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Editor's Corner

Hello Everyone...as summer begins and school is ending, I hope everyone has a safe and happy season. Please look on page 3 to see that the picnic for the flood survivors has been rescheduled. Also, Reverend Ekas of the Oakdale U.P. Church is still petitioning personal stories from the flood of 2004. He is in the process of writing a book of the events and would like stories of those involved. You can submit your story directly to him at the Oakdale U.P. church or by e-mailing the paper, which I will then forward to him.

Please contact the paper by phone at (724) 693-8691 or e-mail at editor@oakdaleborough.com. You can also visit our website at www.oakdaleborough.com.

Until next time...

Jonathan DeBor
Editor



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Borough Receives Commendation!

Oakdale Borough is proud to report that the Allegheny County Health Department has prepared certificates for commendation for 29 community water systems which have exemplary compliance records in 2004. Oakdale Borough has been selected as one of those water systems and has received a certificate of achievement. The certificate states: "In recognition of National Drinking Water Week, May 1-7, 2005, for operating its drinking water system in 2004 in compliance with all water quality, treatment, and monitoring requirements; for properly disposing of water treatment wastes; and for implementing an approved Operation & Maintenance Plan, Emergency Response Plan, and Cross-Connection Control Program." After all the devastation after the flood of 2004, the Borough is proud to accept this award and looks forward to the future.

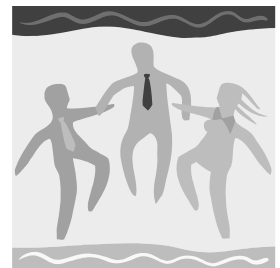
Benefit Fundraiser

Lisa Beaumont Bittner is one of those people that everyone knows simply by her first name, "Lisa." Lisa is kind, caring and compassionate. Lisa has always done for others and now we have an opportunity, as a community, to reciprocate and do for Lisa. Lisa has been battling multiple myeloma for two years now and is facing the challenge of a stem cell transplant.

The purpose of this benefit is to help Lisa and her boys get through this difficult time and ease the issues that may arise as Lisa focuses on her fight to beat cancer.

Benefit for Lisa Beaumont Bittner

Spaghetti Dinner, Bake Sale, Chinese Auction, and 50/50
Sunday June 5th
Oakdale Community Center
Dinner served 3:00-7:00
Tickets \$5.00
Volunteers/Donations/Questions:
(412) 758-3441 or marciacootsie@yahoo.com



Upcoming Events

Below are the dates for many of the upcoming events in Oakdale Borough this summer. Check back in future issues for more details.

June 25th—**Summer Concert In The Square**

July 16th through July 23rd—**The Oakdale Hose Company Fireman's Carnival**

August 27th—**An Afternoon & Evening Hawaiian Luau**

September 17th—**1st Anniversary Celebration of the recovery from Oakdale's worst flood in history**

Borough & Local News and Reminders

The Borough Council meetings are held on the 1st Wednesday of the month at the Community Center at 7:30PM.

If you are remodeling or putting in a new driveway, you must notify the Building Inspector, Steve Rosso, at (724) 693-0514. Note that no building permit is required for replacing sidewalks in front of your house.

The Oakdale Community Center is available for weddings, banquets, etc. Please contact Connie Hoffman at (724) 693-9740 for hall rental information. Note that there is **No Smoking** at the Community Center.

Oakdale Youth League: The Oakdale Youth League regular meetings are on the second Wednesday of the month at 6:30PM. For more information, please call (724) 693-9494.

Attention Residents: Feeding birds, deer, and other wildlife invites mice, rats, snakes, feral cats, and other wildlife to feed. Also, due to the influx of deer in Oakdale, extensive damage has been done to expensive shrubbery.

Blood Drive: The Oakdale Masonic Lodge #669 is sponsoring a blood drive on Saturday, June 18th, 2005 from 8AM until 12:15PM. Please bring ID with you on the day of the blood drive. To schedule an appointment, call Charles Madden at (724) 693-8917.

Summer Bible School: The Oakdale U.P. Church will be holding Marketplace, on June 13th-15th, & June 17th, from 9AM-12PM. Children in grades K-5 are welcome to attend and can register and find out more information by calling the church at (724) 693-8950.

ANOTHER LOCAL BUSINESS SURVIVES THE FLOOD!!!

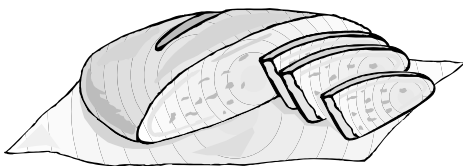
Mariani's Italian Restaurant, located at 611 Millers Run in Cuddy proudly announces their Grand Re-Opening in the beginning of June.

We're back, newly remodeled, and better than ever!

Proudly serving you:

- Our #1 Rated Wedding Soup by the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
 - Our Home-Made Pasta Dishes
 - Our Fresh Made Veal & Cheese Ravioli
 - Our Famous Crème Puffs

Bring this ad in and receive one complimentary entrée, salad, or sandwich (up to \$12.00 value) when a second dinner is purchased.



Garden Tour

The Oakdale Garden Tour Group is holding a Garden Tour for Charity, rain or shine, on June 25th and 26th from 10AM until 4PM. Tour books for the self-guided tour will be sold for \$10 at the gazebo in the Oakdale triangle. Each garden is sponsoring its own charity. Some of them include church groups, food pantry, libraries, hospice, and the Matthew Kocher Leukemia Fund. Gardens include a Victorian Grass Garden, an Oriental Garden, a Garden Railroad, an award-winning Cottage Garden, and a commercial grower of exotic greens. For information contact Georgene Albrecht at (724) 693-8666 or Jim Perrin at (724) 693-9342.



More Borough News and Reminders

For all emergencies: police, fire, or ambulance, please dial 911. For non emergencies, please call (412) 279-6911.

Attention: Due to a recent incident, the police and fire departments **strongly urge** that all residents have their house numbers clearly marked and visible from the road. They would also ask that you turn an outside light on when you call 911. Emergency response time will be faster if they are able to locate your house.

OHC Website: The Oakdale Hose Company is proud to announce that it has launched a website. You can find it at www.oakdalehosecompany.org.

Trash Pickup: Oakdale Borough would like to remind all residents that the Borough Ordinance states that trash must only be put out to the curb after 7PM on the night before pickup. We ask that you please honor this request as it helps to keep our town the clean, special place that we all enjoy.



Oakdale Merchants Association: The Oakdale Merchants Association, a non-profit organization, has been established. Two meetings have been held at the Oakdale Community Center since its establishment, April 19th and May 10th, 2005 at 8PM. Representation from the business community and the Borough were present at both meetings. The Association approved a motion to specifically focus on the "September 17 Flood Remembrance" to be held this year. A committee was appointed for this event. The Association also approved a motion to invite any business, civic group or individual in and surrounding the Borough of Oakdale to become a member. In addition, the Association also approved a motion for a voluntary dues payment of \$20.00 for membership for the first year. This is not mandatory at present to become a member. The money would be used to fund projects to help promote growth in the community. The Association asks that as a member, you attend meetings, when possible, to show your support for the Association and help with functions pertaining to the Association. Upcoming scheduled meetings to be held at the Oakdale Community Center at 8:00 p.m. are as follows: June 21, July 19, & August 16, 2005. Please contact Donna Dobos, Secretary, at (724) 693-0191 for more information or to inquire about being a member.

Flood survivors and volunteers are invited to a **free picnic with food, fun and friends** presented by St. Philip's Church and Garden Gate Ministries.



Picnic in the Park

Rescheduled for Tuesday, June 7th @ 4PM
Oakdale Park
Please call Deb Carr @ 724-693-9880
with questions
or to let us know how many will attend



Looking Back and Moving Ahead

Attention Local Merchants

Place your ad in the
Oakdale Borough Times!

1/4 Page Ad — \$30.00

1/2 Page Ad — \$55.00

Whole Page Ad — \$100.00

Reaching approximately 700 homes with an additional 300 copies placed in local businesses.

Copy ready ads must be received by the 15th of the month. Contact the newspaper at (724) 693-8691 or editor@oakdaleborough.com for more information.

Community Library Activities

Below are some of the events planned for June at the Western Allegheny Community Library. For more information, contact the library at (724) 695-8150.

-Registration for the summer reading clubs begins on June 6th. We have reading clubs for all ages from pre-school to adults. Shop at the Scholastic Book Sale during registration the week of June 6th-10th. Profits from this sale will go towards defraying the cost of the summer reading clubs and programs. Come to the library for all the details and registration materials.

-Register for Activity Times every Thursday starting on June 23rd. The elementary youngsters will learn how to fence, build a castle, go dragon hunting and much more. The teens activities will include

making an hour glass, building a catapult, learning magic tricks and lots more.

-Join us for Wacky Wednesdays (Fun entertainment for children in first to fifth grades.) Learn to juggle with Juggle Seeds on June 15th at 1PM, Kazoo with Friends on June 22nd at 7PM & Family Game Night on June 29th at 7PM.

-Teens can sign up for a creative writing course taught by our young adult librarian Mrs. Swan. There will be both a beginners and an advanced class. Both will be held every Monday from June 28th-August 2nd.

-Knifty Knitters will continue meeting throughout the summer every Monday at 6:30 pm.

Penn's Corner Farm Alliance

Announces the expansion of our highly rated C.S.A.

Community Supported Agriculture – C.S.A. provides a direct link from the Farm to the consumer for fresh from the field goodness.

P.C.F.A.'s 16 farmers help take the work out of the summer. We provide you with a wide variety of seasonal, farm fresh products, of our choice, each week as well as menu ideas and tips.

Our subscriptions run for 8 weeks, starting Friday, June 10, 2005 and running thru July 29, 2005 for \$198.00. We also provide a ½ subscription, which runs every other week starting Friday, June 10, 2005 and runs thru Friday, July 22, 2005 for \$100.00. Our local PCFA member drop point is Goose Creek Gardens, Ltd., located at 7245 Noblestown Road just outside of Oakdale. Pick up times are 1:00 PM to 6:30 PM.

Sample week: Cucumbers, lettuce, strawberries, eggs, onions, new potatoes, herbs, honey, and green beans.

For questions, please call or email.

Penn's Corner Farm Alliance
P O Box 160, Shelocta, PA 15774
Phone 724-726-0435
Email: pcfacoop@yahoo.com

Penn's Corner Farm Alliance C.S. A. Application.

Please make checks payable and remit to:
Penn's Corner Farm Alliance
P O Box 160 Shelocta, PA 15774

___ Yes, I would like the 8 week subscription, starting Friday, June 10, 2005, thru Friday, July 29, 2005 for 198.00.

___ Yes, I would like the 4 week, ½ subscription, starting Friday, June 10, 2005, every other week until Friday, July 22, 2005 for \$100.00.

I/we will pick up our subscription at Goose Creek Gardens, Ltd in Oakdale.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ email: _____ (optional)

Please remit by June 9th, 2005

The Sun, the hearth of affection and life, pours burning love on the delighted earth.

Arthur Rimbaud, 1854-1891, French Poet