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News From Around PA

Five Pennsylvania schools are among 55 colleges and universities being investigated by U.S. Dept. of Education Office for Civil Rights for possible Title IX violations. They are Carnegie Mellon, Franklin and Marshall, Penn State, Temple and Swarthmore.

Commonwealth Court Judge Bernard McGinley said in a judgment the Corbett administration presented a "wholly inadequate" request in asking the court to sift through thousands of pages of court record to show where a state judge erred in ruling that the state's voter ID law was unconstitutional. Senator Bob Casey is calling on Corbett Administration to drop the whole issue.

After meeting with parents of children with epilepsy, Governor Corbett announced his support of a proposal that would allow access to cannabidiol oil, a marijuana derivative. His proposals include new legislation that would allow a research-based pilot program of medical marijuana with children's hospitals in PA.

Philly Mayor Michael Nutter signed an executive order banning smoking of tobacco in city parks.

News from National Scene

The Defense Department unveiled a revised document celebrating the department's "diversity" and "culture of inclusion." It's 2014 Human Goals charter says the DOD "must show respect for Service members, civilian employees, and family members, recognizing their individual needs, aspirations and capabilities." It lists 10 ways to make that happen, using phrases such as "equal opportunity," "mutual respect," and "the improvement of our society."

The majority of the people in dozens of nations across every continent but Antarctica deemed abortion and homosexuality morally unacceptable, according to Pew Research Center's 2013 Global Attitudes.

After heavy lobbying from NARAL Pro-Choice America, Google announced that it was banning ads from pregnancy resource centers for supposedly violating the policy on "deceptive advertising."

Number of reported sexual assaults in the U.S. armed forces jumped by 50 percent last year. Secretary of Defense, Chuck Hagel, "estimates that men comprise more than half the victims of sexual assault in the military."

AFA of PA encourages Christians, through education, to become involved in pro-family issues in their community, state and the nation.

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