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# Chamber Hosts Ribbon Cutting at Betty Lou Boutique

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**Dexter, Missouri** - The Dexter Chamber of Commerce welcomed Betty Lou Boutique, LLC on Thursday with a ribbon cutting event.

The Boutique, owned and operated by Sherry Disney and her daughter, Deana Stevens, opened for business this week.

The shop boutique features both women and children's clothing, jewelry and vendor booths with home decor, antiques, jewelry, furniture, western themed items, and a variety of other items.

The building, formerly “Weekenders,” has undergone a remodel transformation by Mike Cox and Craig Disney with Precision Tile and Remodeling.

On the first Fridays and Saturdays from May through September, Market Days will take place at the boutique which will include outdoor vendors on the property.

Betty Lou Boutique will be open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. and on Sundays from 1-5 p.m. The boutique’s phone is 624-3888.

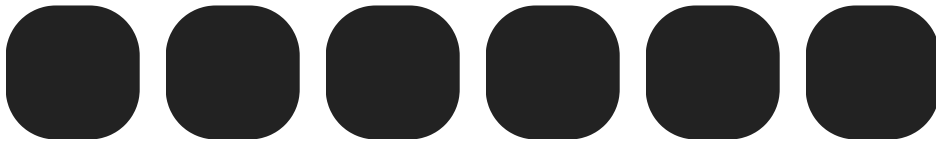
Pictured at the ribbon cutting event are (in front, left to right) Alderman Jerry Corder, Mayor Joe Weber, Deana Stevens with her children, Isaac and Isabella, Sherry Disney,

and Chamber First Vice President Debbie Stidham. In back are Chamber Member Jeri Pierce, City Administrator Mark Stidham, Derek Stevens, Mike Cox and Craig Disney.

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## Drive 4 UR School Fundraiser Set for Saturday

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**Dexter, Missouri** – When was the last time you were able to donate \$20 to your school without it coming out of your own pocket?

Robert Shell and Bud Shell Ford sales representatives will be on hand to help T.S. Hill Middle School JR Beta Club raise money through their annual Drive 4UR

School event on Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

This event will be held at the middle school in Dexter and every test drive earns \$20 for their school. They have set a goal of \$6,000 and want to max that out!

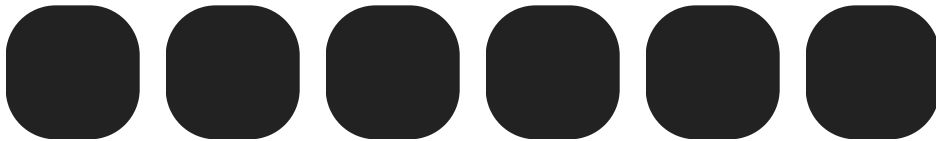
Bring your family (18 years and older) and your neighbors to help the JR Beta Club earn money for their national convention trip to Nashville.

And don't forget the Diaper Derby and Toddler Trot slated for 10:00 a.m. at the middle school. What a fun day of raising money for a good cause and get to drive a brand new Ford vehicle!!

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**Dexter, Missouri** - The Stoddard County Spring Festival hosted the 2nd Annual Gary Don Dowdy Memorial Car Show on Saturday, April 4th at East Park in Dexter.

Several cars, trucks and even a pedal tractor were on hand for the public to view. Vehicles from as far away as Piggott, Arkansas traveled to enjoy the spring festival.

Winners in each category are:

### **Stock and Street Rods:**

- €€€€€€ First Place, Darrell Schlegel's 1931 Chevrolet two-door sedan; (Shown in the photo above)
- €€€€€€ Second is Archey Maloney's 1953 Ford Victoria HT Anniversary model;
- €€€€€€ Third is Doyle Bruce's 2002 red Thunderbird two-seater;

### **Mustangs:**

- €€€€€€ First Place Jery Yamnitz's 1985 Mustang;
- €€€€€€ Second Scott Ferrenburg's 2015 impact blue Mustang.

### **Corvette**

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- €€€€€€ First Place Henry Avery's 1979 black Vette

### **Stock Trucks:**

- €€€€€€ First Place Freddy Manees 1938 Dodge
- €€€€€€ Second James McGuires' 1966 Ford F-100

### **Modified and Street Rods:**

- €€€€€€ First Place James Maguires' 2003 Chevy Baja;
- €€€€€€ Second Lee Fulkerson's 1995 Chevy S-10.

### **Tractor:**

•€€€€€ Little Liam Yamnitz' Petal Tractor wins First Place.

**Best Use of Color** goes to Angela Collins for her 1967 Ford LTD.

**Best Work in Progress** goes to James Maguires' 1966 Ford F-100.

**Most Unusual Paint** is won by Lee Fulkerson's 1995 Chevy S-10.

**Commander's Choice** James Maguires' 1966 Ford F-100.

**People's Choice** Archey Maloney's 1953 Victoria.

**Longest Drive** went to Piggott Heritage Cruisers.

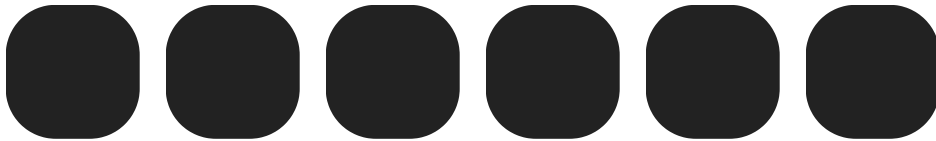
Thank you to everyone who participated and judged the cars and trucks!

*More photos of all of the winners can be seen at on our ShowMe Times Facebook page.*

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## Puxico VFW Continues A BBQ Tradition

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## Military Heros Serve Up BBQ for Area Resident

**Puxico, Missouri** - The Puxico VFW had an early morning wake up call on Saturday to get the fires rolling on their BBQ pits. Members and volunteers joined together working at their Post's annual fundraiser of cooking and selling BBQ loins and Boston butts for area friends and family.

Chief BBQ Master, Dallas Buchanan, was first to show up pulling a tandem of BBQ pits behind his pickup. Buchanan is quick to pull up and happily noted that this was a "2 glove event" prior to getting the fires stoked.

Most of the BBQ was pre-sold by members for a mid-day pickup at the VFW Post. The group sold over 25 BBQ loins and 38 BBQ Boston Butts for the day. Also - Briskets and other delicious goodies. General Junk Cooking said, "They sold everything they cooked. If we had more we could have sold it, but didn't want left overs."

"Sometimes it's not just about cooking the BBQ," noted Buchanan. "We really have a great time getting together and swapping stories with one another. And sometimes those stories get long and stretched out a bit."

[/images/2015 Images/1 Alan/VFW Easter Mid2.jpg](#) wrapped up Buchanan.

Senator Doug Libla was also on hand to visit and thanked the veteran members of the post for their service. Aside from a little teasing from Chief Cook Buchanan, the Senator was anxious to purchase his BBQ for his family.

Members of the post participating in the Easter BBQ cooking were Eddie Sifford, Doug Siler, Charlie Hendrix, Rudy Williams, Dallas Buchanan, Gary Zoll and Dan Fischer.

The Post profited around \$600 to \$700 in support of local veterans and veteran programs. This annual fundraiser has always been successful and they plan to have it again next year.

The VFW members are no strangers to the BBQ smoke as they are one of the main attractions at the annual Puxico Homecoming with their infamous "Goat Burgers" and who doesn't love a good ole goat burger!! They seem to run out every year!!

"We even added a little of our goat meat to the cooking agenda yesterday," added Dallas Buchanan. "We love our goat burgers!"

A huge thank you to everyone who participated and purchased the meat. The proceeds go to a great cause and they happily enjoy cooking for the cause!

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## Stoddard County Spring Festival Pageant Winners

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Stoddard County Spring Festival Pageant Winners

### Macey Shuffler, 2015 Miss Stoddard County Spring Festival Queen

**Dexter, Missouri** – What a beautiful weekend it was to have a pageant! The Stoddard County Spring Festival held their annual pageant this weekend at East Park in Dexter.

Paige Williams and Casey Arnold promoters of "For the Love of Pageants" from Bernie along with a close friend, Ellen Snider, braved the brisk morning at the park to host the event and what a great job they did!

Little girls from baby to high school age participated wearing their favorite spring outfits. This annual event will be held on the first weekend of April and plans are already underway for next year.

Below is a list of winners:

#### **Baby Miss Stoddard County Spring Festival**

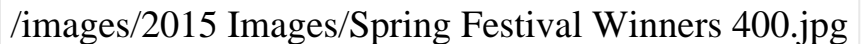
2nd alternate, Adalyn Kate Rommel, daughter of Walter and Trisha Rommel. 1st alternate, Aryssa May Payne, daughter of Cody and Paige Payne. Queen, Lennox LeBeau, daughter of Kurt and Lindsay LeBeau.



## **Wee Miss Stoddard County Spring Festival**

1st alternate, Sadie Jayne Ramsey, daughter Brian and Jessica Ramsey.  
Queen, Olivia Jean Towe, daughter of Jeromy and Jean Towe.

## **Tiny Miss Stoddard County Spring Festival**

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2nd alternate, Braylee Fowler, daughter of Nathan and Alicia Fowler. 1st alternate, Gracie Johnson, daughter of Brad and Polly Johnson. Queen, Reese Elizabeth Mattingly, daughter of Lauren Brown and J.W. Mattingly.

## **Little Miss Stoddard County Spring Festival**

2nd alternate, Brileigh Daniels, daughter of Aaron and Emily Parson. 1st alternate, Kyndall Evans, daughter of Lonnie Evans and Amanda King. Queen, Gabby Johnson, daughter of Brad and Polly Johnson.

## **Petite Miss Stoddard County Spring Festival**

2nd alternate, Alexa Dillinger, daughter of Nick and Cara Dillinger. 1st alternate, Tatum Anthony, daughter of Jon and Kelli Anthony. Queen, Lauren Hobbs, daughter of Lee and Sarah Hobbs

## **Miss Stoddard County Spring Festival**

1st alternate, Megan Cullum, daughter of Andy Cullum and Mindy Holman.  
Queen, Macey Shuffler, daughter of Derek and Stephanie Shuffler.

The next annual Stoddard County Spring Festival will be Saturday, April 2, 2016 at East Park in Dexter.

*Shown in the photo above are Megan Cullum and Macey Shuffler.*

Thank you to all of the participants at the Stoddard County Spring Festival Pageant. We hope to see you next year!

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