



Huffman Highlights

Neighborhood News for the Huffman Historic Area

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Keeping up with the Neighborhood

By Rosie Miller

In this instant information world we can quickly find out what is happening all over our city, state, country, and even the world. It's not as easy to know what's going on in our neighborhood.

Your Huffman Board of Trustees is working hard to keep you informed. You may have already noticed your are receiving more frequent newsletters. It is costly to produce these newsletters so we have other ways to keep you informed as well.

HHNA Monthly Meeting

What is it? The Huffman Historic Neighborhood Association (HHNA) is yours. The association is open to all persons living in or owning property in the Huffman Historic Area. We meet on the first Monday of every month in the dining area of Huffman Place (100 Huffman Ave.) at 7:00 PM. You are welcome and encouraged to come to the meeting.

What happens at a meeting? Usually a district police officer updates us on current crime in our immediate neighborhood. (See article column 2) The officer also answers questions and addresses any questions for concerns you have. Neighbors share information, concerns and issues involving the neighborhood. Updates on SEPB, City Schools etc, are given.

Huffman Website (www.huffmanhistoric.org)

The website has historic and current information. We are in the process of revising the website and welcome your suggestions. Click the contact webmaster link and send us your ideas. A new link just for neighbors is being added.

Email—(huffmanhistoric@yahoo.com)

Many of our neighbors have e-mail. Timely information about the neighborhood is often sent out by e-mail. If your are not on our e-mail list send an e-mail to the webmaster address above, and we'll add you to the list.

Southeast Priority Board (SEPB)

Connie Nisonger, our SEPB Community Service Advisor, offers assistance with neighborhood and city concerns. Connie's main office is now downtown, but she is at the Simm's Center several afternoons a week. Connie can help with any questions you have about code enforcement, nuisance problems, crime, city rules and regulations and etc. Connie also regularly attends our monthly meetings to update us on things going on in the city. You can reach her at 937-333-7380.

Join us at the next neighborhood meeting and get up-to-date information. Bring your questions and concerns to the meeting and help your board and city officials address neighborhood concerns and make Huffman the best that it can be!

No questions? Refreshments are served—so just come for the cookies and socialize!

Crime on Decline in Huffman

By Joan Spain

At the June HHNA general membership meeting, Officer Laprath of the Dayton City Police Department reported that crime, in general, continues to decline in our neighborhood. He noted, however, that a roving band of thieves has recently been active in Huffman, primarily breaking into cars for audio/stereo equipment. Citizens are asked to be watchful and to report suspicious activity by calling 911 or 333.COPS.

Weed-N-Seed

Weed and Seed is a term you have probably seen and heard recently. But like many folks you may have no idea what it is.

It is a community-based strategy sponsored by the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) involving cities throughout the country working to reduce crime. It is an innovative approach to law enforcement, crime prevention, and community revitalization. The Community Capacity Development Office (CCDO) oversees the Weed and Seed initiative.

The Huffman Historic Area is part of the Weed-N-Seed initiative which aims to prevent, control, and reduce crime, drug, and gang activity and foster human services and neighborhood revitalization efforts.

Citizens are encouraged to call the Weed-N-Seed hotline to report suspected illegal activities or other concerns: 461.WEED

Reminders:	
July 3-5	Cityfolk Festival Downtown Dayton (free) Fireworks Thurs. July 3 10:00 PM
July 7	Extended deadline -register for garage sale
July 7	HHNA Meeting Huffman Place Dining Room—7:00 PM
July 12	Huffman Yard Sale
July 21	HHNA Board Meeting Huffman Place Office—7:00 PM
Aug. 4	HHNA Meeting Huffman Place Dining Room—7:00 PM
Aug, 18	HHNA Board Meeting Huffman Place Office—7:00 PM
Aug ?	Huffman Neighborhood Picnic-date and details in next month's newsletter

Christmas Tour—The Time for Huffman to Shine!

The 2008 Historic Huffman Christmas Tour is scheduled December 12th through 14th and will showcase homes throughout our neighborhood. Planning is underway, working groups forming, and we need *everyone in the neighborhood to help make this a spectacular event.*

This is your opportunity to help show off the neighborhood. Start early telling all of your friends, co-workers etc. about this event.

There are plenty of volunteer opportunities for everyone in the neighborhood. We'll need Tour Guides, volunteers at check-in and the Dessert House, help with signs and advertising, ambassadors throughout the neighborhood, home greeters, bakers, servers, and more. There's a place for you /your talents in this special Holiday event!

If you are interested in joining the planning committee please contact Co-Chair Joan Spain at 254-6043 or by email at jspain2@woh.rr.com.

If you would like to have your home considered for the Tour, or would like to volunteer during the event, please contact Co-Chair Rosie Miller at 546-2569 or by email at: rosie.miller@gmail.com.

July 12 —Yard Sale Sign Contest — Enter and Win a \$35 Gift Card Signup Deadline Extended to July 7

Planning to participate in the Huffman Yard Sale on July 12th? Make your own unique, creative, one-of-a-kind sign to mark your personal sale and be automatically entered to win a **\$35 gift card!** HHNA Board members will come around during the day to judge all the signs for creativity, innovation and message effectiveness.

The winning sign designer will receive a \$35 National City Debit Card that can be used anywhere!

The winning sign and its designer will also be photographed for the August neighborhood newsletter. That's right...a little creativity earns \$35 more for your sale.

Last year's sale was a huge success, let's make this one even better. Spread the word about the sale. Call or e-mail all of your friends and ask them to tell their friends. Let's make this sale Huffman's biggest, best, and most creative sale ever! Don't have enough items for your own sale? Get together with neighbors, and have one big sale!

Final Registration: Complete and detach the form below. Place it in an envelope along with \$6.00 (make checks payable to Huffman Historic Neighborhood Association) and deliver it to Reception desk at Huffman Place – 100 Huffman Ave. To be included on the map, your registration must be received by 6:00 PM on July 7. If you have any questions regarding the sale, call Rosie Miller at 546-2569.

Huffman Neighborhood Garage Sale Registration Form

Name: _____

Sale Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

List some of the major items or types of items you are selling, the hours of your sale if not 9:00-4:00, and where your sale will be (front yard, back yard, porch, garage etc.).

