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From Our President:

Some wonder how things get done. Some assume there is a “click” that takes care of everything. Then there are others that know NOTHING gets done except by people volunteering.

The amenities property gets mowed because of volunteers. The pool is opened and closed, and cleaned because of volunteers. Business decisions are made because of volunteers. Virtually everything that makes Fox Chase the community we love is because of VOLUNTEERS.

The question I am asking you is have you done anything for this community lately? Have you volunteered? Have you made sure the pool area is clean when you leave? Have you stopped to pick up a piece of litter? Have you volunteered to help with the pool or mowing? Have you joined a committee or the Board?

Friend and neighbor, it is about time.....

Have a great Summer,
Dick Cook
President, Fox Chase HOA



Volunteer and be a quick brown fox that jumps over all the lazy dogs!
Check out
www.fox-chase.org/volunteer.htm



From Our Treasurer:

I am happy to announce that we have successfully collected more than half of our dues owed for 2010! This will allow us to stay on course without any more cut backs. Cut backs? Our volunteers and board members and committee members have worked very hard to fill the gap created by a larger than predicted number of homeowners who were not in good standing. They (volunteers) saved us a couple of thousand dollars!

On May 17th our board voted to increase dues on the underdeveloped lots of home owners who also own separate developed lots. All underdeveloped separate lots will be an equal fee.

I can tell you that taking the position of treasurer has been a learning experience I've enjoyed and been challenged by.

You can help your treasurer best by paying the exact amount due. Paying less could result in a late fee. Put your number of your lot on your check. Pay on or before the due date. Read your dues notice in case there's been a mistake in record keeping, or an increase you may not be aware of. Lack of awareness could results in late fees.

The treasurer has a lot of uncomfortable issue that can arise; divorce, bankruptcy, foreclosure and illness. We've been able to successfully resolve some of these challenges through communication.

I want you to know that I take this position seriously. I set a high standard of performance in serving our community. If I can better serve you in these matters, you can mail your suggestions to: P.O. Box 455, Locust Grove, VA 22508.

Debbie Bradfield
Treasurer, Fox Chase HOA



Let's meet at the pool this summer to hang out!

Amenities Committee

The closing of the community pool is planned for Labor Day.

Thank you to all of the families who volunteered to open and close the pool: Radel, Soper, King, Howie, Rubin, Boshear, Whittier, D'Albis, Kelly, Frey, Gay, Van Bruggen/Kelsey, Crews, Cercione and Bell.

If you still haven't updated or received your key card, homeowners will be required to review amenities policies and re-

sign the Acknowledgment and Liability Waiver Form. The policies and form will be available on the Fox Chase website www.fox-chase.org.

Additionally, homeowners will be required to present their key cards for inventory. If you are a new member of our community you will be issued 2 key cards once you have reviewed the policies and signed a waiver form. As the pool season approaches, more informa-

tion as to the dates and times will be provided.

Note for next year, you will need to reactivate your key cards again so please put it in a safe place for the off season.

If you have any questions please contact Jennifer Stockli at 540-972-7188 or amenities@fox-chase.org.

Gardening Enthusiasts

"In all things of nature there is something marvelous"

Aristotle



While we're still sweltering this summer, now is a good time to think about garden plans for the fall. Fall is perfect planting time for shrubs and trees. With the more moderate weather and more reliable moisture, these plantings have a better chance of surviving.

Are you thinking about a new flowerbed for next spring? Now is the time to outline it, cut off any turf or weeds currently in that space, and put layers of newspaper, then layers of compost, mulched leaves and soil. Allow all

of it to cure over the winter, and you're ready to plant next spring. (You can turn it into the soil, or just plant directly into the layers....lasagna gardening!)

Leave your late summer seedheads on their stalks for the birds and for fall interest. Many annuals will also self-sow for next year as the seeds drop into the bed. And don't forget to clean and fill that birdbath!

The pool garden should be in full bloom. In addition to milkweed and black-eyed susan, there

are New England asters, the yellow Shrubby St. Johnswort, butterfly weed, yarrow, goldenrod and russian sage. Remember, goldenrod is not the plant that causes hay fever (that's ragweed), and goldenrod supports 115 species of birds and other critters. It's a great native plant to encourage in your garden. Stop to admire the birds, butterflies, dragonflies and other insects as you walk the nature trail.

Any questions, please contact Beth Malmquist at 972-1472.

Welcome Committee

Welcome to Our New Neighbors.

Jason and Cary Taylor moved in late in June and reside at 10747 Greenbrier Lane with their four children. Welcome!

If we have inadvertently missed any new neighbors in the last 6 months, please contact Nancy Bowles 972-9593 or Audrey Boshears 412-2473 or welcome@fox-chase.org.



REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY

All Hours Emergency Phone [911](tel:911)

All Hours Non-Emergency Phone [540-582-7115](tel:540-582-7115)

Sherriff's Office web site <http://www.spotsylvania.va.us/departments/sheriff/>

Grounds and Maintenance Committee



Summer is here and we are preparing for the Fall Clean-up Day. The next clean-up day will be on Saturday, October 23rd starting at 8am. Please meet in the Amenities Parking Lot. If 8am is too early for you, please show up as soon as you can. You'll be able to find someone working on the property and can ask how you can help out.

Please be sure to take some time to assist in the clean-up so we can continue to save money by doing the maintenance ourselves. The fox-chase.org website has a volunteer sign-up page for community members to volunteer their services in mowing/weed whacking...etc at the amenities property.

Thank you to those families who have signed up to mow: Worrell, Bowles, Soper and Grau.

Please sign up or call to get involved.

Jerry Stockli
Chairperson

972-7188 or
grounds@fox-chase.org

Annual Homeowners Dues - Second Payment Due

The first installment of the Annual Dues for \$315 was due by June 1st. The second installment is due by October 31st. If the first payment is not received by June 1st, the full amount of \$630 will be due immediately along with an assessed late charge of \$60. If this amount is not paid within 30 days, the Association will take legal action.



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Social Committee Notes:

"Don't buy the house, buy the neighborhood."
Russian Proverb

- The next Second Saturday at the Pool will be on Saturday, August 14th, from 5:00pm to 8:30pm. Bring your own picnic dinner and come out and meet your neighbors.
- The Fox Chase block party will be held on Saturday, August 28th, from 4:00 to 8:00 P.M. This event will take place at the pool. The rain date will be Sunday, August 29th. Look for details coming soon.
- Ladies Nights are held on Friday nights starting around 7:30pm. Please bring your own beverage and a snack to share and show up anytime before 11pm. We know you moms are busy putting the kids to bed so come on over after they fall asleep. We welcome all new neighbors to join us and to get to know us.
 - Friday, September 10th at Jennifer Stockli's home
 - Friday, October 1st at Donna Lambert's home
 - Friday, November 5th at Lisa D'Albis' home
- The neighborhood fall yard sale will be held Saturday, October 9th at 8:00 A.M. Start getting your items ready to sell.

Emails will be sent out for each of the above events. Information can also be found on the Fox Chase website. Questions call Lori Kelly 540-412-2581 or email social@fox-chase.org



ARC (Architectural Review Committee):

The Fox Chase ARC would like to extend appreciation to the many homeowners who keep our neighborhood looking beautiful and well maintained.

As you are working on your list of summer chores, please consider the appearance of your home from your neighbors' view. Small things, like a cleaned or painted mailbox post can make a big difference. Your home may be due for a power washing, especially on the north side of your house. Roof mold is becoming common throughout the neighborhood. In addition to being unsightly, this can be damaging to you roof and is easily remedied. Our local home stores can assist you with products to remove roof mold. Please remember that all homeowners need to maintain their lawns up to the edge of the road.

If you are planning any landscaping or exterior changes to your home, please submit a request form to the ARC and we will respond promptly.

The ARC has just completed a thorough review of the neighborhood and is preparing for another. Homeowners may have received a letter for noticeable violations of the guidelines and covenants. Please remember that the Fox Chase HOA Board may institute fines up to ten dollars per day after proper notification of violations or take action to remedy violations. It is just more neighborly to keep our homes looking their best and ask for help when needed.

Thank you for caring about the appearance of our neighborhood. Questions call Dan Conway 540-972-8124 or email arc@fox-chase.org