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## Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

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**Dexter, Missouri -** The Knights of Columbus will host their annual Fish Fry this Friday, March 22nd at the Sacred Heart Parish at 102 E. Castor in Dexter.

This annual event is from 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. and the cost is \$9 per adult and children under 12 are \$5 each. You get wonderfully fried fish, homemade potato chips, slaw and the fixings. Along with your meal you will have fresh homemade desserts and a drink of your choice.

Proceeds from the event go to help various organizations. You won't want to miss the Knights of Columbus Fish Fry!

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### PAT Strollerthon and 5k UPDATE

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**Dexter, Missouri -** UPDATE: The Parents as Teachers Strollerthon and 5k Walk/Run have an "ICKY WEATHER PLAN!" It seems Mother Nature does not want to cooperate with the events planned in Southeast Missouri this weekend; however don't despair!

They are not going to let a little rain or dreary weather ruin their fun. The 5 k will follow the planned route, rain or shine, so 5k-ers, bundle up! (Unfortunately, the BEC track is closed to the floor being re-finished.) The rest of the morning's events will be moved into the gym and cafeteria at Southwest.

Strollerthoners can "park" thier strollers in the cafeteria. They are welcome to use the back parking lot and enter through the cafeteria doors. Tyson's grill, snacks and refreshments will be available in the cafeteria. While Kid-Fest Booths will be in both the gym and cafeteria, and the egg hunt can be moved into the hallways if it's raining.

Now if the roads are ICY or SNOWY and we hope they are not, then they will postpone and update the public with a later date. Please check the PAT or ShowMe Times Facebook pages for

updates.

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# Kiwanis Annual Easter Egg Hunt

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**Dexter, Missouri -** The Kiwanis Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday, March  $30^{th}$  at 1:00 p.m. at West City Park in Dexter, Missouri.

The event is open to all children ages pre-school through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. The park is located across from the Stoddard County Ambulance District building on W.

Business US Hwy 60 and is FREE to the public.

The Easter Bunny will be there a little before 1 p.m. so bring a camera, but he can't stay too long as he has to get busy and hide more Easter Eggs that night for all the little boys and girls to find on Easter morning.

There will be three special eggs and one in each age division. Find one and you will receive a wonderful Easter Basket full of goodies! Age group divisions will preschool, K-1 and second and third graders.

There will be plenty of eggs for everyone! Come out and have a great time with the kids.

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Vote for Lauren Thrower! Make Me A Cover Model

Written by Dee Loflin, SMT Manager/Writer

**Dexter, Missouri -** Lauren Thrower has a new website! It is still in the works, but ready for you to check it out. Lauren needs your help. Help us spread the word and make her a cover model.

Lauren is one of 25 chosen for the 2013 Make Me A Cover Model contest which is open from Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup> and will close at midnight Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup>.

Then the top 5 models will have another round of voting beginning on Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>. The ShowMe Times will keep you up-to-date on Lauren's success.

How do I vote for Lauren and make her a cover model? It is simple. Go to

/images/Lauren Thrower 2.png

http://www.laurenthrower.com and find the "Click Here to Vote!" This will take you to the Fourpoints Magazine's website for voting.

Once you are on Fourpoints Magazine's website find Lauren's picture, click vote. It will ask you to submit two words from the screen, hit enter and away it goes. "Your Vote is Counted!" will appear, click continue and do it again. Up to 100 votes per IP address per day are counted.

Don't forget to share with your Facebook friends.

You can even follow Lauren on Twitter, @laurenleigh2016. Use hash tag #makemeacovermodel.

Lauren is currently preparing to compete in the Miss Missouri Outstanding Teen pageant in Mexico, Missouri in June of this year. Her Platform is the D.A.R.E. Program and she is also an active fundraiser for the Children's Miracle Network.

She is currently Miss Springfield Outstanding Teen 2013 and she earned Jr. Miss Stoddard County 2012, Jr. Miss Dexter 2012 and Jr. Miss Heartland 2012 titles.

Help Lauren win the contest and become a "Make Me A Cover Model"!

Good Luck Lauren!

\*Update to Article: The Fourpoints Magazine's website had a slight issue yesterday, but will be up and running by noon today, Tuesday, March 20th. They have also extended the voting. See website for details.

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## Dr. Sharp Speaks at Rotarian Luncheon Meeting

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**Dexter, Missouri** – The Rotary Club had their weekly meeting with a special guest speaker, Dr. Thomas Sharp, Superintendent of Dexter Public Schools.

Dr. Sharp has been the superintendent for the past three years and hoped he would still be here another five years from now. He really enjoys Dexter!

He started by telling the Rotary Club about the number of teachers retiring this year along with some that are moving away from Dexter. He has spent a multitude of time interviewing candidates and really likes the process of interviewing. They were told about the new head football coach and a new special education teacher that were hired just this week.

"I like to find out if the candidate not only has the wisdom needed for the job, but to determine if they can think on their own and more importantly can they teach," explained Dr. Sharp.

Dr. Sharp also spent some time discussing school security and with the recent shootings in Connecticut, he says we found out that there is always room for improvement and if someone wants to get into the school, they can. However with training, more secure doorways, new cameras and a plan of action in place, it will slow an intruder down and save lives.

The Rotary Club was also told that the schools in Dexter were currently on lockdown during his visit with them as there were three potentially violent escapees from the Butler County Jail roaming around.

There are also plans in place this summer to replace sections and repair the flat roof at the school with a cost of \$20,000. Flat roofs have to be repaired often and leak more than a peaked roof.

He also announced that the schools would only be open ½ day on Thursday and closed on Friday because the Lady Cats basketball team was going to Columbia for the State Championship games. They wanted anyone, including family, friends, and students who want to attend the games to be able to do so. He is very proud of the girls basketball team and their accomplishments.

"It is always nice to have a guest speaker of such caliber and to learn what is going on in the schools," according to one of the Rotary Members. "If you don't have kids in the school district, then you don't know what's going on at school. It was nice that he came and updated us."

The Rotary Club is currently having a membership drive and looking for folks who are interested in serving the community to please contact any Rotary Member.

They have guest speakers often and their meetings are never dull. You can learn a lot from a Rotarian!

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