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Edgewater Neighborhood Newsletter
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Ring in Spring!

Welcome to the Edgewater Neighborhood! We're excited about the upcoming spring and summer seasons and have a lot planned to make them special for our residents.

This spring, look for new flowers to bloom in the planters at the Auburn Street bridge. Several hundred tulip bulbs were donated by the Rockford Park District and planted this past October by Tim Moore, Joe Winkelmann and other volunteers.

We've got the following events on the calendar: our annual Easter Egg Hunt, Neighborhood Garage Sale and 4th of July festivities. They're just some of the annual events that make this a great place to live!

Like us on Facebook:
[Facebook.com/edgewaterneighborhoodassociation](https://www.facebook.com/edgewaterneighborhoodassociation)
and visit our website:
Rockfordedgewater.org
for updates and info

Let Us Know
We want to know what you'd like to see and hear from us! Either contact a Board Member or email Juanita Hickerson, juanitahickerson@gmail.com.

Upcoming meetings:
March 20
April 17
May 15
June 19

Monthly neighborhood meetings generally take place on the third Wednesday of the month, 5:30 pm at Rockford Country Club and **everyone is invited to attend**. Our next meeting is Wednesday, March 20. A complimentary light supper is served; attendees are responsible for the cost of their own beverages. See you there!

Easter Egg Hunt
Saturday, March 30
10 a.m.
Oxford Park

Hop On Over!

Bring the kids for springtime fun at our annual Edgewater Easter Egg Hunt. The Easter Bunny and crew have been working hard to gather and hide thousands of eggs for the kids to discover! So everyone has a better chance of filling their baskets, younger tots and older kids will search in separate groups. This event promises to create some priceless memories, so **don't forget to bring your camera!**

Join us for fun and giggles!

'Twas the Holiday Season

And we celebrated as a neighborhood with two big holiday events: our first Edgewater holiday party at Rockford Country Club and our annual luminaria display.

The decorations were festive, the food was delicious and the conversation was flowing at the holiday party. Thanks again to Rockford Country Club and our board for working together to make this happen.

On luminaria night, the decorations were also festive! Thanks to Jeff Orput and crew for organizing this great neighborhood effort. Photos are posted on our facebook page.

What Are My Dues For?

Seasonal Neighborhood Activities

Easter Egg Hunt and Fourth of July in the Park
Snow Plowing of Alleys: We pool our resources to plow the alleys, as the city does NOT do so.

Annual Neighborhood Garage Sale

Organization Fees: All fees are kept to a minimum.

Luminaria In common areas

Watering of Auburn Street Planters

Edgewater Neighborhood Garage Sale

Make some extra cash (and a little extra room)!

Clean out your closets, basement, attic and garage and mark your calendars now for Saturday, June 8, 8am to 5pm

Fill out the entry form on page 2 to participate.

2013 Edgewater Membership Form

Please mail your completed form with check to:

Edgewater Neighborhood Association
PO Box 515
Rockford, IL 61105

Membership Dues: \$15.00

Snowplow Fund: \$ _____
(Any amount is welcome.)

Other: \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

(All information is used only for Edgewater-related communication)

Pay online at
rockfordedgewater.org
with **Pay-Pal!**

Association Wish List**Got Space?**

We're looking for space to house the 200 milk cartons that our luminaria crew places along the bridge and common areas. If you have a lofted garage area or other nook where they can be tucked out of your way, please contact Jeff Orput at jorput@comcast.net

Got Sound?

We are considering purchasing a PA system to use for community events like the Fourth of July Festival. Our ideal would be: a compact, battery-powered system with a cordless microphone and a speaker with a built-in amplifier. If you or someone you know has a system like this for sale at a reasonable price, please contact Tim Moore at 815-520-3629.

Garage Sale Entry Form**Saturday, June 8, 8am – 5 pm****Form and funds must be returned by June 1, 2013**

Please mail your completed form with check to:
Edgewater Neighborhood Association
c/o Jeff Orput 2130 Clinton St
Rockford, IL 61103

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____
(All information is used for Edgewater-related communication)

Garage Sale Entry Fee: \$6.
Covers ad in newspaper, neighborhood signs and map

Items you will be offering at the garage sale:

You may also pay for your entry fee online at RockfordEdgewater.org. If you do so, please email your list of sale items to Jeff Orput at jorput@comcast.net.

Edgewater Officers and Board Members

We'd like to thank Bill Simpson, who has been doing a great job as our temporary secretary in recent months and has agreed to officially become our secretary.

President
John Beck 815.289.4787

Vice President
Tim Moore

Treasurer
Dick Berman 815.289.3553

Secretary
Bill Simpson

Board Members
Stan Arnold
Barb Berman
David Griffith
Tim Moore
Jeff Orput
Bill Simpson
Drew Williams

12th Ward Alderman
John Beck 815.289.4787,
John.beck@rockfordil.gov

Community Services Officer
Jeff Andrews 815.987.8276,
Jeff.andrews@rockfordil.gov

Spring Cleaning
Join us for the Great American Cleanup

Saturday, April 27
9 am – Noon

Bring the kids and join your neighbors for a community cleanup. Visit Rockfordedgewater.org or our Facebook page for details.

As the weather turns warm spend a few minutes in your front and back yard to make the neighborhood even more beautiful!

Alleys: Remove any dead leaves, stray trash and any piles of "stuff". Sweep your section of apron/driveway.

Streets: Clear any remaining leaves or stray trash from the curbs in front of your homes to ensure that spring rains can get to our storm sewer inlets.

Fourth of July in the Park

Bike Parade and Fireworks

Thursday, July 4
6:30 pm: Bike Parade
Dusk: Fireworks
Oxford Park

Start planning now to join us for the classic Edgewater event, our annual Fourth of July Festival!

Hey kids, you could win a really cool prize! How will you decorate *your* bike?

The bicycle parade, a neighborhood favorite, will begin at 6:30 pm for kids seven and under and 7:00 pm for kids eight and older. Prizes will be awarded to the best three decorated bikes in each group.

After the bicycle parade, kick back and enjoy music, popcorn, candy and soft drinks. The fireworks will get underway at dusk, courtesy of Rockford Country Club.

Bring the kids and grandma and grandpa to take in all the fun! There's no better way to be a part of a true neighborhood experience, and there's no fighting the traffic to get home afterwards.

At the Rockford Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Thrift Shop *Spring has sprung!*

Bring in this ad for \$2 off any purchase of \$5 or more!
(Good through April 30, 2013 - one coupon per purchase per customer)

At the Auxiliary Thrift Shop you'll find...

- Clothing
- Jewelry
- Housewares
- Books
- Antiques/collectibles
- Unexpected treasures

All proceeds benefit Rockford Health System.

STORE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.


DONATIONS ACCEPTED DURING STORE HOURS

815-971-4156

2830 Glenwood Avenue

(On the Rockford Memorial Hospital campus)

Free blood pressure screenings
second Thursday of each month
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

 **ROCKFORD HEALTH**
system

Respectful Care

Membership Has Its Perks – and It's Not Too Late to Join!

Did you know that members receive exclusive discounts at participating local restaurants and stores. Membership dues are only \$15 per household! Keep our neighborhood thriving and enjoy the side benefit of discounts at local businesses with your membership card. Discount partners are listed here and on the website under Member Benefits; we hope to grow them in the coming year. Let's support each other!

Der Rathskeller**Edgewater Mondays at Der Rathskeller**

Buy one dinner, get half off the second dinner when you show your Edgewater membership card. Mondays only.

The Olympic Tavern**Edgewater Wednesdays at The Olympic Tavern**

Buy one dinner, get half off the second dinner when you show your Edgewater membership card. Wednesdays only.

Pino's On Main**Edgewater Weekdays at Pino's on Main**

Receive a FREE pitcher of pop and one refill when you purchase a 16- or 18-inch pizza OR a total order exceeding \$20 (not including tax or tip). Dine in only, Monday through Thursday.