

# THE BROOKSHIRE GRAPEVINE

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**FROM BROOKSHIRE LLP:** A note from the Brookshire Office:

2020 has been a tough year for so many! There are differing opinions on the many issues surrounding COVID-19, and we appreciate that you are all working together and being patient, kind and respectful to others.

We are so looking forward to the time (hopefully very soon) when the coffee shop and the rest of Community Center can be opened and operating as 'normal'

We wish you all blessings in the New Year!



**BOARD OF THE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION QUARTERLY REPORT:**  
We hope you had a safe and healthy Holiday Season.

Our next Quarterly Homeowners Meeting will be held **virtually** on January 16<sup>th</sup>. We have purchased a Zoom license that will allow us to hold a meeting with up to 100 callers. People will be able to see and hear one another from the safety of their own homes as we conduct the meeting. Unfortunately, we have not figured out how to provide coffee and donuts. Instructions will be coming shortly and will include a link and password to the meeting.

**Reminders:**

~~On Tuesdays (trash day) please remember to place your bags and trash on the beauty strip, driveway entrance or curb. Nothing should be placed on a sidewalk.

~~Please do not blow or shovel snow into the street during or after a snowfall. This can cause a serious safety problem.

~~Use extra care when driving within the community for the safety of those who walk in our streets.

~~We are not a gated community and we should welcome outside people who are using our safe streets and sidewalks in a proper manner. We have no way of knowing if those walking are friends or relatives of residents, and they should be treated as guests in our neighborhood.

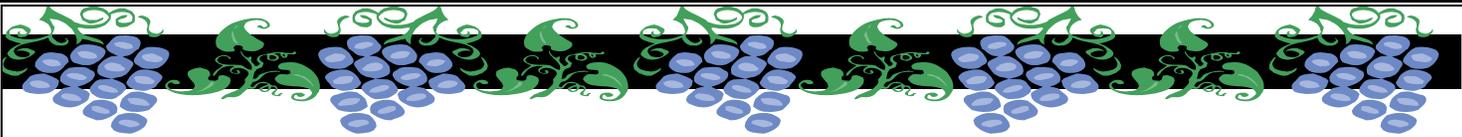
We hope to see you on January 16, 2021.



**WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS:**  
We are Brian and Sharon McGlynn, 980 Cambridge Drive. We moved here from Woodland Park, NJ, and originated from Hawthorne, NJ. We have one daughter. My past vocations were manager at Verizon, and manager at Rohsler's Allendale Nursery. Sharon was formerly a legal secretary. I enjoy gardening and cooking, while Sharon's interests include jigsaw puzzles, reading, and knitting.



**SAMARITAN'S PURSE UPDATE:**  
To the generous community of Brookshire: "What to my wondering eyes should appear..." Our Samaritan's Purse team was overwhelmed with your generosity this year. We collected 56 boxes for Operation



Christmas Child and took them to a receiving church in Ephrata to start them on their journey to a needy child. Thank you so much for doing your part with social distancing! God bless you! Joy Slavin, Gail Reed, and Priscilla Johnson



**LIBRARY COMMITTEE NEWS:**

The Library Committee continues to work together to make things safe for you to come and borrow books at the Community Center. Returned books are cleaned before being shelved. Christmas books remain available until our next meeting on January 14, 2021. We welcome you to come check out the new books each month.

Remember to return your books to the basket in the Community Newsroom and to not shelve them yourself. This allows them to be cleaned and shelved in the correct place.

The committee is looking for suggestions on ways to use the bottom shelves effectively instead of the unreachable top shelves. We need ideas on how to tip the books so that titles can be read while standing. Please get in touch with any library committee member if you have a clever idea.

Until next time, enjoy a few good books.

Committee Members: Linda Sample, Beth Connor, Elaine Juszynski, Kay Sandbrook, Dotty Smith. Jan Thomas, and Carol Toburen



**BOCCE LEAGUE UPDATE:** Seven teams of ladies played bocce for 7 weeks in September and early October. It was a great fall season to be outdoors and meet with neighbors over a game of bocce. The top team was Pat Drennan & Mim Freisen with seven wins. The 2nd highest scoring team was Margaret Price & Jayne Burns with four wins. Our next spring season will start

sometime in April when the weather gets warmer. Hopefully, we can get more teams of ladies, men, and coeds to play and make the season more interesting. So, pick your partners and plan to sign up in early April. Also, there will be days with scheduled hours during the a.m. or p.m. for open play. This will be for those who want extra playing time or who do not have a partner.



**DECORATING COMMITTEE by**

**Doris Wenger:** Even though we are socially distancing and not having planned events in the Community Center due to Covid, the Decorating Committee still wanted to celebrate the Christmas holiday. So, we downsized the process and three members of the Decorating Committee (Pat Drenan, Kay Hudak and Doris Wenger) worked together to create the holiday atmosphere in the upper level of the Community Center.

As 2021 approaches, I look forward to adding new members to the committee. If you have skills in floral arrangement and interior decorating, please consider joining the committee. Contact Doris Wenger, Decorating Committee Chair ([wengerd39@gmail.com](mailto:wengerd39@gmail.com)) if you are interested.



**PENN TOWNSHIP NEWS OF**

**INTEREST:** Toni Saghirian recently sent an inquiry to Penn Township regarding any news of a traffic signal at the dangerous intersection of Temperance Hill Road and Fruitville Pike. Mark Hiester responded: *“Yes, Toni, we expect to be putting the construction out for bid by January so the work can start in April – after getting up to \$1.45 million in state funding for the project recently.”*