



# The Walnut Hills Newsletter

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**Next Meeting: Monday, September 8, 2008 at 7 PM  
Upper Level, Church on the Rock, 321 Edgar Ave.**

**It is summer time; we have no meeting in August! Committees may meet at any time. Call the committee chairperson listed below for details of any meetings.**

## *Volunteerism in Walnut Hills Makes a Difference*

*Bob and Maureen Lipps*

It's beginning to look like Walnut Hills Neighborhood Association (WHNA) has a new and exciting mission: bring together all Southeast Dayton neighborhoods to improve our quality of life. Last March the Walnut Hills Neighborhood Association hosted a **Chili Cook-off** at Cleveland School. Approximately 70 people from South Park, Twin Towers and Belmont participated in the fun.

Then in June WHNA hosted **Southeast Dayton Days** at Walnut Hills Park. More than 20 volunteers along with Harold Ayres, Mike Schommer, Bob Lipps and Gary Leitzell of the WHNA organized this event. Thank you volunteers! We couldn't have done it without you. Twin Towers, Belmont, and the Southeast Priority Board were also present. A big thank you to Kym Beasley, Cleveland School/University of Dayton representative, who provided and supervised the YMCA Moon-Bouncer. (continued on page 2)

## Walnut Hills Trivia

The first iron mold-board plow was brought into Dayton by Robert Edgar and used on his farm located in Walnut Hills. Previous to that the pioneers used plows made of the forks of hard wood saplings. Both here and abroad many persons are given credit for the development of the moldboard plow but the greatest improvements were made in America. The plow of colonial days was a heavy affair made of wood and wrought iron with a beam ten feet long. The point or share which cuts the soil was iron but the moldboard was of wood, often carved from a twisted tree trunk. It took several teams of horses or oxen to pull one and it needed repairs often. In 1797 a plow of solid cast iron was patented in New Jersey and soon Thomas Jefferson invented one with an improved moldboard which could be pulled more easily. In 1836 Daniel Webster made a special plow to break newly cleared land.

## **2007-2008 Dues are needed for our Programs!**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail \$2.00 to the Treasurer:  
Gamaliel Hartley  
126 Glencoe Avenue  
Dayton, Ohio 45410 (or any officer)

Tax deductible donations accepted.

**Membership from September 1, 2008 to August 31, 2009**

## **— Police Report —**

*Once again we have no Police Report this month. School is out so be certain not to leave valuables in your car overnight. We are being considered as a pilot neighborhood for the new police chiefs community policing program. Stay tuned!*

### \$7000 REWARD

FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE CONVICTION OF THE PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ARSON AT 260 INDIANA AVENUE ON JULY 16<sup>TH</sup> 2007  
Call 222-STOP if you have any information regarding this crime.

## Useful Phone Numbers

**Priority Board Office** 333-7373  
Connie Nisonger Coordinator

333-7380

### **Walnut Hills Association Officers**

President	Gary Leitzell	253-1359
Vice Pres.	Bob Lipps	256-8394
Secretary	Ella Smith	256-3855
Treasurer	Gamaliel Hartley	256-3121
S.E.P.B. Rep.	Mike Schommer	256-2516

### **Park Committee Chairpersons**

Harold and Ed Ayres 252-1067

**Drug Hotline** 333-3784

**Bulk Waste** 333-8774

**Housing Inspection** 333-3977

**Truancy Hotline** 542-3228

**Abandoned vehicles** 333-1038

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## *What's Happening in Your Neighborhood?*

For more up-to-date info go to  
[www.walnut hills.blogspot.com](http://www.walnut hills.blogspot.com)

### The Walnut Hills Playgroup

Each Wednesday, 11:00 AM, Walnut Hills Park.  
Call Gary for details 253-1359.

### Colorado Ave Baptist Church Chat N' Chew and Rummage Sale

Corner of Colorado and Heaton Avenues  
Saturday, September 13, 2008, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.  
New and Used Goods Sale plus Free-Will Luncheon  
(11:00AM-1:00 PM). Donations of salable items  
accepted. Call 256-1051.

Also, on the first Saturday of every month at 10:00 AM  
there is a prayer breakfast, and on the third Saturday of  
every month at 3:00 PM there is Game Day for adults.  
Brush up on your cards and scrabble skills!

### Neighborhood Alley Sweep

September 13, 2008  
Meet at the Church on the Rock at 8:30 AM.

## East End Newsletter

East End Community services will be producing an electronic newsletter on a monthly basis. If you wish to receive it, email [ajomantas@east-end.org](mailto:ajomantas@east-end.org) to be placed on their list of respondents.

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She also helped organize the Chili Cook-off. Special thanks to Ella Smith, Secretary WHNA, for making the Walnut Hills Bake Sale such a huge success. Ella's salesmanship and enthusiasm made what could have been a "flop" because of rain a \$200.00 profit for the WHNA. Thanks also to all the bakers who volunteered their time and goodies. On July 12, Bob and Maureen Lipps and Mike Schommer volunteered their time to run a bake sale at the **Appalachian Festival** held at the East End Community Center on Xenia Ave. This event netted \$168.00 for the WHNA.

I can't leave out our Southeast Priority Board representative, Mike Schommer, and other southeast Dayton volunteers who twice yearly remove litter from our roadways.

Volunteerism and inclusion of others is rewarding in many ways. Not only is it personally rewarding, but the Association earns money to host other WHNA events that makes our neighborhood a more attractive and exciting place to live.

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## **Play Smart- Register Your Bicycle with the City of Dayton Police Department**

Registration with the Dayton Police Department may help recover your bicycle if it is lost or stolen. You will receive additional information and identification stickers once completing the registration.

Go to <http://www.cityofdayton.org>. Locate Department, Police, Forms (located beneath Information), Bicycle Registration (on the right below Quick Hits.)

## **Portable Basketball Hoops**

Here is some useful information regarding the portable basketball hoops that sometimes appear on the street. The enforcement is done by the Department of Public Works and not the police department. Contact Dave Weinandy, Civil Engineering, at 333-3858 if you see a hoop in the street. He'll send notice to the violator.

Section 95.23 of the Revised Code of General Ordinances of the City of Dayton states: 1) No person shall participate in any game of play or athletic exercise on any roadway in the city. 2) It is illegal and unsafe for children or adults to play in a public street. 3) The use of portable basketball hoops can create a public nuisance. 4) Portable hoops are not visible after dark and do not have high-visibility markings, which can cause collisions with waste collection trucks, buses, or delivery vehicles.

Moreover, if the presence of the basketball hoop is causing the collection of trash and other waste materials it is in direct violation of section 95.21 of the Revised Code of General Ordinance. It is asked that the basketball hoop be moved from the public right-of-way, which usually begins at the property side of the sidewalk. If it is not removed, the City of Dayton has the right to remove it to alleviate the problem.

Section 95.999 states that any person who violates this provision will be guilty of a minor misdemeanor. Harrison and Jefferson Township follow the same restrictions. A notice is given to the owner after the first complaint. The owner is given two (2) days following the date of the warning notice to remove the equipment to an acceptable location. If the basketball hoop remains in violation the Township's Service Department will remove the equipment without further notice. The Owner has seven (7) days to claim the equipment or it will be disposed of.