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## Don't Miss the Last Two Kenmore First Fridays

by Tina Boyes, Executive Director, Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance

Each month, 500-700 of your friends and neighbors are hitting the Boulevard on the first Friday of each month for food trucks, live music, vendors, family activities and more during Kenmore First Fridays.

The events take place 6:00 to 9:00 pm in the Kenmore Boulevard Historic District, and the last two of the year promise to be the best yet! The September 3rd All-Cardinal Class Reunion will feature music from all decades, including Kenmore's own Courtney Trice and her band Eboni Redsoul & Brown Sugah. There will be special appearances throughout the night by everyone's favorite mascot.



### Friends enjoy eats from Macho Nacho, The Nite Owl, Kona Ice and more

Then, on October 1st, Oddmall, one of Ohio's largest and most unique exhibitions of art and artifice will line the streets as attendees wait for the Kenmore Grassman to make his appearance. Live music from Hey Mavis and other twangy favorites are sure to entertain.

New this year at Kenmore First Fridays is the EarthQuaker Devices pedalboard at The Guitar Department, where you can try out a new guitar while testing EarthQuaker's line of fuzz-inducing pedals, all of which are available at The Guitar Department. In addition, the Akorn Jammers open mic night led by Ralph Obert is in the McCutchan Courtyard.



### Detention rocks on August 6th

Kenmore resident Mapi Byler said she and her family enjoy the community aspect of First Friday, as well as supporting local businesses and musicians. "We love First Friday because it brings our community together and it invites others to come and enjoy it, too," she said.

For more information on Kenmore First Fridays, follow the Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance Facebook page or visit [betterkenmore.org/events](http://betterkenmore.org/events).

(Some Photos by Kristi Watson, Power Photography)



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## Salon, Law Firm Locate to Kenmore Boulevard

by Tina Boyes, Executive Director, Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance

What do a hairdresser and a lawyer have in common?

They both recently opened new businesses on Kenmore Boulevard!

Since she was 11 years old, Markesha Lawson has been providing expert styling to friends, family and clients. At her new salon, **Beauty by Law Salon and Spa**, located 930 Kenmore Boulevard, she'll offer hair and nail services with massages, esthetician services and boutique forthcoming.

"I love servicing the public and making people happy," Markesha said. "I was referred with great recommendation to Kenmore and I look forward to becoming part of the Kenmore community."

**Beauty by Law Salon and Spa** is open every other Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 7:30 pm and Saturdays 8:00 am to 6:00 pm. To make an appointment, please visit [styleseat.com/beautybylawsalonspa](http://styleseat.com/beautybylawsalonspa) or call 234-817-6192.

Down the street at 1014 Kenmore Boulevard is the **Law Office of Marc Solnick**, a man who always knew he'd be back in Akron. A graduate of Kent State University and the University of Akron School, he jumped at the chance to own the property at 1014 Kenmore Boulevard almost as soon as it hit the market.

"We see a lot of potential here and we're looking forward to helping grow the Boulevard and be part of the community," he said. "I see so much more opportunity than almost anywhere else. You can find warm, gracious people, a working-class mentality, but still having a high-quality product across all industries. And so, we're going to be doing the same thing here. And be a part of making this place better than it was when I got here."

The **Law Office of Marc Sconick's** Boulevard location will be managed by John D. Hoffman, also a UA Law School graduate. The practice offers business law, criminal law, bankruptcy, foreclosure defense, landlord/tenant, copyright/trademark, divorce/family law, civil litigation, trusts and estates, and more. For more information, or to schedule a free consultation, please contact them at 330-800-9565 or [Office@Scolnicklaw.com](mailto:Office@Scolnicklaw.com).



Markesha Lawson at Beauty by Law Salon and Spa



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## Freedom Tax Service Has a New Home

**Freedom Tax Service** has a new home at 1028 Kenmore Boulevard, the former McCutcheon Heating Company building near Kenmore Komics & Games. Owner Jeff Vujevich said he is excited about the move. "This gives us a great building in which to house our growing business," he said, "A business that now includes even more insurance and financial planning resources than ever."

**Freedom Tax Service** opened on the Boulevard in November 2008 with Jeff and David "Doc" Holiday. Since Doc's passing, Kathy Smith (formerly of the city of Akron) has joined the staff. According to Jeff, "Kathy is a great addition to the team, and she loves serving the Kenmore community."

**Freedom Tax Service** offers personal and business tax preparation, payroll services, bookkeeping and accounting. They specialize in serving musicians, artists and gig workers as well. Jeff is a licensed insurance agent offering Medicare supplements and Medicare Advantage plans through United Healthcare.



**Jeff Vujevich & Kathy Smith of Freedom Tax Service**

In addition, Jeff recently teamed with Paragon Tax Planners in Brunswick to offer tax planning services. "Taxes impact everything we do, so it makes sense to plan your finances from a tax perspective," Jeff said. "Higher taxes will return to us all in 2026 when the 2017 tax cuts end, so it is important for everyone to know how taxes will impact their incomes both while they are working and as they retire."

Will you be in a higher tax bracket when you retire? **Freedom Tax Service** can help you answer that question. Call them at 330-753-5000 or visit them at 1028 Kenmore Boulevard Monday through Friday. You can also follow them on FaceBook at Freedom Tax Akron or online at [www.freedomtaxakron.com](http://www.freedomtaxakron.com).



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by Jeanne-Hélène Roy, Executive Director, Akron Promise

Akron Promise is pleased to announce its Beer Tasting Fundraiser Event! Join us from 7:00 to 10:00 pm on Thursday August 19th at The Rialto Theater (1000 Kenmore Boulevard) to taste a selection of Rubber City brews from Akronym Brewing, Missing Falls Brewery, R Shea Brewing, Lock 15 Brewing Company, and Eighty-Three Brewery.

The event will include commentary by renowned local beer author/enthusiast Rick Armon, live music, light refreshments, and a raffle. All proceeds will go directly to Akron Promise's Kenmore-Garfield Stark State scholarship fund.

For more information or to purchase tickets or make a donation, please go to [www.eventbrite.com/e/akron-promise-beer-tasting-fundraiser-tickets-161266445279](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/akron-promise-beer-tasting-fundraiser-tickets-161266445279) or contact Nena Roy at [nena@akronpromise.org](mailto:nena@akronpromise.org).




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## So Fresh Used Auto Sales Brings Art Gallery and Market to Kenmore

by Charlee Harris

“I wanted to provide a permanent art space and market for the community,” - Jacqueline Harris

As the owner of **So Fresh Used Auto Sales**, Jacqueline Harris is highly esteemed for partnering with local small businesses to establish the **East Ave Flea Market**. Within these last three years of inviting the community to indulge in these businesses, a range of makers have evolved into permanent fixtures in the Kenmore area.

Jacqueline Harris shares with us, “I love seeing how much some of our original vendors have grown and expanded. Watching them go from little tables to now big professional booths at different events around town makes me proud”

Skinsations, SweetlyCreated4You, Mizz Shake Sum and Weezie Cakes, all Kenmore First Friday fan favorites, are all accessible weekly at the **East Ave Market**.

**So Fresh Used Auto Sales** recently underwent extensive renovation on their lobby and display room in order to make way for a new art gallery and market. The **East Ave Market and Gallery** (formerly known as the East Ave Flea Market) will now have a home in this space. The **East Ave Market and Gallery** will concentrate on supporting local vendors and makers, by providing a space for them to sell products. With the addition of the gallery space, they will now be able to feature local artists from a variety of mediums.

In June **East Ave Market and Gallery** started presenting a Second Saturday event. The Second Saturday event features food trucks, live entertainment, local vendors and provides an opportunity for the community to view new featured artists monthly. The event runs from June to November on the second Saturday of each month.

**East Ave Market and Gallery** is located at 2290 East Avenue with hours of operation being Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm.



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# Councilman's Corner

## City Council at Your Fingertips

First off, allow me to apologize to you for this article if you are not an internet user. I do, however, think it is necessary for this information to be shared. Many City Council resources are at your fingertips by visiting our website.

**Akroncitycouncil.org** - This site is the portal to all that we do.

\* Here you will see all past and upcoming legislation as well as scheduled public hearings.

\* Perhaps you are interested in coming to Council and presenting a concern of issue. The form necessary for submission can be found at this site.

\* A video link to all past committee meetings as well as our regular meetings is found here as well. (For those of you who are YouTube users, these meetings can be viewed via a live stream.)

\* A comprehensive guide as to how Council conducts its business along with FAQs is available at this site.

If you cannot find an answer to your question(s), please call the Council office at 330-375-2256.

We are back to meeting at City Hall! After nearly 16 months of online meetings, Council has now resumed meeting in person. Online meetings were successful, and the legislative process did not suffer. However, we are glad to be back meeting in person.

Our Monthly Ward meetings have resumed. Each first Tuesday of each month, we meet at the Kenmore Senior Community Center, 880 Kenmore Boulevard. The meeting commences at 7:00 pm.

## 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 September 7th.

Finally, our deepest condolences go out to the family of Councilman Rich Swirsky. We recently lost Councilman Swirsky to leukemia. Rich was an asset to all we did, and his absence will be keenly felt.

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August 24: Planet Earth

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Thursday, September 23

6:00 pm

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## Teen/Tween Paint & Popsicles Palooza!

Tuesday, August 24, 4:00 pm

Relax and paint with friends after the first day back to class in the cool of the library. Paint supplies and popsicles provided. Open to students in 5-12 grade.

## Teen/Tween Anime & Manga Club

Tuesday, August 31, 4:00 pm

This is the first of an anime/manga club that will meet every other month to share and discover books and films in this genre. Snacks will be provided.

## Book Clubs to Go (All ages!)

Pick up a new selection each month. No meetings, no deadlines, just good books! Discussion questions, read-alike lists, and author information are included.

## Sounds of Akron: Charlie Wiener - Songs and Stories

Thursday, September 2, 6:00 pm

Charlie Wiener combines story with song, sometimes in a humorous way or to illustrate, always to entertain. Songs touch the heart, kindle memories, evoke emotion; background stories enrich experience.

## Let's Grow Akron Seasonal Cooking Demos-

Thursdays: September 9, 6:00 pm

October 14, 6:00 pm

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## Manhattan Short Film Fest

Saturday, October 2, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

## Summit Academy Akron-Secondary School Steel Drum Army-and Caribbean Party!

Saturday, October 23 2021, 11:30am - 1:30pm

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## STEM Activities for Preschool - Grade 5 On Zoom, Kits available one week ahead of the event

**Marshmallow Shooters** - Wednesday, September 8, 10:00 am

**STEM Dinosaur Eggs** - Wednesday, September 22, 10:00 am

## Teen /Tween Keep Calm & Relax On - Study, Snacks & Stress Balls!

Tuesday, September 14, 4:00 pm

This is an open room to get caught up on homework or just chill with a few friends. Make an after school snack and your own stress ball! Kits available on dates listed above. While supplies last.

## Teen/Tween Magic Inflatable Balloon in a Bottle Zoom Program

Tuesday, September 21

Chime in to learn how you can inflate a balloon in a bottle to amaze your friends! Kits will be available for pick-up beginning Monday, September 20 and available through Friday, September 24.

## Cheese Louise! Teen/Tween Program - Mac-N-Cheese Pasta Program

Tuesday, September 28, 4:00 pm

If you like Mac-N-Cheese this program is for you! We will explore the history of this favorite dish while sampling some different kinds. Make a noodle craft for fun!

## Meet the Authors - Local Authors Exhibition

Saturday, October 9, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

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## Sounds of Akron: Marc Lee Shannon - Music and the Message of Hope in Recovery

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*It all started when we decided to bring Brilliance to Akron. Kenmore is the perfect neighborhood for Brilliance to call home because its residents deserve a local, high-performing school in their neighborhood that cares about them, from the littlest learners to the grandparents.*



*At our Community Days, Eat & Greets, and Back-to-School Bash, we raffled off amazing prizes to scholars and their families. Though we were giving prizes away, the Brilliance team feels like we're winning because of the amazing community we've found here in Akron.*



*Brilliance isn't just a team—we're a family! Whether you're a dad, grandparent, or auntie, we will support you and make you our partner, giving you the tools to better support your scholar. Strong families raise strong children, and Kenmore is the perfect place to start our Brilliance family!*

*In addition to attending and hosting community events, the Brilliance team has met families at their doors and in their neighborhoods. Our passionate principal, Ms. Ivy Dodd, shares her love for the community every day as she builds a caring support network for our scholars.*



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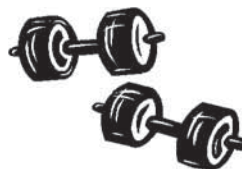
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## From Minnesota to Akron: Margaret Tulay Engages with Kenmore-Garfield High School Students through Akron Promise's Student Success Team

by Jeanne-Hélène Roy

Just five years ago, if you'd have mentioned Kenmore to Minnesota native Margaret Tulay, she wouldn't have been able to readily identify the reference - beyond perhaps a brand of appliances sold by Sears. Since then, the University of Akron education major slated to graduate in December has become a fixture of Kenmore-Garfield High School (KGHS) where, through her work with Akron Promise's Student Success Team (SST), she regularly interacts with Kenmore's high schoolers, guiding them to post-secondary pathways and self-sufficiency.

Tulay moved to Akron after having kicked off her college career in Omaha, where she served as goalkeeper for the University of Nebraska women's soccer team. After experiencing some setbacks there, Tulay, 22, whose father hails from Liberia, chose to continue her degree in Akron to experience living in a more racially diverse area as a means of more authentically connecting with her Black identity. Thanks to the University of Akron's EX[L] Center's experiential learning internship program, which strives to help students become locally engaged leaders, Tulay hooked up with Akron Promise two and a half years ago.

In the SST's bi-monthly meetings with KGHS students, Tulay harnesses her natural sense of leadership to connect with the group, challenging them to identify their personal strengths and goals as well as to devise better time management strategies. Self-assured yet relaxed in her approach, Tulay devises well-crafted activities that prompt students to engage with each other, teaching them invaluable teamwork skills that they can readily transfer to their next chapter of life, whatever it may be.

Tulay relishes the opportunities Akron Promise affords her, especially at KGHS, where she's able to make meaningful connections with the student cohort, many of whom can identify with her as a young Black woman - a role model not significantly older than they are. In the short term, Tulay hopes to work in the Akron area, both teaching special needs children and assisting in "taking Akron Promise and making it mobile," as she remarks, meaning that she'd like to help the non-profit expand to serve more students across the city. In a handful of years, Tulay envisions living in a townhouse in Washington, D.C., where she can take her career aspirations to the next level, both in the classroom and in effecting change at the policy level.

Akron Promise is a non-profit organization that strives to shape and implement a community-involved culture of education in Akron. Along with other local stakeholders, Akron Promise directs students and families to appropriate opportunities, resources, and supports as it mentors Akron Public School students through high school into post-secondary pathways.

Akron Promise's Student Success Team currently focuses on Kenmore-Garfield high school, where it holds bi-monthly meetings, in addition to providing ACT Testing Support programs and FAFSA workshops to prepare students in applying for the Kenmore-Garfield Stark State College Scholarship.



**Margaret Tulay**

For more information on Akron Promise and the SST, please see [www.facebook.com/AkronPromise](http://www.facebook.com/AkronPromise) or [www.AkronPromise.Org](http://www.AkronPromise.Org).

Or please contact Dr. Jeanne-Hélène Roy, Executive Director at [vena@akronpromise.org](mailto:vena@akronpromise.org) (330) 715-5598



**Don't Forget to Visit the Friday Night Car Cruises at Prentice Funeral Home, 1154 Kenmore Boulevard**



# Summer 2021 at Kenmore Community Center

by Alice Incorvia, Supervisor, Kenmore Community Center

Summer 2021 at Kenmore Community Center was not only bustling with the usual programming of exercise classes, bingo, card playing, line dancing, movies and more, but also included summer camps for the kids. This summer, unlike last summer, campers were permitted to go on field trips and celebrate the summer activities. Camps this summer included swim lessons at Perkins Pool, afternoon trips to Patterson Park splash pad, Golf Camp at Mud Run, Photography Camp, and Drawing & Painting Camp, all with field trips throughout the Akron area. Fun with friends and a summer of great memories were appreciated by all this year!



## Akron Promise is seeking mentors for 2021-2022



Make a difference in your community!  
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nena@akronpromise.org

## Get Paid to Improve the Boulevard

by Tina Boyes, Executive Director, KNA

Once again, Block by Block and Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance are seeking a paid Boulevard Ambassador to clean up litter, pull weeds, report safety and infrastructure issues, and offer courteous assistance to businesses, visitors and community members in the Kenmore Boulevard Historic District. For more information, please contact [lmobley@blockbyblock.com](mailto:lmobley@blockbyblock.com) or 330-374-7612.



Kenmore Boulevard Historic District (Photo by Jesse Barton)



# Trunk or Treat On Kenmore Boulevard

by Charles Wilson

Because of the Covid-19 pandemic, last years Halloween events had a real challenge in finding ways to safely pass out candy to our children. One such way was to hold a Trunk or Treat event, where vehicles were spaced in a large parking lot and the owners safely handed out treats to the children who paraded past the open trunks.

Last year Schlup Pucak Funeral Home held a Trunk or Treat at their parking lot between 8th & 9th Streets on Kenmore Boulevard. Due to its success, they will again hold this event this year on Saturday October 30th, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. The Funeral Home will partner with Just A Dad From Akron for this event. They also will have help from 4 Bros and A Sis Lemonade Stand.



# Cub Scout Pack 3210 News

by Missie Sloan

Cub Scout Pack 3210 will be having our “First Night” back on September 16th at 7:00 pm. This will be for grades K-5. Both boys and girls are welcome to join.

Regular meetings are Lions (kindergarten) and Tigers (1st grade) alternate every other week on Thursdays at 6:00 pm. Wolves (2nd grade) and Bears (3rd grade) every Thursday at 6:45 pm. Webelos (4th grade) and Arrow of Light (5th grade) meet on Mondays at 7:00 pm. All meetings and the “First Night” will be at Park United Methodist Church 2304 24th Street. For more information please contact Missie at 330-937-5666.

We also have a boys Scout Troop for grades 6-12 that meets at 7:00 pm on Mondays.

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**Mobile Meals**  
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10:15 am and 11:30 am  
for meal reservation.

**One Mile Walk**  
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**Akron Big Band**  
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**Penny Bingo**  
Tuesdays 12:30 pm  
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**Card Playing**  
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**Men's Breakfast**  
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**Floor Yoga**  
5:00 pm Tuesday & Thursday  
Fitness pass required.

**Chair Yoga**  
9:30 am Friday  
Fitness pass required.

**Billiard's Table**  
12:00 noon  
Tuesday thru Thursday

**Video Exercise**  
9:30 am Monday thru Thursday  
12:00 noon Monday & Wednesday

**Meditative Coloring**  
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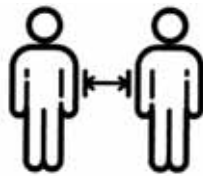
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# Kenmore Historical Society News

by Jan Williams

The year 2021 is a special anniversary for our Society. Twenty years ago a group of Kenmore residents met and decided to form an organization whose purpose would be to promote an interest in our history. Over the years we have collected documents, records, and various memorabilia. We have met on the last Monday of most months offering members and other guests a chance to share memories of their lives growing up in this neighborhood.

At one time everything a citizen needed was right here in Kenmore. Our Boulevard was Kenmore's Main Street. We had our own City Hall with a courthouse, jail, and library. We had our own fire station and police force. Offices for doctors and dentists and drug stores provided our residents with medical care. Two movie theaters, a bowling alley, bars, pool halls, and soda shops kept us entertained. Hair salons, a cobbler shop, a tailors, cleaners, hardware stores provided needed services. Bakeries, restaurants, and grocery stores kept us nourished. We even had our own YMCA on the Boulevard.

Over the years we have offered support to other organizations in our community such as our schools, churches, athletic teams, veterans, scouts, and the canal society.

We hope to continue promoting our community for many years ahead, but we need the support of our neighbors and alumni. Without our high school, we need every effort to preserve our heritage. Much is being done to improve the Boulevard. We should be attending the planned activities and supporting our businesses.

We are Forever Cardinals and we should Believe in Kenmore!



Kenmore police and firemen in front of City Hall in 1921





Inside McDowell's Pharmacy in 1923

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# The Chapel in Kenmore News

by Pastor Ben White



We believe that Kenmore is on the verge of something significant! We see little glimpses of this from time to time amidst our network of friends. We're working to regularly bring life to the Boulevard. Just a Dad from Akron, the Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance, First Glance, and the Chapel in Kenmore have been partnering to throw cookouts every fourth Sunday of the month. The next two will be on September 26th and October 24th if the weather allows. We had a really fun time at the one we put together on May 23rd, which included free ice cream cones, hot dogs, chips, and sodas. And hey, we even had a certain strange dude dress up like Hot Dog! Here are some fun pictures from that day.



# Manchester Road Bridge Sports New Art

by Tina Boyes, Executive Director, Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance



**Artist Lindsey Jo Scott Brings Her Mural to Life**



**Art Bomb Brigade Kevin Richards Helps Out**

Thank you to Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance, The Art Bomb Brigade and the Akron Civic Commons for helping to create a fun entrance on to Kenmore Boulevard from Manchester Road. Stay tuned for more improvements coming soon!



**The Beautification Art done to the Manchester Road Bridge**

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## Allenside Presbyterian Church

410 Rexford Street  
330-753-6405

Find us on FaceBook @ allenside presbyterian church

Pastor Frances Fischer

Hours of Service

Hours of Service may change due to COVID-19

See FaceBook for Worship Times

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. "Feed the Need" financial contributions accepted for distribution to local food ministries.

## Calvary Open Bible Church

2261 9th Street SW  
330-818-6615

email: [calvaryobcakron@yahoo.com](mailto: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 Christian Chapel

2306 18th Street SW  
330-488-7855

[pastordwaynecummings@gmail.com](mailto:pastordwaynecummings@gmail.com)

Pastor Dwayne Cummings

Hours of Service

Sunday School 10:30 am

Sunday Worship Service 11:00 am

Wednesday Evening Bible Study 7:00 pm

Community Services Offered  
Spanish Speaking Service Provided

## First Baptist Church of Kenmore

2330 East Avenue  
330-745-3619

[church@fbcok.com](mailto:church@fbcok.com)

[www.fbcok.com](http://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](http://www.gosschurch.org)

Pastor Kevin Burkholder  
Youth Director Caleb Nichols

Hours of Service

Sunday School 9:15 am

Sunday Morning Service 10:30 am

(also available online on the Goss Memorial Facebook page)

Please see the website for up-to-date service information for Sunday Evening and Wednesday Programming

## Hope United Methodist Church

2650 Cory Avenue  
330-753-2303

[officehumc@gmail.com](mailto:officehumc@gmail.com)

Pastor John M. Tsironis

Hours of Service

Sunday Morning Service 10:30 am

## Immaculate Conception of Mary Parish

2101 17th Street SW  
330-753-8429

[ickenmore@yahoo.com](mailto:ickenmore@yahoo.com)

[www.ickenmore.org](http://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 5:30 pm Mass.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Mondays 7:00 pm (September thru May).

Community Services Offered

Food Pantry (at Maher Hall)

Thursday afternoons 12 noon to 2 pm - requires referral from InfoLine (330-376-4850).

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

Kenmore A.A. Saturday Nite (at Hitch Hall) Saturdays 8:00 pm.

Kenmore Community Meal - Free take-out meal available the last Tuesday of the month from 5:00 to 6:30 pm. Pick-up in front of 2126 16th Street SW (partnership with Park United Methodist Church).

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

Bingo Gaming Program plans to reopen on Wednesdays in October.

For questions please call 330-753-8429 between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm weekdays.

## Kenmore Community Church the of Nazarene

2025 12th Street SW  
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[kenmorenazarene@gmail.com](mailto:kenmorenazarene@gmail.com)

[www.kenmorenaz.org](http://www.kenmorenaz.org)

Facebook - Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene

Reverend Terry W. Passmore, Senior Pastor  
Pastor Gary L Kinney, Associate Pastor

Hours of Service

Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 am

Wednesday Evening Children & Youth Services

6:00 to 7:00 pm

Wednesday Evening Adult Bible Study

6:00 to 7:00 pm

Office Hours - Monday 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

and Wednesday 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Community Services Offered

Please call the church office for an appointment for our food pantry

## King's Way Alliance Church

2500 Kingsport Way  
330-848-1403

[www.kwachurch.org](http://www.kwachurch.org)

Pastor Eric Francisco

Hours of Service

Sunday School 9:30 am

Sunday Worship Service 10:45 am

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859 Witner Avenue  
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Pastor Scott Johnson

Hours of Service

Sunday Worship Service 10:30 am

Wednesday Life Bible Study 7:00 pm

Community Services Offered

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2308 24th Street SW  
330-745-3714

[parkchurch@sbcglobal.net](mailto:parkchurch@sbcglobal.net)  
[www.akronparkumc.org](http://www.akronparkumc.org)

Pastor Dave Haydu

Hours of Service

Sunday Traditional Worship 9:00 am

Children's Church 9:00 am

Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study 1:00 pm

Wednesday Morning Bible Study 9:30 am

Wednesday Evening Worship 6:30-7:30 pm

Community Services Offered

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## Praise Chapel Assembly of God

1204 McIntosh Avenue  
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Pastor Robert Shank

Hours of Service

Sunday Morning Service 10:30 am

Wednesday Evening Bible Study 7:00 pm

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966 Kenmore Boulevard  
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[jesushouseakron@gmail.com](mailto:jesushouseakron@gmail.com)  
[www.jesushouseakron.org](http://www.jesushouseakron.org)

Pastor Enoch A. Adeboye (General Overseer)

Pastor Yisa Sunmonu (Parish Pastor)

Hours of Service

Sunday Workers Prayer Meeting 10:00 am to 10:30 am

Sunday School 10:30 am to 11:00 am

Sunday Service 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Thursday Bible Study 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

(online, due to Covid pandemic).

Monthly Holy Ghost Service 9:00 pm to 12:00, last Friday  
of every month (ON HOLD, due to Covid pandemic).

Saturday House Fellowship 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm  
(online, due to Covid pandemic).

Community Services Offered

Non perishable food items are accepted for food  
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and schools during the holidays.

## Shoreline Community Church

790 Carnegie Avenue  
330-753-9241

[office@shorelinechurchakron.com](mailto:office@shorelinechurchakron.com)  
[www.shorelinechurchakron.com](http://www.shorelinechurchakron.com)

Dr. Scott Campbell

Hours of Service

Sunday Praise & Worship 11:00 am

Sunday Live Stream message begins at 11:25 am

Wednesday Live Stream Bible Study 7:00 pm

View Live Stream Messages at:

[www.shorelinechurchakron.com](http://www.shorelinechurchakron.com)

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Community Services Offered

Drive Thru Food Pantry Service every Friday

Check-in is 10:00 to 10:15 am to receive food.

## The Chapel in Kenmore

943 Kenmore Boulevard (enter through back alley)  
330-221-2781

[www.kenmore.thechapel.life](http://www.kenmore.thechapel.life)

<https://www.facebook.com/Chapelktown>

<https://www.instagram.com/chapelkenmore/>

Lead Campus Pastor: Ben White

Hours of Service

In person worship outside with donuts and coffee

Sundays at 10:30 am at 952 Kenmore Boulevard

(Next to Live Music Now)

Will be inside if raining or cold at 943 Kenmore Blvd.

(Through the alley behind First Glance).

Digital Church Gathering with

in-depth teaching & creative elements

every Sunday at 5:00 pm through our

Youtube Page <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwVVBXqHG0mI9IDm31qSLlrA>

or our Facebook Page at

<https://www.facebook.com/Chapelktown>.

Community Services Offered

Cookout outside weather permitting

at 952 Kenmore Boulevard

or lunch inside at 943 Kenmore Boulevard

every fourth Sunday of the month

from 12:30 to 2:30 pm

(8/22, 9/26, 10/24, 11/28).

Blessing Box with non-perishables

and other items available

during outdoor Sunday gatherings.

## The Church on the Boulevard

754 Kenmore Boulevard  
330-745-8634

[www.thechurchontheboulevard.co](http://www.thechurchontheboulevard.co)  
[www.facebook.com/kenmorechurchblvd](https://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 below for a list of Community Services.

## 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, Nursery available,  
Streamed live on Facebook at  
[www.facebook.com/KenmoreChurchBlvd](https://www.facebook.com/KenmoreChurchBlvd)  
and presented on YouTube later Sunday.

“Celebrate Recovery” every Friday at 6:30 pm  
“Alcoholics Anonymous” 7 days a week at 7:00 am  
and Saturday at 11:00 am

“Narcotics Anonymous” Sunday at 7:30 pm,  
Monday-Friday at 12 noon, Tuesday at 7:00 pm,  
Wednesday at 6:00 pm, Friday at 9:30 pm,  
Saturday at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm

## Outreach Food Pantry

Monday Mornings 10:00 am to 12:00 noon  
September 6th,  
October 4th, November 1st

## Outreach Food Pantry

Monday Evenings 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm  
September 20th,  
October 13th, November 15th

## CoB Community and Family Dinner

Every Wednesday, 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm  
August 25th, September 15th & 29th,  
October 13th & 27th,  
November 10th & 24th

## Allenside Presbyterian Church

by Frances Fischer

Allenside Presbyterian Church is located at 410 Rexford Street, which is close to the Manchester and Waterloo Road intersection. We are a neighborhood church who loves music and has a soloist that performs our anthems and leads our hymns on Sundays. We are a missional congregation with a group of ladies, the “Mad Hatters” that spend 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm on Wednesday afternoons throughout the year making hats, blankets, and doll clothing to share with hospitals, schools, and non-profit organizations in the community.

Please join us for worship on Sunday mornings or on Wednesday afternoons to make hats, blankets, and doll clothing. We can be reached at 330-753-6405.



Some of the hats, blankets, and doll clothing the “Mad Hatters” make at Allenside Church



Houston Hall has Remodeled Their Patio to Allow for More Outdoor Dining

Check Out the Houston Hall ad on Page 6 for More Details



### New Beginnings Boutique and Thrift 932 Kenmore Boulevard 234-678-8238

We sell gentle used clothing, housewares and electronics as an ongoing fundraiser for Akron Say No to Dope INC to provide placement in detox, treatment & sober living to those who wish to turn from addiction.

Our Goal is to see lives changed!

 50% OFF  
All In-Store  
Clothing  
(Must present coupon)

Monday to Friday  
11 am to 5 pm  
Saturday 10 am to 2 pm  
Donations Accepted Daily!



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[uwsummitmedina.org](http://uwsummitmedina.org)





# Kenmore Free Store News



by Mary Ann Gesaman, Managing Director, Kenmore Free Store

“Grace, freely received, grace freely given”:

The Kenmore Free Store is open again. Come see us on Tuesdays from 4:00 to 7:00 pm and on Saturdays from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. Donations are accepted during store hours. We have clothing and shoes for all ages, household items, kitchen items, toys and some furniture. We can't wait to see you!

The Kenmore Free Store is located at 2101 17th Street SW, next to the Immaculate Catholic Conception Church.

We can be contacted at 330-606-2878.



The Volunteers at the Kenmore Free Store

**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!**



## Izzy Approved Puzzles for Rain or Shine!



**Kenmore Comics & Games**  
**1020 Kenmore Boulevard • 330-745-5530**

Kenmore Comics & Games  
**20% OFF**  
Any 1 Puzzle!  
with this coupon  
valid until September 25th, 2021



FOOD  
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FAMILY  
FUN



# KENMORE FIRST FRIDAY



6-9 PM



## 9/3 ALL-CARDINAL CLASS REUNION

A funky dance party for all the decades featuring:

Colin John

Eboni Redsoul and Brown Sugah

Matthew Alec & the Soul Electric

## 10/1 GREAT GRASSMAN GATHERING

Oddmall art & oddities + music with a twang featuring:

Madison Cummins

Daveferatu & the Highland Squares

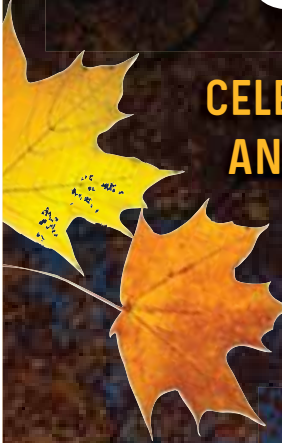
Hey Mavis

[betterkenmore.org](http://betterkenmore.org)



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