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Contributions Provide Funding for Free Greene County Summer Camp

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WAYNESBURG – Greene County has once again exhibited its tradition of compassionate community involvement. Local businesses and individuals responded in force when it was announced the County would have to charge for its day camp program due to the current budget crisis. In the past, the county's youth have enjoyed the day camp programs for free and received a discounted rate for the pools. This summer, because of the incredible outpouring of support, even the cost of swimming has been waived for participating youngsters.

In addition to a \$35,000 contribution from Iron Senergy's Cumberland Mine to complete the effort to fund the camp and swimming, other local benefactors made significant contributions.

EQT donated \$5,000 to the effort in addition to their other generous contributions to the Department of Recreation's programs and facilities. The Greene County Farm Bureau, Greene Together and the United Mine Workers Association 2258 also provided significant contributions.

Major individual donors to the program included Mary Pruss, Mark Liedecker, William and Patricia Ginsburg, Mike and Shelley Younkin, Bill Wise, Ruth Burnett, and Buddy Greco.

In addition to his own substantial donation, Greco organized a group of local business owners whose donations ranged from \$3,000 to \$600. That group included Baily Insurance Agency, First Federal Savings and Loan, J.D. Enterprises, the Waynesburg Moose Lodge, the Waynesburg Lions Club, Filtrexx, Scotty's Pizza, Wilson Tire & Auto, Representative Pam Snyder, and several anonymous donors.

County Commissioner Betsy McClure commented, "It has been a difficult year for everyone including our Greene County families. Our children have experienced this shuttering like never before in their lifetimes. These generous donations for our youth to attend Summer Day Camp and have fun with their peers at no cost are very gracious and appreciated. I am very excited for

the summer activities to begin so our children can get back to normal activities outside in a safe, healthy environment."

For more information, please call the Recreation Office at 724-852-5323.