"All the Charm of Yesterday With a Vision For Tomorrow"

# Patty's Ponderings Message From Town Council President Patty Farran

Happy New Year! Your Elected Officials have been duly sworn into their respective positions for the next four years. We have hit the ground running! There is an excitement in Edgewood about the GREAT volunteer fire department. As of December 20th, we have an all-time high membership of thirty-one!!! In the coming months we await more "happenings" from the EFD. By the way, the Ladies Fire Department Auxiliary hosted one terrific holiday gathering!

I have heard many positive comments regarding the monthly Water/Sewer billing...much easier to plan the payments.

Hopefully, you all were able to visit the "Edge-Wood Lights". Way to go Woods...you provided another awesome holiday display for us to enjoy. Thank you for your commitment to Edgewood!

My New Year's resolution is to continue encouraging involvement of our residents in the Town of Edgewood. What's yours?



The Edgewood Fire Department, now nearly 30 members strong, has a good group of people willing to serve the town. We also have a good group of Ladies Auxiliary members. Together, we make a great team. Thanks to all of you that volunteer your time to come to the aid of others.

Our annual Christmas party was the highlight of the year. We appreciate the Ladies Auxiliary for planning and providing the decorations and meal. Santa Claus also made an appearance and handed out presents to the children and candy canes for everyone. The fire chief and his wife gave each fire member a new jacket. The chief, out of his pocket, paid for the jackets. Thanks Bob and Sandy, that was a very nice gift!

The Fire Department had about 120 emergency runs this past year; most of these were medical in nature. We have several EMTs that provide a much needed service. We would also like to thank you residents here in town for NOT keeping the home fires burning. Let's all work together again this year and help keep Edgewood fire free.

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## Police News\_

## **PARKING**

With winter and snow soon upon us, as always we need your assistance in keeping the roads clear.

There is no parking allowed on the paved or main traveled part of any street within the town. Please make sure you are following this ordinance so the streets can be thoroughly cleared by the snow plows.

Any resident may file a written request for on-street vehicle parking for periods not to exceed eight hours.

## SCAM WARNINGS

Again, we would like to remind everyone to be aware of potential scams through emails, phone or mail.

If it sounds too good to be true, it usually is. Do NOT send any money to anyone to pay for "processing claims". Do not give any personal information, banking or credit card information to anyone you do not know either by phone or email. If you believe you've been the victim of one of these scams, report it to the Police Department immediately, or if you have any questions please feel call us at 642-3200.

Also, be aware of anyone wanting to do home maintenance or repairs. Make sure the company is reputable and don't pay in advance before the work is completed.

## **BURGLARIES**

There have been three burglaries in Edgewood during the last several weeks. Be aware of your surroundings, and keep your doors locked. If you see any suspicious vehicles or persons in the area, contact the Police Department immediately at 642-3200. Also, call us when you are going to be away from home for any extended periods and we will be happy to keep a periodic check on your home.

If you don't recognize a person at your door, don't open it. It's much better to be safe than sorry!



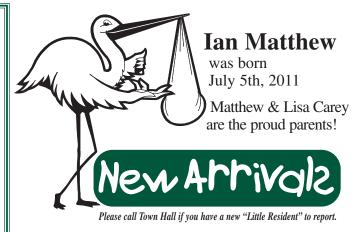
The residents of the Town of Edgewood extend sincere sympathy to the families and friends who have lost the following loved ones in previous months:

James Moneyhun

Jimmie Sizemore

Kenneth Swanson

Please accept our apologies if we have omitted the name of any other resident we have lost, and please call Town Hall so we can include your loved one in our next newsletter.



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## Message from Clerk-Treasurer Katherine Tanner—

Happy New Year! By now all of you should be aware that monthly billing is in progress for the Water and Sewer usage. To make things easier for you, you can pay your Monthly Utility bill by using Direct Withdrawal!

#### How Direct Withdrawal (ACH Payment) works:

- Sign up by returning the Authorization for Direct Withdrawal at the bottom of this sheet
- You will receive notification of the payment amount at least ten days before the withdrawal date
- On the payment date, your payment will be withdrawn from your specified account
- Your payment is made automatically. No hassles, No late fees and No worries

We hope this new method will assist you in making your payments. Of course, the existing payment office and drop box located at the Town Hall will continue to be available for your convenience. To sign up for Direct Withdrawal, please complete the authorization application below.

#### Provisions for the Town of Edgewood Utilities Electronic Bill Payment

#### **Payment Notice and Billing Questions**

Your Town of Edgewood Water-Sewer bill will be mailed on the 10th of each month. From that day, you will have adequate time to plan for your automatic payment or contact us if there is any question about your bill. Your payment will be deducted from your designated account on the 21st day of the month or the next business day after the 21st day of the month.

#### **Record of Payment**

The amount and date of your automatic payment will be shown on your regular bank statement. This is your proof of payment. If there is a question about a payment, you must notify your financial institution and the Office of the Clerk-Treasurer within 30 days of the date of the bank statement on which the error occurred.

#### **Availability of Funds**

You are responsible for having enough money in the indicated account on the payment date. You will be charged the same as if a paper checked "bounced" should your payment be returned with insufficient funds. In addition, your Direct Withdrawal service may be cancelled if two payments are returned in a 12-month period.

#### Termination

This authorization will remain in effect until we receive written notice from you thirty days before the cancellation date or until your utility service has been terminated.

#### **Account/Address Change**

You are required to notify us of any account or address changes to ensure timely payments. You are responsible for submitting a new application when an account or address change occurs.

AUTHORIZATION APPLICATION FOR DIRECT WITHDRAWAL	
Town of Edgewood Account Number	E-mail Address
I authorize the Town of Edgewood Water & Sewer Department and the financial institution listed below to transfer (debit) money from the indicated account for the payment of my Town of Edgewood Water & Sewer bill. I will continue to pay my bill until I am notified on my bill that Direct Withdrawal has started.	
Customer Name (as on bill)	Telephone Number
Service Address	Mailing Address
Financial Institution Name	Address
Date	Signature

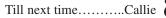
In order for us to begin Direct Withdrawal, you must attach a cancelled or voided check from the account the payment will be made from, to this sheet.

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The new dog tags are in and ready to purchase for 2012. I want to say thank you to the Edgewood Fire Department for saving my little cat buddy,"Taz". A dog chased him up a huge tree and he couldn't get down. So they got out the ladder truck and Fireman,

Jordan White, plucked him right out of the tree. It was good for "Taz" and good for the Fire Department. The fire trucks need to be used and tested on a regular basis to insure they are working properly. So, great job Fire Department! (I know who to call if I need help.) Thanks to everyone who brought me Christmas snacks. They were great! I have been blessed with lots of good friends in Edgewood. I am a VERY lucky cat.







## **Edgewood Calendar**

## **JANUARY**

- 16 Martin Luther King Jr. Day . . . Town Hall Closed
- 17 Town Council Meeting ............ 5:00 p.m.

## **FEBRUARY**

- 20 Washington's Birthday . . . . . . Town Hall Closed
- 21 Town Council Meeting ............ 5:00 p.m.

### **MARCH**

20 Town Council Meeting ...... 5:00 p.m.

#### **APRIL**

17 Town Council Meeting ........... 5:00 p.m.

## • • • Town of Edgewood Council Members • • •

**John W. Gunter Police Commissioner** Town Council Dist. #1 (765) 649-1512

**Jodi L. Norrick**  *Street Commissioner* Town Council Dist. #2 (765) 642-2080 **Arthur J. Leak**  *Fire Commissioner* Town Council Dist. #3 (765) 642-1966

**Julie H. Armington Building Commissioner**Town Council Dist.#4
(765) 644-5313

Patty Farran Town Council Pres. & Water & Sewer Commissioner Town Council Dist. #5 (765) 649-0937

**Joseph A. Cook** *Park Commissioner*Town Council Dist. #6
(765) 643-9584

### **Other Town Officials**

Andrew Ellingwood
Town Marshal

Scott Norrick Judge

**Katherine Tanner** Clerk-Treasurer

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