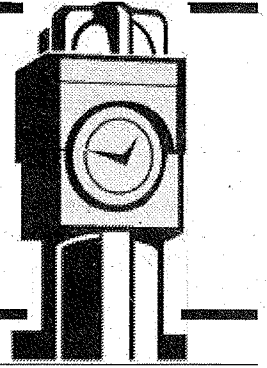


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## Mooreland's Secret



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Most of us have seen the beautiful mansion hiding on Lakeland's grounds. It is wondrous, and it accents the area with its beauty. But what is the Mooreland Mansion? What is its secret?

One of its uncovered secrets is a relaxing comfort offered for various social events, such as luncheons, corporate meetings, bridal and baby showers, and weddings. Residents from all over the world, year round, are invited to plan their special events at the Mooreland Mansion in Kirtland. With over 20,000 square feet available for rent, the interior is dressed in elegance for each fitting event.

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Weddings are a very popular event held at the mansion, comfortably accommodating up to 150 guests. Mooreland Mansion proudly provides an atmosphere of perfection for weddings. Interested couples would want to know that a vast white deck surrounds the elegant reception area, where a view of the gardens can be enjoyed.

The Rose garden is a beautiful blend of pink and white hybrid teas, beds of several varieties of roses that accent the yards with exquisite beauty. There are also Inkberry, dogwood, and lilacs scattered throughout the yard; flowers highlighting the walks.

Parties interested in holding a meeting or a conference at Mooreland are in for a very pleasant surprise. There are over 17 rooms to choose from for any type of function, and whatever is required to enhance the affair can be provided. There are also smaller meeting rooms available upstairs, each equipped with set-ups for meetings, luncheons or conferences.

The front foyer is adorned by an immense stairway, a great grandfather clock faces the main entrance, a magnificent stone fireplace graces the main room, and a grand piano sits in the corner of the sitting room. The bay window is dressed in antique curtains that hang to the floor.

"We offer a high level of guest services," said Laurie Palmer, Mooreland's manager. "It will be a new experience and they will be thrilled to be here." Guests will be surrounded in luxury and privacy.

Mooreland was once considered for demolition. Community members wouldn't let this happen and stepped forward to volunteer to raise funds for renovation. In 1993, The Board of Trustees accepted that the Mansion be used as a multi-use facility that would meet everyone's needs. About 3 million dollars were invested in the remaining cost of reconstructing the mansion as a community center and state-of-the-art conference center.

In addition to this, the Community Education Division also offers classes that are held inside the mansion, such as, Vintage Fashion Show and Lunch. Other classes include Guitar Music Around the World and a class held by the Senior Adult Golden Opportunities program, Money Makes the World Go Round. For more information on these classes you may call Community Education at (440) 953-7116.

It is recommended to those who have never inquired, to take a look at the Mansion's property from the exterior to the interior. The mansion is located on the East Side of campus and



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One of Mooreland's conference rooms.

is accessible from Garfield Rd. Interested visitors can contact Laurie Palmer at (440) 953-7306 or Polly Marsh, the event coordinator. You may also browse their web site for additional information on any events and history of Mooreland at [www.Moorelandmansion.com](http://www.Moorelandmansion.com).

If you have any questions regarding packages, policies, recommendations and anything concerning your particular event there are brochures available at the mansion as well as

the contacts listed. Some of the brochures include, "Frequently asked Questions for weddings" which answer almost every important question a guest may have, "Community education Division Classes Schedules, and The Gardens of Mooreland, which explains what you will find in each garden and the varied types of flowers that are found.

With the achievement from Community volunteers, Laurie Palmer, Polly Marsh and other staff members that make it possible to exhibit such a beautiful place. Mooreland's secret is now revealed for everyone's benefit and interest in experiencing and knowing of a historical, yet unimaginable mansion that has been saved for our use.