

# Bensonhurst

## NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

### 10th Anniversary Party

BNA's 10th anniversary pictures are on page 3 and 4!

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### Newsletter Carrier Needed

This could very well be the LAST newsletter our neighbors on Clifford Ave get unless someone comes forward to deliver them.

Please contact us if you can help us out. [bensohurstNA@excite.com](mailto:bensohurstNA@excite.com)

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### Solicitors

There has been some concern regarding solicitors in the area maybe not being legitimate. Officer Cannon informed us that all solicitors in the City MUST have a City permit. If someone comes to your house without one, call 911.

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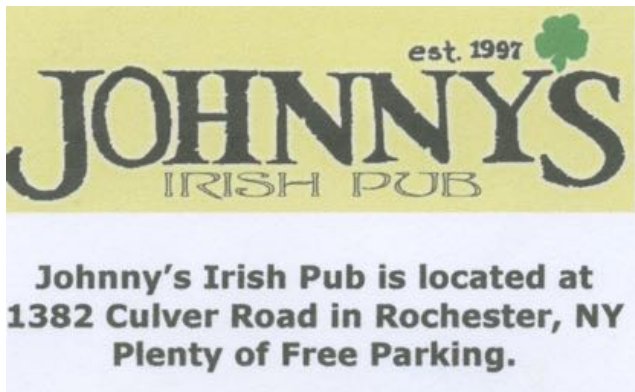
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### BNA Garage Sale

Several families took part in the garage sale despite the drizzly day, some even holding their sale both days. Hopefully everyone did well and remembered to take down their signs when they were done.



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**Sept Meeting Minutes**

Nine neighbors, 2 from Morton St, Officer Belliard and 4 Rochester firefighters attended our last meeting. After the welcomes Gary announced that the executive committee voted unanimously to donate \$50 to the family of Officer Daryl Pierson. Gary will make sure the money goes directly to the family. He also reminded everyone that next month nominations are due for elections and that all positions are available.

There are sidewalk repairs going on through out Bensonhurst as well as some street construction.

There is a new sign up at the store on 2157 Clifford Ave. Gary is awaiting news from Nancy at the NSC regarding the property.

Several families participated in the neighborhood garage sale. Various results were had.

There have been fights at the corner of Lawndale and Clifford Ave. None of them involved the gas station or the barber shop. The police are aware and are stepping up surveillance in the area.

Plans are still being made for the 10 year anniversary party and clean sweep for BNA in October. Flyers were delivered to all residents notifying them of the event.

Call 911 if you see school children fighting or parties after hours. Call 311 with parking violations which continue to be a problem.

A small child was also seen wandering unattended on Longview Terr. Call 911 if you see him out again.

Officer Belliard thanked BNA for the donation and support in honor of Officer Peirson and then gave the crime stats for PSA 26 for the month of Aug as compared to last year at the same time.

	2013	2014
Homicide	0	0
Rape	0	3
Robbery	6	6
Agg Assault	7	2
Burglary	17	20
Larceny	31	32
MV theft	1	2

Overall a 4% increase in crime. There was only 1 event within BNA. which was a robbery in the 300 block of Rocket St at 9am. A person was walking with headphones on, did not hear the assailant approach and was punched in the face when the phone was stolen. They were later able to identify the suspect.

Outside of BNA, there was a robbery at the store near Morton St where an employees bike was taken.

There has been a pattern of crimes occurring east of Culver Rd near Blossom and Winton occurring during the day in single family homes using the door or windows for entry. Please watch for any suspicious activity and call 911. Keep doors and windows locked. One arrest was made. There is no evidence that the suspect is involved in any of the other crimes.

Leaf collection for Bensonhurst is Nov 4-8.

RFD Captain Marrapese from Engine 12 on Main and Wisconson St informed us that every house should have a smoke detector on each floor and at least one carbon monoxide detector, preferably in a bedroom. He also told us that if a family has financial hardships, they will provide and install them for free. Remember to replace batteries annually.

Treasurer's report- \$871.37. Peg asked that everyone keep their eyes open for good deals on paper for printing the newsletter. She is also looking into grant money we might use for beautification purposes.

In view of our low bank balance, discussions revolved around the holiday party costs.

Paul won the 50/50 raffle.

**Elections!**

Nominations for 2015 officers for Bensonhurst will be held at the Oct meeting. Candidates will be elected into office in November and begin their term at the Dec meeting/party.

We NEED a president. Gary is resigning to be able to spend more time with his family and Peg would like to resign from Treasurer. She has been in this position almost since the beginning.

## Bensonhurst's Mini Clean Sweep



*the "grabber"*



*Margie and crew - thanks boys!*



*....just some of the bags!*

....and then there was the 10th Anniversary Party



Thanks everybody!

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

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- We care for children from 1yr-12yrs of age
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- Certified teachers
- Breakfast, lunch and snack served daily



## Construction

It seems the construction on Rocket St is moving our way. Please keep an eye on a flower pot near you so they don't get damaged. We might even have to move some of them. Now the City is repairing sidewalks, some of which have already been done, others are yet to come.

We also will need to find "homes" for the flower pots over the winter. When left out, they suffer too much damage.

## Holiday "Family"

This year's Holiday "family" is going to be the City Animal Shelter downtown on Verona St.

We considered ABW again this year, and although it is a great cause as was the veterans group we sponsored for a couple years, it was decided to "share the wealth" with another deserving organization. Many Bensonhurst families have pets, some even from the shelter and this organization is in the City.

More information will be in the next newsletter as to what items they need.

## Fire Safety

This note is courtesy of the firefighters that attended our last meeting. If you are unable to afford smoke detectors or CO detectors in your home, call 311. The fire department will provide them for you and even install them if necessary! There is no excuse not to have one.

## VOTE!

Don't forget to vote in the general elections on Tues Nov 4th. Your vote does count! Polls are open from 6am to 9pm.

## Halloween

Please be careful driving on Halloween night. Many children will be out and about. They will be very excited and may not pay attention to traffic.

Also be sure to check their "goodies" before letting them eat any of it. Unfortunately there are some "goblins" out there. We certainly hope not in our neighborhood.



## Leaf Pickup

The City will be collecting leaves again this fall. How about recycling or composting them rather than putting them in the garbage?

## Litter

The issue of litter was brought up at our last meeting. Litter on your property regardless of how it got there is your responsibility.



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Rochester, NY 14609

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

Neighborhood Service Center  
585-428-7640

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

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.familywatchdog.us](http://www.familywatchdog.us)

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

**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](mailto: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, 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**

**Oct 4 – BNA PARTY**

**Oct 8 – PCIC meeting**

**Oct 14 – BNA meeting**

**Nov 11 – BNA meeting**

**Nov 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 also separate from the bar.**

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

**BNA does not charge dues or membership fees.**