



- Is there a flooding or drainage problem in your neighborhood that you want to fix?
- Do you want to lead your community to reduce pollution?
- Want to get off the sidelines, take action and make a real change?

Become a Master Watershed Steward!

You don't have to be an expert, we'll show you the way! The Watershed Stewards Academy is a great opportunity to learn how to solve environmental problems in your community and find a local network of energized leaders. Our upcoming certification course will begin mid-October. Course dates will be announced soon!

Qualified applicants will:

- Live within the community they represent and be actively engaged in community activities.
- Be a resident of Anne Arundel County (some slots may be reserved for persons from other jurisdictions who would like to duplicate WSA in their County)
- Complete application process including attendance at one informational meeting. Please register at aawsa.org. If you are unable to attend any of the sessions listed below, please contact Suzanne Etgen to schedule a meeting.

Captain Avery Museum: 1418 East West ShadySide Road, ShadySide, MD

- August 4th at 12:00pm

Arlington Echo Outdoor Education Center: 975 Indian Landing Road, Millersville, MD 21108

- August 5th at 6:30pm
- August 20th at 6:30pm
- September 3rd at 6:30pm
- September 10th at 6:30pm

Glen Burnie Town Center: 101 Crain Highway North, Room 206 Glen Burnie, MD 21061

- August 12th at 6:00pm: Stormwater Tour and Orientation for residents of Northern Anne Arundel County.

- Be proficient in basic computer skills such as Microsoft Office, internet browsing and be willing to learn new skills.
- Be comfortable with public speaking and meeting facilitation.
- Be willing to serve as a community resource for environmental and watershed information.
- Complete the Master Watershed Steward certification course
 - Attend all class sessions held at Arlington Echo Outdoor Education Center in Millersville
 - Complete a Capstone Project in your neighborhood
- Maintain certification by:
 - Completing at least 8 hours Continuing Education
 - Contributing a minimum 40 hours of community service on restoration efforts within his/her neighborhood.
 - Attending 3 networking meetings annually.

Cost: Tuition is \$250 per Anne Arundel County Steward. **Scholarships are available.** Each Steward Candidate will also be responsible for recruiting funding for ½ of one Rainscaping Capstone Project. Projects typically range from \$100-3,000. Funds may be sourced from grants, Community Associations, Corporate Donations, or fundraising events. Scholarships are also available for this portion. The Course Application may be downloaded from www.aawsa.org.

For more information, please contact Suzanne Etgen @ setgen@aacps.org or visit www.aawsa.org



2013-2014 Draft Certification Course Schedule

Session 1: Stormwater Tour of Anne Arundel County: The Good, the Bad and the UGLY!

Sunday, October 13, 2013 12(noon)-6 pm
Arlington Echo Outdoor Education Center
975 Indian Landing Road, Millersville, MD 21108

Session 2: Stormwater Issues and Solutions

Tuesday, October 22, 2013 6-9 pm
Arlington Echo Outdoor Education Center
975 Indian Landing Road, Millersville, MD 21108

Session 3: Site Assessment and Field Intensive

Friday, November 1 (9 am) – Saturday November 2 (5 pm), 2013
Arlington Echo Outdoor Education Center
975 Indian Landing Road, Millersville, MD 21108

Session 4: GIS Community Assessment I and Funding Your Project

Tuesday, November 12, 2013 6-9 pm
Location to be announced

Session 5: GIS Community Assessment II and Capstone Project Work Night

Tuesday, November 19, 2013 6-9 pm
Location to be announced

**All Stewards will choose one of two course tracks: Rainscaping or Outreach, and will be required to attend only one Session 6.*

***Session 6: RainScaping I: Maryland Native Plants and How to Use Them in Your Community.**

Tuesday, January 7, 2014 6-9 pm
Arlington Echo Outdoor Education Center
975 Indian Landing Road, Millersville, MD 21108

***Session 6: Outreach I: Reducing Pollution through Behavior Change**

Thursday, January 9, 2014 6-9 pm
Arlington Echo Outdoor Education Center
975 Indian Landing Road, Millersville, MD 21108

Session 7: Reducing Pollution Sources: The FREE BMP!

Tuesday, January 14, 2014 6-9 pm
Arlington Echo Outdoor Education Center
975 Indian Landing Road, Millersville, MD 21108

Session 8: Engaging Your Community in REAL Change

Tuesday, January 21, 2014 6-9 pm
Arlington Echo Outdoor Education Center
975 Indian Landing Road, Millersville, MD 21108

**Session 9: Outreach II: Removing Barriers to Behavioral Change
RainScaping Track: Capstone Project Work Night**

Thursday, January 30, 2014 6-9 pm
Arlington Echo Outdoor Education Center
975 Indian Landing Road, Millersville, MD 21108

**Session 10: RainScaping II: Permitting and Critical Area Considerations
Outreach Track: Capstone Project Work Night**

Tuesday, February 4, 2014 6-9 pm
Arlington Echo Outdoor Education Center
975 Indian Landing Road, Millersville, MD 21108

**Session 11: Talking When Talk is Tough: Managing Conflict, Curmudgeons and Controversy
Course Review and Wrap Up**

Tuesday, February 11, 2014 6-9 pm
Arlington Echo Outdoor Education Center
975 Indian Landing Road, Millersville, MD 21108

WSA Office Hours by Appointment with Capstone Groups Feb 18, 24, 25.

Session 12: WSA Conference

Saturday March 1, 2014 9 am – 4 pm
Arlington Echo Outdoor Education Center
975 Indian Landing Road, Millersville, MD 21108

Session 13: Class Restoration Installation

Saturday, March 29, 2014 8:00 a.m. – noon
Annapolis, MD, specific location to be announced.
*** rain date: Saturday, April 12th

Session 14: Capstone Project Presentations and Graduation

December 2014
Arlington Echo Outdoor Education Center
975 Indian Landing Road, Millersville, MD 21108