



Events

Annual Block Party

Bunko/Game Night

Ladies' Night

Garden Club

Community Yard Sale

Fall Cleanup Day

Stay tuned...
Your Social Committee
is very busy!

The Social Committee has started a new tradition that's catching on!!! Come join the party and fun at the...

Fox Chase 2nd Annual Community Block Party

When: Saturday, September 15th
Time: 4:00 pm (set up to begin at 3:00 pm)
Where: The End of Buglenote Way

Bring: Your own meat, buns, cheese, drinks, ice, cooler, and chairs.

Bring Something to Share: To make sure we have a good variety of food, please bring something to share based on the road where you live:

Bridlerein Court - dessert
Buglenote Way - dessert
Fox Chase Lane - side dish
Fox Gate Drive - side dish
Greenbriar Lane - side dish
Heathermore Place - dessert

What's Provided: Condiments (ketchup, mustard, relish, mayo and BBQ sauce), plates, napkins, silverware, and cups.

Volunteers Needed to Bring: Grills, tables, trash cans, and music. Please contact Tish Frey at tish.frey@comcast.net if you can provide these items.

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Letter from the President...

As the summer rolls in many of you have plans to improve or add to your yards. Please remember, you must follow the community's covenants and guidelines governing what can be built, placed, or installed on your property. Additionally, these guidelines also cover what can be removed—such as certain size trees. In recent weeks, I have had the pleasure of biking through the neighborhood—biking has become my new hobby for exercise and amazingly, we have a lot of hills! What I find interesting are the many inflatable and removable pools that have been installed. Along with these kinds of pools, come potential dangers to our children, your neighbors' children, and young residents because many of the installations have not neglected to follow the proper county regulations. Specifically, the regulation governing pool access appears to be the most violated—these pools have no fences or barriers around them. According to county regulations, all homeowners must have a permit for any pool over 24 inches high. Please don't think I don't like pools as I have a county-inspected and properly fenced-in pool in my backyard and have enjoyed pools my entire life. By profession I am an Insurance Agent and during my career have seen so many liability issues develop over the years related to pools, including drownings. Please be mindful of the potential dangers and exposure you have not only to your children but others as well as an owner of what some call an "attractive nuisance and liability". Children seem to drift towards these kinds of pools and then get themselves into innocent but tragic situations. The Board and FCHOA are concerned as we feel they are an unsightly eyesore for the community, a danger, and possible liability to all children, especially if the proper country permits are missing, if they are improperly installed, or they do not have the required fence or barrier. If you have one of these pools, please be cognizant of these issues and rectify any county violations. Unfortunately, we have another item to discuss—the unlawful trespassing and use of another lot owner's land without permission to access the community lake. The Board has been notified that under-aged children are being allowed to roam around the lake area and on the land of the home for sale by the builder (at the end of Fox Chase Drive) even though a "No Trespassing" sign is posted by the builder. I ask you as residents of this nice community—do you want our neighborhood to be in the newspaper for a drowning of an innocent young child? No matter whose responsibility or whose child it may be, parents please think about these issues.

- Sincerely, Brian K. Bickley, President

Board of Directors and Committee Reports

Board of Directors

Please play a role to help make this a great neighborhood and community. We can't do it without you! The first 15 minutes (7:00-7:15 pm) of each Board meeting is dedicated to "Resident Concerns." If you have a problem, please contact the Board and we'll work quickly to find a resolution. If you have an issue to discuss or just want to know what's going on in the community, attend a meeting. The next meetings are scheduled:

• July 12	7:00 pm	Lynn Van Bruggen's home	13511 Buglenote Way
• August 9	7:00 pm	Cathy Manke's home	10810 Heathermore Place
• September 13	7:00 pm	Julie Paul's home	13305 Fox Chase Lane
• October 11	7:00 pm	Barb Shevchuk's home	13508 Buglenote Way
• November 8	7:00 pm	Christy Maupin's home	13600 Fox Chase Lane
• December 13	7:00 pm	Mary Blackmoor's home	13415 Fox Chase Lane

Treasurer's Report

Always, financial data is available to all homeowners upon request, please contact Barb Shevchuk.

Amenities Committee

The Committee is extremely busy with the Amenities Project planning. As we make progress, we'll keep you informed.
—Chairperson, Mark Wakeman

Architectural Review Committee

The purpose of the ARC is to improve the appearance and quality of life in Fox Chase. This is a goal the whole neighborhood can share. Here are a few points to keep in mind when you think about projects for your home:

- For exterior changes to your home, please submit your proposed changes to the ARC for review, using the form available on the Fox Chase website. Volunteers on the ARC are your neighbors and our goal is to keep the review process friendly and timely. For those neighbors who have submitted changes in the past, the ARC extends its appreciation for supporting the guidelines to which we have all agreed.
- Lawn maintenance up to the road's edge is required to keep Fox Chase looking its best. A service is now contracted to mow any home's roadside lawn this is not properly maintained for a fee of \$100. If you are vacationing or have a family emergency, please ask a neighbor for help or reach out to the ARC.
- The ARC is working on neighborhood rates for services like driveway sealing, power washing and gutter cleaning.

—Chairperson, Dan Conway

Grounds and Maintenance Committee

First of all, I want to thank all who helped with the Spring Cleanup Day. We accomplished many tasks through the help of many hands. Our next Cleanup Day is October 13, 2:00 pm. Please mark your calendars and plan to help, especially if you missed the last one. This community belongs to all of us—each one of us has a responsibility to take care of it and participate in Cleanup Days.

HOMEOWNERS TAKE NOTE: Recently, great interest in fishing and boating on the community lake is evident. Some homeowners on the lake front are upset that so many children are accessing the lake through a their private property or through the property for sale. Unless granted permission by these homeowners or the home builder, no one should be on their properties. The HOA recently bush-hogged an access area to the lake from the Amenities site. Please educate your children that ANY access to the lake should be through the Amenities site. They can take their boats and fish from the Amenities site. This access area will be mowed and maintained on a regular basis. Also, the rule for fishing at our lake is **CATCH AND RELEASE AND ANYONE 16 AND OLDER FISHING MUST HAVE A VIRGINIA FISHING LICENSE** (Gander Mountain is just one of many stores in the area selling fishing licenses). No fish are to be taken from the lake, and once caught, all respect to a living animal should be given! HOA funds were spent to stock the lake with a specific fish, sterile carp, to care and maintain the lake's healthy environment. Because this rule has not been followed, we are addressing restocking fish that have been abused, killed, or taken from the lake—that means more HOA funds spent unnecessarily. Lastly, children should be escorted and watched by parents or responsible older teenagers while at the lake. SNAKES, some poisonous, have been spotted at the lake shores, along with other wildlife. We don't want any unfortunate accidents to happen and we want everyone to respect our lake and its wildlife habitat—with your help, this area will continue to be a wildlife preserve for all to enjoy now and many years to come.
—Chairperson, Steve Paul

Welcome Committee

Already we're ahead of last year! Two more homes will have new neighbors early this summer. Nancy and I welcome our new neighbors and give them a Lowe's gift card along with HOA information. If you'd like to get involved, sign up at the annual meeting after the beginning of the year. Welcome!
—Chairperson, Beth Malmquist

Social Committee

The Committee is busy planning many events! The 2nd Annual Community Block Party is scheduled for September 15. Even though it will be the same place and time, we decided to move it to September so the weather will be a little cooler. Also, every other Bunko/Game Night will be expanded to a Couples Game Night—the next one is August 10, hosted by Julie and Steve Paul. All Game and Ladies Nights usually last at least until 11:00 pm so please feel free to stop by later in the night if you can't get there early. Check out the calendar of events and the website (www.fox-chase.org) for upcoming events. If you want to sign up to receive emails notifications about these events, please contact Tish Frey, tish.frey@comcast.net. And, please feel free to contact me if you have any ideas for new events. Lastly, I'd like to thank all of those who have been involved in putting on our social events and for opening their homes to us. Thank you!

—Chairperson, Tish Frey

Website

Please visit our website (www.fox-chase.org) on a regular basis for updates of community events and information. Also listed is Spotsylvania County information effecting our subdivision. Links to many organizations of interest are listed, such as: Spotsylvania County's Website; Spotsylvania County Schools' Website; Spotsylvania Towne Center; Simply Fredericksburg; FredericksburgCity.com; Historic Fredericksburg, Virginia; *The Free Lance-Star* Newspaper; Fredericksburg.com; Meadow Farms Golf Course; and Virginia.gov.

—Webmaster, Dave Frey

Fox Chase Garden Club



We meet from April through October with our plant exchange on October 13 this year. If your perennials are outgrowing their spots or becoming invasive, why not pot them up during the summer and share them in October. We'd love you to participate in our Fox Chase plant exchange! So, join us whenever you can spare the time. We meet at our participants' homes and enjoy seeing their gardens and talking about our garden struggles and successes! And, remember there is a great plant exchange at the First Saturday program on October 6 at the University of Mary Washington—contact me for more information. Well, it's midsummer when you are reading this. Hot, little rain typically, Japanese beetles—yes, frustrating sometimes but rewarding most of the time. Here are a few tips for your garden that might help:

- ▶ Remember to water at least 1" per week for any newly transplanted shrubs, trees and perennials. Heavy watering once a week is much better than daily sprinkles. After a year, these are usually established and can weather our summers. Also, morning watering is preferred to any other time of day—it gives the plant a good head start for a hot day, less water evaporates before it hits the plant, and helps prevent molds/mildews on the plants that can be caused by evening watering.
- ▶ Japanese beetles are here until mid-August or so. Just pick them off and drop into a jar of ammonia or use Sevin (when frustration really hits).
- ▶ Now is a good time to trim foliage on the irises and divide them. They like a more neutral soil, so if you are having fewer blooms than usual try dividing them and adding some lime.
- ▶ Cut back Lavenders and other herbs for a rebloom in the fall.
- ▶ Around the first and second week of July, pinch back for the last time any fall blooming plants such as Chrysanthemums. This will allow them to be bushier and have more blossoms. Also, it's a good time to cut back your container plants that might be getting leggy.
- ▶ Pull out those tired pansies and think about replanting pansies in late September. They will establish themselves in the Fall, and look beautiful all Winter.
- ▶ Time to think about Fall! Fall is the best time to plant new trees or shrubs and to divide perennials like hostas.
- ▶ Prepare any new garden beds for next Spring during the Fall by turning the soil, removing weeds, adding compost or manure, and mulching. You'll be all set by April. Enjoy your garden!



—Beth Malmquist

WHAT ARE THESE BLACK STREAKS ON MY ROOF?

I've heard people say those black streaks on roofs are caused by everything from acorns cracking on the surface to tree sap or shingle degradation due to granule loss. While these might be possibilities, the fact is that in most cases, the stains and streaks are a form of algae or moss. Roof algae, commonly known as *Gloeocapsa Magma*, is a type of algae that thrives in humid and warm climates, usually appearing first on the north slope of the roof where shade is prevalent and moisture tends to accumulate. The result is usually a black streaked roof. Roof moss is more prevalent in the Pacific Northwest and Canada. It is an actual moss growth like what can be found on a tree or rock. Roof algae and moss spores are carried by the wind until all roofs in the area are infested. Roof moss is very dangerous because it will grow underneath the roof shingle and act like a sponge soaking up water after a good rain. Eventually, the moss will cause roof leaks if not treated. Roof moss also accumulates on the north side of the home or where shade is most prevalent. Roof algae, once attached to a shingled roof, feeds on the dead organic matter used in the manufacturing process of the shingle. As the fungus breaks down the asphalt shingle, the ceramic granules protecting the surface of the shingle are loosened and begin to fall off. This causes the roof to deteriorate prematurely and diminishes the roof's abilities to reflect heat rays. If not treated, the roof algae will reduce the life of your roof, diminish your home's curb appeal, and increase your home cooling expenses.

2007 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The Social Committee invites you! And, want to host any of these events? Contact Tish Frey.

July 2007

13 — Friday	Ladies Night (adult women) — bring your own beverage and a snack to share.	7:30 pm	Evelyn Bickley's home 10743 Greenbriar Lane
28 — Saturday	Bunko/Game Night (adult women) — bring your own beverage, a snack to share, and \$5 to play.	7:30 pm	Volunteer needed! Contact Tish.

August 2007

10 — Friday	Ladies Night (adult women) — bring your own beverage and a snack to share.	7:30 pm	Julie Paul's home 13305 Fox Chase Lane
25 — Saturday	Couples Game Night (adult men and women) — bring your own beverage, a snack to share, and \$5 to play.	7:30 pm	Volunteer needed! Contact Tish.

September 2007

7 — Friday	Ladies Night (adult women) — bring your own beverage and a snack to share.	7:30 pm	Jennifer Stockli's home 13401 Fox Chase Lane
15 — Saturday	<i>SPECIAL EVENT!</i> Fox Chase 2 nd Annual Community Block Party	4:00 pm	End of Buglenote Way
22 — Saturday	Bunko/Game Night (adult women) — bring your own beverage, a snack to share, and \$5 to play.	7:30 pm	Volunteer needed! Contact Tish
29 — Saturday	Community Yard Sale	8:00 am— 1:00 pm	To be advertised in The Free Lance-Star.

October 2007

5 — Friday	Ladies Night (adult women) — bring your own beverage and a snack to share.	7:30 pm	Terr Wasiuta's home 13506 Buglenote Way
27 — Saturday	<i>SPECIAL EVENT!</i> Couples Game Night & Halloween-themed Costume Party (adult men and women) — bring your own beverage, a snack to share, and \$5 to play.	7:30 pm	Lynn Kelsey's home 13511 Buglenote Way

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ▶ ...stay tuned for upcoming events and to receive event emails, contact Tish Frey with your email address.

Community Bulletin Board—Good Neighbor Awareness


Speed Limit in Fox Chase—25 MPH! Obeying the speed limit may take you one extra minute to get out of the development - isn't that extra minute worth the safety of the residents and children who live here?

SLOW DOWN AND OBEY THE LAW!


Dogs! Please abide by the County's dog owner policies—keep your dog on a leash and clean up after them.

Disclosure/Covenants Packets. Disclosure/Covenant Packets may be purchased for \$100 a packet. Contact Julie Paul.

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
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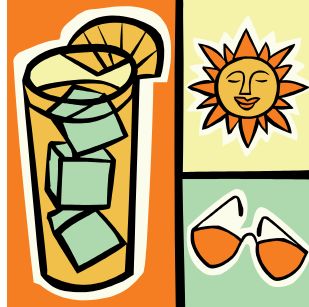
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Fox Chase Homeowners Association Dues. The FCHOA is here to serve you, the residents of Fox Chase. We know this is a beautiful place to live, and with your help, can make this the friendliest and most sought after development in the area. So, where does your money go? Currently, homeowners dues are \$400 per year—these dues pay our financial audits, utilities, entrance landscaping, mowing common areas and vacant lots, property taxes, committee expenses, insurance, website hosting, and the Amenities Project.

Fox Chase Homeowners Association Newsletter

**Community Block Party
September 15!!**



**www.fox-chase.org
for the latest information!**

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