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Zach Hedrick, owner of Tropical Sno SEMO set up at Charles Bland Stadium and gave away sno cones for donations for Maura Peters' family, Hailey Laws' family, and for Vidalia Mace.

They also wanted to donate to the Dexter High School Robotics Club who run the concession stands during the football games; however Mrs. Tiska Rodgers, Robotics Club Sponsor, in a wonderful gesture returned the donation to give to the families.

"When a tragedy like this hits our community, people come together," stated Hedrick. "We just wanted to do something and thought this was a good idea."

Shown in the photo are Lauren Sims, Tropical Sno employee presenting a \$250 check to MawMaw and Papa, Gene and Susan Gaines, grandparents of Maura and great-grandparents of Bryson.

Gene and Susan's granddaughter Maura and their great-grandson, Bryson Umfleet, both passed away in a vehicle/train accident in Dexter on Friday, September 2, 2016 along with Hailey Laws and her son, Weston who were also killed in the accident. Vidalia Mace survived and is recovering in a St. Louis hospital.

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Shown in the photo are Lauren Sims, Tropical Sno employee presenting a \$250 check to Sandra Williamson.

Sandra's daughter Hailey and her grandson, Weston Cryder, both passed away in a vehicle/train accident in Dexter on Friday, September 2, 2016 along with Maura Peters and her son, Bryson who were also killed in the accident. Vidalia Mace survived and is recovering in a St. Louis hospital.

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The final pageant of the day was Miss Heartland, sixteen to twenty years of age.

2016 Miss Heartland was awarded to Adesyn Shelton. First alternate was Caroline Powers and second alternate was Ashlyn Stevens.

Congratulations to all of the young ladies. Typically the girls will ride in the annual Stoddard County Fair Parade on Tuesday, September 20th.

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The sixth pageant of the day was Junior Miss Heartland, thirteen, fourteen, and fifteen years of age.

2016 Junior Miss Heartland was awarded to Alexa Werneck. First alternate was Molly Murphy and second alternate was Chloe Thurmon.

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The fifth pageant of the day was Young Miss Heartland, ten, eleven and twelve years of age.

2016 Young Miss Heartland was awarded to Katelynn Owens. First alternate was Delayni Smith and second alternate was Addy Atherton and third alternate was Kyla Militoni.

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