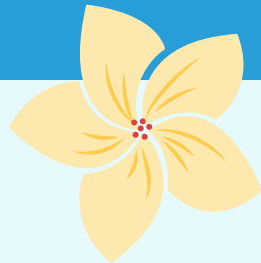


MOVE PEOPLE TOWARD JOBS!

PROGRESSIVE CONNECTIONS

THE PWAC NEWSLETTER



THE LEADER LETTER

Dear PWAC Friends and Supporters,

We hope you're having a great summer – PWAC certainly is! Between the success of our recent golf outing, pool party, and many other activities in between, this summer has been great so far.

We started off the season with an incredibly successful Week of Giving through the Armstrong County Community Foundation. Thanks to our generous supporters, we received **\$27,416.52** in donations to be used for program needs and activities! We cannot thank our donors enough for your kind and generous contributions!

Our biggest summer highlight was on June 28 as we hosted our 4th annual "Grip It & Rip It" Golf Scramble at The Links at Spring Church golf course. We had 112 golfers and 20+ volunteers, who altogether raised over \$20,000 to benefit our Client/Employee Activity Fund! This funding is used to carefully address needs across our programs for things like equipment, uniforms, and memberships or tickets for community outings. To see photos from the golf outing or to learn more about it, visit our website at www.progressiveworkshop.org/golfscramble2025. Thank you to all who supported this event! We're already looking forward to next year's outing on June 27, 2026!

Our 5th annual Pool Party was next on our summer agenda, which was held at the Belmont Complex in Kittanning on July 18! Over 280 of our clients, employees, staff, and their family members and friends attended the pool party to celebrate summertime. We always look forward to our pool party because it's the one time during the year where everyone from across all our programs and facilities can come together to enjoy an evening as a community.

Summertime also means our Progressive Lawn and Landscaping crews are busier than ever, and our Progressive Production Services, Progressive Commercial Cleaning, and Progressive Document Destruction crews are keeping busy too. If you have a need for one of our services, please get in contact with us on our website, or at 724-548-5664!

As always, THANK YOU for the ways you support PWAC. Please enjoy the rest of this newsletter, and the rest of your summer!

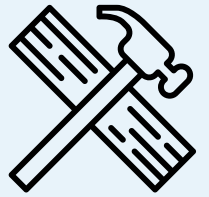
Sincerely,

L. Michelle Reefer
Chief Executive Officer

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SUMMER WORK PROJECTS



Progressive Wood Works recently built benches for the Outdoor Discovery Center in Crooked Creek! This collaborative community project has created a new space for community members to gather, learn, and have fun at the Center. We're glad we could be part of this project!

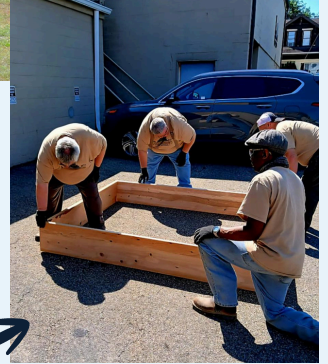


Finished product!



"The Armstrong Center for Community Learning was delighted to partner with Progressive Wood Works on our new fire pit benches," said Rachel Filippini, Program Coordinator of the Outdoor Discovery Center. "They did an excellent job constructing them and were a pleasure to work with."

Our woodshop crews have also been working on a project for the local sheriff's department! Contact us at 724-548-5664 to see if we can meet your unique custom wood project needs.



MOW, MOW, MOW!

If you have grass to mow and weeds to trim, let Progressive Lawn and Landscaping help! Our crews are hardworking and always eager to get the job done, despite the summer heat! Thank you to our crews for your hard work!



Matt recently started operating the zero-turn mower! Great work, Matt, we're so proud of you!

Our CEO, Michelle, recently spent part of a day helping one of the lawn crews. She can confirm: it is hard work!



Our Progressive Commercial Cleaning crews never stop! They're always hard at work making sure our local businesses have clean lobbies, offices, bathrooms, and more. CEO Michelle also recently tagged along with one of the cleaning crews to work alongside them for a few hours!





Thank you!

**THE ARMSTRONG COUNTY
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
HELD ITS ANNUAL
WEEK OF GIVING FROM
MAY 5-9!**

**Thanks to our generous
supporters and community
members, PWAC received a
grand total of \$27,416.52 in
donations during the
Week of Giving!**

All donated funding is used to
benefit the quality experiences
we provide to our clients and
employees. Donations are used
to purchase equipment,
uniforms, memberships for
community outings, or to meet
other needs across our
programs.

*We can't wait to use these
donations to support those we
serve in all the best ways.*

**Thank you for generously
supporting us!**



View the full list of
donors on our
[website!](#)

PWAC'S 4TH ANNUAL "GRIP IT & RIP IT" GOLF SCRAMBLE WAS A SUCCESS!



Thank you to all our golfers, sponsors, donors, volunteers, and to The Links golf course for the part you played in making our 4th annual "Grip It & Rip It" Golf Scramble a great success!

It was a great day out on the golf course that raised just over \$20,000 for our Client/Employee Activity Fund! We are grateful to our amazing supporters for supporting our mission through this event. Thank you for donating your time, funding, and the 60+ prizes that were auctioned off during our basket raffle!

The funds raised will be used to address a variety of needs across all our programs for the benefit of our clients and employees.

We can't wait for next year's outing on June 27, 2026 at The Links at Spring Church golf course in Apollo, PA!

See more photos from the outing on our [website](#).



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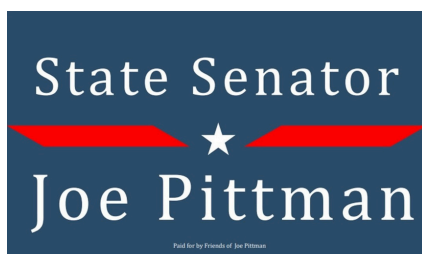
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5TH ANNUAL PWAC POOL PARTY

We love a good summer pool party!

We had our annual Pool Party for our clients, employees, staff, and their families on July 18 at the Belmont Complex in Kittanning! 280 people RSVP'd for this event, and everyone enjoyed a great evening swimming, going down the water slide, jumping off the diving board, and spending time together. We also want to especially thank Fox's Pizza in Kittanning for making all the pizzas for us to share!

Three of our board members came out to join the party and even helped our staff serve pizza to everyone. We have the best community of supporters and leaders!



SUMMER HAPPENINGS AT PWAC



Our AAC Leechburg folks have been enjoying Art in the Park this summer, sponsored by the Leechburg Public Library!



Visiting the splash park is a must during the summertime!



Visiting Little Blessings Petting Zoo and our local fairs and shows are always well-loved community activities!



Cheri, one of our beloved staff, retired at the end of May - but we made sure to send her off with a great celebration!



Our CEO, Michelle, and Board President, Lynn, volunteered to help with the Armstrong County Community Foundation's annual golf outing!



HAPPY "WORK-IVERSARY"!

JUNE, JULY, AUGUST

Congratulations to our staff members who are celebrating a work anniversary this summer, as well as our new staff who just started with us this season! We appreciate all you do!

JUNE

Wes Higgins	6-4-2018
Mariah Blattner	6-6-2023
Shannon Savoie	6-11-2018
Molly Rowan	6-20-2022
Brittany Bryan	6-24-2024



JULY

Martha Bowser	7-5-2016
Dean Waugaman	7-8-2019
Kayla Hays	7-8-2019
Maya Hoffman	7-8-2019
Chloe Martin	7-14-2025
(not pictured)	
Nicholas Coss	7-14-2025
(not pictured)	
Michelle Reefer	7-20-2015
Nicole Sabatula	7-27-2020
Rachel Blosnick	7-29-2024

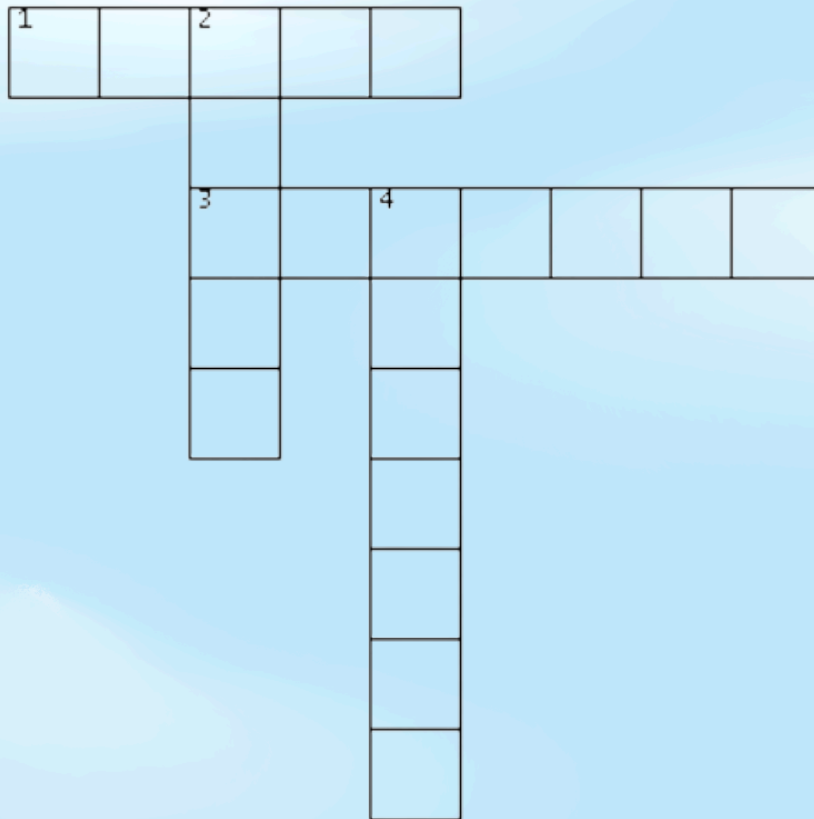


AUGUST

Kim Savoie	8-3-2016
Kelly Ballock	8-6-2019
Cearra Strothers	8-9-2019
Christy Moore	8-14-2018
Jack Crawford	8-19-2019
Richard Wilson	8-19-2024
Lisa Kuchta	8-20-2012
Jenn Goughler	8-28-2017
Dan Moyer	8-31-2020



SUMMER CROSSWORD PUZZLE



ACROSS

1. She just retired at the end of May.
3. There were 112 of these at our Golf Scramble.

DOWN

2. Phil Fitts Ford was this type of sponsor for our Golf Scramble
4. This institution sponsors Art at the Park in Leechburg.



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