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Dexter, Missouri - On Saturday, July 29, 2017 the Dexter VFW Post 2659 will host a "Back the Blue" Fish Fry.

"These men and women serve on a front line as we have," commented Commander of the VFW Robert Myers. "They do not know who is friendly and who is foe until the conflict arises. It maybe from what appears to be a simple traffic stop quickly escalated in force, or to a domestic disturbance upon arrival walking into a hail of gun fire."

Join them from Noon to 6:00 p.m. and support your local law enforcement.

All proceeds will go to the Dexter Police Department. Other fundraisers are in the planning stages for EMS and Fire.

Cost of the meal is \$7.00 with children 12 and under free. You will be served delicious fried catfish, hush puppies, cole slaw, french fries and a drink.

The new FVW Canteen is located at 23 North Locust Street in Dexter.

There will also be games for the kids and adults, an 8 ball tournament, dart tournament, basketball shooting for kids, corn hole events and 50/50 as well.

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Jill Gibbs Honored as Hometown Hero

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Bloomfield, Missouri - Jill Gibbs, longtime volunteer and resident of Bloomfield was recently honored with Hometown Hero Awards at Bloomfield School softball/baseball field.

Jill has volunteered for several years helping the community running the concession stand at the little league baseball and softball games at Bloomfield City Park. Even after her son has graduated from high school she continued to show up in the heat and gets everything ready so the parents and family have something cold to drink and a snack as they watch their little leaguers play on the field.

The award is provided by Modern Woodman and a \$50 donation will be given to a charity of the recipient's choice. Mrs. Gibbs has chosen Claus for a Cause as her charity.

Modern Woodman, Fraternal Financial believes in volunteer service and as a service organization is dedicated to improving the quality of life for families and communities, they recognize Jill's accomplishments and appreciate her contribution to the community.

Shown in the photo are Jill Gibbs and Lara Thorn, presenting the award and all of her many fans!

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Ultimate Flooring 1 Year Anniversary Sale

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Ultimate Flooring 1 Year Anniversary Sale

Dexter, Missouri - Ultimate Flooring & Paint will celebrate their 1 year anniversary in Dexter with a 25% sale on everything in their store!

From Monday, July 24th - Saturday, July 29th EVERYTHING IN THE STORE will be 25% off!

You can make a purchase in the store or place an order between Monday and Saturday and get 25% off! Paint, flooring, blinds, accessories! EVERYTHING IS ON SALE!

Also on Tuesday, July 25th from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. Ultimate Flooring will have an Open House!

Finger foods and drinks will be available and the public is invited!!

Please help them celebrate their 1st year in Dexter!!

Ultimate Flooring & Paint is located at 1521 W Business 60, Dexter, Missouri or call them at (573) 614-7300.

Follow Ultimate Flooring & Paint on Facebook by clicking HERE.

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Southeast Missouri Regional Jazz Orchestra to Offer FREE Concert

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Dexter, Missouri - The Southeast Missouri Regional Jazz Orchestra will offer a "Beat the Heat" FREE Concert on Friday, August 4, 2017 at the Dexter High School auditorium.

The concert will begin at 7:00 p.m.

The Southeast Missouri Regional Jazz Orchestra was founded in the year 2000 and has been performing summer concerts ever since. This year is their 17th season and they are thrilled to continue to make music for their audience. Jazz is America's original art form. It is their honor to share it with you.

The orchestra will perform a variety of musical styles, including some traditional favorites like In the *Mood, A Switch in Time, and Count Bubba*; classics such as *Let it Be* and *The Way I Feel About You*; movie tunes including *Beauty and the Beast* and *The Rainbow Connection* (originally performed by Kermit the Frog in The Muppet Movie), and patriotic songs including *The Star-Spangled Banner* and *The Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy*. They are also working on a number of other tunes, some new and some that they haven't played in several years. Of course, no performance of theirs would be complete without their traditional closer, *The Chicken*.

This year's orchestra is comprised of nineteen musicians from diverse ages and occupations, including eight public school teachers, one public school superintendent, one university student counselor, two college students, four high school students, one middle school student, one stay-at-home mom, and one casino bank supervisor. They have five new members this year.

The 2017 Southeast Missouri Regional Jazz Orchestra is comprised of the following members: *Number in () represents years as a member of the orchestra

Saxophone Section

Scott Rybolt • Band Director, Dexter High School (17)

Kyle Dare • Superintendent of Schools, Puxico School District (11)

Andrea Diebold • Domestic Supervisor, Chatham, IL (9)

Pride Wilder • Music Teacher, East Carter School District (3)

Ella Crader • Student, Sikeston High School (1)

Trumpet Section

Adam Clark • Third Grade Teacher, Central Elementary School - Dexter (17)

Brooke DeArman • International Student Counselor, Southeast Missouri State University (11)

Jeremy Frazier • Band Director, Scott County Central School District (4)

Cody Jinkerson • Band Director, T.S. Hill Middle School - Dexter (3)

Layla Brown • Student, Dexter High School (1)

Trombone Section

Corey Bennett • English Teacher, Dexter High School (11)

Ken DeArman • Cage/Bank Supervisor, Isle Casino, Cape Girardeau (9)

Alex Martin • Band Director, Chaffee School District (2)

Korie Brewer • College Student, Murray State University (1)

Benji Rybolt • Student, T.S. Hill Middle School - Dexter (1)

Rhythm Section

Kyle Clay • Bass Guitar • Band Director, Scott City School District (13) Addison Moore • Percussion • College Student, University of Central Arkansas (4) Sam Traxel • Piano • Student, Poplar Bluff High School (2) Sean Rybolt • Percussion • Student, Dexter High School (1)

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Dexter, Missouri - It's never to early to plan for a big event! Let's celebrate and honor our veterans with a parade in downtown Dexter!

The American Legion Post #59 and the Dexter VFW will host a Veterans Day Parade on Saturday, November 11, 2017.

The parade will begin at 10:00 a.m. and flow from Harps Grocery east down Stoddard Street in front of all the downtown shops.

Veterans who wish to participate can call Bill Kidd at (573) 625-2143 at the American Legion or Rob Myers at (573) 421-1237 at the VFW.

Local businesses, clubs, organizations, motorcycle groups, and the general public is encouraged to participate in the parade. You will be able to pass out candy, flyers, and coupons to those watching along the sidelines, but remember it's for our Veterans and we want to show our appreciation for all they have done.

Let's honor them and help the American Legion and the VFW make this parade great!

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