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Missouri - The Japanese beetle and the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) are two invasive insects that are wreaking havoc on Missouri's plants and trees. To the untrained eye, these two pests may look similar to one another. However, there are a few easy ways to figure out which green pest is plaguing your yard.

"It's easy to tell these two beetle species apart, even though both are metallic green in color and about a half-inch long," said MDC Forest Entomologist Robbie Doerhoff. "EAB is slender and bullet shaped, while Japanese beetles are much wider and have copper-colored wing covers."

Japanese Beetle

Japanese beetles were first discovered in North America in 1916, likely imported from Asia in potted plants. Japanese beetles can now be found through much of Missouri, with high populations in some areas.

Japanese beetles are leaf "skeletonizers," feeding on the upper surface of leaves and leaving behind a lacy network of leaf veins. They can feed upon more than 300 different types of plants and are frequently seen on grape vines, rose bushes, and elm, linden, sassafras, and fruit trees. In Missouri, these pests are usually present in June and July.

"Japanese beetles can defoliate an entire tree in just a few days. Good tree care, such as proper mulching and watering during dry spells, becomes very important in helping

reduce stress to damaged trees," said Doerhoff.

For light infestations of Japanese beetles on shrubs and small trees, Doerhoff recommends hand-picking beetles and putting them in soapy water. While several insecticides are available to control these pests, caution is in order.

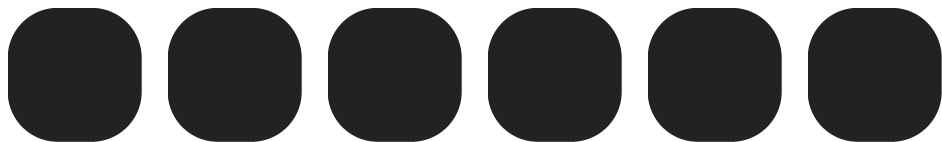
"If you decide to use insecticides, select a product labeled for Japanese beetles and the plant type you want to protect. To avoid killing beneficial insects such as bees and butterflies, don't apply insecticides to blooming plants," she said.

Circle G located on Market Street behind Busy B has Japanese Beetle Traps for just a few dollars and rumor is they work GREAT!!!

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Dexter, Missouri - Yard Sale located at 1014 North Woodland in Dexter will be open from 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. on Friday, June 30th and Saturday from 7:00 a.m. to noon.

North Woodland Directions: From Dexter Schools you can take One Mile Road north towards the railroad tracks, turn left onto S. Bain St., right turn onto North Woodland ... or from Dexter Schools take Grant St. to north on Jibben Drive to North Woodland.

There will be stereo equipment, a huge telescope, a flat stove top, a couple of lawnmowers that could use some TLC, a small computer desk, t.v.'s, shoes, scouting goods, sporting equipment (golf adult RH - youth RH, baseball, and tennis), books, DVD's, toys, and miscellaneous items. Boys shirts and shorts from sizes 6 - 8 to adult medium as well as 2XL and 3XL are also available.

Get hot, quench your thirst with LEMONADE!!!

Just remember drizzle or shine, stop on by!!!

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Dexter, Missouri - Moving Sale on Friday, June 30th and Saturday, July 1, 2017 located at 14008 County Road 403 in Dexter. Times are 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. both days.

Directions from Burger King go north on One Mile Road and turn right on the North Outer Road just past the Poplar Bluff exit. Travel east past Duley Lane and Banken Lane, turn left (north) onto County Road 403. Go about a quarter mile before you get to Holden Pallets and your destination is on your right.

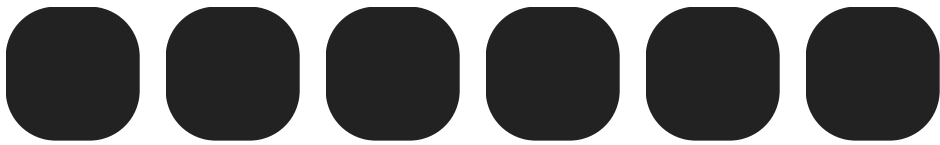
This awesome moving sale has furniture, pillows, kitchen items, tools, pictures frames, curtains, lawn furniture, a camper shell, a truck lid, propane gas grill, natural gas grill, bikes, lots of decorations, a dryer, hammock, cherry wood bedroom suite, a desk, a roll top desk, and misc items.

Also boys clothes beginning at 14, small, medium, large XL and XXL. Shoes sizes are 11, 12, 13, and 14. There so much to buy you won't believe your eyes!!!

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Poplar Bluff, Missouri - The Poplar Bluff Police Department is currently investigating several complaints of SCAMS.

The scams vary from accusing the targeted victim of having outstanding arrest warrants and unpaid government loans to having uncompleted federal questionnaires.

The one common factor in all the previously mentioned scams was the demand that the victim purchase a prepaid Green Dot Card to pay for the alleged violation.

The Green Dot Card and other prepaid debit cards allow the scammer to circumvent security measures of traditional money transfer services.

Any request received that instructs a person to pay an outstanding debt using the above-mentioned methods should be treated as a possible scam until discovered otherwise.

If you feel you have been contacted or have further information please contact your local police department.

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City of Dexter Offices Closed for Holiday

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Dexter, Missouri - The city of Dexter administrative offices will be closed Tuesday, July 4, 2017 for the Independence Day holiday.

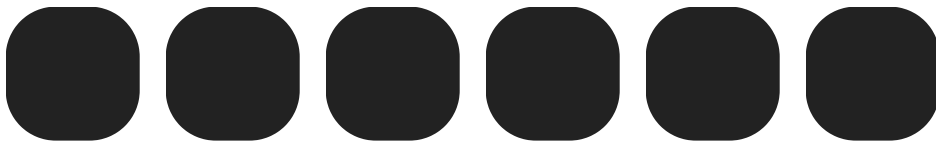
Monday, July 3rd trash will be on schedule. Tuesday - Thursday's trash will be one day late. There will be no bulk pick up on Friday, January 6th.

Have a safe and happy 4th of July holiday from the City of Dexter.

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