

Kenmore Chamber of Commerce

(formerly Kenmore Board of Trade)

July 2019

“BRINGING BUSINESS BACK HOME”

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Greetings to All!

How about some random notes for a hot & slow July day!

It is said that there are more sayings credited to Confucius (thanks mostly to fortune cookies) than there actually are, but I heard one the other day that he really did say. It goes like this - “Now the Humane Man, wishing himself to be established, sees that others are established, and wishing himself to be successful, sees that others are successful”. I really like this saying, it fits perfectly into why I spend a lot of time with the Kenmore Chamber of Commerce and all it’s activities. When we help others, we are also helping ourselves.

On the flip side, I was presented with a reminder that even though we can do something, maybe we should use some restraint and not do something. Case in point - On my way to UPS to pick up my weekly shipment of product for my store I went by an Akron Elementary school at the end of the school year. I was the only car on the street, but the crossing guard decided at the last minute to step into the street to make me stop for a child to cross, That is his job, but I was so close when he made the decision to step out and put up his sign that even though I was doing 20 miles an hour I still had to slam on my brakes and spill a lot of stuff off my passenger seat. He could have waited and let me go by first (there was no one behind me) but just because he COULD do it didn’t mean he HAD to do it that moment. Picking our moments to do things should always be done with some forethought.

Finally, kudos to the **Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance**, who ran a very successful First Friday event on June 7th here on Kenmore Boulevard. I supplied tables & chairs to several groups outside my store, and stayed open late, and was rewarded with a lot of smiling faces and (just as important) many sales from Akron residents who had never been in my hobby store before. There will be three more of these events this year, maybe you want to be a part of this?

Thank you for listening!

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New Date for July Kenmore Chamber “Ice Cream Social”

The July 3rd date for our Kenmore Chamber “*Meet & Greet*” has been changed to Wednesday July 17th, due to many of the KCOC Directors being on vacation the week of the 4th of July. This outdoor event, at *Shadyside Park* (located along Kenmore Boulevard and 24th Street), will feature our Annual KCOC Ice Cream Social, where the Kenmore Chamber gives away free ice cream to the concert goers enjoying the music of *Southern Cross*, a high energy band playing yesterday and today's country music as well as southern rock and some 80s classics. The concert starts at 7:00 pm. Please join your fellow Kenmore business members while we network, listen to great music, and giveaway and enjoy some cool ice cream!



KBOT FLASHBACK



10 Years Ago - July 2009

- ⊕ **Scott M. Smith**, President
- ⊕ Akron Boards of Trade Council holds an All-Boards meeting at the Akron Zoo on July 24th.
- ⊕ David Culbertson is voted in to join the KBOT Board of Directors as a replacement for Etta Mae Smith.

15 Years Ago - July 2004

- ⊕ **Scott M. Smith**, President
- ⊕ Roger Ormsby is acting President while Scott Smith serves overseas with his National Guard unit.

20 Years Ago - July 1999

- ⊕ **James Lawson**, President
- ⊕ No information available.

25 Years Ago - July 1994

- ⊕ **Dan Little**, President
- ⊕ July was a busy month for KBOT Directors, as they worked on forming Block Watches, promoted the Drug Awareness Program, and passed out flyers for the “Friday Night at the Movies” event to promote activities for the area youth.

30 Years Ago - July 1989

- ⊕ **Ann K. Morrow**, President
- ⊕ No information available.

35 Years Ago - July 1984

- ⊕ **Ann K. Morrow**, President
- ⊕ Due to a shortage of blood, the Kenmore Board of Trade asked all businesses to visit the Blood Mobile at Sherwood Park Baptist Church.

Next Kenmore First Friday on July 5th

The start of the Kenmore First Friday event on June 7th was a big success, with many people enjoying food, music, crafts, and business open houses between 13th & 16th Streets on Kenmore Boulevard. The next First Friday will be on July 5th, from 6:00 to 9:00 pm.

If you would like to participate and promote your business or group please contact the **Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance** at knacares@gmail.com or 330-714-9621. Or just stop by and enjoy!



First Friday activity around Kenmore Komiks & Games, included an Ice Cream truck (right), So Fresh Used Auto Sales promoting their business and supplying children's events (center), the Kenmore Community Council fundraising for the remodeling of the Cletus Swords Gazebo at Shadyside Park (left), and at DJ playing music (left not pictured).