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The Easter Bunny attended Saturday's PAT Strollerthon and 5K at the West City Park and young Walker Jarrell demonstrated his affection for the 'big rabbit' with a big kiss on Bunny's nose! It was a perfect day for fun in the park, and the kids and their families who attended enjoyed a wonderful time. In addition to the Strollerthon and 5K to raise funds for the local Parents As Teachers program, the Easter Bunny was on hand to greet young and old and the annual PAT Easter Egg Hunt was held for the kids. Complete details on the Strollerthon - including winners, totals raised and a ShowMe Times Photo Gallery - will be published in the ShowMe Times. (Photo by Amy Ellinghouse --- thank you, Amy!)

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April ShowMe Spotlight: Tori Seabaugh

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No foolin' - It's April 1! And Tori Seabaugh is in the ShowMe Spotlight for the month. Tori is a senior at Dexter High School and the daughter of Heather and Steve Foster and Jeff Thomas. Tori is a member of Future Teachers of America, Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She is the treasurer of DECA and a member of the Kickin' Cats Dance Team. The ShowMe Spotlight is a monthly feature of the ShowMe Times, featuring one of the Top 12 finalists in the annual Miss Dexter Pageant sponsored by the Dexter High School Choral Music Department. (Photo by SMT Reader Shannon Putnam .. Thanks so much, Tori and Shannon!)

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'Frog Chorus' Tonight At Nature Center

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Frogs. Little kids have stuffed them in pockets, they are in our ponds, lakes and stream, and their springtime song is a special kind of nature's music.

A special time for seeing some off the ShowMe State's frogs is slated for tonight, Friday, March 30 at the Missouri Department of Conservation Cape Girardeau Nature Center. "Frog Chorus Adventure" is designed for youngsters 12-15.

Want a chance to meet frogs up close and personal? Well, grab your muck boots and join us as we wade through amphibian-infested waters to hear the early spring chorus

The event is from 7 – 9 p.m. Friday at the Cape Girardeau Nature Center.

“Don’t miss this chance to meet some of the smallest and loudest frogs of Missouri,” said Lisa Seyer of the center.

Registration for the event is required. Call 573-290-5218 to register or for more information.

Colorful, harmless, vocal and valuable

Missouri toads and frogs are colorful, harmless, vocal and valuable. Our forests, prairies, rivers, swamps and marshes are home to a multitude of toads and frogs, but few people know how many varieties we have, how to tell them apart or much about their natural history.

Native to Missouri

The toads and frogs native to Missouri are a valuable part of our outdoor heritage. Most people probably do not give them much thought, but we need these amphibians to control destructive insects and to add their voices to the sounds of spring and summer nights. Just hearing or seeing them adds to our enjoyment of the Missouri outdoors.

Good indicators of environmental health

Their role in nature can be illustrated by the huge number of insects they eat and by the number of animals that eat toads, frogs or their tadpoles. Since their bodies readily take in contaminants, they are good indicators of environment health. Amphibian skin secretions also are used in medical research to control and cure human diseases. And, a discussion of the value of frogs should include the fact that thousands of bullfrogs are harvested in our state each year for human consumption—one of Missouri's truly gourmet outdoor foods.

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*By Annabeth Miller,
ShowMe Times Editor*

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“The Second Annual Hits For Hope was a huge success,” said middle school principal Scott Kruse. “We want to thank everyone who helped make this happen. Our volleyball players and coaches had set a goal of raising \$3000.00 and as of right now, they have raised an accurate total of \$5307.50.”

The Dexter ladies all sported special pink uniforms, and the fans joined in the action as well, with pink seen in the stands as far as the eye could see. The enthusiasm of the young fans was evident, which much of the middle school cheering section on their feet through the game. Young gentlemen sported shirts or name tags encouraging the volleyball players.

Baskets featuring everything from Vera Bradley bags to services from Dexter businesses were featured during the silent auctions. The ShowMe Times – ShowMe Dexter Barbecue – had sauces and seasonings from Dexter Barbecue restaurants, including Leon’s Dexter Queen, Hickory Log, Dexter Barbecue and Hick’s World Championship Meats – and promoted Dexter as the “Barbecue Capitol of Missouri.”

Bernie's own Becky Dennington was also on hand to autograph her book chronicling her journey with cancer, "Me and the Ugly C."

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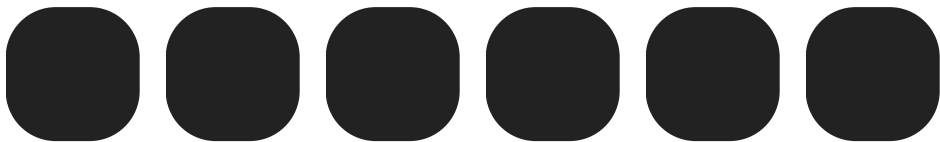
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The Dexter Rotary Club recently presented a donation to the Boy Scouts of America Friends of Scouting fund drive. The Friends of Scouting donations help support local Boy Scouting activities, BSA camps and provides scholarships for Boy Scouts to attend summer camp. On hand for the Rotary presentation were (from left) Dexter Friends of Scouting coordinator Mark Avery, Sioux District BSA executive Jami Parker, and Rotary President Gene Weeks. (Photo submitted by Gene Weeks)

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