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13th Annual Kenmore Holiday Celebration Arriving Soon!

The 13th Annual Kenmore Holiday Celebration will be Saturday December 3rd this year, starting at 11:00 am. This community event will include an appearance by Santa, children's craft projects at many locations, the Children's Craft Run, Adult & Children's Raffle for free prizes (donated by area businesses), food events (such as The Church on the Boulevard's pancake breakfast starting at 8:00 am), business open houses & sales, Library open house, holiday costumed characters passing out candy, a juggler, clowns, and a free trolley providing transportation all along Kenmore Boulevard from 6th Street to Shadyside Park.

The days events will continue at 6:00 pm with prize drawings, a choir signing holiday music, and the tree lighting ceremony (sponsored by the Kenmore Community Council Inc) at Shadyside Park. The evening events will then culminate with the

Children's Party with Santa Claus at Park United Methodist Church.

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 Events Committee. Event sponsors are the Kenmore Kiwanis, Kenmore Community Council Inc, Kenmore Senior/Community Center, Kenmore Cluster PTA's, Kenmore High School, and the sponsors and youth volunteers from the First Glance Student Center. This event is funded in part by donations, and an Akron City and Akron Community Foundation Neighborhood Partnership Grant.

Watch for flyers and posters for further information.



Santa will soon be here on December 3rd!

New Use Possible for Land Containing Heminger Elementary

Heminger Elementary School, closed since 2009, may serve a new purpose, or at least the land it sits on will. Zumpano + Hanson Development and the Buckeye Community Hope Foundation, a not for profit group with 25 years experience in developing and owning housing property, will submit a project proposal to the Ohio Housing Finance Agency on November 17th, to develop the property into a Senior housing complex. Although this proposal will compete with many others for the funds, the fact that an existing Senior Community Center is already available next to the project may give the proposal the edge it needs to be accepted. Buckeye will be the operators of the housing.



Heminger Elementary School

Fred Zumpano is a Kenmore developer whose office is on Manchester Road, and will be the builder. The proposed design will have 20 1-bedroom and 20 2-bedroom units. "Heminger will not be forgotten if this is accomplished" says Fred Zumpano, "as we plan to design a community room containing photos & artifacts of this Kenmore School." A decision on this project is expected by the Spring of 2012.

Easten Cali Now Open Year Round

When Stephen Horak opened Easten Cali in April 2008, he planned to run a traditional seasonal ice-cream stand. But as the years went by and his selection of hot food & non ice-cream products expanded, he realized that he also could expand into a year-round business. So as of this year Easten Cali will now be open throughout the winter (with a small break between Christmas and the New Year), and continue to be open year round.

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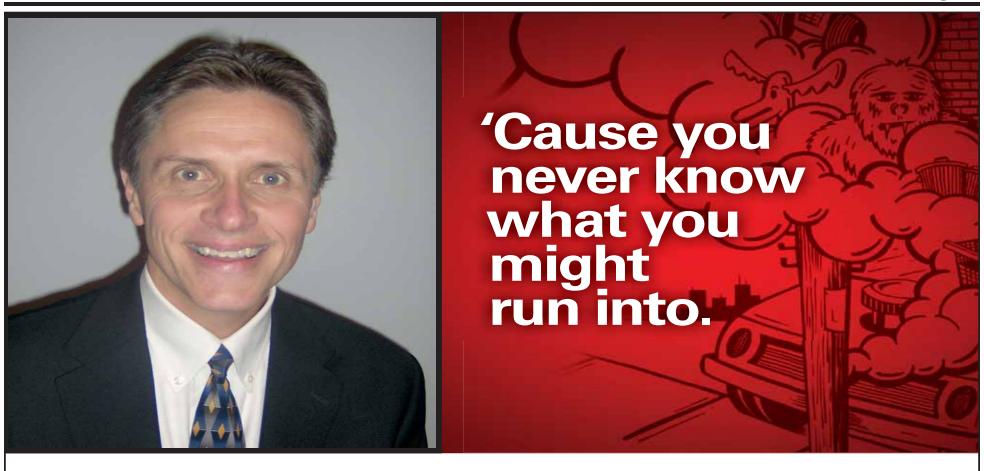


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6th Annual Stand Down

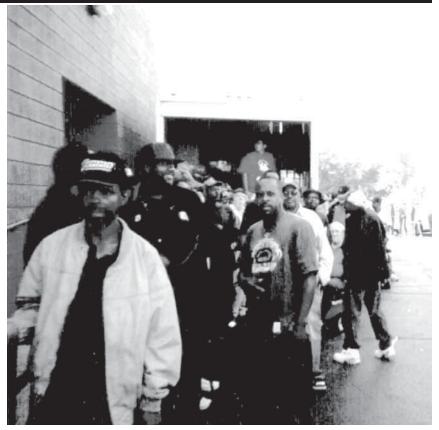
by Debbie Jeffers

The 6th Annual Stand Down was held September 13th at Firestone VFW Post #3383, at West Waterloo Road. The Coordinator of the Stand Down was Laura Dunlop, and many volunteers helped make this event happen. Hundreds of Veterans were provided with clothing, medical services, food, boots, gloves, blankets, and haircuts. Many organizations came together and donated various items, money, and their time to this event.



John Keifer, veteran of the Navy, and member of American Legion #449, receiving a haricut by Debbie Jeffers





Veterans Wait in Line for Stand Down

The American Legion Post #449 and Firestone VFW of Kenmore play a huge part in the Stand Down, as well as many other Post's in Summit County. Each Veteran got a hot bowl of Chicken Noodle Soup made by the Woman of the 449 Post, and a ditty bag to take home.

Chaplains were there from various churches, and medical care & counseling was also provided. The Stand Down started in 2006 and is very important to this community.



Patty Weber dips out some hot soup made by Karen Mikunus of Post #449

Kenmore Branch Library Community News

Welcome to Kenmore Branch Library!

Akron-Summit County Public Library - Kenmore Branch offers many great programs for all ages!

Mark your calendars for all our great upcoming programs.

Children's Programs Wednesdays at 10:30 am

Preschool Story Time November 2nd - December 14th January 4th - February 8th

Join us for stories, music, movement and more. For children ages 2-6 years with a favorite adult. Sign up to join the fun!

Afterschool Programs Kids in Grades K-6 Thursdays at 3:30 pm

December 8th Holiday Gifts

Drop in and make a homemade gift for someone special and just right for whichever holiday you celebrate.

December 22nd Design a Button

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January 26th Movie Day at the Library

Watch the Smurfs on our big screen and warm up with hot cocoa and snacks.

Movie is rated PG and runs about 90 minutes.



Creating Mini-Pizzas

American Red Cross Basic Aid for Kids (BAT) Saturday, January 28th - 10:30 am to 1:30 pm

Kids in grades 3-5 will learn how to stay safe by learning how to prevent, prepare for and respond to emergencies. Kids will learn basic skills such as basic first aid, first aid for choking, injury prevention, fire prevention, poison control and much more.

Teen Programs
Cool programs for teens ages 11-18

Polymer Clay Creations Tuesday, December 13th @ 3:30 pm

Whether you need last minute gifts or just want to make something fun, stop by and make creations out of clay. Jewelry, toys, ornaments – if you can design it, you can make it at this program.

Super Sandwich Showdown! Tuesday, January 24th @ 3:30pm

Teens compete against others to see who can create the best and most creative sandwich or wrap using a variety of ingredients. Yum!



Stupendous Storytelling Balloon Show

Teen Advisory Board Tuesdays at 3:30 pm

December 6th, January 3rd, February 7th

Join the Kenmore Teen Advisory Board and meet new friends, help plan and promote great teen programs, discuss books, movies and music, eat snacks, play games, and just have fun! Membership looks great on resumes, job and college applications.

Adult Programs

HOLIDAY WREATH PROGRAM Wednesday, December 14th at 6:30 pm

Join us to create a beautiful Holiday Wreath to decorate your home. Please sign up in advance. Registration begins November 28th.



Stupendous Storytelling Balloon Show

e-READER HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA Saturday, December 17th at 2:00 pm

Thinking about purchasing an e-Reader and don't know where to start? Or have you recently purchased an e-book reader and you would like to know more about your device and what e-books are available? The library can help! This class will help you find out which device is right for you and what resources are available from the library. Several different devices will be available for hands-on demonstration and evaluation.

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Come create a beautiful bracelet from our large array of beads. Please sign up in advance. Registration begins December 27th.

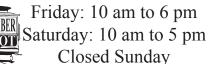
HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE Saturday, December 3rd, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Fun for all ages. Join us to celebrate our Open House and Kenmore's Christmas on the Boulevard Celebration. We will have temporary tattoos for the children and treats for all ages. OUTBACK RAY will perform with his exotic animals at 2:00 pm.

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These Kenmore High School Articles are Courtesy of the Cardinal Courier October 2011 Issue

Kenmore Welcomes Home Returning Alumni

by Alexis Thompson, Senior KHS

How well do you know your principal? Kenmore High School's new principal is Ginelle Rasnick and a Kenmore alumnus.

Rasnick is well-qualified to be principal because she has over 22 years in experience, 14 in education and 8 in administration. "I was excited to come back to be a principal because not many individuals, as assistants, can be promoted and go back to their alma mater," says Rasnick. She works well with the staff and "Utilizes all of her resources and solves problems with the help of her team she surrounds herself with," said Assistant Principal Jeannie Yost.

"The staff and I all have the same thing for our students, which is for them to leave KHS with Academic skills," said Rasnick. Being a Kenmore graduate, Rasnick said, "It is an honor and a privilege to be here at KHS. I have always known that the school and students were exceptional."

Rasnick is already caught up on most of Kenmore's traditions. Yost said, "There is so much tradition evident in what goes on here at Kenmore. Rasnick is thrilled to see that many of the traditions have continued. I know Rasnick will work to ensure that Kenmore's tradition of excellence will continue."

Freshman, Darian Revis said, "It's good for Kenmore to have Mrs. Rasnick as a Kenmore graduate because she can understand what goes on here. Her graduating from Kenmore shows the students they can achieve exactly what they want and they can be successful."

The 2012 class is happy to have a new principal and will have the opportunity to participate in many activities that will enrich their senior year. Senior Alex Steinmentz said, "We are going to have a good graduating class because were smart and perfect with a lot of spirit."

Rasnick is doing her best and trying hard to make KHS a number one school!

Teacher Spotlight: Sarcastically Serious

by Tyrail Toney, Senior KHS

Martin Drexler is the new teacher on the block who is making a big splash to be a teacher to die for. Well that is how Drexler keeps kids involved; with his comedy skills. "I like to have things flowing for kids to learn. I might say a corny joke, but it is all to get their attention," said Drexler. This style of teaching makes students like him. Sophomore Darrin Woods said, "He's a good teacher; one of the best teachers in this school."

Drexler majored in math at Kent State and worked at Buchtel High School for thirteen years. This is his first year at Kenmore High School and he teaches Algebra One and Power Point Geometry. So far Drexler is feeling the Kenmore pride and tradition. Drexler said, "It's nice, good school spirit, and it feels like a family."

Not only does he teach but he performs stand-up comedy. "Comedy is more of hobby, for it to be a career you have to be funny," said Drexler without cracking a smile. In Cuyahoga Falls at Funny Stop Comedy Club Martin won first place in an amateur comedy contest. He also published a book called the <u>Almost Joke Book</u> under the name Marty Drexler. "I named it that because the book is not funny, it's like almost there," Drexler said smiling.

Only to really make a scene at Kenmore High School he's starting a "beef" with another likable teacher. "A lot of talk and I think the kids would want to see me in a rap battle against Mr. Thomas in the talent show," said Martin Drexler. History Teacher Willis Thomas had more of a smoother and reluctant approach. "I really don't know him all that well, but he would probably asthma attack me in a rap battle. I'm more of a song and dance man," Thomas said. If only that talent show didn't get cancelled and now we can't see a heavyweight rap battle. Could have been the Jay-Z and Kanye West album Kenmore style, Watch the Classroom.

Overall Martin Drexler is someone you should get to know and welcome in our school. He might rap or tell you one of his original jokes. Go get a copy of his book or check him out his videos under Marty Drexler on www.youtube.com. Hopefully, Drexler likes Kenmore and will stay for the long-haul seriously.



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An Open Letter from the Coach!

by Ed Peltz, KHS Head Football Coach **To the Kenmore Community:**

The 2011 Kenmore Cardinals Football Team has concluded there season bringing the luster back to the Cardinal Nation that we earlier promised to deliver. The team has finished with an overall record of 6 wins and 4 losses which equates to the best Kenmore Football record in about 20 years. In addition the Cardinals finished all alone in third place (after pre-season picks had us to finish 6th) with a 4-2 league record.

Our season ended with a come from behind 13-9 victory over rival Garfield which according to some Cardinal followers is only the second victory over the Rams in the last 30 years. As of this writing we can not verify that, but we can tell you that the win was sweet and our seniors led the way as we came back from a 9-0 deficit in the third quarter.

This football team has worked hard throughout the season and has been competitive in every game that we have played. As we promised earlier this year we have maintained a disciplined, team oriented and physical football team that our community can be proud of. We thank each and every person and business that has supported us throughout the season either by advertising, making a donation to our kids or by being at our games and cheering these young men on.

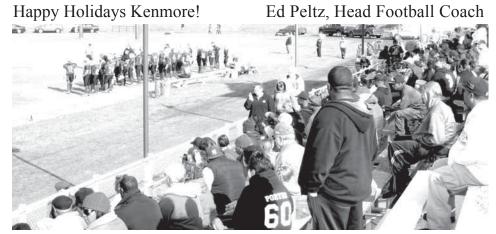
We especially want to thank Doug and Rachel Jones, from First Glance on Kenmore Boulevard, for their leadership and organization in starting "team dinners" each week for our football team. We are grateful to everyone involved and also appreciate those that donated food, drink, plates and silverware. These dinners have been meaningful to our team and they have truly brought us all closer together, thank you!

Also, A big Kenmore thank you to Mayor Don Plusquellic, Councilman Mike Freeman and huge Kenmore supporter Rick Gromley for standing strongly with our team and ensuring that our homecoming and senior recognition games are played where they belong, Kenmore Stadium. These men were instrumental in 'nudging' the powers that be to get our field in shape and playable. On behalf of the entire Cardinal Nation ... thank you!

I would like to thank the players, parents and fans for believing in us and supporting this football team. As I said, without everyone the successes we have had would not be possible. We feel that we have built a strong foundation that will be able to sustain for years to come. I personally want to thank the coaching staff of Tim Bryan, Jason Knapp, Joe Porco, Bill Emery, Jerry VanNorstran, John Puglisi, Fred Donovan and Kevin Cooper for their hard work and dedication. Also, thank you to their spouses as well as mine, Traci (Kenmore Class of 1983) for allowing us to do what we love.

We also want to thank the Kenmore Youth Football Organization for allowing us to practice on their facility the final two weeks of the season so that we could prepare and win those games. It is another example of the great relationship between our youth team and coaches along with the high school. We hope every Kenmore Youth Player chooses to come up to the high school to continue their football careers and remember Kenmore Football is BACK and we want you with us!

Finally, we look forward to bringing the Kenmore Community together again next season and hope that everyone in Cardinal Nation wears their Kenmore gear proudly! We urge you to support all of our academic programs, fine art presentations and plays as well as both male and female athletics. The Red and Black of Kenmore runs deep!



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DeBord's 16th Annual Community Halloween Party

by Claude DeBord

Happy Halloween Kenmore! Thanks to everyone who helped make the 2011 DeBord's 16th Annual Community Halloween Party the biggest and best one to date. TV's Big Chuck and Little John (who are back on Channel 8 Saturday mornings at 11:30 am) were back for a 3rd straight year judging our pizza eating contest. A "BIG" thanks to Kenmore's own Regina's Pizza for sponsoring the duo for this event. And thanks to Akron Costume & Design for their sponsorship.



We had 9 bands in all performing from 3 location's at the event - Sobeit, Zombie Crutch, From Chaos, High Energy, and Scummy Monkee's being some of them. Bob & Jim Morehead with J&C Entertainment were our DJ's again this year. This year we had 4 belly dance groups - Wicked Gypsey, Phoenix Circle, Vision's of the Nile, and Nicole's Belly Dancers, who all did a wonderful job. April "Red" DeBord made the trip up from St.Petersburg Florida just for our event to do her cool fire performance. Bill Rowdy the Ninja Juggler was back this year and did a great job. We had the Batmobile, the Andy Griffith show car with a Barney Fiffe impersonator, James Weirick's electric car, and the Johnson family hearse among the vehicles on display.





Ralph Waggner and Kevin Price cooked a ton of hotdogs once again for us. The Scottish American games were amazing and had folks come from 3 states and even made their own t-shirts. Tickle and Squeal the Vaudeville Duo came down from Cleveland and did an amazing act. Dave Pinchon set up his huge movie screen and played movie classic's like Young Frankenstein throughout the night. There was a couple dozen vendors and clubs set up like the Cors-Air Model Airplane club. Heaven Can Wait Animal Rescue had inflatable's for the kids. Magic City Train gave rides during the first half of the party and we had hay rides during the second half.



There were amazing people mingling around like Captain Eyeball, Raul the Birdman, Superman, and John Addams the drummer from our Cleveland Indians, to name just a few. We even had a Karate performance by Zahand's Martial Arts who did a super job for a second year in a row. Thanks to Zack Angel who's Pepperidge Farms bread truck donated a truck load of bread and bagels. Special thanks also to the 4-H Club who along with my parents saved us when the kitchen help did not show up. These guys also went with me to get the cornstalks as well. And thanks to Dave Miller who donated a tremendous amount of time over the past month making the party a hit.



And a very special thank you to the City of Akron Neighborhood Partnership Program for their funding of this community event.

If I forgot anyone your efforts were greatly appreciated too. If there is anyone who took pictures and/or video of the party PLEASE let me know as we would love to put it on the website at www.debordhalloweenparty.com. So Kenmore mark your calendars as Saturday October 13th 2012 will be the date for our 17th Annual Community Halloween Party next year.



All photos by Tim Johnson of Quixote Creations and by April DeBord

Kenmore Annual Halloween Parade & Costume Contest



























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Kenmore Community Council Inc News

by Thomas Abbott

Kenmore Holiday Celebration - Shadyside Park Gazebo Tree Kenmore Community Days Festival 2011 & 2012: **Lighting & Children's Community Holiday Christmas Party:**

The Kenmore Community Council Inc will again sponsor the Tree Lighting at Shadyside Park on Saturday, December 3rd, beginning at 6:00 pm at the Gazebo. Christmas music will be provided by the Music Ministry Team from The Church on the Boulevard. followed by the Tree Lighting, and then prize drawings from the Kenmore Holiday Celebration Day's activities.

The evening will conclude with our annual Kenmore Children's & Community Christmas Party immediately following the gazebo, with activities at Park United Methodist Church. Park Church is located directly across the street from Shadyside Park.

Santa Claus will be in Kenmore for this special evening. Light refreshments will be served, and a surprise from Santa will be available for each child attending. Photos with Santa will also be available.

Shadyside Park & the Gazebo will be decorated again this year by the Kenmore Community Council Inc with the assistance of the Kenmore Kiwanis Club. An early sincere Thank You to Ron & Debra Leonard, Bob & Georgia Weatherholt, and to Dick Cardarelli for their time and effort in regard to this event.

For more information on the evenings activities check out the new website –www.kenmorecommunitycouncil.org or call us at 330-745-8999.

Kenmore Holiday Home Decorating Contest Returns:

It's time to start planning now to decorate your home for the annual Christmas Holiday Home Outdoor Decorating contest. Nominate your own home, and or your neighbors home, by completing the enclosed entry form. Nominations must be received NO later than Friday, November 25th, 2011 to be included in this years contest. You may choose to email your nomination by going to our website at www.kenmorecommunitycouncil.org. Look for info on the Holiday Decorating Contest. You may also call in your nomination to 330-745-8999. Prizes will be awarded at the Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony at Shadyside Park, on Saturday, December 3rd, beginning at 6:00 pm.

New Kenmore Website Launched – www.kenmorecommunitycouncil.org:

The Kenmore Community Council Inc is proud to announce our new Council & Community website for Kenmore. Please be sure to search our new website to see all of the new and awesome components.

Community News, our Community Newsletter, and up to date latest news on Kenmore will be coming soon! All of the Kenmore Community can be involved in our new site. Community, School, and Sports News are just a few of the new additions to our Kenmore Website. Plus – get the latest news on the Kenmore Community Council Inc & The Kenmore Community Days Festival for 2012!

The Kenmore Community Council Inc would like to extend our sincere Thank You to the entire Community of Kenmore for making our 20th Anniversary festival a huge success. Our most sincere gratitude to all of our volunteers who worked countless hours, and to the City of Akron, and to Councilman Mike Freeman for his unending support – Thank You!

2012 Kenmore Community Days Festival Tentative - Memorial Day Weekend-May 24th thru May 28th, 2012:

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The Kenmore Holiday Christmas **Outdoor Decorating Contest Returns!**

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The Kenmore Community Council Inc is bringing back the Kenmore Outdoor Holiday Christmas Decorating Contest open to all residents and business's in the Kenmore 44314 zip code area. The contest was organized several years ago by the late Cletus Swords, and was a grand success. So, the Council is bringing back the contest to build Community Spirit in Kenmore! The DEADLINE FOR ALL ENTRIES is Wednesday, Wednesday November 30th. Judging will be conducted on Thursday & Friday, December 1st & 2nd. All properties entered must have your display completely lighted for judging on the judging nights. Several prizes will be awarded, so plan now to participate, and/or nominate your neighbors display! Winners will be announced at the Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony on Saturday December 3rd, at 6:30 pm at Shadyside Park!

Complete the enclosed entry form and return to: Kenmore Holiday Decorating Contest, P.O. Box 3954, Akron Ohio 44314 or call the Council at 330-745-8999 to enter.

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Kenmore Youth Baseball News

by Kevin Gerber

Sign-ups for 2012 will be at the Kenmore Community Center the following dates-

- --Saturday February 11th 11:00 am to 1:30 pm
- -- Thursday February 16th 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm
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Kenmore Historical Society News

by Jan Williams

The Kenmore Historical Society celebrated our 10th anniversary at our October meeting. To quote our Charter, our purpose is "to promote an interest in Kenmore's history; to collect and preserve documents, records, relics and memorabilia relating to Kenmore; to encourage and support the appropriate marking and care of historical sites in order to promote a better understanding and appreciation of our heritage." We meet at the Kenmore Branch Library, 969 Kenmore Boulevard, the last Monday of every month except January, May, and December. We maintain a website with up-to-date information about our community and our society – www.kenmorehistorical.org.

Over the years, we have continued to support our community by working with other organizations to celebrate holidays such as Halloween, Easter, and Christmas on the Boulevard. We have donated time and financial support to the schools in our district. For example, we created and distributed a coloring book that depicted the history of Kenmore. We offered a scholarship for several years to Kenmore seniors. We have also worked on the committees to induct members to Kenmore's Wall of Fame.

We have been invited to share information and display memorabilia at class reunions. We were committee members working to help plan Sam Salem's "Kenmore's Greatest Generations 1908-2010." We worked with several organizations planning events to celebrate Kenmore's 100th anniversary in 2008. Our organization donated a marble marker near the gazebo at Shadyside Park honoring our Kenmore Veterans.

We have created several calendars with pictures of various sites in Kenmore's past. We also created a DVD entitled "Kenmore Ohio". We have created several wooden collectibles including Kenmore's first school (now called Heminger), Young's Restaurant, Kenmore's City Hall, etc. Our latest additions to this collection are Smith Elementary (now available) and the old Kenmore High School (available next month). You can purchase our DVD and wooden collectibles at our meetings or at Kenmore Komics & Games at 1020 Kenmore Boulevard.

We have an Open House every May where we display items we've collected over the years. We would appreciate any donations of Kenmore memorabilia to add to our collection. If you have any photographs to share, we can make copies and return the originals.

Please consider attending our meetings. We have scheduled speakers to inform us about and lead discussions of our history. We display items that have been given to us. We are always looking for new members. Our next meeting is Monday, November 28th, at 7:00 pm where our new officers will be presiding. Our President is Dave Bersnak, VP, Dan Brewer; Treasurer, Dick Jolly; and Secretary, Lillian Jolly. Our Trustees are Tim Bersnak, Ken Dague, Kay Fluke, Dolores Reeves and Jan Williams.



"The Kenmore Historical Society is proud to show our support of our country by donating this flag to the Kenmore Branch Library to be displayed in their Meeting Room" Jim Epling is shown accepting the flag for the library with KHS member Jan Wlliams



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Kenmore Kiwanis News

by Lynda Burns

Busy, busy, busy! Tis that time of year for Kenmore Kiwanis. The last week of October was our annual Kenmore Halloween Parade which runs from Shadyside Park to the Kenmore High School old gym, where prizes for costumes were awarded and two bicycles given away (see photos on page 13 of this newspaper). Donuts and punch were provided for all who attended. And although we have lost the R.I.F. program we still had books for all the children. Next on the agenda is the Christmas decorating of the gazebo at Shadyside Park. And on Saturday December 3rd we will be celebrating the Kenmore Holiday Festival. This is an all day event ending with the lighting of the tree at Shadyside Park in the evening.

Under the supervision of Lee McCutchan we are now putting together our Thanksgiving and Christmas gift baskets for needy families in Kenmore. This is one of our most gratifying projects. Another one is giving a donation to the Upward Sports program at the Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene. This is a great program for the youth of Kenmore and we are always glad to help. We will also be sending a Christmas donation to the children in the Nicaraguan orphanage we support and will again be financing the purchase of sewing machines for the children who will be too old to stay any longer. These machines give them a skill so they will not have to live on the streets. And please watch for members selling our Holiday Peanut boxes,

this is one of the ways we raise money to fund the many things we do in our community.

At the yearly Kiwanis Governors Dinner at St. Georges Church, each Kiwanis club honored one member of their club for giving a little something extra of themselves and I was fortunate enough to receive this award for which I am grateful and proud.

Our new officers for the 2011-2012 year are Zoe Ann Boring - President, Kurt Minier - 1st Vise President, Pam Ballinger - 2nd Vise President, Tom Prentice - Secretary, and Brent Wood - Treasurer.

Iona Beidle will be our Immediate Past President after serving her term this past year. Thanks Iona for a job well done!

Again I would like to invite you to have lunch with us any Tuesday at 11:45 at the Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene on the corner of 12th Street and Iona Avenue. The cost is \$7.00 and worth every penny. I guarantee it. Please join us, we would love to have you!



Lynda Burns (center) receiving her Award at St. Georges Church

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Free Christmas Concert at Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene by Sandy Szollosi

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Jonathan White to Perform December 11th

The Church on the Boulevard Calendar

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KHS Fighting Cardinals Band News

by Karen Centore

This summer started with the welcoming of our new 8th graders from Innes Middle School. The students got busy right away with Band Camp. With the completion of band camp the students were treated to a day at Kennywood Amusement Park in Pittsburgh. This year saw the return of Band Director Lynette Janke and Katlyn Porter, a graduate of Kenmore, as the Assistant Band Director. Leah Oplinger, a senior, is the Field Commander for the season. The student Band President is senior Gene Centore. Gene was also responsible for the field movement choreography for this years half time show.

The senior band students were given the ability to pick this years' half time show. They chose a show from modern pop rock artist, Lady Gaga, The Black-eyed Peas, and Green Day. The show has been a real success.

The Cardinals also participated both the Medina High School Band Show and the Loraine High School Band Show in October. The students had a blast at both shows, although they were one of the smaller bands at the show, they received many compliments for their superior sound. With the football team on a winning streak this year the students have been really getting a work out playing the Cardinal fight song.

The highlights for this year so far has to be the Homecoming Game that almost wasn't. We would like to thank all that called or emailed to have the Homecoming game restored to our home field on October 22nd. We would also like to thank all the workers and volunteers that got the field and it's facilities in good shape for that day. Also thank you to all those that helped to make the day a success. A very special acknowledgement goes to Mayor Don Plusquellic, Councilman Mike Freeman and Superintendent David James. Without their help and involvement this event would not have been possible. Thank You from the Kenmore High School Marching Band Booster Board and Members!

The following week the seniors were recognized at the senior game. This year the band marched with the current 8th graders in the Halloween parade. Some of the costumes were quite interesting to say the least. The 8th graders did a real good job for their first time with the senior high.



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First Glance News

by Jessica Swiger

First Glance offers the opportunity for students to take trips throughout the year that they might not normally have the opportunity to take. A few weeks ago, First Glance took a trip called *Rock the Road*. This annual trip is a forty-eight hour road trip where the destination is only known by the few people who plan it. The leaders and students visited Columbus, Cincinnati, Dayton and Hebron, Kentucky. Some of their many adventures included an Amazing Race, playing laser tag, go-karting, visiting the Cincinnati Zoo, zip-lining, and staying in a hotel. *Rock the Road* takes students out of their comfort zones and allows them to experience different cultures while being challenged.

Having an Amazing Race is a big part of the trip every year because it strengthens the community between the students. Four vans full of students race to a far off destination with only clues to guide them to their various stops along the way. This year, the Amazing Race ended with groups of students singing improvised songs around a 15-foot spine just outside of Columbus. The race challenges the students to work together while teaching them patience and acceptance of one another.

Rock the Road also allows our leaders to continue to invest in the students outside the walls of First Glance. The leaders are able to engage the students and build deeper mentoring relationships by having inspirational conversations. Most of all, **Rock the Road** allows our students to grow in maturity as individuals, but also as a community.

Park Church News

by Joni Schultz

Park United Methodist Church invites everyone in the Kenmore Community to "Come to the Manger" on Saturday December 3rd during the Kenmore Holiday Celebration. We will have many nativity sets on display throughout the church for all to see. You may also visit the Bethlehem Bakery and Craft Shop as we celebrate the birth of our Savior with a "Birthday Party for Jesus". A light lunch will also be provided. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

A Thought from Praise Chapel Church

by Pastor Robert Shank

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