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# Say Hi to July!

Dear Neighbors,

Summer has arrived! Children have ended their school year and many families are taking off for summer vacation. Our meetings will start back up again on September 7<sup>th</sup>, at our clubhouse. The board of Edgewood Civic Association will still be addressing issues in your neighborhood.



The Stormwater project continues in full force. Please be aware of the constant changing detours

throughout our neighborhood. As you navigate the construction, please drive slowly.

Hurricane season is here through December 1. Being prepared is important, so make sure you have the necessary supplies, such as food, water, and batteries. It is important to have the trees on your property clear of all power lines. This is the responsibility of the homeowner.

It is official that Airbnb is permanently banning all parties and events at its rental properties around the world. Edgewood has a few Airbnb's and most have not been too much of a problem. The company believes there is a "direct correlation" between the implantation of the policy in August 2020 and a 44% year-over-year drop in the rate of party reports. Airbnb has also capped all occupancies at 16 due to preventing the spread of the Covid virus.

In this newsletter is information from the law firm representing the investors who want to build Pickleball courts at Snyder Park. Please read what they have proposed. A few of us board members were present on June 22, at the Parks and Recreation meeting to hear their proposal. We will keep Edgewood informed as this project progresses.

Edgewood Civic Association is seeking a treasurer to join our board. This is a great way to volunteer and help the neighborhood in which you live. Being on the board is a great way to be a part of positive change and to have a strong impact in the community.

As always, if you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please do not

hesitate to contact me at president@edgewoodcivic.org.

Wendy Ballantine Wills

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### The next ECA meeting is **Wednesday**, **September 7th** at 6:45 pm.



The September guest presenter has not yet

been determined. We will announce that, as soon we have determined who it will be.

As always, an officer from FLPD and Code Enforcement will be attending.

### Clubhouse Address:

1790 SW 32nd St Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33315



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City Commission's top priorities for 2022

Homelessness and Housing Opportunities,

# **Star Light Musicals**

Fridays - Holiday Park 7 - 10 PM June 10 - August 12



- July 8 Remix
- July 15 Andrews Morris
- July 22 Southern Blood
- July 29 Valerie Tyson Band
- August 5 Studio 54
- August 12 Shane Duncan

# 17th Annual Children's BookFest

The 17th Annual Infrastructure and Resilience, Parks and Public Places, and Transportation and Traffic.

Progress on these priorities is shared monthly in the form of LauderTrac newsletters.

The City Commission identified six additional priorities for this year: Community Response and Safety, Economic Diversification, Historic Preservation, Smart Growth, Waterway Quality, and Workforce Training and Education. Progress on these priorities is shared quarterly in a <u>memo</u> from the City Manager to the City Commission.

To sign up for City e-news click HERE.

Children's BookFest is the official kick-off to Broward County Library's Summer



Learning Program with the theme "Oceans of Possibilities".

Children are encouraged to sign up for the Summer Learning Program and pick up a FREE book and a Take & Make craft. This free festival offers children the opportunity to see outstanding children's entertainers and much more.

Click **HERE** for more info.

# Pickle Ball Courts and Additional Facilities for Snyder Park

We are excited to announce that the City Commission approved moving forward to begin negotiations on a comprehensive agreement



between the City and My Park Initiative to construct a pickleball facility to serve the Fort Lauderdale community. This proposal was submitted under the public private partnership statute, known as the P3 statute, which provides for confidentiality of the proposal until it is formally approved by the Commission. This is just beginning. We are now available to discuss the details of the proposal and to solicit community input. The negotiations will continue with the City and there will be ample time to meet with the neighborhoods and other community stakeholders.

We presented our vision at the Parks and Recreation Board meeting where it was well-received by the board and also received feedback from the community. It was an overview as nothing has been finalized. The section of Snyder Park that we are proposing is on the southwest corner. It is a section that currently houses a large seaweed mound, a trash transfer station, and a parking site and offices for the Parks and Recreation department.

Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the nation and the demand for courts far outweighs what the City has constructed. Private Fort Lauderdale citizens, who have fallen in love with the game, stepped up to revitalize and repurpose this section of the park that was previously not accessible to the public and will reactivate the beach so that the community not only has a state-of-the-art pickleball facility but many other amenities to enjoy.

This facility will be separate from the rest of the park with its own entrance and parking off 9th Avenue. There will be a pedestrian gate allowing access to and from the park, but the plan is to preserve the remainder of the park as it is because it is filled with beautiful landscape and wildlife, and its passive nature is enjoyed by many. In speaking with the Edgewood community, we are aware of existing noise issues with recurring concerts and potential traffic. We have already met with the County to discuss a much-needed traffic light on 9th and Perimeter Road. Additionally, we have performed decibel studies and pickleball will be a quiet alternative for the adjacent residents.

We have months to go before we finalize our site plan and look forward to meeting with the Edgewood community to hear valuable feedback.

#### Ellyn Setnor Bogdanoff

Shareholder Becker & Poliakoff

# Summer Learning Program

# **June 1 - August 13th** Theme: Oceans of Possibility

Spend the summer winning prizes for reading, learning, and trying new things. Read and learn with us this summer!

In addition to free, amazing events, there will be giveaways. Readers of all ages can register for challenges making them eligible for chances to win great prizes from Wendy's, Museum of Discovery and Science, Miami Children's Museum, Water Taxi, Butterfly World, Everglades Holiday Park, Miami Heat, Florida Panthers, Shake Shack, Zoo Miami, Bluefoot Pirate Adventures and more.



How it works:

- Create a Broward County Library Beanstack account
- Log the books you've read on Beanstack's website or in the Beanstack Tracker app (Apple or Android)
- Read, write reviews, and complete activities anytime between June 1 and August 13 to earn chances to win prizes

If your reader is a Broward County Public Schools student, be sure to link their school and public library accounts so their reading gets logged in both places all summer.

If you need assistance with your Beanstack account please email us at BCLSummer@broward.org

Click **HERE** for more info.

# **Choosing and Installing Mulches**

"Organic" mulches are made from once-living materials like wood and leaves. UF/IFAS Mulch is used to cover the soil in a landscape or garden. It is often composed of tree bark, leaves, needles, wood, or grass. Sometimes mulch is made from stone and other inorganic materials, such as recycled tires.

Read on for answers to common mulching questions and a list of mulch types. We also offer help calculating how much mulch to purchase for your project.

Water savings, erosion control, weed suppression, and of course aesthetic appeal — there are so many reasons to add mulch to your landscape!

# Why should I use mulch?

Proper mulching is an essential component of any Florida-

Friendly landscape. Perhaps most importantly, it is the cornerstone of a great weed-control program. Mulch keeps the soil moist longer after irrigation, too. This gives plant roots extra time to soak up water. Mulch also protects plants' roots from extreme temperatures by creating a buffer between the soil and the air. These isolated beds would be too difficult to mow or irrigate. Mulch keeps them looking tidy. UF/IFAS

And mulch isn't just good for your plants; it's good for your soil. Organic mulches can add nutrients to the soil as they decompose. This improves your soil's aeration, structure, drainage, and ability to hold nutrients. Mulch can even help reduce erosion and protect plants from certain diseases.

Of course, choosing mulch is as much about appearances as it is about landscape health. In areas of deep shade, turfgrass and ornamental plants won't thrive. And some areas are too difficult to mow or irrigate to sustain healthy turf. Consider mulch as an attractive and Florida-Friendly alternative to bare ground in these shady and problematic areas.

## Read more about mulching at:

https://gardeningsolutions.ifas.ufl.edu/care/planting/mulch.html

# 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:



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# Lets Green Your Routine



## **Residential Bulk Waste Collection**

The Bulk Trash Pickup Program features collection of large household items and tree trimmings, up to 10 cubic yards in size, for residential customers. Items accepted for bulk trash pickup include: appliances, furniture, carpet, mattresses, and toys. Please do not place tires in bulk piles.

#### **Schedules and Routes**

Bulk trash is collected once per month. Edgewood's pick-up is the 1st Thursday of the month. If you cannot wait for your collection day, you may schedule an appointment for pick-up. There is a fee for this service.

#### **Set Out Instructions**

Please place all items at least four feet away from any waste carts, mailboxes, trees, and/or power lines. Avoid blocking storm drains; lay items in such a way as to minimize the likelihood of them blowing over.

#### Alternatives to Bulk Trash Pick-Up

Often, the items you place in bulk trash can actually be useful to others. Before you throw something away, please investigate whether donating, scrapping, or otherwise disposing of your old items is a possibility. Find out more here.

#### **Yard Waste**

Yard waste, such as tree branches and large quantities of leaves in boxes/bags, may also be set out on bulk collection days.

#### More Information

For all questions regarding Bulk Trash or other sanitation and Clean City services, please call the 24-Hour Customer Service Center at 954-828-8000 or online.

Download the Bulk Trash Program Information Guide Download the Bulk Trash

Pickup Schedule Map.

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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