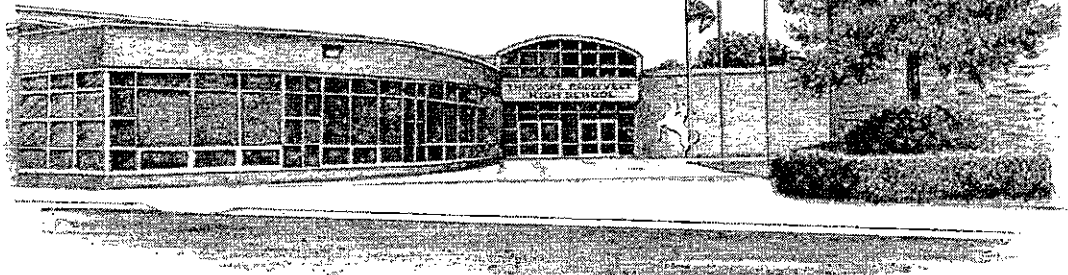




BRANCHING OUT



Roosevelt High School

Dear Friends,

November 2008

As I write, they are predicting snow flurries and the wonderful fall weather will slowly become the beginning of winter! Our students are preparing for those activities that come with the changing of the season and thoughts are already turning to the holidays.

For many of our students, this is also an opportunity to reflect on the closing of the first grading period and making those changes necessary to increase their academic success. Not including those students who may have an undiagnosed learning disability, most know, to some degree or another, what they need to do to improve their learning and their grades. The formula is simple. They know it is important to 1) come to school everyday and attend every class, 2) do the work assigned by the teacher and hand it in, 3) ask for additional help before, during, or after school, and 4) take just a little more time outside of the school day to “study” the materials included in the daily lessons. This almost insures improved learning and increased grade achievement. For those who are thinking “duh!” at the obvious, be careful!

Students remind me of many of us who know that if 1) we reduce our caloric intake, 2) increase our amount of physical activity, and 3) avoid certain foods; we will lose weight and become healthier. We know we will feel better and probably live longer, but we still don't do it! In fact, not a night goes by that one of the newscasts isn't highlighting the growing obesity problem among Americans, both young and old. We are intelligent and informed, but we just don't make losing weight and getting more physically fit a priority. We choose not to! We make other choices our priority! Or do we?

As counselors and administrators, we work with many bright and capable students who are not succeeding academically, but who know what they have to do to improve their learning. They ignore those simple elements of classroom success just like many of us ignore the weight losing process. How can we explain both these phenomena?

As crazy as it sounds, I think both Alexis de Tocqueville in the 1800's and Janis Joplin (of all people) in the 1960's may give us some clues. In de Tocqueville's landmark work on the founding of America and the establishment of a free and democratic society, he warned of how the freedom of unlimited choices could paralyze a person's decision making. This is especially true when someone lacks the discipline to prioritize all of the choices based on importance. Freedom comes with a price. In other words, if you see all the choices

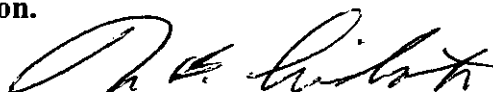
available to you and covet them all, and you are unwilling to sacrifice any of them, and you make them all important, and you see failure in any choice as no big deal because there are so many other choices, and if you face increasingly more choices, then it is a small leap to a conclusion that no choice is important.

Now, if nothing is important because there are so many choices, then Janis Joplin's refrain in the song Me and My Bobby Magee that "freedom is just another word for having nothing left to lose." suggests that by having so much that you have nothing to prioritize, therefore "nothing to lose," then you have achieved some sort of freedom nirvana. Kind of scary and weird. We choose to eat poorly and not exercise because we have the choice to do so. We also have the choice to eat that extra piece of chocolate cake.

Students may not articulate it this way, but that is how some are feeling. I have trouble understanding all of it but, with the explosion of information technology, the medias competition for our students' minds, the variety of activities and opportunities available to students, the ever-increasing efforts on all facets of society to give them (and you) more and more choices, the unbridled acceptance of any and all lifestyles, it is clear why academic achievement is not a priority for some. It is also amazing how many of our students can navigate all the choices thrown at them and still be successful!

When we reflect on all of our blessings in this country during this season of thanksgiving, we have an obligation to help young people balance their lives and sort out the choices they have in a meaningful way. The abundance of "things" is not as dangerous to young minds as the abundance of "choices." Most adults I know who have productive lives follow a plan for success that parallel the same elements students could use for classroom success. This includes going to work everyday, doing their work in the most efficient manner with little oversight, seeking additional learning and training to do their jobs better, and giving more to their employment than is expected. Our charge is finding ways for students to see that their choice in applying this simple formula could spell increasing success in the classroom. As parents, educators, and adults, do we have any other choice?

I hope this Branching Out finds your family in good physical and emotional health, and you have a warm and happy Thanksgiving celebration.



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NOVEMBER 2008

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NOVEMBER CHARACTER TRAIT IS "COMPASSION"

"Compassion" is the character trait being emphasized during the month of November. The goal is to show care, concern, and empathy for the needs of other persons without regard to race, religion, gender, age economic status, and/or physical and mental condition. Compassion involves being sensitive to and supportive of others. Don't hold grudges. Instead, be forgiving.

Related ideas include: Empathy, love, caring sensitivity, understanding, being supportive and kind. Practical applications are evident in these behaviors:

- Gives to others in need, and forgives**
- Helps someone who is having problems.**
- Includes someone who is left out or less skillful.**
- Is willing to share another person's pain or joy.**
- Is sensitive to other people's feelings and needs.**
- Is kind even when others are not.**
- Gives up something for the benefit of others.**

We hope many families, classrooms, and community groups will find opportunities to extend compassion. As they do so, we further hope it will become more internalized in each individual's character growth.

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ROOSEVELT'S CANNED FOOD DRIVE IS GETTING UNDERWAY - PLEASE HELP!

Student Council will be holding a canned food drive during the week of **November 17-21**. All donations will be given to the Kent Social Services, so, please join our school with our tradition of contributing towards helping families enjoy another fruitful Thanksgiving. Any non-perishable food item such as cans, boxed dinners, etc., will be greatly appreciated. Donations will be collected in all homerooms so every students and their family will have the opportunity to contribute. Students wanting to help Student Council in this effort can come up to **Room 201** during **4th or 5th period**.

On **Saturday, November 22nd, 2008, from 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**, the students who attended the 2008 Roosevelt High School's Leadership Retreat will be going door to door in the community collecting canned goods and non-perishable items that you wish to donate. Prior to that morning, a student from your neighborhood will have dropped off a brown paper bag ready to be loaded. If you are not going to be home during those hours, please place all donations on your front porch and they will be picked up Saturday a.m. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact **Heidi Myers at 330-676-6772** and leave a message for Jacob Miller. Donations will also be accepted at the high school cafeteria beginning at **8:00 a.m.** and ending at **12:00 noon**. Thank you very much for your continued support in providing joy during the holidays.

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SIGN UP FOR SKI CLUB

Ski Club sign up will begin on **October 27th, 2008, through November 21st, 2008**. **Mr. Jeff Thompson** is the advisor, and there are several ways to contact him. His telephone number is **330-676-8691**; or leave a note in his mailbox in the Main Office at the high school; or email: ke_jthompson@kentschools.net. Also, parents of Theodore Roosevelt High School students may also join the club for the same rate as high school club members. Something new is being added this year, there will be a drawing held for a free club membership for 2008-2009. This drawing will only occur if we have enrollment of 50 members or more.

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ITEMS FOR SILENT AUCTION DUE NOVEMBER 14TH!!

Mark your calendars now for **DECEMBER 4TH, 2008 – the ENGINES WILL BE RUNNING!!** It's time for the **Junior Silent Auction Prom Fundraiser !!** Please submit your items/baskets by **11/14/08**, then come and join the fun and excitement! **"START YOUR ENGINES" FLYER IS ATTACHED TO THIS MONTH'S BRANCHING OUT!!!**

PORTAGE COMMUNITY/CLINIC HEALTH CENTER TO OPEN IN NOVEMBER!!

On November 3rd, 2008, thousands of Portage County residents who struggle to pay for their health care soon will have a lower-cost option. Akron Community Health Resources Inc., will open The Portage Clinic at the current sit of Robinson Memorial Hospital's Med Center One on State Route 59. The Portage site is expected to be self-sustaining, with a mix of funds from insurers, patients, Medicare and Medicaid covering the \$1.5 million annual budget. Patients who earn 200 percent or less of the federal poverty level will pay for care on a sliding scale, with the lowest paying \$20.00 per visit. People who use Med Center One-Kent will be able to seek care at the hospital's urgent-care center in Streetsboro, which is adding staff and hours to accommodate patients.

- **Anyone can access medical care at the new medical center that will be open Monday-Fridays, between 7:30 a.m. –6:00 p.m., and Saturdays 7:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**
- **Appointments are accepted and ACHR's open-access policy assures patients can be seen as a walk-in at any time when the medical center is open.**

Additional services to be provided at the Portage Community Health Center include: specialty referrals, prescription medical assistance, patient counseling, and dental care through ACHR's dental clinic in Akron.

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POINSETTIA'S ANYONE???

Christmas Poinsettia orders are being taken now by **Mr. Jeff Thompson**, a teacher at Roosevelt High School, through **November 14th, 2008**. You may call him at **330-673-9595, or 330-676-8691**, or email at ke_jthompson@kentschools.net. The colors are red, white, pink, and burgundy. The scheduled delivery date is **December 2nd!!** Again, Roosevelt High School would like to thank all of you for your continued support in helping our students.

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"MAYBE BABY, IT'S YOU" IS THE FALL PLAY THAT'S OPENING SOON!

On Friday, **November 21st**, and **Saturday November 22nd**, RHS will present our fall play, **"MAYBE BABY, IT'S YOU"**, in the Richard Roberts Auditorium at the high school. Tickets are **\$7.00** for adults and **\$6.00** for students and senior citizens. All seats are general admission. Doors for the show open 30 minutes before curtain time of **7:00 p.m.** Presale tickets (\$1.00 off the price), will be available beginning **November 17th** during the lunch periods. A special Preview Performance will be presented on Thursday, **November 20th** at **6:00 p.m.** All seats for this show are **\$3.00** and can be purchased at the box office the night of the show. We sincerely hope that you, along with your family and friends, will join us for a comedy about the struggles of finding true love.

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NEWS ABOUT OUR WRESTLING PROGRAM

There was an open Wrestling Boosters meeting on **Wednesday, October 29th**, at **7:00 p.m.** in the high school library. Any interested parents who did not attend and would like information about our Boosters, please contact Wendy Patrick - wpatrick@neo.it.com.

Also, Kent Wrestling Boosters will be having their annual Pre-Season Kick-Off Banquet on Wednesday, **November 19th** at **6:00 p.m.** in the high school cafeteria. All High School, Middle School and Youth Wrestling families are invited to attend. No need to bring anything, the Boosters will be providing a light dinner. We will introduce our Booster Club officers and all the coaches. We're hoping to show off some of our new spirit-ware ideas. So please come join us for dinner, and a short informative meeting about the upcoming season.

Thank you, Wendy Patrick and Donna Overholt

PAPERLESS COMMUNICATION BEING OFFERED SOON!!

In an effort to improve communication, decrease cost and reduce our environmental impact, Roosevelt High School will be offering parents the option to "opt-in" to a paperless edition of our monthly Branching Out Newsletter mailing. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Carman at [ke ccarman@kentschools.net](mailto:ccarman@kentschools.net), or for more information or to sign up for this new service, please visit – [http://www.kentschools.net/rhs/branching out/](http://www.kentschools.net/rhs/branching_out/).

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MUSIC BOOSTER FRUIT SALE GETS UNDERWAY !

On Friday, **October 24th, 2008**, our Annual Music Boosters Fruit Sale begins! You may order our delicious CERTIFIED U.S. #1 fresh Florida Citrus fruits from any Music Boosters member at Roosevelt and Stanton. The sale will continue through Friday, **November 7th, 2008**. Our delivery date will be **Sunday, December 7th, 2008**. We are offering – **Red Grapefruit - \$17.00 for 2/5 bushel; Hamlin Oranges - \$17.00 for 2/5 bushel; Navel Oranges - \$17.00 for 2/5 bushel; Fresh Medley (Triple charmer)-\$24.00 for 12 Red Delicious fancy apples, 12 navel oranges, and 12 Red Grapefruit; and Fresh Fruit Sampler - \$25.00 for 8 Apples, 6 Pears, 6 Red Grapefruit, 8 Navel Oranges, and 8 Tangerines.**

Please make checks payable to Kent Music Boosters. We would like to thank you for your continued support of our music department, it's very much appreciated!

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A FRIENDLY REMINDER FROM OUR CLINIC

This is Flu and Pneumonia time, so this is a reminder that you can get your flu shot for \$30.00 and pneumonia shot for **\$45.00**, to **FIGHT THE FLU**, and let's try to **MAKE LIFE HEALTHIER!!** The **ACME #7 Store, St. Rt.59, Kent, Oh.**, will be giving them on **Thursday, November 6th, 2008** from **3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.**, and the **ACME #17 Store – 4445 Kent Road, Stow, Oh.**, on **Friday, November 14th, 2008** from **10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.**

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EXCITING NEWS!! - RHS STUDENT TO PERFORM!!

Ballet Theatre of Ohio is pleased to announce that Roosevelt High School student, **ANGELA TRIVELLI**, has been chosen to perform in this season's outstanding production of **The NUTCRACKER**, beginning **November 29th** and runs through **December 7th**, at the Akron Civic Theatre.

Please join RHS Family in congratulating this fine young lady! For ticket information, please visit the website: www.ballettheatreohio.org.

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RHS HAS A LOT GOING ON THIS MONTH - PLEASE CHECK OUT THE FOLLOWING FLYERS ATTACHED TO THIS BRANCHING OUT!!

HERE'S OUR LIST – THANK YOU!

- "A Night With Teddy Roosevelt"
- "2011 Class Spirit Wear"
- "Applebee's – "Dining To Donate"
- "Great American SMOKEOUT"
- Certificate Sale – Honey Baked Ham
- "Start Your Engines"
- NOTES On Alcoholic Energy Drinks

**SIGN UP NOW FOR PARENT CONFERENCES WITH,
TEACHERS/ADMINISTRATORS
AND COUNSELORS !!**

ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH, 2008, from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., and **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH, 2008**, from 9:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held at Theodore Roosevelt High School.

Mrs. Muriel "Sam" Edwards will be scheduling the appointments the **WEEK OF NOVEMBER 17TH 2008**, and we strongly urge you to call ahead to eliminate possible waiting or disappointments, in seeing your child's teacher, counselor, or administrator. You may call **330-673-9595, ext. 8769** between the hours of **7:15 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.** Please have the list of all the teachers, counselors, or administrators with whom you'd like an appointment. We will try to accommodate "walk-in" conferences, but we will have to work around those appointments already scheduled with Mrs. Edwards.

We welcome this opportunity to share your student's progress and to discuss concerns and questions you may have regarding his/her school environment.

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If you would like to register early, please complete the following and return to Mrs. Muriel "Sam" Edwards by Thursday, November 20, 2008. Upon completing your request, she will either call you or give your confirmation and times to your child, and they will bring it home to you.

STUDENT'S NAME(S): _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME: _____

TELEPHONE NO'S. HOME: _____ **WORK:** _____

PREFERRED CONFERENCE DAY **Mon. 11/24/08-5:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. _____**
(Please place an X by appropriate day.) **Tues. 11/25/08-9:00 a.m. 8:00 p.m. _____**
If you choose Tues., please mark A.M. _____ or P.M. _____ for your conference.

If you would like a call back from "Sam" to confirm your appointment, please circle the best time to reach you - MORNING or AFTERNOON. Any questions, please don't hesitate to call Muriel Edwards at: **330-673-9595**. Thank you.

TEACHER(S)/COUNSELOR/ADMINISTRATOR YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE:

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In Honor of Theodore Roosevelt's 150th Birthday and U.S. Veterans

Theodore Roosevelt High School presents:

“A Night With Teddy Roosevelt”

A School and Community Celebration

Featuring

Nationally Known Theodore Roosevelt Reprisor

Joe Weigand as T.R.

WHERE: Theodore Roosevelt High School Auditorium

WHEN: Tuesday November 11, 2008

7pm – 9 pm

Free and Open to the public

This year October 27, 2008 marks the 150th birthday of our 26th President, Theodore Roosevelt. Theodore Roosevelt High School is proud to sponsor a celebration featuring nationally known Joe Wiegand as the Rough Rider President. Joe's one man T. R. show has been entertaining audiences all over the United States. Enjoy humorous, adventurous, and inspiring stories from the famous Rough Rider charge up San Juan Hill during the Spanish American War to his journey to the White House. Listen to the amazing stories of how this frail young boy built his body and dedicated himself to a vigorous life and the Presidency. So please join us for a night of entertainment as one of our most beloved Presidents comes to life and showcases the spirit and enthusiasm that characterizes Theodore Roosevelt High School.

For biography, tour schedule, and video clips of Joe Wiegand (TR Joe), visit
www.teddyrooseveltshow.com

Contact: Larry Picicco
Social Studies Department Chairman
Theodore Roosevelt High School
Kent, Ohio 44241
(330) 673 -9595 Ext: 8864

DRIVER EDUCATION INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION FORM

National Driver Training School offers Driver Education as part of our Kent Community Education program. All students, including those who are home-schooled or attend other schools, are welcome to enroll. The Kent Community Education Office is located at Roosevelt High School in Room 515. All students participating in Driver Education are responsible to the Kent City School District Student Conduct Code.

Each 3-week session meets six times for classroom instruction—Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:45 p.m. through 9:00 p.m. in Room 506 at Roosevelt. Students then individually schedule their 8 hours of "behind the wheel" instruction directly with National Driver Training School at (440) 248-8552. The 24 hours of classroom instruction and 8 hours "behind the wheel" instructions are required by law.

Students must be **15 years and 5 months** of age to attend the classroom and **15 years and 6 months** for the "behind the wheel" instruction. This is the law. General information regarding the law and driver education is on the back of this form.

The fee for sessions **1, 2, 3, and 4 is \$320** payable by check, cash, or money order to Kent Community Education. Payment in full is required prior to the first day of class. Due to the increasing costs of gasoline, the fee for Sessions 6 through 10 will be determined in December. Please read all dates carefully for your session to be sure that the dates do not interfere with your co-curricular activities. No refunds will be issued after the first class session. If school is canceled due to emergency for the school day, i.e., weather, Driver Training class is postponed. The minimum number of students to hold a class each session is five.

Driver Education Classroom Schedule 2008-09

Session 3: November 4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20: Cost \$320 Session 7: March 10, 12,17,19,31, April 2: Cost TBD
Session 4: December 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18: Cost \$320 Session 8: April 14, 16, 21, 23, 28, 30: Cost TBD
Session 5: January 6, 8, 13, 15, 27, 29: Cost TBD Session 9: May 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28: Cost TBD
Session 6: February 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 26: Cost TBD Session 10: June 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18 (9:00 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.) Cost: TBD

**DRIVERS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FORM
(CHECKS PAYABLE TO KENT COMMUNITY EDUCATION)**

NAME _____ HOME PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN CONTACT NUMBER DURING DRIVING CLASS TIME

(Please Circle Session)

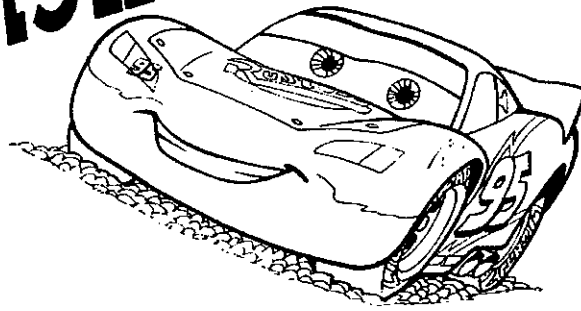
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Start Your Engines!



LIGHTNING McQUEEN

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JUNIOR PARENTS AND ANYONE INTERESTED,

Please "Start Your Engines" and help the class of 2010 have a successful Silent Auction Prom Fundraiser. Have fun with it! This is a great opportunity to get rid of any unused items. Donations can be services, single items, or baskets. Be creative or work off of one of the ideas provided. Any new or gently used items are welcome. Please have donations in by **NOVEMBER 14, 2008.**

Thank you in advance,

Sue Yanchar and Deb Duffy

The Class of 2010 Silent Auction Committee

Baskets can be put together already or the items donated to be put together by the class of 2010.

An Example of expanding on a Basket Theme: Breakfast in Bed

Breakfast Tray	Scone Mix/Preserves
Pancake Mix/Syrup	Mugs
Hot Cocoa or Coffee Packets	Cloth Napkins

_____ Yes, I would like to donate a basket to the Silent Auction.

Description and Value _____

_____ Yes, I would like to donate service to the Silent Auction.

Description and Value _____

_____ Yes, I would like to donate a service to the Silent Auction.

Description and Value _____

_____ Yes, I would like to bake for the bake sale the night of Silent Auction.

Name _____ Phone Number _____

SOME BASKET IDEAS FROM THE CLASS OF 2010

Snowman	Tea Party
Roosevelt Activities	Boy's or Girl's Sports
Breakfast in Bed	X-Box Basket
South of the Border	Gardening
Game Basket	"Stay Organized"
Stationary/Office Items	Healthy Aging
Soup Basket	Spa Basket
Golf Basket	Dental Care Basket
Picnic in the Park	Romantic Evening
Taste of Italy	Date Basket
Music Lover	Feel Better Basket
Art Lover	Snuggle Basket
Hot Off The Grill	Travel
Gift Wrapping Basket	Book Basket
Baby Basket	Disney
Relaxation Basket	Holiday
Sports Baskets	School Supplies
Team Baskets (Browns, Cavs, etc.)	Beach Basket
Toy Basket	Lawn Care Basket
Rainy Day Basket	Restaurant Basket
Let's Make Believe	Skin Care
Pet Basket	Running Basket
Puzzle Basket	Go-Green Basket
Texas Hold 'Em	Guitar Lessons
Pre-school Fun	Guitar Hero Basket
Barbie, Dora the Explorer, etc.	Drum Lessons
Automotive/Car Care	Ice Skating Basket
Scrap booking	Fishing
Stamping	Outdoors
Baking or Cooking	Camping
Starbucks Coffee	Camera
Hair Products	Music Basket
Manicure/Pedicure	High School Music Basket
Bath and Body	Make-Up Basket
Girls' Gymnastics	Scarf Basket
Patriotic	Mall Basket
Children's Crafts	Super Bowl Basket
Nationality Basket	Purse Basket
Chinese Dinner	Jewelry
Mexican Fiesta	Teacher Basket
Children's Reading	Ice Cream Basket
Children's Cooking	Candy Basket
Friday Night Entertainment	Candle Basket
Chocolate Lover's	Movie Basket

ALCOHOLIC ENERGY DRINKS: DANGEROUS MIX FOR TEENS

If you haven't heard about Rockstar 21, Sparks, Bud Extra and Tilt, you will.

Miller Brewing Company and Anheuser-Busch – the two largest U.S. brewers - are the leading producers of a new alcoholic beverage product capitalizing on the popularity of energy drinks marketed to young people.

Teenagers and young adults are the core consumer groups for energy drinks, and the similarities in containers among the alcoholic and non-alcoholic energy drinks suggest that alcohol producers are marketing alcoholic energy drinks to young people.

"They just recently started appearing on store shelves," says Pete Schulberg of Oregon Partnership, a statewide nonprofit providing alcohol and drug prevention education. "So now, more young people will be drinking alcoholic beverages combined with high levels of caffeine and sweeteners that will keep them drinking longer. It's nothing less than a public health hazard courtesy of the companies producing these products."

This past year, Oregon Partnership helped lead the successful charge against Spykes, an Anheuser-Busch energy drink sold in two-ounce, multi-colored bottles containing 12 percent alcohol. Several months ago, Anheuser-Busch pulled the product from the market.

The California-based Marin Institute, an alcohol industry watchdog group, has just released the most comprehensive report yet on alcoholic energy drinks.

"The available research suggests that alcoholic energy drinks create a dangerous mix," the report states. "Yet the alcohol industry markets the beverages with messages that fail to alert users to the potential for misjudging one's intoxication. Indeed, these messages irresponsibly suggest the beverages will enhance alertness and energy."

The companies market these products as ways to "party all night." On the Tilt and Bud Extra websites,



they say "Move from party to after-party," "Get your second wind," and "Who's up for staying out all night."

The Marin Institute, along with Oregon Partnership, recommend that the producers of alcoholic energy drinks containing alcohol take them off the market, that the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services conducts research on the health and safety of energy drinks and that the Federal Trade Commission investigates energy drink producers' marketing practices.

For further information about Oregon Partnership, go to www.orphnership.org. To read the Marin

Institute report on alcoholic energy drinks, [Alcohol, Energy Drinks, and Youth: A Dangerous Mix](http://www.marininstitute.org), go to www.marininstitute.org.

DANN JOINS PUSH FOR REGULATION ON ALCOHOL ADVERTISING

Ohio Attorney General Marc Dann recently joined legal officials in 28 other states in calling on a federal agency to block alcohol manufacturers from issuing misleading statements suggesting that their drinks can produce health-related benefits.

The attorneys general asked the U.S. Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau to crack down on advertising campaigns that suggest the alcoholic beverages that contain caffeine or other stimulants can increase a person's stamina or boost energy.

"Non-alcoholic energy drinks are very popular with today's youth," Attorney General Dann said. "Beverage companies are unconsciously appealing to young drinkers with claims about the stimulating properties of alcoholic energy drinks. We urge TTB to take action to stop companies from making misleading claims."

The officials said one ad campaign suggests that a drink can produce renewed strength, but fails to advise of the potential consequences of mixing stimulants and alcohol.

The attorneys general also asked the federal agency to investigate the alcoholic energy drinks to make sure that they are properly classified as malt beverages. In some states, malts are available for broader sales.

ORDER YOUR

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CLASS SPIRIT WEAR

Attention
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Great Idea
for Holiday
Gift Giving!

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outlined with opposite color of shirt

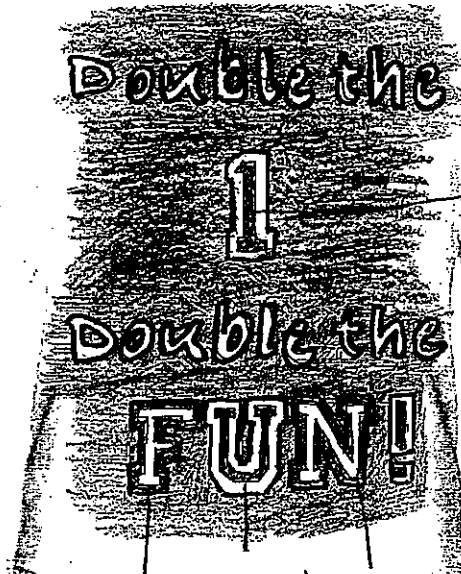


FRONT
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3 color
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Front
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Roughrider
symbol



BACK
DESIGN

Back
Design

T-Shirts are Red w/Black

Sweatshirts are Black w/ Red

SEND OR BRING ALL ORDERS TO ACTIVITIES OFFICE

Orders must be turned in by FRIDAY NOVEMBER 21ST.

Pick up will be the week of DECEMBER 15TH at the concession stand (You may contact us if
you would like other arrangements)

Checks must be with order and written to RHS Class of 2011

BLACK HOODIE-small, medium, large, Xlarge-\$22.00 2x-3x-\$25.00

BLACK SHORT SLEEVE T-SHIRT-sm., med., Lg., Xlg.\$12.00 2x-3x-\$13.00

BLACK SWEATPANTS-sm., med., Lg., Xlg.-\$14.00 2x-3x \$17.00

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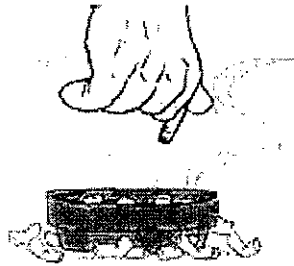
PHONE _____

ORDER:

QUANTITY	ITEM	SIZE	AMOUNT

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE _____

Questions? Call Tanya Titus 330-676-8883 or Beth Schluep 330-676-8778



**Join the Great American SMOKEOUT!
Thursday, November 20, 2008**

On Thursday, November 20, 2008 The American Cancer Society will urge all Americans using tobacco to: **Stop Using Tobacco For The Day!** You're also encouraged to make yourself aware of the many support methods available to help you to quit and stay that way. For more information contact the American Cancer Society at: 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit: www.cancer.org



Resources: **Ohio Quitline: 1-800-934-4840** (Ohio's Quitline is a free telephone counseling service designed to help you quit).

Portage County Tobacco Prevention Coalition:
www.pctpc.org (Visit this website for valuable tools and information for Portage County Residents).

Sandy McKown, RHS, Intervention Counselor: (330)-676-8704
Jacquie Peoples Dukes, Social Worker: (330)-676-8510

According to the 2006 Portage County Adult Tobacco Survey:

- 53% of current smokers have stopped smoking for one day or longer in the past 12 months.
- 62% of respondents reported seriously considering stopping smoking in the next six months.
- 63 % reported that their employers in Portage County do not allow smoking anywhere at the work site.
- 90% of respondents who visited a doctor or other health professional in the past 12 months were asked by a doctor or other health care professionals if they smoke.

HONEY BAKED HAM™

Certificate Sale

Roosevelt High School PTO will be selling HONEY BAKED HAM™ gift certificates. The HONEY BAKED HAM™ Company is known for its delicious assortment of hams and smoked turkeys. They can be used all over the country, and there is no expiration date. These certificates are wonderful as a gift for family and friends, co-workers and employees or to use for an upcoming holiday or special event.

The certificates are available in \$25, \$30, \$35, \$40, \$50, \$75 and \$100 denominations. By purchasing these certificates profits will be used to help community families in need for the holidays. Fill out the form and return it with your payment to Becky Thomas at TRHS by December 10, 2008.

You will be able to pick up your certificates in the Main Office from Muriel (Sam) Edwards on Wednesday, December 17th from 9 AM to 2 PM.

****The company only deals with prepayment****

HONEY BAKED HAM™ Serving & Pricing Guide

PRODUCT	DINNER SERVINGS	PRICE RANGE
Small half, 7 to 9 lb. Ham	10 – 12	\$35 - \$45
Large half, 9 to 11 lb. Ham	12 – 16	\$45-\$55
Whole 14 – 16 lb. Ham	26 – 28	\$75-\$85
3 lb. Sliced & Glazed Smoked or Roasted Turkey Breast	8 – 10	\$19-\$24
10 to 12 Whole Smoked or Roasted Turkey (frozen)	6 – 10	\$25-\$30

QUESTIONS – Rosalee Hodge 330.678.0013

Any questions about the HONEY BAKED HAM™ brand products can be directed to the Chapel Hill HONEY BAKED HAM™ store at 330.630.1400.

Return this portion with payment to RHS PTO

HONEY BAKED HAM™ Gift Certificates Amount	\$25	\$30	\$35	\$40	\$50	\$75	\$100
Number needed							

No expiration dates-----Accepted nationally

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____



Total Amount Ordered \$ _____

***Checks payable to Roosevelt P.T.O.

► Deadline for ordering gift certificates; **December 10, 2008**

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October 17, 2008

Dear Parents of Kent City Schools' Students,

I would like to explain to all parents and guardians why we have scheduled early release days for students during the 2008-2009 school year. The first early release day is next Friday, October 24, and I wanted you to have plenty of notice.

The Ohio Department of Education has outlined standards for all public schools, and it evaluates the progress of each school district with a local report card. This past August, you probably have read about the test scores of area school districts in the *Record-Courier*. The No Child Left Behind Act measures "Adequate Yearly Progress" (AYP) of each subgroup of students in grades three through ten. The identical state tests are administered to our students with special needs, and the challenge that we face is to assist all students and especially this subgroup to pass and meet the federally mandated AYP on the Ohio Achievement Tests in elementary and middle school and the Ohio Graduation Test in high school.

Our early release days are used for professional development with our staff. They give our teachers the time and inservice to analyze student data and to develop strategies for improving our test results. The following dates are listed in our school calendar.

October 24, 2008
January 23, 2009
February 27, 2009
March 13, 2009
April 9, 2009

All early release times are as follows.

High school release	12:15 PM
Middle school release	12:15 PM
Elementary release	1:00 PM

Please mark these dates on your calendar! For your convenience, I have printed on the reverse side of this letter a copy of the board-adopted 2008-2009 school calendar.

Sincerely,

Joe Giancola
Superintendent

KENT CITY SCHOOLS



UPDATE

News for Kent parents from Superintendent Joe Giancola

Dear Kent Parents,

It's hard to believe that fall weather will be turning colder soon. With the anticipation of changing temperatures, I want to inform you of the conditions we examine for school closings in the event of inclement weather or any other calamity sanctioned by Ohio law.

We base our decisions on the simple premise of "safety first" for your children—our students. Three conditions fly in the face of that principle. First, when temperatures drop into the teens and single digits, we watch the wind chill factor, which often carries single-digit temperatures into negative degrees. Second, when heavy snows create unsafe conditions for bus travel, especially on the township roads, Jim Soyars, our Director of Business Services, travels the roads in the very early hours of the morning to determine driving conditions. He also may rely on the reports from a variety of sources, such as the Kent Police Department, Ohio Highway Patrol and so on, in order to assist me with the final decision. Third, we look at the depth of snow or extent of ice on city sidewalks. Several feet of snow can make it impossible for the little legs of first and second graders to forge a path from home to school.

If these factors—or any combination of them occur—I likely will call off school in the following ways. I will broadcast by phone to all households as soon as I know about school closings; our computer network is capable of making thousands of phone calls within a few minutes! The decision may be made any time between the previous evening and the next morning before 6:30 a.m. when the school busses start to roll. You also may watch your local television news stations ABC, NBC and CBS Fox News.

As you can see, calling off school is not a perfect science. I will always approve as an "excused absence" if a parent disagrees with my decision and chooses to keep a child at home on days that schools remain open.

As always, I am open to your suggestions. I am here to serve you and the Kent community as a whole. You may call me at 330-676-7610.

Sincerely,



Dr. Joe Giancola
Superintendent

Theodore Roosevelt High School - November 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
						<p>1</p> <p>SAT Test (Not at RHS) TBA BG V CC @ OHSAA State Tournament 9:00AM RHS Craft Show 4:15PM RHS Leadership Retreat Returns 7:00PM LRPC Returns</p>
2	<p>3</p> <p>Girls Basketball Begins 7:35AM OGT Make-Ups for Grades 11-12</p>	<p>4</p> <p>INSERVICE DAY NO SCHOOL-STUDENTS Election Day 6:00AM Election Day Voting</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Reg. Deadline 12/8 SAT Registration Deadline 11/8 PLAN 7:35AM OGT Make-Ups for Grades 11-12</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Ice Hockey/Swimming and Diving Begin 7:35AM REPORT CARDS DISTRIBUTED 7:35AM OGT Make-Ups for Grades 11-12 5:00PM Field Hockey Awards Banquet</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Registration Deadline 12/13 ACT TBA G V BK @ Barberton HS (Scrimmage) TBA G JV BK @ Barberton HS (Scrimmage) 7:35AM OGT Make-Ups for Grades 11-12 7:35AM Freshman Sharing Common Ground Retreat #1</p>	<p>8</p> <p>7:30AM Sophomore PLAN Test 7:40PM B V IH @ Kenston High School (Scrimmage)</p>
9	<p>10</p> <p>Men's Basketball Begins 6:30PM Football Awards Dessert 7:15PM Football Awards</p>	<p>11</p> <p>7:00PM Teddy Roosevelt Birthday Community Show 8:30PM Teddy Roosevelt Birthday - All School Assembly</p>	<p>12</p> <p>7:35AM Freshman Sharing Common Ground Retreat #2</p>	<p>13</p> <p>7:15PM B V IH Parma Senior High School (Scrimmage)</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Wrestling/Bowling Begin Last Day to Order Poinsettias from Bridges Academy 7:35AM Freshman Sharing Common Ground Retreat #3 6:30PM OAAJV Battle of the Bands</p>	<p>15</p> <p>TBA G V BK @ Copley High School (Scrimmage) TBA G JV BK @ Copley High School (Scrimmage)</p>
16	<p>17</p> <p>RHS Canned Food Drive Challenge Begins-First Period Classes 7:00PM Instrumental Music Boosters</p>	<p>18</p> <p>RHS Canned Food Drive Challenge-First Period Classes 7:00PM BOE Meeting at Walls</p>	<p>19</p> <p>RHS Canned Food Drive Challenge-First Period Classes 3:00PM OGAN/PCAN Meeting 6:00PM Wrestling Pre-Season Banquet 6:00PM G V BK Brunswick Senior HS (Scrimmage) 6:00PM G JV BK Brunswick Senior HS (Scrimmage) 7:00PM Rough Rider Open Forum</p>	<p>20</p> <p>RHS Canned Food Drive Challenge-First Period Classes 2:45PM Winter Sports Pictures 6:00PM Fall Play Preview (Scrimmage) 7:15PM B V IH Cleveland Heights (Scrimmage)</p>	<p>21</p> <p>RHS Canned Food Drive Challenge-First Period Classes 4:00PM G V BK PTC Preview (Scrimmage) 7:30PM Fall Play</p>	<p>22</p> <p>9:00AM Winter Sports Parent Meeting 7:30PM Fall Play</p>
23	<p>24</p> <p>3:00PM Choir Ensembles at Akron Children's Holiday Tree Festival 5:00PM PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES 7:00PM Choir Social</p>	<p>25</p> <p>NO SCHOOL STUDENTS 9:00AM PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES-ALL DAY 6:00PM G V BK Akron East (Scrimmage) 8:00PM G JV BK Akron East (Scrimmage)</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Thanksgiving Recess-NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Thanksgiving Recess-NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Thanksgiving Recess-NO SCHOOL TBA B V IH @ Rocky River Tournament</p>	<p>29</p> <p>TBA B V IH @ Rocky River Tournament 1:00PM G JV BK Jackson HS 2:30PM G V BK Jackson HS</p>
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<p>TBA B V IH @ Rocky River Tournament</p>						