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The Board of Directors meets the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Armstrong Management Services office in Fairfax.

Homeowners are welcome and encouraged to attend.

**Next Board Meeting:
October 11, 2010**

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Community Website

Recently, the Board of Directors launched a redesigned community website at <http://www.buckleysreservehoa.com>. This website serves as an up-to-date view of upcoming events and information about the community. We urge all homeowners to visit the site periodically or register for RSS feeds to receive updated news instantly.

Please consider using the “**Contact Us**” link on the website to provide us with remarks about the site itself or other feedback you would like to leave for the Board of Directors. However, keep in mind that urgent requests should be directed to our management company, Armstrong Management, either by phone at 703-385-1133 or email at customerservice@armstrong.net.

We also urge everyone to register for and update their information on ArmstrongConnect™, a link to which can be found on the Buckley’s Reserve HOA website. By updating your contact information, including your telephone number and email address, the Board of Directors can readily contact you with important news and information.

In addition, the community website and the use of ArmstrongConnect™ will allow Buckley’s Reserve to become a “green community.” Future newsletters and other announcements will be on the website in order to reduce the amount of paper and help the Association save in printing and mailing costs. Your cooperation in helping us contact you when we need to is greatly appreciated!

Bond Release Update

Buckley’s Reserve Homeowners Association is in the final stages of bond release. During this time, residents will see VDOT and Fairfax County in the community completing work necessary to finalize the bond release. The work includes corrections to the roads, curbs, and sidewalks and installing a stop sign at Buckley’s Gate Drive coming out of the townhome section.

Common Grounds Update

In the Spring of 2010, the Board selected a new landscaper in an effort to improve the appearance of the community. Unfortunately, the Board was not satisfied with the performance of the selected landscaper and has attempted numerous times to correct the areas of concern. The Board decided to change their landscaping provider at the September Board meeting and chose ValleyCrest Landscaping. ValleyCrest's staff will begin serving Buckley's Reserve on October 1 and have already impressed the Board with the initiative they have taken so far with their plans for the community. In addition, ValleyCrest will provide irrigation maintenance and snow removal services to the community.



****Trash Collection Update****

Buckley's Reserve Homeowners Association has recently renewed its trash collection and recycling services with AAA, with a reduction in costs and new larger 64-gallon recycling totes. Homeowners will be receiving new recycling totes on October 20. The Board recognizes the amount of space that two totes can take up in the townhome sections, so townhome owners will be receiving a postcard from Armstrong Management that allows owners to choose whether to receive the new totes. Single-family homes will automatically receive them.

AAA will also collect the old recycling bins on October 20. Please make sure you put your old bins at the curb if you do not wish to keep them. As a reminder, Fairfax County requires that residents recycle mixed paper, cardboard, yard waste, and recyclable glass, metal, and plastic. If you have any additional questions about the tote transition, please contact Armstrong Management at 703-385-1133.



The Annual Halloween Craft Party is back! Join us on Oct. 30 from 2-4 p.m. in Cahoon Court. Please feel free to come in costume and make some spooky crafts and decorate yummy cupcakes to take home!

The Book Club is always looking for new members! If you're interested in joining the Book Club, contact Toni Lee at tlee2va@yahoo.com. The Book Club meets on the last Thursday of each month. Hope to see you there!

Ten Reasons to Volunteer for the Association

1. **Protect your self-interests.** Protect your property values and maintain the quality of life in your community.
2. **Correct a problem.** Has your car been towed or do you think maybe maintenance has been neglected?
3. **Be sociable.** Meet your neighbors, make friends, and exchange opinions.
4. **Give back.** Repay a little of what's been done for you.
5. **Advance your career.** Build your personal resume by including your community volunteer service.
6. **Have some fun.** Association work isn't drudgery. It's fun accomplishing good things with your neighbors.
7. **Get educated.** Learn how it's done.
8. **Express yourself.** Help with creative projects like community beautification.
9. **Earn recognition.** If you would like a little attention or validation, your contributions will be recognized and celebrated.
10. **Try some altruism.** Improve society by helping others.