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### President's Corner

As tax day has passed we can look to furnishing our gardens with new growth. The change of seasons is one of the reasons I live in Northeast Ohio, and I especially love the transition from winter to spring. Hopefully some of the items in my column will show how the chamber is changing as well.

April's luncheon featured Elisabeth

McNicholas, Superintendent, and Dave Forrest, Treasurer, from the Revere School District. They provided the "State of the Schools" address, which was quite informative. If you haven't spent the time to keep informed on our school district, this session caught you up to speed. Did you know that Revere Schools was named one of the top 100 schools in the nation by Forbes magazine? This is one of the many reasons we are so proud of our school system and our school administrators that work continuously to find ways to improve.

This month I am excited to announce that our Web site is going through an upgrade. Within the next 30 to 45 days look for our new upgraded site. The look won't change too much, except for some enhancements that will allow us to maintain the site ourselves and provide up-to-date information. The benefit to our members is providing a link to your Web site and a link to Mapquest showing your location. As we will be able to add events to our events page, let us know if there is something you would like to include on the site to help promote your business.

As a result of upgrading our Web site, I have asked the school district to

### *Let's do lunch!*

Wednesday, May 7, 2008

Quality Inn & Suites Richfield

**Diane Jablonsky**

**Federal Trade Commission**

**ID Theft - Internet/Computer Security**

11:45 - Informal Networking      12:30 - Speaker  
12:00 - Light lunch served      1:00 - Adjourn

**Members admitted free with a reservation.**

**Please R.S.V.P. to 330-659-3300 by May 2**

Non-members bring \$11 check payable to Richfield Chamber of Commerce

No-shows will be invoiced \$11 for their reserved lunch.

Invite an associate. Bring your business cards to share.

see what you can do to help.

### Member Spotlight

Everywhere you turn, there is a new electronic device popping up. Whether it is the latest in cell phones or a faster computer, businesses and individuals alike are constantly upgrading their technology to keep up with the times. It's very easy to buy new electronics, but it's not so easy to know what to do with the old ones.

The EPA estimates that there are 50 million computers becoming obsolete each year, and only 10% of these are recycled. Thankfully, one local company, **Itran Electronics Recycling**, is helping the community do their part to protect the planet and making it easy to live green. Located in Richfield, Itran provides electronic recycling services to businesses, schools, and homeowners and will recycle your old electronics free of cost.

For home owners, there is a convenient drop-box located at the Itran warehouse found at 4100 Congress Parkway West in Richfield. They also offer free pick-up for businesses and schools that have a minimum of 20 pieces to recycle. Itran destroys all hard drives so recyclers can rest assured that sensitive information is secure.

Itran Electronics Recycling specializes in computer-related electronics, and accepts items such as computers, monitors, keyboards, cords, and cell phones. For more information on what is accepted, please visit [www.ItranUSA.com](http://www.ItranUSA.com) or call 330-523-0087 and ask for *Ryan McAllister*.

**Please Note The Next  
Newsletter Deadline is May 15.**

partner with the chamber to provide a help wanted/needed section of the Web site. Students who are interested in part-time or even full-time work can post their qualifications on our Web site. While businesses, I am asking, that need help for a particular job (be it for 2 hours or 100 hours) can post what help is needed. My hope is that we can build a tighter bond within the community and with the kids in the community. Everyone needs some additional help from time to time even if it is for only a few hours. There are students that would love the opportunity to not only earn some additional money but gain experience in the work field. While the Web site will not be ready for one to two months, I would hope that I start receiving information from our business community.

Keep June 18 open for the 2008 Links to Education Golf Outing. The committee is now soliciting hole sponsors and raffle prizes, call Karen at 330-659-4750 if you can donate. I hope everyone can make sure they support this worthy cause as funds are supplied to provide scholarships to graduating Revere High School students. The Sweet Corn Challenge is scheduled for July 27, please call the chamber offices to

May 7	Luncheon	11:45 a.m.	Quality Inn & Suites Richfield
May 14	Board meeting	7:00 a.m.	Scriptype Publishing
<b>May 15</b>	<b>Note: Early Deadline for Newsletter</b>		
June 18	Golf Outing - Steak Roast		St. Bernard Golf Club
July 27	Eddy's Bike Shop 15th Annual Sweet Corn Challenge		

**Mark your calendar**

**Welcome These New Members to the Chamber:**

*Andrew Leipold, **Leipold Tire Company, Inc.*** located in Cuyahoga Falls offering tire sales and service.

*Penny Thomas, Income Development Coordinator for the **American Cancer Society.*** Penny works with volunteers to help raise awareness of research, education, advocacy and services in local communities and also raise dollars to help find a cure for cancer.

*Cheryl Leuthaeuser, D.O., **Integrative Wellcare, Inc.*** with offices in a lovely renovated old house on Broadview Rd. Dr. Cheryl is a specialist working with patients with chronic illness, mostly infants and children, and has extensive experience in working with children on the autism spectrum