



# The Walnut Hills Newsletter

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**Next Meeting: Monday, January 8, 2007 at 7 PM  
Upper Level Rock Kids Church 321 Edgar Ave.**

**Meeting agenda:** Minutes, Treasurer's report, Police report, Raffle Drawing, Special Improvement District discussion, Priority Board report, Presidents report, Housing Committee report, Fund Raising Committee report, Announcements, Comments, Adjourn.

**Housing Committee meets at 6:30 at the same location.**

## — Police Report —

*For 11/13/06 thru 12/13/06*

Unarmed Robbery.....	00
Armed Robbery.....	00
Purse Grabbing.....	00
Residential Burglaries.....	03
Garage Burglaries.....	04
Commercial Burglaries.....	02
Grand Theft Auto.....	11
Thefts from Auto.....	06
Vandalism.....	06
Residential Arson .....	03
Commercial Arson .....	01

## Light Up Your Christmas!

Fun holiday lighting and yard art adorned the Walnut Hills neighborhood. Area residents decked the halls to participate in the Walnut Hills Christmas Decorating Contest. Top honor went to the Dixon's at 1242 Carlisle Ave. They will receive \$25.00 for their gleeful holiday extravaganza. Joyce Riley, 1342 Epworth Ave., came in second and will receive a \$10.00 prize. Third place winner resides at 250 Medford Ave. They also will receive \$10.00. All winners will be recognized at the Jan. 8 meeting. Thanks to all residents who decorated their homes for the holidays. There were many beautiful displays.

## Useful Phone Numbers

**Priority Board Office 333-7373**

Ken Marcellus Community adviser  
333-7381

### Walnut Hills Association Officers

President	Gary Leitzell	253-1359
Vice Pres.	Lela Estes	254-4657
Secretary	Ella Smith	256-3855
Treasurer	Gamaliel Hartley	256-3121
S.E.P.B. Rep.	Mike Schommer	256-2516

### Housing Committee Chairperson

Beverly Dunnington 253-6266

### Fund Raising Committee Chairperson

Chad Snoke 258-2392

**Drug Hotline 333-3784**

**Bulk Waste 333-8774**

**Housing Inspection 333-3977**

**Truancy Hotline 542-3228**

**Abandoned vehicles 333-1038**

## Walnut Hills Trivia

### Neighborhood Housing Data

According to 2000 U.S. Census Data, there are 2,532 homes in the Walnut Hills Neighborhood with a 62% homeownership rate. 94.5% of current housing was built before 1970 with the median year structure being built in 1939. The average value of owner occupied housing units is \$70, 476. 51.6% of the population (around 2889 people) has moved in since 1995.

### Sheriff Sale Houses

These properties are listed for Sheriff Sale on the given date. If you know someone looking for a bargain property in Walnut Hills then let them know. This information is available at <http://www.montcnty.org/Sheriff/index.html>

01/05/07	533 Beckman St. (\$32,000 m.b.)
01/12/07	1309-1311 Wyoming St. (\$30,000 m.b.)
01/26/07	1331 Epworth Ave. (\$36,000 m.b.)

### 2006-2007 Dues are needed for our Programs!

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

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

Membership from September 1, 2006 to August 31, 2007

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

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

### **The Walnut Hills playgroup**

Wednesday 10:00 AM to Noon at the Colorado Ave Baptist Church, Lower Level. Call Gary if interested 253-1359 in case of cancellation.

### **Colorado Ave Baptist Church Christmas Bazaar and Rummage Sale**

Corner of Colorado and Heaton Avenues  
Saturday January 13th, 2007. 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM  
New and Used Goods Sale and Free will luncheon (11:00AM-1:00 PM). Donations of salable items accepted. Call 256-1051

### **Fund Raising Committee Meeting**

Thursday January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2007 6:30 PM at East Branch Library on Wyoming Ave.

## **Winter Raffle**

Tickets are \$1 or six for \$5.

Available from any of the officers or committee chairpersons listed on the front of this newsletter.

Drawing being held at the regular meeting on Monday January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2007. You can see a picture of the prize and details at  
[www.walnuthills.blogspot.com](http://www.walnuthills.blogspot.com)

Prize is a Compaq Presario Notebook Laptop computer. This thing is slick! It has the following;

- \*Intel Celeron M processor 420 with 533MHz front side bus, 1MB L2 cache and 1.6GHz processor speed
- \*512MB DDR2 memory for multitasking power, expandable to 2GB
- \*80GB Serial ATA hard drive (5400rpm)
- \*DVD-ROM/CD-RW combo drive
- \*15.4" WXGA wide screen high-definition display and 1280 x 800 resolution
- \*Built in high speed wireless LAN (802.11b/g); 10/1000Base-T Ethernet LAN with RJ-45 connector; 56 Kbps high-speed modem
- \*Intel Graphics Media Accelerator 950 with up to 128MB shared video memory
- \*2 High-speed USB 2.0 ports for fast digital video, audio and data transfer
- \*Weights 6.4 lbs and measures 1.8" thin for portable power

Comes with Microsoft works, Microsoft Money, Windows Media Player, Sonic Digital Media Plus, Adobe Acrobat Reader, Real Rhapsody and more.

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## ***Congratulations Twin Towers***

### **Dayton Announces Next Round of "ORION" Neighborhoods**

**Release Date: Tuesday, Dec. 12, 2006**

**Contact: Jessica Jenkins, City Manager's Office, 333-3675**

After evaluating proposals from 12 neighborhoods, the City of Dayton has selected participants for the next round of its neighborhood stabilization program, called the ORION Solution program.

The three neighborhoods selected to participate during the first half of 2007 are Five Oaks and Mt Vernon (combined) and Twin Towers. Three neighborhoods identified to participate in the program during the second half of 2007 are Westwood and Roosevelt (combined) and Old North Dayton.

The ORION program which was first announced last year, stands for "Organizing Resources to Improve Our Neighborhoods." The program's objective is to key coordinate key City services in targeted neighborhoods for a concentrated period of time. City departments work with neighborhood organizations and citizens to focus services like police, fire building inspection, recreation, and public works in areas that need the extra attention, according to circumstances that are immediately affecting residents who live there.

Twin Towers possess diverse housing stock ranging from well-maintained homes to vacant and boarded structures. They have an active Community Council and other options for citizen participation that can help with implementing the ORION efforts. There is also a good opportunity to collaborate with the nearby South Park Planning District. Crime issues are a leading neighborhood concern.

City of Dayton staff will be meeting with leaders from the selected neighborhoods early next year. At that time, residents and appropriate departments will coordinate efforts to best deal with the individual neighborhood concerns.

## **Wayne Avenue Kroger Plans**

It looks like the new plans for the new Wayne/Wyoming Kroger have been drawn up. Visit <http://www.dayton.mostmetro.com>, Blogs & News, Dayton Neighborhoods, and click on the picture for a larger view.

Newsletter distributors are needed for Carlisle, Creighton, Arbor and Pursell Avenues. This area hasn't been receiving newsletters for some time and as a result, missed out on the yard sale event. Call Gary at 253-1359 or Mike at 256-2516 to volunteer to deliver to your block.