

Millwood-Waterford Newsletter

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Reflection, Thanks and Moving Forward

By Margaret White, President

Last year was a very productive and interesting year. The community has embraced the "Safe and Livable Community" concept. For the past four years the residents have taken on and completed several projects to improve the community, the school and the county.

Some of our greatest joys in 2007:

Two gateway entrance signs have been installed--one at the 7300 block of Walker Mill Road and the other at the 7500 block. A third sign on Shady Glen Road is pending.

Thirty red Crept Myrtles trees were planted on Walker Mill Road in October, 2007. Fairfield Knolls Civic Association joined us in the effort as we celebrated *Beautification Day*.

The Association is Online! Visit us to learn more at www.millwood-waterford.org (more on page 3)

A Telephone Calling System has increased our communication within the community. (more on page 3)

A 4 foot Prince George's County Bird Statue, designed by Forestville High School's Art Dept. will be installed at the Millwood Community Center, soon.

Renovations and improvements of the Center are in progress and are scheduled to be completed this

Summer. They include:

- * Patio addition at the rear of the center.
- * A handicapped walkway leading to the patio
- * Additional bright lights on the parking lots
- * Brighter lights in the front parking lot
- * Redesign the front of the center
- * Benches at the picnic area
- * Two benches on the walking trail
- * Two new covered grills
- * Exterior and interior paint at the Center.

Eighty-eight new Single Family Homes on Walker Mill Road

Park & Planning has approved 88 new homes from three developments. (cont' on page 2)

Presidents Message Cont.

Community Standards Committee (CSC) Needs you to Know...

1. It is illegal to park on any street with the drivers side to the curb.
2. It is illegal to park on any unpaved area including on your grass and in your yard.

3. New re cycle day is now on Monday, except holidays.

4. For large items call Bulky Trash Service at 301-952-7600 to schedule a pickup

5. Do not put trash and recycle bins out on Friday or weekends. It makes the

community look trashy.

6. It is illegal to put grass cuttings, trash or waste in storm drains.

The CSC does not replace your block captain. It follows thru on issues referred by them and others.

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2008

**Citizen's Association Meetings
Millwood Recreation Center
@7:30 pm**

January 14	June 10
February 11	September 8
March 10	October 13
April 14	November 10
May 12	December 15



The “Thank-You’s” continue...

Special Thanks to My Officers, Committees and Other Supporters

Cont'd from Pg 1. by M. White, Pres.

Sincere thanks to my Vice President, Valeria Wilson. I could not have done it without you.

To my others Officers: I can only say “**THANK YOU**” for your willingness to help make this community what it is today, a viable and active community. You are the lifeline of the community.

Entertainment & Fund Raising Committee: I say, you are alive and running. You keep the body moving with your activities. “Use it or loose it” you say. You give the soul energy with the activities and it’s reflected in your smiles, your actions and most of all, in your words. “Thank You.”

Block Captains— You are our vital

organs. Rain, shine, snow or holidays-- you deliver! You go where others dare not go. You are committed and we appreciate you.

Hospitality Committee: Thank you for caring about our sick and bereaved families, as well as welcoming the new families. At some time in all of our lives we need someone who can say a kind word or just send a card to let us know you care. We appreciate you.

Scholarship Committee: This is our third year of giving scholarships. We offered three types of scholarships the senatorial, the delegate and the MWCA, Inc scholarship. This committee cares about our students and shows it in its efforts to encourage them. Your dedication in improving this program is appreciated..

2007 Newsletter Editor Sonja Flani-

gan: Our thoughts and prayers are with you for a speedy recovery

Other Supporters:

Thanks goes to Park & Planning’s Area Manager, **Ms. Peggy Shaffer**, for her help and encouragement in our events and to **Ms. Valarie Watson**, Visual Arts Specialists, for the Community Bird Statue. What a beautiful memorial to the Millwood-Waterford community. Thank you to **DPWT & T and DER** for all their support services, encouragement and help.

I so greatly appreciate the efforts of, **Mr. Calvin Hawkins**, Community Liaison for the CERT training and the support of **Councilman Samuel Dean, Senator Ulysses Currie and Delegate Derek Davis** for the grants, help with leadership programs; scholarships and applications

Cutting Back Helps Shed Light

One of the concerns on many streets in the Millwood-Waterford community is the overgrown trees that keep the street lights from being dispersed.

This safety hazard prompted Vice President Valeria Wilson to contact the Department of Public Works and Transportation (DPWT) After 18-months, her efforts paid off. We have Mr. Wayne Lucus of (DPWT) to thank for getting the

long-awaited job of trimming county-owned trees throughout the community.

Today, the specified areas are unencumbered. We will continue to keep the light shining through.

Cpl Tony Ayers, Dist. III, Community Specialist, (CRT & JAG Units), is always near by and ready to serve. Your dedication helped us have a safe and livable community— a place residents feel proud to call home.

Gratitude is extended to **Ms. Joyce Beck**, Special Services, who always gives extra special service and **Ms. Joyce Phillip**, Principal of John Bayne Elementary School for hosting community events.

To all others that I do not have space to name who have assisted us. **Thank you!**

Scholarship Awards



Congratulations Grads!

2007 Award Recipients: **Mirah Ivory** from Oxon Hill High School and **Monica Myers** from Central High School.

High school graduates are encouraged to apply for the 2008-2009 academic year by the August 1, 2008 deadline. Awards may be used for both vocational as well as college education expenses.

New Homes (from page 1)

They include:

Ten homes by the Winthrop Development at 7222 Walker Mill Road; 29 homes by the Jones Development in the 7200 Block of Walker Mill and 39 homes by the Gateway Development at the 7500 block of Walker Mill Road. Starting price for each: \$400,000.

Newsletter Contributors

This Issue: Margaret White, Valeria Wilson, Hellen Beard, James Shelton.

Future Issues: Send comments, news, calendar submissions and articles on community-specific issues to:

info@Millwood-waterford.org

Dead line : July 1, 2008

Millwood-Waterford has “Connections”

Just a Click way...

On September 2007, the Millwood-Waterford Citizens Association’s website www.millwood-waterford.org was launched. The new website makes this association available nationally and internationally. People from across the country and around the world can get a bird’s eye view of what we are about and are doing.

Thanks to Valeria Wilson who prepared the material for the website and worked with Mr. Isaac McGraw of the McZig Company to develop the site. Persons are able to contact the association through the website email at info@millwood-waterford.org.

Announcements, activities, photo gallery, and general community news about the association and links to Prince George’s County offices can be found on the website. Also available is a list of important telephone numbers for various County services.

Automatic Voice Messaging

In April 2007, the Millwood-Waterford Citizen’s Association, Inc. established an account with



CallingPost.com, a voice messag-

ing service which serves as a telephone tree.

The messaging service is used for some committee meetings and other special meetings as the need arises. This involves inputting the names and telephone numbers of any group that is to be called and those persons will be called on the specified date and at the specified time.

The Association purchased 500 calls for a total cost of \$49.95. The number of available calls reduces as phone calls are made.

The Cost of Parking Illegally

The CSC is serious. Citations are issued for the following violations:



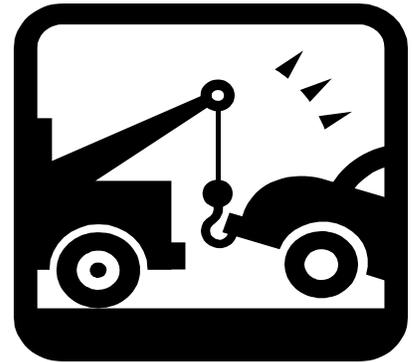
Standing or parking on unpaved areas: Fine: \$50 for each offense Sec. 26-127.04. Residents are cautioned not to park vehicles on the grass.

Commercial Vehicles (buses, trailers and trucks.) parked in a residential area and not in the course of a commercial purpose, will be in violation and subject to being towed by the

Police Department and impounded after it has been parked for a 24-hour period. **Fine: \$500** for each violation. Sec. 26-123.

Parking on the right-side is “wrong”: **Fine: \$50** As of January 2008, Prince Georges County Police /Parking Enforcement are ticketing residents that park vehicles opposite to the flow of traffic. *This means with drivers side to the curb.*

The law has been in place since 1978. It will double, if not paid in 30 days and triple after 60 days.



Prince Georges County Police Department may tow any illegally parked vehicle, without notice.

Citizen’s Association Officers and Committee Chairs

2008 Officers

Margaret White	President
Valeria Wilson	Vice President
Betty Dent	Secretary
Hellen Beard	Asst. Secretary
Doris Hughes	Treasurer
James Wise	Assistant Treasurer
Felicia Atchison	Financial Secretary

2008 Committee Chairs

Valeria Wilson	Fund Raising & Entertainment
Betty Cheeseman	Hospitality
Felicia Atchinson	Picnic
James Shelton	Block Captains
Joann Johnson	Special Events
Rev. Marion Criddle	Scholarship

Every committee is in need of assistance. Come out to learn where your unique skills and flare can be put to use.

No special skills required. Only the desire to see your community continue to thrive, your property value remain strong and to show just how much you care.

See you at the next meeting!

Community Calendar



January 14: Special year-in-review and 2008 Elections. Accomplishments of 2007 were highlighted, followed by elections for Association Officers for 2008. Your vote counted.

February 11: Black History Recognition. New and historical facts that challenged and educated.

March 10: Concept Plan. Park & Planning discussed the latest developments for the Millwood Regional Park. Residents learned how the process effects our community.

April 14: Joint Action Group (JAG)'s Corp. Tony Ayres, discussed ways to keep our community safe and deter crime. Topics ranged from stolen/abandon cars to making an effective crime report.

May 12: Register of Wills, Cereta Lee presented the value of writing, and securing your will, now.

June 25: Trip to Midway Casino, Harrington Delaware. To sign-up and for pricing information, call (301) 336-4904.

Membership Dues

There are 485 homes that make up the Millwood-Waterford Citizens Association. Unfortunately, only 182 owners have paid the \$10 membership dues. Homeowners Associations in contrast pay 20 times this rate and would be filing court papers, by now, for non-payment. This is a beautiful community because of the efforts of the Association and it's collective efforts. Association officers and members volunteer their time, and talents to keep our neighborhood a "livable community" We plant trees, paint storm drains, pickup trash, cut grass and work diligently with county officials to ensure that the community is within the county standards. They work to distribute information to all residents, plan trips secure speakers; work with county officers to install new park pavilions, and improvements for the Millwood Center. Do your part. Ten dollars goes a long

Get to Know Your Block Captains ...

IF YOU LIVE HERE	YOUR BLOCK CAPTAIN IS....	PHONE
Waterford Drive (1300 to 1316) & (1400-1412)	Sonja Foge	(301)336-6524
Shady Glen Drive (1211 to 405) Edenville Drive (1311 to 1312)	Pat Stewart	(301)350-0859
Shady Glen Drive (1407 to 1430)	Shirley Montague	(301)336-8161
Bethal Drive and Fanwood Court	Betty Dent	(301)350-4771
Iron Forge Road (1217 to 1406)	Joann Johnson	(301)336-7098
Waterford Drive 1103 to 1116 & 1200 to 1216	James & Arnita Wise	(301)336-1291
Ashdale Road. Ashdale Court, Longleaf & Sitka Lane	Charles & Rosa Harley	(301)350-3981
Applewood & Logwood	Bettie Hall	(301)350-7394
Elderberry Place Orange Tree Court, & Sitka Lane	Felicia Atcherson	(301)336-0222
Beechnut Road (all)	John Whalen Harold Whalen	(301)350-8325 (301)499-2502
Shady Glen Drive to PEPCO	Ollie Green	(301)350-1042
Walker Mill Road (all)	Sidney M. Hall	(301)350-6734
Millwoof Drive & Millwright Street	James Shelton	(301)499-0432
Millrace Road & Millrace Court	Willie Smith	(301)336-1192
Millwheel Street (all)	John Murphy	(301)350-5073
Shady Glen Drive to PEPCO	Doris Hughes	(301)350-9659

Dues: Hard at Work

Your dues are only **\$10.00 per year, per family.** Annual dues cover the administrative costs of the Association; printed materials, postage, programs and events. If you have not paid your membership dues, please contact your block captain or mail it as soon as possible. Remember, everyone benefits from the efforts of a few. Thanks to the members who are paid up.

For more information on dues or becoming a Block Captain contact

James Shelton (301) 499-0432