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Cape Girardeau, Missouri - The Southeast Missouri State University football team revealed special new Pink Up jerseys today to be worn during the annual Pink Up game on October 29. The jerseys will be available for purchase through an online auction starting August 12 to raise money for Saint Francis Healthcare System's Pink Up campaign.

This collaboration, led by head coach Tom "Tuke" Matukewicz, is a way for Southeast football to celebrate survivors and honor those who have lost their battles with cancer.

The special jerseys will be worn during the Redhawks' Pink Up game on October 29 against Austin Peay University. Bidding opens August 12 at www.pinkupcape.com. After the auction closes at 5 pm on October 8, the winners will personalize their winning jerseys with a name in honor or memory of a survivor or loved one, if desired. After the game on October 29, the game-worn jerseys will be presented to the winning bidders. The winners will also receive two game tickets and an invitation to a pre-game tailgate party – all in honor and support of Pink Up.

"We are thrilled to join Saint Francis to help make a difference in this community," said Matukewicz. "We hope this effort raises awareness and money to fight this terrible disease. This will be a life changing experience for our players, who will have

the opportunity to meet families that have lost loved ones to cancer.”

Saint Francis launched Pink Up in 2010 to raise awareness of breast cancer in the community. During the campaign, residents are encouraged to “pink up” their homes, businesses and schools in support of the cause. Pink Up proceeds provide free mammograms and other cancer support services to local residents who otherwise could not afford them.

Last year’s jersey auction raised \$22,000. All 99 jerseys were auctioned off.

“You would be hard-pressed to find another region our size that embraces any program the way we have all embraced Pink Up,” said Jimmy Wilferth, executive director of the Saint Francis Foundation, at the auction announcement. “Our local businesses and schools relentlessly support this cause, and each year it gets bigger and better – and that means more help for our community.”

Since its inception, Pink Up and Dig for Life have provided more than 3,200 free mammograms to community women who could not otherwise afford them. Breast cancer affects one in eight women but by catching it early through important screenings such as mammograms, we have a better chance of beating this disease.

Please visit **www.pinkupcape.com** or call 573-331-5133 to learn more or to donate to the cause.

Saint Francis Medical Center is a 289-bed facility serving more than 713,000 people throughout Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee and Arkansas. Guided by its mission to provide a ministry of healing and wellness inspired by its Christian philosophy and values, the Medical Center has become a progressive, innovative regional tertiary care referral center. Saint Francis’ major service lines, which have received national recognition, include the Neurosciences Institute; Orthopedic Institute; Family BirthPlace, featuring the region’s first Level III Neonatal Intensive Care Unit; Heart Hospital; Emergency and Level III Trauma Center; Cancer Institute; and Fitness Plus.

Pictured is Southeast Football head coach Tom “Tuke” Matukewicz revealing the 2016 Pink Up game jerseys to the Redhawks football team on August 11. The jerseys will be auctioned off and personalized with the winners’ names then worn during a special Pink Up game on October 29. Proceeds from the auction benefit Saint Francis Healthcare System’s Dig for Life fund to provide lifesaving screenings and other

cancer services to local residents who otherwise could not afford them. The auction is online through October 8 at www.pinkupcape.com.

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Dexter Bearcat Booster Club Annual Membership Drive

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Dexter, Missouri - The 2016 - 2017 school year has begun and members of the Dexter Bearcat Booster Club are busy making plans for an exciting year for our beloved Bearcat Nation!

It's time to join the Dexter Bearcat Booster Club! Join on or before August 12th to have your name included in the Fall Sports programs. memberships received after August 12, 2016 will be included in the Winter Sports programs.

Membership forms are available on their Facebook page by **clicking HERE** or stop in at FM Bank in downtown Dexter and see Dana Adams, Booster Club President.

Memberships are available for recent Alumni between the ages of 18 and 25 for just \$15.00. Individual Membership is \$25.00. Family Membership is \$50.00 and includes two Athletic Passes.

If you would like to purchase a Sponsor Membership it's just \$250 and it includes two Athletic Passes and a Dexter Bearcat Booster Club yard sign. A Corporate Membership is \$500 and includes one All-Sport Pass and a Dexter Bearcat Booster Club yard sign.

“The purpose of this organization’s existence is to lend support to the total student activities program at the Dexter High School and Middle School recognizing and respecting the school administration’s responsibility to determine what that program shall include and the policies that shall be followed. Additionally, the organization will encourage school spirit, citizenship, and physical growth through keen competition.”

The 2016 - 2017 Booster Club Board Members are Dana Adams (President), Jim Murdock (Vice President), Kristi Whitehead (Secretary), Kristi Boles (Treasurer), Jimmy Aldridge, Travis Miller, Tracy Hedrick, Ken Rinehart, Chris Brannan, Bonnie Howard, Dale Jackson, and Hank Trout.

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Retired Dexter School Staff Invited to Luncheon

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Dexter, Missouri - The Dexter Public School would like to extend an invitation to the retired Dexter School Staff!

Their annual back-to-school luncheon will be held on Monday, August 8th at 11:30 a.m. in the high school cafeteria.

All retired Dexter School Teachers are encouraged to attend!

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Bernie School Enrollment Dates Set

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Bernie, Missouri - It's that time of the year as everyone is preparing for back to school events, purchasing school supplies, and enrolling their child for the 2016-2017 school season.

Kindergarten orientation will be held on Monday, August 15th at 6:30 pm in the teachers' classrooms.

Preschool orientation will be held on August 16th at 3 pm.

Elementary Open House will be held on August 16th at 6 pm in the high school gym.

New student enrollment for the Bernie School District will be held Friday, August 5th. This enrollment day is for those students kindergarten through 12th grade that were not attending Bernie Schools in the Spring of 2016.

Enrollment is from 10 am - 6 pm in the High School Media Center. You must bring shot records, birth certificate, social security card, and proof of residency.

Returning student enrollment for the Bernie High School will be held on Wednesday, August 10th. This enrollment day is for returning Bernie students entering grades 7th – 12th. Enrollment will be held from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. in the High School Media Center.

Students will update their demographic information and then receive locker assignments and class schedules.

First day of school will be August 18th.

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Dexter Band Camp Begins Monday

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Dexter, Missouri - Marching band camp will be held at Dexter High School on

Monday, August 1 through Friday, August 5.

Monday is for freshmen and drum majors only; the full band should report Tuesday through Friday.

Monday: Freshmen and drum majors only, 8:30-11:30 am

Tuesday through Friday: All high school band members, 8:30-11:30 am and 1:00-4:00 pm

Band members are reminded to bring their instruments and water bottles. Wear comfortable clothes for camp to beat the heat; light-colored shirts, shorts, hats, sunglasses, etc. Please do not wear sandals to camp!

The band will present a field show performance on Friday, August 5 at 6:00pm on the band field for friends and family.

The performance will be a preview of our field show for this year and will last approximately fifteen minutes. Parents and the community is encouraged to attend on Friday. Don't forget to follow the Dexter High School Band on Facebook by clicking **HERE**.

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