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4-H Winter Photography Contest - How to Enter!

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Are you ready for the 4-H Winter Photography Contest?

Ribbons will be Awarded this Year for the top 3 photos in 4 age groups; 3 categories.

Age groups: Clover (5-7); 8-10; 11-13, 14 & up

One photo will be chosen to become the 2022 Stoddard County 4-H Facebook page cover photo and will be displayed and used to Represent 4-H for the entire year!

Categories:

1. Something that makes you feel Good
2. People that have made a difference in your life
3. The most photogenic Animal

Deadline for entry is February 15!

4-H Members may submit one entry in each category in their age group.

Entries should be emailed to: **bakerkl@missouri.edu** , with member's name/age/category/4-H Club/County.

Photos will be posted on the Stoddard County 4-H Facebook page for voting.

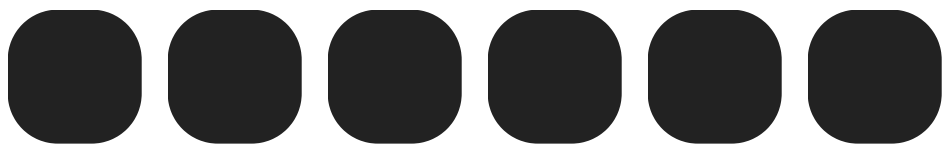
Voting on the Stoddard County 4-H Facebook page will continue until March 15.

Not a member of Missouri 4-H yet? Go to: <https://v2.4honline.com/> to enroll!

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SEMO Swarm Presents its 3rd Annual Fundraiser

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Sikeston, MO - SEMO Swarm presents their 3rd Annual Fundraiser BLACKLIGHT BINGO!!

BINGO Tickets includes Blacklight dobber, 10 games of BINGO, Glow in the dark glasses, must be 21 to purchase alcohol.

\$30 per player

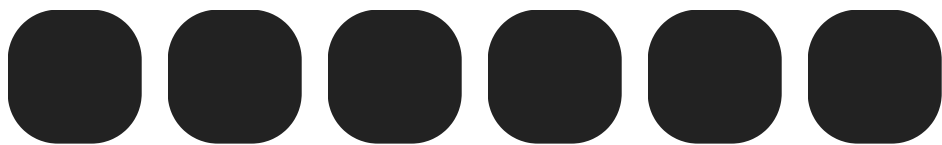
Location is V.F.W. 709 Smith Ave. Sikeston, MO

For more information contact (573) 380-1697

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Dexter Rotary Club to Host Blood Drive

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Dexter, MO - The Dexter Rotary Club will host a BLOOD DRIVE on Monday, December 13, 2021 from 12:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

The American Red Cross Blood Drive will be held at 102 East Castor Street at the Sacred Heart Church gym.

Giving blood can be the first step into a world where accident victims, premature babies and those facing cancer receive the care they need to help them survive.

We want to thank you for your help. Come give Nov. 29-Dec. 16 and get a \$10 Amazon.com Gift Card* via email, thanks to Amazon.** PLUS you'll also automatically be entered for a chance to win a private hometown screening of The Matrix Resurrections for you and 50 guests!

You may still donate after receiving a COVID-19 vaccination. Knowing the name of the manufacturer is critical in determining your blood donation eligibility.

The Red Cross follows the highest standards of safety and infection control. For the safety of our donors and staff, the Red Cross will require all those at blood drives and blood donation centers to wear face masks regardless of their vaccination status. Valve face masks are not permitted. Face shields can be worn in addition to face masks but not as a substitute.

Platelets and type AB plasma also needed

Platelet donors and those with type AB blood are also continually needed to help ensure patients receive the lifesaving blood products they need. Platelets – a key clotting component of blood often needed by cancer patients, surgical patients and bone marrow recipients – must be transfused within five days of donation, so donations are constantly needed. Donors with type AB blood are urged to give blood or platelets to restock the plasma supply. Type AB donors have the universal plasma type, which can be given to patients of all blood types.

How to donate blood

The free Blood Donor App – available in app stores by searching for American Red Cross or by texting BLOODAPP to 90999 – not only makes appointment scheduling easy, but donors can also access their digital donor card and be notified when their donation is distributed to a hospital. Donors can also visit [redcrossblood.org](https://www.redcrossblood.org) or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) to make an appointment or for more information. All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age (16 with parental consent in some states), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

Blood donors in the Missouri-Illinois Blood Services Region can now save time at their next donation by using RapidPass to complete their pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of their donation, prior to arriving at the blood drive. To get started and learn more, visit [redcrossblood.org/RapidPass](https://www.redcrossblood.org/RapidPass) and follow the instructions on the site.

About the American Red Cross

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families.

The Red Cross is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit [redcross.org](https://www.redcross.org) or visit us on Twitter at [@RedCross](https://twitter.com/RedCross).

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Bloomfield Action Team (BAT) Met to Discuss Repairs to Church

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Bloomfield, MO - The Bloomfield Action Team met on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 to discuss applying for a grant to repair the church, a continuation of the previous meeting's discussion. Mayor Bill Aslin emailed a list of questions that were discussed and answered at the meeting. The church is located on Missouri Street. It is the old Christian Church.

Call to order: Jim Mayo called to order the meeting on Tuesday, November 2, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. at the Stars and Stripes Museum.

Roll Call: The following members were present: Dee Loflin, Amy Haas, Jennifer Green, Sue Mayo, Jim Mayo, Sheila Brown, Laura Dumey.

Non-members present: Lyndell Revelle

Secretary Report:

Minutes were accepted with corrections (Mr. Mayo is president and not Sue Mayo)

Motion to approve: Sheila Brown, Seconded by Jennifer Green

Treasurer report: Treasurer not present

Old Business:

Jim Mayo talked about the history of the church and the importance of saving it.

New Business:

Mayor of Bloomfield, Bill Aslin, sent the following bullet points to the group to answer.

Who will pay the monthly utility bills: BAT will pay utility bills. The treasurer has the checkbook and will be responsible for paying the utility bill, insurance bills, grounds and maintenance bills.

Who will be responsible for keeping the building insured: BAT will have the building insurance. The president and vice president will get bids for insurance and the treasurer will be responsible for paying the insurance bill.

Who will be responsible for booking events: The staff at the Stars and Stripes Museum will help booking events. BAT will use the Museum's phone number and the Museum will give the information to the officers of BAT.

Who will be responsible for opening, closing the building: The staff at the Museum will have a key to show the space. The trustee members of the BAT will also have a key.

Who will see the building is cleaned regularly: BAT trustees will see that the building is cleaned.

Who will be responsible for the upkeep of the grounds, yard being mowed, etc: BAT will be responsible for hiring someone to keep up the grounds. The treasurer will be

responsible for paying the bills.

What fundraisers will be planned to support the money to do the above: Fundraisers planned are Trivia Night raising \$2500 to \$5000, a craft fair \$2000, golf tournament \$2000-\$4000, Raffles \$2500, Membership drive \$20 per member.

We have been told seating capacity is 75 as a maximum so that does limit crowd size: Yes, the space is limited to 75 to 100 individuals. The space is planned for small weddings, Christmas programs, recitals, club meeting space, quilt shows, guest speakers. BAT will charge \$150/2 hours and \$50 each additional hour for weddings, \$10 admission for the Christmas program, for small functions such as recitals BAT will charge \$75/2 hours, BAT will charge clubs \$120/year to meet in the building.

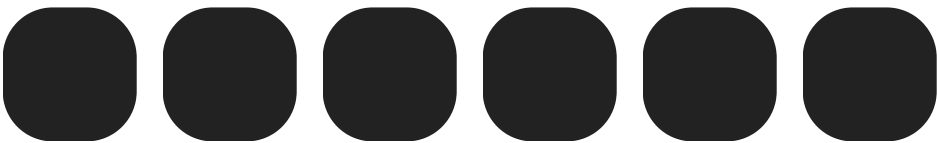
Also we have been told the basement will not be used: There are some questions about that.

NEXT MEETING? - Thursday, November 4, 2021 - 8:30 a.m. Bloomfield City Hall

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