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## Laura Horner Named 16th Annual Limpert Honoree

Laura Horner was presented with the prestigious William D. Limpert Award for Community Service at the annual town meeting held in February and sponsored by the Edgewood Foundation.

Laura was chosen for this award, established to recognize a resident of our borough who has made a significant contribution to the quality of life in our community, because of her willing ness to give of her time and talents to key community groups and the activities and programs supported by them.

Laura joined the board of the Edgewood Club six years ago. Her tenure coincided with the club's centennial celebration. She made sure the centennial events and promotion of the club observance emphasized the uniqueness of Edgewood.

She also served on the board of the Edgewood Foundation, where she worked to maximize cross promotion of the Foundation activities through Club activities. It seemed only logical to her that a strong Foundation and a strong Club make an even stronger community.

When the Recreation Board was in need of new members and energy she even recruited her husband Kevin. Later, she recruited a leader with experience in costuming and event creation, which resulted in a truly professional "Haunted House" for all to enjoy.

Laura and Kevin have lived in



AN EXCLUSIVE CLUB; Laura Horner joins the distinguished list of Limpert award winners. Here, she receives her plaque from Foundation president Vaughn Busch.

Edgewood for over 16 years. They have three children: Meghan, 18, a freshman at Tufts University; Daniel, 16; and Brian, 13, a.k.a. "Bubby."

Laura worked for many years in marketing/PR firms in New York City and then Pittsburgh, before becoming a full-time mom. When Kevin's job took the family to Geneva, she picked right up on neighborhood relations,

organizing perhaps the first ever couples bowling league in Switzerland.

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In presenting the award, Foundation president Vaughn Busch said, "We are all fortunate to have Laura for a neighbor and even more fortunate that she is a person who really gives back to all of her community making Edgewood truly a special place to live."

## New Council Members Sworn in at Annual Reorganization Meeting

In the annual reorganization meeting of the Edgewood Borough Council, held on January 3, four Council members took the oath of office. Heidi McDonald, who served a two-year term, was elected to serve a four-year term; and Mal Hellett, who had been previously on Council, was elected again to serve. The two new members to Council are Derek-Jan Love and Andrew Szefi.

Mayor Jean Davin was sworn in for another term and Council was reorganized. The Council elected officers who are: Patricia Schaefer, President; Mark McNally, Vice President; Heidi McDonald, President Pro Tem; Mal Hellett, Derek-Jan Love, Lorraine Nogrady and Andrew Szefi complete the Council.

The Council does its work by using the committee process. The Committees are:

- General Government: Mark McNally (Chair), Heidi McDonald, Mal Hellett
- Public Safety: Heidi McDonald (Chair), Mark McNally, Andrew Szefi
- Personnel: Mal Hellett (Chair), Lorraine Nogrady, Pat Schaefer

- Public Works: Lorraine Nogrady (Chair), Derek-Jan Love, Pat Schaefer
- Community Services: Mal Hellett, (Chair), Andrew Szefi, Derek-Jan Love
- Pension: Lorraine Nogrady (Chair), Mark McNally, Andrew Szefi
- Community Development: Heidi McDonald (Chair), Mark McNally, Andrew Szefi

Committees report to the Council and bring forth motions, resolutions and ordinances for Council to entertain.

(See Council and Committees, page 10)



## Library

#### Book Sale

The 2006 Book Sale is just days away. It promises to be bigger and better than any sale we have had. It's not to late to make reservations for the preview party and advance sale on Friday, March 17 from 7 - 9 p.m. The preview party is open to Edgewood residents and their guests. The cost is \$15 per person and refreshments are Donations of food and included. drinks are also appreciated.

The price for items at both the Friday night event as well as on Saturday, March 18 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. is:

- Hardback books \$2 each or 5 for \$8
- Paperback books \$1 each or 5 for \$4
- Children's books are 50 cents each or 5 for \$2
- Books on tape or CD \$2
- Movies on VHS or DVD \$3
- CD-ROMs \$2

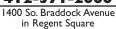
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#### **COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS**

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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Deadline for the April issue is March 15. Please send all articles or correspondence to the attention of the editor, e-mail marmozette@comcast.net

• Magazines and records 25 cents

The sale wraps up on Sunday, March 19 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. with a bag sale. Bags will be \$5 each.

Donations of books will be accepted throughout the weekend. If you want a tax letter, please let a staff member know. Volunteers are also needed. For more information, call the library at (412) 731-0909.

#### **Edgewood High School Reunions**

The library has a number of Edgewood High School items that it is willing to loan for a reunion. These include a maroon felt banner, a rayon maroon and gold flag, a megaphone and pompoms, and an assortment of trophies. The library also has a number of extra yearbooks which are available for sale to classmates.

If your class is interested in borrowing any of these items, please call the library so that we can reserve them for you.

#### **Edgewood Foundation Gift**

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books will include SAT testing, college selection guides, college application help, as well as resume guides, career testing, and best jobs for the future information. These books are on order and will arrive shortly. A big thank you to the Foundation for making current materials available on these topics.

#### **Summer Art Auction**

The library is looking for a volunteer and/or volunteers to head up this summer's art auction. Last years auction was a success with nearly 25 art items being auctioned. We have all of our notes from 2005, but need someone to do the leg work. If you can help, please call Sally Bogie at (412) 731-0909.

#### Computer Classes

One-on-one instruction in Internet use will be scheduled soon. Students from Pitt's graduate library program will be doing the instruction. At the time of the newsletter deadline, dates had not been established. Please call the library for more information.

#### One Book One Community

The titles for this year's community read have been announced. The adult







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selection is Kite Runner by Khaled Hosseini. Fish by L. S. Matthews has been selected for younger readers. And preschoolers can participate by having Inside Mouse Outside Mouse by Lindsay George read to them. The library has plenty of copies in both regular print, large print, and audio format. All three books make for great discussions.

#### **Lucky Shamrocks**

Let the luck of the Irish be with you all month long. Find a specially marked shamrock in a children's book and redeem it at the children's desk for a prize. The contest runs through March 31.

#### **Hobby Club**

Participants will learn crocheting with Sue on Saturday, March 4 at 11 a.m. 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.

#### Leapin' Lizards

Learn all about lizards on Saturday, March 11 at 11 a.m. Register for this program for children six and up by Thursday, March 9.

#### Parent/Child Book Club

This group will meet on Saturday, March 18 at 1:30 p.m. to discuss the Wings by Jane Yolen. Books will be available to borrow at the library. Please register by Thursday, March 16. Parent/child book club is for children four to seven years old and a caregiver.

#### Celebrate Spring

Join us at Toddler Time on Saturday, March 25. Children 18 months to four years old and a caregiver will enjoy this program of songs, stories, felt board and a special craft project just for them. The fun begins at 10:30 a.m. Register by Thursday, March 23.

#### Be a Smart Cookie

Celebrate "Smart as a Cookie day" at the Edgewood Library Saturday, April 1 at 11 a.m. The event will feature stories, puzzles, games and a creative cookie decorating contest courtesy of Eat'n Park smiley cookies. Children six and up are invited to participate. Sign

up by Thursday, March 30.

#### Summer Service Opportunities

Teens are invited to meet Robert Cantillo, regional program coordinator for the Student Conservation Association, on Tuesday, April 4 at 6:30 p.m. Robert will be hear to discuss the summer program, internships and opportunities for students to "change lives through service to nature" the Conservation Association participates in. RSVP for this free event by Sunday, April 2.

#### Impromptu Talent Show

Sign up for the Impromptu Talent Show to be held Saturday, April 8 at 11 a.m. We will register the first 15 acts for a talent show. Each participant will have up to four minutes to either dance, sing, do a magic trick, jump rope to music, play an instrument, or some other performing art. Pretty much anything goes. Sign up by Thursday, April 6 to participate in the fun.

By Sally Bogie and Andrea McNeill Librarians



## **School**

#### Musicals - Mark your Calendars!

Spring is just around the corner, and the junior high and high school musical season is upon us. In the Woodland Hills School District, West Junior High will present West Side Story on Friday, March 24 at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday March 25 at 1:30 and 7:30 p.m. Please call (412) 351-0698 for more information

The Woodland Hills High School performing arts department will present Pippin on April 21, 22, 27, 28, and 29. The high school lobby box office opens March 2. For information please call (412) 244-1100 ext. 5154.



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#### **Teacher Excellence Nominations**

We are proud that nearly 60 Woodland Hills School District teachers have been nominated for a Teacher Excellence Center award, including from Edgewood Primary, manv Dickson Intermediate and West Junior High. The 100 nominees who receive

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#### Kindergarten Registration

The Woodland Hills School District welcomes all incoming kindergarten students and families. This spring all three primary schools will hold registration sessions. For information on the documents you must bring to complete registration, please call the Central Registration Office at (412) 731-1300, ext. 0131. Registration will be held at Edgewood Primary on April 10 from noon - 7 p.m., and April 11 from 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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## **WPSD**

#### News on Campus

On-campus renovation to accommodate the new Children's Center has begun in the Girl's Dorm. Completion is targeted for July 2006, with the intent that it will be open for the start of the 2006-2007 school year.

The pre-school and kindergarten programs, currently housed in the "White House" on Hawthorne Street will move onto the main campus. The move will enhance the existing programs and provide the children with easy access to all the amenities available on the main campus.

Construction is nearly complete for the new garage in the 1100 block of Walnut Street. This area will provide parking for WPSD busses and RVs as well as additional storage space. Work be completed by April 2006.

Anyone interested in a tour of the WPSD campus should contact Vicki Cherney at (412) 244-4207 or jbernauer@wpsd.org.

#### **ASL Courses**

WPSD will offer the next 10-week American Sign Language 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.

#### Monster Yard Sale

The Annual WPSD yard sale is

scheduled for Saturday, April 29, rain or shine. Reserve your space, clean out your basement and join us for a day of fun and profit. Space is limited so call today. Contact Vicki Cherney for more information at (412) 244-4207 or vcherney@wpsd.org.

#### Save The Date

Join former Pittsburgh Pirates and local celebrities at the Champion Lakes Golf Course on Thursday, June 29 for the thirteenth annual WPSD ElRoy Face Golf Tournament. For more information call Mary Lou Senkewitz at (412) 244-3116 or email to marylou.senkewitz@wpsd.org.

All proceeds benefit the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf.



## Garden Club

#### **February Meeting**

Election of officers for 2006-2007 was conducted at the February 6 meeting which was held at the Edgewood Club. The newly elected officers are: President, Jim Burkett; Vice President, Suzann Lami; Treasurer, Katherine Luckett; Assistant Treasurer, Bud Andrews: and Recording and Corresponding Secretary, George Pettrone.

Kathy McGregor, owner of "Sylvania Natives" in Squirrel Hill, then spoke on native plants of Pennsylvania.

#### Marching On

March activities will include the next general membership meeting to be held at the Edgewood Club on Monday, March 6 at noon. On Sunday, March 19, Master Gardener Katherine Luckett will conduct a pruning clinic from 4 - 5 p.m., location to be announced.

#### Pot Luck

The annual Potluck Dinner Meeting will be held at the Edgewood Club on Monday, April 3 at 6 p.m. The evening's program will be provided by Denise Lindberg of "Gardener's Eye", a landscape design and maintenance company, who will speak on integrating shrubs into your perennial garden.

Anyone interested in joining the Garden Club or in need of further information on these or future events may contact Jim Burkett at (412) 241-0480, or any of your friendly neighborhood Garden Club members.



## Church

#### Flea Market

The annual flea market of the First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood will be held on Saturday, April 8 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Clean out your attics and bring your unwanted treasures in good condition down to the church (School Street door), or, for pickup, call Joy Goethert at (412) 731-1640. No clothes, tires or large furniture, please.

If anyone in the community would like to help sort or set up the week before the sale, we'd love to have your help (you'd also get first choice on purchases). Call Joy or Judy at the church, (412) 241-4613, for information.

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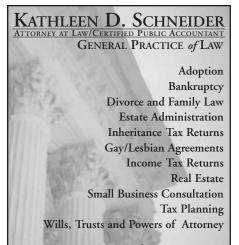
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#### **Progressive Dinner**

The Edgewood Foundation would like to thank all of the wonderful appetizer and dinner hosts who helped make this years Progressive Dinner one of the best attended and also one in which we had a lot of fun. Compliments from attendees floated through Edgewood Club where the final dessert portion of the meal was held. "Great party", "Fabulous", "Wonderful" and many other like compliments were heard throughout the evening while Edgewood residents dined and enjoyed appetizers and desserts at the party. Thanks go to Amy Andrews for organizing this event along with Angel Lehrian and Niki Augustine who also helped. Thanks also to the Edgewood Club for providing the Club for this dinner.

#### **Town Meeting**

The Edgewood Foundation also held the annual Town Meeting in February and the turnout was fantastic. Mayor Jean Davin and Borough Council President Pat Schaefer give their traditional "State of the Borough" addresses that gave residents an insiders view of what is happening in the borough and some plans for the future.

Other speakers detailed information from their respective organizations such as the Edgewood Volunteer Fire Department, Edgewood Primary School, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Nine Mile Run Watershed Association, C.C. Mellor Library, Edgewood Symphony Orchestra, the Edgewood Garden Club, and the First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood. The Edgewood Club was very generous as they supplied the Foundation with a place to have the meeting and helped to set up and clean up afterwards. Thanks to Ron Gallagher for all of his help.

Also at this meeting was the presentation of the William D. Limpert Volunteer Service Award to Laura Horner. A story about Laura appears on page one of this newsletter.

This prestigious award named in honor of the Foundation's founding president, Bill Limpert, was created in 1991 to honor him at his retirement from the Foundation Board. Nominations are solicited annually and nominees are judged by an impartial, anonymous panel. A plaque listing all recipients is on display in the C.C. Mellor Library and a tree is planted at an appropriate site within the borough to honor the recipient. Laura will join the distinguished list of previous awardees:, William D. Limpert, John Major, Angie Sammarone, Bob Fuchs, Robert Gibson, Nevin Rodes, Susan Bailey, Doris Jones, Brian Nogrady, Jay Bush, Dick Monheim, Mary Limpert, Louis Boccio Jr., Dick Lithgow, and Tom Herward.

#### Senior Celebration

The next event sponsored by the Foundation will be the Senior Brunch, to be held May 7 at 1 p.m. at the Edgewood Club. This event celebrates the seniors graduating from the sur-

rounding high schools. This is our opportunity to show our appreciation to the younger members of our community in a way that the Foundation has come to be famous for. We could use your help. If you know of any graduating seniors that are currently residing in our borough, please make sure that we have their names. Contact Karen (Oleyar) Doyle, 412-241-5614; Sharon (Kiely) DeVita, 412-243-2281; Rose Steiner, (412) 242-2330

#### **Edgewood Directory**

The Edgewood Foundation is currently working on getting information to produce the next edition of the Edgewood Directory. If you have information from the last edition or would just like to help, please contact us at info@edgewood foundation.org or call Vaughn Busch at (412) 242-5345. Use the form below to submit your information to the Foundation at 2 Race Street, Edgewood, PA 15218.



#### **Inaugural Meeting**

Are you interested in beautifying your neighborhood, improving your health, causing less pollution, and saving money? Come join us for the inaugural meeting of the Edgewood Environmental Organization. The meeting will be held March 22 at 7:30PM. If you are interested in attending please contact us at (412) 731-1162 or edgewoodenvironment@gmail.com.

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## **Borough Directory**

#### **Borough Office Information**

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#### **Code Enforcement**

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## **Borough** Manager

#### Recycling

I have expressed my enthusiasm with Edgewood's recycling program over the last year and would like to present collection information that I have recently completed. The borough has a curb-side pickup program, collected every other Thursday, in which we collect plastic, aluminum, glass, and steel cans. We also have a paper drop-off site behind the borough building, where we collect newspaper, junk mail, magazines, card-board, and phone books.

Beyond the environmental benefit that everyone normally thinks of with recycling, there is an economic benefit to the borough. Every year Edgewood receives fund from a recycling performance grant which provides revenue to communities based on the total recyclable tonnage collected. The borough collected almost 88 tons of material from our curb-side program. We began our paper drop off program in mid-April last year and ended the year by collecting almost 56 tons of paper recycling materials. That comes out to about seven tons per month and I am hoping we can continue to improve that amount.

The Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf recently added paper recycling bins for their school and collected two tons of paper in the last seven weeks of 2005. I have received the reports from the four bigger businesses in Edgewood Towne Center; Eat N' Park, A.J. Wright, Busy Beaver, and Kmart. These four businesses recycled 480 tons of material. If we total all of those totals we have an impressive amount of 624 tons of recyclable material for our little town. I encourage you all to continue to take the time to separate these items for the

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## **Tax Time**

#### Borough Taxes

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By Maureen Smith Tax Collector



## Building Inspector

#### When do You Need a Building Permit?

With spring around the corner and everyone itching to do some home improvements. Here are some projects that do not require a building permit:

- Retaining walls not over four feet high
- Window replacement
- Sidewalks
- Prefab swimming pools less than 24 inches deep
- Replacement siding
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By Keith Coll Building Inspector



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We would also like to welcome Adam Lawrence to our Department. Adam was sworn in at the same borough council meeting and is our newest part-time officer. He is currently also working for the Wilkinsburg Police Department and comes to us from Canada.

#### **Parking Call-Ins**

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#### January Activity Report

The Edgewood Police Department responded to and handled 1,662 calls for

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service in January 2006. There were 519 incidents reported, 246 complaints received and three accidents investigated, one of which 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, two were burglary, 12 were shoplifting and seven were other crimes.

There were 15 adult and three juvenile arrests made for felony and misdemeanor violations.

Edgewood officers wrote a total of 78 traffic citations, 384 parking citations and made three arrests for driving under the influence were made. There was one vandalism/criminal mischief complaint and one narcotics offense.

Officers also responded to 18 false alarm calls, took 273 miscellaneous reports, responded to 19 public nuisance complaints, wrote six non-traffic citations and responded to 17 calls for medical assistance.

By Paul Wood Chief of Police

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## Recreation

#### Basketball

First, I would like to thank Louis Boccio for his continued help with refereeing, counseling and overall support of the basketball program. In addition, I would like to extend a thank you to all of the volunteer coaches; they are truly the heart and soul of the program. Finally, a special thanks to the recreation staff: Tyler McGugian, BJ Layton, Zach Heidish, John Tragard, Morgan Boccio, Brandan Herbert and Brian Daniels. We have just finished another successful season: now onto baseball.

#### Baseball

Baseball sign-ups are going on now. Please find a registration form inside this edition of the newsletter or simply log onto www.edgewood.pgh.pa.us. We have many of our experienced coaches returning, including the twotime championship team of Mike Rensland, Ned Schano will be returning for their eighth year together as coaches of the PONY team; John Bilyak and Mark Kush return as coaches for the 11 and 12 year old age group; and Edgewood Recreation welcomes Roy Kramer as the 9 and 10 year old coach.

We have several age groups for baseball: T-ball 5 and 6; Coaches Pitch 7 and 8; Youth League 9 and 10; Little League 11 and 12; and the P.O.N.Y. team 13 to 15. Please sign up before March 19. We will field teams on a first come, first serve basis, so sign up as soon as possible to ensure a roster spot.

#### Easter Egg Hunt

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wee hours of the morning to hide a few eggs.

Gates will open Sunday morning at 11:30 and the hunt will begin at noon. Last year the bunny hid over 500 candyand toy-filled eggs. The hunt is open to all children under the age of 12.

#### Edgewood Day @ PNC Park

Edgewood Recreation will again host an evening at PNC Park. Last year we had a number of residents and friends attend this fun-filled evening. We will again offer prizes and special discounts. To order tickets (at a discounted rate of course) please e-mail my office.

#### Movie Night 2005

Please submit movie requests for the 2006 season to the Recreation Department at recreation@edgewood boro.com.

By James Morris Recreation Director



SPRINGTIME is baseball time at Koenig Field. Sign up now to join the fun.

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## **EVFD**

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way of the borough building. Captain Hale, an EMT and certified CPR instructor will train borough employees in the use of the AED. Anyone interested in receiving CPR/AED certification should contact Captain Halle at s.halle@verizon.net.

#### **Heavy Duty Truck**

At the same meeting council approved the bidding for a heavy-duty rescue truck for the EVFD. The rescue will replace the ladder truck, which is now enjoying retirement life in Richmond, Virginia. A heavy-duty rescue is basically a toolbox on wheels. With 60% of our call volume dealing in vehicle rescue or a situation that is non-fire related, this truck is the answer for the borough. The truck will be equipped with light towers, Jaws of Life, a 250-gallon water tank, and a command center in the cab. No matter what the incident is, be it fire or public safety, this truck will serve above and beyond.

#### Join Us

And, as usual, we are gladly accepting new members. Anyone interested joining can contact me firechief@edgewoodboro.com.

> By Dave Andrews Fire Chief



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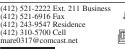
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## Our Fire Company—Up Close and Personal

Edgewood Borough currently has four officers within the department -Chief, Assistant Chief, Captain, and Engineer. The Chief has overall control of the fire or accident call. In his absence the Assistant Chief or another officer is in charge. The Chief of the Edgewood Volunteer Fire Department is Dave "Bubbles" Andrews.

Dave is a third generation firefighter and has been fighting fires for 26 years. Dave works as a Code Enforcement Officer in North Braddock and Rankin. Dave's commitment to and view of firefighting is best described in a quote from Ed Crocker, Chief of the New York City Fire Department: "I have no ambition in this world but one, and that is to be a firefighter."

Assistant Chief Kevin Laird has been a firefighter for approximately 14 years. The Assistant Chief in a smaller department is equivalent to a Battalion Chief in larger departments. The Assistant Chief may have command over certain functions such as training or communications. When Kevin first joined the Fire Department, the main concern was simply putting out the fire, now a firefighter needs to be concerned about a multitude of things from getting to the fire safely to controlling contaminants on almost every call.

Fire Captain Steve Halle has been a volunteer firefighter for 28 years, joining the Bower Hill Volunteer Fire Department at age 14. He loves the challenge of training new firefighters and helping the community, but he also understands the importance of having the Class Three Firefighters raising funds to keep the department well equipped. In his daytime job, Steve is a certified and licensed Occupational Therapist Assistant at West Penn Allegheny Health System. Steve is also an Emergency Medical Technician within the Fire Department. The Captain in a large Fire Department is the ranking officer at one station and is the initial command at emergencies, or they may command a special function or section. In Edgewood, the Captain is the Safety Officer at a fire. The Safety Officer ensures that all firefighters are accounted for and in constant contact with the pump operator/engineer or with the on-scene Safety Officer if there are sufficient firefighters available. The Department's Dispatcher/Engineer is an Edgewood Borough employee. The Engineer is usually the firefighter who drives the truck and operates the pump or aerial and is the specialist who knows everything about that truck.

Other firefighters in Edgewood are college students, a beer truck driver, a paramedic, a surgical physician assistant, and a health care planner. Ben Reynolds, a probationary firefighter, is a Surgical Physician Assistant at UPMC. Ben joined the Fire Department out of a sense of wanting to help his community. As he notes, "For those of us who live in a small community like Edgewood an effective volunteer fire department can't happen without the participation of the people for whom they serve". Ben is a second generation firefighter, his father was a volunteer for 50 years. With the exception of the probationary firefighters, all Class One firefighters in Edgewood have hundreds of hours of training and are certified in many areas including working with hazardous materials, vehicle rescue, national incident command structure, and emergency medical training.

(Editor's note: this is the third in a series of articles on the Edgewood Volunteer Fire Company by Steve Krumbolz. Watch for information on their equipment in an upcoming newsletter.)

## 2006 Council, Committees and Commissions

(Continued from page 1)

Ad Hoc Committees/Representatives are:

- Turtle Creek Council of Government Representative: Mal Hellett (Mr. Love, alternate)
- Primary School Committee: Heidi McDonald, Derek-Jan Love, Lorraine Nogrady
- Parcel D Committee: Mark McNally, Mal Hellett, Andrew Szefi
- Port Authority Committee: Mark McNally, Andrew Szefi, Pat Schaefer
- Planning Commission Representative: Andrew Szefi, member (Mr. McNally, alternate)
- Library Board Members: Lorraine Nogrady, Derek-Jan Love and Mayor Jean Davin
- 3 Rivers Wet Weather Demonstration Program: Pat Schaefer, Board Member (Mr. Love, alternate).

Council meets in Council Chambers, on the second floor of the Borough Building on the first and third Mondays of every month, unless the meeting Monday is a legal holiday; then the meeting is held on the Tuesday of that week. Meetings begin at 7:30 p.m.

Committee meetings are scheduled as needed on the second and fourth the month, Mondays of Committees which need to meet and date of meetings are announced during the regular Council meeting. Any special meetings are advertised in the

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appointed committee and commission members are as follows:

- Recreation Commission: Mal Hellett, Steven Josowitz, Jason McDonald, Aaron Bilger, and Kevin Horner
- Civil Service: Janice Leckey, Chair; Robert Crolius; and Arlene Neff
- Zoning Hearing Board: Persifor Oliver, Chair; Gregory Evashavik; James Gladys; and Stephen Zelenko, alternate
- Planning Commission: Robert Grubb, Chair; James Campbell; Bruce Columbus; Linda Kelly; Ron Rockovich; Andrew Szefi; and Michael Tuite
- Appeals Board: Suzan Lami, Maxwell Williams, and James Campbell

Get to know your Council members, Commission and Board appointees. Volunteers are the backbone of our Community.

> By Patricia Schaefer Council President



# On The Edge

#### In Time for the Playoffs

Edgewood's youngest Steeler fan, Anderson John Beck, was born on January 10 to Jennifer and Jason Beck of Savannah Avenue. Young Anderson weighed in at an even eight pounds, and was 21 inches at birth. Grandma Joanie Sutter and Uncle Ed Sutter are right across the street, close enough to baby-sit at any time.

#### Instead of the Playoffs

Marjie Stewart of Walnut Street ran the P.F. Chang Rock 'n Roll Marathon in Phoenix, Arizona on January 15, her eighth in eight years. She wore a Steeler shirt, and spectators along the course kept her posted on the score of the Indianapolis game.

#### In Memory

Employees of the Swissvale Post Office asked the newsletter to announce the sad news that Russell Greene, a letter carrier whose route included Maple, Dewey, McKelvey, Beech, Walnut, Morris, Hawthorne, Locust, Elmer, and other Edgewood streets, died on Valentine's Day. His co-workers appreciate the concern and affection the residents on his route had shown during his illness.

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