



# THE OAKDALE TIMES

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## MEET THE TWO NEW CANDIDATES

### Paul Hennemuth to Seek Office for Mayor of Oakdale in Special November Election

A special election for Mayor of Oakdale will be held as part of the November 8<sup>th</sup> General Election to fulfill the unexpired term of our late Mayor, Ross Rohbeck. Mayor, Keith Merlino, who was appointed by Borough Council to fill the remainder of 2011 has chosen not to seek election for the last two years.

Paul Hennemuth, current Vice President on Oakdale's Borough Council, is supported by all members of Council and Mayor Merlino.

Mr. Hennemuth who is completing his first term as a member of Council stated that he is excited about the prospect of serving as Mayor of "America's Hometown". "The Hennemuth's have been part of Oakdale since my great grandparents settled here and opened their general store, said Mr. Hennemuth. Many of my relatives grew up in Oakdale, ran businesses in Oakdale and many still call Oakdale home today."

Paul has lived in the Oakdale area (Noblestown) since 1968 and has been a resident of Oakdale Borough for the last 20 years. His wife of 24 years Loretta (Bartus) Hennemuth is a life-long resident of Oakdale. Paul and Loretta have two daughters, Chelsey and Mallory.

Paul is a graduate of West Allegheny High School and received his Bachelors degree from Penn State. He earned a MA degree in Counseling from Slippery Rock and a MS in Human Resource Management from La Roche College. He has been employed by UPS for 22 years and currently works as a Sales Training Manager with their Business Development department.

My interest in serving on Borough Council and as Mayor is a desire to give back to our community where generations of my family have lived and called home.



### Linda Diffendal Seeks West Allegheny School Board of Directors Position

In the special election on November 8, Linda Diffendal will seek to be elected to a two-year term to the West Allegheny School Board of Directors. Mrs. Diffendal has completed the required registration process and will have her name on the official ballot for the November election. She will represent Region #1 of West Allegheny School District Oakdale Borough and District #1 of North Fayette.

A North Fayette Township resident for 16-years, Linda is an active full-time volunteer at McKee Elementary School and St. Columbkille Parish. She is married and is the mother of two school aged children.

A two-term, or four-year, President of McKee PTA, Linda has a strong commitment to education and is skilled at building lasting relationships with individuals in the school district at all levels. As a former small business owner, she has expertise in managing finances and believes tax dollars should be used wisely, effectively and productively to provide the best education for all students.

Mrs. Diffendal is a graduate of Kent State University with a Bachelor's degree in public relations/journalism, a minor in business and a concentration in Spanish.



**Daylight Savings Time...**Ends on Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 2AM so remember to fall back.

**Leaf Pickup...**Oakdale Borough Maintenance Crew will be having our Annual Leaf Pick up on the following days:

**Wednesday, November 9th and Thursday November 10th  
Wednesday, November 23rd - if necessary.**

Please rake your leaves to the curb, no bagging necessary and no high leaf piles. Long narrow piles are easier for the maintenance crew to pick up. Maintenance will not rake the leaves to the street.



**Reminder...**Unpaid 2010 Earned Income Taxes will be turned over to Jordan Tax Services, our Delinquent Earned Income Tax Collector, on January 1, 2012 for collection. Penalties and late fees will be applied.

### **Message from the Fire Chief Trusnovic**

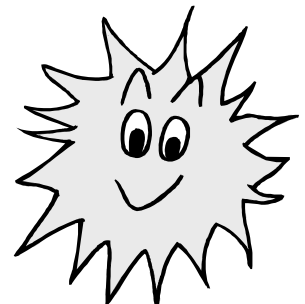
The Oakdale Hose Company will begin hosting BINGO on Saturday, November 5 and December 3, 2011 with the doors opening at 5:15pm. Regular games start at 7:00pm. A \$1,000 jackpot every month! We look forward to seeing you there!

The Oakdale Hose Company has donated 2 portable radios to the Oakdale Police, to replace 2 of their older, outdated ones.



### **Tongue in Cheek Words of Wisdom:**

When tempted to fight fire with fire, remember that the Fire Department usually uses water.



**Election Day...**General Election Day 2011 will be Tuesday, November 8th. Note that the Borough Office will be closed, but recycling will be picked up as usual. Voting for Oakdale Borough will be at the Oakdale Community Center.



**Thanksgiving...**The Oakdale Borough Office will be closing at Noon on Wednesday, November 23rd and will remain closed until Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup> for Thanksgiving.

### **CHRISTMAS LIGHT UP**

Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at 7PM!

Santa Claus is Coming to Town!



Santa will come to town and there will be refreshments at The Rock. Be there for this glorious opening of the Christmas season!

# Important Garbage Fee Information

Allied Waste Raises their Dumping Fee

Due to the dumping fee increase from Allied Waste Imperial Landfill which was effective October 1, the monthly garbage collection fee will increase by \$.50 cents per month per household and \$1.65 per month per dumpster. This increase will be reflected on your November 1 bill.

## Notes From Chief Lauria

The Borough is validating all “handicapped parking” permits throughout Oakdale. Those of us who have a handicapped parking space are being asked to present their paperwork by November 30, 2011 to the police in order for the Borough to revalidate the space, mark it better if needed or put up new signs.

If you are not authorized a space or don't need it any longer contact the Borough Secretary and we will take your sign down and free up parking space.

### Drivers Notice

There are a few things that you need to pay serious attention to as the weather changes.

- When your windshield wipers are on, your lights MUST be on as well.
- Slow down.
- All snow must be removed from your vehicle.
- Clean your windshield of ice and snow before you move your car.
- Use your seat belt.

## Pancake Breakfast With Santa and Mrs. Claus!!!

Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup> from 8AM-12PM the Oakdale Community Center. A \$6.00 donation is requested at the door. Walk In's Welcome! Sponsored by West Hills Slide Baseball.



“But time growing old teaches all things.”

Aeschylus