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CITY OF EDGEWOOD

FALL/WINTER 2016

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8 am to 4 pm

Friday 8 am to noon

Excluding Holidays

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(non emergency)

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8 am to 4 pm

Excluding Holidays

911 Emergency

Message from Mayor Ray Bagshaw



Zika Prevention and Information: What You Need to Know to Stay Protected

No doubt you have heard much about the spread of the Zika virus in the news and how it has affected the State of Florida. Although most cases in the State of Florida have been travel related, Governor Scott has recently called on

the CDC to activate the emergency response team following confirmed mosquito-borne transmissions.

Hurricane season ends on November 30th but mosquitos will continue to live beyond then. We need to be vigilant as we protect ourselves from the risk of contracting the virus. Please utilize the many valuable resources that are available from Orange County to use at home as well as for your businesses and community groups.

You can learn more about Zika and how to stay safe by going to www.ocfl.net/Zika.



One bottle cap of water
standing for more than one week
is enough for mosquitoes
to breed & multiply.

Ray Bagshaw

From the Desk of the City Clerk Election News



*Bea L. Meeks,
MMC, CPM, CBTO*

2017 Municipal Election

The City of Edgewood's 2017 municipal election is March 14, 2017. The seats currently held by Mayor Ray Bagshaw and Council Members John Dowless and Neil Powell, DDS will be open for qualifying. The official announcement of the election will be made in the December 20, 2016 City Council meeting. The election calendar, which includes the qualifying dates, will be available after the announcement. Election information will be posted on the City's website located at <http://www.edgewood-fl.gov/>.

Ordinance Update

2016-02

Ordinance 2016-02 changed the setbacks of accessory fixtures that are appurtenant to any building; they are considered a part of the building and are subject to the locational requirements of the City Code. This information is relevant to builders and homeowners. It is important to note that generators, air-conditioning/heating and ventilation components, and swimming pool pumps/heaters are considered accessory fixtures and have to conform to the Code. Current accessory fixtures are not affected by this Code however; they may be affected if an alteration is done.

2016-04

Ordinance 2016-04 prohibits the use of light strings or strips to frame windows when such light strings or strips are visible from a public right of way. This Ordinance essentially affects those businesses along Orange Avenue and Hansel Avenue. The Ordinance is a result of Council's concern that this type of window lighting can distract, or otherwise affect the normal night vision of drivers and pedestrians particularly, when the intensity of such light strings or strips is greater than the ambient light. The Ordinance provides a limited exception in that light strings or light strips can be displayed for up to thirty days once per calendar year. This exception gives property owners some flexibility to utilize light displays.

You can learn more about the City Code online at: https://www.municode.com/library/fl/edgewood/codes/code_of_ordinances.

City Council Update



John Dowless,
Council President

Quiet Zone "tug-of-war" Exposes Edgewood Limitations & Importance of Relationships

Last year Edgewood signed an agreement, paid \$306,000 from reserves and successfully secured a state grant to fund "Quiet Safety Zone" crossings in Edgewood. This was a big purchase for Edgewood and we were all excited, especially those who live close to the tracks. We would no longer be awakened by the loud freight train horns at 3:00 a.m. The excitement, however, turned to frustration in June when an email from FDOT informed us that they had underestimated the costs and Edgewood had two weeks to find nearly \$500,000 more or give up the Edgewood Quiet Zones.

Mayor Bagshaw and I both started "rattling cages" and asking questions. After a call was made to Orange County Mayor Jacobs, she directed her staff to organize a conference call with all impacted cities. Edgewood then received helpful advice and support from Orange County and Orlando staff.

As Edgewood's representative on MetroPlan Municipal Advisory Council (MAC), I challenged the FDOT representative at the June meeting on how this situation was handled, from the drastically underestimated cost, to the unreasonable deadline we were given to comply. We also requested that the unspent quiet zone funds remain available next year, and we passed a resolution requesting that some unspent federal funds be redirected to quiet zones.

It all must have helped because at the July MAC meeting, FDOT informed us that they decided to absorb the new costs and honor the original agreement for Quiet Safety Zones! That decision saved Edgewood taxpayers \$477,000 and was

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confirmed in a July 8th FDOT meeting at Edgewood City Hall. To say the least, we were grateful for the news, and grateful for FDOT's reconsiderations.

Along with "re-securing" the Quiet Safety Zones for Edgewood, this process was enlightening in several ways: The Mayor and I both learned for the first time about the "quiet zone formula." (Neither of us have ever worked "on the railroad all the livelong day.") I learned that relationships are essential for small municipalities like Edgewood. The staff at MetroPlan, Orange County and the City of Orlando were invaluable; particularly Virginia, the "small cities guardian angel" at MetroPlan. At one point in the call when I had to swallow my pride to ask for an explanation on the quiet zone formula, I realized Edgewood was the only municipality not represented by a paid staffer. For Edgewood, it was the Mayor and me.

As many know, Edgewood does not compensate our elected officials, which I support (Truth be known, I think a lot more elected officials should not be paid, but I digress.). The reason I mention that is not to brag or complain. Rather, the residents of Edgewood need to be aware that our elected officials, especially the Mayor, take on tasks, in addition to our jobs and normal life responsibilities, for which other cities have full time staff. So if some projects in Edgewood take longer than normal or some are passed over altogether, this could be the reason. And when Edgewood says we want to involve more citizens, we really mean it!

A Word From Chief Francisco

To Friends, Neighbors and Businesses,

It is hard to believe that fall is here and winter will be knocking on our door very soon. As the holidays approach, please remember: do not leave items in your vehicle within plain view. Lock items in the trunk or place them on the floorboard in an attempt to conceal them. Most importantly, lock your doors and double check to ensure they are locked at all times.

As part of our Operation Safe Holiday, we have partnered with Waste Management and the Belle Isle Police Department in an effort to combat the normal increase in residential burglaries in and around the Holiday Season.

A recycling container will be placed at City Hall which will be available from December 21st through January 7th.
The purpose of this container is for the residents of Edgewood to dispose of Christmas gift boxes in this dumpster and to keep these boxes out of the sight of criminals. We do not want the criminals to know that inside your residence is a brand new TV, DVD player, computer equipment or any item of value. Please help us fight crime by taking all your gift boxes to the City Hall recycle dumpster!

There have been several incidents where a resident observed some odd activity but felt like they shouldn't dial 911 to report it. We encourage everyone to report ANY type of odd or suspicious activity by dialing 911.

As always, if you SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING!

For additional information please visit our City website, Edgewood-fl.gov and you will find additional resources under the Police tab. **Feel free to come by and visit your Police Department at any time Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Your calls and questions are welcome at any time at 407-851-2820.**

Be safe and have a great holiday, **Chief Chris Francisco**

**City of Edgewood
Monthly Meeting Schedule
City Council
3rd Tuesdays at 6:30 pm**

**The following meetings are scheduled when applicable.
Please check website to confirm dates.**

For more information see the city's calendar at www.edgewood-fl.gov

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| Planning and Zoning | Code Enforcement | Red Light Hearings |
| 2nd Mondays at 6:30 pm | 2nd Wednesdays at 9 am | 4th Wednesdays at 1 pm |



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The Market at Edgewood Re-Opens in Bagshaw Park

Beginning Thursday, October 6th

5:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Edgewood City Hall—405 Larue Avenue



Welcome Back!

(It really bugged us to be away from you!)

FREE COMMUNITY 

Wellness Fair

Saturday, October 8, 2016

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Cypress Grove Park
290 Holden Ave., Orlando, FL 32839

Food, Giveaways, Activities for Kids & Free Health Screenings
(while supplies last)

For more info, call 407-836-7335

District 3 Commissioner Pete Clarke

A Hearty Congratulations to Boise Cascade Orlando

The City of Edgewood would like to congratulate Boise Cascade for recently reaching a safety milestone of 3 years without a recordable injury! Achieving an injury free milestone takes commitment and focus from each associate and Boise views safety as their highest value!

If you have news from your Edgewood business that you would like to share, please send to: srepp@edgewood-fl.gov



Waste Management Holiday Reminders

- **No waste pick-up on Thanksgiving Day.**
- **Waste Management will provide Christmas tree pick-up on Mondays with your yard waste.**

Seasons Greetings from the Market at Edgewood!

Join the fun at Bagshaw Park from 5:30 to 8:30 pm
405 Larue Avenue



Santa Claus Arrives by Helicopter!



Thursday, December 8th Santa's ETA 6:30 pm
(weather permitting)

Family and kids' photos with Santa!
Entertainment in the park, bounce house
food trucks and farmers market!

Bring an
unwrapped
toy!



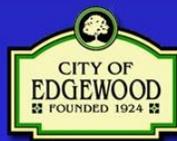
Toys for Tots Collection Celebration

Thursday, December 15th

Bring a new, unwrapped toy.
Live entertainment, food trucks and farmers market!
Bounce house, face painting, and free hot dogs* for kids!
For more information call the Edgewood Police Dept. at 407-851-2820

**While supplies last*

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Welcome Edgewood's New Businesses



WHEN YOU VISIT AN INDEPENDENT LOCAL BUSINESS

- You keep more money in your local economy
- You celebrate the uniqueness of your community
- You support local jobs
- You help the environment
- You encourage community
- You conserve tax dollars
- You benefit from our expertise
- You invest in entrepreneurship
- You make this community a destination

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| Supportive Family Services 5205 S. Orange Avenue Suite 206 | (407) 900-5181 |
| Sheeplike Home Healthcare 4971 S. Orange Avenue Suite 203 | (407) 242-2252 |
| Vitamin and Mineral Club 4921 S. Orange Avenue | (407) 930-1294 |
| Orlando Dentist and Denture Lab 4929 S. Orange Avenue | (407) 605-5426 |
| All Coast Realty Management 75 Gatlin Avenue | (407) 668-4104 |
| Xul's Mechanics & Performance 4822 S. Orange Avenue | (407) 953-1530 |
| Elite Window Tint Specialist LLC 5130 S. Orange Avenue | (407) 309-0325 |
| Black Belts For Christ Ministries, Inc. 4931 S. Orange Avenue | (407) 704-7851 |
| Health First Chiropractic and Nutrition 400 Gatlin Avenue | (407) 888-9544 |
| Orlando Dental Center, PA 300 Gatlin Avenue | (407) 851-7740 |
| Dollar Tree 5621 S. Orange Avenue | (407) 654-2521 |
| 365 Realty, Inc. 4929 S. Orange Avenue | (407) 233-6895 |
| Mosaic Family Church and Life Center 5232 S. Orange Avenue | (407) 745-5529 |
| Chase Construction 5232 S. Orange Avenue | (407) 399-8715 |
| Orlando Arborists 5502 Force Four Parkway | (407) 209-8531 |
| Heather A. Oiler, Counselor 5205 S. Orange Avenue | (407) 592-8997 |
| Linutronics 4917 S. Orange Avenue | (407) 923-2171 |

When opening a new business within the City of Edgewood, please contact City Hall at 407-851-2920. Permitting applications and other information required to legally operate within the City of Edgewood are available on the city's website at www.edgewood-fl.gov/documents.



Tailgate Deck the Halls Dine Local in Edgewood



| Restaurant | Phone Number | ✓ Catering Available ✓ |
|--|----------------|------------------------|
| <u>Anthony's Pizza</u> | (407) 730-5930 | Pick-up/delivery |
| <u>Beth's Burger Bar</u> | (407) 888-1190 | ✓ |
| <u>Brazas Chicken</u> | (407) 582-0506 | Pick-up only |
| <u>Coq Au Vin</u> | (407) 851-6980 | ✓ |
| <u>Friendly Confines</u> | (407) 852-4800 | Pick-up only |
| <u>Hong Fu</u> | (407) 857-0168 | Pick-up /delivery |
| <u>Julie's Waterfront</u> | (407) 240-2557 | ✓ |
| <u>McGinnty's Irish Pub</u> | (407) 704-8828 | Pick-up only |
| <u>Pizza Hut</u> | (407) 856-6212 | Pick-up/delivery |
| <u>Plus Catering</u> | (407) 438-2900 | ✓ |
| <u>Shannon's Casual Café</u> | (407) 855-9995 | Pick-up only |
| <u>Sharon's Homestyle Cookin'</u> | (407) 856-9565 | Pick-up only |
| <u>Stone Fired Pizza</u> | (407) 730-3473 | ✓ |
| <u>Sugar Daddy Bakery</u> OPENING SOON! | (407) 855-0085 | Pick-up only |
| <u>Vanbarry's Public House</u> | (407) 704-8881 | ✓ |



Call one of our Edgewood restaurants or catering pros to make your next shindig fabulous and (almost) pain free!

Florida-Friendly Landscaping

Manage Yard Pests Responsibly

- Check your lawn and plant beds regularly for pest problems.
- Identify the problem. Know the good from the bad. Is it a chinch bug or a big-eyed bug? It makes a difference. Big-eyed bugs eat chinch bugs.
- When appropriate, first try non-chemical approaches and least toxic pesticides such as insecticidal soaps, horticultural oils.
- Spot treat. If chinch bugs or weeds are the problem, don't treat the entire lawn, only the affected area. If one out of ten shrubs has scale, treat only the infested plant.
- Be tolerant! Low levels of pests will do minimal damage to plants and many are a source of food for beneficials.

The label is the law! Read pesticide labels carefully for information on using pesticides and disposing of left-over chemicals and containers.

For more information see: **Beneficial Insects** at <http://fyn.ifas.ufl.edu/FFL/managing-yard-pests.html>

"Living green" means get to know some the garden "good guys." Help protect these beneficial insects, so they can naturally keep pests under control.



From Top Left to Right: Lady Beetle, Assassin Bug, Green Lacewing Larva, Green Lacewing Adult, Big-Eyed Bug, Earwig, Syrphid Fly Larva, Syrphid Fly Adult.

Try this as an alternative to Pesticide on plants:

Mix 2 tbsp. baby shampoo in 1 gal. water.

Note: Max. of 6 tbsp. per gallon of water. Thorough coverage of the pest is necessary. Avoid using soaps on plants with hairy leaves or with very thin waxy covering on the leaves. Test spray on a small area of the plant. Wait 2-3 days and check for any damage. Reduce potential injury by rinsing plant with fresh water a few hours after the soap spray application. Water the plans the day before the soap spray application.

http://stlucie.ifas.ufl.edu/pdfs/master_gardener/Home%20Remedies%20for%20Insect%20and%20Disease%20Control%20on%20Plants.pdf

This article excerpted from: <http://fyn.ifas.ufl.edu/FFL/managing-yardpests.html> As part of the Florida Friendly Living Landscaping Program



Edgewood City Clerk, Bea Meeks Honored with Home Rule Hero Award

The Florida League of Cities recently recognized our own City Clerk Bea Meeks with **2016 Home Rule Hero Award**. Bea and Tracy Ackroyd of the City of Clermont were the first City Clerks in Florida to ever receive this honor.

“Home Rule” is the ability for a city to self-govern without state approval in local matters. Bea received this award because of her dedication to building relationships with our legislators and helping them understand the issues that impact the residents and business owners in Edgewood.



Thank you, Bea, for protecting Edgewood’s Home Rule!

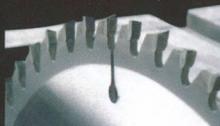
Know Your Watering Days!

| Time of year | Odd numbered addresses | Even numbered addresses | Non residential properties |
|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| Daylight savings time | Wednesday/Saturday | Thursday/Sunday | Tuesday/Friday |
| Eastern Standard Time | Saturday | Sunday | Tuesday |

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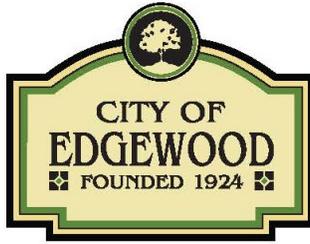
<http://thedailysouth.southernliving.com/2016/07/13/why-your-tree-fell-down/>



THE GRUMPY GARDENER

Why Your Tree Fell Down

July 13, 2016 | By Steve Bender | Comments (2)



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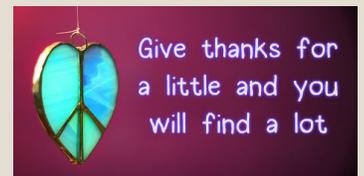
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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

You don't want to miss any of these events in Bagshaw Park at Edgewood City Hall!

| Thursday Night Events | Date | Time | Additional Information |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| Market at Edgewood | Oct 6 thru June | 5:30 to 8:30 pm | Farmers Market - every Thursday evening except Holidays |
| Cruisin' in The Edgewood District Car Show | Oct 13 | 6:00 to 9:00 pm | Car Show and Car Cruise along Orange Ave - cruise starts at 6:45 pm |
| Yappy Halloween Pet Costume Party | Oct 20 | 5:30 to 8:30 pm | Pet Costume Parade at 7 pm |
| Kids "Trick or Treat" Halloween Party | Oct 27 | 5:30 to 8:30 pm | Free hot dog & candy for kids (while supplies last) |
| Light Up Edgewood | Nov 17 | 5:30 to 8:30 pm | Lighting up of Bagshaw Park, City Hall and Edgewood Police Dept. at 7 pm |
| Yappy Holidays Pet Costume Party | Dec 1 | 5:30 to 8:30 pm | Pet Costume Parade at 7 pm |
| Santa Claus arrives by Helicopter | Dec 8 | 5:30 to 8:30 pm | Santa's arrival - ETA 6:30 PM |
| Toys For Tots | Dec 15 | 5:30 to 8:30 pm | New date and new time |
| Friday Night Events | | | |
| Food Truck Bazaar — Fifth Fridays | Sept 30 | 6:00 to 9:00 pm | Food trucks and live entertainment |
| Saturday Afternoon/Night Events | | | |
| Helping Handmade Craft Market | Oct 1 & Nov 12 | 10 am to 2 pm | Craft Market |
| BBQ-Beer & Barn Dancing | Oct 15 | 6 pm to 9 pm | Pine Castle History Center Benefit |