

Helpful Tips

What do I do if I'm new to **Georgia**?

- Property Tax Homestead Exemptions (<https://www.cherokeega.com/tax-assessors-office/homestead-exemptions>)
- Driver's License- Georgia Department of Driver Services; call 678-413-8400 or visit their website at <https://dds.georgia.gov>
- Vehicle Tag --new residents have 30 calendar days after establishing their residency to register their vehicles (<https://www.cherokeega.com/tax-commissioners-office/car-tags/new-residents-to-georgia->)



What do the **landscapers** do?

- Wednesday mowing/edging (during growing season)
- Pine straw refresh in January and July
- Weed control and shrub/tree pruning in common areas and non-private yards
- You can replace bushes as long as they're on the list of acceptable plants (check with our landscaping company first: RGS Landscape, 404-849-4365)
- For those with a fenced-in area, you are responsible for your own yard within the fence.
- Feel free to contact our landscape company (RGS) if you want to hire them to make additional landscaping improvements: mulch, annual flowers, etc.
- If a tree/bush dies that Windsong/RGS planted, please contact Steve McMullan at graceinacworth@gmail.com

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When is **garbage** picked up?

- Trash is collected every Thursday / Recyclables every other Thursday (Friday for some holidays)
- Garbage & recycling receptacles are placed at the curb no earlier than 5 pm the day before
- **PestBan** provides insect/termite service in our community (770) 592-1121

Cherokee County Sheriff's Office
(non-emergency): (678) 493-4200

HOA Board Members:

[Terrie Mote](#) – president

[Paul Balun](#) – secretary

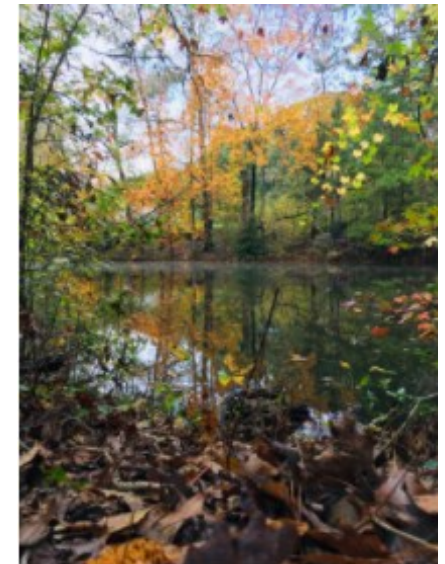
[August Olsen](#) – vice president

[Joe Armogida](#) – alternate



Welcome to Grace Community

*The friendliest place around
with the best neighbors!!*



What is the **FIRST** thing I should do, as a new Grace resident?

- Contact [Karin Storla](#) to get your contact info into the directory, as well as our weekly e-newsletters
 - kstorla@gmail.com
 - 770-238-9433
- She'll need your name(s), new address, phone number(s), and email address(s)



Get Involved!

What **committees** does our Grace community have?

- **Social** (Contact [Lisa Good](#))
- **Clubhouse** (Contact: [Twila McMullan](#))
- **Landscape** (Contact: [Steve McMullan](#))
- **Finance** (Contact: [Sue Figg](#))
- **Architectural** (Contact: [Joe Armogida](#))
- **Goodwill** (Contact: [Pat Davis](#))

We'd love for you to join a committee!

Did you know that we have a lot of talent at Grace—ask your neighbors about our handymen, Uber driver, published author, and cheesecake chef.

Have some fun!

What are some of Grace's social activities?

Check the Grace calendar for details:

- Women's coffee
- Monthly luncheon
- First Friday (Happy Hour)
- Book Club
- Bible Studies
- Bunco & Mahjong
- Men's Poker
- Trips: gardens, shopping, etc.
- Holiday Events, such as:
 - New Year's Eve
 - Cinco de Mayo
 - 4th of July
 - December Holiday Party



What do I do if I want to make **"improvements"** to my house?

- Residents can make indoor renovations without approval from the HOA (we do have "handymen" at Grace, if you need help)
- Changes made to the exterior of your house (including fencing, patio extension, storm door, landscaping, etc.) must be approved by Tolley and our HOA. See Tolley's website for the form (note: there is a \$40 fee). Check with [Joe Armogida](#) before contacting Tolley about exterior modifications.
- Note: original paint colors listed in fuse box in garage
- Note: smoke detectors are wired in with a battery backup



How do we **communicate** within the Grace community?

- Weekly newsletter and occasional immediate news emails (with latest news and happenings)
 - sent to your email from graceinacworth@gmail.com - (check spam or junk folders if you're not getting messages)
- Website (graceinacworth.org) contains contents of newsletter, copies of important HOA documents, web links, pictures, calendar of events, etc.
- Blackboard (in front of clubhouse, near mailboxes)
- Facebook: private group: ("Grace in Acworth")—great way to ask for help or recommendations: housekeeping, gutters, doctors, hair and nail salons, etc. You need to request membership to see the contents of this group.
- Informal talks on the porch, dog park, or our nature trail