West-Aircomm CEO Ray Brunner Retiring from West-Aircomm to be Replaced by EVP Lynn Stephenson



Ray Brunner

Ray Brunner is leaving a 31 year legacy with West-Aircomm Federal Credit Union. Ray was hired to run the credit union in 1985 when there were \$25 million in assets and \$0 in capital. Since that time, he has grown West-Aircomm to over \$200 million in assets and \$18 million in capital. Under Ray's leadership, the credit union has consistently earned high ratings from the National Credit Union Association, Bauer Financial, and the local community.

During his career, Ray has been actively involved with credit unions, both nationally and locally. He was an active part of the Beaver Valley Chapter of Credit Unions since 1985 and the Pennsylvania Credit Union Association since 1999. Ray served several terms as chapter president and was the chairman of the PCUA from 2009-2011. He has also held positions on many national advisory and state committee boards. Ray was inducted into the Credit Union House of Leaders located in Washington, DC, in 2011. He most recently received the 2016 William W. Pratt Lifetime Achievement Award as Credit Union Professional of the Year.

An award given by the Pennsylvania Credit Union Association to recognize an outstanding credit union professional involved in daily credit union operations.

Ray not only has been active in credit unions, but he also found time to support his community. He served on the board of directors for several local non profits. His most devoted work was to the United Way of Beaver County. Ray served on the board as well as spearheaded efforts for the Beaver Valley Chapter of Credit Union's golf outing to raise funds. This effort has led to over \$300,000 donated to the organization. He spoke about the outing and his strong belief in the mission of the United Way as their keynote speaker for their 2016 Kick Off breakfast.

"As a credit union, the only reason for West-Aircomm to exist is to enhance the financial lives of our members by offering quality products at competitive prices, and I believe we achieved this over the years. It has been an honor to have been the CEO of West-Aircomm Federal Credit Union the past 31 years." — Ray Brunner

Replacing Ray is Lynn Stephenson. Lynn was hired at the credit union as a part time loan clerk in 1982 and has worked in a number of positions, most recently Vice President of Lending and Executive Vice President. Lynn brings a wealth of knowledge and credit union background to this position. Lynn would like to thank Ray for his guidance and the board of directors for the opportunity to work with the West-Aircomm staff to carry on Ray's vision.

The board of directors and staff wish Ray Brunner all the best in his retirement and to thank him for his years of service and dedication to not only West-Aircomm, but to the communities which the credit union serves.



"I look forward to working with the staff of West-Aircomm to carry on Ray Brunner's vision."

— Lynn Stephenson