Spring/Summer 2012 Grove E-news

Grove newsletters are archived online.

Reserve Your Spot Now To Tour Grove Homes

Grove residents interested in going on the home tour this Saturday, July 14 need to email Aleah Vinick to reserve a space and get tour details. Space is limited. There is no charge for Grove residents. The 2012 Grove Home Tour is a ticketed tour organized by the MN Historical Society (MNHS) and in partnership with the University Grove Homeowners Association. Thanks to all the homeowners who are graciously opening their homes to MNHS members and Grove residents:

2298 Folwell: Lis & Mike Christenson
1572 Fulham: Jeff Connell
1564 Fulham: Denise & John Deen
1596 Northrop: Karen Kloser & Eric Schiffman
2197 Folwell: Dan Voytas & Tony Payne
2160 Folwell: Chris & Jennifer Reedy

Pictured above: Northrop Traffic Triangle summer blooms and three of its gardeners at the Grove Park Picnic & Clean Up (L-R): Cynthia Hobbie, 2151 Folwell, Karen Kloser, University Grove Communications Officer, and Brenda Zimmerman, 2225 Folwell.

Neighborhood Events

Saturday, July 14
2012 Grove Home Tour
9 am - 4 pm
Sponsored by the MN Historical Society and in partnership with the University Grove Homeowners Association
Space is limited. For reservations, contact Aleah Vinick

**Thursday, July 26**
*Falcon Heights Annual Ice Cream Social*
6 pm - 7:30 pm  
Community Park - Roselawn at Cleveland

**Tuesday, August 7**
*Grove National Night to Unite with Olympic games for the kids*
6 pm - 7:30 pm  
2217 Folwell  
Snacks and refreshments  
Emergency vehicle visit

**No Fall Potluck Picnic This Year**

**Tuesday, October 16**
*University Grove Homeowners Association Annual Meeting*
7 pm - 9 pm  
Falcon Heights City Hall  
2077 West Larpenteur Avenue

**Big Rock at Grove Park**
Many Grove kids have climbed the big rock at the entrance to Grove Park. A recent inquiry from longtime 1666 Coffman resident, Thor Kommedahl, about the origins of the rock led to a little known fact: It was uncovered when the streets were redone in the early 1990s in front of 2211 Folwell, when the Lukermanns lived there (currently the home of Sarah Matt, Anna and Norah Caflisch).

*Photo on right: The next generation of Grove kids at an Easter Egg Hunt event held this past spring.*

**Announcements**

**Tutor Available**
A Blake High School graduate is an experienced tutor available this summer to help in Spanish, math (calculus up to geometry and algebra), biology, chemistry and physics. For more information, please call Pauline Boss, 651-644-3024.

**Grove House For Rent**
A 4-bedroom home in the Grove is for rent through spring semester 2013. Contact ugrove@umn.edu

**Going On Vacation?**
The St. Anthony Police Department provides a great service to our community. If you are going on vacation the police will do a premise survey of your property while you are gone. Call the police department during business hours and put your address on their list, 612-782-3350. Please do not call the Falcon Heights City Hall.
**City And Park Facilities For Rent**
Looking for large venues for graduation, birthday, or family gatherings at reasonable prices? Falcon Heights Community Park Building and Shelters, Curtiss Field Building, City Hall Council Chambers, City Hall Kitchen and City Hall Conference Room are available for rent to residents and non-residents all year round. Fees for rental vary based on amenities and facilities being used. [Click here for more information.]

**Lease Covenants**
When planning your exterior improvements, please be mindful of our lease covenants regarding home additions, privacy fences, major landscaping, exterior buildings, and tree removal. These activities, as well as others outlined in the lease, all require approval from our lessor, the University of Minnesota Real Estate Office (REO).
The intent of the lease covenants is to maintain the natural land contours, oak tree clusters and vistas the original landscape architects of the Grove emphasized in the site plan. In addition to maintaining the unique and open landscape of the neighborhood, the approval process also aids in maintaining good relations between neighbors. If some residents go through the approval process and others don’t, this typically does not go unnoticed and, ultimately the REO gets involved, as well as the volunteer University Grove Homeowners Association executive board.
The current lease is linked on the Grove FAQs web page, and the UMN's website under [Standard Contracts Library](http://www.umn.edu). For questions about the lease or approval process, please email UMN Real Estate Director Sue Weinberg.

**Kudos**
**Brennan Kelly**, son of Joe and Michelle Kelly, 1576 Vincent, is a 2012 National Commended Merit Scholar from Roseville High School, and is attending UW-Madison. **Emily Wagner**, daughter of Jean and Rick Wagner, 1595 Northrop, is a 2012 National Merit Scholar from Minnehaha Academy, and is attending Worcester Poly Tech Institute in Massachusetts. **Adam Schiffman**, son of Eric Schiffman and Karen Kloser, 1596 Northrop, graduated from Minnehaha Academy and is attending Colorado State University - Fort Collins.

2012 Grove High School Graduates pictured above (L-R): Brennan Kelly, Adam Schiffman and Emily Wagner

**Phil Pardey**, 2137 Folwell, a professor in the department of Applied Economics and past UGHA treasurer, is a 2012 Siehl Prize Laureate for Excellence in Agriculture award. This award recognizes living individuals who have made extraordinary contributions to the
production of food and alleviation of hunger in three separate categories: production, agribusiness, and knowledge, and includes a monetary award of $50,000. The Siehl Prize is named in honor of philanthropist Eldon Siehl, a successful Minnesota businessman who wanted to educate the general public about where their food came from, and to provide recognition for the dedicated people who make it their life’s work.

Bob Gehrz, 2285 Folwell, a professor in the department of Physics and Astronomy and former UGHA president, is part of an international team that discovered carbon molecules in a solid form in space. Their discovery may provide clues about the origins of the universe, and if other planetary life could exist.

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In Memory

Eugene "Gene" Mason, 86, (pictured right), 2143 Folwell, died Wednesday, June 13, 2012 in St. Paul. He joined the UMN Philosophy Department in 1957 and taught until his retirement in 2000, having served several years as chair. Gene was particularly interested in the philosophical writings of Søren Kierkegaard and Ludwig Wittgenstein, and in theories of justice and ethics, writing on moral and social issues and public policy. These interests dovetailed with his political engagement; he was active in the DFL and advocated for human rights. Gene and Joan were known for the gatherings they hosted, welcoming friends, colleagues, graduate students and visiting professors into their home. He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Joan; his children, John (Susan Davies), Austerlitz, NY; Chris (Ann), Baltimore MD; Karen (Matt Schaefer), Iowa City, IA; Martha Mason Miller, St. Paul; Tom, Nashville TN; and his grandchildren. A memorial service was held June 18 at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church. Memorials may be made to Doctors Without Borders, the Hong Kierkegaard Library (St. Olaf College) or the Iowa Women's Archives (University of Iowa).

Herb Pick, Jr., 82, (pictured left), 2261 Folwell, died unexpectedly and peacefully on June 18, 2012. Herb will be greatly missed by his wife of 50 years, Anne and his daughters: Cindy (Jon), Karen (John) and Gretchen (Michael); and his grandchildren. He was a professor at the UMN Institute of Child Development for 49 years. He loved bicycling, sailing, camping, poetry and spending time with his family and friends, but his greatest passion was his work. A celebration of Herb's life was held June 24 at the UMN Landscape Arboretum. Memorials preferred to the Herb Pick Applied Development Seed Grant Fund at the Institute of Child Development, the Young Dance All Abilities Program, or the YMCA Camp Widjiwagan Campership Fund.

Norman Fruman, 88, Grove resident from 1981-1998 at 2180 Folwell, died of cancer April 19 in Laguna Beach, Calif. He was a longtime faculty member in the UMN English Department. He is best known for his book exposing a pattern of plagiarism by beloved English poet and literary critic Samuel Taylor Coleridge which" generated a storm of controversy in literary
circles but was empirically unrefutable" according to experts.

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**Spring Park Clean Up**
Since taking back the Grove Park several years ago at the Annual Spring Potluck Picnic and Park Clean Up, the shared workload results in smaller piles of brush every year. This year's event also featured an craft event coordinated by Sarah Calfisch, UGHA vice president, Jo Eberle, UGHA secretary, Carl Lee, 2173 Folwell, and many helpers big and small. The older youth were "volunteered" to help the younger create decorative walking stones to be installed in the Northrop traffic triangle garden (see below). Kudos to Rose Cherlin, traffic triangle planning committee member, for the craft idea. Rose also suggested the Vincent traffic triangle could be a children's garden with the baby boom occurring on that end of Folwell.

*Pictured clockwise from top: Caprice Niccoli, 1596 Vincent; Ellen Demerath, 2297 Folwell, (with Caroline Weiblen); Marty and Noni Dworkin, 2123 Hoyt.*

**Traffic Triangle Garden Donations Wanted**
The Northrop Traffic Triangle perennial garden is established with the sweat and toil of many helpers. Donations of time (weeding and planting), money and/or plants (sun-loving perennials) are always welcome. Thanks to all who have donated in the past and continue to support this community beautification project. Email [Rebecca Montgomery](mailto:rebecca.montgomery@umn.edu) about plant and money donations.

The walking stones created by Grove kids (of all ages) at the June 3 Grove Park Spring BBQ & Potluck Picnic will be installed in the fall. Watch for more information from ugrove@umn.edu.
Home for Sale

1603 Northrop
$559,900
Contact Dave & Joan Pearson
Keller Williams Integrity Realty
651-293-1001

The Forum: Grove Online Message Board

• Have something to sell or give away?
• Need a handyman referral?
• Want to organize a gathering?
• Post lost or found items?

Go to the online message board to read the postings. However to post, you must register a username and password to log-in.

How does the online message board work? Once you are registered, you will have to check the Forum for updates, there will be no notifications sent for new messages posted. Of the free online message boards evaluated, ravelly.com:

  • has no popup ads except the banner above (nothing is free)
  • archives up to 300 threaded-style, searchable messages
  • is hosted on an offsite server
  • is a spam protected, safe and secure forum

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