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REMINDER! IT'S TUESDAY!

Dexter, Missouri - Local author Patti Miller Dunham (Patti Gard) will host a Book Study of her best-selling publication, I Saw Heaven, beginning February 16 and continuing each Tuesday through March 22.

The Study will be held from 1:30 until 3:00 in the Community Room of the Keller Public Library.

A free copy of the book, courtesy of the author, will be provided to each participant.

There is no charge for this event and pre-registration is not required.

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Bloomfield, Missouri - We are growing!! Full Time Licensed Hair Stylist/Make-Up Artist/Cosmetologist – Apply in person at Dede's Custom Creations, Tuesday – Friday from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

They are a fully functional and established salon with space for rent located at 208 South Prairie Street in Bloomfield. Just give them a call at (573) 568-6037 for an appointment!

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Jefferson City, Missouri - Gov. Jay Nixon has ordered that the U.S. and Missouri flags at state buildings in all 114 counties and the City of St. Louis be flown at half-staff on Saturday, Feb. 20, to honor the bravery and sacrifice of **Capt. Kevin T. Roche**.

Capt. Roche, of St. Louis, was a member of the United States Marine Corps. He died on Jan. 14 while serving his country at Marine Corps Air Station Kaneohe, Hawaii. His funeral will be held in St. Louis on Feb. 20.

In addition to the statewide lowering, Gov. Nixon has ordered that the U.S. and Missouri flags at all state buildings in the City of St. Louis be flown at half-staff from Feb. 21 to Feb. 26.

“The freedoms we enjoy as Americans are possible because of the courage of the men and women who serve our country in uniform,” Gov. Nixon said. “Capt. Roche exemplified that honor, duty and self-sacrifice, and we pay our respects to him and his service by lowering the flag. I also ask Missourians to keep his family in their thoughts and prayers.”

Capt. Roche was assigned to Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 463, Marine Aircraft Group 24, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing. His awards and decorations include the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, the Sea Service Deployment Ribbon (2), the Korean Defense Service Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the National Defense Service

Medal and the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal.

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Dexter Police Dept Now Hiring!

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Dexter, Missouri - The Dexter Police Department is currently soliciting applications for TWO positions for Telecommunicator (Dispatcher):

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Citizen of the United States

At least 18 years of age

High school diploma or GED required

Possess a Missouri Drivers License

Must be able to multitask, type and have basic computer skills

Must be able to speak clearly and coherently

Must be able to work 28 day rotating shifts including nights, weekends and holidays

Applicants will be subject to an extensive background check

As a condition of continued employment, the ability to handle stressful emergency communications associated with the E911 Emergency System will be assessed during the training and probationary period

Obtain and maintain MULES (Missouri Uniform Law Enforcement System) certifications

JOB DESCRIPTION:

This is specialized police work receiving and sending radio transmissions utilizing a digital radio system.

Police / Fire Dispatch work requires the operation of two-way radio transmitting equipment in conjunction with critical decision making skills, relaying orders and information to and from police personnel, managing radio traffic, and operating computer and telecommunications equipment. Work is performed in accordance with prescribed dispatch procedures and within the scope of FCC regulations and departmental orders.

Supervision is received from a Police Dispatcher Supervisor or Police Sergeant who reviews work for conformance with proper procedures, and confers with employee on unusual or difficult situations.

Receives calls for service from the public, E911 and Officers on duty. Also, makes initial contact with calls for service received from citizens who arrive at the police station in person and assigns appropriate remedies for them.

Prioritizes calls for service, selectively assigning and dispatching of police and fire emergency and non-emergency calls via radio to municipal, county and state

personnel using the assigned talk groups while monitoring the safety status of all field units.

Coordinates the movement of multiple law enforcement units engaged in pursuit tactics or responding to life or death situations.

Operates a computer based trunked radio system console to control talk groups and or conventional channels, a dual screen Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) console, and a MULES (Missouri Uniform Law Enforcement System) and NCIC (National Crime Information Center) system terminal.

Reviews pages of various data based documentation to determine the existence of outstanding pick-up orders, misdemeanor and felony warrants, validity of driver licenses, and the status of stolen vehicles and vessels, vehicle and vessel registrations, firearm permits, occupational licenses, and criminal backgrounds to relay to field units.

Coordinates multiple tasks simultaneously, using judgment to make operational decisions based on information regarding available units and calls holding within policy and procedural guidelines while utilizing specialized formats to integrate and prioritize information from all three systems into a coordinated dispatch service for optimal efficiency.

Benefits include health insurance, dental and vision insurance (optional), life insurance and enrollment with Missouri Local Government Employees Retirement System (LAGERS), which is paid for by the City of Dexter. Vacation time, sick time, personal and safety days are also included in the benefits package.

If you are interested in this unique job opportunity, download and print the application AND release form located at:

<http://dexterpd.com/employment.html>

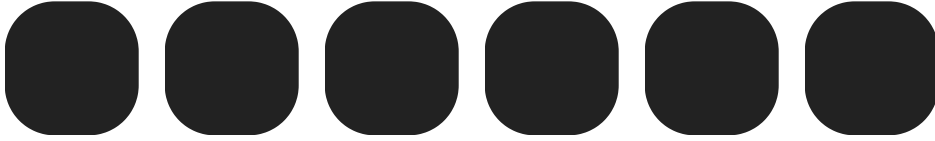
Once the application is completed, return the application in person or via mail to:

Dexter Police Department
305 Cooper Street
Dexter, Missouri 63841

E-mailed applications will not be accepted.

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Remedy for Fishing Fever is March 1st Trout Opener

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Missouri - As the wintery season winds down, anglers throughout the Show-Me State are beginning to show some signs of trout fever. Symptoms include: tying flies, putting new fishing line on reels, checking waders for holes, and practicing casting. Most anglers who get trout fever get rid of it by doing one thing—visiting one of Missouri's four trout parks to participate in the catch-and-keep trout season.

Tuesday, March 1, marks the opening of catch-and-keep trout fishing at Bennett Spring State Park near Lebanon, Montauk State Park near Licking, Roaring River State Park near Cassville, and Maramec Spring Park near St. James.

"This year's trout opener should be good and comparable to previous years," said MDC Fisheries Unit Chief Bruce Drecktrah.

The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) operates trout hatcheries at all four parks. To help predict angler turnout on opening day, hatchery staff rely on permit records going back more than 70 years. Montauk, Bennett Spring, and Roaring River hatchery staff expect crowds of about 2,000 anglers at each location and Maramec Spring staff are planning for a crowd of about 1,500. Based on these predictions, hatchery staff will stock three trout per expected angler on opening day for a total of more than 22,500 fish averaging around a foot in length. The hatcheries will also stock a mix of "lunkers" ranging in three to 10 pounds.

Trout Season Outlook

Due to the heavy rain and record-breaking flood that took place this past December, MDC crews have been inspecting flood damage and evaluating the impact these floods may have on hatcheries, fish production and fish numbers.

"We have plenty of fish for this year's trout season," said MDC Fisheries Division Chief Brian Canaday. "But due to the heavy rains and flooding our trout stocking will be slightly reduced throughout the season. We will stock approximately two fish per trout tag sold at each trout park instead of our usual 2.25."

Canaday added that MDC staff will continue to evaluate hatchery fish inventories, stocking plans, and make adjustments throughout the season as appropriate.

Permits

It's important to know anglers need a daily trout tag to fish in Missouri's trout parks. Daily trout tags can only be purchased at each of the four trout parks. Missouri residents 16 through 64 need a fishing permit in addition to the daily tag. Nonresidents 16 and older also need a fishing permit.

Economic Outlook

Trout hatcheries are just one way that conservation pays in Missouri. MDC stocks more than 800,000 trout annually at the state's four trout parks and approximately 1.5 million annually statewide. Trout anglers' spend more than \$100 million each year in the Show-Me-State, which generates more than \$180 million in business activity, supports more than 2,300 jobs and creates more than \$70 million dollars in wages. About 30 percent of Missouri trout anglers come from other states, so a substantial portion of trout fishing expenditures is "new money" for the state's economy.

For more information on trout fishing in Missouri, visit <https://huntfish.mdc.mo.gov/fishing/where-fish/trout-areas>.

REMINDER TO TROUT ANGLERS: To prevent the spread of the invasive alga called didymo or "rock snot," the use of shoes, boots or waders with porous soles of felt, matted or woven fibrous material is prohibited at all trout parks, trout streams, Lake Taneycomo, and buffer areas. Go online for more information to <http://on.mo.gov/1V6qc6W>.

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