

UNITED WAY KICKS OFF WEEK OF CARING AND THEIR CAMPAIGN BY COMMEMORATING THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF SEPTEMBER 11TH...REMEMBERING THOSE WHO PERISHED...HONORING THOSE WHO SERVE!

United Way of Butler County will dedicate a flagpole and monument remembering those who gave their lives and honoring those who volunteer on Monday, September 12th at 4:00 p.m. at the United Way Office, located at 184 Pittsburgh Road in Butler.

The flagpole was graciously donated by Woodman of the World Insurance Company and installed by community volunteers Sam Zurzolo of Butler Township; Bob Thomas, IBEW 5 Retiree; and Jim Saeler, IBEW 5 and President of Butler County Building Trades. Additional assistance with landscaping was provided by Butler County Prison's Community Service program.

The event will feature a flag ceremony by the Marine Corps, music by local talent, Whitney Angeloni, and will be the kick-off to the United Way's 2011-2012 Annual Campaign with a goal of \$1.5 million. A party in the parking lot will follow with a chicken barbecue, musical entertainment and prizes.

IF YOU'RE WORRIED ABOUT FORECLOSURE, THERE'S A PLACE TO TURN FOR HELP.

If you're worried about losing your house, you may be eligible for financial assistance, including new emergency federal loans. In fact, a whole host of programs may help you avoid foreclosure and stay in your home. The first step is to call today, because funding is available for a limited time.

CALL 2-1-1 TO LEARN MORE TODAY! IF 2-1-1 ISN'T YET IN YOUR AREA, CALL 1-800-552-4171.



DUCKIES MAKE A BIG SPLASH FOR THE CHILDREN OF OUR COMMUNITY!

July 19th turned out to be a fun-filled day for attendees of the 2nd Annual Ducky Derby, sponsored by MedExpress. Before the race began, children were entertained with games provided by the Butler County Children's Center, while parents enjoyed refreshments provided by the Butler County Young Professionals.



Participants purchased numbered "Ducky" tickets to be entered in the race. A \$500 cash prize, compliments of MedExpress, was awarded to the ticket holder, whose number matched the "Ducky" that crossed the finish line first. Joann Lindstrom may have been this year's Lucky Ducky winner, but the real winners are the children benefitting from approximately \$1,780 raised by the event for Child Care Scholarships and the Moraine Trails Scoutreach program.



GOLFER'S SCORE BIG FOR THE CHILDREN OF OUR COMMUNITY!

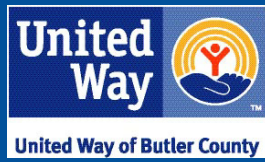
August 20th was a beautiful day for a round of golf...especially for Right Electric, who was the winning foursome at the 5th Annual Tailgate Charity Open. Proceeds from this event, which is sponsored by Butler County United Labor Council and Butler & Venango Counties Building & Construction Trades, benefits Butler County children and youth programs through the United Way.

We would like to thank Pittsburgh Steelers Alumni, Marv Kellum, for once again helping to make this year's tournament another great success. Also attending from the Alumni were Coach Paul "Red" Uram, Ray Mathews and Robin Cole. Frank Thomas from the Pittsburgh Pirates Alumni was also in attendance. Watch for more details in our next issue of "LIVE UNITED."



*Winning Foursome from Right Electric
John Musko, Mike Fort, Erik Fort, Mike Lupi*

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UNITED WAY SET GOAL TO RAISE \$1.5 MILLION

Reach out a hand to one...influence the condition of all. In an environment where changes are coming fast and furious and security is fragile, United Way remains a constant. Significant cuts to state and federal programs that provide housing, utility, and food assistance are as much as 60% in some cases. The United Way is working with County leaders and agencies to insure that preventative programs, particularly programs that keep people working and provide budgeting, housing, utility, and tax counseling and assistance, can still meet increasing needs.

The community is looking to United Way and its partners to consider assistance with everything from libraries and tutoring, to prison re-entry and workforce training. In light of the environment, United Way partner agencies and volunteer leaders from business, education and the faith-based community continually come together to find ways to do more with less, to prevent duplication of service and recidivism, and to focus on personal accountability.

The United Way set an aggressive goal to raise \$1.5 million in this 2011-2012 campaign, in order to meet the grant commitments made to 49 programs. These programs made it through a rigorous review process, a process that called for a demonstration of outcomes toward goals in education; financial stability for families; and connecting people to services efficiently and effectively. A financial review of all programs was also completed. The process involved some 40 community volunteers who served on review panels using a consistent scoring system. Their recommendations were then reviewed by a Board of Directors of 21 additional volunteers. The programs are then monitored by Impact Councils made up of an additional 30 volunteers.

It comes down to keeping our focus on the mission of positive change for our community. What really matters are parents and families who may be facing a crisis or disaster, including everything from job loss and health problems to house fires and foreclosures. What matters are the elderly who want to remain safe and secure at home. What matters are children who can easily be drawn to risky behavior without the constant, diligent, and untiring support of families and community, children who should enter school ready to learn and graduate able to pursue further education, training or employment.

THE UNITED WAY MUST CONTINUE TO "BE THERE" AND WITH YOUR HELP WE WILL. WHEN WE REACH OUT A HAND TO ONE...WE INFLUENCE THE CONDITION OF ALL.

Jennifer Roxbury, COO/Sr. Vice President of Human Resources, NexTier Bank
2011-2012 United Way of Butler County Campaign Chairman

DON'T JUST WEAR THE SHIRT...

**LIVE IT! ROLL UP YOUR SLEEVES AND
MAKE A DIFFERENCE.**

Join hundreds of volunteers throughout Butler County and work hands-on to improve lives and create lasting, positive change in our community during United Way's Week of Caring!

If you would like to receive more information, or you have any questions, please contact Kathleen Treme at 724-285-4883 ext. 223 or e-mail her at ktreme@butlerunitedway.org.

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