Letter From The President

Fox Chase, as a community, had a very successful year. Due to the hard work of the various committees, much work was accomplished. As you read the reports from the committees, remember that several people donated a lot of time and expertise to reach what has been accomplished.

Major decisions will need to be made this year in reference to the Amenities property; we will need your input! Please be active in deciding what should be done with the new Amenities property, which now also includes Lot 70.

Our goals for this year are to have the Amenities property under development, increase the involvement of the homeowners above the 20% we have now, and to develop a community pride in keeping our community looking special, because it is!!

Dick Cook, President

Amenities Committee

Your Fox Chase Amenities Committee (AC) is moving forward with several parallel efforts. The land swap plat drawings and paper work have been signed by both parties and submitted to the county for review. Once county approval has been granted, we anticipate final settlement to be the first or second week of April. The swap of our 8.5 acres for 20.4 acres with lake access has required a lot more time and effort than we anticipated.

In parallel, the AC is requesting package submissions from different firms to design and plan our amenities area. The amenities project is, for all intents and purposes, starting over, and will require a new topographical survey, landscape, site and architectural plans.

Once the AC develops a preliminary plan, based on the community inputs from the two surveys conducted during the past two years, the AC will solicit bids from numerous contractors to determine the cost estimates for the amenities. Once we have the cost estimates, the FCHOA Board has tasked the AC to develop a business case

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presentation for the entire community to discuss the amenities desired, based on project cost and affordability. Our goal is to present the options as early as possible this summer to the members of Fox Chase. The AC realizes that there are many homeowners with varied backgrounds within the community. If any member has a specific skill, trade, or business in construction or building that may either wish to help, or bid on some of the work, please contact one of the AC members.

In addition to our land swap, the FCHOA Board has also recently purchased Lot 70. This lot allows direct community access, from inside the subdivision, to the main amenities area. This will give a large number of members the ability to walk to the amenities vice having to drive all the way to the front of the subdivision. This has the added benefit of enabling more of the land to be used for recreation vice parking. Lot 70 adds an additional 1.4 acres to our amenities acreage.

Fox Chase AC Goals for 2003:

1. Provide amenities that promote “community”.

2. Design a suitable plan that provides both active & passive recreation for ALL members of the community.

3. Preserve the quality of the amenities space.

4. This year, at a minimum, have the final engineering plans completed and submitted for final review.

5. Provide community access at the earliest date.

Mark Wakeman, Chairperson

Architectural Review Committee

Happy spring! First, let me say thank you to all the residents of Fox Chase who are complying with the ARC Guidelines and Covenants. Without your assistance, the task of this committee would be pretty tough to accomplish. This has been a very busy year so far as we have reviewed several property improvement requests, new home submissions and resident concerns. I have been yelled at, hung up on, and legally threatened already, but the ARC continues to be firm with our requirements to maintain the integrity of our beautiful community. Thank goodness we have your support.

Second, I am grateful that we are able to keep the lines of communication open with one another. As chairperson of the ARC, I receive some unique phone calls from concerned residents. Please know that I do try to address all concerns, however if I can not address it, I will direct you to the person who can. When you have concerns please ask the committee for help. We are all working toward a common goal of making this a safe and pleasant community in which to live.

Last, for neighbors and residents, please continue to submit plans for changes on your own lots so that they may become a matter of record. Keep in mind that any landscape or exterior finish changes, as well as new play sets, fences, well surrounds and the like need to be submitted for review per our Covenants. Again, thank you all for your outstanding participation and compliance.

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To assist you with any submission you may have in the future, enclosed you will find our new Architectural Review Request Form. This is also available on our new website. Please take a moment to review the form and file it appropriately. We look forward to another great year.

Lisa Cary, Chairperson

COMING SOON in 2003
Lot 11: Holland Homes
Lot 29: Top Notch Builders
Lot 81: Bison Builders

“Stay-At-Home Moms”

If you are interested in forming a neighborhood play group, please contact Shelly Howell at howellpartyof5@adelphia.net, with comments or suggestions, i.e.: Would you like to meet once or twice a month? Are you willing to open your home/yard to the play group? Would you like to schedule picnics and play dates at a local park? Should we meet during the summer months or just during the school year?

FCHOA Financial Summary
January-February 2003

Income
Disclosure Packets $75.00
Lot Mowing $2,558.84
Total Income $2,663.84

Expenses
U.S. Postal $89.57
Utilities $127.01
Front End landscaping $25.66
Miscellaneous Admin $92.22
Welcoming Committee $37.65
Insurance $588.00
Tax Preparation $190.00
Total Expenses $1,150.31

Net Total
Income $2,663.84
Expenses $1,150.31
Sub-Total $1,513.53
Opening Balance (January 03) $18,937.67
Net Total $20,421.20

FCHOA Financial Summary
January-February 2003
Amenities Account

Revenue
Cell Tower $4,120.00
Total Revenue $4,120.00

Expenses
2002 Federal Taxes $1,215.00
2003 Estimated Taxes $2,255.00
Legal Fees $45.00
Earnest Money, Purchase Lot70 $500.00
Miscellaneous $18.24
Total Expenses $4,033.24

Net Total
Revenue $4,120.00
Expenses $4,033.24
Sub Total $86.76
Opening Balance (January 03) $19,733.19
Net Total $19,819.95
Welcome Committee

If you are new to the neighborhood and have not received a Welcome Package yet, please contact Tish Jackson at jackson_tish@hotmail.com.

Grounds Committee

The Grounds committee has accepted a proposal from The Daily Planted Company to provide front entrance landscaping maintenance. The contract will allow weekly mowing, litter removal, aeration, edging, care of shrubs and beds, fertilizing, insecticide application, pruning and mulching from April thru November. This service will promote a beautiful entry to our community, and relieve us from volunteer efforts towards that effect.

Two general clean-up days are planned, May 10 and October 11. These days are volunteer opportunities to participate in litter control, signpost painting, planting, and barrier trimming. Each neighbor is encouraged to mow the street easement in front of his or her home. This effort will not only beautify the neighborhood, but also go along way in alerting VDOT that we are serious about the condition of our roadways. VDOT, as we know from the current budget crunch, has us very low on the priority list for re-paving. We are in constant contact with our County Supervisor, alerting him of our neighborhood needs; he has been very receptive.

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Again, a thank you to the generous souls who spent a Saturday morning planting the bulbs at the front entrance that are now coming into blossom. We have a beautiful community; it takes each of us to keep it that way. As a reminder, there is a leash law in the county, as well as a personal responsibility to clean up after your pet if you take a walk in the neighborhood. Despite the fact that road easements are not personal property, nobody cares to see animal waste littering the landscape. Simply bring along a plastic bag when you walk your dog, pick up, and dispose of the refuse in your own garbage can. If we all practice this habit, our neighborhood will be more attractive to walkers, joggers, and prospective homebuyers.

Ron Thompson, Chairperson

www.fox-chase.org

Fox Chase Homeowners Association now has it’s own website!! It will be a tool for everyone to use to keep current on neighborhood issues and events. There is information and a submittal form for the Architectural Review Committee, the most up to date plans for the Amenities Committee, copies of previous newsletters, and other important dates and links related to the neighborhood.

For future newsletters, we are offering an electronic option to be e-mailed to you instead of mailed. To sign up for this, visit the website at www.fox-chase.org. If you sign up for the electronic newsletter, you may also sign up to receive reminders for important calendar dates, i.e. meetings, yard sales, etc.

Dave Frey, Webmaster
2003 FCHOA Board Members

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Let’s keep it safe for all! The speed limit in the community is 25 mph!!

2003 FCHOA Volunteer Committees

AMENITIES
Mark Wakeman, Chair
Tish Jackson, BOD Liaison
Mike Boitnott
Dave Frey
Gayle Goulding
Melissa Currie

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW
Lisa Cary, Chair
Dave Anderson, BOD Liaison
Brian Bickley
Rebecca Whittington
Dick Cook
Vicki Gelb

GROUND AND MAINTENANCE
Ron Thompson, Chair
Joanne Thompson, BOD Liaison
Bob Manke
Brent Jones
Steve Smith
Venitta McCall

Sub-Committees:
Adopt-A-Highway
Road Maintenance
Vacant Lot Mowing
Front Entrance Landscaping
& Maintenance
General Work Days

SOCIAL/PARTY
Volunteers needed!!

WELCOME
Chairperson Needed!!
Gary Whittington, BOD Liaison
Lecia Albright

WEBSITE
Dave Frey

Homeowner List Update
In order to keep our records accurate for voting purposes, please review the “FCHOA Homeowner Contact Sheet” enclosed to be sure that the information we have on file is accurate for your lot(s). If you have any changes, please contact Tish Jackson at jackson_tish@hotmail.com.