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Mayor's Report

by Mayor John D. Link

grant. Job well done!

with care and safety.

Our street repair program is just about over, but the 2007-2008 program should be starting within the next few weeks. Our largest project will be the reconstruction of Brookwood Circle, which we hope to complete by early Spring 2007. Work should start within the next few weeks. The smaller projects will continue completion as well as the patch and crack sealing of the streets. We are pleased to announce the hiring of a new employee in our Public Works department, Mr. Rusty Holloway. Rusty worked at CVG for a number of years. Glad to have you Rusty.

Our Summer Concert Series in Presidents Park was well attended in spite of the heat and humidity. As you read on in the newsletter we have many programs scheduled for the Fall. The art and yoga classes are new this year.

For those residents that were unable to attend our official open house back in May, you will have the opportunity to tour the City Building during the Edgewood Fall Festival from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, September 24. A havride will be available to transport you from the Fall Festival to the City Building. We look forward to seeing you.

will be completed by early Spring 2007. events.

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On July 21, the Edgewood Police Department was the recipient of a \$207,850 grant to add sidewalks in the area to help students walk or ride a bicycle to school. The program is known as "Safe Routes to School". The streets that have been chosen for the new sidewalks are Colony, North Colony, Creekwood and Marie. We hope to begin construction within the next few months. In addition to the sidewalk construction, meetings will be held at each of the schools to show the advantages of walking or riding a bicycle to school. Congratulations to Chief Tony Kramer and his staff for presenting and winning the

It's hard to believe that the children are packing their bags and getting ready for the new school year; it seems like they just came home for summer vacation and they are going back again. Good luck to all the students as well as their parents that have to get up a little earlier to car pool or walk them to the bus stops. Please remember to drive

Council has given the OK to tear down the house next to the new city building to make it into a pocket park with benches and drinking fountains. Once we get our permits we should be able to clear the area within the next few weeks. If the weather does not cooperate it

We look forward to seeing you at one or more of the upcoming

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SHAKESPEARE IN THE PARK

The Cincinnati Shakespeare Company



will present "Hamlet" on Sunday, August 27th at 7 p.m. at the Madison Pavilion in Presidents Park. Admission is free. Come early and enjoy a wonderful eve-

ning under the stars. Please see the enclosed flyer.

YOGA/PILATES CLASSES

Yoga/Pilates classes will be offered at the senior center on Monday evenings at 6 p.m. and Tuesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. The classes begin on September 5th and run through October 30th. The cost is \$40. Deadline to register is September 1st. Please see the enclosed registration form.



Classes will be offered at the senior center on Wednesday evenings beginning September 13th and running through November 1st from 7-9 p.m. The cost is \$75 (with additional cost for supplies). Participants will learn basic drawing and painting techniques. Registration deadline is September 1st. Please see the enclosed registration form.

LINE DANCING CLASSES

Line dancing classes will be offered at the senior center on Thursday evenings from 7-8 p.m. beginning September 21st and running through October 26th. The cost is \$30. All ages are welcome. Registration deadline is September 15th. Please see the enclosed registration form.

"EDGEWOOD FALL FESTIVAL"

The 14th Annual "Edgewood Fall Festival" (formerly "Taste of Edgewood") will be held on Saturday, September 23rd from 1:00-10:00 p.m. and Sunday, September 24th, from 1:00-7:00 p.m. at FREEDOM PARK. Both days promise to be action packed, with lots of entertainment, amusement rides, arts and crafts, food, demonstrations and contests.



One of the highlights of the Edgewood Fall Festival will be the 4th Annual First Security Trust Bank Apple Pie Baking Contest on Saturday, September 23rd. Judging will take place at 6:00 p.m. All entries need to be turned in at the First Security Trust Bank booth by 5:00 p.m. Call Amy Quinn at 331-0000 to register.

Please see the enclosed flyer for all the fun events happening at the Edgewood Fall Festival.

If you are interested in booth space or would like further information about any of the scheduled events please contact Kim Wolking at 331-5910.



"SPOOKY SUNDAY"

The Annual "Spooky Sunday" celebration will be Sunday, October 22nd at Presidents Park. The event is for children 12 and under and kicks off with a costume parade from St. Pius to Presidents Park at 4:00 p.m. where activities will include a costume contest, the haunted forest, a magic show and plenty of treats for everyone. Many volunteers are needed for this event, if you would like to volunteer or have a child who needs to complete commnity service hours,

this would be a fun event in which to participate. Please see the enclosed flyer for further information.

"TURKEY BOWL" TOURNAMENTS

The Annual "Turkey Bowl" Flag Football Tournament will be held at Freedom Park on



Saturday, November 11th and Saturday, November 18th. The tournament is open to both coed and mens teams. Championship games will be played Thanksgiving morning. We will use a one and out format. Games will begin at 10:00 a.m. Entry fee is \$50. Registration forms are available at the City Building. Deadline to register is November 3rd.

POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS by Chief Kramer

Officer Norm Milligan was recently recognized by the House of Representatives as a Commonwealth of Kentucky "Outstanding Citizen" for his service to the community, particularly his participation in the summer youth basketball program. State Representative Jon Draud nominated Officer Milligan for the award.

In July the city received a grant for \$207,850 under the "Safe Routes to School" program. The program is designed to encourage elementary and middle school students to walk and/or bicycle to school. We will be using most of the funding to install sidewalks on Marie, Creekwood, Colony, and North Colony. As part of the overall strategy of the program, the police department will increase patrols in the areas surrounding the schools to make it safer for children to walk to and from school. October 4, 2006, is National Walk to School day. We hope many of our school age children will take that opportunity to experience the health and fitness benefits of walking to school.

Lobby "Safe Room" Now Operational

One of the many design features of our new facility has allowed better access to the police department during non-business hours. The police department has a separate entrance that is open nights, weekends, and holidays when the city building's main lobby is closed. Anyone who needs to contact an officer can enter the lobby and use the intercom. If no officer is in the building, which is generally the case, the intercom will automatically forward the call to Kenton County Dispatch, and a dispatcher will contact the officer via radio. The lobby also has an emergency button that can be used if you are in immediate physical danger. When pushed, that button will lock the exterior lobby door, which is made of bullet resistant glass, and summon an officer. This feature was designed to be used only by someone in real danger of physical harm, such as a person being pursued in a road rage or domestic violence situation. Please note that if you activate the emergency feature, you <u>will not</u> be able to exit the lobby until an officer arrives on the scene.

FIREMAN JOE SAYS

The 2006 Fire Prevention Month Theme is "Prevent Cooking Fires! Watch What You Heat! ". The emphasis is placed on raising the public's awareness and the importance of preventing cooking fires in the home. I just finished a report from NFPA on home fires. Did you know that 82% of the fires in the United States were fires in the home? Studies also showed cooking fires are the number one cause of home fires and home fire injuries. Our Fire Prevention Month programs will promote kitchen safety awareness to our community.

⁹ Fireman Joe and your Edgewood Fire & EMS would like to invite

you to our Annual Open House on Sunday September 24th from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at our new facilities at 385 Dudley Road. We love our new home and I can tell you first hand things are working well for us. We have so many things we want to show you, fire equipment, the community safety house, we will also do our Puppet Safety Show and the new Hazard House will be on display. Our specialty units will have individual displays of equipment and our tabletop displays will be filled with important fire and life safety information.

So put it down on your calendar and plan to attend or to just stop by and see where the firemen live, train and keep their equipment. Help us kick off Fire Prevention Month and promote Cooking Fire Safety in your home. I also have it on good authority that Sparky the Fire Dog will stop by and welcome you to the Fire House. The Police and City Administration will have their offices and facilities open for inspection. I am looking forward to seeing all of you on Sunday September 24th starting at 1:00 p.m.







When was the last time you sat down with your insurance agent to review your auto, home and life insurance? Give Chris Kent a call today to set up an appointment. (513) 791-6060

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