

BROWNCROFT CRIER

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE BROWNCROFT NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
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CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

Feb. 7 - Informational Meeting - Room 208A, City Hall (See Article)
Feb. 9 - BNA Executive Committee Meeting - Library - 7:30PM
Feb. 22 - BNA General Meeting - Emmanuel Covenant Church - 7:30PM
Mar. 1 - BNA Historical Committee Meeting - Library - 7:30PM
Mar. 9 - BNA Board Meeting - Library - 7:30PM
Mar. 14 - BNA Food Co-op Meeting - Emmanuel Covenant Church - 7PM
Mar. 15 - BNA General Meeting - Emmanuel Covenant Church - 7:30PM
Mar. 28 - School #46 50th Anniversary Event - 7PM (See Article)
Apr. 13 - BNA Executive Committee Meeting - Library - 7:30PM
May 17 - BNA Annual Convention - Emmanuel Covenant Church - 7:30PM

BNA GENERAL MEETING

On February 22 at 7:30PM at the Emmanuel Covenant Church (corner of Browncroft & Fairhaven), the Neighborhood Association will present Part I of a Mini Home Show. There will be representatives from Fabrics & Findings, Pinnacle Paint Company and Flowers First At Phelps to discuss decorating with fabrics, painting techniques and wall covering styles and floral arrangements. Put others' expertise to your advantage. Come and find out how you can give your home a Spring lift!

Part II of our home improvement program will be on March 15 at 7:30PM. We will be very fortunate to have a program on stripping and restoring interior woodwork. Mr. Jim Christy of The Finishing Touch will conduct this seminar on wood restoration. There will be a detailed demonstration taking us through the process with hand-outs followed by a question and answer period. Please join us and take advantage of this great opportunity to meet Jim Christy who is at the forefront of his field.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that the BNA is everyone's organization. Meetings of the Board and Executive Committee are on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:30PM at the Winton Road Library. (Please check to make sure one is scheduled for a specific month.) These meetings are open to all. Join in and make the BNA work for you. What do the officers and members of the Board do at these meetings? Discussions on meeting topics and schedules, current City issues affecting our neighborhood, Committee work and whatever is brought to our attention happen at these meetings. Come and bring your constructive ideas with you. With the new year in BNA not that far away, please think about volunteering some of your time to fill a committee chair or as a helping member of a committee. See you at our Executive Meeting, February 9th and at our February 22nd General Meeting that promises to be exciting. Christine Nicholson

BNA OFFICER NOMINATIONS

Nominations for officers of the Browncroft Neighborhood Association for the 1983/84 year are now being accepted. If you are interested in becoming a neighborhood leader, please contact Jim Nicholson at 482-1084. The slate of officers will be announced at the General Meeting (Annual Convention) in May. Let us hear from you!

BNA GARAGE SALE

The Browncroft Neighborhood Association will not sponsor a garage sale in 1983 but certainly hopes to hold future sales. If you have a private or individual sale this year, remember to securely tie your signs to trees (no nails, please!). Also, please remove all signs the day your sale end. This helps to keep our Neighborhood beautiful.

SCHOOL #46 ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The next event in the celebration of the 50th anniversary of No. 46 School is to be on March 28th at 7PM. Two classes from the school will be presenting "Song and Dance of Fifty Years Ago". All are invited to come and join your neighbors at this nostalgic look at the past. Refreshments will be served.

LOOKING TO HELP?

With unemployment rates rising and more people needing help daily just to survive, those who are looking for a way to help can do so right close to home. Corpus Christi Church serves a nightly meal to the homeless in the area. They also stock a food cupboard from which people in need can draw. Foodstuffs in the way of protein rich canned goods (tunafish) or boxed macaroni and cheese dinners or fresh foods for the cooked meal are always needed. These items can be dropped off at the parish house at 80 Prince Street anytime. Asbury Methodist Church Storehouse for clothing for the poor is in need of warm winter items, particularly boots, blankets and always baby items. All of these services are free but rely on donations to survive. The storehouse is located at 1010 East Avenue and is open Monday and Tuesday PM and all day Wednesday and Thursday.

REDUCE RATS

The Marketview Heights Neighborhood Ass. is raising money to purchase metal garbage cans for the poor. This is a follow-up to the County's recent program in the area which carted away tons of refuse and many rats from traps which the County baited. Without sturdy metal cans, however, the problem cannot be eradicated as rats quickly chew through the plastic bags as well as plastic cans. The need is there and anyone wishing to contribute toward them can send a check to: Marketview Heights Neighborhood Ass., c/o Terry MacLennon, 120 Ontario St., Rochester, N. Y. 14605. Any and all donations will be much appreciated.

NEAD MEMBERSHIP

We remind you again to support our parent organization, NEAD, with your membership. Take advantage of the \$1 membership offered to BNA members and mail to NEAD, 1564 E. Main St., Rochester 14609.

BNA A WINNER:

Every year the Old House Journal gives out a limited number of \$1000 grants to organizations that participated in their revenue sharing group subscriptions program. This year our Browncroft Neighborhood Association was fortunate to be one of the winners of these \$1000 grants. Old House Journal feels that this program enables them to contribute to preservation activities directly and give historic, preservation or block groups money to use on individual projects. An Ad Hoc Committee is being formed to discuss an appropriate use of the grant. If you would like to be a member of this committee or discuss what could be done around the neighborhood with the money, please contact Holly Petsos - 288-0955.

INFORMATIONAL MEETING

The City Planning Commission will hold an informational meeting Monday evening, Feb. 7, at 7PM in the City Manager's Conference Room, 208A, City Hall, 30 Church Street.

The City of Rochester is proposing a text amendment to Section 115-93E of the Zoning Ordinance - Home Occupations.

This amendment would (1) restrict employees to resident family members and (2) add hours of operation to the list of possible objectionable characteristics.

The Planning Commission will make a recommendation to City Council. This meeting is the first chance to voice concerns. If you have any questions, please phone Peter Emens at 428-6988.

YOUR LIBRARY

Tuesday, Feb. 8, 1:00PM - Storytime for 3 & 4 year olds. Come
or celebrate Bear Month with us & bring
Wednesday, Feb. 9, 1PM - your favorite bear! Registration only.
Call 288-6030 - Miss Hoffman or Mrs.
Block

Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2 to 3:30PM - Bear Show & Bear Movies for 5 to 7
year olds. Bring your favorite bear.
No registration necessary.

March 1, 10:30AM to 11:30AM - Kathryn Parke will present a slide tour
of the SUMMER ISLANDS - Nantucket,
Marth's Vineyard, Saint John (Virgin
Islands) and Jekyll, Georgia.

April 5, 10:00AM to 11:30AM - Mrs. Ruth Rapport will review a current
book - the title to be announced. Watch
for the announcement in the Library.

INTERESTING NEW COMMITTEE

All those wanting to participate in the new Historical Committee are invited to come to the first meeting on March 1st at 7:30PM at the Winton Road Library.

WELCOMING NEW NEIGHBORS

Hospitality Chairperson, Annie Rea, has put together a terrific informational packet for newcomers. It contains material about our area as well as coupons from area merchants. The packet will be available soon to street reps to distribute to new neighbors.

HOLIDAY BUFFET

Annie Rea would like to thank all those who attended the Holiday Buffet at Valley Echo and made it such a success. It was a time of good food and good friends. A special thank you goes to Chris Nicholson, Bob Genthner, Kathy Nye, Margaret Richter and Mary Ann Evans for their extra help.

BROWNCROFT FOOD CO-OP

The Browncroft Food Co-op will be two years old soon. It was formed as a means for Browncroft Neighborhood Ass. members to purchase natural foods in bulk quantities at substantial savings. The Co-op meets five times a year and the work is rotated between members. Membership is open to anyone interested who lives in the area. If you have any questions, call Sharon Bloemendaal at 288-6359 or come to the next meeting March 14 at 7PM at the Emmanuel Covenant Church.

KIDPOWER

After the last newsletter, many kids called to be listed with Kid-power. There are many teens in our own neighborhood willing to babysit and do odd jobs. If you are interested in getting any chores done around your home or need babysitters, please call Judy Farruggia-Mink at 288-4978. Remember, Spring is just around the corner and that means window washing, lawn mowing and lots of other jobs to be done.

ARE YOU INTERESTED?

Flute Choir

If you would like to be a part of a flute choir for any level flute player (beginners included), call Anne Hensler at 654-8960 between 6:00 and 7:00 PM. The group will meet at 415 Yarmouth Road.

Sewing & Crafts

Would anyone in the area be interested in forming sewing or craft groups? If so, please call Cass Doyle at 288-6552.

Pinochle Anyone?

Any couples interested in forming a monthly Pinochle Club, please contact Barb Lipari at 288-8079. A minimum of eight couples would be best.