

# EDGEWOOD

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A COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER OF EDGEWOOD BOROUGH

## Edgewood Borough recognized among first to become a certified sustainable municipality



### *Silver Award*

In earning the Silver certification, Edgewood is acknowledged for its progress in addressing such areas as community design and land use, energy efficiency, health and wellness, mitigating blight, intergovernmental cooperation, recycling and waste reduction, fiscal controls, and internal management and operations. Details regarding how Edgewood is addressing these areas can be found on the certification program's website: [www.sustainablecommunityessentials.org](http://www.sustainablecommunityessentials.org).

"We are delighted to see Edgewood distinguished among local governments that are leading the way in applying sustainability to both their operations and management as well as within the community," said Court Gould, Executive Director of Sustainable Pittsburgh.

The Southwestern Pennsylvania Sustainable Community Essentials Certification is intended to bring recognition to municipalities in the region that are applying the policy and practice of sustainability as their mode of operation in order to advance community prosperity. It also serves as a mechanism for sharing best practices for creating a more sustainable southwestern Pennsylvania.

Edgewood Borough is pleased to announce that it is among the first municipalities to become certified through the Southwestern Pennsylvania Sustainable Community Essentials Certification program. Edgewood is recognized at the Silver level of certification for meeting the program's rigorous performance criteria, which track 131 policies and practices that define a sustainable community.

The Sustainable Community Essentials Certification, developed by Sustainable Pittsburgh, is designed for municipalities that are working to save money, conserve resources, and serve vibrant communities. It applauds municipalities for their demonstrated commitment and sustainability performance.



### *2014 Edgewood Borough Council*

*Left to right, standing: Jack Bright, Marc Wallace, Council President Patricia Schaefer, George Fuller, Mayor Ed Cook*

*Left to right, seated: John Wainright, Justin Petrolla, Jack Wilson*

# Meet the Public Works Department

The Edgewood Borough Public Works Department works on projects vital to the safety and maintenance of our community. This four member department is responsible for the preservation of public infrastructure like storm and sanitary sewers, street maintenance (including street sweeping), and the upkeep of borough parks. They are perhaps most visible to residents during fall leaf collection and winter snow plowing. These employees are on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week to respond to emergencies or weather events in Edgewood Borough.



Left to right: Public Works Supervisor John Antolovich, Louis Sloan, Jim Wissman and Bruce Ruffing

This winter was particularly cold with major snow and ice accumulation. Our dedicated public works employees maintained the safety of our roads, putting in extensive overtime hours. They barely had a day off in two months!

Thanks to their hard work, Edgewood roads stayed free of snow and ice, allowing our residents to safely travel.



In the event of winter weather, the public works department's first priority is to plow and salt borough roads. When snow accumulates quickly, the plow trucks may have to make several trips through town in order to stay ahead of the snow. Once roads are safely passable, they clear the alleyways in the borough, and plow the borough owned parking lots. After completing all this work, the employees shovel sidewalks in front of borough owned property.

Public Works employees filling a pothole.

Say hello to these guys next time you see them around Edgewood!

# Edgewood Recycles

## Electronics Recycling

As of January 1, 2013, Pennsylvania banned the disposal of computers, TV's, and other electronic devices in the regular garbage. The reason for the "e-waste" ban in regular garbage is because these devices leak harmful metals such as cadmium, lead, and mercury into the waste stream. These items must be properly disposed of by facilities that can remove the toxic metals.

There are several sites near Edgewood that will accept e-waste. Additionally, there are "Hard to Recycle" events scheduled around Allegheny County over the next year that will collect these devices for small fees. Here is a list of your options for e-waste disposal.

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Construction Junction accepts UNBROKEN (but do not have to be working) TVs, Monitors, LCDs, Laptop and Desktop Computers, cellphones, PDAs, fax machines, printers, copiers, remote controls, video recorders, and digital cameras. They do not accept broken devices with cracked screen glass or tubes; they also do not accept CD's, DVD's, VHS tapes, batteries, or lighting.

## Goodwill Industries

412-481-9005

[www.goodwillswpa.org/computer-recycling](http://www.goodwillswpa.org/computer-recycling)

Please call before going to verify that they will accept your device. Not currently accepting TV's; still accepting computers, printers.

Best Buy, HHgregg, & Staples stores accept electronics, but call ahead to verify that they will accept your device.

To recycle CD's, DVD's, VHS tapes, batteries, or lighting (fluorescent bulbs, lamp ballasts), these devices need to be taken to eLoop LLC. Also call them for advice on disposing of cracked or broken e-waste devices.

## eLoop LLC

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[www.eloopllc.com](http://www.eloopllc.com)

## Hard to Recycle Events

The Pennsylvania Resources Council sponsors Hard to Recycle collection events throughout the year. Two events will be held soon:

- April 5, 2014: Galleria at Pittsburgh Mills
- May 10, 2014: Consol Energy Park, Washington County

e-Waste will be accepted at these collection events, which may charge a small fee to accept devices. Please see the website [www.prc.org](http://www.prc.org) for more information about these events.



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# Thai Cottage

Thai Cottage, located at 1109 South Braddock Avenue, is a delightful taste of Thai cuisine in the heart of Edgewood's Regent Square business district. The restaurant, which has been operating under current management for one and a half years, serves authentic home-style Thai cuisine prepared by chefs from the northern and southern regions of Thailand. The menu changes seasonally and often has daily and weekly specialty dishes. On special occasions, they sometimes serve Thai fusion dishes. There are always vegetarian and vegan options on the menu.



Thai Cottage provides the Edgewood community with convenient dining options by also offering take-out and catering services. Plan a meal at this tasty restaurant soon!

*Thai Cottage Hours:*  
 Sunday – Thursday, 11:30 a.m.-9 p.m.  
 Friday & Saturday: 11:30 a.m.-10 p.m.  
 Phone: 412-241-THAI (8424)  
 Website: [thaicottageph.com](http://thaicottageph.com)



## Police Report

### WARMER WEATHER BRINGS MORE CRIME

Warmer weather is finally upon us after a long and very cold winter. It is that time of year when we all like to open our doors and windows and let the fresh air in.

Unfortunately, this is the time of year when the crime picks up and the criminals become more active. During the winter months, police calls seem to slow down, as criminals do not appear to like the cold. Now that it is getting warmer, the criminals will be walking around, looking for crimes of opportunity. These crimes include, but are not limited to, looking for open windows/doors in homes to commit burglaries. It seems that many of us feel a false sense of security, and leave a window open while we go to work, school, or just out to run some errands. This oversight can make you the victim of a crime.

Studies have shown that burglars choose the path of least resistance. In many cases, burglaries take place during daylight hours. A burglar may walk right up to your front door and ring the doorbell and knock. If there is no response, there is a good chance that no one is home. The burglar will then do a quick walk around your house to see if he/she can see any easy way into your home, including open windows/doors. If you are one of those people who didn't think that leaving your window open was a big deal....you are now the victim of a burglary.

We suggest never leaving your windows and doors open while you are away; however, we understand that it will be done. If you do plan on

opening your windows, a good practice is to open windows that can not be accessed from the ground.

Officers also would like to remind residents to keep their doors locked while they are home. Some criminals do not care whether or not you are home. If they see something in plain sight close to the door, they will simply open the door and grab it.

Officers always remind everyone to be vigilant and to report any suspicious activity around your home and neighborhood. If you question whether you should call the police...you should!!! That is what we are here for.

### STREET SWEEPING

With the signs of spring also comes the resumption of street sweeping around the borough. Street sweeping will return on Wednesdays in April. Check the signs where you park to ensure that you are parking on the proper side of the street to avoid any unwanted fines.

### NEW POLICE CAR

By the time this article comes out, the Edgewood Police will have another Dodge Charger on the road. The Edgewood Police are changing over to the Chargers, because Ford Motors stopped producing Crown Victorias. This newest purchase will be the second Charger in our fleet, leaving us with only one Ford police car left. Most of the officers prefer the new Dodge over the old Fords. The new Chargers are more comfortable, more powerful, and seem to be holding up better than the Fords. It may seem like just a car to most, but it's our office for 24 hours a day, 7 days a week!

## POLICE ACTIVITY

2013-14 Dec. Jan.

**Total Calls for Service**  
 Complaints Received .....410 .. 406  
 Accidents Investigated .....8 ..... 6

**Part I Crimes**  
 Robbery, Burglary .....2 ..... 0  
 Motor Vehicle Theft .....0 ..... 0  
 Shoplifting .....12 ..... 3  
 Assault .....1 ..... 0  
 Arson .....0 ..... 0  
 Other Thefts .....6 ..... 1

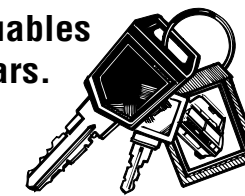
**Part II Crimes**  
 Vandalism/Mischief .....2 ..... 1  
 Narcotics Offenses .....1 ..... 1  
 Disorderly Conduct .....5 ..... 1  
 Other Crimes .....2 ..... 1

**Arrests**  
 Adult Arrests .....13 ..... 4  
 Juvenile Arrests .....0 ..... 3


**Officer's Activity**  
 Traffic Stops .....79 ..... 68  
 Traffic Citations .....52 ..... 36  
 Non-traffic Citations .....3 ..... 6  
 DUI .....2 ..... 2  
 False Alarms .....17 ..... 17  
 Medicals .....12 ..... 13  
 Suspicious Person .....7 ..... 16  
 Public Nuisance Complaints ..3 ..... 1

## Tip of the Month

It may seem like we say this all the time...but unfortunately, it needs repeating—**PLEASE keep your car doors locked at all times and do not keep valuables in your cars.**



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# Edgewood Volunteer Fire Department

## Meet the New Fire Department Volunteer



**Name:** Kathryn Bress  
**Hometown:** Cocoa Beach, Florida  
**Program of Study at Pitt:** Pharmacy  
**Why did you join the Edgewood Volunteer Fire Department?**  
*To take on a new challenge. To learn practical skills that I can use to help the community, and to follow in my dad's footsteps.*  
**Future Plans:** Graduate Pharmacy school, pursuing a career in the Pharmaceutical industry, and continuing in the fire service and EMS.

**Hobbies/Interests:** Painting, hiking, family and cooking

## Allegheny County Special Needs Registry

The Department of Emergency Services of Allegheny County has created a "Special Needs Registry." With a goal of providing better service during emergencies to individuals with autism, deafness, blindness, intellectual disabilities or physical disabilities, the service enables those with disabilities to register with the County. When a police, fire, or ambulance call is received from a registered person's address, the responders are notified that a resident might require additional assistance.

Registration with this service is completely voluntary. If you wish to register, please visit [www.alleghenycounty.us/specialneedsregistry](http://www.alleghenycounty.us/specialneedsregistry) for additional information.

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# COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

## HOME DELIVERED MEALS

Flexible schedule? Retired? Available in the mornings? If so, consider becoming an Edgewood Home Delivered Meals volunteer.

Eastern Area Adult Services provides meals to home-bound seniors throughout the Edgewood and Swissvale communities. Based at the Swissvale Senior Center, Edgewood Home Delivered Meals delivers daily lunches on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10:30 a.m. to noon. If you have time once or twice a month to help, call Jo Schlesinger at 412-596-8658. This important community resource helps keep our neighbors in their homes.

Seniors may qualify for ongoing daily meals, or for meals on a temporary basis while recovering from an illness or injury. To inquire about receiving meals for yourself or a family member, call Jodi Travato at the Swissvale Senior Center at 412-731-1625.

## NINE MILE RUN WATERSHED ASSOCIATION

**Spring Stream Sweep**  
**April 12, 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.**  
**Nine Mile Run - Frick Park**

Every time it rains or snows, trash and debris wash into Nine Mile Run from the upper watershed communities of Pittsburgh, Edgewood, Wilkinsburg, and Swissvale.

Come help NMRWA keep the stream clean & beautiful by helping pick up trash!

We will provide gloves, safety vests, trash bags, and snacks. Please wear long pants and sturdy, tall boots or closed-toe shoes. If you have hip boots or waders, please bring them!

Meet at the Fern Hollow parking lot, at the bottom of Lancaster Avenue. For more information, please contact Sara at [sarap@ninemilerun.org](mailto:sarap@ninemilerun.org) or 412-371-8779 x.123.

Visit our website and click on "Get Involved" to register.



## BOY SCOUTS

**28th Annual Scouting for Food**

During the month of April the Laurel Highlands Council, Boy Scouts of America will conduct its annual Scouting for Food program. Scouting for Food is conducted as a joint partnership with the United Way. Scouting for Food mobilizes community businesses and organizations representing more than 250,000 people who collect food for county food banks that serve 120,000 needy people throughout southwestern Pennsylvania.

Scouting for Food is targeted primarily at collecting canned foods, particularly canned products having a high nutritional value. In addition to food; paper products, soap, and bulk packages of household commodities are needed. All kinds of canned fruits, vegetables, and canned products are welcome, as well as sealed, dry packaged foods such as cereals.

**Troop 23 will be participating in Scouting for Food on the following dates:**

**Monday, April 7**  
 Scouts will be distributing door hanger reminder cards throughout Edgewood.

**Saturday, April 12, 9 a.m. - Noon**  
 Scouts will be going door-to-door to pick up your donated items. Please place all donated items in grocery bags and set the bags out by your front door no later than 8:45 a.m.

*The Boy Scouts would like to thank the Edgewood community in advance for your generosity. We always have a high degree of participation in this program which serves our local food bank right here in Edgewood.*

## Flea Market

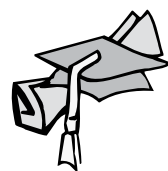
The Scouts will be having a Flea Market on Saturday, May 10 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood. Come out and discover some hidden treasures while supporting a great group of young men! We have toys, children's clothes, kitchen items, and much, much more.



## Attention 2014 Graduating Seniors: SENIOR BRUNCH MAY 11

Every spring the Edgewood Foundation sponsors a brunch honoring the borough's graduating high school seniors. Although our students all live in Edgewood, they attend different high schools, and this is a great opportunity for them all to be together with their families and friends before they go their separate ways to follow their dreams. There are speakers, and the Mel Douglass Scholarships are presented to the deserving seniors. This year, the brunch will be on Sunday, May 11 at 11 a.m. at the Edgewood Club.

We are looking for all 2014 high school graduates living in Edgewood Borough. No matter which school you attend, you are invited to our annual Edgewood Foundation Senior Brunch. Please email the foundation your contact information: name, phone, address, parent names, and school attending. We will be sending invitations in April and would like to find as many seniors as possible. You can also add the names of friends and neighbors who will graduate in 2014. Please email: [info@edgewoodfoundation.org](mailto:info@edgewoodfoundation.org)



## EDGEWOOD NEWCOMERS' RECEPTION

Each year, the Edgewood Foundation sponsors a reception for newcomers who have moved into the Borough in the preceding year. This event is our way of formally welcoming them into the neighborhood, and introducing them not only to other newcomers, but also to Borough officials and other involved citizens and members of the local organizations.

The reception is hosted at an Edgewood resident's house in the early evening, with refreshments and beverages provided. The reception allows newcomers the opportunity to meet and socialize with their fellow residents, while also obtaining important information from each of the Borough offices and community groups. The newcomers are provided with a welcome packet of Borough information and many local businesses have information available as well. This is one of the signature events of the Foundation and is a major reason why Edgewood continues to be a special place to live.

This year's Newcomers' Reception will be on Thursday evening, May 15, 2014, starting at 7 p.m., so Save the Date! Invitations will be sent out in mid-April to all newcomers based upon available real estate transfer information. However, if you know a newcomer who did not receive an invitation or you are a newcomer interested in attending, please visit our website at [www.edgewoodfoundation.org](http://www.edgewoodfoundation.org) for additional information and also feel free to RSVP to us at [info@edgewoodfoundation.org](mailto:info@edgewoodfoundation.org)

[edgewoodfoundation.org](http://edgewoodfoundation.org). The event also has a Facebook page, that can be accessed in the Event Details posted into the calendar on our website.

## EARTH DAY CLEAN UP: Saturday, April 26 (rain date April 27)



Once again the Edgewood Foundation will be sponsoring the annual Earth Day Clean Up of the Borough. Come one, come all (bring the kids, too) down to Koenig Field between 9 and 10 a.m. to enjoy light refreshments before setting off to help clean up/pick up trash around the neighborhoods. Work for as long as you wish—any amount of time is highly appreciated. Gloves, safety vests and trash bags will be provided. Rain date will be April 27.

Mark your calendar and we'll see you in April!

If you'd like to help us by working at the booth, please send your info to Joy Goethert at [joygoe@gmail.com](mailto:joygoe@gmail.com).

## In Memoriam – Mary Limpert and Donna Lewis

The Edgewood Foundation is saddened by the recent loss of two former Foundation board members. Mary Limpert, who helped form the Foundation and was a recipient of the Limpert award for community service; and Donna Lewis, who worked as the Edgewood Borough secretary for many years and served on the foundation board; both recently lost their battle with cancer. It is with a heavy heart that we say good-bye to these dear women: former Board members and cherished friends.



## A Place to Learn & Live: The New Residence at WPSD

The Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf has embarked on an exciting new project that will benefit our current and future students—building a new Residence. This \$9.3 million project will position WPSD to continue to meet the evolving needs of its students and their families for many years to come.

The former dorm, built in the 1960's, was originally designed to be classrooms and was later converted into a living space. With the many upgrades needed to keep the building viable, it became apparent that the responsible path was to demolish the dorm and build a new Residence. The building was torn down in April of 2013 to allow for the new construction.

The new Residence is scheduled for completion in August of 2014 and will have six living suites, each with its own kitchen and living/study areas along with bedrooms and a bathroom, to foster a family atmosphere. Boys and girls will reside on separate floors, but will share a great room for social activities and meetings. Features such as a modern information technology network, as well as a geo-thermal heating and cooling system, will establish WPSD in the community as a standard-bearer for student-centered construction and energy-efficient design.

If you would like additional information or would like to make a tax-deductible donation to the new Residence, please contact Matt Campion at [mcampion@wpsd.org](mailto:mcampion@wpsd.org).

## WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

### The WPSD Spring Yard Sale OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Clean out the basement, the attic and the garage and then cash in at The WPSD Spring Yard Sale! Or visit the sale to shop for treasures!

Date: Saturday, May 10  
Time: 8 a.m.-Noon  
Location: WPSD Campus  
300 E. Swissvale Avenue

Costs to participate:

One 12-foot Space..... \$10  
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## PITTSBURGH DAY OF GIVING

The Pittsburgh Foundation's Day of Giving is now a springtime event with a new date of Tuesday, May 6 which coincides with a National Day of Giving. C.C. Mellor Library is one of 700+ local charities with profiles on the *PittsburghGives* website, making us eligible to receive matching funds based on contributions from donors on the *Day of Giving*. Last year, the Library received a check for \$14,360 from *The Pittsburgh Foundation* for the *Day of Giving*, which represented gifts from individuals as well as 13¢ on the dollar or an extra \$1,550 from The Foundation.

On May 6, the event hours are 6 a.m. to 11:59 p.m. Please make your contribution go further by contributing through the *PittsburghGives* website. Go to [www.PittsburghGives.org](http://www.PittsburghGives.org), click on Nonprofit Search, then type in C.C. Mellor and follow the instructions. Thanks in advance for your support!



## ONE BOOK, ONE COMMUNITY

Join us as we celebrate the twelfth year of One Book, One Community with this year's featured book: *Transatlantic* by Colum McCann. Three iconic crossings are presented; Newfoundland 1919: an attempt to make the first nonstop flight across the Atlantic; Dublin 1845-46: Abolitionist Fred-

erick Douglass finds the Irish people sympathetic to his cause; and New York 1998: Senator George Mitchell departs for Belfast to shepherd the bitter and volatile peace talks. The crossings are connected by the stories of remarkable women whose personal lives are caught up in history.

Join our local discussion of *Transatlantic* in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Board Room on Wednesday, April 23 at 7 p.m. Copies of the book in a variety of formats will be available for check out. Book clubs that want to discuss the book can reserve kits of 10 books by calling the library.

The Pennsylvania One Book Every Young Child selection for 2014 is *Stripes of All Types* by Susan Stockdale. The book brings to life a patterned parade of animals, showing young readers some of the many reasons stripes are found so often in nature through wonderful art and bouncy rhyme. An afterword provides more information on each featured animal and where it lives, and explains the role its stripes play.

We're holding a silent auction of items based on *Stripes of all Types* throughout April in the Fred Rogers Children's Room in Edgewood. Be sure to stop in to look at the clever creations and place a bid. Proceeds from the auction will underwrite the costs of purchasing 250 paperback copies of *Stripes of all Types*, which will be given to preschoolers who attend programs during April.

Any child who attends story hour on Monday, April 14 at 10:30 a.m. in Forest Hills will receive a copy of the book to add to their home library. Preschoolers in Day Care Centers and preschools located in the library's service area will also receive copies. A craft and story session is scheduled for Saturday, April 19 from 1-2:30 p.m. at the Library in Edgewood. Call 412-731-0909 to register.

## FOR ADULTS

### Book Clubs

4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Book Club meets at 1:30 p.m. in the Forest hills Library on the following dates:

April 22 *Wild: From Lost to Found* by Cheryl Strayed

May 27 *The Light Between the Oceans* by M. L. Stedman

Drop Dead Book Club meets at 7 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Edgewood Library on the following Wednesdays:

April 9 *Spider Woman's Daughter* by Anne Hamilton

May 14 *The Keeper of Lost Causes* by Jussi Alder-Olsen

## MEMORIAL AND HONOR GIFTS

The library has received a gift in honor of Bill Taymans. Memorial gifts have also been received for Tony Sally, Mary Limpert, Nancy Pryce Davis and Charles Maupin. Books will be added to the collection to honor and remember.

## NEW SERVICES

Check out Freegal Music Service! This site provides access to approximately 3 million songs, including Sony Music's catalog of legendary artists. Download three free music tracks (MP3 format) from popular artists each week with no software to download and no digital rights management (DRM) restrictions. Go to the library's website and log in with your library barcode number and PIN.

## FOR CHILDREN

### Children's Choice Awards

Children's Choice is a county wide program in which children in grades 3-6 vote on their favorite book from a list of 8 contenders by April 30. You can come to C.C. Mellor Library to cast your vote—and share your thoughts on our Children's Choice Wall. For each book review you post, we will enter you into a drawing to win a Barnes and Nobles gift certificate! For more information, please visit <https://ccmellorkids.wordpress.com>

## Story Hours

We offer a full week of story hours to fit into the schedules of busy young families. No sign up is necessary for these free programs. Join the stories, finger plays, songs and crafts at any of these locations:

- Forest Hills Library: Mondays, 10:30 a.m.
- Fred Rogers Children's Room, Edgewood: Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.
- Fred Rogers Children's Room, Edgewood: Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.
- Churchill Borough Building: Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.
- Wilkins Township Community Center: Fridays, 10:30 a.m.
- Baby Lapsit for 6 to 18 months Fred Rogers Children's Room, Edgewood: Fridays, 11:30 a.m.

Programs in the Fred Rogers Children's Room Edgewood. Please register in advance.



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## Kid Art for 5-8 year olds

April 26 & May 24, 10:30 a.m.

## Tween Crafts for 8-12 year olds

April 26 & May 24, 10:30 a.m.

## Eco-Geeks for 5-8 year olds Nature activities

April 12 & May 17, 10:30 a.m.

## Design Challenge for 8-12 year olds

April 12 & May 17, 12:30 p.m.

Limited set of materials. Limited time. Your job to create!

## Read to Rover

April 5 & May 10, 10:30 a.m.

To encourage early readers as they read out loud.

## Pokemon Club

Every other Thursday, 4:30-5:30 p.m. Come in and play or swap cards. Don't have your own deck? We'll show you how to play. March 6, 20; April 3, 24; May 8, 22

## Poem in your Pocket

Celebrate National Poetry Month by putting a poem in your pocket—and sharing it with someone! Don't have a pocket-sized poem? Stop in the library—we have one for you!

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### R.E.D. Carpet Event

This year Edgewood Elementary has gone R.E.D. to show that we are READY, ENGAGED, DETERMINED to help students reach the highest heights!

Edgewood Elementary School's Family and Community Committee kicked off the school year with a Red Carpet Event. On August 23, 2013, Edgewood's staff welcomed the new kindergarten students and their families in Grammy award winning style. The families walked the red carpet as staff blew bubbles, played music, and greeted each family with a warm welcome and a smile. The families gathered in the cafeteria and enjoyed RED delicious delicacies.



Edgewood Red Carpet Event

On October 16, the committee sponsored a reading night that featured local authors Lori Closson and Kelly Sheehy DeGroot. Lori shared her book *Macaroni MaKenzie* and Kelly shared her book *Princess Charleston of the Isle of Palms*. Tuxedo & Beans Publishing, LLC, [www.TuxedoEbooks.com](http://www.TuxedoEbooks.com) published both books. The Carnegie Library was also on hand to help students register for library cards.

### Jammies for Grammys

December 6 was also another exciting day at Edgewood Elementary. We had our annual Jammies for Grammys event. We asked that every student donate \$1.00 to wear his or her pajamas. All the money collected was donated to PRESENTS FOR PATIENTS.

PRESENTS FOR PATIENTS is operated and spearheaded by St. Barnabas Charities. The goal of this charity is to help patients in nursing homes, assisted living centers and personal care

homes to combat loneliness that patients often feel during the holidays. The funds provide patients with a gift and a visitor. Edgewood raised \$359.87. Channel 11's Brittny McGraw covered the story and Robin Taylor, Director of Public Relations at St. Barnabas Health System attended as well.

The committee ended 2013 with the families from Palisades Plaza. Teachers Megan Brophy, Robin Frederick, Lisa Harris, Rachel Reifman, Lillian Tartzyn, Lauren Walter, Nicole Wilkinson, Edgewood Elementary School Principal, Janet Wilson-Carter, and Assistant Principal Charmayne Gather assisted the Palisades Plaza staff during their Christmas Party that was held at the Rankin Christian Center. The night included crafts, dinner, gift giveaways, and guest speaker, former Pittsburgh Steelers, Mike Logan. At the end of the night, each child was given a bag of toys.

### Fitness Night

The Family and Community Committee have planned a Fitness Night in May at Edgewood Elementary School.



Edgewood Elementary School-Jammies for Grammys

## EDGEWOOD RECREATION

### Youth Basketball Program

The Edgewood Youth Basketball 2014 season was played in January, February, and March of this year. 112 boys and girls aged 6-14 had practices and games in Edgewood Primary School's gym. The children were not only from Edgewood, but from surrounding communities as well.

The all-volunteer coaching staff was led by Volunteer Basketball Coordinator Jeff Hanchett. With an emphasis on sportsmanship and fair play, the teams improved their basketball skills and had fun. Playoffs were held in March.

A round of applause for our youth basketball teams!

**The Borough would like to thank all of our dedicated volunteer coaches who helped make this league possible! Thank you to...**

Reggie Turner	Katie Hanchett	Trevor Lloyd
Craig Nayhouse	John Rawlings	Dave Walter
Joe Yapsuga	Joshua Rawlings	Jeremy Mayhew
John Donofrio	Kurt Edwards	Michael Burke
Paul Breakwell	Joe Cirilano	James Willis
Mike McLoughlin	Chris Bandurski	Andy Stanton
Kim Exler		

### Co-Ed T-Ball & Girls' Softball Programs

Edgewood's co-ed T-Ball program for 5 & 6 year olds will hold practices and games in June & July of this year. Games are played at Koenig Field in Edgewood. Registration forms will be available on the website: [www.edgewoodboro.com](http://www.edgewoodboro.com) and at the Borough Building as of April 15. Deadline for Registration is May 15, 2014.

Edgewood's Girls' Softball program for girls aged 7-14 will also hold practices and games in June & July at Koenig Field. Registration forms will be available on the website [www.edgewoodboro.com](http://www.edgewoodboro.com) and at the Borough Building as of April 15. Deadline for Registration is May 15, 2014.

Both teams are made possible only through the hard work and dedication of volunteer coaches and staff. Go Edgewood Sports!

*Please note: Edgewood does not have its own boys' baseball team. We refer our players to either 14th Ward Baseball website: [14thwardbaseball.shutterfly.com](http://14thwardbaseball.shutterfly.com) or Squirrel Hill Baseball website: [www.sqhillbaseball.org](http://www.sqhillbaseball.org).*

## On the Edge...

**Ned Schano** The Public Relations Society of America (PRSA), at a gathering of the region's top communicators and marketers, awarded Ned Schano the "Non-Profit Communicator of the Year" award. Ned is the son of John and Winnie Schano of Dewey Street. Presently, Ned is Director of Marketing and Director of the Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum at the John Heinz History Center.

## Attend the Tale...

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**April 24-26 & May 1-3 at 8 p.m.**

**Saturday Matinees at 1 p.m.**

For advanced ticket information Contact Tom Crone at

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## CALENDAR at a glance...

### APRIL

**Council Meetings:** 7 & 21  
 7:30 p.m. @ Borough Building

**Refuse:** 3, 10, 17, 24

**Recycling:** 3 & 17

### Story Time:

10:30 a.m. Tuesdays &  
 Wednesdays  
 &  
 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays @  
 C.C. Mellor Library

### Boy Scouts:

Mondays 7 p.m. @ FPCE

### Toastmasters:

Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. @  
 C.C. Mellor Library

**Earth Day Clean Up:** 26  
 (rain date April 27).

Meet @ Koenig Field between 9  
 and 10 a.m.

**Easter Egg Hung:** 12  
 12 noon @ Koenig Field

### MAY

**Council Meetings:** 5 & 19  
 7:30 p.m. @ Borough Building

**Refuse:** 1, 8, 15, 22, 30

**Recycling:** 1, 15, 30

### Story Time:

10:30 a.m. Tuesdays &  
 Wednesdays  
 &  
 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays @  
 C.C. Mellor Library

### Boy Scout:

Mondays 7 p.m. @ FPCE

### Senior Brunch:

11 a.m. @ Edgewood Club

**Newcomers' Reception:** 15  
 7 p.m.

## SHARE YOUR NEWS...

Proud of your new baby? Enjoyed a great vacation? Got a promotion or attended a convention? Please clip this coupon, stick it on the fridge and fill it out when you have some news to share in the Edgewood Newsletter. Photos welcome.

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## A note from the tax collector...

The 2014 Edgewood Borough Real Estate Tax will be mailed out the first of April and is due at discount by May 31. Because May 31 is a Saturday, the last day I can accept this bill at discount is Monday, June 2.

As of April 1, my hours will be: Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. If the times change, I will leave a message on my phone. Bills can always be dropped in my mail slot at the Borough building. If you need a receipt, please remember to include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

The 2013 Woodland Hills School tax will be turned over as delinquent to Jordan Tax Service sometime in March. If you have questions about your bill, please feel free to call my office at 412-731-0200 and I will return your call.

*Thank you,*  
*Maureen Smith, Tax Collector*



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## Annual Easter Egg Hunt

**Edgewood Borough's annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held Saturday, April 12 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 kids 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!**

