

# NEWSLETTER

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Kids enjoying their ice cream at the 2022 Summer Kick-off Block Party.

## Summer Events

### Block Party, Festivals, Outdoor Movies Return in 2023

The City of Edgerton gears up for another busy summer outdoors.

“We have a lot of events in the next three months,” says Recreation Coordinator Brittany Paddock. “We’re bringing back lots of favorites from last summer, including our Animal Wonders series, and adding some new classes for kids and adults. Most of our activities are free or low cost, too!”

Edgerton Parks and Recreation will host their first Movie Night of the Year on May 12, showing E.T., The Extra Terrestrial. The movie will be shown in Martin Creek Park. Make sure to show up early so you can take part in space-themed demonstrations and check out the sky with the KU Astronomy Department. Children can also play with the stomp rocket and a blow-up solar system before the movie starts at dusk.

The Summer Kick-off Block Party returns to Downtown Edgerton on Saturday, June 3 from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. There will be icy treats, bounce houses, games and more. Please mark your calendars and stop by this fun and free community event.

Make sure to read the Recreation Guide and sign up early for any activities that interest you or your family! The Recreation Guide is available anytime at [edgertonks.org](http://edgertonks.org) or find it enclosed with your mailed May utility bill.

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Who's got the prettiest yard in Edgerton? Show off your landscaping skills to your neighbors!



## Best Yard Contest

Who's got the best yard in town?  
Show off your gardening and  
landscaping skills to all your  
neighbors and win a fun prize!

Submit a photo of your spring  
landscaping at [edgertonks.org](http://edgertonks.org) by  
May 15. Just click the photo at the  
top of the homepage. We'll post the  
photos on our Facebook page and  
the yard with the most likes will win  
a gift card and some Edgerton swag!

Winners will be announced before  
Memorial Day weekend.



### Grant Program

## ElevateEdgerton! Renews Beautification Grants

The City of Edgerton's economic development partner, ElevateEdgerton!, announced the renewal of the EDGE grant program for residents, property owners and small business owners within the City of Edgerton. The Encouraging Development and Growth in Edgerton (EDGE) Grants are designed to support residential and commercial improvements and small business growth within the City of Edgerton.

The program offers two options: the Residential and Commercial Beautification Grant and the Small Business Attraction and Expansion Grant.

The Residential and Commercial Beautification Grant provides financial assistance to homeowners, renters, small business owners and property owners located anywhere within Edgerton city limits. The reimbursable grants award 50% of the total project cost up to \$500 for projects that improve the front exterior of properties in Edgerton. Qualifying projects include landscaping, exterior painting, or facade improvements.

ElevateEdgerton! President James Oltman says, "We saw some incredible beautification projects last year and hope we can build on the improvements we saw in the community in 2022."

Full details and the application are available at [elevatedgerton.com/grants](http://elevatedgerton.com/grants)

## Edgerton Food Pantry



The Edgerton Community Food Pantry will be open from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, May 20. It's located at the corner of 4th and Hulett, across the street from the United Methodist Church.

If you'd like to make a donation, you can drop non-perishable items off at City Hall during normal business hours, Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monetary donations can be sent to PO Box 95, Edgerton, KS 66021.

The food pantry is available to every family in the USD 231 district.

Spring Clean-Up

## City-wide Garage Sale and Clean-Up Weekends

The **City-Wide Garage Sale** will take place **May 13, 2023**. If you plan to host a sale, consider registering with City Hall to have your sale listed on the map that is available for bargain shoppers (go to [edgertonks.org](http://edgertonks.org) and click on the calendar or call City Hall during normal business hours). The deadline to get your sale listed on the interactive map is Friday, May 12 at noon.

The following week, you can clear out anything that didn't sell during the annual **City-Wide Clean-Up!** Crews with Gardner Disposal will be coming around **Saturday, May 20** to collect bulky items. Items must be out by 7 a.m.

### ITEMS PICKED UP CURBSIDE:

- Appliances without CFCs
- Furniture - must be able to be lifted by two people
- Carpet- must be cut into 4 ft. rolls, up to 65 lbs. each
- Construction debris (NO CONCRETE)

Hazardous items, like paint and household chemicals, will **not** be collected. Those can be recycled at the Johnson County Hazardous Waste Disposal or at the Olathe HHW Facility. Appointments are required.

**THESE ITEMS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO BE DISPOSED OF CURBSIDE, BUT CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT PUBLIC WORKS FROM 9AM - 1 PM (corner of Nelson and Sunflower):**

- Yard waste
- Freezers and other appliances with CFCs
- Tires\*
- Oil
- Batteries

\*Charges Apply: \$3 per tire 16" and under, \$5 per tire 17" to 22", \$25 for tractor/equipment tires.

Volunteers are available to help seniors move items, but you must contact City Hall at 913.893.6231 by Friday, May 12 to sign up for help.



**Public Safety Town Hall**  
**Monday, May 8**  
**6:00 p.m.**  
**Edgerton Community Hall**

## FD #1: Fire Onboard: How To Prepare

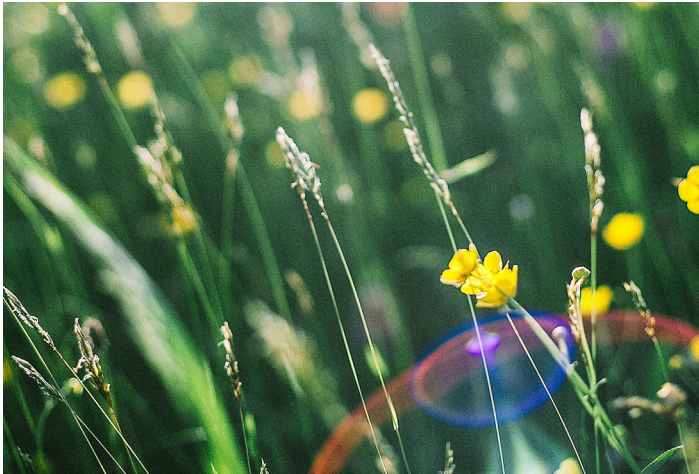


Fires that occur on boats or in marinas can spread quickly and present unique response challenges due to hazardous conditions and limited access.

Follow these tips to help you stay fire safe onboard and in the marina.

If you have any questions, contact Johnson County FD#1 at 913-764-7635.

- **On the boat**, install smoke and carbon monoxide alarms to alert occupants to a fire.
- Have a fire emergency plan and practice it
- Inspect wires, cords, and battery charging equipment to ensure they are installed properly and in good condition
- **In the marina**, ask about the types of fire and emergency features. Know where the fire extinguishers are located and how to escape.
- Inspect shore power connections for any obvious signs of damage or improper installation.



April showers bring May flowers, but also a lot of fast-growing grass. Edgerton's Municipal Code requires that grass be 8 inches tall or less. Any lawn exceeding 8 inches in height may be subject to a citation.

If you have any questions about weeds and grass or other property maintenance issues, please contact Code Enforcement at 913-893-6231.

## Events Coming Up

These are just a few of the recreation events in May. Check out the full schedule and register for Parks and Recreation events at [edgerton.recdesk.com](http://edgerton.recdesk.com) or by calling 913-893-6231 during normal business hours.

Public Meetings are held in-person in City Hall. Anyone wishing to speak must sign up upon arrival.

- May 9 - Tales for Tots  
*Bank of Knowledge*
- May 9- Planning Commission Meeting  
*Edgerton City Hall*
- May 11 - City Council Meeting  
*Edgerton City Hall*
- May 12- Edgerton Movie Night  
*Martin Creek Park*
- May 24 - School's Out Ice Cream Party  
*Community Hall*
- May 25 - City Council Meeting  
*Edgerton City Hall*