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The Southeast Intensity softball team - featuring members of the DHS Lady Bearcats, as well as coach Chris Bolin - were in action on Tuesday night at the DPR complex. The ladies faced off against the Sikeston Warriors in the Intensity Tournament, and fell 8-2. The Intensity will be back in action on Thursday night, when they face the SEMO Cleats at 6:00 p.m.

Above, Becky Anderson checks her swing on a pitch that's a little too high for her liking during the first inning of Tuesday night's contest.

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Cape Girardeau- Bell City High School graduate of 2008 and now SEMO student and basketball player, Nick Niemczyk, got the National Association of Basketball Coaches Honor Court.

Niemczyk has been playing basketball most of his life, but he has a gift in academics too. After graduating from Bell City in 2008 he went to TRCC to play basketball. While there he worked hard on and off the court his freshman and sophomore years. He signed with SEMO in 2010. This past season he started in twenty games, made 46 of his 125 3-pointers, and averaged 9.2 points and 2.5 rebounds per game. This will be his second year to get the Academic Honor.

To receive this honor a player must be a Junior or a Senior and have a cumulative GPA of 3.2 or higher and have spent at least one year at the current institution. Niemczyk was one of nine players in the OVC to be honored this year.

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With the summer baseball season wrapping up, area travel teams are competing in tournaments regularly. A Dexter-based travel team, coached by Josh Miller, Steve Wyman, Greg Miller, and Eric Sitze, picked up a come-from-behind win in the Portageville Tournament last weekend. The team consists of (first row, from left): Camden Riley, Dylan Sitze, Peyton boles, Reese justice, Brock Wyman, (second row) Coltyn Mills, Jackson Allen, Eli ford, Cole Nichols, and Seth Teel; Coaches are (third row) Josh Miller, Steve Wyman, Greg Miller, and Eric Sitze (Photo submitted by Eric Sitze).

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JEFFERSON CITY- The results of this year's North American Duck Breeding Population Survey are in, and the news is excellent, beginning with news that Missouri will have a 16-day early teal season.

The U.S. and Canadian fish and wildlife services have conducted aerial surveys to estimate breeding-duck numbers since 1955. The survey also evaluates nesting habitat conditions. The annual report of this survey provides an early look at prospects for the coming hunting season. This year's report estimates total duck numbers at 48.6 million continent-wide. That is a 7-percent increase from last year and up 43 percent from the long-term average (LTA).

The North American population of mallards, the mainstay species for Missouri waterfowl hunters, is estimated at 10.6 million this year. That is up 15 percent from 2011 and 40 percent above the LTA. Mallard numbers have exceeded this year's figure only twice in the past 56 years - 1958 and 1999.

The length of Missouri's early teal hunting season is set according to the number of blue-

winged teal recorded in the annual survey. Blue-winged teal numbers this year are estimated at 9.2 million. That is similar to last year's population. It also is 94 percent above the LTA and nearly twice the 4.7 million needed for the maximum early-season length of 16 days under federal guidelines. This year's early teal season will open Sept. 8 and run through Sept. 23.

Other duck species breeding populations recorded in the 2012 survey include:

- Gadwall, 3.6 million, similar to last year and 96 percent above LTA.
- Pintail, 3.5 million, 22 percent below 2011 and 14 percent below LTA.
- Green-winged teal, 3.5 million, up 20 percent from 2011 and 74 percent above LTA.
- Wigeon, 2.1 million, similar to 2011 and 17 percent below LTA.
- Scaup, 5.2 million, up 21 percent from last year and similar to LTA
- Shoveler, 5 million, similar to 2011 and 111 percent above LTA.
- Redhead, 1.3 million, similar to 2011 and 89 percent above LTA.
- Canvasback, 800,000, similar to 2011 and 33 percent above LTA.

Doreen Mengel, a resource scientist with the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC), notes that habitat conditions in the north-central United States and central Canada, where most of Missouri's ducks are produced, were not as good this year as in 2011. She says that could cut into nesting success. However, she also noted that above-average precipitation that occurred in prairie Canada after the survey was completed may have improved conditions for late-nesting species, any re-nesting attempts and for brood-rearing.

"It would have been difficult to imagine that we would see these kinds of waterfowl numbers 20 years ago," says Mengel. "Having near-record duck populations is a testament to the hard work hunters and conservation groups have made to restore wetland habitat on both sides of the U.S.-Canadian border. It's reason for celebration. However, remember that weather, local habitat conditions, and migration timing will play major roles in shaping the 2012 teal and regular waterfowl seasons we experience in Missouri."

The Missouri Conservation Commission will set opening and closing dates, bag limits and other details of the regular waterfowl season at its August meeting.

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Youth Football Camp Begins TONIGHT

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The event all the young athletes have been waiting for has finally arrived. Organizers met Sunday evening to finalize plans and make certain that the first annual Youth Football Camp is filled with fun and excitement.

The camp will consist of three nights of drills and instructions from high school coaches and players in the non-contact camp.

The camp will consist of 12 drills designed for a great time while learning the proper techniques used by athletes in the local football program. Each drill will begin with a demonstration of the techniques by players and coaches. At that point, the young athletes will begin to perform the drill themselves.

Organizers have made sure that plenty of water will be on hand for the kids. Each station will last approximately 7 to 10 minutes.

The event is open to all youngsters going into the 3rd grade through the 6th grade. Registration is only \$20 and will provide each kid with a camp t-shirt and 3 days of great

fun.

"I can remember when I was in the third grade", commented Dalton Putnam, a 2011 Bearcat Football team member. "Just being on the field with a high school player meant everything to me."

Please make every attempt show up early tonight if you haven't been able to sign up. There will be a consent form and payment that needs to be made to the group.

The camp will begin at 6:00 p.m. and run until 8:00 p.m.; parents can also print and complete the form below to help expedite the registration process.

"Our hope for this camp is that the kids have fun," noted Loyd Rice. "We want this to be a springboard to help our kids gain interest and get involved with the Dexter Park & Rec Little League Football program".

For additional information, see Loyd Rice, Darrin Propst, and Sean Vanslyke at the high school practice football field this evening.

This is NOT a contact camp; helmets and pads will not be required for participation in any drill throughout the duration of the camp.

Click here to download the registration form.

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