



WNIA Newsletter

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Community Charm: Natasha Wainwright: The Heart of Westfield

At the center of our Westfield community beats the heart of a truly special person - Natasha Wainwright. Known for her warmth, kindness, and strong support, Natasha exudes a love that unites us all, transforming our neighborhood into a welcoming and cherished community, not just a cluster of houses.

Natasha founded Natasha's Just Brittle in March 2017 as a processing facility for her brittle. Initially, it was not open to the public. She sold her products at Whole Foods and on QVC. December 2021 marked the inception of The Cafe at B'More Made with Pride. Finding it difficult to locate a spot to craft her goods, she recognized that others shared this problem. With her characteristic thoughtfulness, Natasha established an incubator commercial kitchen for fellow creators—a community of cooks now featuring 23 different businesses, each adding their unique flavor to Baltimore city. Natasha is a leading figure in Baltimore's commercial kitchen scene. Setting her apart is the cafe next door, a lively hub that truly engages the community. She is proud to be one of the few commercial kitchens that houses a cafe fostering community connections.

Walking into Natasha's cafe, you're not just another customer—you're family. The staff, many of whom have grown up under Natasha's care from her days running a daycare, will greet you by name, welcoming you back with genuine excitement.

Natasha also sells retail goods at the cafe, with many items made in-house. If you haven't tried the Bee Hoss Honey Hot Sauce yet, stop what you are doing and get it- you'll thank us later. Despite the variety, when asked about her favorite creation, Natasha jokingly says, *"I'm not going to say the brittle... oh, who am I kidding? It's the brittle! Haha!"*

Natasha's vision is simple yet profound: *"Just wants people to feel at home. Come sit, chat, read a book... [I] want people to feel comfortable."* In her cafe, you'll discover a space that reflects the perfect community—a haven where everyone feels acknowledged, listened to, and appreciated. *"Come eat, drink, and B'More Happy with us!"*

Stay tuned to meet more neighbors in the Community Charms series, where we celebrate the incredible people who make Westfield more than just a place - but a home.



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Walkers of Westfield Unite!

Looking for a new way to get in your 10,000 steps and meet your neighbors? Why not join the "Welcome to Westfield" Newsletter Distributors?

Our goal is to distribute the newsletter to every home in Westfield four times a year. We have many routes available; you get to choose which block or blocks you want to cover.

Bring along a friend and you can split the block between odd and even sides.

Or, if that's not your bag, how about inviting the WNIA to host a "Trashy Walk" on your block?

We supply the gloves, bags, grabbers, and a refreshment tent! You supply the neighbors. The fun will bring itself!

If you are interested, contact us by email at wniabaltimoremd@gmail.com

Westfield Boundaries:
Glenmore, Alta, Northern Pkwy, Old Harford



President's Message

Welcome to Westfield! A neighbor recently commented that in Westfield, "once you move in, you don't move out". I like to think that is because Westfield is a community that offers many advantages not found in other neighborhoods. The housing stock is diverse and affordable. From brick ranchers to 3 story Victorians there is something for every taste and price range.

The streets are quiet, tree lined and undergoing traffic calming provisions. Spacious yards and neighboring Burdick park provide areas for outdoor activities for people and their pets. In addition you are minutes from two golf courses, indoor track and racquet activities, and an ice rink.

Local retailers, crafts people and restaurateurs are showcased in nearby Hamilton and Lauraville. Walk, bike, or take public transportation to these commercial centers and you'll find everything from children's books to a proper British tea experience. Services from Auto Repair to custom tailoring and more are available along the Harford Road corridor, making it easy to live in a walkable community.

I invite you to check us out on the web or Facebook. We would love to see you at one of our upcoming events or meetings. We are always looking for ways to engage and connect the members of the community. Once again, Welcome!

Kevin Duval,
President, Westfield Neighborhood Improvement Association

Monthly Membership Meeting
 Membership meetings are held on the
 2nd Tuesday of every month.
 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM
 Church of the Messiah
 5801 Harford Road
 And on Zoom, check our Facebook
 page for the link and agenda.
 All are Welcome!

WNIA Calendar

DATE	START	END	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
Saturday, February 24, 2024	4:00 PM	7:00 PM	Chili-Cook Off	Shamrock Inn
Saturday, March 16, 2024	9:00 AM	12:00 PM	Hamilton Elementary Resource Fair	Hamilton Elementary School
Saturday, March 23, 2024	10:00 AM	1:00 PM	Easter Egg Hunt and Brunch	Harbel
Saturday, April 6, 2024	9:00 AM	12:00 PM	Dumpster Day	TBD
Tuesday, April 9, 2024	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	Membership Meeting	Church of the Messiah and Zoom
Saturday, April 27, 2024	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	Mayor's Spring Clean Up	TBD
Tuesday, May 14, 2024	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	Membership Meeting	Church of the Messiah and Zoom
Saturday, May 18, 2024	9:00 AM	12:00 PM	Dumpster Day	TBD
Tuesday, June 11, 2024	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	Membership Meeting	Church of the Messiah and Zoom
Tuesday, July 9, 2024	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	Membership Meeting	Church of the Messiah and Zoom
Saturday, July 20, 2024	3:00 PM	6:00 PM	Westfield Wing Off	Shamrock Inn
Saturday, August 10, 2024	1:00 PM	4:00 PM	Ice Cream Social	Church of the Messiah
Tuesday, August 13, 2024	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	Membership Meeting	Church of the Messiah and Zoom
Saturday, August 24, 2024	9:00 AM	12:00 PM	Dumpster Day	TBD
Tuesday, September 10, 2024	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	Membership Meeting	Church of the Messiah and Zoom
Saturday, October 5, 2024	9:00 AM	12:00 PM	Dumpster Day	TBD
Tuesday, October 8, 2024	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	WNIA Elections	Church of the Messiah
Tuesday, November 12, 2024	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	Membership Meeting	Church of the Messiah and Zoom
Tuesday, December 10, 2024	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	Membership Meeting	Church of the Messiah and Zoom



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