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Bernie, Missouri - The 64th Annual Miss Bernie was held on Saturday evening in the Bernie School Cafeteria. Little Mr. Bernie is Drake Zimmerman.

He is the son of Tony and Natalie Zimmerman.

First Alternate is Gage Miller and he is the son of Jimmy and Callie Dean.

Pictured are from left to right Drake Zimmerman and Gage Miller.

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Bernie, Missouri - The 64th Annual Miss Bernie was held on Saturday evening in the Bernie School Cafeteria. Cymber Arnold was crowned 2017 Miss Bernie.

She is the daughter of Derik Arnold and Lacey Winchester.

Arnold will be receiving a \$300 scholarship, \$250 funded by Miss Bernie Organization and \$50 from First State Community Bank in Malden upon fulfilling her duties and graduating high school.

First alternate was Mabree Stone. She is the daughter of Jeff and Carla Stone.

Second Alternate was Makayla Turner. She is the daughter of Lisa Turner and Ronald J. Turner, Jr.

Lauren Woods was awarded Miss Congeniality. She is the daughter of Jackie and Cecile Graham.

Age division Little Miss Bernie and Little Mr. Bernie 3 - 6 years, Petite Miss Bernie 7 years - 4th grade, Junior Miss Bernie 4th - 7th grade will each be spotlighted in a separate article on the ShowMe Times.

Proceeds will benefit Bernie Elementary and Bernie School organizations.

Pictures are from left to right: Mabree Stone, Cymber Arnold, Makayla Turner, and Lauren Woods.

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Bernie PAT May 2017 Student of the Month

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Bernie, Missouri - Bernie Parents as Teachers' May 2017 Student of the Month is Chandler Beck Bates.

She is the one-year old daughter of Dustin and Jade Bates.

Chandler loves to sing and dance to “If You're Happy and You Know It” and “Head Shoulders Knees and Toes”.

Her favorite place to be is outside and she loves all things girly like lip gloss, shoes, and purses.

She also loves her pet dog “Heidi” and pet cat “Kitty.”

During the family's PAT visits, Chandler most enjoys the new activities she is challenged with and getting rewarded with a new toothbrush because she loves to brush her teeth.

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.

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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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Bernie PAT February Student of the Month - Miki Houk

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Bernie, Missouri - The Bernie Parents as Teachers' Student of the Month for February 2017 is Miki Houk.

Miki Jane is the daughter of Michael and Alicia Houk.

She is five months old and enjoys playing with her big bubby, Daameon.

She is a snuggle bug who refuses tummy time and rolling over almost instantly. Her favorite part of the Parents as Teachers visits are cooing at Mrs. McGarity while playing with her hair.

Alicia loves learning all the way to help her kids grow and learn while having fun.

Miki's big brother, Daameon, is also a Student of the Month for February and he has his very own article.

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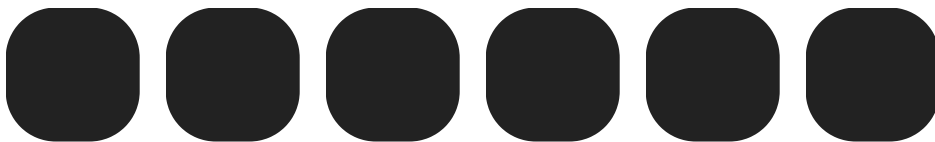
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Bernie PAT January Student of the Month - Harmony Rae Ross

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Bernie, Missouri - Parents As Teachers in Bernie have selected Harmony Rae Ross as January Student of the Month.

Harmony Rae Ross is the two-year old daughter of Logan and Lisa Ross.

She enjoys playing with her baby dolls, building with blocks, and spending time with her family.

Lisa, Harmony's mother, says Harmony is always excited for their PAT visits with Mrs. McGarity and is curious to see what activity they will do together.

Lisa also enjoys learning new ways to teach Harmony things that she might not necessarily think about until she sees them during the home visit.

At every visit the family receives a new book and Harmony's most recent favorite is "Llama Llama Nighty Night" by author Anna Dewdney.

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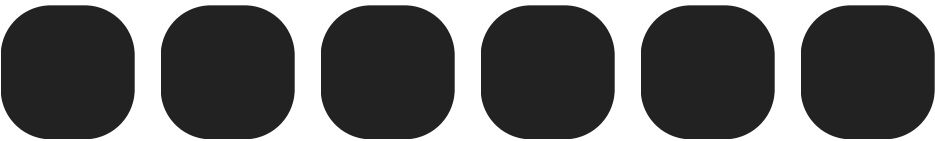
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