

# Members' Messenger

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## Celtic Festival Registration Underway



Vendors at Last Year's Celtic Festival

The Southwest Missouri Celtic Festival and Highland games will be held September 9th and 10th this year at the Buffalo City Park and Fair Grounds.

There was a very successful fundraiser on St. Patrick's Day, March 17th, that we hope to make an annual event. This will help with the many costs associated with hosting the festival.

This week the registration forms went up on the Chamber website, [buffaloareachamber.org](http://buffaloareachamber.org). We are excited to welcome several new Vendors and Entertainers.

If you know of someone who would be interested in vending at this year's Celtic Festival please share this information with them!

Also, we are always interested in hearing fresh ideas for the festival!

## Expo Recap

The seventh annual Dallas County Expo was held Saturday, April 23 at the Buffalo Prairie Middle School from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There were more than 70 exhibitors with more than 90 exhibits.

More than \$6,000 in door prizes were awarded during the day,

and there were three food booths in the cafeteria.

It was such a nice day, there was a courtyard area set up in front of the tent. This area provided a great place to eat Kettle Corn or food from the DAV booth while enjoying outdoor furniture and plants.

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### Area Events

- May 5th & 6th Rummage Sale at Saint William Catholic Church
- May 12th 7 p.m. Old Home Place Concert Series: Matt Harlan at Chapman's Furniture
- May 21st 7-10 am DAV Pancake Breakfast \$5
- June 4th 8 to 3 Kiwanis Host Buffalo City Wide Garage Sale

### Join us Online!



Like our Facebook page "Buffalo Area Chamber of Commerce"

Also be sure to check out our new website!

[buffaloareachamber.org](http://buffaloareachamber.org)

## COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT: DALLAS COUNTY LIBRARY



The Dallas County Library, Buffalo, Mo., offers a wide variety of books for all ages and interests. Sign up will begin May 23 for the Summer Reading Program "On Your Mark, Get Set...Read". Children ages pre-school to having completed 5<sup>th</sup> grade can earn prizes for reading. Other services that the Library provides include:

- e-Books & Magazines available 24/7 - The Library offers free eBooks from Missouri Libraries 2 Go. 141 E-periodicals (magazines) are also available. You will need a Nook App on your tablet or smart phone to read the E-magazines. These materials are FREE to library card holders.

- Videos & Audio books
- Faxing & photo-copying
- Public computers
- Online catalog - Renew or reserve books online
- Website - Many useful links including government, genealogy, and Learning Express Library. Brush up on skills with a free online education program, GCF Learn Free. 125 tutorials, including more than 1,100 lessons and videos, available 24 hours a day on Computers, Email & Internet Basics, Windows, Photos & Graphics, Social Media, Using the Cloud, Microsoft Office, Math, Reading, Job Search, Money, and Workplace Skills.
- The Library saves Best Choice product labels, an ongoing fundraising project.

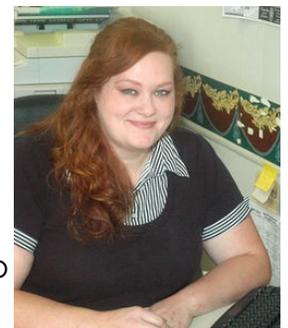
If you have questions about E-Books or any other services that Dallas County Library provides, please call 417-345-2647. The library is located at 219 W. Main, Buffalo. Like the Library on Facebook, or visit the website: [dallascountylibrary.org](http://dallascountylibrary.org).

### Executive Director's Corner

The seventh annual Dallas County Business Expo is behind us! After the Expo, I have heard several great suggestions for next year. I would encourage anyone with an idea to join the Local Makes Cents committee or share your ideas with some-

one on the committee or myself. I can assure you, we are open to new people and new ideas! Now that this year's Expo is past, the focus is shifting to the Southwest Missouri Celtic Festival. After rumors of the festival's cancellation, the

Chamber has been overwhelmed by those wanting to participate in this year's Festival. So be sure to check out the new Celtic Festival page on our website. It will have all the new info for this year, along with registration forms.



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