

Edgerton Frontier Days

Friday, June 15 – Saturday, June 16

A tradition since 1971, this festival fills downtown Edgerton with activities for all ages! This year, guests will enjoy musical entertainment, a full carnival, food and craft vendors, games for all ages, and other entertainers. For more information head to www.frontier-days.com.



City Held 207th Street Grade Separation Public Open House

On April 19th, the City held a Public Open House to kickoff the 207th Street Grade Separation Project. The City of Edgerton is proposing a grade separation —i.e., a bridge over—the BNSF Railway at 207th Street. 207th Street and Co-Op Road currently cross the railroad at-grade and Co-Op Road provides one of only three access points to the City of Edgerton. When trains are moving through the area, all three access points to Edgerton can become blocked. This can be particularly a challenge for emergency response vehicles, as they may not be aware of the blockage until they reach the intersections. There is not an efficient detour for those vehicles—or any vehicles—in this situation.

The 207th Street Improvements Project would construct a new bridge on 207th Street that would elevate the road over the railroad tracks. The project would also provide improvements to the intersection of 207th Street and Co-Op Road to provide better line-of-sight. Other amenities to the project will include pedestrian and bicycle access in the grade separation.

At the Open House, residents provided feedback on two possible scenarios keeping the new off-grade crossing on the existing alignment for 207th Street and one possible scenario that moves the bridge off the current 207th Street alignment. Those scenarios and the Resident Comment Form may be found on the city’s website at <https://edgertonks.org/news/>. Residents are encouraged to provide comment by May 3rd to City Hall or by emailing Scott Peterson at speterson@edgertonks.org.



PROJECT SCHEDULE

Spring/Summer 2018: Alternatives Development

Summer 2018: Selection of Preferred Alternative

Fall 2018–Fall 2019: Right-of-Way Acquisition, Utility Relocation

Spring 2020: Anticipate Construction Begins



City Wide Garage Sale

Saturday, May 12



Spring is in the air! It’s time to clean out your closets and clear your clutter!

To register your garage sale for publication at City Hall and on www.edgertonks.org, please contact City Hall at 913.893.6231 by 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 9.

City Wide Clean Up Day

Saturday, May 19 • Items must be curbside no later than 7:00 a.m.



Help keep Edgerton clean! All Edgerton residents are encouraged to help keep our neighborhoods, streets and properties clean and beautiful. Residents that need assistance with disposing items and/or yard cleanup tasks should contact City Hall by 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 15.

Items that can be placed CURBSIDE:

- Appliances without CFCs: Washer • Dryer • Water Heater
- Furniture
- Carpet
- Construction Debris

Items that can be taken to OTHER LOCATIONS:

Household Hazardous Waste, including antifreeze, oil, paints, and chemicals can be disposed of BY APPOINTMENT ONLY at the City of Olathe Public Works Department located at 1420 S. Robinson Dr. To make an appointment, please call 913.971.9311.

ONLY glass food and beverage containers can be dropped off at Cosentino’s Price Chopper located at 830 E. Main St. Gardner, KS 66030. Glass items such as windows, mirrors, safety glass and light bulbs are not accepted.

Items that can be dropped off at PUBLIC WORKS:

These items may be dropped off at the City of Edgerton Public Works Department (710 E. Nelson) on Saturday, May 19, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

- Appliances with CFCs: Refrigerators • Freezers • Air Conditioners
- Tires – Charges Apply: \$2 per tire 16” and under • \$4 per tire 17” and 22” • \$15 for tractor tires
- Oil • Motor Oil
- Batteries
- Brush – Brush only. No building materials of any kind. No plastic bags.

Are you an Edgepert?

Each month we’ll share interesting and fun facts about Edgerton. If you have a surprising fact to share about living in Edgerton or about the City’s history, submit it to jrawles@edgertonks.org and it may be featured in an upcoming newsletter.

Question:

Did you know that a unique and bizarre accident happened in Edgerton many years ago?

Answer on back.

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IMPORTANT DATES:

- City Council Meeting
Thursday, May 10
- City Wide Garage Sale
Saturday, May 12
- Senior Lunch & BINGO (Sloppy Joes)
Wednesday, May 16
- City Wide Clean Up
Saturday, May 19
- City Council Meeting
Thursday, May 24
- Edgerton Frontier Days
Friday, June 15 – Saturday, June 16

A: Edgepert Answer

According to a news article published in the August 23, 1907 edition of the Gardner Gazette, J.M. Dwyer, who lived about four miles northwest of Edgerton, was struck by lightning and severely injured while plowing his farmland in the afternoon. Mr. Dwyer was plowing using a “gang” plow, to which three horses were hitched. The two outside horses were killed when the lightning struck, but the middle horse, though knocked down, was not injured. Mr. Dwyer was knocked off the plow, and when he regained consciousness, he found himself standing on his head between the two plows of his gang. Mr. Dwyer’s right arm was severely burned, and the burns extended across his shoulders and down the left arm. Edgerton physician, Dr. Greer, who attended to Dwyer, said that indications were that the lightning struck the right-hand horse, then passed through Mr. Dwyer’s body, then down through the other outside horse. According to Dr. Greer, the killing of the two outside horses and the burns on Mr. Dwyer’s arms, made this theory entirely plausible. Strange but true!

From your Friends at Fire District #1

From 2011-2017, cooking equipment was the leading cause of home fires and fire injuries, causing 47% of home fires that resulted in 20% of the home fire deaths and 45% of the injuries. Two-thirds (66%) of home cooking fires started with the ignition of food or other cooking materials. Clothing was the item first ignited in less than 1% of these fires, but clothing ignitions led to 18% of the home cooking equipment fire deaths.

Ranges or cooktops accounted for the majority (62%) of home cooking fire incidents.

Unattended equipment was a factor in one-third (33%) of reported home cooking fires and half (43%) of the associated deaths. Frying dominates the cooking fire problem.

Cook with Caution

Be on alert! If you are sleepy or have consumed alcohol don't use the stove or stovetop. Stay in the kitchen while you are frying, boiling, grilling or broiling food. If you leave the kitchen for even a short period of time, turn off the stove.

If you are simmering, baking or roasting food, check it regularly, remain in the home while food is cooking and use a timer to remind you that you are cooking. Keep anything that can catch fire — oven mitts, wooden utensils, food packaging, towels or curtains — away from your stovetop. When cooking with children have a "kid-free zone" of at least 3 feet around the stove and areas where hot food or drink is prepared or carried.

If you have any questions, please call the Fire Department at 913.764.7625.



Edgerton Elementary Fun Run

Thursday, May 10 • Registration at 4:45 p.m.
Race begins at 5:30 p.m. • Edgerton Elementary School

Whether you're running, walking or cheering, you won't want to miss this free event open to the community. The route is approximately two miles throughout the town. All attendees will enjoy a bag of giveaways from the City of Edgerton. There will also be free snow cones provided at the event!



Summer Kickoff Block Party

Saturday, June 2 • Downtown Edgerton (319 E. Nelson)
6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Block Party
9:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. Downtown Summer Movie Night

Help us kick off the summer right with a community block party! The fun begins at 6:30 p.m. with inflatables and games, music by DJ Phil Davis, face painting, contests and prizes! The Fire Department will be set up with a fun activity as well. Don't be late, the first 250 guests will receive a free Sheridan's Frozen Custard treat!



Once the sun goes down, stick around for the first Downtown Summer Movie Night of the year! We will be showing Despicable Me 3 on the big screen in the green space. Concessions will be available. Please bring your own chairs and blankets as seating will not be provided.

Sheriff's Corner: May is National Bike Month!

During the month of May, we join the nation in spreading awareness about bicycle safety. Every year, thousands of Americans are injured and killed in bicycle accidents involving automobiles.

We encourage you to learn and practice safe bicycle etiquette and also talk to your children about the proper ways to stay safe while riding a bicycle. Here's a few steps to keep you and your family safe:

- Always wear a helmet
- Kids should never ride alone—always have them ride with a friend or adults
- Wear reflective gear or bright clothes and put reflectors on the front and back of the bicycle
- Add extra mirrors and lights to the front, back and sides
- Always follow traffic laws, signs and requirements
- Always ride WITH traffic
- Learn and utilize the proper hand signals in order to communicate with vehicles

As the weather gets nicer, the Sheriff's Office Bike Patrol units will be seen more often as well. Be sure to stop and say 'Hi!' if you see them out in your area! Stay safe!



MAY IS NATIONAL BIKE MONTH!



Senior Happy Hour

Thursday, June 7 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
The Dance Café: 711 High Street Baldwin City, KS

Baldwin City, Wellsville and Edgerton have joined forces to provide a fun afternoon out for our senior citizens. Come enjoy free snacks, coffee, tea or water, live musical entertainment and door prizes! Alcoholic beverages will be available for purchase. Please register to attend by calling 785.594.3670



SUMMER KICKOFF



EDGERTON FOOD PANTRY



The Edgerton Food Pantry is open to all residents within the Gardner-Edgerton School District #231. The pantry is open on the third Saturday of every month from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The pantry is in the building across from the Methodist Church.

Please note: The food pantry will no longer be open Wednesday nights.