The Stark County Safety Council will be collecting Toys for Tots at their December luncheon. Last year we were one of the top collection points in the county collecting over 3000 toys & we thank everyone for their efforts!

If you choose to participate, please bring in a new unwrapped toy to the December meeting. Also donation checks payable to “Toys for Tots” are accepted. Thank you!

ABOUT THE NOVEMBER SPOTLIGHT CO.

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The Ohio Bureau of Worker’s Compensation (BWC) has recognized long time Stark County cheese manufacturer Brewster Dairy for its commitment to protecting its workforce. The company received the distinctive recognition of SHARP (Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program) status by the OSHA On-Site Consultation Program, administered by the Ohio BWC.

The BWC’s OSHA On-Site Consultation Program worked with Brewster Dairy employees and management over the last 18 months to make their facilities safer. The work included modifying and replacing hazardous work processes with safer procedures. Brewster Dairy has worked with the OSHA On-Site Consultation Program since 2005 and has made several changes to its corporate culture to emphasize employee safety and health with the goal of keeping workers safe, reducing claims and lowering workers’ compensation claims and associated premiums.

Doug Linhart, Safety Director for the Brewster Dairy said, “Our expectation is for all employees, vendors and contractors to perform daily duties in such a way as to insure that all employees return home safe. We as Management must provide them with the proper tools and training to meet this expectation. “ To that end, they have also developed a new Safety Slogan: “Working together toward a common goal...that everyone return home safe” and incorporated it into a new logo design.

Each year the SHARP award recognizes small high hazard employers across the country for excellence in occupational safety and health systems. Brewster Dairy is among 27 Ohio Employers who have achieved this status.

The On-Site Consultation Program is one of many safety related programs available through the BWC. Learn more by contacting them at 1-800-OHIO-BWC, or visit OhioBWC.com.

On behalf of the Stark County Safety Council, **congratulations to Brewster Dairy** for being a leader and continuing to strive to provide the safest workplace possible for all who work there!

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**Upcoming Program December 8, 2011**

At the December 8th luncheon Chairman Colleen Maurer and members of the SCSC Steering Committee will provide an overview of 2011 and focus on plans and issues for 2012 followed with entertainment by the Perry High School Perry Pipers

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**Robin’s Corner**

Q: Is there a certain distance that should be maintained around electrical equipment and do you know what the distance is?

A: Yes, there is a distance to maintain sufficient clear working areas around electrical equipment and this area should not be used for storage.

OSHA 29 CFR 1910.303-(g)-(1)-(ii), Table S-1, Working Clearances for minimum clearances; NEC 110-26; NOMINAL VOLTAGE

- **MINIMUM CLEAR**
- **DISTANCE**
  - 0-150
  - 3 FEET
  - 151-600
  - 3-4 FEET

CONDITION DEPENDENT

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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

Nov. 16: "Wellness In The Workplace" - Chateau Michele from 7:30-9:00 a.m. Approved 1 hour HRCI credit. Fee. Register online www.starkcountysafetycouncil.org

**Important items to make note of:**

1. **Semi-Annual Reports** are required to maintain your membership with the SCSC. Reports are due July 15th and January 15th each year.

2. **Don’t forget to sign-in.** If you do not sign the "sign-in sheet" your company will not receive credit for attending. This could hurt your company’s chances of receiving the BWC’s discount.

3. **NOTE:** July 1, 2011 began a new 12 month period for the BWC’s rebate program. If your company is eligible, you must attend a minimum of 10 events, with your company’s CEO or a senior level manager attending one of these 10, and submit two semi-annual reports. See BWC website for complete rebate details.

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