



THE OAKDALE TIMES

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25 TOWNHOUSES TO BE BUILT IN OAKDALE!

Oakdale Borough sold 1.9 acres to DKH Properties, owned by Sam Henderson of Canonsburg, on Thursday, April 2nd, 2009. The property is located at the bottom of Clef Drive. Proceeds of the sale will go toward road surfacing in Oakdale at an estimated cost of \$236,000. Construction will begin soon with the first building of four units to be completed by the fall. The remaining construction will follow depending on weather, but should be completed by next year. The property sold is the property that was scheduled for low income housing several years ago. 21 of the proposed 25 units will be high end rental units and the remaining four units are to be sold at market value. The owner has pledged on record at a Borough Council meeting that there will be no Section 8 or low income units. Borough Council was firm on this issue. When completed, this construction will bring in much needed tax dollars, VIA property, and wage tax which will help keep our taxes low!

MEMORIAL DAY 2009

The Memorial Day Parade will be on Monday, May 25th at 10AM, followed by services at the Honor Roll. Refreshments will follow at the Oakdale Community Center. Bill Gamble will return once again as Master of Ceremonies for the event. The American Legion Auxiliary 171 will also be sponsoring Poppy Day at the Oakdale Community Center. Any and all donations will be thankfully accepted.



Attention all Scouts and Youth Leagues: It's important to march in the parade to pay tribute to both our veterans and men and women currently serving our country. To march in the Memorial Day Parade, please line up at the Oakdale Fire Department at 9:30AM.

In observance of Memorial Day, garbage collections will be on Tuesday, May 26th and Wednesday May 27th. In addition the Oakdale Borough office will be closed on Monday, May 25th.

LEAF & BRANCH PICKUP

In an effort to "Go Green", Oakdale Borough will be providing a separate spring pickup of leaf and yard clippings on Wednesday, May 6th and Wednesday, May 20th. Please note that the tree branches can not be more than 2 inches wide and no large branches or trunks. Long narrow piles are easier for our maintenance crew to pickup. Note that maintenance will not rake the leaves to the street.



DRIVING UNREGISTERED VEHICLES

It is important to understand that driving unregistered, unlicensed, and un-inspected motorized vehicles on roadways, sidewalks, and public areas is illegal. This includes dirt bikes and quads and those small motorized bikes. Riding a motorized vehicle on any part of the trail is also not permitted. The North Fayette, South Fayette, and Oakdale police departments will focus a great deal of their resources on enforcing the rules of “no motorized vehicles” on the trail. Riders must understand how dangerous it is riding on the trail in the midst of walkers, runners, children, and babies in buggies. There is nothing more distressing than to have a walk interrupted by a speeding quad or dirt bike. This is complicated and parents must realize that the responsibility for these vehicles lies with them. The law is very clear about owning and using this type of equipment. Summer is coming quickly and school will be out so we must all drive safely throughout our entire community.

DOG ATTACK

Several weeks ago there was Pit Bull attack on a small dog in which the small dog was killed. The Police investigation was completed and the owner of the small dog has been advised of all the information and has the option to take action against the owner of the Pit Bull. During the April Council meeting, Borough Council heard from the neighbors of the area where the attack occurred and will pass a much more stringent Borough Ordinance dealing with vicious dogs. As the warmer weather approaches the Borough receives additional complaints for animal-related issues. Residents are urged to be courteous pet owners by keeping their dogs confined on their own property or on a leash when off the owner’s property. Owners should also pick up and dispose of all animals waste deposited along sidewalks, inside park areas, yards, etc. when walking their dogs.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Do you know the difference between the Code Official and a Building Inspector? A Code Official may handle the following items: vacant structures, vehicles not in running condition, parking of commercial vehicles, high grass, weeds, hedges and other vegetation, as well as storage of junk and debris on property. Building Inspector handles the need for building permits, occupancy permits, swimming pool regulations, and regulations on accessory structures, i.e. sheds, etc. If you have any questions regarding this or other code requirements, contact William Missel at (724) 693-9740. For questions pertaining to what you may need a permit for please contact Toni Sessa of HMT Associates at (724) 916-2245.

HIGH GRASS AND WEEDS

Grass cutting season is upon us and it comes with the need for property owners to maintain the height of grass on their properties. As established by the Borough, the height of grass and weed growth is not to exceed ten inches. Please maintain a clean and well kept lawn and don’t forget to trim the grass between the curb and sidewalk. Also, sweeping or blowing the grass clippings into the street is prohibited.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - FLOWER BED PLANTING



Volunteers are needed on Saturday, May 16th at 9AM to help with the spring planting of the flower beds throughout Oakdale Borough. The more people we have the better! All interested persons are asked to call the Oakdale Borough Office at (724) 693-9740 to sign up.

BOROUGH INFORMATION



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

PRIMARY ELECTION DAY: Primary Election Day 2009 will be Tuesday, May 19th. Voting for Oakdale Borough will be at the Oakdale Community Center.

FREE DEGREE: Get a free degree at CCAC! Allegheny County and CCAC introduce the FireVEST Program. Receive free tuition and books until completion of an Associates Degree for joining your local volunteer fire department, and making a 5 year commitment to stay. For more information, contact the Fire Chief (724) 321-5124.



THANK YOU: Oakdale Youth League would like to thank all of Oakdale for the support for our recent Spaghetti dinner. This event was a huge success because of the support we receive from Oakdale Borough and all of the residents in our community. Softball and Baseball season started on Monday April 27th. We encourage everyone to stop by and cheer for an Oakdale team sometime this season. Our girls and boys will appreciate your support.

OAKDALE YOUTH LEAGUE NEEDS SOFTBALL PLAYERS "OVER 35"

The Oakdale Youth League is forming a fall, over-35 softball league. The season will run approximately from the last week of August thru mid-October. Games would be played Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings. The league would be a "recreational league" and the games would be played at Oakdale Borough Park. If you are interested please e-mail your name and

information to oakdaleyouthleague@yahoo.com. If you prefer to call someone please call Al Pifer at (724) 693-8951 or Mike Kiss at (412) 818-1295.

To submit to the newsletter, contact Jonathan DeBor @ (724) 693-8691 or editor@oakdaleborough.com.

OAKDALE HOSE COMPANY UPCOMING EVENTS

Bingo - May 2nd

(there will be a Cash For Gold Representative on hand April 4th)

Night At The Races - May 23rd

Horses \$20 (includes admission)
(724) 321-5124 to buy a horse

Golf Outing - June 27

See web site, or call (412) 292-0038 or (412)326-5144 for information

CLEAN-UP DAY A SUCCESS!!!

Oakdale Borough would like to send a special "thank you" out to all the wonderful volunteers who donated their time and energy on April 18th during Oakdale Clean Up. The weather was beautiful and we were able to accomplish a great deal of work in just a few hours. Our town never looked better! To help keep Oakdale Borough looking beautiful, we encourage everyone to do your part to keep properties clean and well maintained. Oakdale Borough would like to thank the following businesses for their donation to our Earth Day Clean Up:

Oakdale Merchant Association

Giant Eagle

StarBucks

McDonalds

Imperial Shop-N-Save

Burger King

Wal-Mart

Lowes

Chick-Fil-A

Sil's

A special thank you once again to the folks at The Rock for providing us with the delicious picnic lunch we enjoyed after our work was done.

We look forward to seeing you all next year!



Hennemuth Metal Fabricators At Home in Oakdale for 55 Years!

Hennemuth Metal Fabricators has been proud to call Oakdale its home for 55 years. The business got its start in a small building on June Alley. Founded by Gordon Hennemuth in 1954, Hennemuth Metal Fabricators is a custom duct shop that manufactures and distributes ductwork and HVAC products for commercial and residential applications.

Today, Hennemuth Metal Fabricators continues to be one of the cornerstones in the Oakdale Borough business community. Owned and operated by Craig Hennemuth and his wife Ann, the shop continues to provide custom quality ductwork for builders and homeowners throughout Western Pennsylvania.



In 2002, Hennemuth Metal Fabricators expanded and moved to their current location at 6120 Noblestown Road. While the major portion of the business is housed at the new location, the original building on June Alley is still used as well. “We currently have five employees and would love to expand and hire more employees as the need arises” said Craig. “We have been experiencing steady growth for a number of years as we distribute newer products available to the trades.”

Craig and Ann were both born and raised in Oakdale and actually grew up on the same street. They were married in 1991. When asked what they liked best about Oakdale they said, “We like the “small town” feel of Oakdale and the friendliness that comes from living in a community where so many people know each other and their families. It’s a wonderful thing to walk down the street and say hello to half a dozen people you’ve known for years.”

When asked if there is anything about Oakdale they would change Craig and Ann’s response was “We really don’t have any dislikes in Oakdale, but would like to see and encourage more families to take advantage of the many opportunities the community provides throughout the year. For example, the parades, the free concerts in town, and many of the programs offered at The Rock. We really are blessed to have these events and they are nice ways for people to connect and maintain the “small town” feeling of Oakdale.”

Craig is a graduate of Westminster College with a business degree and Ann graduated from Mercy Hospital School of Nursing and worked as an oncology nurse until 2006 when she left nursing to join Craig at the family business.

Oakdale Borough congratulates Hennemuth Metal Fabricators on 55 years of business. We are proud to have you as part of the Oakdale business community!

INDOOR FLEA MARKET

NOBLESTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

7313 NOBLESTOWN ROAD - OAKDALE

Saturday, May 2nd - 9AM-1PM

Sale will be in the social hall and baked good will also be for sale.

ALL PROCEEDS DONATED TO MISSION PROJECTS

NO EARLY ARRIVALS PLEASE