



THE WATERS  
Spring 2024

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## Quarterly Quote

*“Spring is nature’s  
way of saying,  
‘Let’s party!’”*

*—Robin Williams*

# THE WATERS LEDGER

A PUBLICATION OF THE WATERS ASSEMBLY

GRAB YOUR LAWN CHAIRS AND FRIENDS!

# MUSIC

AT THE WATERS

*Live Music at  
Town Square!*

*in May* + APRIL

**APRIL 28**

**WESLEY  
HILL**

**MAY 5**

**TONY & REESE  
GRAYDON**

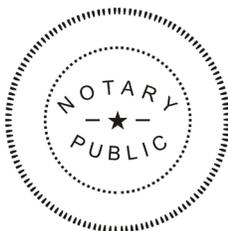
**MAY 19**

**CHARITY  
BOWDEN**

**4-6PM**



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**Appointment Required**

## The Waters

2239 Marler Road  
Pike Road, AL 36064-3843  
(334) 277-5551

TheAssembly@TheWatersAL.com

It's a beautiful time of year with the arrival of Spring! We have several great events planned throughout the neighborhood for you to enjoy this great place that we live. To see a full list of events and details, please visit our website at [TheWatersAssembly.com](http://TheWatersAssembly.com). A list of our upcoming food trucks can also be found on the website.

## Note from the Assembly Manager

We are especially excited to announce our upcoming Music in May lineup! Bring a lawn chair and your friends to join us at The Square on the scheduled dates. Our first installment is on Sunday, April 28th from 4:00pm to 6:00pm.

Pool Season officially begins on April 15th and lasts through October 15th. Pools can only be accessed with an amenity card. All household members aged 14 and older must have their own amenity card. If you do not have an amenity card, please contact The Assembly staff to schedule an appointment for orientation to obtain an amenity card. Please remember not to prop open the pool gates, and as a reminder for safety reasons, there is no swimming in the lakes.

Now is a great time to do some spring cleaning at your house. We've got lots of great opportunities for you to get rid of extra stuff with the Neighborhood Yard Sale, Carport Clean-out Day and Spruce up Saturday on the calendar.

As the weather continues to warm up, we look forward to seeing everyone out and about enjoying all The Waters has to offer.

Jennifer Akridge,  
Assembly Manager

### The Waters 2024 Fishing Guidelines

#### Catch and Release Guidelines:

- Release all Bass.
- Release all Crappie.
- Limit the number of bluegill and shell crackers to 10 per person per day.

#### Harvest Guidelines:

- Harvest all catfish when caught. Note: catfish compete with the bass for the limited food supply so please harvest. Thank you for helping to remove the catfish.

*From Southeastern Pond Management Evaluation of Lake Cameron, 2023*

## Golf Cart Insurance

- | It is important to keep golf cart insurance up
- | to date and on file with the HOA office. The
- | Assembly office (HOA) will send individual
- | correspondence if an individual's insurance has
- | expired or has not been updated. Please also
- | ensure that each golf cart permit affixed to the
- | front window of the cart has the correct year.
- | Permit colors change every year. Current
- | permits are yellow and should read 2024.
- | Please call (334) 277-5551 with any questions.

"A flower blossoms for its own joy."

- Oscar Wilde

## The Town of Pike Road Meeting Information

### Town Council Meetings

The Pike Road Town Council meets the second Monday of every month at 6:00 pm and the fourth Wednesday of every month at 7:00 am. Meetings are held in the council chamber at Pike Road Town Hall.

### Planning Commission Meetings

The Pike Road Planning Commission meets the first Monday of every month at 5:30 pm. Meetings are held in the council chamber at Pike Road Town Hall.

For more information, contact The Town of Pike Road at (334) 272-9883.

*The Town of Pike Road observes federal holidays. In the case that a town council and/or planning commission meeting falls on one of these holidays, the meeting(s) will be moved to the following business day or as announced. For information purposes only, please contact The Town of Pike Road for details and guidelines related to social distancing.*

## A MESSAGE FROM:



## PIKE ROAD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Dedicated volunteers make it possible for the Pike Road Volunteer Fire Department to respond 24 hours a day / 7 days a week and 365 days a year to both Fire and Medical Emergencies. All personnel participate in ongoing training to better serve our community. TOGETHER we strive to make a difference within our assigned fire district.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer go to [www.pikeroadfire.com/contact](http://www.pikeroadfire.com/contact).

## The Waters Directory

The Waters Directory Spring 2024 update is complete. A copy of the directory was emailed to the residents in a Neighborhood Update email. If you would like a copy of the directory, would like to be listed in the directory, or would like to change the listing, please contact The Waters Assembly at (334) 277-5551 or [TheAssembly@TheWatersAL.com](mailto:TheAssembly@TheWatersAL.com).

## The Waters 2023-2024 Neighborhood Representatives

The Neighborhood Representatives serve as a liaison between the Members of the Association in their neighborhoods and the Officers and Directors of the Association. If you have any questions, concerns, or ideas about your neighborhood, please contact the HOA office or your Neighborhood Representative via email or telephone. Thank you to the neighbors listed below for volunteering your time.

### Neighborhood A - Dale Entrekin

Cell: (334) 303-1640  
Email Address: [rdentrekin@gmail.com](mailto:rdentrekin@gmail.com)

### Neighborhood B - Mark Spurlin

Cell: (334) 430-2974  
Email Address: [markbspurlin@gmail.com](mailto:markbspurlin@gmail.com)

### Neighborhood C - Gary Weaver

Cell: (334) 235-0116  
Email Address: [gdweaver65@gmail.com](mailto:gdweaver65@gmail.com)

### Neighborhood D - Coleen Coles

Cell: (334) 430-7777  
Email Address: [cpcoles48@gmail.com](mailto:cpcoles48@gmail.com)

### Neighborhood E - Hannah Hawk

Cell: (423) 715-1699  
Email Address: [hannahhawk@gmail.com](mailto:hannahhawk@gmail.com)

### Neighborhood F -

Contact the Information Center  
Office: (334) 277-5551  
Email Address:  
[TheAssembly@TheWatersAL.com](mailto:TheAssembly@TheWatersAL.com)

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## Tips for Cleaning Your Dryer Vent

**How often?** Dryer exhaust vents should be inspected and cleaned at least once a year depending on the size of the household and dryer usage.

**Why?** Dryer vents accumulate highly flammable lint, and failure to clean out lint is the leading cause of dryer fires. According to the National Fire Protection Agency, over 15,000 dryer fires occurred in the U.S. in 2010. A plugged dryer vent can also burn out the heating element.

**When?** A telltale sign that the dryer vent needs cleaning is that clothes take longer and longer to dry. Another indication of poor or obstructed venting is that the dryer's external cabinet or its control area is hotter than usual. If that happens, disconnect the dryer and check the vent.

**How?** Visually inspect the outside vent opening and remove any obstructions — usually these are animal nests. Vents at ground level are perfect for rodent nests (chipmunks, squirrels and rats). Upper level vents are more attractive to birds.

Next, tackle the lint. There are several options for removing lint build-up.

- A flexible brush with an extendible wand grabs the lint for easy removal (from \$17-34 at home improvement stores).
- An air compressor blows it out.
- A combination vacuum cleaner and brush sucks it out. (Just make sure the vacuum hose is long enough.)

Whichever method you use, it's important to remove the lint throughout the entire length of the vent.

After removing the lint from the vent, remove it also from the area behind the dryer—the floor, under the dryer and the back of the cabinet.

Does all this sound too complicated? Consider hiring a pro to do it. The average professional dryer cleaning runs \$89-\$179. Source: today.com

## Golf Cart Rules

The off-duty sheriff's deputies will be stopping all golf carts that do not have a 2024 golf cart permit properly displayed. If you do not have a 2024 permit, please contact the Waters Assembly staff at (334) 277-5551.

1. Golf carts may only be driven by persons age 14 or older.
2. All carts must be registered prior to operation within The Waters Community.
3. Only golf carts with valid permits shall be allowed to operate within The Waters Community.
4. All golf carts must display valid permit on lower left front passenger window as designated by The Waters Assembly.
5. Golf carts may only be driven between dawn and dusk unless equipped with headlights, tail lights, and brake lights in operating condition.
6. Only electric golf carts (as identified by the manufacture) are allowed. **Gas operated carts are not allowed.**
7. Four wheelers and other such ATVs are not allowed on The Waters streets or green space.
8. Golf carts should be maintained in a presentable and first-class manner.
9. Golf carts shall be operated with the same caution as exercised in operating a car, and must abide by all traffic regulations applicable to vehicular traffic.
10. Golf carts must yield to on-coming vehicular traffic and pedestrians.
11. Pedestrians shall always be given the right-of-way at intersections and crossings.
12. Golf cart racing, of any form, is NOT allowed within The Waters Community.
13. Golf carts are not allowed on sidewalks or pedestrian designated pathways; unless otherwise authorized by The Assembly Management.
14. Golf carts are to be parked in areas designated for vehicular or golf cart parking except for those areas on private property that are approved as designated golf-cart parking by The Assembly Management.
15. All designated golf cart parking must be located in a screened location behind homes, unless otherwise approved by The Waters ARB.
16. Golf carts can be used for bank fishing so long as use does not damage The Waters property.
17. All passengers must be properly seated while cart is in motion and may not be transported in a negligent manner or in a manner inconsistent with the cart manufacturer's recommendations. The number of passengers shall not exceed the seating capacity of the cart, including the driver.
18. Persons driving the golf cart are prohibited from use of electronic devices while cart is in operation.

Mark your calendars....

# THE POOLS ARE OPENING

APRIL 15

Lucas Point Pool - 7:00 am to 9:00 pm  
Blue Heron Pool Club - 8:00 am to 9:00 pm  
Both pool decks close at 10:00 pm

For questions, call:  
(334) 277-5551

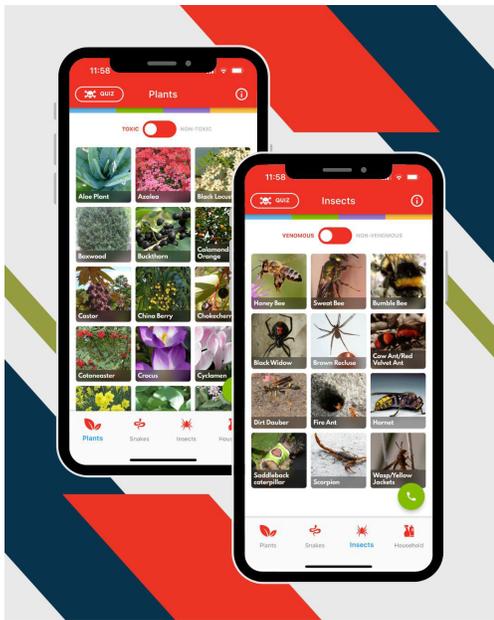
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# Is it Poisonous?

Children's of Alabama offers a mobile application designed to identify toxic plants and venomous or poisonous animals, offering Alabamians a simple resource to identify potentially dangerous plants, insects, snakes, and common household items from a mobile device.

Download the "Poison Perils of Alabama" app to help identify the potential poison before you panic.



There are 40 species of snakes in Alabama and 6 are venomous. Learn how to recognize these threats:

- Copperhead
- Eastern Coral Snake
- Cottonmouth (Water Moccasin)
- Eastern Diamondback
- Timber Rattlesnake
- Pigmy Rattlesnake

There are also several venomous spider species living in Alabama. Those include:

- The Black Widow
- The Northern Black Widow
- The Chilean Recluse Spider
- Mediterranean Recluse Spider
- The Brown Recluse Spider

Poison Hotline: 1 (800) 222-1222  
Check out the app before you call.

From "Is it Poisonous?" Montgomery & The River Region Know the Community, Winter/Spring 2024

# Neighborhood Safety Tips

Take these proactive steps to promote neighborhood safety within the community.

1. Get to Know the Neighbors - The stronger the community is, the safer it will be. Introduce yourself to the people on your block, hang out outside and wave to folks as they walk by, and have face to face conversations with the people in the neighborhood. Friendly neighbors are more likely to watch out for each other. It is also easier to spot suspicious people in the neighborhood when people know each other. It is a huge deterrent to criminals if they catch a glimpse of unity in the neighborhood. There's a strategy known as positive loitering. The premise is that if neighbors spend time together outside with each other in the neighborhood, not only does the physical presence of neighbors outside deter criminals, but neighbors are also able to keep eyes peeled, showing criminals that they aren't welcome and readily report suspicious behavior to local law enforcement.
2. See Something, Say Something - Be a proactive neighbor. Don't assume someone else has reported the suspicious vehicle or individual that has been seen. Local law enforcement wants to assist in decreasing crime throughout the community. Work with the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office and share all suspicious activity directly to them first. They want to hear from you! For an urgent response, dial 911. For non-emergency assistance, call (334) 832-1328. This line is answered 24 hours a day. After a call has been made to the MCSO, please call or email the HOA at (334) 277-5551 or [TheAssembly@TheWatersAL.com](mailto:TheAssembly@TheWatersAL.com).
3. Close and Lock All Doors and Windows to Both House and Vehicles - Remember to close and lock all doors and windows when leaving the house or turning in for the night. If a vehicle is parked on the street or in an open carport, make sure it is locked with the windows rolled up. Also keep in mind that open blinds present an opportunity for people to look inside your home or your garage. (Continued on Pg. 7)

# Community Classifieds 2024

Want to offer a service to other Waters residents such as babysitting services or yard maintenance? Want to sell something? Want to buy something? If so, call the Information Center to add your listing to The Waters Classifieds. The cost for each listing is only \$10 per newsletter. A listing may contain no more than 35 words / numbers. All listings and payments must be submitted to the Information Center no later than the 1st of the months January, April, July, and October. The Waters Management, at its discretion, can deny listings by homeowners with delinquent accounts or listings with questionable content. (Payments must be made by check to The Waters Assembly and checks must be from a Waters resident.)

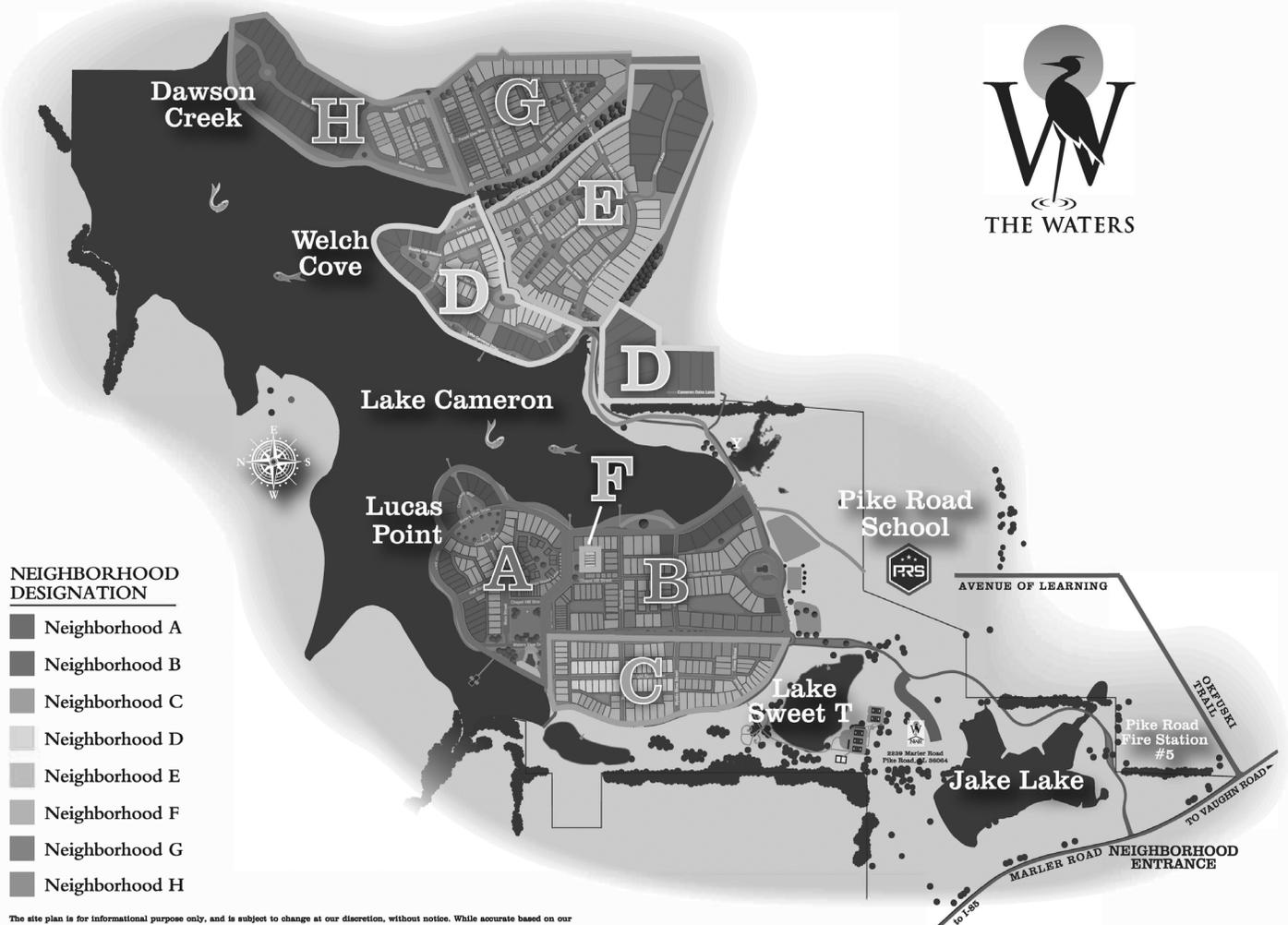
**Sugar** – Specializes in curating on trend, affordable clothing and accessories for women. Our size range is S-Plus. New shipments arrive weekly always offering our customers fresh and stylish options. Contact April Evans (334) 322-7430 Email:shopsugarclothing@gmail.com

**Trip Planner** – I specialize in all Disney travel. Disney World, Disneyland and Disney Cruise Line and Adventures By Disney. I also sell a lot of Sandals and Beaches vacations and trips to Atlantis. See me to make memories happen. Neighbor, Emily Roach- Phone: (334)462-4699. Email: emily1125@me.com

**Montz Jewelers** – Provides custom jewelry designs, jewelry repair, ring sizing and jewelry sales. Contact Randy Montz at (334) 279-8616 or (334) 549-2650 for appointments. All work is guaranteed!

**Full Force Fitness/Box Mania Fitness** – Fun, fitness formats for all fitness levels with national trainer, Katrina Shaw located right here in The Waters. For more information or to register for classes, text Katrina at (334) 399-2004.

## Quick Glance Map of Neighborhood Designations



4. Don't Hide Spare Keys Outside - It can be tempting to keep a spare key hidden under a flowerpot or a doormat, but this provides an easy opportunity for burglars to gain access inside your home. Consider keeping a key in a lockbox that requires a unique combination code, or even a smart lock that connects to an app.
5. Don't Watch Crime, Help Solve It - Install security cameras around your home to help prevent crime on the block. Choose locations where the cameras will be highly visible and encourage neighbors to do the same. If enough people put cameras up, it will have a positive impact on the area as a whole. Even just a doorbell camera is helpful for surveillance and capturing people.
6. Make the Home Look Occupied - If an out-of-town trip is on the agenda, connect some lamps to automatic timers to turn them on in the evenings and off during the day. Don't allow deliveries of mail to build up on the porch by either arranging with the Post Office to have all mail held until your return or asking a neighbor to pick up packages from the porch. Arrange for lawn care to be handled while out of town and for the trash can to be put back into place after trash service.
7. Targeting the Outside – Keep the exterior of the home in mind by storing lawn mowers, barbeques and bicycles out of sight. Have adequate exterior lighting around the house. A motion-sensitive light is recommended for back yards. Keeping trees and shrubs trimmed so that they cannot be used as hiding places for intruders is also recommended.
8. An Alarm System - An alarm system is excellent for home security. It provides peace of mind to homeowners, especially while on vacation. If you have a home alarm system, use it! Alarm systems are only useful when the homeowner remembers to activate them. Many individuals have alarm systems but do not arm them because it is inconvenient. Many burglars know this and will not be deterred by a window sticker or sign indicating that the home has an alarm system.

*"Some old-fashioned things like fresh air and sunshine are hard to beat." - Laura Ingalls Wilder*

## Top 10 Healthy Spring Foods!

1. **Arugula**- Rich in vitamins like A,K, and folate, plus chlorophyll, fiber and even water, these leafy greens will help reduce inflammation while also hydrating and detoxifying your body.
2. **Artichokes**- Available in both spring and fall, artichokes are rich in folic acid, vitamin C, B- complex vitamins, and many minerals. These nutrients help lower cholesterol, reduce free radicals, and ensure optimal metabolic cell function.
3. **Asparagus**- Even more abundant in Vitamin K, as well as copper, selenium, B vitamins and many other important nutrients. Asparagus can improve your overall health.
4. **Beets**- These are great for your blood and circulation. They can lower blood pressure, boost your stamina, and support detoxification.
5. **Carrots**- Rich in vitamin A and other antioxidants, they're great for maintaining healthy hair, skin, and nails and are therefore considered an "anti-aging" food. Plus, they're powerful cancer fighter.
6. **Mint**- Mint contains an antioxidant called rosmarinic acid, which can relieve seasonal allergy symptoms. The menthol it contains is a natural decongestant, and it can also soothe an upset stomach.
7. **Peas**- They contain a wide variety of vitamins and minerals including vitamins C and K, and several B vitamins, plus manganese, phosphorus, and protein. This makes them an excellent anti-inflammatory food.
8. **Strawberries**- Among the top 5 sources of antioxidant- rich fruit in the U.S. despite being a fruit and containing fructose, strawberries can actually help balance blood sugar. Polyphenols they contain will support immunity, healthy cell renewal, and many other functions.
9. **Spring Onions**- Onions contain a high amount of polyphenols, and especially flavonoids, which are compounds that play a major role in disease prevention and reducing the oxidative stress that wears our bodies down when we don't take good care of ourselves. They are also natural antihistamines and have antibacterial and antifungal properties.
10. **Radishes**- A great detoxifier, radishes are great at removing waste and toxins from both the stomach and liver. They are also a natural diuretic and help treat urinary and kidney conditions, not to mention fight cancer, hydrate skin, reduce fevers, and even treat insect bites.

<https://www.elizabethrider.com/top-10-healthy-spring-foods-how-to-use-them/>

“Nature does not hurry, yet everything is accomplished.”  
- Lao Tzu

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# Dues Are Due

The Waters Assembly (Homeowners' Association) quarterly dues are due on or before the 15th of the beginning month of each quarter (January, April, July and October). **If you do not have a coupon to include with your payment, please write the Lot number and Address on your check.** If you do not have a coupon book, please contact Rachael Quinn at (334) 277-5551 or email [rachael@thewatersal.com](mailto:rachael@thewatersal.com).

To better serve members of The Assembly, there are several payment options: (1) Checks can be mailed to **The Waters Assembly c/o Rachael Quinn, 2239 Marler Road, Pike Road, AL 36064.** (Please keep your cancelled check as your receipt for payment.) (2) Checks will be accepted at the Information Center during office hours Monday - Friday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm or by use of the after hours drop box. (The Assembly does not accept cash.) (3) Payment can be made by debit/credit card through a PayPal card reader or invoice. This payment option includes a 3.75% convenience fee. (4) Sign up for ACH recurring payments. This option is convenient and your payment is always on time (even if you're out of town). ACH forms are available on The Assembly website [www.TheWatersAssembly.com](http://www.TheWatersAssembly.com) and at the Information Center.

The Assembly is enforcing all rights and remedies allowed for the collection of delinquent dues. Finance charges will be assessed on all delinquent accounts. To avoid finance charges, attorney's fees and other collection enforcements, dues should be paid by the 15th of the month in which they are due. If you have any questions regarding Assembly dues, please contact Jennifer Akridge or Rachael Quinn at (334) 277-5551.



## Important Numbers

• Emergency .....	911
• The Waters Sales & Information Center .....	(334) 277-5551
• Montgomery Sheriff's Non-Emergency .....	(334) 832-1328
• Alabama Game Warden .....	(800) 272-4263
• Montgomery County Humane Society .....	(334) 409-0622
• Alabama Power Service Interruption.....	(800) 888-2726
• Dixie Electric Service Interruption.....	(888) 349-4332
• AMWASTE .....	(334) 625-1700
• Town of Pike Road – Town Hall .....	(334) 272-9883
• Pike Road School District.....	(334) 420-5301
• Montgomery Water Works .....	(334) 206-1600
• Alabama Wastewater .....	(888) 323-3687
• Southeast Gas .....	(800) 660-8683
• WOW – The Waters Contact .....	(334) 356-1000
• Pike Road Post Office .....	(334) 215-8785

## TOWN OF PIKE ROAD UPCOMING EVENTS

- Thursday, April 11 and Friday, April 12, 2024: Hydrangeas & Flags in Oil: A Barbara Davis Workshop
- Saturday, April 13, 2024: Lions Club Spring Yard Sale and Arts Center Fundraiser
- Thursday, April 18 and Friday, April 19, 2024: Introduction to Perspective with Charles Payne
- Sunday, April 21, 2024: Art Talk & Tea: Flower Arranging for Spring
- Thursday, May 5 - Friday, May 26, 2024: Small Works: An (Affordable) Art Show
- Sunday, June 9 - Sunday, July 7, 2024: The Art of Freedom Art Show & Sale
- Thursday, June 27: SummerFest

*For more information, visit [pikeroad.us/events](http://pikeroad.us/events).*

# IMPORTANT NOTICES

**Golf Cart and Boat Permits:** 2024 golf cart and boat permits are available at the Information Center. Please stop by the office, during business hours, to obtain your new permit. Bring a current copy of your golf cart insurance if we do not have it on file.

**Spring Cleaning:** Be thoughtful of your neighbors and make sure your yard, patio, carports, etc. are neat and tidy.

**Speeding:** Please be mindful of the 18mph speed limit throughout the neighborhood.

**Political Signs:** All political signs must be removed as they are not ARB approved. Only signs that meet the sign specification and approved by The Waters ARB are allowed.

**Lost and Found:** Call The Waters Assembly at 334.277.5551 to see if your lost item has been turned in. Found items can be turned into the neighborhood Lost and Found at The Waters Assembly office at 2239 Marler Road.

**Yard Signs:** All existing yard signs, including school signs, pest control, political, religious, vendor, etc. must be removed as they are not ARB approved. Only signs that meet the sign specification and approved by The Waters ARB are allowed.

**Landscaping:** For safety reasons, any landscaping growing across the sidewalk or into the right of ways will be trimmed without notice to the individual homeowner. Please maintain your landscaping so that it does not extend across the sidewalk or into the right of ways.

## **Do NOT Feed The Ducks:**

In their natural habitat, ducks don't need any food from humans, whether it's bread or something healthier. They get everything they need from the environment around them.

- Waterfowl can rapidly become conditioned to, and dependent on, handouts.
- Supplementing their diet with anything at all leads to overcrowding, pollution, malnutrition, disease, and loss of natural behavior.
- Fed ducks and geese behave differently. They become more aggressive and eventually lose their wariness of humans.
- Some will not survive because they can't compete.

**Turf Damage:** Help keep the neighborhood looking beautiful! When the turf is extra wet, please be thoughtful and do not drive on the grass with your vehicle or golf cart.

**Architectural Review Board (ARB):** Please remember that exterior changes to your house or yard requires approval from the Architectural Review Board (ARB) prior to work commencing. The ARB is in place to ensure that exterior changes enhance our community without infringing on other properties. You can visit The Waters Assembly website for an application. The ARB application is included in the "Forms and Documents" section.

**Trash:** Please do not litter! Do not discard trash and debris onto the streets, greenspace, school trail or empty lots. Also, do not use the town center firepit to dispose of trash, beer bottles, etc. Help us keep the neighborhood looking neat, tidy and beautiful.

**Distracted Driving:** "Don't drive distracted. Eyes forward." April is National Distracted Driving Month. It is a great time to remind your household to NOT drive distracted.

THE WATERS ASSEMBLY INVITES YOU TO ATTEND OUR

# SPRING EVENTS

Easter Egg Hunt

MARCH 16

Neighborhood Yard Sale

APRIL 6TH

Kiwanis of Pike Road  
Family Fun Run 5K

This event is not funded by the HOA

APRIL 13TH

Carport Clean-Out Day

APRIL 20TH

Spruce Up Saturday

APRIL 27TH

LifeSouth Blood Drive

APRIL 27TH

Music in May

This event is not funded by the HOA

APRIL 28 / MAY 5 / MAY 19

It's the last Fri-YAY  
of School!

MAY 17



For more information, please visit our website at [TheWatersAssembly.com](http://TheWatersAssembly.com)





# Pool and Beach Rules and Regulations

1. In case of an emergency, call 911.
2. Access to the pool area is by use of a Resident Card only.
3. Members may have no more than four (4) guests per household at any one time.
4. Members, their families and guests shall use the pool AT THEIR OWN RISK. Members understand that THERE IS NO LIFEGUARD AT THE POOL.
5. All guests MUST be accompanied by a Member of The Assembly age 14 or older. All Members must have their Resident Card with them when using the pool and must present to Management Team or its designated party, if asked.
6. Pool Hours: Lucas Point pool 7:00 am to 9:00 pm. Blue Heron Pool Club 8:00 am to 9:00 pm. Lucas Point and Blue Heron Pool Club pool decks must be vacated by 10 pm. SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK.
7. No diving.
8. No running, pushing, foul language, boisterous behavior, or general rough-housing permitted in or around the pool.
9. No loud music allowed. Electronics may be used as long as they do not cause a disturbance to others.
10. Minors under the age of 14 must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Minors under the age of 7 require the presence of a parent or guardian. Non-swimmers of any age must not enter the deep area.
11. Persons with contagious or infectious health conditions are not permitted in or around the pool.
12. Pets or animals are not allowed, except for the aid of the physically impaired.
13. No glass containers/articles, sharp metal objects or hazardous objects are permitted in/or around the pool.
14. Gum, tobacco and vaping are not allowed in/or around the pool.
15. No smoking or vaping in/or around the pool or pool deck or pavilion. Violators will be asked to leave and may cause the loss of pool privileges.
16. Food and drink are allowed, but cannot be taken within five (5) feet of the pool or lake. No food or drinks in the pool. All litter must be properly disposed of.
17. Shower before entering the pool. All sand must be washed off in the foot-wash station before entering the pool.
18. Street clothes and shoes are not allowed in the water.
19. Swim diapers must be used on all toddlers at the pool.
20. DO NOT move furniture from the pool deck. Return all pool furniture to a neat and orderly arrangement after use.
21. All trash should be placed in trash receptacles.
22. All toys, play equipment, flotation devices, personal items, etc., must be taken with Member. The Waters is not responsible for any lost or missing items.
23. Members must close all umbrellas upon departure to prevent damage to umbrellas.
24. Management reserves the right to adjust or add any rules as needed without notice.

The Waters Management has the right to ask any party to leave for non-compliance with the above rules. Failure to adhere to these rules may cause the loss of pool privileges.

# Things to Know About The Waters Assembly (the Neighborhood HOA)

## Development of The Waters:

The Waters was developed in 2004 by the original developer (The Waters at Waugh) which is no longer in place. The original developer owned up to 1,000+/- acres that was known as The Waters. The original developer was a part of the community for 6 years and was responsible for forming the Association and forming the recorded documents which govern the HOA today.

In 2010 the second developer (ARK Real Estate Strategies) purchased approximately 500+/- acres of the property that the original developer owned to establish what is now known as The Waters. The second developer will be in place for 14 years as of June 2024. The second developer has management of the HOA through a Board of Directors whose responsibilities are outlined in the HOA documents. Board Members include: Jennifer Atkins, Tommy Brigham and Fred Nunnelley.

## HOA Governing Documents:

Below is a list of the documents that govern the HOA. Documents are available at [www.TheWatersAssembly.com](http://www.TheWatersAssembly.com).

Bylaws of The Assembly – recorded documents that outline The Assembly and its management.

Covenants & Restrictions – recorded documents that give details on some of the “dos and don’ts” of the neighborhood. Recorded with the original developer, this document defines easements, approved use of property, signage requirements, etc.

Community Plan - overview of existing and future site plans for The Waters.

Pattern Book and/or any Guidelines set by the ARB – these are used to guide the Architectural Review Board (ARB) through their review and approval/denial process. The Pattern Book has a broad perspective where Architectural Review Guidelines can be more detailed / specific.

Rules & Regulations – designed to set up specific rules & regulations for use of the amenities, rules on use of the boats, golf carts, etc.

## Budget and Financial Statements:

How the budget is prepared: The HOA has an annual budget that is put together each year with the HOA management team, the board of directors and the neighborhood representatives. Budget items are discussed at the individual neighborhood meetings that are held, generally in October, and a final budget is presented to the Board for approval the first Monday in November at the annual association meeting. This meeting date and the meeting structure is dictated by the Bylaws.

How to access the budget or financial statements: The HOA budget is distributed at the annual association meeting each year and is available for neighbors at any time. In order to obtain a copy of the budget or financial statements, a neighbor has to submit a request and come pick up the copy at the office or it can be mailed to the neighbor (members) home. The budget is not distributed via email as it could be shared with non-neighbors, which can comprise the HOA’s ability to receive competitive bids. In addition, when a neighbor is given a copy of the budget (from the HOA meeting and/or in person) they are asked not to share the budget with non-neighbors.

## **Dues Paying Members:**

There are 612 dues paying members within The Waters. The HOA closed out 2023 with a 99% collection rate. Those parties who are late on dues are in the HOA collection process which includes placing a lien on the property and additional legal action, if needed. The 99% collection rate is well above industry standard for other Associations. All members are required to pay dues, no one is exempt. The Bylaws were updated in 2017 to make adjustments for rental property owners and short-term rental owners to make additional payments for their use of their amenities. Any member that would like to know more about how the dues are collected and/or who is delinquent on their dues can request a copy of the delinquency list for review.

## **Neighborhood Meetings and HOA Contact:**

There are six individual neighborhood designation meetings each year that are open to all residents. These meetings allow for neighborhood representatives to be elected and for open discussion about all things regarding The Waters. The meeting dates/times are shared the following ways:

- Posted on HOA website – [TheWatersAssembly.com](http://TheWatersAssembly.com)
- Email sent to all residents who signed up for email information
- Posted in the HOA newsletter
- Letters mailed to all residents' address of record
- Sign posted at Lucas Point roundabout the day of the meeting

In addition to the individual neighborhood meetings, there is an annual association meeting that is held in November to review and approve the budget. The neighborhood meetings and annual meetings are held in accordance with the Bylaws of the Association. Per the Bylaws, there is open discussion at the neighborhood meetings, but the annual association meeting discussion is between the Board and the neighborhood representatives, unless otherwise approved by the Board.

In addition to the Bylaw requiring Neighborhood Meetings, the HOA has 4 to 5 meetings with the neighborhood representatives throughout the year and the HOA office has an open-door policy for neighbors. This means that neighbors do not have to wait for a formal meeting to ask a question, make a recommendation or discuss a concern. The HOA is open M-F from 8am to 5pm. Inquiries can be made in person, via email ([TheAssembly@TheWatersAL.com](mailto:TheAssembly@TheWatersAL.com)) or via phone (334.277.5551). In addition, the neighborhood representatives contact information is posted on the website and in the HOA newsletter as another resource for communicating to the HOA.

## **Neighborhood Representative Election Process:**

The neighborhood representatives are elected based on the guidelines set forth in the Bylaws. There are specific deadlines and processes outlined in the Bylaws that must be followed for this process. The HOA cannot turn anyone away from running to be a neighborhood representative so long as the candidate follows the guidelines in the Bylaws. The HOA performs better with neighborhood representatives and is always very encouraging to parties who show interest and again, would never turn anyone away from participating so long as they follow the process outlined in the Bylaws. There are several designated neighborhoods that did not have anyone run for the position of neighborhood representative. Designated neighborhoods that do not have an elected neighborhood representative can contact the HOA with any questions or concerns.

## **Looking for the Perfect Book?**

The Pike Road branch library is located in the Pike Road Station complex near the corner of Vaughn and Pike Roads, next door to Subway (9585 Vaughn Road). The library hours are Monday thru Friday 9:00 am – 6:00 pm. For more information, visit their Facebook page at [Facebook.com/PikeRoadBranchLibrary](https://www.facebook.com/PikeRoadBranchLibrary) or contact the library at (334) 625-4886.

# How to Clean Your Front Porch

If you've let your porch accumulate dirt and dust for a couple of weeks or months, it's likely that you have given up on the idea of using it in the near future. However, a filthy porch is definitely not an attractive look for your house and one that nobody enjoys coming home to. Moreover, entering a house via a dirty front porch will drag or blow in more dirt from outside.

So, if you're wondering how to clean your front porch and regain the opportunity to sit out on it, we've got just the cleaning guide you need! Read on.

## **1. Clear the Space; Move Furniture, Plant Pots, etc.**

If you are not looking to clean your porch in a hurry, and wish to get the job done more thoroughly, this can only be achieved when you get everything out of the way. From the doormat and plant pots, to furniture and removable sconces or lampshades; take everything out to the yard or the driveway so that the porch is cleared and ready to be cleaned. You will also need to clean these items before they are put back in place.

It should be mentioned that many unused porches become a temporary storage space for miscellaneous items including bags of potting soil and broken patio furniture; therefore, it is advisable to use this time to find appropriate places for these things to be put away while getting rid of items that are broken or not going to be used anymore. After all, a clean front porch deserves to be maintained in order to serve its true purposes – adding beauty to your house, and giving you and your family a wonderful, outdoor space to spend some quality time together!

## **2. Remove Cobwebs, Wipe Walls, and Sweep the Floor**

Assuming that your front porch hasn't been cleaned in a while, it is likely that spiders and other insects have left their webbed homes in the corners of the roof over the porch. So, before you get to cleaning the floor or lower-leveled surfaces, you will need to remove the cobwebs and dust from the ceiling. Use a long-handled broom for this and be sure to tie a scarf over your mouth and nose, as well as to wear protective eyewear to prevent dust and debris from getting in your eyes.

Next, wipe the walls from top to bottom using a dust cloth. During this time, we suggest cleaning around light fixtures and other permanent or attached wall pieces such as a mailbox, plant pot holder, etc. This step should also include wiping down balustrades, staircase railings and surrounding walls (if any). Finish off by thoroughly sweeping the floor and steps using an outdoor broom; push the debris down each step and collect it in a dustpan at the very last one.

## **3. Clean Window Exteriors**

Although the exterior of a window is usually the only thing homeowners clean while the rest of the porch is neglected, it's a good time to do it again for an overall front porch clean. To do this, use a dust cloth to wipe the windowpanes thoroughly, and a soft scrub brush to remove dust from corners and other tight spaces. Next, spray on the glass cleaner and wipe in circular motions. Be sure to clean the frames and tracks for a thorough cleaning of your window exteriors.

**TIP:** Crushed newspaper sheets are very effective in cleaning glass surfaces as they possess just the right amount of absorbency.

## **4. Wash the Porch with a Water Hose**

Dusting and sweeping will help get rid of most dirt and debris on your front porch, however, only a wash will get it thoroughly cleaned up and remove that fine dust which isn't always visible but easy to feel when you brush your hands against it. In fact, porch cleaning is incomplete without hosing the structure down! Although a pressure wash is the best way to go using a garden hose will suffice.

## **5. Sponge Clean with a Cleaning Solution**

A gentle clean for your paint job will require a sponge or soft scrubber, and a mild cleaning solution made with warm water and dish soap. You'll be surprised by how effective minimal scrubbing is when cleaning your front porch in this manner. Of course, stubborn stains will require more elbow grease and perhaps, a stronger cleaning solution; however, merely wiping the walls, pillars, and balustrades with a damp, soapy sponge is enough to revitalize the porch!

**NOTE:** Do not clean the floor during this step as it is the last thing you need to do when cleaning your front porch.



# The Waters Town Center Business Directory

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## Real Estate Activity Alert and Contact Tool Program

The Montgomery County Probate Court offers its R.E.A.A.C.T. (Real Estate Activity Alert and Contact Tool) Program as a free service to alert property owners of potential property fraud. An email notification will be sent within 24 hours to subscribers when a deed, mortgage, lien, or other land record with their registered name on it has been recorded in the Probate Court's official records.

To learn more and register for this service, visit <https://pjo.mc-ala.org/license/REACTFAQ.aspx>

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### 6. Hose Off the Cleaner

Step away from the porch and spray it with water until the cleaner is thoroughly removed. The more pressure used here, the more effective the rinsing will be. It helps to start with one end of the porch (from top to bottom) and work your way to the other side.

### 7. Clean and Mop the Floor

Finally, to prepare cleaning the floor of your front porch, wet it enough in order to use a squeegee to push dirty water and debris off the porch. Repeat this process at least twice to ensure that there is no dirt left on the surface; do the same for the staircase.

Lastly, make a mild cleaning solution and mop the floor and steps to remove any stains or scuff marks. While you wait for the porch to dry, clean your outdoor furniture and other ornaments that are to be placed back on it.

At the end of this DIY porch cleaning guide, you will not only get to enjoy spending time out there in, but also be motivated to maintain its good as new appearance!

**WARNING:** This method is not suitable for hardwood floors or cleaning wooden decks as excess water can cause damage to the material.

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