EASTGATE news

NEXT MEETING FEBRUARY 2 AT 6:30 PM AT EASTGATE ELEMENTARY

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Mark your calendars!

The Eastgate summer picnic will be held on Saturday, August 29.

Eastgate News provides a forum for neighborhood & city events, ideas, and interests. We want it to stimulate interest & participation in neighborhood life & promote a sense of community. It is YOUR newsletter, so we would love to hear from you! Please submit contributions to our officers or on our website.

The **Capital Kids Program** is designed to provide children with a safe place to learn and play after school. In addition to academic assistance, children receive a nutritious hot meal or snack and free weekend take home groceries.

The program facilitates education in anger management, substance abuse, bullying, violence, and peer mediation.

Eastgate resident and board member Eric Neal brought this powerful program to the attention of EGGCA. A decision was made to pay the fee for five deserving Eastgate Elementary children as chosen by Principal Cynthia Ball.

In addition to helping the children, this was also done in an attempt to show good will toward our neighbors at Nelson Park apartments. We will continue to try to find opportunities to reach out to our neighbors.

The **EGGCA mission** is to educate, support and promote a secure, attractive, and inviting residential neighborhood while upholding our values of community volunteerism, organized events, and public engagement.

If you would like to support this mission, please consider paying your membership dues. It's not too late!

Annual dues are \$15 per resident. You can bring the dues to the monthly neighborhood meeting or mail to EGGCA: P.O. Box 132331, Columbus, OH 43213

Around the city in February...

Stuck inside this winter with the kids? Did you know that all branches of **Columbus Metropolitan Library** offer story time? Something is available every day! Here are a few, but check out the library's website for more!

February 9: Baby Lap Time, main branch, 10:30 a.m.

February 10: Preschool Storytime, Shepard branch, 10:00 a.m. / Toddler Storytime, main branch, 10:30 a.m. February 11: Preschool Storytime, MLK branch, 10:00 a.m. / Toddler Storytime, main branch, 10:30 a.m. February 17: Reading Buddies (K-3rd), main branch, 4:30 p.m.

Family Fun: Valentines Day

Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens, 1777 E. Broad Street, Columbus February 14, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Admission: \$6-\$13

Red hearts and sweet treats! Create a Valentine for your special Valentine and decorate a cookie.

Free winery tours

Wyandotte Winery, 4640 Wyandotte Drive, Columbus February 21, 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Grab a glass of wine and join us for a fun, informative tour of the first and oldest winery in central Ohio. You will learn about the history of Wyandotte and the process of making wine. The tour lasts an hour, but stay after for lunch or wine tasting.

A very festive THANK YOU

to Kristen and Marcus for hosting the Eastgate holiday party!

The turnout was great and so was the mulled wine!



Did the children in your family enjoy last year's inaugural Eastgate Easter egg hunt?

EGGCA is seeking volunteers that are interested in coordinating the second Easter egg hunt. Please contact Casey Crisp (see contact info on first page) if you are interested.

The hunt will take place on March 28 ONLY If we find interested volunteers.

This project is made possible through the generous contributions of several organizations in support of the Neighborhood Partnership Grants program.







