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 reachalliance@yahoo.com.Youth summer league The
Mavericks is
Kernersville
seeking sixth and seventh grade boys for its Summer League Basketball. For more information, visit: www.leaguelineup.com/kvill emavs or call 336-462-1538.

The Funtime Group will sponsor a trip to Myrtle Beach, S.C. on Saturday, Aug. 4. There is a fee for
transportation. For more information, contact Cynthia Huntley at 336-767-0105 and leave your name and phone number.


Ashley Brown plays "Michael Jackson: The Experience" with teens at the MLK Center.

## City offering nighttime summer program for teenagers



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THE CHRONICLE
The City of Winston-
Salem kicked off Teen Night Salem kicked off Teen Night at three recreation centers on June 22 . The program, which fea-
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ketball, ping pong and a ketball, ping pong and a
chance to play on the Xbox Kinect game system, is the city's answer to the waning
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theMIX,
its once-
popular
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event,
has seen
in recent
years.
"The
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fear, we

ear, we from registering because attendance was so large,"
Denise Scott-Johnson, assisDenise Sirector of the city's
tant decreation and Parks
Rect Department, said of theMIX, which was launched in 2008.
"We were "We were over the 700
mark." ThemIX, which dre
droves of teens to the Hane Hosiery Community Center on Reynolds Boulevard,
where it was held where it was held on a week-
ly basis, experienced a rapid ly basis, experienced a rapid-
ly shrinking attendance in ly shrinking attendance in
subsequent years, Scottsubsequent years, Scot
Johnson said.
"The last year it ju "The last year it just
seemed not to be the same seemed not to be the same
interest," remarked the 35year city employee.
that the spike in gas prices might have been a contributing factor in theMIX's fall from grace, Scott-Johnson said. They opted to host sim-
ilar programs at ilar programs at three recre-
ation centers - Polo Park ation centers - Polo Park,
14th Street and Martin Luther King Jr. - in hopes of making it more accessible to local kids. The centers were
chosen as locations chosen as locations for Teen
Night because they already Night because they already
offer late night programming offer late night programming
during the week, Scott-


