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**CUT & SAVE!**

## Kenmore's Annual Easter Egg Hunt Arriving Soon!



**The Easter Bunny and the Easter Ducky are Ready to Celebrate the Annual Kenmore Craft & Easter Egg Hunt**

The Annual Kenmore Craft & Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday March 31st this year. Beginning at the Kenmore Senior/Community Center with the Children's Craft Party, there will be refreshments (supplied as always by the Kiwanis Club of Kenmore), craft projects, magicians, a clown, prizes, balloons (donated by the Kenmore Historical Society), and special guests - The Easter Bunny & Easter Ducky, who will spend most of their time taking pictures with the excited children.

Doors at the Community Center will open at 9:30 am for the crafts and entertainment events. At around 10:45 am there will be prize drawings to be won by several lucky children, then the children, adults, volunteers, and The Easter Bunny & Easter Ducky would "stroll" with their balloons around the block with the Kenmore High School Band, while the eggs donated by the Kenmore Community Council Inc will be placed in marked areas around Heminger School for all to find.

Mark your calendars and please plan to bring your children to this years Annual Kenmore Craft & Easter Egg Hunt!

**Inside!**

**Check out pages 12 & 13 for businesses who could make your Valentine's Day even more special!**

## VFW Ladies Auxiliary Holds Annual Cancer Card Party

The VFW Ladies Auxiliary 3383 will hold their Annual Cancer Card Party on March 8th, at 690 West Waterloo Road. Ticket cost is \$5.00 per person, which includes a Salad Supper. Doors will open at 5:00 pm. There will be separate draws for two "Lucky Leprechauns" and a "Party on Wheels Wagon" filled with goodies. There will also be a raffle for an assortment of beautiful theme baskets and a 50/50 drawing. Proceeds from this event will go to Cancer Aide and Research. Tickets may be purchased by calling the canteen at 330-745-0127, or if you have questions please call for further information.

## Smith's House of Carpet Has Moved!

Smith's House of Carpet, formerly located at 1016 Kenmore Boulevard, has moved, but not very far. Now located a third of a mile West of their old location, they are now located at the corner of Kenmore Boulevard and 22nd Street, at 1215 Kenmore Boulevard (across from Shadyside Park).

Owners Scott & Marie Smith started their full service flooring store in 1993, and because of their desire to carry many brand names (such as Beaulieu, Formica, Shaw, and Stainmaster), they outgrew the old location. The new showroom carries a full line of carpet, vinyl, luxury vinyl tile, laminate and hardwood flooring. All work is fully guaranteed and warranted by the manufacturers, and Smith's House of Carpet promises their customers a personalized and professional service at a low cost.



**Scott & Marie Smith in Their New Showroom at 1215 Kenmore Boulevard**

Smith's House of Carpet is open Monday thru Friday 10:00 am to 6:00 pm, and Saturday 10:00 am to 3:00 pm, closed Sundays. For more information please call 330-753-6505 or visit their web site at [www.smithshouseofcarpet.com](http://www.smithshouseofcarpet.com).

## Tansations Soon to Be Hot and Cold

Tansations, currently located at 894 West Wilbeth Road, has plans to move and grow. Starting March 1st, owner Matt Coleman will move to 1262 Kenmore Boulevard (former home of Kenmore Dairy Queen). And not only will there be more tanning beds (12 total), but Tansations plans to sell ice cream, coffee, and smoothies from this new location. "I am very excited about both expanding my business and starting something new" says Matt, "and just couldn't pass up the chance to bring ice cream back to this location".

Matt plans to start with 10 basic flavors of ice cream, with 6 seasonal flavors offered every 3 months. Coffee drinkers can expect many varieties, but it will be the smoothie section which will see the most flavors offered to customers, so that between ice cream, coffee and smoothies there will be over 100 items on the menu to choose from.

So starting March 1st, hours for Tansations at their new location will be Monday to Friday 9:00 am to 9:00 pm, Saturday 10:00 am to 7:00 pm, and Sunday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Walk-ins for the tanning beds are always accepted, but appointments can still be called in at 330-753-4505.



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**Lukity's Country Inn**  
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## Zoe Ann Boring Celebrates 50th Anniversary

Zoe Ann Boring, owner of Zoe Ann's Beauty Salon at 975 Kenmore Boulevard, celebrates her 50th Anniversary of graduating from Gerber Beauty School this month. "I went straight from High School to Beauty School" says Zoe Ann, "and finished my courses in February 1962". Zoe Ann is a member of several community organizations, including membership in the Kenmore Board of Trade, and is current President of the Kiwanis Club of Kenmore. "I love Kenmore and enjoy being active in the community".

Zoe Ann Boring has been in business 46 years on Kenmore Boulevard. Zoe Ann's Beauty Salon also includes Anita Downey, Nancy McKee, Pat Nettle, Barbara Rice, Dawne Schaffer, Christy Sprouse and Geri Thornton. The staff at Zoe Ann's Beauty Salon have various hours to accommodate everyone. They open 8:00 am Tuesday through Saturday, and some evening hours are available (call 330-745-8316 for details). Located at 975 Kenmore Boulevard between 14th & 15th Streets, there is a front entrance with easy access for the handicapped, and the back entrance can be easily accessed off the alley from 15th Street with plenty of free parking in the city lot located behind the building.



Zoe Ann Boring



## CELEBRATE EASTER IN KENMORE

9:30 at the Senior/Community Center  
880 Kenmore Boulevard

### • Special Prize Drawings •

Bring your camera to take Photos of your child with The Easter Bunny & Ducky!

9:30 EASTER PARTY - Craft Activity, Clown & Magicians, Punch & Donuts, at the Kenmore Senior / Community Center

10:45 All Prize Drawings Given Away!

11:00 Bunny Hop to the Easter Egg Hunt!

**Young Children must be accompanied by an adult.**

**Sponsors and organizers of this special family event are:**

Kenmore Board of Trade, Kenmore Community Council Inc, Kenmore Senior/Community Center, Kiwanis Club of Kenmore, First Glance Student Center, and the Kenmore Historical Society. It is funded by donations, and by an Akron Neighborhood Partnership Grant from the City of Akron and the Akron Community Foundation.

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**Library Hours:**  
 Monday–Thursday: 10 am to 8:30 pm  
 Friday: 10 am to 6 pm  
 Saturday: 10 am to 5 pm  
 Closed Sunday



### Children's Programs Wednesdays at 10:30 am

**Preschool Story Time April 4th - May 30th**  
 Join us for stories, music, movement and more. For children ages 2-6 years with a favorite adult. Sign up to join the fun!  
 Note: There will be no story time on May 2nd.

### Children's Programs Saturdays at 11:00 am

### Dads and Doughnuts Story Time March 10th

For kids ages 2 and up with their favorite guy. Dads, granddads, uncles and special friends welcome. Join us for stories and fun about dinosaurs.

### Fancy Nancy Story Time and Spa Day May 12th

Ooh la la! Join us for Jane O'Connor's fun & fancy stories about Nancy, followed by a fabulous spa treatment and a scrumptious snack. For kids ages 3 and up.



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

### Art Adventures

**March 22nd**

We'll provide the art supplies for you to create your own masterpiece.

### Movie Day

**April 12th**

Watch PUSS IN BOOTS on our big screen. Snacks will be served. Movie is rated PG and runs about 90 minutes.

### Recycled Craft

**April 26th**

Give an old book new life by making it your own unique piece of art.

### Teen Programs

Cool programs for teens ages 11-18

### Pimp Your Earbuds

**Thursday, March 8th at 3:30 pm**

Trick out your earphones by wrapping or beading the cord, adding bling to your 'buds, or making a creative earbud case or holder that will keep the cord from getting tangled in your backpack. We'll provide the earbuds, but if you'd rather decorate your favorite pair, bring them along! Please call to register.

### Cupcake Decorating

**Saturday, March 24 at 2:00 pm**

Cupcakes are all the rage these days, so join us to learn how to decorate your own sweet creations.

### Hunger Games Movie Release Party

**Tuesday, April 3rd at 3:30 pm**

Would you survive the Hunger Games? Find out by testing your skills and cunning at this program. Join us to celebrate the release of The Hunger Games movie with food and fun! "May the odds be ever in your favor!" Please call to register.

### Game On!

**Tuesday, April 17th at 3:30 pm**

Join us in the large meeting room and challenge your friends to Mario Kart on our Nintendo Wii.

### Makeup 101

**Saturday, April 21st at 2:00 pm**

Learn the basics of good skin care and how to apply makeup to highlight your best features. Bring questions and get a mini-makeover. You'll build confidence that will last a lifetime.

### Teen Advisory Board

**Tuesdays at 3:30 pm**

**March 13th, April 24th, May 8th**

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

### Thrilling Thrillers Book Discussion

**Wednesdays at 7:00 pm**

**March 21th, April 25th, and May 23rd**

Join us to talk about great reads. We'll have refreshments, scintillating conversation and a good time!

### Pamper Your Face

**Saturday, March 17th at 2:00 pm**

Join us for basic skin care tips and a mini-makeover with cosmetologist Vicky Guilliams.

Please call to sign up in advance.

Registration begins February 20th.

### Cool Cupcakes

**Saturday, April 14th at 2:00 pm**

Learn to decorate beautiful cupcakes with Susan Stefnacik. Limit of 20 people, please call in advance to sign up. Registration begins March 19th.



### Computer Classes for Adults

First 15 people will receive a ticket to attend the class.

**Tuesday, March 27th at 2:00 pm**

File Management

**Wednesday, March 28th at 2:00 pm**

Computer Security

**Thursday, March 29th at 2:00 pm**

Internet, Part 3

**Friday, March 30th at 10:30 am**

Internet, Part 4

**Saturday, March 31st at 10:30 am**

Microsoft Word, Part 1

### Tax Aid

Mondays, March 5th, April 16th 11 am – 2:30 pm

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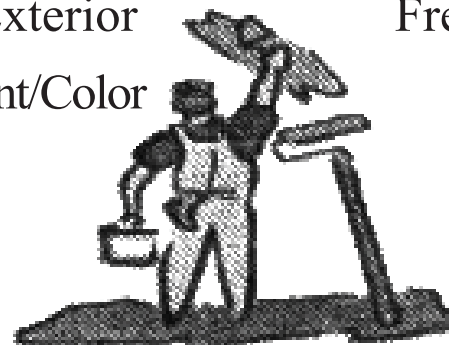
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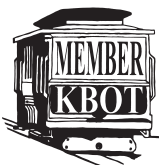
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# Councilman's Corner

## Could Your Neighborhood Group Use a Grant??

Over the past several years, the ninth ward has benefited from the Neighborhood Partnership Program. The NPP is a neighborhood-based program designed to encourage new, creative neighborhood efforts. The Neighborhood Partnership Program provides matching grants to neighborhood organizations for small, innovative neighborhood-based projects.

The program was created to strengthen and provide resources to neighborhood-based groups wanting to improve their neighborhoods. Additionally, it was developed to stimulate partnerships between the City of Akron, the Akron Community Foundation, neighborhood residents and business associations for new creative neighborhood efforts such as safety programs, education initiatives, cleanup projects, and vacant lot improvements.

Neighborhood groups and organizations will compete for grants and must match funds awarded by the City of Akron and the Akron Community Foundation with contributions of volunteer time, cash, or in-kind donations of goods and services. Grants ranging from \$500 to \$7,500 will be awarded annually. The match requirement is \$1 for \$1 and must be secured before beginning the project.

To be eligible, projects must:

- Provide a public, neighborhood benefit to a defined area.
- Have neighborhood involvement in all phases of the project.
- Have matching resources (cash, donated goods and services, volunteer time) to cover the funds requested through Neighborhood Partnership. The matching requirement is \$1 for \$1 match up to \$7,500.
- Specify a time frame for completion of the program up to 12 months. Funds are not payable on invoices dated before or after the contract dates.

I would strongly encourage your block watch or neighborhood organization to consider the 2012 NPP. For more information feel free to contact the Department of Planning and Urban Development at 330-375-2090.

Thanks again for allowing me to serve the residents of the 9th Ward.

Mike Freeman, 330-753-0417

**Ward 9  
Councilman's Meetings**

Councilman Freeman holds a public meeting on the first Tuesday every month at the Kenmore Senior/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 February 7th.



**Councilman Mike Freeman at the Kenmore Days Festival Parade**

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# Kenmore Board of Trade Inducts 2012 Officers, Gives McCutchen Award

At its November lunch meeting the Kenmore Board of Trade elected the new officers & directors for 2012. They are: President - David E. Culbertson; Vice President - David Holliday; Treasurer - John Buntin Jr; and Directors - Leroy Green, Mary McCombs, Lee McCutchan, Steven Motich, Roger Ormsby, Dolores Reeves, Joseph Stefka, and Scott Smith.

The Kenmore Board of Trade presented at the December 15th, 2011 KBOT Christmas Banquet & Installation of Officers the 2011 McCutchan Award to David E. Culbertson, of David E. Culbertson Attorney at Law, for his efforts in the Kenmore community and to the Kenmore Board of Trade. This award is presented yearly (since 1997) in honor of Lee & Jasper McCutchan, who's dedication & contribution to the Kenmore Community will always be remembered. Congratulations to Dave Culbertson for his dedication as President of the Kenmore Board of Trade and to the Kenmore Community!

The objective of the Kenmore Board of Trade is to promote the civic activities of the community which will not only be beneficial to its own local community from a moral, physical, material and business standpoint, but to Greater Akron as well, and to foster, develop, and protect Akron commercial, manufacturing, and civic interests. We invite all interested parties to join us at our monthly luncheons, usually held the first Wednesday of each month at The Church on the Boulevard, at 754 Kenmore Boulevard. These luncheons start at 11:45 am with networking, last usually for one hour, and cost \$7.00 for a delicious lunch. For information on the March lunch meeting, please contact Member Services Chairperson John Buntin Jr at 330-745-5530.




**President-Elect of the Akron Boards of Trade Council Jerry Hughes (left) inducts the 2012 Kenmore Board of Trade Officers & Directors**



**KBOT President David E. Culbertson (far left) receives the McCutchan Award from Past President Scott Smith and Lee McCutchan**

**The Kenmore High School Madrigal Singers Entertain at the Kenmore Board of Trade Christmas Banquet**





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## Kenmore Youth Football Plans "A Night at the Races"

by Tera Brown, President Kenmore Youth Football Booster Club

The Kenmore Youth Football Booster Club has just finished up our 2011 regular football season. Our Bantam, Varsity and Jr Varsity Football Teams all made the League Playoffs with the Bantam and Varsity moving on to the Championship Game. Our Varsity Team continued on to win the League Championship and remained undefeated for the season. Not to be outdone by the football players, the Bantam Cheerleaders brought home 3rd in Dance and the Varsity Cheerleaders brought home 3rd in Cheer and 1st in Dance after competing in the competition that was held in Mogadore. **This is truly a great accomplishment!**

This year's 2012 cheerleading & football sign-ups will be the 2nd, 9th, and 16th of June at Prentice Park.

As with any sports program it takes a great deal of money and volunteers to run a successful program. Our Kenmore Youth Football Booster Club will be hosting a fundraising event "A Night at the Races" on Saturday February 25th at the VFW Club located at 690 West Waterloo Road. For a donation of \$30 you get a horse for the races plus dinner, or \$15 for just the dinner alone. Doors open at 5:30 pm, and there will be door prizes and a raffle. We are currently seeking donations to be used as door prizes at this event. All funds raised will be used to benefit the children that are involved with our organization.

We sincerely appreciate any donations that you can provide. Your donations or ticket purchases will allow us to have the opportunity to continue to teach teamwork, discipline and self respect in a fun, safe, and constructive way. We are committed to helping these children develop a solid foundation that they may carry and build upon throughout their lives.

Please join us for an evening of fun for all. For tickets, donations, or further information please contact Tera Brown at 330-957-2521 or Heather Karam at 330-814-7482.

## Kenmore High School

### All-Class Reunion

by Sam Salem

Attention all Kenmore High alumni. Mark Saturday, September 15th, 2012, on your calendars. The class of 1945, assisted by several other classes, will have an All-Class Reunion at the Kenmore Senior/Community Center, 880 Kenmore Boulevard, starting at 11:00 am for socializing, then lunch at noon, followed by a different kind of program. Each alumnus will be invited to tell about a teacher who inspired them in a special and lasting way. It could be a Kenmore High School teacher or one who taught at the Kenmore elementary schools or at Innes Middle School. Hopefully - funds permitting - these commentaries will be compiled in a booklet and made available to the participating alumni, as well as to the schools involved so that they can be read by today's students. Mailed invitations to follow in July. For more information, please contact the reunion secretary Sam Salem, at 330-864-3745 or samsalem@neo.rr.com.

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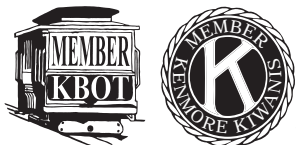


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# Kenmore Historical Society News

by Lillian Jolly

This has to be one of my favorite “Remember When” photographs of Kenmore High School. There are a lot of memories for many people in this overview and the surrounding area back before 1975 when the original building and subsequent addition were demolished.

Several homes were purchased in order to build the new high school and parking lot. The old City Hall can also be seen on the Boulevard. A section of 15th Street running diagonal in the lower right corner is no longer here. Likewise Vermont Avenue that ran along the north side of the school is gone. Battles Avenue is the small portion shown in the lower left corner.

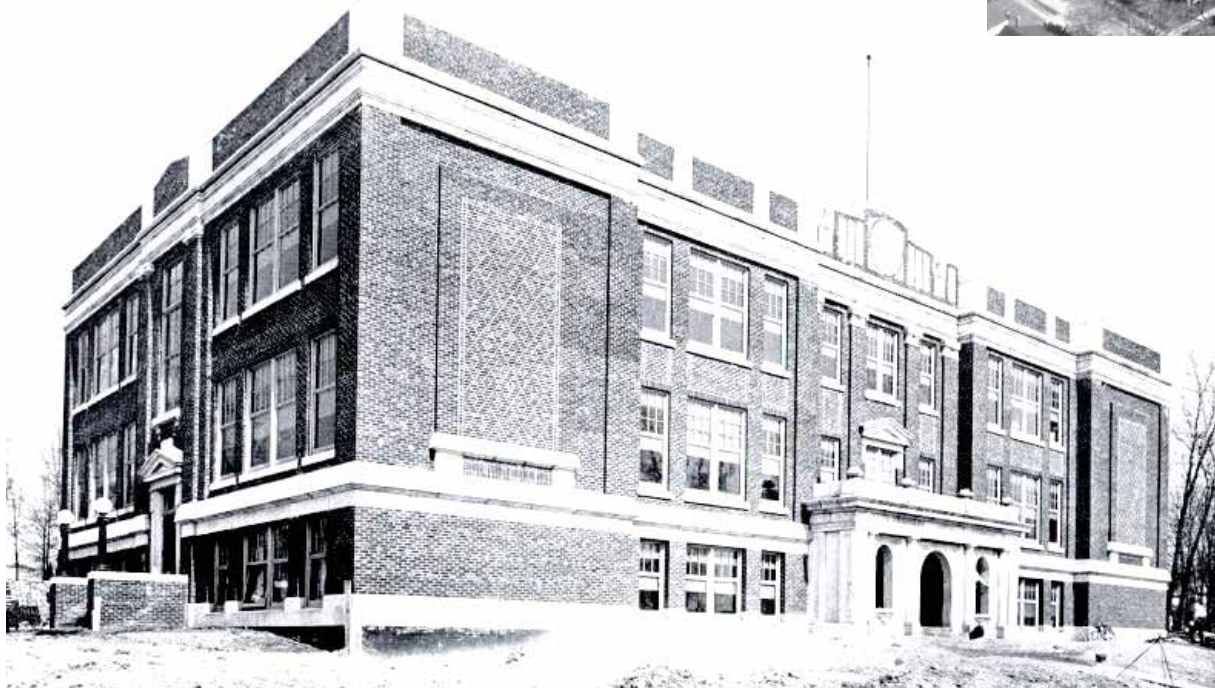
The original section of KHS was built in 1916 (shown below). The rapid increase of students made it necessary to add the north wing to the building the next year (see bottom photo). This section housed elementary students for a few years until the completion of Smith and Pfeiffer Elementary Schools.



In 1956 the Akron Board of Education dedicated the new addition of a double gymnasium, cafeteria, music room band room, shops, science rooms and offices. This addition is shown in the overview photo above. An almost entirely new school was built around 1980.

The latest wooden miniature in our collectible series is the original Kenmore High School showing the first sections built in 1916 and 1917. It is available at our meetings and at Kenmore Comics & Games. See all our miniatures on our website at [www.kenmorehistorical.org](http://www.kenmorehistorical.org).

Our next meeting will be February 27th in the Community Room at the Kenmore Branch Library at 7:00 pm. Everyone is welcome.



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# Kenmore Kiwanis News

by Lynda Burns

Well it is January 2012, and winter has finally caught up with us. Christmas on the Boulevard was a big success, as was our Holiday peanut sales. We were able to give a sizable donation to the Nicaraguan orphanage. We also distributed the last of our Reading is Fundamental books to Helen Arnold School. We are very sorry to see the end of this vital program.

Our Key Club from Kenmore High School was very helpful in decorating the gazebo at Christmas and passing out books and candy during the Kenmore Holiday Celebration on Saturday, December 3rd. We thank those students and their advisor, Mrs. Hill. We were also entertained by the Kenmore High School Madrigals and then lunched together with them. We always look forward to these singers coming. The mother of two of our members, Glen and Gary Shabram, knitted mittens and hats that we donated to the Little Shepherd Pre-School at Park United Methodist Church. We are most grateful for her time and generosity every year.

Our next fundraiser will be a swiss steak dinner on April 21st at the Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene. The menu will be swiss steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad and dessert. The cost is \$8.00. Also we will be selling raffle tickets for a beautiful Ohio State afghan made by Fama Hamon and Carol Traicoff of the Kenmore Kiwanis Club. There will also be an OSU lamp and pillows too. You may purchase tickets from any Kiwanis member.

Our meetings are still on Tuesday mornings at 11:45 am at the Kenmore Community Nazarene Church at 12th Street and Iona Avenue. Lunch is \$7.00 and our meetings are open to anyone who would like to join us. We hope to see you there.



**A visit from the Kiwanis Division  
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# Kenmore Community Council Inc News

by Thomas Abbott

## Kenmore Community Days Festival 2012

After extensive consideration and consultation, the Kenmore Community Council Inc is proud to announce that the Kenmore Community Days Festival will continue for 2012. The dates for this coming year will be Memorial Day Weekend, May 24th thru May 28th, at Prentiss Park. Fireworks are tentative for Sunday, May 27th at 9:45 pm.

The purpose of the festival is to foster and build upon our Kenmore Community Spirit, and to build and continue involvement with our business community, our schools, our residents, and our other community organizations. We strive to enable a family & community festival in a safe & controlled environment, and wish to continue our relationship & partnership with the City of Akron and the County of Summit.

A major deciding factor was that the festival serves as a foundation that also enables the Kenmore Community Council Inc to carry out our mission far beyond the festival, which is to enhance the lives of those living in Kenmore. It is from this positive spirit of building relationships within our community, and to our residents, schools, business community, churches, and other community organizations, and to our partnerships with the City of Akron, that enables our work to continue far beyond the festival through our year long service to Kenmore, and the City of Akron.

It is our mission to continue to make a positive difference and impact within Kenmore, continue to build upon a positive community spirit, and to continue to work in partnership to utilize the resources of the Kenmore Community Council Inc to make great things happen in Kenmore.

In the coming year we will be working closely with Councilman Mike Freeman, and other community organizations, to continue to assess our community needs, and to continue to serve as a strong community resource. For more information on the Kenmore Community Days Festival and The Kenmore Community Council, please visit our new and expanded website at [www.kenmorecommunitycouncil.org](http://www.kenmorecommunitycouncil.org) or call us at 330-745-8999.

## Kenmore Community Council Inc Announces Expanded Community Web Site

Visit our new and expanded Kenmore Community website at [www.kenmorecommunitycouncil.org](http://www.kenmorecommunitycouncil.org). Under the guidance of our webmaster Tim Poole, the expanded website is one of the assessed needs of the Kenmore Community identified to build upon communication within our community, and thus, building upon our community spirit. We are also seeking involvement from within the Kenmore community, residents, business owners, churches, and other community organizations. Tim Poole can be contacted by visiting the website.



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by Kevin Gerber

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- Thursday February 23rd 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm



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by Nancy Ritch

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## First Glance Volunteers Set Up for Kenmore Holiday Celebration

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After festivities ended at 3:00 pm, they took it all down again and packed everything away for next year. For more photos of the 2011 Kenmore Holiday Celebration, see page 24.



Kenmore Board of Trade invites all business owners to attend the KBOT lunch meeting at The Church on the Boulevard, 754 Kenmore Boulevard, on Wednesday March 7th. Networking & Social Time will start at 11:45 am, with lunch & meeting starting at 12:05 pm.



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## First Glance News

by Karen Freeman

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Yes, I feel we do. We do make a difference. We may not make a difference that changes the face of teen parenthood, but we do see good things happen in the lives of these young parents.

First, in keeping with our mission statement, we offer a hope in Christ. A hope that there is a God that sees their need, offers forgiveness, and changes lives.

Weekly there are volunteers willing to invest in the lives of these young parents. We stand by them through their difficult times, their struggles, and sometimes repeated bad judgment. But we also get the pleasure of sometimes seeing them listen to what we say, realizing that their child's well-being is in their hands, and making efforts to be good parents and raise responsible children.

So, when I see a girl hurry home to put her child to bed on time, worry about not having sunblock her baby during the heat of day, concerned if her baby is dressed adequately or if they are progressing quickly enough, I have to stop and pause. Pause and think that, "yes, yes they are learning." They are learning slowly how to parent. They are learning how to discipline, how to maybe do things differently that what their parents did, how to think through actions and consequences, and how to have their child not make the same mistakes that they have.

Fortunately, the girls like coming to Teen Moms. It's a fun and welcoming environment. It's a setting that is home to all of them. It's a non-threatening place where they can relax, enjoy each other, and learn. Learn about themselves and how to parent.

In fact, they like coming so much that they don't really leave. I guess that when we started this program I never anticipated them getting older. But, they have. As a result of that "young moms" has started. Young Moms not only have their own meeting time, but step up and begin to assume leadership roles.

These leadership roles were evident when the "1,000" year flood hit Teen Moms this past summer. After I sent out a plea for help, almost all of our young moms showed up to help us slosh out water, carry out items, and sift through many messes. This alone thrilled my soul. However, when they had finished cleaning our mess, they went out into the community and took food to some of the most flooded streets. As I watched them wade through the waters carrying food to the residents, I realized that my girls were growing up, and that on that day, I was proud.

Are we doing everything right? Are they doing everything right? No, of course not. Are we making a difference? Of course.



### Free Movie Night at the Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene

by Sandy Szollosi

The Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene will be having a Free Movie Night on Sunday February 19th. The movie "Courageous" will be shown at 7:00 pm with light refreshments being served 6:30 pm. The Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene is located at 2025 12th Street SW. For more information please call 330-745-7720, office hours are Monday 10:00 am to 1:00 pm and Wednesday 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

### Praise Chapel Assembly of God to Start New Youth Ministry

by Pastor Robert C. Shank Jr

Praise Chapel Assembly of God will be introducing it's new Youth Ministry "Breaking Free Youth Ministry" with a study for both teens and parents. The study will include "Preparing for Adolescence: How to Survive the Coming Years of Change" by James Dobson PHD, one of America's leading family psychologists. Topics will include: avoiding feelings of inferiority, handling peer pressure, drug abuse, puberty, overcoming discouragement, sound decision making, handling independence, and much more. For more information on dates and times please call Pastor Robert C. Shank Jr at 330-334-8047.

John 8:36 "If the Son therefore shall make you free, you are free indeed"  
Beginning Soon: New Series "Faith With Boots On"

Praise Chapel Assembly of God is located at 1204 McIntosh Avenue, Akron Ohio 44314. Sunday Morning Worship Service starts at 10:30 am with Rev. Robert C. Shank Jr.

# The 13th Annual Kenmore Holiday Celebration!

Thanks partly to great weather, the 13th Annual Kenmore Holiday Celebration had one of the best attendance in it's history! All up & down Kenmore Boulevard, from *The Church on the Boulevard* at 6th Street, to the *Kenmore Senior/Community Center & Goss Memorial Church*, and at the *Kenmore Branch Library*, up to *Immaculate Conception Preschool*, past Santa's Sleigh at the *McCutchan Courtyard*, and all the way down to *Park United Methodist Church*, there were children's crafts, business sales & open houses, and costume characters (sponsored by the *Kiwanis Club of Kenmore*), the *Salvino Family Magic Show*, "*The Holiday Dwell*", & *Santa Claus* himself to entertain everyone. A big crowd waited at *Shadyside Park* that Saturday evening for the prizes of the Adult & Children's Raffle, and the Children's Craft Run to be given out, and for "God's Choir" from *The Church on the Boulevard* to sing many holiday tunes. The evening ended with the annual *Children's Party with Santa* at *Park United Methodist Church*, sponsored by the *Kenmore Community Council Inc.* *Dick Cardarelli* and the *Kenmore Events Committee* coordinated this event, and wishes to thank those groups mentioned above, plus the *First Glance Student Center* (who supplied most of the volunteers), and the *Kenmore High School Jazz Band & Band Boosters*, who all contributed to this holiday event. Special thanks to all the volunteers who contributed time & effort to make this day a big success, and to the *Akron Neighborhood Partnership Foundation* & the *City of Akron* for their financial support of this annual event. And please thank those businesses listed below, who may have donated cash or prizes, had sales & open houses, or offered free refreshments on this fun-filled day.



## Thanks to all these Fine Groups & Businesses who Contributed to the Holiday Celebration!

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| Blooms-by-Home                  | Kenmore Board of Trade          | Kiwanis Club of Kenmore        | Rubber City Realty          | The Shirt Factory            |
| Burt's New & Used               | Kenmore Branch Library          | Magic City Sports Cards        | Smith's House of Carpet     | Todd Young State Farm Ins.   |
| Etta Mae Smith Studio of Dance  | Kenmore Community Council Inc   | Park United Methodist Church   | Steve's Barbershop          | Walker Insurance Agency      |
| First Glance Student Center     | Kenmore Freeze                  | Phil's Car Care                | Stone's Kenmore Mattress    | West Wilbeth Road Gym        |
| Freedom Tax Service             | Kenmore Historical Society      | Pierre's Brooklyn Pizza & Deli | Tansations                  | Yard Sale Thrift & Gift Shop |
| Goss Memorial Church            | Kenmore Komics & Games          | Progressive Church of God      | The Cobbler Shop            | Zoe Ann's Salon              |
| Immaculate Conception Preschool | Kenmore Senior/Community Center | Reeves Cake Shop               | The Church on the Boulevard |                              |
| Kenmore Barbers                 | Kenmore Wireless                | Regina's Pizza                 | The Guitar Department       |                              |