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Dexter, Missouri - With basketball slowing winding down and the hint of spring just around the corner, kids of all ages are gearing up for baseball season.

The Dexter Strikers 10u traveling baseball team is ready for action. And to help with uniforms, equipment, tournament fees and traveling expenses they have decided to sell raffle tickets for not just one Cardinal's Goody Basket, but two.

These baskets are perfect for the St. Louis Cardinals Baseball fan! Each contains items shown in the picture PLUS 2 tickets for the PowerAde Bridge seats which are all inclusive seats. The game is on Mother's Day, May 12, 2013 at 1:15 p.m. and the tickets include FREE buffet and drinks during the game. The Cards will be hosting the Colorado Rockies!

Raffle tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 tickets for \$5.00. The tickets alone are valued at \$400. If you would like to buy these tickets, contact Matt Long at 573-625-3919.

The drawing will be held on April 27th and you do NOT have to be present to win.

This is a great way to support a local team and an opportunity to see the Cardinal's game. Would make a wonderful Mother's Day present for Mom that is a Cardinal Fan and you

would be helping some youngsters who love to play ball! They are eight, nine and ten year olds and are our potentially our future DHS Bearcats! Let's support them all the way!

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The Dexter Strikers would also like to thank their 2013 sponsors to date:

Gill Group, Smith-Payne Reality, Kevin Manes Farms, Chris Brannan of State Farm, Whitehouse Creations, Show Me Rent to Own, Flair Hair Salon, Sikeston Hearing Center, Rafter K Arena, CCC Rentals, LCobb Construction, the Grill, Randy Laird Construction, Logan's heating/Cooling and Electrical, Hardin Farms, and Cash To Go.

The team will also have t-shirts available soon. Cost is \$16 each and you may contact Matt Long as well. Go Dexter Strikers!

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Dexter, Missouri – Do you want to unwind from a long day at work on Monday? Perhaps you should just head on over to the Elks Lodge on Two Mile Road in Dexter, Missouri for an evening of entertainment and fun.

“What Makes You Beautiful”, a fashion show hosted by the Friends of the Keller Public Library. A wonderful fundraiser and dinner is set for the library with many of Dexter’s hottest men and loveliest women strolling down the runway for your viewing of the latest fashions. New to the 13th Annual Event will be an “Ugliest Outfit” contest. This could get very interesting and quite amusing.

Tickets for the event are \$20 each and may be purchased from any Friends of the Library board member or at the Keller Public Library. Pam Trammell, Executive Director of the Library will once again serve as emcee at the event.

Proceeds from the annual fashion show are placed toward the purchase of literacy items and to help Keller Library continue wonderful programs.

For more information, please contact Adrienne White at 624-4070. Support your public library tonight and enjoy great food and fantastic fashions!

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Dexter, Missouri – Mark your calendar and get ready to donate some blood! During Red Cross Month, the American Red Cross invites everyone to support their communities by giving blood or platelets, volunteering, taking a class or making a financial donation.

Did you know that the Red Cross began to collect blood for the U.S. Military in 1941? Dr. Charles Drew was the medical director during that time and in 1948 the Red Cross implemented the first nationwide blood program for civilians.

What a great organization with over 70 years worth of blood donations.

The American Red Cross will be in Dexter on March 18th from 4 p.m. – 8 p.m. at the Pleasant Grove Community Church. The church is located at 13798 E. State Highway H in Dexter, Missouri.

Bell City High School will also sponsor a blood drive with the American Red Cross on March 21st from 2 p.m. – 6 p.m. The school is located at 25254 Walnut Street in Bell City, Missouri.

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies and about 40% of the nation's blood supply. They also teach skills that save lives, provide international humanitarian aid and

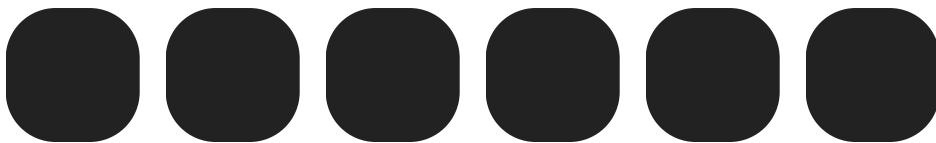
support the military members and their families. The Red Cross is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission.

If you wish to donate blood, call 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit www.redcrossblood.org to make an appointment. All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age (16 with parental consent in some states), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

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Dexter, Missouri - Several youngsters braved the cold weather Tuesday to listen to Susie Grobe and Kristi Booker read and make crafts at the Keller Public Library Story Hour.

Susie and Kristi each read a story book to the children before they spent the rest of their hour making crafts.

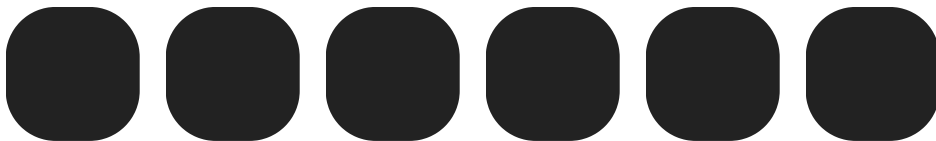
Each week the library has a special guest and a few weeks ago, Cluck, the Chicken came to the library with Mr. Tony Rustin from Pizza Hut. Some of the children laughed and wanted to shake Cluck's feathers. Other children were very frightened of Cluck and it took a few minutes of coaxing to get those children laughing and singing songs.

Next week, Betsy Taylor and Riley Dillinger will be the guest readers. The "St. Patrick's Day" Library Story Hour will begin at 10:15 a.m. on Tuesday, March 12th. Hope everyone comes out and bring the little ones for a fun filled hour of singing, reading and making crafts.

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Statewide Tornado Drill Postponed

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Dexter, Missouri – Due to inclement weather in the state of Missouri, many cities have rescheduled the statewide tornado drill for Thursday, March 7th at 1:30 p.m. However, the Alert did broadcast throughout the state as planned.

There were some cities who could not activate their Outdoor Warning Sirens as the temperature was at or below 32 degrees Fahrenheit. This cold weather could damage the sirens. Illinois decided to postpone their statewide drill until Wednesday morning at 10:00 a.m. due to the snow storms in their region.

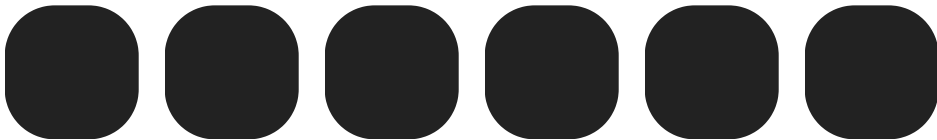
Many area schools also postponed their drill, including Dexter Public Schools. The City of Dexter will also activate their sirens on Thursday. The weather just did not cooperate with us today. We will try again on Thursday.

Missouri's www.stormaware.mo.gov website includes detailed videos showing how to take shelter in specific types of buildings, houses with and without basements, mobile homes, schools and important information about tornado sirens and weather alert radios. This site also includes links to free severe weather texting services that can alert people across Missouri to upcoming severe weather.

The National Weather Service provides safety tips and educational information about each day of Severe Weather Awareness Week on the St. Louis Forecast Office site: <http://www.crh.noaa.gov/lx/?n=severeweek>.

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