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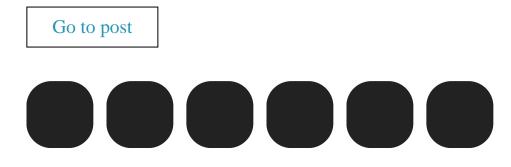
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Dexter High School seniors Malinda Mayor and Dalton Putnam performed Monday evening in the DHS choirs annual Pop Concert, this year with the theme "Pop Fights Back." The duo - and good friends - sang "A Whole New World". Proceeds from the concert will be used to help DHS student Luke Lewis in his fight against cancer. The show will be held again Tuesday night beginning at 6 p.m. in the Bearcat Event Center on Grant Street. Admission is \$5. (Show Me Times photo by Annabeth Miller)

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Two Dexter High School students active in Future Farmers of America recently received Proficiency Awards at the 84th Missouri State FFA Convention. Chelsey Massey was recognized for her Swine Production - Entrepreneurship and Derek Felker was recognized for his Natural Resources and Environmental Management work. The advisor for the Dexter High School FFA chapter is Ronnie Shipman. Over 9100 Missouri FFA members, parents and guests attended this year's convention, held in April in Columbia. (Photo submitted by the DHS Future Farmers of America)

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POPLAR BLUFF - The Three Rivers College Jazz and Symphonic Bands will host the final concert of the academic year and feature some toe-tapping tunes and classic works for symphonic band.

The concert will feature the Three Rivers Symphonic Band and Jazz Band. The concert will be held at 8 p.m., Tuesday, May 8 in the Tinnin Fine Arts Center on the TRC campus in Poplar Bluff.

A number of musicians from the Dexter area will perform in the concert as members of both the TRC Symphonic Band and Jazz Band.

A highlight of the Jazz Band's performance will be the classic "Big Swing Face" by Bill Potts, which was written for and performed by the famous Buddy Rich Jazz Band.

"This is the same chart the Buddy Rich Band performed, not a watered-down arrangement," said William White, Three Rivers College music instructor and band director. The Jazz Band will also perform "Swingtime in the Rockies" by Benny Goodman and James Mundy, arranged by Dave Wolpe, and "Steamsville" by Mark Taylor.

The Symphonic Band's showcase will include "The Sinfonians" by Clifton Williams, "Down A Country Lane" by Aaron Copland, "A Touch of Tuba" by Art Dedrick, "American Patrol" by F.W. Meacham and "Masque" by Francis McBeth.

"Both bands are performing what I call 'Gems of the Concert Stage'," said White. "Clifton Williams' 'The Sinfonians' is a classic band work which has defined the highest standard of what symphonic band literature can be. 'Masque,' by Arkansas native Francis McBeth, is also a staple of band literature. Dr. McBeth passed away Jan. 9, 2012. This is the band's tribute to one of the world's greatest wind band composers."

The Symphonic Band is a unique group consisting of community members, area band directors, Three Rivers College and high school students.

The concert is free and open to the public. For more information on the spring band concert, please contact William White at wwhite@trcc.edu. Additional information on the music program and other areas of study at Three Rivers College can be found at www.trcc.edu.

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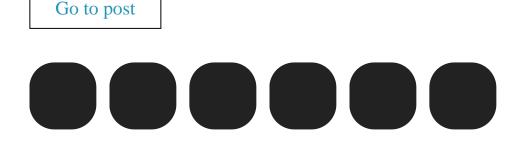
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Dexter FFA Members Attend State Meeting

Members of the Dexter Future Farmers of America Chapter attended the 84th annual Missouri State FFA Convention in Columbia on April 19-20. Over 9,100 FFA members, parents and guests attended this year's convention. Dexter members attending were Derek Felker, Chelsey Massey, Shelby Edwards, Christin Sitzes, Brianna Madigan and Jackson Hubbard. Massey and Felker each received a proficiency award from the state. Sitzes and Hubbard performed with 200 other FFA members from across the state in the State FFA Choir. The Dexter members worked in the state media room and worked with the state Courtesy Corps. The FFA members also attended a workshop presented by Seth Pratt, Western Region National FFA Vice-President. Pictures at the convention were (front row, from left) Shelby Edwards, Brianna Madigan, Christin Sitzes, Chelsey Massey; (back from , from left FFA Advisor Ronnie Shipman, Jackson Hubbard, Derek Felker. (Photo submitted by FFA Advisor Felker)

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Three Rivers College in Dexter celebrated Student Appreciation Day on Wednesday, complete with grilled hot dogs and all the trimming's for students at the local higher education center. On hand for the special celebration – and delicious lunch – included (from left) student Matt Ware of Advance, Dexter Center Coordinator (and grill master) Bill Hampton, student Brennen Justice of Dexter, instructor Larry Louder, Dr. Mary Lou Brown, TRC chair of the Business, Education, Math, Science and Technology division, students Logan Crowley and Angela Spence of Dexter, and TRC facilitator Jennifer Whitesell and assistant center coordinator Ann Matthews. (ShowMe Times photo by Annabeth Miller)

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