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# Mike Matheny To Be Keynote Speaker

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**Poplar Bluff, Missouri** - The Boys & Girls Club of Poplar Bluff is excited to announce that Mike Matheny, Manager of the St. Louis Cardinals will be the keynote speaker at this year's Steak & Burger Dinner.

The event will take place on December 12th at the Black River Coliseum beginning at 6:00 p.m.

The Steak & Burger Dinner is one of two large fundraisers that the Boys & Girls Club of Poplar Bluff holds during the year to benefit it's after school program. The Club serves more than 400 children after school each day through five school site locations and its main site, the Hentz Center on South C Street in Poplar Bluff.

Mike Matheny is a former professional baseball catcher and the current Manager of the St. Louis Cardinals. In 2012 during Matheny's first season as the Cardinals Manager, the team captured the wild-card game and qualified for the postseason.

Prior to becoming a manager, Matheny played for four different teams, including the St. Louis Cardinals, during his thirteen-year Major League career. He was considered one of the best defensive catchers of his era, winning four National League Gold Glove Awards. He is one of only three catchers in Major League

history to catch at least 100 games in a single season without committing an error.

This will make the 2nd year the Boys & Girls Club of Poplar Bluff has hosted the Steak & Burger Dinner. The Steak & Burger Dinner is a unique event hosted by Boys & Girls Clubs across America. The fundraising event provides the opportunity for Boys & Girls Club children to interact with attendees with a Club child sitting at each table. The children will be served a steak dinner, while each guest will be served a gourmet burger dinner. A guest at each table will also have the opportunity to win a steak dinner by being the top bidder with the child at their table serving as the auctioneer.

Tickets for the Steak & Burger Dinner are \$75 each, which includes dinner, drinks, and the opportunity to listen to Mike Matheny’s keynote address.

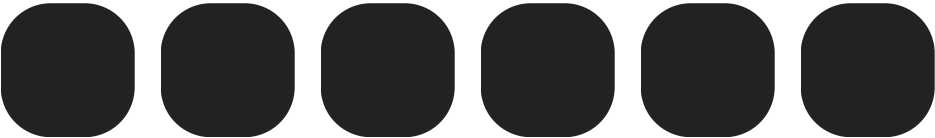
A live auction will also take place following dinner. Tickets can be purchased at the Black River Coliseum, Poplar Bluff Chamber of Commerce, Boys & Girls Club, or online at <https://2013steakandburger.eventbrite.com>. Sponsorship opportunities are also available for the event.

For more information about the Steak & Burger Dinner event, contact the Boys & Girls Club at 776-1690.

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## DHS Hosts College Day

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**Dexter, Missouri** – The Dexter Senior High School Counseling Department hosted a College Day through MOACAC (Missouri Association for College Admission Counseling).

This year not only did DHS students attend, but Campbell students were invited and traveled to the Dexter high school gym to participate.

Southeast Missouri State University and Three Rivers College were on hand along with over 30 colleges and recruiters participating in the annual College Day.

Bill Hampton spoke to many students about Three Rivers College. “This is a great opportunity for students to see what Three Rivers College has to offer right here in Dexter. I am very pleased with the students’ participation today.”

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## Three Rivers Booster Club Pledges \$50,000

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**Poplar Bluff, Missouri** - The Three Rivers Booster Club has pledged \$50,000 toward a new Activity Center at Three Rivers College.

The Booster Club, which helps support Three Rivers' athletics through events and fundraising, pledged to donate \$25,000 per year for the next two years to the Three Rivers Endowment Trust, to be used toward a proposed Activity Center that will serve as a new home for the Raiders and Lady Raiders basketball teams, and for sports tournaments from across the area.

"We're deeply appreciative of the Booster Club's support for the Activity Center project," said Riley Bock, Chairman of the Three Rivers Endowment Trust. "The new building represents a massive step forward for Three Rivers' athletics, and it's one that we'll be making with their help."

Three Rivers' proposed Activity Center will seat 3,000 in a state-of-the-art gymnasium that will be convertible between a single full-sized court and three smaller courts for local tournaments and sports camps. The 60,000-square-foot facility will also have six locker rooms, a medical training area, hospitality rooms, concessions areas, coaches' offices, a weight room, and a Three Rivers Hall of Fame. The building will also serve as a FEMA/SEMA-certified emergency shelter designed to withstand an F5 tornado.

"The Booster Club felt, as an organization, that the need for the Activity Center facility is very much evident. It will improve so much for our athletics, from better training facilities to increased seating," said Don Crandall, Chair of the Booster Club. "Because funding for the project is tied to limited-duration FEMA/SEMA grants, this was a one-time opportunity that we could not ignore."

Partial funding for the Activity Center has already been secured through a \$2.5 million FEMA/SEMA Safe Room grant, and a \$2 million bond sale. The remainder, approximately \$3.5 million, is being raised by the Three Rivers Endowment Trust through donations from college supporters, community members, Raiders fans, and organizations like the Booster Club.

The Three Rivers Endowment trust is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization, designated by Three Rivers College to receive and manage gifts on behalf of the College. It acts as a trustee for donations to assure that gifts are distributed in the manner specified by the donor. For more information on the Activity Center project or to donate to the Endowment Trust, call Executive Director Emily Parks at 573-840-9077.

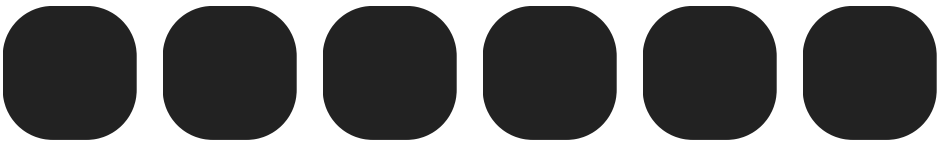
Three Rivers College is committed to contributing to the quality of life in Southeast Missouri with quality, affordable higher education opportunities and community services that support and encourage the economic, civic, and cultural vitality of the region. For more information about college and workforce programs and upcoming events, visit [trcc.edu](http://trcc.edu).

*The photo above depicts the Three Rivers Booster Club handing over their pledge for \$50,000 to the Three Rivers Endowment Trust. From L-R: Bill Swafford, Booster Club Vice President; Allen Brooks, Treasurer; Pat Kelly, Director; Don Crandell, Booster Club President; Emily Parks, Executive Director of the Endowment Trust; Rhenda Ludwigsen, Director; Dean Dye, Director; Neva Bisette, Director; and Sharon Miller, Secretary.*

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ALICE Training at Richland

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## ALICE Training at Richland

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**Essex, Missouri** - Richland students grades six through twelve recently received ALICE training, which is a program that trains students how to react to a possible intruder or school shooting and allows teachers and administrators to know the quickest and safest way to protect their students in their very own classrooms. Last year, the staff members were trained for this occasion and taught what they learned to their students throughout the week and practiced drills in each classroom and discussed a safety plan after the Sandy Hook shooting in Connecticut. This year, the administrators found that the students should be the ones going through ALICE training, so they can understand it and see it first-hand so that they too can learn the importance of the training.

ALICE stands for Alert, Lock down, Inform, Counter, and Evaluate. Today, the fear of school shootings has risen tremendously, so it is important that students and teachers feel safe in their every day environments so that parents can rest easy when it comes to thinking about their children's safety. Learning how to react, thinking quickly, value possible options, and how to escape (if at all possible) are only a few things that the students have learned throughout their training. The officers that visited the school went over numerous possibilities the students could have during these types of situations and explained that this training could help not only save their lives but save lives of others as well.

ALICE training has been taught at elementary schools, middle schools, high schools, and even universities. The threat of a terrible event that involves an intruder or school shooter happening at any of these places is now equal and both officials and administrators of these schools feel that it is necessary to be trained in drills such as these just like the students are trained in tornado, earthquake, and fire drills.

The students at Richland were split up into two different groups for their demonstrative ALICE training. The students ranging from sixth grade to twelfth grade all sat through an hour long presentation that explained statistics of school shootings over the past couple of years and how they can stop the climbing numbers. The students were encouraged to react in these types of situations and not be "sitting ducks" like the students have been previously trained to do. Instead of turning off the lights, hiding, and laying low as the attacker raids the school, students were encouraged to counter the attack and find ways to escape during ALICE training. The faculty stressed to the students that it is not their "job"



to protect themselves or save others, but if a situation like this ever occurred, they would have to react somehow in some way to help save themselves.

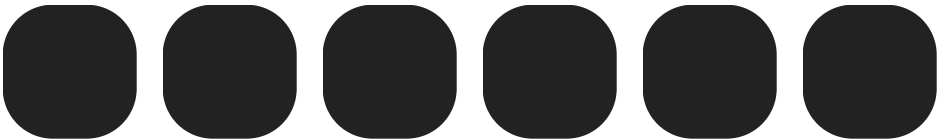
After the presentation, the students were taken into classrooms with the police officers so that they could walk through multiple demonstrations and different types of situations. The officers taught the teachers how to use ratchet straps to keep the doors closed so that the intruder had a hard time getting into the classroom. Students were taught to turn off the lights, stay quiet, and barricade the doors. They were also encouraged to throw things at the attacker, such as books and other items to distract them as they tried to enter the room.

The teachers as well as the officers helped act out these situations to see how fast the students could react. Each scenario was different and kept the students on their toes. It was truly amazing how quickly the students reacted to the sound effects in the hallway. Once they heard the intruder, they jumped into action by tying the door, flicking the light switch, barricading the door, and looking for an exit. The presentation and demonstration was very beneficial for the administrators as well as the students.

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# Dexter Middle School Weekly Activities Oct 21st - 26th

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**Dexter T.S. Middle School-** This listing of activities is a service offered by the ShowMe Times, working in partnership with the Dexter Public Schools for your convenience.

The ShowMe Times would like to encourage all of our readers to support our local school system. The education and growth of young people in our community is important to everyone's future.

We would like everyone to join us as we encourage these young students in their pursuits.

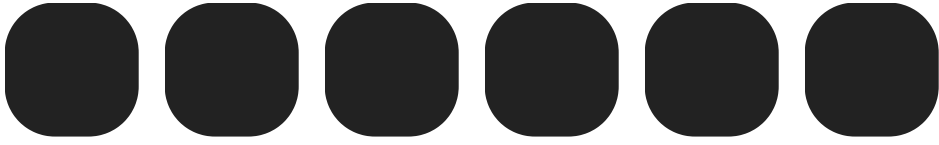
So lets get involved by supporting the events at our schools. If you would like to submit information and a picture of a student and his/her accomplishments, send it to **[news@showmetimes.com](mailto:news@showmetimes.com)**.

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