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The Dexter Chamber of Commerce welcomed Bien Company LLC with a ribbon cutting on Friday, June 24, 2022.

Bien Company LLC is located at 401 E. Business 60 in Dexter.

In 1965 Carl Bien Sr. started the company and it was called CAD Plumbing. In the mid-1980s they were involved in apartment buildings. They were fortunate to purchase the building back and completely remodel the building. Currently they do property management with over 200 families relying on them to manage their rental properties.

Pictured from left to right are Karlee Wright, Chamber of Commerce, Corey Mills, Dexter PD, Jason Banken, City of Dexter Mayor, Trevor Pulley, City Administrator, Kara Barker, Tiffany Wright, Jerry Pullum, Lauren Stidham, Eric Bien, Riker Bien, Ashley Bien, Laura Bachelor, Melissa Clary, Lexton Bien, Rollins Gigaron, Logan Shultz, and Dustin Mayer.

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Puxico, MO - The Puxico Auxiliary to VFW Post 7822 will sponsor the Miss Puxico contest on Tuesday, August 9, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. in the Puxico Veterans Park during the 75th Puxico VFW Homecoming.

The contest is open to all girls age 16 to seniors at Puxico High School. All contestants must be 16 years old before August 1, 2022. Contestants must be registered for classes at Puxico R-8 School for the 2022 fall term at the time of registration. The parents/legal guardians of all contestants and the contestants must be residents of the Puxico R-8 School District for at least three months prior to the registration deadline. Contestants that DO NOT live in the Puxico School District but HAVE ATTENDED Puxico Schools the year prior are allowed to enter the contest.

Students that have received an alternate form of education in their junior year or plan to receive an alternate form of education in their senior year must live in the Puxico School District THREE months prior to the registration deadline, show proof of residency and proof of their alternate form of education (examples include private school/homeschool certificate, report card on private school letterhead, sample of homeschool curriculum, etc.).

Contestants must never have been married and shall not be a parent or presently pregnant.

Registration will be held on:

- Tuesday, July 12 from 9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. & 5:00 7:00 p.m.
- Thursday, July 14 from 9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. & 3:00-6:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, July 19 from 9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. & 3:00-6:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, July 26 from 12:00-3:00 p.m. & 5:00 7:00 p.m.

All registrations will be held in the Puxico VFW Hall. Parents/legal guardians must accompany the contestants to registration. No registration forms will be allowed to leave the registration site for signatures. When registering for the contests, birth certificates, or proof of birth from a hospital must be presented. NO late registrations will be allowed. Registration fee is \$10.

Records at Puxico R-8 Schools will be checked by the members of the Auxiliary to Puxico VFW Post #7822. Miss Puxico will receive a \$100 cash prize & her entry fee for the Miss Stoddard County contest will also be paid by the Puxico VFW Post 7822, along with the trophy and crown. Please like the Facebook page – PUXICO HOMECOMING for additional information.

Dress Code for Miss Puxico Contest

The auxiliary wishes to keep the contests a family centered event by setting a dress code. The dress code is:

- NO plunging necklines.
- NO backless dresses that are cut below the waistline.
- NO bare midriff.
- NO visible tattoos will be allowed.
- Slits in the dresses must stop at the mid-thigh area.

Should a contestant fail to meet these standards, such contestant will be disqualified from competing.



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Mayor Banken Proclaims State Farm Day in Dexter on June 7th

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Dexter, MO - Theresa Reynolds of Reynolds State Farm Agency is Dexter, Missouri celebrated her 30th Anniversary as a State Farm Agent on June 7, 2022. Mayor Jason Banken designated June 7th to be State Farm Day in the city of Dexter in honor of their 100th anniversary.

For 100 years, they have made it their mission to restore lives, help rebuild neighborhoods, invest in communities, and support education and safety initiatives where people live and work. It's what being a good neighbor is all about.

"Like a good neighbor, State Farm is there. It's more than a slogan; it's who we are," stated Reynolds.

Banken signed a proclamation which read, "Whereas State Farm is celebrating its 100th anniversary in 2022; and whereas the City of Dexter recognizes the positive impact the company and its agents have on our community as they have been taking care of customers in Missouri since 1925; and whereas State Farm was founded in the United

States on the 7th of June in the year 1922 by G.J. Mecherle, a farmer from Merna, IL."

"I call upon the residents of this city to observe this day by demonstrating what being a good neighbor is all about through acts of kindness and making people feel welcome.", Banken proclaimed.

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Bloomfield Chamber Farmers Market

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Bloomfield Farmers Market will be held each Tuesday from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. June 7th - August 23rd at the Elderland Restaurant Parking Lot on Highway 25.

Accepting baked goods, flowers, plants, cookies, vegetables, jams and jellies, handmade craft items, fruits, eggs, herbs, small livestock such as chickens, ducks, rabbits and much more.

Tables and tents are NOT provided you must bring your own. If unsure if your item is allowed at market please email amy_haas1@outlook.com

**Get notifications and updates for the farmers market on Remind by texting @328632 to the number 81010 from your phone.

If you are interested in having a booth click here for form and more information.

The Farmers Market is co-sponsored by Ozark Federal Credit Union.

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Bloomfield, MO - Around 60 southeast Missouri veterans took part in the annual Spring Veterans Fishing Day held at the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield on Friday, May 20, 2022.

This event hasn't been held the last two years due to Covid-19, but Tony Curran, commander of the American Legion Post #59 in Dexter and organizer of the event, made sure it returned this year. They will also host one in the fall.

After a few hours of fishing, each veteran and volunteer were treated to a fish fry with all the trimming, including fries, hushpuppies, pickles, onions, and of course dessert.

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