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NOTHING COULD BE FINER THAN DOORS OPENING AT THE DINER!

After 7 months of total refurbishing, remodeling, and bringing the building up to code at a cost of approximately \$100,000, The Diner is ready to open. The new proprietors have over \$150,000 of their own money invested in adjustments to the interior and the cost of their equipment. All Borough work was done with Solicitor oversight. The determination of who was responsible for specific repairs is defined in our lease agreement. Oakdale contractor, Oakdale painter, local cleaning company, heating and air conditioning up to code by the lowest bidder at \$62,000 or about 2/3 of Borough's total cost. All information is available at the Borough office. Yes, it was your tax dollars at work and it was a good investment as that \$100,000 will return about \$340,000 in the next ten years plus revitalize the center of town as all downtown businesses should benefit from the busy activity. The Borough prepared a vacant adjacent lot across Clinton Avenue for overflow diner parking.

The Diner hours are to be 6AM to 9PM or 10PM to be determined by evening business. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner will be served. Pizza and baked goods by a full time baker on site, full scale catering, and soft ice cream business to follow in early summer.

Come On Down!!!

Cecil Howell – Lifetime Oakdale Resident and Retired Railroader has written a book about the history of the Pan Handle Division of the Pennsylvania Railroad from Pittsburgh to Columbus which was a main part of Oakdale and is remembered in our town mural. His wife typed the entire book. Cecil presented a copy of the book to the Borough inscribed “To the Borough of Oakdale, My Hometown”. The book is placed in the History Gallery at the Community Center for anyone who would like to view it.

Get to Know...Tom Taylor - Scoutmaster of Oakdale Boy Scout Troop 248

By Andrea Iglar

Lifelong Oakdale Resident Tom Taylor has been involved with the town's Boy Scouts of America Troop 248 for nearly 50 years. Now serving as the Scoutmaster, he joined the local Cub Scouts when he was eight years old and has stuck with the organization ever since. “It's just a dynamite program,” Mr. Taylor said. “It's really fulfilling watching young men come in and learn how to be a leader.” Mr. Taylor, 57, has been a Scout leader for 39 years. He volunteers numerous hours to arranging activities for the troop's 39 boys, from meetings to hiking excursions to camping trips. His wife, Susan, and daughter Jennifer, 33, of Reading, PA, have participated in co-ed activities through the years. Exactly how much time does he spend with Scouting? “It depends who you ask: me or my wife. My wife would say I put in too much time,” Mr. Taylor said with a laugh.

The 78 year-old troop continues to be a vibrant part of the Oakdale community. Seven members this year earned the rank of Eagle Scout – the most the troop has seen in a single year. Twelve new members recently joined.

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Scout supporters have been raising money to refurbish the distinctive Killbuck Lodge, the 1700s-era log cabin on Clinton Avenue that has served as the troop's headquarters since 1934. The nonprofit group Friends of Killbuck Lodge is selling engraved bricks for \$25 and \$50 to raise funds to preserve and renovate the cabin. The bricks will pave a pavilion and a walkway extending between the cabin and the bridge that crosses the North Branch of Robinson Run.

As a Boy Scout, Mr. Taylor earned 54 badges out of 128 offered. Eventually he earned the rank of Eagle Scout, having embarked on a community cleanup project in Oakdale. He stayed on to earn Double Silver Eagle Palms, representing 30 additional merit badges above the amount required to become an Eagle. He became an Assistant Scoutmaster in 1972 at age 18 and a Scoutmaster at age 21. After 25 years running the troop's programs, he spent more than 12 years managing the business end of the troop as the committee chairman. Two years ago he stepped back into the Scoutmaster post.

Last March the Boy Scouts' National Council recognized his service and contributions to youth with a Silver Beaver Award, sort of a Lifetime Achievement Award. "This one was pretty special to me, getting it in 2010 with it being the hundred anniversary of Scouting," Mr. Taylor said. "That really had a special meaning to receive it at that time."

Mr. Taylor's roots are planted firmly in Oakdale. His family has lived in and around Oakdale for 11 generations, and he is a graduate of West Allegheny High School. He holds an associate's degree in robotic technology, and he has studied engineering at Point Park University. Aside from Scouting, Mr. Taylor works as a senior manufacturing technician for Medrad's engineering department in Saxonburg and keeps busy with hobbies such as fishing, hunting and collecting Native American artifacts. He is a lead singer of the Slippery Rock based Muddy Creek Singers, a group that accompanies a Native American dance team.

Scouting, he said, "teaches you teamwork and leadership, and you need that for every job." He said the troop's positive connection with his hometown is important. "Oakdale's a real small community," he said. "It's very tight knit, very strongly community-oriented, and they support the groups in the town."

More on the Oakdale Boy Scouts can be found at www.oakdaletroop248.org and for information on ordering an engraved brick, visit www.friendsofkillbucklodge.org.

EASTER EGG HUNT: There will be a Free Easter Egg Hunt for Oakdale Borough children age 3 -12 on Saturday, April 23rd at 1:00pm. The location is at the Lester residence, 402 Clinton Avenue Extension. Games, Prizes, Refreshments and lot of fun!

GOOD FRIDAY: The Oakdale Borough Office will be closed for Good Friday on April 22nd.

BE A COURTEOUS PET OWNER - ANIMAL CONTROL: 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. It is unlawful to allow dogs to run at large in the Borough of Oakdale without a leash. Owners should also pick up and dispose of all animals feces deposited along sidewalks, inside park areas, yards, etc. when walking their dogs.

REMINDER: EARNED INCOME TAX/LOCAL WAGE TAX—DUE APRIL 15

A WA-40, the year end summary, must be filed by all persons subject to the tax by April 15, 2011. This form must be filed by all residents, even if your local tax was withheld by your employer. There are no exemptions because of age or limited earnings. In Addition, all self-employed residents are subject to the tax based on net profits from the operation of a business or profession. The filing insures that we have received the proper monies from your employers. Documentation such as W-2(s) or proper PA Schedules C, E, F or K-1 must be submitted with the return for verification of income reported. Because April 15 falls on a Friday this year, all returns placed in the mail slot before Monday morning at 8:00 am will not be considered late.

For all required forms and additional information, please contact the borough office at 724-693-9740 or e-mail rohbeck@oakdaleborough.com. A copy of form WA-40 can also be found on the borough website www.oakdaleborough.com.

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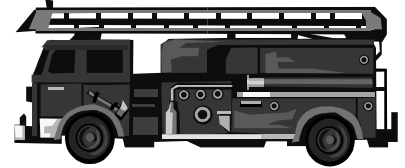
BINGO - The remaining bingo dates are April 2nd and May 7th. There will be no bingo during the summer. Bingo will startup again in October.

NIGHT AT THE RACES – Saturday, April 30th – Doors at 6:30 PM – Races at 7:30 PM

Horses and race sponsorships available - \$10.00 per horse. Admission is \$10.00 and includes beverages and food. Call Steve at (724) 321-5124 with any questions.

STREET FAIR – July 23rd and the 25th – 30th

Bike Run on the 23rd, Parade on the 29th, Tractor Show on the 30th.



McDonald Methodist Church

232 East Lincoln Avenue, McDonald, PA 15057

Rummage Sale / Soup and Sandwich / Bake Sale

Saturday, April 16, 2011 - 8am to 2pm - Clothing, Furniture, Misc.

Benefit McDonald Food Bank and McDonald Co-Operative VBS

More Info: Contact Sandy at (724) 693-8378



Visit Oakdale's One & Only Day Spa

“Pamper your Skin for Prom”

Girls and Guys

Get ready for Prom with Facials and Back Skin Care!



Call for our Prom Packages that include:

Tanning, Hair, Airbrush Make-up, Manicure, Pedicure

Beginning April 1st look for our Extended Hours

Tuesday and Wednesday until 8:00 PM

Stop on your way home from work and begin relaxing after a long day!

*Happy
Mother's
Day*

Mother's Day is just around the corner

Beginning April 24th through May 8th

40% off Jewelry Sale

20% off selected boutique items

Gift Certificates fit every Mom!

Discount cards and monthly specials are not accepted with above specials.

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OAKDALE BOROUGH'S 2011



COMMUNITY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, April 23rd at 1PM	Easter Egg Hunt	402 Clinton Avenue Ext.
Saturday, April 30th at 9AM	Great PA Cleanup	Local Cub & Boy Scouts
Saturday, May 21st at 9AM	Community Flower Planting	Gazebo Area
Monday, May 30th at 10AM	Memorial Day	Line-Up Near Fire Dept
Friday, June 17th at 7PM	West Hills Symphonic Band & Children's Art Show	Parking lot Between the Rock and Oakdale Inn
Monday, July 4th at 10AM	Independence Day	Line-Up Near Willow Creek
Saturday, July 23rd -30th	Oakdale Hose Company	Oakdale Business District
Saturday, August 20 th at 4PM	Luau	Oakdale Business District
Monday, October 31 st at 5PM	Halloween & Parade	Line-Up Near Willow Creek
Saturday, Nov 26th at 7PM	Light-Up Night	Gazebo Area

Clip & Save For Reference Throughout The Year!

Note that events are subject to change.

Check future issues and www.oakdaleborough.com for any updates.

Sponsorship & Donations: Planning and launching an event like the Luau takes a tremendous amount of manpower and organization. We appreciate our community members, businesses and organizations for their sponsorship and donations. Contact the Borough Office if your organization has resources or funds to help us make this Luau the very best.

