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2025 Meeting Dates

January 13
February 10
March 10
April 14
May 12

June 9 September 14 October 13

- November 10
- December 8

2024 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The MWCA residents enjoyed another productive year, although we have not fully recovered from the variants resulting from COVID19.

We continued to have successful in person meetings except in the very cold months where we held virtual meetings.

Guest speakers continued to give the community updates on the many issues in progress. Several who were campaigning for office gave an insight of what they wanted to do if elected.

Other speakers included officials from the VA system, and Park and Planning in reference to the Blue Line Corridor. Others included our State Senator Nick Charles, State's Attorney Aisha Braveboy, Councilwoman Wala Blegay, former mayor of Seat Pleasant Mayor Eugene Grant to name a few. In July, MWCA hosted a successful community health fair for the Health Empowerment Network of Maryland, Inc.

Our new neighbors continue to receive "New Resident Package" which are now printed in English and Spanish.

Summer Cleanup continued but not to the full extent. We continue to give scholarships to both new graduates and continuing education students in October. The President and others remained active in the many hearings and other events this year.

I am encouraging our younger seniors to continue to stay involved in the politics of Prince George's County as it affects our quality of life, our health, our freedom of speech and livelihood.

Our big events, National Night Out, Community Picnic, Veterans Appreciation Event, and Christmas Award Night were celebrated with residents and an outstanding crowd of State Officials, County Officials, Police District 3 and 8, and visitors.

During the Veterans Event Councilwoman Wala Blegay gave a proclamation to each veteran and the community gave a thank you gift to each veteran.

There were many certificates of appreciation given to the Treasurer, Block Captains, and Special Events Group at the Christmas Event.

I appreciate all of the community, those who do, those who can't, those who don't and those who care. Together we have not lost a beat, just slowed down a little.

With sincere appeciation to everyone,

Margaret White

President Millwood-Waterford Citizens Association

Scholarship Fundraising

The Fundraising Committee was not able take any scholarship fundraising trips in 2024. However, we are so thankful to a very supportive group of donors for their tax deductible contributions to the Millwood-Waterford



Scholarship Fund. We sincerely appreciate those who consistently donate year after year and for all new donors who joined our group of supporters to the scholarship fund in 2024 for whatever contribution you made. Without all of your donations, we would not have the funds to keep the scholarship program going. Your support made it possible for the

MWCA to continue to award one (1) new scholarship and one continuing education scholarship. If awarded a scholarship their first year of college, students may reapply each year thereafter. If they meet the criteria for continuing education support, they can receive an award for the remaining three years. Therefore, since we must ensure that we always have sufficient funds available to support the continuing education program, we continue to seek your support.

Our donors are so important to our scholarship program. You help MWCA soar and provide financial support to the students in reaching their goals of obtaining higher education at a four year, two year college or a trade school. Your donations are used exclusively for the MWCA Scholarship Program.

Again, we sincerely thank each of our donors for your support of Prince Georges County students.

Below is a list of our 2024 donors to whom we offer a bouquet of virtual red roses.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

2024 SCHOLARSHIP DONORS:

- Steven Proctor & Associates
- Albert Turner Charitable
 Trust
- Arthur Horne, Jr.
- Jane Ware
- Cora Dixon
- Ernest Collins
- Dora Russell
- Peggy Hampton
- Sally Watkins
- Clarice Taylor
- Eudora Plater

- Katherine Dawkins
- Betty Clark
- Betty Dent
- Marion Burgess
- Reginald Russell
- Betty Watkins
- John Murphy
- Carol Gibson
- Marion Criddle
- Sidney Hall
- Margaret White
- LueCrecie Gladney
- Hellen Beard
- Valeria Wilson

Scholarship News

Congratulations to our 2024-25 Scholarship Recipients, **Simone Thompson** and **Madison Doster**.



Simone Thompson will be graduating in May, 2025 from Howard University with a bachelor's degree in Theatre Administration. She looks forward to becoming an elementary school dance instructor, and photographer. For the past four years, Simone's applications were consistently among the top.

Madison Doster, our newest awardee, a 4.0 graduate from Charles Flowers High School, earned a fresh-

man spot at Florida A&M University. While the challenges of college were difficult, she has settled into campus-life and is doing well. She is planning on applying to the MWCA Continuing Education Program in the fall as a education major. Madison sent a letter which stated: *"I want*



to thank to the Millwood-Waterford Citizens Association for the generous scholarship. Thank you for



helping me get one step closer to achieving my goals of being an educated, young Black woman. I hope to have a positive impact on our world particularly in predominately black and disproportionately impacted areas. My experience at Florida A & M is setting me up to do just that with the knowledge I am gaining both inside and outside the classroom. I am able to gain lab experience, guidance from upperclassmen and graduate students, and many other helpful resources."

All the Best to Emeritus Scholarship Committee Members

Joseph Fenrick has served the community in various capacities, including President of the Millwood-Waterford Citizens Association, saving the best for last as a Scholarship Committee member. At 96, (Ret) Colonel Reginald Grier hung up his spikes as a Senior Olympic Medalist as well as his seat as Scholarship Committee Member. On behalf of the community, we wish them both well and thank them for over 20 years of service.

Community School Awards

The MWCA gave two Uniform Scholarships to our community elementary and middle School students who excelled in their class in 2024. In the 5th grade, the first winner at John E. Bayne Elementary School was Jayven Davis, \$200.00 (unclaimed). The second place winner was Alexandro Minor, \$150.00.

College scholarship applications are available until June 30, 2025 for Central High School graduates.

We support our community schools and need your support. Please be kind and support our students.



Millwood-Waterford Birthday Recognitions

Two years ago, we started recognizing the birthdays of residents who wished to receive birthday cards. Forty (40) residents signed up. Each participant receives a birthday card acknowledging their birthday. In addition, since December 2023, birthday participants have received box lunches. Many have expressed their appreciation for the recognition and the lunches. They happily picked up their lunch and took them home to enjoy.



MEMBERSHIP DUES \$\$

Membership Dues for 2025 are due by March 31, 2025!!!

Please pay dues with a check or money order and mail to P.O. Box 47607, District Heights, MD 20747. Remember our dues help pay for our P.O. Box rental, printing, paper, ink cartridges, and stamps. Your dues are an important part of the operation of the Association. The \$10.00 annual dues from each household are needed. Some persons are not able to attend meetings or participate in activities, but please show your interest in the Association by paying your dues.

Citizens Association Officers and Committee Chairs

2025 Officers

Margaret White President	
Valeria Wilson Vice President	
Ruth Moore Secretary	
LueCrecie Gladney Treasurer	
Bettye Robertson Assistant	
Treasurer	

2025 Committee Chairs

Valeria Wilson Fundraising		
Hellen Beard Scholarship Chair		
Valeria Wilson Newsletter Editor		
and Website Coordinator		
Karen Queen and		
Renee Collins Special Events		
(Picnic, etc)		
Latroy Bailey Hospitality		
Brenda Ashford Membership		
Felicia Atcherson Birthdays		

The Block Captains Motto!

Wherever you live, rain or snow, we will keep you informed by flyers, newsletters, mail or in person of community and county events.

The Block Captains are a dedicated group and are a vital resource whose main responsibility is to inform and motivate the residents to get involved. Thanks to the faithful Block Captains and other volunteers who assisted them in 2024 for taking pride in our community. Some Block Captains have been volunteers for over 10 years and also hold other positions.

Get to Know Your Block Captains ...

IF YOU LIVE HERE	YOUR BLOCK CAPTAIN	PHONE
Ashdale Road	Harold Whalen	(301) 499-2502
Ashdale Court, Longleaf	Camilla Samuels	(202) 569-1822
Sitka Lane	Thomas Johnson	(301) 336-9096
Applewood Street	Betty Watkins	
Logwood Road	Purnell Hudson	(301) 808-6012
Beechnut Road	Eudora Plater	(301) 350-0974
Bethal Drive	Joseph Davis	(301) 512-7690
Waterford Drive (1300 - 1316) and (1400-1412)	Joseph Davis	(301) 512-7690
Fanwood Court	Joseph Davis	(301) 512-7690
Elderberry Place	Betty Watkins	
Orange Tree Court	LueCrecie Gladney	(301) 350-8172
Iron Forge Road (1217-1406)	Terry Johnson	(204) 784-0670
Millrace Road & Millrace Ct	Willie Smith	(301) 336-1192
Millwright Street Millwoof Drive (610-613)	Derrick Watson	(301) 350-3263
Millwoof Drive (400-512)	Christal Davis	(301) 675-1890
Millwheel Street	John Murphy	(301) 350-5073
Shady Glen Drive (500-604)	Elaine Russell	(301) 350-0870
Shady Glen Drive (1211-1405)	Janet Goode-Brown	(301) 787-3984
Shady Glen Drive (1407-1430)	Terry Johnson	(204) 784-0670
Shady Glen Drive & Court (901-1005 and 7600-7603)	Desiree Curry	(301) 336-8455
Walker Mill Road	Sadie Hall Samantha Artis and Apryle Sashir	(301) 350-6734 (202) 246-7150 (301) 350-0780
Waterford Drive (1103 - 1116) and (1200-1216)	Joseph Davis	(301) 512-7690

Annual MWCA Picnic

































National Night Out

























National Night Out

















The Village's Voice



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REQUEST FOR SUPPORT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Millwood-Waterford Citizens Association, Inc. (MWCA) is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization. Your contribution to the scholarship fund is fully tax-deductible as allowed under IRS rules. We would greatly appreciate your financial support to help the youth of Prince George's County pursue their dream of a college or vocational education. Our youngsters are our future leaders. We believe that an education beyond high school is the key to their success. You can be a part of their success by contributing to the Millwood-Waterford Scholarship Fund. Please make your check or money order payable to MWCA, Inc. In the memo line, write Scholarship Fund. Mail to Millwood-Waterford Citizens Association, Inc., P.O. Box 47607, District Heights, MD 20747.

Enclosed is my contribution of \$ Enclosed is my contribution of \$______ ADDRESS: ______

PHONE:_____

THANKS VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT. _____

Millwood-Waterford at State and County Events



SYMPATHY

Expressions of sympathy were sent to families who lost love ones during 2024. We continue to keep you in our thoughts and prayers.

Barbara Green – Husband Daryl Smith – Father James & Cleo Foster Richardson Tzyson – Son The Smith Family – Mother

Get Well Wishes

Etta Mack – (unknown) Mrs. Pollard – Sister Earnestine Davis – Husband Grace Taylor – Sister Dolores Watts – Husband Albertha Smith –Sister The Alfred Family – Father Willie Smith – Brother

The Millwood-Waterford Citizens Association sent heartfelt well-wishes through cards to sick and shut-in residents during 2024. We wish you continued blessings of strength and wellness in 2025 and beyond.

New Residents

The Millwood-Waterford Citizens Association welcomed several new residents and families to the community. New Residents were encouraged to attend our monthly meetings through teleconference calls and/or in-person meetings. If you did not receive your new resident's package, please call President White at 301-336-6550.

MWCA Christmas Celebration

On December 9, 2024, the Millwood-Waterford held its annual Christmas Celebration and Awards Event. The attendees enjoyed a presentation of the birth of Jesus by President Margaret White and Joseph Davis. Christmas music played in the background while attendees enjoyed great conversation, food and a presentation of certificates and gifts to Block Captains and other Volunteers. Christmas gifts were also given to attendees. Thanks to Belinda Queen, President, Prince Georges Coalition & Coffee Club, for attending and serving as our Mrs. Santa Claus. Also in attendance was States Attorney Aisha Braveboy, Sonya Staples from the Office of District 6 County Council Member Wala Blegay, Delegate Denise Roberts, At-Large County Council Member Calvin Hawkins.



MWCA Christmas Celebration



You Say You Want to Grow Vegetables, but Have No Space!!! Then Consider Container Gardening by Valeria Wilson

Yes, you can grow some vegetables in containers that you may already have around the house just waiting to be used. You may already have an old grill, wheelbarrow, old flower pots, large bucket, etc. I have grown vegetables such as green beans, eggplants, bell peppers, sweet potatoes, white potatoes, and tomatoes in all of those. Just make sure you put a drainage hole in the container if it does not already have one.

Below are some of the vegetables that I grew in containers: sweet potatoes, string beans, and eggplants. You can see the sweet potato vines growing and the resulting sweet potatoes; the green beans growing and the resulting beans on the vine; and the eggplants growing on the vine, and picked.



2024 Paid Memberships

If you paid and your name was omitted, please call 301-336-6550.

Millwoof Drive

403 – Taylor 404 – Mayberry 405 – Robertson 407 – Moore 410 – Renee/Pam English 414 – Dunn 502 – Wilson 504 – Russell 611 – Slaughter 613 – Jabbie

Millwright Street 7501 – Shelton 7505 – Walker/Butler

Millwheel Street

502 – McFadden 503 – Higgs 504 – Murphy 505 – Hampton 506 – Clark 510 – Beard 512 – Green 513 – Watkins 515 – White 519 – Howard

Beechnut Road

7703 - Fraizer 7705 - Stancil 7706 - Collins 7708 - Williams 7709 - Henderson 7711- Gant 7713 - Byrd 7716 - Love 7720 - McNeil 7806 - Smith 7810 - Guilford 7812 - Thompson 7814 – Thompson 7818 - Whitney 7900 - Taylor 7902 – Whalen 7909 - Wedge 7913 - Harrison 7914 - Plater 7916 – Dixon 7919 – Blue 7922 - Harrison 7924 - Adams

Logwood Road 903 – Nelson-Tutt 913 – Watts

Elderberry Place 1001 – Atcherson 1002 – Jordan 1005 – White 1006 – Watkins

Walker Mill Road

7311 – Jenkins 7312 – Jenkins 7400 – Hall 7406 – Bailey 7410 – Jackson 7412 – Dawson 7502 – Johnson 7604 – Wimbush

Bethal Drive /Fanwood Court

7602 – Favorite 7606 – Dent 7607 – Davis 7702 – Arrington/Sanders 7704 – Southerland 7705 – Williams 7707 – Marshall

Waterford Drive

1103-1120/1200-1216 1111 – Taylor 1200 – Watts 1216 – Gilliam

Millrace Road/Millrace

Court 7501 – Jackson 7502 – Smith 7505 – Johnson 7601 – Wilson 7602 – Fenrick 7603 – Dugan 7607 – White 500 – Gee 502 – Henry 504 – Ouzts 505 – Blackeen 506 – Green

Shady Glen Drive

500-604 507 – Akinwumi 511 – Lee 513 – Mckinley 516 – Galloway 519 – Ford 521 – Lewis 604 – Burgess

Shady Glen Drive/Court 901-1005/7600-7603

901 – Ashford 903 – Curry 904 – Brown 906 – Dawkins 907 – Dillard 914 – Wooten 921 – Johnson 923 – Green 1003 – Taylor 1004 – Green 1302 – Gray 1303 – Wiggins 1314 – Williams

Ashdale

Road/Court/Longleaf 7702 – Harley 7708 – Davis 7815 – Wright 7909 – Jordan 7910 – Watford

Sitka Lane

900 – Ewings 911 – Johnson

Longleaf Road

1001 - Samuel

Applewood Street

909 – Gibson 911 – Crosby 912 – Cunningham

Orange Tree Court

7703 – Green 7710 – Bethea 7711 – Gladney 7712 – Harding 7715 – Blagmon 7716 – Alexander 7719 – Harris Shady Glen Drive 1211 – 1405 None

Shady Glen Drive 1407 - 1430

1417 - Montaque

Iron Forge Road

1302 – Ware 1303 – Brown 1305 – Miles 1306 – Spriggs 1307 – Johnson 1308 – Holmes 1311 – Turner 1313 – Franklin 1315 – Smith 1319 – Clark

Waterford Drive

1300-1316 & 1400-1412 1301 – Fogie 1402 – Jones 1403 – Criddle 1406 – Bimbo 1410 – Lyles

Elver Williams