



October 27, 2015



**This weekend is the fall-back time change so as always we're having our food drive for the Norcross Cooperative Ministry.** This is Berkeley Lake's semi-annual collection of non-perishable food and household items. In the past, your generosity has helped the Norcross Co-op assist many who really need it. **Please place your items in bags at your mailboxes this Sunday, November 1, by 1:00 PM.** Volunteers will be driving by on Sunday afternoon to collect the

bags and will deliver them the next morning to the Co-op Ministry. Thank you in advance for helping with this very worthy cause, and thanks to Julie Huntington and her daughter Anna for coordinating the collection in our city.

If you have little persons out in the neighborhood on Halloween, keep them safe, and protect your pets as well. Thanks to Eric Musser who is organizing the **Car-TOON or Treat** event Saturday, October 31 at the Chapel at 6:00 PM. I will be there in my witchy outfit handing out candy, so stop by and say "Boo."



Some of you have asked about the **paving** we have going on in some places in our city. Don't be worried about the bumpy places being created, since they won't be permanent. We are just spot-patching deteriorated under-layers before overlaying the entire surface with new asphalt which will be nice and smooth. It makes a higher quality and longer lasting road surface to do it this way rather than just pouring asphalt over the problems.

Our Police Precinct Commander is aware of our **concerns about shots being fired recently**, probably by hunters. Shell casings were found in an area of Duluth very near to us and the Duluth police are involved. Our Commander is sending extra patrols in the wee hours of the morning to see if they can catch these people. If you hear shots, call 911 immediately.



Don't forget the **Turkey Trot for Berkeley Lake Elementary School is Saturday, November 7.** Many of you enjoy this fun run every year, and the school appreciates the support. This community event is sponsored by the BLES PTA, the City of Berkeley Lake, and the Berkeley Lake Chapel. You can choose from either a 4 mile run around the lake or 1.5 mile fun run/walk. Sign up [here](#).

halloween There will be a **Veteran’s Day Ceremony** on Wednesday, November 11 at 11:00 AM at the Fallen Heroes Memorial at the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center, 75 Langley Drive in Lawrenceville. This is an opportunity to honor our military veterans and public service personnel.



Tom Rozier and I keep an eye on crime statistics in our area and he pointed out to me that we haven’t had any “entering auto” issues in quite some time lately. You will remember that I urged you all not to be volunteer victims by leaving valuables in your unlocked cars, and everybody has evidently gotten with that program. We’re so glad to see that, but the stats show this crime is continuing all around our city, just not within it. So keep up the good work and don’t get complacent about **locking your doors, both home and car**. Our City Marshall is keeping an eye on our homes, and neighbors are keeping an eye out for each other, but we will always need to take basic precautions to keep crime out of Berkeley Lake.

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Fidelity is one of the largest community banks headquartered in Atlanta and they opened the Berkeley Lake branch on September 1, 2015. Susan Slack, the Branch Manager, has lived in the Berkeley Lake area for the past 30 years and has a genuine interest in our community. Fidelity is well-known for offering Totally Free Checking accounts - both Personal and Business.

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