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Thank you to everyone who came out on the 4th of July to watch the parade and to the 998 runners, walkers, and wheelchair participants. Our Grand Marshal for the parade this year was Central Coast Dive Center. Thanks to everyone for their helping hands in making this a successful 4th, with the fireworks as the grand finale.

Again, this year, our hats go off to Hummel Hatfield Insurance Company, who helped sponsor our Tuesday night concerts in the park. Despite the warm evenings, we have had good attendance.

On October 4th, we will host our annual Touch-A-Truck event at Freedom Park from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. This is always a great opportunity to meet our employees from each department, view our equipment, and learn about the services we offer. Come shake our hands and say hi!

October 19th is our annual Spooky Sunday event at Presidents Park for children 12 and under, starting at 4:00 p.m. Beetlejuice will be there, as well as the costume parade from **Mayor's Report**

by Mayor John D. Link

St. Pius parking lot to the park, starting at 3:45 p.m. We will have a costume contest, treat bags, the spooky trail, and a magic show on the basketball court following the trail.

U.S. News & World Report published its ranking of the best hospitals nationwide. and our St. Elizabeth Hospital ranked No. 1 in Kentucky regional hospitals and No. 2 in Cincinnati. Congratulations to all for making this possible and helping us achieve this ranking. Keep it up, and thank you for all that vou do!

Our annual tax bills will be mailed out after October 1st, and the bill will reflect a 2% discount if paid by November 26th. No discount will be offered after that date, and full payment will be due by December 31st.

As we enter this fall season, we still have many activities on our schedule for all ages to enjoy, so pack up the family and come enjoy the events we have to offer. Hope to see you then.



Tai Chi

Thursdays at Liberty Hall, 1-1:45 PM. 9/11 through 10/9

Join our beginner-friendly Tai Chi class and experience the ancient art of gentle movement. Tai Chi combines slow, flowing motions with deep breathing to improve balance, flexibility, and inner calm. Perfect for all ages and fitness levels—no experience needed! Please visit the City Building, or call us at 859-331-5910 to register for this class! Contact lelam@edgewoodky.gov with any questions.



Uncovering Egypt

Monday, September 15th @ Liberty Hall

Calling all Egyptologists! Explore archaeology, the science that unlocks the secrets of past civilizations. Excavate and analyze artifacts from a replica burial site to deduce their owner's identity and expand your knowledge

of Egyptian culture. Immerse yourself in this world of hieroglyphs, pharaohs, and gods and goddesses galore! This program is recommended for ages 8 and up! Spots are limited! Contact <u>lelam@edgewoodky.gov</u> to pre-register!

Edgewood Night @ Dave & Buster's

Friday, September 19th, 6-7 pm

Join us for an awesome night of arcade fun! Must be an Edgewood resident. Pre-registration is required! Free \$39 power cards to the first 75 residents to register. Residents must pick up the Power Cards at the City building from 9/8 through 9/17. Valid ID required. **LIMIT 4 CARDS PER HOUSEHOLD!** To register, come to our City Building to secure your spot! Email lelam@edgewoodky.gov for further information.

Touch a Truck

Saturday, October 4th, Noon – 2 pm

The City of Edgewood is excited to announce our annual FREE Touch a

Truck event. Come out to Freedom Park and see Firetrucks, Dump Trucks, Police Cars, and demonstrations, along with a petting zoo, Kona Ice, Wild Side food truck, and balloon animals! Bring the family and enjoy a Saturday afternoon with the City of Edgewood.



Recreation

LUCAS ELAM

Proaram Coordinator

Our Annual "Spooky Sunday" celebration will be **Sunday, October 19th**, at Presidents Park! The event is for children 12 and under and kicks off with a

costume parade from St. Pius to Presidents

Park, meeting at St. Pius at 3:45 p.m. After the parade, we will have a magic show, a costume contest, 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

community service hours (High Schoolers, this is you!), this would be a fun event to get in those hours. Please email Lucas Elam at lelam@edgewoodky.gov or call (859) 331-5910 to volunteer.



Chair Yoga

Wednesdays at Liberty Hall, 11-12 pm. 10/22 through 11/12

Join us on Wednesdays in October and November, STARTING October 22nd from 11 am-12 pm in Liberty Hall for Chair Yoga! Hosted by Erin DeSantis with Kenton County Public Library. Preregister today by returning the form to the City Building or by contacting Lucas Elam at lelam@edgewoodky.gov.

Edgewood Halloween TRICKORTREAT

Hours

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Watch out for all the ghosts and goblins roaming the streets on Friday, October 31st, from 6 pm - 8 pm for Edgewood's Halloween Trick-or-Treating hours. Please leave your porch light on if you wish to participate. Have a safe and Happy Halloween!





The road work to align Charter Oak and Tupman Lane brings back a memory for me from March of 1981. I was wrapping up the first grade at R.C. Hinsdale school when the entire student body was brought to the hybrid cafeteria/gymnasium for a special event. Our retiring principal, Mrs. Mildred Tupman, was going to receive a special send-off. We did not know what it was, but it was an exciting day for sure. I recall sitting cross-legged on the ground in a sea of students, excited about the welcome disruption from our school day. Many speeches were given, but I remember one moment VIVIDLY. A beautifully stained dark wood street sign with bright yellow carved letters spelled out the phrase "Tupman Lane." The City of Edgewood, in tandem with the Kenton County school district, named the entry road to R.C. Hinsdale School "Tupman Lane" in honor of our fine principal! Wow, someone could have a street named after them.... and I knew the person! Quite a memorable moment for a 6-year-old. I wonder who else has memories of Mrs. Tupman? She taught for 47 years and was honored in a very special way.



Over-Wintering Annual Plants

Hard to say goodbye to your garden? Perhaps you don't have to! If you love your flowers and want to enjoy them beyond the fall, consider trying overwintering. Before bringing plants indoors, water them well and fertilize with half-strength plant food to help them adjust. Many favorites can thrive indoors with the right care: lantana, alyssum, verbena, geraniums, petunias, and wax begonias can be dug up, re-potted, and placed in a sunny window, while coleus, nasturtiums, and impatiens do well from stem cuttings rooted in sand, vermiculite, or perlite. Pansies like sun but prefer cooler indoor spots, while tropicals such as hibiscus or dipladenia need extra warmth.

Hardy perennials and plants like rosemary, lavender, succulents, snake plants, ZZ plants, and pothos can often handle low light and cooler conditions in garages or basements—especially if you use grow lights. Even if overwintered plants don't look their best, they usually bounce back in spring after being gradually reintroduced to the outdoors. With a little experimenting, you may find that many of your summer favorites can survive the winter months indoors giving them a second chance to bloom again next year.

Happy gardening! Darla B. Kettenacker, President **Edge of the Woods Garden Club**

FIREMAN MARK SAYS... by Firefighter Mark Messmer

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We hope everyone enjoyed their summer, but now fall is just around the corner—and with it comes Fire Prevention Month in October! This year's national theme is "Charge into Fire Safety: Lithium-*Ion Batteries in Your Home."* Most of the devices we use every day—smartphones,

tablets, laptops, e-cigarettes, headphones, toys, and even power tools—are powered by lithium-ion batteries. While these batteries are efficient and long-lasting, if they are damaged or used improperly, they can overheat, catch fire, or even explode. Learning how to

buy, charge, and dispose of them properly can go a long way toward keeping your family safe.

The campaign emphasizes three key safety tips. First, BUY only listed **products**. Be sure that any product you purchase with a lithium-ion battery carries a mark from a nationally recognized testing laboratory to ensure it meets safety standards. Next, CHARGE devices safely. Always use the charger that came with your device (or one approved by the manufacturer), avoid charging on beds, pillows, or couches, and unplug devices once they are fully charged. Finally,

DISPOSE of and RECYCLE responsibly.

Never throw lithium-ion batteries in the trash or a standard recycling bin, as they can spark fires. Instead, take them to a certified recycling facility—locations can be found at www.call2recycle.org.

To highlight Fire Prevention Month, the

Edgewood Fire Department will host a variety of programs throughout October. One of the main events will be our Annual Touch-A-Truck on October 4th from 12–2 PM at Freedom Park, held in partnership with the FIRE PREVENTION MONTH Edgewood Police Department and General Services

> Department. This family-friendly day will include trucks to explore, a petting zoo, balloon animals, and plenty of activities for kids. In addition, the Fire Department will be offering Fire Station Tours, classroom visits, and daycare programs to spread awareness. Finally, as fall brings cooler nights and more outdoor fires, please remember that **open burning is** prohibited within city limits. Only small, contained recreational fires are permitted, and these must be monitored at all times with proper extinguishing tools on hand. Let's all do our part to keep this season safe while still enjoying the best of fall!



Scooter Etiquette & Safety

Scooters can be a fun and convenient way to get around, but riders in Edgewood must follow both safety guidelines and city ordinances. That means always keeping at least one hand on the handlebars, yielding to pedestrians, and avoiding distractions like using headphones or cell phones. When passing someone on a sidewalk, always warn them audibly, pass on the left, and leave plenty of space. Never ride through grassy areas or landscaped zones that are not intended for travel, and always dismount and walk your scooter across streets when not using a marked crosswalk.

Parents, Teach the Rules Early

If your child rides a scooter, ultimately, you are responsible for them understanding the rules, laws, and the importance of courteous riding. Teach them to yield to pedestrians, not to weave between people or objects, and to dismount before crossing roads outside of intersections. Remind them that scooters should be parked upright, out of walkways and driveways, and that respecting neighborhood property helps us all keep our streets safe and pleasant.

Know the Rules — **Direct from the City's Code of Ordinances**

For straightforward guidance, visit the City of Edgewood's ordinance chapter on bicycles and motorized scooters. It outlines key regulations, such as where scooters are allowed, when riders must dismount, and how to pass pedestrians safely. You can find the full text online at the City's Code of Ordinances under Chapter 73, Section 73.02 (Prohibitions and Regulations), to stay informed and stay safe.

