

Our Report to the Community 2022



A MESSAGE FROM OUR LEADERSHIP



Laura (D'Amore) Miklos lives in Sharon, works in Sharon (HR Manager at Gilbert's Insurance/Synergy Comp, Kismet PEO), and plays in Sharon - a long-time member of the Buhl Club.



As Chair, and on behalf of our Board of Directors, I am very grateful to extend sincere thanks to everyone who has been a part of this fine organization's legacy. We celebrate the founders of our past, the loyalty of our present, and the perpetuation of our Buhl Club community for the future. Since its opening in 1903, this nonprofit has appreciated a long legacy of donors, volunteers, and members. The Board supports the Executive Director, Jason Kmick, and the leadership and staff in fulfilling the Club's mission – ***"To provide quality recreational, social, wellness, and educational programs for people of all ages in our communities."*** We understand this is no easy undertaking, and we are continually amazed to witness how these efforts can positively impact our community's youth, teens, older adults, and seniors. We are fortunate to have an active 20-member board, all volunteers, comprised of a diverse group of professional leaders from various organizations and schools from our local communities. Many of our board members have nostalgic memories of attending classes and events with our families and friends here over the years, so we care deeply about the Buhl Club. We have formal monthly board meetings and active committee meetings, and it gives me pride to lead such an engaged board, with members so passionate about our mission that they continue

to work tirelessly to support Jason in raising funds necessary to sustain this organization for years to come. I am continually inspired by the generosity of the donors over the years, and most recently, with the 2022-2023 major \$6+ million renovation and overhaul of the first floor. You invested in this fine facility and organization, and we want you to trust that we take every dollar seriously as good stewards of these donations, striving for a great return on your investment. We also hope that the success of this year's Annual Campaign will allow many additional scholarships to those who may not otherwise be able to afford to join and experience all the Club has to offer, especially for our youth and teens.

The Buhl Club was built in 1903, expanded in 1967, added the Timblin annex in the 1980s, and here we are today in 2023, 120 years later and going stronger than ever – thanks to Jason Kmick and our exceptional staff—lastly, a special thank you to all of you and our wonderful caring community. We are genuinely privileged to celebrate this new, improved, beautifully designed, carefully constructed Buhl Club that would make Frank and Julia Buhl proud. Please spread the word to your family and friends to come and see our ongoing improvements and become part of our legacy for the next 50 years and beyond.

OUR MISSION

Our Mission is to provide quality recreational, social wellness and educational programs for people of all ages in our communities

OUR VISION

Our Vision is to provide individuals and families a positive, accepting environment, enabling them to achieve excellence in their leisure, education, physical fitness and life.

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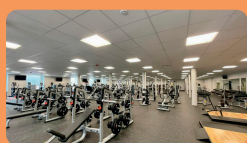
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FROM THE DESK OF OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



2022 was another year of challenges and successes for the 120-year-old Buhl Club. Before explaining the success and challenges, I must thank our wonderfully loyal members and program participants. The commitment to this organization from our community is simply amazing and inspirational.

The Buhl Club has persevered despite the disruption of the renovation and the two previous years of public health measures due to the pandemic. The facility, services, and program offerings were less than ideal in 2022 because of the significant construction that took place on the first floor. I attribute our ability to manage these trying times to our members and staff.

The commitment to the Buhl Club extended outside our walls, with the community contributing over 6 million dollars to update and upgrade this historic building. Because of this tremendous support and available funds, the board approved the start of the construction in April 2022. The first floor will be completed during the second quarter of 2023, with exterior improvements to take place during the spring and summer months.

Interior enhancements focus on families with new additions such as the Youth and Teen Center, Child Watch Area, and Family Locker Rooms.

Other improvements were designed with our adults and seniors in mind by upgrading our Fitness Center, Social Spaces, and Locker Rooms. We prioritized accessibility by adding an elevator that will ascend all three floors, and accessibility will continue to be a focus when considering exterior improvements, such as the parking lot.

We are excited about the future for the Buhl Club, but our recent renovation is only the first step. We believe having a safe, well-operating building is essential, but not as important as the people inside. We look forward to the conclusion of this long overdue update and all of the programming we can deliver to best serve our community.



Jason Kmick

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A FEW PROMISES KEPT MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE.

HERE'S HOW WE HELPED OUR COMMUNITY IN 2022

MEMBERSHIP AND PROGRAM ASSISTANCE

Youth, Adult, and Family Memberships.....	\$38,040
Insurance Pay Programs (SilverSneakers).....	\$80,000
Childcare.....	\$75,000
Swim Lessons.....	\$32,850
Youth Programs.....	\$9,375
Summer Camp.....	\$11,200



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WHAT MEMBERS ARE SAYING

Joining a new institution of any type can be daunting. New faces, new routines, and new views can be overwhelming. My first day at the Buhl Club, specifically within a group fitness class, I found myself full of butterflies. My first class sparked my fitness journey and I quickly fell into a weekly routine aligned with my favorite group fitness classes. That was 11 years ago. Fast forward to where I am now a fitness instructor, teaching both Zumba and Barre Fusion. I love the members and find joy in helping others meet their own goals. I feel the love and support from my fellow instructors and am always in awe of their amazing fitness strategies and ideas. Beyond fitness, I also find Buhl to meet my family needs as well. My 3 year old daughter, Alice, attends the Buhl Child Development Center. She looks forward every morning to going to "school" and always comes home proudly displaying new artwork or talking about a new vocabulary word or new friend. The Buhl Club supports its members and staff and, in return, the members and staff keep it going and growing.



**-Beth and
Alice Wilson**

The Buhl Club has been my refuge. I've had the opportunity to try out many of classes offered here and other activities such as aqua aerobics, cycling classes, line dancing class, Maple Tree, fitness center, and even playing pickleball. The staff and instructors are very friendly and accommodating. Every time you enter the club you get greeted with a smile and a good morning or good afternoon. The family atmosphere is so contagious it helps you have a great workout or whatever you do there. I would highly recommend the Buhl Club to anyone.



**-Mark Pacsi
(pictured with
Wellness Director
Krista Redick)**

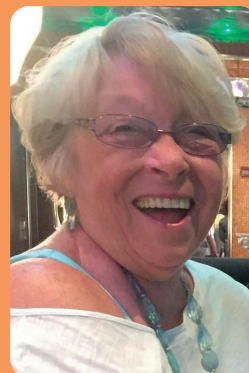
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Buhl Club Instructors Do More Than Lead Exercises

I cannot thank Wellness Director, Krista Redick, enough. There are not enough words for the energy and enthusiasm she puts out each and everyday. Everybody does their own pace and Krista encourages that. She always ends with, "You are stronger mentally, physically, and spiritually today than you were yesterday" - and she makes you believe it! There are all ages, shapes and sizes in that pool and we all have the best of times.



-Elaine Schuster



The Buhl Club's first ever competitive swim team program began in October 2022. The team coached by Jenna Weiser and Alex Hlumyk consists of 25 members ages 6-18. Their season runs from October-March and they compete in 8 meets ending with CHAMPS in West Virginia.



WHAT MEMBERS ARE SAYING

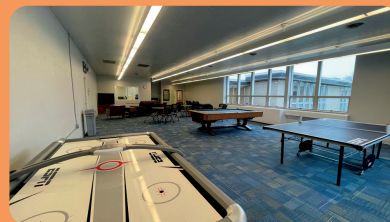
When my son wanted to get back into swimming, I was happy to hear that the Buhl Club was starting a new team! The Buhl Club has such a great group of people that are supportive and also family oriented, I knew my son would be able to excel and have the support he needs.



-Nikki and Konner Anderson

BUHL CLUB BECOMES MANAGING PARTNER OF THE BAUGHMAN FAMILY COMMUNITY CENTER IN GREENVILLE AND THE CHILDRENS CENTER OF MERCER COUNTY IN HERMITAGE

The community center is located in the old East Elementary School in Greenville, which the Community Recreation of Northern Mercer County bought at auction and started renovating a few years ago. Funding for the rec center came in the form of donations from several foundations and private donors. It is named after David Baughman, a former Greenville resident and philanthropist whose family gave a sizable donation to the project. The Baughman Family Community Center includes a fitness center, free weight room, cycling studio, aerobic studio, member lounge, youth center, child watch room, meeting room, full size kitchen, and basketball courts.



The Children's Center of Mercer County, formally the Mercer County Crippled Children's Society, is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and full daycare center located in Hermitage, PA. Their mission is to educate and support every child within our community. They are composed of Pre-Kindergarten and Pre-K Counts classrooms, an academic preschool for 3 year olds, childcare for children 6 weeks old until 2 years old, and before and after care for preschool to school aged children. They provide quality early childhood for ALL students within our community.



MEET THE STAFF

BRANDON COWIE

The Buhl Club is proud to welcome the addition of our new Aquatics Director Brandon Cowie! He joins our leadership team with over 10 years experience as the pool director for the Boy Scouts. Brandon has already added many new programs to our Aquatics schedule including more youth lessons, adult swim lessons, water meditation, and Jr. Lifeguarding classes.



WHAT MEMBERS ARE SAYING

The Buhl Club is our home away from home for most of the week after our kids get out of school. Its importance to us can't be overstated due to the abundance of benefits that it provides. Being a family with 4 kids, our needs and interests are very diversified and complex. The Buhl Club is a complete offering allowing many outlets and opportunities for our kids to explore their passions and learn about what excites them. The seasonal activities, the skills learned, the experienced leaders and mentors, and dedication to the community are what make the Buhl Club stand out for us.



-The George Family

BUHL CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

SUMMER CAMP 2022

"BE OUR GUEST"



WHY GIVE BACK?

Why do we give back? Well, that is an easy question to answer...because the Buhl Club has given us so much. My daughter Alexandria has grown up at the Buhl Club. She started attending dance classes with Michelle Bower at age 2 and we just enjoyed our 13th recital! Alexandria learned to swim at the Buhl Club, and attended years of summer mini camps there as well! And while previously she participated in Easter egg splashes and pumpkin swims, she now volunteers to help with the events because she enjoys them so much. Former and current instructors have become mentors, role models, and friends. Why do we donate to the Buhl Club? Because the Buhl Club is our family.



-Kimberly and Alexandria Marchetto

Buhl Club Membership Rates

Youth (grades 0-8).....	\$10/month
High School (grades 9-12).....	\$15/month
College (full time)	\$20/month
Adult	\$30/month
Family	\$50/month

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