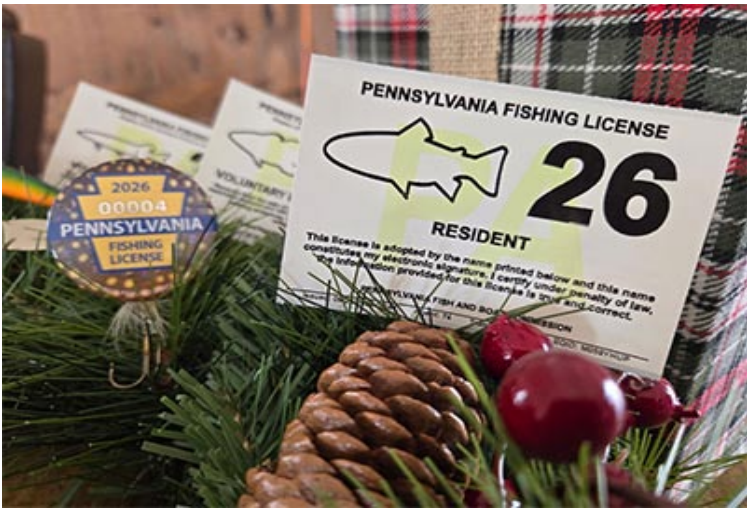


2026 Fishing Licenses, Permits, and Gift Vouchers on Sale NOW

By Senator Lisa Boscola
The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission reminds anglers and boaters that beginning December 1, 2025, licenses, permits, and vouchers for the upcoming 2026 season can be purchased easily at Hunt-Fish.pa.gov or by visiting one of nearly 700 retail license issuing agents. 2026 licenses, permits, and vouchers purchased now are valid immediately for up to 13 months, from December 1, 2025, through December 31, 2026.



(*Customers can choose from annual or multi-year licenses and permits with 3, 5, and 10-year options. All documents may be printed immediately upon purchase or saved digitally to a smart device which serves as proof of possession.)

Pennsylvania Fish and Boat CommissionWhile in-person retail purchases remain popular, online purchases can save time and help you avoid long lines, especially right before the spring trout season, which begins statewide on Saturday, April 4, 2026. For added convenience, customers can choose an auto-renew option at the time of purchase.

In addition to licenses and popular add-ons such as the Trout Permit, Lake Erie Permit, and Trout/Lake Erie Combo, customers may choose to purchase vouchers that can be given as gifts and be redeemed by recipients.

Once again for the 2026 license year, customers can purchase a collectible fishing license button. This year's button features the vibrant and colorful pattern of Pennsylvania's beloved state fish, the Brook Trout. In 2026, a limited-edition production of 10,000 buttons will be produced, and customers will receive a randomly numbered button between 00001-10000. Please note that buttons are not issued at the time of purchase and will be mailed to the buyer.

2026 Fishing LicenseAnglers who visit a license issuing agent in person can receive a printed copy of the 2026 Fishing Summary/Boating Handbook free of charge. The book outlines current fishing and boating regulations, seasons and creel limits, and safety information, and includes advertising and coupons. A digital version of these publications can be viewed and printed for free on the PFBC website (Fishandboat.com) beginning on January 1, 2026 (2025 regulations still apply through December 31, 2025). Customers should note that 2026 Fishing Summary/Boating Handbooks are still being shipped to many retail locations in early December and may not be immediately available at all locations. Customers can return to retail locations at a later time to obtain a printed copy.

If you have any questions or concerns – or need assistance – please do not hesitate to contact one of my offices and my staff will be more than happy to assist you!

Museum and a Movie – Easton's Peace Candle

December 14, 2025, 1:00-4:00 pm, John R. Austen Auditorium

By NCHGS

EASTON - NCHGS's Museum and a Movie series showcases independent, international, and historical short films relevant to our museum exhibits and the communities we serve.

December 2025's feature is Easton's Peace Candle: The History of a City Tradition. Originally filmed in 2014 by Informative Media, Inc., this documentary covers the local history and stories of the Peace Candle in Easton's iconic and historic Centre Square.

Runtime is approximately 30 minutes. The film will be played at 1:00, 2:00, and 3:00 PM in the John R. Austen Auditorium of the Sigal Museum.



READ THIS!

THE HISTORY OF MEDIA
IN NORTHAMPTON
COUNTY




By Sigal Museum

EASTON - Timed with the upcoming 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence in 2026, this groundbreaking exhibition explores the power of media across centuries. From colonial-era newspapers and pamphlets that fueled revolution, to broadsides, letters, and the rise of modern journalism, Read This! traces how information has shaped public opinion, sparked change, and connected communities throughout Northampton County.

Go to: <https://sigalmuseum.org/exhibits/>



This exhibition is a part of the Lehigh Valley 250 initiative. Visit their website to enjoy additional exhibitions, programs, and activities that will commemorate the 250th anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration of Independence.



2025-2026

PA BUDGET WINS

<ul style="list-style-type: none">No new taxes or reductions in the Rainy Day FundOver \$100M increase for Basic Education Funding and a \$40M increase to Special Education funding\$125M for public school facility improvement grants, with at least \$25M set aside for Solar for SchoolsNearly \$600M investment to further address adequacy and help kids in our public schools\$25M for child care worker retention and recruitmentPutting money back in the pockets of Pennsylvanians with the Working Pennsylvanians Tax Credit (WPTC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">\$750M for the MA Managed Care Program, supporting those compassionate care workers\$150M increase to help Pennsylvanians with intellectual disabilities\$40M to feed hungry Pennsylvanians and support family farmsNearly \$300M increase to fund DCNR and DEP, supporting environmental projectsFunding to fix and improve roads and bridges across the commonwealthMore than \$100M in job creation, innovation, and entrepreneurial support
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