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## Change to Pool Pass Validation

All residents wanting to access the pool this season must update their information on file with the HOA. You must print out and complete a registration form and waiver form, and bring your pool passes to one of the Pool Pass Validation times (see page 3). This applies to all residents, even those who have already completed the forms. The HOA is collecting email addresses for neighborhood notifications ONLY, such as upcoming Grove social events. Please provide a valid email address. NOTE to those

using a Verizon.net email address: Verizon is getting out of the email account administration business but will continue its internet business. If you migrate your email account to AOL.com, you can keep your Verizon.net email address. If you choose another email provider, you will need a different email address and account. Please keep this in mind when giving your email address to the HOA. Also please notify the webmaster of thegrovehoa.com when you move away from The Grove or change your email address, by completing a contact form at neteasy.us.

## Put Your Best House Forward!

By Gerry Mancuso

Take a good look at your home and property from the street. Is your mailbox faded? Check your post for rot and chipped paint. See page 4 for details on mailbox refurbishment. Does your driveway need to be sealed or repaired? Does your lawn have weeds or needs mowing? Are your foundation beds overgrown? The Grove Standards require all homeowners to maintain their property to neighborhood

standards. Each home must have a front yard irrigation system to help meet that goal. Are your pedestrian and garage doors faded and needing a fresh coat of paint? Examine your shutters. Most shutters are under a lifetime warranty, so check the warranty information on the back, which should include shipping requirements for repair/replacement. Contact the company to verify instructions. Is the vinyl siding moldy or just in need of a good power washing? Put your best house forward and it will benefit us ALL!

## Next HOA Meetings

**May 11th**

**July 13th**

6:30pm@ The Clubhouse  
(Second Thursday bi-monthly)



**National Night Out!**  
**Tuesday, August 1st**  
**Location: Clubhouse**

**Fun for the whole family! More details to follow on The Grove Facebook Residents Page and thegrovehoa.com Events Page. Check page 5 for a list of upcoming Social Events!**

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[www.communitygroup.com](http://www.communitygroup.com)

For neighborhood violations, repairs,  
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# HOA Connection

## Architectural Review Rules

***Any changes or additions to your home or landscaping need prior ARC approval.***

Major additions must be staked for visual reference to assess impact to adjoining properties. A homeowner must be in good standing to submit projects to ARC. All applicable HOA assessments be current and any late fees or fines are satisfied. Krim Point, Scotter Hills, and Ridgemoor residents need to be current with both their neighborhood HOA and Grove HOA assessments and fees. Townhouse residents must apply to their board for approval PRIOR to submitting to The Grove ARC. No applications will be considered without the town house board consent. *The HOA has 30 days to review submissions to ARC.* For complete details see [www.thegrovehoa.com](http://www.thegrovehoa.com) Covenants & Bylaws tab.

**COMMUNITY GROUP NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS COVERAGE: IF TARA KEEVEN IS NOT AVAILABLE, PLEASE CONTACT OWNER SERVICES AT 804-270-1800 EXT. 1.**

## COMMUNITY GROUP AFTER HOURS COVERAGE

To report urgent or life threatening issues after normal business hours (after 5 p.m. and before 9:00 a.m.), **please contact Community Group, 804-270-1800 and follow the prompts for the 24 hour On Call Manager.** Please DO NOT call Board members or leave messages on the regular Community Group inbox – those calls are not returned until the following business day. **The On Call Manager can handle any urgent request immediately.** Items needing immediate attention are: Irrigation zones running for extended periods of time, broken irrigation heads, fire or damage to the Clubhouse or common areas, etc. Please direct questions or concerns to Tara Keeven at 804-270-1800 or [tkeeven@communitygroup.com](mailto:tkeeven@communitygroup.com).

## Selling Your Home? Get That Disclosure Package!

ALL Grove home SELLERS must provide a current Grove HOA disclosure package to Buyers during the contract period. New homeowners can cancel a contract without an updated package. Purchase online at [www.communitygroup.com](http://www.communitygroup.com) by clicking "Selling & Refinancing" tab, then "Place Order Here" tab.

Sellers of properties in Krim Point, Ridgemoor, and Scotter Hills must purchase a disclosure package from their neighborhood HOA in addition to The Grove disclosure package. For questions or help contact Community Group, Owner Services 804-270-1800 or [ownerservices@communitygroup.com](mailto:ownerservices@communitygroup.com).

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Ads and submissions for the Aug-Oct issue are due Sept 15th

Submit all ads and articles to:  
Cathy Allen, Editor  
[newsletter@thegrovehoa.com](mailto:newsletter@thegrovehoa.com)  
or call 804-379-1862

Make checks to: Grove HOA and mail to:  
13436 Mitford Dr., Midlothian, VA 23114  
(Note: This address is for newsletter only.)



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## RATES FOR 2017

Bus. Card size - \$40

Quarter page - \$75

Half page - \$105

Full page - \$195

Back cover - \$200 (sold out)

Advertiser provided insert \$99  
(800 copies needed)

Ad design: \$40/hr. See website for details: [thegrovehoa.com](http://thegrovehoa.com)



## 2017 Pool Pass Validation Dates

### Location: The Clubhouse

Bring your pool passes to get them validated on one of the following dates. **All residents need to bring an updated registration form and waiver form to complete validation.** You can download those ahead of time at [thegrovehoa.com](http://thegrovehoa.com). The HOA will continue to use stickers to update the passes for 2017 and beyond. **Please note if you cannot attend one of the scheduled dates you may have your passes validated by a neighbor as long as your HOA dues are current.** There is a \$5 charge per family for pool passes that are requested to be validated **AFTER** the completion of pool pass validation dates. This applies only to current residents who do not attend any of the scheduled times during the month of May/early June; new residents will continue to be accommodated after their closing. If you are a current resident who missed the validation dates or a new resident who needs a pool pass, please contact Gerry Mancuso by email only at [president@thegrovehoa.com](mailto:president@thegrovehoa.com) to schedule an appointment. **Volunteers are needed to validate pool passes, as well as join the pool committee. The Committee is also in need of a Chair or Co-Chairs.** To help out email Gerry Mancuso at [president@thegrovehoa.com](mailto:president@thegrovehoa.com).

May 16 7-9 pm

May 19 7-9 pm

May 20 10-12 am

May 22 7-9 pm

May 24 7-9 pm

May 25 7-9 pm

June 3 10-12 am

ALL NEW RESIDENTS MUST TURN IN REGISTRATION AND WAIVER FORMS. Download and print at <http://thegrovehoa.com/pool>.

YOU MUST BE A RESIDENT IN GOOD STANDING, with all HOA dues, fines, and late fees paid in full.

### NEW HOMEOWNERS BRING:

Registration form

Waiver form

Copy of Closing Statement

Photo ID

### NEW RENTERS BRING/VERIFY:

Registration form

Waiver form

Copy of lease

Photo ID

Check with landlord to verify HOA dues are paid

### RETURNING GROVE RESIDENTS BRING:

Pool passes, and updated registration and waiver forms. Lost pass replacements are \$2 per pass. Please make checks payable to The Grove HOA. No cash payments are accepted.

### 2017 Pool Hours\*

#### Opening Day Saturday, May 27th

#### *Memorial Day Weekend*

Saturday 10 am to 9 pm

Sunday 10 am to 7 pm

Monday 10 am to 7 pm

#### *May 30th through June 15th*

Monday-Thursday 2 pm to 7 pm

Friday 2 pm to 9 pm

Saturday 10 am to 9 pm

Sunday 10 am to 7 pm

School Days 2 pm to 7 pm

#### *June 16th*

Last Day of School 2 pm to 9 pm

#### *June 17th through August 5th*

Sunday-Thursday 10 am to 8 pm

Friday-Saturday 10 am to 9 pm

July 4th - 10 am to 8 pm

#### *August 6th through September 4th*

Sunday-Saturday 10 am to 8 pm

Labor Day - 10 am to 7 pm

\* Days and Hours Confirmed with Douglas Aquatics. Any Changes to Schedule Will Be Posted at the Pool Entrance.





### Mailbox Improvement

Freshen up your home's exterior starting with your mailbox! If the post and wooden paper box is in good condition, apply a new coat of paint, but if deteriorated, replace it. Approved dark hunter green boxes (item #E1600G00) can be purchased

in-store at Pleasants Hardware/Midlothian Station Shopping Center, or ordered online (not in stores) at [www.homedepot.com](http://www.homedepot.com). If your mailbox numbers need replacement visit Pleasant Hardware/Midlothian. The mailbox numbers as seen in the photo may be purchased only at Pleasants.

Many home repair companies offer mailbox refurbishing services, but make sure they adhere to bylaw standards. Grove resident John Romano provides repairs and replacements to mailboxes and posts. See page 11 for contact information.

### Street Light & Road Repair

The Grove does not maintain its own streets or street lights. If a bulb is out or a light is not functioning properly (blinking, etc.), please call Chesterfield County 804-751-4178. (Please have the number from the light and address or cross streets) If Chesterfield says it is in the

system, you can then call Dominion at 888-667-3000 to report it and all subsequent issues.

If it is a street sign issue, contact: [BelcherJ@Chesterfield.gov](mailto:BelcherJ@Chesterfield.gov).

If it is a road issue, go to: <http://my.vdot.virginia.gov>.

### Architectural Review Committee

**Frank Gilmore** is resigning from the Architectural Review Committee after several years with this group. We would like to thank him for his valuable service. The ARC is in need of volunteers. Most of the work is done online. If you can join please email Tara Keeven at [tkeeven@communitygroup.com](mailto:tkeeven@communitygroup.com).



### News from Scotter Hills/Ridgemoor

By Kathy Morris

There have been multiple complaints by homeowners of children riding their bicycles across yards instead of the streets and lanes provided for bike riding. Parents please encourage your younger children not to ride their bicycles and scooters down the hill on Lawford Lane into Scotter Hills Drive. This places them in danger from cars and trucks that would not be able to see them in time to avoid accidents. Children are also climbing on the retaining walls and into the trees near them. There have also been

complaints regarding hockey pucks damaging property on Lawford Lane. Parents please monitor your children and encourage them not to play in the street nor damage property. Homeowners and visitors please park correctly in authorized parking areas.

### 2017 Scotter Hills/Ridgemoor Board

President: Kathy Morris  
Vice President: Bertina Lee  
Secretary: Sandy Sneade  
Treasurer: Sylvia Warner  
Member at Large: Meredith Tyree



### Little Library at The Grove Clubhouse

Looking for the next great read? "Take a book, leave a book" at this Little Library in The Grove! The library is a book exchange for residents to take or leave a book free of charge. Its function is to promote literacy. The library is meant for all ages, and can contain any type of book, picture, novel, reference, etc.

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### ***ARC Guidelines Regarding Trees***

#### **Planting & removal of trees requires ARC approval!**

ARTICLE VII - ENVIRONMENTAL COVENANTS: In order to protect the natural beauty of the vegetation, topography or other natural features within the Subdivision, the following environmental controls are hereby established.

7.01. Trees. To the extent reasonably practical, the clearing of mature trees on Lots shall be limited to those areas required to accommodate the residence to be constructed thereon and its normal and customary accessories, open front yard areas and those areas required to permit utility services and drive-ways. ***No trees measuring six (6) inches in diameter at a point two (2) feet above ground level which are located more than twenty (20) feet away from the residence or structure constructed on the Lot, shall be removed without the prior written approval of the Architectural Control Committee.***



#### ***No Motorized Vehicles Allowed on Paths!***

*No motorized vehicles are allowed on the paths or common areas. This includes golf carts, mopeds, electric scooters, ATVs, motorcycles, etc.*

### ***Upcoming Social Events***

By Anne Biedrycki

Sunday May 7th 11am-3pm: Midlothian Spring Market! Come shop a great variety of companies! LuLaRoe, Jamberry, Stella & Dot, Younique, Thirty One, Beachbody, WildTree, Beauty Counter, Pampered Chef, and more! Door prizes in store! See our Facebook event for more details here:  
<https://www.facebook.com/events/1494218863930396/>

Friday June 9th 6pm: Summer Kickoff Bash! Join us for a band & food trucks in front of the clubhouse!

Saturday July 15th 5pm: Pool Party! Join us for a DJ with pizza, water, and juice available for purchase!

Tuesday August 1st: National Night Out. Family Friendly Fun! Details to follow on Facebook/website.

The Social Committee needs a Chair or Co-Chairs to act as a liaison between the committee and the HOA Board, newsletter, and website. The events are set for 2017, and have members of the committee assigned to them. To volunteer join the Grove Socials Group page or contact [socials@thegrovehoa.com](mailto:socials@thegrovehoa.com). Let's keep this party going!



### Chesterfield County Non-Leaf Burning Areas



### Fire Safety

The Grove is a non-leaf burning neighborhood. Please do not burn your trash, debris, or anything else in your yard. Also please observe the following on fire pits/chimineas:

**Recreational and Warming fires** are allowed without a permit if the fuel is clean wood **ONLY** and shall be at least 25 feet from any structure or combustible material and be no larger than 3 feet in diameter and 2 feet in height. Do not place a fire pit/chimineas on your deck or less than 25 feet from your house.


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**June 9**  
**THE MYSTIC SOUL BUBBAS**  
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### **10 Ways to Get Fit**

1. Be consistent. Walking 20 minutes a day can fit easily into a busy schedule.
2. Work out effectively. Use a combination of strength training, interval training, and cardio/aerobic exercise.
3. Set realistic goals. Do not try to loose 20 pounds in 20 days.
4. Use the buddy system to keep motivated.
5. A fitness program should fit your life and does not have to be expensive. Take a walk or run. Find simple exercises that help shape and tone.
6. Be happy. Find an aerobic activity that you enjoy and it will be easier to stick to your fitness goals.
7. Exercise when your body clock is at its optimum.
8. Consult a professional trainer to assess the best type of exercise for you and your goals. "For some people, attention to flexibility or to balance and agility, may be more important than resistance training or aerobics, " per J. Theodosakis, MD.
9. Get inspired. Find blogs or websites about fitness success.
10. Be patient. It takes time to get in shape.

(Source: WebMD)

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### **SPANISH and FRENCH STUDENTS NEED HOST FAMILIES IN JULY!!!**

Have an amazing experience this summer! Host a student from Spain or France (ages 13-17) in your home for 3-4 weeks. Learn about their culture while he or she learns about living in an American family just being a part of what you regularly do. We have a variety of programs to suit your family's work or non-working schedule. Families receive stipends to help out with expenses. We can help work out transportation or vacation concerns. This will be a rich experience for your family!

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## Tips to Save Energy Today

### Easy low-cost and no-cost ways to save energy!

Install a programmable thermostat to lower utility bills and manage your heating and cooling systems efficiently.

Air dry dishes instead of using your dishwasher's drying cycle.

Turn things off when you are not in the room such as lights, TVs, entertainment systems, and your computer and monitor.

Plug home electronics, such as TVs and DVD players, into power strips; turn the power strips off when the equipment is not in use -- TVs and DVDs in standby mode still use several watts of power.

Lower the thermostat on your water heater to 120°F.

Take short showers instead of baths and use low-flow showerheads for additional energy savings.

Wash only full loads of dishes and clothes.

Air dry clothes.

Check to see that windows and doors are closed when heating or cooling your home.

Drive sensibly; aggressive driving such as speeding, and rapid acceleration and braking, wastes fuel.

Look for the ENERGY STAR® label on light bulbs, home appliances, electronics, and other products. ENERGY STAR products meet strict efficiency guidelines set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Energy.

(From energy.gov)





# CAMPs

**Who:** rising K - 6<sup>th</sup> graders (as well as Junior camps for younger children at some locations)  
**Where:** Locations are all around Richmond - Go to [www.challenge-island.com/midlothian/programs/summer-camps](http://www.challenge-island.com/midlothian/programs/summer-camps) to see camp offerings & locations  
**When:** Summer 2017  
**How:** Go to [www.challenge-island.com/midlothian/programs/summer-camps](http://www.challenge-island.com/midlothian/programs/summer-camps) and click on Register Now

Here is a sample of some of our 2017 Summer Camps:

**American Girls and Dolls Camp Part 1:** Challenge Island® invites all doll-loving girls and their favorite American 18-inch companion to our American Girls and Dolls Camp! Our adventurous tribes will create an entire world for their dolls - decking out houses, designing fun furniture, and crafting cool clothes. From Julie's Groovy Day, to Spa and Styling Day, to Kaya's Day, to Lea Clarke's Rainforest Adventure, this incredible camp is one for the American Girl History Books!

**American Girls and Dolls Camp Part 2:** This amazing camp is full of all new American Girls and Dolls Challenges! Engage in all sorts of exciting STEAM-tastic activities that let you experience Samantha's life during the Victorian era, Grace's life as an entrepreneur & the brand new American Girl of the year Gabriela McBride's inspiring creative skills as a performer. End the week with an exhilarating fashion runway day for you and your doll!

**Emoji Camp:** Challenge Island Kids HEART Emojis and we HEART Challenge Island Kids so we created an all new camp that turns those cute little yellow faces into action packed STEAM adventures! This camp comes to you just in time for the Emoji Movie August Screen Release! From Silly Emoji Day to Scary Emoji Day to Sunglasses Cool Emoji Day, our Challenge Island tribes will be crying tears of joy as they ride their unicorns into a texting-icon-inspired world they will never forget.

**Super Hero Camp for SuperGirls and BoyWonders:** Wham! Bam! Pow! Kaboom! Calling all SuperGirls and BoyWonders to Challenge Island's® brand new Super Hero Camp! You and your tribe will channel your extraordinary powers into a universe of challenges from building Bat Caves to spinning spider webs to catapulting over tall buildings in a single bound. This Super STEAM camp will sell out in a flash, so reserve your spot today!

**Wizard Academy Camp (inspired by Harry Potter)** Calling all muggles for Challenge Island's® Wizard Academy! Our wizarding tribes will take on spellbinding STEAM challenges from designing magic wands to building Hogwarts' castle to mixing up mystical potions. This popular camp is every bit as magical as it sounds - a must for every Potter fan!

Some of our other camp themes are **Poke Monster (inspired by Pokémon)**, **Minecraft (inspired by Minecraft)**, **Space Wars (inspired by Star Wars)** and more!

Challenge Island® is the wildly popular enrichment program that promotes and fosters integral creative and critical thinking skills in children. Kids divide into cooperative tribes and take on exciting challenges set on action-packed, thematic "islands". Our innovative approach emphasizes STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) and core language arts skills.

**Register online at [www.challenge-island.com/midlothian/programs/summer-camps](http://www.challenge-island.com/midlothian/programs/summer-camps)**

**Document Shredding & Electronics Recycling, Saturday, May 20, 2017 from 9 am -12 pm, at Chesterfield County Fairgrounds, 10300 Courthouse Road 23832. For more details visit <http://cvwma.com/event/4057/>.**

## MONA'S DECOR

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### ***Bike Safety***

As the seasons change, more and more people will be getting their bikes out of storage and back on the road. Biking is a great way to enjoy the outdoors and get some exercise, but cyclists will be sharing the road with cars, trucks, buses, and other motor vehicles. The bike will be no match for a car if they should

happen to meet. To make sure you're as safe as you can be while riding, here are a few things to keep in mind:

- **Safety gear:** Make sure you have a properly fitted helmet and pads to minimize injuries.
- Remember that the rules of the road apply to bikes as well as motor vehicles. Traffic signals, signs, and direction of travel are the same for everyone sharing the road. Bikes and their riders are hard to see, and disobeying the established rules for the road can spell disaster.
- Keep to the right as far as you can while riding. Virginia recently passed a code section advising that a person in a motor vehicle who wants to pass a bicyclist must do so at a reasonable speed and give at least three feet of clearance.
- If you're riding at night, reflective clothing is a must. Additionally, Virginia State Code dictates that bicyclists riding at night must have AT LEAST one white headlight visible out to 500 feet, and one red reflector on the rear visible out to 600 feet. The bike must also have one red taillight visible at least 500 feet to the rear of the bike. The taillight may either be blinking or solid, and may be attached to either the bike or the rider.

(from Chesterfield Co. Police Dept. Crime Prevention newsletter)

### **Hurricane season is June 1 and York County. – November 30. Plan Now.**

Hurricanes cause high winds, tornadoes and landslides, but their deadliest hazard is flooding. Tropical storms and depressions can be just as dangerous. Learn about hurricane formation, storm history and climatology.

If you have questions about your area's evacuation routes, contact your local emergency manager.

The governor can also order a lane reversal of the eastbound lanes on I-64 to help evacuate Hampton Roads.

Monitor local TV or radio stations for evacuation orders, shelter locations and watches and warnings.

#### **INLAND FLOODING**

Inland, tropical storm systems can cause flash floods that develop in a matter of minutes.

Inland residents should be just as prepared for flooding as their coastal neighbors.

#### **COASTAL FLOODING**

At the coast, tropical storm systems can cause storm surges—the main reason to order a coastal evacuation.

Residents living inland should know where to go if ordered to evacuate.


Coastal residents should know their storm surge risk and designated evacuation routes.

Know ahead of time where your family should go to find higher ground.

There are designated hurricane evacuation routes for Hampton, the Eastern Shore, Norfolk, Poquoson, the Middle Peninsula, the Northern Neck, Virginia Beach

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### **Mailbox Repair/Home Services**

Hawkins Wood resident **John Romano** offers vinyl mailbox post replacement to Grove home owners. Wood is good but vinyl is final. John also installs wall safes. Call John at 379-1238.

### **Child Care Services**

**Babysitter** - College junior available on weekends caring for children of all ages, including 0-2years and special needs. Years of experience in a church nursery, and within The Grove; in addition to a summer caretaking position to a young child with special needs. Please call/text/email **Laura** at 804-519-0350, lauragottschalk9@gmail.com.

Fifteen year-old Kingham resident available for **pet and child care services**. Can care for all animals and children of all ages including infants. Has many years of experience in her church nursery, volunteering at a children's camp, as well as child and pet sitting jobs in the Grove. Please call or text **Kate** at (804) 510-4219.

### **Skin Care**

Grove Resident Betsy Elwood offering free skin care consultation services as a Rodan + Fields representative to Grove neighbors. Contact Grove Resident Betsy Elwood at 804-337-7634 or <http://belwood.myrandf.com>.

### **Pet Care Services**

**Pet Sitting** - Retired Krim Point resident is available to do pet sitting. Call **LoisLynn** at 804-301-9696.

**Pet Sitting** Retired resident in Krim Point provides pet care services. Call **Linda Hartz** at 804-928-7958.

**Pet Care** - 12th grade Grove teen with past job experience as a dog walker & (cat & dog) pet sitter looking for a job in that field. For more details, please call (804) 245-2781 or e-mail at [aaronhou2598@gmail.com](mailto:aaronhou2598@gmail.com).

**Pet Care** - Dependable high school sophomore, with a passion for animals, would love to help with your pet care needs. Biggin Pond resident with lots of experience. Please contact **Emily** (804) 912-3089.

**Tutoring for Math & Science** - Tutoring for all levels of Math (Pre-Algebra to Calculus), Physics, Chemistry, and software programming. Grove resident with 30 years electrical engineering experience. Contact David Thompson at 804-218-8189 (mobile) or [dt@vt.edu](mailto:dt@vt.edu).

**Have a story to tell?** The Grove Miner is always looking for Neighbor to Neighbor articles. Contact Cathy Allen at [newsletter@thegrovehoa.com](mailto:newsletter@thegrovehoa.com).

## WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS!



David & Amanda Altizer  
1425 Goswick Ridge Road

Roberta A. Gentry  
14000 Krim Point Court

Young Soon Han  
Jung Boon Kim  
13561 Ridgemoor Drive

Jon Ninnemann  
1336 Gravity Hill Trail

Jonathan & Kendall Wolfson  
718 Coalbrook Drive

Just moved in? For a gift and a smile, contact  
The Grove Welcome Committee Chair  
Lynne Labott at [grovewelcome@thegrovehoa.com](mailto:grovewelcome@thegrovehoa.com)!

Help preserve The Grove's natural beauty by keeping common areas neat and tidy. Please pick up after your pooch. There are pet waste receptacles strategically placed along the walking paths. Don't dump trash or debris in the common areas. And please obey the pond's "catch and release" policy.



*"Our Beautiful Grove Pond!"* (Photos by Arthur Allen)



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