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News From Around PA
Former US Senator from PA Harris Wofford will remarry on April 30th - three weeks after his 90th birthday. His new husband is a 40 year old interior designer.

The Philadelphia Commerce Department “has engaged with a number of companies in North Carolina and Mississippi that are considering relocating as a result of the legislation recently passed.” One of those companies is PayPal.

A ribbon cutting ceremony on April 9th opened the Bradbury-Sullivan LGBT Community Center in Allentown, the first LGBT center in Lehigh Valley and the sixth in PA. Lt. Gov. Mike Stack spoke via video and letters from President Obama and US Senator Bob Casey were read. Someone from US Senator Pat Toomey’s office attended. The center will host several free programs, including a GSA advisory coalition to support LGBT students, thanks to a grant from Crayola.

Springfield Township School District in Montgomery County unanimously adopted a new transgender policy that allows boys who think they are girls to use the girls’ bathroom and locker room and play on the sports team of their choice. Lower Merion School District, also in Montco, is considering a similar policy and Pittsburgh is not far behind.

News from National Scene
According to Rasmussen Reports, nearly one-in-four voters say they will stay home or vote third party if Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump are the major party presidential candidates. If Trump is the Republican nominee, 16% of GOP voters say they would choose a third-party candidate, while five percent would stay home. If Clinton is the Democratic nominee, 11% of Democrats would vote third-party, while three percent would stay home.

On April 27, following little debate, the House Armed Services Committee narrowly approved Congressman Duncan Hunter’s “Draft America’s Daughters” amendment to the 2017 National Defense Authorization Act. It would extend the registration and conscription requirements of the Military Selective Service Act to young women between the ages of 18-26.

On the same day, the House Armed Services Committee voted down an amendment that would have allowed “service members and their dependents to receive abortion services at defense medical facilities if they personally provide funding.”

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