

BROWNCROFT NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

P.O. Box 3927—Rochester, New York

Our New City Manager...

“WELCOME”

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW.....

BE SURE TO ATTEND THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION'S ANNUAL MEETING:

- DATE: THURSDAY, MAY 3, 1979
- PLACE: EMMANUEL EVANGELICAL CHURCH-319 BROWNCROFT
- TIME: 7:30 p.m.



L. JOE MILLER

MR. L. JOE MILLER, OUR NEW CITY MANAGER, WILL BE THE FEATURED SPEAKER. HIS TOPIC WILL BE CITY ADMINISTRATION AND THE NEIGHBORHOODS. PLANS TO BE WITH US THAT EVENING, MAY 3.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION OF BNA OFFICERS WILL BE HELD BY THE MEMBERSHIP THE EVENING OF MAY 3.

The candidates for this years election are as follows:

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| President | - | BOB GENTHNER |
| Vice President | - | MARGARET RICHTER |
| Secretary | - | BETTY O'BRIEN |
| Treasurer | - | MATT FELO |

Our new officers are already familiar to many. However, a brief individual synopsis follows on the next page.

Let's vote on May 3 to show our support to the new BNA officers.

MEET OUR CANDIDATES:

PRESIDENT... **Looking for Mr. President**

Robert Genthner, 195 Newcastle Road, 482-2441, Age 32, President BNA 1978-79, Vice-Pres. 1977-78, Active in NEAD since 1971 as Officer and/or Board Member, Senior Design Engineer for Xerox Corp, Jefferson Rd., Married, 2 children at #46 School, other interests Photography, reading, political organizations.



He believes that BNA can reach its objectives to preserve and improve the community by: providing a visible and recognizable association that continuously promotes within-through neighborhood events so that neighbors can meet neighbors and outward to influence others; providing a ready-made structure for its members to share experiences and become involved with the major concerns of the neighborhood; and to provide a forum for the discussion and decision making on the community's direction and needs.

VICE PRESIDENT...

Margaret Richter, 75 Quentin Rd, 288-0238, Age: over 30. Margaret has been a Browncroft resident for 13 years. She is a homemaker and mother of four children. Margaret is active in many neighborhood projects as well as school and church functions.

Other interests include baking and yardwork. Margaret looks forward to working on our own Browncroft Rose Garden. She has served the BNA as co-chairperson of the Hospitality Committee and is a street representative for Quentin Road.

Good News

SECRETARY...

Betty O'Brien, 99 Windemere Road, 654-9727. Betty has lived in the Browncroft area for 33 years. The O'Brien home was built in 1938 and was previously owned by Betty's father-in-law, John F. O'Brien, who was the very first president of the BNA in the early 1950's. He was the owner of the O'Brien Pharmacy at the corner of Winton & Humboldt.

Betty, the mother of seven children keeps active as co-chairperson of the Hospitality Committee and Newsletter Committee. She does volunteer work for a TWIG group at Rochester General and is active as a parish member of St. John's. Betty brings with her a secretarial background and a genuine concern for the longstanding beauty and safety of our neighborhood.

TREASURER...

Matt Felo, 22 Quentin Rd, 482-2170, age 35. Matt is married and the father of two children. One child attends School #46. He works at Simons in Victor, New York. As a member of BNA for 6 years, Matt has also been involved in the past as Zoning Committee Chairperson.

Matt keeps quite busy around the house with lawn and home care and maintenance. We welcome Matt as our new ENA Treasurer.



COMMUNITY SCHOOL NIGHTS



Community School Nights are back for the fifth consecutive year. Again neighborhood experts have volunteered to teach informal classes in a variety of areas, and, new this year, outside activities for adults and kids. Four Wednesdays--April 25, May 2, 9, and 16 from 7:00 - 8:30 pm are the times to bring the whole family and join the #46 School PTA and BNA at the school. Classes fill up fast, so return your registration form early.

Chairperson for this event is Annette Weld. Any questions, call her at 288-3475.

THANKS, TED COLLINS

SPRING IS HERE...If you attended the Neighborhood Association meeting on March 8 you would be INSPIRED to beautify your law shrubs and trees. Mike Tanzini, a representative from Ted Collins, presented a slide show on ornamental landscaping. He discussed different options for flowering shrubs, and how to remedy lawn problems. There was time at the end of the presentation for answering specific questions about neighborhood landscaping problems.

Gardening books and plants were available for members. Ken DeWeaver from our Winton Rd. Library brought books and pamphlets on gardening. Many members brought cuttings and small potted plants for the plant exchange. The evening was extremely informative and enjoyable for all members who attended. Thanks to everyone who helped make the evening a big success.



SCHOOL #46 STUDY GROUP

A committee has been formed to study the Building Utilization Task Force Report of 1978. Heading the committee is Chris Hill, teacher and Vice President of the PTA at School #46. Five members of BNA became members of the committee. There were joined by 10 members of the PTA to form a committee of 15. The informal group will be meeting to study, discuss, take surveys, and recommend positive steps to insure the presence of School #46 in the neighborhood. The committee has met twice since forming at the March 8 PTA meeting and their next meeting will be held at the school on April 26. Any questions call Chris Hill at 288-8008.

BROWNCROFT FAMILY HISTORY

Would you be willing to share a little bit of your family history with our neighbors? The newsletter committee would like to begin a new article whereby we "feature" a family in the Browncroft area who has been in the area for a long time. Perhaps it's a father, grandmother, sister or uncle who has some information concerning Browncroft as it was at one time. Please gather your facts and call Barb Lipari at 288-8079. Barb would be very interested in putting your family in the spotlight for a month.

HERE IN ROCHESTER

For President

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER.....

The May Annual Meeting, why it seems like just yesterday, but no its been 12 months -- and a very successful 12 months at that! Remember? The June Park Band Concert (300 people), the August Membership Drive (120 new members, 319 total), the October Candidates Night (60 people, 13 Candidates), the December Holiday Buffet at Valley Echo (72 people, 8 Community Awards), the February General Meeting on tree care with Ted Collins Associates, the March City Fair display at Mid-town Plaza (over 1000 visitors)...and more: 6 Newsletters, selling of the City lot behind Quentin/Merchants/Browncroft after 25 years, new rose bushes and annual bed in the Rose Garden, zoning concerns, vacant lot care, Capital Improvement proposals, and the just to start Community School Nights. Which brings us to this our 5th Annual Meeting since the Association's "re-birth" in 1974 over Browncroft Truck Traffic. We are very pleased and honored to have the new City Manager, Mr L. Joe Miller to address us. You shouldn't miss this exciting Annual Meeting.

A word or two on School #46. The concerns raised by the PTA and our BNA newsletter in February of this year over the future of #46 unfortunately also raised some misunderstandings. FIRST there is no plans nor committee within the City studying or proposing to close #46. School #46 is just 1 of 22 schools with 600 or fewer students in the city. SECOND the Task Force on Building Utilization recommended that IF the School Board in the future sets a policy for school closings to reduce empty class rooms and thus save "costs", schools should be closed equally in all 4 quadrants. Consolidation in our quadrant would be among 11, 33, 28, 52, and 46 along guidelines to be established by the School Board sometime in the future. A Committee of the #46 PTA which BNA supports and participates on is presently meeting and will recommend a course of action for maintaining the quality education at #46, maintaining the volunteer participation and parent involvement at #46, promoting the School for all the neighborhood, and preparing ourselves to defend any outside erosion force that may be directed at destroying the neighborhood school concept and policy.

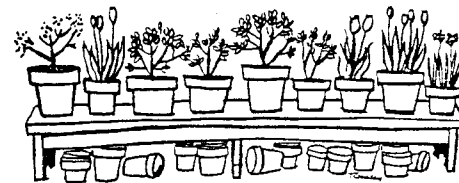
update.....

"City Fair" a three day promotion at Midtown Plaza that was coordinated by Hollie Petsos and "manned" by 9 residents. The BNA display attracted many Realtors and suburban residents liking our area and thinking of moving in but wanted to know just a little more about it. How are the Schools? (a lot did not like theirs); how's the crime? (vandalism a big problem out there); are you organized? (they felt isolated against government) etc. The display itself contained drawings and essays from #46 School students on "Why I Like My Neighborhood.", a two-sided pass out on "The Browncroft Community" (the green sheet), a flyer on the June 10th Park Band Concert, a large Poster spread on past Newsletters, and a Photo Book on the Community and BNA. It was highly successful and the display will be continuously updated and expanded for other shows. You can see it again at the May Annual Meeting.

Last word. Thanks for your support and participation during the past year- it has been exciting for me. A special thanks to our retiring Officers as of the Annual Meeting -- Terry Deckman our Secretary, and Phil Grannan our Vice-President 3 out of the first 4 years.

Bob Mantner

Coming Up



AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD

The Winton Rd. Branch Library has many new and interesting things happening. Take a minute to look...

- FREE**
- April 17 Living Landmarks of Roch by Ann Slater. Ann will present an illustrated program about Rochester's historical and important landmarks.
 - April 19 A FREE Puppet Show by the Merry-Glen Puppets will be presented at 3:30 pm
 - May 1 Travelogue Slide show on Israel will be presented by Dr. Milton Bohrod at 10:30 am
 - May 15 Pompeii by P. Buckley. Priscilla will have a slide lecture presentation of the fabled city and its people as they were 1900 years ago, with excavations of the site.

Read & Discuss great books at the Winton Library on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm. The discussion on April 17 will be on Aquinas, Treatise on Law. The May 15 discussion will be on Rousseau, The Social Contract. If you would like more info. call Janet Beaven at 586-7803.

KIDS!!!! Did you know that if you call 334-6670 anytime of the day you can hear a joke, riddle or a story? This services is sponsored by the Henrietta Public Library and there is a new story each week. Why not give them a call?

Did you know????

Books

- that you can borrow books by mail from the Roch. Public Library? All you do to have library books mailed to you is to buy BORROW-BY-MAIL postcards at 25¢ from your nearest library. You can also buy them by mail (\$1.00 for 4 min.) if you send a check or money order to: Circulation Desk, Roch. Public Library, 115 South Ave, Roch, NY 14604.

- that beginning April 1, 1979, your library card is good in 53 counties in New York State. There are more than 450 libraries across the state that will accept your card for checking out books and magazines. These can then be returned to any member library in the system, called the New York Libraries Inter-System Borrowing.

MORE GOOD NEWS...

- April 19 (2-4pm) St. John's Church will hold a parish census. Please welcome the volunteers from St. John's and answer their brief questions.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

April 21 (8:15 pm)
April 22 (2:30 pm)
May 17 (8:15 pm)

Rochester Theatre Organ Society featuring
Bob Ralston

Music by Tom Hazelton. All three concerts
are held at the Auditorium Theatre, 875
East Main Street. Great for young & old.

April 28 (11am to 6pm)

Brighton High School FUNDAY- Adults 50¢,
students 25¢, Seniors, free. The day will
feature baked goods, arts & crafts, plants and
attic treasures.

April 29

Atkinson School Auction - preview at 1 pm
with auction at 2 pm at the REGULAR Rest.
713 Monroe Avenue. Action sponsored by
Atkinson School, 220 S. Winton Rd. Call
271-5080 for answers to your questions.

April 28 (10-5)

Used Book Sale, Pittsford Library, 24 Main
St., Pittsford. Monday Evening Special,

April 29 (10-5)

April 30 (10-5) (½ price day)

7-9pm. one bag of books for \$1.00. Cheap.

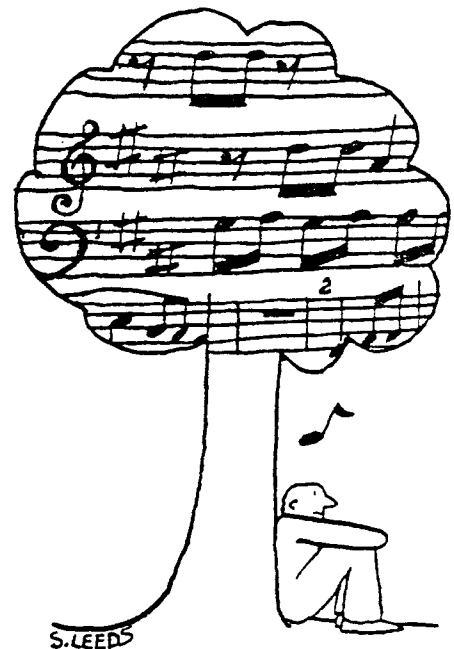
June 10

BNA sponsors Monroe County Band for a spring
concert at School #46 lawn from 4-5:30 pm.
(Note article below for more details.)

IF THERE IS ANY INFORMATION THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE IN THIS
COLUMN, CALL JEANNE LOYSEN AT 288-1276.

The Second Annual "Old Fashioned Band Concert,"
presented by the Monroe County Parks Band is
definitely scheduled. Come and meet your
neighbors and enjoy a pleasant musical afternoon
on SUNDAY, JUNE 10, 1979, 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.
It will be held at School #46 on Newcastle Road

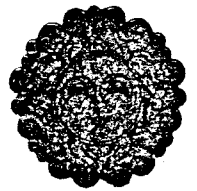
Last year's concert received "rave reviews"
from all who attended. If you were unable
to be with us last year, do join us this time--
you'll be glad you did!!





SPRING'S A COMIN'

COMMITTEE REPORTS



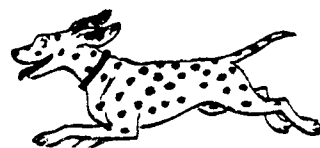
SOMETHING FUN . . . FOR EVERYONE

BEAUTIFICATION - In preparation for the planting and pruning of the Browncroft Rose Garden, Chairman Cassy Petsos held a meeting on April 5th to discuss the planting of 50 rosebushes purchased by the city. A movie was shown on the grooming of roses. The selection of plants for the annual bed was also discussed. A crew of 15 neighbor workers will meet on the last Saturday of April, the 28th, to do the planting and pruning. Cassy could use more volunteers so, if you are interested in helping, please call her at 288-0955.

Come join the fun!

Mr. Jim Kelly of Dorchester Road who is a Botanist with the County Parks Department attended the above meeting. Mr. Kelly has donated a Katsura tree to be planted soon in the Rose Garden. For those of you who are fortunate to have magnolia trees in front or near your homes, these trees should be fertilized now. After their blooming period, Mr. Kelly will meet with you for a seminar on how to prune, groom and take special care of these beautiful trees.

DOG COMMITTEE - This Committee continues to receive calls regarding the menace of unleashed dogs in our neighborhood, the irresponsibility of their owners and the necessity for action. For over two years we tried, in numerous ways, to convince the dog owners in Browncroft that this is a very serious matter of public safety and public health. However, many of them not only continue to violate the Leash Law but refuse to understand the total problem. The responsibility of handling offenses now belongs to the Animal Control Center. If you have any problems with unleashed dogs on your street, do not hesitate to file a complaint with the Center - 428-7274 and sign a deposition. A ticket will be issued to the violator plus a \$25 fine. A second offense brings a fine of \$50 and a third, \$75. If all fines are ignored, the owner must appear in court. The only way we can resolve this problem is to take advantage of this Ordinance (68) and complain to the Center. Names will be kept confidential.



dog problem

"We Think Big"

NEWSLETTER - This Committee put out six informative and attractive issues of your Neighborhood Newsletter last year and this is the second one in 1979. If you have not been receiving your newsletters, please call Chairman Barbara Lipari at 288-8079.

ZONING - The Browncroft Neighborhood Association along with the Winton Road Merchants Association and the Winton Road and Mayfield Street residents are reacting to a variance request by Pudgie's Pizza to open a restaurant at 651 Winton Road N. A hearing before the Zoning Board is scheduled for April 19th.

SPECIAL NOTE: As of press date (4/11/79), the April 19th hearing has been cancelled. Pudgie's has withdrawn for the SECOND time. That means there is still hope!

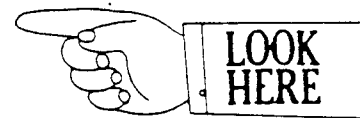
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Success

ATTENTION!

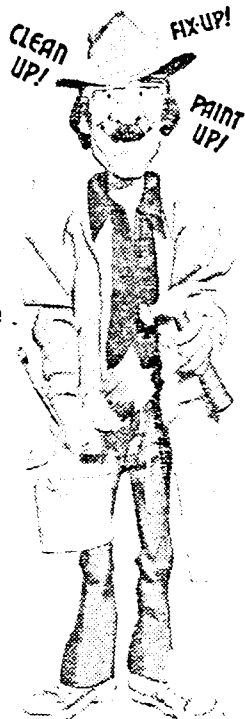


"SPRING"

- SPRING CLEANUP -



This is a reminder that Spring is really coming - believe it or not - and with it will come our annual Neighborhood Cleanup Day. The date for this is Saturday, May 19th. All trash left between the sidewalk and curb on that day - before 2 o'clock - will be picked up. There will be no follow-up date. This will be a one-day-only pickup. Mark this date on your calendar and let's all work toward a more Beautiful Browncroft!



HERE
COMES
SPRING!
BE READY FOR IT ...

- SPRING CLEAN UP ! -

A SPECIAL SAFETY REMINDER TO ALL PARENTS AND CHILDREN. WITH SPRING JUST AROUND THE CORNER, IT IS IMPORTANT FOR CHILDREN TO REMEMBER TO LOOK BOTH WAYS WHEN CROSSING AND FOR PARENTS TO REMEMBER TO LOOK OUT FOR BIKES, AND TRIKES AND THINGS....