

Gun dealer pleads guilty

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“attempted a firearm trace of a firearm sold by Williams that had been used in a crime. Because Williams’ acquisition and disposition books did not record the disposition of that firearm, the trace was unresolved. Due to a subsequent unresolved firearm trace, the ATF conducted an audit of Williams’ records between May and August 2022. The audit revealed that 2,636

firearm acquisitions were neither in Williams’ possession nor recorded in his disposition records.”

The news release noted that Williams’ annual firearm sales grew to about 50,000 per year during the COVID-19 pandemic using the online auction firm GunBroker.com and he was required to record them all.

Williams was released on bond pending sentencing.

Work set to resume on Mt. Lebanon light-rail tunnel

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Pittsburgh Regional Transit has announced it will restart construction inside the Mt. Lebanon light-rail tunnel next week.

A news release said the \$5.1 million project to update the emergency ventilation system is intended to reduce both the moisture inside the tunnel

and noise the fans create.

PRT has faced criticism from people on the Dormont end of the tunnel about noise caused by the ventilation fans.

Beginning Monday, contractors will start replacing conduit on the inbound side of the tunnel weekdays from 8 p.m. to 4:30 a.m., PRT said.

Red Line riders traveling both inbound and outbound

will board light rail vehicles on the outbound platforms of Mt. Lebanon Station and Dormont Junction from 8 p.m. until the end of service each weekday. The inbound platform will be open when the contractors are not working.

The news release said PRT began work inside the tunnel, which spans Mt. Lebanon and Dormont, in January 2022. “The project has been delayed several months due to supply chain issues and the discovery that metal conduit inside the tunnel was corroded. The conduit needed to be replaced before work could resume.”

Riders can get updates at www.ridprt.org/MtLeboTunnel.

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All parties interested are hereby notified that an audit list will be prepared and the list will be called on **MARCH 20, 2023 at 10:00 o’clock A.M.**, and continue thereafter each day (Saturday and Sunday excepted) until completed.

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2491-2021 O’BRIEN, MARY JOYCE CONSTANCE S. KOCIS, EXEC. ALAN I. FARBER	6534-2022 LEHMAN, JOCELYN C. IRREV. TRUST RACHEL KRASNOW, CO-TRUSTEE JORDAN LEE STRASSBURGER
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Bill would ban cellphone use while driving

CELLPHONES, FROM B-1

admit to being distracted.

“These tragic deaths were preventable,” Ms. Brown said. “Responsible cellphone use driving is a behavioral adjustment that must occur to prevent more senseless tragedies, and we must set this expectation through law to protect the innocent the best that we can.”

“We’re working to change behavior, build responsible driving, and of course public safety,” Ms. Brown added.

Ms. Brown was joined by Eileen Miller, whose son Paul was killed by a distracted driver in a head-on collision.

“My life was changed by one second,” Ms. Miller said. “It took one second for a semi-truck driver to take his eyes off the road to kill our beautiful, young, handsome son. For nothing because of a

cellphone. And our life was forever changed. There’s no reason why any text, cellphone call, Snapchat, anything is worth a life.”

Ms. Miller had to identify Paul by his clothing.

“I couldn’t even recognize my son’s body, he was so badly injured,” she said. “Hands-free is not risk-free. Turn the phones off or silence them.”

Cellphones aren’t the only distractions to drivers, but they represent a significant temptation for many drivers, making the road more dangerous.

“If you’re texting and you spend 4.5 seconds texting, which is probably about common, and you’re going 55 mph, you will have gone 100 yards blindfolded,” said Jonathan Greer, president of the Insurance Federation of Pennsylvania. “That’s the reality.”

If Pennsylvania prohibits

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Sen. Rosemary Brown, R-Monroe

hand-held cellphone use, it will become the 25th state to do so, along with the District of Columbia, according to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety. But the law doesn’t automatically make people safer.

“It’s not clear that banning hand-held phone use and texting reduces crashes,” IIHS noted. “Drivers are distracted by things other than cellphones, so prohibiting phone use will not eliminate distracted driving. Broader countermeasures that keep drivers from becoming distracted or that mitigate the consequences of distracted driving, such as crash avoidance technology, may be more effective than cellphone bans.”

Drivers who use their cellphones also tend to be riskier drivers in other ways, IIHS noted, and changing their behavior matters. Some studies have shown that visibly enforcing the law can at least lower cellphone use.

“After programs of publi-

cized, high-intensity enforcement of hand-held cellphone and texting bans were implemented, the number of drivers observed holding a phone to their ear declined,” IIHS noted.

Enforcement waves in Delaware led to a reduction in cellphone use, but phone bans haven’t always reduced crashes.

“While enacting a state law banning high-risk driver text messaging may be reasonable public policy, research results show that this blunt regulatory approach, along with bans on handheld cellphones, has no discernible impact on reducing automotive accidents,” Thomas Hemphill of the University of Michigan-Flint argued in the academic journal Regulation.

A longer campaign of educating the public and changing attitudes may be required, similar to past safety strategies.

“Efforts to reduce distraction-related crashes will require an education component to be successful — a shift in the “social norm” is needed,” Howard Hall, chief of police in Roanoke County, Va., argued in Police Chief magazine. “Alcohol-related traffic crashes have declined steadily over the past few decades largely due to education campaigns advising motorists that driving under the influence is socially unacceptable and that they can be arrested for driving while impaired. The same shift in attitude is required to address the distracted driving epidemic.”

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Wednesday's Powerball results were not available for this edition.

Double Play results were not available for this edition.

Wednesday's Cash 4 Life results were not available for this edition.

Wednesday's Cash 5
06-15-18-26-27

Wednesday's Match 6
09-19-21-22-24-27

Wednesday's Treasure Hunt
03-06-07-13-30

Wednesday's Pick 5
6-4-8-4-8 (day);
9-7-7-2-8 (night)

Wednesday's Pick 4
9-7-4-4 (day); 4-2-4-5 (night)

Wednesday's Pick 3
0-9-8 (day); 3-2-2 (night)

Wednesday's Pick 2
1-1 (day); 1-7 (night)

Wild ball
0 (day); 9 (night)

Tonight's **CASH 5** is worth an estimated \$300,000.
Tonight's **TREASURE HUNT** is worth an estimated \$12,000.
Tomorrow's **MEGA MILLIONS** is worth an estimated \$167 million.
Tonight's **MATCH 6** is worth an estimated \$770,000.
Saturday's **POWERBALL** jackpot amount is unavailable.