



Aug Meeting Minutes

Heather welcomed everyone in attendance and introduced RPD CPO Brian Canon. Safety statistics are improving vs. last year, less violence overall and fewer burglaries. Hazelwood Terrace (between Culver and Merchants) has had an increase in home break ins and there has not yet been an arrest.

The store at 2179 has seen some changes; They now have cameras mounted on the roof, there are fewer noise complaints and less trash. Thanks to the store owners for their efforts! Some of the drug sales have gone into the side streets so keep calling 911 with suspicious activity. There has been no update on a RPD security camera at this location. PAC TAC applications are available on line.

A neighbor from Culver Road reported issues with the gas station/convenience store at 1416 Culver Road including the sale of single cigarettes and staying open after hours. Officer Canon reported that all stores in our area did not sell to undercover minors during recent 'buy details.'

Check out www.crimereports.com for crimes in our neighborhood.

BNA baseball game Friday, August 19th- need 20 people to get the reduced rate, only 8 signed up. Heather will get tickets for those people. There were no volunteers to take over the planning for a neighborhood picnic. Those in attendance voted in favor of using the funds allotted for the picnic for our holiday social.

Heather and the BNA thanked Karen and Brian for getting more flowers to replace the dead ones in some of the flower pots. They look great! Keep them watered neighbors!

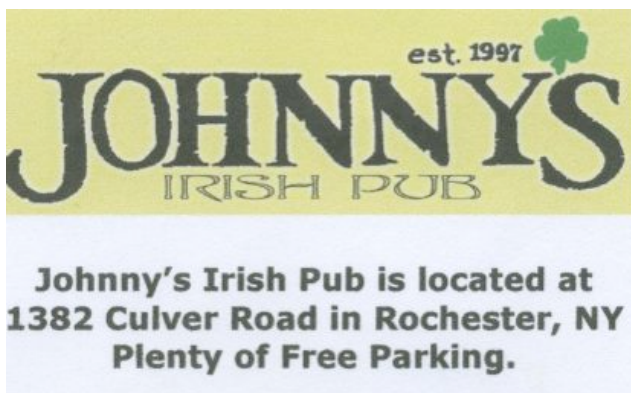
The Newsletter is back to full size now thanks so much to Joe and Toshiba Solutions and to Karen for editing the newsletter! A newsletter carrier is needed for Salisbury street ASAP. Thank you to Cassie for delivering in the past. Please call the BNA voicemail or e-mail if you are able to volunteer.

Eric reported that Culver Road construction will be moving into our neighborhood soon with water main projects and full construction.

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The 50/50 raffle was won again this month by the owners at the gas station at 2179 Clifford Ave and they once again donated it back to the BNA- Thank you!



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Welcome new Carrier!

We welcome Bill Bartlett as our newest newsletter carrier. He will be delivering newsletters to residents on Salisbury St. Be sure to thank him when you see him out there!

New Faces!

There were a lot of new faces at the last BNA meeting which is awesome! Hopefully we will continue to see more neighbors get involved! This is what it takes to keep our neighborhood safe.

Many thanks to Cassie who delivered them previously and is now stepping down.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to our neighbors Elaine & Lisa Cichocki-Lalka on their recent marriage!

Oops!

Our apologies to Patrick Major for omitting his ad in the last newsletter.



Crime Map

If you haven't already checked out the new crime map the city has, you should do so. Several people at the last neighborhood meeting said they liked it. CPO Cannon said soon the lag time for postings will be reduced from 2-3 days to 1!

While it doesn't give specific house numbers, it does pinpoint various crimes in the city by blocks. So you get an idea where the "hot" spots are.

You can find out info on locations of burglaries, robberies, car thefts, assaults, murders, sex offenders and more.

Simply go to www.crimereports.com/ and type in the city. From there you can zero in on your neighborhood, searching by type of crime, location or the date of occurrence. The site also allows you to subscribe to mailings of crime alerts in your area.

Flower Pots

Mother Nature is finally helping out after a bit of a hiatus in July, but remember to keep those flowers watered when they need it.

The grape tomatoes were quite prolific this summer and while most of them are gone now, the white eggplant at the corner of Clifford/Martinot still has some fruit, albeit small, on it. Remember the eggplant needs to be cut off the plant, not pulled.

They are both there for your enjoyment so keep an eye on them so they don't go to waste, but also share with your neighbors.



We won!

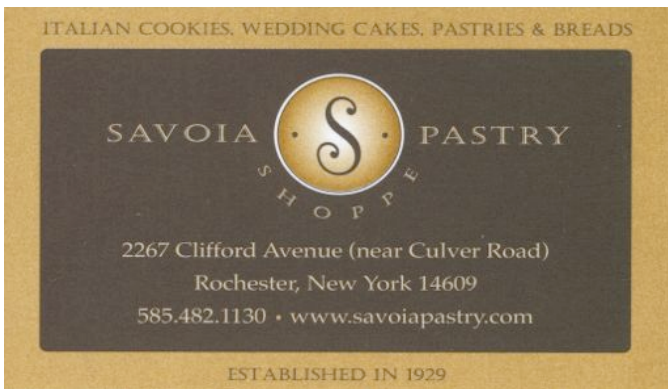
A small turnout from the Bensonhurst neighborhood but a large crowd at the stadium for our neighborhood night at the Red Wings ball game but we had fun anyway and this year the Red Wings won!

The visiting team was at bat first, took the lead with one scored run, but the Red Wings returned the favor with a home run when it was their turn! Then in the third inning took they took the lead and unlike previous years when they were ahead and then in the last inning lost, held on to it to the end. We won 8/3!

It was a perfect night with no wind, temps in the mid to high 70's and clear skies.

Fireworks wowed the crowd as usual after the game.

Thanks to Heather for arranging the ticket sales. Although we didn't get enough takers for the discount, we still got our name on the monitor.

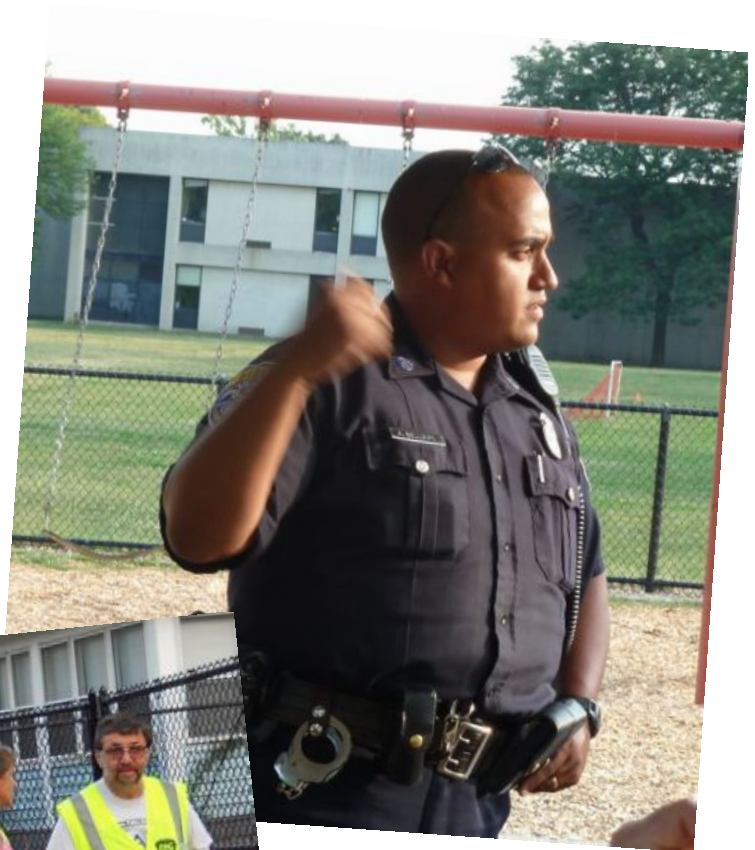


National Night Out

About 35 neighbors and PACTACer's along with members from the RPD participated in a saturation walk from the Humbolt St Recreation Area handing out flyers about crime prevention and PACTAC.

The weather was perfect for it this year. While we were walking, the Mayor made an appearance, visiting with some folks who stayed behind to watch over the munchies we were treated to afterwards.

Thanks to CPO's Cannon and Belliard for putting the event together.





Festival of Food

OK, so it's not exactly in our neighborhood, but the money does go to a good cause!

This is a great event being held at the public market on Monday Sept 19th from 6-9pm. It used to be called Savor Rochester, but is now called Festival of Food.....and food there is!

Words of advice! Do NOT eat dinner before you go! There will be over 100 restaurants, wineries, breweries, bakeries and farms (no chains) on site with samples of their goods. Everything from food to wine, beer, candy, cookies.... basically anything edible!

Tickets are available at Wegmans for \$40 or on site that evening for \$50. Sounds like a lot?.... but ALL the proceeds go to Foodlink!



We have been for the last several years and it is an awesome time. We have seen a few of our neighbors there in the past. It would be nice to see a few more!

For a list of vendors, (from last year, but many of them are there every year!) and other event information, check out their website www.festivaloffood.org

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non emergency
www.cityofrochester.gov

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

Crime Reports Lists
www.crimereports.com

Sex Offender site:
www.familywatchdog.us

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

911- 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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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

Sept 7 – PCIC meeting

Sept 8 – BNA meeting

Oct 12 – PCIC meeting

Oct 13 – BNA meeting

Why not join us on the second Thursday 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 also separate from the bar.

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

BNA does not charge dues or membership fees.