





The Newsletter of the Penncross Knoll Homeowners Association

## **FROM THE BOARD**

Hello Residents of Penncross Knoll...

Summer has arrived early. Our landscaping has gone from too wet to mow to too dry to grow. This year at a small cost savings and consolidation of services, we are utilizing Western DuPage Landscaping to mow our greens and maintain the entryway irrigation system.

Did you know it is a state law that lawn sprinkler systems, fire protection systems, hot water heating, swimming pool fills are require to test and maintain an attached back flow preventer called RPZ? This is a check valve that prevents impurities from invading the water supply. You are required to pay the annual cost to a registered technician to certify that the RPZ is doing its job (info@aquabackflow.com). Kudos to Board member, Jeff, for locating and reattaching our RPZ to continue our regulatory compliance.

Moreover, as the hot dry days continue, please note that lawn sprinkling is only permitted during the hours of 6 to 10 am and 6 to10 pm. Property owners with odd numbered street addresses may use sprinklers on odd numbered days of the month. Conversely, evennumbered street addresses may use sprinklers on even-numbered days. By following these simple rules, the water police will be kept at bay. July | 2022

We are looking to find some neighbors to help with a few groups within our subdivision.

If you are interested, please send a note to us at penncrossknollhoa@ gmail.com.

We will communicate it in the website for those who need these services.

Dog walking Dog sitting Summer babysitting Lawn mowing (Not to be confused with actual vendors. This is neighbors helping neighbors.)

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## **Mark Your Calendar**



Get ready for a summertime tradition that features cold drinks, great food, and fabulous music! Naper Nights celebrates historic milestones in rock music and pop culture with themed tribute concerts throughout the summer. Rock out with your community as you eat, drink, dance, and hear the best tribute bands perform your favorite Rock, Pop, Motown, and Soul hits! More information and tickets at https://napersettlement.org/236/Naper-Nights

### COMMUNITY CONCERT SERIES LINE-UP

Bring your lawn chair and/or blankets and find your spot on the lawn! Gate opens at 5 pm each night with a pre-show performance by School of Rock. Friday, July 15 | 5 - 10 pm Red Hot Chili Peppers Tribute (8 pm) Red NOT Chili Peppers Blink-182 Tribute (6 pm) Blink-180TRUE Saturday, July 16 | 5 - 10 pm Pearl Jam Tribute (8 pm) The Ten Band Nirvana Tribute (6 pm) Smells Like Nirvana Friday, August 19 | 5 - 10 pm Bruce Springsteen Tribute (8 pm) Bruce in the USA Louisiana Party Music (6 pm) Hurricane Gumbo Saturday, August 20 | 5 - 10 pm Eric Clapton Tribute (8 pm) Journeyman Steely Dan Tribute (6 pm) **Brooklyn Charmers** 

### 2022 SUMMER PAINTED SCULPTURES – PICK UP TRUCKS!

Downtown Naperville is Cruising Into Summer! From book benches to hearts to dinosaurs to sailboats... we have had such fun and creative sculptures over the years! This year's sculpture theme is Cruising Into Summer. As a result, 16 amazing pick-up trucks will be scattered throughout the downtown area. From

early June through early September, wander around downtown and enjoy the painted



creations... 16 sculptures will be on display at various locations around downtown.

### 2022 LAST FLING IS A FREE EVENT!

Downtown Naperville from September 2 -6, 2022 - For more information and events and entertainment visit lastfling.org

# Canine&Feline



## **MEET FINLEY**

### Valek Family on Lapp Lane

Finley just turned 7 years old on the 4th of July. He is a mix breed of Golden Retriever and Brittany Spaniel. He loves potato chips his favorite treat. The Valek's actually went to adopt a kitten and came home with a puppy instead - BEST decision ever!

Do you have a family pet you would like for us all to meet? Please email us at penncrossknollhoa@gmail.com

### HEY PK HOMEOWNERS!

Want to share some favorite memories?

Send them to the Penncross Knolls email address penncrossknollhoa@ gmail.com or to Facebook's Neighbors of Penncross Knoll.

We would love to hear from you.



Thank you for supporting our homeless friends!

## **COME Train With Us!**

The Naperville Area Humane Society uses reward-based, positive reinforcement training methods based on an understanding of how animals learn.



### <u>PUPPY 101</u>

Puppy 101 is an open enrollment class. Each week will have a focus on a particular topic, as well as integrating appropriate, monitored puppy socializing. Please sign up 24 hours in advance.

**SUMMER SESSION 2:** July 20, 27, August 3, 10 & 17 at 6 pm **AGES:** Puppies up to 5 months of age

LOCATION: Naperville Area Humane Society, 1620 W. Diehl Rd., COST: \$25.00 per class (pre-registration is required) CLASS DESCRIPTION: This is a 50 minute open enrollment style

class. We will focus on a specific topic each week and if time allows, some appropriate puppy play. What to bring to classes: Blanket or mat, lots of treats, a clicker, 6 ft leash, collar and/or harness. Limited to 2 people per dog (children under the age of 10 are not allowed at this time). Absolutely no retractable leashes, prong collars, or choke chains allowed. Any questions, please email jschaeffer@naperhumane.org or call 630-420-8989 x1009.

### CANINE GOOD CITIZEN PREP COURSE



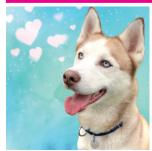
Do you want to have fun training with your dog while earning an AKC title by passing the Canine Good Citizen Test? The CGC is also a first step in having your dog become a therapy dog and it is also a great introduction to other dog sports and activities. Regardless, if you decide

to test for the CGC at the end these skills give owners the power to feel comfortable bringing their dog into public places such as the vet office, dog friendly stores and regular walks.

This course is to help prepare the dog and handler to take their Canine Good Citizen Test. Within the 4 week course, the handler and their dog will be provided guidance on how to successfully pass the test. Each class will be held for 50 mins. Dogs that are in this course, should have a basic manners foundation. This is not a course for the novice dog and this is not a class for dogs with behavioral issues such as reactivity or separation anxiety.

AGES: Any dog over 6 months COST: \$130.00 for a 4-week course DATES: July 13, 20, 27 and August 3 at 7:15 pm LOCATION: Naperville Area Humane Society, 1620 W. Diehl Rd., QUESTIONS: JoAnn Schaeffer at jschaeffer@naperhumane.org or 630-420-8989 x1009.







### Athena · | Female · | 4 Years Old

Adoption fee: \$300

- Weight: 51 pounds
- Energizer bunny with a lot of attitude!
- Walk well on a leash
- Like any other husky, I am super vocal. I like to think I have a wonderful singing voice
- MALE dogs only please.
- NO cats

### Savannah Rey | Female | 2.5 Years Old

I was lucky enough to be saved by NAHS along with my babies. I was able to raise my babies in a wonderful foster home and they have all been adopted into wonderful homes. I will confess that I am a bit on the shy side and new places, people, sounds and smells make me nervous. So I really need a family who will be patient with me and give me time to adjust. A quieter home without too much activity would be ideal. I am not sure how I feel about other cats or small kids. Once we are acquainted and I feel comfortable, I absolutely love being brushed and having my ears, face and nose rubbed. I will absolutely relax on your Iap and greet you at the door. It might take a while for me to show you my playful side, but I love the laser pointer. Also, I would really love to have a lot of windows for birdwatching. So if you are looking for a quiet companion for binge-watching or catching up on your reading list, then I'm definitely your girl.

Dear Editor

Articles, classified ads and written submissions for the Penncross Knolls Views newsletter are to be submitted to Kristi Bloedorn by the <u>15th day</u> of February, April, June, August, October and December.

The Penncross Knoll Views newsletter is a bi-monthly publication for the homeowners. Newsletters are mailed to residents in January, March, May, July, September and November.

Classified ads are free to all Penncross Knoll residents. A classified ad is something to sell, looking for something to buy, lost items, found items, or in need of childcare, etc.

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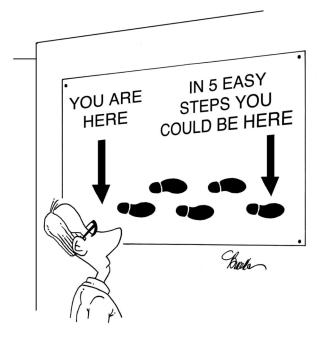
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## PUZZLER PAGE

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## How to solve sudoku puzzles

No math is required to solve a sudoku. You only need logic and patience.

Simply make sure that each 3x3 square region has only one instance of the numbers 1-9. Similarly, each number can only

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#### **Penncross Knoll Views**

# GARDENER

## CURB APPEAL

**Annette Carson - The Growing Place** 

The front of your house is the first thing people see driving by or visiting. How do you create an appealing front landscape that reflects your style and personality? The basic design principles for creating curb appeal are order, unity, and balance.

Creating Order

Examine your roofline, doors, window style, pillars and other strong architectural elements of your home to see what you want to hide or highlight. Know the style of your house, such as traditional, ranch, prairie, colonial, etc. Consider a variety of views from different angles of your entryway. Stand on the sidewalk, walk across the street, open the car door parked in the driveway and take in the view. Keeping the front door prominent, what might be some secondary focal points? Possibly an arbor and pathway off to the side yard or a sitting area near a shade tree.

Reeping Balance

Big houses need larger scaled plants so that the home looks settled into the landscape. Ornamental trees can soften corners and offer good framing elements. Large containers add drama to big porches or more grand entryways. Balance or scale is important when planting around a structure.

To ease maintenance, keep in mind the mature size of the plants you are choosing. Allow enough room for them to grow and not become crowded. Many times, dwarf varieties of trees and shrubs grow slower and require much less maintenance.

Don't forget to ask for help! The Growing Place staff is happy to listen to your ideas. The family owned garden center with its own locally grown nursery full of plants will help you find the right plant for the right place and give you growing advice for long term success.

Planning Unity

Unity is created with repetition, tying the landscape together. Creating masses or drifts of plants keeps the design from looking too busy. Plant the same plant in odd numbers for a grouping. Repeating colors or forms from the home's architecture also creates a connection between your house and the garden. For example, coral bells can highlight your shutters or trim. Include plants with colored foliage, as many perennials only bloom for a short time. Evergreens give winter interest and come in shades of green, blue, yellow, and russet.



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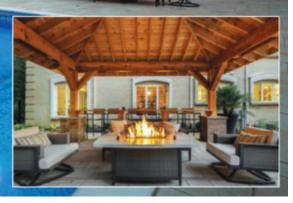
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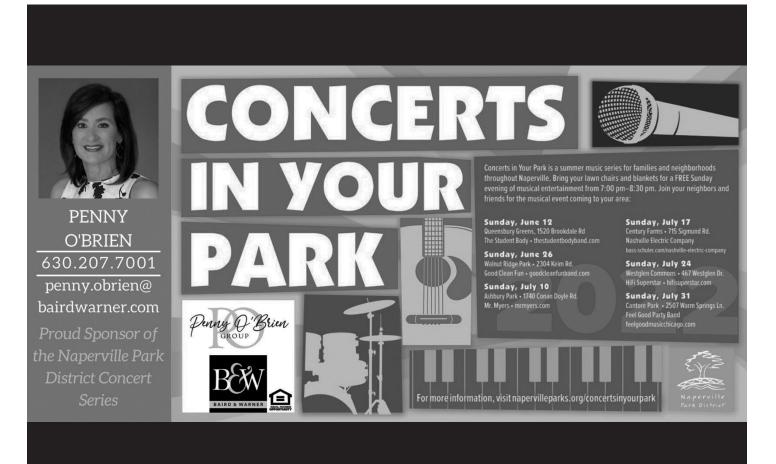
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