

Meet the Belden's

So how did the green-eyed French Canadian from Texas end up in Canton, OH? It all started in the year of the Millennium...a mutual friend introduced us and we quickly knew that our lives would be intertwined forever. After a few years of living a free-spirited life in NYC, our radar screen got fuzzy with the idea of raising kids in a nice community.. So we headed West to the land of Bradley's childhood years and settled in. Fast forward a few years and we are the proud parents of two wonderfully



spunky and energetic children – Avery, 3 ³/₄ going on 12 ³/₄ and Griffin, a toddling little 21-month old. Our days are spent working in rewarding careers – Bradley as the Corporate Manager of Regulatory Affairs at The Belden Brick Company and Aimee as the Director, ystark!, a department of the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce. When we aren't working, playing with our kids or fixing up our 80-year-old home, we volunteer our time with ArtsinStark, Community Services of Stark County, Early Childhood Resource Center, Junior Achievement, United Way and the YWCA.

Top Ten Reasons why we want to be Mardi Gras King & Queen.....



10. We heard that crowns are so 2011.
 9. We'll finally be able to live up to the expectations of our daughter, the Princess.
 8. We have very talented ears for listening to the Canton Symphony.
 7. We're hoping it will help our chances of getting a lunch date with the King and Queen of Youngstown.
 6. We've always wanted to be hounded by the paparazzi.
 5. Who can say "the Canton Symphony game for Wii?"
 4. Free Burger King for all if we win...just kidding.
 3. We would request the Symphony to play Pink Floyd's 'The Wall'.
 2. We need to graduate from our plastic-instrument performances with our kids.
- and the #1 reason why Brad & Aimee want to be Mardi Gras King & Queen is.....*
The only way we could possibly appreciate the Canton Symphony more is if we were King and Queen!