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Jail Scam' Reports on the Rise

Pennsylvania State Police are again warning people to be aware of scammers claiming their loved one is in jail and promising to release them in exchange for cash.

Scammers will usually make contact by phone and claim a loved one (typically a grandchild) is either currently in jail, or faces the possibility of jail, and will even cite specific names. They will then ask for an address where they can pick up the money.

State police offer these tips to protect yourself from this and other scams:

- Don't feel pressured to provide payment for something or to someone.
- Do not give out sensitive information over the phone.
- NEVER place money in your mailbox or at your doorstep for someone to pick up.
- Do not give remote access to anyone for any of your devices.
- Never make a payment to someone with gift cards – it's a scam!

If you or anyone you know is a victim of a scam, contact state or local law enforcement to have it investigated.



PA Elk Cam Back for Another Season!

You can once again check in on the state's elk herd from the comfort of your own home!

The Pennsylvania Game Commission, in partnership with HDOnTap and the North Central Pennsylvania Regional Planning and Development Commission, has installed a camera on Elk County game lands that are typically a hub of elk activity as the bugling season heats up. In the coming weeks, bulls will become more vocal as they compete with one another for available cows.

In addition to the elk, viewers can expect to see turkeys, deer and other wildlife as well. The best times to view elk are at dawn and dusk.

If you'd like to see the bugling season in person, the PA Game Commission reminds visitors to always be "Elk Smart." Give elk space, never feed elk and do your part to ensure the welfare of the herd.

Click here to watch. https://hdontap.com/stream/228253/pa-game-commission-elk-cam/?utm_source=Listrak&utm_medium=Email&utm_term=https%3a%2f%2fhdontap.com%2fstream%2f228253%2fpa-game-commission-elk-cam%2f&utm_campaign=Modified+District+Office+Hours+

While Summer Winds Down, Bugs are Still Buggin'

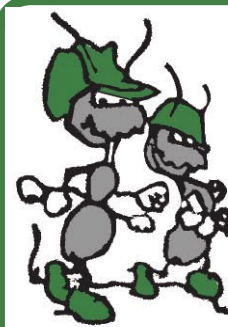
Summer is winding down, but ticks and mosquitoes are as active as ever, so it's important to continue taking steps to protect yourself outdoors.

Pennsylvania typically ranks in the top 10 in the country for Lyme disease cases per 100,000 residents. Most cases can be treated successfully with a short course of antibiotics. However, if the infection is left untreated, it can spread to joints, heart and nervous system.

The state Department of Health offers an online dashboard to show where ticks are prevalent and help people prepare to take appropriate precautions while enjoying outdoor activities.

Tips include covering exposed skin; wearing light colors to help detect ticks; using insect repellent that is EPA-approved for tick prevention; and spraying permethrin on shoes, clothes and gear. After being outside, check yourself, your kids, and your pets thoroughly for ticks and remove any attached. Shower to help remove any ticks you may have missed. Throw your clothes in the dryer using high heat to help kill any remaining ticks.

Residents should also take steps to prevent mosquito bites by using insect repellent with DEET, picaridin or oil of lemon eucalyptus, and by wearing long sleeves and pants, especially during peak mosquito activity times, like dusk and dawn.



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