

EDGEWOOD

February/March 2013

A COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER OF EDGEWOOD BOROUGH

Mrs. Sciulli is a TV Star!

Edgewood Borough's dedicated school crossing guard captain, Mary Leigh Sciulli, was featured on a WTAE promo ad. Mrs. Sciulli was featured standing at her post on the corner of Race Street and Pennwood Avenue, where she helps the Borough's school children make it safely across streets and onto their school buses. When you see Mrs. Sciulli, or any of the Borough's other tireless crossing guards, thank them for their service to our Borough's youngest citizens!



2013 Budget Highlights

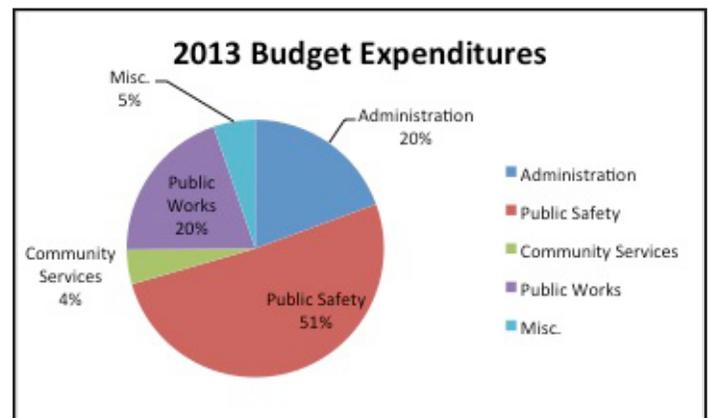
The 2013 General Fund Budget was approved by a unanimous vote of Council on December 17, 2012. The 2013 Budget estimates revenues and expenses at \$2,779,341. The budget balances with approximately \$44,000 carried over from a surplus in 2012 and keeps the Borough's property millage rate revenue neutral (more on this at the end of the article).

Notes on Revenue:

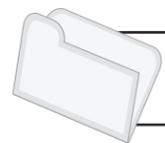
- Property taxes are expected to bring in the same revenue as 2012, although a small increase is possible due to increased legal efforts by the Borough to collect overdue taxes.
- Earned income taxes (0.5% payroll tax from all residents) have increased over 11% (up approximately \$60,000) from the 2012 Budget. This is possibly due to the removal of a 3-month lag time in collection; however, Act 32 was also enacted in 2012 and it is possible that the tax is being levied on residents who were previously being 'missed.'
- Allegheny County Sales tax (RAD) is expected to bring in \$73,000 to the Borough in 2013 (an increase of \$5,000 from the 2012 Budget).

Notes on Expenses:

- Salaries of non-union Borough employees were raised 3%.
- Medical Insurance rates for all Borough employees will increase approximately 12%.



- Newsletter printing and postage costs are estimated to drop about \$10,000 (due to decrease to 6 issues per year).
- Newsletter editing has been brought in-house (savings of about \$10,000).
- Commercial Insurance has increased \$13,000 (to \$65,000).
- Unemployment compensation is expected to decrease \$12,000.
- Street Maintenance (road paving) is allocated \$100,000 (increase of \$28,000 from 2012 Budget).
- Facility maintenance has increased \$40,000 to \$100,000 due to the need for new windows and other maintenance on the Borough building.
- Recreation expenses will decrease about \$6000 this year due to continued volunteer support and other cost-saving efforts.



Council Notes

Local Government, it all starts.....with you.

This year there will be four seats open for Borough Council. Good governance requires a multifaceted approach. While each member of Council brings their own experiences and areas of expertise, each member shares in a commitment to continue to move Edgewood forward and to remain a solvent community. Council and the mayor work to keep our streets safe, our real estate values stable, our community-based traditions alive and to protect our access to employers, recreation and culture.

Participating in the Turtle Creek Council of Governments, CONNECT and the Local Government Academy offerings have provided new insights and options for more effective bidding and planning. This has laid the ground work for a strong network of inter-municipal communication and cooperation and allowed us to be proactive in stopping PennDOT's plan to close and meter the Parkway ramps of Forest Hills and Edgewood and Swisvale. (More to come on that in a later issue.)

The EPA municipal and ALCOSAN Consent Decrees will be the largest most expensive Public Works effort this region has ever encountered. We continue to participate in the Basin groups of 3Rivers Wet Weather, whose goal is to correct, improve and maintain the infrastructure of our sewers and support our county and state representatives: Congressman Mike Doyle, State Senator Jay Costa, State Representative Paul Costa, Chief County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, and County Council Commissioner Charles Martoni. These representatives have endeavored to bring state and federal recognition to the impact of the

Consent Decrees, our regional efforts and our desire to incorporate green infrastructure into our plans. We are also working to obtain funding to our region which will benefit Edgewood and neighboring communities.

In order to improve our school district, we remain active in the Inter-Council and work with Marilyn Messina, our district representative and the School Board Vice President. Our goal is to promote Woodland Hills School District's success and to keep Edgewood Primary School as an integral part of the school district and an important community resource.

If you are interested in becoming involved in local government, the Local Government Academy is offering Contemplating Governing: A Course for Potential Candidates for Local Office, Wednesdays, January 30, February 6 and February 20, 2013 from 6 PM - 9 PM at the Green Tree Municipal Building.

Contemplating Governing is a three-part program which includes the following:

- Understanding the powers and duties of various boards and commissions
- Understanding local government taxation and services
- Local government's important role in community sustainability
- How to overcome obstacles to run and to meet legal requirements
- Ways to measure a board's effectiveness.

For more information, go to: www.localgovernmentacademy.org.




Edgewood Recycles

Pennsylvania Covered Device Recycling Act (HB 708)

The Department of Environmental Protection is advising consumers and businesses of new rules for recycling electronic devices that will take effect on January 24, 2013. Enacted in 2010, the Pennsylvania Covered Device Recycling Act requires that consumers not dispose of covered devices, such as computers, laptops, monitors and televisions, with their trash.

Waste Management, the garbage company for most Edgewood residents, will no longer be accepting computer equipment ("e-waste") and televisions in the trash as of January 1, 2013. This equipment is not allowed in PA landfills, and it is your responsibility to see that these items are appropriately recycled.

Local Options for E-waste Recycling

- Best Buy Stores (www.bestbuy.com for list of acceptable items)
- Staple Stores (www.staples.com for list of acceptable items)
- Construction Junction, 214 N. Lexington Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15208; 412-243-5025
- eLoop LLC, 155 Plum Industrial Court Pittsburgh, PA 15239; 724-212-3032
- Evolution E-Cycling, LLC, 704 Parkway View Dr., Pittsburgh, PA 15205; 412- 787-1616
- Hi-Tech Recyclers, LLC, 400 Lexington Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15208; 412-731-5805
- Goodwill of Southwestern Pennsylvania

(contact your local store for list of acceptable items)

Local Options for Recycling Compact Fluorescent Bulbs

- The Allegheny County Health Department, 3901 Penn Avenue, Building #5, Pittsburgh, PA 15224; 8am to 4pm Monday through Friday
- IKEA, Robinson Town Center 412-747-0747
- Home Depot Stores
- Lowes



Police Report

Privacy and Identity Theft Protection

Today, people are often required to share personal information when they engage in business or personal transactions. Identity thieves gather an individual's personal information without their knowledge and then use the information to commit fraud or theft.

Victims are often unaware that their identity has been stolen until it is too late. It can take months or years and thousands of dollars to rectify the problems created by identity theft.




How does an identity thief gather information?

- Stealing wallets and purses containing ID, debit and credit cards
- Stealing mail – including bank and credit card statements
- Posing as a telephone solicitor
- Observing ATM transactions
- Fraudulent internet sites and scams
- Fraudulently obtaining credit reports
- Hacking into computer networks at work or at your home
- Sharing personal information through online social networks, such as MySpace and Facebook
- Rummaging through trash and other discarded paperwork

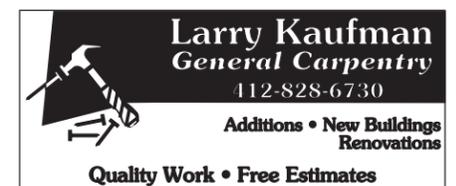
How identity theft affects you:

- Your personal information is used to open new credit card or cell phone accounts or loans; account balances are left unpaid.
- Your billing address is changed on your credit cards, bank statements, or cell phone accounts to divert your mail to a different location, hiding discrepancies in your billing statements.
- New bank accounts are opened in your name against which bad checks are written.
- All or some of your bank account balance is withdrawn using counterfeit checks, debit cards, or electronic transfers that appear to be authorized by you.
- A bankruptcy is filed in your name to avoid eviction or other collection practices.
- An ID or driver's license is created using your information and is then used by an impostor, claiming to be you.

How do I avoid becoming a victim?

- Obtain a copy of your current credit report at least once a year and review for discrepancies.
- Never give out personal information,

- such as your social security number or date of birth, over the Internet or phone.
- Never carry important personal documents such as your social security card, birth certificate or passport, unless absolutely necessary.
- Cancel and destroy all unused credit cards and keep track of your current credit cards by reviewing statements on a monthly basis.
- Memorize pin numbers and other important numbers or passwords; never write them down.
- Shred all papers containing personal information before discarding, including bills, bank statements, receipts and credit card offers that are pre-printed with your name.
- Password-protect and/or encrypt PDAs, computers, cell phones, flash drives and hardware of any kind that contain sensitive personal information.
- By using common sense, you can avoid becoming the victim of a scam; remember if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is!




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What should I do if I suspect I have been a victim of identity theft?

- Contact your credit card companies and banking institutions immediately.
- Contact the police department in the location where you believe the theft took place.
- Report suspicious activity regarding your mail to your local post office.
- File a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission and complete the Identity Theft Complaint

Under Federal law, every person has the right to receive a free credit report once every 12 months from each of the three nationwide consumer reporting companies:

- Equifax
- Experian
- Trans Union

PERSONAL SAFETY TIPS

Listed below are a few personal safety tips.

- Don't walk or jog alone.
- Walk in well-lighted and populated areas.
- Stay alert and attuned to things around you, especially suspicious persons or activities.
- Lock your car and residence to prevent theft.
- Keep your valuables, purse or wallet out of plain view from the windows, doorways, and cars.
- Have your keys ready to enter your residence or car as quickly as possible.
- Be confident. Walk and carry yourself with confidence.
- Get acquainted with your neighbors. Know who belongs and who doesn't.
- If you're going somewhere alone or with a new friend, let someone know where you are going.

EDGEWOOD POLICE ACTIVITY REPORT 2012	OCT	NOV
Total Calls for Service.....	435	399
Complaints Received.....	428	388
Accidents Investigated.....	7	11
Part I Crimes		
Robbery, Burglary.....	1	1
Motor Vehicle Theft.....	0	0
Shoplifting.....	8	13
Aggravated Assault.....	1	0
Arson.....	1	0
Other Crimes.....	6	0
Part II Crimes		
Vandalism /Mischief.....	4	3
Narcotics Offenses.....	0	1
Disorderly Conduct.....	1	2
Other Crimes.....	5	1
Arrest Total.....		
Adult Arrests.....	18	4
Juvenile Arrests.....	1	0
Officers Activity		
Traffic Stops.....	56	67
Traffic Citations.....	24	38
Nontraffic Citations.....	3	0
DUI.....	0	0
False Alarms.....	13	10
Medicals.....	13	12
Suspicious Persons.....	15	7
Public Nuisance Complaints.....	5	9

WHAT IS SUSPICIOUS?

"Am I witnessing a crime?" Most of us have found ourselves wondering this at some time or other. However, because we are not really sure, we tend to ignore what we have just seen and, hoping it wasn't so, we continue about our business.

"PEOPLE AREN'T SUSPICIOUS, BEHAVIOR IS!"

Signs and behavior to look for that may be suspicious:

- A person running.
- A stranger carrying property.
- A person going door-to-door in a building or a residential area.
- Any person forcibly entering a locked vehicle, dorm room or even a classroom.
- Business transactions being conducted from a vehicle.
- One or more persons sitting in a parked car exhibiting suspicious behavior.
- A juvenile or female being forced into a vehicle.
- A person exhibiting unusual mental or physical symptoms.

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Library

Trustee Openings

The C.C. Mellor Memorial Library and Edgewood Community House has openings for four Trustees on its Board. The Trustees are responsible for providing quality library service to residents of Edgewood, Braddock Hills, Forest Hills, Churchill and Wilkins as well as maintaining its historic building in Edgewood.

The Board is particularly interested in receiving letters of interest from individuals who have a passion for literacy and learning, will act as an advocate for the library, will work to ensure adequate library funding, and will help with development of library policies as well as its strategic plan. Applicants should be civic-minded, knowledgeable about the community they represent, and able to work with others to achieve common and sometimes challenging goals.

Applicants for the position must be at least 18 years old, a resident of Edgewood, Braddock Hills, Forest Hills, Churchill or Wilkins, able to

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attend 6 meetings a year, be active in library projects and events, and able to work as a liaison with the community. This is a two year volunteer position.

Letters of interest should be sent by April 1 to Christine Probert, President Board of Trustees, C.C. Mellor Memorial Library, 1 Pennwood Avenue, Pittsburgh PA 15218.

DON'T MISS OUR BIG BOOK SALE...MARCH 22 THROUGH 26

Make plans to attend the **C.C. Mellor Memorial Library** Annual Book Sale, which promises to be bigger and better than ever! Readers of all ages and interests will find lots to choose from among the thousands of books, movies, books on tape and CD, music CDs and tapes, magazines, and children's games. And everything is at bargain prices!

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The weekend kicks off with a **preview party** for area residents and their guests on **Friday, March 22 from 6:30-9:30 pm**, hosted by the **Drop Dead Book Club**. This is a great time to join your friends and neighbors in browsing and purchasing books in a relaxed atmosphere with plenty of good food, drink and good conversation. The cost per person is \$20. Call the Library to make reservations. Please, no dealers.

Weekend hours for the sale are **Saturday, March 23 from 9 am to 4 pm and Sunday, March 24 from 9 am to 4 pm**. Books are \$2 for hardbacks (5 for \$8), \$1 for paperbacks (5 for \$4) and \$.50 for kids' books (5 for \$2). **Monday and Tuesday are Bag Sale Days**. Fill a bag for \$6 (the Library provides the bags). Bag Sale hours are Monday, March 21 from 1 pm to 8 pm and Tuesday, March 22 from 9 am to 2 pm.

We are happy to take donations of books and other items up through the sale. **We are also looking for volunteers**; we need help setting up the sale, running the sale, and tearing down the sale. To volunteer, call Sally Bogie at 412-731-0909.

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Life Line Screening

Representatives from Life Line Screening will be on-hand Wednesday February 13 to conduct screenings for cardio vascular diseases and osteoporosis. Screenings are done by appointment in the Ballroom of the Edgewood Community House. Screenings are for carotid artery/stroke, abdominal aortic aneurysm, ankle brachial index, afib, and osteoporosis. The cost for all screening is \$149. To watch a 90 second video on the services go to www.youtube.com/watch?v=b8igGrkVcBc.

Tax Preparation

Once again VITA and AARP volunteers will be on hand to help individuals with their federal and state income taxes as well as local wage taxes and rent rebate filings. Sessions are done by appointment in February and March. Appointments fill up quickly call the Adult desk at 412-731-0909 to make an appointment.

Winter Weather and the Library

Since most employees live very close to the library, we stay open during winter weather. If you are unable to get out you can renew your items online at www.ccmellorlibrary.org or call the library at 412-731-0909.

Honor and Memorial Gifts

We will be adding books to the collection in memory of Jake Steiner, Mary Pope, Judge James McGregor, William Marra and Paul Krause. Honor books will be added for Margot Anne Miller, Lois Winslow, and Ella Lesko.

Check Out Our Programs for Adults

Unless otherwise noted, groups meet in the Edgewood Board Room

Drop Dead Book Club

Wednesday, February 13 at 7:30pm to discuss Tilt a Whirl by Chris Grabenstein.

Wednesday, March 13 at 7:30pm to discuss The Dante Club by Matthew Pearl

Edgewood Toastmasters

Every Tuesday at 6:30pm in the Edgewood Board Room

Clutterers Anonymous

Every Monday at 6:30pm in the Edgewood Board Room

Dollars and Sense Investment Study Group

Wednesdays, February 20 and March 20, at 7pm.

Back Room Quilters

Every Thursday from noon to 3pm. Bring lunch and a project.

Contemporary Issues Discussion Group

Thursdays, February 7 and March 7, at 7pm.

Computer Classes

Tuesday February 12, 1pm
Resume help

Wednesday February 20, 11am
Basic Internet

Tuesday March 5, 1pm
Ipad Basics

Wednesday March 13, 11 am
Sign up for email

PALS Book Club

Meets at the Forest Hills Library on Tuesday, February 26 to discuss Kitchen House by Kathleen Grissom and on Tuesday, March 26 to discuss this year's One Book One Community selection.

Story Times

At CC Mellor Fred Rogers Room

Tuesday, 10:30 AM – **Family story time** for children under 5

Wednesday, 10:30 AM – **Family story time** for children under 5

Wednesday, 1:30 PM – **Pre-school story time** for 3 – 5 year olds

At Other Locations

Thursday, 10:30 AM – **Family story time** at the Churchill Borough Building

Friday, 10:30 AM – **Family story time** at the Wilkins Township Borough Building

10:30 AM – **Family story time** for children under 5 at Forest Hills location

READ TO ROVER

Saturday, January 19 @ 10:30 am at C.C. Mellor Fred Rogers Room.

Research shows that reading out loud is a difficult, but important skill to develop for early readers. Let your young readers come read to these certified therapy dogs, and help alleviate the nervousness of reading aloud. Pre-readers welcome too. Please register by calling 412-731-0909.

Saturday Morning Matinee

Once a month is "movie morning" at CC Mellor. Come in your jammies if you want! On Saturday, February 2nd at 10:30 am we'll be watching "Brave." On Saturday, March 9th at 10:30 am we'll be watching "Tangeled." Come watch with us!

STEM

The saying goes that you learn 10% of what you read, 30% of what you see, and 90% of what you do. We are aiming for that 90% with STEM topics for elementary aged kids. Please register by calling 412-731-0909.

January 26 *Density*
February 23 *Force*

Saturday Make-It Workshops

Come join us in a series of Saturday workshops for elementary aged kids – and MAKE STUFF!

Each workshop will focus on a different medium. Please register to ensure enough supplies by calling 412-731-0909.

January 12 *Button Making*
February 16 *Clay*
March 16 *Collage*
April 13 *Mosaic*
May 11 *Building*

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Saturday, March 16, 2013, 7:30 pm
AND
Sunday, March 17, 2013, 3:00 pm
Katz Auditorium, JCC Pittsburgh

The ESO will offer a one of a kind Family Program featuring music of John Williams, including the music from Star Wars, and Dan Kamin's Comedy in Motion. Dan Kamin has been described as, "Part Buster Keaton and Charlie Chaplin, mixed with Marcel Marceau, Andy Kaufman and Steve Martin. It adds up to a demented, charming and brilliant performance." If Sunday afternoon concerts are more your speed, the concert will be repeated on March 17 at 3 pm.
Sunday, May 5, 2013, 3:00 pm
Carnegie Music Hall, Oakland

The Grand Finale for the 25th anniversary season will be a special Gala Concert. This exciting program will showcase Tchaikovsky's Fourth Symphony, Shostakovich's Festive Overture, and a performance of Grieg's Piano Concerto, featuring the ESO's Music Director and pianist, Walter Morales.

Visit www.edgewoodsymphony.org for more details and information on how you can get your subscription to this exciting season!



Progressive Dinner Feb. 23rd

You have only one week left to sign up for the Progressive Dinner! The deadline is Feb. 8. Please send in your form ASAP. We must arrange with the caterer and make our calls for assignments by the next week, so do not delay--a fun evening awaits! Please email any questions you may have to info@edgewoodfoundation.org.

February 23 6pm-11pm \$25 per person RSVP by Feb. 8

Please sign up for one of the following to do the night of the event.

- ___1. Provide salad/bread for 12 guests
- ___2. Host an appetizer party for 45 guests
- ___3. Provide Appetizers for 30-40 guests
- ___4. Host a dinner for 8-12 guests
- ___5. Provide dessert for 30-40 guests
- ___6. Host a dessert party for 150 guests

Please provide the best contact information for the week before the event. We will contact you with your appetizer location and job verification.

Guest 1: _____ Address: _____
 Guest 2: _____ Cell: _____
 Phone: _____ Email: _____ Vegetarian (#) _____

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New Member

We would like to welcome Andrew Puechschel to the Edgewood Foundation. He joined us in January and is excited to help the board in our mission to keep Edgewood a fantastic place to live.

Senior Brunch

We are looking for all Graduating High School Seniors for our annual Senior Brunch Celebration in May of 2013. If you are, or know, a high school senior please email their name to us. It is harder every year to find everyone due to privacy laws at the schools. Please help us so we don't miss inviting anyone. All high school seniors from all schools that live in the Borough of Edgewood are invited to attend. Please email your name and address to info@edgewoodfoundation.org. We will be sending out invitations in March.

Mel Douglass Scholarship Increased to \$6,000

Are you a high school senior with a record of community service? Then you have an opportunity to earn a scholarship from the Mel Douglass Fund! The primary scholarship is now \$6,000, paid in \$1,500 installments during college. Honorable mention scholarships of \$500 are also available. These scholarships honor Mel Douglass, who provided exceptional leadership and service to numerous Edgewood organizations.

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Mel Douglass grew up in Edgewood, graduated from Edgewood High School in 1970 and the University of Pittsburgh. He married his high school sweetheart, raised two wonderful children and launched a successful business career. Mel actively volunteered in multiple community service roles in Edgewood, ranging from volunteer fireman to Little League coach to church deacon, before he passed in an airplane accident in 1994. These facts only hint at Mel's true legacy, which is the wide circle of lives he enriched with his larger-than-life personality, unquenchable spirit and commitment to serving others.

Mel's friends started these scholarships in 2008 to sustain Mel's legacy and his love for Edgewood. Andi Thieman, the first winner, graduated from Penn State last year and is headed to Chile in March to teach English. In all, five Mel Douglass Scholarships and 17 honorable mention scholarships have been awarded.

The 2013 scholarships will be presented in May at the annual Edgewood Foundation Senior Brunch. All college-bound seniors living in Edgewood are eligible. To apply for a scholarship, please send the following information by April 13 to Dallas Frey at 193 West Hutchinson Avenue, Edgewood PA, 15218 or at freydk@gmail.com:

- Your name, address and telephone number (email address optional).
- Your high school and the college or university you plan to attend.
- A summary of your community service achievements and your perspective on why you should be considered for a Mel Douglass Scholarship (please target 200 to 600 words). Your community service does not need to take place in Edgewood.
- The names and telephone numbers of two references who can verify at least some of your community service.

If you prefer to apply using a paper application, forms are available at the C.C. Mellor Memorial Library. If you have questions or would like to contribute to the Mel Douglass Fund, please contact Dallas Frey at (412) 371-0278 or freydk@gmail.com.

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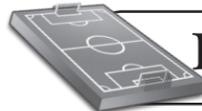
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Recreation

Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Edgewood Borough's Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held Saturday, March 23, at noon at Koenig Field. All area children ages 10 and younger are invited to attend. Thousands of eggs will be hidden throughout the field for you to find! The hunt will take place by age group, beginning with the youngest children and progressing up to the oldest. Remember to bring a basket or bag to collect your eggs! Hope to see you there!

Edgewood Borough T-Ball and Softball is just around the corner, so please keep an eye out for registration information coming soon! T-Ball is for boys and girls aged 5-7, and Softball is for girls aged 7-13.

Those wishing to play baseball have two different local baseball league options: 14th Ward Baseball or Squirrel Hill Baseball. For more information and to register with either league you can visit:

14th Ward Baseball:
<http://14thwardbaseball.shutterfly.com>

Squirrel Hill Baseball:
<http://sqhillbaseball.org>

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Scouts

Boy Scouts

The scouts would like to thank everyone who came out and purchased a tree at our annual Christmas Tree Sale this past December. The scouts use the money raised from the Christmas Tree Sale to fund their many activities. For example, in January the scouts attended the Laurel Highlands Council's Klondike Derby. In the Klondike Derby each patrol of scouts must push their sled laden with supplies around a course, proceeding from station to station. At each station the scouts are tested on their outdoor and first aid skills by completing different tasks. The scouts are awarded points based on their ability to complete the task, and the time it takes them. It's a fun way to practice and maintain their skills in the winter months.



EVFD

2012 was a great year for the Edgewood Volunteer Fire Department. We answered a total number of 461 calls for the year. Four of our members became certified in swift water rescue, and the rescue truck received State Certification from the Department of Health. Two students currently attending the University of Pittsburgh

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have become live-ins at the station. The VFD is proud of member Charles Pratt, one of our former live-ins and also a Pitt student, who was hired by the City of Pittsburgh as a paramedic. None of this would have been possible without the drive and dedication of the members we currently have. These members put in countless hours of training, equipment maintenance and planning to provide better service to the community. As we move forward in 2013 we look forward to providing the best possible service to the Borough of Edgewood. If you are interested in joining the department please visit our web site www.station137.com or stop in Thursday evenings at 7pm, our regular training night, and meet the crew.

2014 Edgewood Borough Council Openings

Council 4-Year Terms:
four (4) openings

Mayor (four year term)

→ If you are interested in any of these opportunities, the application process is relatively simple. More information can be found on the Allegheny County website at www.county.allegheny.pa.us/elect/cal.aspx. You may also contact your local Edgewood political committee for assistance. The period for collecting nominating signatures begins February 19 and runs through March 12, 2013.



Tax Office

The 2012 Edgewood Borough Real Estate tax has been turned over to Pennsylvania Municipal Service as delinquent. If you still need to pay these taxes, please contact them at 412-826-0300.

The 2012-2013 school district tax is now due at penalty unless you are paying in installments. The third installment is due by Feb.28, which is a Thursday. I will be in my office that day from 9am-12pm. Payments can also be mailed or placed in my mail slot through the 28th. If you forgot to pay the second installment, you will have to pay the penalty amount only on the second installment. I do accept postmarks. If you require a receipt of your payment, please remember to include your coupon with your payment and a SASE.

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On the Edge

Women's Business Network

Pittsburgh City East Chapter meets twice a month on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays from 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. at Bruegger's Bagel Bakery, 806 South Aiken Avenue, Shadyside. Meeting agendas include self-marketing, a business presentation by an individual member, a table topic discussion and networking. Membership is category exclusive so once a business category is filled by a qualified applicant, that chapter category is closed. WBN's mission is to provide personal and professional resources to advance the presence of aspiring and successful businesswomen. WBN was founded in 1989 and has over 475 women spanning 29 chapters across Southwestern Pennsylvania. For additional information contact Donna Cheswick at 724-493-9695 or dcheswick@bpuinvestments.com

What does the 2013 Real Estate Reassessment Mean to You?

Due to the reassessment of all real estate in Allegheny County, Edgewood Borough's millage rate for 2013 is set at 5.65 mills. This is a decrease of 2.511 mills from the previous year. This decrease makes the new millage rate "revenue neutral." This means that the Borough expects to collect the same property tax revenue as in 2012. More on this subject in the next issue.



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Local non-profit organization, located in Regent Square, is seeking to hire a part-time (15-20 hrs/week) administrative employee. Below is an overview of the job responsibilities and contact information.

Job Summary

Provides administrative support to Executive Director/s and assists in the general operations of the business unit. Responsibilities focus on maintaining efficient office operations, assisting in clerical functions relating to project timelines, and providing efficient customer service. Functions include answering and routing incoming telephone inquiries; creating and mailing correspondence and documents; arranging travel logistics; depositing cash/credit card transactions; maintaining inventory oversight; purchasing of supplies and inventory; contacting accounts receivable customers; acting as a liaison with building facility teams and external vendors.

Minimum requirements

1-2 years related experience. Strong knowledge of MS Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Outlook). Superb organizational skills.

Submit cover letter and resume to:
hrtwood@heartwoodethics.org.

Calendar *at a glance*



February 2013

Council Meetings:

4 & 19, 7:30pm @ Borough Building

Refuse:

7, 14, 21 & 28

Recycling:

7 & 21

Story Time @ C.C. Mellor:

10:30am Tuesdays and Wednesdays &
1:30pm Wednesdays @ C.C. Mellor

Boy Scouts:

Mondays 7pm @ FPCE

Toastmasters:

Tuesdays 6:30pm @ C.C. Mellor

March 2013

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