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# Mission Trip to the San Blas Islands

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**Dexter, Missouri** - Several young adults from Dexter, Bernie, Gideon, Jackson, and Springfield went on a mission trip to the San Blas Islands off the coast of Panama.

The Bernie Church of Christ joined the Chisolm Hills Church from Alabama. While on the week long trip, the teens interacted with Kuna men, women, and children, an indigenous people of Panama, by sharing the word through sermons, singing, and children's lessons. The travelers stayed in man-made huts on islands in the middle of the Caribbean sea and traveled from island to island by boat.

Shown in the photo are Kassi Lawrence, Gideon and Kendra Stevenson, Dexter with Kuna children on the San Blas Islands, Panama.

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Dexter: Kendra Stevenson, Morgan Collier, Alexis Smith, Bernie: Stan Dauck (Bernie Church of Christ Pastor), Gideon: Kassi Lawrence, Cody Groves, Jackson: Sarah Thornsberry, and Springfield: Erica Ewing.

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## 2013 Community Homecoming Schedule of Events

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**Dexter, Missouri** - The 2013 Bearcat Fall Homecoming Community event will be something new and exciting for the entire Dexter High School and the local community. "This is something we want to make an annual part of homecoming," stated Lisa Thrower, Regional Healthcare Foundation.

A "Super-Homecoming" has been planned surrounding the traditional Dexter Bearcat Homecoming that will not only celebrate our current students at DHS, but will provide a true social "Homecoming" event for alumni of the Dexter Public Schools.

**WHY HAVE A SUPER HOMECOMING?** The goal is to create an event that will increase community pride and school spirit on an even larger scale. To create a wholesome social event that broadens the fun and excitement of Homecoming and to encourage alumni to return to our community and enjoy all that Dexter has to offer!

Local involvement of alumni, local businesses and our young people has been the key to successfully planning this event. The ***Regional Healthcare Foundation is hosting the Tailgate Event on Friday*** from 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. with several businesses participating. If you didn't set up a tailgate spot, not to worry, YOU are still invited to come out and eat, drink, and have a great time.

The Dudley Church of God will have their concessions trailer set up along side of them will be the NWTF smoking chicken wings. Both are raising money for a good cause. The Church of God has many youth programs available and proceeds will go to help them continue their great work. The National Wild Turkey Federation will be donating proceeds back to the schools in Stoddard County to help with equipment and training for NASP: National Archery in the Schools Program. Both are truly good causes for our children!

Southeast Health is sponsoring a Kids Fun Zone. Children of all ages are encouraged to jump and play in the bounce houses and get their faces painted for the game. There is NO admission fees for the bounce houses and you can get a pretty cool PAW PRINT painted for FREE as well. So much fun! There will even be a snow cone truck sponsored by the Dexter High School Student Council! They are delicious treats you get to add as some flavor as you want!!

The band Flashback will be providing the entertainment on stage during the pre-game Super Bearcat Tailgate Event as well as after the football game at the 5th Quarter street festival.

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The DHS Marching Bearcats will lead the parade from the tailgate party to the Charles Bland Stadium just in time for the introduction and crowning of the Homecoming Queen and her attendants at precisely 6:30 p.m. Don't miss this great opportunity to march into the stadium with your favorite Bearcat. There will be extra volunteers on hand to help take your money at the gate, so be prepared and don't forget to cheer!

Stick around for the half-time show featuring the DHS Marching Band performing "The Beatles" tunes along with the DHS Flag Corps! After the Bearcats defeat New Madrid County Central enjoy the 5th Quarter with more food, sodas and music.

Concessions will be available and the band Flashback will be performing in front of the Bearcat Event Center until 11:00 p.m.

It doesn't stop there!!! Join the D-Unit Pep Club at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday morning for the 1st ever ColorBurst Run. Then beginning at 8:30 is the Bearcat BBQ Cook-Off with prizes and judging at 10:30, 11:30 and 12:30. The DHS football team will be on hand to judge the delicious foods (They probably just hate having that job) and if you want I am sure they will take a moment for a photo opportunity!

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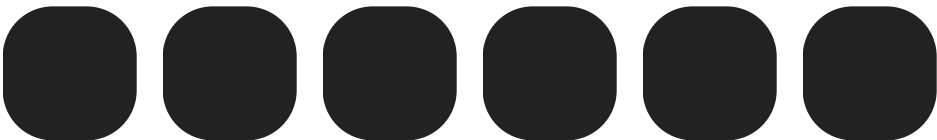
Don't forget to enter your favorite car, truck, tractor, motorcycle or monster truck in the "Strut Your Stuff" Bearcat Car, Truck Tractor Show beginning at 9:00 a.m. Sponsored by Allen Christian Buick GMC and will benefit the Dexter Future Farmers of America. Prizes to be awarded at 1:00 p.m. The FFA club will be judging the "Faster Than a Speeding Ticket", most spirited, best in show, and most radical!

For more information about the 2013 Homecoming Community Event check out their Facebook page by clicking **here**.

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# National Name Your Car Day!

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**USA** - If you do not already have a name for your car, now is the time to personalize it and pick a name today, as it is National Name Your Car Day, which is celebrated each year on October 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Many of you most likely remember "Herbie" the Love Bug, "Lightning McQueen" from Cars, "Kit" from Knight Rider, "General Lee" from The Dukes of Hazzard and "Bandit" from Smokey and the Bandit. These are just some of the famous car names that are known by millions of people.

We spend a lot of time in our cars and take good care of them so why not give them a special name?

Have you chosen your car's name yet?

Did you know there are e-cards for National Name Your Car Day? Send one to a friend today!

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## Rotary Club Inducts New Member

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**Dexter, Missouri** - Michelle Lane was recently inducted into the Dexter Rotary Club. "It's the first time we have ever had a grandfather/granddaughter in the Rotary Club at the same time," commented Jack Rodgers.

Her grandfather is Floyd Polsgrove and he is very proud that she decided to join.

"We are glad to have her aboard," stated Rodgers. "She is the second woman to join this year. Dee Loflin joined in February."

Michelle is the Assistant Coordinator for Three Rivers College campus here in Dexter.

The Rotary Club of Dexter is always seeking new members. They meet weekly and enjoy having various speakers in the community each week.

If you are interested in speaking or would like to join the Rotary Club please contact Jack Rodgers at 624-5762 or at his email address **jrod63841@yahoo.com**. Also check out their new Facebook page, **Dexter Rotary Club**.

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**Dexter, Missouri** - It's always nice to win something at the Stoddard County Fair. There are usually several raffles available to raise money for various organizations. Dennis Fowler, State Representative of District #151, never dreamed he would win the BBQ grill/smoker from the American Legion booth, but he did! He said, "I just wanted to offer a monetary donation. I didn't expect to win."

And to American Legion's surprise he wanted to "pay it forward" by donating the grill to the Disabled Veterans Wildlife Facility. Darryl LaPierre, Commander of the Kenady-Hanks American Legion Post #59 delivered the grill to Tom Love.

Tom was overwhelmed by the gesture and couldn't believe what Mr. Fowler had done for the Disabled Veterans. Now instead of fast food take-out and having to deliver, they can now grill and cook delicious meat and vegetables. This will be even more memorable for the veterans who utilize the wildlife facility.

Each year disabled veterans are taken on hunts and nature walks so they may enjoy the outdoors. We take it for granted that we can walk and hike, but some of these servicemen are no longer as spry as they used to be or they may have lost their ability to walk serving overseas. Doesn't matter to Tom, he will take any disabled veteran down the trails to the pond or the elaborate deer blind and allow them to enjoy what nature has to offer.

Show in the photo are Tom Love, Jim Adams, Dennis Fowler, and Darryl LaPierre.

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