



Holiday Social

Our holiday social once again was a good time. Officers Alberti and Belliard were in attendance as well as Nancy from NSC and Andy from the Mayors office. We missed our RFD folks and hoped they were not out on a call. It was great to see our old neighbors Heather and Bobby with their kids.

Soft drinks were provided by Johnny's and of course alcohol purchased at the bar, but because their kitchen is not up and running, food came from Merchants Grill. Thanks to Matt for ordering the food. Brownies were provided by Andy Rau and Savoia's donated a cookie tray..... Thank you Savoia's!

Everyone seemed to enjoy the veggie tray, swedish meatballs, stuffed potatoes skins, mozzarella sticks and of course the desserts. Needless to say there were very few brownies left but after spending a few weeks in the freezer, left over cookies will make an appearance at the Jan BNA meeting. As usual, Bensonhurst neighbors were very generous in their giving. Donations, including monetary donations were taken to the Sojourner House the following day. They were extremely grateful that we choose their organization and sent us a very nice thank you note.

Regular monthly meetings will resume in January!

Proudly Serving the Streets of:

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Pershing
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Thanks Newsletter Carriers

Many thanks to our newsletter carriers- Matt, Christine, David, Eric, Daryl, Rebecca, Carole, Kay, Bill, Peg, Carey, Calvin, Christy, Ned, Paul and Karen. We cannot do it without you. We have almost 700 homes in Bensonhurst and for those who do not check our website bensohurst14609.org or are not on either Facebook or our mailing list, the 4 times a year our flyer is delivered to them is the only contact they have with us.

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Dec Meeting Minutes

The only meeting minutes for Dec are the results of our elections which were held just before the social started. Peg told us our balance was \$2,870.02, then we thanked all the newsletter carriers for donating flyers this past year, some of who were in attendance.

Lisa presented a Joanne Fabrics gift card to Peg from the executive committee (not the BNA organization) for her 11 years of dedicated service to BNA as co-treasurer.

After starting off with a rather empty slate of officers, the following slate was unanimously approved. Once the officers were elected the party began.

Pres- Matt Barrett
VP- Matt Oyer
Sec- Karen Managan
Co Treas- Paul Zimmer and OPEN
Sgt at Arms- OPEN

Many thanks to both Matts for stepping forward to fill the President and VP positions. FYI, "Matt" will be running the meeting! 😊 We are still looking for a co treasurer as well as Sargent at Arms (responsible for keeping the meetings on track). Let us know if you are interested in either of these positions.



Thanks Savoia!

Activities

Keep your kids busy after school and on weekends. Your local R center offers various workshops and sports activities for kids.

MamaJuana Restaurant

There is a new restaurant in the 'hood! MamaJuana located in the former RayRays spot is open. They don't have a liquor license yet so are currently only serving food. Their menu is Latin fusion. If their food tastes as good as it looks on their website, it will be awesome. Check them out mamajuanaroc.com

Mama Juana is a drink from the Dominican Republic consisting of rum, red wine and honey soaked in a bottle with tree bark and herbs that is deep red and has a taste similar to port wine. There's a good bet they will be serving it once they have their liquor license.



Biz Kids

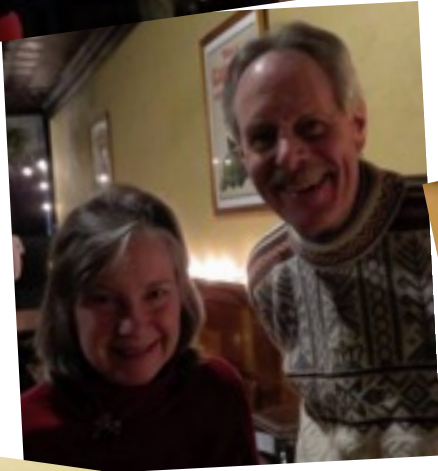
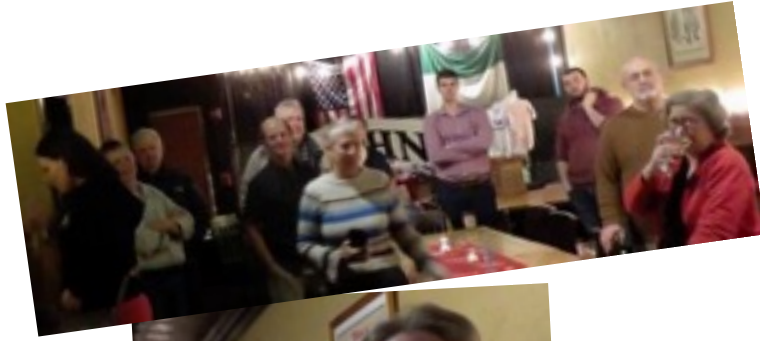
Is your teen (age 13-18) interested in starting their own business? The city is offering a free week long class in February teaching them how to start their own business. More information can be found at <http://files.constantcontact.com/3e145703401/24b16e4a-4f52-4a01-b72c-dd950d3f4395.pdf>

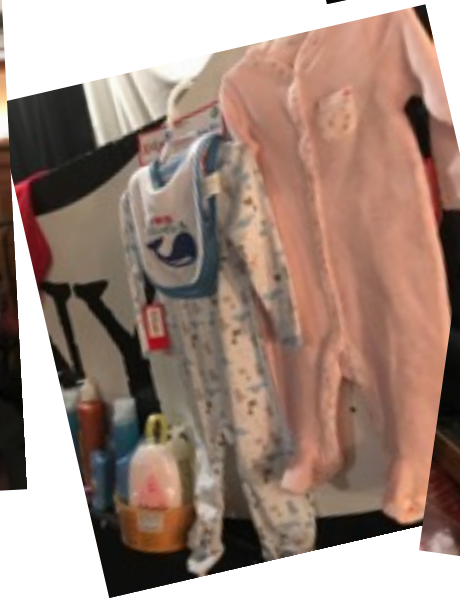
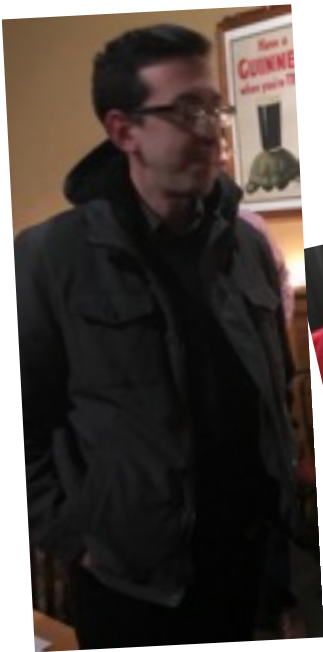


Thanks!

Thanks to Peg for 11 years of service to Bensonhurst as Co- treasurer. Also for all her help with other projects, obtaining grant money for us and helping deliver newsletters when needed. She will be missed.

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Adopt a Hydrant

The City has an Adopt a Hydrant program as an effort to keep fire hydrants clear from snow for quicker access during the winter. Go to the interactive site, click on a hydrant near you, adopt it and then keep it clear this winter! What a cool idea! Lets adopt ALL the fire hydrants in Bensonhurst! <http://www.cityofrochester.gov/AdoptaHydrant/>

You can adopt more than one hydrant anywhere. All available hydrants on the site map are green. Once you claim one, it turns red. If we can't adopt all the hydrants in BNA, lets at least keep them all free of snow. We have done a pretty good job in the past, let's see if we can keep it going.

Newsletter Carrier Needed

In addition to needing a newsletter carrier to deliver about 30 flyers on Mapledale St, we now need someone to do Rocket St from Longview Terr to Pershing Dr. This encompasses about 15 homes. Please let us know if you can help us out. It only involves delivering newsletters 4 times a year. The newsletters are delivered to your home prior to the weekend before our meetings. You then just need to fold them and deliver them prior to the meeting the next week. A great way to get some exercise, walk the dog, take the kids for a walk.....

Election Results

Matt Oyer stepped up to fill the vacant VP spot. We are still looking for someone to fill the co treasurer vacancy.

The slate was unanimously approved for 2019. Officers are:

Pres- Matt Barrett
VP- Matt Oyer
Sec- Karen Managan
Treasurer- Paul Zimmer
OPEN
Sgt at Arms- OPEN

Congratulations to all!....and Thanks!

Animal Clinic

The animal clinic on Bay St has a combination little free library and a give and take community cupboard with 3 doors in their front lawn. One door is for pet food, one is for people food and one is for books. How awesome! Neighbors can donate items as well as take any they might need. A bit like geocaching without having to search! Thank you Rochester Community Animal Clinic!




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NBN and PCIC website:
<http://sites.google.com/site/nbnsector8/Home>

Crime Reports Lists
www.crimereports.com

Sex Offender site:
www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/nsor/

Do Not Call List:
www.donotcall.gov
1-888-382-1222

City Hall services - 311 non emergency
www.cityofrochester.gov

911- To report any suspicious activity or emergency

Newsletter Submissions

Newsletters are published monthly and delivered prior to each meeting. The deadline for submissions is 2 weeks prior to each BNA meeting.

Send all newsletter materials to bensonhurstNA@excite.com
Pictures are also welcome.

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Archived Newsletters

Past and current issues of the newsletters are archived on the BNA website.

Paid Ad Information

The Bensonhurst Neighborhood Association will gladly publish your business card sized ad for a donation of \$50 per year. That equals a total of 12 monthly issues delivered to 700 homes, businesses, and government agencies. Money from ads helps cover printing expenses as Bensonhurst Neighborhood Association is 100% organized by volunteers. Please use the contact information on this page for additional information. Thank you.

Upcoming Events

Jan 8 - BNA Meeting

Jan 9- PCIC meeting

Feb 12- BNA meeting

Feb 13- PCIC meeting

Why not join us on the second Tuesday of each month at our monthly meetings at 7pm at Johnny's Irish Pub 1382 Culver Road?

Meetings are located in the Red Room separate from the bar area.

There is a ramped entrance in the rear of the building also separate from the bar.

All meetings are informal, positive & all are encouraged to participate.

BNA does not charge dues or membership fees.