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18th Annual Kenmore Holiday Celebration Coming Soon!

The 18th Annual Kenmore Holiday Celebration will be Saturday December 3rd, starting at 11:00 am. This community event will include an appearance by Santa, children's craft projects at many locations, the Children's Treasure Hunt, Adult Raffle for free prizes (donated by area businesses), food events (such as The Church on the Boulevard's pancake breakfast starting at 8:00 am), business open houses & special sales, Library open house, holiday costumed characters passing out candy, a juggler, clowns, and two free trolleys providing transportation all along Kenmore Boulevard from 6th Street to Shadyside Park and to the Nazarene Church & Immaculate Conception.



The days events will continue at 6:00 pm with all prize drawings, holiday music, and the tree lighting ceremony (sponsored by the Kenmore Community Council Inc) at Shadyside Park. The evening events will then culminate with the Children's Party with Santa Claus at Park United Methodist Church at 7:15 pm.

Many of the businesses on Kenmore Boulevard will be hosting sales & open houses. And also during the event the four church anchor sites (Park United Methodist Church, Immaculate Conception, Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene, and The Church on the Boulevard), will have special holiday events throughout the day!

This event is made possible through the volunteer efforts of Kenmore businesses, schools, churches, residents, and service organizations under the coordination of the Kenmore Board of Trade Events Committee. Event sponsors are the Kenmore Kiwanis, Kenmore Community Council Inc, Kenmore Community Center, and the sponsors and youth volunteers from the First Glance Student Center. This event is funded in part by donations, and an Akron City and Akron Community Foundation Neighborhood Partnership Grant. Watch for flyers and posters for further information.

Kenmore Middle School Football Program Plans Dinner

by Julie Ann Sweet-Buntin



Last Year's Fundraiser at the VFW Post

The Kenmore Athletic Booster Club will hold their Second Annual Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser on Saturday January 28th at the Firestone VFW Post #3383 at 690 West Waterloo Road. This is an opportunity for the Kenmore Community to come out and support the Kenmore Middle School Football Program. In addition to the purchase of a spaghetti dinner, you can donate to the program by purchasing tickets to the Chinese Auctions that night, or purchase tickets before hand for the Grand Prize Drawing (to be announced, but last year's was a 60-inch Color TV).

Tickets for the event or the Grand Prize Drawing can be purchased from either Tony Klein at Auto Central (2401 Manchester Road) or Julie Ann Sweet-Buntin at kenmoreprotectthenest@gmail.com.

Heston's Remodeled Into Spin City

Heston's Dry Cleaning has undergone a complete remodeling into a new laundry mat called Spin City. Located at 2376 East Avenue, Spin City offers many new features, including new express washers & new express dryers. You can pay for the use of these by either using quarters, credit or debit cards, or by Spin City's own Loyalty Card. A purchase of their loyalty card earns you extra money on the card.

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Newly Remodeled Spin City, Located at 2376 East Avenue

Kenmore High School Class of 1950 Picnic

by Peggy Giovanini

In 2003, Inda (Myers) Knight and Mary (Leonard) Peterman started a class picnic for the Kenmore High School Class of 1950. A breakfast was held the 2nd Wednesday of every month at Fay Rays, and they would collect \$1.00 each at the breakfast, and at the end of the summer they would organize a picnic hosted by Ann and Ferd Camp of Barberton. They hope to be an inspiration to all the graduating classes of Kenmore High School.

The following Class of 1950 Kenmore High School students attended the 2016 picnic---

First row - left to right: Ferd Camp, Frank Witner, Mary (Leonard) Peterman, Louie Balough, Pat (Stouffer) Obenour, Delores (Bachte) Reeves.

Second row - left to right: Ann Camp, Lois (Gaugler) Yoder, Marilyn (Allen) Deiss, Jerrie (Dunn) Cushing, Diana (Williams) Studer, Buddy Dunn, Irma (Berger) Musick, Bonnie Smith, Evelyn (Zeis) Bell, Alice (Metarko) Suchka, Inda (Myers) Knight.

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11th Annual Summit County Stand Down

by Debbie Jeffers

The 11th Annual "Laura Dunlop Summit County Stand Down for Veterans" was held Tuesday September 13th at the Firestone VFW Post #3383 on Waterloo Road. Dan Moore headed the event, and many volunteers helped make this happen. Around 300 veterans were accommodated. Chaplains and medical care were provided, as well as each veteran receiving a winter coat, boots, blankets, personal items, a cell phone, and a haircut. A BIG thank you to the American Legion Post #449 & VFW POST #3383, Dan Moore, ALL the volunteers, and to anyone who gave a donation of any kind. Without you this event could not happen. Thank you everyone!

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Bruce Jackson gets a haricut from Debbie Jeffers

Kenmore Masonic Lodge Craft Show

The Kenmore Masonic Lodge, located at 1009 Kenmore Boulevard, will again have a craft show during the Kenmore Holiday Celebration on Saturday December 3rd, from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Our 4th Annual Craft Show will feature many vendors selling all the Christmas presents you need, from jewelry to candles. It is a one stop Christmas shopping experience for all! Raffles will be hosted all day, and children will have a chance to win special prizes just for attending. Admission is free to the public, and lunch will be available at the show from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm.

This show is still accepting vendors. For more information please call Holly or Cindy at 234-525-4927.

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Children's Programs

Preschool Story Hour

Tuesdays at 10:30 am
December 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th
January 17th, 24th, 31st & February 7th
Join us for stories, movement and music followed by a fun playtime. For 2-6 year olds with a favorite adult caregiver.

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Wednesdays at 4:00 pm December 14th, January 11th & February 8th Grades K-5 can come and create their own mini works of art. Space is limited, so please call 330-745-6126 to register.



Magician Rick Smith Jr.

Lego Club

Thursdays at 6:30 pm December 1st, 15th, 22nd & 29th February 2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd

Builders can create with our weekly theme such as "Mad Scientist", "It Came from Outer Space" and "Robots" or just free-style! For ages 5-12. (Caregivers can build along with their children just stay within the library while their children create.) All building supplies are provided by Kenmore Branch Library. Spaces are limited so entry tickets will be given out 30 minutes prior to the program.

Teen Programs

For Grades 5 to 12

Wii Gaming Day

Thursdays at 4:00 pm
December 1st, 15th, 22nd
January 5th thru February 23rd
Come test your gaming skills with friends.
Games will be announced weekly; check our white board and digital sign for information.

Teen Voice or TV (a Teen Advisory Board)

Mondays at 3:30 pm
December 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th
January 2nd thru February 27th
Come to a meeting of the minds and have your
voice heard! While eating snacks and visiting
with your friends you can discuss programs,
materials and services that you would like to
see offered by the library..

Black Out Poetry Art

Tuesday, December 13th at 4:00 pm Create a poetic piece of art from pages torn out of books!



Kenmore Henna Tattoos

Family Program Retro Family Game Day

Saturday, December 17th from 2:00 to 4:00 pm Join us for games, pizza, prizes and fun! Bring the whole family for some old school fun with all types of games for all ages. Come beat your parents and grandparents on the games they used to play, like Twister and Rock'em Sock'em Robots and at games on the vintage Atari and Nintendo 64 systems. We have a large selection of other games as well, including Connect Four, Boggle, Operation, Kerplunk, Don't Break the Ice, Barrel of Monkeys and many more.



Kenmore Christmas Tree

Adult Programs

Kenmore Craft Club

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December 19th - Cork Christmas TreesCome and create your own Cork Christmas Tree!

January 23rd - Pinecone Bird FeederFeed the critters this winter by making a Pinecone Bird Feeder!

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December 12th
DEAL BREAKER by Harlan Coben

January 9th
THE COUPLE NEXT DOOR by Shari Lapena
February 13th

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Monday-Thursday: 10:00 am to 8:00 pm



Friday: 12:00 to 6:00 pm Saturday: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

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Feel free to contact the library for more information: 330-745-6126

Packed House Shares "Stories of Kenmore"

by Tom Lesiczka

The Rialto Theater hosted the first "Stories of Kenmore" on October 20th. This free event featured live storytelling from a notable list of Kenmore residents, past and present. Nine scheduled speakers, along with a couple of unscheduled presenters, shared their unique stories on what makes Kenmore a special place to live, work and enjoy life.

"Stories of Kenmore" was designed to help foster communication within the neighborhood and build a bridge between generations of residents. Angela Miller and the Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance orchestrated the event with the support of the Wandering Aesthetics and the Rialto Theater.

"As I began to envision the event, I knew my friends Benjamin [Rexroad] and Kyle [Jozsa] from Wandering Aesthetics would be key," Miller said. "They do amazing story telling events all over Akron. I also knew that The Rialto was the place to do it. Seth Vaill [co-owner of The Rialto] is a visionary who wants his establishment to serve as an anchor to revitalize the Kenmore Business District."

There was a diverse line-up of speakers, talking about a multitude of topics. They covered their experiences of growing up in the community, what the area meant to them, and where they saw it going in the future.

Russel Nichols attended the event and wasn't sure what to expect, but came away with a distinct sense of unity in the community. "It was neat to see the different generations of people sharing their stories of what made Kenmore special to them," Nichols said. "I've been living here for several years now, and I have my own stories, but it's really nice to see how my stories intersect with everyone else's."



Kenmore Resident's Listen to "Stories of Kenmore" at *The Rialto*

This was the inaugural performance of the "Stories of Kenmore," but Miller sees it continuing. The event was very well attended. All the seats were occupied, people were standing where they could, and there was even an overflow of people spilling into the hallway.

"The turnout exceeded expectations by far," Miller said. "The official count was over 70. I think Kenmore is truly hungry for occasions like this; we are already fielding inquiries about next year's event."

Nichols was also impressed with the event, turnout and the venue. "It's easy to overlook some of the things we have in the community. Tonight really showed what's possible. I couldn't believe how many people showed up to the event and how nice the venue was. This was my first time at The Rialto, and they've done an amazing job here."

The Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance is working on setting up future events for the community and they already have another event planned at The Rialto; they are organizing "Kenmore's Got Talent" for this spring.

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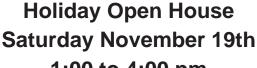
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This project has a cost of approximately \$1.8 million and will consist of 2000 feet of roadway improvement. In addition to the new roadway, sidewalks, aprons, storm sewers, bike lanes and new trees will be included. A construction date has not yet been established.

As always, thank you for allowing me to serve.

Councilman Mike Freeman

Ward 9 Councilman's Meetings

Councilman Freeman holds a public meeting on the first Tuesday of every month at the Kenmore Senior/
Community Center, starting at 7:00 pm.
Please join him at 880 Kenmore Boulevard to discuss your community and your city!
The next meeting is Tuesday December 7th.



Judge Stormer at the November Councilman's Meeting



New Table at Shadyside Park

by Angela Miller

Kenmore participated with 500 residents from Akron's 22 neighborhoods, sharing a meal on October 4th 2015, at a 500-foot-long table. The event was sponsored by the Knight Foundation. We recently received this beautiful, custom-made table that commemorates the event and now resides at Shadyside Park! The table was "created by" Dominic Falcione of Rubber City Fab "to continue the dialogue about 500 Plates and our city's future together".





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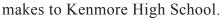
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Kenmore High School Update

by Doug Faris, Principal Kenmore High School

The 2016-17 school year is off to a wonderful start at Kenmore High School. As building principal, there are many things that make me proud. This article will highlight just a handful of them. Most importantly though, the academic focus of our teaching staff this year will be on increasing the rigor of our assessments and improving our ability to adjust instruction to meet the needs of all our students.

Brandon Ferguson – While most seniors were enjoying their last few days of summer, on August 29th, Senior Class President Brandon Ferguson had the opportunity to address the entire teaching and administrative staff of Akron Schools at the Educator Symposium. Also in attendance was the Akron Board of Education and nationally renowned educator, Ron Clark. During his speech, Brandon retraced his steps through the APS elementary schools Lincoln and Crouse up to his time at Kenmore. He thanked Ms. Barb Bellamy, Sargent Hockenberry and Major Jacob and discussed how conversations with each helped inspire him to do things he never thought he could. Just recently, Brandon enlisted in the Ohio Army National Guard. I want to personally congratulate him and his family on his success and thank him for the positive contributions he







KHS Football & Sam Salem – Recently, members of the football team took time out from practice and preparing for games to visit Sam Salem CLC. While there, they participated in a reading program set up by Coach Kemp Boyd and building Principal Anna Panning. Coach Boyd described the experience as, "Rewarding for our athletes. And maybe," he said, "just maybe much more enjoyable and enriching than they could have imagined."

KHS ROTC – Our ROTC program picked up right where it left off last year. Under the leadership of Major Jacob and Sargent Hockenberry, the KHS ROTC program has the highest percentage of students enrolled in any military readiness program across all APS high schools. To start this year, in addition to posting colors at each football game, our students had the opportunity to showcase their talents at the Akron Rubber Ducks playoff game too! Thank you ROTC students.



KHS Culinary – Chef Clayton Cundiff and his culinary students are at it again! His baking and pastry students had the opportunity to become certified cake decorators by partnering with KHS graduate Elizabeth Fox who has pursued her passion in the industry. Over the course of two days, she trained students using relevant cake decorating techniques and encouraged them during their cupcake challenge. On October 20th, Chef took his senior level culinary students on a field trip to Gervasi Vineryard in Canton where they had the opportunity to meet with Executive Chef Marsha Sommers and Director of Operations Paul Cincotta. The students received firsthand knowledge about what it will take for them to secure a job in the culinary industry.

KHS Student Council & FCCLA – Lastly, I am proud of two student groups here at Kenmore. Our student council, led by Mrs. Booth, transformed our school in late September and held an extremely successful Homecoming Dance. The theme was Vintage Hollywood. Our FCCLA students, led by Mrs. Marez, held our first ever Community Engagement Event. They partnered with Officer Cooper of the Akron Police Department and tackled a very important issue, drug awareness. The Kenmore staff and many families received training about heroin and other drug issues in our community. This is tremendously beneficial as we look to provide social/emotional support for our students as well as academic support.

There are many other exciting things going on at Kenmore, and I want to thank you, the Kenmore Community, for supporting our kids. We are looking forward to leading the way during some of the changes we will face at the end of the year. However, under my leadership, until the end of the school year on Thursday, June 8th, our only focus will be the students and ensuring they are "on track" to graduate from Akron Schools with a plan in place for them to pursue their interests.

Please mark your calendar for Thursday, December 1st from 6:30 to 7:30 in the KHS auditorium for our 2nd Community Engagement Event. Our topic will be internet and phone safety. As always, please call me at the school with any questions or concerns at 330-848-4141.

Prentice Park Clean-Up

by Alice Incorvia

Saturday October 22nd was a cold & dreary day, but a handful of brave people headed out with trash bags in hand to clean up Prentiss Park and the empty lot across from the Kenmore Community Center. The clean-up project was part of the "My Neighborhood Our Akron" initiative to beautify each ward in Akron through the Department of Neighborhood Assistance. The "My Neighborhood Our Akron" initiative also encourages community members within their neighborhoods to become active with the beautification and clean up processes. "My Neighborhood Our Akron" meets monthly in the different community centers city wide throughout the year. The clean-up also just happened to fall on "Make a Difference Day".



Volunteers Help Clean-Up Prentiss Park



A Packed Room at the October 8th Card Party

Kenmore Community Center Card Party

by Alice Incorvia

Over 125 people packed the Kenmore Community Center on the beautiful afternoon of October 8th, 2016 for the 28th Annual Kenmore Community Center/Kenmore Senior Club Card Party. The Mexican themed event included 60 raffle baskets, 2 money trees and a 50/50 raffle. A taco bar, fruit kabobs, chips & salsa, non-alcoholic margaritas and frozen ice cream were enjoyed by card players from all over Akron, Mogadore, Barberton and Cuyahoga Falls. A wonderful afternoon was had by all.

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church Congratulates Bobby McWilliam!

by Melissa Keegan



Rev. Mr. McWilliams with parish shield

The faith community of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church celebrated a joyous occasion on Saturday October 22nd, when Kenmore and parish native son, Bobby McWilliams was ordained a deacon for the Catholic Church by Bishop Richard Lennon at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist in Cleveland. That evening he assisted at and preached his first Mass at Immaculate Conception. As a deacon he is allowed to preach, baptize and perform marriages according to church law. He has been assigned to Our Lady of Angels Parish in Cleveland where he will hone his skills as he prepares to be ordained to the priesthood in May. We are a very proud parish!



Reverend Mr. Bobby McWilliam with parishioners



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Kenmore Kiwanis News

by Patricia Cardarelli



Kenmore Kiwanis - We are a local club helping the children in our community and working with other entities in Kenmore to make it a better place to live.

We have fundraisers to support things like the Kenmore Annual Halloween Parade, Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets, coats for kids and hats & mittens for pre-schoolers, costumed characters for the Kenmore Holiday Celebration, and much more!

Watch for our fundraisers so you can help our community. You can purchase from us one pound boxes of mixed nuts from Akron's own Peanut Shop, which will be available from mid-November thru mid-December. These are packaged for gift-giving. Contact any Kiwanis member or pick them up at several businesses along Kenmore Boulevard. We also participate in the Kiwanis Rose Remembrance Day, delivered the 1st Saturday in October. Other fundraisers include popcorn and soda pop sold at the Wednesday night Shadyside Park summer concerts, and a Trash and Treasures Sale usually held in September.

This year we served breakfast to the Kenmore Cardinals Football Team and a few of our members sponsored individual team members, and we served lunch to volunteers of the spring Summit Lake Clean-Up.

Our Halloween Parade was led by the Kenmore Football Team and the Innes CLC Band! The parade is a really fun, annual event ending at the Kenmore High School with costume judging by our members. At the end of the event, we provided punch & donuts and Halloween inspired comic books to all who attended.



Our membership is growing. We are now up to 19 member! Maybe 25 by next year?? We are always looking for new members, people who want to help the Kenmore Community and the children here. Are you interested in becoming a member? Please call Pat or Dick Cardarelli for more information at 330-745-5674.



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Kenmore Historical Society News

by Lillian Jolly

The year 2016 has been special for Cleveland, and it's also special for our community. The Kenmore Historical Society is celebrating its 15th anniversary.

In 2001, a group of community-minded citizens decided to form an organization to accumulate and preserve the history of our neighborhood. They started meeting monthly to discuss how to encourage a interest in promoting an appreciation of our heritage.

The meetings, held at 6:30 the last Monday of most months at the Kenmore Library are open to anyone interested in supporting our community. There are no meetings in December and January. At our upcoming November 28th meeting we have scheduled a celebration of our anniversary. We will also be announcing the winner of our "I Spy with My Cardinal Eye" contest. Dave Bersnak will be showing slides of Kenmore.



Don Plusquellic and Author Steve Love at the August Historical Society Meeting

The Kenmore Historical Society has been a strong supporter of various community activities, and we encourage all our residents, even ones who have moved away, to get involved in an effort to improve the image of Kenmore and maintain our community pride.



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Upward Sports Program Basketball Camp

by Harley Weidlich



Well it's that time of year again - The Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene and Hope United Methodist Church will be hosting their annual Upward Basketball Camp. Upward Sports is celebrating 8 years of ministry at the Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene, and we're super excited to have Hope United Methodist Church as our partners again in this amazing program. Our Basketball camps are for children ages pre-K threw 4th grade and the cost for this year's camp is \$65 per child, but we're offering a five dollars savings if you like both Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene and Hope United Methodist Church Facebook pages at the sign ups.



Registrations are as follows: Sunday January 8th 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm at Hope United Methodist Church (2650 Cory Avenue); Sunday January 15th 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm at Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene (2025 12th Street SW); and at both locations Sunday January 22nd from 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm. Please register early, as any registration after 2:00 pm on January 22nd will have a \$15 late fee added due to shipping and filing fees.

Camp dates are Saturdays February 4th, 11th, and 18th from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm, with a light lunch for all campers from 12:00 noon to 12:30 pm. Each child that registers will receive a t-shirt, basketball, poster, and water bottle for them to keep and take home. The banquet will be held on Saturday February 25th where each child will relieve a trophy, certificate, and team picture, all included, making this the best deal and camp in Akron!

Any questions or concerns please contact Upward Sports Commissioner Harley Weidlich at 330-608-6570 or Knazupwardsports@yahoo.com.

Kenmore Community Council Inc Celebrating 25 Years of Kenmore Community Service

by Thomas Abbot

The Kenmore Community Council Inc will begin celebrating our 25th year of serving Kenmore and the City of Akron. We believe in Kenmore, and pledge that we will continue in building upon our community spirit. We sincerely THANK the entire community of Kenmore, our schools, our residents, our business community, our churches, and our fellow community organizations -- Without your support, our extremely positive service to Kenmore would not have been possible.

We also wish to sincerely thank Councilman Mike Freeman and the entire administration of the City of Akron, and Mr. John Valle, Director of the City of Akron Department of Neighborhood Assistance, for their unwavering support and belief in us.

By continuing our mission of "Building upon our Community Spirit" and "We are Kenmore!", we will face any and all issues that have affected Kenmore, and those that are now and in the future. Kenmore Community Council Inc will continue to be "Building upon our Past, Proud of our Present, and Hopeful in our Positive Future".

We are always looking for residents, young & old, who would like to join our mission, and be a part of serving Kenmore, by sharing your time, gifts, and talents. Please call us at 330-745-8999, or email tabbottkcc@yahoo.com.

Kenmore Community Days Festival – 25th Anniversary 2016.

The Kenmore Community Council Inc & The City of Akron would like to sincerely thank the entire Kenmore Community for your support in making our 25th Anniversary Celebration one of the finest ever! Our sincere appreciation is extended to our partners, Bates Amusement Inc, The City of Akron, and Sgt. Doug Sandor & our entire security team!

Evaluation, Discernment, and Assessment of our 2017 Festival & Beyond!

The Kenmore Community Council Inc, Bates Amusement Inc, the entire City of Akron Administration and the Recreation Bureau, along with the Akron Police Department Administration and Sgt. Doug Sandor, will begin our Evaluation, Assessment, and Discernment for the future Kenmore Community Days Festivals.

Since our festival began 25 years ago, our primary mission, purpose, and goals have all been centered around building and maintaining only the highest quality community & family themed festival in a safe and controlled environment for all. All of these will be the center focus in our Evaluation, Assessment, and Discernment process.

We value your opinion, and we are asking for your input, comments, and ideas pertaining to the Kenmore Community Days Festival & Fireworks. We ask that you email us at tabbottkcc@yahoo.com. We will be working with our awesome Webmaster, Tim Poole, to create an online evaluation and assessment via our website www.kenmorecommunitycouncil.org.

Kenmore Community Tree Lighting & Community Children's Christmas Party.

The Kenmore Community Council Inc will again sponsor our Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony on Saturday December 3rd, beginning at 6:00 pm at the Shadyside Park Gazebo. This will be followed by the Community Children's Christmas Party across the street at Park United Methodist Church. Santa Claus will again attend this event, and this year you can take pictures of Santa and your child sitting in the original Santa Chair from Rolling Acres Mall.

Plan now to attend our awesome community events to top off our day of Holiday Celebration on December 3rd.

Kenmore Community Council Inc and The City of Akron receives prestigious State of Ohio House of Representatives Award for 2016 25th Anniversary of our Kenmore Community Days Festival.

The State of Ohio House of Representative member Gretta Johnson presented the Kenmore Community Council Inc with this very prominent State of Ohio Award recognizing us for our service to the community of Kenmore, and the City of Akron, and the County of Summit. We are very pleased to have been given this award.

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Compass Christian Church News

by Charles L. Hahlen, Lead Minister, Compass Christian Church

As part of the overall Thanksgiving and Christmas season Compass Christian Church will be making a special emphasis on Community involvement, acts of kindness, and compassion and family. There will be two special Message Series: November – Immeasurable, and December – Unexpected.

As the congregation moves toward Christmas weekend and their Christmas Eve service "A Christmas Portrait", the members of the congregation will be reading the book, "The Sparkle Box" by Jill Hardie (www.thesparklebox.com). Jill is from Jackson Township near Massillon, Ohio, and for several years her book has been helping families to escape the trap of a potentially over-commercialized holiday by putting an emphasis on the original Christmas Story and the spirit of giving. In the book a family uses a "Sparkle Box" to preserve a record of various compassionate acts and moments of service by the family. These are presented as a gift to the Christ child on Christmas morning before any other gifts are opened. For several years churches have been using this book in various ways to encourage community involvement and acts of kindness by their members.

Throughout November Compass members and friends are encouraged to do various things throughout their communities as gifts to the Christ child that will be recorded and placed in the Sparkle Box in the Compass Worship Center. These items will be incorporated into the Christmas Eve and Christmas Morning services.

Christmas Eve December 24th at 3:00 pm - "A Christmas Portrait"

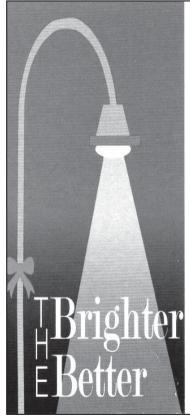
This will be an informal/family oriented Christmas Eve service (approximately 45 minutes) featuring videos, singing, devotional thought, and refreshments. From about 2:00 pm until almost 3:00 pm, and then again from about 4:00 pm until about 5:00 pm, they will have a photographer taking family portraits. These will be made available at no charge (5x7 color). Plans are for the portraits to be delivered during the first week of January if not before. Also the gifts given through the Sparkle Box program will be part of the overall presentation that afternoon.

Christmas Morning Compass will hold her normal Compass Sunday Morning service at 10:00 am. There will be an adult service and a Kidz Zone for children able to walk through grade 5. These services will run simultaneously and should last about one hour.

Everyone is welcome to attend our Christmas weekend services as well as participating in the Sparkle Box program throughout November. The Sparkle Box book can be obtained by contacting the church at 330-753-3121 or by email at KenmoreOffice@att.net.

Be sure to visit services any Sunday Morning at 10:00 am, and visit our Website at www. CompassKenmore.com.





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Rolling Acres Church Celebrates Their Centennial

by Judy Spires

Rolling Acres Alliance Church celebrated its Centennial on Sunday September 18th, 2016. The church began in 1916 in a small white building on Foust Road, which is now known as Wilbeth Road in Akron. They started as Lawndale Mission of Kenmore, Ohio.

After a short time they moved to Lawndale School. In 1920 they were charted into the Christian and Missionary Alliance, and became known as Lawndale Christian and Missionary Alliance Church.

In 1931 they built a new church on farm property given to them by a Civil War Veteran. The property was located on the corner of what is now East Avenue and Swinehart Avenue. The church continued to grow, and in 1972 a congregational meeting was held to vote on building a new church. The Old Lawndale Church Building was sold, and the treasured bell removed, and mounted on the lawn of the new grounds.

The groundbreaking ceremony was held at the new site, 2500 Kingsport Way, and construction began in June of 1973. The congregation moved into the new building on May 5th, 1974.

On September 18th, 2016 we celebrated our 100th year of service to the Lord.

Many former Pastors and friends returned for a wonderful celebration, and we once again rang the old bell. Marco Sommerville also came and presented our Pastor, Rob Hill, with a proclamation from the Mayor of Akron declaring September 18th, 2016 "Rolling Acres Alliance Church Day".

"We are excited to see what God intends to do in and through us in Kenmore, Akron, and the surrounding townships!"





New Backpacks for Sam Salem Students

by Judy Spires

Rolling Acres Alliance Church collected school supplies throughout the summer, and filled backpacks for all the children in the Kindergarten class at Sam Salem School this year, The backpacks were given to the children on the day they came for orientation.







Falling into FREE and Fun Festivities This Fall at Park Church

by Lauren Presutti



Park Church is excited to be one of the Trolley Stops at the Annual Kenmore Holiday Celebration on December 3rd. Be sure to stop down and see us for some fun crafts for the kids, some FREE HOT soup plus so much more! See you then!

Park Church is a New Host site for **King Foods!** This program replaces Smart Choice food, but is run the same way with the same quality foods at affordable prices. King Foods requires no pre-registration application, no income qualification, it is for EVERYONE. For additional information please contact Frances in the Church office.

Tired of just getting by? Our current <u>Getting Ahead Class</u> will be starting a new class in the New Year! This is a FREE class and open to individuals interested in learning how to get ahead each month and not just get by financially. Spots are limited so call NOW with any questions about the class or how to get your spot reserved in this class.

The <u>GED Program</u> is ongoing at Park Church. NOW is the time to complete your GED and work towards advancing your education. Please contact Project Learn 330-434-9461, and ask to take your GED classes at Park Church.

Park Little Shepherd Preschool has immediate openings for ALL students' ages 3-4 years of age. A new semester will begin in January! For questions or registration information or to enroll your student, please call the Park Church Office. Don't forget to ask about our NEW full day option or our Big Kid Days when school is out!

Our Annual Winter Piano Recital will be on December 4th at 2:00 pm. Parents and students are encouraged to contact the church office for additional information for this event or for piano lessons with Karen.

Park Church is honored to participate in the Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner which is being served from 5:30-7:00 at the Kenmore Community Center on Tuesday November 22nd. We look forward to seeing you there!





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Sunday School for Adults & Children 10:00 am Sunday Morning Worship Service 11:15 am Church Office Open Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am to 12:00 noon

Community Services Offered

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Calvary Open Bible Church

2261 9th Street SW 330-607-3399 email: calvaryobcakron@yahoo.com

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Pastor Kirk LaVigne

Hours of Service
Sunday School 10:00 am
Sunday Morning Service 11:00 am
Wednesday Bible Study - Lower Level 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Community Services Offered

Food Pantry distribution is the last Sunday of each month. Registration begins at 10:00 am and registration closes at 11:00 am.

Compass Christian Church

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Cross Community Church

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Pastor John Bloch

Hours of Service
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

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Pastor Jeff Smith

Hours of Service
Sunday Contemporary Worship 10:00 am

Community Services Offered

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Pastor Joe Grimaldi

Hours of Service

Sunday School 10:00 am Sunday Morning Service 11:00 am Sunday Evening Service 6:00 pm Wednesday Evening Service 7:00 pm

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Pastor Kevin Burkholder

Hours of Service
Sunday School 9:15 am
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Sunday Evening Service 6:00 pm
Wednesday Programs (all ages) 6:30 pm

Hope United Methodist Church

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

Pastor David McGrath

Hours of Service
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Sunday Morning Service 10:30 am
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Senior Pastor O. D. Leonard First Lady Mother Helen Leonard Pastor Jeff Ortiz Minister Donald Lykes

Hours of Service

Sunday School 9:15 am Sunday Morning Service 10:30 am Sunday Evening Service 6:00 pm Wednesday Programs (all ages) 6:30 pm

Community Services Offered
Free Monthly Breakfast Every Fourth Saturday 9:30 am

Immaculate Conception of Mary Parish

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

Reverend Michael B. Smith

Hours of Service

Holy Eucharist - Monday, Wednesday, Friday 5:30 pm
Holy Eucharist Saturday Vigil 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 Wednesday of each month at 5:30 pm Mass
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Mondays 7:00 pm
September to May (Site shared with St. Augustine Parish, Barberton)

Community Services Offered

Food Pantry (at Maher Hall) Monday and Thursday afternoons requires referral from InfoLine (330-376-4850).

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 Hosting Kenmore Free Store (at Maher Hall)

Tuesdays 4:30 to 7:00 pm, and Saturdays 9:00 am to Noon.

Bingo (at Waldeisen Hall) Wednesdays, beginning at 11:00 am Participating Member, Kenmore Ministerial Association.

Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene

2025 12th Street SW 330-745-7720 kenmorenazarene@att.net

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Reverend Terry W. Passmore, Senior Pastor

Hours of Service

Sunday Morning Coffee & Donuts 9:00 am
Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 am
(Nursery & Children Church Available)
Wednesday Evening Youth Group 6:30 pm (doors open 6:15 pm)
Wednesday Evening Children 6:30 pm (doors open 6:15 pm)
Wednesday Evening Adults 6:30 pm

Kenmore Church Directory

For corrections, changes, or new additions please call John at 330-745-5530 or john@kenmore-komics.com

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 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm Wednesday Noonday Prayer 12:00 noon

New Life Fellowship Church

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

Pastor Scott Johnson

Hours of Service Sunday Worship and Kingdom Kids 10:30 am Wednesday Life Bible Study 7:00 pm

Community Services Offered **Personal Bible Studies upon request**

New Life Missionary Baptist Church

2123 17th Street 330-745-1245

Pastor Lovie Moore

Hours of Service Sunday School 10:00 am Sunday Morning Service 11:00 am Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6:30 pm Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

Community Services Offered
Food give-away the 3rd Thursday of the Month

Hot Meals the 4th Tuesday of the Month
Men's Ministry the 1st Thursday of the Month 5:00 pm
Girl Talk Women's Ministry 3rd Saturday of the Month 1:00 pm

Park United Methodist Church

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

Reverend Pamela Buzalka

Hours of Service

Sunday School 9:30 am Sunday Traditional Worship 10:30 am Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study 1:00 pm Wednesday Evening Bible Study 6:30 pm

Saturday A.A. 10:30 am (south door entrance)

Community Services Offered
Project Learn GED Site
Park Little Shepherd Preschool Contact Lori Bailey @ 330-745-8950
Bridges Out of Poverty Getting Ahead Classes
Contact Ken Price @ 330-745-3714

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 to 12:00 noon Thursday Night Bible Study 6:45 pm to 7:45 pm

Redeemed Christian Church of God

966 Kenmore Boulevard 330-776-5196 jesushouseakron@ymail.com www.rccgjh-akron.org

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

Hours of Service

Sunday Workers' Prayer Meeting 9:30 am to 10:30 am
Sunday School 10:30 am to 11:00 am
Sunday Service 11:00 am
Thursday Bible Study 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Monthly Holy Ghost Service 9:00 pm to 12:00 midnight
(Every 1st Friday of the month)
Saturday House Fellowship 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm
(held at different locations)

Community Services Offered

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

Rolling Acres Alliance Church

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

Pastor Rob Hill

Hours of Service
Sunday School 9:30 am
Sunday Morning Worship 10:45 am
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wednesday Youth Basketball 6:30 pm
Wednesday Zip For Kids 6:30 pm
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm

Shoreline Community Church 790 Carnegie Avenue

330-753-9241 office@shorelinechurchakron.com www.shorelinechurchakron.com

Dr. Scott Campbell

Hours of Service Sunday Bible Classes 10:00 am Sunday Praise & Worship 11:00 am Wednesday Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm

Community Services Offered

Food Pantry - Those people in need of canned food items may check in at the Church at 10:00 am every Friday morning.

After a 10 minute Gospel Presentation the food items are distributed. People may get food up to 6 times a year.

Canned & boxed food items may be donated on Monday & Friday mornings from 8:30 to noon

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 Worship 10:00 am

Community Services Offered

See our Calendar listed below for a
list of Community Services and exact times & dates.

The Church on the Boulevard Calendar of Events

All events are at no cost at 754 Kenmore Boulevard! All events, activities & services are interpreted for the deaf. Please call 330-745-8634 for more information.

Every Tuesday @ 7:00 pm is "Narcotics Anonymous" Night (also Monday thru Friday @ 12:00 noon & Saturday at 2:00 pm) Every Wednesday @ 7:00 pm is "Small Groups" Night for All Ages Every Friday @ 6:30 pm is "Celebrate Recovery" Night Every Sunday Morning @ 10:00 am is "Praise and Worship" (Interpreted for the Deaf; Children's Church and Nursery available)

CoB Family and Community Dinner Every Wednesday, 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm

Holiday Events
Santa's Workshop for Children
Saturday December 3rd from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm
and Saturdays December 10th and 17th
from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Outreach Food Pantry

Monday Mornings 10:00 am to 12:00 noon November 21st, December 5th & 19th, January 2nd & 16th, February 6th & 20th

Outreach Food Pantry

Monday Evenings 5:30 to 7:30 pm November 28th, December 12th & 26th, January 9th & 23rd, February 13th & 27th

First Glance Student Leader Program

by Michelle Staeven

The Student Leader Program at First Glance cultivates leadership skills and challenges students to grow as leaders among their peers. Students apply, interview, and are accepted into the program. They are paired with adult mentors and given opportunities to serve at First Glance and in the Kenmore community.

As we kick off the holiday season at First Glance this year, our volunteer opportunities within the Student Leader Program will increase. Each year our student leaders lend their crafting abilities at the craft table in the Kenmore Community Center during the Kenmore Community Thanksgiving Dinner. The Kenmore Holiday Celebration is another large event that our Student Leaders participate in yearly. The day before the event, they will spend their time working odd jobs, and cleaning up the boulevard for the next day. On the day of the event they will dedicate their time wearing costumes to entertain the children, decorating the courtyard for breakfast, and manning craft tables.

We see so much potential in our student leaders, and constantly want to lift them up in their everyday lives. We encourage them to speak words of life, and to strive to be a positive influence amongst their peers. Our desire is for the student leaders to be able to live lives of selflessness, to be able to overcome life's challenges together, to love and treat others well, and to develop into leaders within First Glance and the Kenmore community.



Student Leaders at the First Glance Student Center

Photos from Kenmore's Last Home Football Game?

The Saturday October 8th Kenmore Football game against Firestone may be the last home game we will have in quite awhile, if not forever.

Here are some high lights of the afternoon told in pictures.



Alumni Jeff Wilson Plays "The Star Spangled Banner"



Senior Football Players Introduced with Family



Past Kenmore Band Grads Parade Around the Field...





Kenmore ROTC Presents the Flags



Coach Kemp Boyd Readies the Players for the Game



...and Still Play
Great Music at Half-Time!

Thanks Kenmore for Your Support!

The Kenmore Athletic Booster Club would like to thank all the Kenmore Cardinals Football fans who supported the Club's fundraising sales at the concession stand at all the Kenmore High School Football home games. Proceeds went to both the Middle School and High School Football Programs. Thank you again!



The Great Volunteers of the Kenmore Athletic Booster Club



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The Kenmore Ministerial Association is hosting our annual

THANKSGIVING COMMUNITY DINNER

Tuesday, November 22nd 5:30-7:00 pm Kenmore Community Center

Join us for a delicious Thanksgiving dinner, crafts and more! **FREE** for everyone!



Allenside Presbyterian Church presents "Born in Bethlehem"

Filled with magic, wonder and deep meaning, this special service brings the spirit of Christmas alive with the musical presentation of "Born in Bethlehem" Join us as we "make a joyful noise" at our Candlelight Service starting on Saturday, December 24, 2016 at 11:00 p.m.