## MAINTENANCE CHECK LIST - Spring 2005 Homeowners Tip -

The best way to assure keeping your home in good condition is to not attend haphazardly to each problem as it develops, but to have a maintenance check list and conduct a regular maintenance survey each season. If you do this each season and make the needed repairs you will minimize more costly repairs in the future and maintain the appearance and your home value.

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EXTERIOR WALLS & OTHER	<u> </u>				(Roof Continued)				
AREAS					Evaluate roof 15 years old or				
Fill masonry cracks					older for replacement			L	 
	-				Check vents & louvers for broken screens			8	
Re-caulk joints between siding & other materials			8		Check for birds nests			k	 
Check window wells & basement stairs for debris			8		Check fascia & sofits for paint failure and decay	٢			
Check all wood surface for paint failure & damage					Check antenna, or TV dish & supports haven damaged roof				
					DOORS AND WINDOWS				
Re-nail loose siding and trim, replace decayed or damaged					Replace cracked window glass, re-putty loose windows				
sections, paint as needed					Clean screens, check for damage				
Check for carpenter ants & wasps, nests		⇔			Replace worn or damaged weather-stripping				
Check vinyl siding & trim for buckled, lose or damaged	•	₽			Apply new caulking around window & doors as needed			8	
sectioned replace as needed					Lubricate movable hardware			8	
Check aluminum siding & trim for dented, lose or damaged sectioned replace as needed		\$			(hinges, locks casement operators)				
					Clean & lubricate tracks of				
Wash vinyl, aluminum, or painted wood siding					gliding doors GROUNDS AND YARDS				
Check deck or patio for loose boards, bricks or stones					Check storm drains for debris			Ø	
Check joint between porch roof & house for cracks, water	•				Fill driveway cracks, seal blacktop or concrete, add gravel if needed				
stains					Check porch foundation for uneven settling, replace				
Roof					footings if needed				
Check for damaged shingles					Check foundation for termite signs			R	
Inspect flashing at chimney, dormers, valleys, & vents:					Check masonry walls & walks for cracks				
repair as needed					Check ground by house for standing water, a drip line				
Replace loose mortar between chimneys bricks, check					beneath roof Sand rust from metal fences:				
condition of rain guard or chimney cap					paint Check wood fencing & posts for decay & wood boring		⇔		
Clean gutters down spouts &			8		insects			-	
leaf strainers check for damage and paint failure; check for pitch & leaks at seams					Trim overgrown treed & shrubs that could damage siding, clog gutters or harbor pests			8	

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