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) 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".

TRICK OR TREAT 2013

Trick or Treat Night for Franklin Park and Town of McCandless is Thursday, October 31, 2013, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Help keep our ghosts and goblins safe, turn on your outside lights and drive slowly through the neighborhood.

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FIND BROOK PARK ON FACEBOOK

This is a great way to get the word out quickly when you have items for sale, requests for contractor recommendations, advertise your services, etc. Spread the word and LIKE the page TODAY!!!! facebook.com/brookparkmanor

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IMPORTANT DATES – TOWN OF McCANDLESS

Leaf Pick-Up Begins on October 21 and ends on November 27, 2013. Yard Waste Collection ENDS on December 6, 2013.

IMPORTANT DATES – FRANKLIN PARK

Leaf Bag Pick-Up is on Monday's only and will occur on: November 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2013. Bags must be placed at the curb by 6 am on the collection dates.

Brush Chipping will begin on November 4, 2013, at 7:00 am

SANTA VISITS

Santa Claus is coming to town! That's right. Santa himself will be visiting the children of Brook Park the evenings of Monday, December 16th and Tuesday, December 17th. Please complete the attached form and return it to Darla Carcia no later than December 8th to schedule a visit!

SNOW & ICE REMOVAL ORDINANCES

Not too long from now, the "white" stuff will begin to fall. Now is a good time to review local Snow & Ice removal ordinances. Please visit your local municipality's web site to view specifics. We encourage all Brook Park neighbors to remove snow and ice in a responsible and timely fashion from sidewalks and driveways and in accordance with Borough and Township Snow Removal Ordinances. It is against ordinances to blow or shovel snow into Borough and Township streets. Doing so could result in a fine. Parking in the streets during or after a snow fall may also be limited or prohibited. Beyond the laws, its common courtesy and a matter of simple safety to keep your sidewalks cleared.

FOR SALE SIGNS AND SUCH

Please refrain from placing For Sale, Open House, Yard/Garage Sale and other types of signs in the landscaped areas of the front entrance and announcement sign and on the hillside below the pool. The signs detract from the aesthetics of the entrance into Brook Park and if improperly placed, cause a sight limitation when attempting to pull out of the neighborhood.

If hosting an open house or other type of sale, placing signs for a period of 24-hours is acceptable (except in the landscaped areas of the front entrance). Please remove signs ASAP after your open house or garage/yard sale is over. Approval from the landowner for other types of solicitation-type signs is required.

The right side of Fassinger Lane (facing up the hill) is private property and no signs should be placed here without prior owner permission. The property owners are the Fassinger's. The left side of Fassinger Lane (facing up the hill) belongs to the Pool and permission from the pool board must be obtained prior to posting any signs on the property. The landscaped areas are maintained by the Civic Association and no signs may be placed in these areas.

WHEN SELLING YOUR HOME IN BROOK PARK

Please remember to provide your realtor and/or potential buyers with a copy of the protective covenants covering your Phase of Brook Park when selling your Brook Park home. Doing so will eliminate potential issues with the closing of your sale. A copy the protective covenants can be viewed and printed from the Brook Park website: www.brookparkmanor.com.

SOCIAL MEMBERSHIPS FOR FORMER BROOK PARK RESIDENTS AND FIELD CLUB RESIDENTS

The Civic Association Board offers Social Memberships to past residents of Brook Park and Field Club residents. A Social Membership offers the ability to participate in events and activities sponsored by the Civic Association and Women's Club (does not include voting rights). Do you know of someone who would be interested in joining? Membership Fee is $30 per year. Checks are payable to: BPMCA and should be forwarded to: Lisa Kocent, 999 Broadmeadow Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15237. Forward any questions to Lisa Kocent at LKBird79@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATE!

**Local Borough/Township Dates of Interest will be included when information is available-—For a more comprehensive list, refer to your Borough/Township Web Site, Calendar or Office

October 31, 2013	6:00 – 8:00 pm	Trick or Treat!!
November 3, 2013	N/A	DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS—Turn Clocks Back
November 4, 2013**	6:00 am	Leaf Bag Pick-Up Begins—Franklin Park
November 4, 2013**	7:00 am	Brush Chipping Begins—Franklin Park
November 10, 2013	7:00 pm	Civic Board Meeting @ Sir Pizza Party Room
November 11, 2013**	6:00 am	Leaf Bag Pick-Up—Franklin Park
November 12, 2013	10:00-11:30 am	Kid Connection @ Anne Marie Herm's
November 18, 2013**	6:00 am	Leaf Bag Pick-Up—Franklin Park
November 25, 2013**	6:00 am	Leaf Bag Pick-Up—Franklin Park
November 27, 2013**	N/A	Leaf Pick-Up Ends—Town of McCandless
December 1, 2013	7:00 pm	Civic Board Meeting @ Sir Pizza Party Room
December 6, 2013**	N/A	Yard Waste Collection Ends—Town of McCandless
December 8, 2013	N/A	DEADLINE: To Purchase Luminary Kits
December 8, 2013	N/A	DEADLINE: To Sign Up For Santa Visits
December 16, 2013	TBD	Santa Visits
December 17, 2013	TBD	Santa Visits
December 17, 2013	1:00-2:30 pm	Kid Connection @ Lauren Vales'
January 6, 2014**	7:00 am	Christmas Tree Pick-Up—Franklin Park
January 7, 2014	10:00 am	Kid Connection @ Science Center
January 12, 2014	7:00 pm	Civic Board Meeting @ Sir Pizza Party Room
January 21, 2014	1:00 pm	Kid Connection @ Ross Park Mall
February 2, 2014	7:00 pm	Civic Board Meeting @ Sir Pizza Party Room

Santa Visits 2013

A few weeks before Christmas and all
through the plan,
Everyone is getting anxious to see
The Kris Kringle Man.
"He is coming to Brook Park", we
hear friends chatter on our street
and he hopes that in December there will
be many children to meet.

Please send in your form--
You will see it below
So Santa's helpers know who
would like a special, early,
Hello!

Brook Park Santa Visits

Santa is coming Monday December 16 and Tuesday December 17th.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

I would like Santa to visit my home:

---------- 1st choice ---------- 2nd Choice

Child's name _____ **Age** ___ **Special notes** _____

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I would like Santa to bring a gift (s): ____ *Yes* _____ *No*

Where will the gifts be left? _____

Please return this form with $1 per child or $3 per family; BY DECEMBER 8th to:

997 Broad Meadow Drive- Darla Carcia

Checks are also made out to: Darla Carcia

PLEASE NOTE:

- **There are many children in Brook Park, so visits are limited to 15 minutes.**
- **Return your forms early! Time slots are LIMITED and are on a first come basis.**
- **Santa will "bring in" a gift that you provide, but please specify where outside the gift will be place.**
- **You will be contacted by email with date/time of your visit. Any questions contact Darla at darlayjoey@aol.com or Judy at jkellyacheson@mac.com.**

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Name:_____

Address:_____

Number of Kits:_____ Amount Enclosed _____ (Cash / Check) – circle one

Please return this form with cash or checks payable to:
Therese Mills
1543 King Albert (2nd house on the left)

DEADLINE – Sunday, December 8th

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Need a Babysitter?

If in need of a responsible part-time babysitter, contact Mila Kalcevic.

Call 412-548-3215 or 412-726-4868
(Interviews welcome!)

Mila is currently involved in "Babysitting 101' through Children's Hospital of UPMC & volunteers as a caregiver with the Preschool Program at Blueberry Hill. She currently babysits a 5 year old boy; references are available.

Mila is an honor roll student, trained competitive swimmer & has played soccer since she was 5. She enjoys basketball and will try her hand at Volleyball this fall/winter. She is eagerly looking forward to babysitting in the Brook Park community where she resides!

Elementary Tutor/Pet & House Sitter

Feeling tired or stressed and need some alone time away from the kids? Need a tutor for your elementary school-aged children? Need a pet or house sitter while you're away on vacation? Well, I am more than happy to make your life a little easier!

My name is Jessica Dougherty; I'm a seventh grade honor student, and I love kids and animals. I'm very reliable, patient, energetic, and honest. I charge $5.00 an hour for babysitting and tutoring, $7.00 a day for pet sitting, and $2.00 a day for house sitting.

I have experience, and references are available upon request. My phone number is (412) 318-2907, and my e-mail address is jdoc312@yahoo.com

CLEAN FILL WANTED

Joe and Toni Ambrosino

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