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## Powers Selected For FFA Talent

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A ShowMe Times report submitted by FFA Advisor Ronnie Shipman

A Dexter High School senior has been selected to perform at a statewide Future Farmers of America convention.

Lauren Powers, senior at Dexter High School and member of the Dexter FFA Chapter has notified that she has been selected to perform talent during the 83rd Missouri State FFA convention. Thirty individuals and/or groups were selected from the students throughout Missouri who applied to perform their talent during the 2 day convention.

Lauren had to submit anapplication and a video of her performance to the Missouri Association of FFA office at Jefferson City. She will be performing her solo performance at the Thursday evening convention session where it is estimated that their will be approximately 5,000 FFA members and guests present. The convention will be held April 14-15 in Columbia, MO at the Hearnes Multipurpose Building.

Lauren is the daughter of Chuck and Felicia Powers of Dexter. In addition to FFA, Lauren is a member of the DHS Chamber Choir and recently received a I rating for her vocal solo and in two ensembles at District Music Contest.

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## Northern Wins District; On To State

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A SMT Report Submitted by JoAnne Westbrook

A Bloomfield high school senior will travel for the second time to the top high school speech competition in the state.

Joseph Northern, senior from Bloomfield High School, placed 2nd in Radio Speaking at the Southeast District MSHSAA Speech competition on March 5, 2011. The competition was held on the campus Southeast Missouri State University.

Joseph will now compete at the state level competition on April 15, 2011 at the University of Missouri-Columbia. Joseph has been a member of the speech team his entire high school career and this will be his second time to compete at the state level.

Ann Bye, Communications Arts instructor, is currently serving as the speech team sponsor at Bloomfield High School.

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# Future Entrepreneurs: DHS Team Places First

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A ShowMe Times News report

A team of Dexter High School students is champion future entrepreneurs.

Ashley Cogle, Keagen Belcher and Austin Seabaugh placed first in the District 16 Competition of the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA). The team competed in Entrepreneurship.

FBLA is the largest and oldest business student organization in the world! A quarter of a million high school and middle school students, college and university students, faculty, educators, administrators, and business professionals have chosen to be members of the premier business education association preparing students for careers in business.

The DHS team will be eligible to compete at the state level in Columbia in April.

The local FBLA Chapter sponsor is DHS business education teacher Ramona Lemons.

**Photo Above:** The team of Keagan Belcher, Austin Seabaugh and Ashley Cogle placed first recently in FBLA district competition. The team will now progress to the state level of competition in April.(SMT photo by Annabeth Miller)

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# Richland Students Attend State Meeting

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Submitted by reader Karen Lane, Richland Librarian.

A group of students from Richland High School had the opportunity recently to tour the home of one of Missouri's most famous authors and participate in a statewide meeting.

Six students from Richland's Library Club recently attended the Epsilon Beta State Library Club Meeting in Hannibal. Epsilon Beta is a statewide organization for school library clubs.

The RHS students toured Hannibal-LaGrange University, Mark Twain's Boyhood Home and other historical sites, and participated in several competitions, placing second in quiz bowl.

Team members were Brooke Patterson, James Pollock, Tim Mason, and Makayla Wake.

Pollock, the state secretary, helped run the annual business meeting and then handed over his duties to fellow Rebel Makayla Wake, who was elected to the state office for the upcoming academic year. Other members attending the meeting were Hannah Kean and Kirsten Pruett.

#### Photo above:

James Pollock congratulated fellow Rebel Makayla Wake on her being elected state secretary of Epsilon Beta State Library Club. Pollock held the position during the 2010-2011 school year.

Photo below: The Richland High School Library Club team placed second at the state meeting in the Trivia Contest. Team members were Brooke Patterson, James Pollock, Tim Mason, and Makayla Wake.

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Story and photos submitted by Karen Lane. Thanks Karen!

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## DHS Students Give 'Gift Of Life'

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DHS Students Give 'Gift Of Life'

By Annabeth Miller, ShowMe Times Editor

As he lay stretched out on a gurney, his "best buddy" Emily Hutchcraft by his side and holding his hand, Jed Hunsaker was doing something for someone he will never know ... he was giving blood.

Hunsaker is a senior at Dexter High School, and was one of the dozens of DHS students who gave blood at the DHS Blood Drive on Friday. The Future Teachers of America (FTA) sponsored the blood drive.

"I give every year," Hunsaker said. "It makes me feel good about myself, and the goodies

are really good!"

FTA President Lauren Powers and Secretary Lindsay Gilbert greet students and school staff that entered the high school gym Friday night – making sure everyone had the information they needed and felt welcome. The goal of the blood drive was 110 units donated.

FTA members and advisor Ann Polsgrove were on hand to lend support, pass out those important cookies and water, and to help donors on their road to giving the "gift of life." The gym was a beehive of activity, with Red Cross personnel, students and school staff at the different stations.

As folks registered they also were able to put their name in the hat for door prizes. Thanks to Gilbert for providing the door prize information:

- Dexter BBQ certificate \$10-Bailey Hampton
- Dexter BBQ certificate \$10- Jason Guthrie
- American Steakhouse certificate \$10-Austin Stacy
- American Steakhouse certificate \$10-R.J. Phillips
- El Tapitio certificate \$10-T.J. Stoner
- O.P.I. Nail Kit from Perfect 10-Sidney Scowden
- Pretty Nails certificate \$10-Darcie Lane
- Ann Maries certificate \$10-Amanda Richardson
- Metro Gallery gift bag-Savannah Mace
- MJ's Fashion Accessories and Leathers \$25 certificate-Katelyn Yates
- Laura Davis \$50 certificate (goes toward photo session)-Macy Greenrod
- Faculty Prize: Bearcat Coffee Cup from Powder Room & Boutique- Kris Vandeven

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