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*Written by
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Back in the early days of January, Tom Love had an idea to turn some of his land into something that disabled veterans could visit and enjoy. This is when the Disabled Veterans Wildlife Facility came into perspective.

Love then proposed the idea to members of the Kenady-Hanks American Legion Post 59 in Dexter, MO. With it being the great idea that it is, Kenady-Hanks quickly offered to jump on board and get the plan in action.

The area now dedicated to the Disabled Veterans Wildlife Facility, is known as Gobbler Ridge Farms and was initially developed for wildlife. Love commented, "It's a wonderful area."

Recently, a number of improvements have been made to Gobbler Ridge Farms in hopes of making it accessible for everyone. Some of the in-depth improvements to the area include: huge road improvement, handicap accessible ramp, a heated blind when used for hunting, and portable bathroom facilities.

Also, in addition to improvements made to the outside area, a cabin has been under construction. The cabin is intended for the veterans to be able to stay over night. The cabin has recently been worked on in much depth in order to make it more handicap-accessible.

Love said of the area, “It’s not just for hunting. It’s a great place to be for wildlife viewing and even photography.”

One of the features of Gobbler Ridge is the blind, which are elevated for hunting and completely wheelchair accessible. The blind is safe and comfortable. There are also ground blinds, which are also wheelchair accessible and provide mobility and maximize use due to seasons, weather, and wildlife movement.

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Also among the Gobbler Ridge Farms is a staging area used for disabled veterans meetings, meals while using the facility, preparation for hunting, and also relaxing. Meals and snacks are provided for veterans as needed or requested. Guides are available for hunting and any other use of the facility.

Although Tom Love, family, friends, and members of the Kenady-Hanks American Legion Post 59 have put in much work for this project, many other people have helped with donations. “I couldn’t even begin to list everyone that have helped with donations.”

Even though there are many things available at Gobbler Ridge Farms, there are still needs that need to be met. A few of those needs that would be greatly appreciated are: fertilizer, seed, fuel, chemicals, ATV’s, golf carts, Tillage Equipment, materials for road maintenance, food, and also insurance.

Donations of any type are tax deductible and all donors will be presented in news articles in local papers. Special articles will appear featuring Veterans in actual use of the facility, and in conjunction with these, donors will be highlighted.

Donations are welcome anytime and can be made to: **D.V. Outdoor Fund**

Mail to: American Legion Post 59, P.O. Box 446, Dexter, MO 63841

Feel free to check out the website at
:www.facebook.com/DisabledVeteransWildlifeFacility

Kenady-Hanks American Legion Post 59 in cooperation with Gobbler Ridge Farms is one of the few projects in Missouri that is operated privately without severe government restrictments.

This was a great idea by Mr. Tom Love and everyone who has donated their time and money is greatly appreciated. This is a great project that is appreciated by many people. Hopefully this good project will continue for a very long time.

Shown in the photo enjoying Gobbler Ridge Farms are Starling Guinn and Robert Crow WWII Veterans. They are shown in the photo on the right with Tom Love and members of Kenady-Hanks American Legion Post 59

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The Fowl Life Visits Webb's Woods

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Dudley, Missouri - Preparations have been made by serious and not so serious duck hunters in the area and this past Saturday began the annual event of opening morning of the 2012 duck season. Fields have been flooded, decoys tied and shells purchased in

hopes of a great year.

A special visit this year by "The Fowl Life by Chad Belding" was the talk among the community waterfowl fans. Chad Belding and his crew rolled into the Webb's Woods Hunting club this afternoon. With a complete film crew in tow, the group was busy introducing area hunters to products of their sponsors.

Chad Belding became successful with his reality hunting show which launched in 2008, and airs in more than 40 million homes in North America.

Fans across the nation have watched as Belding and his crew travel more than 15 states across the U.S to experience real life waterfowl action. The show incorporates local guests in each location who offer insight and tips about the local hunting.

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John Thompson of Webb's Woods Hunting Club will

be the guest on the show with Chad as they hunt the border Otter Slough Conservation Area.

More than eighty friends and area hunters were on hand to welcome "The Fowl Life" crew at a preseason celebration on Friday evening. The group was treated to a great BBQ menu by former Dexter pitmaster, Darrell Hicks, of Cajun Cookers and Hicks' World Champion Smoked Meats. The meal included many of the Hicks' Sysco Heat 'N Eat BBQ product line of Boston Pork Butts, Maple Flavored Bacon Wrapped Chicken Thighs, BBQ Beef Top Sirloin and BBQ Ribs. Hicks and his team (Dallas Buchanan, Jason Comfort and Alan Hedrick) also provided an incredible Cajun jambalaya along with BBQ baked bean, slaw and other side dishes.

The evening concluded with special music by local

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artist Theron Woods and Keith Allen, of Banded Nation. Picking and playing guitars, the music was outstanding and very fitting for the preseason activities.

“The Fowl Life with Chad Belding” is a highly entertaining and educational look at waterfowl hunting. The team makes it a point to give tips, strategies, and advise on all aspects of duck and goose hunting, including decoy placement, blind set-up, calling, and different scenarios they have encountered throughout the years.

The Fowl Life is a journey with a goal to bring fans the heart pounding action as well as

in depth instruction on each episode. Each week, the group will chase waterfowl and predators in some of the hottest hunting areas throughout Canada, Mexico, and all over the United States. You can count on one thing, the crew will be having fun in the field and doing it right.

The Fowl Life will always have the cameras rolling every minute of each trip to insure that nothing is missed. Viewers will always see the smiles, headaches, high fives, laughs, head lights, wet dogs, working birds, charging coyotes, loaded guns, and anything else that they can fit into their Fowl Lives. You can also count on the team to hunt hard, stay safe, respect the animals, and share their lifestyles with viewers each week.

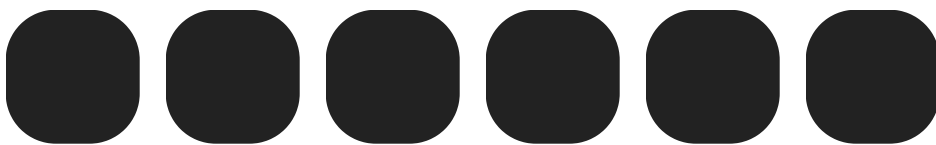
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2012 SMT PigSkin Winner is Mark Nea

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Dexter, Missouri - The 2012 PigSkin Pick'Em Winner has been determined and it was a close race right down to the bitter end. Mark Nea has risen to the top with total points of 170.

Mark was fairly consistent throughout the 10-game season, which included high school, college and professional picks each week. Weeks two and three were powerhouse weeks for Nea and he finished strong in the latter weeks with several Top Five finishes.

A very close performance by Alana Dowdy yielded a second place finish and our congratulations for a strong match. She only lost by one-point on the overall season.

We would like to thank our sponsors for making this contest possible. Their involvement and support for the ShowMe Times provides good news to our community and fun contests such as the "Pick'EM" games. Be sure to join us for the 2012-13 Basketball Pick'EM game to begin in December.

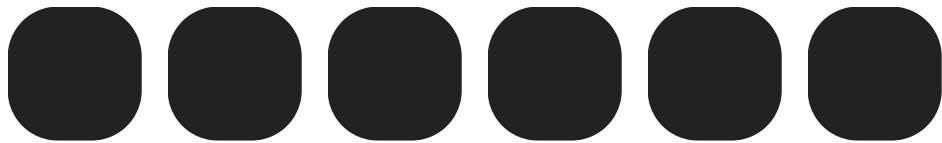
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With winter sports beginning, temperatures dropping, and the night sky visiting early, Morgan Cliff is featured as the ShowMe Calendar Girl throughout the month of November.

November is a busy time when people are hustling and bustling to make Thanksgiving arrangements, while also having Christmas shopping on their mind. November marks the beginning of winter sports, which is sure to bring many exciting nights for Bearcat fans.

Morgan Cliff was the first alternate in the 2012 Miss Dexter Pageant. The annual pageant is sponsored by the Dexter Choir, and the top twelve each year are rewarded as “Calendar Girls.”

Morgan is a junior at Dexter High School and is the daughter of Steve and Cherie Cliff. Morgan is a Varsity Football Cheerleader and also a member of the Kickin’ Cats Dance Team.

Throughout the month of November and the winter months to come, Morgan will be occupied with the second and third quarters of her junior year along with dance team practices and performances.

Happy November to all!

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Trunk-or-Treat Enters It's 10th Year at DHS

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High School Students, Little Ones, Trunk-or-Treats for Everyone!

This year's Trunk-or-Treat event at Dexter High School will be of excitement and fun for kids of all ages! Over the past 10 years, Bearcat Lane has transformed from a run-of-the-mill street curb to a popping Halloween block party for students.

Trunk-or-Treat is an event directed by the school's Student Council and co-hosted by each of the various clubs on campus. Since its beginnings, the event has grown from a conservative gathering to a vast sea of eager attendees. This year approximately 500 children from the surrounding area are expected to attend the event.

"Trunk or Treat is a safe, one-stop, trick or treating experience for the young kids," commented Jennifer Miller, Dexter High School Student Advisor.

Each year candy is donated by high school club members, Southwest and Central Elementary students, and community supporters. High school students line their cars along the pavilion, trunks opened and decorated. Rather than being filled with the odds and ends of daily life, the trunk is filled of candy for children to stuff in their Halloween sacks.

Elementary students that attend are sure to receive plenty of Halloween treats and enjoy fall games as well as a costume contest earlier in the night. High school students compete for best car décor and costume combination. While each team hopes to win the competition, the biggest prize is seeing the faces of eager children as they travel down the line admiring every costume and receiving each piece of candy with as much excitement as they received the first.

"The High School kids enjoy it as much as the younger kids," added Mrs. Miller. "It gives them the chance to act like young kids again."

Recent events in local news remind parents, now more than ever, that they can never be too safe. Parents enjoy Trunk-or-Treat because it allows children to have a protected trick-or-treating experience without the hassle or worry of going door-to-door. A special thank you to the students at DHS for helping keep our community safe by providing a fun alternative for youngsters!

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Trunk-or-Treat at DHS, October 31, 2011

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