

Kenmore Chamber of Commerce

(formerly the Kenmore Board of Trade)

June 2026

“BRINGING BUSINESS BACK HOME”

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

So I am now retired, what does that mean for the Kenmore Chamber of Commerce?

It means that instead of me working on Kenmore Chamber stuff between slow periods at my hobby store, I can now concentrate on Chamber related jobs non-stop in the morning or the afternoon, depending on when I go downstairs to my new office in my home basement. One project recently brought up to date was sending the new KCOC Benefits Booklet to all members who have joined or renewed their 2026 membership, which was to start last December, but health issues delayed that for several months. Other than those who renewed in the past week, if you paid your 2026 dues you should have been mailed the newly updated Benefits Booklet. It lists just about all the great benefits we receive through the **Northern Ohio Area Chambers of Commerce (NOACC)**. I will continue to send this to the rest of you over the next part of this year as your payments arrive, I remind those who have received the booklet already to check your listing in the Membership Directory, to make sure it is accurate, especially the description of your business. Your listing is in both the booklet and on the KCOC website’s “Member Directory” Page. We list both your home city and the Ohio county you are located in, as a way to help direct a fellow KCOC member to your services if you are located close to them. I hope you all remember that being a part of an organization like the Kenmore Chamber means we want you to consider supporting a fellow member when possible, we are all small businesses who should give our support to each other whenever possible.

Next up is a revamp of our FaceBook page. I really want to start adding more content to this social media tool. We used to just list new & renewed members, but I want to really start posting useful information, like SBA Seminars, new benefit provider information, and yes even member anniversary notices, an event important to us all. Please do not hesitate to give me suggestions on what we can share with our members.

Thank you for listening, and have a great month!

John Buntin Jr, KCOC President
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KCOC “Meet & Greet” News

The Kenmore Chamber of Commerce’s May “Meet & Greet” event was held at **One Love Karibbean Kitchen**, 992 Kenmore Boulevard, on Thursday May 21st. (pictures of the event below)

This evening networking meeting, which ran from 5:00 to 7:00 pm, included each guest’s food choice from the many wonderful meals with that real island flavor served at **One Love Karibbean Kitchen**, plus drinks, cookies from **Reeves Cake Shop**, and fun conversation with other business members. Many \$25 Gift Certificate door prizes from Kenmore Chamber members were won by just about everyone in attendance. A fun time was had by all!

There will be no June “Meet & Greet”, but our Annual KCOC “Ice Cream Social Meet & Greet” will be held at **Shadyside Park**, 1240 Kenmore Boulevard, on Wednesday July 8th. This KCOC event starts at 6:30 pm, with the band - “My Friend Jack” - starting their pop & classic rock performance at 7:00 pm. The Chamber will supply pizza for all our members who attend, and free ice cream for everyone during the first half of the concert. We hope to see you there!



KBOT FLASHBACK



10 Years Ago - June 2016

- ⌚ **John Buntin Jr**, President
- ⌚ Our new clock tower has a minor programming problem, and will not keep time properly.

15 Years Ago - June 2011

- ⌚ **David E. Culbertson**, President
- ⌚ Luncheon speaker was Stephen Washington, Finance Instructor for the University of Akron.

20 Years Ago - June 2006

- ⌚ **Scott M. Smith**, President
- ⌚ The KBOT donates 3 bicycles to Innes Middle School.

25 Years Ago - June 2001

- ⌚ **Jeff Scott**, President
- ⌚ Lunch meeting at Hibernians Club.

30 Years Ago - June 1996

- ⌚ **Rich Masterson**, President
- ⌚ Lunch guest speaker was Akron Police Officer Steve Truxell, our Community Police Officer.

35 Years Ago - June 1991

- ⌚ **Judith Rosenberg**, President
- ⌚ Various future projects were discussed at the Director’s Meeting, including a possible Craft Show, Computer Show, and Job Fair.

40 Years Ago - June 1986

- ⌚ **Warren Ferrell**, President
- ⌚ The parade for the 9th Annual Olde Tyme Kenmore Festival has one accident, when a cart loses control and breaks the leg of a pedestrian, but also one averted problem, when Rev Dale Smith stops a charging horse.