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## What's Buzzing in May?

Dear Neighbors,

During our last meeting, David Mancini & Sons Inc. (DMSI) gave us an update on the stormwater project in Edgewood. They are ahead of schedule and will be finishing up with Stage 1 of five stages very soon. The company will do interim paving of the roads, however, the streets will be professionally paved at the end of the project. If you have any issues with noise, garbage being picked up, or any other issues due to construction, please let the City, DMSI, or myself know so we can help.



We will be having two speakers at our May 4, ECA meeting. Ms. Elise Samet the Program Manager of Canine Assisted Therapy will be speaking about their services, the basic requirements to become a pet therapy team, and where you can go to register for an orientation. Our second speaker is a resident of Edgewood. Ms. Sarah Boyd is the Volunteer Services Engagement Manager for the Broward Center. She will inform us about the Broward Center and the volunteer opportunities to join their team for an amazing 2022/2023 season.

Not only are our speakers looking for volunteers but so is the ECA! We are always in need of individuals to help volunteer around the neighborhood and for Green Your Routine events held by the city. Your volunteer time with Green Your Routine also helps the ECA earn money! Secondly, we are looking for a few volunteers that are either good with numbers or tech-savvy; the association is hoping to find individuals to assist with either the accounting or our newsletter. If interested and you want to help out your neighborhood, please reach out to Veronica Maher at treasurer@edgewoodcivic.org

As always, if you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at president@edgewoodcivic.org.

Wendy Ballantine Wills

The next ECA meeting

is Wednesday, May 4th at 6:45 pm.

We are back in person at the clubhouse and look forward to seeing you all there!



We have a jam-packed meeting with guest speakers; Elise Samet - Program Manager for Canine Assisted Therapy, Sarah Boyd -Volunteer Services Engagement Manager at Broward Center for the Performing Arts as well as an officer from FLPD and Code Enforcement.

Clubhouse Address: 1790 SW 32nd St Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33315

### **Volunteer Ushers Needed**

Broward Center for the Performing Arts.



Volunteer in the wonderful world of entertainment while giving back to the community at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts.

Join our team for an amazing 2022/2023 season that includes Broadway's newest hits, the hottest concert acts and comedy legends, Ballet, Operas, Symphonies and so much more!

Attend the upcoming ECA meeting on May 4<sup>th</sup> to learn more from Sarah Boyd, the volunteer services engagement manager from the Broward Center, or click HERE for more details.

### **Great American Beach Party**

Saturday, May 28th 11 am - 6:30 pm Las Olas Oceanside Park



Kick off the summer on Memorial Day weekend at the Great American Beach Party, a tradition in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Celebrate with family and friends as a portion of Fort Lauderdale's world famous beach transforms into an entertainment mecca.

Highlights from this free, family event include live bands, a military tribute, a sand sculpting demonstration, DJ, classic car show, an art show, vendors and exhibitors.

### **Fiber Installation**

AT&T will start installing an



Integrated Fiber Plan in Edgewood.

Work will be done in the rear easement of properties on the pole lines. Some minor tree trimming and cable placement work will also be done on existing lines.

AT&T will add to the existing line to provide an option for fiber service to each home (Giga Power). There will also be a

section of excavation on 12<sup>th</sup> Ave, which has been permitted and approved by the city.

Look for signs and door hangers with additional information.

# Lend a Helping Paw

### By: Elise Samet

Canine Assisted Therapy (C.A.T.) is a nonprofit organization located in Oakland Park, FL that provides free pet therapy visits to children and adults in need at facilities like hospitals, schools, treatment centers, foster care, VA centers, and nursing homes, etc.

Founded in 2009 with the goal of improving the safety, effectiveness, and efficiency of pet therapy services, C.A.T.'s high



standards, and advanced evaluation process has made them one of the leading pet therapy organizations in South Florida. Its mission is to improve the health and well-being of individuals by achieving specific physical, cognitive, social, or emotional goals through the use of certified pet therapy teams and the power of the human-animal bond.

Currently, C.A.T. has over 100 volunteer pet therapy teams throughout the tricounty area. Handlers and their therapy dogs provide uplifting visits to pediatric patients, isolated seniors, Veterans, at-risk youth, individuals battling mental health disorders, and many others. The positive interaction experienced with a therapy dog promotes connection, communication, and camaraderie.

From literacy programs for struggling readers to transitional support after traumatic events, C.A.T.'s pet therapy teams provide healing to others through active listening, empathy, and the unconditional love only a therapy dog can give.

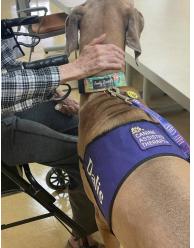
Interested in volunteering as a pet therapy team with C.A.T.? The first step is to attend an online orientation to learn about the certification process and the qualities they look for in a therapy dog.

You can read more about this on their **WEBSITE**. Upcoming orientation dates and registration can be found **HERE**.

For more information about C.A.T.'s programs and services or to make a donation, visit **catdogs.org** or call **(954) 990-5175**.



Maggie loves nose rubs



Dalis looking forward to his visits



The staff at Westside Regional loves our doggies too!

## Support the ECA!



The ECA's mission is to protect the interests of our community and its residents and to ensure that our neighborhood thrives and is a great place to live, work, and play.

Become a member today and Enroll Here. You can also contribute directly via PayPal or send a completed Membership Form and check to:

Edgewood Civic Association PO Box 21413 Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33335



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# Lets Green Your Routine



## Being "Green" also means taking care of the Big Blue!

Help protect Florida's marine resources, and become a Reef Ranger. The Lionfish Outreach and Control Program began in 2014 to educate the public about the negative effects of invasive lionfish and to encourage the removal of the invasive species from Florida reefs and waters.

As a Reef Ranger, you can get involved in the Lionfish Challenge, a summer-long lionfish tournament open to participants from anywhere within the state of Florida. The tournament is free and open to all ages.

The goal of the challenge is to encourage and reward recreational and commercial divers to remove lionfish from Florida waters.

#### Learn More HERE

Edgewood participates in Fort Lauderdale's **Green Your Routine** Program. Interested in becoming a volunteer and helping us earn money for our neighborhood? Send us an email!

Click HERE to learn more!

### **FTL Happenings**

- Calendar of Events
- City Commission Meetings
- Stormwater Updates



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