

# EDGEWOOD

December / January 2017-18

A COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER OF EDGEWOOD BOROUGH

The Edgewood Newsletter would like to thank everyone who submitted articles and photos about your family, organization, or neighborhood in 2017.

We wish all our residents and neighbors a happy and healthy holiday season!



*happy holidays*



## Luminaria


Take part in this beautiful Christmas Eve tradition by purchasing Luminaria kits from the Fire Department.

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## Edgewood Recycles

### Recycling Paper – Fun Facts!

Here are some facts about recycling paper. Be sure to do your part and recycle in Edgewood! Recycling is picked up every other week. Be sure items are clean and dry, and placed loose in the recycling bin (do not use plastic bags). Thanks for conserving!

- To produce each week's Sunday newspapers, 500,000 trees must be cut down.
- Recycling a single run of the Sunday New York Times would save 75,000 trees.
- If all our newspaper was recycled, we could save about 250,000,000 trees each year!
- If every American recycled just one-tenth of their newspapers, we would save about 25,000,000 trees a year.
- During World War II when raw materials were scarce, 33% of all paper was recycled. After the war, this number decreased sharply.
- If you had a 15-year-old tree and made it into paper grocery bags, you'd get about 700 of them.
- A supermarket could use all of them in under an hour! This means in one year, one supermarket goes through 60,500,000 paper bags! Imagine how many supermarkets there are in the U.S.!
- The average American uses seven trees a year in paper, wood, and other products made from trees. This amounts to about 2,000,000,000 trees per year.
- The amount of wood and paper we throw away each year is enough to heat 50,000,000 homes for 20 years.
- When you smell a dump, what you actually smell is the paper in the dump!
- Approximately 1 billion trees worth of paper are thrown away every year in the U.S.
- Americans use 85,000,000 tons of paper a year; about 680 pounds per person.
- The average household throws away 13,000 separate pieces of paper each year. Most is packaging and junk mail.
- 27% of the newspapers produced in America are recycled.
- Each ton (2000 pounds) of recycled paper can save 17 trees, 380 gallons of oil, three cubic yards of landfill space, 4000 kilowatts of energy, and 7000 gallons of water. This represents a 64% energy savings, a 58% water savings, and 60 pounds less of air pollution!
- The 17 trees saved (above) can absorb a total of 250 pounds of carbon dioxide from the air each year. Burning that same ton of paper would create 1500 pounds of carbon dioxide.
- The construction costs of a paper mill designed to use waste paper is 50 to 80% less than the cost of a mill using new pulp.

*Facts Courtesy of TimeToRecycle.org*

## SPOTLIGHT ON EDGEWOOD BUSINESS

### El Burro Dos

On November 4, El Burro Dos celebrated its one-year anniversary in Regent Square with its signature flair and funky style. The flagship El Burro on the North Side recently turned six as well, and owner Wes De Renouard is pleased with how his creations have been received.

Wes, and his childhood friend and business partner Derek Burnell (of Umami and Cantina in Lawrenceville) grew up in southern California. Though successful in other areas of business, the childhood dream of opening up SoCal styled taco shops across the country still burned in their brains. Wes and Derek trekked to Pittsburgh, to bring the warmth of southern Cali cuisine to chillier climates, where it's needed the most.

Though his first El Burro on the North Side has been open longer, the "Dos" location in Regent Square is a breath of fresh air to our neighborhood. The menu is hip and cool, with loads of both meat-loving as well as vegan and vegetarian options, and the price is right with dishes typically under \$10. Each dish is a crowd-pleaser, with plenty on the plate. Though don't think that the California Burrito, which is stuffed with fries, is a Pittsburgh dish. San Diego customers have been loading their burritos with fries as long as we have been doing the same at Primanti's!

Wes's mom and sister have both been vegetarian and vegan, and the sensitivity is clear on El Burro's menu. They have been featured at the Vegan festival and about one third of their customers are vegan or vegetarian. It's no surprise when vegan cheese and fresh, interesting ingredients are on the menu. Of course, traditional meat-eaters won't be disappointed by the variety of options either. Clearly, it is possible to please everyone. (For the low-carb folks, you can even get your burrito in a bowl instead of a tortilla—they've thought of everything.)

Recently, El Burro Uno and Dos paired to raise money for disaster relief in Puerto Rico and the earthquake in Mexico City. During their special, customers raised over \$1,200 to send to Unicef and Mexico City. Keep your eyes open for more specials like this from El Burro in the future.

Wes is very community-oriented and hopes to see more events like Second Saturdays in the Square to bring everyone together. He enjoys the family-friendliness of Edgewood, and that groups of people will walk the square together. He's hopeful to see more community activities bring even more people out and about to Regent Square.

If you need a way to warm up through the winter, stop by El Burro for a taste of southern California. You'll be glad you did!



**Wes De Renouard – Owner**

#### El Burro Dos

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## From The Manager's Desk

Each driver with a vehicle registered in the Borough is able to purchase a Residential on-street parking pass. A Visitor's pass may also be purchased. Visitor passes may not be used on any vehicle registered within the Borough. The fees for on-street parking permits, as well as Borough off-street lots and recreational/commercial vehicles, are listed below. Permits for 2018 will be available at the Borough Building beginning December 1, 2017.

Applications for the Borough's off-street parking lots will be accepted starting on December 1, 2017. On December 15, 2017, permits will be issued based upon requests. If more applications are received than there are available parking spaces, a lottery will be held. No resident will be issued a second permit until all initial requests are processed.

### Parking Permit Fees are as follows:

**Residential Permit** ..... \$20 per year (\$10 after June 30, 2018)\*

**Visitor Permit** ..... \$20 per year (\$10 after June 30, 2018)\*

**Borough Parking Lot Fees** .... \$60 per vehicle\*

### Rates for Parking Larger Vehicles in

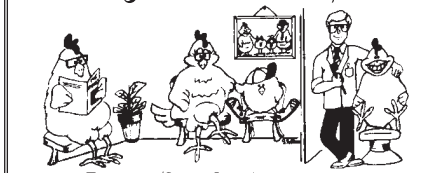
**Borough Lot at 2 Race Street**

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**Commercial vehicle**..... \$150 per year\*

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#### Topics include:

- What is sustainable investing with an "ESG" focus
- How to be thoughtful when developing your plan and invest with purpose
- How you can make a community impact through investing
- How sustainable and impact investing can help address issues that are important to you

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## Police Report

### NALOXONE

In the ongoing effort to curb overdose deaths from opioids like heroin, the Edgewood Police are now trained, and carrying this new tool. Naloxone, a medication that rapidly reverses the effects of an opioid overdose, has long been used by emergency medics, but now it's being deployed to police departments at the front line of the state's opioid crisis.

Naloxone blocks opioid receptors in the brain, and almost immediately counteracts an overdose, although it may take several doses. There are almost no negative side effects, even if it's given to someone by accident that isn't on opioids.

Although some police departments do not carry this life saving drug, the Edgewood Police Department feels that it is a necessary tool to preserve life. As a police department, we are very fortunate to have a fire department that responds quickly to emergency calls, and also carries Naloxone. Our local ambulance service, Eastern Area, also carries the life saving drug. You may ask, why do the police need to have this drug when other first responders already have it. The answer is, the police are always out in the field, patrolling the streets. The police will always be the first on scene, and in a life or death situation, every second counts.

There is a certain stigma when it comes to hearing overdose, many people automatically think "junkie", and quickly come to conclusions. Naloxone not only counteracts a heroin overdose, it also counteracts an overdose on commonly prescribed pain medication. Hearing of an overdose, it may just be someone's grandmother who accidentally took too many pain pills after a hip replacement. Many people who turn to opioids, such as heroin, started off on prescription pain pills and became addicted.

As a police department, we are proud of the job that we do, and are fortunate to have another tool to help save lives. We realize that every patient we may use Naloxone on is someone's mother, father, son, daughter, brother, or sister etc. We strive to treat everyone with respect and dignity, no matter the situation, and will always go the extra mile to help someone in need.

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## POLICE ACTIVITY

2017

Aug. Sept.

**Total Calls for Service 1186 1059**

Complaints Received .....334 .. 352

Accidents Investigated .....7 ..... 9

**Part I Crimes 9 5**

Robbery, Burglary.....0 ..... 0

Motor Vehicle Theft.....0 ..... 0

Shoplifting .....2 ..... 0

Assault.....0 ..... 0

Arson .....0 ..... 0

Other Thefts .....7 ..... 5

**Part II Crimes 17 11**

Liquor Laws .....4 ..... 0

Vandalism/Mischief.....2 ..... 0

Narcotics Offenses.....1 ..... 4

Weapons Offense.....0 ..... 0

Sex Offense.....0 ..... 0

Disorderly Conduct.....6 ..... 3

Other Crimes.....4 ..... 4

**Arrests 11 5**

Adult Arrests.....10 ..... 5

Juvenile Arrests .....1 ..... 0

### Officer's Activity

Traffic Stops.....122 .. 178

Traffic Citations.....58 .. 104

Non-traffic Citations.....12 ..... 2

DUI .....0 ..... 0

False Alarms .....9 ..... 5

Medicals .....3 ..... 6

Suspicious Person.....11 ..... 7

Public Nuisance Complaints..7 ..... 7

**The 2018 Edgewood Borough  
Budget is available  
for review in the Borough  
Building or on the website.**

**[office@edgewoodboro.com](mailto:office@edgewoodboro.com)**



## Edgewood Foundation

### Light Up Edgewood

**Friday, December 1 at 7 p.m.**  
**Memorial Park**

Please join your neighbors to Light Up Edgewood on December 1st!

Santa will kick off the festivities by lighting up our neighborhood tree and then children of all ages are invited to the Edgewood Club for refreshments and a chance to mix and mingle with friends and neighbors.

We're continuing our traditional "Toys for Tots" Toy Drive again this year. Toys will be collected at the Edgewood Club. Please bring a new unwrapped toy or two!

If you are unable to make a donation of toys at the Edgewood Club that evening, please email us at [lightupedgewood@edgewoodfoundation.org](mailto:lightupedgewood@edgewoodfoundation.org) to arrange an alternate drop-off.

### Annual Appeal and New Ideas

Please keep the traditional activities of Edgewood happening and help fund new ones too! Donate to the Edgewood Foundation. Check your mail for our annual appeal letter. If you have an idea for an event in Edgewood, please email us prior to January 1, 2018. We have our annual retreat in January to set our budget and events and would like to include some new ideas for 2018!

### Progressive Dinner

**Saturday, February 24 from 6-11 p.m.**

The Edgewood Progressive Dinner is a great way to meet new neighbors and spend time catching up with old friends. This event is held every year in February. You start at one home for appetizers, switch groups to move to another house for dinner, and then rejoin the larger neighborhood for dessert and cocktails.

#### *The Annual Evening's Agenda:*

- 6 p.m. Appetizers with groups of approximately 50 people
- 7:30 p.m. Dinner with groups of 8-12 people
- 9 p.m. Dessert & Cocktails with the entire group

**Look for our sign up form on our website:**  
**[www.edgewoodfoundation.org](http://www.edgewoodfoundation.org).**

*Have any questions about our next Progressive Dinner? Email us at*  
**[progressivedinner@edgewoodfoundation.org](mailto:progressivedinner@edgewoodfoundation.org)**

### Shade Tree Committee

You may have noticed some new trees around town! In early November, the Borough planted 11 new trees along our streets, replacing locations where trees had been removed. The committee was active in recommending planting sites. Each site is reviewed for utility clearance, appropriate sidewalk width and the street's existing canopy coverage.

The benefits of street trees are well documented, and include improving air quality, reducing stormwater runoff, street beautification, and they have even been found to increase the property values of nearby homes. The committee hopes to help the Borough with a spring 2018 planting, as well.



*Residents of Elmer Street posing with the newly planted shade tree.*

*The Shade Tree Committee meets the first Thursday of every month at 4 pm in Council Chambers. Please join us to learn more about Edgewood's urban forest. If you are interested in joining the committee you can email [manager@edgewoodboro.com](mailto:manager@edgewoodboro.com).*

### Boy Scout Troop 23

The Troop 23 Christmas tree sale begins the Saturday after Thanksgiving (November 25) and runs until Saturday, December 23, at Koenig Field in Edgewood. Regular hours will be 6 to 9 p.m. Fridays, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturdays, and Noon to 6 p.m. Sundays. Come out and pick yourself a great tree while supporting a great cause.

The scouts use the money raised from the Christmas tree sale to fund their activities. For example, this last summer Troop 23 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 environmental science, emergency preparedness, woodcarving, and archery. Summer camp provides the opportunity for the boys to experience fun in the great outdoors while learning valuable life skills.

Boys who are interested in joining the Troop can attend our meetings every Monday night at 7 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood (120 East Swissvale Avenue).

### NMRWA

#### Choosing the Right Salt for You

Like trimming your lawn in the summer or raking leaves in the fall, salting your walkways to keep them safe and ice-free in the winter is an annual ritual. Sodium chloride (rock salt) is the most inexpensive and commonly used salt for removing ice from walkways, but it can also have unintended and undesirable effects on your landscape, masonry, and pets.

There are also less harmful options for de-icing that allow you to maintain safe walkways in winter without the negative impacts of sodium chloride. Two alternative options that can be commonly found in hardware stores are calcium chloride and magnesium chloride based products. Calcium chloride is less harmful to trees than rock salt, comes in pellet form, and works below 0 degrees F. However, it can also be a skin irritant and overzealous application can damage concrete, meaning proper precaution and moderation are key in its use. Magnesium chloride works down to -13 degrees F and is less damaging to concrete, less toxic to plants, and less corrosive to metals than any other salt. Additionally, although they can be more expensive and harder to find than the other two, products that contain potassium chloride as the primary melting agent are the friendliest solution overall. These types of ice-melting products cause no harm to vegetation or pets, and are safe for skin contact.



Whether you are working to mitigate salt damage or just trying to get the most out of your ice melt, surfaces should always be cleared of snow before application. Also, consider mixing sand into the rock salt and sweeping up leftover material when temperatures rise to reduce overall salt use in the winter. Finally, as a general rule of thumb, most pet-friendly de-icing salts are less harmful to plants, metal, and masonry as well, but be sure to check the label to understand the active melting ingredients and effective temperature range.

**Boy Scout Troop 23 Annual Christmas Tree Sale**

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# COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

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## First Presbyterian Church

### Holiday Pops Extravaganza! Featuring the Renaissance City Choir!

December 2 at 7:30 p.m.

Bring the family and share your holiday season with us! The Edgewood Symphony and Renaissance City Choir invite you to experience this festive concert of seasonal favorites, sparkling surprises and the ever-popular Holiday Sing-Along, guaranteed to put you and your family in the holiday spirit.

### Candlelight Christmas Eve

December 24 at 7 p.m. (new time)

"For unto us a child is born, and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace."

We will sing songs of joy and celebrate a holy communion. Please bring your family and friends and worship with us.

## F.R.O.G.S

F.R.O.G.S. (Friends, Reading and Other Great Stuff) would like to thank Chief Jared Amos, representing the Edgewood Volunteer Fire Department, for hosting us on October 19. Chief Amos was very helpful in teaching the kids safety issues, fire safety, touring the



Chief Amos leads F.R.O.G.S. on a tour of the firehouse.



Officer Livingston gives F.R.O.G.S. a lesson on Halloween Safety.

firehouse and trucks. We would also like to thank Officer Fred Livingston for his visit to us on October 26 to teach the kids Halloween safety, do's and don'ts, providing bags, candy, Huggies, etc. We are truly blessed and very thankful we have such devoted and dedicated men and women in our neighborhood fire and police departments. Edgewood is truly a great borough to live in and work in. Thanks, Jared and Fred!

## Historical Society

French-born artist George Hetzel is known as the founder of the Scalp Level School of painting after first seeing the idyllic wooded area in Cambria County in 1866 and encouraging other artists to join him to paint scenes from the rural landscape "en plein air"—on site in nature. An instructor at the Pittsburgh School of Design for Women, Hetzel also was an early Edgewood resident. The family lived on Washington Street.

Yet George wasn't the only accomplished artist in the Hetzel clan. His daughter Lila also became an acclaimed painter.

Born in 1873, Lila B. Hetzel trained at the Pittsburgh School of Design, where she won a Gold Medal for her nature paintings. She later trained in Europe before returning to Western Pennsylvania.

The family moved from Edgewood in 1897 to a Somerset County farmhouse that came to be known as the Hetzel Studio. Lila and her father painted landscapes, fields, rural bridges and autumn scenes. After her father's death in 1899, Lila returned to Pittsburgh and split her time between the city and Somerset. She became a charter member of the Associated Artists of Pittsburgh, which was organized in 1910.

Her work was featured at the Carnegie Institute, Pittsburgh Playhouse, Arts and Crafts Center of Pittsburgh, Gillespie Galleries, Westmoreland County Museum of Art and Jennerstown Art Gallery as well as exhibitions in Somerset, Ligonier and Indiana, Pennsylvania., according to Roughton Galleries.

Lila Hetzel died 50 years ago, in 1967.

The Historical Society plans a future presentation on Edgewood art and artists. Please let us know of any notable artists or collectors that you think should be included. We can be reached at [EdgewoodHistory@yahoo.com](mailto:EdgewoodHistory@yahoo.com).



Nancy Embich of eastern Pennsylvania shared this photo of her grandfather, James Austin Gilson Sr., who lived in Edgewood in 1910. The back of the picture is labeled: "October 1927, Hampton hollow culvert, Edgeboro, Edgewood." If you have any idea of where this is, please contact us. Nancy would like to know more about his life.

## Edgewood Recreation

### Edgewood Basketball

Basketball is accepting registrations until December 13. Play is for boys and girls aged 6-14, and the fee is \$60. After you register, you will need to attend "Draft Night" at the Edgewood Primary gym on Wednesday, December 13 in order to be placed on a team. Each age group has a different time on Draft Night. Practices begin on January 2 and the season runs until the second Saturday in March. All practices and games are held at Edgewood Primary Gym.

In order to register, fill out the form found on our website or in our office and return it along with the registration fee to the Borough office at 2 Race Street. You can mail or drop off your form and payment (we accept cash and check), but please don't ever put cash in the mail!

### Coming Soon—Edgewood Baseball!

Edgewood Recreation is in the process of creating a wooden-bat Baseball league at Koenig Field! The season will potentially run from April to May for Boys and Girls ages 7-12 years old. You do not need to be an Edgewood resident to play. Registration fee will be \$80, and registration will begin in January of 2018. Look for registration forms on our website: [Edgewood.pgh.pa.us](http://Edgewood.pgh.pa.us), on our Facebook page and in the Borough Offices. We're excited to begin this fun league for even more options for sports for youth in our area! Contact Jessica at [office@edgewoodboro.com](mailto:office@edgewoodboro.com) or 412-242-4824 for questions or to volunteer. We hoping to see this brand-new league take off!

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Like Edgewood Recreation at [facebook.com/EdgewoodBoroughEvents](https://facebook.com/EdgewoodBoroughEvents)  
 Contact Jessica at the Borough Office with any questions at 412-242-4824 or [office@edgewoodboro.com](mailto:office@edgewoodboro.com).



## Special Announcement:

CCM | Forest Hills is moving to a new location in January 2018. We expect our Forest Hills branch to be closed for relocation from Christmas through mid January. If you are interested in keeping up with what is going on with our impending move, please sign up for our FH newsletter on our website.

## Special Events

### Annual Arts and Crafts Fair

Saturday, December 2 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. CCM is once again hosting its Annual Arts and Crafts Fair! You'll find items from local artists including gift baskets, pottery, pet items, paintings, photographs, fiber art, jewelry and more! This years fair will be held for ONE DAY ONLY.

### Check Out Our Programs for Adults

*Unless otherwise noted groups meet in the Edgewood Board Room*

**Drop Dead Book Club** Wednesday, December 6 *Where It Hurts* by Reed Farrel Coleman. January title TBD.

**Edgewood Toastmasters** Every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Edgewood Board Room

**Back Room Quilters** Every Thursday from noon to 3 p.m. Bring lunch and a project.

**Wednesday Night Knitters and Crocheters** Every other Wednesday, December 13, 27, January 10, and 24 at 7 p.m. Bring a project.

**4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Book Group** Meets at the Forest Hills Library at 1:30 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of the month. Decembers title *Redbird Christmas* by Fannie Flagg. January title TBD.

**Wise Walk** Join us every Tuesday and Thursday at 9 a.m. for an hour long

walk in Frick Park. The group meets in the parking lot at the base of Lancaster Avenue.

**Mahjong** Ever want to learn to play Mahong? Here's your chance with a new program offered at CCM on Tuesdays from noon to 3 p.m. You'll learn the official rules, how to set the game up, and how to play. All cards and tiles will be provided. Classes are free. Please call the library to register.

### Children's Programs at CCM

**Gingerbread Houses** Wednesday, December 6 at 6 p.m. Come join us for a delightful family tradition to kick off your holiday season...make gingerbread houses! Please register online for this program, which has a \$5 supply charge per family.

**Breakfast with Mrs. Claus** Saturday, December 9 at 10:30 a.m. Mrs. Claus will be making a special appearance to share pancakes with the children at CCM! Please join us for this holiday event. Register online.

### Weekly Programs:

**Family Storytime. Ages 0-5** Join us for stories, crafts, music and more—all with an emphasis on early literacy! No registration needed. Just drop in! For your convenience we offer these story hours:

- Forest Hills Library Mondays 10:30 a.m.
- Edgewood Library Tuesdays and Wednesdays 10:30 a.m.
- Churchill Borough Building Fridays 10:30 a.m.

### Growing Readers 4-5 year olds

A special story time for those kids who are beginning to develop their own reading skills. We focus on emerging reader skills through the lens of play.

No registration needed. Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. at the Edgewood Library.

**Baby Lapsit 0-18 months** Join us for nursery rhymes, stories and songs for our youngest learners! Fridays 11:30 a.m. at the Edgewood Library.

**Preschool Science—STEM Sprouts! Ages 3-5** We are starting something new! We are bringing our science programming down to our little sprouts. Using an inquiry based approach, this bi-weekly program will explore a science topic with hands on exploration stations and stories. Offered bi-weekly at the Edgewood Library on Mondays at 10:30 a.m. through December 18. No registration necessary.

**Creative Movement Ages 2-6** A unique mix of dance and yoga moves with lots of music and fun props! Come get your move on! This is a parent led program—If it must be cancelled at the last minute, we will post it to our Facebook page. Fridays 10 a.m. at the Edgewood Library. No registration needed.

**Homework Help** School age children are invited to bring their homework from 4 to 6 p.m. every Wednesday to work collaboratively with others. Drop in at the Forest Hills Library for 15 minutes or stay the whole time.

### Monthly Programs:

**Craft Night. Intergenerational** Craftspeople of all ages are invited to drop by with a favorite hand-work project for crafting and company on the first Wednesday of the month 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Forest Hills Library. Work could include knitting, crochet, or anything else portable that you'd like to bring. Crafting books will be available to learn more. All skill levels are welcome.

## ALCOSAN AWARDS GRANT TO EDGEWOOD

**\$66,300 is reimbursement for sewer work**

The Allegheny County Sanitary Authority Board of Directors has approved a \$66,300 grant for Edgewood as reimbursement for part of the rehabilitation of its sanitary sewer system.

The project, already completed, carried a total cost of \$220,725, and ALCOSAN's share covers 30 percent. A total of 2,600 feet of sanitary sewer pipe was rehabilitated. The work is expected to remove 130,000 gallons of stormwater from the sewer collection system.

The award to Edgewood is part of a package of \$4.8 million in matching grants for 25 projects that will extend the innovative work that began earlier this year with ALCOSAN's first round of funding for its Green Revitalization of Our Waterways (GROW) program.

The grant offers are a portion of Cycle II of GROW, instituted to reduce the volume of sewer overflows within the ALCOSAN system. Together, these projects in 24 municipalities will remove nearly 30 million gallons of stormwater and ground water from the ALCOSAN system annually. Grants were awarded in Cycle I for 30 projects that will remove nearly 70 million gallons.

"ALCOSAN is gratified by the interest in the GROW program that is demonstrated by the volume of applications from our customer municipalities," said Board Chair Sylvia Wilson. "We are very pleased to make this second round of awards, and we look forward to continuing success going forward into 2018."

ALCOSAN created the GROW program in 2016 and immediately began working with its 83 member municipalities and municipal sewer authorities that send wastewater to its treatment facility. Any municipality or municipal sewer authority within the ALCOSAN service area is eligible for GROW grants.

The GROW program is an essential part of ALCOSAN's long-term, green-first plan to create cleaner waterways in compliance with regulations of the federal Clean Water Act and the Pennsylvania Clean Streams Law and to help the municipalities in the ALCOSAN system fulfill their responsibilities under the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection and the Allegheny County Health Department.



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## On the Edge...

Mrs. Jackie Rodgers, a resident of Edgewood and a member of St. James in Wilkinsburg, was awarded the Manifesting the Kingdom Award. This special honor was given on September 24, 2017 during a Mass at St. Paul's Cathedral in Oakland by Bishop Zubic. This award is given to those who exemplified exceptional services to the church and have demonstrated the presence of Jesus in their lives, ministry, and work.

*Congratulations, Mrs. Rodgers!  
We are very proud of the work you have done and all that you have accomplished!*



# LUMINARIA



In keeping with its annual tradition the Edgewood Fire Department is pleased to make luminaria available to Borough residents. The lighting of the luminaria at curbside brings back memories of a time when nearly every home in Edgewood participated in this wonderful event. Again, this year the tradition takes on added significance as we use the event to remember friends, family and our military personnel who are not able to make it home for the holidays.

As in the past, we ask that the luminaria be lit at approximately 6:00 p.m. on Christmas Eve. If you purchase your kit(s) from the Fire Department you will receive 10 paper bags, 10 candles and approximately 10 pounds of sand. Please keep in mind that the luminaria should be placed 3 to 5 feet apart so you may need more than one kit. If you have questions please call 412-242-9994.

Kits are once again \$10.00 each. Checks should be made payable to the Edgewood Volunteer Fire Dept. During December you may also purchase kits at the Borough Building Monday through Friday until 9 p.m. or on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. until noon if you prefer.

## All The Best of the Holiday Season!

## Need HELP with MEDICARE costs?

### CLASS Can Help!

**Extra Help** can help lower your prescription co-payments and premiums and cover the cost of the coverage gap ("donut hole").

**Medicare Savings Program** can help with the payment of your Part B premium and possibly the payment of your Medicare Part A and Part B cost-sharing.

For more information and to apply, contact Christina Vasquez  
(412) 683-7100 ext. 2243 | [cvasquez@classcommunity.org](mailto:cvasquez@classcommunity.org)

### Luminaria Order Form

Enclosed is \$\_\_\_\_\_ to purchase \_\_\_\_\_ kit(s).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_



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CALENDAR at a glance...

DECEMBER

Arts and Crafts Fair: 2 9am-6pm @ C.C. Mellor Library

Council Meetings: 4 & 18, 7:30pm @ Borough Building

Refuse: 5, 12, 19 & 27

Recycling: 5 & 19

Story Time: 10:30am, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday @ C.C. Mellor Library

Light Up Edgewood: 1, 7pm @ Memorial Park

Borough Offices Closed: 25

JANUARY

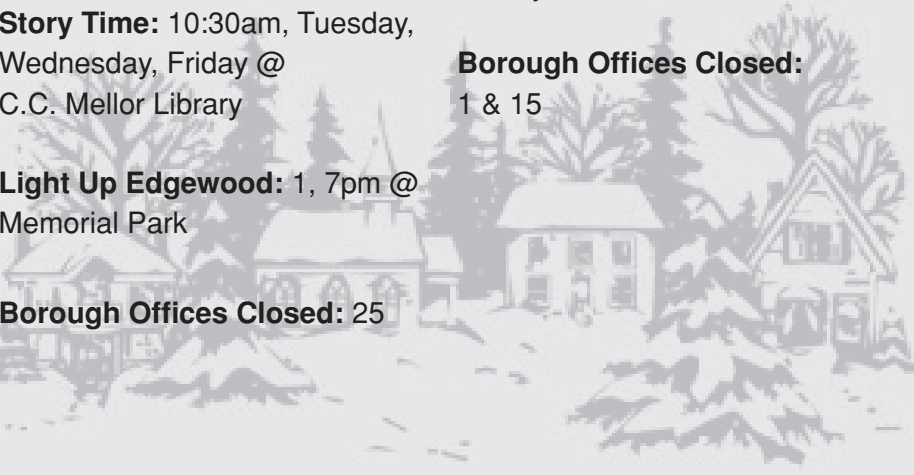
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Refuse: 3, 9, 16, 23 & 30

Recycling: 3, 16 & 30

Story Time: 10:30am, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday @ C.C. Mellor Library

Borough Offices Closed: 1 & 15



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 real estate tax collector...

The 2017 Edgewood Borough Real Estate tax has been turned over to the delinquent tax collector. Late notices were sent out the end of October. The 2018 tax will be mailed out the first of April.

The 2017 Woodland Hills School tax has been turned over to the school district at the end of December unless you choose to pay in installments, with the first one paid by October 31. The second installment is due by January 31, 2018 and third one by March 31. If you have not made any payment on this tax then it was turned over to Jordan Tax Service as delinquent.

If you have changed your mailing address or changed mortgages companies you must notify my office and also the Allegheny County Treasurers office at 412-350-4100. The banks do not notify us!!

When paying your taxes please check that the numeric portion and the written portion match and that the check is signed and dated! If you are paying both taxes at the same time you must send 2 separate checks, one for Edgewood Borough and the other for Woodland Hills School District! If a check is returned for errors you will be charged into the next period. If you use your banks on-line payment service, allow enough lag time so you payment is received by the due date. Any check that is post dated will be returned, I will not hold checks on my desk! Any questions, please feel free to call my office at 412-731-0200, Tuesday and Thursday from 10am to 12 pm.

Thank you,  
Maureen Smith, Tax Collector



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## 2018 Edgewood Borough Waste Collection and Curbside Recycling Schedule

■ Holiday  
■ Waste Pickup  
■ Recycling/Waste Collection  
■ 1 Day WASTE Delay Due to Holiday  
■ 1 Day Recycling/Waste Collection Delay Due to Holiday

January 2018						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
B	1	2	3	4	5	6
A	7	8	9	10	11	12
B	14	15	16	17	18	19
A	21	22	23	24	25	26
B	28	29	30	31		

February 2018						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
B				1	2	3
A	4	5	6	7	8	9
B	11	12	13	14	15	16
A	18	19	20	21	22	23
B	25	26	27	28		

March 2018						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
B				1	2	3
A	4	5	6	7	8	9
B	11	12	13	14	15	16
A	18	19	20	21	22	23
B	25	26	27	28	29	30
B						

April 2018						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
A	1	2	3	4	5	6
B	8	9	10	11	12	13
A	15	16	17	18	19	20
B	22	23	24	25	26	27
A	29	30				
A						

May 2018						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
A			1	2	3	4
B	6	7	8	9	10	11
A	13	14	15	16	17	18
B	20	21	22	23	24	25
A	27	28	29	30	31	

June 2018						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
A					1	2
B	3	4	5	6	7	8
A	10	11	12	13	14	15
B	17	18	19	20	21	22
A	24	25	26	27	28	29
						30

July 2018						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
B	8		10	11	12	13
A	15		17	18	19	20
B	22		24	25	26	27
A	29		31			
B						

August 2018						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
B			1	2	3	4
A	5	6	7	8	9	10
B	12	13	14	15	16	17
A	19	20	21	22	23	24
B	26	27	28	29	30	31

September 2017						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
B						1
A	2	3	4	5	6	7
B	9	10	11	12	13	14
A	16	17	18	19	20	21
B	23	24	25	26	27	28
	30					

October 2018						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
A	1	2	3	4	5	6
B	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	14	15	16	17	18	19
B	21	22	23	24	25	26
A	28	29	30	31		

November 2018						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
A				1	2	3
B	4	5	6	7	8	9
A	11	12	13	14	15	16
B	18	19	20	21	22	23
A	25	26	27	28	29	30

December 2018						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
A						1
B	2	3	4	5	6	7
A	9	10	11	12	13	14
B	16	17	18	19	20	21
A	23	24	25	26	27	28
B	30	31				