

Fairness in Women’s Sports Update

By State Rep. Ann Flood

House Republicans are still working to protect the rights of girls and women to compete on a level playing field by prohibiting biological males from participating in women’s sports.

Majority House Democrats continued their legislative gymnastics this week to avoid a vote on the Fairness in Women’s Sports Act by again re-referring Senate Bill 9 to another committee to avoid a discharge petition. A new petition has been launched to force a vote on the House version of the bill, House Bill 158.

Additionally, dozens of lawmakers joined student athletes, parents and advocates on Wednesday issuing a call to action for dads to defend their daughters’ rights to fair play and safe locker rooms.

Athletic competitions give women the opportunity to demonstrate their strength and skill, while also providing opportunities for recognition ranging from accolades to college scholarships. We owe it to our female athletes to ensure these rights and opportunities are protected.

‘Tis the Season to Watch for Deer

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With deer becoming increasingly active, and the end of daylight saving time soon to put more vehicles on the road when deer move most, the Pennsylvania Game Commission is reminding motorists to slow down and stay alert.

Pennsylvania again led the country in animal-collision insurance claims in Fiscal Year 2024-25. The Commonwealth’s drivers have a 1-in-62 chance of a vehicular accident involving a big game animal, one of the highest rates nationwide.

You can reduce your chances of collisions with deer by staying alert and better understanding deer behavior. Be especially alert in “Deer Crossing” areas, and remember deer tend to travel in family groups, so if you see one deer, more are likely coming.

To report a dead deer for removal from state roads, motorists can call the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation at 1-800-FIX-ROAD. If the deer is on a locally owned road, contact the appropriate municipality. More information for drivers who want to claim the deer should click [here](#).

From Field Trip to Future:

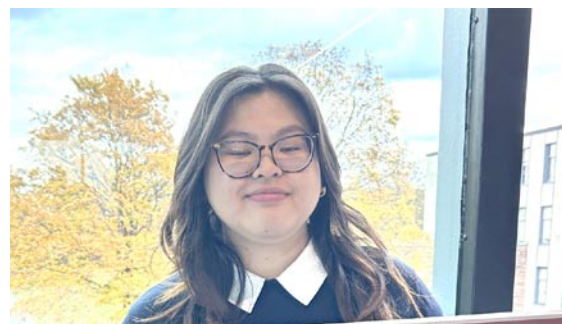
Allentown School District Student Sally Ma’s Full Circle at Da Vinci Science Center

By Da Vinci Science Center

ALLENTOWN - Allentown native Sally first visited Da Vinci Science Center as a 4th grader, and that spark of curiosity stayed with her through South Mountain Middle School, William Allen High School, and now Lehigh University, where she’s studying engineering.

This year, Sally returned to the Science Center through Lehigh’s Interdisciplinary Capstone Design program with support from Endress+Hauser, creating an interactive demonstration unit to teach children about instrumentation. She even tested the prototype with students from her own middle school during Manufacturing Career Connection Day.

Encouraged by Da Vinci Science Center’s Chief Learning Officer, Dr. Hoda Ehsan, Sally is now pursuing her next goal: becoming a science exhibit designer. From curious 4th grader to aspiring exhibit designer, her journey shows how inspiration can truly come full circle.



Flow Race: Interactive Fluid Flow Exhibit

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Scope & Purpose

Flow Race is an interactive fluid flow exhibit designed for the Da Vinci Science Center, sponsored by Endress+Hauser. The project encompasses real-time, fluid flow principles using Endress+Hauser’s Promag flow meter and an LED matrix display that visualizes the speed of water flow.


Stakeholder Needs

Da Vinci Science Center: Engaging, durable, and visually appealing educational exhibit.
Endress+Hauser: Public exposure of the Promag’s industry and applications.
Middle School Students: Hands-on learning experience.
Lehigh University: Showcase of Endress+Hauser technology who can identify potential career paths & education. Champions of Endress+Hauser technology who can identify potential career paths & education.

Current Progress & Future Steps

On October 10th, 2025, the team participated in the Manufacturing Career Connection Day at the Da Vinci Science Center. 343 eighth-grade students from South Mountain Middle School attended the event, and many were interested in the exhibit.

With the given feedback, we plan to incorporate color lighting, more variety, and making it for real-time learning. The structure of the exhibit will be more engaging for our target audience, integrating a competition component to encourage students to learn more about fluid flow and instrumentation. The goal is to have a fully functional exhibit ready for the Da Vinci Science Center by December.



Prototyping Development & Validation

A durable, transparent case for the exhibit to protect the internal components and provide a clear view of the internal components. The team conducted multiple risk and feasibility tests to ensure proper safety. Our next iteration will include improved design and reinforced parts for long-term durability and accuracy in display to a museum. LED display will be used to visualize the flow data.

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Honoring Our Heroes

Supporting Veterans and First Responders This November

Every November, Veterans Day reminds us of the sacrifices made by those who serve our country and our communities. Here in Northampton County, organizations like Tails of Valor, Victory House, and Veterans Brotherhood work tirelessly to help veterans heal, connect, and thrive.

Protecting those who protect us means more than gratitude — it means action. Learn how fentanyl continues to pose risks, how NARCAN saves lives, and how we can all play a part in keeping our community safe.

2025 Special Needs Expo

Saturday, NOV. 15 2025
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Forks Township Community Center
500 Zucksville Road
Easton, PA



Vendors representing a variety of government, not-for-profit, and private organizations will be on hand to provide information about the programs, services, and products they offer that are tailored specifically for residents living with special needs.

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