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# DMS 7th Grade Basketball Team Takes Down Poplar Bluff

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**Dexter, Missouri** - The undefeated Dexter 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys basketball team beat the Poplar Bluff Mules 40-37 Monday evening at the T.S. Hill Middle School in Dexter.

The Jr. Beta Club served an Old Fashioned Chili Supper prior to the game and with a standing room only crowd the Bearcats took the court.

It was a tough game between the two teams. They were tied at the end of the first quarter 12-12. Dexter was able to score 9 points in the second half giving them just a 2 point lead going into half time. Neither team led by more than just a couple of points in the first two quarters of play trading for lead position at least six times.

Dexter increased their lead to 34-30 going into the fourth quarter. Poplar Bluff fought back cutting the deficit to just one point with 1:37 left on the clock.

Andrew Ellinghouse made one of two free throws with just 40 seconds left in the game. Carter Dorton followed with one free throw with 24 seconds left giving Dexter a 3-point lead and securing the win!

Dexter athlete Ryder Boles tallied a team-high 12 points including 1 trey.

Andrew Ellinghouse added 8 points for the Bearcats.

Ryan Collier recorded one three-pointer for Dexter.

**Final Score 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys: Dexter 40, Poplar Bluff 37**

Poplar Bluff 12 7 11 7 - 37

Dexter 12 9 13 6 - 40

**Poplar Bluff (37)** - Brennon Chamberlain 16, Preston Taylor 7, Damerieus Robinson 4, Alex Ketcherside 3, Justin Moses 7. FG 15, FT 6/10, F 21 (3-pointers: Moses 1, Fouled Out: None)

**Dexter (40)** - Andrew Ellinghouse 8, Rider Boles 12, Peyton Dirskill 6, Ryan Collier 5, Austin Daniels 2, Riley Slusher 5. FG 12, FT 14/25, F 15. (3-pointers: Ryan Collier 1, Ryder Boles 1, Fouled Out: None)

***The Dexter 7th grade team will be back in action on Tuesday as they travel to Jackson. Game time 5:30 p.m.***

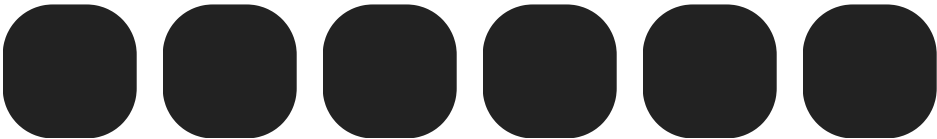
Monday, November 30, 2015 will be their last home game. The Kennett Indians will travel to Dexter. Game time 6:00 p.m.

Their very last game of the 2015 season will be played in Charleston on Wednesday, December 2, 2015. Game time 6:00 p.m.

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## Elks Lodge Youth Wrestling Program - Time to Register

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### Elks Lodge Youth Wrestling Program - Time to Register

**Dexter, Missouri** - While high school wrestling is beginning to heat up, elementary students can also have a chance to practice their wrestling skills. Registration is from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the Dexter Elks Lodge on Monday, November 23, 2015.

Each year the Elks Lodge sponsors grades 1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> boys and girls wrestling and any child in those grades in Stoddard County are encouraged to participate. This will be the 4<sup>th</sup> season for Jason Twomey, who will be available tonight at the Elks Lodge during the registration.

Payment is required at time of registration. The cost to participate is \$20 per child and parents may also order a t-shirt as well.

In January duels will begin every Saturday at 10:00 a.m. at the Dexter High School. There will be four teams, green, blue, red, and gold and in February there will be a final awards ceremony for everyone who participated.

Practices will begin soon. These youngsters will wrestle with athletes from other towns in their weight class. Some towns that have chosen to participate are Kennett, New Madrid County Central, Sikeston, and Notre Dame.

Wrestlers will be educated in the basic skills necessary to succeed in the sport of wrestling through a safe and structured practice schedule.

Coaches will encourage the athletes to reach their highest potential through hard work on the mat and in school while keeping a positive attitude and having good sportsmanship.

If you are interested in being a referee contact Jason Twomey at (573) 625-1974.

Let's support these youngsters and get them started in a great sport!

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## Brock Beacham Signs to Play Baseball at Missouri S&T

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[Brock Beacham Signs to Play Baseball at Missouri S&T](#)

**Bernie, Missouri** - Bernie baseball pitcher, Brock Beacham, signed to play at the Missouri University of Science and Technology in Rolla, Missouri on Wednesday, November 17, 2015 at Bernie High School.

“From what I understand a lot of their money goes to education. They are an academic-first school, then athletics kind of come in second, which is fine. It is a very good school and that is what I was looking at more so than the athletic part, was the quality education,” stated Beacham at the signing.

Beacham will be majoring in biological sciences, pre-med and wants to pursue a career in Interventional Radiology.

Academics were very important to Beacham in choosing Missouri S&T. In 2014, USA Today ranked Missouri S&T as one of the top three engineering schools in the country and U.S. News & World Reports ranked Missouri S&T as the 138th best college in the country in 2015.

“I got a call from them back over the summer,” commented Beacham. “They saw me pitch at a tournament in Springfield. Obviously I was interested. Any school that called, I was going to be interested.”

“We went there and Coach seemed like a very nice guy, a very sincere person,” continued Beacham. “It’s a great academic school and one of the best academic small schools in the nation. Just thinking about it, it was the best choice and the most obvious choice.”

Smiling Beacham said that they have an airplane hanger type thing with Astroturf and a really nice weight room.

Bernie finished their fall season 24-6, won the MSHSAA Class 2, District 1 Championship and advanced to the quarterfinals of the state tournament.

I been working with him since he was in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and training him. He’s been a joy and is super sharp,” stated Todd Pennington, baseball trainer and owner of Balls ‘n Strikes in Cape Girardeau. “I was able to work with him over the summers and in baseball camps. I have gotten to know him and am proud of him.”

“The one thing about Brock is that he entertains and he is a fun loving kid,” stated Bernie head baseball Coach Darrin Shipman. “As a coach, one thing that sticks out is that he has great baseball knowledge and the second thing is that he has a great baseball I.Q. He wants the ball and he wants to pitch. Anytime you get a player that wants the ball it’s all-good. He’s always having fun and enjoys life.”

“He led in pitching and hitting both during the fall season and that’s pretty tough,” commented Shipman. “We look for big things in the spring.”

*Shown in the photo sitting from left to right: Barry Beacham, Brock Beacham and Michelle Beacham. Standing from left to right are Todd Pennington, Jeff Rodgers, and Darrin Shipman.*

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# Dexter Middle School Wrestling Season Begins Tuesday

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Dexter Middle School Wrestling Season Begins Tuesday

**Dexter, Missouri** - T.S. Hill Middle School Wrestling Team will begin their season with a home opener on Tuesday, November 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the middle school gym.

Both the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade teams will compete against Poplar Bluff Tuesday.

### **2015 Season Schedule for December**

December 1, 2015 Cape Girardeau (Away) 5:00 p.m.

December 3, 2015 Sikeston (Away) 5:00 p.m.

December 5, 2015 Farmington (Away) 9:00 a.m.

December 9, 2015 Cape Girardeau (Away) 5:00 p.m.

December 12, 2015 Cape Girardeau (Away) 9:00 a.m.

December 14, 2015 New Madrid County Central (Away) 5:00 p.m.

Team photo was not available at press time.

***Photo is from the 2014 DMS wrestling season against New Madrid County Central.***

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# All-Conference Volleyball, Morgan Named Coach of the Year

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**Stoddard County, Missouri** - The 2015 SCAA All-Conference Volleyball Teams have been released.

Carmen Morgan, head volleyball coach at Dexter High School was named Coach of the Year.

Junior athlete Krysten Garrison of Dexter was named Player of the Year.

Co-Defensive Players of the Year are Brittany Brown, a senior at Dexter High School and Chelsea Cureton of Woodland.

First Team All-Conference is Krysten Garrison and Hannah Thurmon of Dexter, Alanis Below of Advance, Krista Rhodes of Woodland, Kayli Tanner, Addie Shelton, and Morgan Baker of Bernie.

Second Team All-Conference is Nicole Roper, Jewel Chism, and Bailey Below of Bloomfield, Bailee Williams of Dexter, Brylee Morse and Addie Curtis of Advance.

Honorable Mentions went to Lexi Barnes, Addie Kruse, Brittany Brown and Julia Hahn of Dexter, Chelsea Cureton and Madison Cover of Woodland, Sarah Copeland of Puxico, Rebecca Heuring of Bell City and Kaley Roper of Bloomfield.

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