

EDGEWOOD

August/September 2013

A COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER OF EDGEWOOD BOROUGH

Edgewood Borough Community Day

Saturday, August 24, 2013

Bounce House

CLIMBING WALL

BBQ

Games

Prizes

Tentative Schedule of Events:

12:00 PM	Koenig Field festivities begin
12:00 PM - 12:45 PM	Pachyderm-Local Teenage Band
1:00 PM - 1:10 PM	Troop #23 Opening Ceremonies
1:10 PM - 2:10 PM	Wild World of Animals
2:30 PM - 3:30 PM	Mile Post 6 Band
3:45 PM - 4:45 PM	Jean Foukes Band
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM	East End Dukes
7:10 PM	Police Raffle
8:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Edgewood Symphony Orchestra
9:00 P.M	Zambelli Fireworks Display

Throughout the day there will be food and drinks provided by the EVFD and other local organizations.

Every year Community Day brings together our friends, neighbors, and local organizations for a day of activities, food, and entertainment. This year join us at Koenig Field starting at noon for children's games and activities brought to you by the Edgewood Foundation.

Don't forget to try out the Rock Climbing Wall sponsored by the Boy Scouts and Air Bounce sponsored by the Edgewood Foundation and the Borough. Once you have enjoyed your games, head over to the EVFD and grab your delicious chicken or rib dinner. Last, but certainly not least, the evening will wrap up with the Edgewood Symphony Orchestra followed by a glorious Zambelli fireworks display.

Check the website for updates to the Schedule above:
www.EdgewoodBoro.com.



Fireworks at the 2012 Edgewood Community Day Celebration

Keeping Community Day A BLAST!

Do you have great memories of watching fireworks at Koenig Field with your family and friends? Edgewood Borough is busy planning for another spectacular Community Day Celebration. This annual event is a great way to reconnect with your community. Although we remain committed to bringing this memorable part of our community celebration to our residents, the Fireworks display represents a significant cost in the Borough's budget. And every year, we struggle with the budget to support them. If you have a business or if your family would like to become a sponsor for the 2013 fireworks, just stop by the Borough Building with your donation, or mail it to 2 Race Street, Pittsburgh PA 15218. Any donation amount is a sign of support for continuing this wonderful Edgewood tradition and will help to make our fireworks display a success! All sponsors will receive recognition via the Edgewood Newsletter and Community Day signage. For more information or if you have any questions, please contact the Borough Building.

Council Notes

House Numbers

House numbers are required by Edgewood Borough Code chapter 99, §99-1 to be clearly visible from the street. Here are the requirements:

1. House number in Arabic numerals (not hand-written, and not in Roman numerals).
2. At least 3 inches (76 mm) high and ½ inch (13 mm) wide
3. Placed in a position easily observed and readable from the street.
4. It is the responsibility of the owner(s) or occupant(s) to place and maintain the house numbers. Trim any foliage that is covering them up.

Why are visible house numbers important? It's not just for pizza delivery! If there is ever a medical or fire emergency in your home, emergency personnel need to be able to find your home quickly and easily to help you. Make it possible by having your house numbers clear and visible from the street.

Edgewood Recycles

Some household items can be difficult to recycle safely. In order to make recycling as easy as possible, we've compiled a list of the closest options for Edgewood residents to dispose of these difficult items in environmentally friendly ways!

Computers, Laptops, Monitors, TVs
E-Waste can no longer be collected at your curb. Many collection sites charge a small fee for recycling. Some local sites that will accept e-waste (call first for drop-off hours and accepted items):

- Goodwill & Salvation Army Thrift Stores
- Habitat for Humanity ReStore, Edgewood Towne Centre 412-271-4663
- Best Buy, Staples, other office supply stores
- Construction Junction 412-243-5025
- Hi-Tech Recyclers, LLC 412-731-5805

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- Radio Shack, Edgewood Towne Centre 412-371-5655
- Lowe's, 461 Waterfront Drive, Homestead 412-461-8002

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Allegheny County Recycling Drop Off Sites: 412-488-7490

- EECO Center: 200 Larimer Avenue, Pittsburgh PA 15206
- CCI Center: 64 S. 14th St., Pittsburgh PA 15203

Cell Phones

Drop your old cell phones off at the Borough's Municipal Building at 2 Race Street. The phones are collected by the Center for Victims, a resource center for those who have experienced criminal or domestic violence.

Fluorescent Tubes

- Regional Collection Center, 625 Plum Industrial Park, Pittsburgh PA 15239 724-519-7646

CFLs (Compact Fluorescent Lightbulbs)

Any Home Depot or Lowes will recycle unbroken CFLs.

Spotlight on Edgewood Businesses

Edgewood Day Care
120 East Swissvale Avenue
(412) 731-1230

Linda Stagon is the owner/manager of Edgewood Day Care, which is located in the upstairs classrooms of the 1st Presbyterian Church of Edgewood. The daycare provides services to children 12 months to 5 years of age. Three separate age-grouped classes are led by ten staff and a few volunteers who work with the children.

Edgewood Day Care opened back in 1982 when former Edgewood residents Robert and Jane Gibson (who were members of the 1st Presbyterian Church) suggested Mrs. Stagon start a child care center at the church.

Edgewood Day Care is a fun place for children. There are music classes, sign language classes, exercise programs, creative dance class and library story hours. They meet monthly with the pre-school class at Western PA School for the Deaf, where they play and learn with their hearing impaired friends. There are field trips to the Aviary, Playhouse, Carnegie Museum as well as puppet shows, storytellers, magic shows, and visits to the Edgewood Borough Volunteer Fire Department. Amidst all this fun, Mrs. Stagon (who has a degree in Elementary Education from the University of Pittsburgh) and the other teachers are serious about providing a strong educational foundation for the children.



Police Report

Community Day

The Edgewood Police Department Community Day activities will include a police booth with complimentary novelty gift items. We will also hold our annual children's raffle at 7pm, in which the winner must be present to win. We hope to offer some kid-pleasing prizes. Check the Borough website for additional information. Hope to see you there!

Citizen's Police Academy

The Edgewood Police Department graduated another Citizen's Police Academy this past spring. The Citizen's Academy is designed to give the average citizen an understanding of how the criminal justice system works and a closer look at what a police officer actually does. Congratulations to the graduates!! Thanks to the attendees and to Officer Fred Livingston for organizing the Academy.



Ed Cook, Mayor, Officer Brant Suley, Chief Payne

New Full Time Officer

On June 3rd, 2013 Edgewood hired its newest full time officer, Brant Suley. Officer Suley was born and raised in the area and graduated from a local high school. He then enlisted in the United States Army and served for 3 years.

Officer Suley enrolled in the Allegheny County Police Academy in 2003. He worked for Kilbuck Township and Braddock Hills Police Departments as a part-time police officer. Officer Suley received his first full-time police job with the Borough of Wilkinsburg, where he worked for the past 8.5 years.

Edgewood Police are proud to have Officer Suley as part of our team. He brings a wealth of knowledge and experience. Our department now has 8 full-time officers and 4 part-time officers.

Police Activity 2013 April May

Total Calls for Service		
Complaints Received	526	517
Accidents Investigated	14	18

Part I Crimes		
Robbery, Burglary	0	1
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0
Shoplifting	2	13
Assault	0	1
Arson	0	0
Other Thefts	3	4

Part II Crimes		
Vandalism/Mischief	2	4
Narcotics Offenses	0	2
Disorderly Conduct	4	5
Other Crimes	3	6

Arrest Total	9	21
Adult Arrests	9	20
Juvenile Arrests	0	1

Officer's Activity		
Traffic Stops	179	165
Traffic Citations	196	184
Non-traffic Citations	3	11
DUI	3	0
False Alarms	17	20
Medicals	12	10
Suspicious Person	7	14
Public Nuisance	2	3
Complaints		

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TIP OF THE MONTH
 Please remember to keep your vehicle locked. There has been a rise in "theft from vehicle" reports in the past several months. To date, all vehicles that have been entered have been unlocked. Please help us keep you, your family, and your valuables safe by locking your cars.



Library

Happy Birthday C.C. Mellor
On August 8 the library will be celebrating its 95th birthday with a day of fun. We'll take you back to 1918 with cupcakes, games, songs, and current events from that year. Stop in and join our daylong activities.

Labor Day Weekend
The library will have the following holiday hours:
Saturday, September 1: 9am-4pm
Sunday, September 2: Closed
Monday, September 3: Closed

Monthly Programs for Adults
Newcomers Always Welcome

Drop Dead Book Club will not meet in August and begins their fall series of discussions on September 11 at 7pm in the Library Boardroom. They will be discussing Tom Rob Smith's *Child 44* Look for special events in October as the group celebrates their 10th anniversary.

"Conversation Salon" continues its monthly meetings on Thursday, August 1 and September 5 at 7pm in the Library Boardroom. The group discusses current events that have impact locally, nationally and internationally. Topics vary with what is trending in the news.

Dollars and Sense Financial Group
Has upcoming sessions on Wednesday August 21 and September 18 at 7pm in the Library Boardroom. Led by a local investment professional, the group delves into various aspects of personal financial planning.

The PALS Book Club
Will meet at the Forest Hills Library on Tuesday August 27 at 1pm. The group will be discussing *Gone Girl* by Gillian Flynn.

On Tuesday, September 24 at 1pm, the group will discuss *Thomas Jefferson: The Art of Power* by Jon Meacham.

Computer Classes
Once school is in session the library is again able to offer computer classes. The following classes will be offered:
Tuesday, September 18 at 1pm *Basic Internet*
Wednesday, September 26 at 11am *Basic email*

Story Times
Early Literacy is important for developing lifelong readers. Come share a story time with your little ones to develop early literacy skills.

C.C. Mellor Fred Rogers Room
10:30 am Tuesday – Family Story Time for children under 5
10:30 am Wednesday – Family Story Time for children under 5
6:30 pm -- 1st Thursday of each month

Churchill Borough Building
10:30 am Thursday – Family Story Time

Wilkins Township Recreation Building
10:30 am Friday – Family Story Time

We will be taking a break from Story Time during the last two weeks of August. We will resume on Tuesday September 3rd.

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Summer Reading Wrap Up Carnival!
Come celebrate all the reading that the children of our community have done over the summer! We will host a carnival on August 12th at 6:30 pm @ C.C. Mellor. Please register: 412-731-0909.

Teen Summer Reading End of Summer Party
Wednesday, August 14th at 6:30 pm @ C.C. Mellor.

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Saturday Series For School Age Kids

Read To Rover
August 24th 10:30 am
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: 412-731-0909.

Saturday Kid Art!
Come join us in a series of workshops for elementary aged kids – and MAKE ART! Each workshop will focus on a different medium. Starts at 10:30 am sharp. Please register: 412-731-0909.
Screen Printing
Saturday, Aug 3rd

Science Saturdays
Nothing is cooler than science experiments. Join us one Saturday a month for Science Saturday. We will explore a different aspect of science each month. Program geared toward elementary aged kids. Starts at 10:30 am sharp. Please register: 412-731-0909.
Aerodynamics
Saturday, August 10th 10:30 am

Family Events
Creative Movement. Come explore stories through creative movement with local dance therapist Dawn Penney. This is an all ages event and whole families are encouraged to come.
Saturday, August 3rd 10:30 am.
Please register in advance: 412-731-0909.

Edgewood Symphony Community Players. Join us in the final program in a series Edgewood Symphony has hosted at the library to introduce children and families to different instruments and pieces. Each performance will be followed by a question and answer time, and time to learn about the instruments. Each performance will last approximately 30 minutes in deference to our younger members of the audience. Please register in advance: 412-731-0909.
Saturday, August 17th 10:30 am:
cellist Susan Wagner

Make a Scarecrow. C.C. Mellor Library joins the Edgewood Foundation in a day of activities at Koenig Field for the Fall Festival. Come and make a scarecrow with us! Saturday, September 21st, 3:00 – 6:00 pm Koenig Field. Please register in advance to ensure enough supplies: 412-731-0909.

DROP IN PROGRAMS
Banned Books Week! Have you read a banned book lately? Join us for our interactive display around banned books: September 21st – 28th.


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Troop 23

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Saturday,
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~ 9 am to 4 pm ~

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Pittsburgh, PA 15218

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Community Organizations



Celebrating our Graduating Seniors

On May 19, the Edgewood Foundation sponsored a brunch to honor 2013 graduates of Edgewood. The Mel Douglass Scholarship awards were also presented during the brunch. Awards of a one-time \$500 scholarship were given to: Adam Zelenko, Elizabeth Rocks, Anna Evashavik, Christopher Bush, T.J. Benedict, Max Brouman and Angela Williams. Peter Belechak was the recipient of a \$6000 scholarship; his scholarship will be spread across four years. The graduates dedicated amazing amounts of their high school time toward volunteering locally and internationally. The scholarships are given in the name of Mel Douglass, who was an amazing volunteer and neighbor to Edgewood. After enjoying a wonderful brunch organized by Sherry Evashavik, guests listened to an enlightening speech by Ruth Pickering-McGregor.



Community Day August 24, 2013

Community Day is the one day that Edgewood residents of all ages come together to play, eat, and socialize at Koenig Field. The Foundation is proud to be a supporter of the event that helps strengthen our neighborhood and makes us a community. This year, look for new entertainment, games and activities, many of which are sponsored by the Edgewood Foundation. Whether you come out to spend the day, for an hour of music and fun, or just to share the symphony and late night fireworks, there is something for everyone. You won't want to miss it!

Brinton Road Clean-up August 17, 2013

We are organizing another clean-up at Brinton Road on August 17, from 9-10 am. Please meet at 327 Locust to pick up gloves, reflective vests and garbage bags. Please take an hour of your morning to help us clean up Brinton Road!

Sleep Over in the Park September 7, 2013

Once again we are planning to set up tents, light a bonfire and enjoy the camping atmosphere in Keonig Field. Our tentative date is Sept. 7 @ 6pm. Please follow us on Facebook to confirm the date, or stop by our booth at Community Day for updates about the event. We do limit the number of attendees at this event, so please sign up early.

Sign ups are via email: info@edgewoodfoundation.org. Please include names, ages of kids and address/phone number in your email.



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3rd Annual Edgewood Oktoberfest

The Edgewood Foundation will be holding our Oktoberfest event Sunday, September 22nd from 3-6:00 pm at Koenig Field.

We'll be pouring cold beer, serving hot dogs and bratwurst and enjoying some time outside to catch up with our neighbors. We'll be providing activities for the kids too, so please come down as a family and enjoy the nice fall weather.

This is a make or break year for us for this event. If you'd like to continue to have an Oktoberfest in Edgewood, we really want to encourage you to purchase tickets in advance. In the event of a rain-out or a weather issue, tickets will be refundable. Please help us plan by buying tickets in advance.

Tickets are \$25 per person in advance or \$30 per person at the event. We'll be selling tickets at the Edgewood Foundation booth at Community Day, on the Edgewood Foundation website (www.edgewoodfoundation.org), or please feel free to mail in the form below with a check at your convenience.

If you are interested in volunteering with setup or the event itself, please call Rob Felter at 412-303-3681 or email: gonzar@mindspring.com.

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 _____ Children to attend (free)
 _____ Total Enclosed

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 Address: _____
 Email Address _____

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Edgewood Symphony
Announces Its 2013/2014
Season!

Your neighborhood symphony orchestra kicks off the fireworks with a bang at Edgewood Community Day on Saturday, August 24. Make sure to stop by Koenig Field at 8 pm to hear some classical and pop favorites before the fireworks are launched. This annual concert is an Edgewood favorite!

Here's a sneak peak of the ESO's upcoming season. **It is going to be an exciting year!** Please visit www.edgewoodsymphony.org to learn more and to get your **subscription to all of these great concerts.**

October 19th, 2013, 7:30 pm
Pittsburgh JCC, Katz Auditorium,
Squirrel Hill
Beethoven's Leonore Overture No. 3
Britten's Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra
Vocal Selections from Nabucco, Il Trovatore, **La Traviata, Don Carlo and Aida**, all by Verdi

December 7, 2013, 7:30 pm
First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood
Annual Holiday Concert - The Many Moods of Christmas
- Featuring the Renaissance City Choirs

March 15, 2014, 7:30 pm
Pittsburgh JCC, Katz Auditorium,
Squirrel Hill
The Swan of Tuonela by Sibelius
The Snow Maiden Suite by Rimsky Korsakov
Pelleas and Melisande by Faure
The Firebird Suite by Stravinsky

May 10, 2014, 7:30 pm
Ruslan and Ludmilla Overture by Glinka
Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 6
"Pathetique"



Troop 23 has had a busy summer! In June the troop spent a week at Heritage Scout Reservation in Farmington, Pennsylvania. The scouts enjoyed hiking, kayaking, sailing and other outdoor activities, as well as earning merit badges in areas such as swimming, archeology, pioneering, woodcarving and basketry. Summer camp provides the opportunity for the boys to experience fun in the great outdoors while learning valuable life skills.

At this year's Edgewood Community Day, the scouts will have activities for the whole family. The scouts will have a leather craft table where kids can create stamped and dyed leather items such as bookmarks, bracelets, and key chains. Dutch oven cooking demonstrations will be given by our own Cast Iron Chefs! And of course, we will have the climbing wall set up for everyone to test their strength and coordination.

In September the scouts and their families will celebrate the end of the summer season with a picnic at Camp Guyasuta. Scoutmaster Charles Huse

will preside over a Court of Honor where merit badges will be awarded and the past year's activities and accomplishments will be discussed. Troop 23 will be holding a Flea Market at First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood (120 East Swissvale Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15218) on Saturday, September 28th, from 9 am to 4 pm. The proceeds of the flea market are used to fund troop activities.

Boy Scouting is for boys 11 to 17 years of age. Boys also may become Boy Scouts if they have earned the Cub Scouting Arrow of Light Award and are at least 10 years old, or have completed the fifth grade and are at least 10 years old. Boys who are interested in joining the Troop can attend our meetings every Monday night at 7 pm at the First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood.

Cub Scouting is a program of the Boy Scouts of America designed for elementary school-age boys (grades 1 - 5). It is a family-oriented program designed specifically to address the needs of younger boys. Cub Scouts meet in their Dens once each week, and a Pack meeting is held for all Cub Scouts and their families once a month. Boys and their parents can join Cub Scouting by attending the Pack Sign Up Night on September 19th, at 6:30 pm, at **the First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood.**

Woodland Hills School District

"Rockstar Nutritionist" Jill Jayne MS, RD Visits District Schools for Nutrition Assemblies
by Andrea Kennedy RN BSN CSN

During the month of May nationally known "Rockstar Nutritionist," Jill Jayne MS RD, delivered her message of nutrition and health to eight of our district schools. The Jump with Jill and Jill Live! shows delivered the message of the importance of making healthy food choices and the benefits of exercise in a child-centered and enthusiastic manner. Students participated in these interactive programs. The programs were sponsored by the WHHS and WHJH Living Well Teams, which are funded by The Heinz Endowments. The teams felt that this was an exciting way to reach out to district students of all ages. The Living Well Teams are committed to educating and empowering students to develop life-long healthy lifestyles. Visit us on the **Woodland Hills School District High School Website for additional information.**

Woodland Hills Students Finish First and Second in the Fairchild Challenge at Phipps

Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Grade Students from Shaffer Elementary, the Woodland Hills Academy and Woodland Hills Junior High participated in the Middle School Fairchild Challenge at Phipps during the 2012-2013 school year. The Fairchild Challenge is a competition that challenges Middle School students from across Allegheny County to address environmental issues in unique and creative ways. Over 1,600 students participated in the competition. They had to complete six challenges throughout the course of the year, including building sculptures from recycled materials, living without technology for a day, implementing an environmental action at home for a month, baking healthy treats,

writing letters to the editor and making editorial cartoons that addressed an environmental issue in Pittsburgh, and creating a publicity campaign to endorse the benefits of plants in our lives.

At the Fairchild Awards Ceremony on Tuesday, May 28, 2013, sixth grade students from Shaffer and the Academy learned that they won first place in the Fairchild Challenge! They earned \$750 to promote environmental education in their schools. They were also invited to participate in the Riverlights Celebration on June 7, 2013. They conducted the countdown, along with Governor Corbett, to reopen the fountain in Point State Park. Seventh and Eighth grade students from the Junior High and the Academy earned second place and \$500 for environmental education.

We are very proud of all of their achievements!

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