



The Neighborly Chase

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July 2008

The Next Farmington Chase Board of Director's Meeting is Tuesday, July 22, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

Residents are welcome to attend. If you would like to discuss an issue at the meeting, please contact a board member prior to the meeting to be added to the agenda.

Lions, and tigers, and BEARS, oh my!



Yes – that's a real bear in that tree! She was spotted by Peter and Nancy Rush and their six grandchildren while visiting a cemetery on Garden Street, behind Miss Porter's School in Farmington. The black bear was relocated ... but was apparently also seen further down the road on Route 4 in Farmington and estimated to be approximately 400 pounds.

Deer sightings right here at the Chase!

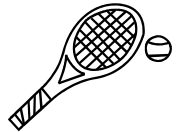
Right in the middle of the day on June 4th, Keith Knecht, of Cluster 1, reported a deer meandering down the middle of Cluster 1's road! It appears the construction in the nearby area is forcing animals out of their formerly claimed territory. If you see one of "our" famous fox, coyote, the crane, or any other creature, your photos will gladly be published in the Neighborly Chase.



Tennis Court

We are delighted to see that our tennis court is getting more use this year. Refurbished several years ago, it is one of the luxuries that Farmington Chase benefits from that few other associations have.

If you need a key to the tennis court, contact Audrey or see Ray at the maintenance shed. New keys or re-issuing of a lost key requires a \$10 deposit. *Come and enjoy using the court!*



The pool is open!

Summer is here and the pool is open and sparkeling! Pool Attendants, Greg Conti and Marcel Gonzalez, are doing a super job this year keeping the pool in tip-top shape. *Come on down and appreciate a dip in the pool!*



Remember, new green pool tags were issued in 2007. Red pool tags are obsolete. All residents must bring your green pool tag to the pool and sign the guest book each time you use the pool. Food is permitted only on the deck and on the lower picnic tables. The pool is always a great place to get back in touch with 'old' neighbors and meet 'new' neighbors.

If you need pool tags, please contact Audrey at Imagineers – she will ask Ray to provide tags to you. There are 2-pool tags issued per family.

Farmington Chase Annual Tag Sale

Forty-six homes participated in the annual tag sale on Saturday, June 7. You may remember it was a 90° hot day! As usual, neither rain nor the heat stops the avid tag sale enthusiasts from their tag sale endeavors! As in past years, the \$5.00 registration fee to participate in the tag sale was used for advertising - utilizing the usual local papers. Our tag sale signs at the entrances of Farmington Chase got a “face lift” this year thanks to Brian Kall. In addition, ads were placed on criagslist.com and garagesaleposting.com, and posters were put up by Mary Jane Parlow and Bob Langston at local stores. Thanks also to Ross Gottlieb, who negotiated the service of the annual “tag sale dumpster” for free! Profits are used to benefit the entire community. Because the large folding tables at the Club House are a bit ‘worse for wear’, we hope to purchase a few new tables. The tables are used for meetings held in the Club House and by residents who reserve it for private events. Thanks to everyone for your participation and hard work to help this year’s tag sale become a success. *See you again next year!*



Real Estate in the Chase

Three bedroom end unit, 2½ baths, eat-in kitchen, separate dining area, sunken living room with gas fireplace, unique 1st floor extra room, and wrap-around deck. Call 860-409-0757.



Large two bedroom unit, 2½ baths, dining room, living room with fireplace, and finished basement. Private back deck and front yard with garden. Call 860-559-3342.



Large two bedroom unit, 2½ baths, dining room, living room with fireplace, finished basement, and private rear deck. Call 860-559-3342.



Looking to purchase an Elijah Peck, 1.5 bath unit with a full basement, preferably unfinished. Thankful Arnold, 2.5 bath units also considered, but a basement is a must! Please call 860-677-4235.



To advertise your Farmington Chase home **For Rent** or **For Sale** in the Neighborly Chase and the Farmington Chase Website, please contact Charlene Langston – drop a note in mailbox #132, or send an email to Bugs007@comcast.net

Did You Know

Fire Pits & Open Fires



Residents are reminded that **no open fires of any kind are permitted on common grounds, private yards, or decks of Farmington Chase.**



D. INSURANCE

1. Nothing shall be done or kept which will increase the rate of insurance of any of the buildings, or contents thereof, without the prior written consent of the Board of Directors. No Owner shall permit anything to be done, or kept in his Lot, or in Common Properties which will result in the cancellation of insurance or insurance coverage on any of the buildings, or contents thereof, or which would be in violation of any law. No waste shall be committed in the Common Properties.

2. An Owner shall comply with the Rules and Regulations of the New England Fire Rating Association and with the rules and regulations contained in any fire insurance policy upon the Properties or the property contained therein.

3. Damage by fire or accident affecting the Properties, or the liability of the Owners will be promptly reported to the Board of Directors or the Manager immediately following the occurrence thereof.

From Schedule I to Bylaws
Farmington Chase Association, Inc.
Rules and Regulations
I. General Regulations - Page RR-3



Famous Quotes

From www.quotationspage.com



Character cannot be developed in ease and quiet. Only through experience of trial and suffering can the soul be strengthened, ambition inspired, and success achieved.

Helen Keller (1880 - 1968)

Community News

Neighborhood Watch News – A core group of volunteers for the Farmington Chase Neighborhood Watch met at the Club House on June 10th. A variety of topics was covered by group. President, Peter Rush and Chairperson, Mary Jane Parlow conveyed that Farmington Chase is a safe community, and that our Neighborhood Watch volunteers serve as the “eyes and ears” of the community to assure that our community remains a safe one.

If you are aware of an incident that causes concern or makes you feel uncomfortable – don’t hesitate, please **contact the Farmington Police at 675-2400**. The police have advised us that your name may remain anonymous.

Illegal dumping still takes place occasionally. Residents are reminded that the dumpsters at Farmington Chase are for residential garbage only by the residents of Farmington Chase. Residents should not use the dumpsters for disposal of company or business refuse. Periodically non-residents drive into Farmington Chase and dispose of construction and business refuse. The area is being monitored and violators will be reported to the police. If you see a non-resident tossing out garbage in our dumpsters please note the license plate and call the police at 675-2400. They will keep your name confidential and can research the vehicle plate number to verify if the person indeed does live at Farmington Chase or not. If a non-resident is found to be using our dumpsters, the police will deal with the offender.

Summer Parties – Consideration of your neighbor is an important factor when living in a community. Farmington Chase is intended for the use and enjoyment of all residents. By observing the following guidelines you are welcome to enjoy the summer months without disturbing the rights of all residents to a quiet and pleasant community.

☞ Parking rules – You are entitled to two parking spaces - one in your garage and one in the open parking areas (*Page 8 Home Owner’s Manual*). Party guests must park in the Club House parking lot.

☞ Late night parties – Please be considerate of the noise level of late night parties. Take your party inside or ask your guests to be aware of the late hour and be considerate of your neighbors.

Maintenance Projects – Superintendent, Ray Howland has begun working on the projects noticed during walk-around inspections that are the responsibility of the Association to maintain. Ray will be using a plant-safe product to kill mold on privacy fences. After that project is completed, he will move on to power washing select areas of the community. Next ... he will begin working on the common areas that need attention. The majority of that work will be concentrating on repairs and painting of common fence areas.

Sidewalk Repairs – A proposal for \$16,688 was received for the sidewalk repairs that the association is responsible for. Because the proposal greatly exceeded the amount allotted in the 2008 Budget for sidewalk repairs, the Board of Directors has asked Bill Nardi, of Imagineers, to seek additional proposals. The Audit Committee will be looking at our 2008 budget to determine how we can make the necessary repairs and stay within our budget. More information on sidewalk repairs will be communicated to the community as soon as possible.



Issues and Solutions

Resolving the problem of overflowing garbage!

Services for rubbish removal at Farmington Chase have been renegotiated. In addition to a small financial savings each year, the new trash compactor is expected to resolve the constant problem of overflowing garbage in the container. The new trash compactor will be installed by the end of July. The compactor will mechanically push back garbage within the container, allowing more room for rubbish. The placement of the container has been strategically relocated to a formerly unused section of the Club House parking lot commonly referred to as the “wood chip” parking area.

There are no changes for residents to observe. Continue disposing household garbage as usual → just toss your household garbage in the container. Ray Howland will be responsible for operating the compactor. The recycle container will continue to be used for disposal of glass, cans, newspaper, and flattened cardboard.

Welcome new neighbors

- #2 Farmington Chase – Joanne Adamowicz
- #78 Farmington Chase – William & Terry Perrelli

A new neighbor's name and "welcome" is printed in the newsletter as we become aware of closings from Imagineers, and can confirm with the town assessor's office that the information is accurate. If you are new to the community and your name did not appear in this issue, please don't hesitate to introduce yourself – email Bugs007@comcast.net.

Architectural changes

The Architectural Committee welcomes your questions and will guide you through the association policies about making changes to the outside of your home. Standard requests are approved by the committee; whereas unprecedented requests are brought to the next Board of Director's meeting for review and approval.

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1-2 Poor days for planting, seeds tend to rot in ground.

3-5 Most favorable for corn, okra, beans, peppers, eggplant and other aboveground crops. Plant seed beds and flower gardens.

6-10 A most barren period. Kill plant pests and do general farm work.

11-12 Favorable for planting peas, beans, and tomatoes and other fall crops bearing aboveground. Sow grains and forage crops. Plant flowers.

13-14 Extra good for fall cabbage, lettuce, cauliflower, mustard greens and other leafy vegetables. Good for any above ground crop that can be planted now. Start seedbeds.

15-17 Seeds planted now will do poorly and yield little.

18-19 Good days for planting beets carrots, Irish potatoes and other root crops.

20-21 Good days for killing weeds, briar's and other plant pests, poor for planting.

22-23 Good days for planting beets, carrots, radishes, salsify, turnips, peanuts and other root crops. Also good for planting melons, cucumbers, pumpkins and other vine crops. Set strawberry plants.

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24-25 A barren period.

26-27 Root crops that can be planted now will yield well.

28-29 Poor days for planting, seeds tend to rot in ground.

30-31 Most fruitful days for planting root crops. Excellent for sowing seed beds and flower gardens.

Club House Reservations

- July 22 – Board of Directors meeting

Recipes for the Chase




SHRIMP SCAMPI

From Linda

- 6 tbs. butter
- ¼ cup olive oil
- 2 tbs. chopped parsley
- 2 garlic cloves (minced)
- ½ tsp. salt
- 2 tbs. lemon juice
- ¼ to ⅓ cup white wine
- 1 lb. shrimp

Preheat oven to 450°. In a saucepan melt butter; then add olive oil and the rest of the ingredients except the shrimp. Split shrimp and place in baking dish tail side up. Pour ingredients over shrimp. Bake for 5 minutes, and then broil for 5 minutes. Serve over Linguini or Angel Hair pasta.

Contacting Imagineers

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The deadline for submissions to the Newsletter is the 4th Tuesday of each month.



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