

Browncroft Crier

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The Official Newsletter of the Browncroft Neighborhood Association

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Oct. 9	BNA Tour of Historic Brighton Cemetery	2:00 p.m.
Oct. 11	BNA Executive Meeting - Emmanuel Covenant Church	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 18	BNA General Meeting - Emmanuel Covenant Church	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 22	NEAD Annual Meeting - Covenant United Methodist Church	9:30 a.m.
Nov. 1	NEAD Candidates Night - East High School	7:00 p.m.
Nov. 7	BNA Food Co-op Meeting - Emmanuel Covenant Church	7:00 p.m.
Nov. 14	BNA Board Meeting - Emmanuel Covenant Church	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 3	School #46 Holiday Bazaar	
Dec. 7	BNA Holiday Buffet - Valley View	

AUTUMN GENERAL MEETING

On Tuesday, October 18, 1988, Browncroft Neighborhood Association will hold a general meeting for all members at Emmanuel Covenant Church (Fairhaven Road & Browncroft Blvd.) at 7:30 p.m. This will be a special welcome to new residents plus presentations on neighborhood awareness and the introductory newspaper recycling program. Refreshments will be served by our Hospitality Committee before and after the meeting. This will take place in the Sanctuary of the Church. Please enter via the door at the end of the walk from the parking lot.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Neighbors:

Despite simultaneous hospitalization of CRIER Editor Bob Genthner and myself, we are resuming activities after the summer with additional volunteers in the Secretary and Hospitality areas who bring welcome additional energy and

enthusiasm. I am looking forward to a productive and enjoyable year.

Our October meeting has a mixture of subjects reflecting the number of new residents in the area plus concern about maintaining our awareness of what is going on on our street; our neighborhood. Please help us bring our new neighbors to this meeting so that we can get to know each other and tell them something of the history of our area.

I will look forward to seeing you at our October 18th meeting.

Walter May, President

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Our 1988-89 membership drive is under way: Please give us your support when your street rep calls. Dues are still \$2, but we also ask you for an additional \$1 (optional) for support of NEAD, our parent organization. If you are not at home when your street rep calls, a membership form will be left which you can return to your rep or mail, with your dues, to our P.O. Box 10127.

Your Browncroft Neighborhood Association exists to preserve and maintain the existing charm of our neighborhood. Your support and membership is a sign of our strength toward these purposes. Our newsletters will keep you informed of happenings in the neighborhood and the activities of our various committees. Please welcome your street rep when he or she rings your doorbell and if you would like to become active in BNA in any capacity, please let your street rep know. Our meetings are always open and we welcome your participation, concerns and suggestions.

GOOD WISHES

All of us in BNA sincerely wish a full and speedy recovery for our President, Walter May, and our Newsletter Editor, Bob Genthner. They are very important to our organization and we need their invaluable help in all we do.

STREET LIGHTS

A meeting was held at the office of the City Engineer on August 24, 1988, to go over cost estimates prepared by the City comparing the standard fiberglass system with the options to install a new concrete pole system or keep the existing concrete system. A neighborhood representative from each group in the Street Light Coalition attended with questions and observations concerning the City's figures. The cost estimate will be recalculated by the City based on our observations and a future meeting will be scheduled.

It was also proposed by the neighbors that the bond for a new concrete street light system be amortized over a 30-year period instead of 15 years. This would reduce the assessment and would be a method for compensating or crediting in the

calculations for the longer probable useful life of the concrete pole-harp fixture system.

The neighborhood reps also requested that the City do a cost summary reflecting what assessment amount would be levied on other neighborhoods within the City, such as Park Avenue, Cornhill or Berwick Road, which have unique streetlight systems which were not replaced in the streetlight modernization project. We have pointed out at a number of meetings with the City that Browncroft and the other three Tri Neighborhood Coalition areas should not be made to pay for keeping a "unique" existing system while the City bears the expense of maintaining such systems in other areas.

The BNA Streetlight Committee, in conjunction with the Tri-Neighborhood Coalition will continue to negotiate this issue to arrive at the best system for each neighborhood at the lowest possible cost. It is anticipated that the neighborhood will be canvassed by mail, when final decisions are made regarding options and assessment, to determine the consensus of the homeowners.

NEAD SURVEY AND MEMBERSHIP

NEAD (North East Area Development), as most BNA members know, is our umbrella group, coalition association. NEAD is funded through membership dues, New York State grants and charitable contributions from private and not-for-profit corporations. NEAD has a professional staff of community organizers with knowledge in areas of zoning, housing, crime prevention and fire prevention; a Board of Directors composed of representatives of member neighborhood associations; and volunteers who assist with the organization's work of community preservation, stabilization and revitalization.

At membership drives each year, BNA street reps give residents the opportunity to become members of NEAD at a discount membership fee of \$1.00 payable when BNA membership dues are collected. Our neighborhood residents have given their support because support of NEAD, as our umbrella organization, directly benefits BNA and our neighborhood in a number of ways: 1) The coalition provides support and this strengthens our position on given issues when dealing with the City. 2) It is an important resource for technical assistance from NEAD's staff in areas such as zoning, housing, crime, fire prevention and community organizing. 3) The coalition acts as a forum for community information thorough the Board of Directors, NEAD Newsletter, resident city liaisons and the Shoppers Guide, a publication listing area merchants, with coupons. A free copy is available from your BNA Street Rep.

NEAD

NEAD's annual meeting and election of officers will be held on Saturday, October 22, at Covenant United Methodist Church, 1123 Culver Road, at 9:30 a.m. Everyone is invited. NEAD is also sponsoring a Candidate's Night on Tuesday, November 1 at 7 p.m. in East High School's Forum Room.

REUSE ROCHESTER REFUSE

Our neighborhood has been selected as one of the areas to participate in the pilot program of recycling newspapers. The City realizes that newspapers are but a small portion of what goes into landfills but it is a start. Your voluntary participation is necessary to make it work. If you return the postcard that was delivered to your home or call 428-5990, a blue plastic box will be delivered to your home within the next few weeks. It will hold a weeks worth of paper and more. At this time, only black and white newspapers can be recycled. Also, please do not put the box out on a rainy day as wet papers are not recyclable.

GARAGE SALE

There definitely will be a BNA sponsored garage sale next Spring. Watch for the date!

TOUR HISTORIC BRIGHTON CEMETERY

On Sunday, October 9th, at 2:00 p.m. (Raindate Sunday, October 16th), Roberta LaChiusa, President of the Brighton Historical Society and member of the Brighton Cemetery Association will conduct a walking tour of the cemetery on Hoyt Place. Please join us for this interesting afternoon. This cemetery dates from the 1820's and many of the original farmers of the land which is now the Browncroft area as well as many notable Brighton residents are buried there such as Orringh Stone and the Blossom and Caley families.

Did you know that Browncroft was once part of Brighton? Come and join us at this lovely old cemetery. Bring your rubbing materials if you would like to do a stone rubbing. Parking is available on Hoyt Place or on Hillside Avenue.

STREET REPS NEEDED

We are in need of one or two volunteer street reps to complete our membership and newsletter coverage of Elmcroft Road. The area uncovered extends from Monticello to the dead end of Elmcroft. Our thanks to retiring street rep Marsha Ainsworth who has covered this section for quite a number of years. Now we would appreciate some new volunteers to take her place. If you are interested and willing, please call Betty O'Brien at 654-9727 or Margaret Richter at 288-0238.

YOUR LIBRARY

The Tuesday morning Adult Travelogs will begin October 4th at the Winton Road library with a trip to TIBET followed on November 1st with YORKSHIRE, ENGLAND. These travelogs are very popular and begin promptly at 10:30 a.m. Seating is limited so don't be late! Pick up a program at the library which gives you the entire year's program - Oct. through May.

The toddlers and preschool story times are also popular events at the library. They begin October 17th and October 26th, so phone 288-6030 or come in and register your child right away.

BROWNCROFT NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 1988-1989

OFFICERS:

PRESIDENT	Walter May	215 Corwin Road	482-8167
VICE-PRESIDENT	John Wallace	292 Newcastle Road	482-5992
TREASURER	James Nicholson	28 Berwick Road	482-1084
SECRETARY	Pam Dalton	430 Yarmouth Road	288-0731

COMMITTEE CHARIPERSONS:

BEAUTIFICATION	Cassy Petsos	175 Browncroft Blvd.	288-0955
BUDGET & FINANCE	James Nicholson	28 Berwick Road	482-1084
CRIME PREVENTION	Bob Genthner	195 Newcastle Road	482-2441
HISTORICAL	Shari Bloemendaal	82 Quentin Road	288-6359
HOSPITALITY	Pam Dalton	430 Yarmouth Road	288-0731
	Katherine Cook	90 Windemere Road	288-1971
NEWSLETTER	Bob Genthner	195 Newcastle Road	482-2441
ZONING	John Wallace	292 Newcastle Road	482-5992
MEMBERSHIP	Margaret Richter	75 Quentin Road	288-0238
	Betty O'Brien	99 Windemere Road	654-9727

STREET REPRESENTATIVES
BROWNCROFT NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
1988-89

Elm District

BERWICK	Mary Holley		
ELM	John Roome	175 Elm Drive	654-9715
	Mary Proseus	49 Elm Drive	482-0137
ELMCROFT	Tennie Bickham	81 Elmcroft Dr.	482-4333
	Kathy McDonald	76 Elmcroft Dr.	
	Bill McDonald	76 Elmcroft Dr.	
LANARK	Kathy Boyle	84 Lanark Cres.	654-9752
MERCHANTS	Dave O'Leary	148 Merchants Rd.	288-2907
	Theresa O'Leary	148 Merchants Rd.	288-2907
QUENTIN	Margaret Richter	75 Quentin Rd.	288-0238

Corwin District

BROWNCROFT	Holly Petsos	175 Browncroft Blvd.	288-0955
CORWIN	Dede Ranger	193 Corwin Rd.	288-9455
	Marg Hartman	183 Corwin Rd.	288-5394
DORCHESTER	Emily Patall	270 Dorchester Rd.	288-7297
	Grace Sweeney	261 Dorchester Rd.	288-1050
GRAMERCY	Arlene Cooper	45 Gramercy Pk.	482-3178
RAMSEY	Betty Wilson	61 Ramsey Pk.	654-7386
WINDEMERE	Betty Della Porta	122 Windemere Rd.	288-3240
	Linda Rapp	153 Windemere Rd.	288-9280
	Betty O'Brien	99 Windemere Rd.	654-9727

Croydon District

BERESFORD	Richard Hans	391 Beresford Rd.	482-0375
	Peter Korn	257 Beresford Rd.	288-0298
CROYDON	Cass Doyle	154 Croydon Rd.	288-6552
	Betsy Clifford	193 Croydon Rd.	482-3410
GASLIGHT	Ellen Hasenauer	104 Gaslight La.	288-0237
NEWCASTLE	Janet Genthner	195 Newcastle Rd.	482-2441
	Pam Compson	7 Newcastle Rd.	288-7393
YARMOUTH	Huguette Neracker	389 Yarmouth Rd.	482-1767
	Marwode Neracker	389 Yarmouth Rd.	482-1767
	Beth Miller	240 Yarmouth Rd.	Unlisted

NEAD GOOD NEIGHBOR QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Do you know what NEAD is? YES [] NO []
2. Do you like our neighborhood? YES [] NO []

3. If you had a magic wand, what would you change on your street?

4. What do you think is the most important issue for our neighborhood community?

5. What ideas do you have that might help solve the above mentioned issue.

6. Do you know what NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH is? YES [] NO []
7. If YES, have you ever attended a meeting? YES [] NO []

8. Do you know what E.D.I.T.H. is? YES [] NO []
- If YES, do you have a plan? YES [] NO []

9. Do you have a smoke detector? YES [] NO []

10. Do you know about the different housing programs available in the NEAD area?

YES [] NO []

11. Did you know that NEAD can arrange for a City dumpster for "Neighborhood Clean-Up"?

YES [] NO []

12. Are you aware that a Neighborhood Conservation Officer (Building Inspector) is stationed at NEAD?

YES [] NO []

13. Did you know that NEAD works with businesses, service agencies and schools?

YES [] NO []

14. What other issues are important to you?

15. Please share any ideas you may have to improve our neighborhood.

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16. Would you like NEAD to send you more information? YES ☐ NO ☐

If yes on which subjects? _____

17. Your Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____ - _____

OPTIONAL INFORMATION:

18. Do you ☐ own or ☐ rent?

19. How long have you lived here? _____ Years _____ Months

Crime Prevention Update

CRIME - HIGHLAND PATROL SECTION

Culver/Atlantic Neighborhood Association: This covers all streets within the boundaries of East Main Street, Culver Road, University Avenue, and Carlson Road up to East Main Street. It includes crimes occurring in this area during the period of 8/1/88 through 8/30/88.

Atlantic Avenue: 1 Falsely Reporting an Incident. Bomb threat received. Time: 1:10pm-1:20pm. Suspect: Male, white 50's. 1 Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle. Suspect took victim's car without permission. Time: 9pm. Suspect known. 1 Assault. Suspect struck victim. Time: 10:50pm. Warrant Advised.

Humboldt Street: 1 Assault. Suspect struck victim. Time: 10:45pm. Suspect: Male, black, 20's, dark skin, blue pants. 1 Menacing. Suspect threatened victim with a shotgun. Time: 2pm. Warrant Advised. 1 Auto Stripping. Suspect stole wheels and tires from auto. Time: 5pm-8am. No suspect information.

University Avenue: 1 Burglary. Suspect pried door to enter and stole liquor. Time: 2:30am-7:45am. No suspect information.

Winton/Atlantic Neighborhood Association: This covers all streets within the boundaries of East Main Street, Winton Road, Humboldt Street, Floverton Street, Blossom Road, and Carlson Road. It includes crimes occurring in this area during the period of 8/1/88 through 8/30/88.

Atlantic Avenue: 2 Burglaries. #1 Suspect broke front door window to enter and stole glass coffee table, TV, and clock. Time: 8:30pm-8:30am. No suspect information. #2 Suspect entered bedroom window and stole TV, stereo, phone, cedar chest, and jewelry. Time: 11pm-9:30am. No suspect information.

Humboldt Street: 1 Public Lewdness. Suspect exposed genitals. Suspect: Male, white, 30's, 6', thin build, black black curly hair.

Marion Street: 1 Assault. Suspect struck victim. Time: 12:30am. Warrant Advised.

Middlesex Road: 1 Burglary. Suspect entered window and stole wallet and charges. Time: 3:15am-6:19am. Suspect: Arrested.

Blossom 5 Neighborhood: This covers all streets within the boundaries of Winton Road, Blossom Road, Floverton Street, and Humboldt Street. It includes crimes occurring in this area during the period of 8/1/88 through 8/30/88.

East Main Street: 1 Auto Stripping. Suspect damaged auto exterior and stole doll and hubcaps. Time: 11pm-7am. No suspect information.

University Avenue: 1 Grand Larceny. Suspect stole wallet. Time: 4:35pm. No suspect information.

Winton Road: 1 Robbery. Suspect robbed victim at knifepoint. Time: 2:30am. Suspect: Male, white, 40's, 5'7"-8", thin build. 1 Burglary. Suspect forced window to enter and stole cash. Time: 11:55pm-6:45am. No suspect information.

Tryon Park Neighborhood Association: This covers all streets within the boundaries of Winton Road, Elmcroft Road, and the City Line. It includes crimes occurring in this area during the period of 8/1/88 through 8/30/88.

CONGRATULATIONS!! There were no serious crimes reported in your neighborhood this month.

Browncroft Neighborhood Coalition: This covers all streets within the boundaries of Elmcroft Road, the City Line, Blossom Road, Beresford Road, Dorchester Road, and Winton Road. It includes crimes occurring in this area during the period of 8/1/88 through 8/30/88.

Corwin Road: 1 Burglary. Suspect entered open garage and stole aqua bug. Time: 7pm-12:30pm. No suspect information.

Gramercy Park: 1 Public Lewdness. Suspect exposed genitals. Time: 2:30pm. Suspect: Male, white, 6', 200lbs., large build, dark baseball cap, tan shorts.

Winton/Blossom Neighborhood Association: This covers all streets within the boundaries of Dorchester Road, Beresford Road, Blossom Road, the City Line and University Avenue. It includes crimes occurring in this area during the period of 8/1/88 through 8/30/88.

Blossom Road: 1 Reckless Endangerment. Suspect attempted to strike victim with auto. Time: 12:30pm. Warrant Advised. 1 Grand Larceny. Suspect stole diamond and wedding ring from nursing home room. Time: 7:30pm-7pm. No suspect information.

Bobrich Drive: 1 Burglary. Suspect entered and stole suitcase and clothing. Time: 6:30pm. No suspect information.

Winton Road: 1 Burglary. Suspect forced side door to enter and stole cash. Time: 9:30pm. No suspect information.

CRIME - HIGHLAND PATROL SECTION

East Main/Atlantic Neighborhood Association: Continued.

East Main Street: 2 Assaults. #1 Suspect struck victim. Time: 5:50am. Suspects: 2 Male, black, 25, 5'8". #2 Suspect struck victim. Time: 7:45pm. Warrant Advised. 2 Burglaries. #1 Suspect entered and stole money. Time: 12pm-5:45pm. No suspect information. #2 Suspect forced door and stole air conditioner. Time: 3:30am. No suspect information. 3 Grand Larcenies. #1. Suspect stole purse, cash, checkbook, charges, and ID from open auto. Time: 2:30pm-3pm. No suspect information. #2 Suspect removed wallet from purse. Time: 7:30am-7:40am. Suspect: Male, black, 22, 5'10", red baseball hat, dark clothes. #3 Suspect stole wallet from desk. Time: 1pm. No suspect information. 1 Endangering the Welfare of a Child. Suspect struck victim. Time: 10pm. Under Investigation. Herkimer Street: 1 Burglary. Suspect stole bikes from open garage. Time: 10pm-5:30pm. No suspect information. Mayberry Street: 1 Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle. Suspect took car without permission. Time: 1:30pm-2:30pm. Warrant Advised. Mustard Street: 1 Grand Larceny. Victim left wallet at pay phone. Suspect stole wallet. Time: 11:50am. No suspect information.

Atlantic/University Neighborhood Association: This covers all streets within the boundaries of the Railroad tracks, Culver Road, University Avenue, and North Goodman Street. It includes crimes occurring in this area during the period of 8/1/88 through 8/30/88.

Culver Road: 1 Assault. Suspect punched victim in the face causing injury. Time: 12:10pm. Suspect: Arrested. Elton Street: 1 Burglary. Suspect stole items from safe in office. Time: 1pm. Suspect: Male, black, 17-18, 5'11", 170lbs., short curly hair, clean shaven. North Goodman Street: 4 Grand Larcenies. #1 Suspect broke auto window and stole camera, purse, books, cash, and checkbook. Time: 1:30am-2am. No suspect information. #2 Suspect entered open auto and stole necklaces and earrings. Time: 7:45pm-11:45pm. No suspect information. #3 Suspect stole wallet, charges, gift certificate, and money from gift shop. Time: 1:05pm-1:15pm. Suspect: Female, black, 20's, 5'6", slim build. #4 Suspect stole vehicle from parking. Time: 6:15am-11am. No suspect information. 1 Robbery. Suspect forcibly robbed victim of purse and money. Time: 4:50pm. Suspect: Male, black, 23, black short hair, 6', 130lbs., red fishnet shirt, white shorts. 2 Burglaries. #1 Suspect entered and stole calculator, phone, and typewriter. Time: 7:15pm-7:45pm. No suspect information. #2 Suspect pried door and stole money. Time: 3am-12:15pm. No suspect information. University Avenue: 2 Burglaries. #1 Suspect broke window for entry and stole 2 bikes. Time: 4:40am. Under Investigation. #2 Suspect stole bike and waterbottle. Time: 11:30am-1:30pm. No suspect information. 1 Grand Larceny. Suspect stole pistol, shotgun, and ammo from home. Time: 6pm-6:30pm. No suspect information.

North East Triangle Neighborhood Association: This covers all streets within the boundaries of Merchants Road, Winton Road, East Main Street, and Culver Road. It includes crimes occurring in this area during the period of 8/1/88 through 8/30/88.

Alvord Street: 1 Unlawful Possession of Marijuana. Suspect in possession of marijuana. Time: 2:01am. Suspect: Arrested. Culver Road: 1 Grand Larceny. Suspect stole credit cards from purse. Time: 5pm-10pm. Suspect: Arrested. 1 Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle. Suspect stole car from parking. Time: 8pm-10pm. No suspect information. Garson Avenue: 1 Burglary. Suspect entered open garage and stole gas grill. Time: 8:30am-10:30am. No suspect information. Jersey Street: 7 incidents of Assault/Rackless Endangerment. Victims were injured as result of a gas explosion. Time: 10am. Suspect deceased. 1 Arson. House demolished due to gas explosion. Suspect deceased. 1 Grand Larceny. Suspect stole toolchest with contents, air compressor, and welding machine. Time: 3pm. Under Investigation. Melville Street: 1 Menacing. Suspect threatened victim with a shotgun. Time: 11:45am. Warrant Advised.

Wyand/Winton Neighborhood Association: This covers all streets within the boundaries of Merchants Road, Winton Road, and the City Line. It includes crimes occurring in this area during the period of 8/1/88 through 8/30/88.

Presque Street: 1 Burglary. Suspect broke door glass for entry. No loss. Time: 10:20pm. Suspect: Male, black.