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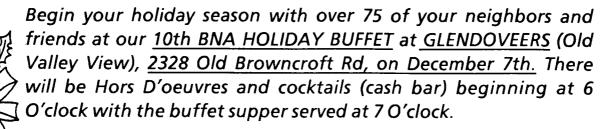
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DECEMBER 7th

HOLIDAY BUFFET



Tickets are now on sale - \$10.00 per person - and are available from our Ticket Committee: Pam Dalton, 430 Yarmouth Rd. (288-0731), Katherine Cook, 90 Windemere Rd. (288-1971), Betty O'Brien, 99 Windemere Rd. (654-9727), and Walt May, 215 Corwin Rd. (482-8167). Reservations must be in by December 1st.

So come join us all for a festive evening of good company, delicious food, door prizes and plenty of holiday spirit!!



Dec 3: #46 School - 10th Annual Holiday Bazaar

Jan 16: BNA Food Co-op Order Meeting 7:00 pm at

Dec 7: BNA Holiday Buffet at Glendoveers

Emmanuel Covenant Church

Jan 10: BNA Executive Committee Meeting at 7:30 pm. Feb 14: BNA Board of Directors Meeting 7:30pm

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Neighbors,

Our October 18th meeting was longer than usual because we wanted to cover three important current topics. We had an opportunity to ask questions about the newspaper collection system; we were reminded of the need for awareness and attention to security in view of several robberies in the neighborhood; and we had an authoritative explanation of our water discoloration problem and what was being done about it. It was a most informative meeting and I hope those who attended benefited from the information provided.

Our Annual Holiday Buffet is coming up on the 7th. I hope you circled the date on your calendar when you received the previous CRIER. This is always a festive affair and I would like to extend a special invitation to those new to the area to attend. It is a most enjoyable way to get to know your neighbors. I will look forward to meeting you there. Walt May

BNA MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The 1988-89 Membership Drive can really be called a success! We are still waiting for a few streets to be finished and I ask those street reps to please turn in their lists as soon as possible. We are very close to 500 memberships and I thank all the reps for their hard work. I also thank those who mailed in their dues and I urge more to do so or to drop your dues off at your street rep's home. Your street rep is your representative on the Board of Directors of BNA. If you have any concerns or questions, please give him or her a call. They devote a lot of time and effort to our neighborhood organization, providing you with important BNA news and information, and they deserve much credit.

We're off to a good start! Welcome, new mambers, and, for those who have not yet joined, we're waiting to welcome you too!

---Betty O'Brien, Membership Chairperson

ROSE GARDEN

This season the three team work schedule worked well to keep the Rose Garden looking trim. The final scheduled work detail weeded and readied the park for the city work crew to mound the roses for winter.

On November 19th, a party was held for the hard working Beautification Committee teams. Thanks to the Beautification Committee the gardens looked consistently neat all summer.

The workers: I Christine Ide, Bill Dewart, Ann Janciuras, Holly Petsos, Marg Hartman. Il Barbara Jones, Sue Chase, Jeannie Loysen, Cathy Flynn, Terry Flynn, Joyce DeBlieck, Margaret Richter. III Mary Ann Evans, Debbie Barsel, Bob Genthner, Cindy Vandenberg, Pam Perey, Terese Zona, and Cassy Petsos, Chairperson.

---Holly Petsos, Beautification Committee

CRIME PREVENTION UPDATE

- SEPTEMBER 1 - 30:

Newcastle Road: 1 Burglary. Suspect entered basement window and stole VCR and jacket. Time: 10am-3:30pm. Arrested. 1 Reckless Endangerment. Suspect did not wait for children to cross street. Suspect sped down street with children in crosswalk. Time: 9:15am. Under investigation.

<u>Windemere Road:</u> 2 Burglaries. #1 Suspect entered unlocked garage and stole bike. Time: Unknown. No suspect information. #2 Suspect entered unlocked garage and stole red 10 speed bike. Time: 3:15pm. No suspect information.

<u>Winton Road</u>: 1 Grand Larceny. Suspect forced entry and stole water heater, several valves. Time 9:30am. No suspect information.

<u>Arbordale Avenue</u>: 1 Burglary. Suspect stole bike from garage. Time: 3:30pm. No suspect information.

<u>Blossom Road</u>: 1 Burglary. Suspect stole one boys bike. Time: Unknown. No suspect information.

#46 HOSTS ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Over 80 craftspersons will exhibit at the 10th Annual Holiday Bazaar at School #46. The Bazaar will be held on the main and lower floors of the school on Saturday December 3, from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm. This annual event features crafts suitable for Christmas gift giving, folk art items, ceramics, etc. all hand crafted by local artisans. In addition, Santa Claus will visit and take children's gift orders from 12:00 - 3:00 pm.

Plan to spend the day with lunch available in the downstairs cafeteria area; foods for sale include pizza, hot dogs, barbecue, and soft drinks. Santa will draw for a cash raffle at 3:00 pm.

Come shop, browse, and support your neighborhood school!

#46 PTA HOLIDAY RAFFLE

The #46 PTA Holiday Raffle has commenced! Cash prizes of \$200.00 and \$100.00 will be awarded at the bazaar on Saturday December 3rd at 3:00 pm. Tickets are 2 for \$1.00. The PTA uses this income to provide: computers, field trips and special programs such as "artist-inresidence". This year the children will be able to earn a variety of prizes for their efforts. Please support the children in this endeavor. If you would like to purchase tickets please call Dede Ranger at 288-9455. A joyous holiday season is wished to all neighbors.

--- Dede Ranger, Raffle Chairperson

BROWNCROFT NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION 1988-1989 OFFICERS:					
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BNA GENERAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The October 18th General Meeting of BNA was attended by 52 people. They were shown a video tape presentation on the city's newspaper recycling effort (57% of Browncroft is participating). The BNA History display by Shari Bloemendaal was again assembled for review by those in attendance. NEAD and the Rochester Police Department gave a presentation on PAC-TAC, Crime Prevention Programs, and home security checks. The Chief Engineer of water treatment from Hemlock, NY and a representative from the water distribution office on Field Street were present to discuss the recent "dirty water" problem seen in some areas of Browncroft. A complete water system flushing operation, which takes 4 months, was started in late August.

WATER UPDATE

On November 15th Walt May spoke with Dale Kriewall of the Water Authority in Hemlock as a follow up to his October 18th presentation.

At our meeting Mr.Kriewall had outlined the program of systematically flushing the network of water pipes serving our area. This has now been essentially completed east of Culver Rd. to the City line between Main and Blossom. They are now working north of Main and east of Culver and should be finished within two weeks.

He reported that complaints of discolored water since October 18th have practically all been associated with the flushing program. Should you experience discolored water in the above area you should report it to the City Water Department (482-7500 for water quality problems). This will help them evaluate the effectiveness of the flushing program.



CITY SNOW PLOWING PARKING GUIDE

PLOWING DAY - Parking Restrictions:

Applies whenever snowfall or weather conditions require that residential streets be plowed. Radio and TV will announce Plowing Day Parking Restrictions. Resident - Alternate side of street parking regulations must be followed throughout residential areas.

SNOW EMERGENCY:

Permits plowing of posted Snow Emergency Routes when salting alone is inadequate to ensure passage of emergency vehicles. Radio and TV will announce Snow Emergency. Resident - No parking on Snow Emergency Routes.

PARKING EMERGENCY:

Allows special effort to open up snow clogged traffic lanes on residential streets. Radio and TV will announce Parking Emergency. Resident - Parking on announced residential streets prohibited.

NEAD AND JERSEY STREET TRAGEDY

NEAD is coordinating a fund raising drive to benefit residents affected by the August 1st Jersey Street tragedy. The funds are being directed to residents that need engineering reports, temporary lodging, home repairs, counseling sessions, legal fees, and other disaster related expenses not covered by insurance. The distribution of the funds is based on the extent of damage, lack of insurance coverage, and degree of hardship imposed by the disaster. The amount of funding available to each family will be determined by the total contributions received. NEAD's goal is to help each resident who has suffered as a direct result of this tragedy. This effort is part of NEAD's ongoing effort to provide support and advocacy to affected homeowners. Those wishing to contribute to the fund should address their donations to: NEAD - Jersey Street Fund, 1564 East Main Street, Rochester, NY 14609.





BNA FOOD CO-OP

The next meeting for the Browncroft Food Co-op is scheduled for January 16, 1988 at 7:00pm at the Emmanuel Covenant Church. New members are always welcome.

LOST AND FOUND

A Towle, silver-plated, large tray was found on Halloween night on Windemere Rd. If this belongs to you, please call Debbie Barsel at 482-1101.

AROUND THE CORNER......BOB GENTHNER

Thanks for all the cards and well wishes during my recent recovery from heart surgery ... and a special thanks to the "CRIER CREW" for the outstanding pinch hitting production of the last issue! from my walks each day, I swear there must be a squirrel for every tree in the neighborhood the fall leaves were 'nice'.... halloween must have been fun from all the remains of the smashed pumpkins and white 'paper streamers' in the trees ... and I think the City did a very find job of painting the sidewalks with all those arrows and dots and crosses what colors.... red, blue, orange, green! and those political signs ... red, white, and blue.... nice contrast ... now I read that it looks like we can have them all year ... along with your favorite 'Save the Whales' sign ... I don't know about you but I'd rather see the squirrels ... and read about them in the papers ... do you remember that at the first BNA Holiday Buffet in 1978, the ticket cost was \$6.00 In the 1920's Browncroft was visited by the hundreds to see our holiday lights ... there were traffic cops at the corners! ... I'd like to see December 24th be our "BNA Night of Lights" wouldn't it be nice to walk through our own neighborhood and see such a display of holiday cheer! A gift to ourselves! and one last word to all the English majors who write to me about this column's style (or lack of it).... take two aspirin and don't call me in the morning!

BNA GARAGE SALE! BNA GARAGE SALE! BNA GARAGE SALE! MAY 1989!

---BE THERE!!

BNA EXECUTIVE AND BOARD MEETING --HIGHLIGHTS

On October 11th, the BNA Executive Committee met. There were 7 in attendance. The Treasurer reported all accounts were in excellent shape with a strong cash balance. Beautification reported that they will order roses from Canada now - 10 bushes at \$6 each. The Historical Committee reported a Dec 4th viewing of Brighton Historical Artifacts, and a planning meeting on Oct 24 for the Nov. 17 affair - the film "Tour of Strength" - a history of Brighton. It was also stated that the Brighton Historical Society will receive support from BNA but will not become part of BNA as reported in the local paper. Hospitality discussed the plans for the Dec 7th Holiday Buffet and a possible Neighborhood Christmas Decorating Contest for Dec. 18th. A discussion on the reported water problem stated that: Dale Kriewall is the contact person at the Water Department. He is in charge of quality control at Hemlock Lake. He says: a) Old system has been acquired from another district; b) pipes are not lined and therefore corroding; c) extra chlorine has been added and this can increase pipe corrosion; d) water is safe to drink; e) he will address the issue at the October General Meeting.

On November 15th, the BNA <u>Board of Directors</u> met. There were 12 Officers, Committee Chairpersons, and Street Reps in attendance. At this meeting: reports were give by all Chairpersons; the Board discussed the arrangements for the Holiday Buffet; several zoning issues dealing with a car and a boat on Corwin Rd., and parking on Ramsey Park; the discolored water problem; decided not to have a Xmas Decorating Contest this year (maybe next); and disussed checking with the City on the possibility of scheduling 2 leaf pick ups for the BNA area next year.



WINTON LIBRARY NEWS AND NEW HOURS

The Winton Library presents Christmas movies for children on Thursday, Dec. 8 at 3:30pm. The films are free and last about 50 minutes.

Also the Monroe County Library System offers a new list of books which make super gifts for children. Ask for a copy of the list at your library!

Celebrate January magically; Winton Branch Library presents Charles Northhard in a magic show for children of all ages Saturday, January 14 at 2:00pm.

Beginning January 5, 1989, the Winton Branch Library will have different hours on Thursday and Fridays. The week's schedule will be: Mon. 2-9pm; Tues. 9am-9pm; Wed. 2-9pm; *Thurs. 2-9pm; Fri. 9am-6pm;* and Sat. 12noon-5pm.

-- Lois Hoffman, Branch Head



SOME HELPFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

POLICE, FIRE, MEDICAL	911
JUNK CARS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY	428-6520
SNOW PLOWING/ ICE REMOVAL	428-5990
PLUGGED / DAMAGED SEWERS	458-6522
REFUSE COLLECTION	428-7065
BARKING DOGS / CRUELTY TO ANIMALS	428-7274
ZONING INFORMATION	428-7043
STREET LIGHTING	428-6841
TRAFFIC SIGNS AND LIGHTS	274-7900
RODENT CONTROL	274-6090
POT HOLES	428-5990
CODE ENFORCEMENT	428-6665
DEAD ANIMAL PICK-UP	428-5990
PROPERTY COMPLAINTS	428-6520
MAYOR'S SERVICE OFFICE	428-7065

BROWNCROFT CRIER WRAP UP

Suggestions on articles or items of interest can be submitted to Bob Genthner at 195 Newcastle Road or to EDITOR BROWNCROFT CRIER, P.O.Box 10127, Rochester, New York 14610. The next BROWNCROFT CRIER dead line is expected to be January 10th.