

# Bensonhurst

## NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

### Fire Hydrants

Some of the staff from the Rochester Community Animal Clinic on Bay St have been going around and digging out fire hydrants near their business! We thank them for that! Their challenge to other businesses in Bensonhurst is to do the same! That would be wonderful! We posted their pics on our Facebook page!

We have several hydrants in our neighborhood that are buried under a lot of snow but we also have noticed a lot of them that HAVE been dug out. Many thanks to the neighbors that have done that! Some of them have done a REALLY nice job!

### Pot Hole Reporting

Now that pothole season has arrived, you can "report" them in the City by either filling out a form on the city website [www.cityofrochester.gov/article.aspx?id=8589935141](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/article.aspx?id=8589935141) or calling 311.

Local municipalities (towns and villages) maintain their streets using their highway departments and you can call their highway departments. For roads maintained by the County, call the Monroe County highway department and for state roads, call the NYS highway department toll free (1-800-POTHOLE). All highway departments are required to repair any potholes within 7 working days once they have been reported. It really does work! Of course, how long the patch holds up is another issue.

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### Facebook

If you haven't yet checked out our Facebook page, we encourage you to do so. It is a great way to get updated news and info about our neighborhood. We have almost 60 "likes" now.....some even from outside our area!

If you're not into Facebook, you can send your email address to BNA and we will send you notices of important dates and events by email. We don't like spam any more than you do, so will only send relevant information. That way you don't miss out on anything important.



### Proudly Serving the Streets of:

Bedford  
Edgeland  
Clifford  
Culver  
Rocket  
Martinot  
Roseview  
Longview  
Salisbury  
Laurelton  
Lawndale  
Mapledale  
Pershing  
Westchester

### Thanks Savoia

Thanks to Savoia Pastry Shoppe for supporting Bensonhurst by renewing their ad in our newsletter. Great neighbors!

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**JOHNNY'S**  
IRISH PUB

Johnny's Irish Pub is located at  
1382 Culver Road in Rochester, NY  
Plenty of Free Parking.

## February Meeting Minutes

We had 10 neighbors in attendance plus Officer Belliard at our February meeting. After the around the room introductions Officer Belliard gave the crime stats for PSA 26 for the last 4 weeks as compared to last year at the same time.

	2014	2015
Homicide	0	1
Rape	0	2
Robbery	3	7
Agg Assault	2	6
Burglary	10	7
Larceny	14	12
MV Theft	2	7

Of the burglary and larceny events, only 2 occurred IN Bensonhurst. The first was a larceny in January on Bedford St where keys were taken and then a few days later the car was stolen. The other event was on Clifford Ave when a customer couldn't remember where she left her purse which was later found inside Savoia's Pastry Shop with money missing.

Outside Bensonhurst near Culver Rd and Parsells Ave, a resident saw someone taking a TV from an apartment. They called 911, the suspect was seen and arrested and the TV returned. Another incident was in Beechwood when again, a neighbor called about suspicious activity. The police responded and found the suspects in the basement taking copper pipes.

With both these incidents, had a neighbor NOT called 911, the suspects would have gotten away and no arrests would have been made. Kudos to an alert neighbor. We cannot stress enough the importance of calling 911 with ANY suspicious activity. It really does make a difference

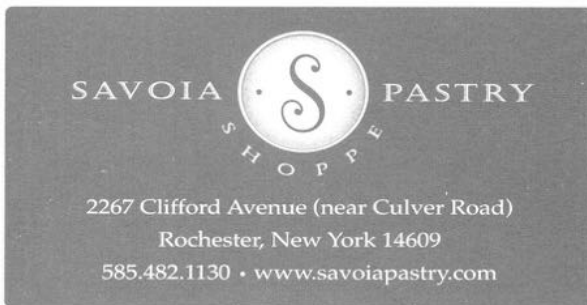
Officer Belliard also told us that points were assigned the 1055 Bay St in regards to the homicide that occurred there in January. Nancy from NSC was at another meeting and unable to attend.

Peg informed us our treasury was a healthy \$2929.79. We are still trying to find out how to apply for more grant money that is available to us.

Brian brought up the issue of reducing speed limits on City streets to 25mph. Volunteers would be needed to petition neighbors in order for this to happen. He has volunteered to do his street. He also asked for ideas for guest speakers at future meetings. Some ideas were someone from the Cooperative Extension as well as the Animal Shelter.

We welcomed new PACTAC member Nicole who has already been out and encourage any other neighbors interested to contact our CPO or the NSC.

ITALIAN COOKIES, WEDDING CAKES, PASTRIES & BREADS



ESTABLISHED IN 1929

Nancy (NSC) asked us at the last meeting to come up with three City code issues that we would like them to focus on this year. We came up with unregistered/unlicensed cars parked in driveways or front lawns and yard maintenance which is anything from mowing, trimming and repairs to trash and litter. Brian will pass these on to Nancy.

The 50/50 raffle was again won by Peg who gave back all but her investment. Like last month, she plans on "reinvesting" her \$1 next month. Thanks Peg!



Seen on one of our streets!

The Animal Clinic on Bay street has been out clearing snow from from fire hydrants near their business and have now challenged businesses in Bensonhurst to do the same. Many thanks to them! Great neighbors!

**Rochester Community Animal Clinic**  
 A Member of the MVA Family  
 985 Bay Street, Rochester, NY 14609  
 Phone: 585-288-0600 Fax: 288-2859  
 rochestercommunityanimalclinic.com  
**Walk-In Hours (Wellness & Non-Critical Urgent Care):**  
 Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 3:00 - 8:30 pm  
 Saturday: Noon - 7:30 pm, Sunday: Noon - 5:30 pm  
 Spay/Neuter Surgeries by Appointment Only


**EYE APPEAL**  
**MASTERS IN VISION LLC**

**DR. JAIME KENNY**  
 OPTOMETRIST

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<http://eyecareofrochester.com>

EYE EXAMS  
 GLASSES  
 CONTACT LENSES



**Friendship Children's Center**  
**310 Fern wood Ave.**  
**Rochester, NY 14609**  
**(1 block from #45 school)**  
**Phone# 342-7250**

- Open M-F 6:30-5:30pm
- We care for children from 1yr-12yrs of age
- Free RCSD UPK program 9-3 daily
- Before and after school program for UPK and children Kdg.-7<sup>th</sup> gr. (we pick up and drop off at #45)
- Accredited, Licensed and Quality Stars program
- Huge outdoor playground
- Certified teachers
- Breakfast, lunch and snack served daily



Thanks Rochester Animal Clinic!



Nice Job!



**Ray Ray's**  
**Bar and Grill**  
 2260 Clifford Ave.  
 Rochester NY 14609  
 585-413-1661

## Important Contact Information

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BNA Facebook  
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BNA address:  
PO Box 90411  
Rochester, NY 14609

BNA website:  
[www.bensonhurst14609.org](http://www.bensonhurst14609.org)

Neighborhood Service Center  
585-428-7640  
<http://www.cityofrochester.gov/nensc/>

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

Crime Reports Lists  
[www.crimereports.com](http://www.crimereports.com)

Sex Offender site:  
[www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/nsor/](http://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/nsor/)

Do Not Call List:  
[www.donotcall.gov](http://www.donotcall.gov)  
1-888-382-1222

City Hall services - 311non emergency  
[www.cityofrochester.gov](http://www.cityofrochester.gov)

**911**- To report any suspicious activity or emergency

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## 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 [benonhurstNA@excite.com](mailto:benonhurstNA@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.

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## 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, business, and government agencies. The money collected is used to help cover printing expenses as the Bensonhurst Neighborhood Association is 100% organized by volunteers. Please use the contact information on this page for additional information. Thank you.

## Upcoming Events

**Mar 10- BNA meeting**

**Mar 11 – PCIC meeting**

**Apr 8 – PCIC meeting**

**Apr 14 – BNA meeting**

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**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.**