# Lee's Crossing

# Monthly Newsletter

November 2011

Dear Neighbors,

I hope this letter finds you and your family well. The fall colors are beautiful, but unfortunately it will not last much longer.

If you are on the Lee's Crossing e-mail distribution list, you have seen notices about the variance that Traton Homes has submitted for the Rockford Township development adjacent to our subdivision. For those of you that have not seen the notices, the variance request is to reduce the number of trees the development is required to have and appears to reduce the size of one of the "Tree Save Zones" from the original Elliot development. The variance will be reviewed by the city council at the Nov 7<sup>th</sup> council meeting. The Board has been discussing the issue with our city councilman, Griff Chalfant. We are hoping that this issue can be resolved prior to the council meeting, but if not, some members of the Board will be attending the meeting to present arguments against approving the variance. The Board's position is to maintain the original tree preservation and planting plans Elliot had submitted to the city.

There have been multiple reports of people speeding at the front of the neighborhood going around the big bend. This has resulted in mailbox and street light damage. In addition to the damage, there have been some close calls with opposing traffic. There are small children that live near the front of Lee's Crossing, and speeding creates a very dangerous situation for these families. Please be considerate, watch your speed and share this information with any teen drivers you may have.

Included in this newsletter is the proposed five year budget plan. Please feel free to make any comments or recommendations to be considered at the December Board meeting.

Don't forget about the end of daylight savings time on November 6, so set your clocks back on before you go to bed on Saturday night.

As always, if you should ever have any comments or concerns, please do not hesitate to call me. My home phone number is (770) 499-9354.

Brad Herr LCHA President

# Around the Neighborhood Proposed Budget

2012 - 2016 LCHA Proposed Bu	udget
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	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Annual Assessment	\$360	\$360	\$360	\$360	\$360
Revenues	148,200	148,200	148,200	148,200	148,200
Expenses					
Landscaping Architectural Control Services Administration Insurance Mailboxes and sign posts Interest Expense on Loans Legal Utilities Social Repairs	25,260 14,400 5,930 5,429 520 6,067 9,000 16,000 8,000 8,843	25,260 14,400 6,049 5,538 530 4,767 9,000 16,480 8,000 9,020	25,765 14,688 6,170 5,648 541 4,008 9,000 16,974 8,160 9,200	26,281 14,982 6,293 5,761 552 2,817 9,000 17,484 8,323 9,384	26,806 15,281 6,419 5,877 563 2,058 9,000 18,008 8,490 9,572
Pool Management Swim Team	20,500 2,500	20,500 2,550	20,910 2,601	21,328 2,653	21,755 2,706
Total Expenses	122,449	122,093	123,666	124,857	126,535
Available for Capital Improvements and Reserves	25,751	26,107	24,534	23,343	21,665
Reserves & Capital Expenditures					
Reserves beginning of year Increase other capital expenditures loan principal payments additional loan payment resurface tennis courts paint clubhouse resurface pool	68,000 25,751 -7,000 -10,000 -10,000 -5,000	61,751 26,107 -6,000 -10,000 -10,000	61,858 24,534 -6,000 -10,000	47,392 23,343 -6,000 -10,000 -10,000	44,735 21,665 -6,000 -10,000 -8,000
Reserves end of year	61,751	61,858	47,392	44,735	42,400
Loan Balances					
loan balance beginning of year principal payment consolidated loan	110,000	90,000	70,000 -10,000	60,000	40,000
loan balance end of the year	90,000	70,000	60,000	40,000	30,000

#### **Nominations for the Board of Directors**

The Board of Directors for the Lee's Crossing Homes Association consists of seven individuals elected by the members of the Association, six who serve staggered two-year terms and one who serves an annual term as Treasurer.

Next February, homeowners will elect three Directors for two-year terms and the Treasurer for a one-year term, with all terms beginning March 1, 2012. Individual resident homeowners who are in good standing with the Association and who consent to serve as a Director or Treasurer may have their names submitted to the nominating committee for inclusion on the ballot. Nominees must be current on all assessments, must pay their 2012 assessments by the close of balloting on February 17, 2012, and must not be subject to any unsatisfied Association fines or liens.

The nominating committee consists of Walt Walker, Kevin Brown and Joe Fenton. Nominations must be in writing and must be received by the committee on or before November 21. Nominations must be mailed to the attention of the nominating committee at P.O. Box 1013, Marietta, GA 30061.

#### **Welcome New Neighbors**

Chris & Aubrey Baar Rob & Alicia Williams 1047 Chestnut Hill Circle 881 Trailside Lane



#### **Clubhouse Rentals**

If you have any questions or need to book the clubhouse, please call or e-mail Tricia Wilson at 770-428-8144 or **triciaww@mindspring.com**. In an effort to keep our Clubhouse clean and in the best condition, the rental deposit has increased to **\$250**. However, if you return the clubhouse after rental in its best condition, the entire deposit will be returned.

#### **Newsletter Submissions**

Please note: All newsletter submissions should be sent to either <a href="leescrossing@comcast.net">leescrossing@comcast.net</a>
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#### Thanksgiving Week Trash Schedule

Regular services for 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

## PLAN AHEAD AND MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

# This is IT (believe it or not)!!!

The Last of the 2011 Calendar of Events from your Lee's Crossing Association Social Committee

Nov. 17th - Ladies Bunco 7:00 to 9:00 @ clubhouse

FREE – our New Years Eve Celebration
(with live band – back by popular demand "Assembly Required"!!)

December 31, 2011



New Year's Day
Football Watching - Clubhouse 12:30
(Drinks and Food left over from New Year's Eve will be put back out)

#### **Neighborhood Notaries**

Greg Amaden	Lee's Trace	770-429-9264
Melissa Drehs	Lee's Trace	216-392-1424
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 <a href="mailto:leescrossing@comcast.net">leescrossing@comcast.net</a>.

#### 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.** 

#### **Glasses Found**

Prescription glasses found on Chestnut Hill Circle....right at the top of Parkwind Way. Contact Tricia Wilson at 770-428-8144.

#### For Sale

Thomasville Dining Room set for sale - great condition - buffet and table with 6 chairs and 3 leaves. Comes with custom table pads - If you are interested, let me know and I will text or email pics. Cindi Filer 404-518-5809 or cfiler@bellsouth.net

#### Will Clean and Paint Mailbox Posts

I am a 16 year old resident of Lee's Crossing and am paying off a car. Please let me bleach, clean, and paint your mailbox post (my parents will supervise). I will use approved paint from the neighborhood. If you received a letter from the homeowner's association, please let me know the date you must have your mailbox painted to avoid a fine. \$20 - Please call or text me (Matt Filer) at 404-259-6449. NOTE: It must be over 50 degrees to paint a mailbox - so call soon so that I can paint before it is too cold! And it can look nice for the holidays.

#### **Babysitter Available**

Do you need a babysitter? Do you want to get out of the house but you can't find a babysitter? Then you should call me: I'll take care of your babysitting needs. My name is Meredith Duncan. I'm 12 years old and babysitter-certified. I charge \$3/ hour for 1 child, \$1per child additional. You can reach me at 770-427-1502. I'm available Monday through Thursday after 3:30pm and Saturdays after 6pm. Please call, I love to play with kids.

## **Around Town**

#### **Calendar of Events - November**

Day	Name
1-4, 6-11	"The True Story of the Three Little Pigs" at Theatre in the Square
2-5, 7-12, 14- 19, 21-26, 28-30	"Tuskegee Airmen: The Segregated Skies of World War II" at Central Library
4	Martinis and Music
5-6, 12-13, 19-20	Marietta Square Farmers Market
7	"Flags of Our Fathers" at Central Library
12	Cherokee Heights Arts Show
20, 22-23, 25-27, 29-30	"Sanders Family Christmas" at Theater in the Square
24	Gobble Jog - 5 K and 10 K
26	"Sweet and Savory Saturdays" at Marietta Museum of History
28	"True Whispers: The Story of the Navajo Code Talkers" at Central Library

These events are from the City of Marietta calendar. For more information on any of these events, go to <a href="www.mariettaga.gov">www.mariettaga.gov</a>, 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 <a href="http://www.mariettaga.gov/news/subscribe.aspx">http://www.mariettaga.gov/news/subscribe.aspx</a> for further information and to sign up!

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# "Kosher Lutherans" presented by the Polk Street Players

November 4-5, 11-13, 17-19 in the Stellar Cellar at St. James' Episcopal Church on Church Street . Call 770-218-9669 for information and reservations.



#### **Christmas/Gift Items Wanted**

The A.L. Burruss Elementary 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Class is hosting an in-school Secret Santa Shop in December. We are looking for donated items to sell in our shop. If you have any Christmas/gift-type items that you've set aside to donate or "re-gift," please consider donating them to us. Some ideas are: ornaments, stuffed animals, mugs, decorative candles, vases, cookbooks, decorative household items, picture frames, handbags, earrings, bracelets, placemats, table runners, note cards and refrigerator magnets. We welcome all items in good condition that are new or gently used. Please keep in mind that our shop customers will be Burruss students, so we will be charging no more than \$7 for any one item. If you have something to donate, please drop off items at the following locations:

Anita Vannice – 1078 Foreststone Way (drop on front doorstep)

Lisa Baker – 703 Chartworth Circle (drop on front doorstep)

Donation deadline is December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Thank you!

#### **GREEN THUMB GARDENING SERIES**

The Marietta Council of Garden Clubs is offering a Horticulture Series, open to all, regardless of your gardening skills. Each day will include a presentation by 1-3 presenters that specialize in the specific topic, who are either well known gardeners or professionals. The Saturday begins at 8:30AM with registration and light refreshments, 9:00-11:00 for the formal presentation, a break for lunch (which is included) and then a private tour of a local garden or nursery. The workshops will be held once a month (skipping December) at the Marietta Educational Garden Center, 505 Kennesaw Ave., Marietta. These workshops are a great way to improve your gardening skills and meet others interested in gardening.

The Series includes:

- November 12, 2011: New Plant Cultivars
- January 21, 2012: Trees and Shrubs
- February 18, 2012: Floral and Culinary Herbs
- March 24, 2012: Native Plants
- April 28, 2012: Annuals and Container Gardening
- May 19, 2012: Shade and Sun Perennials

The price is \$30.00 per session and you may take as many as you like. If you complete at least six of the seven sessions you will receive a certificate. Registration is required and payment is expected prior to the course. Space is limited to 30 participants per session. For information call Lee's Crossing resident, Sandy Newton at 770-426-0538 or email: newtonms1968@gmail.com.

#### **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 <a href="leescrossing@comcast.net">leescrossing@comcast.net</a>. Note: Please keep descriptions to ONE SHORT paragraph in WORD format. Do not send brochures, flyers or pictures as they will not be published. ALL SUBMISSIONS MUST BE SENT TO EITHER <a href="leescrossing@comcast.net">leescrossing@comcast.net</a> or to trevathan.angelia@gmail.com.

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#### I Recommend:

Gary and Lisa Baker recommend **Daniel Casey, Master Carpenter**, for your home improvement and repair needs. Daniel is reliable, efficient, and conscientious. He can handle large or small jobs. 678-886-1083 or dananddanacasey@gmail.com.



# Have a safe and happy Thanksgiving!

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DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS for the December Newsletter is November 28. <u>Any submissions after this date cannot be guaranteed inclusion.</u>

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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 Tricia Wilson at 770-428-8144 or e-mail triciaww@mindspring.com

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

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