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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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The Operation Our Town 6th Annual Golf Tournament
raised over \$129,000 to fund law enforcement &
prevention programs in Blair County!

Front 9 winners:

1st Place – Darryl Owens, Matt Neumeyer, Harry Benjamin,
John Ventura
2nd Place – Pat Miles, Dick Scholton, Matt Gieg, Mike Gieg

Back 9 winners:

1st Place – Doug Meyers, Chuck Meyers, Chris Nelson,
Paul Randazzo
2nd Place – Mike Lester, Darrell Jones, Mike Cottle,
Mike Savastio

Overall Closest to the Pin – Ed Moffett

Community Events

CommUNITY Resources Fair

Thursday,
October 4, 2018

12:00 - 3:00pm

Jaffa Shrine

Free to attend

13th Annual Hollidaysburg Pumpkin Festival

Saturday,
October 20, 2018

10:00am - 4:00pm

Downtown
Hollidaysburg

Phoenix Volunteer Fire Company Halloween Parade

Saturday,
October 27, 2018

4:00pm

Downtown
Hollidaysburg

Thank you to the following Golf Tournament sponsors!

Gold:

- American Insurance Administrators
- Arch Insurance Group
- First Energy Foundation
- Jones Day
- Lawruk Machine & Tool Co., Inc.
- Leonard S. Fiore, Inc.
- Sheetz, Inc.

Silver:

- Allegheny Brain & Spine Surgeons
- Blair Companies
- Fine-Line Cabinets, Inc.
- Pepsi
- Say-Core
- US Foods
- Value Drug Company
- Xanitos, Inc.

Closest to the Pin, 2nd Shot:

- Ward Foundation

Golf Cart:

- Kunzler & Company
- New Pig
- Northwestern Mutual

Hole-in-One:

- Housing & Redevelopment Insurance Exchange
- Stuckey Ford & Subaru
- Tri-Star Ford of Tyrone

Beverage:

- Furrer Beverage
- Roaring Spring Water

Greens:

- Allegheny Orthotics & Prosthetics
- Craig Fencing, Inc.
- Graystone Court
- Klesius & Sheedy
- Law Office of Stephen D. Wicks
- Longstreth Brothers, Inc.

Bronze:

- Allegheny Supply
- All Things Automotive
- Altoona Curve
- AmeriServ Bank
- Best Line Equipment
- Bolger Brothers, Inc.
- Catalano, Case, Catalano & Clark-Radzieta
- CBT Bank, A Division of Riverview Bank
- Central PA Landlord Association
- Courtesy Motors
- DeGol Organization
- DelGrosso Family of Companies
- E.B. Endres, Inc.
- First Commonwealth Bank
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- SeniorLife Altoona
- Solarshield Home Improvement
- S&T Bank
- Thompson Pharmacy
- UPMC Altoona
- UPMC Health Plan

Refreshment Tent:

- Babst Calland Attorneys at Law
- City Beverage
- Northwestern Mutual

Merrill Lynch - Adam Fiore
Nittany Building Specialties
RH Marcon, Inc.
Riley, Inc.
Seltzer Financial Strategies
Sylvan Hills Golf Course

Reception:

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| • Allegheny Trucks | Bun Air Corporation | Keller Engineers |
| • Altoona Mirror | Centre Concrete Company | Lezzer Lumber |
| • Atlantic Broadband | DC Goodman & Sons | Park Security Systems |
| • Bavarian Aid Society | Fenner Consulting | Ravine |
| • Blair Co. DA's Office | Fringe Benefit Group | Wells Fargo Advisors |
| • Buccinese Society | Hoss's Steak & Seahouse | Young Oakes Brown & Co. |

Tee:

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| 1st Summit Bank | Dr. Dianna Craig | Mike's Court |
| APR Supply Co. | Family Pizza & Pub | Mountain Research |
| Beard Legal Group | Fiore Furniture | North American Comm. |
| Blair/Bedford Builders Assn. | Fiore True Value Hardware Store | Preferred Benefit Spec. |
| Blair Candy Company | Good Advertising | Pyramid Healthcare |
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| Central Blair Rec. & Park | Longstreth Brothers | Thompson Pharmacy |
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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.



814-693-3020

Honor the Badge



PA 2-1-1 is a comprehensive database that includes information about health & human services.

PA 2-1-1 can be accessed by phone 24/7 or the web at:

<https://pa211central.info>

Month of October

10/1	Booker T. Washington meeting	4:00pm	Blair County Community Action Agency
10/2	Northern Blair Roundtable meeting	12:00pm	Bull Pen Restaurant
10/4	Early Childhood Education Roundtable meeting	10:00am	Blair County Chamber
10/11	Housing Roundtable meeting	12:00pm	Al's Tavern
10/17	Blair Co. Crime Solvers meeting	8:00am	WTAJ
10/17	Marketing Roundtable meeting	4:00pm	OOT office
10/18	CJAB Roundtable meeting	12:00pm	Blair Co. Courthouse
10/18	Faith-based Roundtable meeting	2:00pm	2nd Avenue United Methodist Church
10/19	Pharmacy Roundtable meeting	7:15am	OOT office

Landlord Educational Workshop

Friday, November 2, 2018



Altoona Grand Hotel
1 Sheraton Drive
Altoona, PA 16601



Registration - 8:30-8:45am
Program - 8:45am-3:00pm

Free to attend - Lunch included

Topics covered:

- Magisterial District Judge FAQ
- Rental Inspection Checklists
- Veterans Housing & Homelessness
- Fair Housing Regulations
- Signs of Illegal Drug Activity
- Prepared Renter Program
- Eviction Process
- Smart 911 Program
- Pest Infestation/Bed bugs
- Fire Safety Tips
- Positive Influences/Success Stories of Landlording

Pre-registration is required by October 26th to:
oot@operationourtown.org or
(814) 296-8730

2017-2018 Grant Recipient Highlight: Central Blair Recreation Commission's Themed Community Special Events Series

By Nicholas Gordon, PMSC AmeriCorps
Member with Operation Our Town



On July 26, the Central Blair Recreation and Park Commission concluded their Themed Community Special Events Series with a community carnival, held at East Juniata Community Center. Roughly one hundred youth from the playground programs at Juniata Memorial Park, Leopold Park and the Day Camp at Booker T. Washington Community Center participated in the carnival.

Since this carnival featured a variety of activities to choose from, including eighteen different games, a bounce house, and face painting, youth were entertained and actively engaging in the festivities. Further, the Altoona Area School District Summer Lunch program provided lunch for all the youth that attended the carnival, so there was more than enough fuel to keep them from preemptively running out of energy.

As mentioned earlier, this carnival was the final of several Themed Community Special Events. At the end of the carnival, the youth were able to redeem the points they had accumulated for awesome prizes. Additionally, Camper of the Year certificates were handed out. This carnival was very clearly a celebration of the youth in our community, and Operation Our Town is grateful to the CBRC for all that they do to

inspire and encourage these youth. In looking at the number of youth served across all of OOT's grant recipients, the CBRC stands out in effectively serving an incredible number of youth.

Back in August, OOT awarded a grant to the CBRC for the 2018-2019 cycle. At the press conference, Mike Hofer, Executive Director of the CBRC, voiced some of his thoughts on how these grants impact the community. This time around, they applied for funding to purchase new program supplies and sports equipment. Oftentimes, people do not think about the importance of providing good quality equipment for programs, and with the amount of



community youth participating each year, new equipment is essential from time to time.

All in all, in looking at the work of the CBRC and how they are impacting community youth, it's worth taking a moment to simply be impressed with what they are able to accomplish each year. OOT would like to extend a huge thank you to the CBRC, as well as all of the other community programs that work to prevent drug abuse and crime locally.

CENTRAL BLAIR RECREATION COMMISSION