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Holiday Social



Chamber Holiday Social
Thursday, November
13th 4-6pm

Ridge Manor Party Center on Thursday, November 13th from 4-6pm. The cost is \$20 per person, which includes beer, wine, and hors d'oeuvres. Will be honoring this year's Large and Small Business Members of the Year. More info inside...

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we sit here and enjoy the last few weeks of autumn, it is so enjoyable to see the spectacular tint of the sunset glow. We still have comfortable days and brisk nights that allow us to enjoy a nice outdoor fire or warm up next to your fireplace while watching your favorite TV show or listening to relaxing music. In so many ways this is my favorite time of the year, yet it is my least favorite time of the year as well. I get to enjoy the cool, comfortable dry air; however, I know that the polar vortex could be just around the corner. However you look at it, it is what you make of it. As Theodore Roosevelt said "Do what you can, with what you have, where you are." So seize the opportunity and make the most of it.

Two notable days in November include Veterans Day and Thanksgiving. So be sure to thank our Veterans for serving in the U.S. Armed Forces and helping to keep our freedom in the great USA. And later in the month of November is Thanksgiving, so enjoy the time you spend with family and friends and be thankful for what you have. "No one who achieves success does so without acknowledging the help of others. The wise and confident acknowledge this help with gratitude"-Alfred North Whitehead

To recap events, Fran Migliorino, Director of Economic Development City of Brooklyn, and Deb Tomusko, presented the City of Brooklyn's marketing campaign. They presented their findings on how to improve and develop a vision for the City going forward. This was hosted in the community room of the fire station. Thank you to Fran, Deb and Fire Chief Zemek. In October, our luncheon was held at the Hampton Inn and Nick Maroulis from Campus Life was the speaker. Nick presented on the impact that Campus Life has on the youth in Brooklyn. This was a very informative and educational topic. Thank you Nick! On October 29th, NO-ACC held their annual Bright Star award event. This year's recipient was Nick Maroulis from Youth for Christ/Campus Life. Nick is a very active board member and is always promoting the Chamber to new businesses. Nick has been integral in the success of the Chamber over the last couple years. He consistently volunteers and donates his time and activities to many of the Chamber's functions. Way to go Nick, you earned this. Congratulations!

To wrap up 2014, the Chamber Holiday Social is on November 13th. This is our annual meeting where we will honor the Small and Large Business Members of the Year. This event will include beer, wine and hors d'oeuvres. Join us for a fun and relaxing evening, as this is a perfect way to kick off your holiday season. On December 11th our luncheon will be held at Polaris Career Center. We are always in for a treat as lunch will be provided by the Culinary Students of Polaris.

As 2014 comes to end, let's look back and savor all of the memories and look forward to 2015. Determine what you could have and what you can to do to become better. Be a better employee, a better leader, a better person, etc. Be sure to be thankful for what you have. The first person who calls and speaks with me and tells me what number President Theodore Roosevelt was, will receive a gift card for lunch. Please be safe during these times and I hope to see you soon!

David Hill- Dollar Bank
Chamber President



Free Self Defense

US Shuai Chiao Kung Fu Academy, part of US Team Shuai Chiao, and the 2014 World Shuaijiao Tournament Cup winners in self-defense and the martial arts, plus a Brooklyn based company, extends an invitation to the Brooklyn community to learn the techniques of self-defense using the art of Kung Fu.

Saturday, November 8, 2014, at the Academy located at 6775 Memphis Avenue, the US Shuai Chiao Kung Fu Academy will hold, for free, a Self-Defense Workshop. They will offer four sessions throughout the day.

10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.



These workshops are for ages 8 and above; hosting 30 people per session. Waivers must be signed by the participants prior to the session.

Brooklyn residents: Come learn the art of self defense with the elite instructors from the US Shuai Chiao Kung Fu Academy. Learn how to protect yourself; how to know and feel your surroundings; use your instincts; and better prepare yourself to get out of "harms" way in an emergency situation.

Registration is required by **Wednesday, November 5, 2014**, Call: 216-351-3222.

Let's DUE It!

2015 Membership Dues

It is that time of year again...time to renew your membership to the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce. 2015 invoices will be emailed out in December. Payment can be made by check or credit card. If you pay by January 15th, you will receive a FREE luncheon that can be used at anytime during the year! If interested in paying by credit card, please let Valerie Thompson know so she can send you the link. If you are interested in being a sponsor for Taste of Brooklyn, purchasing a website banner ad, or prepaying for lunches, those costs can be added to your payment for dues.

Let us know if you have any questions or if you need a revised invoice to include the additional items.



Mastering ChamberMaster

Mastering ChamberMaster with Event Postings on our Website

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!!

Do you have an upcoming event?

Are you trying to generate additional traffic to your store?

Do you want your event to reach an audience outside our area?

Advertise your event on www.brooklynohiochamber.org...It's free! It's easy! It's included in your membership!

Log into your chamber member portal to submit your event for inclusion on the chamber calendar!

- Access www.chamberlogin.com
- Enter your login name and password.
- Click **Events** in the left-hand menu.
- Click **Add an Event**.
- Complete the fields in the **Request to Add New Event** screen.
- Click **Submit for Approval**.

Upon approval, your event will appear on the www.brooklynohiochamber.org public website calendar which is viewed daily by potential customers from our community and around the world.

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



FOOD
HIT
MARKET



2015 Website Banner Ads Available

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 for 6 months from January 1, 2015 to June 30, 2015! 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 so be sure to contact us ASAP if you would like to take advantage of this great opportunity! If you are interested, please contact Valerie Thompson at asstdir@brooklynohiochamber.org for more information.

Advertise Here



Luncheon Updates

Chamber Holiday Social Thursday, November 13th 4-6pm



Join us as we kick off the holiday season with an opportunity to network with other members and recap 2014. We will also be honoring this year's Large and Small Business Members of the Year. Our Holiday Social will be held at Ridge Manor Party Center on Thursday, November 13th from 4-6pm. The cost is \$20 per person, which includes beer, wine, and hors d' oeuvres.

If you are a sustaining member and choose to use one of your lunches for the event, you will need to pay an additional \$6 to cover the cost. The 2014 Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce Member of the Year Awards will be given out at this event. [Click here to register...](#)

Please note that if you RSVP and are unable to attend, you will be invoiced if you do not cancel by 12noon on the Tuesday before the Holiday Social is scheduled.

December 11th Luncheon will be held at Polaris Career Center



The December 11th luncheon will be held at Polaris Career Center. Polaris' Superintendent, Bob Timmons, will be giving a presentation on some "exciting facility news" they would like to share. The food will be provided by the Culinary Arts students at Polaris. Networking and registration begin at 11:30am and the luncheon will start at 12noon. [Click here to register...](#)

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September Luncheon



Cheryl Hardy with Brooklyn Reformed Church received her membership plaque at our luncheon on 9-11-14. David Hill (Dollar Bank) is shown presenting the plaque.



David Nodge with Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities is honored as one of Northeast Ohio's Top Workplaces at our luncheon on 9-11-14. Chamber President David Hill (Dollar Bank) and Brooklyn Council President Katie Gallagher, presented the certificates.



Jeff Buser with Huntington Bank, was honored as one of Northeast Ohio's Top Workplaces at our luncheon on 9-11-14. Chamber President David Hill (Dollar Bank) and Brooklyn Council President Katie Gallagher, presented the certificates.



The Ohio Department of Education recently released the 2013-2014 career-technical report card which includes Polaris and the state's 90 other career-technical centers. The report card includes letter grade ratings in four areas including: **Post-Program Placement, Technical Skills Attainment, and Four- and Five-Year Graduation Rates.** Post-Program Placement measures the proportion of students who were enrolled in post-secondary education, advanced training, military service or employed within six months of leaving high school. Technical Skill Attainment measures the proportion of students passing technical assessments related to their career-technical programs. Graduation rates measure the proportion of career-technical students who graduated within four and five years after entering the ninth grade.

Polaris earned a "B" grade with an 86.9% Post-Program Placement rate and an "A" for the 80.2% Technical Skills Attainment score. In addition, Polaris received an "A" for its 94.6% Four-Year Graduation rate and an "A" for its 95.9% Five-Year Graduation rate. Polaris also fared well in other state measures including: **Industry Credentials, Academic Attainment - Reading, Academic Attainment - Math, Nontraditional Participation and Nontraditional Completion.** Polaris met or exceeded target levels on all of these measures.

Additional components, measures and grades will be added to the report card in the future. For additional information [click here](#) or www.polaris.edu.

15th Annual Chef Training Holiday Bake Sale

The 15th Annual Polaris Chef Training Bake Sale has begun! This year's sale features many of your old favorites along with some new selections. These delicious creations are perfect for Thanksgiving dinner or those Black Friday leftovers! All proceeds help support the Polaris Chef Training student educational activity fund.

Bake sale pick-up will take place in the restaurant, Mise en Place, on Tuesday, November 25, 2014, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Here's a list of this year's selections:

- Dutch Apple Pie
- Pumpkin Pie Deluxe
- Peanut Butter Pie
- Southern Pecan Pie
- Pumpkin Roll
- Bread Pudding with Bourbon Sauce
- Banana Bread

[Click here](#) for the order form.



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2014 Annual City of Brooklyn Thanksgiving Food Drive

The City of Brooklyn along with St. Thomas More Church and School will be collecting food for Thanksgiving Baskets to help those in need. If you are able to donate please collect only those food items that relate to a Thanksgiving meal such as potatoes, cranberries, stuffing, vegetables, etc. You may drop off your donation to Brooklyn City Hall between 8:00-4:00pm Monday through Friday. Deadline for collecting food will be Friday, November 21. Food Baskets will be delivered on Tuesday, November 25.

Thank you and Happy Holidays!!



Our Newest Members

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Shop and save at Sam's Club® this holiday season*

Use this invitation to find unique
holiday gifts, food and décor

Invitation to Shop*



- Who:**
Where: Your local Sam's Club®
When: Valid October 1 – December 31, 2014
except on Black Friday and during designated members-only events, including VIP
How: Bring this invitation to the Member Services Desk at your local Sam's Club for a pass to shop for the day

A 10% service fee applies on all non-member purchases when shopping with this One-Day Pass (not applicable in CA, SC or Elmsford, NY)

* This invitation allows you to shop at your local Sam's Club for one day only. Only original invitations will be accepted. Information necessary to assign a One-Day Pass number will be collected at time of use. No other conditions or privileges of annual membership apply. You must pay for purchases with cash, debit card (see club for quality networks), Walmart® Credit, MasterCard® or Discover® cards only (no checks). You may apply for annual membership, subject to qualifications, while visiting SamsClub.com or any Sam's Club location. Visit SamsClub.com/privacy to view our privacy policy. **This invitation is valid October 1 – December 31, 2014, except on Black Friday and during designated members-only events, including VIP.**

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