

# ESO Music Director Morales to Conduct Two March Concerts

Walter Morales, who started his first season as music director of the Edgewood Symphony Orchestra this fall, will conduct the group in two concerts this spring.

The first will be held on Saturday, March 11 at 7:30 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood. The concert will feature a special presentation of the romantic Lalo Cello Concerto, performed by the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra's David Premo. Also on the program is Tchaikovsky's emotionally powerful Symphony No. 5.

On Saturday, March 25, the orchestra moves to Rodef Shalom Levy Hall for a 7:30 p.m. presentation of "A Soulful Celebration," featuring Nicole Myers on cello. Ms. Myers will perform Bruch's Kol Nedrei with the Symphony Orchestra. The ESO will also present Sibelius' Valse Triste and an encore performance of Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 5.

In addition to serving as music director for the ESO, Morales has been

# **Refuse Holidays Set**

The festive 2006 refuse collection holidays have been announced. This year, refuse collection will be postponed until Friday in honor of the following holidays:

- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Christmas Day

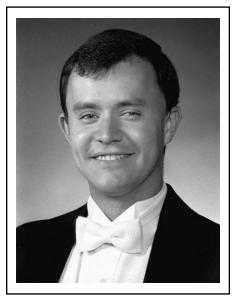
The 2007 refuse collection holiday season will begin on New Year's Day. Please join in the celebration by taking your trash to the curb on Thursday evenings those weeks.

Please note that the collection of recycling is not affected by the refuse holidays. Recycling collection remains on Thursdays. The newsletter regrets the confusion on this issue over the 2006 holiday season and apologizes for any inconvenience it may have caused. music director and conductor for the Carnegie Mellon contemporary Ensemble since 2003. He is also assistant director of orchestral studies at Carnegie Mellon University as well as assistant conductor for the Carnegie Mellon Philharmonic.

Since 1998 he has worked closely with the Opera Theatre of Pittsburgh as music director cover conductor, coach, rehearsal pianist, and music coordinator. He has been a guest conductor with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, National Symphony Orchestra of Costa Rica, Pittsburgh Youth Symphony Orchestra, Wheeling Symphony Orchestra, McKeesport Symphony Orchestra. Altoona Symphony Orchestra, Three Rivers Young People's Orchestra, Helix New Music Ensemble, Rutgers Chamber Orchestra, Rutgers Opera, and Charleston TheatreWorks Company.

In April 2005, Mr. Morales was a finalist for the post of assistant conductor of the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, chosen out of 180 applicants from all over the world. This past summer he was the assistant conductor for the first Pittsburgh production of Wagner's Ring Cycle by the Opera Theater of Pittsburgh and the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra. In August 2005, he performed at the National Flute Convention in San Diego with Lior Eitan, Wissam Boustany, and Gary Schocker. He has been associate conductor for the Rutgers Opera, and has also worked as accompanist for the Pittsburgh Symphony, Pittsburgh Opera, Mendelssohn Choir, Opera Theatre of Pittsburgh, Chatham College, and Charleston Opera. He has collaborated with such artists as Cuarteto Latinoamericano, Sarah Chang, Midori, Alexander Kerr, Walfrid Kujala, Jennifer Larmore, Julianne Baird, Herbert Perry, Anne Panagulias, and Meir Rimon.

As a pianist, Mr. Morales has performed in solo and chamber music recitals in Maryland, Washington, D.C., North Carolina, South Carolina,



ESO Music Director Walter Morales

Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, and in New York City at Weill Recital Hall, Steinway Hall, and at Lincoln Center. He has won prizes at the University of Costa Rica Concerto Competition, the Carlos Enrique Vargas Piano Competition, the Southeastern Community College Competition, the MTNA South Carolina State Competition, the Silbermann Chamber Music Competition, the Carnegie Mellon Concerto Competition, the Pittsburgh Concert Society, and has appeared at the "Semanas Musicales de Frutillar" in Chile, the Piccolo Spoleto Festival, the Jill Watson Festival of the Arts, the International Piano Series and the Rutgers SummerFest.

Tickets for the ESO concerts are only \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. Visit www.edgewoodsymphony.org or call (412) 473-8880 for more information.

The Edgewood Symphony Orchestra is supported in part by grants from the Allegheny Regional Asset District, the Borough of Edgewood, Edgewood Foundation, The Heinz Endowments, Laurel Foundation, Pennsylvania Partners in the Arts and an anonymous donor.



# Library

# Download Your Reading Load

Beginning February 1, library cardholders will be able to download books onto their home computers, MP3 players or I-pods. Up to six books can be borrowed for a three-week period. The collection has over 1,100 books, which range from best sellers to classics, from non-fiction to ESL; new titles are added each month. This free service is being made available through the Allegheny County Library Association, but a library card is required. For more information on how to access the downloadable books from Net Library, call the library and we will walk you through the steps.

## **Book Sale**

The date has been set for the library book sale. Mark your calendars for the weekend of March 17. Events kick off with a preview party for Edgewood residents on Friday, March 17 from 7 -9 p.m. The cost is \$15 per person. Light refreshments will be served and participants may purchase materials.

The sale continues on Saturday, March 18 from 9 - 4 pm and concludes with a bag sale on Sunday March 19 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. The book sale is much more than books; also offered are videos, DVDs, computer programs, books and music on tape and CD, and magazines. The library

# **COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS**

The Borough of Edgewood does not specifically endorse any community organization, but welcomes and publishes newsletter announcements from all community groups in the borough. The editor reserves the right to edit announcements for length, content, or to meet editorial policies of the borough. For information on how to submit your news, see the box below.

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Advertising will be accepted for the March issue. Please call **Jan McDowell** (412-241-7722) or e-mail <u>jimacm3@juno.com</u> to obtain rates and reserve ad space.

Deadline for the March issue is February 15. Please send all articles or correspondence to the attention of the editor, e-mail <u>marmozette@comcast.net</u> is accepting donation of materials for the sale. More information will be in the March newsletter.

## Income Tax

VITA tax volunteers are once again at the library to prepare federal and state returns for senior citizens and individuals with uncomplicated returns. The service is free. An appointment is required. The volunteers are available on Tuesdays and Thursday for morning, afternoon or evening appointments. Call the library at (412) 731-0909.

Because many people do e-filing or are able to download forms on their computers, the IRS has dropped libraries and post offices as deposit sites for IRS tax forms. The library will however get the reproducible binder, and copies can be made for 15 cents each.

# Medicare

Volunteers from APPRISE, a free health insurance counseling program, will be at the library on Tuesday, February 21 and Thursday March 9 to talk with senior citizens about the new Medicare program. This is a one on one counseling program. Trained volunteers will talk with seniors about their specific prescriptions and will explain which options might best fit their needs.

This service is free and open any



one on Medicare. All information is kept confidential. The sessions are done by appointment and can be arranged by calling the library at (412) 731-0909. APPRISE is a division of the Lutheran Service Society.

# Memorial Books

The library has received gifts in memory of William Stineman, Sr, Jacob Lydon, and Charles and Marily McShane. Books will be added to the collection in their memory.

## Library Board

The board wishes to thank Ed Cook for his service to the community as a library board member. Ed served two stints as a library board member as part of his duties as an Edgewood council member. Replacing Ed on the board is Derek Love. Other members of the board are Tom Herward, chair; Greer Mulholland, vice-chair; Jean Davin, Lorraine Nogrady, John Belechak, Walt Hazlett, Pat Doyle, and Marilyn Messina.

# SHINE Site

The Woodland Hills School Board selected the library as one of its six sites for the SHINE after school program. Students in grades four through eight at either Dickson or West are eligible to participate in this free enrichment program. For more information and registration contact the school offices.



# Sweet Treats

Join Sue and Abbie for candy making on Saturday, February 11 from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Children six and up are invited to make delectable treats for that special Valentine. Reserve you spot by Thursday, February 9 or until class is full.

## Toddler Time

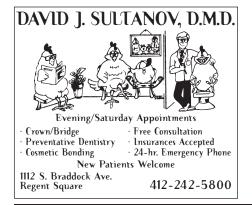
Our baby animal fair will be held on Saturday, February 18 at 10:30 a.m. Toddler time is for children 2 years and up with a caregiver. Register by Thursday, February 16.

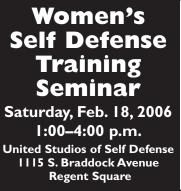
## Parent-Child Book Club

On Saturday, February 18, the Parent-Child book club will review *Koala Lou* by Mem Fox at 1:30 p.m. Parent-Child book club is for parents and their children four to seven years old. Register by February 16. Pick up your copy today at the library.

## Check and Mate

The 33rd annual public library chess tournament will be held on Saturday, February 25 at 9 a.m. Edgewood chess players in Kindergarten through eighth grade are invited to participate. You can only participate in one library tournament, so choose ours. The junior division is children in kindergarten through fourth grade. The senior division is children in fifth through eighth





grade. The winner from each division will represent the library at the finals tournament in March at the Carnegie Library of Homestead. You have all month to register for the tournament; however, no registrations will be taken the day of the tournament.

### Crochet with Sue

The hobby club will meet on Saturday, March 4 from 11 a.m. -1 p.m. to learn crocheting. Register by Thursday, March 2 or when class is full. The hobby club is open to children six and up interested in learning techniques of a craft they can make with their hands.

All events are free and open to the public. Please adhere to registration requirements.

By Sally Bogie and Andrea McNeill Librarians



### Artifacts Review

The December meeting at Koenig Field House consisted of reviewing artifacts owned by the Society. On display was an oil painting of "Nine Mile Run" by George Hetzel, an important painter of the Scalp Level School. He was born in Allsace Lorraine and his family moved to Washington Street in 1826.



Join us to:

- Focus on your strengths
- Build a confidence that comes from knowing that you are strong and can defend yourself
- Form an attitude that your body is worth defending
- Practice your skills in a safe, "hands on" environment.

Lisa Nakamura is a 3rd Degree Black Belt, and has studied karate for 24 years. She and her husband own United Studios of Self Defense in Regent Square, where they provide martial arts and self defense training to women, children, and men of all ages. **For registration and information**,

For registration and information please call (412) 242-8773.

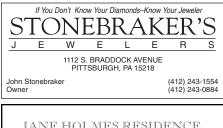


Another interesting item on display was an account ledger from the C.L. Johnston Grocery Store from 1894. This store was located at the corner of Maple and Swissvale Avenues now occupied by the firm of Lami Grubb Architects. The meat market section was beside the present day Edgewood Shoe Repair still operated by the Nuzzo family. There was a passageway behind this store that connected the two sections. It was interesting what the price of food was in 1894. A dozen eggs cost 25 cents (quite expensive).

On the internet through my post card hobby, I met Arthur F. Humphrey, III. His great grandfather the first Arthur F. Humphrey, President of the Westinghouse Air Brake Company (Union Switch and Signal was a division and the original plant was on the site of Edgewood Town Center) in 1919. He supplied me with a lot of information on the Humphrey family and the Air Brake. Of interest was a chart of the Air Brake and its subsidiary companies n 1919. The Humphrey family occupied the large house at the corner of Maple and Beech for most of the twentieth century.

In the near future there will be another program displaying artifacts from the files of the Society. This may be combined with a picnic.

> By David Grubbs Historical Society President



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# Church

# Catching Up With FPCE

It has been a few months since readers have seen anything about the First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood on these pages, but that doesn't mean the members haven't been busy. While taking some time to get to know new pastor Rev. Mike Wilson, here are a few things that have come and gone successfully:

**October** brought about the annual Harvest Happening, inviting the community together for a day of games, prizes, food, and fun, with a guest appearance by WCRT-FM's Larry Berger from the Saturday Light Brigade. Also, a team of walkers joined with groups all over the eastern area of Pittsburgh for Church World Service's annual CROP Walk for hunger relief.

In **November**, many gathered in the social room to give thanks at the annual community Thanksgiving Meal. Once again, over 200 meals were served, either at the table or sent out to community service workers, senior citizens, and those homebound in need of a family to share in the holiday.

**December** brought about a new partnership with several local Presbyterian churches for a holiday meal sponsored by the Wilkinsburg Community Ministry. This is the first of what is hopefully many more outreach opportunities to come in the Edgewood and Wilkinsburg areas.

The Edgewood Sanctuary also played host to two holiday performances: The Edgewood Symphony Orchestra (with some help from the FPCE Sanctuary Choir and the Chancel Choir from the First Unitarian Church of Pittsburgh in Shadyside), and new this year, the Masterworks Concert Chorale that hails from the Murrysville area.

# Hopping Forward in 2006

Now that a new year has begun, several projects are in place to keep the Community Church active in your neighborhood. First, the very successful and much needed FROGS After School Program has begun its new session for the second semester. This program runs every Tuesday and Thursday from 3:15 - 5:30 p.m. (following the Woodland Hills School District calendar) and beginning this session is open to students grades K through 6.

The students arrive for a snack, games, homework help, educational activities; and a meal is provided by the Wilkinsburg Community Ministry. Volunteers to assist in homework help, activity leadership, and snack supervision are always welcome. Snack food and drink donations are welcome as well. For more information on how to become a part of the FROGS volunteer staff, or to enroll your child, please contact Youth Activities Director Kathy Hart at the church, (412) 241-4613, ext. 101.

# Cure the Winter Blues

The Evangelism Team of the Edgewood Church is pleased to announce another of its coffee house

nights. These evenings have proven to be very entertaining, full of great coffee, biscotti, music, and fun. Join in the excitement during the dreary winter nights of February for a mere \$5 donation. It all takes place from 7 - 9p.m. on Saturday, February 25 in the church's social room. Call Judy in the church office, (412) 241-4613, ext. 103, for more information, or log on to www.fpcedgewood.org.

# Mardi Gras!

Well, not quite. But the members of FPCE invite one and all to a Shrove Tuesday pancake dinner beginning at 6 p.m. in the social room on Tuesday, February 28. There will be food (pancakes and sausage), fun (flapjack flipping contest, apron making contest, and a cakewalk), and fellowship (test your Lenten knowledge). Log on to www.fpcedgewood.org to find out more information about the dinner and other Lenten activities.

# **Discards Needed**

Anytime is cleaning time – including now. Don't throw anything away – instead, bring your discards to the church. The Presbyterian Women's annual Flea Market will be held on Saturday, April 8, so please keep us in mind while cleaning out your closets and attics. Call Joy Goethert at (412) 731-1640 to arrange for pickup of your larger items – or drop your smaller donations at the church (School Street door). No large furniture, tires or clothes, please. Thanks for your help.

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# WPSD

# American Sign Language Classes

Did you know that American Sign Language is accepted in approximately 35 states, including Pennsylvania, as a fulfillment for the foreign language requirement in public schools and universities? Competency in ASL can also give one a competitive edge in the job market, especially in the fields of medicine, social work and counseling, education and emergency services.

WPSD will offer the next 10-week ASL session on the Edgewood campus, beginning March 29. Classes will be offered in levels 1, 2 and 3. If you are unsure of your skill level, teachers will assist you on the first night of class. For more information on classes contact Mary Ann Stefko at (412) 371-7000 or mastefko@wpsd.org.

## More Monsters

Spring is just around the corner, and that mans time for the Monster Yard Sale, scheduled for Saturday, April 29. Reserve your space now, clean out your basement, and come out for a day of fun and profit.

For more information, contact Vicki Cherney via email at vcherney@ wpsd.org or call (412) 244-4207.



#### Fast Start in 2006

The Edgewood Foundation would like to start off the New Year by welcoming the new borough residents, some of whom we met at the Newcomers' Reception in 2005, and reminding them and all residents of the borough that we have another exciting year planned. The Foundation had a



great response to our annual appeals letter that went out in the mail in late 2005. If you haven't responded yet don't forget that the Foundation still needs your help in making our neighborhood all that it can be. Your generous contributions help us to fund many borough activities and support many worthwhile groups. Don't forget that we also need your support for volunteer activities as well. Thanks you again for your continued support.

## Town Meeting

Don't forget to attend the Annual Town Meeting scheduled for the Edgewood Club on February 16 at 7:30 p.m.. This event has always been a way to come in out of the cold and get some interesting and informative tidbits about what has been, and is happening in the borough. Presentations are usually referred to as the "State of the Borough" addresses since there is always an interesting group of community officials, club members and group leaders to brief residents on their respective organizations.

# New Board Members

This year there are some new council members, a new council president and a new council representative appointed to the Edgewood Foundation. There are also some new Edgewood Foundation board members who will be making their first appearance at the town meeting. And please don't forget about the prestigious Limpert Award that will be presented that evening. You won't want to miss this year's meeting, and no reservations are required. So join us for some fun, refreshments and interesting conversation as we rehash what happened last year and talk about what is planned for this year.

# **Borough Directory**

The Edgewood Foundation is start-



ing a project that has long been discussed, talked about and dreamed about. In March, the Edgewood Foundation will start diligently working on the 2006 version of the Edgewood Directory. This much sought-after list of Edgewood residents reads like a who's who of Edgewood and people borough wide have been asking about the latest version due to be published by year's end.

be published by year's end. The leader of this endeavor is Bud Andrews and he will be working closely with the members of the Edgewood Foundation and a host of volunteers to develop a list of current names and address to be bound together to make the revered book come out of hibernation and back into the hands of the residents of Edgewood. If you would like more information or would like to volunteer your efforts, please do so at the contacts listed below.

Inclusion in the directory is entirely voluntary, and the information will not be sold, or distributed outside of the borough. It is solely for the residents of the Borough of Edgewood. The directory will be sold at borough locations to be named later for \$10.

Forms will be available at the Borough Building and at the Annual Town Meeting. Completed forms may either be mailed to the Edgewood Foundation at 2 Race Street, or dropped off at the Borough Building, You may also e-mail the information to info@edgewoodfoundation.org. Other efforts to obtain residents names will be through our volunteer group who may call on you or visit your home to see if you are interested. We thank you in advance for your help.

For more information, to volunteer your help with this project, please contact us at info@edgewoodfoundation .org or call Vaughn Busch at (412) 242-5345.

#### Check Out the Web

As always, for more information on the Progressive Dinner, Annual Town Meeting, Limpert Award, Borough Directory or other Edgewood Foundation activities, please check our website at:

www.edgewoodfoundation.org



# **Borough Directory**

# Borough Office Information

# Borough Manager

# **Code Enforcement**

# Tax Office

# Wage Taxes

# **Recreation Office**

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# **Police Chief**

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# Fire Chief

# **Overnight Vehicle Call-ins**

# Garbage Collection

# **Recycling Collection**

# Newsletter

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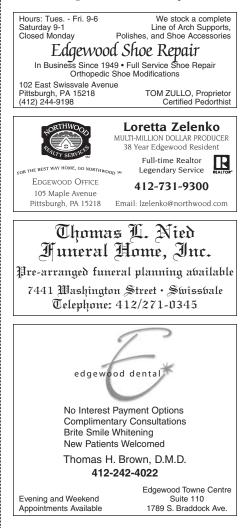
# 911 Transition for Overnight Parking

With our transition to 911 complete, the borough has been working to deal with issues specific to Edgewood. The borough has a program whereby residents receive 60 call-in days per year for parking for overnight guests. This allows visitors to park overnight on the street without having to purchase a 3 - 5 a.m. permit.

The borough's staffing with the transition to 911 has changed. We no longer have 24-hour staffing at what was the dispatch department. The department still exists in a reconfigured manner, with hours than run Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. – 12 midnight

We have had to hire an answering service specifically for this overnight call-in program for the hours when we do not have staffing; that is, after midnight Monday through Friday and on the weekends.

There will be a couple of programmatic changes that will take place with



this answering service. First, if you call during the week you can still call in multiple nights at once. If you call anytime after midnight on Friday up until Monday morning, you may only report one day at a time. This is because of the way the answering service relays those overnight vehicles to our Police Department. If you call at 1 a.m., on Friday night, you will only be able to call in for that night. You will need to call back on Saturday if you will have a car on the street the next night. A solution to this would be to call the borough at (412) 242-4824 before 5 p.m. or (412) 242-9994 between five and midnight on Friday if you know that you will have a car on the street for multiple nights during the weekend.

Finally, the ordinance requiring cars to be called in by 2 a.m. will be enforced. The answering service will be instructed that calls must be received by that time and any calls coming in after 2 a.m. will not be able to make that night's list. Please make a note of this as well as the phone number to call to register an overnight vehicle. During borough hours, 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday-Friday, you can still register an overnight vehicle by calling the administrative office at (412) 242-4824.

The borough appreciates your patience during this transition. If you have questions please call the office.

By Kurt Ferguson Borough Manager





# Activity Report

The Edgewood Police Department responded to and handled 1,463 calls for service in December 2005. There were 516 incidents reported, 174 complaints received and 11 accidents investigated, of which three resulted in personal injury.

Part I crimes are the more serious crimes of homicide, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft and arson. Of the 24 Part I crimes committed in the borough, three were burglary, 13 were shoplifting and seven were other crimes.

There were 12 adult and seven juvenile arrests made for felony and misdemeanor violations.

Edgewood officers wrote a total of 25 traffic citations, 16 parking citations and made one arrest for driving under the influence were made. There were five vandalism/criminal mischief complaints and one narcotics offense.

Officers also responded to 17 false alarm calls, took 354 reports, responded to 19 public nuisance complaints, wrote 16 non-traffic citations and responded to 12 calls for medical assistance.

#### In Memoriam

With deep regrets, we announce the passing of Sgt. Dom Labella in November 2005. Sgt. Labella was an Edgewood officer for 28 years and started a lot of the children's programs that we have in place today. Sgt. Labella





Just a reminder: Edgewood is now a 911 community. For police, fire and ambulance service, you must dial 911 instead of (412) 242-9990. If you have a non-emergency from Monday through Friday (8 a.m. to midnight), you can call (412) 242-9994.

was a true professional and loved the Borough of Edgewood. He had a lot of friends in Edgewood and his laughter and smile will be sorely missed by all.

# Farewell, Officer Leslie

We are sad to announce that Officer Leslie Lewis has left the Department to pursue her law enforcement career with the Allegheny County Police. Leslie was with this department for five years and we wish her the very best in her new endeavor. Below is a letter written to the residents of Edgewood from Officer Lewis:

To the residents of Edgewood Borough:

I would like to take this time to thank all the residents of Edgewood Borough for the support, confidence and friendship you have extended to me during my time with the Edgewood Police Department. Your support and acts of



kindness will always stay with me. Thank you for letting me serve you. Officer Leslie F. Lewis #703

# Citizen's Police Academy

We would also like to announce that applications for the 2006 Edgewood Citizen's Police Academy are now being taken. Applications may be obtained from the administration office of the borough building or by calling (412) 242-4825.

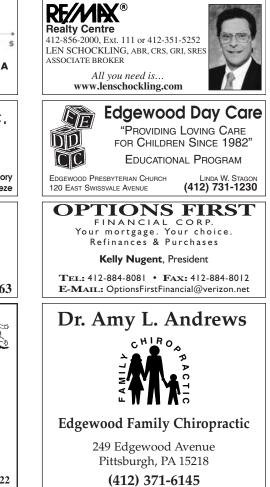
By Paul Wood Chief of Police



# Weed Season is Just Around the Corner

Code enforcement officer Keith Coll writes to remind residences of the regulations concerning weeds – just in time for spring:

"All premises and exterior property shall be maintained free from weeds and plant growth in excess of 10 inches. All noxious weeds shall be prohibited. Weeds shall be defined as all grasses, annual plants and vegetation, other than trees or shrubs provided; however, this term shall not include cultivated flowers and gardens."





# EVFD

# **Global Warming Strikes Again**

Let me first apologize for there not being Christmas tree burn this year. Although we are all enjoying the mild winter, I hope I didn't just jinx us; we need the bitter cold temperatures to freeze the field. With that being said, the trucks delivering the trees would have trashed the field. Therefore we decided that it was in the best interest of the field, soccer players and the baseball program if we canceled it.

# Luminaria

The EVFD thanks all who purchased luminary this year. Your support will allow us to acquire new equipment to serve you better. For the upcoming year we intend to purchase new protective clothing for the members, upgrade the firehouse software that we use to file our reports and track station activity and



equipment, remodel the fire quarters, and last but not least, add a rescue truck to replace the ladder truck. I know some may ask how can remodeling the fire quarters helps to serve the community better. Seeing that we are now dispatched by Allegheny County, we no longer have a driver in the station 24 hours a day. By remodeling the guarters, we will be able to offer a live-in program. The live-in program will offer a driver and possibly a crew, should we get more interested members, in the station after the drivers are off duty. It is like having a paid department without the cost. In order to "live" there you must be a firefighter and certified to drive the apparatus. Monroeville has offered this for years with great success. We currently have one member interested in the program and will be completing his driver's training soon.

# Join Us

The three newest members to the department are currently enrolled in firefighting essentials and the enthusiasm from them wanting to learn has encouraged the rest of the department. By the spring of this year we should have most members certified as medical first responders. In addition three members will be taking EMT certification, that will bring the department 4 EMT's and a paramedic. Although we currently do not provide medical service through the fire department we are discussing this for the future. Now is the time to submit your application to get involved with an ever-growing department.

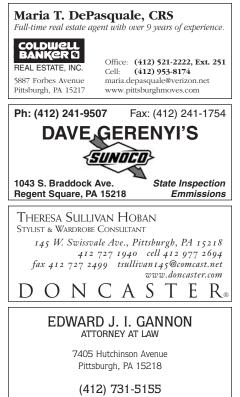
By Dave Andrews Fire Chief

# **Know Your Firefighters**

(Editor's Note: this is a continuation of an article that began in the last issue. It will be completed next month.)

Perhaps it would help to know who some of our bravest are, what kind of training is necessary to be a firefighter, and other duties performed by firefighters in Edgewood. By learning a little more about who our volunteer firefighters are, it may motivate some individuals to join the Department, if not to help their community, perhaps to help protect their family.

There are three classes of firefighters within the Edgewood Fire Department.



Class One is a firefighter who can fight fires inside and outside of a burning structure, and is fully trained to the same level as City of Pittsburgh firefighters.

Class Two firefighters provide assistance only outside of a burning building such as laying hose lines, filling air tanks, loading equipment back on the engine and other outside duties. They also receive much of the same training as Class One firefighters.

Class Three firefighters are those who help with fundraising such as helping with the hayrides, at Community Day and with Luminaria Sales. These firefighters are not trained in firefighting, nor can they participate at the scene of a fire. However, their importance in fundraising is of invaluable assistance in keeping the Fire Department financially sound.



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# THE SCOOP

# INDULGE YOU SWEET TOOTH

at the library's candy making event on February 11





# MEET AND GREET

Your community officials at the Edgewood Foundation's annual town meeting on February 16.

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# pass the syrup

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