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**Dexter, Missouri** - Mark Twain said, “Do not tell fish stories where the people know you; but particularly, don’t tell them where they know the fish!” A local Dexter family has a whopper of a fish story to tell!

Brad Hahn of Dexter, Missouri was fishing with his brother Mark on a 21-foot Bayliner Trophy working their magic in the vicinity of Cana Island on Lake Michigan. Brad’s son Eric, age 14, and Mark’s son Joseph, age 15, were also fishing in the Kewaunee/Door County Salmon Tournament.

Nothing seemed to be biting and the day was getting away from them. A few tunes on the radio, some dance moves, and even idle chit-chat didn’t seem to entice the fish into the boat! Even a few stares at the line and a little prayer, but nothing seemed to get the fish biting until.....

In one fail swoop, Brad yelled, “fish!” and handed the rod to Eric who handed it to Mark who handed it to Joseph. It was like a hot potato, but with a little teamwork the Hahn family knew they had to the monster fish in the boat quickly.

From there, a fish tale of immense proportions grew out of the lake. Within 10 minutes they had the fish in the boat weighing in at 31.41 pounds and 40 inches long.

The fish was winner. Weighing more than six pounds than second place earned Team Hahn a \$10,000 cash prize, a free mount of the winning fish, and a custom-made salmon ring!

A record 2,974 tickets were sold at the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Kewaunee/Door County Salmon Tournament. They paid out more than \$50,000 in cash and prizes going down 157 spots to a 17.13 pounder.

The Hahn family said their path to the winner started in 1979 when their dad read an article about Door County salmon fishing in a Field & Stream magazine.

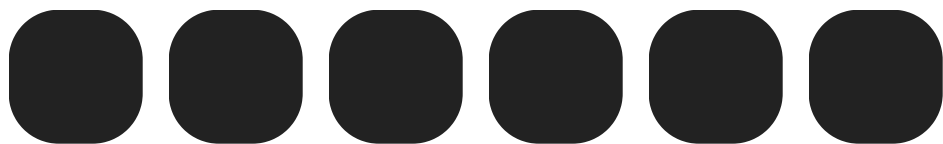
Cousins Joseph and Eric Hahn are pictured with the winning catch. Others who attended the family reunion/fishing tournament were Brad Hahn and son Eric of Dexter, Missouri; Mark Hahn and son Joseph of Carlsbad, California; Paul Hahn of Los Angeles, California; and Neil Hahn of Fenton, Missouri.

The Hahns are originally from Minnesota and fishing on Lake Michigan just part of growing up! They return annually to fish in the tournament, but this year will go down in the history books as one of the best experiences on the lake!

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# Volunteers Needed for Moving Wall

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## Volunteers Needed for Moving Wall

**Dexter, Missouri** - The wheels are in motion for The Moving Wall and volunteers are greatly needed for the half-scale version of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

The Moving Wall will be on display at East City Park in Dexter near the Parks and Recreation gym beginning Thursday, August 6<sup>th</sup> through Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup> with a "Run to the Wall" escort parade and ceremony slated to take place on Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup>.

Actual placement of the memorial replica requires a significant amount of manual labor. A platform must be constructed and put into place on Tuesday, August 4<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, August 5<sup>th</sup>.

Volunteers are also needed on Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. to dismantle The Wall.

"We need some muscle and some skill to help with this effort," stated Mark Stidham, Dexter City Administrator who is spearheading the project.

A plan is in the works to utilize some of the Dexter High School Football Bearcats, but more volunteers are required. If you would like to help please contact Mark Stidham at (573) 624-5959 to help build the platform, etc.

When The Moving Wall visits our community, it will remain on display and open to the public 24 hours a day. Between the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. volunteers are needed to man a couple of computers and help direct visitors in finding names on The Wall. The names are not in alphabetical order, but rather in order of the date they perished. For that reason, navigation is sometimes an issue for visitors.

Mary Worley is organizing the volunteer list for the visitor's tent. Two to three volunteers are needed for one-hour shifts beginning Thursday, August 6<sup>th</sup> through Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup>. Tents will be available for shade as well as chairs, tables, water, and electric fans for those who would like to volunteer.

Please contact Mary Worley at (573) 624-6995 or drop by her office at Dexter Realty, 3 W. South Main, across from the Depot in downtown Dexter.

Other items are needed to make this event a success. These items include pop-up tents, bottled water, and Gatorade. The tents will be available in the parking lot for people to rest, cool down, or sit and visit during the heat of the day. If any businesses or residents would like to donate cases of water and Gatorade that would be most appreciated by the volunteers as well as the patrons visiting The Wall.

For storage purposes, the Parks and Recreation office is going to have their building available prior to the event. The office is open Monday – Friday from 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. and will take drop-offs throughout the day. If you need someone to pick up donations, please contact Dee Loflin at (573) 614-4804 and she will deliver them for you.

### **“Run to the Wall” Sunday, August 9th 1:15 p.m. Hickory Log**

The “Run to the Wall” is not a foot race, but an escort to the Ceremony to commemorate the Moving Wall display.

The “Run” will begin at 1:15 p.m. at the Hickory Log on Business 60 and will travel East on Business Hwy 60 to East Park. The City of Dexter police department will escort motorcycles, cars, and trucks to the ceremony. Riders are asked to display American Flags! All veterans are encouraged to ride in the Run to the Wall event. Area businesses along the route are asked to display their American flags and even stand along the street to waive and support our Veterans.

Hand-held American flags will also be distributed to the participants who gather at Hickory Log parking lot to show their support. Parking will be available at the fairgrounds behind East Park so it is encouraged that people get in groups for the “Run to the Wall” to decrease parking issues.

“We hope to have several golf carts in place to transport guests from the parking area at the fairgrounds to the display,” commented Mark Stidham. “This is another area for volunteers to help.”

Anyone who has a golf cart and doesn't mind putting it in play at the park, or even better volunteering their time to shuffle guests to and from vehicles should contact Mark Stidham (573) 624-5959 or Dee Loflin at (573) 614-4804 and leave a message.

### **At The Wall and Ceremony**

Speaker Brigadier General (Ret) Charles Kruse of Dexter will briefly address the gathering. Other veterans yet to be named at the present time will be on hand to represent this area's veterans from the Vietnam era.

### **Respect**

It is important to maintain a dignified and respectful atmosphere at The Moving Wall. No vendors within 100 yards are permitted and no forms of entertainment are allowed. It is asked that you turn CELL PHONES OFF! No smoking at the event and no animals are permitted with the exception of service animals. Special paper and lumber crayons will be available at the wall for those who wish to make “rubbings” of names. VISITORS ARE ASKED TO MAINTAIN AN ATMOSPHERE OF SOLEMNITY AND RESPECT AT ALL TIMES WHEN IN THE VICINITY OF THE DISPLAY.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**

Manual Labor – Tuesday, August 4<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. (Contact Mark Stidham)

Manual Labor – Wednesday, August 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. (Contact Mark Stidham)

Tent Volunteers – Thursday, August 6<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup> 8 am – 8 pm and Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup> 8 am – 1 pm (Contact Mary Worley)

To Donate Water and Gatorade (Contact Dee Loflin or drop at Parks Office)

To Help with Golf Carts (Contact Mark Stidham or Dee Loflin)

To Donate use of pop-up tents (Contact Mark Stidham)

To Drive in Run to the Wall (Be at Hickory Log 12:45 pm Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup>)

To Donate money for flags (Contact Dee Loflin)

Manual Labor – Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup> 1:00 p.m. (Contact Mark Stidham)

*Photo by Jessica Loflin on a recent trip to Washington, D.C. 2015.*

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## Sikeston American Legion Donates to Veterans Cemetery

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**Bloomfield, Missouri** - On Saturday, June 27th at 10:00 AM, American Legion Post 114 from Sikeston, MO arrived at the Bloomfield Veterans Cemetery and

presented the Bloomfield Assistance League of the Missouri Veterans Cemetery INC with a donation of \$17,000.00.

This money is from their 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Poker Run and Cook-Off Competition fundraiser they had in May. They held a Wing War and Bean Bag Toss Tournament on Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup>.

On Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup> they held a Poker Run and a Cook Off-Team Competition cooking ribs, pork steak and chicken.

They even held an auction, 505/50 drawing and served dinner charging a small fee. Everyone enjoyed the event and they are already planning next year's event.

**Shown in the photo above is Vickie Wilson from the Sikeston American Legion Auxiliary presenting the donation to Kenneth G. Swearingin, Director of the Bloomfield Veterans Cemetery.**

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**Shown in the photo are Members of the Bloomfield Assistance League of the Missouri Veterans Cemetery.**

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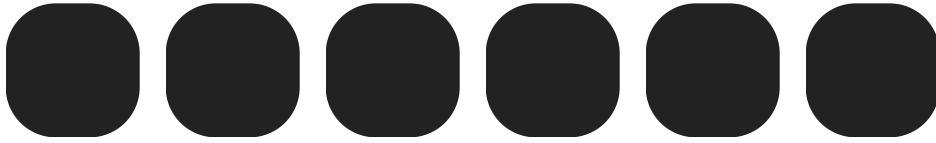
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## Patriotic Parade for Kids on July 4th

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**Dexter, Missouri** - Small towns are wonderful especially this time of year and you can't get more American than a hometown kids' Patriotic Parade!!

Now in its 23rd year, the Fourth of July Patriotic Parade for kids will be held on Saturday, July 4th at 10:00 a.m. This annual parade will begin at the corner of Elm and Vine streets in downtown Dexter.

The "just for kids" parade was started by Janice Barney, Lisa Greer and Jean Rahm. The parade leadership has passed to a new generation, as Kristi and Jason Banken, now host the holiday parade. The Bankens began hosting the parade 9 years ago, and have continued to build upon the Independence Day tradition.

The parade will follow its traditional route down Elm Street to Stoddard Street with kids on bicycles, tricycles, wagons, scooters, golf carts, on foot or in strollers. You may even see a few patriotic dogs in the parade.

The youngsters guided by Uncle Sam will gather on the steps of the U.S. Post Office on Stoddard Street to salute the American Flag with the Pledge of Allegiance. They will sing a few patriotic songs and pose for those ever-lasting photos.

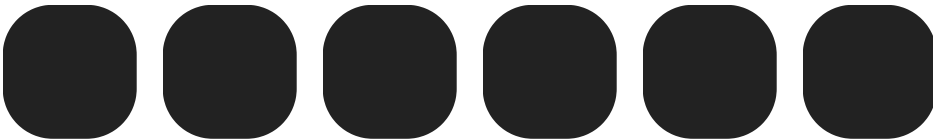
The parade will get moving again, east down Stoddard Street to Poplar Street, where it will turn south at the First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) back to Vine Street and turn west and return to the Bankens' front yard where they will be treated to lemonade and a small snack.

Children are invited to participate. They may walk or bring their bikes and other means of transportation for the parade. Parking will be available for grown-ups in the city parking lot on Vine Street across from the Dexter Municipal Building.

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