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## Local Rotary Officers Attend Leadership Training

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Jefferson City, Missouri - David L Ellinghouse, Secretary-Elect and Danny Talkington, President-Elect of the Rotary Club in Dexter, Missouri for the year beginning July 1, recently attended the 40th Annual Show Me Rotary Leadership Institute, March 23-24, 2018.

Rotary International President-Elect Barry Rassin from Nassau, Bahamas, was the keynote speaker for the two-day training event, which was held at the Capitol Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City.

The Show Me Rotary Leadership Institute comprises three Rotary districts working cooperatively. This cooperation makes it possible to attract senior Rotary leaders from around the nation and world.

Missouri has 160 Rotary Clubs and approximately 7,700 members statewide. As president of Rotary International, Rassin will lead a worldwide organization comprising 1.3 million Rotarians in 35,000 clubs in 200 different countries.

Each year more than 300 future leaders of Rotary in Missouri gather at Show Me Rotary for an educational program designed to prepare them for their responsibilities in the upcoming year. They receive training on such topics as managing and leading a Rotary club, engaging members and building strong clubs.

The institute also helps them become knowledgeable about topics such as the humanitarian projects of Rotary, world peace initiatives, efforts to eradicate polio and

how to assess and serve community needs. Attendees also hear from Rotarian leaders, who share inspiring stories.

Rotarians and other donors fund The Rotary Foundation, considered one of the most outstanding philanthropic organizations in the world with a score of 100 percent and four stars in Charity Navigator.

Rotary is perhaps best known as the chief motivating force behind the efforts to eradicate polio. Along the way, Rotarians, in cooperation with the World Health Organization, have made inroads in developing distribution systems for medicines and vaccines for polio and numerous other diseases which have saved, and will continue to help, individuals around the world.

Utilizing the motto "Service Above Self," Rotary members believe they have a shared responsibility to take action on the world's most persistent issues. Rotary clubs work together to promote peace; fight disease; provide clean water, sanitation and hygiene; save mothers and children; support education; and grow local economies.

Ellinghouse is employed at County Wide Insurance Agency in Dexter and has been involved in Rotary for four years. David also is a Past-President of the Rotary Club of Dexter.

Pictured are Danny Talkington (left) and David Ellinghouse (right) at the 40th Annual Show Me Rotary Leadership Institute, Friday, March 23.

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# SoutheastHEALTH of Stoddard County Supports Fitness Challenge

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Dexter, Missouri - Southeast Health provided cutting boards for participants in the Regional Healthcare Foundation "TRI" Team Fitness Challenge.

Pictured, LeVeda Scates, Coordinator of the Fitness Challenge and Sue Ann Williams, CEO Dexter Southeast Health.

One of the key points stressed in the competition is healthy nutrition.

Participants appreciated the cutting boards because salads are a focus food for weight loss.

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# Supporting Regional Healthcare Foundation Challenge

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Dexter, Missouri - First Missouri Bank is supporting the Regional Healthcare Foundation Fitness Challenge!

Mike Hobbs, FM Bank president and Tracy Hoton, FM Bank Human Resource Officer presented LeVeda Scates, Regional Healthcare Foundation Fitness Challenge Coordinator with shaker bottles to make nutritional drinks for the Foundation Fitness Challenge participants.

Submitted photo.

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## Adoption Day at Shoe Sensation

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Poplar Bluff, Missouri - The Dexter Animal Shelter mobile adoption will be at Shoe Sensation in Poplar Bluff, Missouri on Saturday from noon - 4 p.m.

Shoe Sensation is located at 1415 N. Westwood Blvd.

"We will have all animals available on hand and you will possibly be able to take your new fur baby home with you that day," commented Animal Control Officer Darren Dixon of Dexter Police Department.

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### Ham and Beans Fundraiser

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Dexter, Missouri - Preferred Hospice will have a Ham & Beans, Cornbread and Cake lunch plate available on Friday, March 23, 208 from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. to raise money for their Relay for Life team.

Preorder if possible by calling (573) 614-4774. Plate lunch is \$7.00

Pick Up your order at Preferred Hospice, located at 423 Business Hwy 60 W.

Support these fine men and women who take care of our loved ones. They are raising money for people battling cancer!

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