

Kenmore Chamber of Commerce

(formerly Kenmore Board of Trade)

June 2017



“BRINGING BUSINESS BACK HOME”

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Greetings to All!

How would you like a FREE opportunity to promote your business to Akron residents?

Sunday June 25th will be **Open Streets Akron**, a three-community event between Kenmore, Summit Lake, and Firestone Park, promoted by the City of Akron. During this afternoon event (12 to 5 pm), the main streets connecting these communities will be closed to car traffic, but open to Akron/Summit County residents to bike, walk, jog or skate. This will allow them to explore these communities in a safe & healthy way, and learn more about these communities and those businesses & organizations who take the time to be there.

For the Kenmore community, this means the south lane of Kenmore Boulevard, starting at 16th Street (right in front of my store) all the way down to the Tow-Path Trail & the Canal, will be blocked off to gas-powered vehicle traffic. Businesses along this route will be allowed to expand onto the sidewalk during this time, to promote themselves in any way they wish.

But the best part for businesses not located along this route is that one of the two lanes on Kenmore Boulevard will be available for anyone to set up a table or tent to promote themselves to all who pass by. Kenmore Chamber members **Regina’s Pizza & Reeves Cake Shop** will set up just across from my store (**Kenmore Comics & Games**). **Planet Fitness & Minorik Chiropractic Center** will be in the street the next block down from me. Community groups like the **Kenmore Kiwanis, Kenmore Historical Society, and Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance** will all have spots along the way to introduce themselves. You can (and should) be there to!

Call me at 330-304-9598 or email me at john@kenmore-komics.com for more information. Whether you want to sell or give away, or just hold a corn-hole contest next to a banner with your business name on it, please consider setting up during this event. How often will you get a FREE opportunity to promote to the public?



Thanks for listening!

John Buntin Jr, President
john@kenmore-komics.com



To the right is the new Kenmore Chamber of Commerce member plaque. You may keep your existing Kenmore Board of Trade plaque for your 2017 tag, or request the new plaque to be delivered to your business. Please call John at 330-304-9598 or email him at john@kenmore-komics.com if you have not received your plaque yet and would like us to deliver you a KCOC plaque.



WELCOME TO OUR NEW KCOC MEMBERS:

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KBOT FLASHBACK



10 Years Ago - June 2007

- ⊕ **Scott Smith**, President
- ⊕ Plans continue for celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the founding of the City of Kenmore.
- ⊕ June lunch meeting held at the Goss Memorial Church.

15 Years Ago - June 2002

- ⊕ **Jeff Scott**, President
- ⊕ The June meeting is an evening event at The Hibernians.

20 Years Ago - June 1997

- ⊕ **Rich Masterson**, President
- ⊕ Officer Willa Keith is introduced at the June luncheon as Kenmore's new Community Policing Officer.

25 Years Ago - June 1992

- ⊕ **Mel Kent**, President
- ⊕ No information available.

30 Years Ago - June 1987

- ⊕ **Dennis Bloomer**, President
- ⊕ The Kenmore Board of Trade participates in the "Child in Danger - Child Abuse Education" fundraiser, sponsored by the Akron Boards of Trade Council, by selling \$1 raffle tickets, with all proceeds used to purchase Audio-Visual Materials for Akron Public Schools.

35 Years Ago - June 1982

- ⊕ **Kermit Bair**, President
- ⊕ Akron Mayor Roy R. Ray sends a letter to KBOT thanking them for their support of Issue One.

Kenmore Chamber "Meet & Greet" at US Bank

The Kenmore Chamber of Commerce's May "Meet & Greet" was held Thursday May 18th at **US Bank**, 3100 Manchester Road. Branch Manager **Aimee Steele** showed many samples of counterfeit bills brought into her bank by Kenmore businesses, and discussed ways to keep from being fooled by the "funny money". Many of those in attendance were given the chance to talk about things happening with their businesses, including **Seth Viall** of *The Rialto Theatre* and his new marquee, and **Tina Boyes** of the *Akron Community Foundation* discussing the upcoming Kenmore Better Block program.



US Bank Manager Aimee Steele announces a door prize winner



Tina Boyes (center left) talks about Kenmore Better Block

Akron Beacon Journal's "Best of ..." Awards

The Akron Beacon Journal released their "Best of ..." awards last month, and many Kenmore Chamber of Commerce members made these lists. Printed below are those members. Congratulations to all! And a special congratulations to KCOC member **Lanning's Restaurant**, who again received **seven** nominations!!!!!!

- Best Martini - Lanning's Restaurant (2nd place)
- Best Place for a First Date - Lanning's Restaurant (1st place)
- Bookstore - Kenmore Comics & Games (4th place)
- Bakery/Cakes - Reeves Cake Top Shop (1st place)
- Fine Dining - Lanning's Restaurant (1st place)
- Jewelry - Glenn Fisher Jewelry (3rd Place)
- Romantic Dining - Lanning's Restaurant (1st place)
- Seafood - Lanning's Restaurant (1st place)
- Steak - Lanning's Restaurant (1st place)
- Travel Agency - Robert Prentice Travel Bureau (7th Place)
- Waiter/Waitress - Jerry at Lanning's Restaurant (1st place)

Addresses and phone numbers to these fine Kenmore Chamber of Commerce members can be found on-line in your **Kenmore Chamber of Commerce Business Directory** at www.kenmorechamber.org or the **Akron Boards of Trade Council Business Directory** on-line at www.akronbotc.com.