



# The Walnut Hills Newsletter

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**Next Meeting: Monday, March 9, 2009 at 6:30 PM  
Cleveland Elementary School Cafeteria**

*Meeting agenda:* All you can eat chili!

## 4th Annual Chili Cook-off!!!

### Interesting Crime Statistics

Below is a list of reported crimes for Walnut Hills for 2007 and 2008. This information is from the Dayton Police Department dated 2/18/09. Overall, reported crime is UP 8% in Walnut Hills over the previous year. Southeast Dayton crime is up 2.5%

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>		<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Kidnap/abduction	1	1	Theft of vehicle parts	11	12
Forcible rape	6	2	All other larceny	76	94
Forcible fondling	2	3	Motor vehicle theft	39	30
Armed robbery	4	5	Counterfeiting/forgery	4	5
Commercial armed robbery	1	1	Swindling/confidence	4	5
Commercial unarmed robbery	4	6	Impersonation	1	1
Unarmed robbery	6	5	Welfare fraud	0	1
Aggravated assault	13	10	Stolen property offenses	4	7
Simple assault	108	116	Vandalism	84	89
Menacing	42	37	Drug/narcotic violations	17	25
Commercial arson	0	1	Drug equipment violations	7	19
Residential arson	4	5	Incest	0	1
Commercial burglary	5	12	Pornography/obscene material	0	1
Resid burglary/garage-shed	18	33	Assisting prostitution	2	2
Residential burglary	73	95	Weapon law violations	4	9
Pocket picking	2	2	Curfew/loitering/vagrancy	1	0
Purse snatching	1	0	Disorderly conduct	12	18
Shoplifting	67	50	Liquor law violations	2	3
Theft from building	34	31	Trespass of real property	16	24
Theft from motor vehicle	43	43	All other offenses	85	64
			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>803</b>	<b>868</b>

### Walnut Hills Trivia

In 1909 Rev. Drury wrote the following about the Dayton State Hospital located at the foot of Wayne Ave.: "The institution proper stands in a beautiful grove broken and varied with well-kept lawns, three lakes and flower plots. The view of the surrounding country (Walnut Hills Neighborhood) from the high land on which the institution is located cannot be surpassed by any location in Dayton and vicinity."

### 2008-2009 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, 2008 to August 31, 2009**

### ~Police Report ~

**No police report. We have an officer committed to coming to our meetings now but they did not furnish us with a report for December.**

### \$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  
**Residential Committee Contact**  
Jim Weir 259-0770

**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)

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

Corner of Colorado and Heaton Avenues  
Saturday, March 14, 2009, 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.

March 22<sup>nd</sup> The Gospel River Boys in concert 5:00 PM at the church. Spaghetti dinner to follow. Free will offering.

Also, on the first Saturday of every month at 10:00 AM there is a prayer breakfast. Wednesdays at 5:30 PM is Youth Bible Study. Tuesday and Wednesday at 6:30 is Adult Bible Study.

### Cleveland School Events

- **Zumba Class:** Thursdays, 4:00 – 5:00 PM  
Cleveland School Gym \$2 (adults)
- **Martial Arts:** K-8th grade, Tues. and Thursdays 4:00 -5:00 PM
- **Family Fun Night:** Third Friday of every month, 6:00 to 8:00 PM. Open Gym and board games for all ages.
- **Chili Cook – Off:** March 9, 2009

### **EASTER EGG HUNT**

April 11, 2009 Walnut Hills Park

### **Neighborhood Yard Sale**

May 15 – 17, 2009

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## WALNUT HILLS ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT



Saturday April 11, 2009  
WALNUT HILLS PARK  
Easter Egg Hunt begins at NOON

Hey everybody, it's that time of year when those bunnies lay funny colored eggs and leave them in our neighborhood park! We invite the local children to search for eggs. This is a **FREE** event and a great time for everyone! We need 5 volunteers to help decorate and hide eggs and supervise the egg hunters. Please contact Ella at (937) 256-3855 after 1:30 PM.

**Egg hunt is limited to children ages 0 through 12- No Exceptions!**  
**Hunts begin at noon.**

**Meet at the sidewalk beside the tennis courts for the egg hunt.**

## State Roadway Clean-Up

Walnut Hills is heading a joint clean-up through the Southeast Priority Board. We are gathering a group together to participate in the March 28, 2009 "State Roadway Clean-Up." The event will begin at 9:00 a.m. at Fifth Third Field and will feature guest speakers, food and door prizes. Anyone interested in participating will need to contact Mike Schommer at 256-2516. We will meet at Dragon's Stadium. In order to keep the group together, we need to know who will be coming ahead of time. We'll leave Dragon's Stadium after the extravaganza and head to our clean-up site. Our group will clean one of Interstate 35's exit and entrance ramps in Southeast Dayton. It promises to be a fun filled day, and it's a great way to meet other like-minded people.

## Donate Your Aluminum Cans

The Walnut Hills Neighborhood Association is still collecting aluminum cans to raise funds for neighborhood projects. Cans are collected at Association meetings (second Monday of the month), or they can be dropped off at 119 Indiana Ave. Just leave them on the front porch. Thanks for your participation!

## Hardcourt Bike Polo

The Dayton Bike Polo players practice Sunday afternoons at the old in-line hockey rink at Walnut Hills Park. Doug D. of Brooklyn, New York said, "The court in Dayton is one of the very best and I think many polo players will agree with me. It's a full size roller hockey rink with well built boards, held in a nice park on a hill on the East side of Dayton know as Walnut Hills."

To learn more about this sport, contact Doug at [hardcourtbikepolo.com](http://hardcourtbikepolo.com), and don't miss out on the 6<sup>th</sup> Midwest Bike Polo Championship Tournament, Sunday, May 24, 2009 at Walnut Hills Park.

## Newsletter Distributors Needed

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