



## Fall Flowers

The City has given us daffodil bulbs for our planters. Thanks to Lisa for getting them for us. If you would like some to put in the planters on a corner near you, please let BNA know.

We also need to bring in the planters for the winter. Last year they were left out and sustained some damage. Many of the pots are new so we don't want them damaged this year.

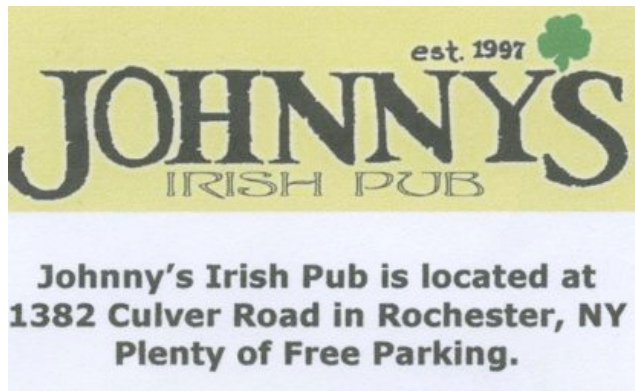
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## Upcoming Elections

The slate of Officers for the BNA elections are:

President-	Gary Warren
Vice President-	Brian Managan
Co-Secretary-	Heather Henry
	open
Co-Treasurer-	Paul Zimmer
	Peg Aderman
Sargent at Arms-	open

All BNA residents over the age of 18 are eligible to vote as long as you have attended at least one meeting during the past year.



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## Holiday Party

Mark your calendars for Tues, Dec 10th! This is the BNA annual Holiday Party in lieu of a meeting. BNA will provide a variety of finger foods and non alcoholic beverages. Alcohol can be purchased from the bar. We will charge a nominal fee to help cover our costs for food.

Gifts for our Holiday "family" will be collected at this time. The new officers will have a chance to make any announcements at the start of the party if needed but basically we are there to enjoy the evening with our neighbors.

## Proudly Serving the Streets

of:


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

## Home Scam

Another scam to beware of that happened in our area as reported by the news involved someone taking a picture of a home and posting it on Craig's List as a rental. They would collect a security deposit and then be gone.

This also created a problem for the home owner when the town tried to collect back taxes saying he had not claimed his residence as a rental.

Scammers are out there constantly thinking up new ways to make money meaning we have to be on alert at all times to avoid falling in to their trap. In this case, the homeowner was totally unaware anything was even happening until after the fact.



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Animal Clinic**  
A Member of the MVA Family

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rochestercommunityanimalclinic.com

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Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 3:00 - 8:30 pm  
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www.Amway.com/MichaelDay

If you get a call from someone claiming to be raising money for NYS troopers, you are asked to call police. This was reported by WHEC news.

### Holiday Giving

Every year for the holidays, Bensonhurst selects a family or organization in need of food and other items. This year at our annual Holiday party in Dec., Bensonhurst will be donating items to Alternatives for Battered Women.

ABW provides temporary housing to women and children who are victims of domestic violence.

### Phone Scam

There has been a phony fundraising scheme in NYS claiming to benefit the State Police we want to warn you about.


News10 NBC states a number of organizations with police-themed names have been asking for donations. They claim the money goes towards buying safety equipment, sending kids to summer camp or anti-DWI campaigns. The NYS Troopers Association say their agency gets its funding through the state budget and doesn't ask for public donations.

### NSC Office Move

The northeast Neighborhood Service Center has moved. They are no longer on Clinton Ave. They are now at 320 N Goodman St and the building is located between Village Gate and the RR tracks. It is really easy to find... just look for the smokestack with the lit up village gate lettering. They are right below it, in fact, the smokestack is actually part of the building.

I had a chance to check out their new digs and it is very nice, much bigger than the old office and very open and bright. They are planning an open house soon. Hopefully everyone can attend.

They have had some personnel changes as well but we are happy to report that Nancy Price-Johns is still there. They also still have the same phone number and email address.



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They can serve up to 30+ women and children at a time. When it gets closer to the holidays, we will have a better idea of the ages and number of persons living there at that time.

They have a wish list on their website that includes items such as clothing and personal items along with lots of other miscellaneous items. Check out their wish list so you can have an idea of what to provide. Some items can be "gently" used, other items *must* be new. They will also take gift cards.

They even have a Christmas List on their site which consists mostly of toys. Their wish list is quite long so rather than trying to list all they need or don't need, please go to their website and see what you might be able to donate.

<http://www.abwrochester.org/Wish-Lists.html>

Bensonhurst has always been generous during the holidays. We are hoping this year will be no exception.

## October Meeting Minutes

There were 14 people at the meeting including 3 guests (neighbors living just outside Bensonhurst) and 2 CPO's. Gary started the meeting as usual with the around the room introductions.

He then stated there is still fighting among school children although it is less than before. Masood states all is well with the store at 2179 Clifford Ave since he stopped letting school kids in. PACTAC reports all is quiet.

Officer Belliard gave the crime stats for September as compared to the same time last year.

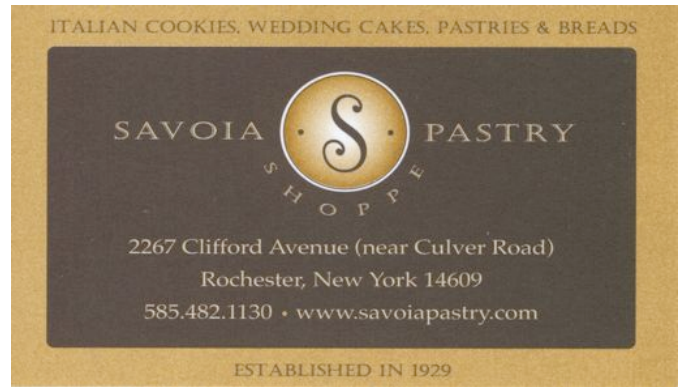
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Rape	1	1
Robberies	2	3
Assault	7	2
Burglaries	14	16
Larcenies	41	39
Motor Vehicle	3	0

There were 6 arrests in the 7 assault cases! Some of the assaults involved Officers. One Officer was bitten, another had a table thrown at him.

Since many robberies result in the loss of iphones, the police recommend installing OS7 on them which has improved security should the phone be stolen. They also suggest installing a free app "Find my Phone."

Many of the burglaries were in the afternoon and evening hours. A break in on Bedford St was the result of a garbage toter being placed under an unlocked window. At the opposite end of the street the front door was forced open and a TV taken.

Lock your garbage toter in the garage to prevent it from being used in a crime.



Please be careful when hiring strangers and keep all valuables locked up, especially if the workers are inside your home.

Check credentials of persons you are considering hiring and contact the BBB if you are in doubt.

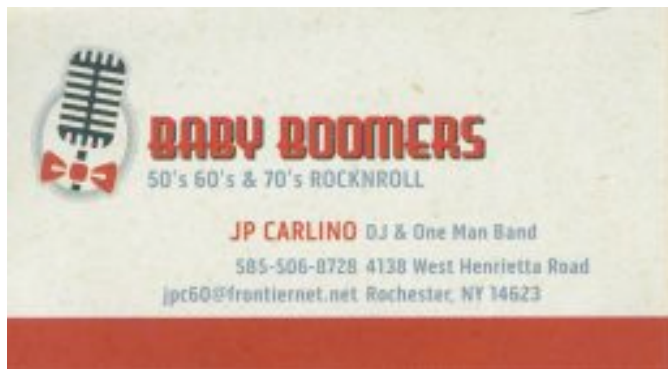
### A Warning from the NSC

We have been told by our NSC and the RPD that there has been an increase in the number of "bottle collectors" in our neighborhood. These are the folks that go around the night before garbage collection and pick out empty returnable cans and bottles from the trash or recycle bins to redeem for money. While leaving these out for them may seem like good intentions, we are told that it actually can lead to more crimes.

Most scavengers are merely looking for some extra cash, however some are using this as a way to "case" your property in order to commit a burglary at a later date.

Please do not leave your returnables out for others to take. It is actually against City code (chapter 20 section 25) to remove items from trash or recycle bins at curbside.

If you are leaving these out intentionally for others, a better solution would be to take them to the store yourself and donate the money to a charity. That way you are not encouraging crime and are still doing a good deed. Please help keep our neighborhood safe.



You can call the NSC office and have an Officer come to your home free of charge to conduct an onsite inspection and offer tips on keeping your home safe.

There is \$1018.43 in the treasury. Gary won the 50/50 raffle and donated the money back to BNA. Thanks Gary!



### Theft on Rocket St

A neighbor on Rocket St hired someone to help with housework. After they left, they discovered money had been taken from a purse.

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## Important Contact Information

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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

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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  
[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.

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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

Nov 12– BNA meeting

Nov 13 – PCIC meeting

Dec 10– **HOLIDAY PARTY**

Dec 11 – PCIC 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 also separate from the bar.**

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

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