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# Dexter Senior High Activities 12/3-7

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The upcoming activities are posted weekly in hopes of encouraging more people to get involved in the academic and athletic growth of our school system.

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## T.S. Hill Junior Beta Induction Ceremony

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T.S. Hill Junior Beta Induction Ceremony

Beta Club is a big deal for most of our schools in Southeast Missouri but some people may not know that Jr. Beta Club is also a great opportunity and organization to prepare the students for the bigger club that they will get to join when they get to high school. Today, a huge event with great meaning took place at T.S. Hill Middle School in Dexter.

Beta Club (both Senior and Junior) is a club that was founded upon hard work, academics, and serving others. There are many lessons to be learned from the club and its several conventions throughout the years and the new members of T.S. Hills got to experience that for the first time this afternoon.

Today was the Induction Ceremony as Dexter Middle

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School's Junior Beta Club welcomed 253 brand new Beta members. The Ceremony was done orderly and successfully and each new member left while proudly wearing a Jr. Beta pin.

Angie Duncan welcomed the family and friends that attended the Ceremony while the soon-to-be-Betas waited patiently for their initiation. Ashlynn Wyman then led the auditorium in the Pledge of Allegiance and also sang the National Anthem along with Angel Maze, Sarah Miller, and Caroline Powers. Scott Kruse then took the stage and explained all of the hard work the students went through to be at this Induction Ceremony including working hard in the classroom and performing acts of community service throughout their daily routines.

The lighting of the candles is a Beta Club tradition and each candle that is lit represents something that the Beta Club strives for. Mindy Thurmon was given the opportunity of lighting the white candle that symbolizes light, purity and faith. Belinda Delay lit the red candle, symbolizing pure love and wisdom. Jeannie Cato lit the blue candle which symbolizes truth, constancy, and fidelity. Kristi Boles lit the black candle which signifies dignity, restraint, and seriousness and a Beta's thirst for knowledge and truth. Mindy Thurlkill lit the gold (or yellow) candle which signifies warmth, faithfulness, and friendship.

The Ceremony ended after each student was inducted into the club but this is just the beginning for the new Beta members. For many Betas, this is a memorable and exciting event where your many family members and friends get to join you as you take a step toward your future goal. Beta Club doesn't only help keep kids on track to success, but they also help you realize the things that you want to be successful in. Beta opens doors for many opportunities in several different areas such as academics, fine arts, public speaking, musical performances, Quiz Bowl competitions, and many more. Aside from different competitions, the club also builds character and gives each member a sense of responsibility and honor that they will carry with them the rest of their Beta career.

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This Friday on November 30<sup>th</sup>, the Missouri State Junior Beta

Convention will be held at the Black River Coliseum in Poplar Bluff. The club plans on attending with other schools in the Missouri region. There are many competitions that can be entered into such as academics, fine arts, and musical performances but each chapter is given the chance to run for office, which gives each club a chance to play a bigger and broader part in the Junior Beta Club.

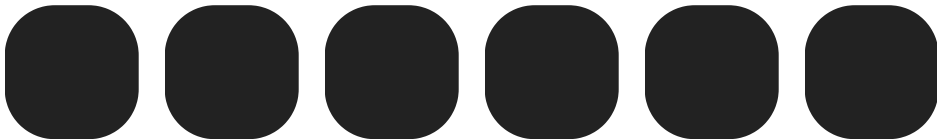
We hope that you have a great time at the State Convention on Friday and that you take to heart what you learn from the inspirational speakers and other Beta leaders so that you can “Lead By Serving Others” for not only the rest of the year, but so that you can stay a true Beta at heart for many years to come.

**BETA Club Program from Today's Event:** *[CLICK HERE](#)*

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## Richland Beta Club Chili Supper

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## Richland Beta Club Chili Supper

Stephanie Monroe has been the Beta Club sponsor at Richland High School for several years now and Beta has been a huge part of Richland for many years prior. Beta Club is an organization that builds off of students and their academic abilities to promote ideals of academic achievement, character, service, and leadership among high school students all over America.

Next Tuesday, the club will be holding their annual Beta Chili Supper on Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup>. December 4<sup>th</sup> is also the Richland Basketball Team's first home game against the Campbell Camels so you can eat dinner and then see an exciting game and enjoy a performance by Amber Duley's Pep Band during halftime.

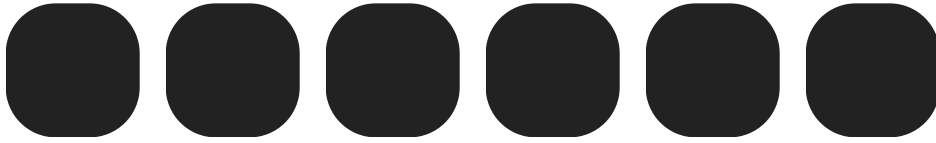
This is one of the larger fundraisers that the club holds so they can raise money to go to State Convention in March at Branson. The club has proved their commitment and dedication to this club and has been holding office at the State Convention for the past couple of years. This year, they will have the retiring State Secretary, Jessica Shidler, who placed last year with their "Without a Shadow of a Doubt" skit. Richland is proud to hold one of the three State offices along with Malden and Bloomfield.

The members are currently raising money for junior Kannon Qualls, as he trains and prepares himself to conquer the stage and run for office at State Convention. Aside from holding office, Beta offers many other opportunities for kids with all different talents. Most of the students are entered in academics such as English, Math, Science, History, or Quiz Bowl while others focus on painting, drawing, or special talents. This year, the special talent group of four students will be singing *Somebody That I Used to Know* by Gotye. If the club places in any of these categories at State Convention, they will start preparing for Nationals which is held in Mobile, Alabama.

This is Beta's third fundraiser this year as they </images/Beth's Pictures/beta club 2.jpg> prepare to head for Branson in the spring and hopefully Mobile in the summer but they still need all the support they can get. The Chili Supper will be held in Richland's cafeteria which is right down the hall from the gymnasium. Doors open at 4:30 and they close at 6:30 so that you will still be able to enjoy the game. All Beta Club members are currently selling Chili Supper tickets that are \$6 a piece but you can contact the Beta sponsor and art teacher, Stephanie Monroe, or visit the Richland High School Beta Club page on Facebook for more information or to purchase tickets.

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## Dexter FFA Selling Poinsettias

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The Dexter FFA will begin selling poinsettias on Monday, November 26<sup>th</sup>. This is a great thing to give to someone you always have a hard time shopping for around Christmas time. Who wouldn't love a bright red, lovely poinsettia?

The members of the Dexter High School Greenhouse class have raised the poinsettias. The class visits the greenhouse daily to water the plants and make sure they are making the proper progress in their growth.

The poinsettias will be sold for eight dollars each. Anyone can buy one of these, just come by the AG department at Dexter High School or call 573-614-1030 for more information.

This is a great way to mark a few “hard-to-buy for” people off your Christmas list, or you could even buy a couple for yourself! Poinsettias are extra great around the holidays as they are seen around many Christmas decorations.

Shown in the photo above are Shelby Edwards and Autumn Lesley holding poinsettias in which they have grown through being in Ronnie Shipman’s greenhouse class.

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