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#### **Another Successful Summit Lake Clean-up**

by Julie Ann Sweet-Buntin

Keep Akron Beautiful hosted their annual Summit Lake clean-up on a cold and windy April 13th, 2024. As part of Clean Up Akron Month this April nearly 145 volunteers gathered 3.02 tons of trash and 52 tires in 3 hours of work. Although those numbers are down from past years, we believe that our commitment to keeping the area clean is working and we are getting ahead from the years of neglect that area has seen. The City of Akron Sanitation crews did a great job keeping up with the volunteers who gathered all the garbage along the lake route.



Volunteers Did Find a Few Tires ...



... and Bagged Lots of Trash

Keep America Beautiful Inc established the Great American Cleanup as its national effort for involving American citizens in environmental stewardship from March through May. With an anticipated amount of 4 million volunteers helping, the Great American Cleanup will return hundreds of millions in measurable benefits across more than 20,000 participating communities. Keep Akron Beautiful, the local affiliate of the national nonprofit, strives to empower individuals in our community through volunteer participation by collecting litter and creating a more livable community during Clean Up Akron Month, now in its 40th year.

Keep Akron Beautiful has also launched an initiative to plant 100,000 trees in the City of Akron by 2034. The City of Akron has had a noticeable decline in the tree canopy over the last decade from 40% to 34%. The trend is concerning as trees play a crucial role in mitigating climate change, conserving energy, and providing habitat for wildlife. Without intervention, the percentage of Akron's surface area covered by tree canopy is projected to plummet to 30% by 2040, resulting in the loss of 109,296 trees. If this is something you are interested in supporting, please contact Keep Akron Beautiful at 330-375-2116.



Akron Mayor Shammas Malik

#### Welcome Mayor Malik to Kenmore!

by Carolyn Duvall, Elder, Allenside Presbyterian Church

Akron Mayor Shammas Malik will be attending the Community Meeting Night at Allenside Presbyterian Church on Tuesday, May 21st at 6:00 pm. Mayor Malik wants to inform us of the happenings around town and his plans for the future, as well as taking a few questions. He has a dynamic personality and promises many new improvements in Akron and to our current administration policies.

A free light meal starts at 6:00 pm and 6:30 pm begins the formal introduction and start of the meeting, whereby Mayor Malik will speak and take questions and answers. The meeting will adjourn at 7:30 pm. The Allenside Presbyterian Church is located at 410 Rexford Street, Akron 44314.

#### The Dragon's Mantle

by Carrie Acree, Owner

A few years ago, The Dragon's Mantle moved their shop from Kenmore Boulevard to 2433 Manchester Road. Though we miss being in the middle of the action on The Boulevard, the move here has been Wonderful! The extra building space has proved beneficial to our communities. At the new location we boast an in-house Library, as well as dedicated spaces for Classes/Workshops, Reiki Sessions/Training, and Psychic Readings. If you haven't yet, please stop in and check out the new shop.

We also have beautiful yard space that we will be using this summer to host the Dragon Bazaar! We will be bringing you an eclectic mix of Artisans from across Northeast Ohio. Just a few of the hand-crafted items you may find at the Bazaar include walking sticks, brooms, boxes, spell jars, fairy catchers, divination systems, wall hangings & décor, journals, leather goods, chainmail, stained glass, incense, jewelry, oil blends, 3D printed flower pots and other items, plants, candles, and décor created from salvaged

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This event is totally free to attend. Stop by from 12:00 noon to 6:00 pm on the 2nd Saturday of each month from May through September, rain or shine. Parking is available in the lot and on side streets.

The Dragon's Mantle is located at 2433 Manchester Road, and we can be reached at 330-687-5654 or dragonsmantlecs@gmail.com.



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# **Kenmore First Friday Is Back for Seventh Season With Enhanced Kids Zone**

by Paula Maggio

Mark your calendars. Kenmore First Friday is back for its seventh season, promising a wide array of music, food and vendors on historic Kenmore Boulevard, along with a better-than-ever Kids Zone.

Kenmore First Friday takes place 6:00 to 9:00 pm on the first Friday of each month, June through September. This year's dates for the popular street festival are June 7th, July 5th, August 2nd, and September 6th. The schedule features a different theme each month, with each date offering entertainment and activities geared to all ages, including families and children.

"We are heavily investing in the Kids Zone this year. We are making an effort to make it more appealing to Kenmore families, as we look forward to the construction of a new \$62 million elementary and middle school on the Kenmore campus," said Josh Gippin, executive director of Better Kenmore CDC.

The theme for June 7th features a prominent figure of Kenmore lore -- The Great Grassman, who is known as the local equivalent of Big Foot. The Kids Zone, located in the parking lot of the Kenmore Branch of the Akron-Summit County Public Library, will offer a "Great Grassman Gathering" that includes a scavenger hunt, crafts, and nature-oriented activities. The library's bookmobile and the Huntington Treat Truck will also be on hand, along with Summit County Metro Parks.

Two stages will provide music each month, a main stage in the courtyard adjacent to Buzzbin and another at the McCutchan Courtyard next to Kenmore Komics. On June 7th, Red Rose Panic will open and Dave Rich and His Enablers will be the headliner on the main stage. At the McCutchan Courtyard, Trillium Music School will provide a lineup of emerging bands with an emphasis on young performers at each Kenmore First Friday.

That's not all the music Kenmore First Friday will offer. Each month, Glory in the Beat will bring hip-hop to First Glance, which offers after-school care, and the Akorn Jammers will perform outside The Rialto Theatre.

For those who don't want the fun to end when the street festival closes down at 9:00 pm, after-hours music is on the schedule for each Kenmore First Friday. Inside the Rialto, a Rialto Nightcap is set for 9:00 to 11:00 pm, with Big Pop/Church of Starry Wisdom performing June 7th. The Buzzbin Afterparty will take place from 9:00 pm to 12:00 midnight each month.

Here is the theme and the music schedule for Kenmore First Fridays July through September:

- \* July 5th theme Kenmore music. Main stage: Bethany Joy opens and Marc Lee Shannon and Friends headline. The Woovs will perform at the Rialto Nightcap.
- \* August 2nd theme Akron-based arts and crafts. Main stage: A Band Named Ashes opens and Jim Ballard and the Strangs headline. Benny Lava and the Guavas will perform at the Rialto Nightcap.
- \* September 6th theme Pets. Main stage: Lords of the Highway will open and Truss headlines. The Akronauts will perform at the Rialto Nightcap.

Kenmore First Friday sponsors include Acme Fresh Market, the County of Summit ADM Board, and the Kenmore Chamber of Commerce. For more information about Kenmore First Friday, visit the Better Kenmore Community Development Corporation website at https://www.betterkenmore.org/.



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by Bethany McKenney, Summit County Councilwoman

Bethany McKenney, our Summit County Councilwoman for the Kenmore area, will hold office hours at Srina Tea House & Cafe at 975 Kenmore Boulevard on Tuesday, May 28th, from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm.

Councilwoman McKenney holds office hours in different small businesses to highlight local gems while helping constituents. For more information please contact Bethany at bmckenney@summitoh.net.



# CHIP Continues to Work in Our Community

by Claude DeBord

Hello Kenmore! Last winter our local group CHIP (Castle Homes Improvement Partnership) decorated our Castle Homes sign, Guinther Park sign, and one of the tree's at Guinther Park close to Carnegie Avenue. Thank you to all who helped decorate the area for the second straight year.

If you care about the area and want to help out in any capacity please call/text me at 330-730-7163, as we are always looking for good civic minded people to help improve our community. Let's make 2024 a great year for all.



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#### Thursday, May 23rd, 6-7pm

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#### Councilperson's Corner

Welcome to spring, when the clouds rain, the flowers bloom and the wind blows every ounce of trash that isn't securely fastened. Consider this a friendly reminder of the city's rules for trash pickup.

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If you don't follow these rules, consequences may include removal of your carts. If you see the rules being broken, please share this article, email their addresses to ward9@akronohio.gov or call 311.

Now, for some fun! I'm pleased to announce that the city's Summer Concert Series will return to Shadyside Park starting Wednesday, June 12th for a full eight weeks! I'm grateful to Recreation and Parks for making this change. The lineup will be announced soon, so follow my Facebook page and register to receive my monthly e-newsletter at bit.ly/Ward9NL.

#### Ward 9 Councilperson's Meetings

Councilperson Boyes holds a public meeting on the first Tuesday of every month at the Kenmore Community Center, starting at 6:30 pm. Please join her at 880 Kenmore Boulevard to discuss your community and your city! The next meeting is Tuesday June 4th.

Finally, City Council has extended its free Ring doorbell program to Ward 9! Visit akroncitycouncil.org to apply for one of 300 available camera systems, which will be distributed at my next ward meeting June 4th. (Applicants must have internet service to apply). Ward 9 meetings are held the first Tuesday of the month, 6:30 pm at the Kenmore Community Center, 880 Kenmore Boulevard. I supply the pizza; attendees can bring a side or dessert to share.



**Akron City Councilperson Tina Boyes** 



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#### Kenmore Easter Celebration at the Kenmore Community Center

by Alice Incorvia, Kenmore Community Center Supervisor

The Kenmore Community celebrated Easter in grand style at the **Kenmore Community Center** on Saturday March 23rd, with balloon animals, crafts, Easter prize baskets and comic books from **Kenmore Komics**, doughnuts & punch from the **Kenmore Chamber of Commerce**, balloons from the **Kenmore Historical Society**, and of course lots of eggs, donated by the **Kenmore Chamber of Commerce** and the **City of Akron**. The Easter Bunny and Easter Ducky also made an appearance and posed for pictures with the children who attended, then they all paraded to the egg hunt, which due to the icy weather was held in the **Schlup-Pucak Funeral Home** parking lot. A hoppy time was had by all!





#### PBIS at Pfeiffer By A'monica Brown-Higgins

PBIS stands for Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports. At Pfeiffer, the staff use PBIS to help students make good choices by handing out tickets throughout the day. Each month students have the opportunity to use their tickets on an event and/or go to the school store to use their tickets to buy fun prizes!

Recently, I participated in a unique PBIS reward at school. I used 40 tickets to buy the nail salon experience. I got my nails painted by the dean of students, Ms. Marsh. She gave us candy and we listened to relaxing spa music. We had lots of colors to pick from. It was nice to take a break from class and relax with my friends. We laughed and bonded with Ms. Marsh and Mr. Moore, Pfeiffer security guard.

I not only got to enjoy getting my nails done, but I also got to paint the younger students' nails because I am the Vice President of Student Council. I liked making new friends. My favorite part was acting like a nail tech and asking the other students how their day was. These activities helps me to do the right thing so I can continue to be apart of these types of activities!



By: Lauren Schneider, Pfeiffer Elementary School Counselor

Pfeiffer Elementary School 2081 9th St. SW Akron, OH 44314 330-761-1510



#### Akron Zips Touchdown at Pfeiffer! By Leyah Stokes

At Pfeiffer, the Akron Zips Football Team has come to visit our school several times this spring to read to the Primary grades to support the Superintendents Book Club. The players came to volunteer and give back to the community. We look forward to having the players come on Fridays! It gives us something to look forward to at the end of the week. Seeing the players come back each time makes me feel happy. I like when they read to me and I like spending time with them. They are funny and entertaining. They make me happy. The other students in my class like having the players visit too. We like making up fun handshakes with the players! I love when they read books from the Ninja Life Hacks series by Mary Nhin. I have learned from these books to never give up and to keep trying!













#### Pfeiffer Shows Support for Child Abuse Awareness Month By Erison Foster

As a Student Council member I participated in Child Abuse Awareness Month. The Student Council team worked together to decorate the main entrance in front of the school with blue pinwheels. We did this to show that we care about children and their safety. We put up the blue pinwheels to show our support for Child Abuse Awarenss Month. Student council put the pinwheels together and had over 200 in the lawn. This helps brings awareness because people in the community ask about them and we share our knowledge. On Wednesday, April 17th we wore blue to school to show our support for Child Abuse Awareness Month. Kids of all ages and staff members all participated in wearing blue. The school counselor came into classrooms and taught students about staying safe. In the lesson, we learned about child abuse. For me, it was difficult to hear the info and we did not know how bad child abuse could really be. We hope that by doing this it helps decrease child abuse cases.







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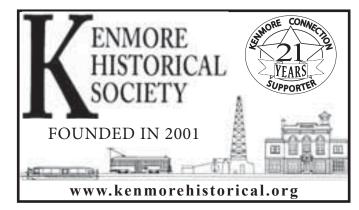
by Sean Blake, President Kenmore Historical Society

Hi Everyone!

If you haven't heard yet, demolition began very recently on the 263,000 square foot Word Church at 2324 Manchester Road. The demolition was approved by Akron City Council after being introduced by Mayor Malik because the building had become a public safety hazard. The building was originally the home of the Akron Baptist Temple, one of the nation's first megachurches with radio and TV broadcasts across the nation. While it is sad to see the demise of the building, let's take a look at the history of it.

In the spring of 1934, Dallas F. Billington, who wanted to establish a church of his own, began looking for a neighborhood that didn't already have a Baptist church. After deciding on the Manchester Road area, he rented part of the nearby Rimer Grade School. He held his first church service in the kitchen and cafeteria. Thirteen people attended including the school's custodian. The offering that day was \$1.18.

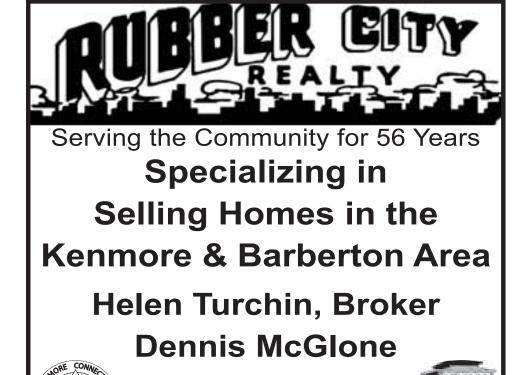
The church was officially chartered as the Akron Baptist Temple on Easter 1935. The reverend and early church members built most of the first building themselves with a foundation of 80 by 105 square feet. Close to Christmas the building had a roof, and on Easter Sunday in 1938 the church was dedicated. The second building begun in August one year later and was 80 by 80 square feet with two floors. More buildings were built as the need continued to grow. The Akron Baptist Temple became known as the largest Sunday School in the nation and in the world.



After a fire in 1981 burned the 400-seat main sanctuary, it was rebuilt in 1983. In 2018 Akron Baptist Temple sold the church and its 29 acres to the Word Church, who later decided in 2019 to try to sell the church again.

Do you have memories of the building or church? Please share them with us in our Facebook group or on our contact form on the website at www. kenmorehistorical.org. Also a reminder that we do not meet in May due to the holiday, so I hope to see everyone on Monday June 24th at 6:30 pm at the Kenmore Branch Library.

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#### Allenside Presbyterian Church

410 Rexford Street 330-753-6405

Find us on FaceBook @ allenside presbyterian church

**Pastor Francie Fischer** 

Hours of Service
Every Sunday 10:30 am
1st & 3rd Sundays: Allenside Church Building
2nd & 4th Sundays: Firestone Park Presbyterian
Building, 275 S. Firestone Boulevard
All services broadcast via Zoom.
See Facebook for Zoom Link and Worship Times/Locations
Church Office Open on Request – Please Call or E-mail

Community Services Offered

Community Meetings – 6:00 pm, 3rd Tuesday of the

Month (excluding July, August and December)

in the Fellowship Hall of the Church.

"Mad Hatters" Knitting Group meets at the church

Wednesdays 1:00 to 3:00 pm.

Join us to knit hats and make blankets for those in need.

Donations of yarn and fleece gratefully accepted.

#### **Community Christian Chapel**

2306 18th Street SW 330-488-7855 pastordwaynecummings@gmail.com

**Pastor Dwayne Cummings** 

Hours of Service Sunday School 10:00 am Sunday Worship Service 11:00 am Bible Studies on FaceBook Live Sunday at 6:00 pm and Wednesday at 7:00 pm

Community Services Offered Spanish Speaking Service Provided

#### First Baptist Church of Kenmore

2330 East Avenue 330-745-3619 church@fbcok.com www.fbcok.com

Pastor Joe Grimaldi

Hours of Service Sunday School 10:00 am Sunday Morning Service 11:00 am Sunday Afternoon Service 1:30 pm Wednesday Evening Service 7:00 pm

Community Services Offered Free Bus Transportation on Sunday

#### Goss Memorial Church

2247 11th Street SW 330-745-5038 www.gosschurch.org

Pastor Casey Hughes Youth Leaders: Isaac Craddock, Debbie Starcher, Aaron & Jen Hurd, and Derek & Bre Boyes

Hours of Service
Sunday School 9:15 am
Sunday Morning Service 10:30 am
(also available online on the Goss Memorial Facebook page)
Mid-Week Ministries (ages 4-12th grade)
Wednesdays 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm.

#### Hope Church

2650 Cory Avenue 330-753-2303 officehumc@gmail.com

Pastor John M. Tsironis

Hours of Service

Sunday School 9:30 am Sunday Morning Service 10:30 am Monday Christian Service Brigade 6:30 pm Tuesday Ladies Bible Study 10:30 am

# Immaculate Conception of Mary Parish

2101 17th Street SW 330-753-8429 ickenmore@yahoo.com www.ickenmore.org

Melissa N. Keegan, Parish Life Coordinator Reverend Michael B. Smith, Pastor Emeritus

Hours of Service

Holy Eucharist - Monday and Friday at 5:30 pm.
Vigil for the Sunday Masses - Saturday at 5:30 pm.
Holy Eucharist Sunday at 8:30 and 11:00 am.
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)
Saturdays 9:00 to 10:00 am.
Anointing of the Sick on last Friday of each month
5:30 pm Mass.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA).

Mondays 7:00 pm (September thru May).

Community Services Offered

Food Pantry (at Maher Hall)

Thursday afternoons 12 noon to 2 pm - requires referral from InfoLine (330-376-4850). Kenmore A.A. (at Hitch Hall) Mondays 8:00 pm.

Kenmore A.A. Big Book Study
(at Hitch Hall) Thursdays 8:00 pm.
Kenmore A.A. Saturday Nite
(at Hitch Hall) Saturdays 8:00 pm.

Kenmore Community Meal - Free take-out meal available the last Tuesday of the month beginning at 4:30 until we run out. Pick-up in front of 2126 16th Street SW (partnership with Park United Methodist Church).

Kenmore Free Store at 2128 16th Street, enter back door off 17th and Battles Avenue (partnership with Park United Methodist Church) Tuesdays 4:00-7:00 pm, and Saturdays 9:30 am to Noon. Bingo (at Waldeisen Hall) Wednesdays,

doors open at 9:30 am, games start at 11:00 am. For questions please call 330-753-8429

between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm weekdays.

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### **Kenmore Community Church the of Nazarene**

2025 12th Street SW 330-745-7720

kenmorenazarene@gmail.com www.kenmorenaz.org Facebook - Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene

Pastor Chris Shallenberger, Senior Pastor

Hours of Service

Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 am Wednesday Evening Children & Youth Services 6:00 to 7:00 pm

Wednesday Adult Bible Study 6:00 pm Office Hours - Monday 10:00 am to 3:00 pm, Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am to 2:00 pm, Wednesday 10:00 am to 7:00 pm, Friday and Saturday closed, Sunday 9:00 am -12:00 pm. If no one is available please leave a message.

Community Services Offered

We have discontinued our food pantry due to a lack of use.
We still have a few bags of food available to those in need, please contact the church to check if any bags are still available.
Moving forward we will be partnering with other food programs already established within the Kenmore Community. Thank you!

#### King's Way Church

2500 Kingsport Way 330-848-1403 www.kwachurch.org

Hours of Service Sunday School 9:30 am Sunday Worship Service 10:45 am

#### Koinonia Apostolic Faith Church

814 Carnegie Avenue 330-745-5242 www.Koinonia5111@yahoo.com

Pastor Gary L. Foreman

Hours of Service

Sunday School 9:30 am to 11:00 am Sunday Worship Service 11:30 am God is Good Testimony Tuesdays 7:00 pm via Facebook Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 pm Thursday Intercessory Prayer 7:00 pm via Zoom Email koinonia5111@yahoo.com for the Zoom Link

Community Services Offered

Food Pantry 3rd Tuesday of the month via appointment only - Call Prayer Line at 330-999-2398 Grief Recovery Classes

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## New Life Pentecostals of Akron

859 Witner Avenue 330-208-5441 pastorsmj@gmail.com www.newlifeofakron.com

**Pastor Scott Johnson** 

Hours of Service
Sunday Worship Service 10:30 am
Wednesday Life Bible Study 7:00 pm
Follow us on Facebook for livestreaming @ New Life POA

Community Services Offered

Personal home Bible Studies upon request

#### Park United Methodist Church

2308 24th Street SW 330-745-3714 parkchurch@sbcglobal.net www.akronparkumc.org

Pastor Dave Haydu

Hours of Service

Sunday Traditional Worship 9:00 am
Children's Church 9:00 am
Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study 1:00 pm
Wednesday Morning Bible Study 9:30 am

Community Services Offered

JOBS (Jump On Board for Success) Program

Cub Scout/Boy Scouts

Check out our weekly service on line via Facebook (Akron Park United Methodist Church) and/or YouTube (akron park um church).

#### **Praise Chapel Assembly of God**

1204 McIntosh Avenue 330-745-4107 www.netministry.com

**Pastor Robert Shank** 

Hours of Service
Sunday Morning Service 10:30 am
Wednesday Evening Bible Study 7:00 pm

#### **Redeemed Christian Church of God**

966 Kenmore Boulevard 330-776-5196

jesushouseakron@ymail.com www.jesushouseakron.org

Pastor Enoch A. Adeboye (General Overseer)
Pastor Yisa Sunmonu (Parish Pastor)

Hours of Service

Sunday Workers Prayer Meeting 10:00 am to 10:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am to 11:00 am Sunday Service 11:00 am to 1:00 pm Thursday Bible Study 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm (virtual).

Saturday House Fellowship 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm (virtual).

Community Services Offered

Non perishable food items are accepted for food baskets that are distributed to needy families and schools during the holidays.

#### **Shoreline Community Church**

790 Carnegie Avenue 330-753-9241

office@shorelinechurchakron.com www.shorelinechurchakron.com View Live Stream Messages at: https://www.youtube.com/@shorelineccakron

Dr. Scott Campbell

Hours of Service

Sunday Praise & Worship 11:00 am Sunday Live Stream message begins at 11:25 am Wednesday Live Stream Bible Study 7:00 pm View Live Stream Messages at: www.shorelinechurchakron.com

OR

https://www.shorelinechurchakron.com/Watch-Live

Community Services Offered

Drive Thru Food Pantry Service every Friday Check-in is 10:00 to 10:15 am to receive food.

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#### **Streetlight Comunity Church**

943 Kenmore Boulevard 330-221-2781

https://streetlight.life/ https://www.facebook.com/streetlightcc https://www.instagram.com/streetlightcc/ https://www.youtube.com/channel/ UCwVBXqHG0mI9IDm31qSLlrr

Pastor: Ben White

Hours of Service

Coffee, Donuts & Conversation 9:30 am
Worship Gathering at 943 Kenmore Boulevard 10:30 am.
Worship Gathering outside at
952 Kenmore Boulevard 10:30 am.
(If raining, will be inside at 943 Kenmore Boulevard,
First Glance's building, just follow the Streetlight signs)
Visit our Facebook, Instagram and Youtube
to see our video content!

Community Services Offered

We partner with various allies in our city who are highly active in the neighborhood and beyond, see https://streetlight.life/allies/ to learn more.

Free Community Cookouts and Hip Hop
Concerts at 952 Kenmore Boulevard:
Sunday, May 26th 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm
Sunday, June 23rd 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm
Sunday, July 28th 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm
Sunday, August 25th 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm
Sunday, September 22nd 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm

#### The Church on the Boulevard

754 Kenmore Boulevard 330-745-8634 www.thechurchontheboulevard.co

www.facebook.com/kenmorechurchblvd

The Church on the Boulevard is a Christian church with a heart for the city of Akron and the neighborhood of Kenmore. Our vision is to be a Biblical community where the Gospel of Jesus Christ transforms lives, renews the city and impacts the world.

Senior Pastor: Ron Mohlmaster II

Hours of Service Sunday Morning Service 10:00 am

Community Services Offered
Outreach Food Pantries
1st & 3rd Mondays at 5:30 to 7:30 pm.
Grab-and-Go Carryout Dinners
2nd & 4th Wednesdays at 5:00 to 6:30 pm.
"Celebrate Recovery" Meetings Vary.
"Alcoholics Anonymous" and "Narcotics Anonymous"
meetings can be found online.
"New Generation Youth" and "Kids In Action"

both meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays 6:45 to 8:00 pm.



#### **Hip Hop Church**

by Pastor Ben White, Streetlight Community Church

At Streetlight Community Church, we want to be a community that does Church in a way that makes the timeless message of Jesus make sense to 2024 Akron. We've been excited to be on the forefront of bringing hip hop music into Church gatherings. Through partnership with other organizations that are bringing positive and gospel hip hop into Akron's orbit, we now can gladly say that we're doing hip hop every week during our Church services! We've had the opportunity to welcome artists like Crown One, Da Infamous Cat, Damon Mitchell, and Brandon Hathaway to bring the message of hope to our people and neighborhood through hip hop!

We do at least one hip hop song per gathering in addition to having a full worship set with a full band featuring a variety of gospel, rock, and traditional music. Streetlight Community Church is located at 943 Kenmore Boulevard. We would love to have you come and join us on a Sunday at 10:30 am to see what Streetlight is all about!



Join Us For BONGO **Every Wednesday at** Immaculate Conception 2101 17th Street SW Doors Open at 9:30 AM Call 330-848-2803 for Details!



#### **Goss Vacation Bible School**

Sunday, July 7 - Thursday, July 11

Ages: 4 years old to 8th Grade

Time: 6 pm to 8:30 pm, including free dinner

Address: 2247 11th Street SW, Akron Child Registration: Scan the QR code

or call 330-745-5038.

Family Carnival with Dinner and Door Prizes on Thursday, July 11 from 6 to 8:30 pm.



#### **East Ave Gallery Presents**

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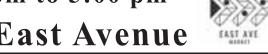
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#### **Kenmore Free Store News**

by Mary Ann Gesaman, Managing Director, KFS

**Hello Kenmore Connection Readers!** 

The Kenmore Free Store is celebrating TEN years this year. We have been in our present location about 5 years. We are open on Tuesdays from 4:00 to 7:00 pm and Saturdays from 9:00 am until 12:00 noon. Shoppers enter at our 17th Street, SW entrance. If you are bringing donations, please place them in the RED cart on the 16th Street, SW side of the store (across from the old Kenmore High School) during open hours. We are located on the grounds of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.



If you haven't been to the Kenmore Free Store, we offer clothing, shoes, toys, kitchen items, household items, and furniture to ALL without cost or obligation. If you are new, please come during open hours, register, and shop for what you may need.

We will have a presence at the Kenmore First Fridays, beginning on June 7th, on Kenmore Boulevard. We will have information regarding the Free Store there. Stop by and talk with us.

We have been enjoying the help of middle schoolers from Innes on some Thursdays. They come to help us sort, hang, and carry clothing. They also wash our toy donations. These students are such a blessing to us. It is amazing what a small group of students are able to do within 2 hours!

Perhaps you like to help others. If you do, we have room for more volunteers. The entire store is run by volunteers. Some of the volunteers receive the donated items and place them where they can be sorted and cleaned. Some volunteers inspect the donations, hang clothing, take items to the store for the shoppers, or assist with checking shoppers out. Some other volunteers make the lunches, some clean the toys and check the games. If you or your group would like to volunteer, please come to the store during open hours and we will get you started helping others.

Mary Ann Gesaman, Managing Director, phone: 330-606-2878 2101 17th Street SW, Akron, Ohio 44314 Hours: Tuesdays 4:00 to 7:00 pm, Saturdays 9:00 am to 12:00 noon

The Free Store is a partnership of Park United Methodist Church and Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.







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RED ROSE PANIC
BIG POP/ CHURCH OF STARRYWISDOM

MARC LEE SHANNON & FRIENDS BETHANY JOY THE WOOVS

#### **AUGUST 2**

THEME: Rubber City Rumpus

JIM BALLARD & THE STRANGS

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