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Poplar Bluff Middle School teacher Karmen Carson received the 2017 Unsung Heroes award of the Missouri State Teachers Association on Thursday, Nov. 9, in Columbia.

Nominated by field service coordinators, the award acknowledged about 30 members who made a "substantive yet unrecognized contribution" to the organization's mission: to advocate for and empower public educators so they can teach, according to the award letter.

"You've quietly served without any expectation of recognition," wrote Bruce Moe, MSTA executive director. "But we've noticed."

An educator of nearly 20 years, Carson has served as president of the Poplar Bluff chapter of MSTA since 2009. The MSTA is an organization made up of more than 47,000 educators statewide.

Dr. Amy Jackson, R-I assistant superintendent of personnel, congratulated Carson, stating: "I am proud of your dedication and the work you do that is unnoticed by some, but not all!"

Pictured: Fourth grade math and science teacher Karmen Carson is presented the Unsung Heroes of MSTA award by executive director Bruce Moe (left) and state president Brett Hoch.

Photo and article submitted by Tim Krakowiak, Communications/Marketing Director, Poplar Bluff R-I School District

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Southeast Missouri All-District Band

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Poplar Bluff, Missouri - Several Poplar Bluff High School band students were named to the Southeast Missouri All-District Band on Tuesday, Nov. 7, during an audition in Jackson.

Performing as members of the Jazz Band on Nov. 18 in Cape Girardeau, Zac Batton will serve as lead alto, Michael Ward - lead tenor, and Joseph Pickard will play the trumpet. In the Concert Band on Feb. 10 at Three Rivers College, Destiny Ackerman will play the flute and Breeanna Helton will play clarinet. Cody Daughertee has been selected to play

the trumpet in both the Jazz and Concert Band.

Band director Stephen Winters said the students worked hard on their music, some practicing for six months.

(From left) Cody Daughertee, Joseph Pickard, Michael Ward and Zac Batton of the Poplar Bluff Studio Jazz Band, Breeanna Helton and Destiny Ackerman of the Wind Ensemble!

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Poplar Bluff, Missouri - Dr. Mike Price delivered several boxes of personal hygiene items to the Giving Closet on Thursday, Nov. 9, after taking up a month-long collection at his clinic, the Family Dentistry of Poplar Bluff.

One patient of the dental office included 24 bars of homemade soap with a note that read: "When I was in high school, my dad had a terrible accident and lost his left arm. We got a care basket during Christmas – it was all we had then."

Price said his hope is for beneficiaries of the Giving Closet to one day pay it forward when they are in a position to do so. The Giving Closet was established at Poplar Bluff High School last year under the Bright Futures banner to help students in need with clothing, toiletries and classroom supplies.

Pictured: PBHS librarian Marci Priest (left) and assistant librarian Cindy Webb, who manage the Giving Closet, accept a donation from local dentist and avid school supporter, Dr. Mike Price.

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Columbia, Missouri - Educators from across the state recently attended the Missouri State Teachers Association Convention held on November 9th and 10th in Columbia, Missouri.

During the convention, over 750 MSTA delegates gathered to vote on the association's resolutions for the coming year and to elect new leadership.

Attendees also had the pleasure of hearing the keynote speaker, Dr. Michele Borba, author of Unselfie: Why Empathetic Kids Succeed in our All-About-Me World.

Attending the meeting from left to right were Dexter ??CTA ?(Community Teachers Association) ?members Adam Clark and Corey Bennett and Bernie CTA members Nicole Garner, Courtney McGarity, Melanie Durham, and Lynette Thomason.

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Dexter High School - This listing of weekly activities is a service offered by the ShowMe Times, working in partnership with Dexter High School principal, Alana Dowdy, and DHS Asst. Principal Melissa Hahn for your convenience

We hope you will mark your calendar and we encourage everyone to support our local students and their activities. The education and growth of young people in our community is the key to everyone's future! If you would like to submit information and a picture of a student and his/her accomplishments, send it to news@showmetimes.com

Monday, November 20th

FBLA Mac and Cheese Drive

ACT Prep Class, 1st-4th periods

Beauty & the Beast student performance

Drama, Speech and Debate meeting at 3:05 in Mr. Bennett's room

Scholar Bowl vs. Twin Rivers at 4:00 pm in BEC Classroom

Tuesday, November 21st

FBLA Mac and Cheese Drive - Final Day

ACT Prep Class

Beauty & the Beast student performance

STUCO Senior Citizens Thanksgiving Dinner in DHS Cafeteria from 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Wednesday, November 22nd

Thanksgiving Break

Thursday, November 23rd

Thanksgiving Break

Friday, November 24th

Thanksgiving Break

Varsity Girls Basketball at St. Joseph's Academy at 2:00 pm, bus leaves at 8:45 am

Saturday, November 25th

Varsity Girls Basketball at St. Joseph's Academy vs. Kirkwood at 12:00 pm

Sunday, November 26th

No Activities Scheduled

Upcoming Dates

Monday, November 27th

Varsity Girls Basketball in Semo Conference Tournament at Saxony Lutheran times TBD

Drama, Speech and Debate meeting at 3:05 in Mr. Bennett's classroom

Tuesday, November 28th

Varsity Girls Basketball in Semo Conference Tournament at Saxony Lutheran times TBD

(JV/V) Boys Basketball at Charleston, game time 6:00 pm, bus leaves at 4:45 pm

Drug Awareness Session #2 at 6:00 pm in DHS Auditorium

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