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Dexter Jr. Beta Ready for Nationals

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Dexter, Missouri - T.S. Hill Middle School students have something to be very proud of as they travel all the way to Richmond, Virginia. They are competing at the National Jr. Beta Convention in June.

Robert Shell (far right in the photo) of Bud Shell Ford presented Principal Scott Kruse with a check in the amount of \$5,080 to go towards their expenses for the trip.

The money was raised through a "Drive 4 Your School" campaign held last month at the Bearcat Event Center.

Any business wishing to contribute to the Jr. beta Club are asked to call Scott Kruse at 573-614-1010.

This group of students will depart Dexter on Friday, June 20th. The competition is June 21st - June 24th. The theme this year is Making History With Beta. Students will have the opportunity to compete in speech, spelling, language arts, math, science, poetry, and social studies. There will also be entertaining competitions like the Songfest Competition or various skits to be performed. There will also be a Quiz Bowl Competition, Living Literature, and Poster Competition.

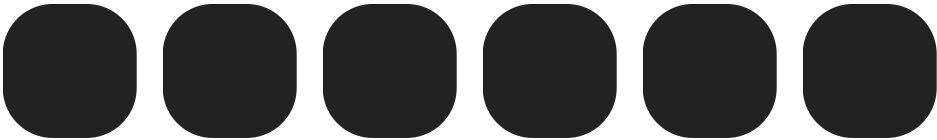
Students will also have fun with Black & White Photography, Color Photography, Digitally Enhanced Photography and Oil or Acrylics in the Arts Division. There is even a section on crafts that will include Cross-Stitch, Handmade Jewelry, and Quilting.

Members who are competing are Madelyn Webb, Amber Scott, Abbie Dorton, Anna Bishop, Shawna Thompson, Maycie Martin, Michaela Gard, Cassie Bess, Caleb Hoggard, Jordan Adams, Sean Rybolt, Dylan Long, Logan Elder, Joe Rice, and Matthew Chesser.

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Three Rivers College Holds 2014 Commencement

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Poplar Bluff, Missouri - Three Rivers College packed the Black River Coliseum to celebrate the institution's newest graduating class on Sunday, May 18. The ceremony saw the awarding of over 550 associate degrees and certificates this year.

Political analyst and former press secretary to Governor Mitt Romney, Kevin Madden, gave the keynote address at the event. In his speech, Madden encouraged the graduates to choose not only academic excellence but also great character.

"Your graduation today is an achievement. You have embraced your God-given talent for learning. You have sought and found greater wisdom, wisdom granted upon you as a gift from our Creator," said Madden. "But, how you choose to use these gifts will reveal your character...remember, 'Talent is a gift. Character is a choice.'"

Musical guests "Geron Davis and Kindred Souls" out of Nashville, Tennessee, performed "I Will Sing" and "God Bless America" prior to Madden's remarks. Other speakers included Randy Grassham, Chair of the Board of Trustees for Three Rivers; Dr. Devin Stephenson, President of Three Rivers College; and State Representative Todd Richardson.

"Each candidate today is part of an historic year at Three Rivers, and we say thank you for helping us reach this milestone," said Stephenson, during the ceremony's opening remarks. "The experiences that you have had at Three Rivers have enabled you to learn new things, to hone your skills and to enter a job market with great qualities and qualifications."

This year marks the 46th anniversary of the college's first commencement ceremony since its founding in 1966. Since then, Three Rivers has served over 100,000 students from its degree, transfer, and career development programs. Registration is currently open for Summer and Fall classes at Three Rivers. To learn more about taking classes, or to schedule a registration day, call 573-840-9605.

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.

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Sidewalk Poetry a Learning Experience

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Sidewalk Poetry a Learning Experience

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Dexter, Missouri – The English classes at T.S. Hill Middle School finished a unit on poetry. To have a little fun Mr. Stephens took his students outside in the beautiful spring weather and they wrote poems on the sidewalks around the school.

Poems included limericks, Cinquain poems, name poems, metaphor poems, and Haikus.

It was a fun way to learn different types of poetry and a neat way to share them with the rest of the school.

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Saturday School Beautification Project

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Dexter, Missouri – Who wants to go to school on a Saturday? Well with old man Winter causing havoc for areas schools, one teacher made the best of the student’s time on a recent Saturday school day. They planted flowers!

Dexter Public School utilized a Saturday to make-up missed class time due to ice and snow during the regular school calendar.

Mrs. Underwood's class used a couple of hours to plant new flowers in front of T.S. Hill Middle School during their Saturday School make-up day.

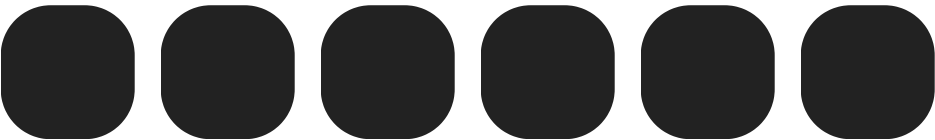
From left to right: Mrs. Underwood, Skyler Walker, Alex Stidmon, Jordan Geary, Bradley Langston (back), Brian Lucas, Trent Jung.

Thank you for the beautification project! Summer is almost here!

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Dexter School Board Approves Middle School Sports

Assignments

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Dexter School Board Approves Middle School Sports Assignments

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Dexter, Missouri – The Dexter School Board met on Tuesday, May 20, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

T.S. Hill Middle School Sports and Extra Duty Assignments for the 2014-2015 school year were approved and announced.

Middle School Activities Director – Angie Duncan

Football Coaches – James Sneed, Eric Boles, Chris Bolin

Boys Basketball Head Coach – Josh Dowdy

Boys Basketball Asst. Coach – Kyle Williamson and TBD

Girls Basketball Head Coach – Chad Allen

Girls Basketball Asst. Coach – Eric Sitze

Volleyball Head Coach – Melissa Hahn

Volleyball Asst. Coach – Kacey Krus

Track Head Coach – Rob Nichols

Track Asst. Coach – Kim Waldner

Wrestling Coach – Justin Peden

Baseball Head Coach – James Sneed

Baseball Asst. Coach – Kyle Williamson

Cheer Sponsor – Whitney Hyten

Band Sponsor – Cody Jinkerson

Choir – Jamie Sepalvado

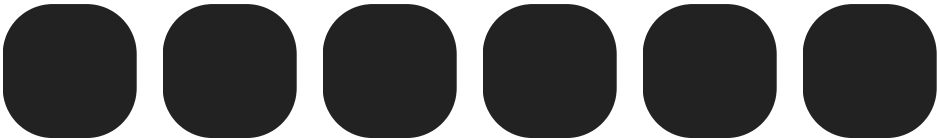
Intramurals – Jill King

Drama Club – Jessica Dement

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