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CUT & SAVE!

Kenmore's Annual Easter Egg Hunt Arriving Soon!



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

After the Easter Egg Hunt, all are invited to the Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene (2025 12th Street SW) for their Annual Easter Carnival. This event, from 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm, will feature lunch, games, and many prizes. Please call 330-745-7720 for more details.

Mark your calendars and please plan to bring your children to this year's Annual Kenmore Craft & Easter Egg Hunt, and then to the Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene's Easter Carnival!

The Annual Kenmore Craft & Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday April 12th 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, and balloons (donated by the Kenmore Historical Society). And special guest appearances by the Easter Bunny & the 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 & the Easter Ducky would "stroll" with their balloons to where the eggs donated by the Kenmore Community Council Inc will be placed.

VFW Ladies Auxiliary

Holds Annual Cancer Card Party

The VFW Ladies Auxiliary 3383 will hold their Annual Cancer Card Party on March 13th at 690 West Waterloo Road. Ticket cost is \$6.00 per person, which includes a Salad Supper. Doors will open at 5:00 pm. There will be separate drawings for two "Lottery Shamrocks" and a "OSU 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. Also reserve the date May 8th for a Purse Auction, proceeds from this event will also go to Cancer Aide and Research.



A Holiday Elf Rides the Trolley at the Kenmore Holiday Festival (more photos page 14)

Smith's House of Carpet Celebrates 20 Years

Smith's House of Carpet has just finished their 20th year of selling quality carpet & flooring. Owners Scott & Marie Smith started their full service flooring store in 1993 at 1016 Kenmore Boulevard, but now they are located at the corner of Kenmore Boulevard and 22nd Street at 1215 Kenmore Boulevard (across from Shadyside Park). At this new location, Scott & Marie have remodeled both the inside & outside of their new building, improved the parking lot and landscaping, and added a new business sign.

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Marie, Scott, and Jenna Smith of Smith's House of Carpet

Robert's Lawn Service Opened for Business

There is a new lawn service company in Kenmore - **Robert's Lawn Service**. Owner Robert Rawdon of Kenmore has been mowing Akron City property since 1984, and as of November 2013 has decided to make a business of it. Robert offers a weekly lawn service, along with Spring & Fall clean-ups, stump removal, lawn edging & hedge trimming, and many other lawn & landscaping services, all guaranteed to make your yard look great.

Robert's Lawn Service has yearly service contracts, or can do one-time jobs. For more information, please call 330-753-7459 or 330-998-1864, or email at rlsllc.ohio@aol.com.

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Kenmore High Graduate Wins Award

by Coleen Curry, Director, Academic Achievement Programs, The University of Akron

In 1965 former President Lyndon B. Johnson began the “War on Poverty” with TRiO programs, Upward Bound, Student Support Services and Educational Opportunities Centers in an effort to “level the playing field” by providing increased access and support for success in higher education for low income and potential first generation college students.

The University of Akron has been hosting TRiO programs for 28 years and successfully sending first generation and low-income students to colleges throughout the country. In fact, annual reports to the U.S. Department of Education indicate that UA programs exceed their objectives for high school graduation, college entry immediately following high school, and 6 year college degree attainment. National statistics for the same population hovers around 20-22% for completion of higher education. However, U.A. TRiO alums that participate in Upward Bound, Upward Bound Math and Science and Educational Talent Search have a high school graduation rate of more than 96%, college entry of 99% and baccalaureate degree attainment for both Upward Bounds at 53% in 6 years. (Educational Talent Search programs were not required to track college graduation before 2011).

TRiO professionals belong to Ohio TRiO and are also members of the Mid American Association of Educational Opportunity Program Personnel (MAEOPP) under the auspices of the national organization known as the Council for Opportunities in Education (COE) located in Washington D.C. Each year at the MAEOPP annual conference a TRiO Achiever is selected through nominations which come in from the regional programs (8 states). Ohio TRiO alone serves over 25,000 participants. For the past 3 years Akron alums have been recipients of this honor. In 2011, Kim Fields who participated in our Upward Bound Math and Science program was chosen, and in 2012 Derrick Hall (Upward Bound). For 2013, it is Kenmore High School 1998 graduate James Christopher Ford (Upward Bound).

“Chris” has attained a Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering from Georgia Tech but he is most proud of his beginnings with Akron Public Schools, the Strive Toward Excellence Program (endowed through the Firestone Trust in 1988 for middle school students) and Upward Bound. Strong family support and a willingness to take advantage of opportunities provided through the community all helped to establish the foundation which made him a stand-out amongst his peers. He now serves as a consultant for the Deputy Director, Department of Energy, is involved in many new and exciting STEM education initiatives, and diverse economic activities for the Obama administration.

Academic Achievement Programs, which consists of Educational Talent Search, Strive Toward Excellence Program, Upward Bound Classic, Upward Bound Math and Science and the Pre-Engineering Program celebrate National TRiO Day each year on the last Thursday in February. Dr. Ford has agreed to be our keynote speaker for the day. At the Ohio TRiO conference, his poise and eloquence combined with a preacher’s passion brought the audience to their feet with tears in their eyes. Above the thunderous applause you could hear the chant of nearly a thousand professionals, “TRiO works!”

For more information on the National TRiO Day Celebration, February 27th, 2014 please contact the AAP office at 330-972-6804 daily from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm.



TRiO Achiever James Christopher Ford



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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
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Children's Programs

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Wednesdays at 10:30 am for children 2-6 years
 March 4th, 11th, 18th, & 25th
 April 15th, 22nd, & 29th, May 6th, 13th, 20th
 Join us for stories, music, movement and fun!
 Each session will be followed by a play time or an activity. For children with a favorite adult.
 Register to join the fun!

PLAY DAYS

Tuesdays 10:30 am to 12:00 noon for children 2-6
 April 1st & 8th
 Fun days to drop in and join the fun. Children can play with our toys, socialize with other children, and explore with arts and crafts materials.

School Age Programs

AFTER SCHOOL ADVENTURES

Wednesdays at 4:00 pm for children K-6
 Learn something new through science, nature and art.
 March 12th - SUPER SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS
 Explore the fantastic world of science with messy, hands-on science experiments.
 March 26th – ARTAPALOOZA
 Draw, paint, sculpt or create a collage. Get creative and make a one of a kind masterpiece.
 April 30th – UNBIRTHDAY PARTY
 A very merry unbirthday to all! Celebrate everyone's birthday with party games, crafts, cake, and fun.
 May 14th – TIE DYE T-SHIRTS
 Brighten your day by creating a colorful tie dye t-shirt. Wear old clothes because this is fun and very messy! Limited space, so be sure to register early for this program.



Afterschool Adv - Gingerbread Houses

SPRING BREAK FUN

1:00 pm for children K-12
 April 15th – MOVIE AND POPCORN
 Munch on popcorn and watch the movie THE CROODS on our big screen
 April 16th – DROP IN CRAFT
 Drop in and make a cool craft.
 April 17th – SNACK ATTACK
 Drop in and make a healthy snack.



Snow Day - Cookies and Cocoa

Teen Programs

Cool programs for teens ages 11-18

Call or stop by to sign up for these programs.

TEEN SPOT

Tuesdays at 4:00 pm for ages 11-18 years
 March 18th & April 22nd
 Hang out, eat snacks, play games or make a craft.

CHIP BAG SHRINKIES

Tuesday, March 11th at 4:00 pm for ages 11-18 years
 Shrink your chip bags to less than half their size and then use them as a bookmark or keychain. Polymer chemistry is fun! And so is free food!

PEEP ART CONTEST

Tuesday, April 8th at 4:00 pm for ages 11-18 years
 It's peep time! Come and get creative with those adorable marshmallow treats. Compete against others as you design a sculpture, a scene from your favorite book, or a work of art using peeps and various little props.

MOVIE MANIA

Thursdays at 4:00 pm, all movies PG-13
 Come join us for popcorn and a movie.
 March 6th – IRON MAN
 March 13th – CAPTAIN AMERICA: THE FIRST AVENGER
 March 20th – THOR
 March 27th – THE AVENGERS
 April 3rd – TWILIGHT
 April 10th – THE TWILIGHT SAGA: NEW MOON
 April 17th – THE TWILIGHT SAGA: ECLIPSE
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Adult Programs

A BOOK, A MOVIE AND A MEAL

Saturday, March 15th at 2:00 pm
 Join us to eat and watch FRIED GREEN TOMATOES (PG-13) A housewife who is unhappy with her life befriends an old lady in a nursing home and is enthralled by the tales she tells of people she used to know. After the movie, checkout a copy of the book to take home and enjoy. Please register in advance.

SPRING WREATHS

Saturday, April 12th at 2:00 pm
 Join us for Crafting with Bea to make lovely spring wreaths. Space is limited so please register in advance starting March 17th.

**Feel free to contact the library
 for more information: 330-745-6126**

Kenmore Youth Baseball and Softball League News

Sign-Ups will be on **Saturday, February 15th** from 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm and **Thursday, February 20th** from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Kenmore Senior/Community Center.

Sign-Ups are open to boys and girls from the age of 5 to 18 years old. Please bring proof of age with you to sign up. (i.e. copy of birth certificate). Boys must be 5 on or before May 31st, 2014 and girls need to be 5 on or before December 31st, 2013 (6 to play Softball).

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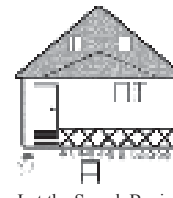
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If you have any questions regarding sign-ups, feel free to call the respective commissioner for that age group. If you are not sure who to contact, please call Kevin Gerber at 330-983-6426 or Bob Crum at 330-212-3869.

We are looking for committed coaches, managers, and umpires to assist with the 2014 Season. If you are interested in any of these positions, please call Kevin Gerber at 330-983-6426 or come down to sign-ups for more information.

We are looking forward to the 2014 Season. Hope to see you at Sign-Ups!



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Kenmore Youth Football Plans "A Night at the Races"

by Heather Karam, President Kenmore Youth Football Booster Club

The Kenmore Youth Football Booster Club has just finished up our 2013 regular football season. Our Varsity and Junior Varsity Football Teams all made the League Playoffs with Varsity winning the 2013 Championship Title. Not to be outdone by the football players, the Varsity and Junior Varsity Cheerleaders brought home 1st Place in Spirit, 1st Place in Jump Competition, and 2nd Place in Cheer/Dance in the Black River All Star Youth Cheerleading Competition. **This season was truly a great accomplishment for all!**

As with any sports program it takes a great deal of volunteers and financial support 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 22nd at the VFW Club located at 690 West Waterloo Road. 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 Director Jerry Cottrell at 330-603-8642 or Booster President Heather Karam at 330-814-7482.

Thank you in advance for your consideration!

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Councilman's Corner

APD Establishes New Alarm Response Policy

As many of you are aware, the Akron Police Department is implementing a "verified response" policy when responding to electronic alarm systems. Please find below some commonly asked questions and the rationale for this recent decision.

1) Why did Akron decide to move to this verified alarm response policy?

On average, Akron police officers respond to over 9,000 alarm calls per year. Over 98% of those calls are false. This translates into approximately \$200,000 worth of police officer time being used responding to false alarms. This time could be used more efficiently in proactive policing activities.

2) Are there any additional costs to alarm owners?

No. The City of Akron will be suspending licensing fees for a one year period. Additionally, it is likely alarm users will incur less costs, as the number of false alarms fees assessed should be drastically reduced.

3) When will an officer respond to an alarm?

There will be no change as to how officers currently respond to panic, duress, and hold-up alarms. Intrusion alarms will have to be verified before officers will be dispatched. Additionally, all alarm drops, whether verified or not, will be transmitted to officers working in their cruisers. If an officer is not on a call at the time, they will be expected to respond.

4) What will qualify as a verified alarm?

So far, the basic criteria that will need to be satisfied are:

- Confirmation of an intrusion/attempted intrusion by a licensed security agency representative.
- An actual visual account that an intrusion is occurring (Neighbor, owner, etc).
- Live video depicting an intrusion.
- Live reliable audio confirming that an intrusion is occurring.

5) Can we expect an increase in burglaries with implementation of this new policy?

No. When we examined all of the agencies that have moved to a verified response policy, none have seen any significant increase in the rate of burglaries.

6) Why should I even purchase an alarm system?

Is it worth it considering APD's new policy? APD believes alarms are a deterrent to crime. If you have an alarm system, statistics have shown that you are significantly less likely to be a burglary victim. APD suggests you shop around to secure the best deal you can to adequately meet your security needs. Those needs may include the value you place on your alarm company's ability to meet alarm new verification standards in order to generate a police response.

7) Will I still need to register my alarm with the City?

Yes. Even though licensing fees will be suspended for at least one year, you will still need to register your alarm with the City.

WHAT APD WILL CONSIDER AS A VERIFIED ALARM

1. Confirmation of an intrusion/attempted intrusion by a licensed security agency representative i.e. Guard service.
2. An actual visual account that an intrusion is occurring (Neighbor, Owner, etc).
3. Live video depicting an intrusion.
4. Live reliable audio confirming that an intrusion is occurring.
Example - Reliable system accurately detecting the sound of breaking glass.
5. A perimeter alarm breach in conjunction with an internal motion detector breach.
(This particular parameter will be evaluated and subject to change in the event it is not effective.)
6. Any correspondence with an individual who does not know the correct pass code.

Like any new protocol, APD will continue to evaluate and revisit this new set of operating procedures.

Thank you again for allowing me to serve Ward 9.

Councilman Mike Freeman

Ward 9 Councilman's Meetings

Councilman Freeman holds a public meeting on the first Tuesday of 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 March 4th.



Councilman Freeman Congratulates Captain Martha Sullivan on Her Retirement at the February 4th Ward 9 Meeting



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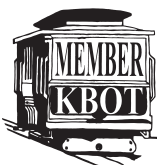
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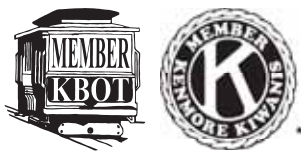


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The 15th Annual Kenmore Holiday Celebration!

The 15th Annual Kenmore Holiday Celebration was a big success on Saturday December 7th! All up & down Kenmore Boulevard, from *The Church on the Boulevard* at 6th Street, to the *Kenmore Senior/Community Center*, over to the *Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene*, back down to the *Kenmore Branch Library*, and then 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 Dwelf*", & *Santa Claus* himself to entertain everyone. A big crowd waited at *Shadyside Park* that Saturday evening for the prizes of the Adult Raffle, the Children's Treasure Hunt, and the Teen Puzzle Hunt, to be given out after being entertained by *Brass Ensemble of Kenmore High School*, who played many holiday tunes. After the tree lighting ceremony, the evening ended with the annual *Children's Party with Santa* at *Park United Methodist Church*, both sponsored by the *Kenmore Community Council Inc*.

The *Kenmore Board of Trade 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 on the bottom of this page, who donated cash or prizes, had sales & open houses, and/or offered free refreshments on this fun-filled day.



Craft Show at the Masonic Temple



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First Glance Christmas Party

by Jessica Swiger

In December, First Glance hosted their second annual All Student Christmas Party. After a week of individual program Christmas parties, all of our eleven programs and their volunteers were invited to an evening of celebrating Christmas together at one big event. The night was focused on making our students feel special and valued. The girls were greeted with flowers as they entered, and the students were led to tables by volunteers they knew to share in a family-style Christmas dinner. Students and volunteers enjoyed turkey, mashed potatoes, rolls, and dessert, all donated by volunteers and other generous Akron residents. In total, approximately 225 meals were served!



Following dinner, students joined in a dance party and had the opportunity to participate in an inflatable team game. It was a amazing to watch all of our program leaders and volunteers dance together with students despite age or differences. As the evening wrapped up, students were presented with a gift of a Subway gift card as they exited! We were so thankful that many churches, small groups and individuals rallied behind us to make the night possible. Countless people donated food, gift cards and blankets. We also had over 100 people that volunteered to help set up, run, and tear down the event. We truly could have not done this community event without the Akron Community rallying in support around us.



**Girl Scout Troop 282 at Park United Methodist Church
During the 2013 Kenmore Holiday Celebration**

First Glance to Hold “Kenmore Proud” Day

by Jessica Swiger

Kenmore Proud is an event for anyone looking to get involved in making Kenmore a better place to live. Young or old, rich or poor, anyone who would like to take part is welcome. Find out what you can do to be a part of this event! There will be speakers, live music, and food.

Kenmore Proud: The Time is Now will be held on Saturday April 12th, starting at 3:00 pm at the First Glance Student Center, 943 Kenmore Boulevard. Find us on Facebook by searching “Kenmore Proud”.

See you there!

Kenmore Kiwanis News

by Lynda Burns

I guess winter is here and with a vengeance! Brr! Kenmore Kiwanis had a busy month in December. Our Peanut Sale was a big success and if you purchased some we hope you enjoyed them.

In January we were the host club for the Kiwanis Division Council meeting held in Norton, which means we provided the food, snacks and drinks. Funny how eating is always a part of our meetings.

We also were pleasantly surprised to learn that we had a sizable credit coming from all of our years we were involved in the Reading is Fundamental book program. So along with our new First Book program, we will be giving out more books to the children in the Kenmore Cluster Schools.

On April 26th at the Kenmore Community Nazarene Church we will be hosting our Annual Swiss Steak Dinner. The cost will be \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children under 10. The time is between 4:00 and 7:00 pm. The menu consists of Swiss Steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls and dessert. For more information please call 330-745-7581. Everyone is invited and we hope to see you there as well as our lunch meetings. Which are now on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at the Kenmore Community Nazarene Church on the corner of 12th Street and Iona Avenue, starting at 11:45 am. Please join us for good food and good fellowship.



Kiwanians Lynda Burns (left) and Juanita Wilkerson Decorate the Gazebo for Christmas



Kiwanians Brent Woods (left) and Dick Cardarelli (center) Prepare to Place Lights at the Top of the Gazebo



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Kenmore Historical Society News

by Lillian Jolly

There are some changes in the Kenmore Historical Society. We will have three meetings plus an Open House this year. We invite you to mark your calendar and join us.

Our first meeting will be Monday March 3rd at 6:30 pm at the Kenmore Branch Library. We will be showing pictures of Kenmore through the years. There will also be door prizes given away. Everyone is welcome! Our Open House will be held at the Kenmore Senior/Community Center on Saturday May 17th, from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Monday August 25th we will meet at 6:30 pm at the Kenmore Branch Library - Program to be announced. We will also meet Monday November 24th at 6:30 pm at the Kenmore Branch Library - Program to be announced.






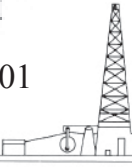

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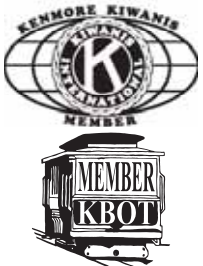
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Kenmore Community Council Inc News

by Thomas Abbott

2013 Kenmore Children’s Christmas Party & Tree Lighting!

The Kenmore Community Council Inc would like to sincerely thank everyone who participated in the Kenmore Children’s Tree Lighting & Christmas Party on Saturday December 7th, and who helped to make the evening a grand success! Thank you to Mrs. Georgia Weatherholt and her volunteers, and to Tim Poole, Duane Smith, & Bob Weatherholt, and to Dick Cardarelli, for their time and talent in decorating Shadyside Park. And thank you to the Kenmore Kiwanis for their assistance. And a special Thank You to the Brass Ensemble of Kenmore High School, and The Church on the Boulevard for their assistance with the music at the Gazebo.



Santa & Friend at the 2013 Children’s Christmas Party

Kenmore Community Council Inc Updated Website!

Check out www.kenmorecommunitycouncil.org for the latest updates on what’s happening in Kenmore, and updated information on the Kenmore Community Council Inc. Please feel free to contact our webmaster Tim Poole at t.poole@kenmorecommunitycouncil.org.

23rd Annual Kenmore Community Days Festival 2014!

Planning is underway for the 2014 Kenmore Community Days Festival – Memorial Day Weekend – Thursday May 22nd thru Memorial Day Monday May 26th, at Prentiss Park. This year’s Parade down Kenmore Boulevard is scheduled for Saturday May 24th at 11:00 am. Our Fireworks Spectacular is scheduled for Sunday May 25th at 9:45 pm at Prentiss Park. Bates Amusement Inc will again be providing only the finest in Amusement Rides, Food and Games, along with our quality entertainment.

The Kenmore Community Days Festival is conducted by the Kenmore Community Council Inc and is co-sponsored by 9th Ward Councilman Mike Freeman and The City of Akron, and the County Of Summit, Executive Russ Pry. For more information, please refer to our website at www.kenmorecommunitycouncil.org or feel free to call the KCC at 330-745-8999.

The Kenmore Community Council Inc is very proud of our award winning Kenmore Community Days Festival. It is a family and community festival, in a safe & controlled environment! See you in the Spring – on Memorial Day Weekend 2014!



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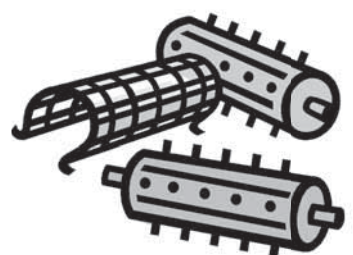


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Upward Sports Program News

by Harley Weidlich



Hello from your Upward Sports team at the Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene! Thank You to all our supporters for this years 5th Annual Winter Basketball Camp that we are currently in the middle of as we speak and having a BLAST!! But do not worry if you missed this years Basketball Camp, our Spring Soccer Camp is right around the corner (please see registration times and dates below). Also, we are trying to send our Upward Program back to Nicaragua in Central America this July, and we are having a Pancake Breakfast fundraiser on March 15th from 8:00 am until 12:00 noon, and would greatly appreciate your support!!! Come eat all the pancakes you can for six dollars per adult and 3 dollars per child (12 and under). Please help us take this amazing program back to the mission field.

Any questions or concerns on any of our Upward camps or programs please feel free to contact us anytime. Soccer sign ups are being held at the Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene, located at 2025 12th Street SW, on Sunday April 6th 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm, and on Sunday April 13th 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm. Camp dates are Saturday May 3rd, 10th, and 17th, with the banquet on Saturday May 24th. K thru 6th grade camp times are subject to change but are scheduled from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm for K thru 3rd grade, and are 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm for 4th thru 6th grade.

For more information please contact Upward Commissioner Harley Weidlich at 330-608-6570 or knazupwardsports@yahoo.com, or visit our web site at www.kenmorenaz.org.

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The Free Store to Open in Kenmore

by Joni Schultz

A new store carrying free items will soon open in Kenmore, with the opening date and location to be announced in April. The Free Store is a partnership of the local churches in the Kenmore Community, which will provide needed items for residents in the Kenmore area.

Our mission is to provide the good news of Jesus Christ and basic items to all who are in need, at NO COST or obligation. We will have clothing for men, women and children of all ages, common household items, and genuine Christian love and fellowship. Donations will be accepted from area churches, retail businesses, and residents of the community.

Volunteers to assist in the store are being sought from area churches and the local community. If interested in volunteering, please contact Park United Methodist Church, located at 2308 24th Street SE, by calling 330-745-3714, or visit our website www.akronparkumc.org,

The Church on the Boulevard Calendar of Events

Every Tuesday @ 7:00 pm is "Narcotics Anonymous" Night

Every Wednesday @ 7:00 pm is "Small Groups" Night for All Ages

Every Friday @ 6:30 pm is "Celebrate Recovery" Night

Every Sunday Morning @ 10:00 am is "Praise & Worship"

(Interpreted for the Deaf; Children's Church & Nursery available)

Outreach Food Pantry

10:00 am to 12:00 noon, Mondays

February 17th, March 3rd & 17th,

April 7th & 21st, May 5th & 19th

Community Dinner

5:30 pm to 6:45 pm, Wednesdays

February 12th & 26th, March 12th & 26th,

April 16th & 30th, May 14th & 28th

Easter Services

Sunday April 20th

Easter Sunrise Service, 8:00 am

Followed by no-cost breakfast

Followed by Easter Worship Service, 10:00 am

All events are at no cost at 754 Kenmore Boulevard!

All events, activities & services are interpreted for the deaf.

Please call 330-745-8634 for more information.

New Program at Park Church - Save Money on Groceries!

by Nancy Mauer

Park United Methodist Church is now a host site for the Smart Choice Food Program. This program provides healthy top-quality food at a discount price! Everyone qualifies for this program - there are NO income requirements or application forms or fees. The menu changes monthly. The main Smart Box includes seven frozen main meat proteins, frozen vegetables, starches such as french fries, rice, macaroni etc., one breakfast item, and a dessert, all for \$39. When we compared a Smart Box to a local grocery store the same items would have cost \$88, and when compared to a local discount store the price would have been between \$55 and \$60. Also available are monthly specials - for example the January menu specials included a Super Bowl Box for \$25, a Kids Box for \$25, a 5 pound box of Tyson chicken wings for \$17, or a 10 pound box of chicken breast for \$26. These are all examples of the high quality foods that are available to us from National and regional brand names, they are not seconds or damaged goods!

The home office for Smart Choice and our distributor are both located in Ohio. All food orders MUST BE PRE-ORDERED AND PRE-PAID. We accept Cash, Money Order, or Food Stamps/EBT/SNAP in person at designated order times at Park United Methodist Church. Visa/MasterCard credit or debit orders are accepted on-line only at www.smartchoicefood.com. February orders are closed, March orders will begin on Saturday February 22nd, 9:00 am to 10:00 am. Other order dates are Saturday March 1st and 8th, 10:00 am to 12:00 noon, at Park United Methodist Church, located at 2308 24th Street SW, enter at the front door (which is across the street from Shadyside Park). Monthly menus will be available at the Kenmore Senior/Community Center and at Park United Methodist Church Monday thru Friday 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. For more information please call Nancy at 330-745-6864 or the church at 330-745-3714.

Kenmore Church Directory

For corrections, changes, or new additions please call John at 330-745-5530 or john@kenmore-komics.com

Allenside Presbyterian Church

410 Rexford Street
330-753-6405
www.allenside.org

Church / Lay Leader
Pastor Pete Macaulay

Hours of Service

Sunday School for Adults & Children 9:30 am
Sunday Worship Service 10:45 am
Church Office Open Tuesday & Thursday
9:00 am to 12:00 noon

Community Services Offered
Yarn donations accepted for lap blankets
& Afghans for the VFW and other
needy organizations.

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

Calvary Open Bible Church

2261 9th Street SW
330-607-3399

email: calvaryobcakron@yahoo.com

Find us on Facebook at Calvary Open Bible Akron

Church / Lay Leader
Pastor Kirk LaVigne

Hours of Service

Sunday School 10:00 am
Sunday Morning Service 11:00 am
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Community Services Offered
Food Pantry distribution is the last Sunday of each month.

Cross Community Church

Meets at Sam Salem CLC
1222 West Waterloo Road
330-310-2127

pastorbloch@hotmail.com
www.crosscommunitychurch.net

Church / Lay Leader
Pastor John Bloch

Hours of Service

Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 am

Goss Memorial Church

2247 11th Street SW
330-745-5038
www.gosschurch.org

Church / Lay Leader
Pastor Kevin Burkholder

Hours of Service

Sunday School 9:15 am
Sunday Morning Service 10:30 am
Sunday Evening Service 6:00 pm
Wednesday Programs (all ages) 6:30 pm

Hope United Methodist Church

2650 Cory Avenue
330-753-2303
officehume@gmail.com

Church / Lay Leader
Pastor David McGrath

Hours of Service

Sunday School 9:15 am
Sunday Morning Service 10:30 am
Wednesday Programs 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Immaculate Conception of Mary Parish

2101 17th Street SW
330-753-8429
ickenmore@yahoo.com
www.ickenmore.org

Church / Lay Leader
Reverend Michael B. Smith

Hours of Service

Holy Eucharist - Monday, Wednesday, Friday 5:30 pm
Saturday Vigil Mass 5:30 pm
Sunday Mass 8:30 am & 11:00 am
Anointing of the Sick - Last Wednesday of Each Month 5:30 pm

Community Services Offered

Food Pantry Monday and Thursday afternoons -
referral from InfoLine required (330-376-4850)
Kenmore A.A. Big Book Study - 8:00 pm Thursday at Hitch Hall
Kenmore Saturday Nite A.A. - 8:00 pm at Hitch Hall
Immaculate Conception Pre-School & Child Care

Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene

2025 12th Street SW
330-745-7720

kenmorenazarene@att.net
www.kenmorenaz.org

Church / Lay Leader
Reverend E. Gerald Gray, Senior Pastor

Hours of Service

Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 am
(Nursery & Children's Church Available)
Sunday Evening Bible Study 6:30 pm
Wednesday Evening Family Enrichment-Youth Group 6:30 pm
Young Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm
Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm

Community Services Offered

Thursday Food Pantry - Please call for appointment

New Life Missionary Baptist Church

2123 17th Street
330-745-1245

Church / Lay Leader
Pastor Lovie Moore

Hours of Service

Sunday School 10:00 am
Sunday Morning Service 11:00 am
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6:30 pm
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

Community Services Offered

Food give-away the 3rd Thursday of the Month
Hot Meals the 4th Tuesday of the Month
Girl Talk 3rd Saturday of the Month 1:00 pm
Men's Meeting the 1st Thursday of the Month 5:00 pm

Park United Methodist Church

2308 24th Street SW
330-745-3714

parkchurch@sbcglobal.net
www.akronparkumc.org

Church / Lay Leader
Reverend Linda Somerville, Pastor

Hours of Service

Sunday Contemporary Worship 9:30 am
Sunday School 9:30 am
Sunday Traditional Worship 10:30 am
Tuesday Bible Studies - Afternoon 1:00 pm / Evening 6:30 pm
Saturday A.A. 10:30 am (south door entrance)

Community Services Offered

Project Learn GED Site
Park Little Shepherd Preschool Contact Lori Bailey @ 330-745-8950
Bridges Out of Poverty "Getting Ahead..." Classes
Contact Ken Price @ 330-745-3714

Praise Chapel Assembly of God

1204 McIntosh Avenue
330-745-4107
www.netministry.com

Church / Lay Leader
Pastor Robert Shank

Hours of Service

Sunday Morning Service 10:30 am to 12:00 noon
Thursday Night Bible Study 6:45 pm to 7:45 pm

Rolling Acres Alliance Church

2500 Kingsport Way
330-848-1403
www.rollingacrescmachurch.org

Church / Lay Leader

Hours of Service

Sunday School 9:30 am
Sunday Morning Worship 10:45 am
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wednesday Awanas 6:45 pm
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm

Shoreline Community Church

790 Carnegie Avenue
330-753-9241
office@shorelinechurchakron.com
www.shorelinechurchakron.com

Church / Lay Leader
Reverend Scott Campbell

Hours of Service

Sunday Bible Classes 10:00 am
Sunday Praise & Worship 11:00 am
Wednesday Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm

Community Services Offered

Food Pantry - Those people in need of canned food items may
check in at the Church at 10:00 am every Friday morning.
After a 10 minute Gospel Presentation the food items are
distributed. People may get food up to 6 times a year.
Canned & boxed food items may be donated on
Monday & Friday mornings from 8:30 to noon

The Church on the Boulevard

754 Kenmore Boulevard
330-745-8634
www.thechurchontheboulevard.co
www.thechurchontheboulevard.fhcaleb.com
www.facebook.com/kenmorechurchblvd

Church / Lay Leader
Senior Pastor: Ron Mohlmaster

Hours of Service

Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 am

Community Services Offered

See our Calendar on preceding page for a
list of Community Services and exact times & dates.

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Monday

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Tuesday

Taco Salad

served with choice of Dressing

Wednesday

Scalloped Potatoes and Ham

served with Applesauce

Thursday

Chicken Pot Pie

Rice Pilaf w/ Ground Beef & Mushrooms

served with Sour Cream

Friday

Tuna Noodle Casserole

Tuna Salad Croissant

Meatball Sub with Mozzarella Cheese

Homemade Desserts

Peach Cobbler and more...

Pies, Cookies & Brownies Yum!

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Spring Will Bloom at Park Church

by Lauren Presutti



Our Annual Back to Basics Workshop will be held on Saturday March 29th from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Stop in to learn how to save money by returning to the basics - making your own laundry detergent and cleaning supplies, simple meal recipes to make your dollars stretch each month, and many other fun and simple ways to get by each month without spending a lot of money.

Park Church is a host site for Smart Choice Foods! Smart Choice is a high quality low cost food program for everyone, so no pre-registration application or income qualification is necessary. Each month you order food based on the current menus available. Payment options include cash or money orders. Smart Choice is for EVERYONE! Any questions, or to see a copy of the current menu, please call Nancy at 330-745-6864 or Frances at the church at 330-745-3714 Monday thru Friday 9:00 am to 2:00 pm.

The Annual Spring Piano Recital will be on April 26th at 3:00 pm. Parents and students are encouraged to contact the church office for additional information for this event or for piano lessons with Karen.

Tired of just getting by? A new "Getting Ahead Class" is starting on February 25th. Orientation for this class will be February 18th at 7:00 pm. This is a FREE class and open to individuals interested in learning

how to get ahead each month and not just get by financially. Spots are limited, so please contact Ken Price with any questions about the class or to get your spot reserved in this class.

The GED Program is ongoing at Park Church. NOW is the time to complete your GED and work towards advancing your education. Please contact Project Learn at 330-434-9461, and ask to take your GED classes at Park Church.



Park Little Shepherd Preschool has immediate openings for ALL students 3-4 years of age. A new semester has just begun in January! For questions or registration information or to enroll your student, please call the Park Church Office at 330-745-3714.

Have a job interview or a job but no clothes to wear? Come and shop for FREE at Park Church's NEW Dress for Success Closet. The Closet is open by appointment. Please call the church office at 330-745-3714 for details.



Immaculate Conception Preschool & Child Care Center

2128 - 16th Street SW

Akron, Ohio 44314

330-745-3544

icpreschool@yahoo.com



Brother and sister enjoy making art together at our center.



Open enrollment for Summer & Fall begins Now!

Hours are 6:30 am to 6:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

We offer Summer Classes for ages 5 years to 12 years, Fall Classes for 6 weeks to 5 years.

Please call 330-745-3544 between the hours of 8:00 - 4:00 with questions, for a tour, or to enroll your child.

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Shoreline Community Church

790 Carnegie Ave Akron, Ohio 44314



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!
- 12:00-2:00 Easter Carnival at Kenmore Community Church of the Nazarene

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.