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# Local High School Bands to Participate in 3Rivers Jazz Festival

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**Poplar Bluff, Missouri** - The Three Rivers College Music Department will host the 24th annual Three Rivers College Jazz Band Festival on Feb. 12, 13 and 14 at the Tinnin Fine Arts Center on the Three Rivers' Poplar Bluff campus.

The festival includes **free** concerts at 7 p.m. each night, featuring junior high, high school and Three Rivers College jazz bands on Thursday, Feb. 12; Arkansas State University Jazz Ensemble on Friday, Feb. 13; and the 2015 All-District High School Jazz Band on Saturday, Feb. 14.

Dr. Joel Vanderheyden will be guest clinician for the Festival and will direct the All-District Jazz Band. Vanderheyden is Associate Professor of Music and Director of Jazz at Jefferson College. He has performed with the St. Louis Symphony, St. Louis Jazz Orchestra, and Missouri Saxophone Quartet and has performed on stages throughout the world.

“Joel Vanderheyden is an accomplished player and educator who will bring his vast knowledge of jazz, and music education and share it with our students and their directors,” said Three Rivers Band Director and Festival Manager William T. (Buddy) White.

After a day of performance clinics, there will be a concert **at 7 p.m. Feb. 12** by participating schools, including Jefferson R-7 Junior High and High School directed by Ron Sikes; Poplar Bluff Junior High, directed by Gary Garner; Poplar Bluff High School, directed by Stephen Winters and Dustin Brown; Dexter High School, directed by Scott Rybolt; Charleston High School, directed by Mike Dipasqual; North County High School, directed by Dobie Carroll; Sikeston High School, directed by Darrin Steelman; and Three Rivers College, directed by William White. Admission is free.

The Arkansas State University Jazz Ensemble, directed by Dr. Ken Carroll, will perform at **7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13**, at the Tinnin Center. Carroll is an Associate Professor of Saxophone and Director of Jazz Studies at ASU. Admission is free.

“The ASU Jazz Ensemble performed at the William F. Clinton Presidential Library in Little Rock, Ark., last year. It will be a treat for everyone to hear this fine group perform on our stage,” White said.

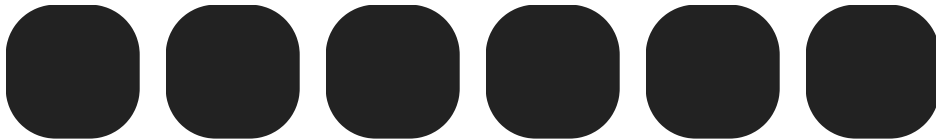
The Three Rivers College Jazz Band and the Southeast All-District Jazz Band will perform at **7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14** in the Tinnin Center; admission is free. The All-District Jazz Band is a select group of the best high school jazz students in the Southeast Missouri District 10 chosen by audition.

“We annually bring the best jazz musicians in the area to our campus,” White said. “Dr. Vanderheyden and Dr. Carroll are accomplished educators, directors, and musicians. These three concerts will bring some of the finest jazz musicians in the bi-state area to our campus. We have a terrific slate of concerts lined up for the 24th Annual Jazz Festival.”

Call the Three Rivers College Music Department at 573-840-9639 for more information.

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).

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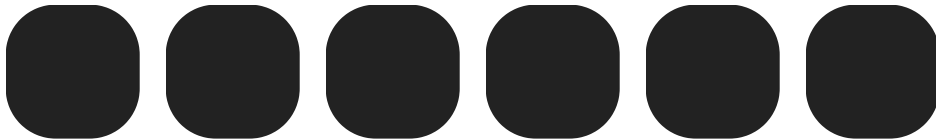
**Bell City, Missouri** – The Bell City Rotary Club will host a Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, February 7<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. at the Bell City High School cafeteria.

Besides delicious pancakes, sausage, bacon, juice, milk and coffee will be served for just \$6.00 per adult and for children 11 and under it's only \$4.00 each.

You may purchase tickets at the door or from a Bell City Rotarian or send an email to Lincoln Scherer at [lscherer@bellcity.k12.mo.us](mailto:lscherer@bellcity.k12.mo.us).

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## 4th Annual Larry B. Jones H.O.P.E. Campaign!

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**Bloomfield, Missouri** - It's that time again! We're excited about the 4th annual Larry B. Jones H.O.P.E. Campaign fundraiser!

In memory of our dad, in honor of our mother, and for all who've battled cancer themselves or have fought alongside a family member or friend! This is our way of giving back! We celebrate H.O.P.E. ~ Healing, Optimism, Prayer and Example!

Since March of 2011, our charity has raised nearly \$40,000 for area cancer warriors and individuals faced with life-threatening illness.

The H.O.P.E. Campaign is a division of 18 FORE Life, a 501(c)(3) charity, with a shared mission of benefiting area cancer warriors and individuals faced with life-threatening illness.

To date, 18 FORE Life has sent out over \$1,212,000.00 in love offerings to families all over Southeast Missouri. The generous donations and support to the charity have truly made a difference. But, there's "more work to do!"

We're selling **t-shirts** this year. They are available for order now through February 20, 2015!

The H.O.P.E. Campaign is also hosting a fish fry in Bloomfield on March 20, 2015! Pre-selling fish fry tickets 2-6-15 through 3-17-15!

Thank you for your support!

You may e-mail us with questions at: [larrybjoneshopecampaign@yahoo.com](mailto:larrybjoneshopecampaign@yahoo.com),

Call us at: 314-402-7777 or find us on **Facebook!**

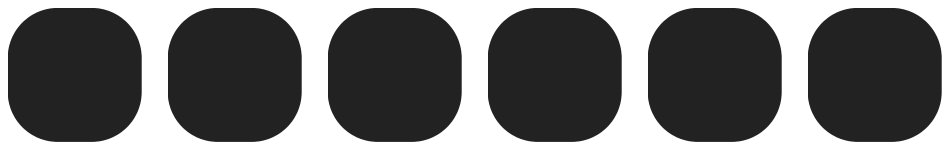
We thank you very much for your continued support,

Kathy Jones, Lora Galati, Kyle Jones and the entire family of Larry B. Jones

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## 10 Pins for Ben Slated for Saturday, January 31st

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### 10 Pins for Ben Slated for Saturday, January 31st

**Dexter, Missouri** – It's that time of the year when 10 Pins for Ben will make its debut at the Dexter Bowling Center!

You will have an awesome time supporting a great fundraiser. This event is sponsored by the Ben Kruse 18 FORE Life organization.

Scott and Keri Kruse of Dexter along with a host of friends created 18 FORE Life and this year they plan to pass the one million dollar mark in love offerings to area cancer patients.

"We never could have dreamed this up," says Scott. He and his wife spend numerous hours with volunteers throughout the area coordinating the efforts of this wonderful charity.

10 Pins for Ben is slated for Saturday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, SuperBOWL Saturday! All proceeds go to St. Jude and since 2007 they have sent over \$56,000! WOW!

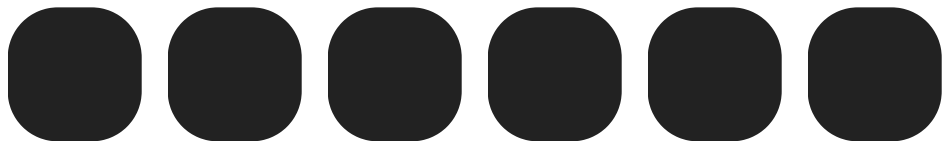
Kid's Bowl will be from 10:00 a.m. – Noon and a free t-shirt will be given to each participant. It's all you can bowl for any donation! Last year this awesome group of kids raised \$1,500!

Adult bowling will begin at noon and run until 2:30 p.m. It's just \$60 per bowler or \$300 for 5-person team. Wear your favorite t-shirt or costume and have tons of fun! T-shirts and prizes will be given as well.

Contact Scott Kruse at 573-624-8751 or email your reservation to [s10k102002@yahoo.com](mailto:s10k102002@yahoo.com).

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## Dexter Elks Contest Winners Announced

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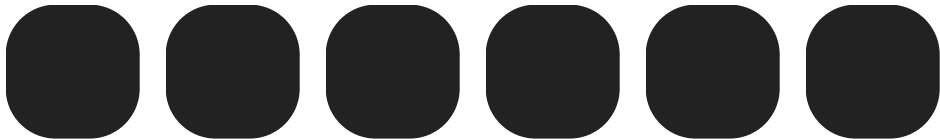
[Dexter Elks Contest Winners Announced](#)

**Dexter, Missouri** - The Elk's Lodge in Dexter hosted their annual American Essay contest for third, fourth, and fifth grade students.

The topic "What the Pledge of Allegiance Means to Me" is an ongoing event held each year. The top three winners will on to the next level of judging at the district and then on to the state level.

First place was Bailey Whitaker Second place was Tucker Kyle and third place went to Kayleigh Gibson

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