June/July 2012

A COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER OF EDGEWOOD BOROUGH



Back row L to R: Emilio Venturella, Erich Harkema, Brandon Bilyak and Peter Kush Front row L to R: Jenna Herbert, Kristen Olander, Rachel Lewis, Mary Hazlett, Mariah Mysels Not pictured: Zachary March

Senior Brunch

On Sunday May 6, 2012, ten High School Seniors attended the annual Senior Brunch held by the Edgewood Foundation. During the brunch the Mel Douglass Scholarship was presented to Brandon Bilyak with honorable mentions going to Jennifer Herbert, Mary Hazlett and Erich Harkema. The Mel Douglass scholarship is a merit-based scholarship awarded to students with outstanding volunteerism and community service.

The Edgewood Foundation would like to thank those who made this special event possible including speaker Ernie Dettore, organizers Marcy Bilyak and Mary Limpert and the many local businesses that made generous donations.

Our Apologies

Kevin Laird, winner of the Limpert Award in 2007, was inadvertently left out of the May 2012 Limpert Award article.



Cops and Cruisers – All are Welcome!

On Saturday, June 16, 2012, the Edgewood Police Department will sponsor a car show exclusively for police vehicles. Police departments covering a 100-mile radius are invited to attend this special event.

The car show will begin at noon, and conclude at 7:00pm. It will be held at Part II Crimes Koenig Field, 401 Greendale Avenue in Edgewood, with a rain date of June 17, 2012.

This event will bring the police, their families and surrounding communities together in a positive and relaxed atmosphere.

Plans are still being made to ensure that this event is memorable for all who attend. We are anticipating a couple of demonstrations, as well as food, drinks and entertainment.

The car show will be open to the public with no admission fee. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Officer Susan Kaskie at officer713@ edgewoodboro.com.

Please plan on coming out to support your local police department by attending the Cops and Cruisers car show at Koenig Field on June 16, 2012.

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April Police Department Statistics

EDGEWOOD POLICE ACTIVITY REPORT

Total Calls for Service	702
Incidents Reported	500
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Accidents Investigated	15

Part I Crimes

Nobbel y	
Motor Vehicle Theft	0
Burglary	1
Shoplifting	
Aggravated Assault	3
Other Crimes	2

Vandalism /Mischief	0
Narcotics Offenses	2
Disorderly Conduct	5
Other Crimes	1

Juvenile Arrests.....

Officers Activity	
Citations Written	48
Parking Citations	18
DUI	2
False Alarms	10
Medicals	15
Reports Taken	313
Public Nuisance Complaints	1

TIPS FOR A SAFE SPRING

As the warm spring weather approaches, we would like to share some quick reminders to make sure spring and summer are a safe and enjoyable time for everyone.

- · While walking down the sidewalk or crossing busy intersections, watch out for increased traffic. especially during the morning and evening rush
- Always remember to lock your bicycle to a sturdy object, for example a tree or bike rack, when leaving it unattended. A secure bike lock is the best way to prevent theft. Bike locks are available at our Borough Building.
- · When walking your animal(s), please keep in mind Edgewood Borough's ordinance for keeping all animals on a leash or short lead. This is required and will be enforced
- If you like to keep your windows open for fresh air, always remember to shut and secure all windows on the first floor of your home when away. This will prevent possible break-ins
- Remember to always lock your vehicle when left unattended and never keep items of value visible to people walking by.
- · As always, please look after your neighbors.



Library

Between the Covers

A Book Club for adults will run from July 1 to August 6. Participants who read at least one book during the week will be eligible to enter a drawing to be held each Monday. For every book read an entry may be dropped in the bowl. We will have great prizes from local merchants. Sign up and enjoy the

Here's what's happening at our book discussion groups

The Drop Dead Book Club will meet on the second Wednesday of each month at 7pm in the C.C. Mellor Boardroom. They will be discussing **Boy with the Suitcase** by Lene Kaaberboi.

■ The Drop Dead book club will not be meeting in July or August.

The History Book Club will hold its meetings on the third Thursday of the month in the C.C. Mellor Boardroom at 7pm. Their summer picks are:

- June 21, <u>Undaunted Courage:</u> Merriweather Lewis, Thomas Jefferson and the Opening of the American West by Stephen Ambrose
- July 19, Ultra Secret by F. W. Winterbotham

The PALS Book Club will hold its meetings at the Forest Hills Branch on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 1pm. The books for discussion are:

- June 26, **Sara's Key** by Tatiana de Rosnay
- July 24, <u>Hotel on the Corner of</u> Bitter and Sweet by Jamie Ford



Wise Walk

Put your walking shoes on and take **Readers K-5**: a walk with us this summer. On Tuesdays at 8:30am meet at the parking lot below the UCP/CLASS building on Braddock Avenue for an hour long walk through Frick Park. On Thursdays meet at 8:30am at C.C. Mellor for a stroll on neighborhood streets. Participants walk at their own pace and new members will receive a pedometer and a t-shirt. Wise Walk is offered countywide at various libraries and is cosponsored by AARP. Highmark and the Allegheny County Library Association. The program is free; call the library to register.

Way Cool Wednesdays

Way Cool Wednesdays will run from June 13 through August 8 for the Summer Reading Program! Kids grades K-5 are invited to the library every Wednesday afternoon, from 1:30-2:30pm. Each week we will explore new topics through games, scavenger hunts, experiments, crafts and fun! Please call the library to register kids by Monday each week. Space and materials are limited, so make sure to secure your spot early!



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Attention Summer

This year Summer Reading is even more exciting - we're adding QUESTYINZ! With QUESTYINZ you get to choose your own experiences. It's all about exploring what interests YOU, and most of all, it's for FUN!

To join QUESTYINZ you'll need a game pass from your local library with a secret code. That code will unlock the world of Quests from anywhere

You will journey through challenges and complete tasks that earn you player points. Use the points to unlock badges and quest levels and even virtual goods for your own clubhouse. You can score points online or by visiting your library or other places in the community related to your quest, by attending special events and even by reading and posting your own comments.

It's a wrap!

For those who participated in the Summer Reading Club, the Wrap-up Party will be held Monday, August 13 (location TBA) from 12:00-1:30pm. Please join us in celebrating all of the fun we had reading great books this summer!

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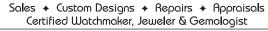
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Unplug and Reconnect at C.C. Mellor

C.C. Mellor Library will be holding 4 creative workshops for children ages 2-8 and their parents. This program is all about shutting off our technological devices for an hour and using our hands and imaginations to create! The first workshop will be held Thursday, May 17 at 6:00pm and is entitled "Gardening and Growing!" We are happy to have the Edgewood Garden Club help us plant seeds and teach us about gardening. We will follow up in June with a workshop on Movement and Music, in July we will have a finger-painting evening and August will wrap up our series with a construction and building evening. Look for details about future workshops in our upcoming newsletters and on our website.

Healthy Food for Me Program!

Nutritionist Bonnie Gillis will lead a nutritional program for preschoolers and kindergarteners on Saturday, June 9 from 1-2pm. Please register with the library by June 6.



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Database Assists students and job hunters

Patrons with a C.C. Mellor Library card have home and library access to the valuable Testing and Education Reference Center. This database has something for everyone:

- Middle grade students can use the Academic Skills Question Bank to drill and practice grade appropriate mathematics, reading, writing and science. Practice for private school tests.
- · High school students can practice for the SAT and ACT tests as well as Advanced Placement courses in history, chemistry, calculus, English and government. There's also help for college and vo-tech/career school
- Job hunters can take advantage of the resume builder, practice basic computer skills and research and practice for a variety of entrance tests for more than 15 careers such as teaching, law enforcement and the military.
- · College graduates searching for graduate schools or wanting practice for entrance exams to graduate schools including the GRE, LSAT, MCAT and Miller Analogy test.

Summer Reading

The Summer Reading Club at C.C. Mellor Library begins with our kick-off party on Monday, June 11th, from 12:00-1:30pm. This is a great opportunity to register for summer reading and have a ton of fun! Please call to sign up by Wednesday, June 6.

To access Testing & Education Reference Center:

- From the C.C. Mellor webpage click on Teen Testing & Educational Tools
- Enter your C.C. Mellor Library ID when prompted
- Click on High School Tools
- · Click on Academic Skills Question Bank; the above mentioned features can also be accessed here.

To help you get started:

The library will be holding workshops for parents, children and teens to learn how to use the databases.

Saturday, June 9 at 9:30am: Explore the Academic Skills Question Bank designed to help with coursework. Program designed for both parents and students.

Saturday, June 16 at 9:30am: Learn how to use Resume Builder to help in your job search.

Saturday, July 14 at 11:00am: Take a look at high school and college prep

Saturday, July 21 9:30am: Learn how to use Resume Builder to help in your job search.

Please register in advance.



Community Organizations



Edgewood Symphony Orchestra

Spend Father's Day with the Edgewood Symphony at Bach, Beethoven and Brunch!

Pack a picnic blanket, make vourself a nice brunch and head over to Mellon Park at 10:30am on Sunday, June 17 (Father's Day!) for Bach, Beethoven and Brunch. The ESO will be performing some light classical favorites at this annual summer event. If you don't feel like packing your own breakfast, The Bagel Factory will be on site to sell breakfast treats as well.

The ESO will celebrate its 25th Anniversary in 2012 and 2013! Be sure to watch for updates on special events and happenings beginning in October.

Visit www.edgewoodsymphony.org for more information and updates.





Western Pennsylvania **School for the Deaf**

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Block Party

The Annual Community Block Party hosted by the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf will be held on Saturday, September 22nd. A yard sale will be hosted in the morning, followed by a Car Cruise, food, games and exhibits in the afternoon. Contact vcherney@wpsd.org for more information.



Edgewood Foundation

Brinton Road Cleanup

The Edgewood Foundation has scheduled its bi-annual cleanup of Brinton Road, a main entrance to our community, for Saturday, June 9 at 9am (rain date June 10). Meeting place will be the Schano's residence at 132 Dewey Street. Reflective vests and gloves will be provided.

Community Day

Join us on August 25th as we celebrate Edgewood and the wonderful neighbors that live here. Meet us at the field for children's activities and more. See the August/September newsletter for a full detailed timeline of events.

Wine and Chocolate Affaire

Mark your calendars for November 3, 2012. Get your babysitters now! The evening of chocolate, wine and fellowship at the Edgewood Club has been scheduled and if you have any interest in volunteering please contact the Edgewood Foundation www. edgewoodfoundation.org.









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Please remember that there is no central number to call. The number to call in any emergency situation, large or small, is 911. The dispatchers will determine the urgency of your matter and send the appropriate responders. Do not spend time wondering if your situation is severe enough. All calls will be processed and no call is too small.



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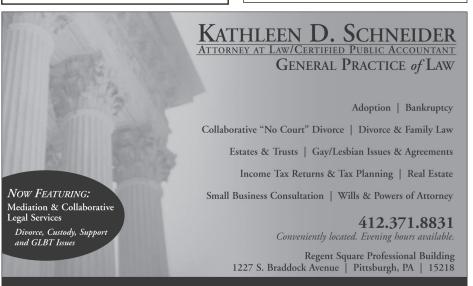
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Information and schedule
to come in the August/
September issue of the

Edgewood Newsletter.

Calendar at a glance



June 2012

Council Meetings:

4 & 18, 7:30pm @ Borough Building

Refuse:

7, 14, 21, & 28

Recycling:

14 & 28

Story Time @ C.C. Mellor:

10:30am Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Boy Scouts:

Mondays 7:00pm @ FPCE

Toastmasters:

Tuesdays 6:30pm @ C. C. Mellor

July 2012

Council Meetings:

2 & 16, 7:30pm @ Borough Building

Refuse:

6, 12, 19 & 26

Recycling:

12 & 26

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Community Happenings:

Clean-Up: June 9, see page 5 for details

Police Car Cruise: June 16, see page 2 for details

Community Day: August 25, more information to come in the

August/September issue