



Schuylkill United Way

Helping Other People Everyday

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Schuylkill News of H.O.P.E.

2022 4th Quarter Newsletter



"Wow! We did it! That is Absolutely Fantastic! Thank you!"

These were the words 2023 Campaign Chair Mike Joyce exclaimed as he announced that we hit our goal of \$1,165,000 at the Appreciation Breakfast on November 11th.

Thank You!

We know times are tough.

We know the needs are great.

That makes your generous response to our 2023 Campaign all the more inspiring!



Partner Agencies AT WORK ALL DAY



6:15 AM

Doors open for early child care services at Child Development, Inc. in Mahanoy City.

7:30 AM

Diet specific, nutritious meals are being delivered to the homebound in Tamaqua.

Tamaqua Area Meals on Wheels, Inc.



9:00 AM

Nurses from the Society are conducting scoliosis exams at our county schools.

10:00 AM

Mock job interviews are being conducted with high schoolers and local professionals to prepare our youth for their future.



**TAMAQUA AREA
ADULT DAY
CARE CENTER**

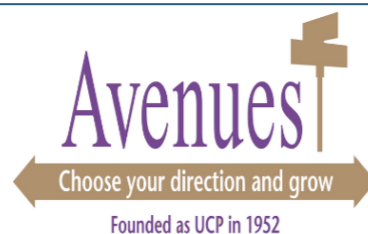


11:15 AM

Crafts, card games, and puzzles abound before a birthday celebration and lunch is served for these adults.

12:30 PM

A thrifty shopper finds a bargain at Expressions in Shenandoah while also supporting a business that provides jobs for our neighbors with disabilities.



1:00 PM

Clarissa teaches students about personal body safety and who to contact if they feel unsafe.

3:30 PM

A couple starts their relationship with peace of mind knowing their STI test was negative. (Bonus: The test was free!)



Thanks to your
generosity,
***we reached our
\$1,165,000 goal!***

99% of that stays right
here in Schuylkill County
to fuel the work of
Schuylkill United Way
and our
15 Partner Agencies.

On behalf of the
SUW Board, Staff, and
all our Partner Agencies,
thank you for allowing
us to continue
**Helping
Other
People
Everyday**
and spreading **hope**
here at home.



Partner Agencies

AT WORK ALL NIGHT



6:00 PM
Parents participate in an exercise class while staff provide child care for their children.

6:30 PM
A specially trained nurse visits a new mom at her home to help her prepare for the arrival of her baby.





7:00 PM
A monthly Adventure Activity is held for all volunteers and big and little brothers and sisters.

7:30 PM
Scouting meeting is in session - teaching county youth about leadership and service.





11:30 PM
Red Cross volunteers are on scene at house fire assisting a family find shelter for the night.

1:15 AM
Someone answers the 24/7 HOPE Hotline and gives the caller relief from a desperate situation.





4:00 AM
An elderly couple stays warm all night thanks to assistance with heating.

24/7
Contact 211 to reach specially trained, confidential operators to find local resources.
Call 211.
Text your zip code to 898211.
Visit www.pa211east.org.

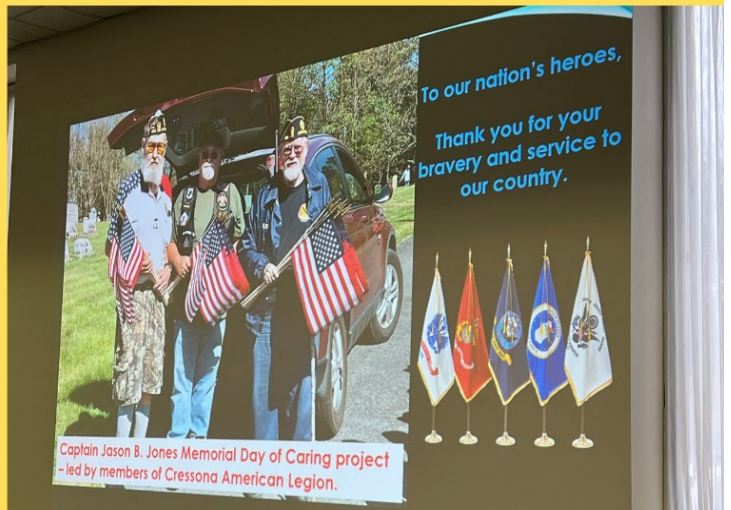


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Get Connected. Get Help.™

A few words from Mike Joyce, 2023 Campaign Chair, at the SUW Appreciation Breakfast held at St. Nick's Hall on Friday, November 11th:

"Over the past couple of years, this has truly become one of my favorite days of the year! The spirit of the people in this room at this breakfast year after year is amazing. It shines a light on the generosity of individuals, businesses and organizations in the county. Their willingness, and eagerness to help each other, and help those who really need it, is incredible.

"Appreciation Breakfast" is certainly the right description, because no matter the outcome, it's the effort and hard work from everybody that we all appreciate, and are celebrating, along with all the good that this money will do next year!"



2023 Campaign Awards

The Houser Award

Each year, the Schuylkill United Way gives the prestigious **Houser Award** to the company with the highest employee and corporate combined giving. This award is named after beloved former SUW Executive Director, Clare J. Houser, Jr.

This year we congratulate HYDRO!

They took top honor with \$175,000 in contributions! Thank you for your continued commitment to Schuylkill County.



Hydro employees attending the SUW Appreciation Breakfast on November 11th.

Tiered Company Awards

1-200 Employees



Total Giving:
\$46,888



201-400 Employees



Total Giving:
\$28,868



400+ Employees



Total Giving:
\$156,000



\$18,223 raised by Child Development, Inc.

Child Development, Inc. was the top giver amongst our Partner Agencies this year. We thank them for their dedication and generosity in all they do!



Top Campaigns



Top 10

Corporate, Employee, and Special Event Giving

1. Hydro	\$ 179,900
2. *Wegmans Retail Service Center	\$ 176,000
3. John E. Morgan Foundation	\$ 110,000
4. St. Luke's Miners Campus/GSL	\$ 54,307
5. Bob Weaver Auto	\$ 46,888
6. Air Products and Chemicals, Inc.	\$ 43,100
7. Mrs. T's Pierogies	\$ 28,868
8. Jeld-Wen, Inc.	\$ 26,414
9. M&T Bank	\$ 26,276
10. Evans Delivery Company, Inc.	\$ 22,062



Top 5

Corporate Giving

1. John E. Morgan Foundation	\$ 110,000
2. M&T Bank	\$ 24,500
3. Hydro	\$ 20,356
4. *Wegmans	\$ 18,000
5. Evans Delivery Company, Inc.	\$ 15,250



Top 5

Employee & Special Event Giving

1. Hydro	\$ 159,544
2. *Wegmans Retail Service Center	\$ 159,000
3. St. Luke's Miners Campus/GSL	\$ 54,307
4. Air Products and Chemicals, Inc.	\$ 43,100
5. Bob Weaver Auto	\$ 41,288

*Wegmans Retail Service Center had the **largest increase** in giving from last year's campaign - \$15,000! Given the challenging economic times, we are very grateful.



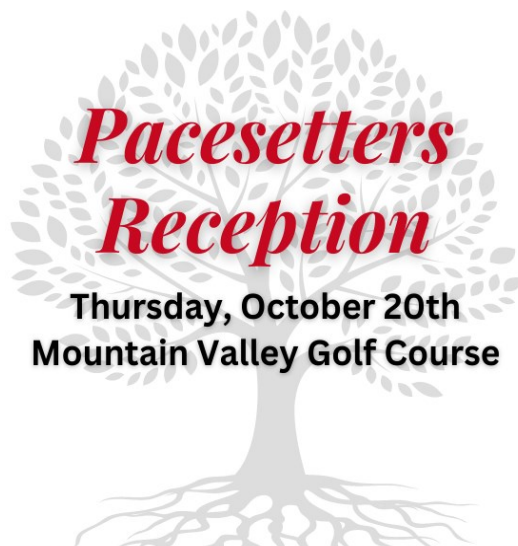
The Billie Payne Lifetime Achievement Award

Billie Payne was a pillar of service and energy in Schuylkill County. For over 37 years she worked for the Pottsville Housing Authority while also being deeply devoted to community initiatives such as Pottsville Area Development Corp., Greater Pottsville Winter Carnival, and Schuylkill United Way to name a few.

This year Mr. Jeff Wessner received the Billie Payne Lifetime Achievement Award for his dedication to Schuylkill County and the many projects and causes of SUW.



Jeff Wessner with his family at the SUW Appreciation Breakfast on November 11th.



Pacesetters do just that - they set the pace for our annual campaign by giving a minimum of \$500 annually.

- Currently there are **786 Pacesetters**.
- **104 are new** for the 2023 Campaign.
- They **contributed \$604,000 (or 51%)** of our campaign goal!

Top 5 companies with most Pacesetters

1. Hydro - 238
2. Wegmans - 140
3. Bob Weaver Auto - 68
4. Geisinger St. Luke's/St Luke's Miners Hospital - 55
5. Child Dev. - 13





Congratulations to the
grand prize winner...

KEVIN S. of Hyrdo!!!

**Grand Prize: 2022 Chevy Trax courtesy of
Rinaldi Family Dealerships**

**Car Sponsors: Bob Weaver Auto, Sands Ford of Pottsville,
J. Bertolet Volkswagen, and Williamson,
Friedberg & Jones, LLC.**



**\$1,600 Vacation Package
Rosanne L. of Wegmans**



**\$1,800 Ariens Snow Blower
Mark T. of Mrs. T's Pierogies**

Congrats
WINNERS!

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Thank you
DONORS!



\$1,500 Gift Card
John O. of Hydro



\$1,000 Gift Card
Josh F. of Hydro



\$750 Gift Card
Jessica S. of
Mrs. T's Pierogies



\$500 Gift Card
Kevin L. of
Bob Weaver Auto



\$250 Gift Card
Stephani C. of Blue
Mountain School District

Hadesty's



**\$500 Weber Gas Grill
Jared B. of Wegmans**



Hydro

**\$500 iPad
Doug C. of Wegmans**



\$23,000

That is the total raised at the spring and fall SUW Hometown Golf Tournaments! Charles Ladd, IV and Chris Cohoon spearhead these fundraisers each year. They were recognized at our Appreciation Breakfast for the largest amount raised through a special event.



The R-Way Gasket team were the ones to beat in 2022. They took 1st place in both tournaments!

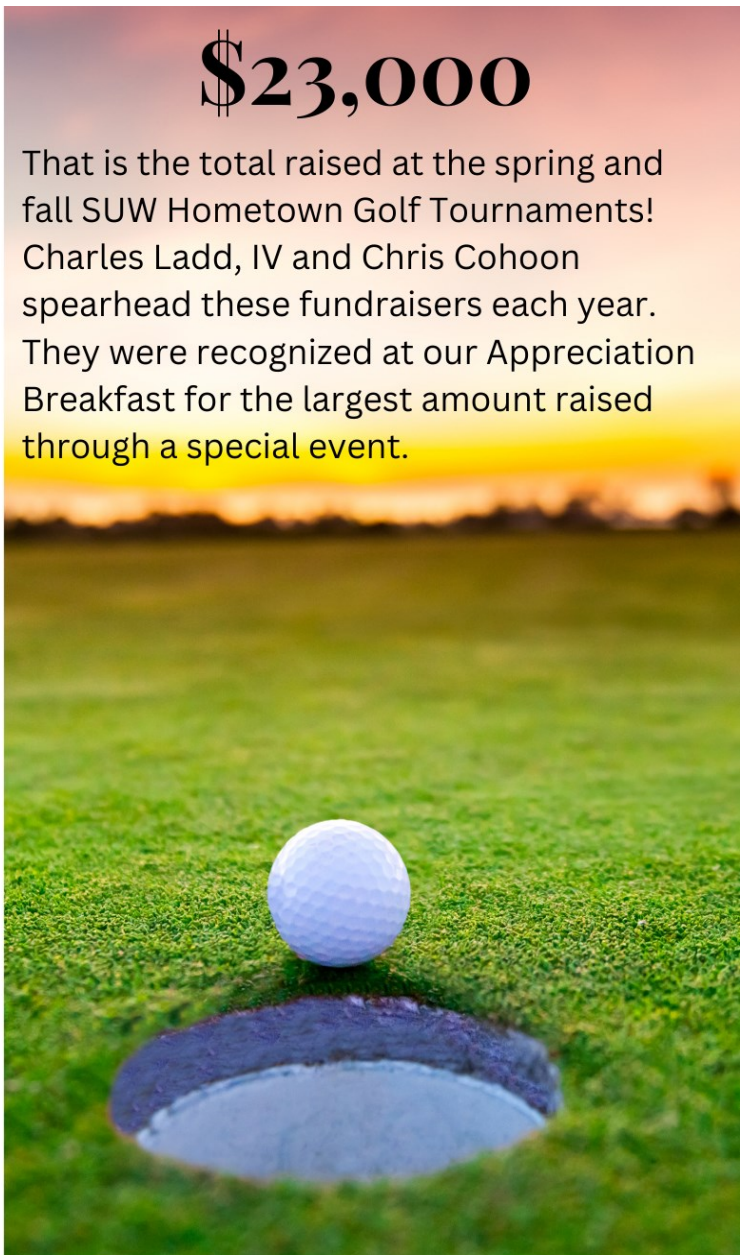


Photo courtesy of Lindsey Shuey, Republican Herald and Jessica Kerslake, Jersey Mike's Subs.

Thank you Jersey Mike's Subs!!

Schuylkill United Way was selected by the new Jersey Mike's Subs location in Pottsville to receive proceeds from their grand opening celebrations.

On November 21st, Jersey Mike's Subs presented SUW a check for **\$2,625.05!**

Thank you, Jersey Mike's, and everyone who purchased a sub to supported us!

End of the Year Happenings...



Christine conducted mock interviews at Minersville Area High School with NEPA MAEC's YES Program.



Becky all set up at the St. Clair School Career Fair.



Information session for students at the IU #29's Lifelong Learning Center on Dec. 1st.



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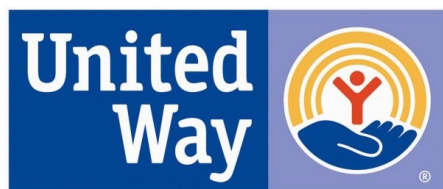


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As of December 1, 2022, **Schuylkill Countians** have saved over **\$110,000** on prescription medications thanks to SUW partner, SingleCare!

Learn more at www.singlecare.com.



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MERRY CHRISTMAS



We wish one and all a very happy holiday season!

**Our office will be closed December 23 and
will reopen January 2, 2023.**

