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Circuit Breaker Training

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Written by Dee Loflin, SMT Writer

Southeast Missouri - The Circuit Breaker tax rebate program, also known as the Missouri Property Tax Credit program has been in effect since 1973, but has changed some over the years.

The Missouri Department of Revenue will provide training to acquaint volunteers and other interested parties in how to prepare these forms.

The training will be held on January 30th from 1:30 p.m. until around 3:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Southeast Missouri Area Agency on Aging office, located at 1219 N. Kingshighway, Suite 100, Cape Girardeau. If you would be interested in a training closer to you please let us know, it might be possible.

Each year seniors who meet the eligibility guidelines can file for this tax rebate and there are volunteers available to assist with the filing.

For more information about Circuit Breaker Program, check out the article under Blogs on the ShowMe Times web page. There is a very interesting article by Ruth Dockins, Public Information Director.

Seniors do not need to pay for this service because there are plenty of well trained volunteers available for assistance.

If you would like to attend this training please call 1-800-392-8771 to register.

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Dexter, Missouri – The Stoddard County Genealogy Society met on Monday, January 14, 2013 at the Hickory Log for their annual awards banquet.

Installation of officers was held and the winner of the M.A. Hart Volunteer Award for Society Volunteer was also announced.

Officers are Shirley Carney, President; Frances Moore, Vice-President; Lynda Stewart, Secretary and Rick Young, Treasurer.

This year's recipient was Lynda Stewart who has been an active member of the Stoddard County Genealogy Society since 2005. Presenting the award was M. A. Hart and Frances Moore.

Lynda has served as the Editor of the Society newsletter and Secretary of the organization. She volunteers in the Genealogy Room at the Keller Public Library and assists the staff with the cataloging and maintenance of the Genealogy Collection. She also assists patrons with their genealogical research. Lynda helped to organize the Beginning Genealogy Workshop, which was held in June 2012. She is also helping organize the FamilySearch Workshop that will be held on February 9th at the Keller Public Library.

The M.A. Hart Volunteer Award is presented annually to a person

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who has made outstanding contributions to Genealogy and the preservation of the history of Stoddard County. We congratulate Lynda Stewart for her endless ability of volunteering her time to this endeavor.

font-family: Verdana">If you would like to know more about Genealogy research the Stoddard County Genealogy Society meets at the Keller Public Library once a month and they have a wonderfully informative Facebook page, www.facebook.com/StoddardCountyGenealogySociety.

font-family: Verdana">If you are interested in the FamilySearch Workshop, please register by calling the Keller Pubic Library at 624-3764.

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Written by Jessica Snider, SMT Writer

On Tuesday afternoon, the heartland experienced an unexpected wintery weather mix. The light snow quickly turned into a slick mess and forced many people to cancel their evening plans and many schools to even close early.

With the roads getting dangerous, many schools had no choice but to cancel the afterschool activities for that day. Many basketball games, wrestling matches, etc were cancelled Tuesday evening due to the wintery weather.

ShowMe Times would like to thank you for staying tuned in and checking our website for the closings of some local schools and postponing of high school hoops!

When all the cancellations have a rematch date, we will be glad to let our readers know!

Keep in mind that shall we receive any more winter weather that results in cancellations; the ShowMe Times can be your "go-to" place for any additional information.

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Mary Ann Taylor and Her Snow Friends

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Mary Ann Taylor and Her Snow Friends

Written by Dee Loflin, SMT Writer

Dexter, Missouri - Another fun filled morning at the Keller Public Library in Dexter. Each Tuesday morning at 10:15, a story is read by a wonderful guest. The library story hours are so much fun, even the adults get into the action by singing along with the children.

The library's guest reader this week was Mary Ann Taylor and the kids sure seem to love her. She is so exuberant and it was a pleasure to hear her reading of "Snow Friends"! It's about Little Bear who wakes up early from his hibernation and is startled to see the world covered in SNOW! Unable to find a playmate, he builds a snowman. Otter and Rabbit are Little Bear's two friends. The story is just simply too-cute.

There were quite a few children who endured the bitter, cold weather Tuesday morning to be entertained. They sang, laughed, and a few were even crawling a little as they giggled. Just good old fashioned fun!

After they listened to Mrs. Taylor read her book, the children were able to sing more songs and do a little hokey pokey. Then they all participated in some fun crafting activities by creating their very own snowman. Some children colored a snowman

friend. Each child was very excited to take their artwork home!

Next week, the Keller Public Library will host "Tacky the Penguin" about a penguin that is somewhat eccentric and marches to the beat of a different drum and it will be read by Kim Cook. Mark your calendar for 10:15 a.m. on January 22nd.

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Aaron Pixley Accepts Job as Kennet's Head Coach

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Aaron Pixley Accepts Job as Kennet's Head Coach

Dexter, Missouri - Life is always filled with change, but the times of change have now come upon the Dexter High School football program. Coach Aaron Pixley has announced today that he and his family will be leaving his DHS alma mater to take the head coaching position at Kennett High School.

"No one will understand why a person would move when you are comfortable and satisfied where you are," stated Pixley. "It's an excellent opportunity for my family and I have always loved a challenge."

In his first year as the Dexter Head Coach, Pixley had a team shirt that stated his philosophy toward the game of football, and obviously life. The slogan read "Never Accept Mediocrity".

His thirteen seasons at the gridiron master has provided our community many exciting Friday nights. His record tells the story with 78 wins which is a record for any Head Coach at DHS. His two best seasons were in 2002 in his third year as the head coach the Bearcats had a season of 8-3 and then in 2010 was perhaps his most memorable year with a record of 8-5 and playing in the State Quarterfinals.

The Bearcats have scored 3,285 points under Pixley with their opponents scoring 2,670. In addition, we have been able to experience the joys of victory with three titles as SEMO Conference Champions, 2002, 2005 and 2011. The Bearcats won four District Playoffs, 2002, 2005, 2010 and 2011, with 2010 making it to the State Quarterfinal.

Many emotions flood a community when news of this nature is shared. The feelings of loss will weigh heavily among students, faculty, friends, and the fans of Dexter High School and the Pixley's. None more critically touched than those athletes who have become known as one of the "Pixley's Boys".

Coach Pixley has gone above the normal call of dedication for Bearcat athletes, both current and past. Not simply the football players, but all athletes as well as non-athletes. he has delivered to our young people the proud virtues found in organized athletes such as hard work, dedication, team and honor.

The jealously that Kennett would snatch such a good man and family from our community could be considered rivalry material. However, in the high hopes of good things for a great family, we certainly wish him well. May these opportunities only bring about greater opportunities for the Pixleys and Dexter High School.

The news certainly comes as a surprise to the Dexter Public Schools and they will busy themselves working on a replacement for the head position. There is little speculation at this time to the direction the district will pursue.

Coach Pixley and his wife, Amy, will finish the year at Dexter before making the move to Kennett sometimes this summer. Typically known as the "coaches wife", Amy has been a major part of her husband's success with the football program in Dexter. She has dedicated countless hours to the tough jobs of laundry, schedule interruptions and household duties.

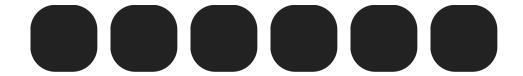
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