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# Bernie Students to Compete in State History Day

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**Bernie, Missouri -** Over 3,000 motivated sixth through twelfth graders compete in National History Day in Missouri each year. On April 26th approximately 500 students who have advanced from regional competitions throughout Missouri will gather at the state competition on the University of Missouri campus to showcase their exemplary work.

The following students shown in the photo above earned their place to compete at the state level. Skyler Brown, Morgan Baker, Christina Dowdy, Lane Mayberry, Mason Mayberry and Zach Eaves have worked very hard to compete this weekend.

Students who won were also eligible for the state level History Day. Each National History Day in Missouri project is unique, a result of extensive research and creativity from an individual student or group. The program encourages young scholars to present their findings their way through documentaries, exhibits, papers, performances, or websites.

Many individuals rank the opportunity for student leadership, empowerment, and growth as one of the most important aspects of National History Day in Missouri, including Gary Kremer, executive director of The State Historical Society of Missouri (SHSMO), which sponsors the program in partnership with the Missouri Humanities Council.

"The impact on students is tremendous and well worth the investment from the Society and from teachers and parents," Kremer said. "Students build confidence, develop their critical thinking, and learn important communication skills. National History Day in Missouri prepares them for college and beyond."

A national evaluation of National History Day found students who participate:

Outperform their peers on state standardized tests, not only in social studies but also in reading, science, and math.

Are better writers who write with a purpose and a real voice while marshaling solid evidence to support their point of view.

Are critical thinkers who digest, analyze, and synthesize information.

Gain 21st-century skills, learning how to collaborate with team members, talk to experts, manage their time, and persevere.

To get involved in National History Day in Missouri, contact The State Historical Society of Missouri at 573.882.7083.

The Bernie community is extremely proud of these students we wish them well on their future endeavors.

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# Emily Johns to Perform With FFA All-State Choir

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**Dexter, Missouri** – Emily Johns, a Dexter High School student, was selected by the Missouri Future Farmers of America Association as a 2014 Sate FFA Choir member. Emily is a member of the Dexter FFA Chapter and the daughter of Kevin and Janet Johns.

Emily was one of 180 students chosen for the FFA All State Choir. High school students will rehears and perform at the State FFA Convention on April 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. The FFA students will have an opportunity to share their musical talent in front of a crowd of over 8,000 FFA members and guests.

Miss Johns was selected based upon her musical ability through an application process. The FFA All-State Choir will be under the direction of Beth Dampf, choral director at Jefferson City High School.

The Missouri Future Farmers of America Association is a youth organization with more than 25,000 students preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture. In Missouri there are 334 chapters. FFA strives to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for leadership and personal growth. For more information visit www.missouriffa.org or www.ffa.org.

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## DHS Weekly Activities April 21st - April 26th

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

We hope you will mark your calendar and we encourage everyone to support our local students and their activities. The education and growth of young people in our community is the key to everyone's future!

If you would like to submit information and a picture of a student and his/her accomplishments, send it to news@showmetimes.com.

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## Central Students Win Easter Baskets

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**Dexter, Missouri -** Normally school would be out for Easter break, but thanks to Mother Nature the Dexter Public Schools are in session this Good Friday.

Central Elementary is making the best of it by holding an Easter basket drawing at their school. One boy and one girl were the lucky students today and received a basket of Easter goodies.

Winners in the photo are Hannah Frazier and Kaeden Kennedy! Happy Easter and have a great Good Friday!!

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# Seniors Win The War for Riley!

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**Dexter, Missouri** – "Game On!" Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors all competed against each other and raised money for their classmate, Riley Rickman!

Riley who is a senior at Dexter High School was recently diagnosed with Leukemia and spent a month at Barnes Hospital undergoing treatment.

"The kids really got into the fundraiser and were absolutely awesome," stated Mrs. Jennifer Miller, Student Council Advisor. "Student Council wanted to do a fundraiser and this is what they came up with and it turned out great!"

The four classes together raised \$4,051.91 total. How did they raise so much money is so little time? PENNY WARS!

And the winner was......the 2014 SENIOR CLASS of Dexter High School!

The senior class actually raised a positive donation of \$1,209.09. The other classes each had negative balances, but that's ok because the way the game is played only the pennies count as a positive number. Paper money, nickels, dimes, quarters and any silver money is counted as a negative.

Mrs. Miller contacted Riley and her mother, Robin and told them the good news.

"We are once again overwhelmed by the support our family has received," stated Mrs. Rickman. "We are so lucky to live in this amazing community."

Riley who has just started chemotherapy this week and will undergo further treatment over the next 8 months is now in remission, but the battle is not over and neither are the medical bills.

"A big thanks to everyone, especially Dexter High School," commented Riley. "Everything you have done has been awesome and I am forever grateful!"

A Rally for Riley Facebook page has been set up to track all the wonderful fundraisers and a bank account has been set up for donations at the First National Bank, 310 N. Walnut, Dexter, Missouri 63841.

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