



# Monthly Newsletter

December 2016

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## President's Letter

Dollar on your door is an annual Lee's Crossing tradition where neighbors provide a donation that is collected one weekend in December and split between our sanitation workers for their hard work all year. Collections are distributed among the workers based on their years of service to our neighborhood. This year donations will be collected December 10 and 11 between 2PM and 6PM. Last year we collected \$1500. Thanks to Lisa Baker for volunteering to spearhead this event again this year.

Annual assessments will be sent in December and are due February 1. As indicated in the November newsletter, 2017 annual dues will rise from \$260 to \$275. The assessment notice includes a ballot for the open Board of Directors' positions and Treasurer. We are also updating the directory this spring and will be including a short questionnaire confirming information to be included in the neighborhood directory.

Many thanks to The Leesure Ladys for decorating the clubhouse for the Christmas season again this year.

The resurfacing of the pool has been completed and the new pool cover installed for the winter. Thanks to Walt Walker for his work getting these items completed ahead of schedule.

On Tuesday, November 29, the Marietta Police Department held a Zone 4 meeting at the high school. The information presented indicated that all crime statistics in Zone 4 are down in 2016 except Larceny. Larceny is up due to an increase in auto break-ins. Please remember to take your keys, lock your car and hide or take valuables out of vehicles and report suspicious activity to the police. The Majors at the Police Department are making some scheduled moves and Major Kish, who has served our Zone for more than four years, is taking over the administrative division of the department. He introduced our new Zone Commander, Major Cliff Kelker. Best wishes to Major Kish who has served our zone and our neighborhood well.

**Joe Fenton**

## Holiday Prevention Plan

# ***MARIETTA POLICE DEPARTMENT***

240 LEMON STREET, MARIETTA, GEORGIA 30060-1688



*Policing with a Vision*

*Chief Dan Flynn*

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As we prepare for the holidays by purchasing gifts and goods, please keep in mind that criminals in our society are also preparing. These criminals are preparing to take advantage of good people's generosity and complacency that accompanies this season of giving. While we dare not dissuade you from these benevolent characteristics, the Marietta Police Department does want to prevent those within our community from being victimized.

Please consider the following safety tips and preventative measures to ensure you and your property is protected this holiday season:

### **If you're traveling:**

- Request a friend or neighbor to keep an eye on your home while you are away.
- Have a neighbor collect your mail or you can have your mail held by going to <https://holdmail.usps.com/holdmail/>.
- Set internal/external lights on timers set at random hours.
- Submit a request for the police to zone patrol your home while you are away. <http://www.mariettaga.gov/city/police/services/submitrequest>.

### **If you're staying home:**

- When ordering gifts online or from a catalog, try to schedule the package delivery for when you will be available to accept them in person. If this is not an option for you, have a family member or neighbor accept them in your absence. Packages left on doorsteps are often stolen by opportunistic criminals.
- Place gifts in an area inside your house where they cannot be seen from outside. Burglars are window shoppers too!

- Update your home inventory list. Add all of the serial numbers of your family's new gifts to your home inventory. Also, save receipts of these gifts to record proof of purchase and item costs.
- Photograph non-serialized property of value. This tip applies to items of both monetary value and sentimental value. Photographs assist in identifying your property which helps increase the chance of recovery in the unfortunate event they are stolen.
- Do not leave any gift or valuables in your vehicle even if it is in your driveway.
- Do not expose new product boxes for passersby to see on trash day. Break down boxes to put inside trash cans or bags to conceal what new items you have in your home. If this is not possible, consider taking them to your local recycling center or meet the trash collector by the curb on pick-up days.

**If you're out shopping:**

- Never leave purchases in your vehicle. Plan out your shopping adventures, and include a stop by your home to drop off gifts. Leaving gifts in your vehicle allows criminals to window shop, and you could potentially become a victim.
- Look around and check your surroundings when you leave a business. If there is someone suspicious near your vehicle, do not approach them; instead call 911.
- Ladies, use a purse or satchel that allows you to have free hands. It is safer for you to be able to defend yourself if you are not fumbling with your purse.
- Find a buddy! Shopping alone may be quicker, but it is safer to shop in pairs. A party of two is a lot less likely to become victims than someone out shopping alone.
- Never place personal items in a shopping cart! Criminals are not always in the parking lot. Snatch and grab thefts can occur in any store at any time. Keep your wallet, cell phones, purses, etc. in your possession at all times.
- Shopping with a child can be challenging at times. It is very important to never let your child out of your sight. Toys are everywhere during this time of year, and children tend to wander away to glance at the newest ones. Talk with your child, and remind them of the importance of staying with you while shopping.

While you are taking the steps to prepare for the holidays so is the Marietta Police Department! MPD will be stepping up holiday enforcement to ensure that criminals will be behind bars and not victimizing the community. Beginning today, we will begin taking extra measures to ensure the City of Marietta is safe. Residential areas will begin to see more of an officer presence during the daytime and evening hours to ensure your homes and belongings are safe. Officers will be conducting surveillance on commercial areas throughout the city to help prevent burglaries and theft from local businesses.

# WANT TO RENT THE CLUBHOUSE?

## Clubhouse Rentals

If you have any questions or need to book the clubhouse, please call or e-mail John Pratt at 678-640-2201 or johnwpratt53@yahoo.com. The cost to rent the clubhouse is **\$75**. In addition, a rental deposit of **\$250** is required. However, if you return the clubhouse after rental in its best condition, the entire deposit will be returned.

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## 10th Annual Donna's Classics Christmas Shopping Open House!

Hi Friends and Neighbors! You are invited!

Friday Dec 9th 10am-7pm  
Saturday, Dec 10th 10am-2pm

555 Russett Court  
Marietta, Ga 30064

Drop in for food, friends & great gifts for everyone on your list!  
Hair Bows \$3, Purses \$10-\$59, Backpacks \$29, Crossbody bags \$10, Collegiate Caps \$10,  
Lunchboxes & Makeup Bags \$10, Collegiate Purses, Wallets \$15, Duffle sets (3 piece) \$39,  
Beautiful Pashmina & Infinity Scarves 2 for \$30 & many new items! Bring your friends!



## End of Year Holiday Sanitation Schedule

City of Marietta Holiday Sanitation Schedule for the upcoming holiday period:

The week preceding Christmas: Trash and recycling will be picked up on Thursday, 12/22 with no service on Friday. Also, no yard waste service this week. Tuesday trash pickup remains the same.

The week following Christmas: Trash will be picked up on Wednesday 12/28 and not Tuesday. Friday trash and recycling remain the same.

The week following New Year's Day: Trash will be picked up on Wednesday, 1/4 (and not on Tuesday). No yard waste this week. Friday trash and recycling remain the same.

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### Dollar on Your Door

Lee's Crossing's annual "Dollar on Your Door" fundraiser will take place on the weekend of December 10-11. This is our neighborhood's way to say "Thank You" to our sanitation workers during the holidays. Please leave your contribution in an envelope taped to your front door on either Saturday, December 10 or Sunday, December 11 by 2 p.m. Volunteers will collect your gifts between 2 and 6 p.m. each day. Thanks in advance for your help!



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# THE MARIETTA PILGRIMAGE

## — A CHRISTMAS HOME TOUR —

**December 3 - 4, 2016**

Make plans to attend the 30th annual Marietta Pilgrimage Christmas Home Tour! Get a glimpse inside six private Marietta homes located in the Kennesaw Avenue district. Each home has been lovingly restored and will be decorated for the holiday season. The Marietta Visitors Bureau and Cobb Landmarks & Historical Society organize this tour, which has been featured in *Southern Living* and named a Top 100 Event in North America.

Tickets may be purchased online or in person at the Marietta Welcome Center or the William Root House. For More information, please visit: <http://www.mariettapilgrimage.com/>



## Around Town Calendar of Events – December

Day	Event
3,4	Marietta Pilgrimage Christmas Home Tour
3,10,17,24,31	Marietta Square Farmers' Market
4	Holiday Lights 2016 at East Cobb Park
7,14,21,28	Wine Tasting, Marietta Wine Market
8,9	Christmas Memories – Symphony On The Square
11	A Christmas Story According to Us Folks, AME Church
15-29	The 1940's Radio Hour
All Month thru March	Marietta Square Winter Wonderland begins

For more information on these and other events, please go to the City of Marietta's website by clicking on the link below:

[http://www.mariettacalendar.com/?ai1ec=action~month|exact\\_date~12-1-2016](http://www.mariettacalendar.com/?ai1ec=action~month|exact_date~12-1-2016)

### Community Reminders

Despite the recent rains, the Georgia Environmental Protection Division has declared a level 2 drought in north Georgia (including Cobb County). Please observe the following:

**Outdoor watering is only allowed two days a week, determined by addresses:**

- Even numbered addresses may water on Wednesday and Saturday between 4 pm and 10 am.
- Odd numbered addresses may water on Thursday and Sunday between 4 pm and 10 am.

**The following outdoor water uses are prohibited :**

- Washing hard surfaces.
- Water for ornamental purposes.
- Non-commercial vehicle washing, including charity and fundraising car washes.
- Non-commercial pressure washing

For more information, please visit: <http://patch.com/georgia/cumming/water-restrictions-georgia-governor-expands-drought-response>

### Burn Ban

Marietta Fire Department Issues Burn Ban Due to Dry Conditions: The State of Georgia is currently experiencing a drought containing VERY HIGH Fire Danger Conditions. In an effort to keep its citizens safe, the City of Marietta's Fire Department has placed a ban on all outside burning, effective immediately, until further notice.

If you have any questions, please contact the Fire Department or visit:

<http://www.marietta.gov/city/fire>



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### Neighborhood Notaries

Greg Amaden	Lee's Trace	770-429-9264
James Belrose	Lees Trace	770-794-9897
Melissa Drehs	Lee's Trace	216-392-1424
Brenda Fairbanks	Trailwood Lane	678-290-4810
Angela G. Ford	Lee's Trace	678-234-7430
Carolyn Richardson	Cedar Branch Court	770-427-9900
Cecilia E. White	Trailwood Lane	678-922-1933

If you are a Notary and are willing to help out your neighbors, please send your name and phone number to [leescrossingmarietta@gmail.com](mailto:leescrossingmarietta@gmail.com).

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### 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.**

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### 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@marietta@gmail.com](mailto:leescrossing@marietta@gmail.com). Note: Please keep descriptions to **ONE SHORT paragraph** in WORD format. Do not send brochures, flyers or pictures as they will not be published. **NO SUCCESSIVE MONTHS.**

#### Business Spotlight:

#### I Recommend:

No Submittals this month.

To receive newsletter by e-mail: send request to [leescrossingmarietta@gmail.com](mailto:leescrossingmarietta@gmail.com)

For ON-LINE EDITION, go to [www.leescrossingmarietta.com](http://www.leescrossingmarietta.com)

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

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The LCHA Newsletter and Website are published and maintained for the benefit of Lee's Crossing homeowners. The purpose of the Newsletter and the Website is to promote Lee's Crossing and to provide our homeowners with information regarding Lee's Crossing activities and related issues. The homeowners have entrusted the LCHA Board of Directors with the obligation and right to ensure content conforms to this purpose. As such, articles or advertising endorsing political positions or candidates or other subject matter the Board deems to be divisive, offensive or inappropriate in nature will not be published or posted. All appropriate content is welcomed and encouraged as a means of furthering awareness and communication within our neighborhood.

At this time, the Association does not utilize a Facebook page or other forms of social media. Any such social media communication regarding Lee's Crossing is not endorsed by the Board, may or may not reflect the viewpoints of the Board, and the accuracy and appropriateness of such communications are completely outside of the Board's control.

**Mailbox Repair:** If you need a new post call Bob Schoonover at 770-422-8774. Contact Joe Fenton at 678-581-0033 for mailbox post paint or placards.

**Clubhouse Rental:** Call John Pratt at 678-640-2201 or e-mail [johnwpratt53@yahoo.com](mailto:johnwpratt53@yahoo.com)

**Neighborhood Directories:** Soft copies of the Neighborhood Directory are available in PDF format. Send request to [leescrossingmarietta@gmail.com](mailto:leescrossingmarietta@gmail.com).

**Clubhouse WiFi network Name/Password:** lcswimtennis

**Tennis Court Reservations:** [www.holdmycourt.com/reserve2/lctc](http://www.holdmycourt.com/reserve2/lctc)

### **Board Members**

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