

WHAT'S IN A NAME

Some of Brighton's street names commemorate the earliest settlers in this area, for example, Culver Road is named for Oliver Culver, pioneer from Vermont in 1796 and Brighton's first town supervisor in 1814. Allyn's Creek, now Allen's Creek, is the namesake of Timothy Allyn, a Connecticut native who built a log cabin at the corner of what is now East Avenue and Allen's Creek Road. Other Brighton street origins include:

Blossom Road, named for the Blossom family who came from Cape Cod
Browncroft Blvd, named for Charles Brown founder of the Brown Brothers

Nursery and developer of the Browncroft subdivision

Buckland Avenue, named for the Buckland family who were early farmers
and brickmakers in Brighton.

Clinton Avenue, Governor DeWitt Clinton's namesake

Cobb Terrace, named for Gideon Cobb, pioneer farmer and brickmaker
who built an Italianate mansion on Monroe Avenue

Corwin Road, named for Stephen Corwin

Crittenden Road, named for the Crittenden family who farmed many acres
in West Brighton

Council Rock Avenue – named for the large tufa dolomite rock that sits in
front of the Stone-Tolan house on East Avenue

David Avenue – named for David Hagaman, son of John Hagaman who
farmed near the corner of Highland and Clinton Avenues.

Howland Avenue – another son of John Hagaman. Howland married
Gideon Cobb's daughter, Lucina.

Highland Avenue – formerly a Seneca Trail from the Irondequoit Landing
to Red Creek, it skirted the low, wet lands in central Brighton

Landing Road – named for the road that ran south from the Irondequoit
Landing now in Ellison Park to East Avenue.

Monroe Avenue – named for President Monroe

Parson's Lane – named for pioneer Marshfield Parsons who operated
a farm and other businesses on East Avenue

Penfield Road – the road to Penfield, named after Daniel Penfield, that
town's pioneer settler

Rich's Dugway – named for the Rich family who operated a flour mill on
Irondequoit Creek in what is now Ellison Park.

Winton Road – said to be the namesake of the Winton automobile.

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