

Huffman Highlights

January 2012



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Upcoming Events

- **January 9**—HHNA Membership Meeting, 7 p.m., Huffman Place (100 Huffman Ave.)
- **January 14**—Gathering at the Watsons', 6 p.m. (see next page for details)
- **January 16**—HHNA Executive Board Meeting, 7 p.m.
- **February 6**—HHNA Membership Meeting and Elections, 7 p.m., Huffman Place (100 Huffman Ave.)

From the President's Parlor by Rosie Miller

Happy New Year! I think 2012 is going to be a year of great progress in Huffman but it will only be possible with neighbor involvement. So make this the year that you become an active member of the neighborhood.

As 2011 came to a close I looked back on the many good things that took place in Huffman during the year. We had a number of social events that were quite successful and fun with many new faces attending. The 2011 Garage sale was one of the most successful ever, and we received a lot of positive feedback from our shoppers. Many neighbors participated in keeping the area gardens in good shape; Jamieson Memorial Garden at 4th and Ringgold got a fresh face with a lot of weeding and tree and bush trimming, and the Community Garden on Centre St. was overflowing with flowers and vegetables to go with it's new sign. (Thank you, Rhonda Hebert.)

The number of homes with outside Christmas lights this year seemed to me to be an indicator of cheer and good will. In addition, there are new Huffman Historic Area banners on E. Third Street just in time to highlight all of the improvements being done by Juan Urbieta and Urbieta Construction.

As you look around the neighborhood you can't help but notice progress being made on almost every street. St. Mary Development Corporation is moving along nicely with the renovation of the Ringgold St. properties. Much improvement was made in the past year in the 100 block of Huffman Ave and it is looking very nice. A number of homes throughout the neighborhood received fresh coats of paint, and landscape improvement. Sidewalk and porch repairs were made at several locations. One

of the biggest eyesores, 100 Linden Ave., is being brought back to life by Sandy and Wayne McNamara. Plans are under way for a number of the burned out properties to come down in 2012.

With the economy slowly improving there is renewed interest in purchasing property in the city. Huffman has a number of properties just waiting for someone to lend a caring hand to bring it back to it's original beauty. There are also wonderful properties already renovated available for sale and/or rent. Spread the word to friends, relatives, and co-workers: Huffman's star is rising.

Rosie Miller
President
Huffman Historic
Neighborhood Association

First Huffman Social Event of the Year

Huffman's first social event of the year will be an adults only gathering on

Saturday,

January 14 at the home of Lee and Shirley Watson (19 Linden Ave.). All Huffman residents are invited. Plan to arrive at Lee and Shirley's any time after 6:00 PM. Ham and meatballs will be provided. Bring one or your favorite dishes to share as well as any preferred beverages.



at the summer party, let's see if we can top that at this party.

Never been to a Huffman event before? Don't be shy, start the year off right by meeting your neighbors. For additional information call Rosie Miller, 546-2569, or email Rosie at rosie.miller@gmail.com.

See you there!

We had such a great variety of delicious foods

Defend Your (Neighborhood) Constitutional Rights! by Jeff Heath

Don't let anyone tread on you as you seek representation without taxation!

Nominations for the Board of Trustees of your Historic Huffman Neighborhood Association are due by the end of the next Neighborhood General Membership Meeting:

- Who: You, your family & neighbors
- When: 7:00pm this Monday, **January 9, 2012**
- Where: Huffman Place Dining Room, 100 Huffman Avenue
- Why: To make the neighborhood better for YOU!



Elections will take place at the Neighborhood Membership Meeting:

- When: 7:00pm Monday, **February 6, 2012**
- Where: Huffman Place Dining Room, 100 Huffman Avenue

Those who wish to vote need to be residents of the Huffman Historic District and have paid their 2012 dues on or before 1/9/2012.

Dues are only:

- \$ 5.00 single person
- \$ 10.00 entire family

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The Holiday Tree Recycling Program



After the holidays are over, what do you do with the tree? Now through January 31, 2012, Montgomery County Solid Waste District will take the leftover live trees free of charge for recycling

at both facilities. The trees should be free of ornaments, tree stands, nails and plastic bags. These trees will be recycled into mulch by a local contractor. Montgomery County residents may bring in up to three trees per vehicle for recycling at no charge through January 31, 2012. Additional trees and general trash and solid waste will be charged at the standard rates.

The Holiday Tree Recycling Program is popular because it offers citizens an easy and environmentally sensitive way to dispose of their trees after the holidays and it saves on landfill space.

The Montgomery County South Solid Waste Facility is located at 1001 Encrete Lane in Moraine and the North Facility at 6589 Old Webster Street in Vandalia. Hours of operation are from 6:00 a.m. until 8 p.m., Monday to Friday and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday.

For additional information, please visit www.mcswd.org or call 225-4999 between 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Children's Event Chairperson Needed

We would like to plan a Valentine's event for the children in the neighborhood as well as a number of other events throughout the year. We need a few volunteers to form a committee to help get these events planned and organized. If you are interested in helping email Rosie Miller at rosie.miller@gmail.com.





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Important Phone Numbers

- Police: 333-COPS (2677)
- Weed-n-Seed: 461-9333
Weed-n-Seed is a number that you can call to report suspicious activity including prostitution.
- City Hall: 333-3333
- Fire Department: 333-FIRE (3473)
- Abandoned Vehicles: 333-1038 Or 1058
- Animal Control: 898-4457
- Dead Animal Removal: 333-4800
- Garbage Collection: 333-4800
- Bulk Pick-up: 333-4833
Call to schedule a pick up of large trash items. Items can't be set out more than 24 hours before the scheduled pick-up.
- Housing Codes: 333-3959

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