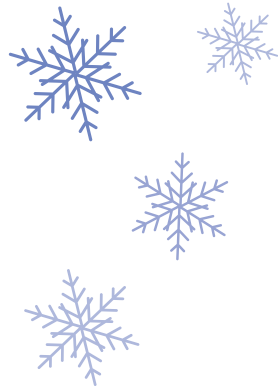


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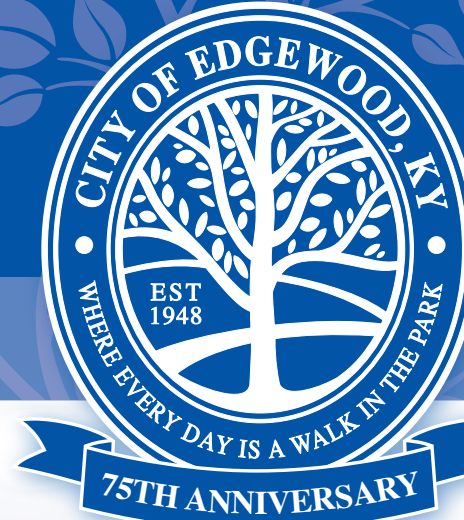
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Mayor's Report

by Mayor John D. Link

With the time change upon us we ask that everyone take a little extra time in the evening hours for the walkers and runners at all of the intersections. Most of the walkers and runners do wear some reflective clothing or have lights, but caution is still needed. Safety First.

Santa and Mrs. Claus as well as Awtnot the Elf will help kick off our annual Tree Lighting at the Edgewood Senior Center on November 27th starting at 5:30 p.m. Please dress according to the weather as this will take place outdoors. This year you will be able to take pictures standing around Santa and Mrs. Claus so bring your cameras for free pictures.

The Edge of the Woods Garden Club has again decorated the tri pods with the Fall plantings to get us in the Fall Mood. Thanks for all your efforts. During the past few months, the Garden Club has designed and built a butterfly garden next to the White House Event Center in Presidents Park to attract Monarch butterflies as they migrate through North America known as the Monarch Waystation. Next time you are in Presidents Park please stop and take a look at what has been accomplished.

By now most of our residents have received their 2022-23 tax bills and as Mayor and staff we recommended to City Council a tax rate of \$0.229/\$100 which was approved by City Council and is lower than last year. Looking back, it has been 27 years ago that we find a lower City tax rate. With City Council and our budgeting, economic developments, grant acquisitions we have been able to accomplish this achievement. Your current tax bill does reflect a 2% discount if paid by November 30th and the full amount due by December 31st.

Santa will have his mailbox in the Lobby of the City Building again this year. Your letters can be dropped off from November 18th through December 6th and be sure to provide an adult's email for Santa's reply.

Service Line Warranties of America of Chattanooga, Tennessee have been sending out their information on the water and sewer line protection program that the city endorses. This is an optional service but does have a very beneficial resource when needed by our residents.

Reach Alert at www.reachalert.com is still activated for you to be notified of emergencies, recreation events, crime alerts, road closures and any other city announcements. This service is free! Try it out.

Please check inside this newsletter for more of our upcoming events that we are offering in the next few weeks and months.

We wish you a Happy Thanksgiving and Happy Holidays.

Recreation Corner

with Program Coordinator *Tyler Wilson*

Letters to Santa

The Recreation Department will provide a mailbox for delivering letters to Santa at the North Pole beginning Monday, November 18th. The mailbox will be located at the City Building lobby. Drop off your letter by Friday, December 6th and Santa will have plenty of time to answer your letters before Christmas Eve. The City of Edgewood will send your letter to the North Pole and then once Santa has read over your letter, he will then send his response back to the City of Edgewood! It is extremely important to include an adults MUCH USED email address on the letter. Once your child's letter is returned from the North Pole, you will receive a confirmation that your letter is ready for pick up.



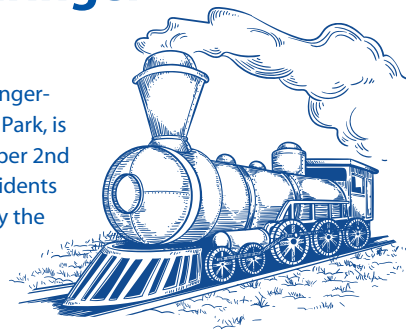
Annual Tree Lighting

Join us in kicking off the start of the holiday season at the Annual Tree Lighting celebration, Sunday, November 27th at the Senior Center beginning at 5:30pm. Santa and Mrs. Claus will arrive around 5:45 pm in time to help us light the tree at 6:00 p.m. **Come to the Senior Center to enjoy, Awtnot the Elf, and of course Santa and Mrs. Claus! Santa will be walking around and available for pictures, please bring your camera.**

ALL ABOARD for Edgewood Night at Behringer-Crawford

Edgewood night at the Behringer-Crawford Museum, in Devou Park, is scheduled for Friday, December 2nd 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.

THE EVENT IS FREE, please bring a canned good donation. 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 judging the Annual Home Decorating Contest on December 2nd – 4th. 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 8th. 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.



Spring Field Reservations

Anyone interested in reserving a field for spring of 2023 should submit a field request form to Tyler Wilson by February 4, 2023. 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 twilson@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.

2022-2023 Real Estate Property Tax Bills

Tax Bills were mailed out in October. The discount amount is 2% if paid by November 30th or the full amount is due by December 31st. You can pay your tax bill online with no additional fees at www.edgewoodky.gov. If you have not received a bill, please call (859) 331-5910.



CHIEF'S CORNER - Edgewood Police Department

Code Red is a high-speed emergency notification service provided by Emergency Communications Network. The Kenton County Emergency Communications Center, which is the dispatch center for your Edgewood Police Department has been utilizing the Code Red alert system for a couple of years now. Recently a Code Red alert was sent out to many of our residents around an incident that occurred on Turkeyfoot. We are currently revamping our procedures on how to send the messages out, but it is a proven tool to notify residents of an emergency, including weather, crime, fires, floods, amber alerts, boil advisories, evacuations, and public awareness issues.

The Edgewood Police Department would like to encourage all our residents to sign up for the application on your cell phones. This will enable us to communicate with you quickly. It is merged with your locations and is available for multiple locations. If you go out of town, there is a possibility that you could receive notifications according to the dispatch center of the location you are located. The App can be downloaded for free from the iOS App Store as well as the Google Play store. Make sure that you are in the know when an incident occurs near you. For more information, please visit the Kenton County Website: <https://www.kentoncounty.org/180/CodeRED>.

Thank you again for supporting your police department. We look forward to serving you throughout the upcoming holiday seasons.



Fireman Mark Says...

by Firefighter Mark Messmer

I wanted to thank our neighbors for attending the city's Touch-A-Truck event. 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 Fire Prevention Month was, **"Fire Won't Wait. Plan Your Escape!"** Create and

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 3 feet 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!**



Edge of the Woods Garden Club News

Please see the enclosed flyer from *Darla Kettenacker, Council Member & President, Edge of the Woods Garden Club*

Happy holidays