

Bensonhurst

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Security Cameras

Does anyone have a private security camera on your house or business that records outside activity? If you are willing, the RPD is in the process of creating a database of private cameras and their locations to be used if there is a crime in the area. This will allow RPD to solve crimes more efficiently and quickly. If you have one and would like to add it to the database you can reply to BNA and we will forward your information OR you can email our RPD crime prevention Officer Belliard at AB1303@cityofrochester.gov

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Focused Investment Strategy

In 2008 the City initiated a 5 year strategy to improve city neighborhoods. In the coming months, the Mayor will be engaging the community to chart the next steps. One of the first action items will be to reconnect with neighbors and community partners in each area to share the findings of this study and brainstorm future phases of focused investment.

Kiva

Mayor Lovely Warren and the City of Rochester are excited to announce the launch of a new and exciting resource for the business community here in our city: Kiva Rochester. Kiva Rochester offers 0% interest loans of \$10,000 or less to small businesses and entrepreneurs, using a unique online crowdfunding platform. Kiva Rochester is actively recruiting prospective borrowers, as well as individuals and organizations with business experience to get involved with the program by volunteering time or helping to refer borrowers to the program. For more information about Kiva's mission and online platform, please visit Kiva.org. To find out how you can get involved here in Rochester, please contact Brad Willows at 585-428-6053 or Bradley.Willows@cityofrochester.gov.



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

YAY!!! Another New Carrier!

We have another new carrier! Daryl just moved into our area and at our last meeting offered to deliver flyers to residents on Bay St. Thank you!

Aug Meeting Minutes

Heather led the meeting in Brian's absence and Shana from the library took minutes in Karen's absence. Thank you both!

Officer Belliard gave the crime stats for the last month. Sgt Leckinger and Officer Kenny were also in attendance.

	2016	2015
Homicide	1	0
Rape	0	0
Robbery	1	1
Agg Assault	2	3
Burglary	down 43% this year	
Larceny	20	12
MV Theft	2	1

Many of the larcenies involved unlocked cars. Three larcenies were within the BNA boundaries, one of which involved a hanging plant taken from a porch.

Firefighters in attendance talked of the importance of having smoke detectors as well as carbon monoxide detectors in your home. It is now a state law that every home and business has to have a CO detector. If you do not have one, call 311 for assistance in obtaining one.

They also mentioned that due to the lack of rain, fire is a definite threat and to please take care when disposing of fire, grills, and even cigarettes.

It was mentioned that one of our planters on Rocket St was damaged when someone pulled out plants and chopped them off. They have since been replaced. Please call 911 if you see anyone vandalizing them.

Please water them when we have long periods of no rain. They need water almost every day.

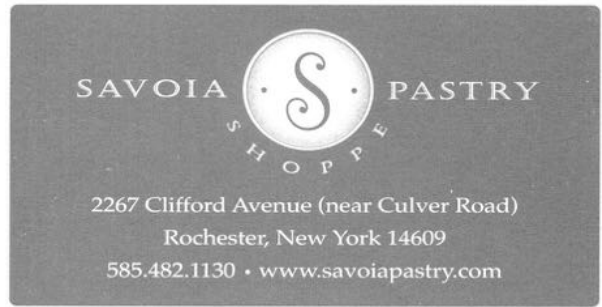
Treasurer's report- Our current balance is \$3,561.46. The treasurer suggested submitting her receipts for mailings for reimbursement. It was agreed this was an appropriate use of funds.

One more month before we nominate new officers. The current officers have been serving for quite some time. New nominations would be welcome. Please let us know if you are interested. Any of the current or past officers will be glad to guide you in the transition if you would like to take their place.

Our Dec meeting will be the Holiday Social. Traditionally, BNA picks a family or local charity to give donations to. In the past we have donated to ABW (Alternatives for Battered Women), Warrior Salute, Boys and Girls Club, Rochester Animal Shelter etc. Please start thinking about a charity for this year. Habitat for Humanity was suggested, but upon looking at their "wish list" this might pose a problem since most of what they are looking for are large ticket items such as furniture, building materials and power tools. If someone has an idea of how to make this work, let us know.

The night out at the ball game was a good time. One person from Beechwood

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was in attendance. It was suggested that next year maybe trying to get other neighborhoods to go with us.

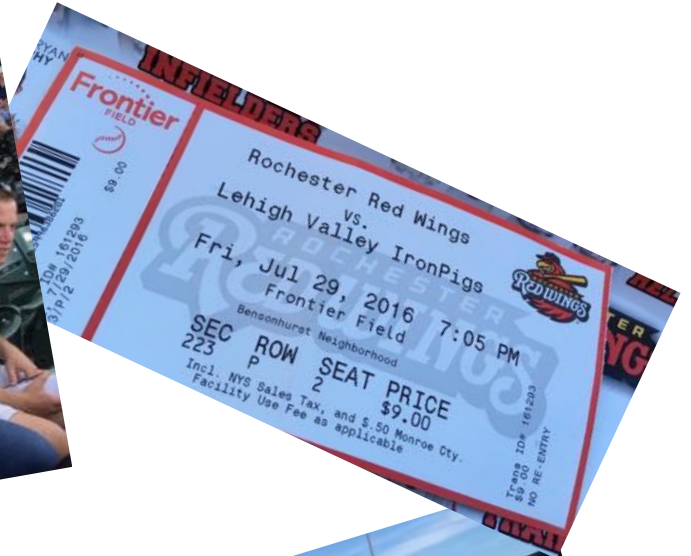
We are still interested in a mini clean sweep this fall, date to be determined. Please call 311 about any vacant houses in our neighborhood.

Americorps will be holding a Back to School Rally on Aug 27 giving out school supplies as well as providing games and face painting.

Sully library will be hosting a Grocery Shopping Challenge on Aug 25. The program will discuss the importance of having a grocery list, keeping the list within a budget and other tips. A Wegmans gift card will be raffled off at the end of the program. The central library will be getting a dedicated website for just the City and the 10 branches within the city.

Eric won the 50/50 raffle and donated the money back. Thank you Eric!

BNA night at the Red Wings





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BNA website:
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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

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 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.

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

Sept 13 - BNA meeting

Sept 14- PCIC meeting

Oct 11 – BNA meeting

Oct 12 – 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.