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## “Light the BLVD” Returns December 2nd

by Corey Jenkins, Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance

What began as a way to spread joy to Kenmore residents during the COVID-19 pandemic has quickly become a holiday tradition.

On Friday December 2nd from 6 to 9 pm, Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance and the Kenmore Boulevard business district will host the third-annual “Light the BLVD” event, featuring dozens of freshly decorated storefronts, live music, a fully lit median and holiday activities for the whole family to enjoy.

Kenmore’s newest live music venue, Buzzbin Art Music & Shop, will host a holiday sing along with Rubber City Ukes and Missile Toe, “the world’s greatest Christmas band”. In addition, The Rialto Theatre will host night one of its second-annual Kenmore Winter Break Music Festival. Other musicians will perform in select shops, and Santa Claus will be on hand for pictures and to spread some holiday cheer to families.



**Santa Will be on Hand  
for Pictures on December 2nd**



**Kenmore Boulevard Trees and  
Storefronts Come Alive with Lights**

“This is a great opportunity for the community to come together, get in the spirit and support our local businesses,” said Tina Boyes, Executive Director of the Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance.

Throughout the season, you’ll be able to vote for your favorite decorated storefront on Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance’s Facebook page @kenmoreohio. The decorator of the most loved window will be awarded a \$100 gift certificate to their favorite Kenmore Boulevard business.

For a full list of Light the BLVD artists, specials and locations, visit [betterkenmore.org/events](http://betterkenmore.org/events)

## Kenmore Youth Football “Night at the Races”

by Rick G. Laney

Get ready Kenmore Community and mark your calendars. The Kenmore Youth Football will again be holding our annual KYF “Night at the Races”. We will also be honoring our biggest supporter of this event, Kathy Lindeman, who passed away October 21st, 2022 ... such a nice lady!



Where: VFW Hall at 690 West Waterloo Road      When: March 11th, 2023.



We will be doing some new things to make it even more fun. Please follow us on Facebook (Kenmore Youth Football) for upcoming ticket sale information. For other information please contact Rick Laney at [kfkenmoreohio@gmail.com](mailto:kfkenmoreohio@gmail.com) or 330-777-9450. Its always a good time, and as always THANK YOU for supporting “Our Kids”!

## Paninoteca Now Open at The Rialto Theatre

by Ted Lehr, Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance

There is just something about a really great sandwich. Even the bad ones are good. But an exceptional sandwich is special. It's greater than the sum of its parts. It's magical.

This is something that Michael McElroy innately understands. McElroy is the owner and creative mind behind **Paninoteca**, Kenmore's newest eatery. Nestled in the front room of **The Rialto Theatre**, **Paninoteca** boasts a menu of mouthwatering sandwiches designed by McElroy. "The secret to a good sandwich is quality bread and fresh ingredients," he reveals during a recent phone interview. "I try to keep it local. I go shopping every day for the items I use. You have to have tomatoes that are ripe. I use meats that are cut daily with no nitrates or MSG. I spend the extra money for good stuff."

Good ingredients alone, however, aren't quite enough. McElroy offers two extras that make his food exceptional: experience and passion. The Canton native has traveled the world. His work as a photographer has taken him from Cuba and Mexico to Italy and India. He has encountered firsthand what different pockets of the world have to offer in a culinary sense and distilled that information through his sensibility and taste.

But then there is the passion. That part can't be bought or faked. Whether he is talking about his devotion to social and environmental issues or his vision for the Boulevard District, passion seeps from him. And that, like with any talented artist, will show up in their work. In his case, the food. And speaking of the Boulevard District, why Kenmore?

"It was just a whim," McElroy recalled. A conversation with his editor in New York led him back to Ohio, where he found a building for rent in Kenmore. Sometime during the pandemic, he decided that he wanted to open an eatery. The nearby Rialto just happened to have a small kitchen space available. The rest, as they say, is history.

Though it's been open for the last month, **Paninoteca** will have its grand opening on November 26th from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. Featuring samples off the menu (sandwiches, soups and a heralded homemade chai latte), the official launch might be your first visit to **Paninoteca**, but it assuredly will not be your last.

**Paninoteca** is located in The Rialto Living Room at 1000 Kenmore Boulevard. It is open Wednesday through Saturday from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm, and again from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. To place a to-go order, call 330-510-1486.

For more details, look for Paninoteca Akron on Facebook or follow them on Instagram @Paninoteca\_Akron.



**Michael McElroy in the Paninoteca Kitchen**  
(Photograph by Jason Chamberlain)

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## Kickin It In Kenmore with Tim Strickland of Stricklands Automotive

by Charlee Harris

Summer is over but we are still Kickin it in Kenmore! In this edition we stopped by **Stricklands Automotive** to talk with Tim Strickland, the current owner and operator. **Stricklands Automotive** is a family owned business that has been in operation for over 30 years. They have a rich history in Kenmore and they pride themselves on being honest with customers.

“We really don’t need to advertise over the years, we have used word of mouth and most of our clients are friends and family” said Tim.

Tim enjoys hunting, fishing and golfing, in fact one week out of the year he shuts down the shop to go hunting. When asked if he has any tips for first time hunters he suggested going with a group of cool people and having patience. Tim also suggested slow cooking venison in a crock pot to remove the gamey taste.

“There is still a lot of great people here in Kenmore” said Tim.

Tim has been operating **Stricklands Automotive** for the last 10 years and is hopeful for the changes happening to the neighborhood. We both agreed that there are a lot of great talented people in Kenmore and from Kenmore. Tim remembers a time when residents knew the police by name and hopes that Kenmore could get back to having neighborhood cops.

**Stricklands Automotive** is located at 2110 East Avenue. Hours of operation are 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday thru Friday. They can be reached at 330-745-6333.



Tim Strickland of  
Stricklands Automotive

## Happy 90th Birthday to Reeves Cake Shop Owner Dolores Reeves!

by John Buntin Jr, President of Kenmore Chamber of Commerce

The Kenmore Chamber of Commerce wishes Dolores Reeves of **Reeves Cake Shop** a Happy 90th Birthday! Born October 4th, 1932, Dolores’ family threw a surprise birthday party for her at George Fellowship Hall on Sunday October 2nd.

Dolores is still working at the family business she created over 45 years ago, **Reeves Cake Shop** (a KCOC member), is still an active participant in her church, **Hope United Methodist Church** (another KCOC member), and involved in many community organizations, including the **Kenmore Chamber of Commerce**.

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## Rialto Theatre Reveals Second Annual Kenmore Winter Break Music Festival Lineup

by Rialto Theatre Staff

Last December, **The Rialto Theatre** and **The Summit FM** invited Akron's music fans and concert lovers out of hibernation for a brand new festival called "Kenmore Winter Break"

"Akron loves music and residents spend all summer going to outdoor festivals," explained **The Rialto Theatre** co-owner Seth Vaill. "Once October rolls around the outdoor music festivals and events all stop for the year so we thought why not bring those kinds of festivals indoors during a cold weather month when people are ready for a live music fix."

The second annual Kenmore Winter Break will take place on Friday December 2nd, and Saturday December 3rd, and brings 12 bands and solo performers to The Rialto Theatre & Living Room stages.

Two of Akron's most beloved bands were selected to headline each night of the event - punk/rock quartet Detention on Friday and rock/pop/indie band Big Pop on Saturday.

Sharing **The Rialto Theatre** stage with Detention and Big Pop are local hip-hop legend Floco Torres - who will be joined by Akron guitar hero Dave Rich (The Beyonderers, Houseguest), dad rockers Glenn Lazear, EarthQuaker Devices staff band Nervous Future, and Cleveland alt rockers LILIEAE.

The event also features six of Northeast Ohio's best known solo performers in The Rialto Living Room, which is also home to Paninoteca - Kenmore's newest eatery.

"The 330 area has so much lifeblood of music and culture," said Brad Savage, Program Director for The Summit FM. "Our radio station supports independent and emerging hometown artists and is proud to have all this great music in our backyard. Kenmore Winter Break is a great way to showcase some of it heading into the Holiday season!"

The artists featured on The Rialto Living Room stage include musicians Rolling Boxcar International, Ray Flanagan, Katy Robinson, and Jeff and Thomas from Run Thomas Run, as well as poets Raja Belle Freeman and Danielle Nicole Nikki Dixon.

"Kenmore Winter Break was such a great time last year and we are thrilled that the Rialto is hosting it for a second year," said musician and **Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance** Promoter and Experience Manager Corey Jenkins, adding "as a musician it's a lot of fun to play, and as someone who loves catching live music on Kenmore Boulevard it's something I am excited to attend."

Performances begin at 6:00 pm both nights and run non-stop until the last band of the evening hits its final note in the theatre around 11:00 pm or so.

The Kenmore Winter Break Music Festival sponsors include Akron-based manufacturers **SIT Strings** and **EarthQuaker Devices**, as well as Kenmore guitar destinations **The Guitar Department** and **Lay's Guitar Shop**, and **Dave Burdge Recording** - an Akron-based video production company. One hundred percent of sponsor contributions go toward paying the musicians performing during Kenmore Winter Break.

Single night tickets for Kenmore Winter Break are \$15 and weekend passes are \$25 and are available now at [therialtotheatre.com](http://therialtotheatre.com).



Ohio musician Candance Campana performing during Kenmore Winter Break in December 2021 (photo by Jason Chamberlain)

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# Councilman's Corner

## FLOCK Camera Program to be Presented by APD at December Ward Meeting

You may have noticed new license-plate cameras being installed throughout the city. These cameras are designed to help authorities track down stolen vehicles as well as people sought for questioning in criminal investigations. The goal is to better protect Akron's residents.

The cameras will provide additional eyes for the APD and will serve to give a better understanding of what is taking place in communities throughout Akron. The camera system uses automated license plate reader technology, snapping images that are run through a national crime database. Police can be immediately alerted if a stolen car passes a camera. A general description of a vehicle can also be provided by the system.

The system has already been used to track down stolen vehicles in the city. Eventually, 145 cameras will be used in the system. Please join us on Tuesday December 6th, for the presentation. Our meeting will be at the Kenmore Community Center, 880 Kenmore Boulevard at 7:00 pm.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Councilman Mike Freeman  
 Ward9@akronohio.gov  
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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 December 6th.

### Rick Reeves Achieves Record

Rick Reeves, of **Reeves Cake Shop**, has attained the Powerlifting National Record for Bench Press for ages 60-64 years old. He did this on September 11th, 2022, in Columbus Ohio, with a weight of 281.1 pounds. Congratulations Rick!



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Art Options	TUES   NOV 15   3:30 PM
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Wii U Gaming	THURS   DEC 8   3:30 PM
Anime Afternoon	TUES   DEC 13   3:30 PM
Afternoon Movie: "Avatar"	SAT   DEC 17   12:00 PM
Wii U Gaming	TUES   JAN 10   3:30 PM
Art Options	TUES   JAN 17   3:30 PM
Grilled Cheese	TUES   JAN 17   3:30 PM
Wii U Gaming	TUES   JAN 31   3:30 PM

### Tees Creations Face Painting (*Grades K-12*)

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# The Men Who Inspire Us - Exhibition from East Ave

by Sydney Morris

An collaborative exhibition consisting of the important men who affect us all.

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One of such men who has served his community is Akron police detective, lifetime resident of Akron as well as a father, Tony Sutton. He has been in service to his neighborhood since 1994. Though with no formal training he manages to create realistic pieces of important relatives in his life using pen and pencil alone.

Another man who has contributed to his community is Ka'Amun Dara. An anonymous, self-instructed artist who seeks to inspire others through his distinctive art style and techniques, Dara enjoys experimentally combining vastly different artistic styles into one cohesive piece.

This exhibition is curated by Akron-born and artist Charlee Harris. Dedicated to giving support while also showcasing other Akron artist natives, she brings together artists from all walks of life and gives them a voice through their art. Harris firmly believes in creating an area to allow people to feel included in their community, never letting anyone be isolated.

East Ave, in addition to being an art gallery, holds a market space for the talented local vendors to sell their unique wares and products. The MENTor Exhibition will be on view through October 19th at 2290 East Avenue, Akron Ohio 44314.

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(left to right) Javan Shaw, Ethan Skinner, Aaron Bane, Cory Jenkins, and Nathaniel Cook

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# Akron Big Band Concert & Ice Cream Social

by Alice Incorvia, Kenmore Community Center Supervisor

On August 30th, 2022 the Kenmore community was treated to an amazing free concert at Kenmore Community Center by the Akron Big Band. While listening to the sweet swing sounds of the band, everyone enjoyed free ice cream with lots of toppings sponsored by Rebecca Moore from Hickory Ridge.

If you missed the concert in August, the community center will be hosting the Akron Big Band again for another free concert on Tuesday November 29th, 2022 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm at 880 Kenmore Boulevard. The band will kick off the holidays with seasonal music to get everyone in the holiday spirit. Hickory Ridge will be providing sweet treats and warm beverages for all. For more information, please call the Kenmore Community Center at 330-375-2812.



## Schlup-Pucak-Wilson Funeral Home Sponsors "Trunk or Treat" Event

by Charles Wilson

We held our annual "Trunk or Treat" Halloween Event on Sunday October 30th in the Schlup-Pucak-Wilson Funeral Home parking lot on Kenmore Boulevard. From 1:00 to 3:00 pm 42 cars participated by handing out candy and decorating their vehicle.

To the right are some photos of the event.

Next year will be even bigger!





### Halloween Extravaganza!

The Pfeiffer students celebrated Halloween on Friday, October 28. Students dressed up for the day, participated in class parties and games, and trick or treated through the halls of Pfeiffer. Halloween party day is a favorite for both staff and students at Pfeiffer!



Pfeiffer students had fun dressing up for Halloween! Ava Hofstetter - top right, Emmalyn Mishler and Mrs. McDonald - left, Aa'Riyah Haskins Al-Qaadir - middle left, A'monica Brown-Higgins - middle right, and Elizabeth Yoder - far right

### Attendance Matters!

By Makenzie Miller

My name is Makenzie Miller. I have been at Pfeiffer since kindergarten. My goal every year is to get perfect attendance. I like to achieve as close to perfect attendance as possible. Perfect attendance is important to me because we will learn important stuff at school like, adding decimals, personification, and science. Pfeiffer also rewards attendance with positive reinforcement.

I think attendance is important for success in school. Studies have shown that missing 10% or more of school could lead to not graduating from high school. Pfeiffer has good leadership to help students succeed with attendance and more. Examples of things Pfeiffer has done include the Friday fun run and the perfect attendance pizza party. The Friday fun run is where students get to run in the halls of Pfeiffer. This can be fun since we cannot usually run in the halls. The pizza party is when you have perfect attendance from different classrooms. This can end with a sweet treat too! This can help the yearly attendance rate of 94%. Then at the end of the week when you come to lunch there will be a table in the middle of the cafeteria for kids that are good and listen during class and lunch and recess and art, music, lrc and gym.

Having perfect attendance is important to me because you get to learn fun things. Also you won't have to catch up on your work for the days that you missed. If you are at school it is easier to get your work done and you would most likely get good grades. My school makes it fun to have perfect attendance because we get the fun run and pizza parties.

### A Message from Our Student Council President

By Kennedy Curry

Hello, my name is Kennedy Curry and I am the Student Council President at Pfeiffer Elementary School. I ran for Student Council President because I feel I am a good leader. I am responsible, trustworthy, and honest. I would also like to make Pfeiffer a more fun learning environment. I think it is important to have fun while learning.

I think the most fun thing about being the leader of Student Council will be planning fun events. I am very creative and cannot wait to see what we come up with. Helping others around the school and making new friends will also be fun because I enjoy meeting new people and helping those in need.

I hope Student Council will run many fun activities this school year. We hope to have a talent show, dances, themed days, family nights, and fundraisers like bake sales or car washes. I also hope for learning activities such as math nights, a spelling bee, and activities with community businesses.



Student Council President candidates Makenzie Miller, Kennedy Curry, and Sa'Ryah Evans support each other as they wait to hear who got the most votes for the position.

### Student Council Members and Positions

**President** - Kennedy Curry  
**Vice President** - Nevaeh Moore-Butcher  
**Treasurer** - Gavin Mishler  
**Activities Chair** - Ka'lilah Blankenship  
**3rd - 5th Grade Representatives:**  
**5th** - Sa'Ryah Evans, Makenzie Miller, Xzavier Flores  
**4th** - Sani Jones, Ja'el McTyeire, Nevaeh Scott  
**3rd** - Emilia Clark

### Pfeiffer Elementary School

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



## Kenmore Community Center Adult Activities

880 Kenmore Boulevard 330-375-2812

Please call the Center for questions and reservations!

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**Salvation Army Meals**  
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**One Mile Walk**  
Mondays thru Fridays  
Starting at 9:00 am

**Chair Yoga**  
Mondays at 9:30 am  
Fridays at 9:30 am  
Fitness pass required.

**Floor Yoga**  
Tuesdays & Thursdays  
5:00 pm  
1st & 3rd Saturdays  
10:00 am  
Fitness pass required.

**Video Exercise**  
Mondays thru Thursdays  
9:30 am

**Zumba**  
Wednesdays at 5:00 pm  
Fitness pass required.

**Crochet Club**  
Wednesdays at 1:00 pm

**Penny Bingo**  
Tuesdays at 12:30 pm  
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## Kenmore's JOBS Program Still Active

by Diane Pitz Kilivris

After experiencing a decline in student enrollment during the pandemic, the JOBS program (Jump On Board for Success) is seeing increasing participation in its job training programs for girls and women. JOBS, a nonprofit organization, offers mentoring and hands-on employment training in five in-demand employment fields to at-risk young women and mothers aged 13-35.

“We’re so excited to finally be getting back on track to keep building the program,” said executive director Jennifer Herrick.

According to the most recent U.S. Census Bureau statistics, women age 18-34 are the largest demographic living in poverty in Summit County, illustrating just how badly programs like JOBS are needed.

The program originally began in 2014 and only offered Cosmetology. Culinary Arts (along with one-on-one mentoring) was added in 2018. But in 2021, Herrick added Information Technology and an Entrepreneurship group, and in 2022 two more programs including Early Childhood Education and Business Administration.

“We work with girls and women who face significant barriers to stable employment,” said Herrick.

One of the largest barriers is affordable childcare, and the JOBS program has created an innovative solution: students in the Early Childhood Education program provide childcare to other participants’ children while they’re in class. “It’s killing two birds with one stone.”

The program isn’t just about job skills. Young women and mothers also learn improved parenting skills, budgeting, and other important life skills. Participants are matched one-on-one with a mentor who helps them stay motivated and accountable.

“Our mission is to equip each young woman with the professional proficiency and motivation to financially support herself and her family. We’re all about empowering young women,” Herrick added. At the end of the courses, participants receive help creating their resumes, honing interview skills and with employment placement.

Also new in 2022, JOBS hosted its first major fundraising event in June, Akron’s “330 Flavor Throw-Down,” a Chopped style cooking competition between two local chefs. “It was a lot of fun and our guests definitely want to come back next year,” Herrick said.

Working with community partners, JOBS takes referrals from The Well CDC, Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance, First Glance, RAHAB Ministries and others. “We’re always looking for referrals and seeking to build partnerships with anyone who works with our demographic,” said Herrick.

The program is offered free to participants. Funding comes from Akron Community Foundation as well as several other donors. Most JOBS program participants come from the Kenmore area and classes are held at Goss Memorial Church and Park United Methodist Church in Kenmore.

Check the JOBS website for information about upcoming courses at [jumponboardforsuccess.org](http://jumponboardforsuccess.org).



**Pictured from left to right are: Chef Micah Townsend, JOBS Executive Director Jennifer Herrick, Culinary Instructor Jennifer Tidwell, and Chef Claudia Diaz at the “330 Flavor Throwdown” fundraiser.**

**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!**



# Kenmore Historical Society News

by Jan Williams

This article contains information about our elementary schools in alphabetical order.

Colonial School was built in 1915, and when it closed children attended Pfeiffer or Heminger. For many years the building was used by the Sheet Metal Workers Association. Now it's a charter school.

Guinther School, which opened in 1958, was built to handle an overflow of students from Highland Park. It closed in 1993 and later became an administration building. It was demolished.

Heminger closed in 2008. After it was demolished, an apartment building called Kenmore Place, was built on its site.

Highland Park was built in 1922. In 2000, the name was changed to Sam Salem in honor of the longest serving member of the Akron School Board. A new school was built on that site as part of an \$800 million program to renovate or reconstruct Akron schools.

The first Lawndale School, which still stands, was replaced by a new building on 25th Street. After Lawndale closed, it was purchased by a private company at an auction in 2019. The building was demolished after a multi-alarm fire.

Margaret Park School, opened in 1918, was named in honor of Margaret Barnhart who was a leader in establishing public playgrounds. The school was closed in 2008 and later demolished.

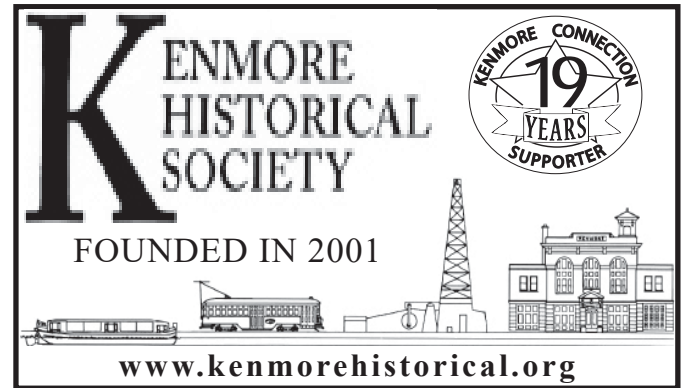
Rimer School was constructed in 1918. It was also replaced as part of the same program that built the new Sam Salem.

Smith School opened in 1921. After the school was closed in 2021, it was purchased by the same company that purchased Lawndale. A fire damaged part of the building, but it still stands vacant.



Photo of Mrs. Hall's  
1964 Colonial School Grade 4 Class

In summary, the Kenmore community once had eight elementary schools. Only three are still used as Akron schools: Pfeiffer, Rimer, and Sam Salem. Margaret Park, Lawndale and Guinther were demolished. Smith is now vacant. Colonial is still in operation, but it is not an Akron Public School.



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# The Huskies Return to School!

by Marie Slovisky

The staff at Rimer CLC made sure the first day back to school was fun and exciting for students. There was music playing and balloon sculptures created by Nyeeda Beacham, a local Kenmore mother of three who shared her business success with us. The whole staff was out in the hallways and on the sidewalks welcoming students back to the new school year with smiles, and encouragement. Our mission statement is “The Rimer Community will work together to help each other learn and succeed.” You are our Rimer Community. Thank you for your cooperation and support as we begin a new school year!



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# Kenmore Ministerial Association is on the Rise and Moving To Support and Meet Community Needs

by Leisa Russell and Missie Sloan

The Kenmore Ministerial Association (KMA) is a strong supporter of the Kenmore Community. They are concerned with both the spiritual growth and seeing that the strength of the community remains strong during these challenging times. The holidays are fast approaching and we would like your families to join us in celebrating the following:

Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be held on Tuesday, November 22nd from 5:00 to 7:00 pm at Goss Memorial Church at 2247 11th Street SW. You will be able to take your meal to go or join us inside and share a meal with family and friends. Guy's Party Center will be catering the food and it is provided by the KMA as a way of saying thank you for your community support and to let you know you are important to us, your community of churches and MOST IMPORTANTLY TO GOD.

Drive-Thru Christmas Program: Bethlehem – The Gift will be held December 3rd and 4th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at Park United Methodist Church located at 2308 24th Street SW. Drive through this 10 scene outreach ministry sharing the birth of Christ, His Love and the plans that He has for each one of us. This is the true meaning of Christmas.

An Hour of Prayer – January 5th, 2023, 9:00 to 10:00 am. It's a new year. We'd like to invite you to join us for an hour of prayer right where you are. Use the time to reflect on 2022 and the New Year 2023. There is power in prayer! Set this time aside on your calendar, in your home, in your car, your own quiet place or your war room of prayer. Lift your voices, your hands and your prayers to Jesus Christ and pour out your hearts. God still hears and answers prayers!

KMA has a new Facebook page. Check it out! You will be able to see the participating churches, times of worship, special programs & community projects, send in your prayer requests and most of all allow us to share the love of God with you.

We are excited to move forward and see how God is going to use us to serve Him in Kenmore. May the God of Peace be with you and your families during this Christmas season and the upcoming New Year.



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## Allenside Presbyterian Church

410 Rexford Street  
330-753-6405

Find us on FaceBook @ allenside presbyterian church

Pastor Francie Fischer

Hours of Service

1st & 3rd Sundays - Allenside Church Building

All services broadcast via Zoom

See Facebook for Zoom Link and Worship Times/Locations

Church Office Open Tuesdays

9:00 am to 12:00 noon

Community Services Offered

“Mad Hatters” Knitting Group meets at the church

Wednesdays 1:00 to 3:00 pm

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

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## 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 10:00 am

Sunday Worship Service 11:00 am

Bible Studies on FaceBook Live

Sunday at 6:00 pm and Wednesday at 7:00 pm

Community Services Offered

Spanish Speaking Service Provided

## First Baptist Church of Kenmore

2330 East Avenue  
330-745-3619

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

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

Pastor Joe Grimaldi

Hours of Service

Sunday School 10:00 am

Sunday Morning Service 11:00 am

Sunday Afternoon Service 1:30 pm

Wednesday Evening Service 7:00 pm

Community Services Offered

Free Bus Transportation on Sunday

## Goss Memorial Church

2247 11th Street SW  
330-745-5038

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

We are in search of a pastor

Youth Leaders: Isaac Craddock, Aaron & Jen Hurd,  
Derek & Bre Boyes

Hours of Service

Sunday School 9:15 am

Sunday Morning Service 10:30 am

(also available online on the Goss Memorial Facebook page)

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

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

Pastor John M. Tsironis

Hours of Service

Sunday School 9:30 am

Sunday Morning Service 10:30 am

Monday Christian Service Brigade 6:30 pm

Tuesday Ladies Bible Study 10:30 am

Wednesday Prayer 7:00 pm

## 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)

Melissa N. Keegan, Parish Life Coordinator

Reverend Michael B. Smith, Pastor Emeritus

Hours of Service

Holy Eucharist - Monday, Wednesday, Friday 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 (at Waldeisen Hall) Wednesdays,  
doors open at 9:30 am, games start at 11:00 am.

For questions please call 330-753-8429

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## Kenmore Community Church the of Nazarene

2025 12th Street SW  
330-745-7720

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

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

Facebook - Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene

Pastor Chris Shallenberger, 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

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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

## New Life Pentecostals of Akron

859 Witner Avenue  
330-208-5441

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

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

Pastor Scott Johnson

Hours of Service

Sunday Worship Service 10:30 am

Wednesday Life Bible Study 7:00 pm

Follow us on Facebook for livestreaming @ New Life POA

Community Services Offered

Personal home Bible Studies upon request

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## Park United Methodist Church

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

Community Services Offered

JOBS (Jump On Board for Success) Program  
Cub Scout/Boy Scouts  
Project Learn - GED site

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

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

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

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Drive Thru Food Pantry Service every Friday  
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## The Church on the Boulevard

754 Kenmore Boulevard  
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[www.thechurchontheboulevard.co](http://www.thechurchontheboulevard.co)  
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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.

## Praise Chapel Assembly of God

1204 McIntosh Avenue  
330-745-4107  
[www.netministry.com](http://www.netministry.com)

Pastor Robert Shank

Hours of Service

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

## Redeemed Christian Church of God

966 Kenmore Boulevard  
330-776-5196  
[jesushouseakron@ymail.com](mailto:jesushouseakron@ymail.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  
(virtual).  
Monthly Holy Ghost Service 9:00 pm to 12:00, last Friday of every month (ON HOLD).  
Saturday House Fellowship 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm  
(virtual).

Community Services Offered

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

## 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/>  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwVBXqHG0mI9IDm31qSLlrA>

Pastor: Ben White

Hours of Service

In person worship with donuts and coffee.  
When warm with no rain, meets Sundays at 10:30 am at 952 Kenmore Boulevard.  
When raining, will meet inside at 943 Kenmore Boulevard.  
Will have a special outdoor service on August 28th at 10:30 am at Chestnut Ridge Park (1926 19th Street SW) followed by a neighborhood barbecue from 12:00 to 3:00 pm at Chestnut.  
Wednesday Night! Online Content at 6:00 pm on our Facebook Page & Youtube Channel.

Community Services Offered

We partner with various allies in our city, see <https://kenmore.thechapel.life/allies/> to learn more.

For corrections, changes,  
or new additions please  
call John at 330-745-5530  
or [john@kenmore-komics.com](mailto:john@kenmore-komics.com)

## 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](http://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  
“Narcotics Anonymous”  
Sunday at 3:00 pm and 6:00 pm  
Monday to Friday at 12:00 noon, Monday at 7:00 pm,  
Tuesday at 7:00 pm, Wednesday at 6:00 pm,  
Friday at 9:30 pm, Saturday at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm.

## The CoB Outreach Food Pantry

Back in service, on the First & Third Mondays of each month! Please notice our new morning pantry hours.  
For the latest information, see our signboard in front of the Church, or come get a weekly bulletin at our Sunday morning services!

## Outreach Food Pantry

Monday Mornings 11:00 am to 1:00 pm  
December 5th, January 2nd, February 6th  
Monday Evenings 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm  
November 21st, December 19th, February 20th

## CoB Grab-and-Go Carryout Dinner

Every Wednesday, 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm  
November 23rd, December 14th & 28th  
January 11th & 25th, February 8th & 22nd

## Award-Winning Local Students to Share Their Musical Talents at the Christmas Eve Service at the Allenside Presbyterian Church

by Frances Fischer

Fiona Coughlin and Olivia Roberts will sign at the special musical service on Christmas Eve at the Allenside Presbyterian Church. Fiona, a senior at the Firestone High School, is the winner of the Shining Star Cleveland 2022 singing competition and was a finalist in the 2022 Cleveland Dazzle Awards. Olivia Roberts, a junior at Capital University in Columbus, Ohio, is a 2020 graduate of Firestone High School and a winner of multiple vocal awards.

The service will be held on Christmas Eve at 10:00 pm at the Allenside Presbyterian Church, 410 Rexford Street.



**Fiona Coughlin and Olivia Roberts**

## Yoga Classes to be Offered at the Allenside Presbyterian Church

by Frances Fischer

Megan Kalil, a certified yoga instructor for children and adults and Akron Public Schools teacher, will be offering a free yoga class at Allenside Presbyterian Church, 410 Rexford Street, on November 30th, from 6:15 to 7:00 pm. Donations will be accepted and will be used to provide a light snack after the class. All ages are welcome; we will focus on breathing techniques, guided focus activities, and movement. Based on interest, the classes will continue on Wednesdays in December, January and February.

## Four Churches Get Together For a Joint Service at Chestnut Ridge

by Pastor Ben White, The Chapel in Kenmore

On October 2nd, 2023, with the leadership of The Friends of Chestnut Ridge Park, four Kenmore Neighborhood Churches got together to do a joint service! Compass Christian Church, Redeemed Christian Church of God, The Church on the Boulevard, and the Chapel in Kenmore were all represented. It was so good to have the four different communities pray together and worship God together!



**Pastor Abiodun from Redeemed Christian Church of God plays trumpet**



**Pastor Dennis Reynolds from Compass Christian Church leads in prayer**



**Jeff from Church on the Boulevard, Dennis from Compass Christian Church, and Ben from the Chapel in Kenmore lead in prayer together**

**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!**



# Kenmore Free Store News

by Mary Ann Gesaman, Managing Director, Kenmore Free Store



Hello Kenmore Connection Readers!

We have been busy at the Free Store this past quarter. We have added 112 households since the last publication. We have blessed shoppers with 10,868 items. Among those items were coats, shoes, and clothing, towels, socks, underwear, and kitchen items.

As you can see, we are busy each time we are open - Tuesdays from 4 to 7 pm and Saturdays from 9 am until noon. We would like you to consider donating to our store any item you are no longer using - it should be working and in fairly good shape. This time of year gently used COATS, BOOTS AND GLOVES for all sizes are especially in demand. With the temperatures turning colder and the cost of gas increasing, we would like to provide our shoppers with BLANKETS - new or used. If you have a blanket you no longer use, please consider donating it to the Free Store.

Our Christmas Blowout will be on Saturday, December 3rd during store hours. All our Christmas decorations will be in the Bingo hall for your shopping convenience. The Bingo hall is located at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, next to our donation door.

If you wish to donate money to The Kenmore Free Store, please write a check and send it to: The Kenmore Free Store, c/o Park United Methodist Church, 2308 24th Street SW, Akron, Ohio 44314.

Our donation door is open during store hours and is located on 16th Street SW (across from the old Kenmore High School). During store hours the donation RED bin/cart is outside the door for contact free donating. Put your donations in the RED cart. If you need help with your donations, please rap on the door by the cart and someone will come to assist you.

We will be closing at 11 am on November 19th for an employee meeting.

We will be closed November 22nd for the Community Thanksgiving Dinner, and on the November 26th for Thanksgiving weekend. We will be closed for Christmas and New Years on these days - December 24th, 27th and 31st.

If you are not familiar with our store, please come see us. We also would love to have some new volunteers. Anyone wanting to volunteer should come at the beginning of store hours. We would love to show you around and find a job for you to do.

Thank you, and have a grateful Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Mary Ann Gesaman, Managing Director, phone: 330-606-2878  
2101 17th Street SW, Akron, Ohio 44314

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

## Izzy Approved Gifts for the Holidays!

Izzy says  
"I'm dreaming of Christmas. Find some of your dream items at my Dad's store!"

### Kenmore Komics & Games

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20% OFF Any Sale Over \$20.00!  
with this coupon (except new comics)  
valid until December 24th, 2022

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\$5.00.

Limit one coupon per person.  
Regular price \$7.00.

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Srina Tea House & Cafe  
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