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## A Good Look at the Community

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**CUT & SAVE!**

### Summit Lake Part of Towpath Trail Completed

The Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath Trail, the 101 mile trail connecting Cleveland to New Philadelphia, finished it's section through Summit Lake this year. And unique to this trail is the fact that nearly one third of a mile on Summit Lake is a floating section 14 feet wide, which runs under Kenmore Boulevard. A large observation deck is located along the trail at the southern end of the lake, and it was at this spot that the dedication ceremony was held on Friday September 4th.

The highlight of the dedication ceremony was when the Rimer CLC third grade class of Mrs. # helped Akron Mayor Donald Plusquellic with the cutting ceremony. Mayor Plusquellic talked about his memories of Kenmore and Summit Lake, and remarked that these Rimer third grade students would have a special memory of their own decades later, when they will remember this as the start of the first of many special projects & activities planned for Summit Lake. The trail is expected to attract over 2 million walkers, hikers, and bicyclists a year, and Summit Lake could be one of the centerpieces of this new tourists attraction.



**Mayor Plusquellic with Rimer CLC Third Graders**



**Towpath Trail Observation Deck**

### Kenmore Holiday Celebration

The 11th Annual Kenmore Holiday Celebration will be Saturday December 5th this year, starting at 11:00 am. This community event includes a performance by the Kenmore High School Jazz band, costumed characters, Santa, Children's Treasure Hunt, children's craft projects, Teen Scavenger Hunt, Adult Raffle, food events, business open houses, Library Open House, a juggler, clowns, and free trolley transportation along Kenmore Boulevard from 6th Street to Shadyside Park.

The days events will continue with the tree lighting ceremony at Shadyside Park starting at 6:00 pm, which is under the sponsorship of the Kenmore Community Council, Inc. The evening events will then culminate with the Children's Party with Santa Claus at Park United Methodist Church. Watch for flyers and posters for further information.



**Ribbon Cutting**



This event is made possible through the volunteer efforts of Kenmore businesses, schools, churches, residents, and service organizations under the co-ordination of the Kenmore Board of Trade Events Committee. Event sponsors are the Kenmore Board of Trade, Kenmore Kiwanis, Kenmore Community Council Inc., Kenmore Senior/Community Center, Kenmore Cluster PTA's, Kenmore High School, and the sponsors and youth volunteers from First Glance. This event is funded in part by an Akron City and Akron Community Foundation Neighborhood Partnership Grant.

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# Cell Phone Store Opens on Kenmore Boulevard

If you are looking for everything cellular, the Malek's Wireless & More is the place to go. Located at 932 Kenmore Boulevard (the southeast corner of 13th Street & Kenmore), owner Moe Malek can connect you with deals to any of the cell phone companies currently operating. Moe had operated his store originally in Ravenna, but wanted to come back to Kenmore, the area where he was born. "It was fate that brought me to this location" says Moe, "I used to eat at the Kenmore Family Restaurant all the time, and now I am back to the same spot where I spent many a good time".

In addition to cell phones and wireless plans, Malek's Wireless & More has a wide assortment of phone accessories. They also stock a line of Urban Wear clothing & shoes. They are open Monday thru Saturday 10:00 am to 8:00 pm, and Sunday 12:00 noon to 5:00 pm. For more information, please call Moe at 330-745-9507.

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## Kenmore's Newest Hobby Store Does Skateboarding Right

Patrick Walsh has a mission - to teach future skateboarders the right way to enjoy a fast paced and fun hobby. When not studying at Kent State University (currently a Senior), Pat spends his time skating at the Akron Skate Park or Wadsworth Skate Park, and more recently at the First Glance Student Center's skating area. For the past ten years at all these venues, he has tried to help young skaters learn how to properly use their board and do the best they can. Pat feels that this is his way of giving back to the community, by teaching both skill and safety to the youth in our area who enjoy this outdoor activity.



With that in mind, Pat has opened Megapolis Skate Shop at 998 Kenmore Boulevard (the Southwest corner of Kenmore Boulevard & 15th Street). "We are the only skateboarding exclusive store in Akron owned by skateboarders for skateboarders" says Pat, "and we have a wide variety of boards, shoes, and apparel". Demos on use & safety are planned starting early next year. Current hours are Tuesday thru Saturday 12:00 noon to 8:00 pm, and Sunday 12:00 noon to 5:00 pm (Closed Monday). For more information, please call 330-745-9191 or check their web site at [www.skatethemegapolis.com](http://www.skatethemegapolis.com).

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# Regina's Pizza Moves to East Avenue

For almost forty years, Regina's Pizza has always had it's home on West Waterloo Road. That's where Steve Catalano and Louis Bamonte decided to open their Pizza shop, with the goal of continuously giving their customers excellent food, service, and reasonable prices. Today, Regina's Pizza is located at 2160 East Avenue, across from the Acme store. And Robert & Stephen Catalano, current owners (and sons to one of the original founders) couldn't be happier. "I finally got the sit-down restaurant I always wanted" says Robert, "with room for 50 customers. And as for parking, I've gone from two parking spots to a lot with plenty of parking spaces!"



Regina's opens at 11:00 am Tuesday thru Saturday, and on Sunday they open at 3:00 pm (still closed Mondays). Private Pizza Parties can also be scheduled for early Sunday afternoons. For more details, or to order take-out of any of the fine foods they serve, please call 330-753-7797.



## David James and Marco Summerville

On September 10, 2009 Alumni, staff, Honored dignitaries, and community members gathered to dedicate the new Rimer Community Learning Center. Along with welcoming Rimer CLC to neighborhood, this dedication allowed old school mates a chance to reminisce about their days at the old Rimer School. It also allowed the visitors a chance to tour the new building, and a special surprise dedication to take place as well.

The dignitaries present represented all areas of City Government and Civic Leadership. They included: Mr. David James, Superintendent, Akron Public Schools; Mr. Jason Haas, Member, Akron Board of Education; Mr. Don Plusquellic, Mayor of Akron; Mr. Marco Summerville, President, Akron City Council; Mr. Mike Freeman, 9th Ward Councilman; Pastor Ed Holland of the Akron Baptist Temple and Mrs. Nancy Ritch, Principal of Rimer CLC. Among the numerous invited Rimer Alumni were Mr. Raymond Spreng, Rimer Class of 1938, our oldest living graduate (seated here with Mr. Jim Nicewonger, a Rimer alumnus and member of the community), and Mr. Dale Kortze, a volunteer for the Akron Reads Program, and a Rimer alumnus. There were also a large number of Rimer Alumni and former staff members in attendance as well.



During the dedication, there was a surprise given to one of the honored guests. Due to his tireless work, in getting the funding to build the new Community Learning Centers in Akron and his long tenure as Mayor, the gymnasium at Rimer CLC was officially renamed, The Donald L. Plusquellic Gymnasium. Mayor Plusquellic is an alumnus of Rimer, a graduate of Kenmore High School (class of 1967) and the University of Akron. He has worked long and hard to ensure that the educational opportunities for the children of Akron be among the best.

## Raymond Spreng and Jim Nicewonger

## Dedicating Our New Home

by Lois McBride

As the dedication ended, guests were encouraged to see what advancements were made to teach the children. People who were a part of Rimer's history waxed nostalgic, and teachers who made a difference in their lives talked about classic teas they attended and part of their lives. Their comments ranged from tears for days and amazement at the look of the new building. Guests were current staff of Rimer and learned what goals the children.



Mayor Don Plusquellic



Nancy Ritch

The outcome of visitors to the dedication proved that the new School has been to the community. It proved that the new building, but also a new home for the children and community.



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## Welcome to Kenmore Branch Library!

Thanks to all who participated and helped make our October Friends of the Library Booksale  
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like our second Holiday Open House in our beautiful new building!

### PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR

Wednesdays, 10:30 am

January 6th to January 27th.  
Ages 2-5 years and their adult caregivers.  
Stories, finger plays, crafts, snacks, and FUN!  
Please register in advance.

### HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, December 5th, 11:00 am to 3:00 pm

Family Programs for all ages.  
Outback Ray Animal Show performances at  
11:00 am and 1:00 pm.  
Facepainting.  
Displays of Holiday Materials to check out.



**Making art out of notebooks**

### ADULT PROGRAM

Wednesday, December 9th, 6:00 pm

Wreathmaking Workshop.  
Bring a wreath to decorate. Ribbon and  
embellishments will be supplied by the library.  
Please register in advance, sign up begins  
November 16th.



**Ladies making Halloween Decorations  
at the Kenmore Library**



**The Kenmore Wii-Lympics winner**

### TEEN PROGRAMS

Tuesdays, 3:30 to 5:00 pm

January 5th, Nintendo Wii Open Play.  
January 19th, Nintendo Wii Open Play.  
February 2nd, Karaoke Day.  
February 9th, Nintendo Wii Open Play.



**Wii-Lympics Participants  
at the Kenmore Library**

### COMPUTER PROGRAMS

Thursdays, 2:00 pm

**Please sign up in advance for each class.**  
January 14th, Introduction To Computers: The  
Basics.  
January 21st, Microsoft Windows For Beginners  
January 28th, File Management.  
February 4th, Email Basics Part 1 and Part 2.  
February 11th, Internet Part 1.  
February 18th, Internet Part 2.  
February 25th, Internet Part 3 and Part 4.

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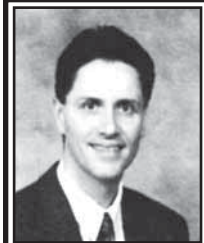
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Wishing you a Happy Holiday!



Planning to open a new business  
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Having a community event that  
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by Denny Bloomer

The Kiwanis Club of Kenmore is co-sponsoring a free, secure, ON-SITE document destruction day by a certified company, Shred-It. This will give all in the community a safe and convenient method of destroying confidential documents such as old checks, check books, pre-approved credit card offers, insurance & educational records, contracts, doctors office & prescription information, and any other confidential information you wish to safely dispose of. Staples, paperclips, and rubber bands are OK, with a five bag per person limit, and there is NO CHARGE!

However, one non-perishable or personal hygiene item per bag is requested for donation to the Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene Food Pantry. Examples include soups, pastas & noodles, vegetables & fruit, jello & pudding, peanut butter, jelly, tuna & spam, laundry & paper products, and baby formula & diapers.

All Summit County residents & businesses are invited to take part in this food fund raiser. The time will be Saturday November 21st, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. The location is Express Auto Center, 933 Kenmore Boulevard (the northeast corner of Kenmore Boulevard & 13th Street). For more information, please call 330-861-1111.

The Kiwanis Club of Kenmore and the Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene wish to thank the following area businesses for providing the funds to bring Shred-It to our community for this food fund raiser - Express Auto Center, Kenmore Gear & Machine Company, Kenmore Komics & Games, Prentice Funeral Home, and Zoe Ann's Beauty Salon.

## Innes Middle School Now a Community Learning Center



**Packed Crowd at the  
Walter J. Innes CLC Dedication**

Unlike the Kenmore Elementary schools, which are being built from the ground up, Innes Middle School was remodeled, and was dedicated to a packed crowd on August 19th as the Walter J. Innes Community Learning Center. During the dedication, Superintendent of Akron Public Schools David W. James spoke about just who Walter J. Innes was. Our Councilman Michael Freeman gave an apt analogy of why children are like potters clay, and Mayor Donald Plusquellic spoke about why our children are the future of our city. Only two more schools are left to be rebuilt - Pfeiffer Elementary and Lawndale Elementary.

## The Church on the

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**Community Dinner**  
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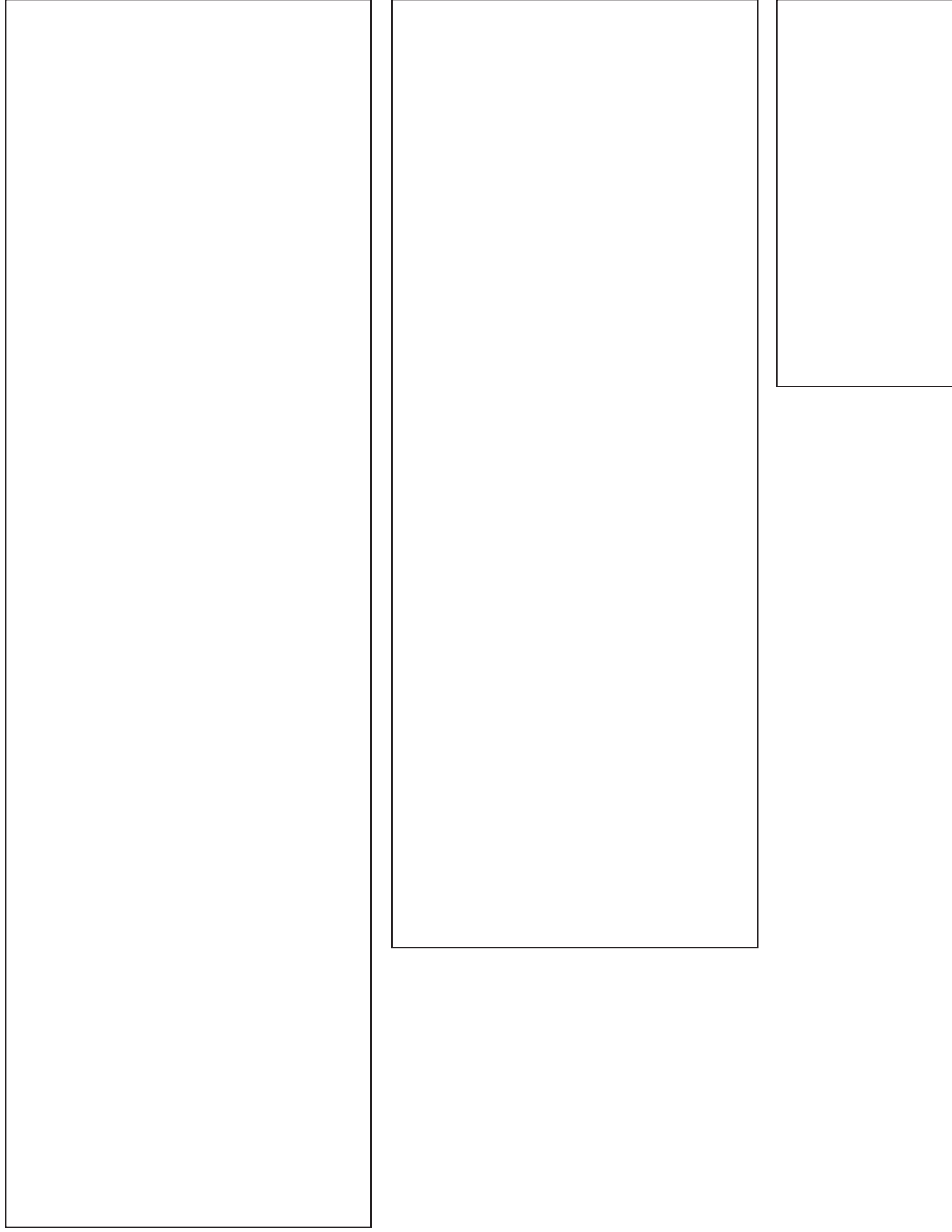
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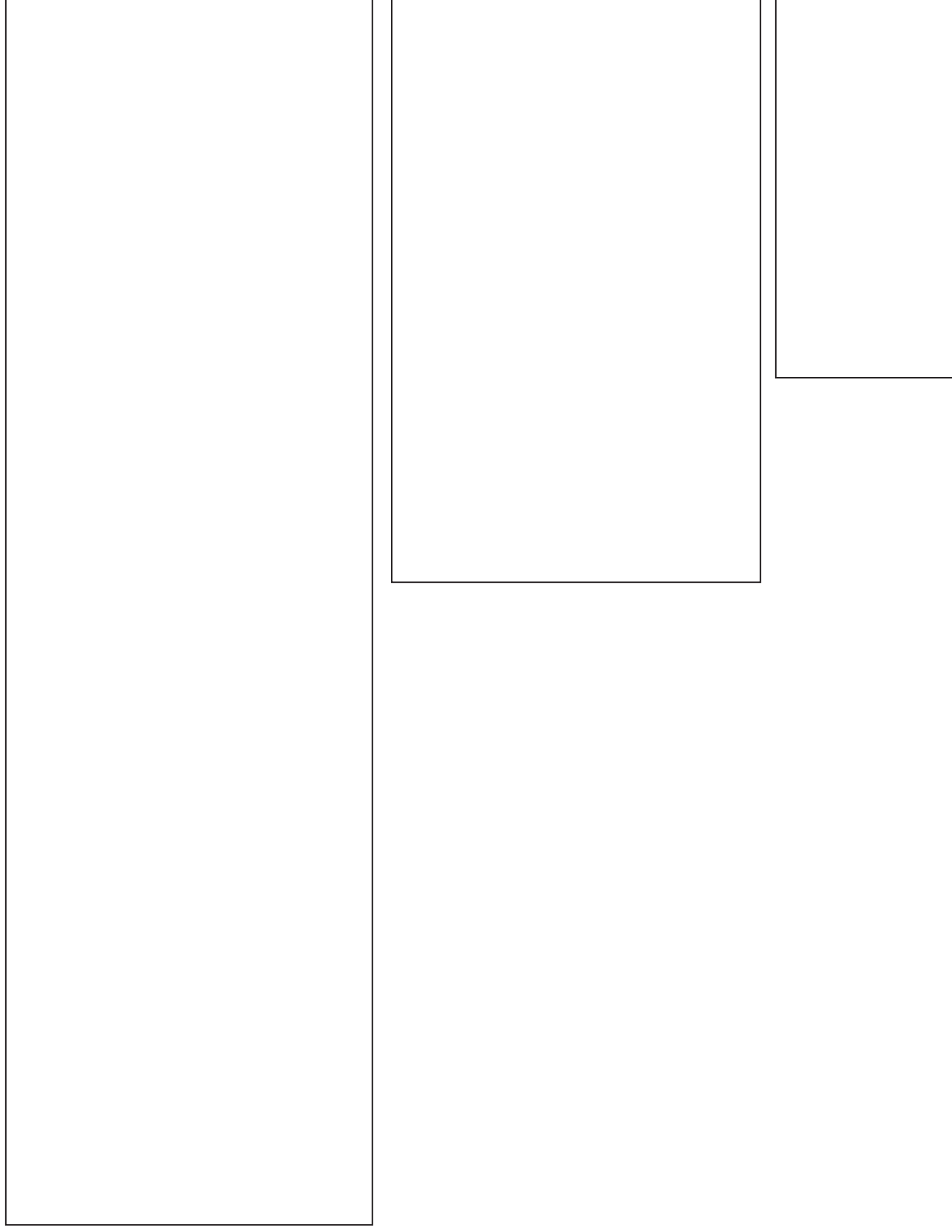
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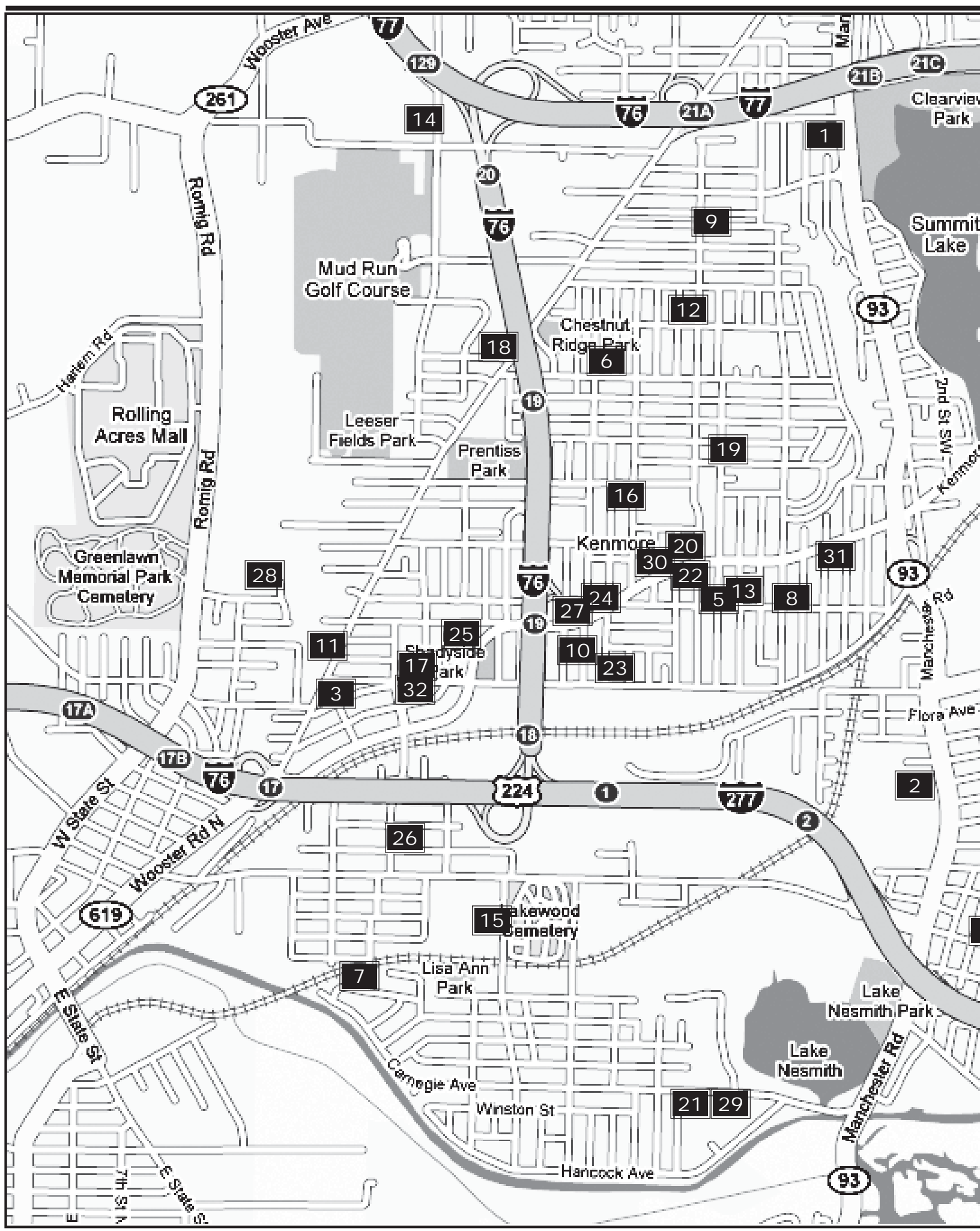
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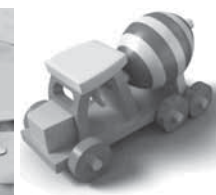
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# Park Church Angel Food Ministry - It's Both a Bargain and a Blessing

By Nancy Maurer

Park United Methodist Church continues to reach out to the community through Angel Food Ministries, which provides high quality food at low cost to everyone. Angel Food Ministries is a non-profit, non-denominational organization that purchases large quantities of high quality food and is able to distribute the food at low cost to 500,000 families in over 35 states nationwide.

Angel Food is available in a quantity that can fit into a medium-sized box at \$30 per unit. Each month's menu is different than the previous month and consists of both fresh and frozen items, with an average retail value of approximately \$60. Comparison shopping has been done across the country in various communities using a wide range of retail grocery stores and has resulted in the same food items costing from between \$42 and \$78.

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Also offered are specialty boxes such as steaks, chicken, pork, and a fresh fruit and veggie box. Many participants in this bonus program appreciate the expanded choices. Additionally, there is no limit to the number of units or bonus foods an individual can receive, and there are no applications to complete or qualifications to which participants must adhere. Park Angel Food Ministries also participates in the U.S. Food Stamp program, using the Off-Line Food Stamp Voucher system. Park Church has online order capability for credit & debit cards through [www.angelfoodministries.com](http://www.angelfoodministries.com).

Monthly menus are available at the Kenmore Library, Kenmore Senior/Community Center, or at Park United Methodist Church (weekdays 9 am-2 pm). For more information please call Park Church at 330-745-3714.

## Kenmore Band Booster News

The Kenmore High School Band Boosters would like to announce the board for 2009 – 2010: President – Karen Centore, vice president – Vicky Oplinger; Treasurer – Donna Widder. The Kenmore High School Concert Band participated in the Memorial Cemetery again this year. The High School Marching Band along with the 8th graders from Innes Middle School marched in the Festival parade on June 3rd. The Band Boosters also held their 1st Annual Car Wash fundraiser this year at Rallys on Van Ode.

### UPCOMING EVENTS FOR THE BAND BOOSTERS

November 21 ANNUAL FALL CRAFT SHOW – Our annual fall craft show showcases some of Northeast Ohio's finest crafters. Start your Christmas shopping! Vendors contact Karen at 330-848-0696 or Donna at 330-807-8754.

November 28 AKRON'S ANNUAL DOWNTOWN CHRISTMAS PARADE.

JUST A REMINDER, BAND BOOSTERS MEETS AT 7:00 PM EVERY SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH IN THE THEATRE OF THE HIGH SCHOOL. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE THERE. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT [klcentore@sbcglobal.net](mailto:klcentore@sbcglobal.net) FOR ALL MEETING DATES AND BAND EVENTS.

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# DeBord 14th Annual Kenmore Halloween Event

by Claude DeBord

Our once small backyard party which started in 1996 with two dozen people has now drawn well over a thousand on Saturday October 10th...WOW! For those who missed it we had TV's Big Chuck & Little John, the Son of Ghoul, and Cool Ghoul. It was the first time "EVER" these 4 TV hosts had been together at one event! We also had several bands including Sobeit (who was ranked number one in Akron for a second straight year), Scummy Monkeys, High Energy, Witch Dr., and the Rubber City Harmonica Club.

Speaking of clubs we had Star Trek, Dark Shadows, the Corsair model airplane, Spectere and Sight Ghost hunter clubs. Also adding to the festivities were 5 hearses, the Dukes of Hazzard car, Wicked Gypsy, Visions of the Nile, and Nicole's belly dance groups performing for us. As darkness fell upon the night we had April "Red" DeBord, Bill Rowdey, and Drake Collins do their fire acts to the delight of the party goers. Let us not forget Laura Lyns, Psychic Convention, Jacob Laughing Fox the flutist, Asian Sun with their fantastic martial arts demonstration, the Summit county 4-H club with tables, a hay ride, Marsino's costume shop, Lisa the Clown, the one and only Purpleman, Dave Cordi as "Jason", Dave Williams as "Freddy", and 12 other mascots. Also present were Mark Cray, the Midnight Syndicate music booth, and a 12 foot movie screen showing classics while overlooking Nesmith Lake. A special thanks goes to Mr. Ralph Wagner who built the movie screen, cooked hot dogs and much more; Mr. David Miller who worked countless hours on this years party and was "Michael Myers"; the Kenmore High School Seniors who volunteered to help run this event; and my wife Nancy for her endless work on the bash.



**The Son of Ghoul, Little John, and founder Claude DeBord**  
(photo by ...)

And a big THANK YOU to the City of Akron's Neighborhood Partnership Program who helped fund the event. Please check out the party website to see photos and videos of our 14th Annual Kenmore Halloween Party at [www.debordhalloweenparty.com](http://www.debordhalloweenparty.com). Call me anytime if you want to be a part of 2010 event at 330-753-8692, as we are always looking for clubs, cars, unique performers, and mascots. Any creative people with ideas and/or suggestions are welcome.

Sign-ups will be at the Kenmore Community Center the first 2 Saturdays in February and the first Saturday in March - which will also be listed on the City of Akron Calendars for 2010.

## Baseball News:

H League Royals won the inner-league championship; coached by Bob Carillon, Doug Norman, Ed Wilson, Andrew McAviney.

H League Athletics won the STATE H LEAGUE DIVISION TITLE! Coached by Justin Gardner, Brian Cuppett, Tony Barbitta and Jeff Brown.

G League Kenmore Storm won the inner-league championship; coached by Mark Marcum, Len Nigh and Mark Peterson.

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# Kenmore Historical Society - Memories of Kenmore

by Don Buckey

“I remember when...”

## Kenmore High School

“The Rock” at Kenmore Stadium -- Football pep rallies during the glory days of the 60’s and early 70’s -- The band marching up 13th street to the stadium Winning football seasons and championships under Coach Fortner -- Looking up to Sonny Litz and Don Plusquellic (and all the other great KHS quarterbacks) as if they were pros -- The great cheerleaders -- Milo Ratkovich and his cigars -- Miss Kapioltas.

## Innes Junior High

Pizza Burgers -- Mr. Whitaker’s shop class and being scared to death that he was going to give me a “swat” -- Miss Good, my favorite teacher “ever”.

## Pfeiffer Elementary School

The stone wall that seemed like it was 100 feet high -- Miss Cronin, my prettiest teacher ever, and her neck brace -- Principal Miss Blaterik being so tall -- Mr. Stroll, the only male teacher in the school -- Mrs. Wescott’s with Coach Fortner whistle -- Mrs. Frierson, who everyone wanted as a teacher.

## Prentiss Park

The Little League baseball state championship teams in the early 60’s -- The Little League parade to start the baseball season -- The Pee Wee football teams, winning seasons and championships.



**Don (left) and Dave Buckey**

## Kenmore, in general

Walking to school - Pfeiffer, Innes, and KHS -- Lock doors unlocked & leaving your keys in the car -- Williston, near Iona Avenue and 12th Street -- Kenmore bustle of Kenmore Boulevard -- The bowling alley -- Playing touch football in the street and hide-and-seek -- Playing outside all day long during summer breaks -- Being able to see the street lights come on -- Being able to see if mom and dad could see us under the street light -- from the front porch when it was time to eat.

Dave and I have been working in the transportation industry many years and are currently working for the same company, Transportation Services, in Raleigh, NC. We’ve both worked for NC State since we graduated from there in the 1970s to the games. Dave and his wife, Anna, have three children, very busy - one in elementary school, one in middle school. I realized a life-long dream of flying several years ago and got my pilot’s license. My wife of 33 years and I are loving it. We’ve flown to London, Miami, Birmingham, Lake Erie and many places around the Mississippi so far and with a flight planned to Europe weather permitting.

Don Buckey – 8809 Audley Cir., Raleigh, NC 27615, 919-841-4524, dbuckey@nc.rr.com.

**After setting many KHS records in football, Don and his twin brother, Dave, graduated from Kenmore in 1972 and played football for North Carolina State. They appeared on the cover of the Oct. 30, 1972 issue of Sports Illustrated (shown at right).**

## Many Attend the Kenmore High School Multi-Class

On Saturday, September 12th, the Kenmore High School Class of 1945 held a multi-class reunion at the Kenmore Senior/Community Center. Kenmore High School graduates from the 1930s, 1940s, and 1950s. Almost 200 people enjoyed a great luncheon, reminisced about their school days, and watched a 20 minute documentary on the history of the Kenmore Community. The Reunion Committee - Chairman Walt Stinson and Secretary Sam Salem - thank all who attended, and hope to do it again next year!



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# Kenmore Kiwanis News

by Linda Burns

This fall has been a very busy time for the Kenmore Kiwanis club. We had our annual Kenmore Halloween Parade & Costume Contest. The parade went from Shadyside Park up Kenmore Boulevard to 13th Street and then to Kenmore High School. Costume judging and prizes were awarded (see Page # for photos), followed by donuts and punch for all who attended.

In September we had one of the most successful "Trash & Treasures Sale" ever. Dick Carderelli did a fine job of advertising on WAKR radio, and we added a hot dog special & cookie sale baked by the women of Kiwanis. During August we held our semi-annual lottery ticket sales and sold popcorn and pop at the summer concerts at Shadyside Park.

The yearly RIF program is up and running in all of the grade schools and Innes Middle School for nearly 2200 students. This is a very vital program of Kiwanis and is in the capable hands of John Buntin Jr.

On November 21st, the club will sponsor a shredding program which will help stop the crime of identity theft. You may bring up to 5 bags of material and the only cost will be imperishable foods that will be donated to the Kenmore Community Nazarene Church for holiday food baskets and the church food pantry for the needy. More info on this can be found in Denny Bloomer's article on Page # of this paper.



At this time, the Kenmore Kiwanis are participating in a Community Fundraising Program, designed to give funds to community groups. The Kenmore Community Nazarene Church (975 Kenmore Blvd.), Etta Mae Smith Community Center (975 Kenmore Blvd.), or Kenmore Comics & Games (975 Kenmore Blvd.). Kenmore Kiwanis would like to thank the Kenmore Kiwanis for the support you have given us in the past, the support you will give us in the future. All funds go to the youth of Kenmore.

If you would like to be a part of this club, please contact us on Wednesdays at 11:45 at the Kenmore Community Nazarene Church, 975 Kenmore Blvd. and Iona Avenue. Our new president, inducted on October 1st, is Ann Boring. She will be striving to fill the shoes of our outgoing president.

## Reflections of 50 Years of Pee Wee Football

by Joe Francis

As the 2009 football season began for the Kenmore Pee Wee players, I could not help but think of my Kenmore Pee Wee football team 50 years ago in 1959. Although we had Little League baseball, I believe there was no youth football program until that season.

Now as I look back to that time I can only imagine what the coaches went through to put this team together. My father Joe Francis, Lloyd Miller (not pictured), Lou Sabatini, and others dedicated all their spare time to recruiting us, raising funds for equipment and uniforms, conducting practices at Prentice field, finding us opponents to play, and organizing transportation for us to away games. I mention finding us opponents to play because there were no other Pee Wee teams in Akron, we were the first not only in Kenmore but the first in all of Akron.

They were able to put together a schedule for us against CYO teams who did have youth football. Our weight limit was 110 pounds, all our CYO opponents had a weight limit of 130 pounds (St. Sebastian, St. Martha, St. Peters, St. Paul's) and a CYO team in the Cleveland area.

Even in that first year and despite the weight difference we had a winning season and as it turned out some excellent players, like Ron Miller, who went on to become high school All-American. Again I attribute that success to the wonderful men who dedicated their time and efforts to establishing the Kenmore Pee Wee football program.



FIRST ROW: Dave Wise, Bob Schaffer, Joel Childs, Tom Semel, Mickey Gurley, Mick Nasrallah, Wade Meyer, Larry Walters, Gary McCutcheon

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THIRD ROW: Trainer Mr. Yuma, Stan Sobleskie, Mark Lamm, Narush, Joe Riordan, Ron Miller, Terry Morrow, Rick Johnson, T. Keith Gross, Chuck Bell, Coach Bob Sabatini.

FOURTH ROW: Fred Friend, Dave Butcher, Kenny Rea, Tom C. Schoonover, Mike Evans, Phil Nasrallah.

# Kenmore Community Council News

by Thomas Abbott

## 19th Annual Kenmore Community Days Festival Memorial Day Weekend - May 27th thru May 31st 2010

For the first time in the history of the Kenmore Community Days Festival, the 2010 festival will be held on the Memorial Day Weekend, Thursday, May 27th thru Monday, May 31st. Our 5 day schedule will remain the same, and will include our spectacular Fireworks Display, on either the Friday or Sunday evening of the festival, and will be officially announced as soon as the date is confirmed. The Parade is scheduled for Saturday, May 29th, at 11:00 am.

This date change is due to an announcement by the State of Ohio, which oversees the Fairs & Major Festival Events & Dates in all Ohio counties. The Kenmore Community Council Inc conducts the festival, which is co-sponsored by the City of Akron and Councilman Michael Freeman, and is an approved City of Akron Bureau of Recreation Special Event. This Memorial Day weekend celebration will serve as a kick-off to a spectacular Summer event season!

The Kenmore Community Council Inc will be accepting applications for the 2010 festival for vendors & exhibitors, and for the parade. We are always looking for fresh ideas, and for volunteers interested in being involved in the planning of the festival. Our purpose is to offer a Family & Community event in a positive, safe, and controlled environment. For more information contact us at our office at 330-745-8999. Get excited for Festival 2010!

## State of Ohio & The City of Akron recognizes the Kenmore Community Council Inc Kenmore Community Days Festival as being "Best Festival In The State of Ohio"!

In May of 2009 the Kenmore Community Council Inc and the City of Akron were informed that the Kenmore Community Days Festival was awarded the Best Festival in the State of Ohio for the year 2008, by the State of Ohio Greater Ohio Showman's Association. Our festival was nominated for the award and selected out of festivals from all 88 Ohio counties, and we competed with festivals that have been in existence for much longer periods of time, and with some festivals that are much larger events. The Ohio State Festival of the Year Award is one of the most prestigious awards presented to a festival, that exceeds standards of excellence!

At the completion of the 2009 Kenmore Community Days Festival, the Kenmore Community Council Inc was also awarded a Proclamation of Excellence by the City of Akron, Akron City Council, and Councilman Michael Freeman. The Kenmore Community Council Inc wishes to sincerely thank all those who are responsible for the nomination and selection of the award, to our members, to the Community of Kenmore, to the City of Akron, and to Councilman Michael Freeman. The Council is most appreciative of your belief in us, and your support. Words cannot express our deepest appreciation - Thank You Kenmore!

## Kenmore Community & Children's & Tree Lighting Event - Saturday, Dec 5th

The Kenmore Tree Lighting at Shadyside Park will be held on Saturday, December 5th, 2009 beginning at 6:30 pm at the Shadyside Park and will be followed by the traditional Community Christmas Party with Santa, to be held across the street from the Church immediately following the Tree Lighting. The activities of the day long Kenmore Holiday Party will be available with Santa at the party, and all are invited. Refreshments will be served!

## The Kenmore Holiday Christmas Outdoor Decorating Contest

Plan now to decorate your Kenmore outdoor residence for the Christmas Holiday Season AND WIN A PRIZE!

The Kenmore Community Council Inc is bringing back the Outdoor Holiday Christmas Decorating Contest open to all residents in the Kenmore 44314 zip code area. The contest was first started several years ago by the late Cletus Swords, and was discontinued by the Council is bringing back the contest to build Community spirit. The DEADLINE FOR ALL ENTRIES is Tuesday, December 1st. The contest will be conducted on Thursday & Friday, December 4th & 5th. Entries entered must have your display completely finished by the judging nights. Several prizes will be awarded, so make sure to and/or nominate your neighbors display! Winners will be announced at the Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony on Saturday, December 5th at Shadyside Park!

Complete the enclosed entry form and return to: Kenmore Holiday Decorating Contest, P.O. Box 3000, Akron, OH 44314 or call the Council at 330-745-8999 to enter.

## Kenmore Holiday Christmas Outdoor Entry / Nomination Form

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# Summer Concerts End With Special Treat for Kids!

The Kenmore Board of Trade Events Committee, Park United Methodist Church, and the First Glance Student Center coordinated this years children's events at the Shadyside Summer Concerts. Each concert had a special theme, in which crafts were created and special contests were run for the children to participate in. These included contests for Hot Wheels Races, Lawn Bowling, Corn Hole, and the famous Water Bucket Race, to name a few.

A new feature added this year (our 10th) was the use of a special coin given to all children during these concert events. Valued at "10 Kenmore Points", this coin was given to craft & contest participants, with extra coins awarded to winners of the various contests. The children were told to save them up throughout the summer, and redeem them for prizes at the last concert. One of the crafts for the children was to make & decorate a "treasure chest" to store their coins in at home.

During the last concert on August 15th, several tables were set up with left over crafts, as well as many toys & prizes donated by various individuals and businesses. All items were "priced", and the children were able to "buy" the items with the coins they had collected during June, July & August. Two-thirds of the coins distributed during the summer were returned this day, and just about every item on display was gone within an hour.

Funding for the children's crafts & contests was provided by the Kenmore Board of Trade and area businesses, and from the City of Akron & the Akron Community Foundation Neighborhood Partnership Grant. Our thanks go to all who participated this summer, all who donated prizes for the children's events, and to the City of Akron for providing us with talented bands every week!



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# Kenmore Church of the Nazarene News

Kenmore Church of the Nazarene will be having a Family Comedy Night on Saturday Dec. 19, 2009 @ 7:00 featuring Larry Delawder. He will also be with us on Sunday Dec 20, @ 10:00. Larry Delawder is an accomplished Musician, Singer, Song Writer, and Comedian. Larry has spent 7 years at National Quartet Convention in Nashville, Received the Hearts Aflame Award for instrumentalist of the year. Larry has personally produced 3 solo harmonic recordings. Larry is a very funny comedian that impersonates Barney Fife. You don't want to miss this. Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene 2025 12th Street SW Akron Ohio 44314.



**Lary Delawder**

Kenmore Church of the Nazarene will be starting the Upward basketball program. All youth welcome to join. It will be starting in January. Sign ups are November 9 - December 19, every Sunday from 12-3 pm.

# Kenmore Senior/Communit Center News

The Kenmore Community Center's Annual Fall Card Party was a huge hit! Great food, fun, and festivities rounded out the afternoon for all those who participated. Many sported friendly competition, great conversation, and luck when it came to winning. We would like to thank the countless folks who donated time, prizes, and endless support to help make this event such a success. We hope to see everyone next year!



# PROJECT SHINE

DO YOU NEED HELP AROUND THE HOUSE WITH TASKS THAT ARE TOO BIG OR TOO PHYSICALLY DEMANDING?  
**Allow Project Shine to help.**

This year, Project Shine will host 2 full work weeks. The first one will be June 20-25, 2010 and the second one June 27-30, 2010. Each week, our volunteers (teenagers and adults) come to your home for fellowship and learning about Jesus Christ. If you have a home that need some attention and you are interested in participating through Project Shine, please complete the application form and return to:  
Project Shine P.O. Box 3895 Akron, OH 44314

All work is considered on a first come, first served basis.

NOTE: Submitting this form does not guarantee that we will be able to help you for our project. There is no cost for Project Shine to come to your home. However, donations are greatly appreciated.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Day Phone # 330 \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Best time to reach you \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check one or more of the following:**

- Exterior House Paint
- Exterior Garage Paint
- Porch/Deck – Paint/Stain/Repair
- Yard Work/Cleanup/Trimming etc
- Interior House Paint
- Window Treatments
- Ceiling Fan Installation
- Chandelier Installation

Due to insurance restrictions, Project Shine regrettably cannot offer any services other than those listed above.

For questions or further information regarding Project Shine, please contact Jeremy @ 330-472-3333 or visit our website at [www.projectshine.org](http://www.projectshine.org)

## Knights of Columbus Hall

2055 Glenmount Avenue, Akron



Seats up to 300

## Saint Demetrius Church

3106 Ridgewood Road, Copley



Seats up to 280

## Houston Hall

3069 Houston Avenue, Akron



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**For more information contract Charlie Shook at 330-848-2200 or 330-472-3333**



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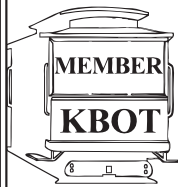
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### In case of emergency

Child Abuse Hotline

Child Guidance 24-hour

Child Crisis Assistance

Children's Hospital

Children's Hospital Health Info

Domestic Violence Hotline

County Info Line

Poison Control Center

Rape Crisis Center

Summit County Children

Who Witness Violence

Teen Suicide Prevention Hotline

# Annual Kenmore Halloween Parade & Costume Contest



Batgirl Meets the Purpleman



Costume Contestants in the KHS Gym

# Annual Kenmore Teen Halloween Party at First Glance Student

