THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE BROWNCROFT NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION P.O. BOX 3927, Rochester, New York, 14610 MARCH 1983

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

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

Apr. 16 - Browncroft Rose Garden Annual Spring Cleanup - 9:30AM

17 - ENA Annual Convention - Emmanuel Covenant Church - 7:30PM

BNA GENERAL MEETING

Strip Your Woodwork: For everyone interested in refinishing their interior wood trim, BNA has invited Jim Christy of The Finishing Touch to give a lecture demonstration March 15th at 7:30PM at the Emmanuel Covenant Church. Mr. Christy has prepared a demonstration of the proper techniques to use when stripping woodwork. He will take us through the process and provide instructions and enswer questions. Christy is a professional refinisher who encourages homeowners to refinish their woodwork to reveal its original beauty. He will go into a home to restore the woodwork himself or instruct homeowners in the proper methods which will enable them to save a great deal of money and to take pride in their accomplishment.

1834 - 1984 ROCHESTER

In 1984 Rochester will be 150 years old: RNA has been working with the Neighborhood Committee of Rochester Sesquicentermial, Inc. At their January meeting they identified eight areas as being of interest to all neighborhoods. They have established the following sub-committees: 1) Oral and Written Neighborhood History (to be published in a book); 2) Participation in the Sesquicentennial Parade; 3) Flowers Throughout the City; 4) Neighborhood Walking & House Tours; 5) Inter-neighborhood Sports; 6) Historical Plaques/Underground Railroad; 7) Music & Culture Programs within Schools; and 8) Recognition of Long-Lived Residents. If you, or anyone, has an interest in working in any of these areas. please contact Bob Genthner at 482-2441.

YOUR LIBRARY

Thursday, April 7, 1983, is an important date for the Winton Branch Library. It marks 60 years of library service to this area by the Brighton/Winton Branch (43 years for the Brighton Branch, 17 years for Winton). This means, of course, that it's time to celebrate, celebrate, celebrate - which is what we will be doing the week of April 4-9. all plans are definite yet but there will be Visiting Artists Programs for adults and children, film programs, the beginning of an investment series and a Reception/Open House. Once our plans are firm, we will let you know through press releases and other publicity.

BEAUTIFICATION

Saturday, April 16, at 9:30AM, is the date planned for the annual Spring cleanup in the Browncroft Rose Garden. Many workers are needed to make the work lighter. This is the biggest and most important annual task our volunteer crew valiantly attacks each Spring. This, followed by the annual bed planting in May, prepares the Park for another hopefully "Beautiful" Summer season. This year will see some additional rose bushes added to the Park by contributing neighbors and possibly lilacs to tie us into our City's lilac legacy. Also, the annual bed will be planned this year with an experimental design to teach and prepare us for our 1984 bed which will be the City of Rochester logo as part of our neighborhood's celebration of the City's "150th". Come and lend a hand and be a part of your neighborhood.

Attention Please Parents: The Browncroft Rose Garden is soggy in Spring and Fall (sometimes Summer too). Ball playing in the center has created a muddy bald spot. Please encourage your children to play ball at the ball fields in Tryon Park off Winstead Rd. or at #46 School. Both of these locations are only five minutes away. The Rose Garden is a garden park where people can walk, sit on a sunny bench, enjoy flowers, fly a kite, read a book and maybe play a little game of catch, but it is unsuitable for team sports. We are fortunate to have so many alternatives in our neighborhood two areas with numerous ball fields each, tennis courts, two garden parks and Ellison Park nearby. We can preserve this convenient situation by using and maintaining each in an appropriate way.

ANNIVERSARY TIME AT #46

Remember March 28th at 7PM to join your neighbors at #46 and enjoy "Song and Dance of Fifty Years Ago". Refreshments will be served. A tree planting and balloon release will be held in early May as the next event in the celebration of the Charles Carroll School's fifty years.

AGAINST CRIME TOGETHER - ACT

Our ACT Chairperson has been going over the police department's crime logs and she reports that, since January, there have been three instances of items stolen from Browncroft homes. The police feel that our Neighborhood Watch and phone chains are a very big help. We remind you too that the engraver is available from BNA to mark your belongings. Margaret Richter can arrange to give you a number which will come from the police and be recorded with them. If you wish to set up meetings on any of these programs, call Margaret Richter at 288-0238.

GOODBYE AND GRACIAS ANNER

Hospitality Chairperson, Annie Rea, is moving from the neighborhood and thus will be leaving a vacancy that will be hard to fill. We thank you. Annie, for all your hard work, creative decorations and amiability. Good luck in your new neighborhood! This means that a new person is needed to chair this Committee. Anyone willing? Contact any of the BNA officers soon.