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WHEN IT RAINS, IT DRAINS!

In Oakdale Borough, we are well aware of the end result of too much rain in a short period of time. Under the direction of the PA Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), Oakdale continues to maneuver through the vast amount of Rules, Regulations and Restrictions, in order to develop the best Flood Prevention and Storm Water Management Plans for our situation. As Municipalities across the country continue to seek workable and affordable solutions, we believe that Public Education and Participation can make a real difference!

The DEP's MS4 (**M**unicipal **S**eparate **S**torm **S**ewer **S**ystem) Program was developed to ensure that Communities are being responsible with the collection and conveyance Storm Water.

What is Storm Water? Storm water is water from precipitation that flows across the ground and pavement when it rains or when snow and ice melt. The water seeps into the ground or drains into what we call "Storm Sewers." These are the drains you see at street corners or at low point on the sides of the streets. Collectively, the draining water is called "Storm Water Runoff."

Why is Storm Water "Good Rain Gone Wrong?" Storm water becomes a problem when it picks up debris, chemicals, dirt and other pollutants as it flows or when it causes flooding and erosion of stream banks. Storm water travels through a system of pipes and roadside ditches that make up Storm Water Systems. It eventually flows directly to a lake, river, stream, wetland or coastal water. All of the pollutants storm water carries along the way empty into our waters, too, because storm water doesn't get treated!

What Happens When it Rains? Rain is an important part of nature's water cycle, but there are times when it can do more damage than good. Problems related to Storm Water Runoff can include:

- Flooding caused by too much storm water flowing over hard surfaces such as roads and parking lots, instead of soaking into the ground
- Increased spending on Storm Drain and Sewer System maintenance and more expensive treatment technologies, due to the increase in pollutants carried by storm water
- Higher levels of bacteria, sediment and pollutants that make swimming unsafe and degrade important fish habitats

As we work to make sure that Oakdale is a viable and safe community, we ask that each Resident makes the decision to join the campaign! Please watch for additional information and project updates, and thank you for your help!



SUMMER CONCERT (Oakdale's Business District)

Friday, June 24 7:00pm

Please plan to attend our Summer Concert, featuring The West Hills Symphonic Band!

BASEBALL & FIREWORKS AT CONSOL ENERGY PARK: FRIDAY, JUNE 17th!

Oakdale Borough will hold its 2nd Community Day at Consol Energy Park: Home of the Washington Wild Things, on Friday, June 17th (7:05pm Game).

- Oakdale Borough is "Guest of the Day" with Video Footage of Oakdale on the JumboTron
- Fireworks Display immediately following the Game
- Tickets on sale at the Borough Office at a cost of \$10, which includes a 'Ball Park Meal' (Hot Dog, Chips and a Beverage)
- Parking Vouchers may be purchased at a reduced rate of \$2/Vehicle (available at the Borough Office)
- Pre-Game & In-Game Participation Events for Oakdale Residents & Friends!



Approximately 10 Ticket-Holding Guests will take part in some fun on-field Games and Activities. If you or your child(ren) would like to participate, please contact the Borough Office (724-693-9740). Participants must arrive at the Stadium no later than 6:30pm for Check In and Instructions.



BOROUGH UPDATE

MAY BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING UPDATE

- Council President, Huck Gamble, called the Meeting to order.
- Huck Gamble led the Meeting with a prayer.
- Mr. Jonathan DeBor made a Motion to approve Oakdale Borough Resolution No. 3-2016, declaring official intent to construct improvements to our drinking water system with funds received from the PA Infrastructure Investment Authority (First St. Waterline Replacement Project Loan with Pennvest).
- Mr. Jonathan DeBor made a Motion acknowledging Letter of Responsibility and authorizing Solicitor to carryout responsibilities associated with Pennvest Loan.
- Mr. Jonathan DeBor made a Motion to approve with conditions, RAT's Lot Consolidation Plan and to approve the Land Development Plan for the proposed Helicon Brewery.
- Mr. Tom Potts made a Motion to approve payment request from Gary Metzinger Cement Contractor for the First St. Bridge Deck Replacement Project in the amount of \$109,815.63. Final payment will be made after final walk thru inspection by Chester Engineers.
- Mr. Tom Potts made a Motion to accept low paving bid of \$338,561.20 from Youngblood Paving for the 2016 Oakdale Paving Project. The streets to be included in this Project are: Oak Heights Dr, Maple Ave, June Alley, Industrial Park Dr, Hastings Ave, Spring St, Myrtle St, and the Borough owned lot between The Rock and the Oakdale Inn.
- Mr. Bill Hartman, Jr. made a Motion to approve Oakdale Borough Resolution No. 4-2016, amending the Garbage Ordinance.
- Mr. Bill Hartman announced that the next Borough Event will be the Memorial Day Parade and Honor Roll Ceremony on May 30. The Parade begins at 10:00am followed by the Memorial Service at the Honor Roll. Join us after the Service at the Community Center for refreshments.
- Several Oakdale Business Owners expressed their concerns with the Storm Drains on Seminary Ave. Borough to check all downtown Catch Basins and to have problem Basins vacuum cleaned.
- A Resident of Maple Ave reported that cars are traveling the wrong way on Maple Ave., which is a one way street.
- A Resident of Hastings Ave reported that vehicles filled with junk are being parked on the street by someone who doesn't live there. A vehicle was removed, and Chief Lauria will follow up with the vehicle owner.
- Chief Lauria reported that there were 65 varied Police Calls in April.

Borough Council Meetings are held at the Oakdale Community Center (104 Seminary Avenue) at 7:30pm on the first Thursday of each month, unless otherwise posted.

WATER & SEWER LINE INSURANCE AVAILABLE!

We are fortunate to live in an era when we can turn on the faucet and expect to see clear running water, or turn off the faucet and expect that the water flow will stop!

Regular maintenance and occasional repair and upgrade to Infrastructure is critical to our ability to continue to provide safe and affordable water and sewerage services, and Oakdale Borough is working to ensure that our "Water System" meets your expectations.

Many Residents are not aware of the fact that the Homeowner - not the Borough - is responsible for Sewer and Water Lateral Lines all the way to the Main Line(s), which may, in some cases, extend beyond the property line!

A Service Line Warranty Program, like the "Insurance" offered by Gas and Electric Providers, can provide coverage on the Interior and Exterior Water and Sewer Lateral Lines, as well as In-Home Plumbing, thereby relieving the Homeowner of some or all of the financial burden associated with Water and Sewer Line Repairs or Replacement, necessitated by fluctuating temperature, tree root penetration, corrosion and much more!

Oakdale Borough is proud to now be able to offer Protection to its Residents. Utility Service Partners (endorsed by the National League of Cities) will soon begin to send Informational Mailings to all Oakdale Borough Residents. Please review the information that you receive, and if you are interested in purchasing one or all of the Coverage Options, you may work directly through the National League of Cities. If you don't receive a Mailing, please call the Borough Office (724-693-9740) for Contact Information.



PAVILION RENTALS

NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

\$100.00 (Security Deposit Incl.)

OAKDALE RESIDENTS

\$120.00 (Security Deposit Incl.)

NON RESIDENTS

\$155.00 (Security Deposit Incl.)

Photo ID will be required for all Renters! Please contact the Borough Office for additional information (724-693-9740 or franchek@oakdaleborough.com).



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

Dawn Ostrander

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Oakdale, PA 15071

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Office Hours: June 15 ... 11am-12:00noon

June 29... 11am-12:00noon

June 30... 7:00pm-8:00pm

July 13... 11am-12:00noon

July 27... 11am-12:00noon

July 29... 7:00pm-8:00pm

Aug 10... 11am-12:00noon

Aug 24... 11am-12:00noon

Aug 31... 7:00pm-8:00pm

NO Cash Payments / All Other Dates "BY APPOINTMENT ONLY"

2015 ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT

Starting June 1, 2016, you will be able to view the Oakdale Borough 2015 Annual Water Quality Report on-line at <http://tinyurl.com/ob2015ccr>. This report contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water. Please call the Borough Office at 724-693-9740 if you would like a paper report delivered to your home.

TRASH & RECYCLING: CHANGES AND REMINDERS

In an effort to control costs, Oakdale Borough continues to collect Trash and Recycle from its Residents.

Reminders:

- Trash is collected on Monday and Recycle is collected on Tuesday, unless otherwise posted.
- Collections may begin as early as 6:00am; therefore Items (cans, bags, etc.) should be taken to the Curb before that time, in order to ensure pick up.
- Cans/Bags/Boxes should be no larger than 4' x 4' and should weigh no more than 40 lbs.
- Recycle may NOT be placed in Plastic Bags, but may be placed in Cardboard Boxes.
- Large and/or Heavy Items (Furniture, Appliances w/o Freon, Carpeting, etc.) will require a Tag, which may be purchased at the Borough Building at a cost of \$15/Tag.
- Gas Powered Items (lawn mowers, weed wackers, etc.) must be drained of gas and oil, and the caps must be removed.
- Construction/Building Materials may not be placed in Curbside Trash or Recycle. (Disposal Bags may be purchased from Home Depot or Lowes, and pick up will be scheduled through the Store.)
- Television Sets are no longer eligible for Curbside Pickup! Periodically, special Collection Events are scheduled near our area, which are advertised through *The Oakdale Borough Times*.



Updates:

The following Items will not be accepted for Trash or Recycle Collection —

- Ashes from Fireplaces or Wood Burning Stoves
- Building Materials/Roofing/Flooring, Concrete, Dirt, Sod, Stone, Asphalt, Railroad Ties, Landscape Ties, Chain Link Fence Rolls, Brick, Block, Tree and Shrub Stumps
- Car Parts, Tires, Car Batteries, Oil, Gasoline, Anti-Freeze and other similar Vehicle Fluids
- Liquid Paint, Animal Carcasses, large Pianos/Organs, Cast Iron Tubs, Propane Tanks, other items determined to require special handling, and those items excluded by Landfill Regulation.

If you have questions or wish to purchase a Bulk Item Tag, please contact the Borough Office (724-693-9740) during normal business hours.

FARMERS MARKET NUTRITION RETURNS FOR THE 2016 GROWING SEASON!

WIC Recipients and low income Senior Citizens can again receive assistance to purchase fresh PA fruits and vegetables through the Bureau of Food Distribution Farmers Market Nutrition Program.



On Tuesday, June 14th, qualified recipients may receive \$20 in Vouchers to purchase fresh products from approved farmers. Voucher (Check) distribution will take place from 9am to 1pm (or until Vouchers are gone), at the LifeSpan Chartiers Senior Center (300 Lincoln Ave., Carnegie, PA 15106). Proof of Eligibility (Age, Residency, Income Qualification) must be provided.

Should you have questions, please contact the Allegheny County Department of Aging at 412/350-4219.

ANNUAL RICH IVCIC MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING

St. Columbkille's Holy Name Society will host its Annual Rich Ivcic Memorial Golf Outing on Monday, August 1, 2016, at the Fort Cherry Golf Course. Registration begins at 7:30am with shotgun start at 8:30am. The Outing includes 18 holes of golf with a cart, hot dog and chips at the Turn, prizes, and dinner at the Church Hall (Imperial, PA). Cost is \$80 per golfer (\$75 if paid by June 15, 2016 / \$60 for Active Military w/ID). Registration Deadline is July 15, 2016. For information, or to Register, call Arthur Hilgert at 412-788-2791. Rich Ivcic was a long-time Borough Resident!

A CELEBRATION OF SERVICE: SUNDAY, JUNE 5th

NOBLESTOWN United Methodist Church (7313 Noblestown Road, Oakdale) welcomes you to join in on **Sunday, June 5th at 2pm**, to celebrate 120 Years of Ministry and to embrace the upcoming Transformation. (Reception to follow.) For questions or additional information, please call 724-693-2755.

GTN LAW: EXTENDED HOURS IN OAKDALE!

The law firm of Gaitens, Tucceri and Nicholas is pleased to announce additional office hours at their local office located at 5039 Noblestown Road, Oakdale PA. For 50 years, attorneys from GTN have offered office hours every Wednesday evening from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Starting Monday, May 9, 2016, there will ALSO be office hours offered every Monday evening from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Feel free to call 412 391-6920 to make an appointment. Walk-ins are also welcome. Mention the Oakdale Borough Newsletter and receive a complimentary consultation. Gaitens, Tucceri and Nicholas is a full service law firm offering services in Wills, Powers of Attorneys and Estates; Real Estate; Personal Injury; Family Law; Workers Compensation; Criminal Law; Corporate Law; Municipal Law and General Civil Practice.

BOY SCOUT NEWS

Troop 248 is proud to announce we have our 88th Eagle Scout! On April 21, 2016, Cory J. Supan completed his Eagle Board of Review and became the Troop's 88th Eagle Scout.

For his Eagle Scout Leadership Service Project, Cory planned, laid out, and installed a cement walkway from the parking lot to the US Flag pole at a park in South Fayette Township. He also planned, laid out and installed 2 sets of double-decker stadium style seating to look over the ball fields next to the flag pole. This Project provides additional access for wheelchairs as well as making it easier to access the flag area and seating.

Cory is a senior at South Fayette School District and has future plans in attending college for criminal justice.

WACL ANNOUNCES NEW OUTDOOR SPACE

The Library will host a Groundbreaking Event on Saturday, June 11, 2016 at 11am to unveil the design and plans for the new space. Library personnel and representatives from Findlay, North Fayette and Oakdale Borough will be on-hand for a brief ceremony which will take place at the future site of the 'Backyard'. Following the ceremony, guests will enjoy activities, crafts and refreshments. The themed event will include construction vehicles, garden crafts, photos and other activities. The event is free and open to the public.

The library is planning a special "Here We Grow Again" campaign to raise the necessary funds to build the new Backyard, which is expected to cost approximately \$35,000. "Since moving to the new building library usage has increased tremendously," said Kirby. "We are thrilled to see so many people using our spaces and services and are doing our best to keep up with the growing demand. Our hope is to raise \$25,000 through this special campaign so that we can create this new space while we continue to grow programs and services for the community."