



Huffman Highlights

Neighborhood News for the Huffman Historic Area Jan/Feb, 2009

Huffman Holiday Home Tour

The recent Huffman Holiday Home Tour was a true success with 235-250 people touring St Paul United Methodist Church and eight of our beautiful neighborhood homes. Pastor Beth Holten, Church Historian Dan Vanoli, and the staff and congregation of St. Paul were very gracious in sharing their 125 Anniversary with the Holiday Home Tour, and in sponsoring a wonderful Christmas Concert and Carol Sing for all to enjoy. In addition to the generous Huffman residents who shared their homes, more than 40 neighbors volunteered in some capacity to plan and execute this special event. Thanks also goes out to every resident of Historic Huffman who patiently shared neighborhood parking and helped us by shoveling sidewalks, picking up litter, and contributing to our visitors' experience of genuine Huffman hospitality. Here's to a wonderful 2009 in Historic Huffman!

Snow Plows, Down OUR Streets?

Per the City of Dayton website (www.cityofdayton.org) residential streets will be plowed and salted only following snowfalls of four inches or more. Roadways are prioritized as follows for plowing & salting:

- 1 Highways/freeways and ramps
- 2 Thoroughfares (such as, Main St, Third St, etc.)
- 3 Hills and bridges
- 4 Arterials (such as Patterson Road, etc.)
- 5 Residential streets

Hazardous road conditions can be reported to the Dayton Public Works 24-hour Call Center, at 333-4800.

Christmas is over, but the tree lingers

If you still have your Christmas tree hanging around and are not sure what to do with it, the waste collectors will pick it up with your other trash at the regularly scheduled times.

Another option is to bring your tree to either the South Solid Waste Facility at 1001 Encrete Lane in Moraine or the North facility at 6589 Old Webster Street in Vandalia 6 am until 8 pm Mon thru Fri and 8 am to 3 pm Sat thru Jan 31 and they will recycle it for free. Please have all the ornaments and tinsel of f of them—the tree will be turned into mulch and the contractor will not take a still-decorated tree.

Watch Our Neighborhood

At the January general membership meeting, Dayton Police Officer Sarver noted that this is the time of year to be on the lookout for vagrants and squatters in vacant properties. There is an ever-present danger of fire, property damage, and other safety concerns. Neighbors are encouraged to report suspicious activity to the Dayton Police Department at **333-COPS** or to the Weed-n-Seed Hotline at **461-WEED**.

You have a voice...use it!

YOUR Historic Huffman Neighborhood Association is hosting it's Annual Meeting and Election of Trustees on Groundhog Day, Mon, Feb 2, 2009, at 7:00 pm, in the Dining/Meeting Room at Huffman Place, 100 Huffman Avenue. Join your neighbors as we continue making the Huffman area a great place to live!

Those nominated are Catherine Otto, Courtney Dennison, Gale Heller, Annette Schultz and Jeff Heath.

RiverScape Ice Rink

RiverScape's ice rink is open until February 22, 2009. Laser and music shows during their Starlight Skates. Don't miss their horse-drawn carriages either!
<http://www.downtowndayton.org/pdfs/DHF08-calendar-web.pdf>

Things to do (MetroParks)

Feb. 20 & 21 Adventure Summit

- Featuring **Ann Bancroft**, Arctic Adventurer
First woman to reach North Pole by foot and sled
- Dozens of Inspiring Talks and Slide Shows
- Exhibitor Expo
- Bouldering Competition
- Paddling and SCUBA clinics
- Outdoor Film Festival

Wright State Univ. Student Union, 3640 Col Glenn Hwy.
www.theadventuresummit.com or call 937-277-4374

http://www.metroparks.org/Parks/PublicationFolder/MetroParkways_Program.pdf

Reminders:

Feb. 2 HHNA Meeting
Huffman Place Dining Room, 7p.m.

St. Paul's Happenings

Jan. 19 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. E. Dayton Celebration
9:00 am Coffee, Juice, Donuts
9:30 am Community Dialogue on Jobs & Justice
10:45 am Gather outside church at corner of 4th and
Huffman to march downtown to the Rally
After the Rally, please join us at East End Community
Services, 624 Xenia Ave for a Spaghetti Lunch (Pastor
Beth Holten 252-4467)

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

March & Rally Jan. 19 at 11:30 AM

Together we can make Dr. King's vision our reality!

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. had a dream that all people, regardless of race, religion or color, would walk hand in hand together.

The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. March & Rally is a way for all people, throughout the Greater Dayton Area, to come together and further the dream. Dr. King's dream was not just for African Americans, but for all Americans. He knew that all people must be part of the dream or justice and equality, or the dream will never be realized. We can further that dream and Dr. King's vision, by marching and meeting in the heart of the City of Dayton to celebrate harmony, nonviolence, justice and equality.

You are invited to attend breakfast before the March at St. Paul's in Historic Huffman (101 Huffman Ave).
<http://lis.stat.wright.edu/MLK/PreMarchBreakfast.htm>

Linden Avenue Baptist News

Tuesdays 7-8pm Life Recovery program

Wednesdays 5:15pm fellowship meal

Fridays a church meeting is held—most parking is at the bank across Linden to reduce street parking

Analog to Digital TV Transition

The entire country is in the process of transitioning free over-the-air television broadcasting from an "analog" format to an "all-digital" format. Stations are currently broadcasting in both analog and digital. Analog TVs use "rabbit ears" or other antennae and do not require paid service with a cable company, such as Time Warner.

By law, Feb 17 is the last day for television stations to broadcast in analog, and they will broadcast only in digital after that date. If you use free TV you may need a converter box to continue to get the broadcasts. For more information, please visit www.dtv.gov.

Looking for Spanish/English Speaker

The editor would like to put some of the more useful articles in Spanish into this newsletter so our Spanish speaking neighbors can benefit. Unfortunately, she doesn't speak Spanish. Articles will be written, only translation will need to be done. Please contact Barb Ochsner at 938-5115 or bochsner@gmail.af.mil

Neighbor Care

Neighbor•Care is always in need of skilled tradespeople who are willing to donate their labor year-round. Neighbor•Care pays for the supplies and materials (up to \$300 per project) and the participating contractor donates the labor.

As an example, Neighbor•Care received a call from Children's Medical Center. An infant on a ventilator was ready to be discharged, but the family's home did not have a dedicated electrical circuit for the ventilator. Neighbor•Care found an electrician who donated her time to modify the family's electrical service to accommodate the machine and the baby was sent home with his family.

If you are interested in volunteering for Neighbor•Care, please call Logan at 229-4892. We can't do it without you! For more information, applications and volunteer forms on-line, go to Contact RTD.

Neighborhood School

Ruskin School is **our** neighborhood school, just across the McClure St Bridge in Twin Towers. It is the only school in the state which was converted from a charter school to a part of a city school system. Unlike other Dayton schools, it is administered jointly by the DPS and representatives of the original charter school board. It is also one of five neighborhood center schools in the DPS system. About 90% of the students at Ruskin walk to school. Consider proximity to Stivers and Ruskin as good selling points for homeowners in the neighborhood. They are aggressively recruiting tutors for Ruskin School. If you can help it will be appreciated. Please contact Jan Lepore-Jentleson, Executive Director East End Community Services, 624 Xenia Avenue 937 259-1898.

Milestones Mark Tech Town Progress

Nov 13 Dayton's Tech Town technology park is taking significant steps forward. The 40-acre business park at the eastern edge of downtown Dayton has earned a \$5 million grant for construction of a second office building, with groundbreaking tentatively scheduled for the summer of 2009. Tech Town's first structure, is 100% pre-leased, with completion expected by mid-2009.

Tech Town's development manager, City-Wide Development Corp, is finalizing demolition plans for the remaining former industrial facilities on site.

When completely developed, Tech Town will support up to 400,000 square feet of office and research space and up to 2,500 jobs. For more information, call Timothy Downs at 333-3805 or go to www.daytontechtown.com.

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