

Lee's Crossing

Monthly Newsletter

December 2010

Season's Greetings Neighbors! I hope this letter finds everyone well, warm and ready for the holidays!

The 2011 Budget for the Lee's Crossing HOA is included in this newsletter. You will notice a \$15.00 increase in the association dues for next year. This is the first increase in three years. With the rising cost of maintenance and utilities this could not be avoided any longer. Last year, we projected that we would have to increase the dues in 2011 by \$20.00. Fortunately, we were able to defer \$5.00 of that increase to 2012. After 2012 we do not anticipate any more increases in dues for several years. The Board meeting for December is scheduled for December 9th at 7:30 P.M. All neighbors are welcome to come and share their comments on the budget.

Please remember that during the holidays the kids will be out school, so let's everybody slow down and help keep them safe.

On behalf of the entire Board I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

As always, if you should ever have any comments or concerns, please do not hesitate to call me. My home phone number is (770) 420-3484. Take care, and I will see you around the neighborhood!

**Jim Martin
President**

Lee's Crossing Forecasted Expenses 2011 – 2015

5 year Budget

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Annual Assessment	\$360	\$365	\$365	\$365	\$365
Revenues	149,364	151,089	151,167	151,309	151,081
Expenses					
Landscaping	25,260	25,765	26,281	26,806	27,342
Architectural Control Services	14,688	14,982	15,281	15,587	15,899
Administration	5,814	5,930	6,049	6,170	6,293
Insurance	5,323	5,429	5,538	5,649	5,762
Mailboxes and sign posts	510	520	531	541	552
Interest Expense on Loans	6,540	6,608	5,958	5,308	4,658
Legal	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000
Utilities	17,850	18,386	18,937	19,505	20,090
Social	8,843	9,020	9,200	9,384	9,572
Repairs	8,670	8,843	9,020	9,201	9,385
Pool Management	20,500	20,910	21,328	21,755	22,190
Swim Team	1,500	1,530	1,561	1,592	1,624
Total Expenses	124,498	126,924	128,684	130,498	132,367
Available for Capital Improvements and Reserves	24,866	24,165	22,483	20,811	18,714

Reserves & Capital Expenditures

Reserves beginning of year	64,922	45,288	50,453	59,936	44,747
Increase	24,866	24,165	22,483	20,811	18,714
other capital expenditures	-10,000	-9,000	-3,000	-3,000	-3,000
rebuild tennis courts	-98,000				
loan principal payments	-46,500	-10,000	-10,000	-10,000	-10,000
new consolidated loan	110,000				
resurface pool				-23,000	
Reserves end of year	45,288	50,453	59,936	44,747	50,461

Loan Balances

loan balance beginning of year	46,500	110,000	100,000	90,000	80,000
principal payment old loan	-46,500				
principal payment consolidated loan		-10,000	-10,000	-10,000	-10,000
new consolidated loan	110,000				
loan balance end of the year	110,000	100,000	90,000	80,000	70,000

new loan \$110,000, 7 year term, 6.5% fixed rate, \$10,000 annual principal payment, balloon in 2018

Around the Neighborhood



Dollar on Your Door

Lee's Crossing's annual "Dollar on Your Door" fundraiser will take place on the weekend of December 11-12. This is our neighborhood's way to say "Thank You" to our sanitation workers during the holidays. These gentlemen help us out more than we realize throughout the year, and are very generous in what they collect! Last year we collected over \$1,100 for them, so let's try and top that this year! Please leave your contribution in an envelope taped to your front door on either Saturday, December 11 or Sunday, December 12 by 3 p.m. Volunteers will collect your gifts between 3 and 5 p.m. each day. If you would like to volunteer (great service project for IB students), please contact the Eckfords at 770-421-9738. Thanks in advance for your help!

Christmas/New Year Trash/Recycling Pickup Schedule

Copied from the City of Marietta's website:

Christmas

Friday, December 24, 2010 and Saturday, December 25, 2010

Regular services for Friday (I think this should be Thursday) will be on Monday before the holiday

Regular Services for Friday will be on Tuesday before the holiday

Yard Waste Services will be on Wednesday

Thursday and Friday Recycling service will be on Monday and Tuesday

New Years

Friday, December 31, 2010

Regular Thursday service will be on Wednesday

Regular Friday services will be on Thursday

Yard Waste Services discontinued this week

Friday Recycling service will be on Thursday

Fall/Winter Events



IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN.....

**PLEASE JOIN LEE'S CROSSING ASSOCIATION FOR AN
INFORMAL NEW YEAR'S EVE
CELEBRATION PARTY (Adults Only Please)**

Want to celebrate the New Year's close to home?

WHERE: Lee's Crossing Clubhouse

**WHEN: Friday, December 31, 2010
8:30pm until ??????????, 2011**



Music



To be provided



Game tables set up to play

Bring favorite board games & cards to enjoy



All drinks to be provided!

And something new

Please bring your favorite hors d'oeuvre to share!

RSVP by December 21 to

Dianne & Terry Ryan – dcsryan@comcast.net (770-499-7863)

Judy & Dennis Greene - jgreene199@comcast.net

Important Information Regarding Newsletter Submissions

When submitting articles for the newsletter, please either attach to the e-mail as a separate Word document or type the article in the text of your e-mail. Please DO NOT put a background in the e-mail as that does not copy and sometimes prevents copying of text as well.

In addition, please DO NOT use text boxes in documents as they also make copying documents more difficult. Feel free to use any clip art you think appropriate for the article.

If you sent anything to my personal e-mail address after November 19, please be aware that I did not get it due to an e-mail crash. I apologize for anything that may have been left out due to this problem. My new e-mail address is trevathan.angelia@gmail.com.



Clubhouse Rentals

The clubhouse is reserved every weekend this month as well as several events scheduled during the week. If you have reserved the clubhouse this month please be responsible returning the keys in a timely manner. Read item 12 in your contract. It states that a \$25.00 fee will be assessed if not promptly returned. Note that just as you would like the keys well in advance of your event, so do the renters the next day.

Please carefully read the post rental checklist. You, as a renter, are responsible for the condition of the clubhouse (item 11). This includes floors, rest rooms (including trash), counters, oven, refrigerator. We may deduct from your deposit any item on the post event checklist that is not completed.

Save Lids to Save Lives



My name is Molly Baker and I live in Lee's Crossing and attend Marietta Middle School. I am working on a community service project this year. Many people are fighting breast cancer and many have died from breast cancer. You can help! Yoplait is donating ten cents to Susan G. Komen for the Cure (breast cancer research) for each pink Yoplait yogurt lid submitted. I am collecting all of these pink lids from you and will submit them to Yoplait for my project. Please collect pink lids, rinse them off, and drop them in my mailbox at 703 Chartworth Circle. Sending in these lids can make a big difference. Please have all lids to me by 12/26/10.

*Remember, these lids must be pink!!!

Neighborhood Notaries

Greg Amaden	Lee's Trace	770-429-9264
Brenda Fairbanks	Trailwood Lane	678-290-4810
Angela G. Ford	Lee's Trace	678-234-7430
David Hardy	Harrowgrove Court	770-427-6319
Carolyn Richardson	Cedar Branch Court	770-427-9900
Cecilia E. White	Trailwood Lane	678-797-6209

If you are a Notary and are willing to help out your neighbors, please send your name and phone number to leescrossing@comcast.net.

Classifieds

CLASSIFIED SUBMISSIONS: When submitting a classified ad, please use the format being used for the ads listed below. Pictures will not be printed. Please make sure to include contact information and state how long you wish the article to run. **All submissions will run ONE MONTH unless otherwise requested.**

Need a Facelift for Your Furniture!

Do you have a sofa that you love but don't like the stains? Don't want to spend a lot of money on a new dining room set but want a fresher look? My name is Paula Leak of L&L Services (588 Lees Trace) and I have been reupholstering for 7 years. Whether you're looking to just replace the fabric for a new look or need to strip the piece of furniture down to the frame for a total renovation I can do it all. My services also include assistance with selecting the right type of fabric for your furniture. For a quote today please call me at 770-853-1602.

It's Fall Clean up Time

Don't let your leaves leave you wondering how they'll be removed. Give us a call, we'll be glad to help. We also mow, edge, and bag (if preferred). Need your shrubs and bushes shaped up? Give us a call. Need general labor? You guessed it, call us. We do most anything: lawn service, take out your recycle and trash, light chainsaw work, pet sitting, move furniture, and more. Pay what you think is fair! Don't wait. Call Patrick Donovan at 770-424-7997, or Bill at 770-317-0445. Resident of Lee's Crossing for 22 years. References available!! **WE'RE HAPPY WHEN YOU'RE HAPPY!!! And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord. Colossians 3:23**

Around Town Calendar of Events – December

Day	Name
1-5,7-12,14-19,21-24, 26,28-31	"Sanders Family Christmas" on the Mainstage at Theater in the Square
1-4, 7-12,14-19,21-26, 28-31	"A Tuna Christmas" on the Alley Stage at Theater in the Square
3,6,10,13,17,20,24,31	"Behind the Scenes" at the Earl Smith Strand Theatre
3-5,9-12,17-19	"42nd Street" presented by Atlanta Lyric Theatre
4	"Magnolias and Mistletoe" at Marietta Gone With the Wind Museum
4	The Georgia Ballet's The Nutcracker
4	Donate food, toys to needy families during 2010 Stuff a Bus campaign
16-18	Nativity in the Square
12/21	"How the Grinch Stole Christmas" at the Earl Smith Strand Theatre
12/21	"White Christmas" at the Earl Smith Strand Theatre
12/26	"Sanders Family Christmas" on the Mainstage at Theater in the Square
12/31	"Billy Joe Royal" at the Earl Smith Strand Theatre

These events are from the City of Marietta calendar. For more information on any of these events, go to www.mariettaga.gov, click on the city calendar and follow the link to the desired event. You can receive weekly updates on happenings in the city by subscribing to the Marietta e-news. Go to <http://www.mariettaga.gov/news/subscribe.aspx> for further information and to sign up!

Got Kids?

Check out West Cobb Mother's and More

Mothers & More is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the lives of mothers through support, education, and advocacy.

Join us for our January Open House January 20th 7:30 pm. Learn about our playgroups for all ages, mom's night out, cooking club, book club, hobby club and more!

You can also join us at our monthly meeting on the 3rd Thursday of every month at 7:30pm (children under 6 months allowed at meetings) at West Cobb Chiropractic 5041 Dallas Hwy # 500, Powder Springs (near Lost Mountain Park).

Because Moms need playgroups too! For more info go to: www.westcobbmothersandmore.org

First Annual School Fair and Touch-a-Truck Safety Day

Mothers and More of West Cobb is hosting their 1st Annual School Fair and Touch-a-Truck Safety Day on Sat. Jan 8th from 11am to 2pm at Cobb County Central Library in Marietta. Get information on the best local area preschools, home-schools and special needs schools, as well as Mother's Morning Out programs. The Fair will be held in the large conference room. Safety day and touch a truck will be held in the side pavilion of the library. Kids can see local firemen, policemen and EMT's!

For more information call 770-843-0681 or visit the West Cobb Mothers and More website at www.westcobbmothersandmore.org!

Neighborhood Business Spotlight

If you would like to tell your neighbors about your business or recommend someone else's business, please send us a BRIEF paragraph giving pertinent information along with contact information. Submissions will printed first come – first serve each month, based on space. Send your information to leescrossing@comcast.net. Note: Please keep descriptions to ONE SHORT paragraph in WORD format. Do not send brochures, flyers or pictures as they will not be published.

Polka Dottin' & More was created to take everyday items and give them that extra touch of personalization. Polka Dottin' & More takes gift giving one step further by showing in that a gift was created especially for them. These gifts include; cake carriers, clipboards, car decals, wine glasses, key chains, and many more. Prices vary from \$3-\$30. Contact Haley Eison at (678) 860-7306 or PolkaDottinandmore@yahoo.com

Let **Marietta Monograms and More** help ease your Christmas list! I have a great selection of items for sale and am always available to monogram your personal items. I have a good selection of the "hot" Market baskets (the price includes the monogram, a seasonal sash and casserole stacker), fleece throws (solids and prints), Make up bags with head bands, and lots of baby items. My new line includes appliqued pillow cases with Christmas saying and name - 4 styles and adorable! I always have hand towels and other quick gifts (mugs, water bottles, golf/tennis towels, lunch bags etc.) I am available to do towels, umbrella's, stockings, etc. that you have been meaning to personalize. Prices range from \$10.00 - \$30.00. Contact Debbie Holman at either 770-423-9200 or 770- 425-8669. Mariettamonogramsandmore@gmail.com

I Recommend.....

Ann and Wade Garnto at 552 Trailwood Lane would like to recommend Carlos and Shirlene Calaj of **Star Cleaning Company** as a cleaning team for your home. They have been cleaning our house for approximately 6 years. They are thorough, careful in handling your things, and are very friendly. You can call Shirlene at 770-579-8529 (home) or 678-294-3332 (cell) to make an appointment for an estimate.

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DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS for the January Newsletter is December 28. *Any submissions after this date cannot be guaranteed inclusion.*

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Mailbox Repair: If you need a new post call Bob Schoonover at 770-422-8774. Contact Cindi Filer at 404-518-5809 for mailbox post paint.

Clubhouse Rental: Call Adrienne Lemoine at 770-428-5184 or e-mail azlemoine@comcast.net

Neighborhood Directories: Soft copies of the Neighborhood Directory are available in PDF format. Send request to leescrossing@comcast.net

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