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# Aging Matters Celebrates Selection as Schnucks – Bags 4 My Cause Program Beneficiary

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## **Aging Matters Celebrates Selection as Schnucks – Bags 4 My Cause program Beneficiary**

Cape Girardeau, Missouri - Aging Matters, a not-for-profit committed to providing services for seniors, age 60 and older, has been selected as a beneficiary of the Schnucks - Bags 4 My Cause program for the month of July.

The Schnucks – Bags 4 My Cause program launched in May 2017 and is designed to support local not-for-profits through the sale of the reusable Giving bag.

Aging Matters was selected by Schnucks store leadership as the July beneficiary of the program at the Cape Girardeau Schnucks store. For every reusable Giving bag with the message “Giving is in the Bag” purchased at the Cape Girardeau Schnucks during July Aging Matters will receive a \$1 donation.

“We appreciate and thank Schnucks management for selecting us to be beneficiary of the program “Giving is in the Bag” said Aging Matters Executive Director, Lana Johnson.

Aging Matters is a not-for-profit corporation based in Cape Girardeau, Missouri and covers an eighteen-county service area in Southeast Missouri. The agency was established in 1973 under the Older Americans Act to respond to the needs of Americans 60 and

older. Learn more about Aging Matters by calling (573) 335-3331 or visiting [www.agingmatters2u.com](http://www.agingmatters2u.com).

For more information on the Schnucks - Bags 4 My Cause program, visit [schnucks.bags4mycause.com](http://schnucks.bags4mycause.com) or [facebook.com/schnucks](https://facebook.com/schnucks)

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## Stars & Stripes Annual Sponsorship Drive

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[Stars & Stripes Annual Sponsorship Drive](#)

It is time for the annual sponsorship drive for the year 2018. We hope you can take a moment to read our request and respond. If you have donated this calendar year we appreciate your support and thank you again for your donation.

The Stars and Stripes Museum/Library is more than a display of military and newspaper artifacts. It is unique among the world's museums. We have over 7000 square feet of attractive multimedia exhibits, where visitors can see American military history from a different perspective. We have free admission and free tours.

On display is an original issue of the 1861 Civil War Stars and Stripes newspaper (only 4 known to exist). The Stars and Stripes Museum/Library is located in Bloomfield, MO which is designated as the official birthplace of the Stars and Stripes by the US Department of Defense. Through exhibits and programs the museum highlights the history of Stars and Stripes from it's very first issue which was printed by Union troops in November 1861, through the wars of the 20th century and into the modern era.

We provide the community with research services and support, special events including lectures on historical topics and our Liberty Days living history timeline during the month of October. During this time we are host to over 1,000 middle and high school students from local schools in the counties of Stoddard, Scott, Mississippi, Dunklin and New Madrid, Cape Girardeau , and Butler Counties.

Without the support of our dedicated sponsors, the museum would not be where it is today. As a newspaper written "for soldiers, by soldiers," the Stars and Stripes offers a unique and important view of some of the most pivotal moments in modern history. It provides the military personell at war with support and often times a much needed respite from the devastating environment they are placed in.

Please help us to continue to share history with future generations. We are a 501(c) 3 tax-exempt organization so your donation is tax deductible.

Sincerely

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## Dreams Can Come True - Help Lauren's Dream Become a Reality!

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[Dreams Can Come True - Help Lauren's Dream Become a Reality!](#)

It's every little girls dream to become a princess! For Lauren Thrower, her dream is becoming Miss Missouri in June of 2018! Her platform is "Empowering Young Adults for Lifetime of Tomorrows!" She wants to reach every young adult throughout the state of Missouri! Please join her and help her make her dream come true! Lauren is currently serving as Miss Branson.

Hello family, friends, business owners and anyone else that would be interested in supporting me as journey on to Miss Missouri in June!

I am offering you a wonderful opportunity to become a personal sponsor of mine as I compete for the title of Miss Missouri 2018, which is held in Mexico, Missouri at the Mexico Missouri Military Academy.

My goal is to become Miss Missouri 2018 with the intention of using the title to reach young adults throughout our state and beyond by promoting my Platform, "Empowering Young Adults for a Lifetime of Tomorrows".

Your support would be greatly appreciated and very helpful to me in reaching my goal. As a personal sponsor of mine, you will gain invaluable exposure for your business throughout the state of Missouri. As family and friends, you can show your support by wishing me luck, etc.

All sponsor can purchase salute/ad page(s) are 8 ½" x11". They will be published in the official Miss Missouri 2018 program book.

Full page - \$300

1/2 page - \$150

1/4 page - \$75

**\*\*April 5th is the deadline for turning in all sponsors' salute/ad**

"I do hope to arrange a visit back home to Dexter for the opportunity of meeting and thanking each of you, in person, for your support. In the meantime, I look forward to hearing from you soon and I hope you all have had a very Happy Easter!"

**P.S. Please contact me on Facebook via Messenger with all company logos, information and graphics that you want to be published on your personal or business salute/ad page.**

Love and Hugs!

Lauren Thrower

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## Stoddard County Resource Meeting Minutes for March 14, 2018

MARCH 26TH 2018 BY DEE LOFLIN

### Stoddard County Resource Meeting Minutes for March 14, 2018

The Stoddard County Resource Group met on Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at the Dexter Chamber of Commerce. The next meeting will be April 4, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. also at the Dexter Chamber of Commerce building.

Below are the minutes submitted by Sara Vise.

#### **Stoddard County Resource Meeting**

**Date:** Wednesday, March 14th, 2018

**Place:** Dexter Chamber of Commerce

**Time:** 10:00AM

**Program:** Bootheel Counseling Services will present next month.

#### **Announcements/Upcoming Events:**

Several Easter Egg Hunts occurring Easter Weekend

#### **Staff Openings:**

Delta New Hope has several openings through Stoddard County and the surrounding counties for homemakers and Certified Nurses Aids (CNAs). Please apply at [www.deltanh.com](http://www.deltanh.com).

Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri is seeking a (paid) intern position. Please contact 5734810659 for more details. Southeast Hospital (Dexter location) has openings for social worker and registered nurse. Please apply at <https://www.sehealth.org>.

**Other discussions:**

Emergency Solutions Homeless Prevention Program through Catholic Charities is now accepting applications. Please have potential enrollments contact Brenda Miller at 573-481-0659.

Next Meeting: April 4th, 2018 at 10AM at Dexter Chamber of Commerce

Next Presentation: Bootheel Counseling Services

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# Stoddard County Resource Meeting Minutes from

# December 6, 2017

DECEMBER 20TH 2017 BY DEE LOFLIN

## Stoddard County Resource Meeting Minutes from December 6, 2017

Dexter, Missouri - The Stoddard County Resource Meeting was held on Wednesday, December 6, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at the Dexter Chamber of Commerce.

This month's program was Melanie Champlin, Business Development and Community Education Coordinator with Visiting Nurses Association (VNA).

Ms. Champlin went over the different services that are available through VNA; attached is the flyer showing all the services. She stated the Senior Companion Program is looking for volunteers; this is a service where seniors (60+) help with companionship of VNA consumers so that the caretakers can take the much needed breaks from the constant care/responsibilities of a VNA consumer. Something as simple as having a companion to sit with a VNA consumer so the caretaker can go grocery shopping, or have a hair appointment.

VNA has also recently implemented a tele-health monitoring system for VNA consumers of COPD and CHF that have had recent hospitalizations. The goal is to keep the consumers from re-entering the hospital. The tele-health monitoring system will have the consumer measure such things as blood pressure and/or other necessary vital signs. If there is a problem, an alert is sent to the monitor at the office. A VNA nurse then contacts the consumer, and follows protocol for if/when to call the doctor and making a home visit.

### **Announcements/Upcoming Events:**

January 10th through the end of April Regional Healthcare Foundation will be hosting their Annual Fitness Challenge; flyer with details is coming soon.

January 25th the Point-in-Time (PIT) homelessness count will be conducted in Stoddard County. This event occurs at night-time. Anyone that is aware of locations in Stoddard County that are frequented by homeless, please contact Becky McDonald at Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri, 573-481-0659, before January 25th.

### **Staff Openings:**



Crown Hospice is hiring for a nurse position (LPN or RN) that will work in the Dexter/Sikeston area.

VNA is hiring for homemakers and CNAs in all counties, please apply at [www.vnahealth.com](http://www.vnahealth.com)

**Other discussions:**

Sikeston Job Center currently has funding for adults that need to take the HiSet test.

Regional Healthcare Foundation also offers free Adult Education Literacy classes and funding for HiSet testing.

Presently, the resource meetings have been held at 9AM. After much discussion, the resource council decided that 10AM is a better time for all parties to meet.

***Next Meeting: January 3rd, 2017 at 10AM at Dexter Chamber of Commerce***

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