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## Meat Inferno Brings BBQ to Downtown Edgerton

The sweet and smoky scents of barbeque will be drifting over Edgerton on October 3 & 4 as Meat Inferno returns for its fourth annual contest.

This KCBS-sanctioned contest is hosted by Edgerton Parks and Recreation and draws teams from across the country and even internationally. Competitive pit masters will grill and smoke up the best chicken, pork, brisket and ribs in this two day contest.

**Friday night is the big night for the community** with a live band, street performances, drinks from Topsy Tavern, and free bbq from Genuswine Brisket Authority while supplies last (donations are appreciated). Our annual Kids 'Q also takes place on Friday night. Children ages 5-15 will be grilling up tasty burgers for our community judges. The best burgers will win prizes. The Kids 'Q is sold out.

On Saturday, local backyard grill masters can participate in our Chicken Wing Challenge for a chance at bragging rights and a \$200 top prize. **Spots are still available.** Everything is provided, just bring your own seasonings and skills.

The meat for both the Kids 'Q and Chicken Wing Challenge is generously provided by Cosentino's Price Chopper.

See inside for road closures and parking info related to Meat Inferno. Full the full schedule of events and to register for the Chicken Wing Challenge, go to [meatinferno.com](http://meatinferno.com).



## Important Contact Information

EMERGENCY.....911

Non-Emergency.....913-782-0720

City Hall.....913-893-6231  
Animal Control  
Public Works  
Municipal Court  
Planning and Zoning

The Greenspace.....913-893-6801

JoCo Fire District #1.....913-764-7635

Edgerton Post Office.....913-893-6784

Gardner Disposal.....913-856-3851

JoCo Library.....913-826-4600

City Hall is located at 404 E Nelson Street. Hours are 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

City Council meetings are held on the second and fourth Thursdays of every month at 7 p.m. in City Hall.

Planning Commission meetings are held on the second Tuesday at 7 p.m. in City Hall.



## Community

### Recycle Autumn Leaves

As leaves begin to fall, residents are reminded to rake their yards to help keep our community safe and clean.

Leaves should never be blown or raked into streets, where they can clog storm drains and cause flooding. Instead, take advantage of the City's yard waste recycling options.

Bag up leaves in biodegradable paper bags and set them curbside for the City's trash hauler to pick up. In October and November, Gardner Disposal will pick up 12 bags per week. Please do not place yard waste in carts, cans or other containers. Tree limbs need to be cut down to 4 ft. lengths and bundled together. Limbs can be a max of 3 inches in diameter.

Leaves can be also be dropped off at the City's Brush Pile, or reused at home as mulch or compost. Thank you for doing your part to keep Edgerton beautiful this fall.

The City's Brush Pile is open by appointment only during the week, weather-permitting. To book your appointment, please call City Hall at 913-893-6231.

## Edgerton Community Food Pantry



The Edgerton Community Food Pantry is located at New City Church along Morgan Street/56 Hwy, just west of the Dollar General.

The food pantry is open from 10am-12pm on the third Saturday of every month. This month's food pantry is on October 18. Volunteers will load food in vehicles.

The food pantry is available to every family in the Gardner Edgerton USD 231 district. Food donations can be dropped off in the blue bin at City Hall. Monetary donations can be mailed to P.O. Box 95, Edgerton, KS 66021.

## Public Works

### 2nd Street/Edgewood/3rd Street Reconstruction Project Updates

Work on the street reconstruction project along E. 2nd Street and Edgewood is well underway. Private utilities including gas, electricity, fiber and cable have now been relocated out of the construction zone allowing the new water, sewer and storm water infrastructure to be placed.

Initially, we had planned to remove and replace Edgewood this year, but significant delays from the private utilities have prompted the City and the contractor to adjust the schedule.

Instead of tearing out Edgewood this year, Kansas Heavy will focus their efforts on installing the concrete along E. 2nd Street, where work can continue into the colder winter months. E. 3rd Street will also see construction this fall. This new phasing pushes the demolition and reconstruction work along Edgewood to 2026.

These revisions allow the overall project to stay on schedule. Impacted residents should have received a letter notifying them of these changes. Updates are also posted on the project webpage at [edgertonks.org/street-reconstruction](http://edgertonks.org/street-reconstruction).



## Parks and Recreation

### Meat Inferno Road Closures and Parking Information



Roads around downtown Edgerton will be blocked off beginning on Friday, October 3 at 7:00 AM. Roads will reopen on Saturday, October 4 at 6:00 PM.

Parking restrictions will be in effect from Thursday afternoon through Saturday evening.

Questions or concerns? Contact Recreation Superintendent Brittany Paddock at 913-893-6801.

## From FD#1: Be Halloween Safe

Halloween is a fun and spooky time of year for kids. If your children are going to Halloween parties at others' homes, have them look for ways out of the home and plan how they would get out in an emergency. Make trick-or-treating safe for your little monsters with a few easy safety tips.

### Did you know:

Decorations are the first thing to ignite in more than 800 reported home fires each year. Nearly one-third of these fires were started by a candle.

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

- When choosing a costume, stay away from long trailing fabric. If your child is wearing a mask, make sure the eyeholes are large enough so they can see out.
- Provide children with flashlights to carry for lighting or glow sticks as part of their costume.
- Dried flowers, cornstalks, and crepe paper catch fire easily. Keep all decorations away from open flames and other heat sources like light bulbs and heaters.
- Use a battery-operated candle or glow-stick in jack-o-lanterns. If you use a real candle, make sure children are watched at all times. Be sure to place lit pumpkins well away from anything that can burn and far enough out of the way of trick-or-treaters, doorsteps, walkways, and yards.



# JOHNSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

## TOWN HALL

OCTOBER 11 | 10 AM

THE GREENSPACE



## October Events

**Public Meetings** are held in-person in City Hall. Anyone wishing to speak must sign up upon arrival. Meetings start at 7pm.

Want to get meeting agendas, parks and recreation info, or other City announcements emailed directly to you? Sign up at [edgertonks.org](http://edgertonks.org) or by calling City Hall at 913-893-6231.

- October 3 & 4 - Meat Inferno  
*Downtown Edgerton*
- October 7 - Culinary Kids: Red Velvet Cupcakes  
*The Greenspace*
- **October 9 - City Council Meeting**  
*Edgerton City Hall*
- **October 14 - Planning Commission Meeting**  
*Edgerton City Hall*
- October 15- Senior Lunch & Bingo  
*The Greenspace*
- **October 22 - City Council Meeting**  
*Edgerton City Hall*
- October 31 - Trunk or Treat  
*Downtown Edgerton*