



## American Family Association of Pennsylvania Weekly Update

### Seeking to Expose Attacks on Faith, Family and Freedom with a few wins thrown in!

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#### **Check Our Recent Interview**

Philadelphia City Councilman David Oh – Threat to Parental Rights Parts 1 and 2

#### **News From Around PA**

In a precedent-setting ruling, a federal appellate court said the **County of Lackawanna Transit System's** blanket ban on ads relating to religion violates the First Amendment rights of an atheist group.

**Central PA Pride** is coming to Hummelstown on September 28<sup>th</sup> for an "all ages performance and bingo game" at the Unitarian Universalist Church.

US Education Secretary Betsy DeVos visited a Catholic elementary school in Harrisburg during her "**Back-to-School tour.**" The LGBTQ+ crowd is going ballistic because the Diocese of Harrisburg has a policy which says biological boys will use the boys' facilities and biological girls will use the girls' facilities!

**Community College of Philadelphia** unveiled Roary,

a nonbinary lion, as their new mascot. Alas, the poor lion has already suffered discrimination! Some used he/him pronouns during his introduction rather than they/them!

#### **News From National Scene**

The Eighth Circuit of Appeals has ruled that the Christian owners of **Telescope Media Group**, which "exists to tell great stories that honor God," cannot be forced to video same-sex "weddings."

The Arizona Supreme Court threw out the Phoenix anti-discrimination ordinance ruling in favor of the Christian business owners of **Brush & Nib Studio** saying they have the right to choose not to provide certain products to same-sex "weddings."

Texas law **prohibits state and local government money** from going to abortion providers. However, Austin voted to spend \$150,000 to help Austin women get abortions. It will be used to fund services like travel, lodging, childcare, and "other logistical support for women who need the procedure."

The California legislature has passed **Assembly Concurrent**

**Resolution 99** that blames "religious groups" who hold to biblical understandings of sex and gender as responsible for "disproportionately high rates" of suicide among LGBT.

Merriam-Webster has officially added the **nonbinary pronoun "they"** and announced that the word can be used to refer to a single person whose gender identity is nonbinary.

The Christian owner of **Viaggio Winery in the Lodi, California** area initially said in response to a request to host a lesbian "wedding" at his winery that he had "a very strong personal religious belief regarding marriage, which is for marriage to be between heterosexual couples only." He now says, "Our staff, our customers and our community have helped me see that I was wrong."

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