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7th ANNUAL HAWAIIAN LUAU Oakdale Borough's Luau Come To The Island For A Day! Saturday, August 20th 2011 4:00 - ???



Entertainment including the Pittsburgh Banjo Band and Tuika's Polynesia Island Magic. A 90 minute show with Hula Dancers, Fire Dancers and much more!

Come Join the Fun!

GREAT FOOD!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Roasted Pig, Funnel Cakes
Shaved Ice, and Much More

Come See the Tiki Torches, Palm Trees,
the Largest Sand Box in Oakdale,
and Bounce in The Bounce House by Boomerang!

Attention Landlords

If you are a landlord and pay for water service for your unit(s) or building(s), we will need the phone numbers of your tenants to contact them. Please call (724) 693-9740 and provide us with your tenants' information. It only takes a minute, and you can help ensure that your tenants will be informed of any events.

Help Us Contact You

At Oakdale Borough, we employ an automated system that allows us to quickly contact our residents via telephone should there be a water-related event that requires widespread notification.

To contact you, it is important that we have your current phone number. If you have recently changed your primary phone number, please contact us at (724) 693-9740.

Oakdale's Green Thumb!

Moe Duratz of Merriwood Drive and a long time Borough employee is the man that keeps America's Home Town beautiful all summer long. Moe retired a few years ago from Borough Maintenance where he primarily drove our garbage truck and took care of the downtown scene. He agreed to stay on part time specifically to take care of the flowers and shrubs. The next time you see him tending his flowers toot the horn to thank him for a great job well done! Thanks, Moe "Oakdale's Green Thumb!"



CUB SCOUTING, BECAUSE TOO MUCH FUN IS NEVER ENOUGH!

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Cub Scouts is an Adventure! Get your son running with the right pack, and join Pack 848!

Everything in Cub Scouting is designed to have young boys (eligible to join in first grade) staying active, having fun, learning new skills, and serving their community. Activities are used to achieve the aims of Scouting—citizenship training, character development, and personal fitness. Many of the fun activities happen right in the den and pack. We plan all sorts of fun outings and events: bowling, fishing, swimming, camping, roller blading, you name it. We do everything from meet at the Oakdale "haunted house" in October to collecting canned good donations at Giant Eagle Market District in the spring to help out the West Allegheny Food Pantry. Meetings are held on Monday evenings at the Oakdale Community Center. Email zscouts@verizon.net for more information.

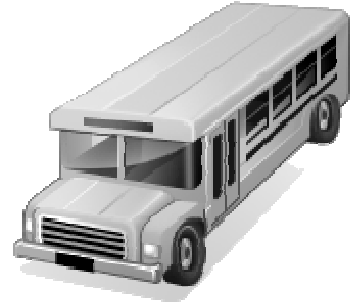
Apart from the fun and excitement of Cub Scout activities, the Cub Scout Promise, the Law of the Pack, and the Cub Scout sign, handshake, motto, and salute all teach good citizenship and contribute to a boy's sense of belonging.

Join Us in Cub Scouting! Boys in the first through fifth grade that attend any grade school in the area can join Pack 848. Boys can join anytime of the year, but we are definitely looking for new recruits for September and are planning a pool party at Hankey Farms pool over Labor Day weekend to kick off the new year for returning scouts and hopefully to meet some new faces. Last year's pool party was a huge success, and both kids and grown-ups had a great time. Look for a flyer on the bulletin board at the pool in mid August for details.



Back To School

Reminder: school is back in session on Monday, August 29th. Please be aware of the children waiting on the street corners, and the big, yellow busses traveling the streets. Our children are precious to us; please keep them safe.



Center Avenue Bridge

Borough Council accepted the lowest bid of \$36,534.00 at a special meeting July 19th for replacement of the Center Avenue Bridge. Rhino Construction was the successful bidder. One way traffic will be necessary during construction. Turpin Hill residents will be advised of starting and finishing dates as information is received.

'Tis the Season

No, not Christmas, though there are similarities. This summer the town sports decorated trees, festive wall hangings and greenery, all thanks to ---grape vines. While Oakdale is not alone in this – grape vines are prevalent throughout our local area – Oakdale can lay claim to some of the more attractive displays. Check the stone walls along Noblestown Road and you will find grape vines adding a nice contrast to the gray stone of the walls. Check along the side of the fire department for a view of a vine trained to a fence. Along the upper end of Hastings near Third Street and just above the Boy Scout cabin, the grape vines have taken over the maples, nearly obliterating the trees' natural foliage. The creek banks, as well, are not immune to these green intruders.

While some areas of town are vine-free, one need not venture farther than a block or two to catch our annual Christmas in July display of greenery. The vines may be seen climbing their way along fences and arbors, tangling with trees and hanging off light poles and utility lines.

Older vines have a thick root with scaly bark and a vast system of branches that spread out in all directions, quickly and firmly attaching themselves to anything that slows down. While many vines are merely that, vines only, some bear fruit – the Concord grape – and for those fortunate enough to have a fruit-bearing vine, look for your crop to ripen to a rich, fragrant purple in early September. Bon Appetit!

Western Allegheny Community Library Board

Oakdale Borough is looking for a civic-minded resident to represent Oakdale on the Western Allegheny Community Library Board. If you are interested, please contact Barb Piskorik at (724) 693-8105 for more information.



IMPORTANT EARNED INCOME TAX NOTICE

NEW WITHHOLDING REQUIREMENTS FOR EARNED INCOME TAX – ACT 32 OF 2008

How it affects Oakdale Borough residents and employers

Act 32 of 2008 is a Pennsylvania law that was passed with the intention of simplifying the way local earned income tax is paid and collected throughout the state. The law will affect taxpayers, employers, municipalities, school districts, and tax collectors across Pennsylvania.

The most significant change of Act 32 is the consolidation of local earned income tax collectors. Act 32 requires all taxing jurisdictions within a specified geographical boundary to jointly select just one tax collector to serve the entire area. Each of the areas is called a “Tax Collection District” (TCD). Oakdale Borough has been placed in the Southwest Allegheny County TCD, which includes all Allegheny County municipalities and school districts that are entirely located south and west of the Monongahela and Ohio rivers. That means Oakdale Borough will share the same earned income tax collector as our neighbors in [North Fayette, South Fayette, Upper St. Clair, Mt. Lebanon, Moon, and Robinson] to name a few.

Although Act 32 was passed in 2008, the major changes will not go into effect until the 2012 tax year. Therefore, all taxes attributable to 2011 earnings will still be collected under the current system (including the 2011 final returns that are due April 15, 2012).

How will this impact taxpayers?

First, the consolidation means that all Oakdale Borough earned income tax will be collected by a single tax collector. Jordan Tax Service has been appointed as the tax collector for the Southwest Allegheny County TCD. Therefore, both the municipal portion (0.50%) and the school district portion (0.50%) of Oakdale Borough’s earned income tax will be collected by Jordan Tax Service.

Another significant change is that your employer should begin withholding the local earned income tax from your paycheck. Currently, many of you file and pay your local earned income tax on a quarterly basis because your employer does not withhold the tax from your paycheck (this is common throughout Pennsylvania). But under Act 32, all Pennsylvania employers will be required to withhold the tax. This will eliminate the need for most taxpayers to manually make a quarterly earned income tax payment. Taxpayers who are self-employed or work outside of Pennsylvania will continue making manual quarterly payments.

How will this impact employers?

All employers will be required to withhold local income taxes for all of their employees, regardless of where the employees live. Employers will be responsible for identifying each employee’s residency and proper tax rate. Employers will have to provide that information to the tax collector quarterly along with the tax payments. Employers that have at least one location within the Southwest Allegheny County TCD must register with Jordan Tax Service. Postcards with registration information have been mailed to all employers who remit local income taxes to Oakdale Borough. If you have not received a Registration ID please contact Jordan Tax Service at 412-835-5243 or 724-731-2300.

Jordan Tax Service is hosting several Act 32 educational seminars for employers. All of the seminars are being offered free of charge. It is strongly encouraged that employers attend at least one of the following seminars:

August 11, 2011 at 6:30PM at the Hvatt Place Pittsburgh-North Shore (260 North Shore Drive, Pittsburgh)

August 18, 2011 at 6:30PM at the Bethel Park Community Center (5151 Park Avenue, Bethel Park)

August 25, 2011 at 6:30PM at the Green Tree Borough Municipal Building (10 W Manilla Avenue, Green Tree)

How can I learn more?

Taxpayers and employers can learn more about Act 32 by visiting Jordan Tax Service’s special Act 32 website at: www.jordantax.com/act32. You can also call Jordan Tax Service 412-835-5243 or 724-731-2300. More information is also available through the PA Department of Community and Economic Development’s website at www.newpa.com (search for “Act 32”).