



## Recycling To Continue

Borough Council decided at the February 4th meeting to continue the recycling program and raise the garbage rates \$.50 per month to cover this cost.

There were no citizens at the meeting to voice an opinion one way or the other on the matter. The few phone calls, e-mails and citizens giving opinions at Borough office ran 5-to-1 in favor of continuing the recycling.



See enclosed flyer to help make our recycling collection even more successful!

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## Oakdale, North Fayette, South Fayette, Collier, and Cecil hit by Thieves in the Night

**Oakdale's quiet little community has been disrupted by late night and early morning auto break-ins.**

Over the past few weeks Oakdale has been plagued with a number of theft crimes. Over the week of February 2nd and the 13th the local areas North Fayette, South Fayette, Collier and Cecil have been hit very hard with vehicle break-ins. Thieves took items like radios, computers, CDs, and even just car keys and coins. In a number of cases the vehicles were left unlocked so it wasn't too difficult for them to take advantage.

As we have written on other occasions we must all get into the habit of locking our cars and homes. We have heard for the past five years; "this is Oakdale, nothing ever happens in Oakdale." Crime and criminals take advantage of everyone they can, whenever they can, and wherever they can. Crime and criminals don't discriminate they are opportunistic.

We need your help! The suspected vehicle involved in the robberies is a small red hatch back, make unknown.

Two young white males approximate ages 22-23 were in the car, and this same vehicle was seen in all of the communities where break-ins occurred.

Police have contracted all the pawn shops in Western Pennsylvania, and neighboring areas in West Virginia and Ohio.

If you have any information at all concerning this investigation, call Oakdale Police at (724) 693-9639 or (724) 321-4923.

The Oakdale Police Department provides full-time service but we do it with part-time officers. Our part-time officers are dedicated to their responsibilities to the citizens of Oakdale and cooperating with North Fayette, South Fayette, Collier and Cecil Police Departments to solve this case and arrest the guilty parties involved.

There are a number of initiatives in the works for a cooperative effort to create an Oakdale Neighborhood Watch that functions throughout the Borough. As the plans become further developed we will communicate to you as to how you can get involved.



## Oakdale Neighborhood Watch Email List



After the recent car break-ins on Highland Avenue, several residents organized to form an Oakdale Neighborhood Watch Email List. The purpose of the list is to inform area residents of criminal or suspicious activity in or around the area. The list organizers are working in partnership with the Oakdale Police Department to distribute relevant and accurate information about suspicious activity in the area. If you are a resident of Oakdale Borough, you may join the list by emailing your name, address, phone number, and email address to the list manager at: oakdaleneighborhood-watch@hotmail.com. Your contact information will remain confidential. The information is being used to verify that individuals joining the list are actually Oakdale residents. This is a free email service.

### Community Emergency Response Team

In a prior newsletter we mentioned the initiative of the CERT, police, and fire departments to gather information to help the first responders give better service to the community.

Last week the police, fire, EMS had to respond to an elderly person falling and having to be taken to the hospital for emergency treatment. It took EMS and police about 15 minutes to get her stabilized, get her into an ambulance and transport. It took us almost 45 minutes to locate a family member. If this were a dire emergency it would have become extremely urgent.

We want to restate our initiative. We will have interns from PTI going throughout the borough gathering critical

information that will be used by our emergency responders if needed to ensure we get to you with the correct equipment in order to resolve your issues.

Once the data is gathered, it will be secured in the police controlled access evidence vault. This data will then be input into a secured data base with restricted access to only the CERT, police, fire, and EMS. This initiative will give us the ability to service the Oakdale residents better and quicker. The intern will have an easily recognized identification badge and will be working one neighborhood at a time. The intern will also be documenting a Borough map with addresses and hydrant locations... again for better service.

If you have any questions please call the CERT, police, fire, or the Borough Secretary.

## Oakdale Business News



### Installations Plus Inc. at Home in Oakdale

Installations Plus Inc. specializes in the production and installation of custom granite, quartz and solid surface countertops.

In October 2007, after 25 years in the Robinson/Carnegie area, William (Bill) Waugh moved his business, Installations Plus Inc., to its current state-of-the-art home in the Oakdale Industrial Park.

As the owner, Bill brings over 30 years of experience in the custom kitchen countertop business into the homes of his

customers. Bill's son Jason is the manager of the granite and quartz countertop division. Along with Bill and Jason, Installations Plus currently employs a skilled staff of twelve who are responsible for manufacturing, installation and office support.

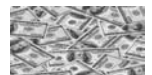
With proximity to both the Parkway West and I-79, Bill and Jason find Oakdale to be a convenient location for both their customers and suppliers. When asked about what they

liked most about Oakdale, Bill and Jason agreed that Oakdale "has a small-town friendliness, and the local agencies are very helpful."

Oakdale is proud to have Installations Plus Inc. as a member of our business community.



## Senior Citizen Tax Return Preparation



VITA Income Tax volunteers will be completing tax forms for senior citizens and those earning less than \$60,000 on

Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays throughout March. You must call the Western Allegheny Community Library

at (724) 695-8150 to schedule an appointment. No walk-ins will be taken.

# Borough Information



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

**Attention All Dog Walkers:** Please pick up after your dog and dispose of waste properly especially in our parks where our kids play; and remember that all dogs must be on a leash or under control of the owner at all times.

**Garbage Reminder:** Garbage should not be placed at the curb side until the night before the scheduled pick up; please be considerate to your neighbor and remove your trash can(s) once empty. To see when your garbage pick-up is please contact the Borough Office.

**Garbage Restrictions Reminders:** Please keep the following points in mind when placing your garbage for pickup:

1. No tires or vehicle batteries in garbage.
2. Bundle all tree branches/bushes in four foot sections or they will not be taken.

3. Keep bags 40 pounds or under when putting grass or other materials inside
4. Bag all food, paper products and animal waste.
5. All building materials must have nail remove, if this is not done, your materials will not be picked up.

### Oakdale Hose Company up-coming events

- Bingo on March 7th
- Bingo on April 4th
- Bingo on May 2nd
- Night at the Races May 16th

Change smoke detector batteries when we change clocks

Call (724)321-5124 if assistance is needed.

### Little Things

Most of us miss out on life's big prizes. The Pulitzer. The Nobel. Tonys. Emmys. But we're all eligible for life's small pleasures. A pat on the back. A kiss behind the ear. A four-pound bass. A full moon. An empty parking space. A crackling fire. A great meal. A glorious sunset. Hot soup. Cold beer. Don't fret about copping life's Grand awards. Enjoy its tiny delights. There are plenty for all of us.

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# Valentine Day Roast Beef Dinner



The Friends of Killbuck Lodge held a Valentine Day Dinner at the community center on February 14th and we were pleased to serve 135 dinners. A Chinese auction with a wide selection of gifts was held and was well received by our guests. We would like to thank all those who attended and especially Moores

Hardware, Steele Auto Body, Tonidale Auto Repair, Chroma Graphics and Dee Srnik's Tupperware who advertised on our placemats. We are thankful for the continued support of the Oakdale Community in supporting the rebuilding effort of Killbuck Lodge the home of Boy Scout Troop 248.



# Community Library



WESTERN ALLEGHENY  
COMMUNITY LIBRARY  
(724) 695-8150

Federal and State Tax Forms are available at the library.

Learn the art of Pysanky Easter Egg decorating.- March 18 @ 6:30PM. Mike Kopelik from St. Peter and St. Paul Ukrainian Church in Carnegie will be here to teach the time honored art of wax decorated Easter Eggs. He will explain

some of the designs and the methods used in making many of the most intricate designs. Everyone (if you don't break it) will go home with a decorated egg. Registration required.

# Boy Scout Troop 248 Eagle Court of Honor



Boy Scout Troop 248 held a National Eagle Court of Honor on February 15th at the Oakdale Community Center. Four young men had obtained the Rank of Eagle Scout during 2008 and were installed into the long line of Eagle Scouts from Troop 248 which now stands at 67. We were pleased to have the following dignitaries' present during the ceremony, State Representative Jessie White, Oakdale Councilman Paul Hennemuth, North Fayette Supervisor J.R. Mangan and District Justice Anthony W. Saveikis.

To obtain the rank of eagle each scout

must demonstrate and live by the principles of the Scout Oath and Law in their daily life. They must earn at least 21 merit badges 12 of which are required. The scout must be in a leadership position; he must plan, develop, and give leadership to others in a service project which would be useful and helpful to any religious institution, school, or their community.

Troop 248 Scout Master Tom Taylor presented the Eagle Scout Charge to the following young men:

John Miller, John Cochran, Michael Gabriel and William Leger; we would like to congratulate John, John, Mike and Bill on their outstanding achievement and wish them well .



## Oakdale U. P. Church First & Hasting Ave Oakdale, PA

### *Stuffed Pork Chop Dinner*

*Stuffed Pork Chop, REAL Mashed Potatoes, Stuffing, Cole Slaw,  
Green Beans, Fresh Baked Rolls*

Check Out Our Fabulous Desserts

| WHEN             | COST          |        |
|------------------|---------------|--------|
| Saturday         | Adults        | \$9.00 |
| March 21, 2009   | Kids age 5-10 | \$5.00 |
| 4:00pm to 7:00pm | Under 5       | Free   |

**Real Home Cookin'**

**Take-Outs Available**

**For More Information**

**Call 724-693-8950**

**Or 724-693-8438**

*Avoid Last Year's Sell Out!!*

*Call In Advance for Tickets!!*