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#### **Next HOA Meetings**

Annual Meeting & Board Election: June 13 General: August 8

6:30pm@ The Clubhouse (2nd Thurs bi-monthly)

#### Annual HOA Meeting and Board Election June 13 at 6:30 pm

Now that the Annual Meeting and Board Election will be held every June, which coincides with the pool opening, and thus pool pass dates, it will be easier for residents to turn in their proxies and ballots at pool validation dates. This will help establish quorum requirements for annual meetings. Watch your mailbox for an envelope from Associa containing the proxy, ballot, and biographies of Board candidates. Please bring your completed and signed proxy and ballot to one of the pool validation dates. Three seats are up for election this June. Want change? Contact Jo Mendoza at jmendoza@communitygroup.com or Gerry Mancuso at president@thegrovehoa.com. Deadline: MAY 3rd.

#### Selling Your Home? Think ARC Compliance & Disclosure Book, LIKE NOW!

Residents selling their home must purchase an updated disclosure book from the HOA to give to their buyer (contact Community Group 804-270-1800). Your buyer has 3 days to review the documents once in hand. The Virginia Statutes allows up to 14 calendar days for processing the disclosure book request. If a book is needed sooner, an additional rush fee of \$58.65 is required. The fees for purchasing a disclosure book consist of \$146.70 for the actual disclosure book and \$117.30 for the resale inspection of the home's exterior to ensure that architectural guidelines set in place by the association are in compliance. In addition, there is a post closing fee of \$58.65 that is charged at every sale to the buyer. It is an administrative fee to remove the previous owner from the address account and set up the new buyer account. Any major additions to the exterior of your home or landscaping should have been approved by the Architectural Review Committee (ARC). Failure to do so may hold up closing if the buyer balks at violations/non-compliance issues.

#### **Curb Appeal Matters!**

Now that Spring has sprung, it's time to tackle all those exterior projects around the house and property. May is Mailbox Improvement Month, so check your mailbox first. Is the color faded? Does your post have rot and/or chipped paint? With HOA inspections looming, get that taken care of before violation notices are sent. See page 4 for mailbox refurbishment. Should the driveway be repaired or sealed? Inspect your lawn for weeds and keep it properly mowed. Weed and trim foundation beds. Ensure the irrigation system works correctly. Examine your pedestrian and garage doors for fading and chipped paint. Check your shutters. Most shutters are under a lifetime warranty, so check the information on the back, which should include shipping requirements for repair/replacement. Verify instruction with the company. Is the vinyl siding moldy or just in need of a good power washing? In today's resale market, curb appeal matters!

The Social Committee needs volunteers to help lead, organize, and staff events for 2019. For this year and beyond, look at it this way: More Volunteers = More Fun we can have as a neighborhood! For a list of events currently in the works, see page 5. Join In!

#### The Grove 2019 Board of Directors boardofdirectors@thegrovehoa.com

Gerry Mancuso, 804-897-0853 president@thegrovehoa.com

Earl Nunnally, 804-379-4493 vicepresident@thegrovehoa.com

Joshua Farmer secretary@thegrovehoa.com

John Romano, 804-379-1238 treasurer@thegrovehoa.com

Matt Chafin director@thegrovehoa.com

#### The Grove's Full Service Community Manager is COMMUNITY GROUP (Covering Biggin Pond, Coalbrook, Gravity Hill, Hawkins Woods, Kingham, Krim Point, Mitford)

Jo Mendoza, COMMUNITY GROUP, 3901 Westerre Pkwy, # 100, Henrico, VA 23233

804-270-1800

email@communitygroup.com www.communitygroup.com For neighborhood violations, repairs, assessments, architectural modifications, vendor management, etc.

#### Scotter Hills/Ridgemoor **Full Service Community Manager**

Tracey Talbert, 804-273-1333 Stellar Community Management, LLC. stellartalbert@comcast.net

**Board of Directors: See Page 4** 

#### **Grove Contacts**

#### **Architectural Modifications**

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#### Clubhouse (see page 4)

Leslie Elliott clubhouse@thegrovehoa.com

#### Newsletter

Cathy Allen, Editor newsletter@thegrovehoa.com

> Pool **OPEN**

Grounds **OPEN** 

#### Social

OPEN, socials@thegrovehoa.com Grove Social Club Facebook Page

#### **Neighborhood Watch**

OPEN, president@thegrovehoa.com

## **HOA Connection**

#### **Architectural Review Rules**

Before installing those outdoor patios or extending your deck, 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. Scotter Hills and Ridgemoor residents must apply to their board for approval PRIOR to submitting to The Grove ARC. No applications will be considered without the Scotter Hills/Ridgemoor board consent. The HOA has 30 days to review submissions to ARC. For complete details see www.thegrovehoa.com Covenants & Bylaws tab.

Homeowners whose property backs up to the walking paths should periodically check their shrubbery and trees for overhanging branches inhibiting people's progress on the paths.

COMMUNITY GROUP NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS COVERAGE: CONTACT OWNER SERVICES AT 804-270-1800 EXT. 1 or ownerservices@communitygroup.com.

#### 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.

#### Home Sales in The Grove Require Disclosure Packages

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 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 Owner Services 804-270-1800 or ownerservices@communitygroup.com.

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

Submit all ads and articles to: Cathy Allen, Editor newsletter@thegrovehoa.com or call 804-658-7473 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 2019

Bus. Card size - \$45

Quarter page - \$82

Half page - \$112

Full page - \$202

Back cover - \$207 (sold out)

Advertiser provided insert \$105 (780 copies needed)

Ad design: \$40/hr. See website for details: the grovehoa.com

### 2019 Pool Pass Validation & Board Election **Proxy/Ballot Collection Dates** Location: The Clubhouse

Bring your pool passes to get them validated on one of the following dates. All NEW residents need to bring a registration form and waiver form to complete validation. You can download those ahead of time at thegrovehoa.com. CURRENT residents do not need to complete the forms, just bring your Pool passes to be validated. Lost pass replacements are \$2 per pool passes. The HOA will continue to use stickers to update the passes for 2019 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; 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 Sheila Upton at sheilabupton@outlook.com or 804-379-0969 or Sean Danowski at sean.danowski@ gmail.com or 908-461-3795 to schedule an appointment. Volunteers are needed to validate pool passes, as well as join the pool committee. To help out please email Gerry Mancuso president@thegrovehoa.com.

Also bring your completed and signed proxy and ballot forms to turn in on the day you get your pool IDs validated. This will help to achieve the necessary quorum to hold the Board Election at this year's Annual HOA meeting in June.

May 14 7-9 pm

May 16 7-9 pm

May 18 10 am-12 pm

May 22 7-9 pm

May 23 7-9 pm

May 30 7-9 pm

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

Proxy form and ballot if you received them in the mail

#### **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:**

pass. Please make checks payable to The Grove HOA. No cash payments are accepted. Also bring completed and signed proxy & ballot forms.

#### 2019 Pool Hours\* Opening Day Saturday, May 25th

#### Memorial Day Weekend

Saturday 10 am to 9 pm Sunday 10 am to 8 pm Monday 10 am to 7 pm

#### May 28th through June 14th

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

#### June 15th through September 2nd

Sunday-Thursday 10 am to 8 pm Friday-Saturday 10 am to 9 pm July 4th - 10 am to 8 pm Labor Day - 10 am to 7 pm

#### **TownSq For HOA Payments**

TownSq is a website developed by Associa for use in the neighborhoods they manage, and is now available to The Grove. TownSq does not replace our current website www.thegrovehoa.com, but will be useful for paying HOA assessments online and participating in chat forums. You will continue to book events at the Clubhouse and find HOA documents and forms (By Laws & Covenants, ARC applications, pool applications, etc.) using our website www.thegrovehoa.com. To access Townsq, log onto www.townsq.io (using any browser except Internet Explorer) OR download the FREE mobile app (search for "TownSq") with your account number and Community zip code. Your account number is found in the middle of your assessment bill from Associa/Community Group. You will need this to register, then you can log in.

<sup>\*</sup> Days and Hours Confirmed with Swim Club Management Group. Any Schedule Changes 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 through Pleasants Hardware/Midlothian Station Shopping Center, or ordered online (not in stores) at 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. Mailbox can be repainted using dark hunter green matte spray paint.

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).



#### News from Scotter Hills/ Ridgemoor

By Kathy Morris

It's irrigation set-up time followed by beginning to irrigate our lawns. Mowing will be scheduled for Fridays each week unless it is raining. Parking continues to be a problem in Scotter Hills and Ridgemoor. Please do not park where the yellow lines are painted on the streets. We will monitor our streets and have cars towed that are parked illegally. Remember for ARC changes on your property you need to send an ARC request to Tracey Talbert at Stellar Management for approval from the Scotter Hills Ridgemoor Board and after receiving approval from the Scotter Hills Ridgemoor Board you need to send your Grove ARC request to Jo Mendoza at Community Group for the Grove Board's approval. Homeowners need approval from both Boards before proceeding with their ARC changes on their property.

#### 2019 Board

President: Kathy Morris Vice President: Bertina Lee Secretary: Sandy Sneade Treasurer: Sylvia Warner



#### Grove Clubhouse INFO

Planning a Holiday Party or Special Celebration? The Clubhouse books up quickly, so reserve your spot now! Rates are only \$75 for 3 hours, or \$125 for 6 hours

and only \$10 for any additional hour(s). A \$150 refundable security deposit for damages is required at time of booking plus a \$75.00 refundable cleaning deposit. For the latest rates and rules regarding the Clubhouse, visit thegrovehoa.com on the Clubhouse link.

NOTE: YOU MUST RENT The Clubhouse to use its amenities including those located outside the clubhouse building. Rental of the Clubhouse includes the following inventory but does NOT include pool usage:

8 7' Folding Tables, 3 Folding Bar Height Tables, 50 Folding Chairs, TV with access to 15 local channels via a digital converter box, A Full service kitchen complete with stove, oven, microwave and refrigerator, and Walkout patio use and picnic tables.

Go to the Clubhouse tab on thegrovehoa.com, click on the "Clubhouse Pricing and Reservations" link, then select the "Reserve Now" link. Complete the required information and submit the form, which will go to our Clubhouse Coordinator Leslie Elliott. Clubhouse@thegrovehoa.com is the email to contact Leslie Elliott. Typical response time is 48 hours.

#### Fireworks Illegal Per County

There is no official fireworks display in The Grove due to County restrictions. Discharging fireworks in the subdivision without a permit is against Chesterfield County law and therefore illegal. According to Chesterfield's government website, the county fire prevention code "prohibits the sale, possession, and use of fireworks by anyone other than a licensed and permitted fireworks professional." You must apply for this permit 60 days in advance of the display, and include proof of \$1,000,000.00 liability insurance, and a pyrotechnician certification, in addition to other requirements. Any unauthorized fireworks use is punishable by law.

#### 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, email BelcherJ@Chesterfield.gov.

If it is a road issue, go to: https://my.vdot.virginia.gov. Use this link to report road repairs directly to VDOT. If you create an account, they will email you with updates on the progress of your request.



## Upcoming Grove Socials Location: Clubhouse

Watch Facebook for more info on our FUNTASTIC Social Events!

Summer Pool Bash June 14 5 pm: Celebrate the end of the school year with your family and friends!!! DJ JT, Jennifer Thomasson, will be providing the tunes and pizza and chips will be served!

Movie Night I: July 20

National Night Out: August 6
Movie Night II: August 24

#### 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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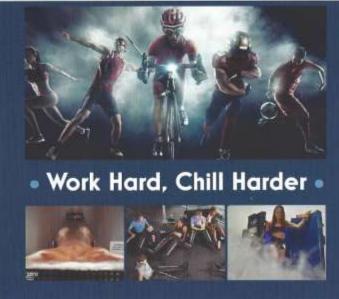
\*New 2018 VASB 672 law which changed the definition of a group for the purposes of purchasing health insurance to include Sole Proprietor, Single Member & Single Shareholder corporations.

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VILLAGE GREEN 5:30-8:30PM

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Benefiting Cameron K. Gallagher Foundation

Red Neck Pool Party

Benefiting RVAg, Inc.

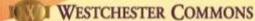
Benefiting KVAg, Inc.

June 28 Diamond Heist

Benefiting Together for Tanzania

BONUS CONCERT June 29 5 Second Rule

Chesterfield County National Night Out Kickoff



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#### The Grove Pond Goose Fence

By Matt Chafin

Tired of goose feces on the walking paths? Sick of geese standing in the middle of the road? Done with the fear and intimidation of geese terrorizing you and your children as you walk around the pond?

The Grove has lived with a steadily increasing goose population for 15+ years. Geese are attracted to our pond and surrounding grass and natural areas. While lovely to look at, they come with the aforementioned drawbacks which all of us have experienced at one time or another.

Our Board President, Gerry Mancuso explained at a recent board meeting "Over the years the HOA board has attempted several methods to make our area unfavorable to geese in hopes that they would find another home: grape juice - a natural scent deterrent, goose egg addling - an approved method of making eggs non-viable, decoy "alligators" lights and dogs - natural goose deterrents, strobe lights in the pond to disrupt sleep patterns. All of these prior attempts have proven unsuccessful."

This year our neighborhood is trying something new - an approximately 3 foot tall fence around the perimeter of the pond. The fence is intended to prevent geese from walking out of the pond onto land where they graze for food, sleep, and nest in the spring. Geese prefer to land in the water and walk onto land. Research has shown that the inability to walk on the shore from the water makes the habitat less appealing and encourages them to find a new home. (Search "goose fence" on the internet or read this helpful article: http://www.foxboroughma.gov/pages/foxboroughma\_conservation/1Goosefence.pdf)

Throughout the year we will monitor the effectiveness of the fence. Should it prove effective the HOA Board will consider a more permanent and attractive structure. We ask that residents help preserve the fence by not tampering with it, leaning on it, or otherwise modifying it. If you observe someone tampering with the fence, please alert Community Group at 804-270-1800. If you feel comfortable doing so, politely ask the person to stop.

Since the fence was completed we have observed positive results. Geese have been seen paddling circles in the pond, unable to exit to shore, and leaving the area. Overall, we have noted a significant reduction in the number of geese, and few geese present on walkways or in the road.

More important than the fence, visitors to the pond have an impact on the goose population. During a recent visit to the pond Jeffrey Rumbaugh, Biologist with USDA noted, "There were 15 geese on the pond when I arrived. This group of 15 started to follow me around the pond. I made a motion as if I were throwing out bread to them and they immediately rushed to within a couple feet of me, making it very obvious that these birds are fed frequently." He went on to say, "The Grove needs to make sure that no one is feeding geese at the pond. If geese are being fed there, you will have goose problems no matter what you do." In response to Mr. Rumbaugh's observation and recommendation, the HOA Board has installed signs at the pond instructing visitors to not feed geese. We ask all residents help in this regard as feeding geese not only attracts them to the pond, it is also unhealthy for them.

The fence project was started on February 10 and completed on March 9, 2019 by the following volunteers: Cory Whitlow, Brian and Diana Garbera, Lee and Shirley Bradshaw, Courtney Rosenthal, Jay and Molly Greene, Earl Nunnally, David Sommardahl, Joshua Farmer and Gerry Mancuso. The cost of materials was minimal. Thank you to this group for volunteering your time in service to our neighborhood.



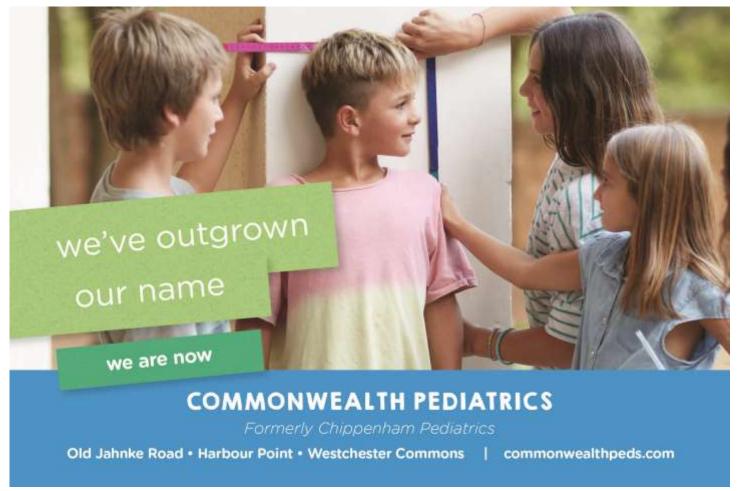




#### **Preventing Allergic Reactions and Controlling Allergies**

An allergy management plan is key to preventing allergic reactions. It is also necessary to control your allergies. Work with your doctor to create your allergy management plan. Controlling your allergies and preventing allergic reactions depends on your type of allergy. Types of allergies: drug, food, insect, latex, mold, pet, and pollen. Here are some ways to manage your allergies:

- Avoid your allergens. This is very important but not always easy. Some allergens are easier to avoid than others. When you can't avoid an allergen, try to reduce your contact with it.
- Take your medicines as prescribed. They can be helpful for managing your symptoms. (continued on page 11)





#### Grilled Chicken with Vegetables

Calories 173 Per Serving/Serves 4
Protein 25 g Per Serving/Fiber 2 g Per Serving

#### **Cooking spray**

1 1/2 tsp. dried basil (crumbled)

1 1/2 tsp. garlic powder

1/4 tsp. **salt** 

1/4 tsp. pepper

1 tsp. grated **lemon zest** 

1 Tbsp. fresh lemon juice

2 tsp. **olive oil** (extra virgin preferred)

4 boneless, skinless **chicken breast** halves (about 4 ounces each), all visible fat discarded

1 small **zucchini**, cut lengthwise into slices 1/4 inch wide

1 small red bell pepper, cut crosswise into 4 rings

1/4 small eggplant (about 4 ounces), cut crosswise into 1/2-inch slices

In a small bowl, stir together the basil, garlic powder, salt, and pepper. Transfer 1 teaspoon of the mixture to a large shallow dish. Reserve the remaining mixture.

Stir the lemon zest, lemon juice, and oil into the basil mixture in the shallow dish. Dip the chicken in the mixture, turning to coat. Transfer to a large plate. Cover and refrigerate for 10 minutes to 8 hours.

Preheat the grill on medium high.

Put the zucchini, bell pepper, and eggplant on a flat surface. Lightly spray both sides of the vegetables with cooking spray. Sprinkle both sides with the reserved basil mixture. Using your fingertips, gently press the mixture so it adheres to the vegetables.

Grill the chicken for 4 to 5 minutes on each side, or until no longer pink in the center. After grilling the chicken on one, side, put the zucchini, bell pepper, and eggplant on the grill. Grill the vegetables for 2 to 3 minutes on each side, or until tender. Serve the chicken with the vegetables on the side.

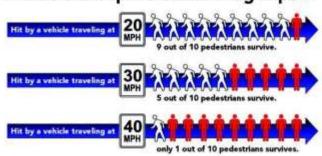
(From The American Heart Association)



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Before hiring a backflow inspector, confirm they are a certified "Backflow Prevention Device Worker."

For more details, go to www.chesterfield.gov and click on Departments. Under the Utilities link (Residential), click on "Cross-Connection & Backflow Prevention" for FAQs and PDF guides.

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#### **Plastic Film Recycling**

For plastic film, bags, and product overwrap that cannot be recycled through the Chesterfield County recycling program (CVWMA) or through private waste service companies, find local dropoff locations at plasticfilmrecycling.org. Just input your zip code for a list of retail stores accepting these items. The list seems pretty current (except for the Martin's stores which closed). The website also gives clear examples of what sites can take and not take.



#### Free Neighbor-to-Neighbor Classified Ads For Grove Residents Only Content Responsibility of Advertiser

#### 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.

**Child Care/Pet Care Services**-14-year-old Red Cross certified babysitter available for child care services. Lives in Gravity Hill subdivision. Has experience working with children in Sunday school. Also available for pet sitting. Call or text Cassidy at (804) 393-8657.

#### **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 email at aaronhou2598@gmail.com.

Many thanks go to Rick and Nita Markell of Lantagne Legal Printing who print our newsletter!

## WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS!



Frances Babshak 13307 Ridgemoor Drive
James & Linda Caruthers 539 Lawford Lane
Emmogene Dunston & Vernon Boyd 13919 Krim Point Road
Michael Gasiorowski 13406 Mitford Drive
Hisham Al Habbal 13501 Heth Drive
Marshall & Virginia Hawkins 1131 Kingham Drive
Walter & Rebecca Preston 630 Coalbrook Drive
Jamie Roberts 1100 Hawkins Wood Circle
William Simmons 606 Krim Point Loop
Jerald & Brittany Waldrup 1101 Hawkins Wood Circle

New residents to The Grove can contact
The Grove Welcome Committee Chair
Lynne Labott at grovewelcome@thegrovehoa.com



#### Little Library at The Clubhouse

"Take a book, leave a book" at this book exchange in The Grove!

Connect with your neighbors through the printed word and add variety to what you read!

(Photo By Gerry Mancuso)

**Preventing Allergic Reactions and Controlling Allergies** (continued from page 8)

- If you are at risk for anaphylaxis, keep your epinephrine auto-injectors with you at all times. Epinephrine is the only treatment for a severe allergic reaction. It is only available through a prescription from your doctor. Each prescription comes with two auto-injectors in a set.
- Keep a diary. Track what you do, what you eat, when symptoms occur and what seems to help. This may help you and your doctor find what causes or worsens your symptoms.
- Wear a medical alert bracelet (or necklace). If you have *ever* had a severe allergic reaction, please wear a medical alert bracelet. This bracelet lets others know that you have a serious allergy. It can be critical if you have a reaction and you are unable to communicate.

**Know what to do during an allergic reaction.** Have a written anaphylaxis emergency action plan. It tells you and others what to do in case you have allergic symptoms or a severe allergic reaction. Always ask your doctor if you have any questions.

(from aafa.org)





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