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Keller Library Story Hour Events for April

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Dexter, Missouri - Keller Public Library events for April! No Story Hour on April 4th due to the election.

Children's Story Hour - 10:15 A.M.

Tuesday, April 4 - NO STORY HOUR - (Municipal Election with Ward II voting at library)

Tuesday, April 11 - Charlie the Ranch Dog presented by Guest Reader Bree Goldschmidt

Tuesday, April 18 - Spring Splash presented by Guest Readers Mayor Joe Weber and Donna West

Tuesday, April 25 - Puff the Magic Dragon presented by Guest Reader Kim Cook and Children's Librarian Reita LeBeau

Thursday, April 27, 5:15 P.M. - Keller Public Library Board of Directors meet in library community room

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Dexter VFW to Host Bike Show and Contest

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Dexter, Missouri - The Dexter VFW Post 2659 will host their First Motorcycle Show & Contest at their new facility located at 23 N. Locust Street.

Each scoot entry fee is \$15.00 and you will also be entered to win a new Ruger LCP 2.280 auto handgun.

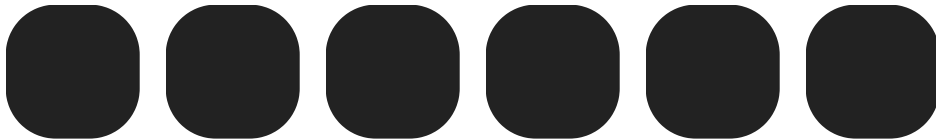
The Auxiliary will provide burgers and dogs, sodas, but all alcohol must be consumed inside. Live music provided by Kool Editions Band!

The event will begin at noon on Saturday, April 8th and go until dark.

To enter you must come inside and register. Point of contact is Scott Harding at (573) 421-7339.

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Lion's Club Waffle Day is SATURDAY!

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Lion's Club Waffle Day is SATURDAY!

Dexter, Missouri – The Lions Club of Dexter will host their annual Waffle Day this Saturday, March 11th.

This event will take place at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church at 102 East Castor Street from 6:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Their breakfast menu will be waffles, sausage, coffee, OJ and milk. Tickets are \$5.00 each. Children 6 and under are Free!

Congratulations to the LLB on their Sectional Win!! The Lady Cats Varsity Basketball girls may eat FREE!!!

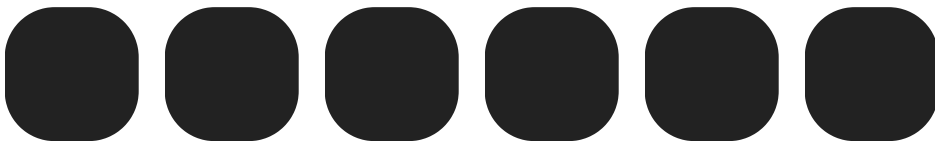
Proceeds from the event will go to purchase eye glasses for those who are in need and for local scholarships.

Please join them on Saturday, March 11th for a beautiful day with temperatures in the low 60's and plenty of sunshine!

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Dexter Welcome Center Hiring Coordinator

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Dexter, Missouri - The Dexter Welcome Center has a Job Opening for a Welcome Center Coordinator.

The City of Dexter is seeking an energetic, creative, part-time Welcome Center Coordinator.

The mission is to assist the City and property owners in the promotion of the Train Depot, Welcome Center and Caboose as an economic, historic and family-friendly cultural center. The candidate for this position should possess leadership and administrative skills, initiative, the ability to work well with others and develop and plan events, excellent oral and written communication skills, and strong computer skills. The candidate should be active in Historic Downtown Dexter activities and be involved with strategic planning and budgeting.

The candidate will help keep the Visit Dexter website up to date, as well as the materials on the tourism wall. Candidate will be required to work some evenings and weekends and be able to move and lift up to 50lbs.

Experience required: Candidate should be able to market, event plan and use resources at their exposure. Also, the candidate should have excellent customer service, be innovative, and be able to work independently.

Education required: High School Diploma, preferred Two year degree in Business, Marketing or Public administration.

City of Dexter is an equal employment opportunity employer.

Compensation: Negotiable with qualifications.

Reports to: Economic Development Coordinator

Application deadline: March 15, 2017 at 1:00pm

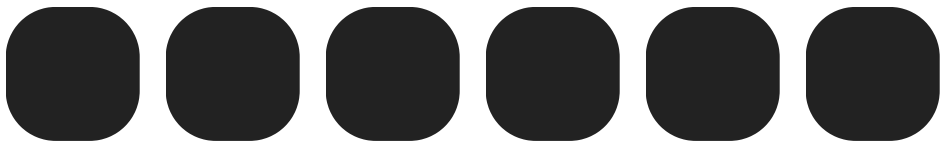
Contact: Send resume to Hillary Starnes, PO Box 21, Dexter, MO 63841 , via email at info@dexterchamber.com, drop off at 515 W. Market St, Suite B.

No Phone Calls

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Bernie PAT March Student of the Month - Mason Beard

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Bernie, Missouri - The Bernie Parents as Teachers' Student of the Month for March 2017 is Mason Orion Beard.

He is the son of Justin and Emily Beard and was born November 17, 2015.

Mason loves playing with his sister, listening to music, playing ball, and dancing. He also enjoys books and animals.

During the family's PAT visits, Mason most enjoys the new books he receives and spending time reading with his parents.

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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