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Operation Our Town Reporter

a monthly newsletter *by our volunteers to our volunteers about* our fight against drugs and crime in Central PA

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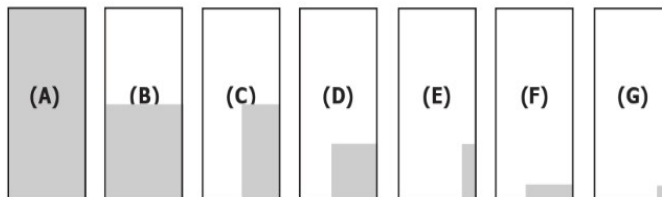


Distributed at the Annual Blair County Chamber Operation Our Town Breakfast and throughout the year to local businesses and community organizations!
SHOW YOUR SUPPORT AND COMMUNITY PRIDE!

The 2023 report will provide an update to the readers from this past calendar year. We will hear from law enforcement, treatment providers, healthcare professionals, business leaders and others in our community about the impact Operation Our Town has made over the past 16 years and the importance of prevention.

Get the inside scoop from Operation Our Town Roundtables on their projects and efforts to help keep our community safe!

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Mission

To facilitate partnerships between community and business to fight drug abuse and crime through proven law enforcement, treatment, and prevention techniques.



Month of January - Meetings

1/9	Booker T. Washington meeting	4:00pm	Central Blair Rec & Park Commission
1/10	Northern Blair Roundtable meeting	12:00pm	The Bull Pen restaurant
1/18	Marketing Roundtable meeting	4:00pm	OOT office
1/19	Criminal Justice Advisory Board Roundtable	12:00pm	Blair County Courthouse
1/19	Faith-based Roundtable meeting	2:00pm	Blair Drug & Alcohol Partnerships and Zoom
1/20	Pharmacy Roundtable meeting	7:15am	Zoom
1/26	Housing Roundtable meeting	12:00pm	Al's Tavern

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www.pa211.org

13th Annual Community Classic Dinner and Auction

Saturday, February 25, 2023
The Bavarian Hall 5:30 P.M.

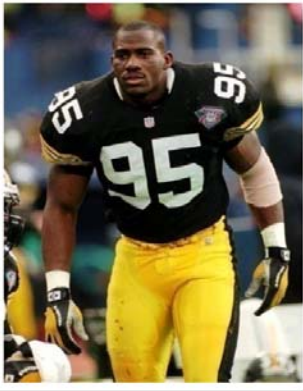
Doors will open at 4:30

Presenting the 2023 Respected Citizen Award to:



Randy Feathers

Featuring:



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Event Sponsor:



Grant Recipient Highlight: Roaring Spring Community Library Mending Patches

By: Nick Gordon, PMSC AmeriCorps Member
with Operation Our Town



Mending Patches is a program of the Roaring Spring Community Library that helps youth and their caregivers learn how to sew, either by hand or with a sewing machine, so that they can repair or upcycle their clothing and boost their confidence. The program is designed for children ages eight and up, accompanied by their caregivers, and it operates on Mondays from 4:00pm through 5:00pm in three-week sessions throughout the year.

As a program of Roaring Spring Community Library, Mending Patches utilizes one of the library's makerspace areas. There is no charge to the youth or the caregivers to participate. The mission of Mending Patches is to give youth the opportunity to learn easy mending and alteration techniques through learning hand and machine sewing skills. Items and supplies to repair or upcycle clothing are provided as well.

When asked what is most unique about the Mending Patches program from similar programs, Michelle McIntyre commented, "When you look good, you often feel better about yourself. You are more confident. Your mental health is better. You may even experience personal success. Being 'in fashion' is very important to young people. A teenagers' self-esteem is challenged daily in many social settings. Looking good is important when it comes to first impressions and how you are perceived in the world. For a low-income or at-risk teenager who relies on charitable donations,

hand-me-downs, or thrift stores for clothing, sewing can be an important, life altering skill."

If you can boost a young person's confidence simply by teaching them a useful skill that helps them to look and feel better, why not give it a try? Not only does this help save families some money regardless of income, but it also empowers the youth and families of our community. For more information about any of the services Roaring Spring Community Library offers or to learn more, please reach out at the contact info below.



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