

Happy New Year



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Upcoming Meetings:

Meetings are held at 7 p.m. at City Hall

Planning Commission

Tuesday, 1/11

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Thursday, 1/13

City Council

Thursday, 1/27

Senior Lunch

Seniors 55+ are invited to
Community Hall on January 19 for
lunch. Lunch will be Mexican food
from Fronteras. Please bring a side
or dessert to share!

A New Year's Note from Mayor Roberts

May 2022 be full of joy, peace and prosperity for you and yours!

I hope your holidays were happy, healthy and that you got to spend quality time with friends and family! I know plans may have been different for many families this year, but hopefully you were still able to celebrate the reason for the season and ring in the New Year. Please take care of yourself, your family, friends and neighbors. You'll be amazed at how one small action of kindness could lift someone up.

We recently cut the ribbon on the new 207th Street Grade Separation. Hopefully, you've had a chance to drive over the new bridge. This important public safety infrastructure upgrade means that police, fire and ambulances no longer have to worry about not being able to reach residents if a train is blocking the crossings. In the words of Chief Dennis Meyers, "this bridge will save lives." Without LPKC, the 207th Street Grade Separation would not have been possible. We also thank the County for a \$1 million CARS grant to round out the funding. While the majority of the construction work is finished, you'll still see crews out working to finish up the road striping and painting this spring.

I'd like to invite everyone to attend a Public Safety Town Hall later this month. This is an excellent chance for you to meet the men and women who protect and serve our community. The town hall will bring together leaders from the Sheriff's Department, Fire District #1 and MED-ACT to talk about important issues in the community. Events like this help foster creative solutions that benefit everyone. **The Public Safety Town Hall will be held on January 20 at 6:30 p.m. in Community Hall.** Please put it on your calendars and make plans to attend!

2022 is shaping up to be a busy year with several very exciting projects. I hope you'll attend the annual State of the City address in February to hear more about what's to come. We have an excellent City Council to guide our City into the future and a great staff to get the work done!

-Mayor Donald Roberts



Dates To Remember:

Senior Lunch
Wednesday, 1/19

Superhero Wake-Up
Monday, 1/17

Totally Rad 80s Prom
Murder Mystery
Saturday, 1/29

Contact Us:

City Hall is open weekdays
from 8:00 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.

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*If you have a good story or
questions about Edgerton, we
want to know!*

Email Kara Banks at kbanks@edgertonks.org or call City Hall. Your question may be featured in an upcoming newsletter.

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New Edgerton City Council Sworn In

The City of Edgerton has a new governing body. New and returning members of the Edgerton City Council were sworn in on Thursday, December 9. Voters re-elected Mayor Donald Roberts and Council Member Joshua Lewis and elected Council Member Josie Stambaugh on November 2.

City Clerk Alex Clower administered the oaths of office for each person.

Council members then elected Clay Longanecker as Council President. The Council President presides over meetings if the mayor is absent. To get to know your Council Members, check out edgertonks.org/City-Council-profiles.

Members of the City Council are responsible for discussing and guiding the overall direction of the City through the adoption of City policy, ordinances, and resolutions. Each member of the Governing Body is elected at-large and serves a term of four years.

The Edgerton City Council meets on the second and fourth Thursdays of every month at 7 p.m. in City Hall.



Parks & Recreation Events: January



There's more too! You can find a full listing and register for all events by going to edgerton.recdesk.com or by calling City Hall at 913.893.6231 during normal business hours.

Women's Night Out: Bunco - January 14 at 7:00 p.m. in Community Hall

Come play Bunco with the girls at Community Hall! Bunco is a social group dice game that requires no prior experience. The Edgerton Parks and Recreation Department will provide a mocktail. Guests are invited to bring a dessert to share with the group. Pre-register online at edgerton.recdesk.com by January 12.

Superhero Wake-Up - January 17 at 9:00 a.m. in Community Hall

Are you training to be the next Batman, Wonder Woman, or Iron Man? Grab your favorite cape and fly down to Community Hall to show off your superpowers. We'll make magic slime, take pictures of you soaring through the sky, and play training games to help perfect your superpowers! \$9 per person. Register online at edgerton.recdesk.com by January 12.

Totally Rad 80s Prom Murder Mystery - January 29 at 7:00 p.m. in Community Hall

Tease up that big hair and groom your mullet as we go back to the 1980's for Mayhem High's Prom Night. You'll uncover clues as the evening unfolds to help you solve the mystery! Register at edgerton.recdesk.com by January 26.

Did You Know?

Notify JoCo is the way you can get weather, street, water, or other emergency notifications sent directly to your phone or email. The City uses Notify JoCo during winter weather events to notify residents about snow events and when you must move your vehicle off the road to allow plows to pass. Register for text, email or phone call notifications at notifyjoco.org or by calling 913-826-5555.

NotifyJoCo.org

Preventing Frozen Pipes	
 Know where your main water shutoff valve is so you can turn off the water quickly if needed	 Open cabinet doors under sinks to let warm air flow around the supply lines.
 Disconnect garden hoses and winterize sprinkler systems	 Keep your thermostat above 55° F
 Find and seal holes or cracks that could let in cold air	 Insulate pipes that are prone to freezing in attic or crawl space



The ribbon cutting for the 207th Street Grade Separation was held on December 20. This new public safety infrastructure upgrade means that firefighters, ambulances and police services no longer have to worry that they could be blocked by trains.

"This bridge isn't a game changer, it is a life saving project. And it will help us save lives," said Johnson County Fire District #1 Chief Dennis Meyers during the ceremony.

This \$15 million project was built using revenues from Logistics Park Kansas City and a grant from the Johnson County CARS program. No city general fund dollars were used on this project.

Holiday Home Decorating Contest Winners

Edgerton Parks and Recreation is excited to announce the winning homes in this year's Holiday Home Decorating Contest.

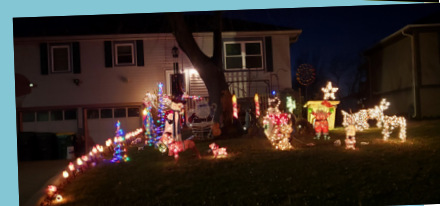
1st place: 1006 W. 4th

2nd place: 300 W. 7th

3rd place: 509 W. Meriwood

Each of the winners will receive a letter with information about how to collect their prizes and an invitation to the January 13 City Council meeting for a special recognition.

Thank you to everyone that participated for making our town sparkle during the holidays!



From Your Friends at FD #1: Carbon Monoxide Safety

More than 150 people in the U.S. die every year from accidental nonfire-related carbon monoxide poisoning. Carbon monoxide or CO is a colorless and odorless gas. CO poisoning can occur when a fuel-burning appliance or machine, such as a furnace, heater or generator, is not working or vented properly. Breathing in CO at high levels can be fatal. Here are a few tips to keep you and your family safe:



- Install and maintain CO alarms inside your home to provide early warning of CO.
- Install CO alarms in a central location outside each separate sleeping area and on every level of your home.
- Use portable generators outdoors in well-ventilated areas away from all doors, windows and vents.
- Make sure vents for the dryer, furnace, stove and fireplace are clear of snow and other debris.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Johnson County Fire District #1 at 913.764.7635.

Public Safety Town Hall

January 20, 2022
6:30 p.m.
Community Hall



? Edgepert: Do You Know The History of the Community Museum?

The owner of the house, Donna Bratton (Brassfield), donated the house to the City of Edgerton in 2004 with the condition that if and when the City was able to move the house, she would like it moved so she could sell the property it sat on at 315 E. Martin Street. In October of 2005, a building moving company from Wamego, KS., Valley Moving Company, moved the Bratton house to its current location. The moving company would pick one historical structure a year to move at no cost, and in 2005, they picked the Bratton house. In 2006, some inmates from Lansing, on a work release program, spent about six weeks refurbishing the house.

The house is a turn of the century "shotgun" style house built around 1900 for railroad workers. The Brassfields bought it in the 1940's, and it served as their family home for many years on Martin Street.

On October 19, 2013, the Bratton house opened as the Edgerton Community Museum, with a grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony. In just over eight years of operation, the museum has had visitors from Spain, South Africa, Canada, New York, California, and all points in between, and has had approximately 3,000 visitors in total since it opened in 2013!

