

Burlington Road Neighborhood Association

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CONDUCTOR'S CORNER

The Luck of the Irish

In my roots runs a fire of the Irish, I may not have red hair or an Irish accent but I have a temper and the gift of gab. My blood can boil over at the drop of injustice and my wit can come as sure as the next day. Yep, Irish blood streams through these veins. My grandmother was a Reynolds and she has given me her ways. Laughter and temper go hand in hand, you just need to know when and how to use it. This year I will venture into my past as Virg and I celebrate our 30th Wedding Anniversary in Ireland. A dream since seventh grade, I will finally see the country of where my forefather lay. It's a Pot O'Gold to me and here's a blessing I give to thee...

*Always remember to forget
The things that made you sad.
But never forget to remember
The things that made you glad.
Always remember to forget
The friends that proved untrue.
But never forget to remember
Those that have stuck by you.
Always remember to forget
The troubles that passed away.
But never forget to remember
The blessings that come each day.*

*Also:
May the roof above us never fall in.
And may the friends gathered below it never fall out.
(Anonymous)*



A Happy St. Pat's Day to you all!

Rebecca , Your BRNA President

SPRING CLEAN-UP COMING!

Saturday, April 21st

10 A.M. at Pulaski Park

More information in April Newsletter!



DUMPSTER DAY

IS ALSO COMING SOON!

Saturday, May 12th

We will have more information in our April BRNA Express!

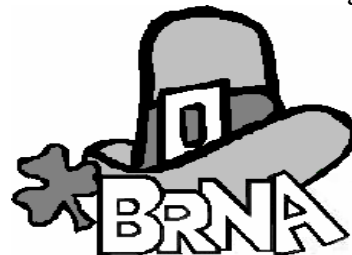
NEXT MEETING:

St. Stanislaus School Hall

41st and J Street

Tuesday, April 10th 6:30 p.m.

Guest Speaker: Mr. Ken Johnson
from the City Planning Department
Topic: Is some of BRNA "Blighted"?



REMINDER:

Renew your membership!

~ Use form on page 9

or come to the next meeting.

Sorry! If you don't renew, this will be your last Newsletter.

Keeping the Neighborhood on Track...

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

DAHLMAN LANDFILL



Sam Murante spoke at our January meeting about his landfill at 3701 Dahlman Avenue. Many questions and concerns have been voiced after a two and a half year old dialog with Sam about the landfill. So, Rebecca Barrientos-Patlan and Diane Luna agreed to another meeting on Monday, February 12th, 2007, the day before the City Council approval of the landfill. Those present were Councilman Garry Gernandt, Tom Baker of the Health Dept., Reid Steincross, Supervisor of Sanitation Control with the city, Geoff Goodwin with Public Works, Sam Murante co-owner and Tom Paltani, co-owner and operator.

They all reassured us and BRNA that there would be great oversight on this property by their departments. Sometimes we just have to trust the trustees. BRNA stood as a proponent for this landfill as a good neighbor assuming this favor would be returned.

Some solutions for our concerns were:

- **Fires.** Past owner had fires. This problem will be fixed by having six cells which will make it almost impossible for a fire to start.
- **Dust.** Mr. Paltani said that if the winds are blowing hard he will shut down the landfill for dust control plus there will be a water truck onsite.
- **Litter.** A maintenance man will be on the premises to keep the yard picked up plus he will drive up and down Dahlman and pick up.
- **Inspections.** An independent engineer will inspect the site on a monthly basis.
- **Appearance.** The fence which still needs a little more mending will be repaired as the weather allows. Trees will also be planted which will enhance the property.
- **Truck traffic.** Councilman Gernandt stated that a

command officer from Omaha Police Department will be going to businesses to share the new truck route that is going to be used. (L Street to Dahlman) Also the law requires that all trucks must have a tarp on top. If OPD or the State Patrol sees trucks coming through our area again, they will no longer get warnings tickets, but fines.



There is also an ordinance change that is being worked on to increase the fines from \$25 to maybe \$250 or \$300 for these illegal trucks going through F Street (42 to Dahlman). The City is working on signs north and south of F Street to warn trucks not to enter the restricted area.

Sam Murante has done a lot in the South Omaha area and BRNA feels that if a problem should arise at this landfill, he and Tom will work with BRNA to solve it. Welcome to the Neighborhood!

Landfill Meeting Feb. 12th



BRNA MEETING CANCELLED

The February 13th meeting was canceled at the last minute due to the weather. Our guest speaker was unable to make it. We would like to thank Judith Light for calling all our members to let them know. Sorry for any inconvenience.

SPECIAL FUTURE NOTICE: If school has been cancelled on the day of one of our meeting nights, BRNA's meeting will also be cancelled.

COME TO BRNA MEETINGS!!

BRNA meetings are filled with important information, good neighbors and fun!

Come join us!

Calcutta Winners!

December = Paul Schaefer \$43.50

January = Sam Murante \$20.60



Come join us at our next BRNA meeting and try your luck.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

INTERSTATE CONSTRUCTION

Unfortunately, due to bad weather, we could not get **Tim Weander** from the Nebraska Roads Department to come speak at our meeting in February. Important construction will begin this summer. Ramp closings during peak hours will be the first phase. Eastbound 42nd Street and southbound F Street ramps are affected. Later, the south F Street exit ramp will be closed. The reason for the closings is due to congestion on the 80 and 480 interchange.

We will try to get Mr. Weander back for another meeting. These closings will not only affect us, but many businesses in the area.



Partial picture of construction map.

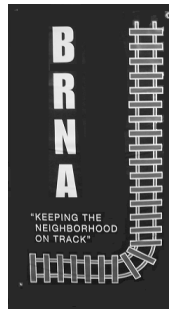
See several maps in color on our web site!

<http://members.cox.net/brna>

BRNA's BANNERS

OPPD has given permission to mount the BRNA banners on only six poles. OPPD has decided that most poles are not strong enough to hold the banners. Many other neighborhoods, which have banners already mounted, may be asked to remove them.

BRNA received a grant for 25 banners. We may start asking businesses if we could mount some of the banners on their buildings. We will save some as replacements for torn or damaged banners.



CONGRATULATIONS

The 7th and 8th graders at St. Stanislaus Church received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday February 11, 2007. The students choose a saint's name and add it to their given name. Archbishop Curtiss presided.

BRNA sends its congratulations!

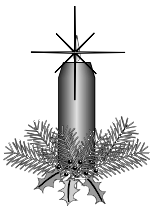
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- Halee Marie Agnes
- Brandi Renee Anne
- Sara Ann Therese
- Zachary Martin Joseph
- Taylor Marie Isabel
- Joseph Daniel Stephen
- Collin Joseph Mark
- Alexis Evelyn Elizabeth
- Megan Nicole Veronica
- Grace Frances Brigid
- Andrew Alfredo Juan Diego
- Aaron Michael Jude
- Jessica Rae Faustina
- Matthew Christopher Stanislaus
- Kaitlyn Marie Bernadette
- Carrie Marie Isabel
- Kyle David Patrick
- Meghan Jean Maria
- Stephanie Lynn Veronica
- Kaitlyn Marie Elizabeth
- Alexis Jordan Rene
- Nicole Marie Monica
- Nicholas David Albert
- Cassidy Rene Catherine
- Savannah Rae Rose
- Eli Jordan Bartholomew
- Paul Neil James
- Jessica Anna Maria



Thank you to the local stores for contributing products for BRNA's Christmas Party. BRNA plans on using these products for activities for the elderly in our area.

Please patronize:

- Walgreen's at 50th & Center**
- Ace Hardware Stores on**
- Center St. and 50th & F**
- No Frills on 50th & F St.**



Schaefer Painting

Paul Schaefer/ Owner

Painting and Staining - Interior and Exterior
Wood Finishing - Deck Cleaning & Treatment

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BRNA NEIGHBORS

THE GRH ELECTRONICS STORY

By Rebecca Barrientos-Patlan

At the end of January, Diane and I were doing our normal rounds within the boundaries of BRNA. We were seeking out new neighbors when we drove by the location of one of our business members, **GRH Electronics, Inc.** president, Ken Hoberman. We both said, "I wonder what Ken's business does in there?" Then I said, "I wonder if he would give BRNA an interview about his business?" We parked and went in to the GRH Electronics building located near L Street on South 36th Street. We were quickly ushered to the second floor to meet our smiling inventor. Yes! I said INVENTOR! Ken Hoberman is one of America's dreamers who had a few great ideas, patented them, and now runs a successful business based on those ideas. I'd like to share what I've learned from my conversation with Ken.

The building was built in the early 1900s and was used for manufacturing brass valves for the plumbing industry. In the 1940s, Ken's father, Richard Hoberman bought the building and its equipment, and started running the Glauber Valve Company. He had well over 100 employees in this 40,000 sq. foot building.

In the 1960s, the manufacturing business and equipment were sold to a Boston company. Under new ownership, the valve business continued to run from this location for about six years, then moved its entire operation to Arkansas, leaving the building unoccupied. During that time, Ken's brother, Gordon Hoberman had been working in Detroit and Chicago in the semi-precious metal trading industry. He decided to return to Omaha and start a new business buying and selling metals. Along with his father, Gordon and Richard Hoberman started a new company, GRH Industries, Inc. It set up shop in the vacant building.

Around that time, Ken was working out of his home on a gas, water and electric meter remote reading system for MUD and OPPD in a project funded by the U.S. Department of Energy. Quickly running short on space, he moved his business also into the GRH Industries building, and in 1981, started GRH Electronics, Inc. A short time later, GRH Industries dissolved and Richard Hoberman retired. GRH Electronics, then with only three employees, Ken, Gordon and an administrative assistant, occupied only one small room in the 36th Street building.

In 1982, an apartment owner from Bellevue approached Ken with a dilemma. Because of wasteful tenants and the rapidly rising cost of natural gas in his "heat included with rent" property, he was facing financial difficulty. Ken developed

and patented a system, approved by MUD, to monitor actual gas usage in each individual apartment's furnace and bill tenants for their usage. This system is called Compugas. It works by installing a monitoring device onto each furnace. Each monitor transmits furnace runtime information that is collected on a daily basis to calculate an individual tenant's share of the gas used for heating. Compugas is marketed and sold throughout the country by Gordon, and has thousands of customers in Omaha and many other cities and states.

Ken also patented, and GRH produced, a motion-activated nightlight. It was sold for 5 years, but was discontinued 12 years ago. A major national company had "borrowed" the patented idea and started selling a very similar product. "Why not sue?" was my question. GRH tried, but the time and cost to fight this major multi-national company would have been too much. (A BRNA BIT: Patents are only good for 17 years, after which anyone can use the idea, modify it and make money with it!)

Another product developed and patented by Ken, now currently being manufactured and sold is VisiCom. It is a wireless "visual" paging system. It is similar to a baby monitor, but rather than a doctor being interrupted by a voice intercom while with a patient, the unit "chimes" to alert the doctor to a message, which he sees on the unit's display screen. Gordon travels to approximately 25 medical and dental tradeshow around the U.S. each year to demonstrate and take orders for VisiCom systems.

With providing support for all of Ken's ideas, Gordon's traveling, and constant improvements to the old building, GRH's 16 employees stay very busy and now occupy most of the structure.

So, what does GRH stand for? Gordon (Ken's brother), Richard (Ken's father), and Hoberman (the family name). I asked, "Why isn't there a "K" for Ken in the name?" He said, "I just work here!" How humble our Ken is, along with being a mighty nice neighbor to BRNA! Keep up the good work at GRH!

Ken Hoberman



AREA SPECIALS

SOUTH OMAHA HISTORY

The area that would become South Omaha was rural until the early 1880s, when cattle baron Alexander Hamilton Swan decided to establish a stockyards operation just south of Omaha. The South Omaha plan was registered on July 18, 1884; two years later, South Omaha was incorporated as a city.

By 1886, South Omaha had reached village status with a population of 1,500 and was declared a city of the second class. At this time, it had no jail, no church, a gambling house, two houses of ill repute, a justice of the peace, a deputy sheriff, a post office and no constable. It had three general stores, a drug store, four meat markets, three blacksmith shops, five hotels, eight saloons, two lumber yards, two coal yards, a feed and flour store and countless boarding houses.

By 1890, the city had grown to 8,000 people, a rate of growth that earned it the nickname of "The Magic City". In less than 10 years, South Omaha had become a stockyards and meat packing center, drawing in large numbers of immigrants, mostly from southern and eastern Europe.

By the first decade of the 20th century, the population grew to 26,000. It rose to a population of over 30,000 by 1915 when the city was annexed by Omaha.

The traditional border of early South Omaha was: North Side: Vinton Street, South Side: Harrison Street, East Side: The Missouri River, West Side: 42nd Street.



South Omaha's Early City Council



ST. FRANCIS COMMUNITY GARDEN!

Sr. Miriam and her sisters are planning a community garden. It will be located in the vacant lot just north of the church rectory at 32nd and J Street. If anyone is interested in the project, they can contact Sue Bednarz at 731-8374. She will get them additional information.

AH. . . Spring will be here on March 21st!

March Gardening Hints

For the really keen gardener this is the time to sow some cold weather vegetable seeds and some varieties of annual flower seeds. The soil in the garden is often wet and cold at this time of year, so one should always choose a good drying day for seed sowing. Nothing will be gained sowing early if the seeds rot away in wet soil. So that you don't lose valuable time due to wet conditions, many early vegetables can be started in boxes in a cold greenhouse. There are many cold frames on the market with which to cover and protect the young plants against the worst of the weather, if you do choose to sow outside.

***** BRNA HISTORY *****

One of the first settlers in all of the South Omaha area lived right here in the BRNA area! He was **John Bagley, Sr.** He made his home near 33rd and F Street in August of 1854.

Imagine how the area looked to him. There were no railroads, buildings or streets. There were several streams and many rolling hills. Too bad he didn't have a camera!



More SPECIALS

Why a Neighborhood Association?

By: Virgil Patlan

Sometimes I wonder why people of various neighborhoods form neighborhood associations. One thing for sure, it takes the commitment of people who give extra time to take on tasks that nobody else will do.

While I am working as an Omaha Police Officer, I drive around and can tell which area of town doesn't have a Neighborhood Association. I can see which association is active.

Junk cars, littered streets, and a park that is rundown are a shame to any neighborhood. I am grateful to the BRNA Board and its members that devote their spare time to making sure that BRNA area is a great place to live.

I truly believe that the area we live in is Omaha's best kept secret. We have affordable housing, a good Catholic School, and a beautiful park. During spring time, residents of BRNA can be seen planting flowers and making home improvements.

Pride is what keeps BRNA going. It will ensure that our children or grandchildren will have a safe, clean, happy area in South Omaha to grow-up in.

Thanks BRNA!



PM10 MONITOR



This is a picture of the PM10 monitor located on top of the fire station at 25th and L Street. BRNA was instrumental in getting the monitor installed in the South Omaha area last June. The monitor registers air particles. The purpose of the particulate monitoring program is to evaluate the metropolitan region for wind blown dust and industrial particulates. Funding and continuation of the monitor at the sight is still a problem. We will keep you abridged of any developments in maintaining the monitor in South Omaha.

SUN DAWGS COMING BACK TO PULASKI

The **Sun Dawgs** Summer Youth Program is a free, eight-week, drop-in playground program conducted at some Omaha parks for 6 to 15 year-olds. It provides a fun and safe atmosphere featuring supervised crafts, sports, water fun, and a climbing wall!



It will be coming back to Pulaski Park again this summer! Last year, BRNA succeeded in bringing it back to our park. It was such a success that the Parks Department has increase the days to three per week! It starts June 11th and goes until August 2nd. It will be held on Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. They are also looking for a Sun Dawgs Shack for Pulaski. More details in our next newsletter!

Good Neighbors:



"Hi!" is only a two-letter word. Easy to say, nice to hear.

"Hola" es una palabra pequiña. Es fácil para decirlo, y bonito de escuchar.

St. Stanislaus Kindergarten Round-up!

FRIDAY

March 16, 2007

1:00 TO 2:30

Kindergarten House

4415 So. 41st St.



Call St. Stanislaus for information. 731-0484

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY . . .

30 TIPS FOR EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Emergencies can happen anywhere and anytime. It is always wise to be prepared. Here are the next five of 30 tips to help you and your family become better prepared for an emergency. The rest of the "Tips" will be in future issues of the BRNA newsletter.

Preparedness Tip #6

Go through your calendar now, and put a reminder on it — every six months — to review your plan, update numbers, and check supplies to be sure nothing has expired, spoiled, or changed. Also remember to practice your tornado, fire escape or other disaster plans.



Preparedness Tip #7

Check your child's school Web site or call the school office to request a copy of the school's emergency plan. Keep a copy at home and work or other places where you spend a lot of your time and make sure the school's plan is incorporated into your family's emergency plan. Also, learn about the disaster plans at your workplace or other places where you and your family spend time.

Preparedness Tip #8

Teach your children how and when to call 9-1-1 or your local Emergency Medical Services number for help. Post these and other emergency telephone numbers by telephones.

Preparedness Tip #9

Practice. Conduct fire drills and practice evacuating your home twice a year. Drive your planned evacuation route and plot alternate routes on a map in case main roads are blocked or grid-locked. Practice earthquake and tornado drills at home, school and work. Commit a weekend to update telephone numbers, emergency supplies and review your plan with everyone.

Preparedness Tip #10

A community working together during an emergency makes sense.

- Talk to your neighbors about how you can work together during an emergency.
- Find out if anyone has specialized equipment like a power generator, or expertise such as medical knowledge, that might help in a crisis.
- Decide who will check on elderly or disabled neighbors.
- Make back-up plans for children in case you can't get home in an emergency.



Sharing plans and communicating in advance is a good strategy

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RECYCLE!

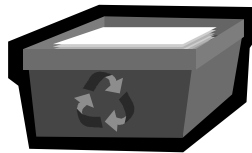
IT'S O! SO EASY!

Need a bin? Order one by calling 444-5238, 8AM-8PM weekdays.

The bin will be delivered to you at no cost.

Remember!

Recycling saves money now and will help save many of the Earth's resources for our children's future.



EARLY HOUR NOISE!

If you hear loud banging noises before 8 A.M. coming from businesses near 36th and D, please call Diane immediately at 731-5862. You can also call the city at 444-4919.

Also call Diane if you see lots of dust coming from under the 36th Street bridge near D Street.



OTHER NEWS



Amber Prayer Service at Pulaski Park - May 2006

Remember little **Amber Harris**?

Finally an arrest has been made. Roy Ellis has been charged with her murder and they are asking for a life sentence.

SEX OFFENDER IN OUR AREA

Ratliff, Steven Michael

DOB: 04-12-1982

Risk Level: 3

Race: W

Sex: M

Height: 5'08"

Weight: 195

Hair: BRO

Eyes: BRO

Address (Reported by Registrant as of 11-28-2006)

5115 S 41st St - Omaha, Douglas County, NE 68107

[Map This Location](#)

Sex Crime Conviction(s)

Crime: Sexual Assault of a Child F3

Jurisdiction: Douglas

Court: District

Conviction Date: 07-07-2003



Our condolences to
Fr. Fitzpatrick, pastor of
St. Stanislaus, for
the loss of his brother.



POLICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC) -SOUTH EAST

By Diane Luna



Captain Mark Martinez chairs this committee on police matters in South Omaha. Many South Omaha associations attend. Some of the items discussed at the February meeting were:

- Graffiti should slow down in our neighborhood due to the gang unit arresting two gang members that they believe are responsible for most of the graffiti in the South East Precinct.
- Brown Park does not have a neighborhood association and they need one. BRNA members are helping to get this started, so if you know anyone in their area, please let us know.
- 65% of the vehicles stolen this winter were because people left their keys in their cars. Some people think that by locking the doors they can warm their cars up. Thieves can easily throw a brick through the window and your car is gone. Starting your car and leaving the keys in your car running is illegal. The captain didn't know if it is illegal to start your car with an automatic starter and leave it running. He will check to find out.
- Remember that thieves sit back and watch their victims put items in their trunks. Most vehicles have a trunk release inside the car and that's how the thieves get access.

~ ~ ~ **Graffiti** ~ ~ ~

Graffiti continues to be a problem. If you see any suspicious activity, call 911 immediately. They usually hit between the hours of 1 and 4 A.M. Also, call 444-5992 if you see any graffiti.

INFORMATION, HINTS, & REMINDERS



BRNA'S BULLETIN BOARD

“BRNA’s BULLETIN BOARD” is your chance to advertise a garage sale or sell an item or just announce a special occasion! AND it is **FREE** to members! (3-line limit)

Happy Birthday to

Members with Birthdays In March!

Happy Birthday to

Virgil Patlan - March 16th
Diane Luna - March 26th
John Luna - March 27th

There are 4 different ways to get a listing in our newsletter:
Call Theresa at 731-1592 or Diane at 731-5862

Send in your listing to
BRNA
P.O. Box 7126
Omaha, NE 68107

Email your listing to
brna@cox.net with the
subject line “BRNA
Bulletin”.

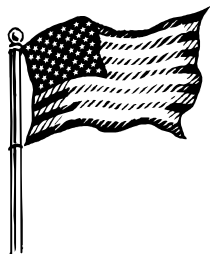
Bring your listing to the next BRNA meeting.

Please note: Listings are subject to scrutiny by the BRNA board and will be refused if judged inappropriate.

SUPPORT OUR TROOPS!

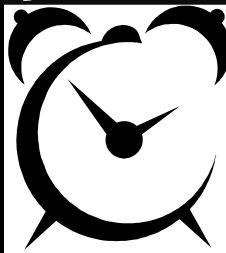
Rebecca is asking all who read this to please pray for her son in law, Sgt. Craig Cooper and her daughter Kristy’s brother-in-law, Lyle Powell. They are in the same troop in Iraq.

If you would like to send a card or a care package to them or their troop, it takes approx. 10 days. The post office will tape the boxes up for soldiers only.



The address is:

SGT. Craig Cooper
734th Trans BN
755th Chem Co
LSA Ana Conda
APO AE 09391



TIME CHANGE

On March 11 at 2 a.m., most of the nation will switch to daylight-saving time — three weeks sooner than normal, thanks to the Energy Policy Act of 2005.

The change could mess up electronic devices ranging from VCRs to alarm clocks to corporate-wide scheduling systems. Many technologies have built-in programs that automatically adjust for daylight-saving time. This year, those systems will be activated three weeks after the new spring-forward date since last year, April 1 was the change-over date.

BECOME A MCGRUFF HOUSE!



Have you noticed the signs in some windows in our area? They are there to help our kids! Protecting our children takes time & energy from the entire community. A McGruff House is a resource for children who find themselves in emergency or frightening situations, such as being bullied, followed or hurt. McGruff House volunteers are needed to make emergency phone calls for children in trouble and watch out for neighborhood children as they go to and from school. Who can volunteer? Any household with a resident, 18 or older, who will complete, sign and return an application, which includes permission for a law enforcement background check. Contact one of these numbers for more information:
mcgruff@ci.omaha.ne.us or 402-444-5772

All Omaha Area Schools collect “**Boxtops for Education**”. Also, **BAG ‘N SAVE** will donate money to your favorite school if you bring in BAG ‘N SAVE store receipts dated Feb. 5 to May 7th. So start saving them and bring them to your favorite school.

St. Stanislaus collects them TOO!
(Bring them to our next BRNA meeting and give them to Theresa Bidrowski.)



Smell Odors?

Call 444-4919 immediately! 24 hours a day!

Irish Potato Candy

A cute little confection that looks just like little potatoes. This kind does not contain potatoes; they are made using cream cheese and coconut.

INGREDIENTS:

1/4 cup butter, softened
1/2 (8 ounce) pkg. cream cheese
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
4 cups confectioners' sugar
2 1/2 cups flaked coconut
1 tablespoon ground cinnamon

DIRECTIONS:

In a medium bowl, beat the butter and cream cheese together until smooth. Add the vanilla and confectioners' sugar; beat until smooth. Using your hands if necessary, mix in the coconut. Roll into balls or potato shapes, and roll in the cinnamon. Place onto a cookie sheet and chill to set. If desired, roll potatoes in cinnamon again for darker color. Store in refrigerator. **Yields:** 60 servings



WORD PLAY



- Police were called to a daycare where a three-year-old was resisting a rest.
- Did you hear about the guy whose whole left side was cut off? He's all right now.
- The roundest knight at King Arthur's round table was Sir Cumference.
- To write with a broken pencil is pointless.
- When fish are in schools, they sometimes take debate.
- The short fortune teller who escaped from prison was a small medium at large.
- A thief who stole a calendar got twelve months.
- A thief fell and broke his leg in wet cement. He became a hardened criminal.
- Thieves who steal corn from a garden could be charged with stalking.
- We'll never run out of math teachers because they always multiply.
- When the smog lifts in Los Angeles, U C L A.
- The professor discovered that her theory of earthquakes was on shaky ground.
- The dead batteries were given out free of charge.
- If you take a laptop computer for a run, you could jog your memory.
- A dentist and a manicurist fought tooth and nail.
- What's the definition of a will? (It's a dead giveaway)
- A bicycle can't stand alone; it is two tired.
- A backward poet writes inverse.
- A chicken crossing the road: poultry in motion.
- If you don't pay your exorcist, you can get repossessed.
- With her marriage she got a new name and a dress.
- When a clock is hungry, it goes back four seconds.
- The guy who fell onto an upholstery machine was fully recovered.
- A grenade fell onto a kitchen floor in France, resulting in Linoleum Blownapart.
- You are stuck with your debt if you can't budge-it.
- He broke into song because he couldn't find the key.
- A calendar's days are numbered.
- A lot of money is tainted: 'Taint yours, and 'taint mine.
- A boiled egg is hard to beat.
- Those who get too big for their britches will be exposed in the end.
- When you've seen one shopping center, you've seen a mall.
- When she saw her first strands of gray hair, she thought she'd dye.
- Bakers trade bread recipes on a knead to know basis.
- Santa's helpers are subordinate clauses.

Submissions!

We welcome any submissions to our newsletter!

Deadline is the 18th of each month

Call: 731-1592

or Email: brna@cox.net

(Make subject line: BRNA News)



BRNA's Calendar

March 13	Meeting at St. Stanislaus Hall (Second Tuesday) (41 st and J Street) 6:30 p.m. Guest Speaker: Mr. Ken Johnson from the City Planning Department Topic: Is some of BRNA "blighted"? Refreshments: Tammy Nelson and Rebecca B. Patlan
April 10	Meeting at St. Stanislaus Hall (Second Tuesday) (41 st and J Street) 6:30 p.m. Guest Speaker: Denice Jordan Izaguirre, Sr. Rep. Dist. 4 Topic: ATSDR (Asbestos Issue – former Western Mineral Product at 35 th and I St. Refreshments: Lucille Kawecky and Angie Wczorek
April 21	Neighborhood Clean-up Day! Pulaski Park at 10 a.m.
May 8	Meeting at St. Stanislaus Hall (Second Tuesday) (41 st and J Street) 6:30 p.m. Refreshments: Nancy McQuigg
?	Dumpster Day (Date not set yet.)
June 12	Meeting at St. Stanislaus Hall (Second Tuesday) (41 st and J Street) 6:30 p.m. Refreshments:

* Dates and speakers may change due to unforeseen circumstances

Important Numbers & Hotlines

Mayor's Hotline	444-5555
Councilman Gernandt	444-5522
Potholes & Snow Removal	444-4919
Odor & Street problems	444-4919
Omaha Police	444-5600
SE Precinct OPD	444-5792
State Patrol	402-471-4545
GangTip (LPOA)	504-1493
Graffiti	444-5992
UndertheSink	444-7465
Humane Society	444-7800
BEFORE YOU DIG	344-3565
OPPD Street Light Out	1-800-554-6773
MUD	554-7777

City of Omaha Email Hotline:

hotline@ci.omaha.ne.us

District 4 Councilman Gernandt:

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Email address to send a pothole complaint:

pothole@ci.omaha.ne.us

Support BRNA's Business Members:

AA Collision	691-5212
Avon – Carol Jensen	614-6447
BNSF Railroad	
Design 4 Inc	339-6856
Greater Omaha Packing	
GRH Electronics Inc.	
L & B Inc.	
Murante Real Estate	734-5337
Nebraska Beef	
Pitstop, Inc.	734-3232
Property Ventures	734-5337
Quality Refrigeration	
Schaefer Painting	734-7227
Security National Bank	221-0127
Tasman Omaha LLC	731-2584
Tobin Eye Institute	731-1363
Univar	
W.C. Place	734-9089

BRNA's Organization Member:

St. Stanislaus Church



***Why should you never iron a 4-leaf clover?
You don't want to press your luck.***

- Daryl Stout

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Membership Invitation and Renewal!

Meetings held Second Tuesdays each month at 6:30 P.M.
 St. Stanislaus School 41 & J

Guest Speakers! Refreshments!

Come meet your neighbors and learn how we can work together to solve problems and improve our area!
 Members, please encourage your neighbors to join us at the next meeting.

Please remember to renew your membership every January !

Renewing your membership will guarantee that you will receive this newsletter!

Burlington Road Neighborhood Association Membership Application

Membership year runs thru to December.

Make checks payable to BRNA

\$12 Per Calendar Year – Per Person _____ X \$12 = \$ _____

\$25 Businesses / Organizations \$ _____

Name(s): _____ Phone# _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Fax # _____ Email _____

(Please check.) New: Renewal:

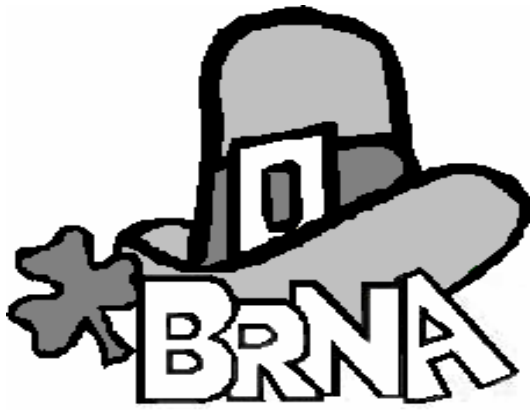
ATTN: Businesses or Organizations

You could receive one month of free advertisement for joining BRNA’s Membership.

Submit a business card or what you would like your advertisement to say.

Advertisements are \$5.00 per month (or \$50.00 per year) for a business card-size ad. Larger ads are also available - \$10 per month for quarter-page, \$20 per month for half-page and \$40 per month for full page ads.

Time to Renew your membership for 2007!



What's Coming up...

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, March 13th

St. Stanislaus School Hall

41st and J Street

6:30 P.M.

Guest Speaker:

Mr. Ken Johnson

from the City Planning Department

Web site: <http://members.cox.net/brna>

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Sorry! Last BRNA Express unless you have renewed for 2007.



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