

THE KETTERING  
**MAYOR'S**  
*Ball*  
  
**FOR CHARITY**



**Annual Kettering Mayor's Ball for Charity to be Held Saturday, April 30, 2011**

This year's event to benefit Kettering Backpack Program, serving children in Kettering Schools

**Kettering, OH** – January 14, 2011 – The annual Kettering Mayor's Ball for Charity will be held April 30, 2011 from 7:00 p.m. until midnight in the beautiful atrium of the Reynolds and Reynolds Corporate Headquarters in Kettering. This will be the fifth year for the Charity Ball, an event designed to raise money to benefit local nonprofit organizations that serve the Kettering community. The 2011 event will benefit the Kettering Backpack Program, a program that provides nutritious "backpack lunches" on weekends for Kettering school children in need.

"The best part of this event for me has been the ability to generate support for a local organization," says Mayor Don Patterson. "I certainly enjoy the people and the festivities each year but the icing on the cake for me is the financial contribution we are able to make to a deserving institution."

During the past four years, the Charity Ball has raised more than \$55,000 to support the work of organizations in the Kettering community.

"This will be the fifth year for the Mayor's Charity Ball," said Marilynne Saliwanchik, chair for the annual event. "The local community has embraced the event enthusiastically from the beginning, and we expect this year's event to further that tradition of support and involvement. I'd encourage everyone in the area to consider a donation to the event or to attend. It has developed into a remarkable evening and one of the most enjoyable ways to support what happens in our community."

With nearly a third of Kettering school children receiving free or reduced lunches, the Kettering Backpack Program expands that same nutritional support to these students for weekends. Funds from the 2011 Kettering Mayor's Ball will help the program continue to fill backpacks with healthy foods that are easy for the children to eat or prepare on their own on the weekend.

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The Charity Ball's sponsors for 2011 include Day Air Credit Union, DP&L, Kettering Medical Center, Prime Time Party Rental, Reynolds and Reynolds and Vectren. Additionally, James Free Jewelers will donate jewelry that will be raffled at the event.

The Charity Ball offers a number of sponsorship and advertising opportunities available at different levels, in addition to individual tickets purchased to attend the Ball.

For more information on attending the 2011 event or joining as a sponsor, contact Marilynne Saliwanchik at 937-848-7077 or visit the website at [www.ketteringmayorsball.com](http://www.ketteringmayorsball.com)

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