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Dear Residents,

As the clocks “fall back” and the leaves disappear from our trees it is again time to prepare for another holiday season. Edgeworth Borough wishes all residents and their families a very merry and memorable holiday season. Below are some timely news articles that you may find useful to prepare for the winter months and New Year. If you have any questions or need more information, please feel free to contact the Borough Office.

Residential Address Markers

It is important for all residences in the Borough to have clearly marked numbered address identifiers somewhere easily visible on their property. Doing so will ensure that emergency first responders can rapidly identify your home which could help reduce response time translating into saved lives and property. We ask that all Edgeworth residents evaluate their address markers to ensure that they are visible and clearly identifiable on your property. We ask that residents remove any obstructions (brush, trees, etc.) blocking their address indicators. If you have further questions or concerns regarding this request please contact the Borough Office for further detail.

Leaf Collection

Mid - December is the time for our Public Works Department to convert its equipment from leaf removal to snow removal. **Residents need to have their yards raked and have leaves ready for curbside pick-up. We will make the final pass along each street beginning the week of December 18th - weather permitting.** Remember to separate leaves from branches and brush – they are collected with two different machines. The Borough will again collect leaves in bulk in the spring for a two week period beginning **April 2017**. In between these times, leaves can be bagged and placed at the curb for Waste Management’s regular pick-up on Wednesdays.



Holiday Garbage Collection

Garbage collection will be delayed by one day for both the week of Christmas and New Years’ Day. Residents should expect garbage collection to begin on Thursday, December 28th and Thursday, January 4th. In saying that, due to the large volume of trash generated during the holiday season, it often takes more than one day to complete collection of the entire Borough especially the week after Christmas. Your patience and cooperation are appreciated and remember not to put your trash out at the street too early during the holiday season.



Welcome Shawn and Jim!

Edgeworth Borough would like to introduce its two newest team members to all residents, Mr. Shawn Johnston and Mr. Jim Wigton, both beginning with the Borough in July of 2017. Both men pride take pride in their prior experience in public service, with past experience working for PennDOT and Aleppo Township respectively. We encourage all residents to introduce themselves to our newest members and give them a proper Edgeworth welcome!

Think “Green” This Holiday Season

The holiday season is bound to create an abundance of joy for Edgeworth residents, but an abundance of waste will also likely be generated from shipping and packaging. Please keep in mind that if your recycling bin is filled to capacity during the holiday season, any excess recyclable material can be taken to the Edgeworth recycle center located at 101 Chestnut Road (across Ohio River Boulevard). Also, remember that cardboard placed out with your curbside recycling must be cut into pieces no larger than 14 x 14 inches in size. The recycle center is open 24/7 and is intended for all Borough Residents.

Edgeworth Employees Holiday Fund

In appreciation of the efforts of our Borough employees (police, public works and office staff), Mayor Gary Smith reminds any residents wishing to contribute to the “Edgeworth Employees Holiday Fund” to either mail their checks to the Edgeworth Borough Building, 301 Beaver Road, Edgeworth, PA 15143, or drop them off at the Borough Building. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated.

No Increase in Property Tax Rate

Borough Council plans to set the property tax millage rate and adopt the budget for 2018 at the regular monthly meeting on December 19th. There is a public hearing on the proposed budget scheduled for 7:15 PM. A copy of the proposed budget is available for inspection in the Borough Office during regular business hours: 9 AM to 5 PM weekdays. For the past 15 years (2004-2018), the millage rate has remained at the same level. The tax rate for 2018 will be unchanged and remain at 4.15 mills (\$4.15 for each \$1,000 of assessed valuation). Tax bills will be mailed in mid- May.

Don’t Forget to Break-Down Your Cardboard

We ask that all residents who use the recycle center break down their cardboard boxes prior to disposing of them in the receptacle. This will allow for more material to be placed within each container and will ensure that residents are receiving the optimal return for the service that Waste Management provides. We also ask that residents who use the recycle center follow all posted rules including being aware of what can and cannot be placed in the receptacles. For further clarification of rules and regulations at the recycle center please contact the Borough Office or visit the Borough’s website.

Barrels of Fun



Rain barrels are systems that collect and store rainwater from rooftops that would otherwise be lost to runoff and diverted into storm drains and eventually our waterways. In this process, water is channeled into the barrel under residential gutters or down spouts. Rain barrels can vary in size and shape and typically include a hose/spout system to allow for easy use of the collected water. Rain barrels are inexpensive and can help households reduce stormwater runoff while also providing access to a renewable water source for gardening and lawn care. A rain barrel can save homeowners up to 1,300 gallons of water during the peak summer months. When planning for next year's spring and summer projects, please consider installing a rain barrel.

Walker Park Restrooms

We are proud to inform Edgeworth residents that three new restroom facilities have been installed in Walker Park. These facilities are handicap accessible and are located at shelters 2, 3, & 4. We hope that these amenities enhance the resident and visitor experience within the park. For information of how to reserve a shelter for an upcoming event in the spring or summer please contact the non-emergency police dispatcher line at 412-741-2866.



2017 Sidewalk Program

Edgeworth Borough Council would like to thank all residents who have repaired or have agreed to repair their marked sidewalk slabs. We take pride in our reputation of being the most walkable community in the Sewickley Valley, and it would not be possible without your cooperation. The Borough's Engineer will conduct a second round of inspections on all marked slabs to ensure that they have been sufficiently repaired or replaced in early spring of 2018. After the second inspection, additional letters will be sent to residents who have not replaced or repaired their sidewalks per the required specifications. If any resident who received a sidewalk notice has a question or concern regarding the sidewalk program, please contact the Borough Office.

Edgeworth Borough Wishes Everyone a Happy Holiday Season!

