

# RECREATION MATTERS

## October 2009



City of Akron Recreation Bureau Active Adult Division  
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### Wicked The Musical

Is back on!

Sunday, December 6, 2009

State Theatre at Playhouse Square in Cleveland  
\$92 per person  
6:30pm show

So much happened before Dorothy dropped in. Long before that girl from Kansas arrives in Munchkinland, two girls meet in the land of Oz. One-born with emerald green skin-is popular, fiery and misunderstood. The other is beautiful, ambitious and very popular. How these two grow to become the Wicked Witch of the West and Glinda the Good Witch makes for the spellbinding new musical in years.

This is a unique untold story of two friends whose lives seem to be worlds apart but are really so closely intertwined. The entire performance will literally leave you spellbound. The musical won is the recipient of 20 major awards including a Grammy and three Tony Awards.

The price includes transportation onboard a Lake-front bus, ticket to the show on the floor and drivers tip. The bus will be leaving from City Service Center, 1420 Triplett Blvd. For more information call Sally at (330) 375-2839 or Penny at (330) 375-2852.

### Mannheim Steamroller

Wednesday, November 18, 2009

EJ Thomas Hall

\$46 per person

The performance starts at 7:30 pm

The Christmas Music of Mannheim Steamroller by Chip Davis brings their tour to Akron's EJ Thomas Hall on November 18th. Mannheim Steamroller's signature sound is where classical and modern-day rock, acoustic and electronic music meet. Celebrate the spirit of the season with the "18th century rock band" that has become one of the most popular and best-selling acts in the last 30 years.

The price includes the ticket and transportation by trolley from Northwest Community Center and other centers. The last trolley pick-up will be at 6:30 pm. You may also provide your own transportation. The seats are located in the Grand Tier in rows F and G.

The deadline for this trip Friday, October 9th and the price is non-refundable. If you are interested in tickets call Penny at (330) 375-2852 or Sally at (330) 375-2839.

### Akron Zips vs. Kent State Flashes

Saturday, November 7, 2009 and only \$25 per person

Enjoy the greatest football game of the season at the new InfoCision Stadium and Summa Field. The price includes your ticket and transportation. The trolley will leave from Lawton St. Community Center at 2:00 pm and from Firestone Park Community Center at 2:30 pm.

The game starts at 3:30 pm and the price is non-refundable. Space is limited to the first 25 people. For information call Kathy at (330) 375-2852.

Highland Square West  
Akron Seniors  
Fall Card Party  
Saturday, October 24th  
Northwest Community Center  
1730 Shatto Ave.  
12:00-4:00 pm

\$6 per person includes lunch and plenty of playing time. Tickets are presale only. For tickets call Carol Wilson(330) 923-8882 Please make checks to Highland Square Seniors. Send checks to 796 Frederich Blvd. Akron 44320.

### **Active Adult Aerobic Participants**

Beginning November 1st. all of our active adult aerobic classes will be video tape only. These tapes will be provided by center staff. For questions or concerns, please call Greg Kalail. 330-375-2810.

## THANKS TO ALL MARATHON VOLUNTEERS AND THE COMMUNITY

The Road Runner Akron Marathon, Half Marathon and Team Relays would like to thank all of the volunteers who came out to make this year a wonderful success. The energy and dedication of the volunteers make this event world class. We look forward next year!

A GREAT BIG thank you to the community for coming out to cheer on the runners. From playing music to cheering and waving flags the excitement along the course helped to keep the runners motivated.

Volunteers can go to [akronmarathon.org](http://akronmarathon.org) to sign-up for the volunteer party on Saturday, October 10th. You must RSVP in order to attend the University of Akron football game.

## Great Trains & Grand Canyons

Sunday, October 17-Friday, October 22, 2010  
\$1,999 per person based on double occupancy

This unique trip offers breathtaking sites by coach and railway with the comfort and convenience of staying in one hotel. Fly into Phoenix Airport and board a coach traveling north to Sedona, Arizona. Sedona is an upscale resort retirement and artist community set amongst the red-hued rocks of Oak Creek Canyon. This is your home for the next 5 nights.

The trip starts off with a drive through Oak Creek Canyon's sixteen mile beauty, a two-hour train ride aboard the Grand Canyon Railway ending at the South Rim of Grand Canyon National Park. Enjoy some of the best views of the canyon from this angle. Travelers will enjoy a trolley tour of Sedona including the Chapel of the Holy Cross and Airport Mesa. There is a tour of the Spanish-Mexican village of Tlaquepaque to explore an area full of art and culture and the Montezuma Castle National Monument which contain cliff dwellings from the 12th and 13th century Sinagua Indians. Also enjoy a visit to the mining town of Jerome and top the day off with a four hour ride on the Verde Canyon Railroad in a first class railcar. The tour wraps up with leisure time in Old Town Scottsdale and a Farewell Chuckwagon Supper and Western Stage Show.

This once of a life time trip includes roundtrip airfare from Canton-Akron Airport, plenty of sightseeing, hotel, eight meals, transportation by motorcoach, a professional tour director and baggage.

For more information call Sally at (330) 375-2839.

University of Akron Women's  
Basketball Presents Senior Saturdays!  
\$2 Tickets for Seniors for all Saturday home games

The University of Akron Women's Basketball Team is excited to announce a special new program for local seniors. For every Saturday home game during the 2009-10 season, seniors (60+) can purchase a ticket for only \$2! Saturday games include the following dates: Dec 5<sup>th</sup>, Jan 9<sup>th</sup>, Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup>, Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>, Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>, and Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>. We would also like to extend the offer of \$2 tickets for the home opener on Friday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 PM. All home games are held in Rhodes Arena on the University of Akron Campus. Sufficient parking is conveniently located directly adjacent to the Arena off Carroll St. and Spicer St.

Under the leadership of Head Coach Jodi Kest, the UA Women's Basketball Team has steadily improved each year, and is poised to take the next step this season. The team features a number of home-grown student-athletes from the Akron-Canton area, including players who attended high school at St. Vincent-St. Mary, Hoover, and Archbishop Hoban. For more information about the Akron Women's Basketball team or the Senior Saturdays discounted tickets, please visit [www.GoZips.com](http://www.GoZips.com)

### A Few Notes...

**Both Pat Catan's classes are full.**

**The June 2010 cruise to Alaska has been cancelled. We hope to reschedule in the future.**

If you would like to receive Recreation Matters by email send a message to [bombape@ci.akron.oh.us](mailto:bombape@ci.akron.oh.us)

## Bally's Atlantic City

September 7-10, 2010

\$443 per person based on double occupancy

Join Ed Davis Seniors for this four day and three night trip to the bright lights of Atlantic City. The day includes transportation, a three night stay at Bally's Casino, three breakfasts, lunch at the Palm Steakhouse, the Civil Rights Garden in the Carnegie Library Center, the Splash Trolley Tour, \$45 in slot play, baggage handling and taxes.

If you are interested call Bea at (330) 867-4695 or Elizabeth at (330) 253-8562.

## Spend St. Patrick's Day in Ireland with Shades of Ireland

Sunday, March 14-Tuesday, March 23, 2010  
\$2,989 for double occupancy

This trip of the Emerald Isle has the experiences and memories of a lifetime. The price includes round trip airfare from Cleveland Hopkins Airport, hotel transfers, insurance, air taxes and fee/surcharges of \$195 (subject to increase until paid in full), an overnight castle stay, Limerick, Cliffs of Moher, Galway, a farm visit, Killarney Jaunting Car Ride, Ring of Kerry, Blarney Castle, Waterford Crystal, Kilkenny, Dublin and so much more.

You will experience the countryside with its rolling hills, kiss the famous Blarney stone, learn about and see first hand the history of Ireland. Enjoy the ocean scenery and picturesque villages and view breathtaking lakes in the mountains.

For a complete itinerary and inclusions call Sally at (330) 375-2839.

# Fall Hiking Spree

All hikes are rain or shine. Please bring water or walking staff if needed. All hikes are Friday mornings with step-off at 10:00 am. If you have further questions call Ken at (330) 745-4993.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Park</u>	<u>Trail</u>	<u>Miles</u>	<u>Rating</u>
10/2/09	Sand Run Metro Park 995 Treaty Line Rd.	Parcours	1.4 miles	3
10/9/09	Gorge Metro Park 1160 Front St., Cuyahoga Falls	Glens	1.8 miles	2
10/16/09	Goodyear Hts. Metro Park 2077 Newton St.	Parcours	1.8 miles	3
10/23/09	Munroe Falls Metro Park 521 S. River Rd., Munroe Falls	Indian Spring	2.2 miles	2
10/30/09	Firestone Metro Park-Tuscarawas Area 2620 Harrington Rd.	Redwing	1.1 miles	1

Rating  
1=Easy      2=Moderate      3=Strenuous

## Weekend in the Woods

We had a wonderful time at Camp Christopher for Weekend in the Woods this past September. Many of the participants tried something new like the low ropes course and archery or something they had not done in years such as canoeing.

Special thanks to Lisa Ellis for crafts, Joe Bomba for nature hikes, Carol Reitz for her inspiration, Ohio College of Massotherapy and the staff of Camp Christopher.

It was agreed that the highlight of the weekend was the wine tasting. A big thanks to Elaine Surnegie for arranging the tasting and of course her many hats. Thank you also to Tricia McKinney for being the liaison between our department and the camp staff.

Below is a picture of some the participants.