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Neighborhood Safety Update

On April 14, the Board met with Grove residents to discuss crime prevention and the need for a neighborhood safety awareness program. Corporal Scott Gordon, with the Chesterfield County Police, presented its details. He states, **"You don't have to be a vigilante; just share information and watch out for one another."**

Currently a petition is circulating to collect signatures in favor of forming a Neighborhood Watch. At least 60% of Grove residences must sign to approve it.

For more information or to sign the petition, contact Gerry Mancuso at president@thegrovehoa.com.

National Night Out!
Tuesday, August 2nd
at the Clubhouse



*Questions, Comments,
or Concerns?*

*Attend the next
GHOA Meeting*

July 14, 2011

6:30 p.m.

The Clubhouse

Kindergarten Ice Cream Social

Here's to backpacks and new beginnings! The Grove holds its annual ice cream social for rising kindergartners on Wednesday, August 31st, 6:30 p.m. at the Clubhouse.

This is a special event for new kindergartners, so no siblings, please.

If you would like to help, please contact Anne Counoupas (counoupas@gmail.com) or Melissa Davis (mdavis831@verizon.net).

Anna Counoupas and Melissa Davis
Kindergarten Ice Cream Social Chairs

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HOA Connection

Architectural Review Reminders

STOP! Don't add that porch, pergola, or patio, without ARC approval. Per covenants, any "rogue" modifications to your home can be removed at YOUR expense. ADDITIONS, including rooms, landscaping, etc., as well as CHANGES to exterior paint colors, siding, and fixtures, etc., must be approved before work begins. Outdoor fixtures should be replaced with existing makes/models. Storm doors need to be authorized, too. For ARC guidelines, please see <http://thegrovehoa.com/covenants-by-laws> or email cgrimes@communitygroup.com.

The ARC committee currently needs one to two more members. To volunteer, contact Gerry Mancuso at president@thegrovehoa.com.

2011 Homeowner Dues PAST DUE!

Unpaid assessments for the 2011 HOA fiscal year are NOW WAY PAST DUE. Call Community Group immediately at 270-1800 to make payment arrangements.

A DISCLOSURE BOOK: Get It or Regret It!

Disclosure books may not be on Oprah's List or the NYT's Top Ten, but they are an essential read for Grove residents. Sellers MUST purchase a NEW disclosure package for the buyer during the contract period. New homeowners have the right to cancel a contract without a current package. Order disclosure packages at www.communitygroup.com, by clicking the "Selling & Refinancing" tab, then the "Place Order Here" tab. If you have any questions or need help, please call Community Group, Owner Services 270-1800.

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 more details see Grove HOA web site under the "Contact Us" tab.

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Aug - Sept issue are due July 15

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Cathy Allen, Editor
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To enjoy pool privileges, all HOA dues, fines, and late fees must be paid in full.

New residents can get pool passes at any time through Gerry Mancuso president@thegrovehoa.com. Download registration and waiver forms at <http://thegrovehoa.com/pool>. New homeowners must bring a copy of closing statement, and photo I D. New renters should bring a copy of lease, photo I D, and verify landlord has paid HOA dues.

Current residents who missed the validation dates should email Gerry to schedule a make-up appointment. Bring your pool passes with you. Lost passes cost \$2 per pass. Make checks payable to The Grove HOA. (No cash payments.)

Make a splash this year by diving into the pool committee. To join contact Gerry Mancuso.



Clubhouse Rules

Summer festivities have increased demand for the Clubhouse. So effective immediately, ALL reservations MUST BE made online. Rental information (pricing, rules, and availability) can be accessed at thegrovehoa.com on the Clubhouse tab. Please check there first before contacting the clubhouse coordinator.

Passwords are required for reservations so sign up NOW to allow time to get one.

The Clubhouse Coordinator is looking to "pass the torch." Interested? Email Terry Cullen at rossieleven@verizon.net.



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The session dates and times are as follows:

Session:	Start Date:	End Date:	Last Day to Register:
1	June 27	July 8	June 20
2	July 11	July 21	July 4
3	July 25	August 4	July 18

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Pond News

Snake Alert: Recently a concerned neighbor reported a snake at the Grove Pond. Please tell your children to stay away from snakes; they might be poisonous!

Fishing: Please do not remove fish from the Grove Pond. Only "catch and release" is allowed.

Geese Warning: Geese are currently in breeding mode and will aggressively protect their young. Do not feed or approach geese or goslings.

Residents NEW Facebook Page!



Stay in the GROOVE with the latest happenings at our new Facebook page "The Grove Residents." Exchange news, ideas, post items for sale, and chat with neighbors in a safe, closed group environment.

Only members can view posts.

If you belonged to the old Facebook group, you must join the new one to continue participating. Sign up at thegrovehoa.com by clicking the "join here" link at the middle of the webpage. This takes you to Facebook. Then, request permission to join from the administrator (Mike Burnette). Once approved, let your fingers do the talking!

Grove Student Wins College Fishing Tournament

By Shelley Neofotistos

Biggin Pond resident Dylan Bishop and his partner Allen Luck took first place for Hampton-Sydney in the National Guard FLW College Fishing Northern Division event on March 26. They surpassed 40 other college teams and snagged \$10,000 for their school by catching 5 bass weighing 16 pounds.


Dylan and Allen endured the cold, wind, and rain at Smith Mountain Lake to win the contest. Although the students grew up together, this was their first fishing tournament partnership.

The win advances Bishop and Luck to the Northern Division Regional Championship. Way to go!

(Information from <http://www.collegefishing.com/tournament.cfm?tid=6712&t=news&aid=152141>)

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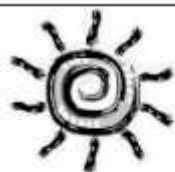
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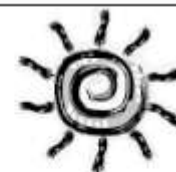
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Child Care Services

Babysitter - Thirteen year-old eighth grader provides babysitting services. Coalbrook resident with lots of experience with children ages two through nine. Call Sami at 897-9375.

Summer Babysitter - Soon to be 15 year old high school sophomore is looking for summer work. Regularly helps out in church nursery, and belongs to a Christian Youth Group. Great with kids of all ages. Kingham resident. Email Laura at softballmaniac9@yahoo.com.

Pet Care Services

Pet Sitting - Retired Krim Point resident is available to do pet sitting. Call Linda at 897-0764.

Several Grove Committees are in serious need of leaders or members. Please consider volunteering. Many hands make light work!

ARC: One or two more members

Social Committee: Chair/Co-Chairs

Pool Committee: Chair and members

Clubhouse: Coordinator wanted



WELCOME TO THE GROVE!

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Shelby Craig, 522 Lawford Lane

Cecily Gardner, 13431 Ridgemoor Lane

Ernest Gonzalez, 1031 Mitford Place

Chris, Jeanne, & Maya Jordan, 1432 Gravity Hill Road

Frank & Kristy Petrosky, 1237 Hawkins Wood Circle

Nathaniel & Katrina Schlomann, 13420 Ridgemoor Drive

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