

PROFESSIONAL GRIDIRON GROUP



FALL NETWORKING GROUP

PGG MISSION: "TO BUILD A COMMUNITY OF BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS THAT SHARE THE COMMONALITY OF FOOTBALL, FORM RELATIONSHIPS THAT ENHANCE OUR PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL GOALS, AND TO GIVE BACK TO THE SPORT THAT HELPED SHAPE THE PEOPLE THAT WE ARE TODAY."



The Professional Gridiron Group hosted their 2nd Annual Fall Networking Event on November 11, 2021 at Collision Bend Brewing in Cleveland. The event was a tremendous success of bringing business professionals together for a night of networking, camaraderie, and furthering the mission of the PGG.

Highlighting the evening was the guest speaker, Jeff Cass. Jeff is the President of Airgas Great Lakes Division in Independence. He has served the organization for over 20 years and has grown his professional career in engineering, program management, and operational excellence. Jeff attributes much of his success to the education and coaching that he gained through the game of football, especially while attending Grove City College. Jeff was a standout athlete in football, where, as the starting quarterback and captain of the team, he was a record setter, National Football Foundation Scholar-Award winner, and two-time MVP. Jeff spoke to the audience about the correlation of success in football and success in the business community, including stories of teamwork, working for the "name on the front of the jersey", and exercising humility in achievement.

The members of the Professional Gridiron Group are made up of business professionals in multiple disciplines and diverse backgrounds. Attendees have the ability to openly connect to professionals in finance, real estate, manufacturing, human resources, insurance, and other fields. Examples of the successful connections that have been made include: engineering/construction consultants, small businesses/payroll services, and career seekers/human resource professionals. The purpose of networking is to enhance personal and professional brands, and many attendees have successfully done so!

The networking event was sponsored by All Pro Recruiting. APR was established in 2019 to provide companies with a cohesive solution for recruiting needs. They are a team-oriented, strategic consulting firm that helps organizations throughout the region on permanent and contract staffing solutions. APR has expertise in Accounting/Finance, Manufacturing Operations/Engineering/Supply Chain, and Sales/Marketing. Visit www.allprorecruit.com to learn more! Additional vendor support for the PGG event included: Joshua Yager (Dev Q, website development), Jessica Tiedman (photography), Katy Wrobel (logo design), and Lyssi Stanicki (Cakes to You).

To learn more about the Professional Gridiron Group, upcoming events, and ways of giving back to the game of football, please visit www.professionalgridirongroup.com!