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Stoddard County Democrat Club Donates Book

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Dexter, Missouri - The Stoddard County Democrat Club donated a book to Keller Public Library in memory of Loretta Dodd.

Dodd was the daughter of longtime Democrat Theeta Cokley. The club donated "Lyndon Johnson: The American Way".

Shown in the photo from left are Peggy Barks, Democrat Club President, Pam Trammell, Director of Keller Public Library and Theeta Cokley.

Photos by Jessica Loflin, ShowMe Times reporter.

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8th Annual This Run's 4 Vaughn Slated for October 8th

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Dexter, Missouri - The 8th Annual "This Run's 4 Vaughn" is scheduled for Saturday, October 8th in conjunction with the Historic Downtown Dexter Association's Fall Fest. A Bake Sale at the First Christian Church Disciple Center will also begin at 9:00 a.m.

The annual event continues to be held in memory of Rev. Vaughn Wright who lost his life to ALS, also known as Lou Gehrig's Disease.

Rev. Wright was the pastor of the First Christian Church of Dexter for more than 18 years before his health failed and he was forced to retire.

All proceeds from the walk/run will go directly to families in the area who have a loved one suffering from ALS.

The entry fee for the 5K Walk/Run is \$20.00 and you will receive a t-shirt and lunch. The meeting site is the parking lot in front of the First Christian Church Disciple Center. There will also be a Bake Sale.

The church is located at 224 E. Stoddard Street just east of the Dexter United State Post Office.

The walk/run is not a race, but a journey through the streets of Dexter. The path is marked and is annually led by the Dexter Police Dept.

Registration is at 9:00 a.m. with a starting time of 10:00 a.m. at the First Christian Church at 224 East Stoddard Street. Lunch will be served on the ground upon the return of the

runners and walkers.

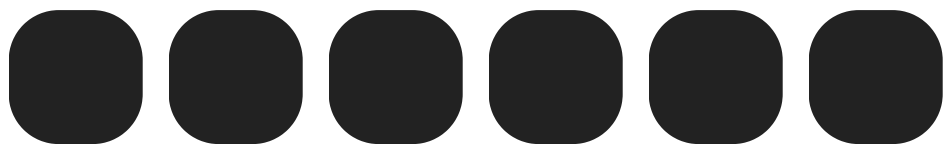
Pre-registration will guarantee a proper t-shirt size.

For additional information contact Kenny Pope at (573) 421-2535 or kpope7486@live.com or contact Scott Kruse at (573) 614-0503 or email to 10k102002@yahoo.com.

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Bernie PAT September Student of the Month

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Bernie, Missouri - Parents as Teachers in Bernie have selected Caleb Powell as the September Student of the Month.

Caleb Powell is the four year old son of Kris and Lori Powell.

Caleb enjoys playing outside, riding his bicycle, and playing with his cars, truck, and trains.

During the family's PAT visits with Mrs. McGarity, Caleb learns about letters, numbers, shapes, and colors while participating in fun activities.

He also looks forward to getting a new book at each PAT visit and reading it with his parents and sisters.

If you would like to know more about Parents as Teachers contact Courtney McGarity or Casey Arnold at 573-293-5335, ext 293 or find them on Facebook by clicking **HERE**.

The following information was taken directly from the Parent as Teachers Missouri website. For more information click **HERE**.

Our Vision

All children will learn, grow and develop to realize their full potential.

Our Mission

To provide the information, support and encouragement parents need to help their children develop optimally during the crucial early years of life.

Our Values

The early years of a child's life are critical for optimal development and provide the foundation for success in school and in life.

Parents are their children's first and most influential teachers.

Established and emerging research should be the foundation of parent education and family support curricula, training, materials and services.

All young children and their families deserve the same opportunities to succeed,

regardless of any demographic, geographic or economic considerations.

An understanding and appreciation of the history and traditions of diverse cultures is essential in serving families.

History

In 1981, Missouri pioneered the concept of helping parents embrace their important role as their child's first and best teacher. Today, Parents as Teachers continues to equip early childhood organizations and professionals with information and tools that are relevant—and widely applicable—to today's parents, families and children.

The Parents as Teachers leadership team and Board of Directors is engaged in a three-year strategic plan, which positions the organization as a valued partner to support the organizations and professionals who serve families and children, especially those most vulnerable.

The concept for Parents as Teachers was developed in the 1970s when Missouri educators noted that children were beginning kindergarten with varying levels of school readiness. Research showed that greater parent involvement is a critical link in the child's development of learning skills, including reading and writing.

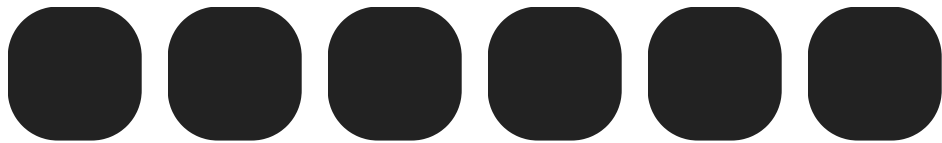
Early childhood professionals suggested that a program to provide early detection of developmental delays and health issues, and parent education to help parents understand their role in encouraging their child's development from the beginning could help improve school readiness and parent involvement.

With funding from the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and The Danforth Foundation, Parents as Teachers began in 1981 in Missouri as a pilot project for first-time parents of newborns. Recognizing the program's benefits and cost effectiveness, the Missouri legislature provided state funding in 1985 to implement Parents as Teachers programs in all Missouri school districts. Since 1985, Parents as Teachers has expanded to all 50 states and six other countries.

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Local Boy Scouts Hold Court of Honor

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Dexter, Missouri - Boy Scout Troop 4200 held their annual Court of Honor at the First United Methodist Church on Monday evening. Several young men along with their parents were in attendance.

The Fall Court of Honor is traditionally their largest awards ceremony. They presented 47 merit badges and 5 rank advancements

Owen Statler was Master of Ceremony. He announced each young man's accomplishments and even presented an award to Kevin Green, Scout Master.

Those receiving Merit Badges/NOVA Awards were:

Jacob Chamness earned Kayaking, Pioneering, Lifesaving, Wilderness Survival, and Nature.

Luke Daniel earned Collections, Robotics, Welding, and Metalwork.

Devin Duffie earned the Citizenship in Nation.

Kyle Ellison earned Collections and Robotics.

Joshua Green earned Communication, Electronics, Emergency Preparedness, Metalwork, and Welding.

Jacob Homer earned Composite Materials, Digital Technology, Game Design, Nuclear Science, Reptile/Amphibian, Welding, and NOVA Whoosh.

Blair Hunsaker earned Astronomy and Chess.

James Kalata earned Camping, Metalwork, and Welding.

Jake Kiser earned Chess, Cooking, and Nature.

Austin Malloy earned Collections and Robotics.

Logan Parks earned Metalwork, Rowing, and Welding.

Dakotah Persfull earned Collections.

Jonah Reiker earned Metalwork, Rowing, and Welding.

Greyson Stephens earned Metalwork, Photography, Programming, Rowing, Space Exploration, and Welding.

Three Boy Scouts earned Rank Advancements to Tenderfoot: Dakotah Persfull, Kyle Ellison, and Luke Daniel. Star Scout Rank Advancements were Jacob Chamness and Logan Parks.

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Missouri Health Care for All

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We've all heard the stories. Working parents forced to choose between groceries and medicine. Neighbors who put off seeing a doctor because they are uninsured. Families saddled with debt from a medical emergency. Doctors who can't treat their cancer patient as they see best because the insurance company denied payment. Young adults picked up by law enforcement because they couldn't get treatment for their mental illness. Local hospitals cutting jobs and closing doors.

Missouri Health Care for All is a non-profit, non-partisan, founded by faith and community leaders. They have staff in St. Louis, Springfield, Joplin, Jefferson City, and Dexter.

They strive to raise asset limits for seniors and people with disabilities on Medicaid, improve transparency in health care costs, ensure that all insured Missourians get what they pay for and have access to doctors in their network, improve access to non-emergency medical transportation, secure health insurance for uninsured Missourians, and prevent cuts to existing health programs.

MHCFA works statewide to give Missourians meaningful ways to impact the health policy issues that affect them. Our members are active in communities across the state.

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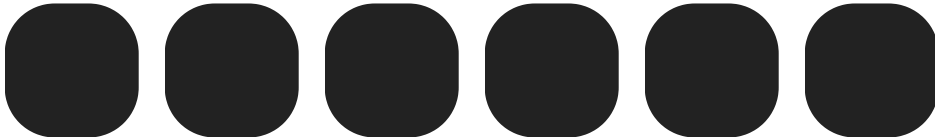
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