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Fall is in the air. As the leaves are changing so is your HOA Board. I would like to introduce myself as your new President and Christopher Espenshade as the new Vice President. Debbie Bradfield and Dick Cook have decided to step down from the board and we thank them for their service to the community. As most of you know, I also serve as the Board Pool liaison and it has been a pleasure watching how smooth pool operations went this year. The Board expresses our sincere thanks to all of the volunteers that have opened/closed the pool each day or mowed the grass in the amenities area this year. It is great to live in a community with such wonderful neighbors who give up their time to keep costs down. I've lived here

since 2003 with my family, and my husband and I have always tried to be active in the community and I encourage each neighbor to think about serving on the Board or one of the committees for next year.

Imagine our surprise when VDOT showed up one day to resurface the roads and then leaving us with a sandy mess. According to a VDOT spokesperson, "The process is called surface treatment and is used throughout the U.S. It is done by using a layer of tar, a layer of stone with sand being added at the end to cut (blot) any excess tar. These applications have been in use and proven very efficient and effective for many years." Not to worry for those who come out for the fall neighborhood clean-up day, we won't ask you



**Volunteer and be a quick brown fox that jumps over all the lazy dogs!**  
Check out [www.fox-chase.org/volunteer.htm](http://www.fox-chase.org/volunteer.htm)

sweep all of the sand away. They should be back in a few weeks to remove the excess sand. I look forward to seeing everyone out and about in the neighborhood in the next few months. If you have any concerns or comments, please feel free to contact us at [board@fox-chase.org](mailto:board@fox-chase.org). Take care and have a great fall!

*Jennifer Stockli*  
President, Fox Chase HOA

### 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/>



# Architectural Review Committee

*“A community is like a ship; everyone ought to be prepared to take the helm.”*

**Henrik Ibsen**

The Fox Chase Architectural Review/Control Committee would like to extend appreciation to the many homeowners who keep our neighborhood looking beautiful and well maintained. The AARC completed a thorough review of the neighborhood last spring and has almost completed another for this fall. Fox Chase Board of Directors requires the ARC to conduct two complete reviews per year. If you receive a violation letter, please know that every home is considered and held to the same standard, in order to be consistent, impartial and thorough.

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. 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.

remedied. Our local home stores can assist you with products to remove roof mold. Licensed and bonded services have also remedied this problem for some homes in Fox Chase. Several homeowners have expressed concern about the problem of roof mold and how it should be addressed. You are welcome to contact the ARC with any questions. Another resource to consider is the Asphalt Roofing Manufacturers Association. You can contact them at (202) 207-0917 or [www.asphaltroofing.org](http://www.asphaltroofing.org).

As you are preparing your list of fall chores, please consider the

Roof mold or algae is becoming common throughout the neighborhood. In addition to being unsightly, this may be damaging your roof and is easily

The following is an excerpt from their technical bulletin “Algae Discoloration on Roofs”



*The primary species of algae being observed is Gloeocapsa Magma. This type of algae is contained in and transported through the air and tends to collect and grow upon roofing structures. Natural pigments produced by this algae may cause a ...roof to gradually turn dark brown or black. The algae discolorations should not be confused with moss or tree droppings, which typically produce only localized discolorations. The type of roof discoloration has been most widespread in the Gulf States and along the Northwest and Eastern Seaboards. It is not, however, confined only these regions. Algae growth occurs to varying degrees in all regions of the country, especially those subjected to warm, humid conditions. It should be noted that almost all types of roofing systems are susceptible to algae discoloration.*

[http://www.asphaltroofing.org/pdfth\\_217.pdf](http://www.asphaltroofing.org/pdfth_217.pdf)

If you receive a letter from the volunteers on the ARC about roof mold, please communicate your plan to remedy the problem within the timeframe noted. Regardless of the method you choose, we understand treatment may take time or require a warmer day.

Homeowners may have previously received a letter for a noticeable violation of the guidelines and covenants. Please remember, the Fox Chase HOA Board may institute fines up to ten dollars per day after proper notification of violations or take legal action to remedy out-

standing violations. All of us benefit from clear and respectful communication.

Thank you for caring about the appearance of our neighborhood.

## Social Committee: Upcoming Events

**14 October—Ladies Night (7:30PM)**

**18 November—Ladies Night (7:30PM)**

**16 December—A Visit with Santa (5-7PM)**

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# Treasurer

Great News! We are on pace to come in under budget for 2011 and our reserve has surpassed our goal for this year. Based on revised projections for 2012 and beyond, it looks like dues may not need to be raised in 2012. Of course, that will be a decision for the 2012 Board to make with the information available at that time. We are also hopeful with the improvements that AT&T has made to the cell tower that our contract may be extended past 2018 though no communication has been initiated

by either side on that topic. The invoices for second installment payments have gone out to those residents that did not pay in full in May. Those payments are due back by October 31<sup>st</sup>. As always, if you would like a copy of the HOA financial reports I present at the board meeting each month, please feel free to contact me at [dues@fox-chase.org](mailto:dues@fox-chase.org).

*Dave Frey*  
Treasurer, HOA Board



# Grounds Maintenance

*“Give thanks for unknown blessings already on their way.”*  
  
*Native American saying*

I would like to start by thanking the small group of volunteers who have donated their time this year to make Fox Chase look it’s best. I’m proud to say that I live in a community with great friends and neighbors. This year was especially busy with all the rain.

If you have any concerns or comments, please feel free to contact us at [board@fox-chase.org](mailto:board@fox-chase.org). Take care and have a great Holiday Season!!!

Christopher Espenshade  
Grounds & Maintenance Committee Chair

I am currently looking for a volunteer to coordinate the Fall Clean Up Day. If you are interested, please contact me as soon as possible. We are also looking for more volunteers, young or older to help with the upcoming grass-cutting season.

*You are cordially invited to a*  
**Holiday Open House**  
Saturday, November 12  
1:00 pm to 5:00 pm  
13421 Fox Chase Lane

**Featuring Artists and Artisans  
of Fox Chase**

Lynne A. Anderson, Watercolor Artist  
Mary Blackmoor, Britalia Designs Handmade Jewelry  
Donna Lambert, Master of Dollmaking  
Paul Lambert, Nature Photographer

*All major Credit Cards accepted  
Please, no children under 12  
Light refreshments will be served*

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