

Waters Landing NewsAshore Special Edition

August 2026



Regular Office Hours

Monday 9 am - 5pm
Tuesday 9am - 5pm
Wednesday 9am - 5pm
Thursday 9am - 5 pm
Friday 9am - 5pm

Office Closure

Monday, September 7
Wednesday, September 30
Thursday, November 26
Friday, November 27
Friday, December 25

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Quick Links:

Website
waterslanding.org

Resident Connect

<https://waterslanding.connectresident.com/>



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT: WE ARE EXTENDING POOL SEASON!

We're excited to announce that Pool B will remain open for an extended pool season from September 8 through September 27! Pool A will close on Monday, September 7.

Please check our website for the latest pool information.

That means more time to swim, relax, and enjoy the pool with your neighbors. We hope you'll take advantage of the extra weeks of summer fun!

Thank You for Celebrating With Us!



We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who attended and helped make this event a success!

Your support, participation, and community spirit helped make the celebration truly special. We appreciate everyone who contributed their time and energy to making the event memorable. We look forward to more celebrations, gatherings, and great moments together in the future!

Thank you for being part of Waters Landing!

COMMUNITY NOTICES & UPDATES

Dispose of Trash & Put Away Receptacles

In an effort to keep the community clean and a great place to live, please be mindful in putting trash (and recycling) inside rigid, rodent-proof containers with tight-fitting lids. Loose plastic bags left on the curb are prohibited. Please also make sure trash and recycling bins are properly numbered and put away and out of sight after each service day.

Vehicle Complaints & Notices

We have received complaints about residents leaving notices on other residents' vehicles. Please do not leave notices on vehicles.

- Single-Family Homes: Report vehicle concerns to Montgomery County by calling 311.
- Townhomes: Report vehicle concerns to Waters Landing Association at wla@waterslanding.org

Not sure where to report your concern? Contact our office, and we'll be happy to direct you to the appropriate resource.



Upcoming Sealcoat Project Information

To help protect and extend the life of our recently paved roads and parking areas, the Waters Landing Association will be performing asphalt sealcoating in select townhome neighborhoods beginning August 31, 2026, through September 14, 2026.

Please be aware of higher traffic than usual.

For more information, please visit our website:

<https://waterslanding.org/seal-coat-project>

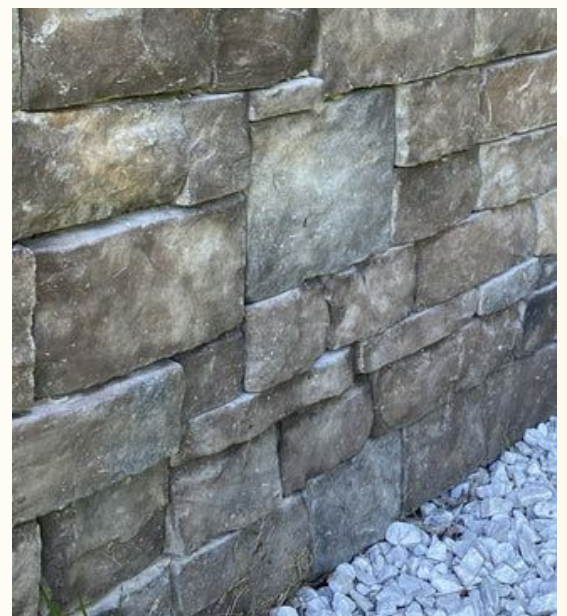
Community Center Retaining Wall

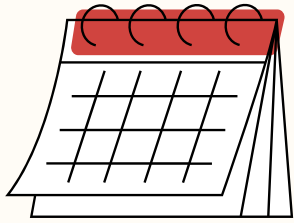
Retaining wall improvements near the Community Center will begin on Tuesday, September 8.

What Does This Mean for You?

Construction may temporarily impact pedestrians and walkers in the surrounding area. Residents can expect possible sidewalk detours or closures, limited access, construction traffic, and increased noise. Please use caution and follow posted signs and detour instructions when traveling through the area.

More information will be shared as we get closer to the start date.





Community Center Rentals: Plan Your Summer Celebration!

Looking for the perfect space for your next gathering? The Community Center is available for residents planning summer celebrations, family events, and special occasions!

To inquire about available dates and rental information, please contact the Office at 301-972-3681 or submit your request through [Resident Connect](#).

Basketball Full Court Is Ready for Play! ✨

Game on, Waters Landing!

We're excited to announce that the new basketball hoops near the tennis courts at Pool A are officially ready for use!

Whether you're looking to shoot some hoops, practice your skills, or enjoy a friendly game with family and friends, the court is ready for you!



Looking for ways to get involved in Waters Landing?

Volunteering helps strengthen our community, supports your neighbors, and keeps Waters Landing a great place to live.

One of the current opportunities is serving on the Landscape and Garden Committee. The primary objectives of this committee are to observe, document, and report their findings related to community landscaping and grounds conditions.

This role includes regular "nature walks" throughout the community—walking wooded areas, paths, and lakefront spaces to observe conditions and document any findings or areas needing attention.

To learn more and explore additional ways to get involved, email us at wla@waterslanding.org.



**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

AERC Meeting Schedule Update

Please note that the September Architectural and Environmental Review Committee (AERC) meeting has been rescheduled due to the Labor Day holiday. The meeting, which is typically held on the first Monday of the month, will instead take place on Monday, September 14, at 7:00 p.m.

Because the meeting has been pushed back by one week, the application submission deadline has also been adjusted to August 27. Residents planning to submit an application are encouraged to do so by this deadline to ensure their request can be reviewed at the September meeting.

AERC Meeting Dates	Application Due Dates
Monday, September 14, 2026	Thursday, August 27, 2026
Monday, October 5, 2026	Sunday, September 20, 2026
Monday, November 2, 2026	Tuesday, October 20, 2026

It is important to note the upcoming AERC meeting dates and the application due date/time for your request. If questions, information, and/or documents are not received by the application due date, your application will be scheduled for the following month (based on finalizing your application).

If you submit an exterior modification application, **it is important to attend the AERC meeting at which your application will be considered**, via Zoom. The meeting link is located on the [home webpage](#), and these meetings are open to all residents. If specific questions arise and the AERC does not have sufficient information regarding your application, it will be tabled to a future meeting until all questions are answered and the AERC has a full understanding of your home project.



Traffic Safety Initiative – Concurrence Period

The concurrence period closes on October 2, 2026. The HOA will compile all completed forms and submit them to Montgomery County by October 11, 2026.

If you received a concurrence form, please submit your completed form to the Waters Landing office, drop box, or by email at wla@waterslanding.org.

For more information, please visit the Traffic Safety Initiative page on the Waters Landing website:

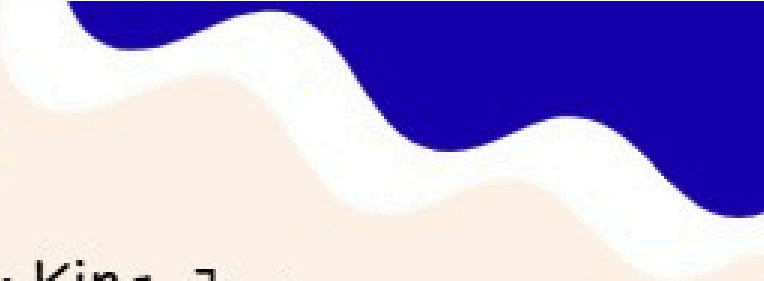
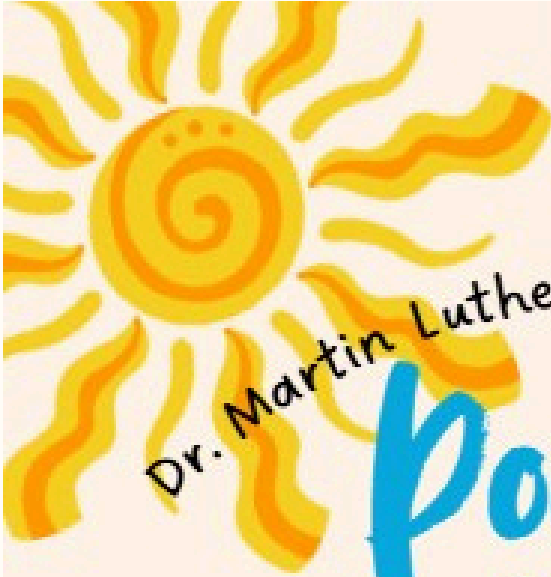
<https://waterslanding.org/traffic-safety-initiative>

Upcoming Meetings & Events

Click on the image to see the full calendar details

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Jul 26	27 6 PM Fiber Arts	28 7 PM Churchill Community Four	29	30	31	Aug 1
02 2 PM Waters Landing Grand Summ	03 7 PM The Architectural Environmer	04 7 PM The Electronic Charging Commit	05	06 6 PM Board of Directors Open Wor	07	08
09	10	11 7 PM Community Engagement Comm	12	13 7 PM Pool Committee [In-person]	14	15 10 AM School Supply Drive 11 AM Introduction to Social Dancing
16	17 6 PM Fiber Arts 7 PM Garden Club [In-person]	18	19	20 6 PM Monthly Board of Director	21	22 11 AM Introduction to Social Dancing
23	24 6 PM Fiber Arts	25	26 7 PM Churchill Community Fr	27	28	29 11 AM Introduction to Social Dancing
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Future Board and Committee meetings, along with other events, are listed on the [Community Calendar here](#), which is updated as new meetings and events are scheduled.



Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School

Poolside View

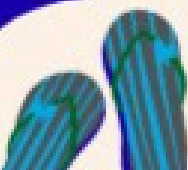
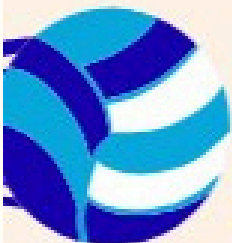
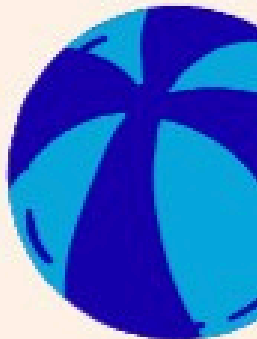
With MLK Administration

August 13, 2026

5:00p - 6:30p at Pool B

13501 Waters Landing Drive

Germantown, MD 20874



The WSSC Water Fund

now managed by United Way of the
National Capital Area



Need help paying your
water/sewer bill? Apply
to the **Water Fund** for
assistance!



WATER FUND
Sharing the Essential

Eligible customers may receive up to
\$500 in a 12-month rolling period.



For more information:
wsscwater.com/waterfund

Check This Out!

A newly approved State of Maryland program for recycling leftover paint. It is called PaintCare. PaintCare offers drop-off sites throughout Maryland where the public can take unwanted paint for recycling. These sites are available to households, businesses, government agencies, and others with leftover paint.

Click on the image for more information!



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Program Details

PaintCare offers drop-off sites throughout Maryland where the public can take unwanted paint for recycling. These sites are available to households, businesses, government agencies, and others with leftover paint.



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Verified drop-off sites



42,900

Gallons collected to date (estimated)

Community Engagement Committee Events:

School Supply Drive—The annual School Supply Drive will be held in the Community Center parking lot this Saturday, August 15th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. As back-to-school sales begin, please consider picking up a few extra items to donate to our local schools, such as pens, pencils, crayons, notebooks, notebook paper, composition books, Lysol wipes, and tissues.

International Night –

When: October 3rd 5:00-7:00

Where: Martin Luther King Middle School

The Waters Landing Community Engagement Committee is organizing an exciting International Night celebrating the multicultural diversity of our community!

We invite neighbors from various countries and cultural backgrounds to come together and showcase their unique cultural heritage through traditional food, clothing, music, dance, stories, and traditions.

Share your culture. Celebrate your heritage. Discover the world within Waters Landing! Interested in participating? Please reach out to cec@waterslanding.org by **August 30th** to sign up.

Many Countries. Many Cultures. One Waters Landing Community.

Introduction to Social Dancing

Come join the fun and learn social dancing! The first hour will focus on instruction, followed by an hour of practice, music, and fun. Dances will include Swing, 2-Step, Line Dancing and more. No partner is required, so invite your friends and come ready to dance. The current schedule is August 15th, August 22nd, and August 29th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. See you there!

2027 Community Calendar – The votes are in! The theme for the 2027 Community Calendar is **Waters Landing Wildlife**. Start snapping photos of the amazing wildlife throughout our community—and feel free to include yourself, your family, and your pets as you explore the beautiful natural spaces all around Waters Landing.

Neighborhood Gardening Club – There will be a meeting at the Community Center on Monday, August 17th. Come by to chat about how your garden is doing through the hot summer days. The next neighborhood Garden Tour is tentatively scheduled for August 29th at Cindy B.'s garden in the Woodlands neighborhood. Contact CEC@waterslanding.org for further information.

Fall Yard Sale – Back by popular demand, there will be a Community Yard Sale on September 19th, from 9:00-12:00. If you live in a townhome neighborhood, consider using a common area along with your neighbors for more visibility. The Community Center parking lot will not be available to set up your stand.

Fiber Arts – This activity has been extended through October and will be held each Monday from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Participants are encouraged to bring a current project or any materials they would like help learning to use, including knitting, crocheting, needlepoint, cross-stitch, and other fiber arts materials.

Montgomery County Agricultural Fair Returns Aug. 14-22

The Montgomery County Agricultural Fair returns Aug. 14-22, celebrating its 77th year with the theme "Barn in the USA!" Residents and visitors can enjoy nine days of rides, live entertainment, livestock exhibits, agricultural displays, fair food, and family-friendly activities. General admission is \$18 at the gate. Discounted tickets are available online through Aug. 10 for \$15 plus fees. Children ages 11 and younger are admitted free every day. Guests can also receive free same-day re-entry by having their hand stamped before leaving the fairgrounds. Parking is available at the fairgrounds for \$20 per vehicle. Free parking and shuttle service will also be offered from Montgomery College's Rockville and Germantown campuses throughout fair week.

For full information go to <https://mcagfair.com/>

Adult Lego & Puzzle Happy Hour - In-person



When: Sunday, August 23 4:00pm - 5:45pm

Where: Germantown Library

Join us for a relaxing and fun-filled afternoon designed just for adults! Whether you're a master builder or a puzzle pro, come enjoy.

Join us at the library for a relaxing and fun-filled evening of lego sets and jigsaw puzzles designed just for adults and social interaction! Whether you're a master builder or a puzzle pro, come enjoy:

- *A variety of Lego sets designed for adults & jigsaw puzzles
- *A cozy, social atmosphere
- *Light refreshments
- *No pressure—just play!

This program takes place in the **large lower level meeting room.**

Lake Tour by Kayak



When: Saturday, August 15th 9:30am - 11:30am

Where: Black Hill Discovery Center

Want to watch wildlife or just enjoy a peaceful paddle? Then join us for a leisurely kayak tour of Little Seneca Lake. We could see beaver, herons, maybe even a bald eagle. We'll supply boats, paddles, and PFD's, but you can bring your own PFD (Type III or V) if you have one. And don't forget to bring water, sunscreen, and extra shoes to change into after. You can expect to get your feet wet and your clothes a bit damp. Basic paddling experience is necessary (this is not a lesson). Meet in front of the gazebo by the pontoon boat dock and boat rental area.

Registration required.

Fee: \$30.00

Age Range: 12+

<https://mdmontgomerycityweb.myvscloud.com/webtrac/web/iteminfo.html?Module=AR&FMIID=515212898>

Early Morning Pontoon Cruise: 55+ Cruise



When: Wednesday, August 19th 9:30am-11:00am

Where: Black Hill Discovery Center

Enjoy a leisurely cruise on our pontoon boat on Little Seneca Lake looking for local wildlife such as beavers, deer, otter, herons, and osprey. Please register and pay for all participants. Meet at the pontoon boat dock by the boat rental area. Be sure to bring an extra jacket or blanket, as it's often cooler on the water.

Fee: \$10.00

Age Range: 55+

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Discover Creative After-School Activities That Spark Growth and Fun

For busy parents seeking after-school activities, the hardest part often isn't motivation, it's the limited extracurricular options that feel repetitive, expensive, or poorly matched to a child's interests. When programs default to the same handful of choices, kids can drift through afternoons without meaningful child development enrichment, and parents are left guessing what actually supports learning beyond homework. Creative after-school programs offer a different kind of structure, one that invites curiosity, builds confidence through making, and meets real children's personal growth challenges without turning every hour into another performance metric. Fresh options matter because after school is where habits, identity, and skills quietly take shape.

Make Digital Art After School With Kid-Friendly AI Tools

When the usual activities start to feel repetitive, a creative tech project can give kids a fresh way to express themselves after school. Creating art with AI tools lets children experiment with ideas quickly and turn imagination into visuals in minutes. Using an [AI art generator](#), they can create unique images that feel personal and surprising. Your child can type in a prompt to generate an image, then customize the style, colors, and lighting to match the mood they want.

Outside-the-Box Activities Kids Can Try This Month

A fresh after-school routine doesn't have to mean a pricey, all-in commitment. Use these alternative after-school activities as "one-month pilots" so kids can sample, reflect, and choose what genuinely clicks.

1. **Run a 4-week "arts sampler" at home:** Pick one mini-medium per week, drawing, collage, music rhythm practice, simple photography, then end each session with a 2-minute "gallery walk" where your child explains what they made. This pairs well with the AI-assisted digital art routine you've already started: save favorites, iterate once, and add one offline element (like cutting, stitching, or clay) to balance screens. The [toddler arts engagement](#) evidence links early arts experiences with stronger connection, and that same shared-making habit can carry into older ages.
2. **Do one "kitchen-table STEM" build per week:** Choose STEM experiments for children that use household items: a paper-bridge strength test, a balloon car, or a DIY water filter with sand and coffee filters. Keep it simple, 20 minutes to build, 10 minutes to test, 5 minutes to log results in a notebook or a shared digital folder. Low-cost test: borrow experiment books from the library and cap supplies at a small weekly budget.
3. **Try a micro language routine instead of a full program:** Before committing to language learning programs, test a 10-minute daily plan: label 10 objects in the house,

effort and specific progress. Structured options can help, since programs can [reduce crime overall by 8%](#) by keeping afternoons predictable and supported.

Q: How do parents manage time when afternoons are already packed?

A: Pick one anchor day and protect a short, repeatable slot, even 20 to 30 minutes. Prep the night before by laying out materials, a snack, and a one-line plan. If logistics are hard, choose activities that happen at home or within walking distance.

Turn One Activity Into Weekly Parent-Child Quality Time

Once you've worked through the practical questions, time, cost, and safety, the next step is making sure the activity actually supports your family life, not just your calendar. One of the simplest ways to protect connection during busy seasons is to pick one after-school activity you can do alongside your child and make it a small, recurring routine. When you hold a consistent time slot for it, you're not scrambling for "extra" quality time, you're building it in, which can ease the pressure you feel as a parent.

This kind of plan works best when it reflects real priorities. For many families, [family time priorities](#) can look like more than an activity: being available for bedtime each night, [inviting your child to help](#) with simple chores while you're working in the kitchen, or planning a few new experiences together so you both have something to look forward to. With that shared time protected, you can then choose activities that fit your child's personality and energy, without overcommitting up front.

How to Match Activities to Your Child's Temperament

A simple way to choose well is to match the activity to two sliders: creative versus analytical, and social versus independent. Then treat the first few weeks as a low-stakes trial, not a forever decision, so you can learn what truly fits.

This matters because a mismatch often looks like "lack of motivation," when it is really the wrong environment. When kids land in a better fit, participation can stick longer and build skills over time, and many programs [benefit kids for life](#) when engagement is consistent.

For example, a chatty builder might thrive in a small robotics team, while a quiet artist may prefer sketching challenges at home. Set a two-week trial, ask for a 1 to 5 "energy after" rating, and note one win and one stress point each session. With fit clarified, the routine becomes easier to time-block and keep sustainable.

Understanding a Sustainable After-School Rhythm

A sustainable after-school routine is a simple weekly rhythm built with time blocks, a few firm constraints, and tiny goals your child can actually finish. You decide what is fixed first, like homework, practice, dinner, and sleep, then place one small creative block where energy is usually highest.

This matters because most kids quit when the schedule gets crowded, not because the activity stopped being fun. Consistency is where the growth shows up, and structured programs have been linked to [increases in self-perceptions](#) and stronger habits over time.

Picture Tuesday: 4:00 snack, 4:20 homework sprint, 5:10 20-minute art challenge, then free time. The constraint is “one box, one win,” so the goal might be “finish one sketch” or “learn one chord,” a setup that supports positive social behaviors without exhausting the week. Pick one alternative activity, schedule a first trial, and stay involved as creativity and confidence grow.

Turn After-School Time Into Creativity, Confidence, and Growth

When homework, sports, and fatigue collide, after-school time can start to feel like one more battleground instead of a chance to grow. A sustainable rhythm and a flexible mindset toward alternative activities keep options realistic while leaving room for curiosity. The payoff is clear: boosting children’s creativity, building confidence in exploring new hobbies, and supporting holistic child development without burning everyone out. One well-chosen activity, done consistently, can change how a child sees themselves. Choose one new path, schedule a first trial this week, and stay engaged as your child experiments and reflects. That steady support builds resilience, connection, and a healthier relationship with learning over time.

Article provided by Ron Kane.



Manage & Pay Your Charges & Assessments Online

We provide a convenient and secure way for you to manage and make payments online through **ClickPay**. Get started by following the instructions listed below.

Step 1

Creating Your Profile

Visit www.ClickPay.com/FirstService, click **Register**, and then create your online profile.

Account Already Exists?

If you receive a message stating that an account already exists, you have already been pre-registered within ClickPay. Click the link within the activation email sent to you or simply request a password reset link to gain you access to your existing profile.

Step 2

Connecting Your Property

Enter the FirstService Residential account number found on your statement or coupon and the Last Name listed on the property agreement.

Lookup Address

Last Name Entered Not Working?

Try the co-owner's last name or, if a business, the full name of the business associated with your unit.

Direct-Debit Users

If you're looking to gain access to your existing automatic ACH Direct-Debit profile transition to ClickPay, you will be required to verify your banking details associated with this payment schedule.

Step 3

Make a One-Time Payment

From the home screen, confirm your payment amount and then click **Continue**.

Adding a Payment Option

When setting up one-time or automatic payments, you will be required to select a new or existing payment option, including e-check (ACH) for **FREE** or credit and debit card for a nominal fee.



Step 4

Set Up Automatic Payments

From the home screen, click **Auto Pay** and then select your payment option, payment frequency and amount.

Full Amount

Select this option if you want to pay **ALL** charges on your account automatically including assessment charges, special assessments and one-time fees.

Fixed Amount

Select this option if you want to pay a **FIXED amount** of the total due. Any amount due above the fixed amount will not be paid automatically and you will need to submit a separate, one-time payment for any overage.

Please ensure your payments are scheduled to run no more than 2-3 days prior to your payment being due as your balance may not be available to pull through ClickPay until on or after this date.

August Featured

Pet Calendar

Our August Featured Pets Calendar showcases some of Waters Landing's cutest companions enjoying the summer season!



Helpful Numbers

J & J Bulk Trash

1-800-465-2350

Recycling

311

Click Pay

1-800-533-7901

Non-Emergency
Police Department

301-279-8000

Germantown Post
Office

301-428-0460

Potomac Edison

1-800-686-0011

Miss Utility

1-800-257-7777