

### Get to Know Your Government

In January, Edgewood Borough Council will welcome five new council members. Get to know these dedicated citizens who have stepped up to represent the borough. Patricia Schaefer and Mal Hellett are returning members of council. Jean O. Davin will begin her third term as mayor.

#### Pat Schaefer

Council President Patricia Schaefer is currently serving her third term on the Edgewood Borough Council. She has served on the General Government, Department of Public Works, Public Safety and Community Services Committees. By day, she is the Program Manager in Hematology Research at UPMC Hillman Cancer Center. Pat is the mother of Katie Peters, a University of Pittsburgh freshman and Andy Peters, a junior at WHHS. Her home on Lloyd Avenue also includes Pawpy the dog, Russell the cat and Max the three-legged rabbit. Pat is the pastor at Robinson Presbyterian Church. In her spare time she serves as Eastern Basin Chair on the board of 3 Rivers Wet Weather, is a member of ALCOSAN Regional Stakeholder Group, is a board member of the Local Government Academy, and is First Vice Chair of CONNECT. Pat is a graduate of Carlow College and Pittsburgh Theological Seminary.

#### Newly Elected Council Members (Two Year Terms) Audrey Waldock

Audrey Waldock, of Lacrosse Street, was born and raised in Wyoming where she attended the University of Wyoming. In 1987, she graduated with a B.S. in Journalism. She is currently a litigation paralegal at Tucker Arensberg in Pittsburgh. Audrey was a member of the Allegheny County Transit Council from 2003-2007 and served as president in 2006. She has lived in Edgewood since 2002 with her husband, Carl Bolton. Her hobbies include sewing, reading, hiking, camping and cycling.

#### **Gregg Bowers**

Gregg Bowers, of Walnut Street, was born and raised in Edgewood. He grew up on Harlow Street and worked at the Edgewood Club between the ages of 11 and 21. He attended the University of Pittsburgh before going to work at the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf in 1973. He has stayed there in a variety of positions ever since. Gregg is now Assistant Superintendent. He and his wife, Kathleen, have a daughter, Sarah, who is married.

#### Newly Elected Council Members (Four Year Terms) Jack Wilson

Jack Wilson grew up on West Hutchinson Street, right here in Edgewood. He is a graduate of Central Catholic High School and St. Vincent College. For five years, Jack worked in the insurance and brokerage industry in New York. He moved back to Regent Square in 1994. Jack is married to Sarah and has two children. Their daughter, Henrietta, is currently a freshmen at Oakland Catholic High School and their son, Walter, is in 7th grade at Word of God School. Jack enjoys watching his son Walter play soccer for Edgewood. He spends his weekends in Ligonier, where he owns a small business.

#### John F. Bright

John F. Bright, who goes by Jack, has been a resident of the borough since 1974. His children attended school here and Jack is a former scoutmaster of Edgewood Cub Scout Pack 49. He has been active in Edgewood Toastmasters and served as Judge of Elections at Edgewood Poll #1 for fourteen years. Professionally, Jack is a stockbroker with Beaconsfield Financial Services and an independent insurance agent. Jack served in the U.S. Army, 2nd Infantry Division. He is a graduate of Princeton University and has an M.B.A. from the University of Pittsburgh. His hobbies include walking, writing, gardening, skiing and tree removal.

#### Jennifer Gleba

Jennifer Gleba, of Maple Avenue, is a seven year resident of Edgewood. She received a B.A. in political science with a concentration in journalism and a B.S. in speech and hearing science/education, both from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. She received an M.S. in speech pathology from West Virginia University. Jennifer has worked as a speech pathologist most recently at The Children's Institute in Squirrel Hill. Jennifer is currently a stay at home mom to her three-year- old son and one-year- old daughter.

#### Mal Hellett

President Pro Tem Mal Hellett was elected to his first term on council in 2002. He currently serves as chair of the Community Services Committee and Personnel Committee. Mal is a member of the General Government, Pension and Recreation Committees.

### New Look for a New Year



Restoration of the Edgewood Borough Train Station is underway. A new color scheme of brown shake shingles, red windows and brown trim will make the new windows and siding pop. Exterior renovations are scheduled to be complete in January.

# Library

#### Pennsylvania State Budget

Preparations for the state's 2010-2011 budget are underway. The governor will present his proposed budget in February. We'd like to begin a letter writing campaign to the governor and our legislators. To do this we will set up letter writing desks in the children's and adult departments. You can help in a couple of ways. If you have odds and ends of stationary and cards (with or without envelopes, for children or adults) that you aren't using, drop them off at the library so that we can make them available to our patrons. You can also take a minute to write your own short message about what the library means to you.

#### Farewell to Board of Trustees Members

With the start of the new year the board will be losing three of its nine trustees. Greer Mulholland joined the board in 1994 and has been very active during her tenure. She served as board vice-president and has headed the Fund Raising Committee for the last three years. Ed Cook has served two separate terms as a trustee, and Eric Schultz became a member this year. Both have served on the Library Operations Committee.

#### **COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS**

The Borough of Edgewood does not specifically endorse any community organization, but welcomes and publishes newsletter announcements from all community groups in the borough. The editor reserves the right to edit announcements for length, content, or to meet editorial policies of the borough. For information on how to submit your news, see the box below.

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Deadline for the February issue is Friday, January 15. Please send all articles or correspondence to the attention of the editor, e-mail <u>edgewoodnewsletter@</u><u>yahoo.com</u>.

### C.C. Mellor's 2010 Annual Appeal

We wish we didn't have to...but the reality is that Board of Trustees of the C.C. Mellor Library and Edgewood Community House relies on the generosity of people like you to operate our library and to restore and preserve our historic building at I Pennwood Avenue. The goal of the 2010 Annual Appeal is \$30,000. We would like to send a big thank you to those who have already contributed and to those who participated in The Pittsburgh Foundation's Match Day.

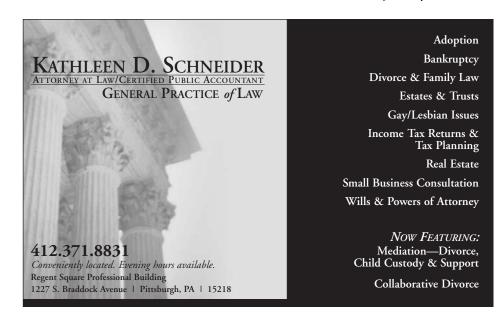
In the recently passed state budget the library will lose just under \$20,000 for 2010. RAD funding has yet to be decided as Allegheny County libraries work to develop a formula that will meet RAD board approval. Members of the Board of Trustees have been very active in seeking increased support from the Woodland Hills School District and the municipalities that C.C. Mellor serves which include Edgewood, Braddock Hills, Forest Hills, Churchill and Wilkins. The Board of Trustees actively pursues grants; however, 2009 was very competitive with many organizations seeking funds from a more limited pot. Library generated income includes fines, the March book sale, memorial and honor gifts, and other merchandise sales.

This year more than ever, your gift is important to C.C. Mellor and the communities it serves. Your generosity is appreciated now and throughout the year. Gifts can be made by check or credit card through PayPal on the library's website. Funds may be designated for library operations, building restoration, or unrestricted.

Ed and Eric will be replaced by representatives appointed by Edgewood Borough Council. Greer's position is an at-large position that will be filled by an Edgewood resident. If you are interested in this position, see our announcement below. We thank Greer, Ed and Eric for their dedication, years of service and for using their expertise to make the C.C. Mellor Library and Edgewood Community House a better organization.

#### Board of Trustees Vacancy

The C.C. Mellor Memorial Library and Edgewood Community House (CCM) are seeking a civic-minded Edgewood resident to serve on the Board of Trustees effective February 2010. The mission of CCM is to provide the highest quality library services and to restore and preserve our historic building at 1 Pennwood Avenue. The board is particularly interested in receiving letters of interest from individuals with expertise in the areas of fund-raising, grant-writing, public relations/ marketing, communications, webdesign, and building systems maintenance/repairs. Please forward your letter of interest to Patrick J. Doyle, President, CCM Board of Trustees, 1 Pennwood Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15218 no later than January 15.



#### Holiday Hours

| During Christmas      | week | the | library |
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| hours will be:        |      |     |         |
| Thursday, December 24 |      |     | .Closed |

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| Friday, December 25Closed              |
| Saturday, December 26 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.  |
| Sunday, December 27Closed              |
| Monday, December 28 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.   |
| Tuesday, December 29 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.  |
| Wednesday, December 3010 a.m 5 p.m.    |
| Thursday, December 31Closed            |
| Thursday, January 1                    |
| Friday, January 2 Regular hours resume |
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#### Holiday Gifts

Searching for a gift idea for that special person who has everything? Why not consider making a donation in that person's honor. We'll add a book to the collection with a gift plate and call the person so that they are the first to check out the book. A minimum gift of \$20 is requested.

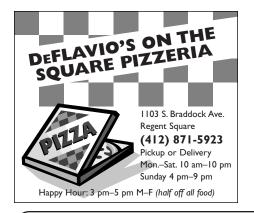
The library is selling canvas book bags for \$15 that sport a picture of the library entrance. We also have plenty of copies of the Enjoy Book, a discount book for eating and entertainment, for sale for \$27.

#### **Computer Classes**

The following classes will be offered in December and January: Basic Internet:

Tuesday, December 15 . . . .11 a.m. Basic Email:

Thursday, December 17 . . .11 a.m.





#### Resume Help:

Tuesday, January 12 . . . . . 11 a.m. Basic Excel:

Thursday, January 21 . . . . .11 a.m.

#### Book Clubs

The Drop Dead Book Club will meet on Wednesday, December 9 at 7 p.m. in the library board room to discuss *The Shape of Water* by Andrea Camilleri. At the December meeting, the group will select the titles for the first half of 2010. The group meets again on January 13 at 7 p.m. New members are welcome.

The PALS Book Club meets on Tuesday, December 22 at 1 p.m. at the Forest Hills Library to discuss *American Rust* by Philipp Meyer. They will also be selecting titles for 2010 at that meeting. New comers are welcome.

#### Read in Your Jammies

Put on your jammies and join the fun! Family Jamie Story Time will meet on Wednesday, December 2 and Wednesday, January 6 at 6:30 p.m.

#### A Ringing Good Time

The theme for Toddler Time will be Ring the Bells. It will meet Saturday, December 5 at 11 a.m. Toddler Time is for children ages 18 months to four years with a caregiver. Please reserve your spot by December 4.

#### **Chess With Gabe**

Gabe is back for chess lessons. Chess lesson sessions will be held



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5608 Wilkins Avenue-Suite #101 Pittsburgh, PA 15217-1282 Saturday, December 12 and 19 and Saturday, January 2, 9 and 16. Please sign up for the session that best suits your needs. Registration is limited so sign up today! Bring your own chess board if you have one.

Beginners .....12 p.m. - 12:45 p.m. Intermediates .....1 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Advanced ........2 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

#### Story Time With Santa

Santa visits story times Tuesday, December 15 and Wednesday, December 16. Story hours begin at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, and at 1: 30 p.m. Wednesday afternoons. Bring your camera and your list! Groups of ten or more need reservations. Call (412) 731-0909 for more details.

Story hours conclude for the year December 16. The program will resume Tuesday, January 5.

#### Breakfast With Mrs. Claus

Children are invited to join Mrs. Claus on Saturday, December 19 at 10:30 a.m. to hear stories and enjoy pancakes and juice with our very special guest. Please sign up by Thursday, December 17.

#### Story Hours Resume

Toddler and preschool story hours resume on Tuesday, January 5. Check the schedule for the date and time convenient for you and your little ones.

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#### Library

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#### Classic Storybook Movie Day

Enjoy a movie and popcorn with your family as we watch a movie based on the classic story *Wind in the Willows*. The movie begins at 1 p.m. on Saturday, January 2.

#### Teens and Tweens Only

Bring a t-shirt to design and paint on Saturday, January 9 at 1 p.m. We will provide the brushes, paint and etc.

#### We Two Read

This book club will meet Saturday, January 16, at 1 p.m. We two read is a book club for children between the ages of four and seven with a parent or caregiver. Borrow a copy of *The Dog Who Loved the Good Life*, by Bryan Langdo, read it with your child, then come and discuss the book with other children. Copies will be available the last week of December.

#### Calling All Creative Kids

If you like to make things and you are at least six to eleven years old, sign up for the Creative Kids Art Club today. The fun begins Saturday, January 23 at 1 p.m. Please register by Thursday, January 21.

#### Winter Wonders

The theme for January's Toddler Time will be a Winter Wonderland of Snowmen. It will meet Saturday, January 30 at 11 a.m. Toddler time is for children 18 months to four years of age with a caregiver. Please register by Thursday, January 28.



The staff of C.C. Mellor Memorial Library wishes you and your family a happy holiday season and a great New Year!

All events are free of charge unless otherwise noted. Please adhere to reservation requirements. Reservations for any of the programs listed can be made by calling the library at (412) 731-0909. By Sally Bogie and Andrea McNeill

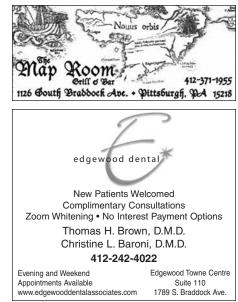
Librarians



Boy Scout Troop 23 will hold their Annual Christmas Tree Sale again this year at Koenig Field. This is the troop's biggest and most important fundraiser of the year! All proceeds help to support a variety of youth leadership and development programs sponsored by the Boy Scouts of America. The fundraiser also ensures that our local Boy Scouts earn enough money to attend a week of summer camp.

The sale runs through Sunday, December 20. Days and hours of operation are; Thursdays and Fridays from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sundays from 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. Additional days and hours may be added the week of December 21, depending upon inventory, so last-minute bargain hunters should check back often.

Choose from a selection of great Christmas Trees including scotch pine, Douglas fir, Frazier fir and more! Supplies are limited, so be sure to shop early! For more information call Keith at (412) 523-1441.



## Historical Society

#### Remembering David Grubbs

The Edgewood Historical Society will meet January 31 at 2 p.m. at the Edgewood Community House. There will be a program including a speaker and a memorial time for David Grubbs, past president of the Society.

All Edgewood residents with an interest in learning more about the history of the borough and the surrounding area are welcome to attend. Reservations are not required. Light refreshments will be served.



#### Doctor Marjie

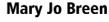
Longtime Edgewood Newsletter Editor Marjie Stewart, of Walnut Street, defended her dissertation on November 10 and passed with distinction. She will officially graduate with a Ph.D. in Composition from the Indiana University of Pennsylvania on December 20. Congratulations Marjie!

#### Edgewood Discount at PPT

Edgewood residents Stephen and Marilyn Coleman have used their connections at Pittsburgh Public Theater to organize special discounts for Edgewood residents at two performances of Shakespeare's magical comedy, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. The generous 30% discount will be available on tickets to the evening perform-

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ance on Thursday, January 21 at 8 p.m. A second option is the Free Brunch Matinee on Saturday, February 6 at 2 p.m. Tickets for either performance range in price from \$35.15 to \$24.65 each after the discount. There are \$15.50 tickets available for anyone ages 26 or younger or full-time students (valid I.D. required).

Stephen, who acts under the professional name of Alex Coleman, will be playing Peter Quince. Marilyn recently became co-chair of the theater's Ambassadors Program.

If you would like to purchase tickets for either of these special performances contact Becky Rickard at (412) 316-8200, ext.704 or email her at rrickard@ppt.org. Don't forget to mention that you are an Edgewood resident who read about these offers in the Edgewood Newsletter.

#### Drop Off Toys for Tots in Regent Square

Deborah F. Hughes, the local Edward Jones financial advisor, is supporting the 2009 Toys for Tots program by using her office as a drop-off location for this year's toy drive. Local residents may help needy children in the area by bringing in a new, unwrapped toy to 1133 S. Braddock Avenue, 2nd floor (enter on Sanders Street), during regular business hours.

## Edgewood Foundation

## Last Issue Before the Progressive Dinner!

This year's progressive dinner will be held on February 20. This event is a great tradition in Edgewood. If you have never attended, you are missing a great night out with your adult neighbors. What better way to spend a cold February evening than with friends and food? All proceeds from the night go toward future Edgewood Foundation events. We look forward to hosting this event and ask that you help out by getting your RSVP in before the deadline of January 24th. See the form in this newsletter for the RSVP information needed.

#### We Welcome a New Member

The Edgewood Foundation would like to welcome Robin Price as our newest board member. Robin is a longtime Edgewood resident who has been involved with the swim team, the recreation board and multiple other events hosted in Edgewood. We would like to thank Robin for deciding to help make Edgewood a great place to live by volunteering with us. Robin takes the place of Tiffany King. We would like to thank Tiffany for all of the hard work she put into the foundation events. Tiffany hosted the Newcomers Reception and volunteered at every event we hosted. She has been a great asset to us and she will be missed.

#### Still Searching for One More Member

We are looking for one more member to replace Niki Augustine who will also be missed. Niki worked hard to make sure Light Up Night, Clean-up Day and Sleep Over in the Park were fun and exciting events. Thank you, Niki, for your dedication to the foundation. If you are interested in volunteering with the foundation as a board member please send a letter of interest to info@edgewoodfoundation.org and you will be contacted by a current member.

#### Annual Appeal Letters

You may have noticed a new look to our annual appeal letter this year! With the help of Lion Works at WPSD, we decided to feature the project we have started at the Edgewood sign near the parkway exit. Please take a moment to read this letter and help us by donating to your neighborhood foundation. There are few neighborhoods that have a nonprofit foundation in place to sponsor events for the community. The Edgewood Foundation has been able to do so, on a continuing basis, for the last 25 years! We would like to thank you for continuing to help us stay a vital community group. We have many events planned for 2010, but without your financial support we may not be able to fund them all. Thank you in advance for helping us to help Edgewood be a great place to live and play. Please also include your comments and suggestions on your appeal form, we would love to hear from you.

### The Edgewood Foundation presents: The Progressive Dinner—February 20, 2010

Check deadline is January 24. Due to the amount of planning involved we encourage you to reply early.

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| Phone:Number Atte   | nding:Check Enclosed for \$   |
| Email:  |   |
| At the Progressive Dinner all attendees participate by host especially need hosts.  | ing or providing food. Please NUMBER your preferences below. We   |
| <ul> <li>Host a Cocktail Party for 50</li> <li>Host a Dinner Party for 10–12</li> <li>Make an appetizer for 30</li> <li>Make salad and bread for 12</li> <li>Provide beer or wine</li> <li>Make a dessert for 30</li> </ul> | [ ] Chicken [ ] Vegetarian<br><i>Attendees and guest must choose the same meal</i> .  |
| Please note any special requests: i.e., allergies to animals or   | r foods   |
|   | <b>Edgewood Foundation</b> , c/o A. Caulkins, 217 Beech Street, Pittsburgh, Foundation with any questions: info@edgewoodfoundation.org. |



## Vive La France this Holiday Season with the Edgewood Symphony

Celebrate the Joyeux Noel with the Edgewood Symphony on Saturday, December 12 at the First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood. This annual holiday tradition will feature the *Christmas Oratorio* and *Le Deluge* by Saint-Saens as well as *Fantasia on The Holly and the Ivy* by Malcolm Arnold plus the traditional holiday sing-along. The Renaissance City Choirs and the CAPA High School Choir will join the ESO for this holiday celebration.

In the new year, the ESO will perform Bizet's famous opera *Carmen* in concert on March 13. The season will culminate with a display of Musique Fantastique on May 15 with a performance of Berlioz's *Symphonie Fantastique* and other fantastical French selections.

All concerts are at 7:30 p.m., and tickets are available at the door. Visit www.edgewoodsymphony.org for more details.



#### Kindergarten Open House

There will be an open house for parents interested in having their children attend Edgewood Elementary's Kindergarten Program on Tuesday, December 8 at 10 a.m. Kindergarten registration dates are Tuesday, January 12 from 12 p.m. until 7 p.m. and Wednesday, January 13 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please feel free to call the school at (412) 731-2238 to set up a day and time to tour the building.

#### Make a Splash this Winter

Woodland Hills School District is hosting a 2009 Winter Swim/Diving Clinic that is free and open to all K-8 students in the district. All swim groups will be divided by experience and ability. Space is limited, so register early. The clinic will be held at the Woodland Hills High School Pool on December 21, 22, 28 and 29. There are two time slots to choose from, 12 p.m. to 12:45 p.m. or 12:45 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Advance registration is required, please contact Victoria Zido at tori@whatswimming.org for more information.

#### An Evening of Great Theater

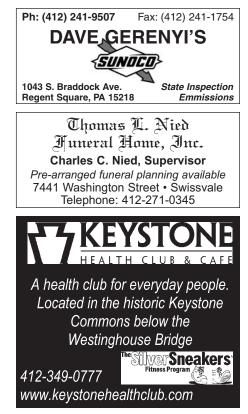
The Woodland Hills Performing Arts Class proudly presents *An Evening of One-Act Plays* by Mark Harvey Levine, on Friday, December 11 and Saturday, December 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the Woodland Hills High School auditorium. All tickets are \$5 and will be available at the door. The box office opens at 6:30 p.m. each evening of the show.

#### Wolverine Spirit Awards Honor Edgewood Students

Two students from Edgewood Elementary were the Wolverine Spirit Award honorees for November 2009. At the November 11 School Board Meeting, sixth grader Caileigh McDowell was the first student to be honored. The second award winner for the night was fourth grader Malik Turner. Superintendent Dr. Walter M. Calinger, along with Edgewood Principal Jean Livingston, presented certificates and Borders gift cards to the Wolverine Spirit Award winners.









## Recreation

#### Basketball Season Coming Your Way

Edgewood Recreation Basketball season begins January 2 for boys and girls ages six to fourteen. Registration forms have been mailed and they are also available on the borough website or at the borough building. The registration deadline is Friday, December 11. The fee is \$50 per player. The draft is set for Saturday, December 19. Players will be contacted by their coach following the draft. Practices will be held one evening during the week. Games are held on Saturdays at the Edgewood Primary Gymnasium. Marjory Freedline is the Recreation Coordinator for basketball. All inquiries can be made through the Edgewood Borough Office or by calling (412) 292-3061.

#### Edgewood Soccer 2009

Another soccer season has come to an end and I would like to thank all who participated. A huge "thank you" goes to all the coaches, assistant coaches, snack providers, field hands, parents, and especially Dr. DeVita for refereeing again this year! We had approximately 200 kids playing in four different age groups and hope next year will be even bigger and better. Please mark your calendars and check your mail next August for soccer registrations. They will also be available on the borough website by mid-August. The flu and the weather did not cooperate this year, but I hope the kids had fun playing in the mud! Thank you to the parents who had to do extra loads of laundry, juggle schedules and weather the storms to cheer on their kids. We hope the kids had fun, learned something and met new friends - after all, that's what it was all about!

*By Judy Mysels Recreation Coordinator* 





### Tax Time

The Edgewood Borough Real Estate Tax which was mailed out in April, with reminders sent out in October, will be turned over as delinquent to PAMS around December 17. If you still have not paid it, please do not wait until that day to do so. Once I have closed my books your payment will be forwarded to PAMS and may not be deposited until January.

The Woodland Hills School Tax is now due at penalty. If you are paying in installments, your third installment is due by February 28 which is a Sunday so I will accept it on Monday the first of March. If you forgot to pay your second installment, which was due by November 30, remember to add the 10% penalty to that payment. Please send in your coupon and a self addressed stamped envelope if you want a receipt. I only have one copy and I need that one for my office. I would like to wish everyone a happy and healthy holiday season!

By Maureen Smith Tax Collector

### **Newsletter Schedule**

Just a reminder – there is no newsletter in the month of January. We encourage you to check the borough website at www.edgewood.pgh.pa.us, as well as the websites for other local organizations, for event changes.

Deadline for both advertising and editorial content for the February newsletter is Friday, January 15. See the directory for contact information.

The newsletter staff sends warm wishes to you for a happy holidays and a healthy new year.



### **Borough Directory**

#### Borough Office Information

| Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m 5 p.m. |
|----------------------------------|
| Phone                            |
| Fax                              |
| Website: www.edgewoodboro.com    |
| Mailing address: Two Race Street |
| Pittsburgh, PA 15218             |

#### **Borough Manager**

#### **Public Works Director**

Larry Guerriero ...... (412) 242-2410

#### Code Enforcement

| Allan Ayres             | . (412) 242-4824 |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| E-mail: inspections@edg | ewoodboro.com    |
| Mon. and Fri            | 9 a.m 3 p.m.     |

#### Tax Office

| Maureen Smith        | .(412) 731-0200 |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| Mon., Wed. and Thurs | 9 a.m noon      |

#### Wage Taxes

| Pennsylvania Municipal |                |
|------------------------|----------------|
| Services               | (412) 829-0567 |

#### Police and Fire

| Emergency |  |  | • |  | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |  | • |  | • | .9 | )1 | 11 |  |  |
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#### Police Chief

Robert C. Payne ...(412) 242-4824, ext. 612 Crime Watch .....(412) 242-4824, ext. 700 E-mail: <u>policechief@edgewoodboro.com</u>

#### Fire Chief

#### **Overnight Vehicle Call-ins**

Monday–Friday 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m. . . . . . (412) 242-4824 Monday–Friday after 5 p.m. and weekends . . . . . . . (412) 242-9994

#### **Garbage Collection**

#### **Recycling Collection**

Edgewood Borough Public Works ......(412) 242-2410

#### Newsletter



## EVFD

#### 'Tis the Season for Luminaria

The EVFD will be selling Edgewood's traditional luminaria again this season. As always, luminaria orders may be routed through the street captains indicated on the enclosed luminaria flyer. You may also pick up an order form at the borough building during normal business hours, Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The fire department will also be at the borough building from 10 a.m. until noon on Saturdays in December. Kits will remain a very affordable \$8 each.

#### Fire Safety

Please be careful with your holiday decorations. Candles, Christmas trees and lighting are the cause of many residential structure fires. Here are a few facts from the National Fire Protection Association to stress the point. There are an average of 250 home fires per year that are started by Christmas trees. These fires cause an average of 14 deaths, 26 injuries and \$13.8 million in property damage. To put these numbers in perspective, Christmas tree fires are not common, but they are serious when they occur. One of every18 reported Christmas tree fires results in death. To see how quickly a Christmas tree fire can occur, visit www.NFPA.org and search for Christmas tree fire. Please be safe this holiday season.

#### Holiday Decoration Safety Tips

• Make sure artificial trees and greenery are fire retardant, they should be labeled as such.





Edgewood Volunteer Fire Department hosted MOMS Club Pittsburgh East on Wednesday, November 18. Moms and tots had a great time seeing the fire trucks and station up close. The event was organized by the club's vice-president of membership, Jessica Kosempa of Garland Street.

- Choose real trees and greenery with fresh, green needles that do not fall off.
- Cut 1-2" from the base of the Christmas tree trunk before placing it in water.
- Add water to trees daily.
- Replace lights with worn or broken cords or loose bulb connections.
- Never use lit candles around flammable decorations.
- Always turn off holiday lights before leaving home or going to bed.
- Dispose of your Christmas tree when it begins dropping needles. Never leave the tree in your home, garage or yard. Dried out trees are fire hazards.





#### Halloween Party

On October 22, Halloween was celebrated in grand fashion at the C.C Mellor Memorial Library. Over 100 children, along with their family members, participated in the parade this year, making it the largest ever. Children were dressed in their favorite costumes, as was the hostess, Andrea McNeill, who once again did a wonderful job of putting this event together.

After the parade, the children were taken inside for a safety talk, which was given by Officer Livingston and Officer Wyke, who was "dressed to impress" in his costume. The children enjoyed pizza and treats, along with glow sticks which were given out to top off a great Halloween. We are looking forward to seeing everyone next year!

#### Tips for a Safe Season

The Edgewood Police Department would like to wish you and your family a happy and safe holiday season. We would like to give you a few tips to ensure that your holiday season is a safe one.



It is very important to make sure that you have a properly-affixed legible, address on the front of your home. In case of emergencies, when seconds matter, you want public safety personnel to be able to respond quickly without searching for an address placard that is hidden or not there at all.

- · Make sure all packages are delivered when you are home or have a designated person accept it for you.
- Be sure the exterior of your home is well lit. This is a major deterrent to would be thieves looking for an easy way to break in to your home or vehicle. Keep the doors and windows of your house locked, as well as your vehicle doors and windows. Report any suspicious activity to the police immediately.
- This is a busy time of year for everyone. Exercise patience while driving on the roadway. If you see aggressive drivers, call 911 immediately.



The Edgewood Police Department responded to and handled 1,379 calls for service in October. There were 428 incidents reported, 146 complaints received and five accidents investigated, one of which resulted in personal injury, and four resulted in property damage.

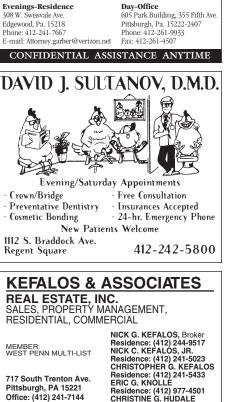
Part I Crimes are the more serious crimes of homicide, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft and arson. Of the 24 Part I Crimes committed in the borough, there were two for motor vehicle theft, 22 for shoplifting and nine other crimes. There were zero reported for robbery, burglary, and aggravated assault

There were eight adult and two juvenile arrests made for felony and misdemeanor violations.

Edgewood officers wrote a total of 27 traffic citations, 300 parking citations and one arrest for driving under the influence was made. There were three vandalism/criminal mischief complaints and zero narcotics offenses.

Officers also responded to 21 false alarm calls, took 271 reports, responded to 19 public nuisance complaints, wrote nine non-traffic citations and responded to 13 calls for medical assistance.





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| December/January                                 | <b>January</b>  | COMMU  | IMUNITY CALENDAR  | <b>ENDAR</b>  |  | 2009/2010  |
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| Sunday   | Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday   | Saturday   |
| <b>G</b> december                                | 7:30 Boy Scouts<br>7:30 Borough Council,<br>BB  | 10 Kindergarten Open<br>House, EPS<br>10:30 Story Hour, CCML<br>6:30 Toastmasters,<br>CCML       | 10:30 Story Hour, CCML<br>7 Venturing BSA, FPCE   | 10 Refuse Pickup  | Hanukkah begins at<br>sundown<br>7:30 An Evening of<br>One-Act Plays, WHHS   | <ul> <li>12 Chess Lessons,<br/>CCML</li> <li>7:30 ESO Concert,<br/>FPCE</li> <li>7:30 An Evening of<br/>One-Act Plays, WHHS</li> </ul> |
| 13   | 7:30 Boy Scouts, FPCE<br><b>14</b>  | 10:30 Story Time With<br>Santa, CCML<br>6:30 Toastmasters,<br>CCML<br><b>15</b>                  | 10:30 & 1:30 Story Time<br>With Santa, CCML<br>7 Venturing BSA, FPCE                                    | 17 Refuse &<br>Recycling Pickup   | 18   | 10:30 Breakfast with<br>Mrs. Claus, CCML<br>12 Chess<br>Lessons,<br>CCML   |
| Christmas Tree Sale<br>Ends, KF                  | 7:30 Boy Scouts, FPCE<br>7:30 Borough Council,<br>BB<br>First Day of Winter   | 6:30 Toastmasters,<br>CCML<br><b>22</b>  | 7 Venturing BSA, FPCE<br><b>23</b>  | <b>24</b> Refuse Pickup   | Control Contro | 26   |
| 27   | 7:30 Boy Scouts, FPCE<br><b>28</b>  | 6:30 Toastmasters,<br>CCML<br><b>29</b>  | 7 Venturing BSA, FPCE<br><b>30</b>  | Happy<br>New Year<br><b>31</b> <sup>Refuse &amp; Recycling</sup>                                  | New Year's Day<br>BB Closed<br><b>1 JANUARY</b>  | 12 Chess Lessons,<br>CCML<br>1 Movie Day, CCML   |
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|  | 7:30 Boy Scouts, FPCE<br>Martin<br>Luther<br>King Jr.<br>Day-<br>BB Closed                   | <ul><li>10:30 Story Hour, CCML</li><li>6:30 Toastmasters,</li><li>CCML</li><li>7:30 Council Meeting,</li><li>BB</li><li>19</li></ul> | 10:30 Story Hour, CCML<br>7 Venturing BSA, FPCE<br><b>20</b>  | 21 Refuse Pickup   | 22   | 1 Creative Kids, CCML<br><b>23</b>                      |
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| 2 Historical Society,<br>ECH<br><b>31</b>        | 7:30 Boy Scouts, FPCE<br>7:30 Borough Council,<br>BB<br>FEBRUARY                             | 10:30 Story Hour, CCML<br>6:30 Toastmasters,<br>CCML<br>Groundhog<br>Day   | 10:30 Story Hour, CCML<br>7 Venturing BSA, FPCE<br><b>3</b>   | <b>4</b> Refuse Pickup   | ß  | 9   |
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