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MAYOR'S REPORT BY MAYOR JOHN D. LINK

In January, our Fire and EMS Department honored Chris Schutte who retired after serving our community for 25 years. We would like to wish Chris well, thank him for all his years of service and all he has done for the community. Currently, our Fire and EMS Department is having a volunteer drive to attract individuals who would like to get involved and volunteer in our community. This is a good time to join the department. Many thanks go to all the volunteers that worked the Friday fish fry's to make it another successful community builder. Thank you again!

In February, the City of Edgewood purchased 6.6 acres of land adjacent to Presidents Park located in the rear of the park to the right of the tennis courts. Due to the topography, this acreage lends itself to hiking and walking trails and cannot be levelled for soccer, baseball or football fields. Developing this area is going to be a long term project involving a group of residents and city council members working to bring forth ideas, to make this area a wonderful addition to our park.

Recently, the city met with the Edgewood and Lyndale residents to discuss the time table for design and materials that will be used to construct the two streets. They will have a new concrete curb and roadway surface, along with a sidewalk on the Edgewood Road section. Weather permitting the paving will start in August or September with anticipated completion in fall 2017. Even with this construction underway we are still committed to continue our other street replacements and repairs within the city.

The Memorial Day ceremony will be held on Monday, May 30th at Freedom Park at 10:00 am. In case of rain, the ceremony will be moved into the Senior Center. So rain or shine we will have the ceremonies. If you have a worn or tattered flag that needs to be disposed of, please drop it by the city building for proper disposal during the ceremony.

Last year our July 4th parade started at Caywood Elementary and Turkeyfoot Middle schools parking lot due to the construction on Lyndale and Edgewood Roads. The parade will again begin at this location due to the major construction on Lyndale and Edgewood Roads. This year is the 55th anniversary of the parade so decorate those trailers and trucks and get the neighborhood young adults involved in the July 4th activities. This year's theme is "Land of the Free, Home of the Brave".

Please check inside the newsletter for the upcoming events we are offering in May and June. The City Wide Yard sale is on Saturday, May 14th, the free Friday Night Flick will be held on June 3rd at Freedom Park and the Shred Event is returning to Freedom Park on Saturday, June 4th from 9am - 12pm. I hope to see you at one or more of these events.

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by Program Coordinator, Michelle M. Frisch

SUMMER CAMPS

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Kids and summer wouldn't be complete without attending a summer camp involving their favorite sport or hobby. The camps taught at COVINGTON CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL are known to be some of the best in Northern Kentucky. Learn from the area's top instructors and players on the CCH campus. Registrations may be made online at covcath.org/camps. Enjoy your summer!

Notre Dame Academy

Notre Dame Academy offers a variety of summer camps for kids this summer. Please visit www.ndapandas.org for more information and registration information.

GOOD NEIGHBOR GUIDELINES

Edgewood residents please review the Good Neighbor Guidelines which have been included in this month's newsletter. The information included provides key information on nuisances, blight, fences, parking, pets, sidewalks, signs and much more. This information is also available on the city website at: <http://edgewoodky.gov/administration/good-neighbor-guidelines/>.

CHICKEN OR FOWL PERMIT

On October 19, 2015 the City of Edgewood enacted a Chicken or Fowl Ordinance in response to requests of residents to raise chickens at their residence. The Ordinance can be found at: [http://library.amlegal.com/nxt/gateway.dll/Kentucky/edgewood_ky/cityofedgewoodcodeofordinances?f=templates&fn=default.htm\\$3.0\\$vid=amlegal:edgewood_ky](http://library.amlegal.com/nxt/gateway.dll/Kentucky/edgewood_ky/cityofedgewoodcodeofordinances?f=templates&fn=default.htm3.0vid=amlegal:edgewood_ky). In order, for a person to have custody of a chicken on their property they must fill out and submit an application for approval or denial for a permit. Application can be found at: <http://edgewoodky.gov/wp-content/uploads/2013/05/Chicken.Fowl-Application.pdf>. Once the application has been submitted the applicant will be notified if the permit is approved or denied via mail or e-mail.

FREEDOM PARK YARD SALE

The city is sponsoring the annual Freedom Park Yard Sale on Saturday, May 14 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at Freedom Park. Residents may reserve a space at the park for \$20.00 spaces fill up quickly so reserve now. The cost includes one table, two chairs, a garage sale permit, and our General Services Department hauling away any unwanted items to charity. The Recreation Committee will be sponsoring concessions. Residents are responsible for their own setup, pricing and petty cash.

In addition to the Freedom Park Yard Sale vendors, other residents are **encouraged to have yard sales at their homes** on Saturday May 14. Residents will still need to

apply for a \$5 permit at the city building and all regular rules apply. The benefit of having a yard sale the same day as the Freedom Park yard sale is that the city will have a listing of all the yard sales in the city on May 14 at the Freedom Park sale. This will give bargain hunters an opportunity to make a day of yard sale shopping in Edgewood.

MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

The annual Memorial Day Ceremony will be held at 10 a.m., at Freedom Park, on Monday, May 30. Boy Scout Troop 779 will be collecting tattered and worn flags to be properly disposed of at the ceremony. If you cannot make it to the ceremony you may drop-off your flags at the city building and we will make sure to give them to the scouts. If you have any questions about the ceremony please call or email Michelle M. Frisch at mfrisch@edgewoodky.gov.

FRIDAY NIGHT FLICK

The City of Edgewood, City of Erlanger and the Kenton County Library – Erlanger Branch proudly announce the start of the Friday Night Flick series. One Friday a month in June, July and August a free movie will be shown at one of the locations. The first movie night will be Friday, June 3, 2016 at Freedom Park on the soccer field. The Disney Pixar movie, Inside Out, will be shown on the soccer field at dusk. Kona Ice will be available for purchase as well as other food vendors. Family friendly games will be available to play starting at 8pm. Come out and enjoy a family movie night at the park! See enclosed flyer for details.

FREE SHRED EVENT

The City of Edgewood and the City of Crestview Hills will be offering a free shred event at Freedom Park on Saturday, June 4, 2016 from 9am – 12pm. Residents are allowed to bring up to five (5) brown paper bags of documents to shred. For more information, please go to www.edgewoodky.gov.

SUMMER TENNIS CLINIC

Tennis Pro Tim Mitchell will be offering two summer sessions of tennis lessons for all levels of ability and ages at Presidents Park starting in June and July. Lessons offered will be Quickstart, Junior Beginner (ages 7-14), Junior Advanced Beginner, Junior Prep, Adult Beginner (ages 15 & up), Advanced Beginner, Junior Prep (ages 10-14) and Intermediate. All lessons will be held at Presidents Park tennis courts 283 Dudley Road, Edgewood, KY 41017. In-person registration will be held near the tennis courts on Saturday, June 4, 2016 and Saturday July 9, 2016 at Presidents Park from 9am – 1pm. Registration Deadline is Saturday, June 4, 2016 for Session I and July 9, 2016 for Session II– **NO EXCEPTIONS**. Please see enclosed flyer for more information.

EDGEWOOD DAY at Brookwood Swim Club - Saturday June 11th.

Come enjoy Brookwood Swim Club for the day! Residents who show their ID will have free entrance to the pool all day on Saturday, June 11, 2016. Amenities include: a large swimming pool, separate baby pool, diving area, tennis courts, basketball court and a snack bar with reasonably-priced items. It is the 60th Anniversary of Brookwood Swim Club come out and celebrate!

TUESDAY EVENING SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

The 2016 concert series begins on Tuesday, June 14 with Robin Lacy and the DeZydeco Band and runs through August 30. Mark your calendars to spend Tuesday evenings at Presidents Park this summer. All concerts begin at 7 p.m. and are free to the public. Noce's Pizza and Kona Ice will be available at all performances for purchase. **Special thanks to our sponsor Hummel Hatfield Insurance Agency.** Please see the enclosed flyer for a complete listing of performances.

12TH ANNUAL AMATEUR GARDENER RECOGNITION AWARD

The City of Edgewood is recognizing amateur gardeners whose personal dedication and love of gardening creates beautiful spaces, large and small, and are an inspiration to all who see them. The garden should be maintained and representative of gardening at its best. The nominee must agree to have his/her name submitted and to allow the judges to visit the garden to evaluate it. If the garden is **professionally** maintained it is not eligible as this is an amateur award. The deadline for nominations is June 15. Judging will take place the week of June 21. Drop off nomination forms at the city building.

***** 39TH ANNUAL 4TH OF JULY ACTIVITIES *****

5K RACE

The 39th Annual City of Edgewood/Tri-State Running Independence Day 5K Race will begin at Presidents Park at **7:30 a.m.** on **Monday, July 4**. The race includes divisions for both runners and walkers and a children's fun run. Anyone interested in participating can pick-up a registration form at the City Building or register online at www.edgewood5k.com until Wednesday, June, 22th. Pre-registration is recommended to avoid long lines on race day. Registration will end at 7:00 a.m. on the 4th of July. **Race will start promptly at 7:30 am. Pre-registered participants will be able to pick up shirts, numbers and chips at Tri-State Running, 148 Barnwood Drive.** Packet pick-up for the City of Edgewood/Tri-State Running Company 5K will be at the store on Tuesday June 28th (10 to 8), Wednesday June 29th (10 to 8), Thursday June 30th (10 to 8), Friday July 1st (10 to 6), Saturday July 2nd (10-6) and Sunday July 3rd (12 to 5).

We need many volunteers to work the race, distributing water, timers, etc. Please call Michelle M. Frisch at 331-5910 or email at mfrisch@edgewoodky.gov if you can volunteer.

PARADE

The parade will begin at the Caywood Elementary and Turkeyfoot Middle School campus at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, July 4. This year's theme is "Land of the Free, Home of the Brave". The City is also celebrating the 55th Anniversary of the parade. Please visit our website at www.edgewoodky.gov for the parade route. The route was altered due to construction on Lyndale Road. **No walkers are permitted in the parade route, all participants must be mobile.** Plaques will be awarded to the Best Original Entry, Best Performing Entry and Best Entry Honoring the theme. Anyone interested in entering a float or vehicle in the parade must contact Michelle M. Frisch at mfrisch@edgewoodky.gov to reserve a spot. There will be a brief awards ceremony following the parade at the flagpole in Presidents Park.

FREE CONCERT IN FREEDOM PARK

Come early for the fireworks and enjoy the classic rock of "Red Idle". The concert begins at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 4 and will continue until the fireworks begin around 9:30 pm. Food Vendors and Kona Ice will be available for purchases of food and beverages.

ROZZI FIREWORKS AT FREEDOM PARK

And of course we've saved the best for last! Rozzi's has a fabulous display in store for us. The fireworks begin around 9:30 pm on Monday, July 4. Bring a blanket and come early! **Rain date for the fireworks is Tuesday, July 5. Please save the enclosed flyer for a listing of all the activities.**

WE NEED RECREATION COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS!

We are asking for your help, if you are interested in meeting new people, serving your community and spending fun quality time with your family while volunteering, then you may want to consider joining the recreation committee. The committee is a laid back, informal group of your fellow residents who meet once a month to discuss and plan programs and events. The committee also staffs those events and programs as needed and when their schedules allow.

If you are interested in volunteering and want to come see what's involved and meet some of our current volunteers, we will be having an informal "Check Us Out" on **Tuesday, June 14, 6:00 p.m., at the Jefferson Shelter in Presidents Park.** This is our annual summer family picnic meeting. There is also a concert scheduled for that evening at 7 p.m. We will be serving dinner, so if you are interested in attending or would like more information on meeting dates or what else is involved please contact Michelle M. Frisch at mfrisch@edgewoodky.gov to R.S.V.P. or for more information.

Vacation Checks

Are you planning to go on vacation this summer? If so, let the Edgewood Police Department know about your travel plans. We'll perform regular checks on your residence while you are gone to help ensure there are no issues. If you don't have an alarm system in your home, we even have portable alarms that we can install for the duration of your vacation. Please call 859-331-5911 to set up a vacation check or to get more information. You can now set up your vacation check online at: <http://edgewoodky.gov/police/forms/vacation-house-check-form/>.

Fireman Mike Says... by Firefighter Mike Constantino

Hopefully everyone remembered to change the batteries in their smoke detectors back in March when moving the clocks forward. If not, it isn't too late, so do it now! Thanks to all who stopped by and said hello at the Senior Expo in March. We had a great time and I hope the information we passed out was helpful. I'd like to touch base on Planning an Escape from your home in case of a fire:

- MAKE a home escape plan. Draw a map showing the doors/windows and discuss with family members.
- KNOW at least 2 ways out of every room, if possible.
- HAVE an outside meeting place (tree, light pole, mailbox, neighbors house) a safe distance from the home.
- PRACTICE your home fire drill at night and during the day at least twice a year.
- PRACTICE using different ways out.
- TEACH children how to escape on their own in case you can't help them.
- CLOSE doors behind you as you leave.

IF THE ALARM SOUNDS...

- If the smoke alarm sounds, GET OUT AND STAY OUT. Never go back inside for people or pets.
- If you have to escape through smoke, GET LOW and GO under the smoke to your way out.
- CALL the 911 (Fire Department) from outside your home.



If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Fireman Mike at mconstantino@edgewoodky.gov or call 341-2628.

Volunteers Needed.....

The Edgewood Fire Department is always recruiting volunteers, who want to make a difference in the community and make lifelong friendships. We want hardworking, dedicated, and team oriented people that will become the future of this department.

If you would like to be involved and like a challenge; we are here to provide the challenge. Will you step up and accept? Contact the Edgewood Fire Department for more information. Phone number is (859) 813-2628. Applications are currently being accepted until May 4th.

Councilman Barlage's Edgewood History Notes:

1963 was a big year of growth in the current city of Edgewood. The St. Pius X Parish grew so quickly in the first five years that a new classroom wing was built, the Southern Hills Fire Department was working on a new Fire Station to be opened on Dudley Road the following year and The Brookwood Country Club added 4 new tennis courts, a new sun deck, an indoor locker facility to meet the needs of the growing population. On a related note, 2016 marks the 60th Anniversary of the Brookwood Swim Club. If you have any historical items related to our community (or the Swim Club), photographs, slides, 8mm movies or other paraphernalia depicting years gone by, we would be very interested in producing a copy for our archive. Please contact the City Building or Ben Barlage at BenBarlage@aol.com.

STREET REPAIR AND RECONSTRUCTION LIST FOR 2016

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Green Lawn Drive
Kruer Court
Braddock Court – from Prestwicke Drive to the cul-de-sac

CONCRETE RECONSTRUCTION

Laurel Oak Court – from Timber Ridge to cul-de-sac

CONCRETE RECONSTRUCTION ALREADY IN PROGRESS

Lyndale and Edgewood Roads – Both streets will have new storm sewers, new water lines and a new street when complete. Anticipated completion date is Fall of 2017.

RUMPKE TRASH & RECYCLING

Rumpke trash information – residents can have two 95 gallon containers or one 95 gallon container and up to three (3) additional bags per trash pickup. Yard waste – if it doesn't fit in the trash container then it must be bundled in three foot sections in order for Rumpke to take it. **If residents have larger items to dispose of such as furniture, residents must call Rumpke in advance at 859-472-7339** to arrange pick up. Mattresses and upholstered furniture must be wrapped in plastic before setting out to the curb. For the most updated information regarding trash and recycling in our city, please visit: www.rumpke.com.