

EDGEWOOD

OCTOBER 2010 A COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER OF EDGEWOOD BOROUGH



Calendar at a Glance

October (all dates in October)

Council Meetings: 4 & 18, 7:30 p.m. @ Borough Building

Refuse: 7, 15, 21, & 28

Recycling: 7 & 21

Community Hayride: 23, 30, 7 p.m. – 9 p.m. @ Koenig Field

Trick Or Treating: 31 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Storytime @ CC Mellor: 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Toastmasters: 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays @ CC Mellor

Boy Scouts: 7:30 p.m. Mondays @ FPCE

Community Day Planning Meeting

Did you enjoy Community Day this year? Do you have ideas that would make it an even better day? Then this meeting is for you.

You are invited to sit on a committee that will be planning Community Day for next year, 2011. Meeting date is November 10th at 7:30 at the Edgewood Borough Building. We're looking forward to a great turnout and an amazing Community Day next year.

Haunted Happenings in Edgewood

It's that spooky time of year again and there are lots of wonderfully ghoulish gatherings right here in Edgewood. Bring your littlest goblin to the library parade and open house where the can walk in a parade led by our community firetrucks and enjoy time with their frightening friends. Don't forget to come on down to Koenig Field for a hayride, pumpkin painting, storytelling, and other seasonal delights. Details of these activities and more throughout this issue.





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Tax Office

The Edgewood Borough Real Estate tax is due at penalty until December 15. After this date, they will be turned over to PAMS. The Woodland Hills School tax is due at face until October 31. If you are paying in installments, your second installment is due by November 30. If you have not received your 2nd and 3rd installment paper, please call my office at (412)731-0200. Remember to only send in the installment coupon that is due and not the whole page. The third one is due by February 28, 2011.



EVFD

First off, the EVFD would like to thank everyone that visited us on Community Day and purchased dinners. We were concerned about the day, but apparently ordered right and sold out around 6 p.m. This was the first year that we had everything cleaned up and put away before the fireworks.

Now that summer is out of the way, it now becomes our busy time of the year. We now are responding to medical emergency calls. Within the department there are eight EMT, and one paramedic in the department. The program is called QRS, Quick Response Service. In cooperation with Eastern Area Prehospital Service (EAPS) we will respond to all E-1 and E-0 responses in the Borough, this would be the most life threatening type of responses. There are times that an ambulance may not be close to the Borough and the QRS can respond and administer care before the ambulance arrival. All EVFD trucks are equipped with medical equipment so that service is never in jeopardy should a truck be out for repair or there are multiple calls at once. Thanks to our live-in program, we are staffed 24 hours with at least two Fire Fighter/ EMT personnel. In addition to the emergency responses, we plan on having two QRS personnel at the soccer games on Saturdays to provide medical assistance should a player be injured. In addition to this program, we will be training with Homestead VFD for firefighter rescue classes, Swissvale FD for Haz Mat certification of members in addition to the training offered at the Allegheny County Fire Academy that members fit into their schedules. This is a dedicated group of volunteers that go the extra mile to provide a professional level of service to the Borough.

In between everything mentioned above, we will be doing the hayride in October. The dates will be October 23 and 30. We are working with the Edgewood Foundation, to make this event happen. Although the haunted house will not be there we plan to have some activities for the kids to do. If anyone is interested in "haunting" the hay ride route, drop me an email.



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Police Report

Community Day

Although Community Day 2010 was a bit different from those of the past, we tried to make it just as enjoyable. Guardian Protection was with us, handing out "McGruff Safe Kids ID Kits." These kits contained safety tips and a child's personal identity profile, complete with fingerprints. The Allegheny County 9-1-1 van was on hand to assist kids in learning when it is appropriate to dial 9-1-1. Swissvale Officer Dave Zacchia and his K-9 partner, Brando, shared a demonstration and provided the crowd with interesting information on police dogs.

The Edgewood Police booth was equipped with many novelty giveaway items for taking home, and we tried to make the children's raffle the best yet. The prizes included numerous Pittsburgh Steeler items, Pittsburgh Zoo and PPG Aquarium passes, board games, various toys, a backpack filled with back to school supplies, a \$50 gift certificate for GameStop and an 18 speed bicycle. Congratulations to the lucky winners!! We hope they will be enjoyed by the winners!!

We would like to extend special thanks to First Commonwealth Bank in Regent Square for their generous donation, which helped us obtain such great prizes this year. We would also like to thank K-Mart and GameStop, both located in Edgewood Towne Centre, and Mayor Davin for her contributions, as well.

We also had an adult raffle this year

for a Three River's Stadium mounted picture, which included a ticket stub from each Steeler game played during the last season, and a piece of the actual turf. The lucky winner was Tammy Rainey.

The night ended with those great Zambelli fireworks and our police officers were on hand to ensure everyone's safety. Thanks to the officers for their extra effort this Community Day.

We would also like to thank Nied's Funeral Home, Guardian Protection, Allegheny County 9-1-1 personnel, and Officer Zacchia and his partner for their assistance. Thanks to all attendees for your continued support of the Edgewood Police Department.

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 more information on how to submit your news, see the box below.

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Also deadline for the November issue is October 1. Please send all articles or correspondence to the attention of the editor, e-mail edgewood.newsletter2010@gmail.com

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Halloween

Halloween, a great time of year for all of the little ghosts and goblins, is just around the corner. However, this is the time of year when parents have to take extra measures to ensure the safety of their children. As we all know, some Halloween costumes can be quite elaborate and take some time to create. One thing to remember is that most costumes cannot be seen or noticed when the sun goes down and it becomes night. When walking the streets, be sure to place something on your child's costume that is reflective. It is also a great idea to give them a flashlight or even a glow stick or necklace to wear around their neck. Make sure that you trick or treat in areas that you know and trust. Avoid houses that do not have lights on; not all people celebrate Halloween. Make sure your kids understand that they should only cross the street at crosswalks and to do so cautiously. Always check your child's candy before allowing them to dive right in. These are just a couple of reminders that will keep your children safe. We hope everyone has a happy and safe Halloween!!!

Edgewood Police Activity Police Statistics

The Edgewood Police Department responded to and handled 1, 623 calls for service in August 2010. There were 563 incidents reported, 199 complaints received and 5 accidents investigated, 2 of which resulted in personal injury, and 3 resulted in property damage.

Part I Crimes are the more serious crimes of Homicide, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Burglary,

Larceny, Motor Vehicle Theft and Arson. Of the 22 Part I Crimes committed in the Borough, there were 0 for Robbery, 0 for Motor Vehicle Theft, 1 for Burglary, 15 for Shoplifting, 1 for Aggravated Assault and 5 Other Crimes.

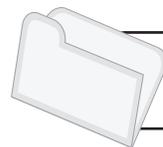
There were 16 adult and 3 juvenile arrests made for Felony and Misdemeanor violations.

Edgewood officers wrote a total of 58 Traffic Citations, 281 Parking Citations and 1 arrest for Driving Under the Influence was made. There was 1 Vandalism/Criminal Mischief Complaint and 0 Narcotics Offenses.

Officers also responded to 15 False Alarm Calls, took 246 reports, responded to 6 Public Nuisance Complaints, wrote 11 Non-Traffic Citations and responded to 17 calls for Medical Assistance.

Police:Tip of the Month

With Christmas time right around the corner, remember to remove all valuables from your vehicle if possible. If you must leave your valuables in your vehicle, secure them in your trunk so they are out of sight. And, as always, **PLEASE** keep your vehicles locked at all times.



Council Notes

“Trash Talk”

In 2003, Council felt that garbage collection was a service that the Borough should pay directly because of problems with residents not paying their garbage bills. This was incorporated into millage rates at the time. The yearly household cost of garbage collection was about \$72 per year in 2003. That cost has increased to about \$145 per year for 2010. Recycling is not included in these amounts. The 2010 budget allocated \$194,036.64 to cover residential garbage collection (not including recycling), which is approximately equal to 1 mil of taxes. Most municipalities do not cover garbage collection for residents.

A more equitable way to handle this increase is for each household to pay for its own garbage pickup. All households will pay the same fee, whereas a tax increase would result in some homeowners paying a much higher tax (based on property value) than they would if they just paid a monthly garbage fee. Over the coming months, we will be soliciting proposals from waste management companies for garbage and recycling pick up. Council will have some idea of the per household cost for garbage collection sometime this fall. Stay tuned for more details as we begin this process.

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Library

Please Consider a Gift to C C Mellor Library

C. C. Mellor Library and Edgewood Community House is pleased to be part of Pittsburgh Foundation's Day of Giving on October 13. Changes have been made so the process flows more smoothly. \$500,000 is available in matching gifts and each organization will receive a prorated portion of the funds. All donations are made by credit card. Go to www.pittsburghgives.org to learn more about GivingDay and to view C.C. Mellor Library's portrait.

In mid-October, residents will be receiving the Annual Appeal letter in their mailboxes. This is our major funding effort. We rely on the generosity of people like you to be able to provide the materials and services that our users need and want. This year's goal is \$30,000. You can make your contribution by check or by going to www.ccmellorlibrary.org and clicking on the Donate Button.

Financial Workshop Series

Finances for Seniors is a lecture series for anyone contemplating retirement or who is retired. The free workshops will be offer in the Edgewood Community House Living Room. You may participate in one or all of the workshops. The following topics will be discussed:

Thursday, October 21,
Social Security, Dan Majewski, Public Affairs Officer, Social Security Administration

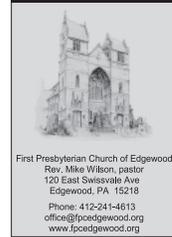
Tuesday, October 26,
Retirement Planning, Deborah Hughes, Financial Advisor, Edward Jones Investment

Wednesday, November 3,
Estate Planning, Kathleen Schneider, Attorney –at-Law/ Certified Public Accountant

Wednesday, November 10,
Identity Theft, Chief Robert Payne and Officer Fred Livingston, Edgewood Police Department.

All workshops begin at 6:30pm. Please register in advance by calling the library.

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AARP Safe Driving Classes

Once again, we are hosting driving classes for those over 55. Participants learn defensive driving, new traffic laws, and rules of the road. Those completing the courses are eligible for a 5% discount on their auto insurance. Non AARP members pay \$15 and AARP members pay \$12. All classes are held in the Edgewood Community House Living Room on the following dates:

Basic Class, 8 hours, Thursday, October 21 and 28 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Must attend both sessions.
Refresher Class, 4 hours, Thursday, November 4, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Must have taken Basic Class.

New Service

Downloadable eBooks, which can be viewed on Sony Readers, Nooks, and Kobos are now available. The starting collection has close to 300 titles and includes current and popular fiction, and nonfiction. Presently they are not compatible with Kindles or iPads. Go to <http://acla.lib.overdrive.com> to learn more.

Computer Classes

The following free one-hour one-session classes will be offered in October. Registration required.

Getting Started on Facebook
Tuesday, October 12 at 11 a.m.

Getting Started Microsoft Word
Tuesday, October 19 at 11 a.m.

Book Clubs

The Drop Dead Book Club will meet on Wednesday, October 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room to discuss *The Missing* by Tim Gautreaux. Next meeting is Wednesday, November 10 at 7 p.m.

The PALS Book Club meets on Tuesday, October 26 at 1 p.m. at the Forest Hills Library. This month's book for discussion is Tenth Circle by Margaret Atwood.

The library has received gifts in memory of Judge Jim McGregor, Melissa Heidinger, and Elizabeth Brown Rossi Grumley. Books will be added to the collection in their memory. Gifts have been received in honor of Beck Lesko, Alex and Juliette Gough, and Lily Kelly.

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Book Sale

Preparing for the book sale is a year round activity. The library is fortunate to have a large storage room to keep the many items that patrons donate through the year. We are looking for milk crates to help us keep items safe and dry. If you have some that you no longer need, please help us keep our sale items organized. Just a heads up, the 2011 book sale runs March 18-22, 2011.

The following children who live in Edgewood completed the requirements for the library's summer reading clubs:

Make a splash at your library participants

- Jackson Augustine
- Duay Augustine
- David Augustine
- Keller Dorgan
- Mark Goggin
- Emerson Hamilton
- Gwynneth Heidinger
- Ian McDonald
- Owen Maue
- Tanner Maue
- Dani Strauss
- Noah Strauss

Make waves at your library teen readers

- Jolene Augustine
- Meredith Klabnik
- Andrew Klabnik
- Annie Jasiewicz

Congratulations and keep reading.

Saturday, October 2 at 1:00p.m. We Two Read: A bookclub for children 4-7 year olds and a parent. This month's selection is Elmer and the Hippos by David McKee. We Two Read participants pick up a copy of the selected book from the library, read it at home with a caregiver and then return to library discussion day to talk about the book and do a craft. Participants may keep the books for their home libraries thanks to a generous grant from Dollar General. Space is limited so reserve your spot by Friday, October 1.

Fire Safety Week will be celebrated at the library during storytime the week of October 5-6. Check with the Library to find out when the fire-truck will visit during storytime.

Wednesday, October 6 at 6:30 p.m. Family Jammie Storytime. Put your jammies on and join us for stories, a short movie and a craft.

Saturday, October 9 at 1:00 p.m. Make a Wish! Children 6 and up can sign up by October 8 if they want to participate. Don't you wish you had more clues about this program? Come and find out!

Saturday, October 16 at 10:30 a.m. Toddler Time--monster madness! Children 18 months-4 years with a caregiver can participate. Sign up by October 15.

Saturday, October 23 at 12:00 noon. Teen Read Week Celebration. Teens and Tweens can sign up for the WrestleMania Reading Challenge. Register by October 22.

Thursday, October 28 at 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Children 12 and under are invited to participate in C.C. Mellor Memorial Library and Edgewood Community House Annual Halloween Party and Parade. Join us as we parade around the streets of the building with the help of the Edgewood Police and Fire Departments and then come inside and the Count Chipula Magic Show will start after the parade. Every child needs to register for this event by Wednesday, October 27. This year's honorary parade Marshalls are Bill and Donna Stineman.



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The Foundation would like to thank the residents of Edgewood who came out and participated in our children's events from 12-4. We had a beautiful day with a fantastic turn out of neighbors. We also want to thank those of you who bought treats at our bake sale.

The Foundation is proud to participate in Borough events like Community Day; however, without the participation of groups like the Volunteer Firemen, the Boy Scouts, the Historical Society, the Police Department, the Garden Club, the Edgewood Library, First Presbyterian Church, Western PA School for the Deaf, WTAE, the Republican Party, and the Green Mango, the day would have been only an evening with the Edgewood Symphony and fireworks. Please say THANK YOU to the groups listed above for supporting YOUR neighborhood.

We had a great time... we hope you did. too.

Wine & Chocolate Affaire

Reserve your spot now at the Edgewood Foundation's third bi-annual Wine and Chocolate Affaire, to be held November 6 at 7 p.m. at the Edgewood Club. In addition to the obvious (wine and chocolate), the evening will include a performance by the Edgewood Symphony Orchestra Ensemble, a silent auction, and works by local artists. The William D. Limpert Award for Community Service will also be made at the Wine and Chocolate Affaire. Tickets are \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door. Use the reservation form below to purchase your tickets now, or visit our website at www.edgewoodfoundation.org.



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Historical Society

Edgewood Historical Society
Plans November Meeting;
Elects Officers

With Civil War emphasis, the Edgewood Historical Society, in conjunction with the Edgewood Library, is sponsoring a meeting to open and unveil the contents of a Civil War foot locker.

The meeting will be Saturday morning, November 6, at 10 o'clock at the Edgewood Club. Children of all ages are invited to attend this opening of a real foot locker and its contents as used by our soldiers more than 100 years ago. Light refreshments will be served.

David Goggins, vice president of the Society and a Civil War reenactor, will narrate the program at this meeting which is open to anyone with an historical interest.

At a recent special meeting, the following officers were elected: Ruth Pickering McGregor, president; David Goggins, vice president; Jerry Price, secretary; Larry Carretta, treasurer; and Doris Jones, Wil Rouleau and Janice Leckey to the Board of Directors.



ESO

Take a Journey in Music with the ESO on October 9!

Did you know that the Edgewood Symphony Orchestra has been around for 22 years? Arguably the best community orchestra in the area, and certainly one of only a very few

symphonies in the U.S. who carry the name of a very small borough, the ESO brings you the finest in classical and light classical music at a very affordable cost.

The Edgewood Community turned out in great numbers on Community Day to hear a free concert by the Edgewood Symphony and see the fireworks. Now old supporters and new fans have the opportunity to a full concert performance by the Symphony. On Saturday, October 9 at 7:30, at Katz Center for the Performing Arts at the Jewish Community Center in Squirrel Hill, 5738 Darlington Rd., we open our 2010-11 season with a musical extravaganza featuring the various sections of the orchestra in eight smaller pieces.

A special treat is the appearance of Catherine Getchell, our outstanding Principal Trumpet for several years, who is coming in from Philadelphia just to play again with her favorite orchestra, the ESO. She will partner with Roger Dannenberg, our current Principal Trumpet in Vivaldi's Concerto for Two Trumpets. Fans of brass music will especially enjoy the always popular Finlandia by Sibelius, and there will also be works for fans of Brahms, Beethoven and Johann Strauss Jr.

Tickets are a bargain at \$12 at the door; \$8 for students and seniors. There is still time to buy a Flex-4 subscription at \$40, Senior Flex-4 at \$28. The site is handicapped accessible. Please visit www.edgewoodsymphony.org for more information.

Please mark your calendars for these upcoming events sponsored by the Edgewood Foundation

Oct. 22-23, 29-30

Haunted Hayrides with the Foundation and firemen at Koenig Field

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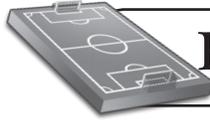
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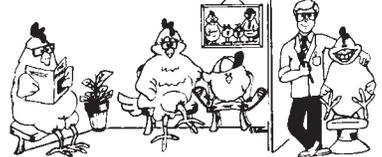



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Linden Avenue	W. Swissvale Avenue	Short Race Street	Walnut Street
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Oakview Avenue	Ivy Street	Vine Street	McKelvey Street
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Westmoreland Avenue	Garland Street	Monongahela Alley	Maple Avenue
LaCrosse Street	McKay Street	East End Avenue	Morris Street
Edgewood Avenue	Pennwood Avenue	Sanders Street	Hawthorne Street
Chestnut Street	Race Street	Savannah Avenue	
Love Place	Greendale Avenue	Trenton Avenue	
Coal Street		Mifflin Avenue	
East Hutchinson Street			
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