

# DEXTER CHAMBER

*of Commerce*

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## TO ALL CHAMBER MEMBERS:

The Annual Awards Dinner was held on Saturday, January 21, 2012 at the Elks. One of the main focuses of the evening was the awards. The recipients of awards were:

**Organization of the Year**  
*Ben Kruse 18 FORE Life*

**Small Business of the Year**  
*LeGrand's Communications*

**Business of the Year**  
*Allen Christian Buick GMC*

**Industry of the Year**  
*U.S. Poly Enterprise, Inc.*



**Educator of the Year**  
*Jeannie Cato*

As part of the evening's program, several chamber members donated Centerpiece packages. A "Dirty Santa" Drawing of tickets sold was held for the Centerpieces. A total of \$1,800 was received from the ticket sales. One-third, \$600, of the proceeds went to the Organization of the year; one-third, \$600 was divided among the other nominations for Organization of the Year; Historic Downtown Dexter Association, Girl Scouts of the Missouri Heartland, and the Mother to Mother Program. The final \$600 was divided by drawing one of the Centerpiece Tickets and drawing the name of the one of the Centerpiece Sponsors.

One additional highlight of the evening was "Duelling Pianos," a presentation of piano music from Pete Parysek and Josph Greer including a special appearance by Sir Elton John. There was great food, great fellowship, and a great time had by all.

Janet Coleman, Executive Director

Business After Hours Hosted By:

**Blackwell-Baldwin  
Dodge, Inc.**

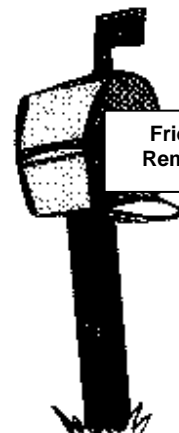


*"We have the  
KEYS to your Heart"*

**1660 W. Business 60  
Tuesday, February 14, 2012  
5:00 pm to 6:30 pm**

## LEADERSHIP DEXTER 2012 PARTICIPANTS

Rachel Bullard  
Sarah Gibson  
Chris Guethle  
Jennifer Hartlein  
Aaron Mathis  
Brett Miller  
Josh Miller  
Andrew Stuever  
Matthew Ternes  
Kristin Zemen



If you haven't remitted  
your membership for

**2012**

you should have  
receive a friendly  
reminder recently.  
Hope this isn't your  
last newsletter.

# CAROL'S TIDBITS

Tell Carol  
&  
Everyone  
Will Know!



If you have any tidbits on your business or information of interest, email Carol at [carol@dexterchamber.com](mailto:carol@dexterchamber.com) or call her at the Chamber Office 624-7458

## Masonic Lodge Breakfast

### All You Can Eat!!

February 25 6 – 10 AM

Masonic Lodge

500 South Walnut

Adults - \$6 Under 12 - \$3

## Chicken N Dumplin' Feed

First Christian Church

February 3, 2012

11:00 AM – 7:00 PM

## Chamber Business After Hours

February 14, 2012 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM

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St. Jude FUNdraiser

at the

## DEXTER BOWL

501 North Two Mile Road

INFO CALL 573-645-8751

OR

Email [s10k102002@yahoo.com](mailto:s10k102002@yahoo.com)

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**The Corner Cottage**

**The Metro Gallery**

**They are Great!!!**

## Future Business After Hours

3/13 Girl Scouts of MO Heartland

4/10 Halo Hair Salon

5/08 Powder Room Boutique

6/12 First State Bank

7/10 Select Therapy

## Rib City Shootout

A high school girls and boys tournament invitation!

For info to Sponsor or Enter go to

[www.ribcityshootout.com](http://www.ribcityshootout.com)

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Sacred Heart Parish Center

February 20<sup>th</sup> Noon – 5:00 PM



## Buy Dexter!

You will be glad you did!

## Dexter School Dates

02/17/2012 Winter Break Begins  
02/20/2012 Last Day of Winter Break  
02/20/2012 Boys & Girls Basketball  
02/24/2012 District Tournament at Sikeston

### Clubs, Organizations, Churches, & School Activities

If you are sponsoring an event, and  
want to have it included in the

#### Dexter Community Calendar

contact Carol with details

Email: [carol@dexterchamber.com](mailto:carol@dexterchamber.com)

Phone: 624-7458

### MSH Hospital Auxiliary St. Valentine Membership Tea (including table prize drawings)

February 14, 2012

MSH Employee's Lounge

2:00 – 4:00 PM

Heartgrams will be available from  
February 1<sup>st</sup> until February 14<sup>th</sup>, at the  
Auxiliary Desk. Heartgrams are \$.25 each or  
five for a \$1.00.

It wasn't until 1537 that St. Valentine's Day was  
declared an official holiday. England's King Henry VIII  
declared February 14<sup>th</sup> a holiday.

Only the U.S., Canada, Mexico, France, Australia  
and the U.K. celebrate Valentine's Day.

The oldest known Valentines were sent in 1415 A.D.  
by the Duke of Orleans to his French wife while he  
was imprisoned in the Tower of London. It is still on  
display in a museum in England.

The oldest surviving love poem is written in a clay  
tablet from the times of the Sumerians, inventors of  
writing, around 3500 B.C. It was unromantically  
named Istanbul #2461 by an archeologist who unearthed  
it.

## St. Valentine's Day Trivia

- 100 Million roses, the majority red, will be sold and delivered within a three-day period.
- California produces 60 percent of American roses, but the vast number sold on Valentine's Day in the United States are imported, mostly from South America.
- 15% of U.S. women send themselves flowers on Valentine's Day.
- 73% of people who buy flowers for Valentine's Day are men, while only 27 percent are women.
- Teachers will receive the most Valentine's Day cards, followed by children, mothers, wives, and then, sweethearts. Children ages 6 – 10 exchange more than 650 million Valentine's cards with teachers, classmates, and family members.
- In the United States, 64% of men do not make plans in advance for a romantic Valentine's Day with their sweethearts.
- About 3% of pet owners will give Valentine's Day gifts to their pets.

## Kaitlin Lauters

Pharmacy Technician

I was born and raised in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. At the age of 15, I moved to Dexter, where I now reside. I graduated Dexter High School in 2007, and have attended Three River College, Arkansas State University in Jonesboro, and Shelton State Community College in Alabama. You might have recognized me from housekeeping, but I currently work as a Pharmacy Technician under the lovely Erin Ross. I am a very family oriented individual, and by the grace of God, I have the best family in the world. I am the oldest of three children. I have a younger brother, Tyler, and a younger sister, Erin. Three things in my life that I am super proud of and if you know me, you'll know it's the truth; I am proud to be a Christian, proud to be a Bama fan (Roll Tide for all you SEC fans), and I am proud of what I have accomplished in my life thus far. I can't wait to see where my career at MSH goes!

Ending Thought: All people smile in the same language.

Hospital Auxiliary

Stella Poe, Editor

"I'm opposed to millionaires, but it would be dangerous to offer me the position." - Mark Twain

"Start every day with a smile and get it over with." - W.C. Fields

"Never ruin an apology with an excuse." - Kimberly Johnson

"It is better to know some of the questions than all of the answers." - James Thurber

"Sometimes the road less traveled is less traveled for a reason." - Jerry Seinfeld

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# February 2012

Feb 2	<b>Groundhog Day</b>		
Feb 2	<b>American Legion Post 59 &amp; American Legion Auxiliary Mtg.</b>	620 West Oak	6:00 PM
Feb 2	<b>Dexter Girls Bearcat Basketball</b>	at Kelly	6:00 PM
Feb 3	<b>Chicken &amp; Dumplin' Feed</b>	First Christian Church	11:00 AM - 7:00 PM
Feb 3	<b>Dexter Bearcat Basketball</b>	Advance at Home	6:00 PM
Feb 4	<b>10 Pins 4 Ben St. Jude FUNdraiser</b>	Dexter Bowl 501 North Two Mile Road	info 573-624-8751 s10k102002@yahoo.com
Feb 6	<b>MSH Auxiliary General Meeting</b>	MSH Boardroom	1:30 PM
Feb 6	<b>Dexter Girls Bearcat Basketball</b>	at Notre Dame (Cape Girardeau)	6:00 PM
Feb 6	<b>Board of Alderman Meeting</b>	Municipal Building, Vine St.	7:00 PM
Feb 7	<b>MO Presidential Preference Primary</b>		
Feb 9	<b>Dexter Bearcat Basketball</b>	Bell City at Home	6:00 PM
Feb 9	<b>Dexter Girls Bearcat Basketball</b>	Cape Central at Home	6:00 PM
Feb 9	<b>Sons of the American Legion Meeting</b>	620 W Oak	6:00 PM
Feb 9	<b>Park &amp; Recreation Board Meeting</b>	Municipal Building, Vine St.	7:00 PM
Feb 9	<b>Elks Lodge Meeting</b>	302 North Two Mile Road	7:30 PM
Feb 10	<b>Dexter Bearcat Basketball</b>	At Kennett	6:00 PM
Feb 13	<b>Dexter Girls Bearcat Basketball</b>	Poplar Bluff at Home	6:00 PM
Feb 13	<b>Stoddard County Fair Board Meeting</b>	Stoddard County Ambulance District	7:00 PM
Feb 14	<b>Valentine's Day</b>		
Feb 14	<b>"Be My Valentine" presented by Melanie Stoelting, Parents as Teacher</b>	Keller Public Library Children's Story Hour	10:15 AM
Feb 14	<b>Basic Skills Computer Class</b>	Keller Public Library	1:00 - 3:00 PM
Feb 14	<b>Missouri Southern Healthcare Auxiliary St. Valentine's &amp; Membership Tea</b>	MSH Employee's Lounge	2:00 - 4:00 PM
Feb 14	<b>"Business After Hours" "We Have the KEYS to Your Heart"</b>	Blackwell Baldwin Dodge 1660 W Business 60	5:00 - 6:30 PM
Feb 14	<b>Dexter Bearcat Basketball</b>	Poplar Bluff at Home	6:00 PM
Feb 16	<b>Dexter Girls Bearcat Basketball</b>	At Twin Rivers	6:00 PM
Feb 17	<b>No School - Winter Break</b>		
Feb 17	<b>Dexter Bearcat Basketball</b>	Cape Central at Home	6:00 PM
Feb 18	<b>Heartland Quilters Guild</b>	Dexter Senior Center 23 West Stoddard	10:00 AM
Feb 20	<b>President's Day</b>		
Feb 20	<b>No School - Winter Break</b>		
Feb 20	<b>MSH Auxiliary Board Meeting</b>	MSH Boardroom	9:00 AM
Feb 20	<b>Red Cross Blood Drive</b>	Sacred Heart Parish Center	12:00 - 5:00 PM
Feb 20	<b>Board of Alderman Meeting</b>	Municipal Building, Vine St.	7:00 PM
Feb 20-24	<b>Dexter Bearcat Basketball Districts</b>	Sikeston	TBA
Feb 21	<b>"Take Me to Hawaii" presented by Tony Rushin</b>	Keller Public Library Children's Story Hour	10:15 AM
Feb 21	<b>"Othello"</b>	Tinnin Fine Arts Poplar Bluff, MO	7:00 PM
Feb 22	<b>Chamber Directors Meeting</b>	Chamber Conference Room	Noon
Feb 23	<b>Keller Public Library Board of Directors Meeting</b>	402 West Grant Community Room	5:15 PM
Feb 23	<b>VFW Meeting</b>	Hwy 25 across from Eagle's	6:00 - 9:00 PM
Feb 23	<b>Elks Lodge Meeting</b>	325 N Two Mile Road	7:30 PM
Feb 25	<b>Masonic Breakfast</b>	Masonic Temple 500 S Walnut	6:00 - 10:00 AM Adults - \$6 <12 - \$3
Feb 27	<b>Planning &amp; Zoning Board Meeting</b>	Municipal Building, Vine St.	6:00 PM
Feb 28	<b>"Animal Furs and Hides" presented by Conservation Agent Mark Reed</b>	Keller Public Library Children's Story Hour	10:15 AM

**(NOTE: For March Calendar and the months ahead, go to [www.dexterchamber.com](http://www.dexterchamber.com) and click on Calendar.)**

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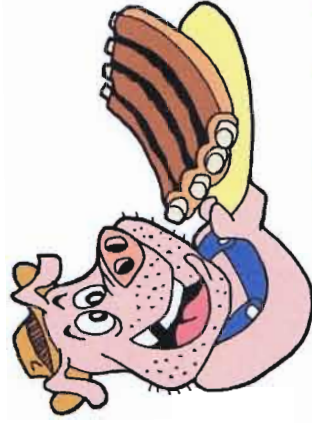
Actively recruiting:



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## Sponsorship Opportunities:

-  Invitation for up to 300 teams from five states
-  Opportunity to advertise on BEC video board
-  VIP Event catered by Hickory Log
-  Skills Clinic featuring Alan Stein and Drew Hanlen

Actively recruiting volunteers to help with set-up, promotion, hospitality, etc.



**Lead**  
•\$50  
•1/4 page ad

**Bronze**  
•\$100  
•1/2 page ad

**Silver**  
•\$250  
•1/2 page ad  
•Name on banner  
•Name on t-shirts  
•2 VIP passes

**Gold**  
•\$400  
•Full page ad  
•Logo on banner  
•Name on t-shirts  
•Name on website  
•4 VIP passes

**Platinum**  
•\$800  
•Full page ad with premier placement and possibility of color (first come, first choice)  
•Logo on banner  
•Logo on t-shirts  
•Logo on website  
•10 VIP passes  
•Business Ad on video board in BEC.  
•Ad on RCS Facebook page

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