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Based on current river levels, the Missouri Department of Transportation anticipates closing the Route 51 Chester Bridge across the Mississippi River at noon Saturday, June 1. This bridge links Perry County, Missouri, to Randolph County, Illinois. Please seek alternate routes to travel from Missouri to Illinois.

MoDOT will continue to monitor river levels and reassess as conditions change. To stay up-to-date, please follow MoDOT Southeast on Facebook.

For more information, please call MoDOT's Customer Service Center toll-free at 1-888-ASK-MoDOT (275-6636).

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Dexter, Missouri - "Bootheel Recycling is a Missouri scrap metal recycling company whose customer base includes regional utility companies, large manufacturing businesses, tool and die shops, local Dexter scrap dealers, haulers, farmers and individuals across Southeast Missouri and Arkansas."

"We comply vigilantly with the laws set forth by OSHA, EPA, federal and Missouri. Our scrap metal recycling policies are honest and transparent. Our scales are certified yearly and calibrated twice a year. We belong to the Chamber of Commerce and the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries. We are OSHA 10 certified. We have the highest graded material in the industry."

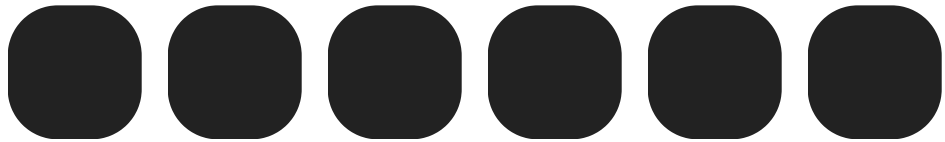
"We buy most forms of ferrous and non-ferrous metals, including copper, aluminum, stainless steel, brass, scrap iron, radiators and catalytic converters. Please consult our Scrap Metal Selling Guide to find out more about how to sell scrap metal, and how to get the most money for your scrap metal. The best indication of our success is our loyal customer base. We are nice people with good business practices. We have a very high level of return business, and our new customers often come to us by way of referral."

"Our friendly customer service staff will ensure that your recycling experience is simple and hassle-free. Our modern and streamlined processing system allows us to offer competitive prices. Please contact us today if you would like to inquire about our services."

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Heavy Rains and Strong Winds Knock Out Power in Dexter Area

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Dexter, Missouri - Several residents in the Dexter area experienced high winds early Wednesday evening. Heavy rain and wind caused power outages in the area as well.

AmerenMissouri reported a total of 6,600 homes and businesses without power in their coverage area. According to their recorded message most power will be restored this evening; however some may not be restored until Thursday due to trees over the powerlines.

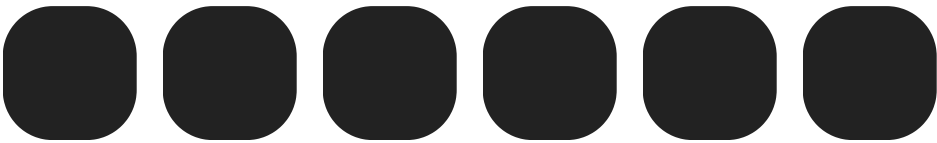
Ozark Border Electric also reported about 1,300 without power.

Update: Only about 1,000 are without power as of 9 p.m.

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VFW Post 2659 Will Distribute Buddy Poppies on Saturday

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Dexter, Missouri - Every year I can't wait to get my new Poppy and display it proudly on my rearview mirror! After a year it gets so sun bleached. Well tomorrow, Saturday, May 25th is the day.

The VFW will be located at the intersections of Wal-Mart, Cox Corner, Walnut/Vine passing out their Poppies and collecting donations for the local post between the hours of 8 and noon.

They use the money to help those Veterans in need. Please consider a donating to them.

Here is a little history from the VFW Organization website:

"Before Memorial Day in 1922, they conducted their first poppy distribution, becoming the first veterans' organization to organize a nationwide distribution. The poppy soon was adopted as the official memorial flower of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, as it remains today.

During their 1923 encampment, they decided that VFW "Buddy"® Poppies would be assembled by disabled and needy veterans who would be paid for their work to provide them with financial assistance. The next year, disabled veterans at the Buddy Poppy factory in Pittsburgh assembled VFW Buddy Poppies. The designation "Buddy Poppy" was adopted at that time.

In February 1924, they registered the name Buddy Poppy with the U.S. Patent Office. A certificate was issued on May 20, 1924, granting their organization all trademark rights in the name of Buddy under the classification of artificial flowers. They've made that trademark a guarantee that all poppies bearing that name and the VFW label are genuine products of the work of disabled and needy veterans. No other organization, firm or individual can legally use the name Buddy Poppy.

Today, their Buddy Poppies are still assembled by disabled and needy veterans in VA Hospitals.

The VFW Buddy Poppy program provides compensation to the veterans who assemble the poppies, provides financial assistance in maintaining state and national veterans' rehabilitation and service programs and partially supports the VFW National Home For Children. Show your support today. Host a Buddy Poppy drive in your town, or have your local government issue a special proclamation."

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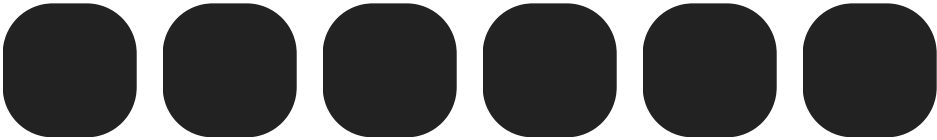
Dexter, Missouri - Local law enforcement participated in the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics on Friday, May 24, 2019. So far the hottest day of the year, but they managed to run from Wal-Mart down Business 60 to On the Go.

They also sold t-shirts to raise money and awareness for the Special Olympics.

Participating this year from left to right are Josh Benton, Dexter Police Department; Andrew Johnson, Missouri Highway Patrol; Hank Trout, Dexter Police Department; Kristie Palmer, Stoddard County Sheriff's Department; Amy Holden, Stoddard County Sheriff's Department; Trevor Pulley, Chief of Police at Dexter Police Department and Russ Gibson, Missouri Highway Patrol.

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