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# Bloomfield Area Nutrition Center 2017 Christmas Home Tour

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## Bloomfield Area Nutrition Center 2017 Christmas Home Tour

Bloomfield, Missouri - The Bloomfield Area Nutrition Center (BANC) will host their annual Christmas Home Tour on Sunday, December 3, 2017 from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$15 per person and are available at BANC, Designs On You, The Metro, N' Style Galeria, Granny Pickers, and Classic Buts.

Families sharing their homes are:

Rick and Louise Causey at 16670 County Road 431, Dexter

Kenny and Kim Johnson at 200 North Viola St., Bloomfield

Ryan and Heather Mayo at 707 South Prairie St., Bloomfield

Trevor and Starla Pulley at 501 South Spring St., Bloomfield

First General Baptist Church at 501 Christian Drive, Bloomfield

A chocolate fountain, Wassel, and homemade cookies will be served at the Nutrition Center, located at 609 North Delaware.

A drawing for a \$100 gift basket will be held at 4:30 p.m.

Buses will be available from the Nutrition Center for your convenience.

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## 2017 Dexter Christmas Reading

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[2017 Dexter Christmas Reading](#)

Dexter, Missouri - The 9th Annual Christmas Reading is slated for Saturday, November 25th beginning at 6:00 p.m. at 125 W. Stoddard Street across from Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter.

Greg Mathis began the annual Christmas Reading by reading the Second Chapter of Luke in 2009 and has now become a wonderful tradition.

June Coffey, Lisa's mother and Greg's mother-in-law read the Christmas story from Luke 2 every Christmas Eve to their two boys when they were young. It was a tradition Greg decided to share with others through the Christmas reading. Mrs. Coffey passed away in 2015.

“Too often we tend to get caught up in the rush of the holiday season,” Mathis said. “It is simply a reading by a special person in the local community who tells aloud the true story of the first Christmas.”

The event is outside and everyone is encouraged to attend. A special guest will read the story of the first Christmas, but you have to attend to find out who the secret guest will be this year. Also the Crowley Ridge Mennonite Church will once again bless us with their beautiful magical voices.

In case of inclement weather the event will be moved indoors to the chapel at Rainey Mathis Funeral Home.

Greg Mathis has created a website if you would like to learn more about the event, **click HERE.**

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## Former Norman Harty Residence For Sale

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## Former Norman Harty Residence For Sale

Dexter, Missouri - There will be an Open House for former home of longtime Dexter resident Norman Harty on Sunday, November 19, 2017.

The home is located at 1035 Rannells St. in Dexter and the Open House will be from 1 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

The home has 5 bedrooms, office, two kitchens, Whole House Generator, and a security system.

The asking price is \$290,000.00

For more information call Jim Tweedy at (573) 624-1122 or Linda Sams at (573) 421-5671,

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# Bernie PAT 2017 November Student of the Month

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## Bernie PAT 2017 November Student of the Month

Bernie, Missouri - Christopher Scott Snider is the three month old son of Jordon and Traka Snider and is the Bernie Parents as Teachers' student of the month for November.

Christopher loves taking baths, reading books, and when his family talks and plays with him.

He also enjoys being read to by his big sister Amelia.

During the family's PAT visits, Christopher enjoys looking at his new books and getting to play with his Aunt Casey, the family's Parent Educator.

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.

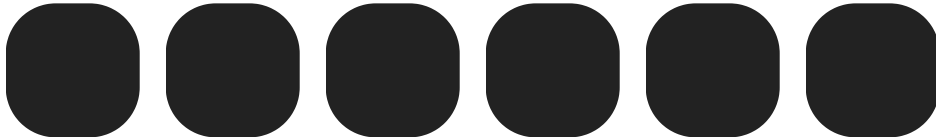
The concept for Parents as Teachers was developed in the 1970s when Missouri educators noted that children were beginning kindergarten with varying levels of school readiness. Research showed that greater parent involvement is a critical link in the child's development of learning skills, including reading 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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## Moonlight Madness in Dexter on Friday

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[Moonlight Madness in Dexter on Friday](#)

Dexter, Missouri - The Historic Downtown Dexter Association will host their annual Moonlight Madness on Friday, November 10, 2017 from 5 p.m. - 9 p.m.

A total of \$800 in MAD MONEY will be given away!! So be sure to register at participating stores.

The drawing will be held at 9:15 p.m. at the corner of Walnut and Stoddard St.

**YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN!!!**

**Stores participating in the Moonlight Madness are:**

Bella's Place

Betty Lou Unique Market & Boutique  
The Bunny Patch  
Calla Lily  
The Corner Cottage  
Dirtroads Junk N Disorderly  
Encore Resale Shop  
The French Market  
Gregory's Two East  
Grey Elephant Clothing  
Hubbard's Jewelry  
Jacksons Florist & Gifts  
The Jewelry Shop  
K9 Biz  
LA Cotton  
Locust Street Flowers  
The Metro Gallery  
N'Style Galleria and Outlet  
The Powder Room & Boutique  
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Sheila's Shoppe  
Trinkets & Treasures  
Weber's Ben Franklin  
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