# **Christmas Tree Mulching**

Christmas trees may be dropped off for mulching in the designated areas at both Presidents and Freedom parks. January 9<sup>th</sup> and the 16<sup>th</sup> are the pick-up dates for the Kenton County Public Works in our city. Please don't leave any trees after the 16<sup>th</sup> of January. Thank You.

# REMINDER: 2017-2018 Real Estate Property Tax Bills

Just a reminder, the discount amount is 2% if paid by November 30<sup>th</sup> or the full amount will be due December 31<sup>st</sup>. You can pay your tax bill online with a MasterCard, Visa, American Express or Discover card at www.edgewoodky.gov. If you have not received a bill, please call (859) 331-5910.



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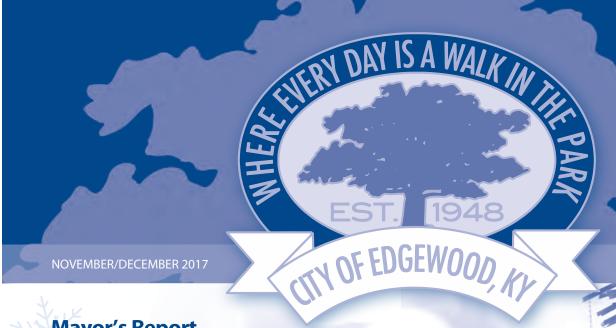












### Mayor's Report by Mayor John D. Link

Within the next few weeks the time change will soon be upon us. We ask that you use extra caution at intersections and crosswalks watching for runners and walkers that are using the Dudley friendly mile sidewalk. Please watch for running groups from Tristate Running many, if not all, runners wear safety lighting or reflective tape but caution is still needed in the darkness.

Lyndale-Edgewood Road construction is complete. We are still addressing small punch list items at this time. Thank you to everyone for your patience during this construction project. The Dudley Road project from Winding Trails to the city building is going forward with Duke Energy marking poles and reviewing easements. The anticipated start date is late 2018.

Our annual Tree Lighting will be held at our Senior Center on Sunday, November 26th starting at 5:30pm. Santa and Mrs. Claus will arrive around 5:45pm to help light the tree! Please bring a camera to take keepsake pictures.

The property tax bills were mailed in September, if you have not received one, please call the city building. If you would like to pay your property tax bill via credit card, please visit our website at www.edgewoodky.gov . You have until November 30th to take advantage of the 2% discount. All property tax bills are due by December 31, 2017 and become delinquent on January 1, 2018.

A few weeks ago letters were sent out by Service Line Warranties of America who have been offering water and sewer line protection plans, which are optional but offer a savings if and when needed. We have endorsed this service company for they have been very reliable and responsive. If you should have any further questions, please call our city building at (859) 331-5910.

Our Recreation Department still has a number of up and coming events still on the calendar, i.e., Behringer-Crawford Train Night, Letters to Santa, Home Decorating Contest and Luminary Night to name a few! These are great events for everyone to enjoy so look in the newsletter for further details.

With Thanksgiving and Christmas approaching I hope you are all able to get together with family and friends for the holidays. From all of us we wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy 2018 New Year.

The City of Edgewood would like to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation to Mr. William Boffemmyer, a resident since 1984, for donating his family Christmas tree to the city in 2006 in memory of his beloved wife Margaret "Marnie" Boffemmyer. The beautiful life-like tree is adorned with unique ornaments of landmarks from across the tristate area. The tree is located in the lobby of city hall and we hope you enjoy it, as much as the city staff does, when you visit city hall. Again, thank you Mr. Boffemmyer for your remarkable generosity.

If you would rather receive the newsletter electronically please send your request to jk@edgewoodky.gov; include your name and address.

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Please visit our website at www.edgewoodky.gov or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/CityofEdgewoodKY

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# **Annual Tree Lighting**

Join us in kicking off the start of the holiday season at the Annual Tree Lighting celebration, Sunday November 26th at the Senior Center from 5:30-7:00 p.m. Santa and Mrs. Claus will arrive around 5:45 pm in time to help us light the tree at 6:00 p.m. Bring your camera for photos with Santa, he will be available for pictures after the tree lighting by Rudolf and his friends. Each child will receive a small treat from Santa and Mrs. Claus. Awtnot the Elf will be entertaining the kids while they wait to see Santa. Come out and see who the best hot wheels car racer is. There will be three divisions 6mos – 6 years, 7 – 12 years and 13 years to adult. Trophies will be awarded to the top two contestants in each age group for the event. A craft (while supplies last) and games will be provided. In the spirit of the holiday season, canned good donations will be collected and distributed to a local charity, please consider making a donation. If you are interested in volunteering for this event, please contact Michelle M. Frisch at (859) 331-5910 or mfrisch@ edgewoodky.gov to register.

# Letters to Santa

The Recreation Department will provide a mailbox for delivering letters to Santa at the North Pole beginning Monday,

> November 20th. The mailbox will be located at the City Building lobby. Drop off your letter by Friday, December 8th and Santa will have plenty of time to answer your letters before **Christmas Eve**

(be sure to put your return address on your letter. Santa knows where you live but the USPS needs to know too!).

# **All Aboard for Edgewood Night at Behringer-**Crawford

Edgewood night at the Behringer-Crawford Museum, in Devou Park, is scheduled for Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup> from 6-8 p.m. Edgewood residents are invited to come and enjoy the holiday toy trains and all the other amenities the museum has to offer during the holiday season at no charge. Since this is a free event, we are asking that you please bring a canned good donation, which will be donated to a local charity. The evening will also include light refreshments and a craft. This event is for Edgewood residents only. You must show a valid ID at the door. If you would like more information on the museum you can visit their website at www.bcmuseum.org.

# **Home Decorating Contest**

The Recreation Committee will be conducting the Annual Home Decorating Contest on December 8<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup>. Only exterior decorations will qualify. One neighborhood winner will be selected from each of the following areas: Winding Trails, Prestwicke, Brookwood, Dudley Village, Charter Oak, Whispering Woods, Pius Heights, Meadowlark and Old Edgewood. Based on participation the judges may omit an area and select more than one winner in the same neighborhood if necessary. All judges' decisions are final. If your home is being considered for an award, you will find a red ribbon on your mailbox. Winners will be announced on Friday, December 15th. Please mark your calendars to have your lights on the entire weekend. Judges will be out each night. This is also a great weekend to take your family out to view the lights and decorations.

# **Light Up Edgewood Luminary Night**

This year the City and Rainbow Child Care Center will be hosting the Annual Luminary Night on Sunday, December 10th from 7-9 p.m. (rain date Sunday, December 17th). The luminary kits will include 12 luminary bags, 12 candles and a bag of kitty litter (while supplies last). You can preorder your kits online by November 24th which includes free delivery the week of December 4th or you may pick up kits at the city building during regular business hours beginning December 4th 8am – 6pm. Kits are \$9.00 each or two for \$14.00.

# 20, 20, 20 Fitness Classes

The Recreation Department will be offering 20,20,20 Fitness classes on Monday evenings from 6:00-7:00 p.m. at the senior center. The classes will begin on January 8th and run for (10) ten weeks. All classes will consist of cardio, strength and stretching. Please bring an exercise mat or towel and 3-8 lb. weights. The cost is \$50 for the ten week class. You must pre-register at the city building by January 5<sup>th</sup>. All participants must sign a liability waiver. No childcare will be provided. See the enclosed flyer or call (859) 331-5910 for further information.

### **Piyo Live Classes**

The Recreation Department will be offering PiYo Live fitness classes with certified PiYo instructor Ali Reeves. The classes will begin on Wednesday, January 10<sup>th</sup> mornings from 8:30 – 9:30 am. Get ready to sweat, stretch, and strengthen—all in one workout! PiYo® LIVE is a high-intensity, lowimpact class that combines the best of Pilates and yoga for a long, lean physique. But instead of holding poses, you'll perform fast-paced bodyweight moves that sculpt every muscle, burn tons of calories, and improve your flexibility. You'll unleash your inner powerhouse—and leave feeling refreshed and restored! The cost is \$40 for the (8) eight week class. See enclosed registration form. All participants must sign a liability waiver.

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### R.A.D. Women's Self **Defense Classes**

R.A.D. (Rape, Aggression and Defense Systems) classes are being offered at the Senior Center on January 17, 19, 23 and 25 from 6-9pm. Attendance is required at all sessions. This is a 12hour course. Any women ages 12-99 can attend. The classes are FREE of charge. The class helps identify dangerous situations, how to avoid them and instructs women on techniques to use to get out of dangerous situations. This class is very important for young women to attend especially those leaving home for college in the next year.

#### 2018 Events Calendar

Please watch for the January-June events calendar in the next newsletter. If you are interested in a certain program or would like to share your programming ideas, please email Michelle M. Frisch at mfrisch@edgewoodky.gov. ......

#### Save the Date

January 14, 2018 Town and Country Night

January 15, 2018 Lazer Kraze 10am -noon January 21, 2018 Ice Skating Night 5:30pm – 7:30pm

### "Edge of the Woods" **Garden News**

Did you know that fall was the best time to plant spring flowering bulbs? Are you familiar with the "Lasagna" method of planting spring bulbs? The Edge of the Woods Garden Club has been busy researching and planning both. The "Lasagna" method involves planting bulbs in pots in layers so that different bulbs bloom throughout the season in the same pot. This gives you many weeks of a variety of colors, shapes and heights to enjoy in the spring. The small, early spring bulbs are planted in the top layer; the medium, mid-seasons bulbs are planted below that; and the large late blooming bulbs are planted at the bottom. For more information about the"Lasagna" planting method see the web site below. To get more information about planting spring flowering bulbs see below also.https://

www.gardeningknowhow.com/ornamental/ bulbs/bgen/lasagna-style-bulb-planting.htm. http://www.uky.edu/hort/sites/www.uky.edu. hort/files/documents/5204springbulbs.pdf

For our winter display this year we'll be doing an all-natural "Winter Wonderland". We'll be installing this the week before Thanksgiving. We're asking all Edgewood residents to participate. If you plan to cut back any evergreen trees or shrubs this year and can wait until mid-November, we could use them in our wonderland. We want to wait as late as possible so they stay fresh longer. Send us an E-Mail at edgeofthewoods@edgewoodky.gov and we will make arrangements to pick them up or have you

If you are having trees trimmed or cut down we could also use some Yule logs. Birch looks best but any logs will do. 1-2 inches in diameter and about 12" long. Let us know what you have and we'll make arrangements to pick them up or have you drop them off. Don't forget our new E-Mail address, edgeofthewoods@edgewoodky. gov. If you want to join the organization, have questions or suggestions, or just want to get on our mailing list, send us an E-Mail. We always like to hear from you! •••••••

### Scarf It Up

For the last 7 years The City of Edgewood has supported Scarf It Up For Those In Need by having a barrel in the lobby. The barrel will be there again this year during the months of November- February. Scarf It Up is a program that gathers and distributes handmade scarves to inner city youth, homeless, the elderly and others in need. Why Handmade? The scarves are handmade to show that someone cares for the recipient. Just like any handmade item, a lot of time and care goes into it and many of these people who receive these scarves need someone to love and care for them. Scarf It Up is run strictly by volunteers and donations. Last year Scarf It Up gathered and distributed almost 11,000 scarves with hats and gloves to the poor and needy in the Tri-State area. Your donation of scarves will be helping to keep thousands of less fortunate individuals in the Tri-State area a little warmer this winter. Scarf It Up will also be having a Quarter Auction fundraiser November 28, 2017 at the Edgewood Senior center to raise funds to purchase hats & gloves to go with their handmade scarves. The doors open at 6:30 p.m. fun begins at 7:00 p.m. Fun, Great Prizes & Food. For more information about Scarf It Up go to www.scarfitup.org join them on Facebook Scarf It Up For Those In Need or call (859) 802-4881 ......

# **Edgewood Day at Better Bodies – Pick Your Day the** Week of February 4-10

We invite you to visit and enjoy a workout including spinning or a group exercise class at Better Bodies. Pick a day to be our guest the week of Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup> – Saturday, February 10th. Kids' Club will be available for child care at specific times. TO ENJOY YOUR

DAY OF FUN AND FITNESS, CALL SHARON AT 859-426-7777 ext. 108 TO MAKE A RESERVATION. See our website to plan on attending a spinning or group fitness class for your workout, http:// www.betterbodiesnky.com. Take time for yourself and give yourself the gift of good health! See you there!

### **Spring Field Reservations**

Anyone interested in reserving a field for spring of 2018 should submit a field request form to Michelle M. Frisch by February 2, 2018. The field request form can be downloaded from www. edgewoodky.gov under the Parks /Recreation tab. Incomplete field request forms or forms submitted without complete rosters will NOT be accepted. Permits will be issued mid-February. You can email your field request form with complete rosters to mfrisch@edgewoodky.gov, drop-off request forms at the city building, fax to (859) 331-5912 or mail to City of Edgewood, 385 Dudley Road, Edgewood, KY 41017.

# A note from your Fire and **EMS Department**

#### Fireman Mike Says... by Firefighter **Mike Constantino**

I wanted to thank the citizens of Edgewood for attending our Open House on October 1st. It was a beautiful day and we had a great turn out again this year. It was very successful and as always it was great to see all of the kids so that we can continue to educate them on Fire Safety Hopefully the parents learned something too! The theme to this year's Open House was, "Every Second Counts – Plan 2 Ways Out!" Practice an exit plan with your family, have a pre-determined meeting place out front, and don't go back in the house until the fire department says it's safe.

One of my favorite times of the year is Thanksgiving and Christmas. Holidays are always special, but with them come the hazards of the season. Heating equipment is one of the leading causes of home fire deaths. With a few simple safety tips and precautions you can prevent most heating fires from happening.

- Keep anything that can burn at least 3feet away from heating equipment, like the furnace, fireplace, wood stove, or portable space heater.
- Have a 3 foot "kid-free zone" around open fires and space heaters.
- Never use your oven to heat your home.
- Have heating equipment and chimneys cleaned and inspected every year by a qualified professional.
- Remember to turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
- TEST SMOKE DETECTORS MONTHLY!
- Inspect holiday lights for frayed wires, bare spots or excessive wear before putting them up. Use only lighting listed by an approved testing laboratory.
- Do not link more than 3 light strands, unless the directions indicate it is safe.

• And last but not least, never go near a Christmas tree with and open flame - candles, lighters or matches.

Please practice fire safety so that we can all enjoy the holidays. Edgewood FIRE/EMS wishes each of you a Happy Holiday Season!

### Snow Emergency

#### by BOB BEGNOCHE, General Services Director

The City has an ordinance that prohibits all motor vehicles from parking on any street in the City during a Snow Emergency. A Snow Emergency may be declared by the Mayor anytime driving conditions are deemed hazardous. It is automatically in effect when there is a snowfall of two or more inches.

We notify radio and television stations of declared Snow Emergencies, but they do not always broadcast the notice. These notices are not required and you may receive a citation without prior notification. Also, your car may be towed if it creates a hazard on your street.

Snow Emergencies are put into effect for your safety as well as the City's. It allows the Public Works Department to plow and salt the thoroughfares without the additional hazard of parked vehicles. If it is snowing, or if snow is predicted, please remove your car(s) from the street. Let's all work together to keep our streets clear and safe for everyone. Happy Holidays!

### **Holiday Trash Schedule**

Christmas Day 2017: Monday, Dec. 25, 2017

Service will NOT occur on Monday, December 25

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Service will be delayed one day during the rest of the week (Monday will move to Tuesday; Tuesday will move to Wednesday: Wednesday will move to Thursday; Thursday will move to Friday; and Friday will move to Saturday). Rumpke will return to its regular collection schedule the following week.

New Year's Day 2018: Monday, Jan. 1, 2018

Service will NOT occur on Monday, January 1.

Service will be delayed one day during the rest of the week (Monday will move to Tuesday; Tuesday will move to Wednesday: Wednesday will move to Thursday; Thursday will move to Friday; and Friday will move to Saturday). Rumpke will return to its regular collection schedule the following week.

# Rumpke Trash & Recycling

For the most updated information regarding trash and recycling in our city, please visit www. rumpke.com. Rumpke trash - (859) 472-7339. recycling 513-242-4401. If your trash has not been picked up and it is after business hours, please contact Rumpke at southeast.market@ rumpke.com for after hours to report a missed stop, etc.