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Women's Club Groups Sign-Up



It's that time of year ladies - Women's Club Groups sign-ups. Group information and sign-up forms are below. You must be a current, paid member of the Civic Association or a Social Member to sign up for groups. Not sure if you paid your dues? Have questions? Contact Nicki Gronsky at nwikert@gmail.com, Jessica Deible at jessdeible@aol.com, or Heather Byers at byers_heather@hotmail.com. You will not be added to a group until your dues are paid. **Dues can be droped off to Jessica Deible at 1607 King James Drive.**

DEADLINE TO SIGNUP IS: SEPTEMBER 1, 2016

**HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES? Dues MUST Be Current to Join Groups **

NAME:	E-MAIL:
ADDRESS:	PHONE:

CHECK GROUPS YOU ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING:

WOMEN'S BUNCO: (If you sig		will be called as a Substitute until an
Group I (1st Thursday of		
Currently A Regular		Chair or Co-Chair
, ,		
Want To Be A Regular	Subst	itute Only
Group II (3rd Tuesday o	f Month)	
Currently A Regular	Will	Chair or Co-Chair
Want To Be A Regular	Subst	itute Only
BOOK SWAPS:	Want to Join	Will Host A Swap
CREATIVE COOKING:	Want to Join	Will Chair or Co-Chair
EASTER EGG HUNT:	Will Chair or Co-C	hair Will Help
HALLOWEEN PARADE:	Will Chair or Co-C	hair Will Help
KID'S CONNECTION:	Will Chair or Co-C	hair Want to Join
LUMINARY SALE:	Will Chair or Co-C	hair Will Help
SANTA VISITS:	Will Chair or Co-C	hair Will Help
	Want to Join	Will Chair or Co-Chair
		ate, times, max number of attendees)
WREATH CLASS (at Kaelin's):	Will Chair or Co-C	Chair Want to Join
NEW IDEAS: V	Vill Chair or Co-Chair	Want to Join
E-MAIL YOUR SELECTIONS TO: nwikert@gmail.com		RETURN COMPLETED FORMS TO:
(All selections will be confirmed)	by e-mail if	Nicki Gronsky
an e-mail address is provided.)	OR	9041 Woodview Drive
1		BROOK PARK WOMEN'S CLUB

2016-2017 GROUP SIGN-UP FORM

Crime Watch Program Now In Effect

How it works:

- 1. Call 911! That is always the first step.
- 2. Send Lisa Kocent an email at: LisaKocent.BPMCA@gmail.com. She will send a mass email out to neighbors informing us of the situation and what to be aware of.
 - a. If you are not on her email list and wish to be added, please forward your email address to her and request to be added to receive Crime Watch reports. (Please note: you will also receive emails not pertaining to Crime Watch such as items for sale, etc.)

A Crime Watch sign will be posted at the entrance to our neighborhood.

Please watch out for these activities in our neighborhood:

- Someone running from a car or home.
- Someone screaming. If you can't explain the screams, call law enforcement and report them.
- Someone going door-to-door in the neighborhood or looking into windows and parked cars.
- Someone asking about past residents.
- Someone who appears to have no purpose wandering through the neighborhood.
- Unusual or suspicious noises that you cannot explain, such as breaking glass or pounding.
- Vehicles moving slowly without lights or without an apparent destination.
- Business transactions conducted from a vehicle. This could involve the sale of drugs or stolen goods
- Offers of merchandise available for ridiculously low prices. The merchandise might be stolen.
- Someone walking or running while carrying property at an unusual time or place.
- Someone removing property from unoccupied residences.
- A stranger entering a neighbor's home which appears to be unoccupied.
- A stranger in a car who stops to talk to a child.
- A child resisting the advances of an adult.

Most all of us have phones with cameras. Please use this tool to video any suspicious activity if possible. Note license plate numbers.

Pirate Game Coordinator Needed

We are still in need of someone to volunteer to coordinate this year's Pirate Game. If you are interested or have questions, please email LisaKocent.BPMCA@gmail.com.



The Town of McCandless will be re-paving Fassinger Lane to Broadmeadow Drive this summer.







It's Time for Swine

The end of August means the start of school, and more importantly, the Annual Pig Roast and Family Picnic! This year's event will be held on Saturday, August 27, 2016, at the pool. There is guaranteed to be fun, friends, food, and some great entertainment. **To ensure another successful year we still need volunteers to help out**. If you would like to do so, please type your name in any opening on the online sign up sheet — it is posted on the pool's website.

Make your reservation by completing the form below and returning it along **WITH** your payment to Mary Mann.

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

Information (Food order form and volunteer sign up) is posted on the pool's website: www.brookparkswimclub.com.

The torch has been passed and I am excited to be planning this event. Looking forward to another amazing picnic. Any questions contact feel free to email me at mjmann1231@gmail.com.

Wanted: Event Ideas

Do you have an idea for a neighborhood "someone should organize interested in hearing your ideas. We do always room for more!

Just this past year we added a smashingly Bonfire - it was a wonderful time, it to be an annual tradition. Upcoming Christmas Tree lighting event (with the red-suited, white-bearded fellow who will

So if there's something you'd like to see happen,

a _____?" The Civic Association is lots of cool stuff already, but there's

successful Christmas Caroling and attended by over 70 people. We expect this year we expect to also add a switch to be thrown by a certain jolly, also have candy canes for the little ones).

activity or event? Have you ever thought

let any Board member know by email, in person,

or even if you want to stop by the monthly Civic Association meeting. You can be the inspiration for the next great neighborhood tradition!



Date: Saturday August 27

What to Bring:	A dessert to share in/on plastic or paper container
	Your own drinks (NO GLASS)
	A chair (they fill up fast)
	Singing voice for karaoke
	Expectations for a lot of fun

Times:	Entertainment (TBD):	3:30 p.m.
	Baking Contest Entries Deadline:	4 p.m.
	Baking Contest Winners Announced:	4:45 p.m.
	Dinner:	5 p.m.
	Evening Entertainment (TBD):	5 p.m.

Deadline to Sign-Up: August 20

After 8/20, contact Mary Mann *to see if there are any openings available. Limit is 150* NO LATE SIGN-UPS OR SIGN-UPS AT GATE ON THAT DAY WILL BE ACCEPTED

RETURN THE FORM BELOW & PAYMENT TO:

Mary Mann 1551 King Charles Drive CHECKS PAYABLE TO: MARY MANN, due when you sign up.

Name_

Total Amount: \$___

#_____ Adults (Age 14 & up) x \$12.00 = \$_

#_____ Age 6–13 x \$7.00 = \$____

#_____ Age 5 & Under x FREE

Men's Night Recap

Thanks all for another successful Men's Night... a beautiful June evening at the Pool was a perfect setting to catch up with some old friends and meet some new ones. Good food, good friends, good conversations, good fire (not necessarily in that order) - what more could you possibly want!

Past Brook Park Residents and Field Club Social Memberships

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 (it 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 at LisaKocent.BPMCA@gmail.com

Civic Association Dues Are Due

Civic Association Annual Dues for 2016/2017 are now due. February. If you have not yet paid your dues, please plan to do so now.



Use PayPal to Pay Civic Dues

Membership Dues can be paid via PayPal account or credit card. To pay using PayPal:

- Visit www.brookparkmanor.com
- Click on "Pay Now"

Resale Certificates Available

When you sell a house in an area covered by a Homeowner's Association, you are supposed to provide a document called a "Resale Certificate" that explains to the potential buyer the financial and

Order a Resale Certificate legal status of the Association. The Civic Association Board has created this document

for our neighborhood. It explains our voluntary nature and social organization functions, and also how the Brook Park Swim Club and its dues work. If you are selling your house, contact Brook Park Treasurer, Dennis Moul, for a free Resale Certificate for your property (some HOA's charge a lot of money for these, Brook Park provides them for free). Your realtor and your buyer will appreciate you having this official documentation in advance.

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. View and print a copy the protective covenants at www.brookparkmanor.com.

Save the Date Calendar

**Local Borough/Township dates of interest will be included when information is available — For a more comprehensive list, refer to your Borough/Township website, calendar, or office.

August 20, 2016	N/A	DEADLINE: To Sign Up for Pig Roast
August 27, 2016	12-10 p.m.	Pig Roast & Family Picnic
September 10, 2016	12:30-9 p.m.	McCandless Community Day
September 11, 2016	7 p.m.	Civic Board Meeting @ Sir Pizza Party Room
October 2, 2016	7 p.m.	Civic Board Meeting @ Sir Pizza Party Room
October 17, 2016**	N/A	Leaf Pick-Up Begins—Town Of McCandless Residents
October 31, 2016	6-8 p.m.	Trick or Treat

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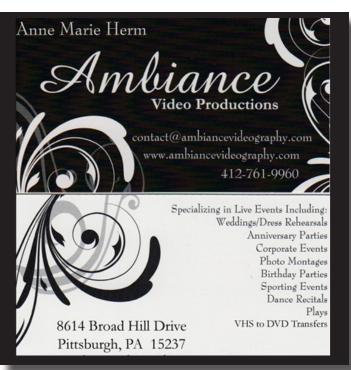
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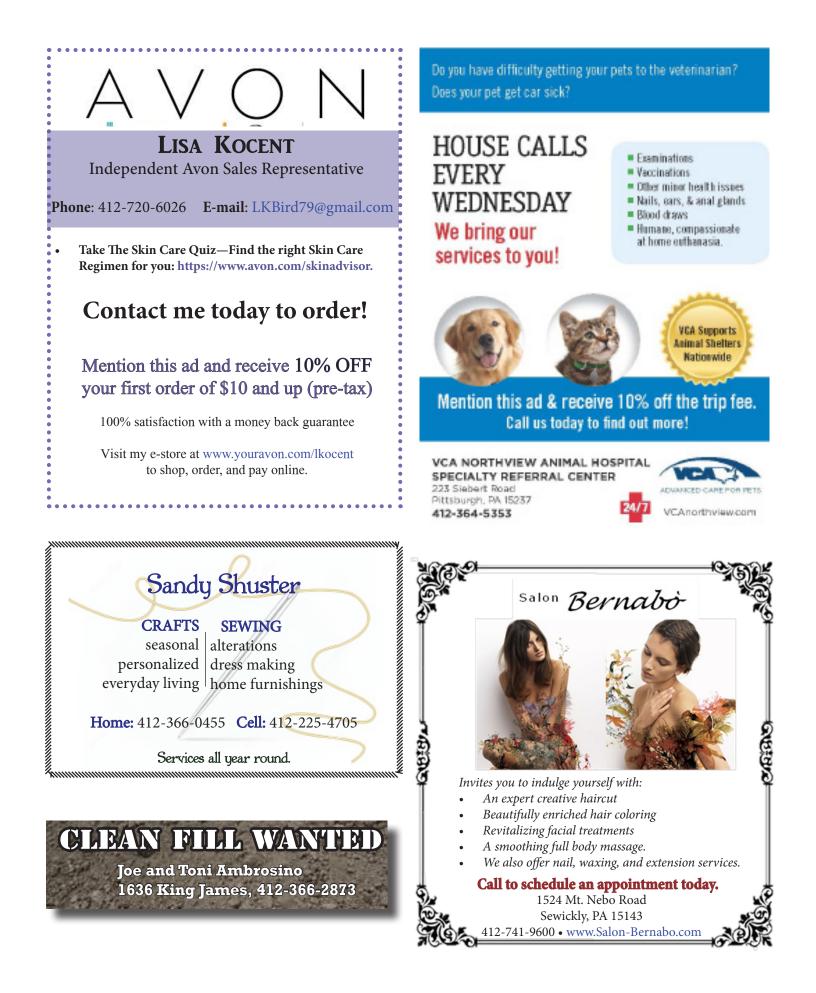
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References Available

Feeling tired or stressed? Need some alone time away from the kids?

I'm more than happy to make your life a little easier by:

- Tutoring elementary school-aged children (\$5/hour tutoring and babysitting)
- Pet and/or house sitting while you're away on vacation (\$7/day - pet sitting; \$2/day - house sitting)

MOM, NEED A BREAK ? CALL MAGGIE BRIDGES MOTHERS HELPER!

CONTACT INFORMATION CELL-(412)-593-2203 EMAIL-22MABRIDGES72@NORTHALLEGHENY.ORG

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I'm a 7th grader at Ingomar Middle. I have Red Cross Basic CPR Training. I'm available to come to your house or a pool. I have a big family with lots of children, so I have lots of experience.

Interviews welcome!

DO YOU NEED A BABYSITTER?

If you're in need of a responsible, fun babysitter? Contact **Mila Kalcevic**.

Call: 412-548-3215 or 412-726-4868 Email: mmkalcevic@gmail.com and kalcevicm@edc.pitt.edu (Interviews welcome!)

- Babysitting in the Brook Park area for over a year for a handful of families
- Available most weekdays and weekends (can stay late if needed)
- Will always arrive with activities and will certainly help with chores and homework too References are available.

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Haley Longo has been certified by the Safe Sitter program at St. Clair Hospital.

Contact: 412-508-4244 or haley.longo@yahoo.com

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- House sitting
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