



# THE OAKDALE TIMES

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## Mayor and Council pay tribute to departed.



# Chief Augie Souffrant

## A RESOLUTION HONORING AUGIE

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council would like to honor and remember Augie Souffrant, who served as Oakdale's Chief of Police from 1966 to 1986. Chief Souffrant was born and raised on Champion Hill, but quickly became invaluable to the Oakdale community and was loved and respected during his 20 years of service up until his recent death.

WHEREAS, Chief Souffrant was esteemed by many in the law enforcement realm, including the Allegheny County Chiefs of Police Association and fellow law enforcement officers. Chief Souffrant was responsible for training, encouraging and inspiring many policemen in the area.

WHEREAS, the Citizens of Oakdale will miss Augie Souffrant, but will honor and cherish his memory forever.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED into law by the Borough Council of Oakdale Borough as its regularly convened public meeting held on the 3rd of June, 2009.

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF OAKDALE

*Kelly A. Robbuck*  
Borough Secretary

By: *Heck Pambela*  
President of Council

*Sam J. Dahlbeck Sr.*  
Mayor

## SATURDAY, JULY 4th - INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION!!!

This year's celebration will be sponsored by The Rock. The Annual Decorated Bike Parade and Pet Show can begin to line up at 9:45AM next to Willow Creek Crossing. The parade will start at 10AM and refreshments of hotdogs and drinks will be available for parade participants immediately afterward. There will be a Boxed Lunch Auction to raise money for The Rock. Also new this year, there will be a Pie Baking Contest, with prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd places in both Cream and Fruit Categories. The judges for this contest will be some of our acclaimed food critics! For additional information please contact The Rock at (724) 693-2777.

**Please note that the Oakdale Borough Office will be closed for Independence Day on Friday, July 3rd.**

## OHC FIREMAN'S CARNIVAL!

The parade will be held on July 24th at 7PM. If any residents would like to enter antique vehicles in the parade, please contact any firefighter. Please visit the OHC's website at [www.oakdalehosecompany.org](http://www.oakdalehosecompany.org) for a complete schedule of entertainment when available. There will also be a Bike Run on July 25th with signups from 12:30PM-2:30PM at the Oakdale Inn. The nightly raffle Monday-Friday will be \$500.00 with a \$1000.00 raffle on Saturday, July 25th.

### Entertainment Schedule

July  
18-Dave Iglar Band  
20-Sonic 15  
21-Zuke  
22-Hedgg Band  
23-Vintage Buzz  
24-Hell Cat  
25-Wood Knots & Zarr

### Special Events Nights

July  
20-Delicious Rib Dinners  
21-Pasta Night, featuring the famous  
"Oasis Pasta Sauce"  
22-Meatball Sandwiches  
Car Cruise, Classics, Street Rods,  
Antiques  
23-Pulled Pork Sandwiches  
24-Parade 7PM

## SIL'S - SERVING THE OAKDALE COMMUNITY FOR OVER 100 YEARS

The building sits prominently at the corner where Noblestown Road and State Street meet and it has been home to the local community market for over 100 years. Known to most as Sil's and to some as Victor's, we have all come to rely on the fact that regardless of the name over the door, we know it will be open when we need it!

Open 365 days a year, owner Gary Lauderbaugh closes the store early only on Christmas, Easter and Thanksgiving days. "One of the main reasons for being open on the holidays is that I want to show my appreciation to the people of Oakdale for supporting us all year long, said Gary. The people of Oakdale should be real proud of themselves for the way that they support and help each other when anyone is in need. I learned that first hand after the 2004 flood. If it wasn't for all the help and support we got after the flood, Sil's would not be open!"

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...continued from Page 2... Gary took over Sil's from his father-in-law, Irwin Lederstein, after the 2004 flood. Irwin and his wife Sylvia took over and renamed the store to Sil's in 1970. The name Sil's came from the initials of their first and last names - Sylvia and Irwin Lederstein. Prior to Sil's the store was called Victor's after the then owner - Victor Shifrin. Coincidentally, Victor also took over running the store from his in-laws many years ago. Sil's currently employs 11 people all of which work part-time.

Prior to coming to Sil's over 17 years ago, Gary worked in the oil fields for 21 years. Gary and his wife Kim have lived on Highland Avenue for the last 16 years. They have four children. Their two daughters Amy and Leigh are both married and they have two sons Luke and Tyler living at home.

When asked of his likes and dislikes about Oakdale Gary stated "there is not much to dislike about Oakdale . . . except maybe for all the traffic during the morning and early evening hours. As far as likes, I love all the people of Oakdale and hope to serve them for many years to come."

Oakdale Borough is proud to have Sil's as an important fixture in our business district and our community!

## **SERVICE TO SENIOR CITIZENS IN OAKDALE CENTER AT RISK**

The attendance for Senior Citizen programs at the Oakdale Community Center has declined over the last two years. LifeSpan, the organization that provides the services is required by contract to serve at least 25 people per day to retain funding for the program. During the next six months LifeSpan will engage in outreach and various information gathering campaigns to determine if daily attendance can be increased. Different activities and program offerings will be implemented based on the information they receive. If participation levels increase to be consistently above the funding minimum, LifeSpan can maintain services at the Oakdale Community Center and continue to provide activities for our senior residents. If attendance levels continue to decline, LifeSpan will be forced to make a decision to consolidate the Oakdale Center into either the Carnegie or Bridgeville Center.

LifeSpan's objective is to increase the participation attendance at Oakdale and have asked the Borough Council for input and assistance with this effort. We are asking all residents for your thoughts or ideas for ways to help increase awareness and hopefully attendance over the next six months. **If you are a Senior Citizen and want to see these programs continued we strongly urge that you attend as often as possible to show that Oakdale is capable of supporting these valuable services.**

The decision to consolidate a site is never an easy one. However, there are certain realities that we are facing that are out of the control of Borough Council. Please be assured that throughout this process we will be in constant communication with LifeSpan and will keep our residents up to date on status of this important situation.

## **MESSAGE FROM CHIEF LAURIA**

The Oakdale Police are investigating two vandalism calls that occurred at the Oakdale Park over the past few weeks. Vandals broke into the concession stand at the ball field and did some damage to the machines and some of the concession items. Findlay Township also had vandals breaking into a number of their concessions stands as well.

If you see anyone or anything that looks suspicious please call 911 and the police will respond immediately. Preventing crime is everyone's business.

# 4th ANNUAL LUAU

Oakdale Borough's Luau

Come To The Island For A Day!

Saturday, August 22nd, 2009

4:00 - ???



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## *Oakdale Borough 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Borough -Wide Yard Sale*



Saturday September 12, 2009



Join the fun!

Call Laura Ahlborn at Borough Office, 724-693-9740, by August 31 to add your address to the list!

Fun and Free for the whole community!

**Saturday, September 12th Sales all over town**

***9:00 AM to ???? PM Rain or Shine\****

- *Sunday rain date up to individual sellers*



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**Oakdale Borough Night at PNC Park  
Pittsburgh Pirates vs. San Diego Padres  
Saturday, September 19th, 2009**

**Tickets:**

**Outfield Box Ticket + Hat \$17.00**

**(Over \$40.00 Value)**

**Let's Give Scott Patterson a Hometown  
Cheering Section!**

**Please contact Doug Stocker from the  
Pittsburgh Pirates at 412-325-4902**