

Notify JoCo Sign Up

Residents can now sign up for Notify JoCo, a mass notification system designed to notify residents and businesses of emergencies including weather warnings, water main breaks, public safety alerts and natural disasters, as well as City or Parks and Recreation activities.

To receive real-time alerts and notifications via phone call, text message and email, register at www.notifyjoco.org.



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.

New City Website

The City of Edgerton recently launched a new website as another important tool in providing up-to-date information to residents in an easily read and navigable way. New features include quick buttons on the left for functions most used; an event calendar with ability to share with others; a Town Topics area to read about the what is being talked about in the community and much more. Please visit the new website at www.edgertonks.org.



City Wide Garage Sale

Saturday, May 12



Mark your calendars for the Annual Edgerton City Wide Garage Sale. It's time to clean out your closets and clear your clutter! Stay tuned for information on registering your sale for publication.

City Wide Clean Up Day

Saturday, May 19



Save the date! The 2018 City Wide Clean Up Date will take place Saturday, May 19. Seniors that need assistance with disposing items and/or yard cleanup tasks should contact City Hall by Tuesday, May 15. More information will be included in the April newsletter.



2017 State of the City: Building the Community...Together.

Mayor Donald Roberts delivered Edgerton's fourth annual State of the City address on Thursday, February 15. This newsletter will highlight various resident-focused City projects that were completed in 2017 and many projects that will begin in 2018 that were addressed in the Mayor's State of the City address. To read the State of the City Annual Report, visit EdgertonKS.org.

Building a Foundation of Infrastructure

50% of residential streets received 2-inch asphalt overlay **14,500** linear feet of new sidewalk constructed citywide

105 tons of pretreated salt material applied for snow/ice operations **706** new radio-read water meters installed

Completed in 2017

West 8th Street Sidewalk Project:

The West 8th Street Sidewalk project provides a critical link to connect neighborhoods along 8th Street to Edgerton Elementary School and Nelson Street. The project includes approximately 3,500 linear feet of new sidewalk (over ½ a mile) along West 8th Street from Heather Knoll Drive to Nelson Street.

Nelson Street Road Improvements:

The Nelson Street road improvement project built a new concrete roadway from East 6th Street at Edgerton Lake to East 5th Street including improved curb/gutter and stormwater structures. The project also added a new sidewalk through the Nelson Street railroad crossing to Edgerton Lake, providing a safe route for residents walking or biking to the park.

2017 Annual Street Maintenance Program:

Edgerton completed a comprehensive inventory of the condition of the entire roadway network. Using this inventory and geotechnical sampling, the City identified and prioritized streets to be included in the 2017 annual street maintenance program. Bundling streets in zones and procuring competitive bids allowed the City to complete more streets than in previous years. In 2017, the City completed a 2-inch asphalt overlay on over 50% of the residential streets, including several streets that had only been chip and seal previously. In addition, due to cost savings and available funding, the City added a 2-inch overlay to the Martin Creek Park parking lot and drive.

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IMPORTANT DATES:

- City Council Meeting – Thursday, March 8
- City Council Meeting – Thursday, March 22
- Annual Low-Cost Pet Vaccine Clinic – Saturday, March 24
- Pet Registration Deadline – Saturday, March 31
- City Wide Garage Sale – Saturday, May 12
- City Wide Clean Up – Saturday, May 19

A: Edgepert Answer

The National Grange was founded in 1867, in response to declining grain prices following the Civil War. The Grange allowed small farms to band together and take advantage of new agricultural technology. Edgerton Grange No. 435 was formed in the early 1870s. In 1904, the "Edgerton Grange Hall" was constructed after a fire had destroyed the town earlier that year. The Grange used the upstairs and the downstairs was leased to local retail operations. The first commercial tenant downstairs was "The Farmers Store" which sold virtually everything a farmer would need. A stage on the second floor was used in the early 1900s by traveling theater and vaudeville companies. The first floor was later used as a dance hall and a roller skating rink. The City of Edgerton purchased the building from the Grange in 1938 for \$450 and used it to house City offices in the mid 1960s. City offices remain the building today. Edgerton Grange Hall was placed on the "Register of Historic Kansas Places" on December 12, 1998. To see an exhibit featuring the history of the Edgerton Grange and Grange Hall, please visit the Edgerton Community Museum at 406 E. Nelson.

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:

Do you know the history of the Grange organization and Edgerton Grange Hall (City Hall)?

Answer on back.

Building a Foundation of Infrastructure

Completed in 2017 (continued)

Edgerton Wastewater Lift Station:

The City completed construction of a new Wastewater Lift Station adjacent to the Edgerton Wastewater Treatment Facility. The new lift station directed residential flow to the state-of-the-art Big Bull Creek Wastewater Treatment Facility. The Edgerton Wastewater Treatment Facility, originally constructed in 1981, was decommissioned.

To Be Completed in 2018

Nelson Street/4th Street Intersection and Road Construction:

Edgerton plans to kick start the investment in Downtown Edgerton with intersection improvements at 4th Street and Nelson Street. The City has been awarded \$203,000 in CARS grant funding from Johnson County to construct road improvements on Nelson Street (from East 5th Street to East 4th Street) and 4th Street (from Nelson Street to Hulett Street). The project will remove the existing asphalt roadway and replace it with concrete; remove and replace the existing curb and gutter; reconfigure the pedestrian sidewalk system and add new design elements at the intersection as outlined by the Downtown Edgerton Plan, once approved by City Council.

Nelson Street Water Line Replacement:

The Nelson Street Waterline project will replace approximately 2,100 linear feet of ductile iron pipe along Nelson Street from East 3rd Street to just west of West 5th Street.

This project will upgrade the last remaining piece of ductile iron pipe to PVC in the Edgerton system. This project was awarded \$170,000 in Community Development Block Grant funding from Johnson County for construction.

West 3rd Street (South of Highway 56):

To support the new Dollar General in Edgerton, the City will partner with the developer to build a new West 3rd Street just south of 56 Highway. The street will provide easy access for shoppers at Dollar General and construct street access to other lots available for development.

Design of 207th Street Grade Separation:

The City will begin design of the 207th Street Grade Separation over BNSF Railway's transcontinental railroad tracks near Co-op Road. This important project will provide residents the ability to have direct, uninterrupted travel to I-35 and will allow for public safety to have direct, uninterrupted access to the residential community. Construction will begin in 2020.

Parks & Recreation: Connecting with Our Community



Citizen Survey

Edgerton City Council has used citizen surveys as a way to solicit input and feedback from residents. In early 2018, each household will receive a citizen survey asking residents to assess their satisfaction with various City services and rank their priorities for the next two years. Residents are encouraged to participate as this data allows City Council to benchmark services against previous Edgerton survey results and results from cities nationwide. City Council also uses the feedback collected from the biennial survey as a guide when setting City Council goals and objectives for the coming two years. This year's survey will be even more convenient for residents to participate as you will be able to submit your results online. **Watch your mailbox to participate in this important process in helping to shape our community!**

City Honors Janeice Rawles Upon Retirement

Wednesday, March 21
5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. • City Hall

In March, Janeice Rawles, City Clerk for the City of Edgerton, will retire after twenty-five years of service to the City. To show our appreciation for Rawles' service to the Edgerton community, the City will host a retirement reception on Wednesday, March 21st from 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. at City Hall. Please join us in thanking Rawles for her contributions and wishing her well in retirement.



Annual Low-Cost Pet Vaccine Clinic

Saturday, March 24 • 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
305 East Nelson, Downtown Edgerton

Rabies Vaccine \$10 • Distemper/Rabies \$15
Microchip \$15

Help keep your pets happy, healthy and safe with a low-cost rabies vaccination and a city pet license at the annual Edgerton low-cost vaccine clinic. The clinic is for both dogs and cats over six months of age. City pet registration will also be available at the Vaccine Clinic. All animals must be registered with the City by March 31 to avoid penalty. Please call Charlie Lydon, Code Enforcement Office at 913.893.6231 with any questions.

From your Friends at Fire District #1: Safety Tips for Gasoline At Home

- Children should never handle gasoline—keep out of children's sight and reach.
- If fire starts while handling gasoline, do not attempt to extinguish the fire or stop the flow of gasoline. Leave the area immediately and call for help.
- Do not use or store gasoline near possible ignition sources.
- Store gasoline outside the home in a tightly closed metal or plastic container approved by an independent testing laboratory or the local or state fire authorities. Never store gasoline in glass containers or non-reusable plastic containers.
- Store only enough gasoline necessary to power equipment and let machinery cool before refueling.
- Never use gasoline inside the home or as a cleaning agent.
- Clean up spills promptly and discard clean-up materials properly.
- Do not smoke when handling gasoline.
- Never use gasoline in place of kerosene.
- Follow all manufacturer's instructions when using electronic devices near gasoline.

If you have any questions, please call the Fire Department at 913.764.7635.

Third Annual KansasWorks Statewide Job Fair

Thursday, March 8 • 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. • Job seekers can meet, connect and learn at the following locations:

- Leavenworth County Workforce Center
515 Limit Street, Suite 200, Leavenworth, KS 66048
- Johnson County Workforce Center
8535 Bluejacket, Lenexa, KS 66218
- Wyandotte County Workforce Center
626 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66101
- **Learning & Career Center** at Logistics Park Kansas City
30750 W. 193rd Street, Edgerton, KS 66030

For more information, contact your local workforce center at 877.509.6757.

The program is an equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Any Individual with a disability may request accommodations by contacting your local Kansas Workforce Center, 877.509.6757, TDD: 711 or 1.800.766.3777. Requests should be made at least five (5) working days in advance of the job fair.

