



Monthly Newsletter

September 2016

President's Letter

Labor Day is here and the summer is winding down (although the temperatures have not been an indication of the start of fall). The Board was pleased to have a lifeguard come forward who was able to work on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 11:00AM – 4:00PM, so we have been able to offer regular pool hours five days a week after the start of school.

There has been some discussion of providing unguarded pool hours. The Board has included a letter in this newsletter explaining the Board's position on unguarded hours at the Lee's Crossing pool. We welcome residents to join us at the September Board meeting at 7:30 on Thursday, September 8, at the clubhouse to discuss pool policy and operations.

The Lee's Crossing neighborhood is a partner in education with A.L Burruss elementary school. Our neighborhood has many young families who benefit from the quality education provided at A. L. Burruss. Katie Waters and Principal Julie King have been working to develop a list of areas where residents of Lee's Crossing can assist the school. A wide range of volunteer opportunities has been identified - including helping in the Media Center, reading to students, helping students with math facts, painting bookcases, watering plants in the school, cleaning the aquarium, landscaping and outside maintenance, as well as a lot of other opportunities. We are planning to have a meet and greet with Mrs. King at the school this month so that our residents have the opportunity to visit the school and learn about the different opportunities to help. If you can help Katie with this collaborative project, please reach out to her at katiewaters4ut@gmail.com.

The Board has had a number of reports from residents about children riding bikes and scooters in the neighborhood in a manner that is unsafe and creates a danger to both motorists and bicyclists. The reports have included comments that many of the bicyclists are riding without helmets. We encourage parents to reinforce that helmets should be worn at all times when riding bikes and scooters and encourage children to ride safely. We would like to provide another bicycle safety class in the near future to help teach and reinforce the rules of the road for cyclists.

The Board would like to remind residents that changes in house paint colors, fences, new driveway designs, tree cutting (pines excluded), additions, and other changes to properties need to be approved by the Homes Association. Getting prior approval is generally a quick and easy process and will help avoid the need to redo painting, fencing and other projects. The form for requesting approval is attached to the newsletter.

Joe Fenton

Around the Neighborhood



LABOR DAY POOL PARTY

Sunday September 4

Family Fun Poolside from 4pm to 7pm

Come enjoy the music, your neighbors and the free Burgers, Hot dogs, chips, baked beans, coleslaw, watermelon, soft drinks, water, beer, and wine from your neighborhood Social Committee.

Neighborhood Mark will DJ.

Volunteer Servers please call Richard or Rachael Hunter at 770-425-4186 or email rrshunter@hotmail.com

Why has Lee's Crossing Required Lifeguards?

The Lee's Crossing Board has discussed this question a number of times in past years, and we recognize that there has been an increase in families with young children, which may raise the demand to use the pool during school hours after the end of the summer school recess. The Lee's Crossing pool has always been open only with lifeguards (since the opening of the pool more than thirty years ago), because we believe that the presence of a guard increases the safety of our users and the security of our facilities, and because we have been able to have the pool open a large number of hours to accommodate the needs of the vast majority of our users.

Neither the county nor the state requires lifeguards. The CDC does advocate, in the *National Model Aquatic Code*, that any pool with depths exceeding 5 feet should only be open with lifeguards, but that code has not been adopted by the state. Its provisions, however, are based on science and best practices. Five feet is the depth that an average adult can stand in a pool while having his or her nose and mouth above the waterline, and an average adult who cannot swim well should be able to rescue a child when standing in depths of 5 feet or less. The risk of drowning is substantially higher in pools with greater depths, and the Lee's Crossing pool has a maximum depth of 6 ½ feet.

Individuals, particularly children, can inhale a life threatening amount of water in a matter of seconds. It is very important to have a person on site that is trained in CPR and is familiar with the lifesaving equipment available. While there are a large number of drownings across the state each year, drownings are rare in guarded pools.

The Cobb County Health Department does require that pool chemistry be checked by a live person (not automated equipment) a minimum of 2 times per day. Our pool is checked at least 5 times per day during normal operating hours, and we find, particularly with the splash pad, that guard intervention during the day is often required to keep the chlorine and ph within required ranges. We have been told that some of the swim-at-your-own-risk neighborhoods are only contracting to have their pool checked 2 to 3 times per week and are theoretically relying on residents to check the water at other times. The reality is that users in those neighborhoods may have little assurance that the water chemistry is proper and may be at an increased risk for a variety of waterborne illnesses. These risks are magnified whenever there is a fecal or vomitus accident, because there is no guard on site to follow the county health code regarding temporary closure, cleanup and shocking the pool.

Swim-at-your-own-risk neighborhoods either must invest in computerized card entry systems or simply have little control over access. Even where such systems are employed, they cannot keep one individual from letting in a large number of unauthorized users. Such systems do not stop an underage child with a card from using the pool without supervision and also do not stop solo swimming, a very dangerous practice (think of an individual swimming laps who hits his head, has a seizure or a heart attack). Swim-at-your-own-risk neighborhoods rarely have anyone present to control the conduct of users. One of our nearby neighborhood pools has been the scene of several impromptu, non-resident, teenage pool parties and at least one

physical altercation resulting in injury to a resident. It is also obvious that a neighborhood facility without guards is at greater risk for vandalism.

The Lee's Crossing pool is open 70 hours per week with guards while school is in summer recess. While it is a challenge getting guards after schools go back into session, we have always been open at least from 4 pm until 9 pm at the end of the school day. This year, we have also been able to open at 11am on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday after the schools are in session and are open a total of 60 hours per week from the start of school until Labor Day. We will also be open the two weekends after Labor Day for an additional 20 hours each weekend. We are happy to offer these additional hours, although our experience is that very few people (typically 3 or 4) actually use the pool prior to the end of the school day.

Smaller neighborhoods are often forced to be open at swim-at-your-own-risk because they cannot afford lifeguards or simply have different priorities. While having lifeguards is an obvious expense, our assessments are still lower than every other swim & tennis neighborhood in the city.

We recognize that there are tradeoffs in being open only with guards. Individuals who wish to use the pool during off hours have not been able to do so at Lee's Crossing. We are open to offering other hours that our owners suggest, as long as we can provide guards, and the costs are not unreasonably prohibitive relative to the number of people to be benefited.

We continue to try to improve the enjoyment of our facilities for all of our residents and their guests. Please understand, however, that among our top priorities must be the safety of our patrons and the security of our facilities. Please help us in this regard by cooperating with our guards and following our rules. Please remember that while our guards are there to increase the safety of our patrons, their presence does not excuse your duty to supervise your children and your responsibility for your own safety.

We welcome your input and look forward to discussing pool matters in our September Board meeting.

September Pool Hours

Monday, Labor Day 11am – 9pm

Pool will be open two weekends after Labor Day

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR
LADIES WINE AND CHEESE SOCIAL**

Thursday October 6 @ Clubhouse

7:30pm to 9:30 pm

All neighborhood ladies welcome!

RSVP to rrshunter@hotmail.com or (770) 425-4186



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.



Upcoming Neighborhood Events - Mark Your Calendars

September 4 - Family friendly Pool Closing Party – see flyer in this newsletter for more details

October 6 – Ladies’ Wine and Cheese Party – see flyer in this newsletter for details

October 16 - Family friendly Octoberfest - *Red, White, and Blue* Band of Woodstock will be returning - German foods and fun.

December 4 - Cookie and Beer Swap

More information for each event will come as the events get closer.

Labor Day Week Garbage Schedule

Normal Monday Pickup will be on Tuesday
Normal Tuesday Pickup will be on Wednesday
No Yard Waste Pick Up that week



Welcome New Neighbors

Jason & Bianca Towler
Lucille Harrington
Katherine Monti

1224 Meadowmist Way
640 Trailwood Lane
608 Trailwood Lane

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.

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.**

For Sale

Kawai 48" upright piano, Model NS-20A. Ebony finish, showroom condition. No scratches or damage of any kind. Includes matching bench seat. Asking \$3,500.00 or best offer. Contact Ted Pilch - 770-421-1321.

Yard Work Needed

Mowing, edging & shrubbery. Capability of doing landscaping desirable. Contact: Lynn Gregory at 770-422-9758

Around Town Calendar of Events – September

Day	Event
1, 8, 15, 22, 29	Brown Bag Concert Series
2	Marietta Art Walk
3 – 5	Art in the Park
3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 25	Marietta Square Farmer’s Market
3, 10, 17, 24	Marietta Food Tour
3, 10, 17, 24	Wine Tasting
9	Freedom Concert
10, 11	Field of Flags
10	Ruff Redemption Rescue Benefit
11	Due West Festival of Music
17, 18	Marietta StreetFest Festival
24	Marietta Square Artisan Market
24, 25	Marietta Classic Film Festival
27	Red Hare 5K Race
30	Glover Park Concert Series

These are just a few of the opportunities on the calendar this month! 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|request_format~html.



Public Safety Appreciation and Remembrance Mass

September 22nd @ 12:00 pm
St. Joseph’s Catholic Church – 87 Lacy Street Marietta, Ga 30060



All faiths are welcome as we come together to show support and stand behind those that serve the community. The mass will begin promptly at noon and will last an hour and a half. District Attorney Vic Reynolds will be the guest speaker for the event. Please plan on arriving early or carpooling as parking is limited.

To RSVP or for questions contact Officer Freer at MFreer@mariettaqa.gov or by phone at 770-794-5329.

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@mariettaga@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. **ALL SUBMISSIONS MUST BE SENT TO EITHER leescrossingmariettaga@gmail.com or to trevathan.angelia@gmail.com. NO SUCCESSIVE MONTHS.****

Business Spotlight:

I Recommend:

Lynn Gregory would like to recommend **Stand Up Guys**. “ I have had problems finding a reliable service to pick up misc. items. They came out & cleaned out my garage on the first visit. The second time they picked up 25 large Lowe’s waste bags that were bursting due to rain. They had to shovel up the bird seed hulls on the bags that burst. They will come out and offer a free quote. If you agree they begin work immediately.” Their local phone number is 770-369-0305. Carson is the manager.

To receive newsletter by e-mail: send request to leescrossingmarietta@gmail.com

For ON-LINE EDITION, go to www.leescrossingmarietta.com

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS for the October 2016 Newsletter is September 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.

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

Neighborhood Directories: Soft copies of the Neighborhood Directory are available in PDF format. Send request to leescrossingmarietta@gmail.com.

Clubhouse WiFi network Name/Password: lcswimtennis

Tennis Court Reservations: www.holdmycourt.com/reserve2/lctc

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Lee's Crossing Homes Association, Inc.

REQUEST FOR ARCHITECTURAL / LANDSCAPE REVIEW

Homeowners are required to submit property improvement plans to the Association for review and approval prior to beginning their improvements. Each Lee's Crossing homeowner is subject to these restrictions.

NAME: _____ DATE: _____ Lot #: _____
(Please Print)

ADDRESS: _____ Email: _____

PHONE: _____ Proposed Start Date: _____ Finish Date: _____
(Home) _____ (Work) _____

CHECK ALL THE FOLLOWING IMPROVEMENT TYPES THAT APPLY TO YOUR REQUEST

HOME IMPROVEMENTS:

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|--|---|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Structural Addition | <input type="checkbox"/> Gazebo/Arbor | <input type="checkbox"/> Play structure | <input type="checkbox"/> Storage Shed | <input type="checkbox"/> Fence Addition |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Deck/Patio | <input type="checkbox"/> Pool/spa | <input type="checkbox"/> Retaining Walls | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture/Statute | <input type="checkbox"/> Solar panels |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trellis | <input type="checkbox"/> Satellite Dish | <input type="checkbox"/> Windows/Doors | <input type="checkbox"/> Painting | <input type="checkbox"/> Fountains |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Fence: (pick one) | <input type="checkbox"/> Scallop | <input type="checkbox"/> Dog ear | <input type="checkbox"/> Saddle |
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LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> New Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Tree addition | <input type="checkbox"/> Tree removal | <input type="checkbox"/> Arbors/vines | <input type="checkbox"/> Hardscape |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape lights | <input type="checkbox"/> Water features | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) | <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage | |

FRONT YARD

BACK YARD

SIDE YARD

IF YOU ARE ONLY SUBMITTING A REQUEST TO CHANGE THE COLOR OF YOUR HOME:

1. Enclose paint manufacturer color samples with this application.
2. Identify which paint samples apply to body of the house, trim/fascia and trim accent colors.

ALL OTHER IMPROVEMENTS:

1. Submit your scale drawings and plot plans to: Lee's Crossing HOA, c/o David Waldrep, 1141 Chestnut Hill Circle, Marietta, GA 30064.
2. Plans which include pre-assembled structures or kits must include cut sheets or product specifications, colors, dimensions, materials and all other collateral material necessary for proper review.
3. The committee must be informed of all materials used in your improvements in sufficient detail for proper review. Where appropriate, submit samples or color photos of the material (brick, slate, wrought iron, lighting standards, etc.) In its sole discretion the Association may ask for more information regarding your improvement during the review process. While waiting for a response from the owner the 30-day approval time frame will suspend and then resume with receipt of additional information.
4. Though neighbor approval is not required, depending on the improvement, the Association may solicit input from your neighbors regarding your submission and consider their input as part of the review process. It is prudent that you discuss proposed changes to your home with your surrounding neighbors.
5. PLEASE NOTE: The County may require approval of certain types of improvements. You may be required to get permits and other conditions may apply. The owner is solely responsible for fulfilling any municipal requirements.

The basis for this architectural requirement is your recorded covenants,. Improvements made without architectural approval are subject to removal by the owner at the sole discretion of the Board of Directors or its designated agent.

NOTE: IF THE APPLICATION YOU SUBMIT IS INCOMPLETE OR INDECIPHERABLE IN ANY WAY THE 30 DAY TIME FRAME IN WHICH THE ASSOCIATION HAS TO REPLY IS SUSPENDED UNTIL YOU COMPLETE THE APPLICATION PROPERLY AND RESUBMIT IT FOR REVIEW.

Owner Signature

Date

NOTE: Improvement work may not commence without written committee approval. Please submit plans anticipating up to 30 days for review and comment by the Architectural Committee. Unauthorized improvements are subject to removal.

LEE'S CROSSING IMPROVEMENT APPLICATION (continued)

NAME: _____ DATE: _____

(Please Print)

ADDRESS: _____

DESCRIBE YOUR IMPROVEMENT IN DETAIL:

WHO IS YOUR CONTRACTOR?

I'm performing the work myself.

My general contractor is: _____

My landscape contractor is: _____

The homeowner is the "person responsible" for damage to Lee's Crossing common areas caused by himself or by his contractor while completing these improvements. By submitting this application I acknowledge responsibility for damage to the common areas by contractors entering Lee's Crossing property at my invitation.

The basis for this architectural requirement is your recorded covenants, especially Articles 4.0-4.7. Improvements made without architectural approval are subject to removal at the sole discretion of the Board of Directors or its designated agent.

For Association Use Only:

Property Address: _____

Committee/BOD Member Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Recommend Approval as submitted: Recommend Approval with following conditions: Recommend Denial:

Committee/BOD Member Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Recommend Approval as submitted: Recommend Approval with following conditions: Recommend Denial:

Management Company Instructions:

Send response to owner based on Committee input noted above.

Send hearing letter regarding unauthorized installation.

Notify owner to cease work.

Send notice of completion

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