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Bloomfield, Missouri - Missouri State Veterans Cemetery at Bloomfield invites the public to participate in Wreaths Across America Program on Saturday, December 16, 2017.

The program will begin at 11:00 AM in the cemetery at the Committal Shelter Pavilion.

Master of Ceremony for the program will be Randy Dunn.

The cemetery has participated in the program for the last eleven years by placing a ceremonial wreath on the grave of a member from each branch of service and a former POW. Due to the fund raising efforts the cemetery will be able to fully participate in the program again this year and will place a wreath on every grave within the cemetery for the ninth year in a row.

Families and friends of those interred, as well as the general public are invited to attend to help us remember the fallen; honor those who serve and teach our children the value of freedom.

Information about the Wreaths Across America Program can be found at: www.wreathsacrossamerica.org

For further information you may contact the cemetery at (573) 568-3871

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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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Liberty Days Parade Set for Friday, October 20th

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Liberty Days Parade Set for Friday, October 20th

Bloomfield, Missouri - The 2017 Liberty Days Parade is scheduled for Friday, October 20, 2017.

Participants and floats are needed to make this a successful parade in Bloomfield. You can pass out candy and flyers while walking the parade route.

Line-up is 5:00 p.m. and the parade will begin at 5:30 p.m.

The parade route is from Bloomfield High School to the Bloomfield City Park.

Please call (573) 568-2055 or email **stripes@newwavecomm.net** for information and to register.

The Stars and Stripes Museum in Bloomfield, Missouri will host their 5th annual Liberty Days event on Saturday, October 21, 2017 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

This is a free, family-friendly, and educational event featuring a living military timeline.

This year's timeline will represent the conflicts during which the Stars & Stripes was printed from the Civil War to the modern era.

They are also including in the timeline displays related to pre-colonial, colonial and the American Revolution.

History professors from Southeast Missouri University, re-enactors, educators, veterans, and others will be presenting.

There will also be an 18th century kitchen, a Civil War skirmish, a WWI medical station, and a WWII encampment with military vehicles.

They will also host veterans from the Korean, Vietnam, Cold War, Gulf War, Kosovo, and other time periods.

You will be able to meet veterans who experienced the conflicts first hand, taste foods from an 18th century kitchen, interact with re-enactors, receive a guided tour of the museum and more. The Stars and Stripes Museum is more than a display of military and newspaper artifacts. It is unique among the nation's museums. There is no other museum

in the United States dedicated to the history of America's military newspaper. With over 7,000 square feet of attractive exhibits, visitors see American history from a different perspective.

Vendors will be at the event. There will be burgers, corndogs, fried potatoes, drinks, and a variety of treats for all tastes.

For more information contact the Stars and Stripes Museum/Library at (573) 568-2055.

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Jill Gibbs Honored as Hometown Hero

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Jill Gibbs Honored as Hometown Hero

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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JAKES Day Set for Saturday at Stars & Stripes Museum

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JAKES Day Set for Saturday at Stars & Stripes Museum

Bloomfield, Missouri - The annual JAKES Day sponsored by the Crowley's Ridge Limbhangers Local Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation is slated for Saturday, June 10, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at the Stars and Stripes Museum in Bloomfield. Registration is at 7:30 a.m.

This is a FREE event fro ages 5 - 17 years old. Parents and their children will enjoy a fun filled event with activities to include gun safety training, archery shoot, primitive skills, water safety, Smokey the Bear, candy cannon, and more demonstrations.

Lunch will be provided.

The Stars and Stripes Museum is located on Highway 25 next to the Missouri Veterans Cemetery.

JAKES is dedicated to informing, educating and involving youth in wildlife conservation and the wise stewardship of our natural resources.

NWTF chapters provide youth chances to explore their outdoor world through fun events that help pass on the traditions of responsible hunting, teach the principles of habitat management, hunting ethics and safety.

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