## Brook Park Journal

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#### Celebrate our Brook Park Graduates!

What a year! The 2021 graduating class has demonstrated perseverance like none other in recent history and it's time to say CONGRATULATIONS. In the June 15 issue of the newsletter, we will publish our graduates (high school and college) as a way to say how proud we are of them. But, we need your help in order to acknowledge all of them! If you follow the link below, you can fill out THIS GOOGLE FORM with your graduate's name, where they are graduating from, future plans, favorite memory and whether or not you will be providing a picture. Please, email pictures directly to Theresa Wilkinson. Spread the word! We'd like to include as many Brook Park and Field Club graduates as possible. https://forms.gle/FEWeS6Xq29juVfcP9

**Deadline to submit this information is June 1.** Thank you for helping us celebrate their accomplishment and congratulations graduates! Please contact Theresa Wilkinson with any info or questions. <a href="www.wilkinson.theresa@gmail.com">wilkinson.theresa@gmail.com</a>

#### Garage Sale: Save the Date!

It's the year for it...yep, it's time...it's the year...it's GARAGE SALE YEAR! We will hold the bi-annual neighborhood garage sale

#### Saturday June 5, 8-Noon.

Start cleaning out your closets, redd up your cupboards, shovel out the cellar and get ready to turn that stuff into cash! Want to see this happen? Then we need your help. We need people to help advertise and organize this sale. We already have a chairperson (thank you Sally Swegan) but your help could mean more money for all of us by getting the word out, so reach out to Sally today:

sallyswegan@gmail.com

#### Scavenger Hunt, April 24-25

Back by popular demand, it's the neighborhood wide scavenger hunt! This event was so popular in 2020 that we are bringing it back for 2021. Please view the PDF flyer on Page 8 for full details. Here is the idea:

- 1. Pick an object that would currently be out of place on your property (i.e., skeleton, Christmas tree, traffic cone)
- 2. Email Heather Byers

byers heather@hotmail.com your home address and your object. She will compile a list of objects by street, addresses hidden, for people to go hunting.

- 3. Place that object somewhere on your property that is visible from the public sidewalk <u>during the evening</u> of **Friday, April 23**.
- 4. The list will be made available the evening of Friday, April 23. Neighborhood "hunters" will have 2 full days: Saturday, April 24 and Sunday, April 25 (until 5 PM) to find the items on the list.
- Fill out your scavenger hunt sheet and return to Kat Cottone, 902 Meadowcrest <u>by 5 PM</u> Sunday, April 25.



#### **Pool News**

It has been a busy spring at the Brook Park Swim Club and it is hard to believe

there are less than 50 days until we open. You probably noticed the excavator making a big pile of dirt and wondered what they were doing. The short answer is that there was a blockage in the drain line. The only way down was to dig, then jack hammer through concrete, then shovel out muck, then repair. It was a lot of work, but we are now set for the next 30 years and have a way access in the future, if needed. The next steps are draining and painting. Once the paint is cured, we can start filling and get the new pump and automatic chlorination system running. Your support has allowed us to repair and replace the necessary mechanical equipment that keeps the water flowing.

Once Memorial Day gets here, our events committee has plenty in store to make this pool season great! Follow us on Instagram (@brookparkswimclub) to stay up to date.

We want to thank all of our volunteers who have donated their time and talents to get the pool ready for this swim season. Thank You, Thank You!

#### Weekly Food Trucks for April/May:

April 21 - Hott Dawgz and Hot Bunz (4-7)

April 25 (Sun) - Urban Trail Coffee (8:30-10:30)

April 28 - Ash and Kris (4:30-7)

May 5 - PGH Halal (4-7)

May 12 - Aviva Pizza , beer and wine will be available (4-7)

May 15 (Sat) - Knock About Coffee (9-11)



#### Butterfly of the Month by Ruth McBurney Quint

The Eastern Comma is one of the first butterflies to arrive in Brook Park every spring. You won't see the Comma in your butterfly garden -- it doesn't feed on nectar. Instead, it eats tree sap and rotting fruit. Commas live in the woods, but the males come to the edge of the woods to display in a sunny spot on a tree trunk or fence, hoping to attract a female. When they are displaying, you can see their bright orange coloring, and unusual sculpted edge on the wing. When they fold their wings



they look like an old, brown leaf. A small comma-shaped mark on the underside of wing gives them their name. They are shy, but since they enjoy "wood views" and the edges of "broad lawns," you can spot them this month in Brook Park.

#### **Easter Egg Hunt Recap**

On March 27, Brook Park hosted the return of the annual Easter Egg Hunt and it was welcomed back with open arms! The event was organized by Holly Kikel and Becky Sunderland and there were lots of helping hands on that beautiful morning. Shout outs go to Lauren and Elizabeth Vales, Tennille Bunger, Mike Bauer, Sarah Rattigan, Jenn Kutlenios, Jami Heffley and Kristin Sullivan! Many, many thanks to all of you!

58 children gathered at Wall Park for the opportunity to find eggs, complete crafts, play games and share goodies. One golden egg per age group was hidden among the others for a special prize. Finders of those special eggs were James Timmins (ages 1-3), Gracie Spencer (ages 4-6) and Oliva Kikel (ages 7-12). Congrats kids! They were not the only special winners of the day. Organizers put together guessing games in which participants had to guess the number of items in the jars. The three closest guessers were Ashlee Karayusuf, Lia Copeland and Liam Salamacha. Great job!

We are so glad to have been able to welcome this tradition back! Again a huge thank you to all who helped and great job kids!



#### **Our Old Friend Sophie**



We received this wonderful update on Sophie the Cow, who formerly resided at the Fassinger Farm. Big thanks to June Fassinger Hahn for keeping in touch!

Hi Brook Park Neighborhood, I've had a lot of friendly people asking me how Sophie is doing and I am so happy to report that she is doing very well, has adjusted to her new home and is quite spoiled!

Thank you everyone ~June

#### Heroes 4 Hannah: Hannah is Feeling Great!

Hannah has had a wonderful month at home and she's feeling better than ever. She's beginning her first of five cycles of immunotherapy on April 20th. She will be staying in the hospital for 5 days getting an antibody treatment to help her body fight new cancer cells as they come. This is accompanied by taking a pretty intense oral med called Accutane and getting shots in her leg at home. The cycle is 28 days and we will do this all 5 times. Hannah's family appreciates the continued support they receive from neighbors and appreciate all the prayers, thoughts and well wishes as they start this intense, and hopefully FINAL phase of her protocol treatment! GO HANNAH!

#### **Call for Submissions**

Don't forget! You can share your expertise in our From the Pros section. What helpful hints can you share with our neighborhood? What is your favorite memory of Brook Park? We would all love to hear it! Submit it and it will be featured in our "Resident Reflections" section. Your kids can be featured as well, and we'd love to share birth announcements or other good news! Please share their artwork and writing so we can all celebrate them! Submissions can be a PDF of a scan or a picture. All submissions can be sent to wilkinson.theresa@gmail.com.



#### **VOTE! VOTE! VOTE!**

Make sure your voice is heard! There are important primary election dates approaching.

May 3 Last day to register or update registration before the primary

May 11 Last day to request a mail-in ballot or

vote OTC

May 18 Primary

You can visit <u>votespa.com</u> to register, update, request, track upcoming elections and more. This is a handy website to visit if you have any question regarding any election.

#### **PennDOT Innovation Winner!**

A huge CONGRATULATIONS to Brook Park's Ben Quint who, along with teammate Brendan White, won PennDOT's regional Innovation Challenge.

Students across PA were asked to come up with solutions to address the state's transportation revenue shortfall. They were tasked with identifying new means of funding that do not rely on additional fuel taxes, tolls or mileage-based user fees.

Ben and Brendan proposed an idea involving restructuring the way PennDOT registers vehicles. The solution proposed increasing revenue while also incorporating a rebate structure for vehicle owners based on the amount spent in fuel taxes the previous year. This helped to take into account the shift to electric vehicles.

Ben was quoted as saying, "For me, one of the best parts of the competition is that this solution has a real-life application and it is something that we could actually start using in Pennsylvania. Our solution shifts the way registration fees take place and helps to prevent a future revenue leak from electric vehicles."





Both

Ben

and

Brendan are 10th graders in NA and will now move on to compete in the statewide challenge. Congratulations to both!

## Summer Safety Tips for Walking and Driving in Brook Park

Spring is here along with nicer weather, which means Summer is just around the corner! As the weather becomes more inviting, plans for outdoor activities are being made with our families, friends and



neighbors. Being outside is a great way to socialize, and still adhere to social distancing guidelines that remain in place. Here are a few tips to stay safe while enjoying our great neighborhood!



For those who walk in Brook Park, here are some basic tips to make your walk safer:

•Make eye contact with drivers before crossing a street.

•If you wear earbuds, make sure you can still be aware of your surroundings while enjoying your music or podcast.

- Avoid using your phone while crossing streets.
- Watch for turning vehicles at intersections or on bends.
- Pay attention to all vehicular and bicycle traffic.
- Use sidewalks if possible.

For drivers and bicyclists, here are some basic safety tips for traveling through Brook Park:

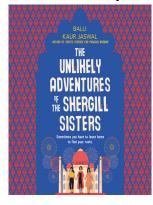
- Be alert at all times.
- Adhere to stop signs at intersections in the neighborhood.
- Watch your speed, especially while going around bends and through intersections.
- Be aware of children playing and pedestrians on the street.
- Make eye contact with pedestrians who may be on the street/crossing at an intersection.
- Consider parking in your driveway instead of on the street. Cars parked at street level cause difficulty for drivers and pedestrians – causing them to swerve around and make it difficult for both to safely see each other.

Let's work together and continue to keep Brook Park a safe neighborhood!



April Showers Bring May Flowers

#### Book Review by Ruth McBurney Quint: "The Unlikely Adventures of the Shergill Sisters"



Travel lovers know that you always see things from a new perspective when you go to a different place, especially things that are very familiar to you. And, what could be more familiar than your siblings?

In "The Unlikely Adventures of the Shergill Sisters," by Balli Kaur Jaswal, three adult sisters travel to India together to fulfill their mother's dying request by completing a pilgrimage she always meant to make. The Shergill sisters, Rajni, Shirina, and Jezmeen, are second-generation immigrants, whose parents moved from India to England before the girls were born. The three women are, of course, very different from each other. The oldest, Rajni, is responsible (and maybe a little judgemental). Shirina tries not to make waves (and is maybe a bit of a perfectionist). Jezmeen is outgoing and flashy (and maybe a little self-centered.)

The narration shifts between the different viewpoints of the three women, allowing you to understand all three from different angles. Each sister arrives in India with an embarrassing secret, and all of the secrets are discovered during the "unlikely adventure." The story touches on issues of immigrant culture and the status of women in India, but the main themes are universal: Three sisters can share a childhood, but experience it in very different ways. It is difficult, (but possible!), to break out of childhood roles and meet your siblings on new terms as adults.

The author is very generous with all of her characters, making this an enjoyable read. The opportunity to do some international "travel" with them is an added bonus in a year like this.

#### **Days of Celebration**

We're back again with this month's round up of national

days, because we all need reasons to celebrate! As always, links have been provided, when possible, to help you with your celebrations.

#### **APRIL**

April 16 National Wear Your Pajamas To Work

April 18 National Animal Crackers Day

April 20 National Pineapple Upside Down Cake Day Want a recipe? Try this one. If you don't

want to go to the trouble of making the cake from scratch, substitute a yellow cake mix.

April 21 National Administrative Professionals Day

April 22 Earth Day!

April 23 National Picnic Day

National Talk Like Shakespeare Day

April 26 National Pretzel Day

April 28 National Superhero Day

Denim Day

April 30 National Bugs Bunny Day National Hairstylist Appreciation Day

#### **MAY**

May I May Day

National Chocolate Parfait Day
No recipe needed! Just layer chocolate
pudding and whipped cream!

May 2 National Lemonade Day

May 4 Star Wars Day! May the 4th be with

you!

National Teacher Appreciation Day

May 5 Cinco de Mayo!

It's not Mexico's independence day.
What is it celebrating? Mexico's defeat

of Napoleon's army. Follow this link for more.

May 6 National Nurses Day

May 7 National Space Day

May 8 National Have a Coke Day National Miniature Golf Day

May 9 Mother's Day

May 10 National Clean Up Your Room Day

May 11 National Eat What You Want Day

May 14 National Dance Like a Chicken Day

Want the chicken dance music to

celebrate? Find it <a href="here">here</a>
May 15 National Chocolate Chip Day - YUM!

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#### Resident Reflections: 1983 Home Expo, Final Edition

We are back to go back in time, one final time, to the 1983 Northern Pittsburgh Home Expo. The flux capacitor is fluxing and we're about to hit 88 MPH! Hold on for this final ride.



Fabulous Contemporary built with a California lifestyle in mind!! Immediately upon entering you'll see what makes this home special and different! The unique sunken lounge w built-in seating pit that snuggles up to a brick fire-place flows into the oversized family room with wet bar that issoright for entertaining. Sliding doors lead to the large level

There is a large living room and dining room with floor to ceiling windows for lots of natural sunlight; and a conveniently located powder room off the two-story located powder room off the two-story open foyer. The main attraction on this floor is the curved gournet kitchen loaded with glass and equipped with the latest appliances including Ø Keefe & Merritt's convertable grill and cooktop, microwave oven, built-in oven, dishwasher and dis-posal. The curved countertops are of imported ceramic tile. Open beyond the kitchen is the sun-lit breakfast room with sliding doors to the patio. The wall cover ings are coordinated with the contempo-rary lines of this home.

The staircase is hand made in solid oak and leads to the second floor. There are %

large bedrooms, with a separate Master

Suite and its own private sitting room. The curved, vaulted sitting room off the master bedroom is for those who enjoy a quiet reading. This room can also adapt to a den or fourth bedroom. The Master Bath is elegantly appointed with full shower, double bowl vanity, whirlpool tub, and high ceilings.

There is a large laundry room on the second floor and two other bedrooms, one with a 'surprise' loft that would be a delightful escape for teenagers, an exciting place for a slumber party, an artist's loft, or whatever your imagination can think off.

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A full bath, pull-down attic stairs and
planters complete the second floor.
This home also has a full basement and
a two-car garage. If features an alarm
system: concrete driveway; extra large treated wood deck; heavy insulation treated wood deck; neavy insulation package; new energy-efficient furnace double insulated aluminum clad wood windows; Imported hand-carved front doors, landscaping and quality construc tion thru-out.
This beautiful and unusual Contempo

ary home is another in a fine collection elegant homes built by Pelly Custom

The first stop on memory lane this month is the home of Ian Lindsay and Chrissy O'Lare. Chrissy grew up about two miles from our fair neighborhood. Her mom not only remembers the '83 Housing Expo, but attended as well and all were excited to see the original vision of their home.

The brochure offers quite a description and a lot to live up to! How does the home compare? Chrissy stated, "When we were house hunting, this was the first house that we looked at that we both really liked, but at no time have we ever thought we were living the 'California lifestyle."

Like many of the other descriptions from the brochure, this one left the homeowners wondering, where is that in my home. Chrissy stated, "The first thing we noticed about the plans was that the 'sunken lounge' is described as having a "built-in seating pit" but that is not the case now. We are not sure if it was the first owners or the builder who replaced the small windows in that room with big windows and removed the built-in seats, but they are no longer there and we would have liked to have seen it." She went to discuss their kitchen. "We didn't realize that we had a 'gourmet kitchen' but maybe that's because the original appliances are long gone (and neither of us are very good cooks). Last year we ripped out the kitchen counters covered with 'imported ceramic tile' which was mauve. And we always thought that the kitchen table was in the kitchen; we didn't realize it sat in the 'breakfast room."

These were not the only things that stood out to Chrissy and Ian. Chrissy went on to say, "Two other questions were answered by this description. We wondered, 'who was really into wallpaper?' and it sounds like the builder may have installed at least some of it. We also wondered when the deck was added. The description mentions a large backyard, but it would be more accurate to say we have a large deck which seems to have been included in the original design."

Chrissy concluded by stating that her mom remembered visiting this home back in 1983 and remembered liking it. She even believes it was one of the award winners!



#### the Heritage

This spacious 2500 sq. ft. two story Colonial has four bedrooms and two and one half baths. The family will love the aised paneled family room, especially on hose crisp evenings because of the aised hearth fireplace and beamed ceiling. The deluxe kitchen has a break-ast area and butcher block island for naximum working and convenience. The instituti working and convenence. In irst floor laundry room has a mud room intrance for access to outside. The naster bedroom has a large walk-in loset and dressing area for that extra invenence. A large wood deck off the greakfast area in rear leads to laundry oom and rear yard.

Our final trip down memory lane is the home of Suzanne Filiaggi and her three kids Nick, Maggie and Anna Bridges.

This family is truly at the heart of Brook Park in so many ways, as is their beautiful home. Suzanne and family are only the 3rd owners of the home and have truly made this house (and the neighborhood) home. Suzanne stated, "My gut reaction to the article is one of pride. We are only the 3rd owner of this house and we have certainly made it into "Our Home" over the past 20 years. We were told that it was a Model home and thus had a few cosmetic upgrades such as the raised paneling in the family room and the intricate inlaid wood trayed ceiling in the dining room. We also have dentil crown moulding on the first floor and stained hardwood trim around all windows and doors."

Unlike the other homes featured in this series, the description was accurate with the exception of the deck which was supposed to wrap around to the mud room door. Since that laundry room

door to the outside serves no real purpose, Suzanne did state she wishes the builders would have completed that as planned. We are so lucky to have Suzanne and family as part of our Brook Park community.

#### Thank you to all of these neighbors for sharing the history of your home with us!



#### New Feature: Entertainment Reviews by Melissa French

A review of Nomadland

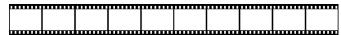
Most of us who watch movies are familiar with at least some of the tropes of the classic Western film. The grizzled and weary protagonist, often isolated and not fit for company. A loner on a mission or summoned, once again, to the fight. This character is often struggling with their own grief and loss, and through that search or fight or struggle finds themselves again, usually with the help of others they met along the way. The awe-inspiring landscape of the American West doesn't hurt either. It's a balm for the soul. Fern, the main character of Nomadland, is no different as a protagonist for a modern American

Western--grizzled, weary and bristly around others. She's in a Western where the fight is not against "Indians" or train robbers or cattle rustlers, but against the expectations of others and the trauma of loss and a change in circumstances. She receives physical and spiritual help from others, but also becomes even more herself.

Nomadland is based on a nonfiction book by Jessica Bruder, Nomadland: Surviving America in the Twenty-First Century. The film combines traditional genres--it is a sort of fictional documentary, with the vast majority of actors playing a version of themselves. Frances McDormand (who was raised in the suburbs of Pittsburgh) who plays Fern is one of only a few professional actors in the film. And she's an actor of such astounding ability that she pulls off the near impossible. You forget almost entirely that she is a multi-Oscar winning movie star, her performance is so spare and so intimate. This is aided by the frequent use of a close-up, single, hand held camera. It feels real because it is real. It's the American Dream, warts and all.

I'm trying to resist getting too English teacher-y on the visual and narrative symbolism in this film. I'll mostly let you discover it for yourself. You don't have to look hard for it; it's there in visual and literal poetry. There is a scene at the end of Nomadland that is a direct homage to The Searchers (1956) starring John Wayne (after you watch, see what I'm talking about check it out here). It is an homage, but also a reclamation of a typically problematic film genre. And, just as I was thinking how this film is the antithesis of everything American cinema has become known for this century, the director/editor Chloé Zhao shows us that she knows it, too.A beautiful night time shot of an older single screen movie theater, lit up with neon, and advertising THE AVENGERS is shown just briefly as Fern walks by. The push and pull between fantasy and reality within our American selves and stories projected for just a moment on screen, is showing us who we are. The beautiful landscapes of the Badlands, of deserts and mountains contrast with the most human and mundane tasks... the laundry always needs doing, no matter who or where you are. And deciding who you are and where you want to be is a recurring theme of most great films, whether they be Avengers adjacent or a small, docu-fiction Western film.

This film has already won numerous awards. I am thankful that some smaller films were able to get attention in a year like 2020, when many larger releases were held back. I didn't feel like this film lost anything by being watched at home rather than on a big screen. It is such an intimate and spare (in the best way) vision that it almost seemed better for watching it in familiar surroundings. Nomadland is currently streaming on Hulu. It is rated R. I'd love to hear comments or suggestions at mgrfrench@gmail.com.



#### TIPS FROM THE PROS

#### Give your home a quick "Spring Refresh"

Spring is here! Bring the warmth indoors with a quick spring refresh. Some of our favorite tips include:

- Stop by a local grocery store to pick up a vase of tulips, daffodils, or hyacinth to place around your home
- · Lighten up your interior with new area rugs in brighter colors like yellows or even reds
- · Replace blinds or heavy curtains with breezy sheers
- · Apply a fresh coat of paint in neutral colors like grey and beige that match any decor. Throw in a pillow to add a pop of color.

If Spring means you're planning a move, we can help with that, too! Trust Mindy + Darla team to help you through the home buying or selling process. There's a reason we're called "Your Friends in Real Estate!" Contact me: Darla Carcia - your Brook Park Neighbor!

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#### Freshen Up your Home: Tips from Jess Deible, Design Consultant

This past year, most people have been spending more time in their homes than they have in the past. This means many have also become sick of their surroundings. We want something new to look at! This might be why the housing market is so hot right now. For those of you who don't want to pick up and move, but still want new surroundings, we have some words of advice from Jess Deible, interior decorator and owner of The Painted Nest. What follows are her bits of wisdom from a recent interview.



We've all been cooped up in our homes a lot lately. For those of us who are sick of our surroundings, what can you offer as quick and easy changes we can make to freshen things up a bit? One of my favorite

ways to freshen a space that's inexpensive and fun is pillows! You can never have enough pillows. It's even nice to switch pillows out for the seasons. You can always find inexpensive, good quality pillows at places like HomeGoods and Marshalls. Similar to your holiday decorations, it can be fun to pack up one season's pillows and get out the next.

A fresh coat of paint also can work wonders. I love to help people choose paint colors and it's fun to see their reaction when they see what a huge difference a new paint color can make. In addition, if a space is looking dated, new lighting from places such as Wayfair or Amazon, won't break the bank but can quite literally brighten-up a space.

I also always like to add some fresh flowers in my house and my clients' homes. They offer a bright spot especially on a cloudy day. Trader Joe's sells fresh flowers at great prices and they seem to last forever, as long as you freshen the water every day or two.

If you have some older, dated furniture that you don't want to spend money on replacing, chalk paint is a great alternative. It's easy to use and doesn't require much prep work. If this is something you're interested in learning more about I suggest reading about Annie Sloan chalk paints online or feel free to call me.

What advice would you have for people who want to make a change but are afraid they'll hate what they do. If someone wants to make a big change - an addition, kitchen or bath renovation, or finishing a basement - I recommend investing in getting a professional drawing. When doing a kitchen renovation, most cabinetry companies provide you with a simple rendering of the layout, which helps clients visualize the final product. I team up with another designer who does drawings for larger projects.

Larger projects usually involve contractors which can be tough to find. Another challenge is coordinating what the contractor will be responsible for versus what the homeowner will be doing. For example, even when working with a contractor, the homeowner is usually still responsible for designing the layout, choosing materials and finishes which can be intimidating. A designer can be a good middle man in these scenarios.

Finally, I recommend that clients do projects in phases. Taking on too much at once can be overwhelming and taking it slowly allows you to live with the changes to make sure you are happy with the direction while having a master plan or drawing will help you maintain steady progress.

What is the number one mistake you see people make that you'd like us all to avoid? Always, always, always take the time to try paint samples on the walls in a room before committing to a color. It's amazing how different colors read in different people's homes. Everyone's lighting is different, especially natural light. I recommend trying a few different colors and putting them on each wall (two coats!) in the room and living with them for a few days so that you can see how the colors look throughout the day and on different days such as cloudy versus sunny. Trust me, it's worth the time and the samples are generally inexpensive. If you are stuck, I have dozens of samples and a color wheel to get you started. This is one of my favorite aspects of my job.



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- · Paint color consultations
- · Personal decor shopping
- Staging
- · Furniture painting
- · Renovation planning and management

Any advice for how to arrange furniture in a room?

Choose one focal point and arrange around that. For example, you don't want your focal point in your family room to be your television. It should be your fireplace or pretty windows or an interesting piece of art on the wall. Another example is the bedroom, it's nice to walk in the room and see the bed. Especially with some nice bedding and fun pillows!

#### Jess Deible is the owner of The Painted Nest, a design consulting service based right here in Brook Park!

You can reach Jess at 724-996-8363 or paintednest @gmail.com.







# 2nd Annual BROOK PARK Neighborhood Scavenger Hunt April 24-25, 2021

Back by popular demand, it's the neighborhood wide scavenger hunt! Started as a way to keep our neighbors occupied during quarantine, this event was so popular that we are bringing it back for 2021. Here's what to do...

- 1. **Pick an object that would currently be out of place on your property** (i.e., skeleton, Christmas tree, traffic cone)
- 2. **Email Heather Byers** <u>byers\_heather@hotmail.com</u> your home address and your object. She will compile a list of objects by street, addresses hidden, for people to go hunting.
- 3. Place that object somewhere on your property that is visible from the public sidewalk <u>during the evening</u> of **Friday, April 23**.
- 4. The list will be made available the evening of Friday, April 23. Neighborhood "hunters" will have 2 full days: **Saturday, April 24 and Sunday, April 25** (until 5 PM) to find the items on the list.
- 5. Fill out your scavenger hunt sheet and return to Kat Cottone, 902 Meadowcrest by 5 PM Sunday, April 25.

#### What else do you need to know?

- If you are hiding objects on your property, please email Heather by **Wednesday**, **April 21**.
- Place the object on your property by bedtime
   <u>Friday, April 23.</u> This will give our Saturday early hunters a fighting chance.
- The hunting list will go live Friday evening, April 23, with hunting to begin Saturday, April 24 and continue through Sunday April 25 at 5 PM.
- Return completed sheets to Kat Cottone, 902
   Meadowcrest, by 5 PM Sunday, April 25.
- Be respectful of others property.



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