



The Grove Homeowners Association  
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## 7 Mitford Homeowners Hit Jackpot!

By Mike Burnette

Living in the Grove has turned into a very lucrative investment for seven families after receiving certified letters from the Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy (DMME) on March 21, 2008.

Their letters stated that main oil veins reaching deep within the earth can be surfaced and tapped within the Mitford community. This could potentially mean millions upon millions of barrels of oil for the U.S.

The DMME's sister agency, The Division of Mined Land Reclamation (DMLR) has offered a buy back program for the seven properties in order to harvest this natural resource.

Bob Stacks, spokesman for DMME, could not speak publicly because individual deals are still being worked out between the homeowners and the DMME's attorneys. He did however hint that the deals for each Mitford homeowner could well reach over \$5 million EACH, plus a .0050% profit share of raw crude sales.

Stacks went on to say that a Northern U.S source of oil is very rare and could mean billions of tax revenue dollars for Virginia. "It is like the 1800's all over for Midlothian as it was home to the first mined coal in the U.S. It now finds itself in a potential oil boom."

John Romano, President of the Grove HOA, was informed that the land would eventually become property of the state but the Homeowners Association would have some say in the layout and degree to which the industry could co-exist within our neighborhood. There has been a special called public comment and information session at 7pm on April 26th at the clubhouse.

"I never dreamed I would become a multi-millionaire at such a young age," said Wendy Huckle of Mitford, "It is what fairytales and lottery commercials are made of!" Romano has been informed that other neighboring homeowners in Gravity Hill, Kingham, Mitford and even Queensmill will be relocated temporarily for a period not to exceed 9 months. A tremendous amount of excavation and blasting will have to occur to tap this oil source. These families will also receive some compensation. The initial set-up is expected to start in late July and continue into January 2009. Once rigs are set up and functioning, families will be allowed to return.

Of course, if you haven't figured out this by now, this is our second annual April Fool's Day article and has no piece of truth anywhere in it. There are no homes in danger and no one will be relocated and unfortunately no one will become the Beverly Hillbillies. Sorry, Wendy! So enjoy the rest of this edition of the Grove Miner as the rest of it is true! But just in case, stay tuned to our website at [www.thegrovehoa.com](http://www.thegrovehoa.com) for any further breaking details about the duration and extent of this project.



(See related story on the history of Midlothian Mining on page 21)

## Message from our New GHOA President

Spring is upon us and many of our activities will be outdoors, such as getting the grill ready for cook outs; cleaning the deck; cutting the grass; planting shrubs; and if time permits having a 'cold one'.

Welcome Frank DiPofi. The board appointed Frank, who is a resident of Hawkins Wood, to the vacant board seat. He will be in charge of operations and Ben Owings will assume the position of vice president.

You can now see the stone and concrete supports for the new signs going up at the North Woolridge and Coalfield entrances. They will also be enhanced with new upgraded lighting. Many trees and shrubs have already been planted to complement the improvements.

The board recently approved the following:

- Douglas Aquatics will again manage the pool in 2008.
- Design Management Associates Incorporated will conduct a capital reserve study on all the assets owned by the association.
- A utility/storage shed will be constructed at the clubhouse.
- The paths and bridges will be repaired and seal coated as well as the clubhouse parking area.

We are continuing to work on grounds improvement and irrigation expansion projects.

In closing, we still need many volunteers to help with your community. (see page 15 for volunteer opportunities) Step up to the line and give the Grove some time.



**- John Romano**

### Ads and submissions for the June-July issue are due May 15

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## WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS

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***We want to welcome you with a Grove Gift Bag!***

Thanks to Lisa Harp 379-3910 & Judi Ryan-Phillips 379-1066 for agreeing to step in and chair our welcome committee!

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## Welcome Frank!

Thanks to Frank DiPofi for stepping into the operations position on the Grove HOA when Byron Foutch resigned.

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## Past Due Assessments

As of the March HOA meeting, 88 homeowners had still not paid their mandatory Grove HOA assessments of \$350 that were due in January. Notices have been sent and late penalties have been applied. Next steps will now include liens and lawsuits being placed on homes (just like in 2007) if payment or arrangements are not made immediately. If you are having trouble making the payment, please contact ACS West or a board member to avoid any problems. Thanks!

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## Grove Homeowners Meetings:

The meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30pm at the clubhouse unless otherwise posted at the entrances and on our website.

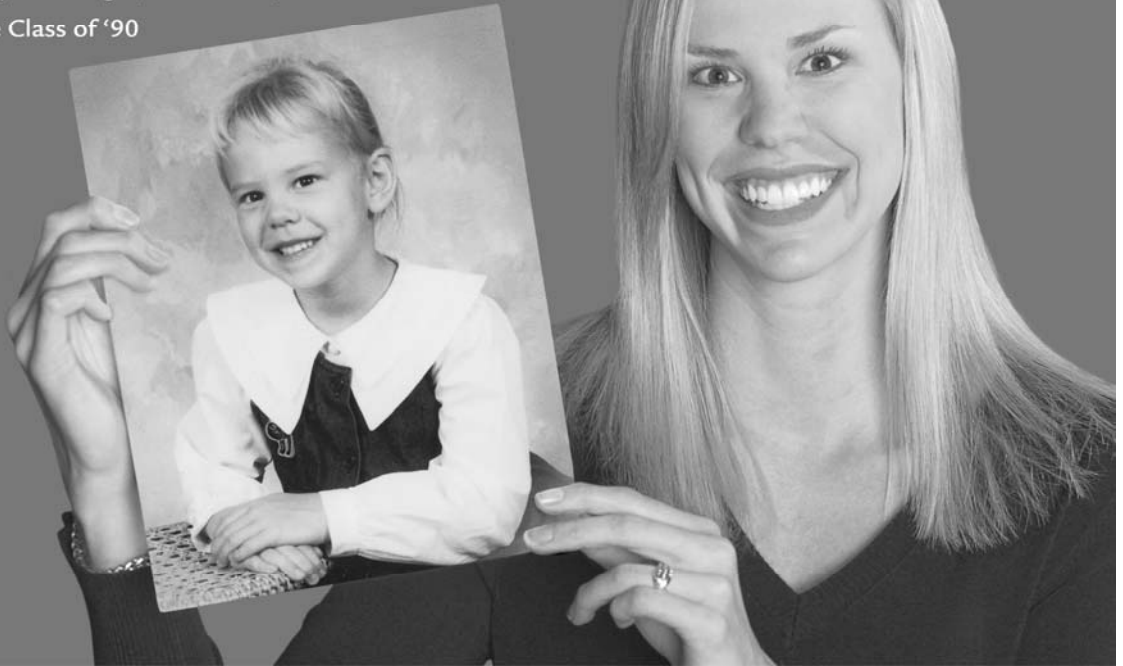
## Thanks Byron!

Years of service and 1000's of hours logged, we thank you for your tireless efforts in making the Grove a better place to live. From painting the fences to Board President, we appreciate your sweat equity and your brain power in all the areas you helped! **-Your Grove Neighbors**



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# MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR -MARIAN KUHN-



Marian Kuhn

By Mike Burnette

In 2001, the Kuhn family was in Idaho when they made a decision to move back East to be nearer to family. With the help of an agent, Marian and her husband Scott began the search in Richmond for a place to call home. When they visited the Grove, Marian said, "It just sucked me in". They entered off Coalfield Rd. into the Grove and just saw trees everywhere. It didn't look like every other new development. It looked like a well established neighborhood with a forest of big trees. After all, it was called "The Grove".

(Editor's Note: see next issue for a 5 year anniversary look back at what happened to all the trees)

Marian turned to her husband and said, "This is it, this is where I want to live." The amenities were perfect. The playgrounds and walking paths were great. "But, it was the people that got me." People were out doing things in the neighborhood. They were having community BBQ's on the green next to the pond, they were playing and talking in the yards. "We knew this was a perfect place." It truly was a 'community'.

When Marian left Idaho, she made a decision to leave the work force as a HR and Training Manager, and its 50-60 hours work week, and become a stay-at-home mom (like that isn't MORE work). That lasted 2 months, "I just went stir crazy", she said. Marian started a home-based scrapbooking business called Stampin Memories as a consultant with *Close to my Heart*. (You can see her site at: [www.stampinmemories.myctmh.com](http://www.stampinmemories.myctmh.com)). She was also active on the Grove's Welcome Committee and Clubhouse Committee.

Life is even busier now for each of the Kuhn family members. Marian is a manager at Bath & Body Works in Short Pump in addition to her scrapbooking business. She also volunteers with the PTA. Scott works at Qimonda (Infineon) and plays golf, Ethan is busy with his electric bass guitar and Midlothian HS, and Alyssa is active in Girl Scouts and JB Watkins. But, they still enjoy life together taking family river walks. Life is good!

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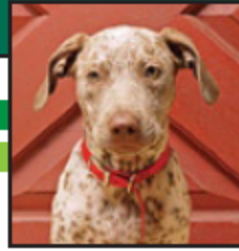


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If you have attended the last few HOA meetings, you would have noticed long discussions over the rental process, volunteers time, cleaning, and the check out process. In February, the Board took action to raise the rental rate to \$100. This includes a 6-hour rental block of time. The clubhouse will be now just be rented once a day. Additional time is available on your day rental at \$5 per hour after 6 hours. It has been increasingly hard to get volunteers to handle all the aspects of the rental process including: rental booking, contract signing, key exchange, payment, and check-out. Debbie

Goldberg has graciously agreed to assume the clubhouse rental coordinator position. This will be a paid position with a small stipend paid for each rental. You can contact Debbie at 794.3294 or [clubhouse@thegrovehoa.com](mailto:clubhouse@thegrovehoa.com). Thanks Debbie!!

Coming in 2009, the new Regal Cinemas Westchester Commons Stadium 16 will boast the latest theatre amenities including all-digital projection systems. The entertainment complex will cover more than 66,000 square feet and provide seating for approximately 3,200 patrons. It will be located within Westchester Commons which is part of the Watkins Centre, at the northwest quadrant of Route 288 and Midlothian Tpke.



## Neighborhood Crime Watch:



## BUSTED!

Several Midlothian juveniles were arrested on March 3rd after a Feb. 5th-6th crime spree through the Grove and several other Northern Chesterfield neighborhoods. Chesterfield Detectives were able to solve 22 cases that occurred as a result of this capture. Much of the property was still in their possession and therefore was able to be returned to those that reported the crimes. These thieves were all minors according to Officer Bryan Miltenberger, therefore their names would not be released.

Several sections of the Grove were hit during the night of Feb. 5th and briefcases and electronic devices were stolen from what appears to be all unlocked vehicles.

If you did not report your crime, no matter how little of merchandise was stolen, please report it to Detective Calliot at 796-7107. They still have recovered merchandise that has not been claimed.

Officer Miltenberger said that the Grove has one of the lowest crime areas in Chesterfield. So, that is good news for the Grove. But, please still be vigilant and lock your cars and homes and keep an eye on your neighbor's house too! We live in a society that is unfortunately no longer Mayberry!

-Mike Burnette

Are you interested in organizing a Neighborhood Watch Program within the Grove? If so, contact the Board to get it started.

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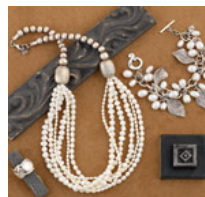
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**Tuesday, May 6, 7-9 pm**  
**Friday, May 16, 7-9 pm**  
**Saturday, May 17, 10:30 am-12:30 pm**  
**Wednesday, May 21, 7-9 pm**  
**Thursday, May 22, 7-9 pm**



After these scheduled six dates, unless you are a new resident with closing papers, **pool passes will only be validated once per month:** June 4, July 1, and August 6. You will need to email the chairperson at [mancusox@yahoo.com](mailto:mancusox@yahoo.com) to schedule a validation on those dates.

## **Bring your passes to be validated!!!!**

You must be a resident in good standing, so be sure to have all assessments up to date.

## **If you are a NEW HOMEOWNER...**

You will need to fill out the registration form and bring a copy of your closing statement and **PHOTO ID**.

## **If you are a NEW RENTER...**

You will need to fill out the registration form and bring a copy of your lease and **PHOTO ID**. In addition, assessments to the GHOA need to be up to date. Please check with your landlord to make sure they have been paid prior to your arrival.

## **If you are a RETURNING GROVE RESIDENT,**

You DO NOT need to fill out a new registration form (unless your information on file has changed), but please make sure telephone numbers and family member names on file are current. If not, please fill out the new form. **Bring your passes to be validated. If you have lost your passes you will need to pay \$2.00 per pass to replace them. (checks payable to GHOA, no cash).**



# 2008 Pool Hours

**May 24, 2008 to June 30, 2008 and  
August 17, 2008 to September 1, 2008**

Public School Days: 2:00 pm to 7:00 (due to limited staff)  
Monday through Sunday from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm  
Memorial Day 10:00 am to 8:00 pm

**July 1, 2008 to August 16, 2008**

Sunday through Thursdays from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm  
Friday and Saturday from 10:00 am to 9:00 pm  
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Labor Day from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm

**VOLUNTEERS ARE ESSENTIAL** to have a smooth validation process. Please give back to the community by signing up for a shift. Email [mancusox@yahoo.com](mailto:mancusox@yahoo.com) to volunteer. Please consider volunteering for the pool committee also. We need your eyes and ears to make it a successful AND safe season for all residents.

# The Grove Homeowner's Association

## 2008 Pool Registration Form

Applicant's Name:		
Co-Applicant's Name:		
Address:		

Please list all household members:			
	Name	Date of Birth	Male/Female
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Applicant's Home Telephone Number:	(      )
Applicant's Work Telephone Number:	(      )
Other Telephone Number:	(      )

Emergency Contact other than someone in your household:	
Emergency Contact Telephone Number:	(      )

By submission of this application, I hereby apply for pool registration at The Grove. I have read and will abide by the rules for the Grove Homeowner's Association.

Applicant's Signature:		Date:	
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## Coalbrook Progressive Dinners Saturday May 3, 2008 5:30-10:30pm

What is a progressive dinner? A progressive dinner entails having separate courses of a dinner at separate houses. We will be walking from house to house just like the Coalbrook Crawl. We will have 2-3 concurring progressive dinners and all convene for the last "course" at the after-party home.

Host homes are needed for the following slots (each of the 2-3 progressive dinners will include an est. 12-16 participants):

Appetizers 5:30-6:15 (45 min)  
Soup/Salad 6:20-7:05 (45 min)  
Main Course 7:10-8:10 (1 hr)  
Dessert 8:15-9:00 (45 min)

\*After Dinner Drinks/After Party 9:10-10:30+

\*Note: The last course will accommodate all guests from all progressive dinners. We need just one host home for this course.

**Contact Latonya Humphrey at  
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## Second Annual Walton Park Craft & Trade Show



**Saturday, April 26  
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## Message from our Manager, Robert Small



### - A Tale Of Caution -

Last month I had a resident, Maxine Harrup, in one of my town-house associations lose her home to a fire. It was a complete loss. Thankfully, no one was hurt and she and her dog were able to get out unharmed. However, all of her possessions and everything she had collected over the past 70 years is now gone. She is currently living with her daughter until she can get her home rebuilt. The real problem she faces is with her insurance company. Her claim is being denied by her insurance because she had a "Condominium Policy" instead of a "Homeowner's policy". We believe the insurance agent made the mistake, however, this situation is currently unresolved and we are hopeful that the insurance company will provide coverage.

Fire is one of the most devastating disasters to experience. It can happen anywhere and at any time. You should test your smoke detectors in your home and put in fresh batteries every 6 months. Do not overload wall plugs or use extension cords for long term applications. Never leave burning candles unattended. According to Chesterfield county, grills are not to be operated within 10 feet of any structure. These simple tips and common sense can protect you from a fire.

Also, be sure you have the correct insurance coverage. If you live in Ridgemoor or Scotter Hills, make sure you have full replacement coverage. You do not live in a condominium so you need to cover the contents and the structure. If you have lived in a single family home for several years, you might want to check your coverage amounts. Every year construction costs rise, you will want to be sure your insurance is enough to cover all contingencies.

Have a safe Spring!!!

**Robert Small**

If you would like to help Maxine get back on her feet, you can go to any Bank of America location to help. Just let them know you'd like to donate to "The Maxine Harrup Fire Fund".

Our heart felt thanks for any help you can offer.

### Good News-Bad News on Foreclosures

Foreclosures are daily news recently. The good news is that only 5 foreclosure filings occurred in our zip code (23114) for 2007. The bad news is that Virginia as a whole saw a whopping 456% increase in filings with over 24,000. (The US was up nearly 75%!)

Thankfully our neighborhood remains strong and hopefully will be successful this year and beyond.

Despite our good future, remember those not so fortunate as they face financial collapse and foreclosure.

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If you have things left over after the yard sale, consider dropping them off at Thrifty Quaker, 13567 Midlothian Turnpike near Little Caesars and Hancock Fabrics.  
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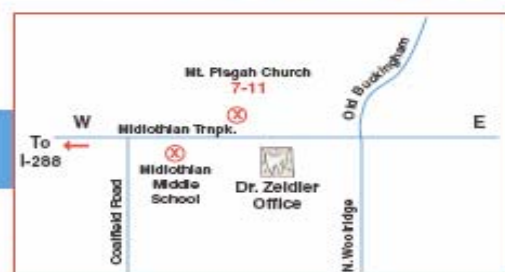


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# Volunteers Needed

**Newsletter Delivery:** Every other month, we need help delivering the newsletter. The more that volunteer, the less time it takes. It never takes more than one hour. If you can help, please contact Susan Austin at 378.8004.

**Social Committee:** The Grove wants to once again have neighborhood wide socials. Picnics by the pond, clubhouse potlucks, or any event you think may benefit all. Please volunteer to sit on a committee or coordinate these events. Contact John Romano at 379.1238.

**Pool Committee:** Help the board with the many details of the pool such as pool pass distribution. Contact Gerry Mancuso for info at 897.0853.

**Publicity Committee Members:** Website maintenance, writers, idea & creativity gurus, etc. are always needed for the publicity team. Contact Mike Burnette at [publicity@thegrovehoa.com](mailto:publicity@thegrovehoa.com) or 897.0377.

*For the following, contact Frank DiPofi, Operations Board Member at 897.3916.*

**Traffic-Safety Liaison to Virginia Department of Transportation:** Individual will review various road, parking, and traffic safety concerns and propose bills for the Board to consider; 40 hrs to develop baseline, 10 hrs toward Board resolutions and proposals.

**Wildlife Management Planner:** Individual with some experience drafting wildlife management plans; 20 hrs collecting basic information, 20 hours to write a plan not longer than 2 pages

**Wildlife Manager:** Individual responsible for implementing wildlife plan; 2 hrs per week.

**Computer Aided Design Drafting (CADD) Technician:** Individual would collect and assemble various county GIS records and other digital media to permit the Board to effectively fulfill its responsibilities; 40 hrs initial data collection, 40 hours initial CADD work, 2 hrs per week afterward.

**County Coordinator:** Individual who can assist the Board by obtaining various records, plats, plans, and other documents from the County; 40 hrs per yr.

**Design Standards Update Coordinator:** Individual to suggest various updates to the standards, especially mailbox and neighborhood night-light standards, 40 hrs per year.

## Do you have Hurricane Isabel pics or stories to share??

2008 marks the 5th anniversary of Isabel and the Grove Miner wants to highlight your hurricane stories and photos! Share your photos and personal stories or share how neighbors came together to help us recover. Also, please share pics you may have of Grove trees BEFORE Isabel hit; this will help those new to the Grove recognize why the Grove was called "The Grove"! Email [newsletter@thegrovehoa.com](mailto:newsletter@thegrovehoa.com) or call 897.0377. If you don't have digital photos, we can scan your prints and return them to you.



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A group of parents is interested in compiling a "Babysitting Directory" in late spring 2008. This info will only be available to Grove residents and will not be listed on the neighborhood website. If you would like to be included in the directory, please complete the information below and return to Pamela Connelly at 425 Coalbrook Drive or e-mail to [pamelaconnelly@verizon.net](mailto:pamelaconnelly@verizon.net) by 4/15/08. Please call 897-5469 with any questions.

Your Name:

Neighborhood within The Grove that you live:

Your age as of 4/1/08:

Preferred Child Ages to Babysit: (check all that apply)

\_\_\_\_ Infant (0-12 months)

\_\_\_\_ Toddler (1-4 years)

\_\_\_\_ Older (5+ years)

School currently attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you available to babysit during the day for the summer of 2008? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Can you provide references upon request? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Phone Number:

E-mail:

Do you have any certifications or official training:

***(This is not an official list endorsed by the Grove HOA, rather it is a list compiled by residents.)***



## Time is running out for Mailbox repair **FINAL CALL - May 1, 2008!**

May 1, 2008 is now the deadline before enforcement begins. Certified Letters will go out to homeowners in May who have not properly maintained their mailboxes. You will have 14 days to comply once the letter is issued or fines of \$10 /day will begin. If you haven't complied after 90 days of fines, then a lien may be placed on your home. We are sorry it has resulted in this action but many have still not complied to our gentle requests for over 2 years. Boxes must have a gloss dark hunter green finish and the wood posts must be painted with gloss white paint. Numbers must be raised and painted gloss dark hunter green to match box.

Rust-Oleum Dark Hunter Green color matches best. (Note: Ridgemoor & Scotter Hills will be repainted green by management company at next painting interval.)

If you can't do this upkeep yourself, you may call one of these men who have agreed to repair them at a very reasonable cost.

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**Just need a green box?** Go to [homedepot.com](http://homedepot.com) and search for E1600G00. It is only \$21 shipped!

*The Grove does not officially endorse any contractor, we are just providing these to you as sources. You can certainly do the work yourself or hire a contractor of your choice as long as they comply with the colors and standards.*

## Website Changes:

The Grove publicity committee is preparing to overhaul our website (thegrovehoa.com) over the next few months and we want your input.

**What would you like to see on our website?** Email your ideas to [publicity@thegrovehoa.com](mailto:publicity@thegrovehoa.com)

### Kindergarten Registration

**What is the date, time, and location of registration?**

April 17th from 9 am - 7 pm, JB Watkins, 501 Coalfield Rd.

**What are the age requirements for school entry?**

Children must be five years old on or before September 30, 2008.

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