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Membership Dues!

It is that time of year again...time to renew your membership to the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce. 2013 invoices have been emailed and sent out regular mail. Payment can be made by check or credit card. If you pay by January 15th, you will receive your membership at a discounted rate based on the # of employees you have. If you choose to pay after January 15th, a new invoice reflecting the increase will be sent to you. If interested in paying by credit, please let Valerie Thompson

OUTGOING PRESIDENT MESSAGE

Dear Chamber Members,

This being my last newsletter I would like to take the opportunity to thank all of the past Presidents for all their help the last two years...especially Greg Frey for the transition and mentoring that he has provided. His guidance and suggestions make the job of President that much easier.

I want to remark on what I think is the outstanding leadership team we have assembled for the next two years. David Hill will be a wonderful President! Sam Watkins as Vice President and Heather Miller as Treasurer, bring a willingness to work and a wealth of suggestions and good ideas to the table. As always, Valerie Thompson is the glue that brings everything together in this organization. She's the one that we all go to for help and assistance. In other words she keeps the buses moving on time.

I want to thank Superintendent Cynthia Walker and Heather Miller for their efforts in strengthening the ties between the Chamber and the Brooklyn City Schools. Pam Vizer of Polaris Career Center has added her expertise as well. They all are valuable assets to this wonderful community.

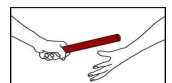
I also want to thank Mayor Balbier and the City of Brooklyn for their continued support and contributions to the Chamber in the last two years. The Mayor's door has always been open to the Chamber Leadership and his help and advice has been incredibly helpful. I know that a day doesn't go by without the Mayor trying to help the local businesses in Brooklyn.

Last, but not least, I want to thank the members of the Board and the membership for allowing me the opportunity to lead this fine organization. I have said it many times that Brooklyn remains a wonderful place to live and conduct business. I think our best years are ahead of us and together we will do good things!

Thank you all and Go Tribe!
I hope you all had a happy holiday and new year!

Doug Hogan 

NEW PRESIDENT MESSAGE



First and foremost, I would like to recognize the hard work, dedication and commitment from everyone in the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce, and extend my sincere appreciation. I have had the great fortune of being able to associate myself with individuals such as Greg Frey (Past President), Doug Hogan (Outgoing President) and Valerie Thompson (Executive Director). Each of these individuals is so inspiring. Greg is so passionate and influential; Doug so charismatic and intelligent; and Valerie such a hard working individual. I really cannot say enough about each of

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these individuals, so let me simply say, THANK YOU. I also want to extend my gratitude to all of the board members and members of the chamber. All of these members are such talented individuals, and a pleasure to work with.

To Doug Hogan, thank you not only for your service as President for the past two years, but also for your generous involvement with the Chamber for so many years. Doug, always such a positive individual, has a kind encouraging word for everyone. Thank you for supporting and encouraging me.

I feel that the chamber is in a great position to help the community grow and prosper, and to become the best it can be for all of its businesses and citizens. Our 2013 Executive Committee consists of:

- Sam Watkins, Vice President
- Heather Miller, Treasurer
- Valerie Thompson, Executive Director

I am looking forward to working closely with these incredible individuals. They take time away from their busy professional and personal lives to help pilot this ship.

In 2009, I became a Board Member, and in the time since, I traveled the road of treasurer, vice president, and now, four years later, am the incoming president. Working in these various positions over the past several years has been interesting, informative, and beneficial to me and my company. I have learned so much from everyone that I have come into contact with over the years. My experience has allowed me the opportunity to grow both personally as well as professionally, and I look forward to continuing to enhance my ability and skills, with the support of each of you.

It truly is an honor and privilege to represent this fine organization. I would also like to offer a sincere and humble thank you to all who have supported and encouraged me to accept the position of President. I am excited to work with all of you to make it an even stronger organization in the years ahead, by helping to foster new relationships with both existing and new members of the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce. I highly encourage everyone to attend our events and monthly luncheons in 2013. You never know what you may learn or whom you may meet, and you may just have some fun while you are at it!

David Hill
Dollar Bank



UPCOMING EVENTS



Thursday, January 10th Luncheon - Join us on January 10th at the Brooklyn Branch of the Cuyahoga County Library. Branch representatives will be presenting on library services and resources, including business resources. The library is located at 4480 Ridge Road. Networking and registration begin at 11:30am. The cost for members is \$15 and non members is \$20. Hope to see you there!



Thursday, February 14th Luncheon – State of the City – Join us on Thursday, February 14th for Mayor Richard Balbier's annual State of the City address. The luncheon is being held in the community room of Westbrook Village Apartments, located at 4000 Westbrook Drive off of Memphis Ave in Brooklyn. Networking and registration for all of our luncheons begin at 11:30am and lunch will be served at 12noon. The cost for this luncheon is \$15.

Mastering ChamberMaster

This section is dedicated to giving you tips on how to get the most of our partnership with ChamberMaster. We hope you find them useful!!

We are so glad that all of you have decided to be members of the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce. Benefits gained by being a chamber member are available in many ways. Remember to take advantage of excellent opportunities for your business to attract new customers and share information with our community and the world.

Log in today to your chamber member portal to take advantage of these features!

Business Directory Listing - your business information is available to consumers through the chamber's website – visitors can search by category, keyword or alphabetically

Online Informational Brochure - your own page on the chamber's website which can include your business description, hours of operation, location information, and up to eight keywords (these help identify your business when a website visitor does a keyword search on the Business Directory)

Job Postings– add your own job openings to the Chamber's website

Hot Deals – include store coupons and special offers on the Chamber's website

Event Posting - add your business' events to the Chamber's Online Events Calendar – chamber website visitors can add your event to Outlook, e-mail the details to a friend and request an automatically generated email reminder for your event

"Email to a friend" link - visitors to your Online Informational Brochure may select a link to email your business information to a friend

Enter your login name and password to gain access to all of these features, update your information and more at www.chamberlogin.com. If you need your login information, please contact Valerie Thompson.

Try it out and contact us with additional questions or for more information.



Advertising Opportunity

Are you looking for an economical way to advertise your business? For only \$100 you can have a banner space ad on the Chamber's website that will stay up until June 30, 2013! The ad size is 468 pixels wide by 60 pixels tall. In the last month alone, we have had over 275 visits to our homepage and over 875 page views! We are limiting the number of website banner ads to only 5 members. We only have 2 spaces left so be sure to contact us ASAP if you would like to take advantage of this great opportunity! We would like to thank Dollar Bank, Hampton Inn, and Ridge Park Square for their support! If you are interested, please contact Valerie Thompson at asstidir@brooklynohiochamber.org for more information

Advertise Here



Jinisha Patel, State Farm

Cleveland Hometown Pride - Check. Midwestern values – Check. Entrepreneurial Spirit – Check.

The team at Brooklyn's newest small business possesses the values and qualities respected by Northeast Ohioans. Jinisha Patel and her team are opening a new State Farm Agency in the heart of Brooklyn at the corner of Memphis and Ridge. The opening of State Farm's newest Cleveland based office location is the culmination of the American dream that started many, many years ago when Jinisha first immigrated to the United States.

Prior to becoming a State Farm Agent, Jinisha worked at a State Farm office for 5 yrs. and also owned a tax preparation business for 12 yrs. She has lived in the Northeast Ohio area for 15 years, she is married to Ketal and together they have two children, Diya – daughter who is 12 and Vir –son who is 7 years old. Her goal is to help the people of Brooklyn and the surrounding communities to manage the risks of everyday life, recover from the unexpected, and realize their dreams. Being a State Farm agent fuels her desire to make a difference in the lives of the people around her.

Jinisha's team is made up of 2 lifelong Clevelanders and a central Ohioan who shares the same pride and values that she does in our city. Teresa Berwald is a lifelong resident of Cleveland and a graduate of The Ohio State University. The former Buckeye is a busy mom of 3 children ages 9, 15, and 17. You will find her busy volunteering at her children's schools or attending her son's sporting events. Rachel Stanley, a recent graduate of the University of Akron with a Bachelor's degree in Psychology, will also be working as a member of the team. Rachel is excited to be serving Northeast Ohio, where she was born and raised. She comes from a family very experienced in the insurance industry and understands the unique needs of the area. With her educational background and local expertise she will provide customer care Clevelanders expect. The final member of the team, Zach Gilligan, is also a fellow Buckeye, graduating with a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration with a concentration on Marketing through Ohio State's Fisher College of Business. Although Zach is from central Ohio, he considers himself a full-fledged Clevelander as you will usually find him at Browns, Indians, or Cavaliers game on the weekends.

Jinisha's agency is fully licensed to serve your Property and Casualty, Life and Health insurance needs. The agency also provides many types of financial services and banking products. The team is proficient in Spanish and Hindi and they are committed to providing customer-centered care as well as making sure their clients are well informed about the products and services available through State Farm. They look forward to meeting you and becoming an integral part of the Brooklyn community. The office is all set to open on January 1, 2013. Please come and visit us soon.

Jinisha H. Patel
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Phone: (216)741-6100; Patelinsurance.net



Newest Member!

Neighborhood Progress

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crafalke@npi-cle.org

Website:

www.npi-cle.org



Volunteers Needed

If you have time in your schedule and a desire to work with young people, then please consider becoming a volunteer reader this school year. Brookridge Elementary will once again provide literacy instruction and one on one attention to many of our youngest students. **Project More** will be implemented in grades 1, 2, and 3. Teachers in those grade levels will coordinate volunteers, lessons, and track student data. Contact Sue Grodek at 216-485-8100, ext 8327 to sign up. Volunteers are needed during the following times: 8:40-9:10 a.m., 9:50-10:10 a.m. or 12:25-12:55 p.m. Hope to see you there.

Taste of Brooklyn

Taste of Brooklyn & All That Jazz February 9th!!

The Taste of Brooklyn and All That Jazz will take place on Saturday February 9th from 7-10pm. The event is once again, being held at Ridge Manor Party Center. All of the net proceeds benefit the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce's Scholarship & Education Fund. This is the Chamber's 7th year hosting the event! This event has had great success in the past. Because of the proceeds made in 2012, we were able to award three \$600 scholarships to Brooklyn residents and Rhodes High School students who will be attending an accredited college or university. We are hoping to do the same in 2013.

Taste of Brooklyn features a "taste" of cuisine from local restaurants and establishments. The Brooklyn High School Jazz Band entertains all of those in attendance. The cost is \$20 and includes food, beer, wine, door prizes, and entertainment. This year, we will also be selling raffle tickets for a chance to win gift baskets and 50/50 tickets! If you are interested in sponsoring the event, the cost is \$150. All sponsors receive 2 admission tickets for the event.

If you are able to help out in any way or if you are interested in purchasing tickets, please let Valerie know. View the list below of the sponsors and food vendors that have already agreed to participate!

[Click Here for Flyer](#)
[Click Here for Sponsor Info](#)

Food Vendors:

Aldo's
 Carrabba's Brooklyn
 Memphis Kiddie Park
 Polaris Career Center
 Rockne's
 The Sausage Shoppe

Other Donations:

Brooklyn Schools
 Dina's Pizza & Pub
 Sam's Club



Sponsors:

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 Greg Frey, State Farm
 Insurance
 Hampton Inn
 KeyBank
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 Ridge Park Square
 Westbrook Village
 Apts/K&D

Recycling Grant Available



The 2013 Recycling Container Grant Application is available on the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste Management District homepage at www.cuyahogaswd.org Each grant is up to \$2500.00 and may be used for recycling or composting containers and some supplies. This reimbursement grant is for non-profit organizations and businesses, CDCs, colleges, universities, and schools. The application is due February 1, 2013. **Previous recipients of the grant may reapply.**

Members Of The Year 2012

Dollar Bank
Since 1855



Large Business Dollar Bank

Congratulations are in order to Dollar Bank! Dollar Bank was our 2012 Large Business Member of the Year Recipient. The award was presented at our Annual Meeting on November 8th.

Dollar Bank Brooklyn Branch has been a strong supporter of the Chamber since they joined in 2005. The manager of that branch, David Hill, has volunteered countless hours serving on our Board of Directors as Treasurer, Vice President, and his most recent appointment to President of the Chamber for 2013. Dollar Bank has supported all of the Chamber's events through sponsorships and providing volunteers to help make our events a success. Dollar Bank was one of our Gold sponsors this year for Picnic in the Park, the highest level of sponsorship for that event. They have donated countless promotional items, as well, to be used as prizes at our various events. David Hill, Kathy Gedeon, and Ron McNulty always make sure a Dollar Bank representative is at each of our monthly luncheon meetings. The Brooklyn Chamber and community are lucky to have such a supportive business in the area!

For 157 years, Dollar Bank has grown to become a large, full service, regional bank committed to providing the highest quality of banking services to individuals and businesses. Today, Dollar Bank operates more than 60 branch offices and loan centers throughout the Pittsburgh and Cleveland metropolitan areas. Dollar Bank Brooklyn Branch is located at 4730 Ridge Road at Ridge Park Square. They can be reached at (216) 749-4725

Small Business Greg Frey, State Farm Insurance

Congratulations are also in order to Greg Frey, State Farm Insurance! Greg Frey, State Farm Insurance, was our 2012 Small Business Member of the Year Recipient. The award was presented at our luncheon on December 13th.

Greg Frey was one of the Chamber's founding members, back in 2002, and has been active ever since. He has been extremely supportive of the Chamber's mission and in making our events a success. Greg has served on the Board of Directors both as Vice President and President. He has been very active in planning several of our large events, including Oktoberfest, Fall Fest, and Picnic in the Park. Greg Frey always supports the Chamber through event sponsorships. He also promotes our events and has spent countless hours volunteering his time to help make our events successful. Several of our members through the years are a direct result of Greg's referrals. Greg Frey is a true asset for both the Chamber and the Brooklyn community!

State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company® is the largest auto insurer in the U.S. since 1942. About one of every five cars on the road is insured with State Farm. State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company is a mutual insurance company and as such does not have any shareholders. State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company is also the parent company of several wholly-owned subsidiaries that provide property and life insurance, banking products and mutual funds. Greg Frey, State Farm Insurance, is located at 6779 Memphis Ave. # 6 in Brooklyn. He can be reached at 216-749-3504.



Brooklyn Cares Holiday Program

The Brooklyn City Schools developed a program to help Brooklyn families in need during the holiday season. This program, called Brooklyn Cares, was organized by teachers Suzy Marquis and Hayley Toerek. The Brooklyn City School District vision is that the community of the Brooklyn City Schools, through collaborative efforts, will be a dynamic learning environment in which all students will maximize their intellect, as well as their physical, social, and emotional well-being. Everyone in the Brooklyn City Schools will be respected, acknowledge differences, have a sense of safety, belonging, and pride in their respective learning environments. The Brooklyn Cares program helped to foster this vision.

With the help of many caring groups and individuals, the Brooklyn Cares program was proud to help a total of 45 families and 101 children this holiday season. We are hoping to reach even more families during the holidays next year, but this program will also continue throughout the year. Please contact Suzy Marquis at suzy.marquis@brooklyn.k12.oh.us if you are able to offer assistance to others. The strength of our community makes learning possible.

We would like to extend a special thanks to the following Chamber of Commerce members that helped to make this holiday season so wonderful for our community:

**Ameriflag
Brooklyn Adult Activities Center
Ferrous Metal Processing
Greg Frey, State Farm Insurance
JB Stamping Ameriflag
Ridge Park Square
Sam's Club**

Polaris Luncheon

The luncheon on December 13th featured a Spotlight on Student Success. Student Ambassadors from Brooklyn represented four Polaris programs and shared their experiences during their junior and senior years. Students presenting were: Catherine Gatte - Dental Assisting, Tim Hamley - Aeronautics, Taylor Sobe - Medical Professions, and Jeff Sosko - Heating, Ventilating & Air Conditioning. Each member of the panel discussed reasons for enrolling in their program, what they have learned in class, what kind of technology and/or equipment they have mastered, how the program has prepared them for a career and/or college, involvement in student organization, such as SkillsUSA, and their plans after graduating from Brooklyn High School. Responses from the members were very positive. They felt that the students demonstrated passion for their program and career choice.



Health Watch 2013

Next exercise and eat right contest begins January 29, 2013



We would all appreciate a no-cost-to-company wellness program that is easy to implement but effective in changing lifestyles. The Dump Your Plump contest starting in January fits that tall order. Dump Your Plump sponsored by Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, offers an inexpensive program that utilizes the advantages of the worksite. Contestants lose an average of nearly 8 pounds while exercising thirty minutes a day during the ten week contest. This is an award winning national program used in over 700 contests nationwide with over eighty thousand participants. All that a company needs to do is communicate the information to employees. Those employees who are interested in becoming team captains will be trained and supervised by the Wellness Council of Northeast Ohio. Of course, a company can do more to get involved if it likes. The contest begins January 29, 2013. If you are interested in promoting this program at your worksite, please contact Steve Musgrave with the Wellness Council of Northeast Ohio at 440.354.8057 or hsense@en.com. For more information go to <http://www.healthyoio.org>

“How the Well are you?”

Teaching behavior change in wellness, one step at a time

Tuesday February 12, 2013

12 noon - 1 p.m.

3 Summit Park Auditorium (Lower Level)

Independence (just west of Rockside at 77 exit) .

Join us for an engaging presentation as Enforcer eCoaching demonstrates how just the right mix of people and technology provides sustainable behavior change through their high touch, email based programs. The company provides inspiration and information to individual participants to drive outstanding weight loss and tobacco cessation outcomes.



WHO IS THIS ENFORCER, ANYWAY?

Enforcer eCoaching is a Cleveland Clinic spin-off, founded by Dr. Roizen, Chief Wellness Officer of Cleveland Clinic. A New York Times bestselling author along with Dr. Mehmet Oz, Dr. Mike Roizen designed the email-based, daily interactive wellness-coaching program for over 25 years to help people prevent and/ or reverse diseases attributed to excessive weight and use of tobacco products. Through the program, participants receive the meaningful guidance and knowledge necessary for enduring behavior change in lifestyle choices, leading to improved health.

ABOUT THE SPEAKER:

Marty Butler is President & CEO of Enforcer eCoaching, joining the company in September 2011 following 6 years of various operational and analytics/reporting executive leadership roles with Whole Health Management, Take Care Health Systems and Walgreen Co. Outside of his role at Enforcer, Marty serves on the boards of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Cleveland, Town Hall of Cleveland and the Harvard Business School Alumni Club of Northeastern Ohio. Lunch provided.

Please contact Steve Musgrave with the Wellness Council of Northeast Ohio at 440.354.8057 or hsense@en.com for more information.

Beyond wellness – Integrated care is a better way to manage employee health

Wednesday, March 6, 2013

12 noon - 1 p.m.

Kaiser Permanente Parma Medical Center, Conference Room A 12301 Snow Road Parma, OH 44130 www.kp.org

Map

Kaiser Permanente is leading the way to better care and superior health outcomes through its integrated care delivery system and dedication to prevention. For employers, this means a healthier, more productive workforce and controlled costs. Dr. Aaron Smith will discuss why Kaiser Permanente's unique integrated health model is a better way to prevent, detect, and aggressively manage chronic conditions and its impact on employee health and cost containment. Dr. Smith will then lead us on a backstage tour of the Parma Medical Facility to demonstrate how the elements of an integrated delivery system work together to help members thrive.

Dr. Smith is Assistant Medical Director of External Affairs & Organizational Effectiveness, Physician Director of Pharmacy & Therapeutics, and an emergency room physician for the Ohio Permanente Medical Group. A healthy lunch will be provided. Please contact Steve Musgrave with the Wellness Council of Northeast Ohio at 440.354.8057 or hsense@en.com for more information.

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PartnerShip®, the endorsed shipping provider of NOACC, has been negotiating substantial carrier discounts on behalf of our customers since 1989. Members who enroll in the **free** NOACC Chamber Shipping Program will receive significant discounts through FedEx®, delivering expertise, great service and value for all your shipping needs—virtually anytime, anywhere.

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After you enroll you'll **save on every shipment you send and receive** through the program. And you'll enjoy the unparalleled customer service that PartnerShip is committed to providing. This NOACC member benefit comes at **no cost to chamber members** and has no minimum shipping requirements or obligations.

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Apply At Polaris

The 2013-2014 Polaris high school enrollment process has begun. Approximately 450 students have applied to attend Polaris next school year. Applications are still being accepted. Interested students are advised to enroll **now** as many programs fill up quickly.

Below is a sampling of Polaris programs that still have open slots for next year:

- Administrative & Business Professional
- Electronics & Alternative Energy
- Heating, Ventilating & Air Conditioning
- International Business
- Precision CNC Machining
- Residential Construction
- Sports Medicine

Applications must be submitted online at www.polaris.edu. Interested students may also contact Cindy Crisler, Polaris Enrollment Coordinator, at (440) 891-7732 or visit the Polaris Web site at www.polaris.edu for additional program details. **Discover Your Future!**

[Click here](#) to access the online application.



New Executive Committee

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Chamber Of Commerce Ohio

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Polaris Career Center

Cynthia Walker
Brooklyn City Schools

Samuel Watkins
PNC Bank

David Hill, Dollar Bank – President



David Hill is the Branch Manager for Dollar Bank located at Ridge Park Square in Brooklyn. He has more than 14 years of experience in the banking and financial services industry. In his current role, David is responsible for leading a team of eight staff members; working closely with an internal team of experts to provide various banking services to the northeast Ohio community. In 2001, David graduated with a degree in business administration. In 2006 he completed the Pennsylvania Bankers Association advanced school of banking with honors. David's roots are professionally planted in the Brooklyn community in which he actively promotes the city and Dollar Bank to local business owners, and he is personally involved with numerous community events in Brunswick where he resides. In his spare time, David is an avid sports fan, and enjoys going to Cleveland Indians baseball games. David can be reached at his office at (216) 749-4725 or dhill824@dollarbank.com.

Sam Watkins, PNC Bank – Vice President



Sam Watkins is the Branch Manager at PNC Bank on Memphis Avenue. He is born and raised in Old Brooklyn and has been part of the Brooklyn community since he began playing hockey at Brooklyn Recreation Center at age 3. He graduated from Padua Franciscan High School, continued his education at Tiffin University where he played college football, and earned his MBA in Finance from Colorado State University. In addition to working for PNC Bank for the past six years, he is currently on the Curriculum Advisory Council at Polaris Career Center in Middleburg Heights and the MBA Advisory Council for Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colorado. In his spare time Sam serves as the Vice President and Assigner of a local baseball umpire association and teaches finance and accounting classes at John Adams High School in Cleveland. Sam lives in West Park with his fiancée, Lauren, and is getting married in May. He can be reached at his office at (216) 749-5772 or samuel.watkins@pnc.com.

Heather Miller, Brooklyn City Schools – Treasurer



Heather Miller has been an administrator for the Brooklyn City School District for 5 years. This year, she took the position as the Director of Professional Development and Assessment. One of Heather's main job functions right now is helping to roll out all of the new state and national standards. She also helps to ensure that the teachers have relevant and meaningful professional development opportunities. Prior to this year, Heather served as the middle school assistant principal and athletic director for Brooklyn. Previously, she worked as an administrator in the Parma City Schools District, where she also taught language arts for several years. Heather and her husband Ian just celebrated their 3rd anniversary, and are very blessed to have 2 beautiful children. Their son Eliot will be 2 in March and their daughter Annalise was just born on December 5th 2012. Heather has been a member of the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce for 4 years, and she is looking forward to serving as the treasurer. Heather can be reached at (216) 485-8111 or heather.miller@brooklyn.k12.oh.us



Congratulations to Heather, Ian, and big brother Eliot Miller!!

Heather and Ian Miller welcomed their 2nd baby on December 5th! Baby girl Annalise Cecily, weighed 7lbs 5oz and was 20 1/4 inches long. Heather is the Chamber's new Treasurer for 2013 and is with Brooklyn City Schools. She is a very active Chamber member and much of our success is due to the timeless hours Heather has given to our various events. Heather was named the Chamber's Member of the Year in 2010. She will be missed while on maternity leave! Congratulations to the Miller family!

Struggling to Pay for Food?

We can help!



Number in Household	Monthly Income after taxes
1	\$1,210
2	\$1,640
3	\$2,068
4	\$2,497
5	\$2,926



Do you make this or less?

We can help you apply today for SNAP (Food Stamps), medical, utility, child care, WIC, and other assistance programs.

If you need it, you **deserve** it!

The Cleveland Foodbank can help you apply

over the phone

No waiting in line to apply, call us today!

Ohio Residents:

216-738-2067



Also apply online

OhioBenefits.org

**Good Nutrition is essential to you and your family.
We can link you to free pantries and hot meals, as well as farmer's markets that accept Food Stamps in your neighborhood!**