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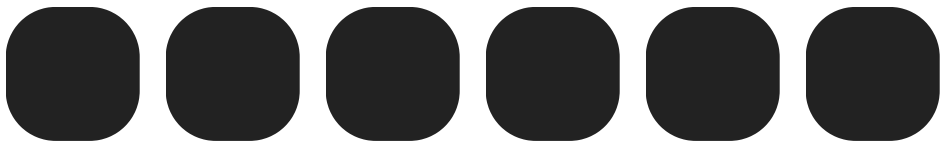
Dexter, Missouri - "Gobble Up Knowledge!" as the title of the Chamber Business After Hours hosted this month Three Rivers College Center at Dexter, November 12th, from 5:00 PM until 6:30 PM.

Three Rivers College Center at Dexter is located at 515A West Market. This is a drop-in event and we hope to see you there. Bill Hampton encourages everyone to come out and see what Three Rivers has to offer.

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National Young Readers Week at Richland

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Essex, Missouri – National Young Readers Week is taking place all over the United States. Richland Elementary will be participating in this widespread event November 11th through 15th. The faculty planned a week full of reading activities for the students.

Monday was Teacher's Choice, which involved Myon Read-Alouds or other favorite books that the class read together. Tuesday is Read and Feed. Make sure you wear your western attire on Wednesday for Round Up a Good Book. Elementary principal Mrs. Merritt will read wild western book excerpts throughout the day and will plan a western activity for all grades to participate in. Curl Up with a Good Book will be on Thursday, so be sure to wear your pajamas and bring your favorite book! Friday will be a special day for the third, fifth, and sixth graders because they will be performing plays for the lower grade levels throughout the day.

In Richland's Junior High, the seventh graders just received a pizza party for having the highest Myon Reading scores. Myon is a reading program that Richland just accepted for their elementary and junior high readers and is currently being introduced to the high school students. Myon is a personalized reading program that can be accessed on iPads, Tablets, Nooks, and Kindles, which is perfect for the school's new Bring Your Own Device Program. The personalized reading program helps the students find books that match their interests, reading level, and books they might like based on what they already read. The digital library has books for everyone at any reading level, so there are endless amounts of books that keep the students ready to read.

This year's National Young Readers Week will be filled with activities in the elementary throughout the school day but students are encouraged to take a good book home too. The elementary students aren't the only ones reading though. The high school students involved with the elementary, such as Cadet Teachers and A+ Tutors will be reading their favorite children's books to their selected grade level.

National Young Readers Week was founded nearly twenty years ago by the Pizza Hut Bookit Program along with other library related foundations. Richland has been participating in the Pizza Hut Bookit Program for many years and

takes great pride in celebrating this special week and opening doorways for young readers in all grade levels.

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Winner of the 8th Grade Essay Contest

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Dexter, Missouri - This is the third year that T.S. Hill Middle School has held an essay contest with their 8th grade students. Mrs. Dement began teaching at middle school this year and was instrumental in carrying out this project and making it a success.

The theme for this year's contest was, "How can I show my pride in being an American?"

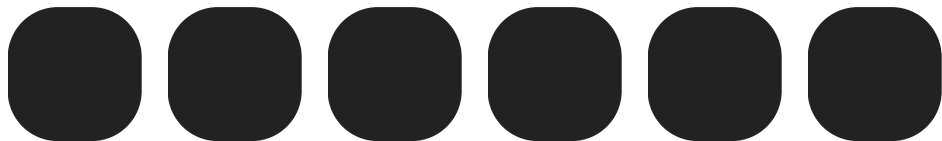
This year they had one student's essay chosen as honorable mention and that student was Madi Wright. The winner was Bryson Huggins and his essay will be entered into the National American Legion Auxiliary Americanism Essay Contest.

Bryson then took the stage and read his essay. It was truly remarkable. We thank Bryson for sharing his essay with the crowd and Veterans.

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Dexter, Missouri - Students at Central Elementary in the 5th grade classrooms worked very hard on their posters to commemorate the military and Veterans. They wanted to show Veterans how much they appreciate them and these students know that without Veterans' sacrifice they would not have the right to express themselves through art.

A special thanks to Mrs. Bowman and to all of the 5th grade teachers for allowing some time in class to work on their projects and to also learn about Veterans Day. Mr.s June Lawrence, art teacher, helps each year with the students and encourages participation in this project.

The following students won with their artwork:

Chloe McRoy - Mrs. Allen's classroom

Mattilyn Williams - Mrs. Bolin's classroom

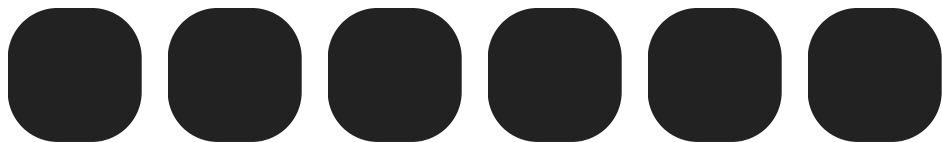
Jackson Allen - Mrs. Guethle's classroom
Clay Prance - Mrs. Lummakka's classroom
Hannah Jones - Mrs. Moore's classroom
Lea Malone - Mrs. Muzny's classroom
Lanie Medler - Mr. Scott's classroom
Baily Chamberlain - Mrs. Stone's classroom

Each student received a necklace with their own dog tag. Thank you 5th graders for honoring our Veterans by working so hard on your posters. You all did a great job!

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Winners of the Poppy Coloring Contest

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Dexter, Missouri - The winners of the 2013 2nd Grade Poppy Coloring Contest were announced at the Veterans Day Observance Celebration in the Bearcat Event Center today.

Students were read an informational book about Veterans Day and the symbolism of the Poppy flower during Mrs. Banken's Art Class. The students were then asked to color a Poppy in honor of all Veterans. Winners were selected from each classroom.

Quinton Perry was selected from Mrs. Justice's classroom. Victoria Ferguson was selected from Mrs. Bell's classroom. Mrs. Neson's classroom winner was Sophia

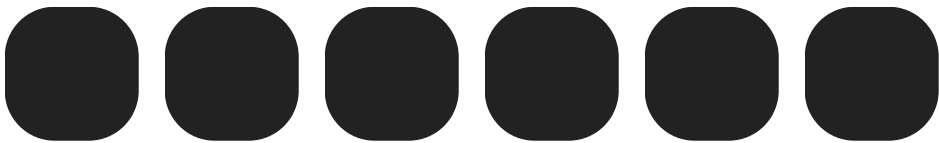
Stevens. Dustin Carter won with his Poppy and he is from Mrs. Mick's classroom. Rylee Corlew was selected from Elfrink's classroom. Ashton Dvorak was selected from Mrs. Leonard's classroom and Tommijo Mitchell won with his coloring of a Poppy in Mrs. Moore's classroom.

All of the second grade students at Southwest Elementary worked very hard and did an excellent job in coloring their Poppy flower.

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