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Editor's Corner

Hello Everyone...what a month, what a month! The Pittsburgh Steelers are Super Bowl Champions, and they have given our community a jolt of electricity that is felt everywhere!

This month's issue has some great articles and information for everyone to read. The article at the bottom of this page will bring a smile to your face, and I encourage anyone who has a similar story to contact the paper.

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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2006 OAKDALE BOROUGH DYE TESTING PROGRAM

WHAT IS DYE TESTING?

Dye testing is a simple, non destructive, non intrusive test to verify an illegal connection to the sewer system. Dyed water (inert, non hazardous and non staining dye) is poured into locations that collect storm water (down spouts, yard drains, driveway drains, etc.) on the premises. Down spouts are tested by accessing where the down spout piping enters the ground. The dyed water is poured into the pipe and the sewer system is checked for the presence of the dye.

WHY CONDUCT DYE TESTING?

As a result of Oakdale's Consent Order with the Federal EPA, Oakdale is required to conduct dye testing of ALL structures (homes and businesses, etc) within the Municipality to confirm that storm water from those structures is not being discharged into the sanitary sewer system.

Oakdale is not the only Municipality with this requirement. All Municipalities sending sewage to ALCOSAN are required to conduct the same dye testing of all structures within their Municipality.

In addition, Oakdale is surcharged by ALCOSAN for the treatment of this illegal storm water. All residents and businesses within Oakdale Borough share in this financial burden.

WHEN WILL THIS WORK BE CONDUCTED?

The Consent Order requires that 2/3 of the Municipality be dye tested by May 31, 2006. We conducted 1/3 of the municipality in 2005. The Engineer selected the houses for this round of dye testing. He arbitrarily selected the areas within Oakdale knowing that the entire Borough will be dye tested by May 31, 2007. The dye testing contractor will contact you with a flyer a few days prior to your property (home or business) being tested.

WHAT HAPPENS IF I'M ILLEGALLY CONNECTED?

If a residence is found to be illegally connected to the sanitary sewer system, they will be required to stop the illegal discharge and reroute their flow. There are several alternate ways to properly drain the storm water from a residential structure; connection to the storm water system, discharging to the surface, infiltration pits, etc. are just a few. The Borough will contact you regarding the specifics of getting disconnected from the Sanitary sewer.

68 Years!

The newsletter received a letter and this picture from Mr. & Mrs. McLean of Harnando, Florida last month. They write "It has been a long time since we left Oakdale, April 1955 to be exact. We thought you all may enjoy to hear that we are doing fine. We hope that you all are also. Enclosed is a picture taken of us at our 67th Wedding Anniversary on February 18, 2005. We celebrated our 68th Anniversary on February 18, 2006. Where does the time go? We are blessed with 3 children, 6 grandchildren, and 7 great-grandchildren. We wish a very blessed 2006 to everyone in Oakdale. Signed, Laura & Harold McLean."

As you can see, even if you leave Oakdale, it stays with you and in your heart forever. Congratulations on 68 years from everyone in Oakdale!



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.

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

Garden Club: The North Fayette Garden Club meets the last Tuesday of the month at the Oakdale Community Center. The March 28th meeting will begin at 12PM with a covered dish luncheon, followed with a brief business meeting and discussion on the history of the club. If you like to attend please call Colleen Stripp @ (724) 693-8910 or Pat Ewing @ (724) 693-8501.

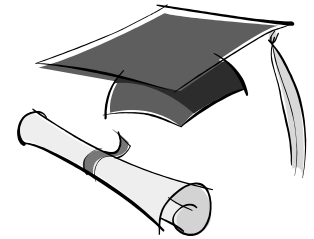
OMA: The Oakdale Merchants' Association will hold their next meeting on March 9th at 7PM in the Oakdale Community Center. Nominations and elections of new officers for the year 2006 will take place. Letters have been mailed to businesses in the community detailing information on some of what has taken place within the Association along with applications for membership for the year 2006. Dues for 2006 are \$20.00 and are due at this time. We welcome any business or individual interested in joining to attend. For more info, contact Donna Dobos, at (724) 693-0191.

PTI Continuing Education Day

Representatives from the following institutions are participating in Pittsburgh Technical Institute's fourth Continuing Education Day, Thursday, March 16, 2006. From 11 am to 6 pm PTI students and graduates and the general public can visit with these institutions during this one-stop opportunity to investigate transfer of credit, bachelor degree and continuing education options.

California University of PA
 Carlow University
 Duquesne University
 Edinboro University
 Indiana University of PA
 Mountain State University
 Pittsburgh Technical Institute
 Point Park University

Robert Morris University
 St. Vincent College
 Seton Hill University
 Strayer University
 Thiel College
 US Army
 University of Phoenix
 West Virginia Institute of Technology



Lainey Becker, PTI's Transfer Coordinator, believes Continuing Education Day is a time to explore education at the undergraduate level. "Pursuing higher education is an essential component of strengthening the workforce and contributing to the well-being of society and the economy," she says. "There is a wealth of educational institutions in this area; this is one way to visit with many of these providers in one place."

Interested individuals are encouraged to attend to visit with a wide variety of postsecondary institutions in one place at the same time. No appointment is necessary; there is no fee to attend. Directions to PTI's North Fayette Campus are available at www.pti.edu.

Pavilion Rentals

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

NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS
 Available Now

OAKDALE RESIDENTS
 \$60.00 + \$45.00 deposit

NON RESIDENTS
 \$90.00 + \$45.00 deposit



Please contact the Borough office for more information.

Dena's Custom Cleaning

Residential/Small Business/New Construction

Weekly
Bi-Weekly
Tri-Weekly



Monthly
Special Occasion
Spring Cleaning

Contact Dena

412.759.5471
Denascustomcleaning@yahoo.com

Police & Fire News

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

We continually monitor what goes on in the surrounding communities and what new schemes people are using to take your money and identity. Remember, the first line of defense is for us to always know who we are giving our information to and why they need it.

This scheme has surfaced lately...a company calls and uses your bank's name and asks for critical information from your credit card, checking, or saving account. In every instance they talk very fast and continually use your bank's name as they ask you for your information. Once they get your information they use it to buy or withdraw from your account. If you listen to them it sounds as though they are your bank.

Do not give them your information, call your bank to verify and then notify your police department and we will work with you to contact your bank and the Attorney General to lodge a complaint.

If you are concerned with any issue that doesn't seem "right" do not hesitate to call 911 and one of your officers will come to your home and talk to you in person. We are the Oakdale Police Department, and we are here to serve you.

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 the January issue. If you need another copy, they can be downloaded from www.oakdaleborough.com or contact the Borough office.



Necessity is the mother of invention.
-Irish Proverb



Willow Creek Crossing
"Country Gift Shop"
Spring Open House
Friday April 7th and Saturday April 8th

2 Union Avenue
Oakdale, PA 15071
(724) 693-0191



"Located on the Bridge"
at the Panhandle Walk/Bike
Trail Oakdale Station

Tuesday-Friday 11am to 6pm Saturday 11am to 4pm

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 March at the Western Allegheny Community Library. For more information, contact the library at (724) 695-8150.

3/2: Teen Writers, 6:30PM.

3/4: Teen Movie Night, 4PM.

3/7: Dairy Princess For Kids, 6:30PM.

3/14 & 3/15: AARP Safety Class For Senior Citizens. 5:30PM.

3/16: World Laughter Club, 2PM.

3/18: Media Exchange Night For Teens, 1PM.

Yakking Yarners, Mondays @ 6:30PM.

Volunteer Tax Preparation Available For Senior Citizens Available. Call The Library For More Information.

Book Clubs:

3/7 @ 7PM, Ladies In Reading.

3/25 @ 7PM, Mother/Daughter Book Club.



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



F U N D R A I S E R

EVERY TUESDAY

**Texas Hold'em No Limit
\$50 Multi-Table Tournament**

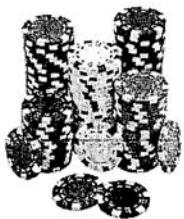
Oakdale Community Center

104 Seminary Avenue * Oakdale, PA 15071

6 p.m. Check-In 7 p.m. Start

\$40 - 100% Pay Out

\$10 - Entry Fee, Food & Beverages



\$30
Single Table
Tournaments
Sit n Go

Dealers Provided For All Tables - Benefits *Senior Citizen / Community Center*

Contact (724) 693-0506