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MAYOR'S REPORT BY MAYOR JOHN D. LINK

Mayor's Letter

Once a year our Fire and EMS Department have an appreciation dinner to thank all who have worked and volunteered throughout the year. Mr. Jim Flynn was honored by the department for his twenty-four (24) years in the Fire and EMS Department and his service to the community. This year's Firefighter of the Year recognition was given to Jake Easterling and the EMT of the Year was awarded to Lisa Kelly. Each of these individuals are voted by the membership to receive these awards. Thanks to all the Fire and EMS who serve our community.

Again by popular demand our Fire/EMS "are cooking up a storm of fish" at the Edgewood Senior Center on Fridays until April 3rd from 5-8pm. Anyone interested in carryout orders can call (859) 331-0033. All proceeds from the fish fry go to a needy family in our city during the holiday season. So mark your calendars to join us for the fish fry!

Our annual Easter Egg hunt will be held at Freedom Park on Saturday, March 21, 2015 at 2pm for ages 3-8. The Easter bunny will be at the park for pictures so please bring your camera for that once in a lifetime picture. Please be sure to be at the park early so you can get to your age groups designated location. In case of inclement weather the activities will be held in the Senior Center.

The Dudley Hill project will begin again as soon as weather permits. The contractor will be completing the sidewalk, paving from Winding Trails to Sperti Drive and concreting from Sperti Drive to KY 17 intersection. We appreciate your patience during this construction project.

This year we will be performing asphalt road repairs and replacement throughout the city. Our Public Works Department will need to complete the prep work on the asphalt streets before they can mill and pave them and will be completed by summer or early fall. We will have a full list of streets in the next city newsletter. The Edgewood and Lyndale road project is still in the engineering phase and we are anticipating a target completion of 2018 for those streets. Prior to starting this project there will be a considerable amount of work to be done with the water lines, gas lines and storm water drainage.

Spring is just around the corner and we have many events in the city to bring family and friends together. We hope you can make it to one or more activities and enjoy all that the City of Edgewood has to offer.

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RECREATION CORNER with Michelle

by Program Coordinator, Michelle M. Frisch

PROPERTY TAX BILLS

by City Clerk Jeanette Kemper
REMINDER! PROPERTY TAX BILLS ARE DUE APRIL 30th, 2015. You may pay your bill with Visa, MasterCard or Discover on our website, www.edgewoodky.gov and click on View Pay PROPERTY TAX or to pay your bill by phone call (859) 331-5910.

SENIOR EXPO

A Senior Expo will be held at the Senior Center on Thursday, March 12, from 2-4 p.m. The expo will feature a wide variety of information focusing on senior interests. The expo is free to all seniors. The St. Elizabeth Stroke and Cardiovascular Mobile Unit will be on hand for four different screenings. Appointments can be made from 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm by calling (859) 301 – WELL (9355). Each screening costs \$25.00. For more information on the Senior Expo call Michelle M. Frisch at (859) 331-5910 or e-mail at mfrisch@edgewoodky.gov.

EASTER EGG HUNT AT FREEDOM PARK

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, March 21, 2:00 p.m., at **FREEDOM PARK**. The egg hunt is for children ages 3-8 and will include a visit from the Easter Bunny. The Easter Bunny will be available after the hunt for pictures. **You must bring your own camera.** There will be special prize tickets in each age group inside eggs. You can redeem prize tickets in Noll Shelter. In case of inclement weather, children can still visit with the bunny and collect eggs in the senior center. **PARKING IS LIMITED, ARRIVE EARLY. THE EGG HUNT STARTS PROMPTLY AT 2:00 P.M. NO PARENTS ARE ALLOWED IN THE HUNT AREAS.** No registration is required..

ACOUSTIC JAM

The Acoustic Jam is held on the fourth Thursday of each month from 6pm – 9pm at the Edgewood Senior Center. Come out and see the “Pickers and Grinders” showcase their talents and get a chance to showcase yours during the open mic session. The March Acoustic Jam will be on March 26th and the April Acoustic Jam will be held on April 23rd.

FREE GOLF CLINIC

Free golf clinic provided by the Kenton County Golf Course on Saturday, March 28, 2015 at 1:30pm. Please e-mail Michelle M. Frisch for more details at mfrisch@edgewoodky.gov or call (859) 331-5910.

ANTI BULLYING SEMINAR

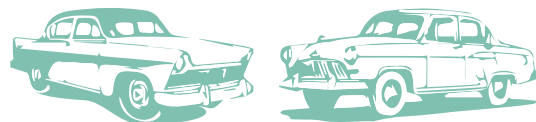
Counterforce Self Defense and the Kenton County Sheriff's Office are presenting a Free Anti-Bullying Class. The Kenton County Sheriff's Office is teaming up with a local martial arts school, Counterforce Self Defense will present “Done with Bullying,” a free anti-bullying seminar for children ages 8-14 at the Edgewood Senior Center on Saturday April, 11 from 10a.m. – 2p.m. We are proud to bring the “Done with Bullying” program to Kenton County for the first time. The free program is aimed at teaching practical strategies for identifying and dealing with bullying behavior and how to “buddy” rather than “bully” others. Parents are welcome to come and be a part of this event. Children will be able to participate in role playing scenarios and other fun drills throughout the seminar. Some basic self-defense skills will also be taught to the children as well as some “verbal Judo” skills. Together we can make a difference in our community! For more specific information on the program, please contact Jeremy Adams with Counterforce Self Defense at (859) 816-9983. There is a limit of 50 Edgewood children and registration is required for this event, please e-mail Michelle M. Frisch to register at mfrisch@edgewoodky.gov or call (859) 331-5910.

CRYSTAL CLEAR SCIENCE PRESENTS “Terrific Toys”

Children will be dazzled by the impressive science demonstrations in this spectacular show! Terrific Toys teaches big ideas and energy usage of classic old school toys. Learn about current and static electricity with games like operation and etch-a-sketch and toys like poppers and hula hoops teach about gravity and friction. Here's your chance to hear, see and feel the science! Crystal Clear Scientists will be at the Edgewood Senior Center on Saturday, April 18th. Registration begins at 10:00 am and the program begins at 10:30 a.m. and will last approximately 1 hour. It is designed for children **ages 5-12** and is for **Edgewood residents only**. There is no charge for the event, however, pre-registration is required and space is limited to the first 100 children to sign-up. Parents are encouraged to stay with their child. Please email Michelle M. Frisch at mfrisch@edgewoodky.gov to reserve a spot or call (859) 331-5910. Please see the enclosed flyer.

EDGEWOOD CAR SHOW

April 25th from 2 pm to 5 pm the Edgewood Recreation Committee is hosting their third car show at Freedom Park. The car show will be held before the Amazing Race, and there will be a wide variety of makes, and models and years of cars in attendance. There will also be judging of the cars, all done by spectators. The registration fee for the show is \$5.00. Go to www.edgewoodky.gov for registration information.



EDGEWOOD'S “AMAZING RACE” ROAD RALLY

Edgewood's version of the “Amazing Race” will be held on Saturday, April 25th at 6:30 p.m., at the Senior Center. If you haven't tried this, you don't know what you are missing. Teams can be families, friends, neighbors, seniors or any group of 2-6 people. Teams will have two hours to take photographs, gather items, complete challenges and solve puzzles and then return to the senior center. Pizza and drinks will be provided while judges tally the scores. Prizes will be awarded for 1st-3rd place. Teams will need to bring a digital camera with a large enough screen for viewing photos. You may use your cell phone if the photos can be easily viewed and are of a good quality. If a photo can not be seen clearly you will not receive points for the photo. You must pre-register for this event; space is limited to the first 25 teams to sign-up. Stop in to the city building to sign up, the cost per group is \$25. If you have any questions email Michelle M. Frisch at mfrisch@edgewoodky.gov or call (859) 331-5910.

ART, CRAFT AND JEWELRY CLASSES by Terri Brass

All classes will be held at the Senior Center at 550 Freedom Park Drive, Edgewood, KY 41017. The classes will be held on the following dates and times:

Class	Dates	Times	Cost
Beaded Angel	March 19 th	9am – 10am	\$12.00
Beaded Sports Fan Bracelet	March 19 th	10am -11am	\$15.00
Clay Bead Making	March 19 th	11am-12:30pm	\$20.00
Garden Stone Mosaic (2 classes)	March 19 th AND March 26th	1pm – 3pm	\$30.00
Beaded Sports Fan Bracelet	March 26 th	9am-10am	\$15.00
Clay Bead Making	March 26 th	10-11:30am	\$20.00
Creative Garden Art	March 26 th OR May 6th	11:30am-12:30pm	\$18.00
Beaded Sports Fan Bracelet	May 6 th	9am -10am	\$15.00
Beaded Angel	May 6 th	10am-11am	\$12.00

The classes are for adults or children ages 8 or older. You must pre-register for the class. Registration forms are available at the city building. All class fees include supplies needed for class. For more information, please call Michelle M. Frisch at (859) 331-5910 or e-mail mfrisch@edgewoodky.gov.

SUMMER SOFTBALL LEAGUES

Recreational summer softball leagues are being offered on Wednesday nights for Men and on Sunday nights for Coed teams. League play will begin May 6th. The entry fee is \$375. This year the teams will provide the umpire with on field pay, \$12 per team. If a team forfeits the game they pay the full fee of \$24. The home team will also be responsible for the 2 game balls. Entry deadline is April 17th (or until league fills). Registration forms are available at the city building or email Michelle M. Frisch at mfrisch@edgewoodky.gov. Leagues will be filled on a first-come, first-serve basis.

SUMMER VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE

A recreational summer coed volleyball league is being offered on Wednesday evenings beginning May 6th. The entry fee is \$180. Entry deadline is April 17th. Registration forms are available at the city building or email Michelle M. Frisch at mfrisch@edgewoodky.gov. Leagues will be filled on a first-come, first-serve basis.

CONTAINER GARDENING WITH TONY WORKS MAY 7th

Attention all gardeners come attend the container gardening seminar by Tony Works from B105's In and Around the House with Tony Works on May 7th from 7pm -8pm at Jackson Florist. Event is limited to the first 30 Edgewood residents. Register by e-mailing Michelle M. Frisch at mfrisch@edgewoodky.gov or call (859) 331-5910.

PERENNIAL SWAP MAY 9TH

Attention all gardeners, the city is sponsoring a perennial swap at the Noll Shelter in Freedom Park on Saturday, May 9, at 10:00 a.m. Start planning your gardens now. If you have any plants you need to divide, please do so and share them with your neighbors. The city will have daylilies on hand. Any unwanted perennials can be donated to the parks department. Please have labels or descriptions of your plants to give to the new owners. If you would like to participate please call Michelle M. Frisch at 331-5910 for further information.

CITY WIDE YARD SALE MAY 16TH

The Freedom Park Yard Sale will be held May 16th from 9 am-12 pm. Edgewood residents can purchase an area equivalent to two parking spaces for \$20 which includes a table and two chairs. You may purchase more than one space if you need it. Vendors may **box-up** and leave any unwanted items they do not want to take back home. Public Works will take those items to Goodwill.



A Note From Your Fire and EMS Department . . .

Our fish fries have started and will be held every Friday during Lent for 7 weeks including Good Friday. This is becoming known as one of the best in the area and a great value. If you haven't joined us before, please come up and if you have, we look forward to serving you again. Our menu consists of fried fish, baked fish, chicken nuggets, fried shrimp, fries, onion rings, and hot dogs for the kids, slaw and macaroni and cheese along with a choice of desserts. This is held at the Senior

Center and doors open at 5:00 until 8:00. We also offer carryout. You are welcome to call and we will have your order ready! The carryout number is 331-0033.

Mark your calendars for our annual recruit drive. It is right around the corner in April. We will be accepting applications for those interested in becoming a volunteer and going to school to become an EMT or firefighter (or both). Please stop by during business hours and complete your application for consideration in becoming a member of our department. Our orientation class will begin towards the end of May with orientation starting in June. We have some applications on file and will be contacting you as well. This is only held annually so don't let another year go by if you are interested.

Fireman Mike Says... by Firefighter Mike Constantino

Let me start by reminding you that Daylight Savings Time begins on Sunday, March 8th at 2 a.m. While you are changing your clocks one hour ahead, be sure to change the battery in your smoke detectors too! Also check the date on the smoke detector to see if it has expired. Most smoke detectors are good for 10 years so replace if needed.



As part of spring cleaning make sure to take a few minutes to clean up and brush off your safety plans as well:

- Make sure you have smoke alarms inside every bedroom, outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home, including the basement.
- Clean-up work areas. Put dangerous tools, adhesives, matches or other work items away and out of any child's reach.
- Check fire protection and safety equipment to include fire extinguishers. Make sure all doors and windows open easily and are accessible for quick escapes.
- Make sure your street numbers are posted properly and are visible. If you were to call 911, you want us to respond as quickly as possible. If we can't see your address numbers on the mailbox or house, it could cause a delay.
- Practice your escape plan. Even the best plan is no good if it's not practiced.

Don't forget to stop by the Edgewood Senior Center for the Senior Expo on Thursday, March 12th from 2-4 P.M. We have lots of helpful hints to keep you safe, so stop in and say hello. For more information regarding fire prevention please contact Fireman Mike at mconstantino@edgewoodky.gov.

PROPERTY TAX DUE DATE CHANGE FOR 2015

In October 2015, when you receive your tax bill you will see a change in the discount and the due date. The new discount amount will be 2% if paid by November 30th or the full amount will be due December 31st (new date) starting in 2015. This notice shall give everyone time to prepare for the change.

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