

Oakdale Borough Times

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Editor's Corner

Hello Everyone...I hope this issue find everyone enjoying the strange, warm winter that we have been experiencing.

Depending on when you read this, it will be right before or sometime after our Pittsburgh Steelers compete in Super Bowl XL. This past season has been an amazing journey for our hometown team, and win or lose, I hope everyone was able to enjoy the wonderful feeling and "vibe" that our region has had the past few weeks.

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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Tightening Our Belts!

As we begin 2006 in Oakdale the Borough Council has once again held the line on taxes. The proposed budget for expenses in 2006 is \$641,498 and the projected revenue from all sources is \$585,250. This is a deficit of \$56,248. This deficit budget was able to pass due to a \$90,000 surplus from 2005. The budget is very conservative and includes some cutbacks. The projected positive balance at the end of 2006 of \$33,752, plus the ever rising costs of maintaining the borough, will force the Borough Council to look at raising taxes and other fees in the borough for the 2007 budget.

However, the Council has taken an aggressive approach to avoid this by directing the employees to collect all delinquent taxes and outstanding fees and bills. Each department has been told to watch spending and make cuts where appropriate. The Council will also review the budget at the end of June to consider what, if any, adjustments need to be made to the budget. The Borough Council will continue to run a tight fiscal policy while still making Oakdale a great place to live and raise our families.

Oakdale Borough Council and Mayor

Huck Gamble	Jack Bateman	Jim Porter
Russ Campbell	Keith Merlino	Ross Rohbeck, Mayor

Good News For Oakdale!

Oak Engineered Products Inc., formerly Stylette Plastics, will be hiring 15-20 people in March or April. They will be manufacturing products similar to those Styette sold. Their will be an auction on February 16, 2006 of all the equipment that was exposed to flood waters.

After the auction they will start to bring in their own injection molding machines. This is great news for Oakdale as we are thrilled to see new business being both born and reinvented in our hometown!



Borough & Local News

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 home.

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.

Occupation Tax: The Occupation Tax for Oakdale Borough will remain at \$10.00 for 2006 and 2007.

Reminder: 4th Quarter 2005 Earned Income Tax payments are now due.

Reminder: PACE card holders please bring your card to the Borough office for discounted water and free garbage for 2006.

Presidents Day: There will be garbage pickup and the Borough office will be open on Presidents Day, Monday, February 20th.



Oakdale Merchants' Association

The Oakdale Merchants' Association continues to meet monthly. The next meeting is scheduled for February 9th, 2006, at 7PM in the History Room of the Community Center. The Association will be sending new applications for membership for the year 2006. Plans are being discussed about future events they would like to sponsor in the community. Watch the newsletter for information about these events. They are also discussing projects to get information out about the downtown area along with more beautification projects for the business district. They are working closely with Oakdale Borough to help promote a safe and viable business community. They continue to seek new members and interested parties can contact Donna Dobos at (724)693-0191 or write to Oakdale Merchants' Association, P.O. Box 107, Oakdale, PA, 15071 for details and an application. The members of the Oakdale Merchants' Association would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and ask that you patronize the Oakdale Borough business community.

Oakdale Youth League

Oakdale Youth League
2006 Season Registration
Oakdale Community Center

T-Ball (ages 5&6)
Boys Baseball (ages 7-14)
Girls Softball (ages 7-18)

Thursday, February 2nd	7PM-9PM
Saturday, February 4th	12PM-3PM
Sunday, February 12th	12PM-3PM

Everyone is welcome. If you have any questions, please call (724)693-9830 or (724)693-9494.



Pavilion Rentals

Oakdale Borough Park Pavilions will be available for rent as follows:

NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS
Available Now

OAKDALE RESIDENTS
Available February 1st
\$60.00 + \$45.00 deposit

NON RESIDENTS
Available March 1st
\$90.00 + \$45.00 deposit

Please contact the Borough office for more information.



Police & Fire News

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

Over the next few months we will be introducing the members of the Oakdale Police Department to the community. I'm doing this for a few reasons. First, we've had a number of officers come through Oakdale on their way to other jobs. So, as soon as you get to know their names...they're gone. Now that we've settled a bit I want you to know a little about the officers who will be responding to your needs and protecting our children. We will always have some turnover; so, my objective is to always keep you informed about who is protecting our town.

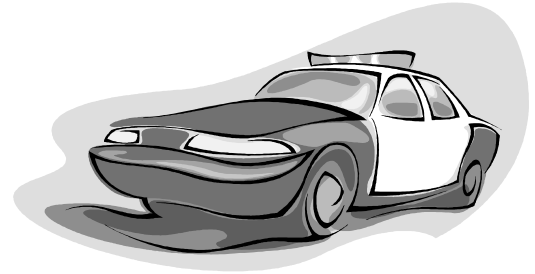
Our mission, like yours, is to keep Oakdale safe. In order to do this we must police our community together. If you see something that doesn't look right call 911 and one of our officers will be there within minutes.

Crime prevention is everyone's responsibility...if you see something that doesn't look right, call the police.

Jim Lauria, Public Safety Director

Bingo: The Oakdale Hose Company will sponsor monthly bingo on the 1st Saturday of every month. It will be held at the Oakdale Community Center with a \$1,000 guaranteed Jackpot that must go. The doors will open at 5PM with earlybirds at 6:30PM and regular games starting at 7PM. Bingo is now **non-smoking**.

CERT: Please return the emergency form that was in last month's mailing. If you need another copy, they can be downloaded from www.oakdaleborough.com or contact the Borough office.



The extent of your consciousness is limited only by your ability to love and to embrace with your love the space around you, and all it contains.

Ken Carey

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 and paid in advance at the Borough office. Contact the newspaper at (724) 693-8691 or editor@oakdaleborough.com for more information.

Community Library

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

2/11: The 33rd annual Chess Tournament, 10:30AM-4PM.

2/14: Valentine Party For Grades 3 - 5, 6:30PM-7:30PM.

2/17 & 2/24: AARP Driver Safety Program, Please Call To Register, 12PM-4PM.

2/18: Time for Tea Lovers, Registration Requested, 1PM.

Book Clubs:

2/1 @ 1PM, Bookworms

2/15 @ 7PM, Ladies In Reading

2/16 @ 7PM, Mother/Daughter Book Club

2/25 @ 11AM, The Saturday Inquisitors

2/28 @ 6:30PM, Book Nook - Kids 3-5 Grade



YARD SALE

OAKDALE U.P. CHURCH AND GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH HAVE JOINED FORCES

THE MERGER HAS GIVEN US THE OPORTUNITY TO OFFER THE PUBLIC A GREAT DEAL ON MANY ITEMS. COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE FOR SALE, AT THE WALK THROUGH YARD SALE ON MARCH 18, 2006. THE SALE IS BEING HELD AT THE GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH FROM 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM. NO REASONABLE OFFER REFUSED. A FEW ITEMS FOR SALE WILL BE A COMMERCIAL STOVE, PIANOS (BABY GRAND AND UPRIGHTS), SMALL ORGAN, CHAIRS, TABLES, CHURCH PEWS, AND MANY OTHER ITEMS YOU CAN'T AFFORD TO MISS.

March 18th, 2006
9AM-1PM



SUN-MON CLOSED
TUES-FRI 9:30-5:30
SATURDAY 9-3:30

(724) 693-9766

**CARL'S BARBER
SHOP
IS OPEN!!!**

Carl's nephew
SCOTT DARENKAMP
is proud to continue
his fine work

COME SEE ME

105 Seminary Ave.
Oakdale, PA 15071

