



Edgeworth Borough Newsletter Fall 2023

Fall has arrived! Please refer to the reminders below as the days turn shorter and cooler. Don't forget to turn your clocks back on Sunday, November 5th! We hope you have an enjoyable autumn.

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Edgeworth Borough Trick or Treat Night



Trick or Treat Night will take place on Tuesday, October 31st from 6:00 to 8:00 pm! The Police Department advises all motorists to exercise extreme caution and remain vigilant of pedestrians and children in the area during Trick or Treat hours. Children

should be dressed in light-colored or reflective clothing for better visibility, and should be accompanied by an adult or older child at all times. Any residents not wishing to participate in passing out candy should leave their porch or outdoor lights off for the evening. We wish

you all a safe and happy Halloween!

2023 General Election

The 2023 General Municipal Election will be held on Tuesday, November 7th, 2023. All Edgeworth residents may cast their ballots at Edgeworth Elementary School, located at 200 Meadow Lane, between 7:00 am and 8:00 pm. Residents may also apply for a mail-in ballot. Mail-in ballot applications must be received by Allegheny County by Tuesday, October 31st. For additional information regarding mail-in voting, voter registration, or other voting concerns, contact the Allegheny County Elections Division at 412-350-4500, or visit votespa.com.

Emergency Notifications From the Edgeworth Water Authority

The Edgeworth Water Authority (EWA) services the communities of Edgeworth, Leetsdale, Leet and Bell Acres. In the event of a water main break, flushing notice, or other advisory, the Authority maintains a separate notification system from each municipality that is used to notify customers of emergency and routine matters. To guarantee that emergency notifications are received by all EWA customers, it is imperative that the Authority have up to date and correct contact information. The Authority will be including updated information forms in their next billing insert for customers to complete and return. Contact information can also be updated via the Authority's website at edgeworthwater.com, or via phone at 412-741-5100.



Stay Up To Date With Edgeworth Borough!

Edgeworth Borough utilizes many resources to stay in touch with our residents! Urgent messages and updates are spread to residents using a reverse dialing system. It is very important that the Borough has up to date phone numbers and contact information for all residents to ensure that these important messages are received by all. Additionally, important notices and digital quarterly newsletters are sent out via email. Our website holds comprehensive information on all aspects of our community, government, and services. Be sure to check here for meeting notices, current events, and general inquiries. Finally, the Borough's

Facebook page is used for reminders, event updates, and sharing community information. Following the Facebook page will help residents see relevant reminders and notices in a timely manner. **In order to ensure that you are receiving accurate information as it is delivered, please update this [contact information form](#)**, or contact the Police Department at 412-741-9400 to confirm your contact information! As always, contact the Borough office at 412-741-2866 with any questions or concerns.

Fall Leaf Collection

The Fall Leaf Collection Program will begin in mid-October, weather permitting. Please have leaves ready for collection by December 8th, and advise your landscape contractor of this deadline. Leaf pickup after this date will be as needed and weather dependent until the Spring Leaf Collection Program begins.

- **No brush, shrubbery clippings or grass may be mixed in with the leaves.** These materials will clog the leaf collection machine and stop the collection process altogether. Regular weekly brush collection continues during leaf season.
- Please place leaves along the street line or in the area next to the curb, NOT on the pavement. Placing leaves on the street can cause sewer back-ups, clogged catch basins, and entice children to play in the leaves in the street. This creates a dangerous situation.
- Do not put any foreign objects in the leaf pile as this will damage the equipment, and can cause a serious injury.
- It may take up to one week for the leaf truck to reach all streets in the Borough. If your leaves are not collected within one week, please notify the Borough office.



Pine Road Culvert Repair

The culvert running beneath Pine Road, near the intersection with Hazel Lane, will be repaired this fall. The culvert carries a tributary of Little

Sewickley Creek to the Ohio River. Due to spalling, the culvert requires a new concrete top, and deteriorating walls will also be replaced. Upon completion of the concrete repairs, the surface of the road will be milled and paved. Work is expected to begin in mid October, and will last approximately three weeks. N&N Landscaping will be the contractor completing the work, and will notify all affected residents of the project start date in advance. Due to the nature of the repairs, the affected area of Pine Road and the intersection at Hazel Lane will be closed for the duration of the project. A detour route will be established from Hazel Lane, onto Elm Lane, to Orchard Lane, to Pine Road. We apologize for any inconvenience that may be experienced during this time!

Diving Into Proper Pool Water Draining



Don't drain into storm drains; this pollutes local waterways and can harm aquatic wildlife.



For most in-ground pools, use built-in line to drain through sanitary sewer cleanout.



If you don't have a cleanout, discharge onto a lawn or other area on your property that can hold the water without overflowing, ponding, or causing erosion.



Remember: Nothing but rain goes down the storm drain.

As the summer heat subsides and the autumn season starts, many residents begin to prepare their swimming pools and spas for the winter. Proper draining techniques and maintenance procedures help to ensure that no harmful chemicals found in pool water will make their way into our streams and rivers, impacting the aquatic ecosystem. Follow these tips to help keep our waterways healthy and thriving!

- Reduce chlorine levels in pool water to undetectable levels (less than 0.1mg/L) **before** draining any water.

Chlorine levels can be reduced by adding a dechlorinating chemical, or by simply stopping chlorine treatments and leaving your pool uncovered for approximately ten to fourteen days. Sunlight exposure helps to naturally reduce chlorine levels. Be sure to check chlorine levels using a test kit before discharging any water.

- If you are draining only a portion of your pool to reduce the water level, discharge water into your lawn if possible. This helps to naturally filter out harmful chemicals that may otherwise be swept up into runoff that ultimately leads to the Ohio River.

- Pool water can not be discharged into the road or catch basin if it contains any chemicals. Excess pool chemicals and water treatments are not allowed to be dumped into the road or down catch basins, as storm sewers flow directly into water ways and are not treated.

· If you see dumping of any kind into a catch basin, be sure to contact the Borough office at 412-741-2866.

Cancer Screenings Save Lives!

Almost everyone can say that they have, or personally know someone who has, dealt with a cancer diagnosis. The American Cancer Society estimates that a little over 1.9 million new cases of cancer are expected to be diagnosed by the end of 2023, and cancer remains the second leading cause of death in the United States. However, great strides have been made in treatments, positive prognosis, and reducing death rates thanks to cancer screenings! For the general population, breast, prostate, and colon cancer screenings are recommended starting at age 45, while cervical screenings should begin at age 25. Yearly skin exams with a dermatologist can check for melanoma, basal cell, and other skin cancers, and former smokers should discuss lung cancer screenings with their doctor starting at age 50. If you are at a higher risk for developing cancer due to environmental or behavioral factors, or have a family history of cancer, be sure to discuss early screening options with your doctor and keep up with annual physicals. Remember, anyone can develop cancer, but early detection can save lives! For more information about cancer, screenings, and prevention, visit cancer.org, or livewellallegheny.com.



End of the School Day Pick Up Reminders

Over the past year, there has been an increase in traffic and parking congestion at the intersection of Challis Lane and Chestnut Road during the dismissal period at Edgeworth Elementary School. The Edgeworth Police Department reminds all motorists that blocking traffic, driveways, and intersections is not permitted under any circumstance. Curbs at this intersection and along Chestnut Road are painted yellow, which indicate that no parking is permitted. Additionally, encouraging students to cross the road without utilizing a cross walk or crossing guard creates a dangerous environment for all involved. Vehicles picking up students at the end of the school day must enter the pick-up loop on school property. Students walking home from school should go to the intersections of Beaver Road and Chestnut Road, or Meadow Lane and Chestnut Road, where crossing guards are present to ensure a safe passage at all times. Please help us to keep the end of each school day safe for students, parents, and neighbors!

