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Summit Lake Clean-Up Coming Soon!

by Julie Ann Sweet-Buntin

On April 20th, 2019, volunteers from all over the Akron area will join together to participate in a large-scale cleanup at Summit Lake. Last year over 260 volunteers helped collect 3.74 tons of litter. With the focus of “Re-imagine Civic Commons” our effort to help make the area litter free will invite even more people to come and visit, ride the towpath on the floating bridge over Summit Lake, and create a family friendly experience. We hope to focus on the North end of the lake (Margaret Park area) over to the Summit Lake ball fields. With enough volunteers we can increase this area for litter removal.

We will once again have support from the City of Akron with their sanitation crew working “overtime” to gather the collected trash. The cleanup is one of the largest projects that takes place during Keep Akron Beautiful Clean Up Akron Month. With the help of Ohio Erie Canal Way Coalition, Keep Akron Beautiful, and many Kenmore residents, a plan was created to effectively distribute volunteers around the lake, identifying zones which were highly littered and in need of a higher volume of volunteers. Keep Akron Beautiful will once again be on site with their two community improvement trailers to man the volunteers with the tools they would need to get the job done: gloves, rakes, litter grabbers and Glad trash bags, as well as recycling bags. Volunteers will also have the ability to get into the water with our waders, large water skimming rakes, and floating trashcans to collect the trash and to ensure the safety of volunteers as they embarked to collect litter from the lake.

For more information on the clean-up or to volunteer please contact Keep Akron Beautiful at 330-375-2116 or on their website at www.keepakronbeautiful.org/clean-up-akron-month. We hope to see our past volunteers as well as many new faces!!

Kenmore's Annual Easter Egg Hunt is April 13th

The Annual Kenmore Easter Craft & Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday April 13th this year. Beginning at the Kenmore Community Center with the Children's Craft Party, there will be refreshments (supplied as always by the Kiwanis Club of Kenmore), craft projects, a clown, prizes, and balloons (donated by the Kenmore Historical Society). And special guest appearances by the Easter Bunny & the Easter Ducky, who will spend most of their time taking pictures with the excited children.

Doors at the Community Center will open at 9:30 am for the crafts and entertainment events. At around 10:45 am there will be prize drawings to be won by several lucky children, then the children, adults, volunteers, and the Easter Bunny & the Easter Ducky would “stroll” with their balloons to where the eggs donated by the Kenmore Community Council Inc will be placed.

After the Easter Egg Hunt, all are invited to the Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene (2025 12th Street SW) for their Sixth Annual Easter Carnival. This event, from 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm, will feature a FREE lunch, games, prizes, crafts, cotton candy, and drawings for Easter Baskets! Mark your calendars and please plan to bring your children to this year's Annual Kenmore Craft & Easter Egg Hunt, and then to the Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene's Easter Carnival, all on April 13th!



Last Year's Prize Winners

Seth Vaill Receives the McCutchan Award

In 1997, the Kenmore Board of Trade (now the Kenmore Chamber of Commerce) created an award to honor Lee & Jasper McCutchan, (who together did so very much for our community), and give this award to a Kenmore Chamber member who "...has done many things for the Kenmore Community and asked for nothing in return".

For 2018 this award was presented to Seth Vaill, owner of **The Rialto Theatre**. Seth joined the Kenmore Chamber in 2010, and his contributions to the Chamber, as well as his continued work on expanding arts & music here in our community, is truly appreciated, and it was an honor and a privilege to give him this award at the Kenmore Chamber Holiday Party on Thursday December 6th, 2018.

Thank you Seth for all you do!

The Kenmore Connection Welcomes New Advertisers

The Kenmore Connection is always looking for new advertisers to help support our publication and the community. This issue we welcome **Hall of Fame Barbershop** (located at 813 Kenmore Boulevard) and **B & J Automotive and Car Care** (located at 933 Kenmore Boulevard).

Please note their business card ads on this page, and visit them and thank them for their support of our community newspaper!



Seth Vaill (right) with his Award, with Kenmore Chamber of Commerce President John Buntin Jr (left)

Kenmore Freeze Soon to Return!

Coming this spring!!!

A new beginning for the **Kenmore Freeze**, an icon of frozen delights in the Kenmore area of Akron for the past 50+ years! New owners Kim and JoAnne Doyle along with their family will start a new page in history for the Kenmore community with all of its exclusive Custard recipes, Healthy treats, and possibly some new ones when we open this spring!



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United Way's VITA Program is Helping Kenmore Residents Keep More of What They Earn

by Angela Lowery, Director of Financial Empowerment, United Way of Summit County

Preparing a tax return can be complicated and stressful, but for many households, tax refunds are the single largest income supplement they receive in a year. And because many Kenmore families qualify for the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), not filing a return means leaving money on the table – money that could be used to make ends meet, pay down debt and save for the future.

Fortunately for local families, there's help located right in the heart of Kenmore. Now through the end of tax season on April 15th, workers from Summit County households earning less than \$60,000 per year can receive free tax prep help from United Way's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program. Sessions take place in the Akron Financial Empowerment Center at 1060 Kenmore Boulevard. Just call 2-1-1 or visit uwsummit.org/vita to schedule a session.



The VITA program supports United Way's Bold Goal 3 – to financially empower 11,000 individuals by 2025. Last year, United Way's VITA program helped local families file a total of 893 returns.

In particular, United Way wants to help more working families claim the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC). The EITC is a refundable tax credit for low- to moderate-income working individuals and couples, particularly those with children. In addition to providing a financial boost for working people, the EITC helps the local economy. Research has shown that the EITC encourages work, reduces poverty and leads to long-term gains in child health and academic success.

Scams, like predatory loans disguised as instant tax refunds, proliferate during tax season. VITA volunteers receive IRS-certified training, so clients can be sure that they are getting the full amount of their refund and won't be saddled with an unexpected bill at the end of their session. And because VITA is offered through the Akron Financial Empowerment Center, clients can be referred to a financial coach, who can help them make the most out of their refund, or if necessary, talk them through options for paying off owed taxes.

What's most important, however, is that VITA – and the funds it brings into the community – makes a real, tangible impact. It will help families pay rent and cover childcare costs and travel expenses. It will help local businesses by improving the financial security of their employees and customers. And it will help Kenmore residents continue to revitalize and invest in their neighborhood.

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Children's Programs

Story Time:

Tuesdays at 12:00pm

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Wacky Wednesday:

3/6/19 at 4:00pm

It will be a Wacky Wednesday at the library! Let's wish Dr. Seuss a Happy 115th Birthday. Celebration snacks will be provided.

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3/23/19 at 1:00pm

Join Denise DiGeronimo to create beautifully decorated Ukrainian eggs. Space is limited, so please call 330-745-6126 to register. Registration begins on March 2.

Terra Cotta Wind Chimes:

4/6/19 at 1:00pm

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May 18 Golf Outing & Other Akron Promise Updates

by Daralee Ghinder

Equal access to college, technical training and other post-secondary opportunities takes more than scholarship money. The focus of Akron Promise is to help KGHS graduates become enrolled, enlisted or employed. This article is an update on the work of Akron Promise at Kenmore-Garfield High School. Please save the date and mark your calendar for our annual fundraiser, a golf outing and dinner on May 18th at Mayfair Country Club. All proceeds will go to the Kenmore-Garfield Stark State Scholarship Fund. (Non-golfers are invited to attend the dinner). Details and tickets are available at www.akronpromise.org/kghs.

Akron Promise continues to support scholarship students at Stark State College. This ongoing effort includes working closely with the SSC administration to ensure persistence and success.

Twenty KGHS students are receiving ACT (American College Testing) support at a twice weekly "ACT Bootcamp". Improving an ACT score by just a few points can be life-changing with regard to college acceptance and scholarships. Much appreciation goes to instructors Lara Wilson and Rich Wilson, and grants from the Akron Community Foundation and the GPD Employee Foundation. In addition to the ACT bootcamp, Akron Promise is working with the Kenmore-Garfield Football team on academic achievement and ACT preparation at their weekly Study Tables.

Since "it takes a village," there are many opportunities for the Kenmore community to help. Akron Promise needs:

- * Golfers (and non-golfer dinner guests!) for the May 18th Fundraiser
- * Donations (cash for scholarships & raffle items) and sponsorships for the golf outing
- * Additional Akron Promise Board Members
- * Mentors for students (No experience necessary!)

If you are interested in helping, need more information about any items mentioned in this article, or additional information about Akron Promise, please contact Tom Ghinder, Founder of Akron Promise, at tghinder@gmail.com or 330-329-4855. Or check out our website at www.akronpromise.org and our Facebook page: Akron Promise.

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Many of you may be aware that the City was recently hit by a cyberattack. A host of services (e-mail for one) were totally disabled.

The 14" snow storm of January and the inadequate timely snow removal has prompted City Council to establish a task force to improve snow removal services.

Very soon, we will all be made aware of the name of the company that will be investing 100 million dollars at the site at the former Rolling Acres Mall.

Speaking of new jobs, City Council recently approved an option on land that would allow the Shin-Etsu Company to expand their manufacturing facility. The option price is \$600,000 for the land and utilities and roads. This will allow the property to be used as a manufacturing facility.

Please remember that all monthly ward meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month, 7:00 pm, at the Kenmore Community Center, 880 Kenmore Boulevard.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Councilman.

Councilman Mike Freeman
330-283-7582
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Ward 9 Councilman's Meetings

Councilman Freeman holds a public meeting on the first Tuesday of every month at the Kenmore 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 March 5th.

Holiday Celebration Decorating Awards

One of the events that occurred during the Kenmore Holiday Celebration was the Christmas Lights Business Decorating Awards. All the businesses who participated were asked to decorate their store-fronts in the spirit of the holidays, and with the help of a residents committee appointed by Councilman Mike Freeman, four were chosen to win in various categories. The winners were---

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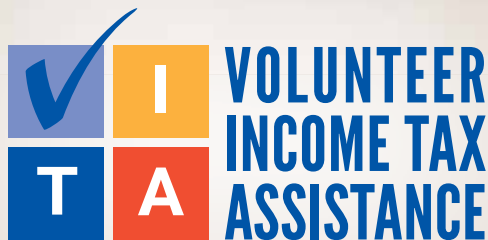
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KNA gets \$150,000 to Train and Attract Culinary Talent to Boulevard

by Tina Boyes, Executive Director, KNA

The Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance aims to increase access to well-paying jobs while encouraging a restaurant renaissance on Kenmore Boulevard.

With a two-year, \$75,000-per-year grant from the CareSource Foundation, KNA will fund Jump On Board for Success (JOBS) to train, license and prepare single mothers in the neighborhood for culinary careers. They will also work to recapture the millions of dollars in restaurant revenue leaving the neighborhood by funding a six-month, 50 percent wage reimbursement to Boulevard District restaurants that hire JOBS graduates.

“More than \$3 million in restaurant revenue is leaving our neighborhood every year. That’s money that could and should be supporting our neighborhood with jobs and food for our residents as well as vibrancy for business district,” said Tina Boyes, Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance’s executive director. “This grant will help us meet an immediate need of an at-risk group of residents while adding another tool to attract healthy food to our neighborhood.”

Over the two years, the \$150,000 grant will:

- * Provide culinary training in safe, healthy food preparation to approximately 20-30 single mothers through two rounds of three, six-week courses per year.
- * Provide transportation to and childcare during all training sessions.
- * Equip students with chef tools for use at home and at restaurant jobs.
- * Subsidize trainees’ Level 1 and Level 2 culinary licensing.
- * Introduce students to practical experience at restaurants right in their neighborhood.
- * Subsidize licensed graduates’ hourly wages at a rate of 50 percent for six months if employed at restaurants in the Boulevard District.
- * Provide around the clock, one-on-one mentoring to students, including everything from how to navigate bus routes and prevent/mitigate the “benefits cliff” to accompanying students on financial counseling appointments at the new City of Akron/United Way Financial Empowerment Center.

The mission of the JOBS program is to combat generational poverty among mothers in the Kenmore area by improving their professional proficiency and parenting skills through education, training and mentorship. The culinary training program was begun three years ago by Jennifer Herrick, a Kenmore-raised educator with 20 years of food service experience. She founded it as a way to teach young single moms how to purchase and prepare healthy food for their families. Now, her mission includes teaching these young mothers job skills, getting them certified and employed, and empowering them with financial and life management skills so they can support their families well.

The next six-week culinary training begins February 13th. For more information, please contact JOBS at jumponboardforsuccess01@gmail.com.



JOBS Program Teaches Culinary Skills

Kenmore-Garfield Career Expo

by Clayton Cundiff

The Kenmore-Garfield Career Expo, held on January 17th, provided an avenue for approximately 600 9th, 10th, & 11th grade students to explore a variety of career areas to aid them in making an informed decision about their high school plans and career pathways. As opposed to a job fair where students visit companies, the career expo allows companies to present career options for students to explore. While at the fair, students were able interview at least 5 exhibitors, ask questions and participate in hands-on activities. Kenmore-Garfield students will be picking their career pathway in the beginning of February.



Kenmore-Garfield Students at Career Expo

Kenmore-Garfield Transition Employment

by Clayton Cundiff

Transition Employment is a program offered to students in Akron Public Schools by the College and Career Academies of Akron. The program is designed for high school students in need of community based non-paid job training in order to work towards securing competitive employment. There are different service options available through the Transition Employment Program based on the preferences, interests, needs, and strengths of the students. One of these options is an Experiential Learning Site. This site provides our students who require more supports with the opportunity to expand their education in the community setting twice a week.



Assembling Boxes

One of the Experiential Learning Sites offered to select students at Kenmore-Garfield High School and aligned to the Academy of Health and Human Services is The Salvation Army Fort Romig high tech hydroponic farm. Students perform employability skills with the support of an Intervention Specialist and a Classroom Assistant by working on job tasks such as following directions and safety procedures, harvesting plants, assembling boxes and packaging, planting seeds, and custodial tasks. The program has been beneficial to all of those involved as well as a terrific partnership.



Intervention Specialist, Classroom Assistant, Students and Mark from Fort Romig

Kenmore Kreative Youth Theatre

by Lauren Presutti

KenMore Kreative Youth Theater performed Ebenezer's Christmas Carol on the road this past December, a first for our little youth theater. Guests were given the chance to see the performance at The Rialto Theatre in December as well as at Pfeiffer Elementary for the students and a for a special group of people at United Disability Services in Firestone Park. The play was directed by Chloe Freeman with many familiar faces returning to our cast and some new ones. These students spent their Saturdays throughout October and November rehearsing lines, building sets and creating new friendships. We are very proud of our students and what they accomplished. We look forward to our next production during Summer 2019. Watch our website and facebook for audition information that will be coming soon.



KenMore Kreative will be hosting a special "Let's Chat" on March 7th at the Old 97 Cafe in Kenmore starting at 6:00 pm. If you have no idea what KenMore Kreative is all about, or maybe you do and you would like to see if you can get more involved in our organization- this is the time for you to check it out. We will have food, drinks and fun sharing stories and getting to know each other as well as finding a place for YOU. Please contact us if you would like additional information at kenmorekreative@gmail.com or you can find us online kenmorekreative.org or you can find us on facebook.



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Kenmore Kiwanis News

by Pat Cardarelli



What a busy Fall season...even without an Indian Summer!!

Kenmore Kiwanis delivered food baskets for both Thanksgiving and Christmas. It is very gratifying to see how grateful people are when we show up with enough food to last for the holiday and a few days after.

Early November was the start of our annual "Mixed Nuts" fundraiser. We buy pre-packaged (but freshly roasted) nuts from Akron's own Peanut Shoppe to sell as one of our fundraisers. The money raised helps fund our food baskets and our book distributions.

Speaking of book distributions, we have gone to two of the three schools, and Pfeifer will be done in February. The kids really love getting a new book! Some of them know exactly what they want, while others need a little help, either from a teacher or one of the Kiwanis members who are there. Fun for all!

Our club helped with decorating the Shadyside Park Gazebo (garland and lights) and the two trees beside it. This was the first year we lit up the BIG tree..it looked awesome! (Thanks Ryan, Randy and Matt!) Our little "Charlie Brown" tree looked great lit up also. A big thank you to the Kenmore Community Council for all the great (and new) decorations, all the blow-ups, lighted figures, center tree, etc. (Thanks also to Debbie and Sean!!)

These are just a few of the things we do as a club, book distributions, helping at Kenmore events, popcorn and pop at the Summer Wednesday concerts, food baskets, hats and gloves to the pre-school, decorating the Gazebo, etc.

We meet twice a month for a dinner meeting, the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 6:00pm at Thano's in Barberton. We usually have a speaker at one of those meetings. (By the way, we need speakers, anyone interested? Or do you know a good topic?)

So..we are always looking for new members. Would you like to help out in the Kenmore community? Come and join us! If you are interested, come to one of our dinner meetings or call Dick or Pat Cardarelli at 330-745-5674.



Decorating the Shadyside Park Gazebo (left) and the Big Christmas Tree

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These articles supplied by the Kenmore-Garfield High School writing class of Stephanie Andrews, and we wish them luck in the relaunch of their school newspaper!

Return of News Writing

by Michael Marshall

The 2018-2019 school year begins our first Kenmore-Garfield newspaper.

English teacher S. Andrews is the advisor of the newspaper. The paper will be sold on the end of November and will be including many sections incorporated with the Kenmore community. "People should buy the newspaper to support our class, Kenmore-Garfield as a whole and read about the great things we are doing," stated Andrews, talking about the impact of the Newspaper.

The Kenmore school newspaper was kept running by Andrews for the previous 12 years at Kenmore and is now coming back at Kenmore-Garfield High School. The newspaper is going to consist of many sections composed by the Journalism Staff or J-Staff. The paper will be sold at a small price of .25 cents per paper and will be available to the entire school. They will be able to be purchased during all lunch periods or English classes.

The entire news writing process requires the collaboration of the Kenmore-Garfield community. Some teachers might even have their own sections in the paper regarding their own personal stories. The paper will go over school sports and whatever else the community has to offer. Andrews speaking on News Writing said, "I am so happy to have newspaper back, this is by far my favorite class to teach, with the coolest kids!"

English teacher R. Grajzl spoke on the News Writing scene and said, "I expect to see at least 100 copies sell first week." On sales, the papers will be varying from 25 to 50 cents per paper. Grajzl also stated that, "The community will have the most involvement with it due to the sociability of the class." The community can interact with the students involved with the paper and vice versa. Everyone involved will have a part to play.

The News Writing "Employees" incorporate a lot of effort into creating stories for the paper. Sierra Grays stated she "Really like writing and I thought it be a fun experience". She said that she learned all the responsibilities of media along with the creative aspect of it. Grays' passion for writing is what drives her to keep going.

The J-Staff is very excited to publish the first newspaper of the Kenmore-Garfield era, so keep buying and reading!

Cadets on the Rise

by Anastasia Alexander

Do you have anyone in your family in the military, or know someone whose family that is in the military? Or, are you thinking about joining the military yourself? Well, there is a program here in our own Kenmore-Garfield high school that helps prepare you for that field of work. That program is the JROTC.

JROTC program is run by two real Army Veterans, Major Jacob. He has been working this program for about 14 years. The other individual overseeing the program is Sergeant Hockenberry. He has worked there for about 13 years. When we asked Sergeant about upcoming inspection, he responded with, "We've got an inspection packet that tells us all of the standards, so we are following that. So that we have everything they are looking for, we have prepared for."

We asked Major Jacob, if they were worried about the inspection coming up, and he responded with, "No, we are looking forward to the inspection." The inspections are an extremely important part of the JROTC program, according to Sergeant Hockenberry.

All in all, the schools JROTC program is about discipline, restraint, leadership and having a good time and making friends. Anyone would be honored to be a cadet, and they hope to inspire young people to feel the same.

Academies 101

by Aaliyah Wallace

We are starting a new learning base here at Kenmore-Garfield High School next school year 2019-2020.

The new change is called academies. "It is a small learning community; students based on the pathway choices are broken down into smaller learning communities to help build a family atmosphere, these same students will have their own dedicated principals, counselors, and teachers. A second difference is teaching through thematic career lenses, which sum up to be learning the particular career pathway math in actual math class," Academy Coach Clayton Cundiff explained.

The academy coach is a liaison between the school and the business community partners. Cundiff's job is to plan with teachers to better understand what supports and experiences they want for the students and themselves. Also, he will be working with the business partners to try to make these ideas and experiences become real.

There are three academies: Freshman academy, Academy of Emerging Technology & Design, and Academy of Health and Human Services. The foundation of the idea came from David James, APS superintendent, when he read he an article on the Nashville Schools transformation into the academy model. After reading this article he realized the APS students could really benefit from this model of learning.

The reason the academies became an actual plan at APS to increase student graduation rate. Akron Public School's graduation rate is 75%, our CTE student graduation rate in 2018 was 100%. They believe if they get more students involved in a more relevant learning experience students will see an increase in performance and attendance which directly it leads to graduating. "The academy model will better prepare themselves for their future, even if you don't choose to continue the learning from their pathway they will have learned many transferable skills to help in any college or career," Cundiff said.

So, let's be opened minded to the academies so our generation can improve the future for the better.

Kenmore Historical Society News

“Kenmore” One Hundred Years Ago

by Lillian Jolly

Kenmore City Hall had already been built and Aaron J. Falor was mayor of Kenmore in 1919.

Akron Realty Company predicted in one of their ads selling Kenmore lots that we would have 10,000 people in 1910. We grew rapidly, but didn't achieve that until about ten years later. Continuing its growth, 1,050 acres south of Kenmore, in Coventry township, was annexed in 1919. The New York Times published on May 20, 1920 - “Kenmore, Ohio, a city of 12,683, has shown an increase of 712.5 percent in a decade.”

We had four schools: Kenmore Central (later Heminger), Lawndale, Colonial and Kenmore High. In January, Kenmore residents passed a \$140,000 bond issue to build more schools.

Churches: First M. E. Church (behind the present library), Goss Memorial Reformed, Boulevard Evangelical, Hope Evangelical, United Brethren (now Park) and Lawndale Mission Church.

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We had a nice variety of stores on the boulevard. Even in 1919 people were being encouraged to shop there.

The next Kenmore Historical Society meeting is February 25th, 6:30 pm, at the Kenmore Library.

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Live Music Now Back with Big Sounds, Big Love

by Tina Boyes & Zach Freidhof

Live Music Now is bringing another season of top-notch regional live music to Kenmore Boulevard thanks to the Big Love Network, a group of organizers, artists and healing practitioners who advocate for social equity through activism and the arts from their offices on Carey Avenue.

Led by local musician Zach Freidhof, the Big Love Network has already hosted musicians like LA-based Rachel Roberts, Angie Haze and rapper A-MINUS at the venue. “Live Music Now provides a great opportunity to engage both residents and folks from around the city who may not be overly familiar with Kenmore,” he explained. “Partners in our network are bringing diverse music into this space, allowing a safe and inclusive space for people to get to know others.”

Live Music Now started as a collaborative enterprise between Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance, the Big Love Network, Open Tone Music, and Kenmore-based Jim Ballard Skylyne Studio and Studio 1008. Patrons were asked to donate \$5-10 – or whatever they could afford – at the door, which went directly to the artists. All money made at the bar supported Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance.

Big Love Network is continuing this model, seeking to provide an example of a new economy of cooperative and collective ventures. “If this model can be successful in Kenmore, it can possibly be an opportunity in other neighborhoods as well,” Zach said.

Upcoming shows include singer-songwriter Ray Flanagan and Zach on Friday, March 8th and Jeri Saponetti of the band Time Cat on Friday, April 5th.

“It’s refreshing to have a space where the artists and the community can co-create and come together,” Zach said. “Big Love is excited to be part of the Kenmore neighborhood.”

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Buffet includes Fried Chicken plus one other meat, Various Sides & Dessert!

Friday - Fried Flounder (all you can eat) \$8.99

Saturday - 12oz Strip Steak \$13.99

Closed Sunday & Monday

Entertainment

Tuesday - Open Mike
Jazz Last Wednesday of Month

Houston Hall

3069 Houston Road, Norton



For that Special Occasion!

Seats up to 180 - Patio Seats 50 More

For more information contact **Charlie Shook** at 330-697-6971

Kenmore Church Directory

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Allenside Presbyterian Church

410 Rexford Street
330-753-6405
www.allenside.org

Pastor Frances Fischer

Hours of Service

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

Yarn donations accepted for lap blankets
& Afghans for the VFW and other needy organizations.
Non perishable food items accepted for food baskets that
are distributed to needy families during the holidays.

Calvary Open Bible Church

2261 9th Street SW
330-818-6615

email: calvaryobcakron@yahoo.com

Find us on Facebook at Calvary Open Bible Akron

Pastor Kirk LaVigne

Hours of Service

Sunday School 10:00 am

Sunday Morning Service 11:00 am

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

1900 East Avenue
330-753-3121

kenmoreoffice@att.net
www.charleshahlen.com

Lead Minister Charles L. Hahlen

Hours of Service

Compass Sunday Morning and Kid Zones 10:00 am

Community Services Offered

Open Tone Music Academy

Saturday Mornings 9:00 am to 12:00 noon

Contact Chris Anderson @ chris@opentonemusic.org

Meeting site for ASPIES (Autism Support Group)

Meetings 1st Thursday each Month 7:00 to 9:00 pm

Meetings 3rd Tuesday each Month 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Community Prayer Line - Call or Text at 330-299-5339

or email at prayer@compasskenmore.com

Faith Ministries Outreach Center

922 Kenmore Boulevard
330-351-9133
fmocchurch@ymail.com
www.fmocchurch.org

Pastor Jeff Smith

Hours of Service

Sunday Contemporary Worship 10:00 am

Community Services Offered

11:30 am to 12:15 pm Sunday - Free hot meal,
clothes & bread following the morning worship service

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 1:45 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 Kevin Burkholder

Hours of Service

Sunday School 9:15 am

Sunday Morning Service 10:30 am

Sunday Evening Service 6:00 pm (call to verify)

Wednesday Programs (all ages, school year only) 6:30 pm

Hope United Methodist Church

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

Pastor John M. Tsironis

Hours of Service

Sunday School 9:15 am

Sunday Morning Service 10:30 am

House of Joy Worship Center

886 West Wilbeth Road
330-475-3578

Reverend Barry C. Pegues, Pastor

Hours of Service

Sunday Morning Service 10:45 am

Thursday Bible Study 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm

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) Thursday afternoons

12 noon to 2 pm - 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 2128 16th Street - use west parking lot entrance)

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

www.kenmorenaz.org

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 Children 6:30 pm (doors open at 6:15 pm)

Wednesday Evening Youth Group 6:30 pm (doors open at 6:15 pm)

Wednesday Evening Middle School Class 6:30 pm

Wednesday Evening Adults 6:30 pm

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King's Way Alliance Church

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

Pastor Rob Hill

Hours of Service
Sunday School 9:30 am
Sunday Morning Worship 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
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm
Wednesday Intercessory Prayer 6:00 pm

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

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

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 7:00 pm

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

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

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 to 1:00 pm
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.

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.

"Praise and Worship" every Sunday Morning at 10:00 am
(Interpreted for the Deaf; Children's Church and Nursery available)

"Small Groups" for All Ages, every Wednesday at 7:00 pm

"Celebrate Recovery" every Friday at 7:00 pm

"Narcotics Anonymous" Monday to Friday at 12 noon,
every Tuesday at 7:00 pm, and Saturday at 2:00 pm

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

Easter Events

Good Friday Service: Friday, April 19th, 6:30 pm
Easter SonRise Service: Sunday, April 21st, 8 am,
Followed by no-cost Breakfast
Followed by Easter Worship Service, 10:00 am

Outreach Food Pantry

Monday Mornings 10:00 am to 12:00 noon
February 18th, March 4th & 18th,
April 1st & 15th, May 6th & 20th

Outreach Food Pantry

Monday Evenings 5:30 to 7:30 pm
February 25th, March 11th & 25th,
April 8th & 22nd, May 13th & 27th

First Glance News

by Ben White, First Glance Donor Development Coordinator

First Glance Urban Youth Center has been on Kenmore Boulevard for eighteen years serving students from ages birth to twenty-nine. One amazing thing we look forward to is throwing an annual Christmas party for them. This year's Christmas party was one of the best yet! We had more than one-hundred and seventy-five students come. We had many volunteers connected to civic and religious organizations all throughout Akron come to serve them an amazing meal. We believe our students deserve the best so we make sure the food and service are high quality. One of the highlights of the evening was having some Kenmore Alumni who graduated Kenmore High in the 1960's come and serve our students (pictured to the right- yes we have those serving food dress for the occasion!). The three gentlemen (and wife) in this picture used to call Kenmore their stomping grounds, and now they're supporting First Glance financially and being a presence in a community they've known for years! We're grateful that First Glance continues to be a place in Kenmore where bridges of community are built!



Some Kenmore High School Alumni volunteering their time to serve First Glance Students

Winter at Park United Methodist Church

by Lauren Presutti

Kenmore Cafe is open the last Tuesday of each month. This community dinner is open to all, bring a friend or two, make a friend or two. These hot, home made dinners are served the last Tuesday of each month from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Plan to join us each month!

Interested in Piano Lessons? Karen currently has openings for students of all ages, youth to seniors. The Annual Spring Piano Recital will be in April at Park Church. Parents and students are encouraged to contact the church office for additional information for this event or for piano lessons with Karen.

The GED Program is ongoing at Park Church. NOW is the time to complete your GED and work towards advancing your education. Please contact Project Learn at 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 has just begun in January! For questions or registration information or to enroll your student, please call the Park Church Office at 330-745-3714.



The First Glance Christmas Party was packed with more than one-hundred and seventy-five students!

Famous Author Visits Sam Salem CLC

by Callie Butcher, Sam Salem CLC

“When you're surrounded by love, you always have hope!” What a wonderful quote from the book, “Ricky the Rock That Couldn't Roll” by Jay Miletsky. The famous children's author made a special visit to Sam Salem CLC and read the book to the student body. The author's theme for his books are to promote tolerance, perseverance, and acceptance. Through his interactive presentation for grades Pre-K through fifth, he also discussed his other written works, how a book gets published, and how he works with illustrators. He also discussed where he gets his inspiration and how kids can become authors. Mr. Miletsky autographed books for students and made special visits to the special education classrooms. Students of all ages and abilities were impacted by this purposeful program. Parents & families were invited to attend this event that was made possible through our building Title 1 funds.



“Hop Into Spring” Craft & Vendor Show

by Barb Elliott

The Kenmore Masonic Lodge, located at 1009 Kenmore Boulevard, will be having their Fifth Annual “Hop Into Spring” Craft & Vendor Show on Saturday March 2nd. This craft show is open 11:00 am to 3:00 pm and will feature over 30 vendors selling everything from handmade jewelry to candles. Admission is free to the public.

This show is still accepting vendors, and vendor costs are \$35. All vendors must supply their own tables. Breakfast and lunch will be available at the show, with proceeds from food sales going to Special Olympics. There will also be an Easter Basket Raffle, door prize raffles, and a 50/50 raffle. For more information please call Barb at 330-414-3540.

Kenmore Youth Football Presents “The Night at the Races”

by Rick G Laney, Kenmore Youth Football Director

As we approach the 2019 Kenmore Youth Football season, I would like to thank all the businesses and the people of our community that supported our fund raisers throughout 2018 season. Whether it was reaching into your pockets and donating at our tagging locations, coming to the games and buying food from our concession, eating dinner at the KYF Chipotle’s night or attending The Night at the Races, we thank you. All of this makes it possible for our organization to provide over 170 young boys and girls an affordable opportunity to participate in our program. The kids greatly appreciate it.

We would like to announce that we are holding our annual “Night at The Races” on March 2nd, 2019 at the VFW on Wilbeth Road. Tickets for Dinner/Drinks/Horse owner are \$20 and Dinner/Drinks are \$10. Doors open at 5:30 pm, Dinner at 6:00 pm and Race betting starts at 7:00 pm. There will be door prizes, raffles and of course the betting wheel. The fun is a free bonus. Advance sales only!

Signups for the 2019 season will be the first weekend of May and June. The exact times will be announced later. Contact us at kyfkenmoreohio@gmail.com or text 330-777-9450 or inbox us on Facebook at Kenmore Youth Football for tickets.

All proceeds will benefit Kenmore Youth Football players and cheerleaders.

We are always looking for volunteers for the Kenmore Youth Football Program. If you would like to volunteer please contact Rick Laney at 330-777-9450, email kyfkenmoreohio@gmail.com, or inbox on Facebook Kenmore Youth Football. Every little bit is appreciated.

Card Tournament to Support Local Youth

On Saturday, February 23rd, the Kenmore Youth Wrestling Club will be holding a Texas Hold ‘Em Tournament to raise money for the organization’s 2019-20 season. Cash tables are \$50 to buy in, \$35 re-buy and \$20 add-ons. There will be raffle baskets, prizes, food, cash bar and more.

The event will take place at the Sokol Center, 888 West Hopocan Avenue in Barberton. Registration starts at 1:00 pm, play starts at 2:00 pm. Only 70 spots are available, so preregistration is strongly encouraged. In-person registrations will be cash only.

For more information, contact cardinalboosters01@gmail.com.

Open Letter from Mindsight NP

by Cameo Crumby , Executive Director, Mindsight NP

My name is Cameo Crumby. I am a 2003 graduate from Kenmore High School. I started a nonprofit organization in 2015 called Mindsight NP with a mission to give inner city youth an outlet through sports and fitness. I believe in giving back to my community and helping those who are coming up behind me. In 2014 I donated brand new football uniforms and the following year a made a generous donation to the Kenmore band. This year I will be giving away two \$1,000 scholarships to two senior Kenmore-Garfield student athletes. I would like to raise more money for next year’s scholarships by doing a 5K on May 18th.

The 5K will start and stop at Kenmore-Garfield High School. We will have vendors and volunteers on site helping and giving away free food and information about the event. I can see this being a great annual event that brings the community together for a good cause.

Thank you for taking the time to read this article about Mindsight NP. We hope you consider becoming a sponsor or making a donation. If you have any questions or need further information, please feel free to contact me at 330-329-5961, via email at mindsightbrand@gmail.com, or visit our website at www.mindsightnp.org.

Sincerely,

Cameo Crumby
Owner/Executive Director
Mindsight NP INC



MINDSIGHT

**Do you have a reunion, fundraiser, or event
to promote in Kenmore?
Please contact John at 330-745-5530 for information
on how to get your event in the next issue!**



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330-753-4505

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Good March 1st to March 5th



Message from The Kenmore Free Store

by Mary Ann Gesaman, Director, Kenmore Free Store

We celebrate another year of generosity from the Kenmore Community. We have had TONS of donations of clothing and household items. In 2018, we have been blessed to be able to assist 2091 families that have 5020 members. Each month approximately 12,000 items are checked out of the store. This does not include items that are not counted - like books, DVD's, CD's.

We were blessed with donations of a 1000 pairs new socks from Bombas, new underwear and socks in the summer from the Bath volunteers and school supplies from Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and Park United Methodist Church.

Our goals for 2019 are to develop more community connections by increasing the number of volunteers and to increase the number corporate donations to assist with funding the costs of running the store. **Volunteers are always welcome at the Free Store.** We have many different types of jobs that can be done while sitting or standing. If you can button a button, zip a zipper, tell if a piece of clothing is stained---we can use your help! Just come to the store whenever we are open, tell us you want to volunteer and we will put you to work. (Tuesdays 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm or Saturday 9:30 am to 12:00 noon).

We are have a **FOCUSED clothing drive every quarter.** The drive will be for items that are always in need at the store. You can be a part of this drive by collecting the needed items and dropping them off at the Free Store when we are open (Tuesdays 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm or Saturday 9:30 am to 12:00 noon) or dropping them into the bright, blue collection bin in the Free Store lot.

- * **Men's clothing (you know men wear their clothing out, whereas women change theirs).**
- * **Blue jeans for all shapes and sizes.**
- * **Household items such as toasters, dishes, pots and pans, utensils, towels, sheets and blankets.**

Any donation to the Free Store is tax-deductible.

The Free Store is located in the same block as Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 2101 17th Street SW. Our email address is kenmorefreestore@yahoo.com and you can connect with us on Facebook. The Free Store is a partnership of Park United Methodist Church and Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.



Clothing at The Free Store



Project Shine Volunteers

PROJECT SHINE - 2019 RESIDENT APPLICATION



The work week for Project Shine 2019 is June 17th through the 21st. During this week, our volunteer teenagers and adults will come together for a week of service, fellowship and learning about Jesus Christ.

If you own your home and are interested in receiving assistance through Project Shine, please fill out this application and return it to the address below as soon as possible. All work will be done on a first come, first serve, as needed basis. *Please keep in mind that submitting this form does not guarantee that you will be selected for this project.*

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Best time to be reached: _____

Please check one or more of the following projects:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Exterior House Painting | <input type="checkbox"/> Interior Painting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Exterior Garage Painting | <input type="checkbox"/> Yard Work / Cleanup / Trimming etc |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Porch / Deck - Paint / Stain | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

Please mail applications to: Project Shine, PO Box 3895, Akron, OH 44314

For questions or further information regarding Project Shine, please visit our website www.projectshineakron.org or email us via projectshineakron@gmail.com.

The 20th Annual Kenmore Holiday Celebration!

The 20th Annual Kenmore Holiday Celebration was a big success on Saturday December 1st! All up & down Kenmore Boulevard, from *The Church on the Boulevard* at 6th Street, to the *Kenmore Community Center*, over to the *Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene*, back down to the *Kenmore Branch Library*, and then up to *Immaculate Conception Church*, past Santa's Sleigh at the *McCutchan Courtyard*, and all the way down to *Park United Methodist Church*, there were children's crafts, business sales & open houses, and costume characters (sponsored by the *Kiwanis Club of Kenmore*), "*The Holiday Dwelf*", & *Santa Claus* himself to entertain everyone. A big crowd waited at *Shadyside Park* that Saturday evening for the prizes of the Adult Raffle, the Children's Treasure Hunt, and the Teen Puzzle Hunt. After the tree lighting ceremony there was music from the Summit Choral Society, and then the evening ended with the annual *Children's Party with Santa* at *Park United Methodist Church*, both sponsored by the *Kenmore Community Council Inc*.

The *Kenmore Chamber of Commerce Events Committee* coordinated this event, and wishes to thank those groups mentioned above. And special thanks to all our volunteers who contributed time & effort to make this day a big success, and to the *Akron Neighborhood Partnership Foundation* & the *City of Akron* for their financial support of this annual event. And please visit those businesses listed on the bottom of this page and thank them for either donating cash or prizes, having a sale or open house, and/or offering free refreshments on this fun-filled day!



Volunteers Start the Day!



Santa Reads at the Library



Nazarene Church Volunteers



Santa in his Sled with Friends



Craft Show at Masonic Temple



Crafts at Financial Emp Center



Refreshments on Boulevard



Summit Choral Society



Some of Santa's Helpers



Historical Society



Making Crafts at Park



Playing Games at IC



Santa at Park Church

A Special thanks to all these Fine Groups & Businesses who Contributed to the Holiday Celebration!

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| A-Z Insurance | Jan Williams | Kenmore Komics & Games | Park United Methodist Church | Smith's House of Carpet |
| Financial Empowerment Center | Kenmore Automotive | Kenmore Masonic Temple #629 | Pierre's Brooklyn Pizza & Deli | Steve's Barbershop |
| First Class Subs | Kenmore Branch Library | Keybank SBA Division | Prentice Funeral Home | Stone's Kenmore Mattress |
| Freedom Tax Service | Kenmore Chamber of Commerce | Kiwanis Club of Kenmore | Redeemed Christian Church of God | Tansations |
| Gary's Barber Shop | Kenmore Community Center | Letter Perfect | Reeves Cake Shop | The Church on the Boulevard |
| Glenn Fisher Jewelry | Kenmore Community Council Inc | Magic City Sports Cards | Regina's Pizza | The Dragon's Mantle |
| Hall of Fame Barbershop | Kenmore Community Nazarene Church | Mike and Karen Freeman | Rocco's Pizza | The Guitar Department |
| | | | | The Rialto Theatre |
| | | | | Todd Young State Farm Ins. |