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Share the Harvest provides venison from hunters to help feed hungry Missourians.

Jefferson City, Missouri - The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) encourages deer hunters around the state to share their harvest through the state's Share the Harvest program. Administered by MDC and the Conservation Federation of Missouri (CFM), Share the Harvest coordinates the efforts of thousands of deer hunters, about 100 participating meat processors, numerous local supporting organizations, and a handful of statewide sponsors.

The program works by deer hunters donating their extra venison -- from several pounds to whole deer -- to participating meat processors throughout the state who grind and package the deer meat. The packaged venison is then given to food banks and food pantries for distribution to Missourians in need of food assistance.

Processing fees are covered entirely or in part by numerous local sponsors, along with statewide sponsors that include: MDC, CFM, Shelter Insurance, Bass Pro Shops, Gateway Area Chapter of Safari Club International, Missouri Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation, Midway USA Inc., and the Missouri Food Banks Association.

Funds are available to help with processing costs when a whole deer is donated during all portions of the archery and firearms deer seasons. The Conservation Federation of Missouri reimburses processors a pre-determined amount for each whole deer donated. This allows processors to reduce processing fees to hunters. In addition, many processors

have local funds available that allow deer to be processed for free or at a reduced cost. Hunters should contact individual processors to determine what funds are available. The cost of processing is the hunter's responsibility when funds to help cover the full cost are not available.

More than 4,500 deer hunters donated more than a quarter-million pounds of venison from last season's deer harvest. Since the program was started in 1992, Share the Harvest has provided more than 3.5 million pounds of lean, healthy venison to help feed hungry Missourians.

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Mules Baseball Team Takes Out South Pemiscot

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Bernie, Missouri - The Mules varsity baseball team beat South Pemiscot 6-2 in seven innings on Tuesday, September 20th.

Alex Guzman's six strikeouts helped Bernie Mules Varsity to the victory. Guzman allowed two earned runs, five hits and two walks over seven innings.

The Mules scored two runs in the first inning to jump out with the early 2-0 lead.

One run in the top of the second helped South Pemiscot close its deficit to 2-1. An RBI double by Russell sparked South Pemiscot 's rally. Willingham flew out to end the South Pemiscot threat.

It didn't take long for Bernie Mules Varsity to answer as it scored one run of its own in the second and third inning to make it a 4-1 game.

Bernie added two more runs in the bottom of the fifth. A clutch error scored Hobgood to open the scoring in the frame. That was followed up by Nate Dillinger's single, plating Guzman. To make it a 6-1 game in the fifth.

South Pemiscot faced just a 6-1 deficit going into the 7th. A solo home run by McCulloch gave South Pemiscot life. Finally, Guzman got Willingham to to end the game. For score of 6-2 final.

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Mules Take Down Portageville

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Bernie, Missouri - The Bernie Mules volleyball team finally got a chance to get on the court Thursday evening at the Mule Barn. They defeated Portageville 25-11, 25-12

Taylor Anthony had a big serving run in the 2nd set with 8 points. Morgan Baker has 2 aces, Maddison Wooldridge had 1 ace, Taylor Anthony had 1 ace and Maddison Corbin had 1 ace.

Kayli Tanner, Maddison Wooldridge, and Taylor Anthony each had 2 block solos.

Cyber Arnold and Taylor Lovelady each had 4 digs, Taylor Anthony had 3, Madison Corbin and Kayli Tanner had 2, and Maddison Wooldridge and Christina Dowdy had 1.

Kayli Tanner and Maddison Wooldridge had 3 kills, Cyber Arnold had 2, and Mabree Stone had 1.

Morgan Baker had 8 assists.

"I am proud of the girls. It was their first game of the week," commented head volleyball coach Monica Collier. "They were excited to be on the court. They played very well and are looking forward to a full week next week."

In Junior Varsity action the Lady Mules defeated the Bulldogs 25-13, 25-12.

Makayla Turner led in serving points with 10 total in the game, 8 in the first set and 2 in the 2nd. She also had 3 aces. Other aces were made by Haylee Robinette with 4, Cassidy Freed with 3, Ryleigh Foster and Alivia Cobb had 2, and Daisy Eaton had 1.

The Mules had a good defensive game with Cassidy Freed leading in digs with 6, Makayla Turner and Alivia Cobb had 5, and Haylee Robinette and Daisy Eaton had 3.

Cassidy Freed also led in kills with 8, Ryleigh Foster had 6, Daisy Eaton had 5, Makayla Turner had 3. And Alivia Cobb had 1.

Ryleigh Foster had 17 assists.

The Lady Mules will be back in action on Monday, September 26th against Gideon. On Tuesday they travel to Twin Rivers and on Thursday they host Bloomfield.

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Bernie Mules Beat Bloomfield in Baseball

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Bernie Mules Beat Bloomfield in Baseball

Bernie, Missouri - The Bernie Mules varsity baseball team defeated the Bloomfield Wildcats 10-0 in six innings on Thursday after a seven-run explosion in the sixth inning.

The Bernie Mules had three different pitchers appear in the game. Blake Beacham, Gavin Brown, and Dalton Hobgood combined for a three hit performance to help the Mules.

The Mules scored in the sixth on a two-run double by Wyatt Barnett, an RBI single by Jayce Burk, a walk by Josh Ellenburg, a two-run single by Alex Guzman, a two-run single by Guzman, and an RBI single by Nate Dillinger.

Gavin Brown paced Bernie at the plate. Brown went 2-3, drove in one and scored three runs. He homered in the first inning and singled in the third inning.

Josh Ellenburg helped the Mules out in the third inning as well with a monster solo shot to left center for his first home run of the year.

"Bloomfield couldn't get anything going as long as Dalton Hobgood was pitching," commented head baseball coach Marcus Massey.

Hobgood gave up just one hit, allowed no earned runs, walked one and struck out five during his two innings of work.

Blake Beacham got it done on the bump on the way to a win. He pitched two shutout innings. Beacham struck out none, walked one and gave up one hit.

Hector was the game's losing pitcher. He allowed seven runs in five innings, walked three and struck out four.

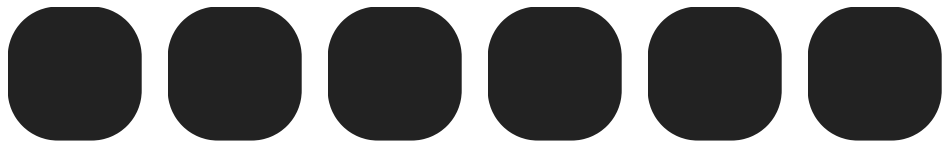
The lead stayed with Bernie Mules Varsity after the first, when it scored one run on a solo home run by Brown.

The Bernie Mules will be back in action on Saturday, September 24th at the Fall Baseball Tournament in Campbell.

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Dexter Sports Spotlight - Alexis May

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Dexter, Missouri - The ShowMe Times Dexter Sport Spotlight shines on Alexis May.

Alexis is a Dexter Bearcat Tennis player and is a senior at the Dexter High School.

She is the daughter of Perry May and Patty May. Her grandparents are James Barber and the late Helen Barber of Essex, Missouri, and Don May and the late Jane May of Dexter, Missouri.

May is active in Student Council, Foreign Language Club, Teen Age Republicans Club, FCCLA, Future Teachers of America, Rotary Interact, Dexter Honors Society, and Teens against Smoking Coalition.

Alexis also joined Sr. Beta Club, a new club at Dexter High School, and is on the Beta Executive Board.

She received the Doubles Award in Tennis her junior year and lettered in tennis her freshman, sophomore, and junior year.

Her future plans are to attend Arkansas State University and become a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner.

She enjoys reading, playing tennis, and attending football and basketball games.

She attends Faith Lutheran Church and is a member of Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

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