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Bloomfield Chamber Spotlight - Stars & Stripes Museum

Bloomfield, Missouri - The Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce is offering a new and

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The Weekly Business Spotlight is a FREE Chamber Member benefit. Each week a business member will be highlighted on their social medial Facebook Page. If you are interested in becoming a Bloomfield Chamber member contact Brook Allen at Sweet Teas, 118 S. Prairie, (573) 568 - 9858 or Goldie DeGroot at Granny Pickers at (573) 568-9996.

This week's spotlight shines on the Stars & Stripes Museum and Library operated by Jim and Sue Mayo. Bloomfield is the true and actual birthplace of the original military newspaper, "The Stars and Stripes" first printed on November 9, 1861.

The museum features more than 7,500 square feet of exhibits including current and past copies of the Stars and Stripes for visitors to examine. There is a 12-minute video featuring former Stripes correspondents Andy Rooney and Steve Kroft.

There is a Civil Ward Exhibit, World War 1 Exhibit, World War II Exhibit, Korean War Exhibit, Vietnam War Exhibit, Cold War Exhibit, Gulf War Exhibit, Kosovo and Bosnia Exhibit, Operation Enduring Freedom Exhibit, Operation Iraqi Freedom Exhibit and a full library.

The museum is open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 10:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m. and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m.

If you would like a group tour, please contact Jim or Sue Mayo (573)568-2055.

The Stoddard County Historical Society meets monthly at the Stars & Stripes. They typically have a very god speaker. The next meeting will be Monday, February 22nd at 6:30 p.m. Dr. Bill Shell will discuss the life of Moses Austin and Lead Mining in Missouri. The public is welcome. This is a free event.

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