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Garbage is collected on Monday, Recycling collection is Tuesday and All Yard waste will be collected separately on 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month. All trash materials must be placed out for collection by 6:00am Monday morning and no earlier than 24 hours before pickup. Please do not place your recycling out until Monday evening or Tuesday morning. Do not include yard waste with your trash. It will not be taken on trash pickup. All yard waste must be in BIODEGRADABLE BAGS, we cannot guarantee that pickup will be the exact same time every

Every once in a while someone notices the police and recognizes how hard they work and how much it cost to put officers on the

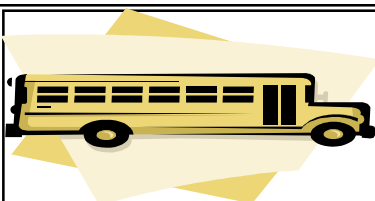
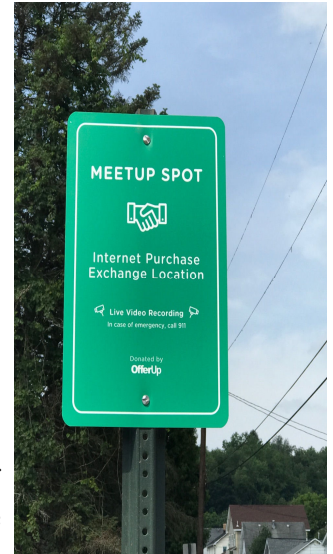


street every day. Well, a company in Florida recognized us and has given the Oakdale Police a grant and provided them with 4 electronic control weapons. They are know as Phazzers. A Phazzer weapon system allows our officers one more line of defense and provides more safety for our citizens as the officer patrols. Phazzer V.P. Brandon Womack (a graduate of Pittsburgh Technical College) know first hand from watching our department for years that we needed this equipment to better protect our citizens and to protect ourselves. So, when C.O.O. Steven Abud announced the program Brandon knew the first department that would get them, Oakdale. The units will be put into service by the end of July. On behalf of the men and women of the Oakdale Police. Thank you!!

Safe Exchange

Oakdale has established a "Safe Zone" in the Borough's parking lot. A safe zone is a place that is completely and continuously under video surveillance. This is a place where people can go and safely do a custody exchange or if you buy something on-line you can meet the seller there and be videoed the entire time. This is just two reasons for a safe zone. It can be used for any safety reason.

The Safe Zone has been established and marked in the first parking space in the Borough's parking lot and the first space in the recycling lot. That makes both spaces available to be used. If a reason arises that you need footage for something that you were involved in notify the police or the Borough Manager (Kelly Rohbeck) as soon as possible. As usual if you see something... SAY something...CALL 911.



WEST ALLEGHENY SCHOOL DISTRICT REMINDER

School is back in session on Tuesday, August 22nd. Please be aware of the children waiting on the street corners and buses traveling the streets. Our children are precious to us; please help keep them safe!

July Council Meeting Update:

- ❑ Mr. Jonathan DeBor made a motion to pass Oakdale Borough Resolution No. 14-2017 opposing the elimination of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.
- ❑ Mr. Jonathan DeBor made a motion to pass Oakdale Borough Resolution No. 15-2017 for Oakdale Borough to remain included in the Allegheny County Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnerships Programs for three program years – 2018, 2019, 2020.
- ❑ Mr. Jonathan DeBor made a motion to pass Oakdale Borough Ordinance No. 2017-2 amending Part 1 Street Openings, Section 101 thru 106 of the Borough Code of Ordinances.
- ❑ Mr. Al Pifer made a motion to advertise for sealed bids for the Hauling and Disposal of garbage, and recyclables in Oakdale Borough.
- ❑ Mr. Al Pifer announced that the Oakdale Hose Company's Fair is July 22 thru July 29. Free nightly entertainment, plenty of good food, games, car cruise. Bring the whole family for a good time. The parade will be Friday, July 28 at 7:00 pm.
- ❑ Mayor Hennemuth thanked the Rock for another great 4th of July event. This was another record crowd.
- ❑ In Chief Lauria's absence, Mayor Hennemuth reported that there were 133 varied police calls in June.



Oakdale Borough Military Banner Program

Oakdale Borough has always taken great pride in the men and women who have served our country in its time of need. Now we'd like to take this opportunity to invite you to help us honor you friends and family who have served our great county. The Military Banner Program salutes our brave men and women who are currently serving and those who have served in the military by creating and displaying a 24"X36" military banner to be exhibited for years to come, between Memorial Day and Veterans Day. This program includes: 1. Double-Sided 24"X36" Military Banner to be displayed by the Borough.

2. 12"X18" Military lawn Banner to be presented to the family for personal display. 3. Mounting hardware to hang the bracket on a telephone pole. For more information, please visit <http://www.troopbanners.com/oakdale>. The one-time cost to join is \$110.00.



"There is more treasure in books than in all the pirate's loot on Treasure Island."

Walt Disney

There is a "treasure island" in our community! The good thing is that it is not hidden but out in plain sight for all of us to find!

Where you ask? It's located at 181 Bateman Road which is the home of the Western Allegheny Community Library.

If you have not visited the library or have not been there in a while there are some big changes to see including the new Backyard Space.

But don't take my word on it – go check it out for yourself – you won't regret the visit! Here is some information to help you plan.

HOURS:

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 am – 8:00 pm

Friday and Saturday: 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Sunday: (Sept. – May) 1:00 -5:00pm

Phone: (724) 695-8150

Fax: (724) 695-2860

Email: westallegheny@einetwork.net

Website: <http://www.westernalleghenylibrary.org/>

FUN FACT: Did you know that simply signing up for your free library card helps the library secure additional funding – the percent of residents with a library card is one factor that is considered.

ALLEGHENY COUNTY VACANT PROPERTY RECOVERY PROGRAM 2017 SIDE YARD & BLIGHTED STRUCTURE

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for the Program, applicants:

Must be current on taxes, water, sewage and refuse bill on all properties owned in Allegheny County.

Must not have any outstanding code violations or municipal liens on properties owned in Allegheny County.

Cannot have acquired or be in the process of acquiring a property through the 2017 Side Yard and Blighted Structure Program.

PROPERTY ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Applications are subject to all requirements under the Program policies. Property eligibility will be determined on a case by case basis based upon consideration of a variety of factors related to blight. To be eligible for the Program, a property must at a minimum meet all preliminary eligibility requirements, including:

Be a vacant lot or vacant structure

Have at least three years of tax delinquency

Be located in a participating municipality that has submitted the required program marketing plan.

*** Application Deadline is August 31, 2017**

Application may be subject to additional eligibility requirements.

Application information: 412-350-1090 or www.alleghenycounty.us/vprp

2017 Flea Market

Friday Preview

Cover Charge \$5.00

Friday, August 25th, 6:00pm—8:30pm

Saturday, August 26th 8:30am—3:00pm

Sunday, August 27th 1:00pm—3:00pm

Accepting Donations now through August 18th.

Please call Bunny Donaldson at 412-526-4945 to arrange drop off time.

No television, computers, electronics or clothing over size 4t accepted.

Thank you for your support, 100% of sales goes to ROCK Youth and Family Programs.

Tax Receipts are available.

Save the Dates! Come shop with us!

150 State Street West, Oakdale, PA 15171 Phone 724-693-2777

E-mail rock.oakdale@gmail.com



OAKDALE BOROUGH TAX COLLECTION OFFICE HOURS (for Real Estate Taxes)

DAWN OSTRANDER

576 HIGHLAND AVE

OAKDALE, PA 15071

724-693-9397

August 9th

11:00am-12:00pm

Aug 23rd

11:00am -12:00pm

Aug 31st

7:00pm-8:00pm

NO CASH PAYMENTS

All other Dates

“BY APPOINTMENT ONLY”



A.M. ROCKS & After School Program

What : A.M. ROCKS

When: Begins Tuesday, August 22nd—

On the 1st Day of School

Monday thru Friday 6:30am—8:30am

Kindergarten through High School

What: ROCK After –School Program

When: **Begins Tuesday, September 5th**

Monday thru Thursday 3:00—6:00pm

**** Friday 3:00—5:00pm**

For more information - Contact Leigh Deigan at
724-693-2777 or
rockyouthfamilycenter@gmail.com



Western Allegheny Community Library

Library Wins Two "Best Practices" Awards

The Western Allegheny Community Library is one of just three libraries in the county recognized by the Pennsylvania Library Association for "Best Practices" by winning not one, but two awards for their programming. WACL earned the Best Practice Award for Display and Design for "Teen Recommendation Cards," a fun and easy way for teens to leave their mark on the library and get involved. The cards are dry erase and placed around the teen department for teens to pick a favorite read and tell others about it. Recommendations are not just for books but board and video games as well, and are a way for the teens to get more involved at the library. Western Allegheny Community Library also earned the Best Practice Award for Infant/Toddler Programming for "Building Blocks," which helps caregivers and babies experience the joys of reading together. Reading, talking, playing, and singing are crucial to a child's growth and development, and the reason behind the Building Blocks program. The Building Blocks pack include a black and white board book, activity guide, book list, a reusable bag, and tips on the importance of reading.

Amanda Kirby, Director at Western Allegheny Community Library, said the libraries will receive their awards formally at a ceremony breakfast at state conference in October, and their programs will serve as a template to be shared with the association members across the state. "We'll get an award, hang at the library, and have the opportunity to talk about our particular programs," she said. "Libraries are encouraged to reach out to each other to share some of these great programs, and we've incorporated previous winners into our repertoire, so it really does help everyone." Some of the programs take years to develop and cultivate, Kirby said, adding that the Building Blocks program was just such a case. "Building Blocks started in January of 2015 as a caregiver package – several pages of different early literacy information. Our library focuses on six early learning areas, including singing, playing, and reading," she said. "Our Children's staff developed a curriculum around them, and the kits had information, songs, rhymes, and board books for every child added to the bag. The program began through a sponsorship by the Oakdale Masonic Lodge and was so successful we incorporated it into our annual budget. Since its inception, we've had several hundred babies signed up for it."

Since 2004, the Best Practices committee has recognized Pennsylvania libraries for their exceptional services to youth (birth to 18) with the Best Practice Award. Programs considered to be "best practice" support learning and literacy, effectiveness in reaching intended goals, cost-efficiency, age-appropriateness, ease of replication, favorable reception, and innovation. Community collaboration and promotion or recognition of PA Forward is a plus as well. Winners will receive the awards at the annual Pennsylvania Library Association Conference, which is at the DoubleTree in Green Tree in October.




IT'S OAK'TOBER FEST, do you
Know where your Lederhosen are?
WE DO! And we hope you'll come
join us in celebration for

OAK'TOBER FEST

Saturday, September 23rd
3:00pm - 8:00pm
Come and enjoy Traditional Ger-
man
Beer, Food, & Fun



Flowers can't
solve all
problems, but
they're a great
start ~
author unknown



Craft/Vendor Party
**Saturday, September
23, 2017**
9:00am - 2:00pm
St. Columbkille Church
103 Church Road
Imperial, PA, 15126

Come shop a variety of local crafters and home party vendors. Over 30 tables of gift items and products. Get your Christmas shopping done early! Admission is FREE. Food & Refreshments will be available. This event is sponsored by St. Columbkille Christian Mothers & Guild; proceeds will benefit Unbound (through which we sponsor a child in need) and Spiritual Pilgrimages.