

# Brook Park News

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## **BROOK PARK NEWS**

The newsletter is available on the Brook Park website.

If you want the newsletter sent to your Inbox, you would need to go to the Brook Park website ([www.brookparkmanor.com](http://www.brookparkmanor.com)) and do the following:

1. Click on "Add me to Brook Park Newsletter Mailing list".
2. Enter your email address.
3. Click on "Join Mailing List".

## **PIG ROAST & FAMILY PICNIC**

The Annual Brook Park Pig Roast & Family Picnic will be held on Saturday, August 28, 2010, at the Pool. There will be fun, friends, food, and NEW entertainment. Current, paid members of the Civic Association & Pool are invited to attend. Costs to attend are: \$10.00 for ages 11 and up, \$5.00 for children 4 - 10 years, and FREE for children under 3 years of age.



Please bring a dessert to share and to enter in the BAKING CONTEST (Deadline to submit an entry is 4 pm). Winners will be announced at 4:45 pm.

**BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS. NO GLASS - PLASTIC AND PAPER ONLY!!!**

New and exciting this year is the "Wild World of Animals Show", which will start at 3:30 pm and last approximately 1 hour. Do not miss this very entertaining show - a treat for children and adults. To view information about Wild World of Animals, follow this link to their web site: <http://www.wildworldofanimals.org/>. We are also planning on providing Karaoke as the musical entertainment after the animal show until the end of the picnic.

You may sign up by completing the attached form and returning it along with your payment to Sandy Schuster at 9035 Wood View Drive. **YOU MUST PAY WHEN YOU SIGN UP.** Checks are payable to "Sandy Schuster". Reservations will be accepted on a first come, first served basis, up to 150. Don't be left out of the fun! Sign Up Early!! **DEADLINE** to sign up is August 20, 2010. Add \$2.00/person if registering after August 20.

The schedule of all events is listed on the attached sign-up form. As always with an event of this size, volunteers are needed for a variety of things. A volunteer list is attached to this newsletter. Please volunteer to help. Contact Sandy Schuster at (412) 366-0455 to volunteer.

## **2009 -2010 Board of Governors**

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(412) 548-3215

## A POEM

Where is my friend Snookie?  
She promised me a cookie.

Look at that cloud in the sky!  
It looks like a giant pie.

Check out my bff Jake.  
He's eating a piece of cake.



If you don't have the goose bumps, if you aren't starting to shake like a wet Chihuahua, well, then I'm just not doing my job. The fourth (or fifth, but who's counting?) **Brook Park Baking Contest** is just around the corner. Some of the Brook Park ladies were gathered at The Rochester Inn the other day and I was about to reveal my secret entry, but one of them was wearing a wire. It's that kind of competition.

## WOMEN'S CLUB ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Another fun, successful year has come to a close for the Women's Club groups. We would like to thank the following chairpersons for volunteering their time this year (GREAT JOB, LADIES)!! If you are interested in forming a NEW group, please contact Lisa Kocent no later than July 1, 2010, at [LKBird79@msn.com](mailto:LKBird79@msn.com). Many fun groups have come from one person's idea!!

- ☆ **Book Swap**—Lisa Kocent
- ☆ **Bunco 1**—Patti Basara
- ☆ **Bunco 2**—Melody Kalcevic
- ☆ **Creative Cooking**—Carolyn Briggs & Barb Mesaros
- ☆ **Easter Egg Hunt**—Eileen Coran & Erin Toomey
- ☆ **Halloween Parade**—Deborah Brodine
- ☆ **Happy Hour**—Lisa Kocent
- ☆ **Kid Connection**—Maura Rodgers
- ☆ **Luminary Sale**—Monique Barnett
- ☆ **Santa Visits**—Diane Rankin & Tami Wincko
- ☆ **Wreath/Centerpiece Class**—Ellen Caulkins

## MASTER OF THE GREEN THUMB AWARD



Just when you think that the Front Entrance and Message Board landscaping cannot be improved upon, David Scott applies his magic green thumb to both areas and they become more beautiful than the year before. Not an easy task this spring with all the damage done by this past winter. David volunteers many hours working on

both areas so that the rest of us can enjoy the view every time we drive in and out of Brook Park. Thanks, David, for all your efforts and great talent. We bestow upon you the "Master of the Green Thumb" award!

## FALL SOCIAL --"SAVE THE DATE"

Save the Date NOW to attend the "Fall Social" scheduled for Saturday, October 30, 2010, at the Franklin Park Fire Hall. Look for additional information regarding this event in future newsletters.



## THANKS, GRACIAS!!

There are those who sign up to have fun, and then there are those who go the extra mile and sign up to make sure that *everyone* has fun. I would like to thank all the people that volunteered their time and patience to make the 2009-2010 Happy Hour season fun for the rest of us.



First, to all our Hosts who opened their homes for our Happy Hour parties - George & Patty Basara, Jim & Donna Hudson, and Pat & Melody

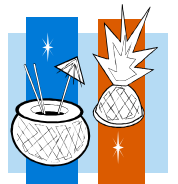
Kalcevic - THANKS, THANKS, THANKS!!!

Next, to all our Party Planning Chairpersons who coordinated all the food, beverages, themes and other mundane tasks required to make a party run smoothly - Mardy Byrnes, Paula Lutz, Sandy Schuster and Danelle Tyler. You all make the coordination of this group very easy. THANKS, THANKS, THANKS!!!

Last, thanks to all the members of the Happy Hour group for doing your part on committees and at the parties. Look for some new and exciting changes to the Happy Hour format. (you spoke, you were heard). The group will have a new name and a new format. Please feel free to forward your party and, yes, event suggestions (no age comments). Look for the details with the Women's Club sign-up information.

## HAPPY HOUR @ THE POOL

Are you searching for "Your lost shaker of Salt?" Well search no more! Sign up to attend the Happy Hour @ The Pool on Saturday, July 31, 2010, 8:00 pm - 12:00 am, no later than July 10 (SEE ATTACHED FLYER FOR ALL THE EXCITING DETAILS). If you miss this party, it will be your own darned fault!!



## REMINDER--CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE NOW DUE!!



Civic Association Membership Dues for 2010-2011 are now due in the amount of \$30. Many Brook Park events and groups are only open to current, paid members of the Civic Association. Members are also eligible to receive an updated version of the Brook Park Residents Directory which will be available very soon. Dues provide for many things seen and unseen and keep our neighborhood a wonderful place to live and have fun. Women's Club Sign-Ups begin mid-summer and you must be a paid member of the Civic Association to join Women's Club groups.

Dues are \$30/year. Checks are payable to: BPMCA (Brook Park Manor Civic Association). Dues payments should be forwarded to: Jessica Deible at 1607 King James Drive.

Didn't receive a dues invoice? Contact Lisa Kocent @ [LKBird79@msn.com](mailto:LKBird79@msn.com).

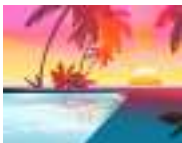
## FOR SALE--BROOK PARK COOKBOOKS

Need a gift for a bridal shower, new homeowner, son or daughter moving out? Don't worry--Brook Park Cookbooks are still available and are the perfect gift. Give alone or pair up with other items (how about kitchen gadgets and dish towels or a gift card to purchase items for a recipe in the cookbook). Cookbooks are \$10 each. To purchase, contact Lisa Kocent at 412-367-7473 or at [LKBird79@msn.com](mailto:LKBird79@msn.com). Check are payable to: BPMCA.

## LADIES POOL PARTY

**DO NOT HESITATE---SIGN UP NOW--THE DEADLINE IS LOOMING!!!**

Let your mind wander for a moment ...it's Saturday, July 10, 2010, the night is warm, you feel gorgeous, you have your favorite beverage in one hand and delectable treats in the other, you are having an uninterrupted conversation with other adult females, there is laughter all around, you hear music that does not "thump" and hurt your ears, there is no one asking where's the toilet paper or telling you to drive them somewhere ... but wait, where are you???? You are at the Ladies Pool Party (no swimming required)!



The only event made just for you - no men, no pets, no children, NO WORRIES!!! Do not miss this night designed totally for you and about you. Sign up now to attend. The "easy" details and sign up information are included in the attached flyer. See you there, girlfriend!

## NEW NEIGHBOR SPOTLIGHT

Brook Park has new neighbors at 8601 Broad Hill Road! Alex and Elizabeth Betancourt and their 21-month-old son, Gabriel, have moved to Brook Park from Ross Township. Alex works at Highmark and Elizabeth is a Physical Therapist at Children's Hospital. Please add their phone number (412) 369-4020 to your directory. Welcome Betancourts!

## LAST HAPPY HOUR OF THE SEASON!!!

The final Happy Hour of the season was held on May 15<sup>th</sup>, following the Men's Golf Outing, at the home of Patrick and Melody Kalcevic. Dozens of flamingos migrated to northern climes to help the festive group celebrate the summer to come. The committee provided fabulous food and drinks as well as a D.J. that spun some great dance tunes. All were disappointed to see the evening come to a conclusion, especially the crowd on the dance floor!



We would like to extend our thanks to the Kalcevic's and the committee for their hospitality and work to pull off another enjoyable evening! Even the weather cooperated, giving us a truly beautiful night under the stars. We hope to have everyone back in the fall to continue the great company of our wonderful neighbors (look for changes in the Happy Hours name and format in order to spice up the fun)! *Thanks to Danelle Tyler for chairing the Party Committee.*



## MEN'S GOLF OUTING REPORT

The 2010 Brook Park Men's Golf Outing was a memorable experience for all thirty-six golfers who competed for the coveted 22-carrot, diamond-studded, personally-engraved winner's trophy. The weather was outstanding, the golf course was in great condition, and the ownership of Hartman's Deep Valley Golf Course hosted a wonderful event. Good food and cold beverages were enjoyed by all. The team led by "Captain" Ken Buzzard was the winner of the hotly contested 2010 event. Looking forward to seeing everyone again next year...



## **SAVE THE DATE!**

<b><i>NOW</i></b>	-	<b><i>N/A</i></b>	-	<b><i>CIVIC ASSOCIATION DUES ARE NOW DUE</i></b>
<b><i>July 1, 2010</i></b>	-	<b><i>N/A</i></b>	-	<b><i><u>DEADLINE:</u> To Sign up for Ladies Pool Party</i></b>
July 4, 2010	-	12:00 pm – 8:00 pm	-	4 <sup>th</sup> of July Picnic @ Pool
July 10, 2010	-	7:30 pm – 12:00 am	-	Ladies Night @ Pool
July 11, 2010	-	7:00 pm	-	Civic Board Meeting @ Pool
July 17, 2010	-	5:00 pm – 10:00 pm	-	Mexican Fiesta Night @ Pool
<b><i>July 21, 2010</i></b>	-	<b><i>N/A</i></b>	-	<b><i><u>DEADLINE:</u> To Sign Up for Happy Hour @ Pool</i></b>
July 31, 2010	-	8:00 pm – 12:00 am	-	Happy Hour @ Pool
August 8, 2010	-	7:00 pm	-	Civic Board Meeting @ Pool
<b><i>August 20, 2010</i></b>	-	<b><i>N/A</i></b>	-	<b><i><u>DEADLINE:</u> To Sign Up for Pig Roast</i></b>
August 28, 2010	-	3:00 pm	-	PIG ROAST @ Pool
		3:30 pm	-	Wild World of Animals Show
		4:00 pm	-	Baking Contest Entry Deadline
		4:45 pm	-	Baking Contest Winners Announced
		5:00 pm	-	Dinner & Music Entertainment
September 12, 2010	-	7:00 pm	-	Civic Board Meeting @ St. John Neumann
October 30, 2010	-	“TBD”	-	Fall Social @ Franklin Park Fire Hall

## **“2010 Pool-----Save the Date Calendar”**

Event: **4th of July Picnic**

Date: **Sunday, July 4, 2010----12-8 PM**

Event: **Mexican Fiesta Night**

Date: **Saturday, July 17, 2010----5-10 PM**

Event: **Wrestlemania**

Date: **July**

Event: **Happy Hour**

Date: **Saturday, July 31, 2010----8 PM-12 AM**

Event: **Ladies Night**

Date: **Saturday, July 10, 2010----7:30-12 AM**

Event: **Pig Roast & Baking Contest**

Date: **Saturday, August 28, 2010---- 3 PM**

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## **“2010 Brook Park Swim Team-----Home Swim Meet Schedule”**

**\*\*Pool Closes at 4:00 pm on dates of Home Swim Meets\*\***

Tuesday, June 29, 2010

Thursday, July 8, 2010





## BROOK PARK CLASSIFIEDS

### CLEAN FILL WANTED

Joe and Toni Ambrosino  
1636 King James, 412-366-2873

### PET SERVICES

My name is Sydney McDonough and every year I offer Pet Services to the neighborhood. This includes Pet Sitting and Dog Walking. I am 12 years old and have 2 years of experience. I have 2 dogs of my own, a Lab and a Chihuahua. My rates are \$3.00 per Walk and \$7.00 per Day. Contact Sydney McDonough at [mcdonough9481@verizon.net](mailto:mcdonough9481@verizon.net) or 412-366-3835.



**Mancini Refrigeration--412-551-9641**  
**Heating, A/C & Commercial Refrigeration Repair & Installations** - Call your Neighborhood Supplier of Quality Equipment & Service.

### Babysitting by Ryanne

Babysitting available after school until 10:00 pm and weekends until ????. Completed Certified Babysitting Course. Contact Ryanne Tyler, 1602 King James Drive (412) 366-9862.

### Services by Kristen Franks (Age 14)

Babysitting (Class taken), mother's helper, house-sitting, pet-sitting, dog-walking, maintaining flower gardens (weeding & watering). Fee of \$8/hr or minimum \$10 per job. Call 412-364-7657.

### CUSTOM CARDS

Custom made cards and invitations, birth announcements and thank-yous for all occasions. Call or email me to browse through my many samples. Kelly (412) 366-3835 [mcdonough9481@verizon.net](mailto:mcdonough9481@verizon.net)

### Niggel Lawn Care LLC

1540 King James Dr. (412) 366-7956  
**Firewood for sale.** Also, for all of your lawn care needs, including mowing, edging, mulching, landscaping, shrub trimming, aeration, leaf removal, retaining walls, and patios.

Your AVON sales Representative is taking orders! Almost 4 years strong in Brook Park! 6 yrs total! Please contact Melody Kalcevic @ 412-548-3215 or [mkalcevic@verizon.net](mailto:mkalcevic@verizon.net) to place an Avon order or request the latest catalog. Browse the website at your convenience: [www.youravon.com/mmaceykalcevic](http://www.youravon.com/mmaceykalcevic).

### Doggie Delights

Gourmet Birthday Cakes, Pup-Cakes & Cookies for your best friend!  
Bark at Erica Lowry  
412-548-3405  
[www.doggiedelightsonline.com](http://www.doggiedelightsonline.com)

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### Services Available Year Round

# LADIES NIGHT OUT

Saturday, July 10, 2010

7:30 PM – 12:00 AM

Brook Park Pool Pavilion

*Entertainment: Bring Your  
Own Music if You  
Wish... .. We'll Make Our  
Own Fun!!!*

COST: \$8.00/PERSON (COVERS PAPER PRODUCTS & LIFE GUARD FEES)

LATE FEE: ADD \$2/PERSON

WHAT TO BRING:

- 1) YOUR FAVORITE "THERAPY BEVERAGE & DRINKING VESSEL
- 2) APPETIZER OR DESSERT TO SHARE

**\*\*NO GLASS ITEMS, CHILDREN, MEN & ANYTHING ELSE  
REQUIRING ATTENTION\*\***

RSVP BY/TO: JULY 1, 2010.....LISA KOCENT, 999 BROADMEADOW DRIVE

**\*\*Checks Payable to: Lisa Kocent ([LKBird79@msn.com](mailto:LKBird79@msn.com))\*\***

# "IT'S 5 O'CLOCK SOMEWHERE..."



**...ON SATURDAY, JULY 31, 2010  
AT THE BROOK PARK POOL & PARTY PAVILION  
IT WILL BE HAPPY HOUR ALL NIGHT!!!!**

**"MAKE A CHANGE IN YOUR ATTITUDE BY CHANGING  
YOUR LATITUDE.....SIGN UP NO LATER THAN JULY 10,  
2010, w/Lisa Kocent @ 999 Broadmeadow Drive (checks payable  
to Lisa Kocent)**

**ADMISSION FEE: \$7.50/PERSON OR \$15.00/COUPLE (LATE FEE: \$5/PERSON)**

(Admission fee includes: Pool Rental, pizza, wings, sandwiches, and cool people)

**PARTY TIME: 8:00 PM – 12:00 MIDNIGHT**

**YOU MAY..."RUN INTO A CHUM WITH A BOTTLE OF RUM  
& MAYBE WRITE A HIGH SPEED DRINKING SONG..."**

**THIS IS IMPORTANT.....PARTY IS BYOB!!! (IF YOU FEEL  
LIKE IT, BRING A SNACK TO SHARE BUT NOT REQUIRED)**



**NO GLASS (SERIOUSLY).....NO  
SHOES.....NO PROBLEMS**



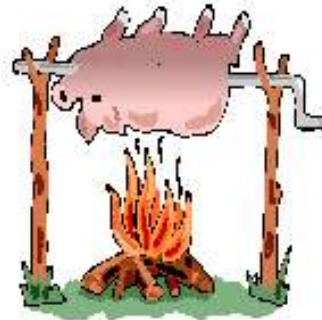


## Annual Brook Park Family Picnic & Pig Roast

Date: Saturday, August 28, 2010

What: Food, Fun, Friends, Games

Fee: \$10.00—Adults  
\$5.00—Kids 4 to 10 years  
FREE—Under 3 years



\*\*\*\*RESERVATIONS accepted up to 150—Sign Up Early\*\*\*\*

DEADLINE TO SIGN-UP: August 20, 2010

\*\*\*ADD \$2.00 LATE FEE/PERSON after AUGUST 20\*\*\*

What to Bring: A Dessert to share In or On Plastic or Paper Container  
Your Own Drinks

Times:	Wild World of Animals Show:	3:30 PM
	Baking Contest Entries Deadline:	4:00 PM
	Baking Contest Winners Announced:	4:45 PM
	Dinner:	5:00 PM
	DJ & Karaoke:	4:30 PM



**RETURN THE FORM BELOW & PAYMENT TO:**

Sandy Schuster---9035 Woodview Drive

\*\*\*\*CHECKS PAYABLE TO: SANDY SCHUSTER\*\*\*\*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# \_\_\_\_\_ Adults x \$10.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ 4-10 Yrs x \$5.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# \_\_\_\_\_ 3 Yrs & Under x FREE

Checks Payable to "Sandy Schuster" and are due when you sign up!!!!

