

# Bensonhurst

## NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

### Urgent Need!

We still need someone (or more than one person) to deliver our quarterly newsletters to our neighbors on Culver Rd (both sides), Laurelton Rd and Westchester Ave starting in June! If no one comes forward, these folks will no longer receive any more hand delivered newsletters.

This is a chance to get some exercise, and maybe walk the dog or get the kids to help. If you can help out, please let us know.



### Proudly Serving the Streets of:

Bay  
Bedford  
Edgeland  
Clifford  
Culver  
Rocket  
Martinot  
Roseview  
Longview  
Salisbury  
Laurelton  
Lawndale  
Maple Dale  
Pershing  
Westchester

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### BNA Meeting Canceled!!!!

With businesses still partially locked down, our May BNA meeting is also canceled. Hopefully by following the guidelines set up by the government and health personnel, we can once again meet in the near future.

### Census Survey

Have you filled out your census form yet? <https://www.cityofrochester.gov/2020census/>



### Census Jobs 2020

Looking for a temporary job? Census takers are needed. To find out more and see what is needed in Rochester. <https://tinyurl.com/ufsym86>



## April Meeting Minutes

As most of you know there was no meeting in April and of course now, no meeting in May either. We are hoping we will be able to meet in June. In the meantime, please stay home, safe and healthy.



## Curb Side Take Out

Even though we still can't meet there, Johnnys is now open 3 to 8pm Mon - Sat for curbside takeout. They offer moscow mules and cocktails to go, Growler fills & \$5 six packs of bottles. They are also doing a dish of the day which changes daily. Information is posted daily on their Facebook page. Call 244-0990 for ordering. They also will accept walk ins for pick up.



## Covid-19 Testing

Covid-19 testing is now available for anyone in the community with symptoms. If you are sick, please make an appointment as soon as possible. If you are an essential employee you do not need to be symptomatic to have a test. Call 888-364-3065 for an appointment. For more information [https://www2.monroecounty.gov/files/health/coronavirus/2020\\_Corona%20Get%20Tested%20Flyer%20FINAL.pdf](https://www2.monroecounty.gov/files/health/coronavirus/2020_Corona%20Get%20Tested%20Flyer%20FINAL.pdf)



## Buy Nothing Garage Sale

Perhaps you have heard about buy nothing groups? [buynothingproject.org](http://buynothingproject.org). These are neighborhood groups on FB around the city (actually worldwide) that give things away, no money is ever exchanged. Rochester has 12 groups. Our local group is comprised of North Winton, Beechwood, and Homestead Heights.

There was supposed to be a “garage sale” in March, but it was canceled as was everything else but there is supposed to be another one in June at the Ryan center which is open to the public. Everything is free! Items not taken will be donated. We will keep you posted!

## Public Market

The public market remains open in order to provide fresh produce to customers. The market has set up some guidelines found on their website. Everyone, including vendors must wear a mask. Vendors are using gloves as well. Hand sanitizer is located in several areas. Try to use the correct cash to avoid having to get change, plan your purchases so you spend as little time as possible, avoid very crowded areas. Wash your hands frequently and wash all produce before using.





### Public Library

The central library and some suburban branches now offer curbside pickup for books which are on the shelf. No books will be distributed inter-library. <https://roccitylibrary.org/spotlight/curbside-pick-up/>

### Kiva Rochester

Kiva has expanded access to it's crowdfunded interest-free loans. This is great for small businesses. Check it out at [www.cityofrochester.gov/kiva/](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/kiva/)

The Lilac Festival was canceled but apparently the lilacs never got the memo. They are about 2 weeks late, but they are peak right now!

### SNAP Program

SNAP can help you stretch your budget. The program is based on income and is not just for seniors or low income. College students may also participate. For a free and confidential prescreening and/or application assistance call 295-5624.

### Susan B Anthony Celebrations

This year marks the 200th birthday of Susan B Anthony and the 100th anniversary of women's right to vote. The City was supposed to be celebrating with various events throughout the year. To find out more and see if any are happening check out their website <https://rrlc.org/rocsuffrage/>



### School Lunch Programs

School lunches are being delivered to area schools for distribution. Check with your local school to find out locations. Bagged breakfast and lunches are also being distributed from Bible Baptist Church, 274 Merchants Rd on Tues, Wed and Thurs from 10:30-1:30pm if you are in need of food.

### Public Meeting Access

With all regularly scheduled City meetings open to the public canceled, many will still be held as virtual meetings via Zoom. The list of meetings can be found at <https://www.cityofrochester.gov/article.aspx?id=21474843856>.

## Important Contact Information

BNA Email:  
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BNA address:  
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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 - 311 non 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  
[frosty\\_dog@mac.com](mailto:frosty_dog@mac.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, 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

May **25**-BNA meeting

Jun 3 - PCIC meeting

June 22- BNA meeting

July 1- PCIC meeting

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**Why not join us on the fourth Monday 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.**