

Brook Park Journal



Manorays Are The Champs!

Brook Park Swim Club proudly hosted the Manorays in their annual community swim team season. It was an OUTSTANDING year! Our Manorays swam a perfect 7-0 season. The team's success is due to contributions of neighborhood support, from parents, coaches & volunteers to concessions, raffle sales, time keeping and organizing, plus all those super duper kids! This season would NOT have been possible without the wonderful community efforts. Way to go Manorays! And THANK YOU all!

Food Trucks

Keep your summer evenings simple by visiting these fab food trucks in the coming weeks. Check your email weekly for updates & details!

- Weds, Aug 3 B's Sips of Summer, 4-7p
- Weds, Aug 17 Benvenutis Pizza Truck 4-7p
- Weds, Sept 7 Kilimanjaro, 4-7p
- Weds, Oct 5 Cilantro and Ajo, 4-7p

Save the Date

- Brook Park "Back Yard BBQ" at the Pool, Sunday August 28
- Annual Corn Hole Tournament, Saturday Sept 3, Labor Day Weekend



New Events in Brook Park!

Walking Club

Is there an event or group you would like to start? What do you

Fantasy Football

wish your neighborhood offered? This is your opportunity to make that happen and WE WILL help you! We can help you organize, advertise and/or

Gaming Night

Golf Outing

recruit to make your vision a reality. New events have been added even in recent years such as the

scavenger hunt, bonfire. Maybe you have an idea, but don't want to

Bike Parade

take the lead? That's okay too! Tell us what you would like to see and we'll see if we can find a coordinator. Let's keep Brook Park alive and vital!

[Tap or click here to tell us your idea.](#)

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New for '22: Social Groups & Events?

Not that long ago, in a land actually quite close, a group of women met and brainstormed what kinds of social groups and events they wanted to see happen in their neighborhood during the coming school year. This meeting happened every year until the social groups and events just stuck and became tradition. Over the years, new events and groups have been added, some have been modified and some have quietly ended, but the tradition has continued, and aren't we glad it has! Yes, this is the story of how Brook Park Manor's social groups began, and all of us who have lived in this neighborhood have benefitted from those early meetings. Some events such as the Halloween parade and Easter egg hunt came because residents grew up with such events in their home towns and wanted resident kids to have similar experiences. Others, like Creative Cooking, came about because people liked the idea and just wanted to try it out.

Now it's our turn to carry that torch and keep the tradition alive. You can find a list of traditionally offered social groups and events in the right-hand column here -> Take a look and decide what you want to participate in. Bonus points if you want to help coordinate one! [please tap or click here.](#)

NEW NEIGHBOR WELCOME

Please give a warm Brook Park welcome to: Marissa, Dylan & Myla (and fur baby Halo), who now live at 9042 Woodview!
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The Barash-White family recently moved to Brook Park from Regent Square. Marissa is a Clinical Psychologist while Dylan is a Media Producer. Their hobbies are spending time with their dog, walking, dining out, movies & outdoor activities. They have 3 week old Myla Lillian Barash-White. Welcome to the Brook Park family, Marissa, Dylan & Myla!!



Traditional Social Groups

Below, you will find a list of long standing Brook Park social groups. Most typically meet once a month. What is written here is what has happened in the past. Current leaders and members are welcome to take these groups in the directions they see fit. If you are interested in joining and/or chairing/co-chairing any of the groups below, [please tap or click here.](#)

6 Pack & A Snack

Akin to happy hour, this group is open to all 21+. Participants BYOB and snacks and enjoy each other's company.

Book Swap

This group has traditionally met once a month. Members bring books they have finished, sharing plots and swap with others during meetings.

Bunco

Bunco is a fun and easy dice game. Traditionally, there have been two bunco groups, one that meets once a month on Tuesdays and one that meets once a month on Thursdays. The Thursday group is a long standing, established group that is not currently taking new members.

Creative Cooking

This women only group meets once a month on Wednesdays to play with food. Monthly meetings have included presentations on wine and wine pairings, pasta making demonstration, mixed drink instructions, dinners, pot lucks, dinner out and many, many more.

Kid Connection

This is a neighborhood play group that has met once a month. It is a great opportunity for kids to meet, socialize and play as well as their caregivers.

Don't forget, there's always room for more! Have something you want to add? [Tap or click here.](#)



Traditional Brook Park Events

Each year over the past several decades, Brook Park hosts numerous fun, family oriented events around the neighborhood. Below is a list of all the great events you can attend and/or help organize. But, don't be afraid to invent a new one! Times have changed and events can be added or changed too! If you are interested in coordinating or assisting with any of the events, [please tap or click here](#), and THANK YOU! Questions before you take the plunge? Feel free to contact Heather Byers at byers_heather@hotmail.com.

Halloween Parade

Typically the Saturday before Halloween, participants young and old dress up and parade through a section of Brook Park, preceded by a section of the NA Band and the local firefighters and trucks. A fun day for all ages!

Adult Fall Social

Formerly an adult Halloween party, this event also has been dormant for several years. Lately we've heard talk of reviving this as an Oktoberfest or brewery crawl

Luminaries:

Candle, sand and bag kits are sold, and luminaries line the sidewalks on the evening of Christmas Eve. Look for kit sales to begin around Thanksgiving!

Holiday Bonfire

Traditionally held in December, this neighborhood wide event includes a tree lighting, Santa arriving on a firetruck, cookies and caroling. The evening culminates in a bonfire in the pool parking lot.

Santa Visits

Good old St Nick can be scheduled to visit your humble abode on or around Christmas Eve!

Egg Hunt

A traditional Easter egg hunt is typically held at Wall Park on Sloop Rd., about a week before Easter. Open to all!

Plant Swap

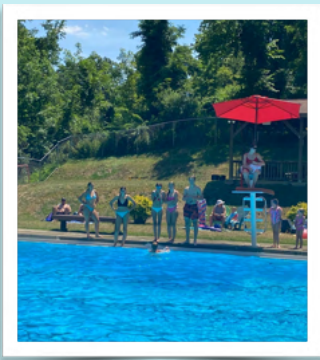
Over the years we've done this in the pool parking lot or in an online swap during the early spring. Residents come together with plants from their yard they no longer love or need to be divided. Participants can browse what everyone brings and trade, take or give what they are interested in. Once an annual event, it has not been held in a while but there has been interest in seeing it return.

Neighborhood Wide Garage Sale

A bi-annual event, 2023 is the year! Save your stuff and look for a date this coming spring. With over 300 homes in the neighborhood, this can be a great opportunity!

BROOK PARK POOL NEWS

It has been a great pool season at The Brook Park Swim Club! The weather has been wonderful for lots of time spent poolside with friends, making great new memories. The pool has already hosted many events including an end of school celebration, men's night, bunco, tie dye, floats while you float and more. July 4th was a "splashing" success with lots of games and activities for everyone. As we look into the future, the pool will be hosting a movie night, corn hole tournament, beer exchange, and more. We are truly fortunate to have this asset in our community!



TIPS FROM THE PROS

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It's time! Your house is ready to be turned over to its new owner. What can you do to help ensure that the process runs smoothly?

- Remove all furniture. Do not leave anything in the home without buyer approval.
- Follow the motto "if it's attached to the home, it should stay with the home." Leave TV mounts, curtain rods, security cameras, Ring doorbells, and mounted shelves behind.
- Leave keys, garage fobs, a list of codes, & appliance manuals on the kitchen counter.
- Double check the sales contract inclusions; make sure that all obligations are fulfilled.
- Change your mailing address with post office.
- Ask utilities to take bills out of your name, effective closing day. Don't turn them off!



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★★★★★ 10 weeks ago

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Regina Rivers
★★★★★ 12 weeks ago

Kathy's skills at organizing astound me! She enters, assesses the situation and digs right in. She's energetic, efficient and trustworthy. Kathy understands the difference between memorabilia and clutter and works with her clients from this compassionate viewpoint. She knows that a cluttered space creates a cluttered mind and vice-versa. Want to free yourself from inner and outer clutter? Call Kathy!



Deborah Crawford
★★★★★ 29 weeks ago

Kathy helped me to organize my office which had not been done for 10 or 15 years. She took what was a mess and made it logical enough for me to use it all the time. Even when I came back from our Florida home to our PA home after five months. She is worth every penny and will make your life a lot easier if you hire her to do this organizing for you. I am able to find things that I never thought I could find with her help.

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