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Written by Dee Loflin, SMT Manager/Editor

Dexter, Missouri – The Dexter Altrusa Club is hosting their first Charity Auction on Saturday, October 26th, which happens to be "Make a Difference Day".

Proceeds will benefit the following charities: UCAN (United Cancer Assistance Network), PAT (Parents As Teachers) and Laundry Baskets Full of Love.

There is NO admission fee for the event, but you will need a ticket. We ask that you bring an item from the list below or a cash donation. You may pick up a ticket at the following locations: Designs On You Salon (N. Walnut St.), D & S Drug (W. Business 60), the Daily Statesman (S. Walnut St.) or the Chamber of Commerce (W. Market St.).

Here is the list of items requested and the list is also located on the back of the ticket: *Children's Books (new or gently used), laundry detergent, fabric*

softener, toothpaste, toothbrush (individually packaged), chapstick or lip balm, dental floss, toilet paper, paper towels, soap (liquid or bar), shampoo, conditioner, dishwashing liquid, deodorant, disposable razors, and body lotion.

There will also be a Live Auction and those proceeds will go directly to U.C.A.N., a Sealed Bid Silent Auction that will fund P.A.T., Last Card Standing with proceeds going to Laundry Baskets Full of Love, and a Half-and-Half Cash Prize.

The event is scheduled from 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. with the doors opening at 6:00 p.m. for the Silent Auction and will be held at the American Legion Kenady-Hanks building located at 620 W. Oak St. across from West City Park.

Date: Saturday, October 26th

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Place: American Legion

Refreshments will be served!

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Dexter, Missouri - Don Seymore, Chief of the Dexter Fire Department congratulates Josh Robinson who won the 50/50 raffle. The Fire Department decided to give Josh and his wife Rebecca all 100% of the proceeds to help with hospital and transportation expenses incurred when their twins arrived 27 weeks earlier than expected.

Donations for the raffle were collected at the 2013 Regional Healthcare Foundation's Fall Tailgate Homecoming Event and the 2013 Dexter Downtown Fall Festival.

The Fire Department would like to thank all who participated in the 50/50 raffle.

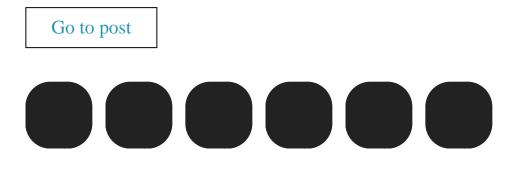
Seymore state, "Last week was Fire Prevention Week and this year's campaign is Preventing Kitchen Fires"

"Fire Prevention Week was established to commemorate the Great Chicago Fire, the tragic 1871 conflagration that killed more than 250 people, left 100,000 homeless, destroyed more than 17,400 structures and burned more than 2,000 acres. The fire began on October 8, but continued into and did most of its damage on October 9, 1871."

According to the National Fire Protection Agency, "In 1920, President Woodrow Wilson issued the first National Fire Prevention Day proclamation, and since 1922, Fire Prevention Week has been observed on the Sunday through Saturday period in which October 9 falls. According to the National Archives and Records Administration's Library Information Center, Fire Prevention Week is the longest running public health and safety observance on record. The President of the United States has signed a proclamation proclaiming a national observance during that week every year since 1925."

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Liberty Hill Hosts Relay for Life 5K

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Liberty Hill Hosts Relay for Life 5K

Written by Beth Farrah, SMT Writer

Dexter, Missouri – Liberty Hill General Baptist Church will be holding their fourth annual Relay For Life 5K run on Saturday, November 23th, 2013 at 9:00am. Just like the previous years, it will be held at West City Park in Dexter. This event is not only for runners, but walkers as well.

Liberty Hill focuses on raising money for Relay for Life all year long. It is an incredible effort that they put forth and in 2011, they raised nearly \$20,000 and in 2012 they raised \$25,000. They have spent many years working and perfecting fundraisers so they are able to contribute to Stoddard County's very own Relay for Life. They participate in a wide

variety of events and fundraisers throughout the year, but the upcoming 5K is one of their larger events that they encourage local people to participate in. The 5K isn't only to raise money, but it is for the runners/walkers to represent and honor a loved one who fought or is fighting cancer.

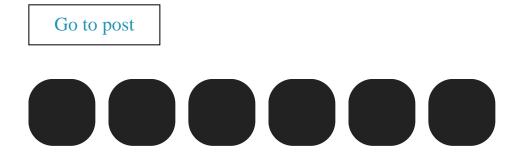
The coordinators for this event are up and ready to get this show on the road with preregistration. Pre-registration for this event costs \$20 and this includes the 5K, a t-shirt, and a light breakfast following registration. Late registration or Racing Day registration is only \$25 but if you wait to register on race day, your preferred t-shirt size is not guaranteed. If you do not want to participate in the walk or run but you would like to purchase a t-shirt to support this event, you can order a t-shirt for \$15. All runners or walkers that participate in pre-registration are guaranteed a t-shirt.

Sponsorships for local businesses are also available for purchase and their company name will be placed on the back of the t-shirts that are being sold. One business logo will be sold at the cost of \$100 and the companies that choose to participate will each receive two free t-shirts.

Times will be given out to the walkers and runners at the end of the 5K but no awards will be given out because this is not meant to be a competitive event. The main goal of Liberty Hill's 5K is to honor those who have been diagnosed with a type of cancer, remember those who have lost the fight to cancer, and raise money to help the awareness campaign for the 2014 Stoddard County Relay for Life Team.

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Submitted by Jill Temples

SMT Writer

Dexter, Missouri- The local Cub Scout will be hold Trivia Night for summer camps on **October 18th** at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall.

Trivia will start at 7:00 p.m. the doors will open at 6:30 p.m.

The cost is \$10.00 per person. The cost includes soda, lemonade, tea, coffee, and light snacks. Feel free to bring any other snacks or drinks for your table!

Up to 8 participants will be allowed per table

Attendance prizes will be awarded as well as cash prizes for the top three teams!

Gather a group of friends and join us for a night of fun and trivia for a worthy cause!

Call Brian Lutmer at 624-0866 or send email to lutmermo@newwavecomm. net to reserve your table.

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The Great Central U.S. ShakeOut

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The Great Central U.S. ShakeOut

Submitted by Jill Temples

SMT Writer

Jefferson City, Missouri - There is still time to join the more than 370,000 Missourians registered to participate in the Great Central U.S. ShakeOut earthquake preparedness drill on October 17th at 10:17 a.m. More than 2.3 million people will participate nationwide in October!

The drill teaches the "Drop, Cover and Hold On" protective actions to take in the event of an earthquake. The states of Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Mississippi, Ohio, Oklahoma and Tennessee are also participating in the Great Central U.S. ShakeOut. These states will be among more than 30 U.S. states and territories conducting earthquake drills on the same day.

During the ShakeOut, residents should practice the "Drop, Cover and Hold On" technique for 60 seconds:

DROP to the ground

Take **COVER** by getting under a sturdy desk or table, and

HOLD ON to it until the shaking stops

The "Drop, Cover and Hold On" technique is considered the best way to protect yourself in an earthquake. You can register for the earthquake drill at www.shakeout.org/centralus/. October 17 is the anniversary of the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake in California ,which killed 62 people and damaged thousands of buildings.

Why should you participate?

We all must get better prepared for major earthquakes, and practice how to protect ourselves when they happen. The purpose of the ShakeOut is to help people and organizations do both. You could be anywhere when an earthquake strikes: at home, at work, at school or even on vacation.

Because many Missourians live within the New Madrid Seismic Zone—one of the most active seismic zones in the country—each February Missouri observes Earthquake Awareness Month. On Feb. 7, 1812, Missouri was rocked by one of the largest earthquakes ever to hit the continental United States. Centered in New Madrid in southeast Missouri, the earthquake altered the flow of the Mississippi River, turned rich farmland into fields of sand and destroyed countless structures. People on the East Coast of the United States felt shaking and church bells reportedly rang as far away as South Carolina.

The risk of another large earthquake continues, and today the New Madrid Seismic Zone includes many population centers. Preparing and planning to respond to a major quake are essential!

How do you sign up?

For additional information about the ShakeOut drills and materials, visit http://www.shakeout.org/centralus/

Show-Me ShakeOut Poster Contest

Third, fourth and fifth grade students across Missouri can also start working on their entries for the fourth annual "Show-Me ShakeOut" poster contest. Students are encouraged to create a classroom poster promoting the ShakeOut and earthquake safety. This contest is sponsored by the State Emergency Management Agency and the Missouri Seismic Safety Commission. The statewide contest winners will receive \$50 gift cards and emergency preparedness kits courtesy of ABNA Engineering, Inc. of St. Louis, Central Electric Power Cooperative of Jefferson City, the University of Missouri-Columbia's Department of Geological Sciences, and the Southeast Missouri Chapter of the American Red Cross. Winning posters will be displayed on SEMA's website and featured at earthquake awareness events during 2014.

Contest Guidelines:

-Each school will select one winning poster for each of the three grade levels.

-Posters may be scanned or digitally photographed and submitted electronically in JPEG, GIF, PDF or PNG format. Schools should retain the original poster if a submission is made electronically.

-All submissions must include the name of the school, name and age of the student, name of school principal, and name of classroom teacher.

-All posters must be submitted to SEMA by Jan. 16, 2014 to be eligible.

The school principal or lead teacher must submit or mail poster entries to:

Steve Besemer State Emergency Management Agency P. O. Box 116, 2302 Militia Drive Jefferson City, MO 65102

E-Mail: steve.besemer@sema.dps.mo.gov

-Winners from each statewide grade level will be notified by Feb. 4, 2014.

-Winning results will be posted on the SEMA Web site (sema.dps.mo.gov) and announced in press releases.

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