes caused by a variety of internal and external forces including community growth or decline, and changes in demographics, economies, technology, natural resources, the environment, housing, transportation, etc.

Zoning Hearing Board –One (1) Vacancy

- The Zoning Hearing Board is a quasi-judicial body, consisting of five regular members all of whom are residents of the Borough. Members are appointed by Council to serve five (5) year terms. It meets as needed.
- The Board hears and decides appeals where it is alleged that the Zoning Office has erred in applying or interpreting regulations; Hears and makes decisions on special exceptions; authorizes variances from the terms of the Zoning Ordinance, as permitted by the Municipalities Planning Code.

Pen Argyl Athletic & Park Association- Two (2) Vacancies

- The "Park Board" meets on the 2nd Tuesday of month at the Weona Park Community Center at 7:00 P.M. One (1) vacancy is for a resident of the community, the other is a youth representative of the community who is at least in the 11th grade but no more than 12th grade.
- The Board makes recommendations regarding the maintenance of and operation of the facilities located at Weona Park.

Disruptive Conduct Appeals Board- Vacancies are: Alternate Owner, Tenant, Alternate Tenant, Member of recognized community group Delegate and Alternate. This Board presides over any person aggrieved by any decision of a police officer or Building Official in regard to a disruptive conduct report or the revocation of a residential rental registration or residential rental license based upon the issuance of disruptive conduct reports. It meets as needed.

- The Disruptive Conduct Board of Appeals shall be a body of five members consisting of a Council person who shall serve as Chairperson, the Chief of Police or his/her designee; an owner, operator, responsible agent or manager of a residential rental unit(s) in the Borough of Pen Argyl; an occupant of a residential rental unit residing in the Borough of Pen Argyl; and a member of a community group recognized by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pen Argyl.

Civil Service Commission- Three (3) Vacancies

- The Commission has the power to prescribe, amend, and enforce rules and regulations governing police appointments and promotions. In addition, the Commissioners hold appeal hearings on disciplinary actions, when appropriate.
- *This Commission is presently dormant and does not have these powers as the Borough went to a Regional Police Force. However it is the opinion of the Solicitor that we continue its membership.*

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By Anne Brown

STROUDSBURG - FuSia Dance Company celebrates its 12th anniversary pre-professional dance company concert entitled "Kaleidoscope." The show brings to the stage the talents of 80 dancers ranging in ages 6-18.

Each of the pieces will explore the meanings, feelings, and stories colors can express when paired with movement! The diversity of the choreography and various genres brings so much color and vibrancy to this show.

Choreographers include esteemed FuSia Faculty, including Owner, Francesca Marinaro, Assistant Director, Bridget Hopkins, Company Manager, Jade Ryan, as well as teachers Joseph Ambrosia, Megan Brosnan, and Brielle Johnson. Guest collaborators include Robert Redick and Jamie Drye.

There will also be guest performances by the school's FuSia DanceLab company under the direction of Joseph Ambrosia, choreography by Brielle Johnson and a special performance by the school's professional NYC based dance company, Drye/Marinaro Dance under the direction of Jamie Drye and Francesca Marinaro.

The show will be held on February 22nd at Notre Dame Theater in East Stroudsburg at 4:00pm. For tickets and more info please call 570-421-7895. Don't miss this incredible evening of dance right here in the Poconos!



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2020 Pennsylvania Sojourn Grants Now Available

By DCNR

HARRISBURG - The Pennsylvania Organization for Watersheds and Rivers has announced the opening of the 2020 Pennsylvania River Sojourns Grant application period. Grants are available on a competitive basis for single and multi-day paddling events on Pennsylvania rivers.

Sojourns must incorporate significant educational programming, and be open to all participants (i.e., private trips are not eligible). Applicants can request \$900 per day for multi-day sojourns, and \$500 for a single-day sojourn.

Applications must be submitted online by Wednesday, March 4, 2020, by 5:00 P.M. at <https://t.e2ma.net/click/e308jg/2ddo0k/i22kn0b>

The PA Sojourn Program is a nationally unique program that awards more than \$30,000 in grants across the state to support local organizations and their sojourn events. On average, the Pennsylvania Organization for Watersheds and Rivers supports between 10 to 15 paddling events under this program.