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**MAYOR'S REPORT**

BY MAYOR JOHN D. LINK

I can no longer say "It won't rain on our parade". July 4th was a very rainy day for all of us and the only ones that seemed not to mind the rain were the 638 5K runners and walkers. This was the largest group of runners and walkers we have ever had and with the support of our volunteers we were able to get them off on time. Many thanks again to those who helped out; we could not have done it without you. This year we had a number of family members in like colored shirts as well as team members participating in the race. I hope to see you all next year so you can try to beat this year's time. Good luck and we look forward to seeing you in 2009.

Our Grand Marshals for the parade this year were the Golden Age Club seniors. They came prepared to weather the rain with their raincoats and umbrellas. As we left the Kmart parking lot, we wondered if anyone would see us and to our surprise the crowds were waiting under their umbrellas and tents in their yards with all the snacks that go with the party. Congratulations to this year's float winners: Edgewood Fire/EMS, First Security Trust Bank, and Chancellor Surgery Center. We were able to get the fireworks off at dusk in spite of the fog and humid conditions. We had a good crowd and the display was enjoyed by all. Thanks to all the residents for your support with all of the festivities.

Street repairs are underway throughout the city and should continue until fall as the weather permits. Some repairs may carry over until spring but we will try our best to get it all completed before the bad weather sets in. We have 176 streets and 52 miles of roadway within the city limits so it will keep us busy.

For those of you who remembered Mr. Louis Noll, who formally was Mayor from 1974-1990 and City Administrator from 1990-1999. Lou passed away on May 26, 2008 and our thoughts and prayers go out to his family for their years of support.

Congratulations to our Amateur Home Gardening winners – 555 Columbine Court, 28 Beech Drive and 77 Dudley Road. Thanks for all your hard work and for keeping our city beautiful.


With the gas cost so unstable, the recreation committee has chosen to keep our events close to home and in walking distance with our annual campout on August 16, our Tuesday evening concerts in the park and Shakespeare in the park "Midsummer Nights Dream on August 24 to name just a few. I hope to see you at one or more of the upcoming events. Please see the enclosed flyer for a listing of all the events.

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## RECREATION RAP


by Recreation Director Kim Wolking

### 4TH OF JULY 5K BREAKS RECORD



Thanks to everyone who participated in the 5K. We had a record 638 runners and walkers. Congratulations to this year's winners Adam Stoppelwerth – 16:16 and Jill Tranter – 19:26. Thanks also to this year's sponsors: Insight, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Panera Bread, Kroger, Northern Kentucky Water District, The Bank of Kentucky, SEMC Federal Credit Union, Gateway and Team 7. Thanks to the Beiting Family for years of service at the Freedom Park water station and to all the recreation committee members: Toni Bluemlein, Cindy Borne-Walker, Oneeta Dailey, Michelle and Mike Frisch, Elaine Hoblik, Fernando Ramirez, Melinda Reckers, Deb Tarka and Beth Wulfeck. Without these dedicated volunteers we would not be able to host such an event. For a complete listing of the participants and times please visit [www.sprunning.com](http://www.sprunning.com). If you placed in the top three in your division and have not picked up your medal you may do so at the city building.

### UPCOMING EVENTS FOR JULY-DECEMBER



The Recreation Committee has set the 2008 events and programs for July through December. Please save the enclosed flyer for easy reference through December. Other activities and new programs may be added at a later date and some dates may be changed during the year. Detailed information about all activities and programs will be in future newsletters, on the city sign, and in most newspapers. You may also check our website at [www.edgewoodky.gov](http://www.edgewoodky.gov). If you have any suggestions, an interest in a specific program or can give of your time

or expertise, your input is needed and welcome. Anyone interested can call Kim Wolking at 331-5910 or email at [kw@edgewoodky.gov](mailto:kw@edgewoodky.gov).

### TUESDAY EVENING SUMMER CONCERT SERIES



The concert series is continuing at Presidents Park every Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. All concerts are free to the public. The remaining performances are as follows: July 29-Eight Days a Week, August 5-Mistics, August 12-Robin Lacy and Dezydeco, and August 19-Cincinnati Metropolitan Orchestra. A special thanks to this year's sponsors: Insight, Duke Energy and Rumpke. If you have questions about any of the performances please call Kim Wolking at 331-5910.

### EDGEWOOD NIGHT AT ERLANGER PUTT-PUTT



Come enjoy a fun night of putt-putt at the Erlanger Putt-Putt on Dixie Highway, Sunday, July 27th. Edgewood residents can golf two games free of charge from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Residents must show proof of residency upon arrival.

### SCARF IT UP



Basic knitting classes will be taught by a volunteer from Scarf It Up For Those In Need on Wednesday, August 20, Wednesday, September 24th from 7-9 p.m. and Wednesday, October 22 from 9-11 a.m. at the Edgewood Senior Center in Freedom Park. Learn the basic skills to make a scarf. Please bring size 19 or 35 knitting needles and Lion Brand thick & quick yarn. Class fee is one skein of yarn.

### KENTON PLAYERS PRESENTS "OLIVER TWIST"




The City of Edgewood is proud to present a new community theatre group, Kenton Players. Their first production will be "Oliver Twist," based on the novel by Charles Dickens and directed by Garry Hohnecker. It is the story of Oliver, an orphan, who escapes from the workhouse to the city to seek his fortune. Along the way, he meets some sinister characters who take advantage of him, including Dodger, Charlie, Fagin, and Bill Sikes. Then there is Mr. Brownlow, a gentleman, who takes Oliver in. The cast come from Edgewood and the surrounding community. The production will be at Presidents Park at the Madison Shelter on Saturday, August 2nd and Sunday, August 3rd at 7:00 P.M.; rain date is August 9th at 7:00 P.M. Admission is free. Those attending are asked to provide your own seating, and may bring food and drink, but no alcoholic beverages.

### MAYOR'S GOLF OUTING

Get your foursome together and come out and enjoy a great day of golf with Mayor Link at the 5th Annual Mayor's Golf Outing, Friday, August 15th, 11:00 a.m. at Twin Oaks Golf and Plantation Club. The scramble will include 18 holes of golf, a cart, lunch ticket, draft beer, unlimited sodas and water, snacks, a New York Strip Steak dinner, door prizes, and contests. Please see the enclosed registration form. Sponsorship opportunities are also available. Contact Kim Wolking at 331-5910 for further information.

### FREE FAMILY CAMPOUT



The Family Campout at Presidents Park will be held on Saturday, August 16th (rain date August 23rd). The fun gets under way at 6:00 p.m. Bring your tent and supplies to Snow Field and enjoy a night under the stars. This year's event will include a Pot Luck Dinner. The city will provide the hot dogs, brats and metts. Each family should bring a side dish or salad to share. This event is for Edgewood residents only. This award-winning event is a lot of fun so please R.S.V.P. early. See the enclosed flyer or call Kim Wolking at 331-5910 for further information.


### NKU TO HOLD FREE SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS IN EDGEWOOD

Northern Kentucky University will be hosting free sports camps for children in 1st – 8th grade at Presidents Park August 19th – 22nd, from 6–7 p.m. Children must be Edgewood residents. The camps will be as follows: Tuesday-Women's Basketball, Wednesday-Golf Thursday-Men's Basketball and Friday-Baseball. If you have any questions please call Kim Wolking at 331-5910. Please fill out the enclosed registration form and return to the city building.

### MEN'S FLAG FOOTBALL LEAGUES

The Recreation Department is offering a Saturday morning Men's Flag Football League. League play will begin on August 23rd and will include a one-and-out tournament after league play. Entry fee is \$300. Registration deadline is August 15th or until league is full. Entry forms are available at the city building. If you have any questions please call Kim Wolking at 331-5910.

### SHAKESPEARE IN THE PARK



The Cincinnati Shakespeare Company will be performing "Midsummer Nights Dream" at the Madison Pavilion in Presidents Park on Sunday, August 24th at 7 p.m. The event is free to the public. Thanks to Insight for your sponsorship. Please see the enclosed flyer.

## A NOTE FROM FIRE/EMS

### CPR CLASSES FORMING

Starting this summer, your Fire/EMS department will be offering CPR classes. Their frequency will be scheduled upon the demand of the classes. If you are in need of a recertification or an initial class in CPR or First Aid please contact the firehouse at 341-2628 for more information.

### FIREMAN JOE SAYS:



On Independence Day (July 4th) in a typical year, more U.S. fires are reported than on any other day, and fireworks account for half of those fires, more than any other cause of fires. NFPA reports an estimated 1,800 total structure fires and 700 vehicle fires reported to fire departments, an estimated \$39 million in direct property damage. In 2006, U.S. hospital emergency rooms treated an estimated 9,200 people for firework related injuries. 49% of 2006 emergency room fireworks-related injuries were to the extremities and 46% to the head. To break it down even farther, 55% of firework injuries were burns, while 30% were contusions and lacerations. The sad thing is one-third of the people injured by fireworks were under the age of 15. Kentucky Law is very specific; Unlawful fireworks items are any winged, fins, or other mechanism designed to cause the device to fly, or if it carries a cautionary label which includes in its description any of the following terms; explosive, emits flaming pellets, flaming balls, firecracker, report or a rocket. Ground and hand-held sparkling devices (dipped stick sparkler, cylindrical and cone fountain, illuminating torch, wheel, ground spinner, flutter sparkler,) smoke, novelties, and trick noise makers are specifically permitted. This is under KRS 227.700-227.900. My advice is simple, go to a park, have some fun and see a great show. The risks and dangers of a home display are far too horrible to contemplate. Be safe!

### 2008-2009 STREET REHABILITATION AND IMPROVEMENTS by General Services Director Stan Goetz

The following streets will have concrete replacements (all or partial) this fiscal year: Poke-Away Lane, Blue Jay Ct., Timberwood Ct (Ridgetop to 560), Shannon Dr. (Stoneridge to David Ct.), Brookwood Drive (Dudley to Brookwood Circle), Jerlou Dr., Oriole Ct., Amelia Dr. (Francis to end), Bernard Dr. (Dudley to 3102), Timber Ridge Dr. (474 to Trailwood Dr.). Beech Drive from Dudley to the concrete portion with have an asphalt overlay. Public Works will also repair the following streets: Balsam Ct. (3065 to Marie Ln.), Lee Lane, Sperti Dr. (potholes), and Shannon Dr. (David Ct. to Cul-de-sac).

