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Trap Members Drive Underway

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Poplar Bluff, Missouri - The Poplar Bluff Trap Team is holding a membership drive in an effort to get more students involved at an early age, and ultimately keep the sport alive and strong.

“Americans haven’t had an Olympic bunker trap shooter since 1996,” said head coach Josh Wesemann, a Junior High social studies teacher. “Some countries can’t have an Olympic team because their laws don’t allow it, so we have to teach the next generation coming up [an appreciation].”

This is the third year Junior High students are able to participate on the team, after the Board of Education approved the expansion of the program to allow students to gain two more years of competitive experience.

Classified as an emerging sport under the Missouri State High School Activities Association, Poplar Bluff Trap was established in 2005 under the direction of then FFA sponsor Darla Nunn, who presently manages the ICU program at the High School. Nunn said the Friends of the NRA initially donated \$2,000 in equipment and shooting gear.

When Nunn’s successor Charles Kinsey, now the Technical Career Center director, took over the coaching position two years later, he helped secure some more NRA funding to do concrete work at the Poplar Bluff Gun Club, building multiple trap houses. The Midway USA Foundation also supplied an endowment of about \$120,000 to establish a budget for the team to cover the cost of entry fees and traveling expenses for meets going

forward.

Kinsey said he can recall when Poplar Bluff had the only trap team in the area, besides Doniphan. Today there are several additional teams throughout the region that practice at the Gun Club. “That is a direct result of the Gun Club improvements and our school’s lead,” he said.

Trap is open to male and female students, grades 7-12. “Once you get your feet placement down and learn some other technicalities, it basically comes down to mental focus and consistency,” Wesemann explained.

Over the summer, PBHS senior Hannah Cash was named to the Missouri All-State Trap Team, among the top five in the state, and went on to compete at the Scholastic Clay Target Program nationals in Ohio. Hannah shot her first perfect 100 score at practice in recent weeks, simply attributing her motivation to a sibling rivalry with her brother Joseph, a trap standout from the PBHS Class of 2015. “I have to outdo him,” she said, half-jokingly.

There are opportunities beyond high school available to trap shooters who excel. “We’ve worked to get our Gun Club certified which means we can start hosting ATA (Amateur Trapshooting Association) events since our clays are considered registered targets. This helps kids get scholarships,” explained assistant coach Sandy Pike of the R-I Instructional Technology Department.

Katelyn Campa, currently a first grade teacher at Lake Road Elementary, graduated in the PBHS Class of 2010 with a scholarship to Lindenwood University in St. Charles, where she participated in trap, skeet and sporting clays. “It wasn’t a full ride, but it was definitely helpful,” Campa said.

The first trap meet of the 2017/18 season will take place next month at the Gun Club. For more information about the Trap Team, contact the coaching staff on social media at **www.facebook.com/PoplarBluffTrapTeam**. The cutoff date for students to sign up is Thursday, Sept. 21.

Pictured are Hannah Cash, Poplar Bluff’s own Annie Oakley, aligns her sight to shoot a clay target at practice.

Photo and article submitted by Tim Krakowiak, Communications/Marketing Director, Poplar Bluff R-I School District

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2017 DHS Football Homecoming Candidates

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2017 DHS Football Homecoming Candidates

Dexter, Missouri - On Friday, September 22, 2017 the 2017 Football Homecoming Queen will be announced at Charles Bland Stadium. The Coronation will begin at 6:30 p.m.

There are 10 candidates chosen by the Football, Volleyball, Girls Tennis, Cross Country, and Cheerleaders.

Whitney White and Olivia Lacy were nominated by the football team. Whitney will be escorted by Bo McMullin and Olivia will be escorted by Brock Simmons.

Bailee Williams and Hannah Thurmon were nominated by the volleyball team. Bailee will be escorted by Spencer Owens and Hannah will be escorted by Nick Trout.

Rachel Singh and Nicole Sells were nominated by the girls tennis team. Rachel will be escorted by Marcus Woodson and Nicole will be escorted by Kris Rinehart.

Emily Ladd and Hannah Smith were nominated by the cross country team. Emily will be escorted by Dawson Kasting and Hannah will be escorted by Matthew Chessser.

Michaela Gard and Paige Moore were nominated by the football cheerleaders. Michaela will be escorted by Ben Sindle and Paige will be escorted by Zach Cartwright.

Shown in the photo from left to right (front row): Bo McMullin, Whitney White, Spencer Owens, Bailee Williams, Marcus Woodson, Rachel Sing, Hannah Thurmon and Nick Trout.

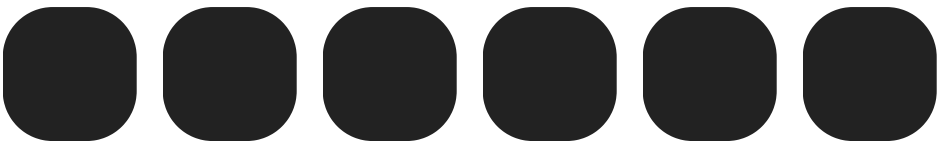
Back row from left to right: Nicole Sells, Kris Rinehart, Michaela Gard, Ben Sindle, Olivia Lacy, Brock Simmons, Hannah Smith, Matthew Chessser, Paige Moore and Zach Cartwright.

Special Note: Monday was Winter/PJ Day for Homecoming Spirit Week. Students dressed for winter or in pajamas!

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PUBLIC CHILD FIND NOTICE

All responsible public agencies are required to locate, evaluate, and identify children with disabilities who are under the jurisdiction of the agency, regardless of the severity of the disability, including children attending private schools, children who live outside the district but are attending a private school within the district, highly mobile children, such as migrant and homeless children, children who are wards of the state, and children who are suspected of having a disability and in need of special education even though they are advancing from grade to grade.

The public school districts listed assure that it will provide a free, appropriate public education (FAPE) to all eligible children with disabilities between the ages of 3 and 21 under its jurisdiction. Disabilities include autism, deaf/blindness, emotional disorders, hearing impairment and deafness, intellectual disability, multiple disabilities, orthopedic impairment, other health impairments, specific learning disabilities, speech or language impairment, traumatic brain injury, visual impairment/blindness and young child with a developmental delay.

The public school districts listed assure that it will provide information and referral services necessary to assist the State in the implementation of early intervention services for infants and toddlers eligible for the Missouri First Steps program. The public school districts listed assure that personally identifiable information collected, used, or maintained by the agency for the purposes of identification, evaluation, placement or provision of FAPE of children with disabilities may be inspected and/or reviewed by their parents/guardians. Parents/guardians may request amendment to the educational record if

the parent/guardian believes the record is inaccurate, misleading, or violates the privacy or other rights of their child.

Parents have the right to file complaints with the U.S. Department of Education or the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education concerning alleged failures by the district to meet the requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). The public school districts listed have developed a Local Compliance Plan for the implementation of State Regulations for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). This plan contains the agency's policies and procedures regarding storage, disclosure to third parties, retention and destruction of personally identifiable information and the agency's assurances that services are provided in compliance with the General Education Provision Act (GEPA).

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The Public School Districts listed, as a recipient of federal financial assistance from the United States Department of Education and operates a public elementary or secondary education program and/or activity, is required to undertake to identify and locate every qualified person residing in the District who is not receiving a public education; and take appropriate steps to notify disabled persons and their parents or guardians of the District's duty.

These Public School Districts assure that they will provide a free appropriate public education (FAPE) to each qualified disabled person in the District's jurisdiction regardless of the nature or severity of the person's disability. For purposes of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the provision of an appropriate education is the provision of regular or special and related aids and services that (i) are designed to meet individual educational needs of disabled persons as adequately as the needs of nondisabled persons are met and (ii) are based on adherence to procedures that satisfy the requirements of the 504 federal regulations. These Public School Districts have developed a 504 Procedures Manual for the implementation of federal regulations for Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, Subpart D.

These plans may be reviewed at the administrative offices of the following school districts during office hours:

Advance R-IV 19805 State Hwy C, Advance, MO

Bell City R-II 25254 Walnut Street, Bell City, MO

Bernie R-XIII 516 West Main Street, Bernie, MO
Bloomfield R-XIV 505 Court Street, Bloomfield, MO
Dexter R-XI 1031 Brown Pilot Lane, Dexter, MO
Leopold R-III 100 Main Street, Leopold, MO
Meadow Heights R-II Route 1 Box 2365, Patton, MO
Puxico R-VIII 481 Bedford Street, Puxico, MO
Richland R-I 24456 State Hwy 114, Essex, MO
Woodland R-IV Route 5, Box 3210, Marble Hill, MO
Zalma R-V HC 02 Box 184, Zalma, MO

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Businesses Help PBJHS Create Restaurant Ambiance

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Poplar Bluff, Missouri - Buffalo Wild Wings and Pepsi MidAmerica recently teamed up to donate patio tables, chairs and umbrellas to create an outdoor dining area in the previously unutilized breezeway at the Poplar Bluff Junior High School.

Principal Candace Warren put the request out over social media this summer and BWW Regional Manager Becky Johnson reached out.

“It was a coincidence – I saw the post on the day of renovation at our Farmington store. Back when we remodeled our Poplar Bluff store, we made donations to the Farmington community, so it made sense,” Johnson explained. “I think it looks fabulous – like a bistro.”

Warren later contacted Tom Orosz, on premise rep for the Pepsi distribution center, and requested picnic umbrellas to complement over a dozen table sets.

“As a company, we just strive to do anything we can do for the schools,” Orosz said. “We’re happy to help.”

So far students who are being quiet and otherwise making good choices during lunchtime are invited to eat outdoors when the weather cooperates. Warren said she is striving to make school a place where students want to be.

Pictured: (From left) Becky Johnson of Buffalo Wild Wilds, Candace Warren from PBJHS and Tom Orosz of Pepsi MidAmerica visit students as they eat lunch outdoors.

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T.S.Hill Middle School Participating in Homecoming Spirit Week

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T.S.Hill Middle School Participating in Homecoming Spirit Week

Dexter, Missouri - T.S. Hill Middle School will participate in the Homecoming Spirit Week having dress-up days Monday - Friday.

On Monday it's PJ Day - wear your favorite pajamas.

On Tuesday it's USA Day - wear red, white, and blue.

On Wednesday it's Camo Day - wear your favorite pink or green camo.

On Thursday it's Hawaiian Day - wear your loudest Hawaiian shirt, or grass skirt.

On Friday it's Red and Black Day - wear your favorite Bearcats shirt, red and black.

Take photos of your children prior to school and send to news@showmetimes.com and your child may get spotlighted on the ShowMe Times. Remember to put their name and grade in the comments. You can also send a private message on Facebook to the ShowMe Times page. Let's fire up Bearcats!! Great week and don't forget the Community Bearcat Tailgate on Friday from 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. FREE food, drink, fun and give-aways from local businesses plus entertainment!

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