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*The Dexter High School Bands presented their annual Spring Concert Tuesday evening at the DHS Auditorium. Featured were the DHS Varsity Band under the direction of Scott Rybolt and Jim Wade and the Jazz 'Cats under the direction of Rybolt. Following the concert a reception was held in the school cafeteria and a number of awards and recognitions were presented. Named Outstanding band members were (above, from left) Lacey Midgett, Outstanding Freshman; Michaela Lesley, Outstanding Sophomore; Alex Rybolt, Outstanding Junior; and Lauren Dudley, Outstanding Senior. The band also recognized 17 seniors who will graduation from DHS this week. (ShowMe Times photo by Annabeth Miller)*

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## Local Farm To Be Haven For Disabled Vets

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Local Farm To Be Haven For Disabled Vets

*Written by*

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**Dexter, Missouri** - A beautiful spot in Stoddard County will soon be receive new life and purpose – dedicated to serving those who have served our nation.

Gobbler Ridge Farms is being converted from a family recreational area into a place where veterans with combat-related injuries can go, relax, enjoy the outdoors, and hunt and enjoy nature. The project is spearheaded by Tom Love and Gobbler Ridge Farms and sponsored by the Kenady-Hanks American Legion Post 59 in Dexter.

“It will be a place where they can hunt, view wildlife, take nature photographs, relax,” Love said recently.

Priority will be given to Stoddard County veterans and veterans with combat-related disabilities

The site will have handicapped accessible blinds elevated for hunting and viewing. Blinds will be wheelchair accessible. Ground blinds will also be wheelchair accessible and portable to provide mobility and maximize use through the seasons and movement of wildlife.

One of the features of the facility will be a “viewing barn” that Love says will be multi-use.

“There will be windows, and it’ll be insulated and have a ramp” for easier access,” Love said.

The cabin on the site is being made handicapped accessible and may be used as a staging area, disabled veterans meetings, meals during outings, preparations for heading out into the woods.

In addition, volunteers are putting in specific food plots for the wildlife – clover, wheat, beans, corn, milo, and chicory. Habitat on the farm is diversified – with food plots, hardwood timber, brushy cover and native grasses.

“A lot of people are involved,” he added. Folks are lending a hand in preparing the site, and Love said businesses such as Cabela’s and WalMart and supporting the effort.

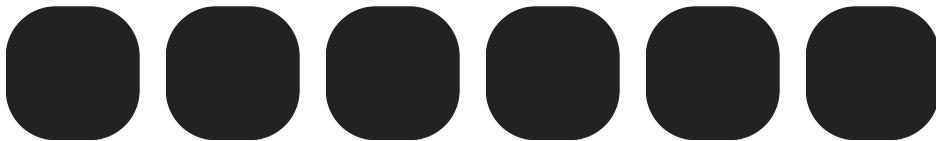
“”This site will be available all year long,” he said. “The veterans can go out any time we have man power to take them there.”

The American Legion Post #59 will supervise all donations and disbursement in the project.

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# Music Blooms At Spring Richland Concert

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## Music Blooms At Spring Richland Concert

*By Joe Foster,  
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ESSEX - On Tuesday evening, the Richland High School & Junior High Band and the Sixth Grade Band hosted a spring concert. The band was directed by Mrs. Amber Duley.

There were several awards given out, but senior Tim Masson received, "The Colonel" Marching Band Award, named after Colonel Reb, the school's mascot.

Mrs. Duley wanted to thank Mr. Brehmer, who took over as band director while Mrs. Duley was on maternity leave.

The members of the Sixth Grade Band recently participated in the Stoddard County Junior High Festival, the results are below.

- Josh Kidd – Trumpet Solo, I
- Riley Thornton – Snare Drum Solo, II
- Megan Cullum – Snare Drum Solo, II
- *Hunter's Chorus* Ensemble , II
- *Jamaican Holiday* Ensemble, I
- Bailey Glass – Clarinet Solo, II
- Luke Rhodes and Josh Kidd – Alto Sax and Trumpet Duet , I
- Shawn Know – Snare Drum Solo, I

***Photo Above; RHS music educator Amber Duley presents senior Tim Masson "The Colonel" Marching Band Award during Tuesday evenings Spring Band Concert at Richland. (Photo by Joe Foster)***



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## Girls Step Into World Of Brownie Girl Scouts

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*By Annabeth Miller,  
ShowMe Times Editor*

There's a well-known little song that proclaims:

*I've something in my pocket,  
It belongs across my face.[br]I keep it very close to me[br]In a most convenient place.  
I'm sure you could not guess it  
If you guessed a long, long while.  
So I'll take it out and put it on  
It's a great big Brownie smile!*

For eight little girls this weekend there were smiles galore as their moved from Daisy to Brownie Girl Scouts. The Bridging Ceremony was held Saturday at the Church of Christ activity building in Dexter.

Daisy Girl Scouts are the youngest girls in the Girl Scout family - traditionally girls in kindergarten and first grade. They "Bridge" - or graduate into Brownie Girl Scouts and learned all about those "Brownie smiles" in grades 2 and 3. They wear the Brownie Girl Scout pin and the World Association pin - which shows they - like all Girl Scouts in America - are part of the worldwide movement of Girl Scouts and Girl Guides.

*Welcome to the world of Brownie Girl Scouts, Gracie, Marie, Destiny, Elizabeth, Callie, Jayci, Madison, and Riley!!*

***Photo Above: New Brownie Girl Scouts celebrate their bridging recently. Celebrating are Gracie Jones Marie Fees, Destiny Gifford, Elizabeth Arnold, Callie Whitaker, Jayci Holcomb, Madison Glaus, and Riley Christians.***

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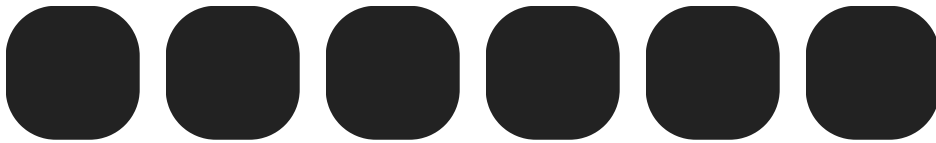
## Songmakers Honor America At Event

*Fresh from their stand-out performance last weekend at a Cardinal baseball game at Busch Stadium in St. Louis, the Songmakers fifth grade chorus from Dexter presented the National Anthem at the opening ceremony for Relay for Life Friday. Members of the chorus are students at Dexter's Central Elementary School and under the direction of Delisa Sitze. The event was held at West City Park in Dexter. Members of Boy Scout 200 (in foreground) also participated in the opening ceremony. (ShowMe Times photo by Leigh Ann Kincy)*

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