

Koelble's Korner: Many pitch in hoping for UW success

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United Way of Lake County, with dozens (let's say hundreds) of individuals under the spurs of additional dozens of division or committee leaders, is under way in its usual hard chore of rounding up funds to assist many throughout the county.

You may already have been contacted through your place of work to take part in the current campaign, which seeks \$3.566 million to help 44 agencies and 72 programs under the UW umbrella.

Should you not be involved in the vital needs of the Lake County community, you might want to find out how you can go about doing so. Information is at your fingertips by calling the United Way at 440-946-7375 or by visiting its headquarters, during business hours, at 9285 Progress Parkway in Mentor.

You may obtain help if you know any of the following "chiefs" of the various divisions or committees, directed overall by campaign co-chairs Todd Crockett of The Crockett Team and Melissa Crockett Willis of Howard Hanna Real Estate Services:

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Labor Associates — Matthew Donovan, Plumbers Local 55

Government — Ken Filipiak, city of Mentor; Nancy Fisher, Wickliffe Public Library; Ray Kirchner, city of Mentor; Dan Troy, County Commissioners; Ron Graham, General Health District

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The goal is high but it can be attained, with 2009 donors repeating their gifts and newcomers coming through.