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Frog Days of Summer Begin at Sunset June 30th

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Submitted by Dee Loflin, SMT Manager/Editor

Missouri - The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) encourages Missourians to celebrate summer with a favorite outdoor pastime for many -- frogging season. It begins at sunset on June 30 and ends Oct. 31.

Missouri has two frog species that are legal game — bullfrog and green frog. Bullfrogs are larger and therefore more sought-after. The taste and texture of frog meat is similar to that of fresh-water fish. For recipes, visit the MDC website at mdc.mo.gov/node/15131.

Frogging can be practiced with either a fishing permit or a hunting permit. Children under the age of 16 and Missouri residents over the age of 65 are not required to have a permit. The Wildlife Code of Missouri allows those with a fishing permit to take frogs by hand, hand net, atlatl, gig, bow, trotline, throw line, limb line, bank line, jug line, snagging, snaring, grabbing or pole and line. With a hunting permit, frogs may be harvested using a .22-caliber or smaller rifle or pistol, pellet gun, atlatl, bow, crossbow, or by hand or hand net. The use of an artificial light is permitted when frogging.

The daily limit is eight frogs of both species combined. The possession limit allows you to store no more than 16 frogs at a time.

Once a frog is speared, it must be harvested. The Wildlife Code of Missouri prohibits the release of a speared frog as "wanton waste" because the animal is not likely to recover. Any frog taken into actual possession, unless immediately released unharmed after being caught, is included in the daily limit.

For more information on bullfrog and green frog regulations, visit mdc.mo.gov/node/10834.

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Dexter, Missouri - Gov. Jay Nixon and Missouri Department of Agriculture Director Richard Fordyce will visit Dexter on Wednesday (June 25) to meet with local soil and water district officials in Stoddard County for a roundtable discussion regarding legislation passed by the General Assembly that would reduce funding for the state's soil and water conservation districts.

In 1984, Missouri voters approved a one-tenth-of-one-percent parks, soils and water sales tax to fund state parks and soil and water conservation efforts. Voters reauthorized the sales tax in 1988, 1996 and 2006.

Wednesday, June 25

WHO: Gov. Jay Nixon

Missouri Department of Agriculture Director

Richard Fordyce

Local soil and water district officials

WHAT: Roundtable discussion regarding legislation passed by

the General Assembly that would reduce funding for

the state's soil and water conservation districts

WHEN: 1:45 p.m.

WHERE: Stoddard County Soil and Water Conservation

District office 18450 Ridgeview Lane

Dexter, MO

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United States - Each year on June 23, people across the United States celebrate National Pink Day. Today's holiday is all about pink, whether it is wearing it, eating it, drinking it, driving in it, laying on the beach with it, carrying it, covering up with it or etc. it is just all about pink. So, think pink and celebrate!

You can use your imagination today with food coloring, adding it to many different foods, and make pink pancakes, pink scrambled eggs, pink waffles, pink oatmeal, pink cookies, pink cupcakes, pink bread, pink donuts, pink coolwhip, pink pudding, pink milk, pink milkshakes, pink salad dressing, pink coleslaw and the list goes on and on. Have fun with your creativity.

When you get dressed you have the option of pink shoes, pink socks, pink pants, pink shorts, pink skirt, pink shirt, pink hair accessory, pink hat and pink sunglasses.

Join in the fun, with everyone else, and go pink for the day!

NATIONAL PINK DAY HISTORY

Within our research, we were unable to find the creator and origin for National Pink Day, an "unofficial" National holiday.

For more great information on these and other holidays, check out the "Queen of Holidays" Jace Shoemaker-Galloway at http://www.examiner.com/holidays-in-national/jace-shoemaker-galloway

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Dexter, Missouri - Ms. Petunia Pig has made a full recovery thanks to her competent doctors and nurses! If you have driven by Dexter Queen lately you may have noticed that Ms. Petunia was not on her post at the entrance. No, she didn't run away to find her night in shining armor, Mr. Oinks-A-Lot nor was she taken by the big bad wolf.

Ms. Petunia was mowed down by a vehicle in a horrible accident that occurred several weeks ago. While not sustaining life-threatening injuries, she did suffer numerous scrapes and abrasions. She also suffered minor damage to her legs and face and has been recuperating in Dana's shop.

After a few weeks of rest and recovery her Piggy Doctor along with advice from her plastic surgeon gave her the all-clear. She was released to full duty.

Yesterday Ms. Petunia made her grand appearance after receiving wonderful care from Lori Hawkins, owner of Dexter Queen. She also received a complete make-over. Her eyes are just as gorgeous as ever and her complexion couldn't me more beautiful! Her flag is bright red and her tail purple. She is ready for duty!

Ms. Petunia is glad to be back at job on her post working seven days a week. She has completed her duties effortlessly for years and has become quite an icon in the city of Dexter.

When asked, "Ms. Petunia has made a speedy and full recovery and is proud to be back at work receiving mail for Dexter Queen".

The Dexter community is glad to see her doing so well and we wish her the best as she sits upon her post at Dexter Queen each and every day, rain or shine, she will be working diligently.

Ms. Petunia can be seen at Dexter Queen, 1109 Highway Bus. 60 and don't forget to come in and get a Lotta Pig!! Check out their website by clicking **HERE**.

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