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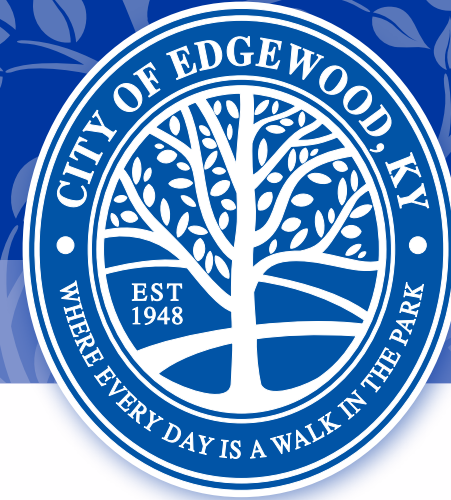
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Thanks to everyone who came to the Touch-A-Truck event at Freedom Park so we could show off and introduce our Fire/EMS Department, Public Works, and our Police Department personnel. This and every October is fire safety month and everyone enjoyed using the fire hose on the basketball court. Thanks for coming.

Spooky Sunday was a packed house and judging of the costumes was difficult because of the creativity that everyone put into their workmanship outfits. We had over 200 that walked the Spooky Trail and enjoyed Beetle Juice's magic show at the end.

Our first Astronomy night for viewing the stars through telescopes was enjoyed by all, and thanks to the Cincinnati Astronomical Society volunteers for explaining and showing what we were viewing. It was such a success they are setting up another viewing date for the near future.

### Mayor's Report

by Mayor John D. Link

Santa and Mrs. Claus will help us kick off our Annual Tree Lighting at Liberty Hall on December 1<sup>st</sup> starting at 5:30pm. Please dress accordingly for the weather because the tree lighting is outside. If you wish to take pictures, please bring your camera for the keepsake memories. Letters to Santa can be received at the North Pole mailbox in the front lobby of the City Building beginning November 15<sup>th</sup> – December 3<sup>rd</sup>, and don't forget to include your email address.

Property tax bills have been mailed out, if you have not received a bill, please contact the City Building staff. You can pay by credit card at the City Building or on our website with no additional fees at [www.edgewoodky.gov](http://www.edgewoodky.gov). If paid by November 29<sup>th</sup> you will receive a 2% discount. Payment is due December 31<sup>st</sup> and will become delinquent on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

With the time change upon us, we ask that you take a little time in the evenings for the walkers and runners at all intersections. We ask our walkers and runners to wear reflective clothing or lights to be seen. Safety first!

Thanksgiving and Christmas are about to approach us and I hope you all are able to get together with family and friends for the holidays. From all of us we wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy 2025 New Year.

Please check inside the newsletter for further information on the upcoming events for all to enjoy during the holiday season. Happy Holidays everyone! Have a great New Year.



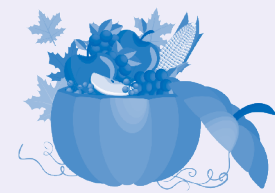
# Recreation with ERIKA SKILES Corner

## Winter Canvas Painting

Join us on Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, at Liberty Hall for a fun and creative evening led by Randi from RMD Arts. Whether you're a seasoned artist or a beginner, Randi will guide you step-by-step in creating your own unique version of a masterpiece. All skill levels are welcome, and all materials will be provided. The cost is \$20 for Edgewood residents and \$35 for non-residents. Please note, the class is limited to 50 participants, so make sure to register early! Registration is open now through November 1<sup>st</sup>. Visit us at the City Building to complete your registration form and secure your spot.



## Fall Floral Arrangements



Join us for a fun, hands-on workshop with Scarlet Begonia's Flower Truck on November 12<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Liberty Hall. In this introductory-level class, you'll create your own beautiful Tennessee Jed Vintage Jar bouquet, with all materials provided. The fee is \$20 for residents and \$35 for non-residents, and the class is limited to 25 participants. Pre-registration is required at the City Building, so sign up today to secure your spot!

## Letters to Santa

The Recreation Department will provide a mailbox for delivering letters to Santa at the North Pole beginning Monday, November 15<sup>th</sup>. The mailbox will be located in the City Building lobby. Drop off your letter

by Friday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> 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, December 1<sup>st</sup> at Liberty Hall 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 Liberty Hall to enjoy, Awtnot the Elf, and of course Santa and Mrs. Claus! Santa will be available for pictures, please bring your camera.**



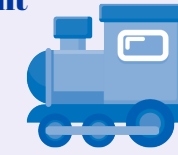
## The Nutcracker – Madcap Puppet Show

Join us for The Nutcracker Madcap Puppet Show on Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6 PM in Liberty Hall. Clara needs a little help from The Nutcracker to prevent the Sugarplum Fairy from spoiling their holiday festival, as Madcap twists this classic tale into a fantastically funny story, complete with giant puppets, comical characters, and audience participation. Pre-registration is required—sign your family up today for an unforgettable night by contacting Erika at [eskiles@edgewoodky.gov](mailto:eskiles@edgewoodky.gov) or calling 859-331-5910.



## All Aboard for Edgewood Night at Behringer-Crawford

Edgewood night at the Behringer-Crawford Museum, in Devou Park, is scheduled for Friday, December 6<sup>th</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. **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](http://www.bcmuseum.org).



## Home Decorating Contest

The Recreation Committee will be judging the Annual Home Decorating Contest on December 6<sup>th</sup>– 8<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 9<sup>th</sup>. 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 2025 should submit a field request form to Erika Skiles by January, 7<sup>th</sup> 2025. The field request form can be downloaded from [www.edgewoodky.gov](http://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 [eskiles@edgewoodky.gov](mailto:eskiles@edgewoodky.gov), drop-off request forms at the city building, or mail to City of Edgewood, 385 Dudley Road, Edgewood, KY 41017.



## 2024-2025 Real Estate Property Tax Bills

Tax Bills were mailed out the first of October. The discount amount is 2% if paid by November 29<sup>th</sup> or the full amount is due by December 31<sup>st</sup>. You can pay your tax bill online with no additional fees at [www.edgewoodky.gov](http://www.edgewoodky.gov). If you have not received a bill, please call (859) 331-5910.



## Trash and Recycling

For the most updated information regarding trash and recycling in our city, please visit [www.rumpke.com](http://www.rumpke.com) or call (800) 828-8171. If your trash has not been picked up and it is after business hours, please contact Rumpke at [southeast.municipal@rumpke.com](mailto:southeast.municipal@rumpke.com).

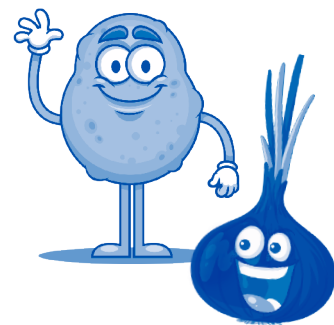
## Edge of the Woods Garden Club News

Ever wonder, what is the difference between a bulb and a tuber? In simple terms, both are underground plant parts that store nutrients and energy for the plant, although their structures and propagation are different.

**Bulbs** have an outer layer that protects the inside layers that are actually modified leaves; think of an onion, garlic, daffodils or tulips, which are examples of bulbs. These inside layers are where the plant stores food during the dormant cycle.

**Bulbs** have a rounded shape with a flat base, called a "basal plate", from which new 'daughter' bulbs develop. Bulbs grow new scales from the inside each year, which gives rise to a perennial growth cycle. Leaves and flower stems grow from the top of the bulb before emerging above soil level.

## "What has EYES but cannot SEE?"



On the other hand, **tubers** look more like thick roots and are actually swollen underground stems that store energy and nutrients for the

plant. Unlike bulbs, which produce similar, but not exact copies of themselves, tubers produce genetic copies of themselves through sprouting nodes, called "eyes."

**Tubers** are usually irregular in shape and look like thickened roots which do not have a basal plate. Rather, little buds, or "eyes" grow all over their surface and push up through the soil as shoots and stems, or down into the soil as roots. Examples of tubers are Dahlia, Caladium, and the most popular...the potato, which has a high nutrient content as is often grown as food. The next time you are eying those mashed potatoes, you just might decide to grow some!

*So now you 'see' the answer... a tuber.*

### Happy Gardening!

**Darla Kettenacker**, City Council Member  
President, Edge of the Woods Garden Club

## Holiday Safety Tips

*As we approach the holiday season, the Edgewood Police Department would like to share some important home, personal, and travel safety reminders to ensure everyone in our community enjoys a safe and festive time:*

**Home Safety:** Many people leave their homes for the holidays, whether it be to attend a holiday gathering or head out of town. Ensure all doors and windows are locked, and consider using timers for lights to give the appearance that someone is always home. If you're expecting deliveries, try to schedule them for when someone will be home, ask a neighbor to collect them for you, or use secure delivery options. The Edgewood Police Department is also available to complete vacation checks at your address for any extended periods that you will be gone. Stop in to the police department to fill out the Vacation House Check Form, or fill out the form on our website.

**Personal Safety:** There are several things to be aware of, whether you're shopping in public or in the comfort of your own home. When out and about, be aware of your surroundings when shopping, keep your purse or wallet secure, and avoid carrying large amounts of cash. Be sure to park in well-lit areas, always lock your car, and be cautious of strangers approaching you for any reason. When shopping online, always use secure websites and monitor your bank statements for any unauthorized transactions.

**Travel Safety:** Staying safe on the roads over the holidays (and every day) means being prepared for emergencies and eliminating any possible distractions. Be sure to get a good night's sleep before departing on any long trips, check your tire pressures, always wear your seat belt, and put your cell phone away to avoid being distracted. You might even consider building an emergency kit in case any winter weather is expected. Designate a sober driver or utilize ride share services (e.g., Uber, Lyft) to ensure guests make it home safely after holiday parties.

As a community, we can all work together to ensure the safety and well-being ourselves and others. If you see something suspicious, don't hesitate to report it to the police. Don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or need assistance.