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Bernie, Missouri - The Bernie Mules JV Volleyball Tournament continues Friday evening at the Bernie High School gym and the Elementary gym.

Participating in the JV Tournament are Bernie, Poplar Bluff, Portageville, Twin Rivers, Sikeston, Scott City, Bloomfield, and Puxico.

Game 1 will feature Bernie vs Poplar Bluff at 4:00 p.m. in the high school gym.

Game 2 will begin at 5:00 p.m. between the Portageville Bulldogs and Twin Rivers in the high school gym.

Game 3 is slated to begin at 5:00 p.m. in the Elementary gym with Sikeston taking on Bloomfield.

Game 4 begins at 4:00 p.m. between Scott City and Puxico in the Elementary gym.

Game 5 is slated for 6 p.m. in the High School gym between the winners of games 1 and 2.

Game 5 is set for 6:00 p.m. in the Elementary gym between the winners of games 3 and 4.

Game 7, the championship game is set for 7:00 p.m. at the Bernie High School gym.

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## Bernie Mules Baseball Takes Out Senath 15 - 0

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**Bernie Mules Baseball Takes Out Senath 15 - 0**

Bernie, Missouri - The Bernie High School Baseball Team won their season opener at Senath tonight! They won 15 - 0 in five innings!

The Mules jumped out to a three-run lead in the first inning and never looked back!

In the 5th inning the Mules scored big earning seven runs.

Dalton Hobgood pitched well for the Mules and picked up the win! He threw 4 inning allowing 1 hit, 0 runs, and struck-out four and walked none.

Weston Comstock and Gavin Brown had big plays at the plate. Comstock drew 2 walks, had 2 hits, and 3 RBIs. Brown had 3 hits and 3 RBIs.

The Bernie Mules will host Gideon/Risco on Friday. Game time 4:00 p.m.

On Saturday, August 26, 2017 the Mules host the Bernie Wood Bat Tournament beginning at 10:00 a.m.

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## DHS Volleyball Cats to Participate in St. Francis Borgia Invitational

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Washington, Missouri - With two wins under their belts, confidence is high as the Dexter Lady Cats travel to St. Francis Borgia Regional High School in Washington, Missouri for

their Invitational Volleyball Tournament on Saturday, August 26, 2017.

Teams competing are St. Francis Borgia, Dexter, Hickman, Kirkwood, Mater Dei, Parkway West, St. Dominic, and Washington.

Dexter will play in the Gold Pool at 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 12:30 p.m.

St. Francis Borgia Regional High School is located at 1000 Borgia Drive.

There will be two pools of four teams. Plaques will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and Consolation.

Blue Pool Play will consist of St. Francis Borgia, Hickman, Washington, and Mater Dei.

Gold Pool Play will consist of St. Dominic, Parkway West, Kirkwood, and Dexter.

### **Times for Blue Pool:**

8:30 a.m. St. Francis Borgia vs Washington

9:30 a.m. Hickman vs Washington

10:30 a.m. St. Francis Borgia vs Mater Dei

11:30 a.m. Hickman vs Washington

12:30 p.m. Washington vs Mater Dei

1:30 p.m. St. Francis Borgia vs Hickman

### **Times for Gold Pool:**

8:30 a.m. St. Dominic vs Kirkwood

9:30 a.m. Parkway West vs Dexter

10:30 a.m. St. Dominic vs Dexter

11:30 a.m. Parkway West vs Kirkwood

12:30 p.m. Kirkwood vs Dexter

1:30 p.m. St. Dominic vs Parkway West

### **Playoffs**

2:30 PM - Fifth place game (Consolation) - 3rd place teams from pool play on Blue Court.

2:30 PM - Seventh place game-4th place teams from pool play on Gold Court.

3:45 PM - Semi-finals-1st place Blue vs. 2nd place Gold on Blue Court

3:45 PM - Semi-finals-2nd place Blue vs. 1st place Gold on Gold Court

5:00 PM - Third Place-Losers of Semi-finals on Gold Court

5:00 PM - Championship-Winners of Semi-finals on Blue Court

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# MDC Announces New Regulations to Help Prevent Asian Carp

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## MDC Announces New Regulations to Help Prevent Asian Carp

**MDC sets new bait-collection regulation to keep Asian carp out of Wappapello, Clearwater lakes**

**Anglers can help everyone who recreates at the lakes by preventing the spread of Asian carp.**

Wayne County, Missouri - The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) announces a new regulation for anglers collecting bait from the Black and St. Francis rivers. This proactive measure is to prevent accidental bait bucket introduction of Asian carp into Clearwater and Wappapello lakes. Asian carp is a commonly used term for both bighead and silver carp, two invasive carp species that are wreaking havoc in waterways across the U.S.

By following the new regulation, anglers will help everyone who recreates at the lake by preventing the opportunity for these invasive fish to establish. Asian carp can weigh over 60 pounds and commonly jump out of the water up to six feet. This can be extremely dangerous to boaters, skiers, tubers, or anyone traveling across the water.

The new regulation goes into effect Wednesday, Aug. 30, and it states: Bait may only be collected using pole and line on the Black River in Wayne County from Clearwater Dam downstream to the Highway 34 bridge and on the St. Francis River in Wayne County downstream from the Lake Wappapello Dam to the County Road 517 bridge.

This regulation change will eliminate the use of cast nets, seines, dip nets, or minnow traps below both dams.

“It’s already illegal to use Asian carp as bait, and we don’t think anyone is doing that purposely,” said Dave Knuth, MDC fisheries management biologist. “However, juvenile Asian carp can easily be confused with gizzard shad, which is a commonly used bait fish.”

Asian carp are documented to be present in both rivers below the dams, so the only way they would get upstream of the dam is by human introduction. This regulation will reduce

the chances of accidental introduction of Asian carp into either lake.

“Anglers can still use cast nets or seines or other methods to collect bait in both lakes, just not in the restricted areas below the dams,” Knuth said.

This regulation change is the best way to prevent the spread of Asian carp. If the invasive fish would become established in these lakes, the impacts would affect all forms of recreation in the lakes and be detrimental to the native fish populations, Knuth said.

Asian carp are filter feeders and directly compete with gizzard shad and larval fishes for food. They completely disrupt the natural food chain in waterways they inhabit and they reproduce rapidly, growing to a size where they cannot be consumed by most native fish species.

“Asian carp can easily reach 12 inches in their first year of life,” Knuth said.

Also, an adult female Asian carp can produce between 600,000 to 1.6 million eggs per year and start spawning during their second year of life.

“We’re being proactive with this regulation change to avoid the simple mistake of accidentally introducing this invasive species,” Knuth said. “Elimination isn’t possible once established, but prevention is very possible.”

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# Lady Cats Volleyball Open at Arcadia Valley

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## Lady Cats Volleyball Open at Arcadia Valley

Arcadia Valley, Missouri - Hannah Thurmon led the Lady 'Cats with eight kills, four blocks, and two aces in their on-the-road season opener at Arcadia Valley.

Maycie Martin added four kills and three blocks while Addie Kruse earned three kills.

Setter Bailee Williams finished with 13 assists to help secure a 25-12, 25-16 victory.

On defense, Blair Rogers and Addie Kruse led the Bearcats with 5 digs. Both Bailee Williams and Hannah Thurmon had 4 digs each.

The Junior Varsity 'Cats also won their matches in three sets; 15-25, 25-21, 15-9.

Dexter (1-0) will have its home opener on Thursday, August 24th at 6:00 p.m. with the junior varsity taking the court first against Jackson.

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