



# The Westfield Times

A Publication of the Westfield Neighborhood Improvement Association

November 2003

## Successful Fall Cleanup

Westfield neighbors from Sefton, Louise, Royston, and Christopher Avenues joined 3,800 other Baltimoreans in the fall cleanup on October 11. Our volunteers swept, raked, and bagged a quarter ton of trash and debris along both sides of Harford Road. The neighbors cleared debris blocking several corner storm drains. Residents are reminded to check and, if necessary, clear drains on their blocks. Help keep our basements dry.

The Mayor's neighborhood newsletter reports that a total of 511 tons of trash was collected citywide.

## Sidewalk Improvements

Large sections of sidewalk on Harford Road between Northern Parkway and Christopher Avenue were recently replaced. This came as a result of a walking tour of the neighborhood by WNIA officers and Councilman Robert Curran.

## Westfield's 15 Minutes of Fame?

Director John Waters has found our neighborhood quirky enough to be the setting for scenes for his new movie "A Dirty Shame" which have been filmed on Harford Road and Pinewood Avenue. The movie company threw a thank-you party for neighbors at the Holiday House.

## Election of WNIA Officers

Our meeting on Tuesday, November 4, will include an election of officers. Nominations are still open for President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. All neighbors concerned about maintaining and improving our area are urged to attend, participate in the election, and become active in the association.

## Flu Shots Available Nov. 6, 13

Flu shots will be offered at Harbel, 5807 Harford Road, Thursdays, Nov. 6 and 13. Registration required: Call 410-444-2100 at least two days prior. If not covered by Medicare, cost is \$15 for flu, \$22 for pneumonia.

## NOGLI Expansion

The Neighborhoods of Greater Lauraville, Inc has put on hold its effort to expand to include other northeast neighborhood associations. As a result, WNIA president Kevin Duval expects to begin discussions with other neighborhood associations bordering our area to consider forming our own larger organization to pursue common goals for improving northeast Baltimore.

## Big Dig at the Old Bowling Alley

Work is continuing to convert the old bowling alley at Harford and Christopher into space for a manufacturer of custom cabinetry. Large sections of concrete removed in the recent Harford Road sidewalk improvements have been pulverized and used in the reconstruction of the bowling alley building.

## Fall Leaf Collection

The city will pick up bagged leaves on the **second** trash collection day of each week through January 31. Residents may also take bagged leaves to the Southeast/Northeast Solid Waste Yard, 6101 Bowleys Lane. Hours are 9AM to 5PM Monday through Saturday. How about helping improve the look of our community by waiting for collection day before placing bags at the curb?

## Our Next Meeting Will Be: Tuesday, November 4 at 7:30PM

We meet at the Holiday House, 6427 Harford Road. Please use the Pinewood Avenue entrance. **Agenda includes the nomination and election of officers**

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## Workshop for Family Caregivers, Saturday Nov. 1

If you are caring for a special needs child, an adult with a disability, or a frail older relative, a workshop is being offered to help you make the most of each doctor visit, get what you need from the health care system, and be a respected member of your loved one's health care team.

The workshop will be held from 1PM to 4PM at the St. Anthony of Padua lower church hall, 4500 Frankford Avenue. A fee of \$10 covers materials and light refreshments. To register, call Theresa Manke at 410-488-0400, extension 208, or E-mail her at [sttheresam@hotmail.com](mailto:sttheresam@hotmail.com).

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## Herring Run Park Clean Up

Join the Herring Run Watershed Association and the Department of Recreation and Parks in planting over 200 trees, mulching, removing invasive vines, planting a rain garden, painting a mural, picking up trash, and more. For more information on this Saturday, November 15 event, contact The Herring Run Watershed Association at 410-254-1577 or the Department of Recreation and Parks at 410-396-0339.

## Lauraville/Northeast Blood Drive Friday November 21

Our area currently is experiencing a critical shortage of blood. All eligible donors are urged to contact Chris Muldowney at 410-426-2529 or 410-366-1980, extension 971, to schedule a time to donate. The site of this blood drive will be Harborside Nursing Home, 4700 Harford Road.

## WNIA Holiday Party

Our December meeting will be a celebration of the season. Neighbors are encouraged to bring a hot dish or dessert and a toy for our Toy Drive. We will have a 50/50 raffle as well as the drawing for the winner of our membership drive contest. If you are interested in helping, please contact our hotline.

## Can't Make a Meeting? Here are some other ways you can participate.

- Take a NECOP patrol. Thursday, Friday or Saturday night from 7:30 to 10:00.
- Deliver the newsletter. It takes less than an hour each month
- Help us with our Holiday party in December

## Recycling Schedule

Nov. 10: Bottles, cans  
Nov. 13: Paper  
Nov. 24: Bottles, cans  
Dec. 8: Bottles, cans  
Dec. 11: Paper  
Dec. 22: Bottles, cans

## Westfield Neighborhood Improvement Association

### 2004 Annual Membership Dues

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail this coupon along with a \$10 check or money order payable to:

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