



Edgeworth Borough Newsletter Spring 2023

Welcome Spring! Please read these helpful reminders as we look forward to warmer days. Remember to check in with the Edgeworth Borough Facebook page and website to keep up with events and announcements. As always, feel free to contact the Borough Office with any questions.

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Join Us for the First Annual Edgeworth Borough Easter Egg Hunt!

Edgeworth Borough is excited to host our first annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 1, 2023! The hunt will take place in Way Park, located at the corner of Quaker Road and Meadow Lane, at 10:00 am. In addition to searching for eggs, the Easter Bunny will make an

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Easter Egg Hunt!

Saturday, April 1st at 10:00 am
Way Park, Edgeworth Borough

Come visit the Easter Bunny, and see fire
trucks from Cochran Hose Co.!

Please visit edgeworthborough.org to register!

Registration is limited to the first 75 children,
ages 12 and under.

Thank you to our sponsor, Jill Stehnach
of RE/MAX Select Realty!



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appearance, and Cochran
Hose Co. will have a fire truck
on site for kids to see. Six
golden eggs will also be
hidden, and whoever finds
these special eggs will receive
a fun prize! Registration is
limited to seventy-five
children, ages twelve and
under. We would like to give a
special thank you to our
sponsor, Jill Stehnach of
RE/MAX Select
Realty! Please click here to
register:

2023 Primary Elections

Pennsylvania's Primary Elections will occur on Tuesday, May 16, 2023 for municipal offices. All residents will cast their ballots at Edgeworth Elementary School, located at 200 Meadow Lane. To register to vote, vote-by-mail, check your registration, and find information regarding voting, please visit votespa.com.

Edgeworth Borough Designated a Banner Community!

The Allegheny League of Municipalities has recognized Edgeworth as a Banner Community for the sixth consecutive year! The designation is granted to communities throughout Allegheny County that actively demonstrate a commitment to professional development, financial management, transparency, accountability, and proactive communication. As part of this recognition, we will highlight aspects of local government on our website and Facebook page during Local Government Week. Stay tuned from April 10th to the 14th!



Spring Leaf Collection

It is almost time for spring leaf collection! Collection will begin Monday, March 27th, weather permitting. Please have all leaves placed to the curb before Friday, April 14th. Leaves that are gathered after this date must be bagged and left for Waste Management until the fall collection begins. Please keep the following rules in mind when placing leaves out for collection:

- Place leaves along the street line or in the curb lawn between the street and sidewalk, and NOT on the pavement.
- Do not mix brush, shrubbery clippings, grass, root balls, clumps of dirt or foreign objects with the leaves, as this could cause a serious injury to our Public Works employees and will **clog** or **damage** the leaf collection machine, slowing down the entire operation. Grass and shrubbery clippings are to be bagged for weekly garbage collection. Leaves that are mixed with brush/grass will not be collected.
- As a reminder, brush collection occurs every Friday throughout the year. Please keep in mind that contractors who remove trees or other brush on your property are required to dispose of the material.

Edgeworth Police Department Hires Two Full-Time Patrol Officers



After completing a thorough Civil Service hiring process, the Edgeworth Police Department welcomed Mr. Bill Och and Mr. Brian Tice as full-time patrol officers. Both officers, who have served the Borough as part-time officers since 2019, were sworn in by Magistrate Robert Ford at the February 21, 2023 meeting of

Borough Council. Mr. Och has been a police officer since 1994, and previously served as a Sergeant in Cranberry Township. When asked what drew him to Edgeworth, he stated “I have always felt the sense of pride in the community and look forward to being engrained in the fabric of Edgeworth while enforcing the laws and ordinances and keeping the streets safe for all.” Bill enjoys spending time with his family, cheering on his four kids during their various sporting events, and runs a softball league in the North Hills in his free time. Mr. Tice began his career as a police officer in 2019 and worked as a part-time officer serving the Edgeworth and Sewickley Heights communities. As a police officer, he loves to interacting with public and helping everyone. His favorite aspect of Edgeworth is “how caring and welcoming everyone in the community

is. It's a great place to be a police officer!" In his spare time, Brian can be found hunting and fishing, being active, and spending time with his fiancé. Please welcome both Officer Och and Officer Tice to Edgeworth when you see them on patrol!



Welcome Matt McMurray!

The Edgeworth Borough Public Works Department recently hired Matt McMurray as a full-time laborer. Matt comes to Edgeworth with many years in the public works field, and gained previous experience through his tenure in both Moon Township and the City of Meadville. The variety of work that our Public Works crew gets to experience and learn is one aspect that attracted Matt to our town. In his spare time, he enjoys hunting, fishing, and being outdoors. When you see Matt around town, be sure to say hello!

Take the “Pressure” Off of Heart Health!

Do you keep up with routine blood pressure checks? Maintaining a healthy blood pressure is key for overall heart health! Blood pressure is composed of both systolic (upper) and diastolic (lower) readings, which determine the pressure in arteries when the heart is beating and resting. A healthy blood pressure is routinely around 120/80. Numerous health issues can develop as a person's blood pressure climbs, including increased risk for heart attacks and disease, stroke, kidney disease, and vision loss. If your blood pressure is consistently elevated, there are many steps you can take to lower it! Exercising regularly, maintaining a healthy diet, limiting alcohol and sodium consumption, and reducing daily stressors are great ways to keep your blood pressure in check, and lead a healthy life! For more tips on healthy living, please visit livewellallegHENY.com.



Trees: A Beautiful Benefit to our Community



Arbor Day is just around the corner! The Arbor Day Foundation annually celebrates Arbor Day, which will take place on April 28th this year, and recognizes towns that prioritize trees through their Tree City USA program. As a Tree City USA, the Borough continually analyzes street tree health, plants new trees each season, and works with the Borough Arborist to develop overall planting plans and collaborate on any other tree-

related matters. Help us to celebrate Arbor Day all year long by caring for and properly maintaining any trees on your property, planting new trees, and contact the Borough office with any tree-related concerns you may have. Check out the Edgeworth Borough Facebook page on April 28th to learn more about Arbor Day!

What is MS4?

Have you ever wondered why stormwater management tips are included in each Borough newsletter? Public education is part of our MS4 program! MS4 stands for Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System: an infrastructure of catch basins, inlets, and pipes that collect runoff from rain events and direct it into surrounding bodies of water without prior treatment. Municipalities that are in urbanized areas, or that have an impaired waterway within their limits, are required to have a National Pollution Discharge Elimination System, or NPDES, permit that allows for stormwater to be directed into a watershed. In Edgeworth, we have two impaired waterways- the unnamed tributary that runs through Way Park, and the Ohio River. The MS4 program consists of six best management practices, or BMPs, that work to maintain water quality and ecological health. These practices include educating the public, eliminating illicit discharges, preventing pollution accidents, and ensuring that stormwater management techniques are properly installed and operating. Each and every one of us play a role in reducing the impact from harmful materials, such as pesticides, debris, hazardous chemicals, and even grass clippings, infiltrating our waterways. Be sure to check out the quarterly MS4 tips to learn how you can help!

When Are Building and Zoning Permits Required?

Many residents take advantage of the Spring season to begin planning

renovation or construction projects around their property. It's important to remember that most projects require a zoning or building permit to be issued **prior to** work commencing. Zoning permits are required for projects such as installing or replacing fencing, driveways, decks, patios, sheds, and retaining walls. Simply repairing sections of these items may not typically require a permit, however we recommend calling the Borough office to discuss the specifics of your project in advance. An up-to-date survey of your property is required for any exterior work needing a permit. Building permits are required for any structural changes or updates on your property, increasing or changing the footprint of a structure, electrical or plumbing modifications, and any new construction. Aesthetic updates, such as painting or cabinet replacements, do not typically require a permit. Keep this list in mind when considering your future renovations, and call the Borough office with any questions you may have regarding the permitting process!

