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# Miss Dexter Pageants Slated for Saturday, September 10th

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**Dexter, Missouri** - The Dexter High School Choral Department will host the Miss Dexter Pageants on Saturday, September 10, 2016 in the High School Auditorium. Contestants must be residents of the Dexter R-XI School District or attend Dexter R-XI Schools.

Wee Miss Dexter (3 years - Pre-K) will begin at 5:00 p.m. with the Little Miss Dexter (Kindergarten - 2nd grade) and Little Mr. Dexter (3 years - 2nd grade) to follow.

Petite Miss Dexter (Grades 3rd, 4th, & 5th) will begin at 5:00 p.m. with Jr. Miss Dexter (Grades 6th, 7th & 8th) and Miss Dexter (9th - 12th) to follow.

Attire is pageant/formal wear for all categories, with the exception of Little Mr. Dexter contestants who may wear "Sunday Best" or formal wear.

If you need further details please contact Paige at (573) 421-1396. The entry fee is \$25 and the checks should be made payable to Dexter Public Schools-Miss Dexter Pageants.

**Shown in the photo are Miss Dexter 2015, Mary Kate Miller, 1st alternate-Kassidey Bollinger and 2nd alternate-Kalee Howard.**

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## Dexter Altrusa to Host 4th Annual Charity Auction on Saturday

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**Dexter, Missouri** - The Dexter Altrusa Club will host their 4th Annual Charity Auction and you are invited.

On Saturday, September 10, 2016 a Live Auction, a Silent Auction, 50/50 Cash prize raffle, and Last Card Standing Prize.

Doors will open at 4:00 p.m. at the Dexter Elks Lodge located at 325 North Two Mile Road. Dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. and the Live Auction starts at 6:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$20 per person including the meal. For tickets call (573) 624-4070 (days) or (573) 624-5009.

Proceeds benefit UCAN (United Cancer Assistance Network) and Laundry Baskets of Love.

Altrusa also asks that you bring a product or two for the Laundry Baskets of Love, soda can pull tabs for Brandon Scott's annual collection or a new or gently used children's book for future literacy projects.

"If attendees would be so kind as to bring one or more of the items suggested," stated Tammy Robinson. "We would be so grateful!"

Items requested for the Laundry Baskets of Love are laundry detergent, toothbrush (singles), chapstick/lip balm, toilet paper, soap (liquid or bar), shampoo, dishwashing liquid, disposable razors, fabric softener, toothpaste, dental floss, paper towels, deodorant, conditioner, body lotion, or air fresheners.

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## Stoddard County Democrat Club Donates Book

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## Stoddard County Democrat Club Donates Book

**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".

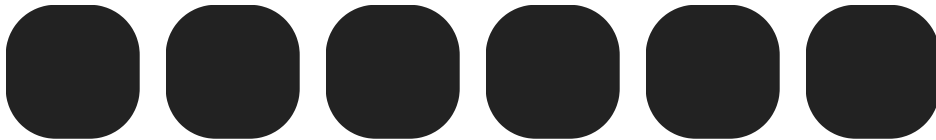
Shown in the photo from left are Peggy Barks, Democrat Club President, Pam Trammell, Director of Keller Public Library and Theeta Cokley.

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

**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 PAT September Student of the Month

**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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