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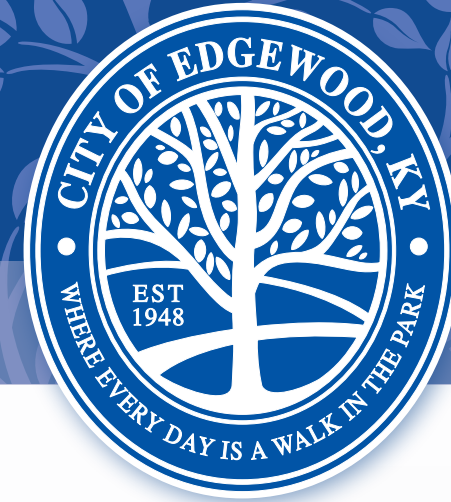
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Mayor's Report

by John D. Link

Congratulations to the Class of 2024! We wish you the best in the coming year and your future goals. You made it!

Thanks to all of our volunteer members in the Edge of the Woods Garden Club for the summer flowers that have been planted in the tri-pod along Dudley Road. Looks great!

Our Memorial Day Ceremonies were well attended and the weather was exceptional for the morning ceremonies honoring those who have served and those who have given their lives for us to enjoy our freedom.

The Tuesday night concerts at Presidents Park have been well attended even with the hot evenings. We are now in the full swing of the concerts and look forward for you all to pack up the chairs, cooler, and blankets and enjoy the evening under the stars.

Our 4th of July Grand Marshall was Lonneman Plumbing and Specialized Plumbing Parts Supply who are celebrating their 64th year serving the Northern Kentucky Residents from their Edgewood location.

This years Mayors Golf outing set for August 2nd, is sold out. Within a few weeks after it was publicized it was history. Thanks to all who are registered and those that are not able to join us this year we hope to get you next year.

The three Pickle Ball Courts in Freedom Park are now open to all to come and enjoy! So, paddle up your twosomes and foursomes and head over to Freedom Park. We are still working on the landscaping around the courts but should have that completed within the month.

Congratulations to Sgt James "Jimmy" Kreinest who was just promoted and appointed as our new Police Chief since Brian Zurborg retired after 28 years with the City of Edgewood. Brian, we wish you the best in your retirement.

I'd like to welcome all of our new residents and thank our long-time residents for choosing Edgewood as their home. Hope to see you at one or more of our upcoming events.

Councilman Barlage's Edgewood History Notes:

Next time you head down to Edgewood McDonalds and hang a right on Sperti Drive, look beyond the buildings and notice the broad view you have across Route 17 and the Banklick Creek. Well, in the 1950s local developer Frank Busch felt the same way and named this street "Broadview Drive". For a brief period in the 1960s, local inventor and research scientist Dr. George Sperti operated several buildings where New Perceptions and the storage facilities are currently located, and the street name was changed to Sperti Drive. Who is Dr. Sperti you might ask? Bridget Striker from the Boone County Planning Commission recently presented to the Behringer-Crawford Museum's NKY History Hour this very information. Quite remarkable to say the least. Dr. George Sperti was Born in 1900 to Italian Immigrants in Covington. When only 21 years of age he invented a kilo-volt ampere meter and sold the patent to Westinghouse. (Similar to the electrical meters we see spinning so fast this time of year). From 1925-35 he managed UC's first science research lab and served as its director.

In this lab he developed ultraviolet technology commonly used today. He founded the Sperti Lamp Company to produce lamps for the irradiation of milk. His lamps introduced vitamin D to the milk without changing its flavor. General Foods invested in this patent and Dr. Sperti could now double down on his research. From 1935-1953 he

operated "Institutum Divi Thomae" in Cincinnati, a research laboratory and graduate school founded on the ideals of St. Thomas Aquinas. In 1936 Pope Pius XI appointed him to the "Pontifical Academy of Sciences".

During the war years he invented "Sperti Bio-Dyne Ointment" which was initially developed to treat military burn victims but is now known as "Preparation H". Dr. Sperti devoted much of his career to cancer research. He co-founded the American Society on Aging, discovered probiotic DAVAHS and how it could treat staph infections, developed Procytoxin or PCO led treatments during chemotherapy.

During his lifetime he held over 120 patents! Dr. Sperti retired at the age of 87 stating that "Finding a cure for cancer has been my life". He passed in 1991 and is buried in St. Mary's Cemetery in Ft. Mitchell.

TMU and Mt. St. Joseph were both gifted scholarship endowments in his name. A remarkable genius who has left a mark on the world and our city!

Thank you to Councilman Joe Messmer for contributions to this history note. I am always looking for more stories like this to investigate, so if you have a suggestion, please reach out.

Thanks!

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Recreation Corner

with PROGRAM COORDINATOR *Erika Skiles*



Tai Chi

We are excited to announce that Master Greg of Northern Kentucky Shaolin Do Kung Fu and Tai Chi will be

bringing his talents to Edgewood. Master Greg is a Seventh Degree Black Belt who has been studying Shaolin-do since 1985. Join us on Thursdays in August at Liberty Hall from 1-2 PM for sessions that are free for all. To participate, please pre-register by filling out the attached form and returning it to our City Building at 385 Dudley Rd, or by emailing eskiles@edgewoodky.gov. Don't miss this opportunity to, "live a life with balance, flexibility, and less stress."



Mayor's Golf Outing

The 21st Annual Mayor's Golf Outing will be held on Friday, August 2nd, shotgun start at 9am at The Golf Courses of Kenton County. All spots are currently FULL. The scramble format is \$80 per golfer and includes: 18 holes of golf, cart, a grill out lunch, drink tickets, door prizes and contests. *Thank you to Hummel – Hatfield Insurance for sponsoring our Hole in One Prize!* Sponsorships and donations are still open. Please contact Michelle Frisch at mfrisch@edgewoodky.gov for further information on sponsorships or to join the waitlist.



Tuesday Evening Summer Concert Series

The concert series continues at Presidents Park every Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. All concerts are free to the public. **A special thank you to this year's sponsor: Hummel - Hatfield Insurance.**

The remaining performances are:

- July 9 – The Closers
- July 16 – Velvet Soul
- July 23 – Eight Daze Sober
- July 30 – HiFi Honey
- August 6 – The Menu
- August 13 – Marsha Brady
- August 20 – Second Chance

The remaining food trucks are:

- July 9 – Sugar Snap!
- July 16 – Wildside
- July 23 – Colby Fries
- July 30 – Wildside
- August 6 – Kona Ice
- August 13 – Wildside
- August 20 – Wildside

Bring your family and friends for great music, delicious food, and a wonderful evening at the park!

Fireman Mark Says... Summer is the time to enjoy vacations, camping, picnics, and Independence Day; however, summertime also brings fires and burn injuries due to fireworks and outdoor cooking. Fireworks start an average of 18,500 fires per year. These fires caused an average of 3 deaths, 40 civilian injuries, and an average of \$43 million in property damage. In 2015, U.S. hospital emergency rooms treated an estimated 11,900 people for fireworks related injuries; 51% of those injuries were to the extremities and 41% were to the head. Children younger than 15 years of age accounted for 26% of the estimated 2015 injuries. The safest way to enjoy fireworks is to attend public fireworks displays and leave the lighting to the professionals.

Enjoy outdoor celebrations and cookouts but remember to keep a 3 foot "safe zone" around grills and campfires. Only use your grill outside and keep it away from siding and deck rails. Open your gas grills before lighting and keep an eye on your grill without leaving them unattended.

Knowing a few fire safety tips will help everyone have a safe summer. Stay safe, stay hydrated and have an amazing summer!

Edgewood Night at Erlanger Putt-Putt

Edgewood Night at the Erlanger Putt-Putt is Sunday, August 4th from 4:00 – 6:00pm. Residents can enjoy two games of putt-putt free of charge. No pre-registration required, but you must show proof of residency with a valid Edgewood ID. 3143 Dixie Hwy, Erlanger, KY. *See you there!*



TURNING 65 IN 2024?

If you own and occupy your home, you may be eligible for a reduction in the net taxable value of your home under the Homestead Exemption Act. Please visit www.kentonpva.org for additional information or call 859-392-1750. **Happy birthday from the Kenton County PVA Office, Darlene M. Plummer, PVA.**

Summertime is Party Time!

As we approach the July 4th weekend, it is a fun time for family and friends to get together for the summer celebrations! We would like to help everyone to enjoy this time of year and encourage everyone to participate. We all should remember the importance of some ordinances that will help us, including our neighbors,



to enjoy this time of year as well. One part of a party is music. Please keep in mind that while you may appreciate your music and the volume, your neighbor may not. Please be mindful of those who may work opposite schedule of you or have small children who may need rest. According to Edgewood City Ordinance 92.04 (O) the "Emission of noise or sounds which is noxious enough to destroy the enjoyment of dwellings or other

uses of property in the vicinity by interfering with the ordinary comforts of human existence," would constitute a violation of our city's Nuisance Ordinance. This is often where the police are asked to step in. Please do your best to ensure that your music is loud enough for you to enjoy, but that your neighbors do not have to if they wish.

For more information on this ordinance or any of Edgewood's Ordinances, please visit the city's website, <http://www.edgewoodky.gov/> and see the left side for Ordinances.

Thank you for your consistent support of your Police Department. We look forward to serving the citizens of the city of Edgewood and wish you a happy and fun summer season!

Mommy & Me Painting Class

Join the City of Edgewood and RMD Arts on Friday, August 9th at 5:00 PM for a fun-filled family night! Randi will guide you step-by-step in creating sunset and ladybug paintings that come together as one unified masterpiece. The class will take place at Noll Shelter in Freedom Park. Check the enclosed flyer for registration details. Sign up before spots are filled!

