Kenmore Chamber of Commerce

(formerly Kenmore Board of Trade)

"BRINGING BUSINESS BACK HOME"

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings to All!

Several of the **Kenmore Chamber's** special projects for this year have finally been completed.

With the Kenmore First Fridays (coordinated by the **Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance**) "live" again this year, the KCOC Board of Directors decided to revisit an idea of placing more benches on Kenmore Boulevard. After researching different styles of benches, we decided on using the type of bench the City of Akron has downtown. We had hoped to receive the first two by late Summer, to be there for the last Kenmore First Fridays of this year, but of course the supply problems we are all facing caused the benches to arrive late in November. Our first two "test" benches have been placed in front of **The Rialto Theatre** and the **Kenmore Branch Library**, and we look forward to feedback from next year's Kenmore First Friday visitors to tell us their opinion of them.

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Another project we have been discussing since the beginning of the year was reusable tote bags that would promote shopping both on Kenmore Boulevard and in all of the Kenmore 44314 zip code area. With that in mind, we created two different black tote bags. The one that the **Kenmore Chamber** will give to it's members is inspired by a saying that went around the Kenmore Community in the 1940s & 1950s - "BUY MORE - SAVE MORE - SHOP KENMORE!". The other tote bag is for the **Kenmore Neighborhood Alliance** to give to new

Next year we hope to try some more ways to promote our members. Send your thoughts to john@kenmore-komics.com if you have any ideas.

residents who move to Kenmore, and uses their new slogan "SHOP THE BLVD".

Thank you for listening, and please be safe!

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



New tote bag to be given to Kenmore Chamber retail members



New tote bag to be given to new residents of the Kenmore area

December 2021





One of the new benches in front of The Rialto Theatre











It is with great sadness that the Kenmore Chamber decides to not hold a Holiday Party again this year. With another COVID-19 wave on the way (the fifth in under two years), the Board of Directors chose to be cautious again and wait for a safer time for our members to get together. Everyone please be safe!

WELCOME TO OUR NEW KCOC MEMBERS!



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KBOT FLASHBACK

10 Years Ago - December 2011

- David E. Culbertson, President
- This year's Holiday Party was held at The Church on the Boulevard on December 15th.

15 Years Ago - December 2006

- © Scott M. Smith, President
- (f) KBOT members donated prizes to Innes Middle School for their "Good Student Raffle".

20 Years Ago - December 2001

- Jeff Scott, President
- © No information available.

25 Years Ago - December 1996

- (b) Rich Masterson, President
- ① No information available.

30 Years Ago - December 1991

- (1) Judith Rosenberg, President
- No information available.

35 Years Ago - December 1986

- (b) Warren Ferrell, President
- Mel Kent of Kenmore Tailors says he has "Big Plans" for the 1987 KBOT Ladies Night Party.

40 Years Ago - December 1981

- Don Jackson. President
- Guest speaker at the December luncheon was Mel "Chief" Fletcher of Akron's American Indian Center, who spoke of the hardships facing the Sioux Indian Nation.