

# THE BERKELEY SPOTLIGHT

## The Fairways and The Lake The 2021 Summer Edition



### HOA ANNUAL HOMEOWNERS MEETING

Our annual homeowners meeting was held on May 22 at the home of The Clodfelter's, 4505 FVC. A big thank you to them for hosting and to all the homeowners who attended! It was nice to catch up and see some lovely faces that we had missed during the pandemic, mask free. Our association holds this meeting yearly, with the exception of last year, due to the pandemic, to keep us informed of happenings within our neighborhood. Some of the topics touched upon were neighborhood security and how to be proactive in keeping you and your home safe. Officer Biggers was there to answer questions and discuss what is going on in our neighborhood as well as in Gwinnett at large. A neighborhood workday was discussed as we have several areas that need to some TLC (more details on following pages). HOA dues and the collection and usage of those dues. Speeding within our neighborhood. Our "No Solicitation" signs are being repaired and or remade. (continued)

(continued) We got a progress report on the lake repairs. We also had a special visit from Fred Astaire dance studios with a dance presentation featuring our very own Nathan Clodfelter and Ruth Dunham, aka, Fred and Ginger! If you are interested in dance classes with the pros Jeff and Aarushi, and with your neighbors, you can schedule classes @ [www.fredastaire.com/duluth](http://www.fredastaire.com/duluth) or by calling 678-417-7555 or call our very own Ginger (Ruth Dunham) @770-449-3058 for further details.





Jeff & Aarushi





## PREVENTING CRIME IN OUR COMMUNITY

As most of you are aware we have many cameras throughout our neighborhood that help us to deter crime. With the help of our law enforcement and our cameras, we have been very effective in apprehending criminals on our streets, but we need everyone's assistance to continue this. **If you see something, say something!** It seems like a simple concept, but many people do not. Help is mostly a phone call away and that is what our 911 alert is for. If you see suspicious activity or hear something out of the ordinary, please call 911. Many incidences where neighbors have called 911, the operators have alerted our officers who may already be on our streets or close by to respond quickly. Most people hesitate to call because they are not sure how serious the situation might be but that is for them and the officers to decide. Imagine if you did not call and something happened to a loved one or a neighbor that you might have been able to help and or prevent.

We have talked about this many times before, but it bears repeating, take all valuables out of your car and **LOCK THE DOORS**. Most car thefts are from criminals simply opening an unlocked door and not smashing a window for entry. Also, if you have ever driven through at night, you see many houses that are pitch black. Having outdoor lights on a motion detector to come

on with movement is a great crime prevention. For inside your house, it can be as simple as having lamps set on timers to go on and off at random times if you are away from home. Most criminals avoid breaking into a home if they think that someone is inside. Burglars are also looking for places to hide so keeping shrubs trimmed and away from windows is always a good prevention tip. If you are coming home late at night, keep an eye out for someone who could be following you. If you suspect you are being followed, call 911 and avoid pulling into your driveway, its best to drive around some to see if they continue to follow. Keep windows in your house locked at all times and if you don't have security pins on your windows, you can easily install those yourself or ask a handyman to do it for you. Depending on your type of windows, additional security pins help from the window being forced open from the outside. Our neighborhood police officers have volunteered to meet with each individual homeowner at their home to go over tips and prevention to keep you and your home safe. If you would like to take advantage of this, please contact Janelle at 770-416-9550 to set up a visit. Also, if you need to report something that might have been caught on one of our cameras, please do it immediately! Try to remember timing and dates are very helpful. Our camera footage is saved for 2 weeks and then it records over.

***We Report All Crimes On Our Block  
Crime...Report It,  
Don't Support It!***



## **SPEEDING IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD**

Our neighborhood is a family friendly area and should be free from life threatening behavior on our streets, but there are many who put lives at risk every day. Our speed limit in the neighborhood is 25 MPH and many people, both visitors and residents are going WAY OVER THAT! We all need to realize how dangerous this is with people out walking with kids and pets and children playing, especially during the summer months. If you are someone who speeds, please note the police officers and neighborhood cameras are noticing. The police security officers who work our neighborhood have been talking to those violators as a warning but will now be issuing tickets. If you have guests who regularly come for a visit, please speak to them about this issue and ask them to slow down and obey the law. Speeding signs are clearly posted around the neighborhood. Also please note that we have stop signs neighbors are running as well. The signs say STOP, not slow down.





# TEAM UP to CLEAN UP

## NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN UP DAY

We have not had a community cleanup day in several years, so we have lots of projects that need our attention. Projects include cleaning and painting fences, debris clean up in both entries and along our adopted street, Hopkins Mill, weeding and clean up at the Lake just to name a few projects. We will set a date in the fall for this clean up. We would like to have lots of volunteers so we can spread the work out to get the job done quicker. The same people seem to volunteer and show up to be stuck with doing the same chores so let us come together as a community and show our neighborhood spirit! We will keep you advised as time approaches so we can better assign chores and decide who needs to bring what with them. If you have paint rollers, rakes, brooms, etc, you may be asked to bring those with you. Let's all roll up our sleeves!



## OUR HOA BOARD

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If you would like to volunteer or serve on one of our boards please speak up and let us know.

**ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE** – handling all major exterior changes/alterations such as approvals of home siding, colors, new landscaping, structural changes/additions, etc. We still have a hard time getting people to fill out their approval forms, please make sure you get approval before starting any big projects.

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For a full list of covenants please visit our website @ [myfairlake.com](http://myfairlake.com)

## \*\*\*\*\* THE BERKELEY BLAST \*\*\*\*\*

Our neighbor Cheryl Sklar is providing a new service for us called The Berkeley Blast. The Blast will provide information that we need to spread quickly via email; security alerts, important news and upcoming events. If you have not provided your email for the neighborhood phone books, please send to her @ [sklarmy123@att.net](mailto:sklarmy123@att.net). Please watch for her emails which will have **THE BERKELEY BLAST** in the subject matter in case it goes to spam.

