

WINTER/ SPRING TIME- LINE

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Calumet Street's Shining Star...

She still does her own gardening and grocery shopping; her Buick LeSabre has it's own private parking space in the street; her knowledge of the neighborhood spans decades...She's Sibyl Henshaw and she's lived on Calumet Street all her life! Fellow neighbor Becky Simmons and I recently sat down with Ms. Henshaw for an in-depth conversation about her memories of Rochester and our neighborhood...

Sibyl's parents, Earl and Harriette Henshaw had their home at 71 Calumet Street built in 1907. Harriette Hen-

shaw drew up the plans with the homes on East Blvd in mind; she wanted to incorporate many of the features of the large mansions on East Ave but in a smaller home. Unlike her older sister Pauline who was born in the home, Sibyl was born at Genesee Hospital. Both girls grew up on Calumet Street, later attending school #1. She still remembers cutting through the neighbor's backyard to get to the Erie Canal tow path and crossing the stone locks to reach the school. The Erie Canal was still active while she was growing up. It was not uncommon anytime during the

day or evening to hear the captain of a canal boat yell, "all up!" to request the Culver Road lift bridge be raised so that vessels could pass beneath it. While the Erie Canal helped Rochester thrive, it also brought it's share of problems. *(continued on page 2)*



One of the Henshaw girls outside their house, Winter 1920's

CHAP21 General Membership Meeting 4/26/06!

Our Next CHAP21 Neighborhood Association General Membership Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 26, 2006 at school #1, across the PED-bridge! The meeting will start promptly at 6:30 p.m. Please plan on attending this meeting if at all possible! If you have any agenda items to add, please send an email to rochap21@yahoo.com or call Mark Ritter at 473-1127!



The Henshaw Home on Calumet Street, March, 2006.

If you would like to contact any one of us, please email us at: Rochap21@yahoo.com. We look forward to serving you

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Sibyl relayed stories of panhandlers who would occasionally roam the neighborhood, looking for handouts of food or money.

From the beginning, our neighborhood was also home to many families with children and was always bustling with lots of activity. During summers children, including Sibyl and her sister Pauline (self-admitted tomboys) would play baseball in the streets. Families

would also picnic at the top of the hill in Cobbs Hill Park and watch polo matches being played where the park base-ball diamonds sit today or paddle canoes on Lake Riley, then known as "wide waters."

During the winter months, there was also no shortage of activities. Families in the neighborhood would snowshoe on our neighborhood streets, then made of gravel

and would also ice skate on a frozen Lake Riley while the Cobbs Hill Park Band played music. Neighborhood children would hook up their sleds to the back of horse drawn carriages and sleighs and roam the neighborhood.

Our visit ended with Sibyl asking us back for additional visits to learn more about the place we call home. Stay tuned...

CHAP21 2006 Board Members

We are pleased to announce our CHAP21 Neighborhood Association Board Members for 2006. They are: Natalie Frame of 1023 Harvard; Mark Ritter of 985 Harvard Street; Teri Chall of 987 Harvard Street; Annette Weidmann of 1070 Harvard Street, John Rudy of 63 Calumet Street; Skye Bird of 1049 Park Avenue; Karl Frame of 1023 Har-

vard Street, Carolyn Riley of 38 Faraday Street; Todd Perkins of 985 Harvard Street; and Tom Pastecki of 51 Calumet Street.. Natalie Frame and Mark Ritter are still acting Co-Chairs, Todd Perkins is our Neighborhood Conservation Officer, Teri Chall is our Website Manager, and Annette Weidmann is our Secretary. Mark Ritter is also our acting

Treasurer. During our first two meetings of 2006, we have put together our CHAP21 Neighborhood Association By-laws and hope to fully have them in place before the end of this year. If you would like to contact any one of us, please email us at: Rochap21@yahoo.com. We look forward to serving you!

New and Improved CHAP21 Neighborhood Association Website...www.rochap21.org!

Come visit the new site! It is much sleeker and user friendly. Most important: No More annoying pop-up ads!! We are incorporating a message board/ user forum that can be reached through the website. The website will contain the archives of older newsletters, board meeting summaries and

any important information for the neighborhood. In the coming months there will also be neighborhood photographs. View the seasons in CHAP21.

Check it out and let us know what you think by posting on the new message board!

Mark Ritter STRONGLY urges you to visit the website



CHAP21 Winter Re-cap



The Baisch-Marshall Family of Harvard Street

Third Annual CHAP21 Caroling Party...This Much Fun Should be Illegal!...

David and Irene Burnet once again hosted our CHAP21 Neighborhood

Caroling Party on Friday, December 16, 2005. Approximately 15 carolers gathered at 929 Harvard Street around 7:00 p.m. Led by Irene, Todd Perkins, and Lee Wright we walked the streets singing to anyone who would open their doors (or ears) to us. We even managed to provide competition for another caroling group who had invaded our territory. Sadly, no snowball fight resulted. Upon our return to 929 Harvard Street, we indulged in some well-earned nourishment, including hot mulled cider, coffee, wine and beer, and munchies. This

year the bar has been raised. Hopefully, by next year's event, we'll have all gone through some extensive vocal training! A heart-felt thanks to Dave, Irene, Todd, and Lee for putting together such a wonderful event!

Second Annual CHAP21 Holiday House Decorating Contest...And the winner by a bulb Is...Nobody!!!

Unfortunately, this year we had it on our list of things to do to secure a judge or judges who were impartial, but never got around to it. By the time it was remembered, the holidays had passed. Next year, we'll resume this activity and pick judges BEFORE the contest.! Get Ready!

CHAP21 Neighborhood Association Progressive Dinner Party...Our Neighborhood Party on the Go!

Our First Official CHAP21 Neighborhood Association Progressive Dinner Party was held on Saturday, January 26th 2006 and needless to say a good time was had by all...The festivities started at the home of Damian and Annette Weidmann at 1070 Harvard Street where approximately 25

people were treated to a variety of beverages, wonderful appetizers and a tasty salad. We then moved on to the home of Henry and Jodi Taubenfeld at 1058 Harvard Street where folks indulged in a delicious home made lasagna and a number of tasty side dishes. The last stop on

our food trek was for dessert and coffee at the home of Mark Ritter and Todd Perkins at 985 Harvard Street. A variety of cakes, cookies, coffees, and after dinner drinks were consumed! Thank you to those who hosted and Annette Weidmann for putting together such a wonderful event!

Pictured Below: Mark Ritter, Henry Taubenfeld John Rudy and Becky Rudy at the CHAP21 Neighborhood Association Progressive Dinner Party.



CHAP21 Neighborhood Association Chili Cook-Off...No Tums Necessary!

Our First Official CHAP21 Neighborhood Association Chili Cook-off was held at the home of Dave and Irene Burnet at 929 Harvard Street on Sunday, March 26, 2006. Approximately, 35 people gathered to enjoy each others' company and sample 11 homemade chilies. Prizes were awarded for the spiciest chili (winner: Patriotic Chili by Henry and Jodi Taubenfeld), the best tasting chili (Godfather Gobler Chili by David

and Irene Burnet), and the chili with the most unique name (winner: Meaty Beaty, Big, and Bouncy by Becky Simmons and John Rudy) Folks also brought a variety of side dishes, desserts, and beverages. Once again, we must thank Annette Weidmann for organizing and David and Irene Burnett for hosting such a fun and tasty event!



Chili Cook Off Participants at the home of Dave and Irene Burnet.

House History: 985 Harvard Street

1911-1914	Safford, Mr. and Mrs. Carl R. -Carl R. Safford Company (insurance company)
1915-1924	Cadie, Mr. and Mrs. Carl L. -Electrical Engineer, 267 State Street
1924-1950	Myers, Fred L. and Elsie -President—Myers Shoe Store, Inc. and Lasalle Boot Shop (379 E. Main Street)
1950-1951	?
1951-1970	Rosenthal, Harry L. and Leila E. -Assistant District Attorney, Monroe County -Telephone in Home –1951?
1970-1975	Rosenthal, Leila (widowed 1970?)
1976-1978	Corigliani, Kathy -Banking Investor
1978-?	Tomczak, M.A.
1989-1992	Spero, Wayne Jeffrey and Carol K. -Civil Servant-City of Rochester
1992-1999	Olsen, Dale and MaryEllen -Curator of Rare Photographs-George Eastman House
1999-Present	Ritter, Mark and Perkins, Todd -Client Implementation Manager-Citibank Student loans -Interior Designer-Todd L. Perkins Designs



Above, Mark Ritter and Todd Perkins of 985 Harvard Street circa 1999



At right, 985 Harvard Street Circa 1999

Being a Good Neighbor...It's The Law...

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1.) *Please remember that our outdoor activities affect our neighbors. Loud music and excessive noise such as loud screaming and talking in our neighborhood takes away from our quality of life and is in violation of the City Council's Noise Ordinance (Chapter 75 of the Municipal Code) which carries stiff monetary fines. Please be aware of your noise levels and be considerate of your neighbors. Many of our homes are very close in proximity. Noise of all kind travels and is greatly magnified in the evening. To be sure you are not adversely affecting your neighbors, if you or your friends are out after dark, talk quietly! Remember...just because it's your celebration doesn't mean you should impose it on your neighbors!*

2.) *Leaving trash at the curb on any given day of the week reflects poorly on our neighborhood and lessens the curbside appeal of our homes. It is also against City Code (Chapter 20 of the Municipal Code). Littering and the throwing of cigarette butts also have the same effect and is also a ticket able offense. Garbage totes (garbage receptacles) should not be out more than one day before or after pick up day. City refuse pick up is Thursday. If your trash is out on the correct day and is not picked up, please call 428-5990 so a special pick up can be arranged. If you are a tenant served by a private trash company, please consult your landlord regarding pick-up day, trash placement, where to store receptacles, and if more receptacles are necessary.*

3.) *Our front yards reflect the pride we take in our homes. They are not extra parking spaces and should not be used as such (Rochester Zoning Code 120-163D) Additionally, parking less than 5 feet from a driveway is a parking violation and could result in a fine. Please show respect to your neighbors and their driveway boundaries. Our front yards, adjacent to our homes, are also not for use as public rest-rooms for pets. This is also a ticket able offense. If you are walking your dog, please be prepared to clean up after them. When it comes to our front yards, we need to exercise good taste: **Our front yards are privately owned, but publicly enjoyed.** Flowers and landscaping...awesome. Grills and beer pong tables...TACKY!*

4.) *Upholstered couches and chairs used as porch furniture may be comfortable but are not appropriate. They were not made for outside use and are not resistant to rain and snow. Consequently, they may get wet and mildewed or infested with rodents. (Rochester Zoning Code 120-175.)*

5.) *Although grilling on porches has become popular, this may be a serious fire hazard and in some cases is not allowed by Rochester Uniform fire Prevention Code. (19NYCRR 225.1) Grill in your backyard and away from structures whenever possible.*

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Money Money Money...Money

Natalie and I would like to thank you for making 2005 such a great one for our neighborhood. The several events we held were very successful and our membership has slowly increased since Natalie and I became Co-Chairs 5 years ago. There are still many of you that have not joined the CHAP21 Neighborhood Association - we want to change that! Membership costs just \$5.00 per year. This fee has not increased since 1986! If you are an existing member and need to update any of your membership information, please email Mark Ritter at ROCHAP21@yahoo.com. Please take a moment to complete and return the membership form below to: Mark Ritter, 985 Harvard Street, Rochester, NY 14610. **Deadline: 3/31/06!**

CHAP21 Neighborhood Association 2006 Membership Form

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Years in Neighborhood: _____

Email Address: _____

I can help out by: Working on Projects/Events _____ Delivering Newsletters _____
 Board Member _____ I can contribute by: _____

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