

# Penguin Press

## This Week's Highlights

- Fourth of July fun: **Belly Flop Contest & Parkcrest Bake Off**
- **Session 2** lessons begin on Monday, July 7th
- On Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, the pool will close at 6:30PM after evening lessons and re-open at 7:00PM for those ages 10 - 15 years. **Tween Night** is a night of food and drinks on the upper deck, and parent-free fun in the pool!

## Parkcrest Trivia

ARE YOU SMARTER THAN A PENGUIN?!

**What is the most popular flavor of Mr Freezies?**

- A) Pink (Watermelon)
- B) Blue (Blue Raspberry)
- C) Purple (Grape)

**What is the biggest annual PC fundraiser?**

- A) Adult Social
- B) Apparel Orders
- C) Trivia Night

**Which swim stroke is considered the fastest?**

- A) Freestyle
- B) Butterfly
- C) Back Stroke

**What is the best thing to do during hourly Adult Swim?**

- A) Use Snack Shack tickets
- B) Eat snack on the pool deck
- C) Wade in the Baby Pool

**Which types of balls are allowed in the big pool?**

- A) Water Polo balls
- B) Inflatable balls
- C) Basketballs

**When is Parkcrest next hosting All City Swim?**

- A) 2025
- B) 2026
- C) 2039

**When is it okay to argue with a lifeguard or staff?**

- A) Whenever I disagree
- B) If I am 12 years or older
- C) If I have been a member for 5 years or more

**What is the Parkcrest mascot named?**

- A) Plucky the Penguin
- B) Mr. Percival
- C) Pat

**How many members are there this year?**

- A) Less than 200
- B) More than 300
- C) More than 500

**Which upcoming event are you most excited for?**

- A) Trivia Night: July 19
- B) Penguin Pickleball Palooza: August 10
- C) Triathlon & Water Carnival: August 17

**What is the theme for this year's Water Ballet Show?**

- A) Summer Lovin'
- B) Past Bedtime at Parkcrest
- C) We're All in this Together

**What is the age limit for the baby pool?**

- A) 42 years old
- B) 5 years old
- C) 10 years old

**Answers on Page 3**

Can't get enough trivia? Sign up for Trivia Night with a team or as a free agent! The fun starts at 7PM on July 19th!

SIGN UP FOR  
TRIVIA NIGHT

# Volunteering for All City Dive

THERE ARE STILL SHIFTS TO FILL!

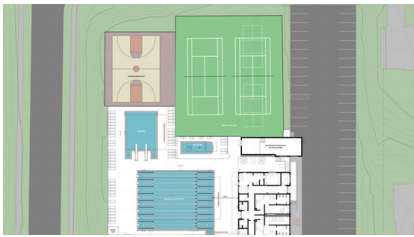
Thanks everyone that has taken a shift for the All-City Dive being hosted by PC! We still have 40 shifts to fill over the next few days (deadline: July 8th). Most of the remaining shifts are for Tuesday July 29th. So please consider helping out on Tuesday of AC week if you are able. All remaining shifts can be filled with no previous dive experience or by PC teenagers.



SIGN UP FOR ALL CITY DIVE SHIFT AT PC

## An All-New Parkcrest

RENOVATION UPDATES FROM FRIENDS OF PARKCREST



Summer is in full swing, and we have exciting updates on the new Parkcrest facility! Thanks to the incredible generosity of friends, neighbors, and alumni, **we've raised over \$2.34 million from 208 pledges**. This amazing progress has given us the **green light to begin construction** on three new pools and a mechanical room, with groundbreaking expected around Labor Day 2025 and completion by Memorial Day 2026. Dave Gillman, FoPC treasurer, will **begin to collect pledges the week of July 14th**, 2025. He will be in touch regarding timing and means of funding your pledge.

We're now focused on **raising the remaining \$560,000 to ensure Phase 1 of the new facility is debt-free**. Now that the project has board approval and digging will begin this September, some original contributors have contacted us and increased their pledge. Now that the stock markets have recovered other original contributors have contacted us about donating appreciated stock as their means of fulfilling their original pledge plus and increase. If similarly you would **consider increasing your donation** now that construction is confirmed, please let us know. **Every contribution brings us closer** to building this lasting legacy for our community.

We're also **hosting a variety of fun, multi-generational events** this summer to boost our fundraising efforts. Join the **Penny Wars** until July 25th, or sign up for our inaugural Penguin Power Triathlon on August 17th for a low-pressure, high-fun experience. Keep an eye out for **Trivia Night clues** and mark your calendars for upcoming **Restaurant Nights** at Dave's Hot Chicken (July 21), Jason's Deli (August 13), Chipotle (August 17), and Culvers (September 30). These **events are open to everyone**, and your participation makes a real difference!

Finally, we're **building a team of volunteers** to help with everything from donation outreach to event planning and administrative tasks. If you're able to lend your time and talent, please reach out to learn more about how you help us achieve this goal:

friendsofparkcrest@gmail.com

# Mark Your Calendars

## July 8

Tween Night

## July 16

Board Meeting  
All members invited

## July 19

Trivia Night  
Rain Date: July 20

## July 21

Dave's Hot Chicken  
Restaurant Night

## July 22

Water Ballet Show

## July 27 - 29

All City Dive at PC  
Reciprocity at other  
pools for all members

## July 31 - August 2

All City Swim at HF

## August 7

Tween Night

## July 22

Pickleball Palooza

## August 12

Staff Appreciation

## August 14

Family Float Night

## August 17

Penguin Power Tri

Water Carnival

Chipotle

Restaurant Night

## August 31

Movie Night

## September 1

Last day  
Doggy Dip

## September 2

Groundbreaking!

## September 30

Culvers  
Restaurant Night

### Trivia Answers

Blue Freezies, Trivia Night, Freestyle, Snack Shack tickets, none of those balls!, 2026  
Never, Who knows?, More than 300, All of them, Past Bedtime, 5 years old

## Penguin of the Week

PAUL ECKERLE

Paul and his family are celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> summer as members of Parkcrest! Originally joining as a great way to meet people in the neighborhood and offer summer fun for their young kids, over the years they became deeply invested in the pool and community.

Paul was president of the Parkcrest Board of Directors for many years, and now is serving as President of Friends of Parkcrest. He shared, "The pool has meant so much to my kids and our family that I wanted to be involved in making sure the renovations were made. The pool is such a great asset for the neighborhood and the members, and renovations are beyond needed. The planned upgrades will not only guarantee the viability of the pool for years to come but will make it a better and more attractive facility."

Paul has so much love for Parkcrest: the late nights at Trivia Night and Adult Social; the incredible water ballet shows; and the All City Swim & Dive meets. His favorite memories include, "coming to the pool on August evenings; the kids would play dabble dabble in the diving well while the parents made a giant circle of small chairs and chatted until the guards made us all go home."

Thank you to Paul for the many years of membership, involvement, and support, as well as all of the work with Friends of Parkcrest, to ensure many more years of pool memories ahead for us all!



# THE GREAT PARKCREST Bake Off

Show off your baking prowess on the hill before the belly flops begin! Work alone or as a team, and enter your baked good or edible creation in any of the following categories:

**KIDS BAKES:** Created by kid(s)

**FAMILY FEAST:** Baked together

**BAKES BY BIGS:** Made by chefs/bakers 15 years and older

Please bring a baked good or other yummy treat divided into 30+ bite sized tasting portions. Tasters will vote for their favorites; winners in the following categories will receive special prizes: Yummiest, Most Creative, and Most Attractive. Everyone wins when we get to snack on delicious treats while we watch the belly floppers!

## JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> AT 2:00PM

Bakers get priority as tasters -  
bring a treat to make sure you get to eat!

Second Annual

# Belly Flop

Contest

Bring your best splash - boom - bang dives to our diving contest! Dive categories will be cannon ball - diver's choice - belly flop. Competition groups are 10U, 11-14, 15-18, Adult.

Top 3 divers in each category win snack shack tickets!

This event will be a fundraiser for Second Harvest, with a suggested donation of \$5/diver.

Don't want to be a diver but want in on the fun?

We need volunteer judges, a 10U helper, and an announcer!

Email [parkcrestpenguinpress@gmail.com](mailto:parkcrestpenguinpress@gmail.com)

with your interest! Everyone is invited to watch from the hill while enjoying Bake Off treats!

# July 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:30pm

Diver check-in begins at 2:00PM on the hill