Mission: We are dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women, and promoting peace, justice, freedom, and dignity for all.
Vision: We live and work in a community that embraces equity, acceptance, and diversity and in which women and girls have opportunities for enrichment and advancement.

YWCA Presents
Leading Ladies of Live2Lead Workshop

Thank you to all the staff, volunteers, and committee who made the YWCA Fashion Show a great success!
YWCA Girls Field Hockey

YWCA Indoor Field Hockey Sessions are expected to start in March 2022 at the Hempfield Sports Complex. The sessions will be held: Tuesdays and Thursdays for 6 weeks. The program is designed to include all age groups; 2nd – 5th grade, 6th – 8th grade and 9 – 12th grade according to the player’s 2022 Fall school year enrollment. Registration forms will be available no later than early December, 2021.

GOOD LUCK GABBY!

We at the YWCA Westmoreland County want to thank Gabby Skillings for her years of dedicated service to the YWCA. We want to wish her well in her new career. Congratulations and best of luck to you Gabby!

STRONG ALONE, FEARLESS TOGETHER

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Ramona Kocinski, PA WORKWEAR Coordinator
Matthew Kolbosky, Facilities Director
Greetings!
As we prepare to wrap up 2021, I am looking forward to what the New Year will bring!!! As challenging as this year has been, I can genuinely say that we have felt the support and dedication of the Board of Directors, our YWCA Membership and all who have walked through our doors. Hats off to the staff who remained flexible and put their heart and soul into making this year a great success. We were able to launch new programs, including new Adult Learning classes, the Used Book Store and our Mansion rentals are increasing. Without our dedicated volunteers and collaborative partners throughout the Community some of these accomplishments would have been impossible. So, THANKS to all of you for your willingness to adapt, your dedicated service and your commitment to the YWCA!

Happy Holidays to you!
Carol H. Palcic

Interviews with Kelly Sasso

This year the YWCA Westmoreland County was featured in the 2021 Wish Book Special Operating Funds Edition. This a list of the top 100 exceptional nonprofits in Allegheny and Westmoreland Counties whose staff have demonstrated grace and ingenuity despite the seemingly insurmountable challenges presented by the pandemic. WTAE-TV picked up on the Wish Book listing and came to the YWCA to do a news segment. Our instructor Mary Ellen Tiberio and student Gloria Lecz were interviewed by WTAE’s Kelly Sasso.

Click on the link to see the story. https://fb.watch/9ARdrUfVb0/

YGirls Connect

YGirls Connect is a dynamic program offered for girls and young women ages 14-25. These women meet once a month. This group is designed to build self confidence, promote leadership development, and become socially engaged.
A group gathered on Halloween and enjoyed carving pumpkins, roasting pumpkin seeds and enjoyed the comradery and a taco bar! To learn more about how to become involved in this dynamic program, call the YWCA.
Rent the Historic Huff Mansion for Your Upcoming Event

The Huff Mansion is available for special events and meetings. The Mansion is a perfect venue for showers, parties, family gatherings, meetings, and more. It features:

- Fully Equipped Kitchen for your Caterer
- Beautiful Portico and Porch
- Elegant Spiral Staircase
- Wireless Internet Access
- Podium and Microphone
- Projector, Screen, and/or Dry Erase Boards for your Presentations

The entire main floor of the mansion is available for your special events. Call for more information and rental rates.

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English as a Second Language Classes

Classes will continue into the spring. Classes are $50 a month plus a one time book fee upon registration. Call to register. All classes are located at 424 N. Main St, Greensburg. The classes focus on English speaking, listening, reading, and writing skills as well as grammar, vocabulary, and pronunciation. and friendly classroom.

### Spring 2022 ESL Class Schedule

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Community Outreach

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International Women’s Group Continues to Build Community, Stays Connected via ZOOM

The YWCA's International Women's Group welcomes women of all nationalities to Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania. The International Women's Group meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month (September - June). Currently, the group is utilizing ZOOM and meets online from 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm.

The Group provides a meeting place for women to meet each other and develop friendships, to share and learn about the U.S.A. (particularly the new area in which they are living), improve their English and become a part of and adapt to their new community. Contact the YWCA at 724-834-9390 for more information and to get connected with the Group.

Annual President’s Luncheon

On Friday, December 3, members of the YWCA Board of Directors, Past Board Presidents the current Board President and donors gathered for the 2021 Annual President’s Luncheon. The luncheon was not held in 2020 due to the pandemic so it was wonderful to be able to meet and celebrate our accomplishments over the past year! Thank you to all who took the time to be part of this special event!

YWCA USED BOOK STORE

424 N. Main Street, Greensburg.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday; 1st Saturday of every month from 10am - 2pm.
(Entrance located across from playground)
Donate your books by placing them in the designated shed located in the parking lot.
YWCA Thrift Shop

The YWCA Thrift Shop is proud to be the oldest consignment and thrift shop in the city. Located at 221 S. Maple Ave in Greensburg, our Thrift Shop takes donations during regular business hours and consignment as per our schedule. Stop in to find some great finds for back-to-school items to an evening night out with your friends. For more information about consignment, donations, and our schedule, visit www.ywcawestmoreland.org/ywcathriftshop/

~ Thrift Shop Christmas Gathering ~
Thank you to all the dedicated Thrift Store volunteers who commit their time and their talents to making the Thrift Store such a special place.

YWCA Thrift Shop
221 S. Maple Ave | Greensburg, PA 15601 | 724-834-4339
M, T, W, F, Sat: 10 am - 4 pm | TH: 10 am - 7 pm

Like us on Facebook & follow us on Instagram to shop online EXCLUSIVE deals throughout the week!
In store pick up or we ship to you!

PA WORKWEAR Program
Provides Essentials for Women in Need

PA WORKWEAR, a program of the YWCA Westmoreland County, provides women with free professional clothing for job search, training, and employment. Clients are referred by the County Assistance Office (CAO), Private Industry Council (PIC), as well as other county agencies.

Designate your items for PA WORKWEAR and drop them off at our Thrift Shop. We welcome and appreciate your tax deductible donations of:

- Clean business clothes including maternity wear
- Khakis, blue and black denim jeans, polo shirts, sweatshirts, and medical scrubs
- Flat, wedge or low heel, closed-toe professional shoes
- Unopened trial/hotel sizes of hygiene products
- Professional purses that are black or neutral
- Bras
- Clothing store gift cards
- Monetary donations

For more information or to set up a drop-off contact:
Ramona Kocinski at 724-834-1383 or email ramonak@ywcawestmoreland.org.
Thank you to everyone that made the Fashion Show a success! Our 2021 Girls in Pearls Fashion Show was themed An “Amaizeing” Gala celebrating, the season, and being grateful for the beauty and bounty of autumn.

Our Thrift Shop fashions were modeled by individuals whose lives have been touched by the YWCA. We thank our sponsors who are listed above. The YWCA Fashion Show Committee is grateful and inspired by the community support.

Sincere thanks to emcee Lynn Hayes-Freeland, make-up artist Dawn Berkebile,
LEADING LADIES OF LIVE2LEAD WORKSHOP

Join us for this transformational three-hour workshop, presented by Michele Teague, (A TEAGUE OF YOUR OWN) where you will hear from two dynamic women: Valorie Burton and Jamie Kern Lima. Valorie shares key insights gleaned from twenty years as a professional writer, speaker, and coach. It has given her an abundance of relevant content to effectively inspire and teach the skills of resilience, happiness, and success. She connects with audiences through the power of stories, supported by the power of her research and education in the cutting-edge field of applied positive psychology. Valorie will share the questions you need to ask yourself now so you can become the person you were meant to be.

Jamie Kern Lima, founder of IT Cosmetics, shares key beliefs of how a once struggling waitress turned her against-the-grain idea into an international best-selling sensation. She will share how she eventually sold the company for over a billion dollars and became the first female CEO of a brand in L’Oréal’s 100+ year history. She will also share powerful business lessons you can use to go from underestimated to unstoppable. Jamie will share how to listen to that voice inside of you that tells you there is more to your life, that you are worthy of everything you have ever dreamed of and more.

Workshop participants will hear from both speakers and have an opportunity to reflect on questions to build their own leadership skills and abilities. You will also have opportunities to network and share with others and develop an action plan that you can put to use right away.

Wednesday, January 26, 2021 * 4:30 – 7:30 pm * Light dinner
Admission: $30.00 – reservations required

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Identity Theft: What you need to know. Presented by Thrivent representatives. Being proactive in protecting your identity can pay off down the road. Get tips and tools to help you avoid identity theft and minimize the impact if you become a victim. The program is scheduled for January 8, 2022, 1:00 -3:00 PM, Call to reserve your seat for a nominal fee of $20.00.

Beginner Bridge Lessons. Bridge lessons for beginners will be offered in February, 2022. This will be a four-session course on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon. The dates are February 15, 17, 22, 24. There will be a $25 fee for the course.

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