

# LINES

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Trevor Hazen, PGA, Program Director at The Turn, reviewing the rules before the double shotgun start.

## Leimkuehler, Inc. Sponsors The Turn

The Turn, formerly Return To Golf, held the 12th annual *Join The Turn Outing* on their home course at the North Olmsted Golf Club. Leimkuehler, Inc. sponsored the event and Chick-fil-A of North Olmsted provided the lunch. This event celebrates the importance of fitness and recreation programs that enhance the lives of the physically challenged community. The Turn provides innovative programs, free of charge to more than 200 participants annually. Check out the program and what they offer at [www.jointheturn.org](http://www.jointheturn.org).



Jim (left) and Greg Leimkuehler (right) manning the Leimkuehler, Inc. tent at The Turn golf event.

## Great Lakes Science Center Camp Curiosity 2017

The Great Lakes Science Center Pediatric Doctor Camp visited Leimkuehler to educate participants about prosthetics and orthotics. It was impressive how many of the kids already knew the proper names for bones and muscles in the body. The students from grades 9-12, were very attentive and interactive.



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### Healing after an amputation:

A few simple steps can make a significant difference:

1. Regular wound dressing changes
2. Quit smoking to speed up the healing process
3. Stretch to prevent muscle contractures – keep your full range of motion
4. Protect your residual limb; possibly with a removable protective leg splint
5. Wear compression or “Shrinker Socks” to help control swelling
6. Keep strength in your upper body and other leg by performing even small exercises daily

Always follow the advice of the medical professionals treating you. With these tips, you will recover faster and have an easier time using a prosthesis once you are cleared by your doctor ~~to have one.~~

### Eliminate the Unknown

After an amputation, it can be hard to move on when you don't know what life will be like. Life is not over, it is just slightly different. If you are in this situation and would like to talk to an amputee that has been through it; we can arrange peer visitation. Give us a call and we will find an existing amputee that is around your same age, gender and has a similar type of amputation that is willing to talk and answer questions. We will then provide you with their contact information so that you can set up a convenient meeting.

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## Patient Testimonial

*It just seems appropriate to let you know how happy I am with my new prosthesis! I really appreciate how Paul, patiently and persistently, created a leg that allows me to truly function again as I haven't in years. I know it wasn't an easy task because I had developed some peculiar walking habits through having to adopt to prostheses made by places my insurance told me I had to use. I love my new leg's light weight and "springy" foot, and the fact my stump is no longer painful; the only problem is I have suddenly become more active again in all facets of my life, and liners are already needed due to weight loss (hardly a problem in the "big picture"! ). In any event, this outcome has been markedly different from that which I recently experienced at another facility (a national chain best left nameless). It is so refreshing to be dealt with so thoughtfully and proficiently by a team of people, led by the always-accommodative and caring Paul, with a supporting case that includes individuals I have yet to even meet (as I worked out of your East Side office), including Rosie of the cheerful voice and Melissa, an apparent whiz at insurance matters both big and small. Thanks to you, too, for assistance in getting a kind of dialogue going with my doctor in order to obtain a prescription for the kind of prosthesis I needed. Not sure where I would be at this point without Leimkuehler's back in my life!*

Sincerely,  
Martha Lee

## Amputee Support Group Tour

On May 5th, members and friends of the Southwest General Amputee Support Group were treated to a day of



*Southwest General Hospital Amputee Support Group*

fun and learning, courtesy of the wonderful folks at Leimkuehler and Ottobock. The day began at Lifeworks in Middleburg Heights where we boarded Lolly the Trolley. Although it was a drizzly day, spirits were high as we set out on our adventure. The first order of business was a guided



*Boarding "Lolly the Trolley."*

tour of Cleveland, narrated by our very friendly and knowledgeable driver/guide Jerry. We eventually found our way to Leimkuehler's office on Detroit Road in the Ohio City neighborhood. There we were greeted by Bob Leimkuehler and

his great staff. Bob led us on a tour of their very expansive laboratory where they fabricate much of the prosthetic equipment of the type that many of us wear. We saw how prostheses began as crude legs craved from blocks of wood, and progressed to the microprocessor controlled marvels we have today. They demonstrated to us the entire procedure of modeling a patient's residual limb, making a carbon fiber frame, and forming a socket from a thermo-plastic material to form the base for attaching the prosthetic component. After that we were given a fine box lunch. While we ate we were shown many prosthetic and orthotic pieces of equipment, including some unusual ones, showing how they were used to improve a patient's abilities.

Thank you for your hospitality and to everyone involved with this much-appreciated Day!



*Dining In the shop where the brace and prosthetics are made in Cleveland.*

## Senior Transportation Connection

Transportation services are available from *Senior Transportation Connection* for an extremely low cost, Monday through Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm for Cleveland residents and some surrounding suburbs. Call 1-800-983-4782 to find out if your city participates. Medically related trips are a priority and must be in Cuyahoga County. Local Phone: 216-664-2833.



**Amber Lombardo**, the medical receptionist at Leimkuehler's main office since July 2017, seems to have a non-stop schedule. Her duties include managing the telephones, scheduling appointments, filing, faxing, interactions with hospitals and other healthcare facilities and above all greeting people and making them feel comfortable. What she likes best about the job is seeing the joy on the patient's faces. It's a family atmosphere. A native Clevelander, Amber graduated from Strongsville High School. She has taken courses in medical terminology and cardiography. She likes to spend time outdoors with family and friends. She keeps busy taking care of her two dogs, Copper and Sahara.

## Skills Unlimited

Brian Hepner has been a Prosthetic Technician at Leimkuehler, Inc. for 13 years. He loves learning the constantly changing technology in the prosthetic field. Brian is an expert at fabricating any prosthesis; Transfemoral, Transtibial or Symes with great precision and skill. Brian is a native Clevelander who attended Lakewood High School. He takes immense pride in helping patients walk again by providing high-quality prosthesis made with care and attention to detail. Brian is married and has a 5-year-old son who attends kindergarten. He enjoys doing construction projects, fishing and spending time with his family



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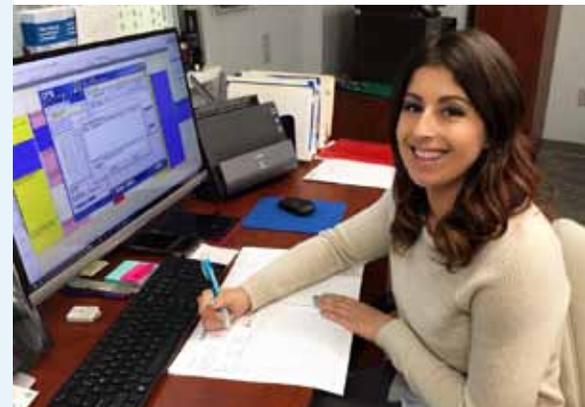
## Normandy High School Students qualify for Nationals

Two students from Normandy High School in Parma qualified for the HOSA (Health, Occupation, Students of America) national competition this year.

They created a poster presentation on being a prosthetist.



Michael Maierson, Licensed/Certified Prosthetist Orthotist from Leimkuehler, Inc. was interviewed and Leimkuehler provided prosthetic device samples for them to use in their display.





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## Christmas Benefit Gift Shop to Support Youth Challenge

- What:** Vendors such as Pampered Chef, Mary Kay Cosmetics, Longaberger Baskets, Party Lite Candle, and handmade crafts, gems, gifts, Chinese Gift Basket Raffle and 50/50 Cash Raffle
- When:** **Saturday 11/25/17** from 9:00-3:00 and **Sunday 11/26/17** from 12:00-3:00
- Where:** Leimkuehler, Inc. : 6478 Royalton Road, North Royalton, OH 44133  
Phone: 440-582-8000
- Why:** Holiday gifts for friends and family while supporting Youth Challenge – An organization that provides activities for kids with physical disabilities

***Come join in the fun!***

Leimkuehler, Inc. has a long history of over 60 years of caring for the disabled of Northeastern Ohio. Leimkuehler, Inc. is an American Board accredited facility featuring certified, experienced prosthetists and orthotists. We utilize the most current technologies and state-of-the-art components. We have three offices across Northeast Ohio.