

Scam Alert: Traffic Tickets

By State Rep. Joe Emrick

The Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts (AOPC) is advising the public to stay vigilant against a recently reported text message scam involving the Pennsylvania court system.

The scam text messages claim "records show that as of today, there is an outstanding traffic ticket" which must be paid via a scam URL. The text goes on to outline fictitious actions and penalties that will be taken if the ticket is not paid including license and vehicle suspension, criminal prosecution and negative impacts to personal credit scores.

The AOPC will never place calls or send text messages to anyone soliciting payment by credit card, gift card or any other means of electronic funds transfer for any reason.

If you receive this text, contact state and/or local police as well as the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General, Bureau of Consumer Protection at 800-441-2555 or scams@attorneygeneral.gov.



Celtic Cultural Alliance Announces Scholarship Applications for 2025 Are Open Until July 15th

By Celtic Cultural Alliance

BETHLEHEM — The Celtic Cultural Alliance (CCA) has announced that several thousand dollars will be awarded in scholarships this year to students studying a Celtic art such as music, dance, visual arts, literature or history. Each of these awards will be presented at Celtic Classic, September 28th, 2025.

Executive Director, Jayne Ann Recker, states that these scholarships support the mission of the Celtic Cultural Alliance to promote and preserve the Celtic culture by encouraging students who have a committed interest in continue to study a Celtic discipline. The scholarship is not based on an audition or financial need.

For more information about the scholarship program or to apply, go to <https://celticfest.org/scholarships/>.

Application deadline is July 15th, 2025.

CCA will again be issuing a scholarship to a student volunteer who has completed 12 or more hours of volunteer service with CCA. These hours may be accumulated over multiple events and years. The application will be available after the Celtic Classic.

Students may register to volunteer at: <https://celticfest.org/volunteer/>

The 38th Annual Celtic Classic Highland Games & Festival runs from Friday, September 26th through Sunday, September 28th, 2025, in Historic Downtown Bethlehem. For up-to-the-minute information and updates, follow Celtic Classic on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram (@CelticClassic).

For more information on the Celtic Classic, directions, volunteering opportunities, the weekend's schedule, and other Celtic Cultural Alliance events, visit the organization's website at www.celticfest.org. Contact us at: info@celticfest.org

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10 A.M. TO NOON

Palmer Park Mall Parking Lot
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Residents of the 137th Legislative District are invited to dispose of documents with sensitive information such as bank account numbers, credit card numbers, or Social Security numbers. This service is provided free of charge to residents of the district.

Acceptable items at the shredding event include all paper and manila folders. No more than three bags or boxes per household are permitted. No businesses, please. Staples or paper clips do not need to be removed.

If you have any questions about this event, please call Rep. Emrick's Palmer district office at 484-544-0146 or Nazareth office at 610-746-5090.