

## Area Military Personnel invited to Operation Upland Pheasant Hunt

Saturday,  
March 28th

**YOU...**our Minnesota Troops "Men & Women" have put your pheasant hunting trips on hold while serving our country abroad. As Fellow Americans, Fellow Hunters...we recognize your sacrifice and welcome you home.

We are inviting any interested Scott County area military personnel returning home (*one year or less*) from active duty abroad to register for a morning of upland pheasant hunting, lunch & afternoon of sporting clays on Saturday, March 28th from 7:30am -2:30pm at the Minnesota Horse & Hunt Club in Prior Lake. Space is limited to 50 hunters and the event is free (*ammunition not included*)

Please call Hunt Coordinator Stacy Dvorak @ 612.202.6119 to register and/or for further information.

**Sponsored by Scott County Pheasants Forever Chapter #125 and The Minnesota Horse & Hunt Club**

## Sponsor, Donator & Volunteer Opportunities for Operation Upland Pheasant Hunt

If you are interested in being a Sponsor, Donator or Volunteer for Operation Upland Pheasant Hunt, please call Hunt Coordinator Stacy Dvorak @ 612.202.6119 for further information.

**A Tax Deductible "free-will" donation to sponsor a serviceman and/or woman can be sent to:** SCPF—Operation Upland Pheasant Hunt; 7160 Creekwood Lane; Prior Lake, MN 55372

**Multiple Volunteer Opportunities on event day include:** Guides with trained upland bird dogs (*plan to have two guides with dogs per-field of five hunters*); Registration table; Breakfast & lunch hosts/servers and more. Great opportunity for our members young and old, along with any local youth organizations to help us show appreciation to our local military personnel.

## "On the Back Fence"

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<http://www.minnesotapf.org>

### Executive Board Members

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### Contributing Writers

**Rob Loftus:** Marketing & Public Relations  
**Sugar Tigger:** Newsletter & Youth Activity Book

## Sharing the SCPF Story via the Saturday Morning Edition of FAN OUTDOORS

The Scott County Chapter of Pheasants Forever welcomed FAN Outdoors radio host "Captain" Billy Hildebrand and co-host Bob St. Pierre, Director of Marketing & Public Relations for PF, as they broadcasted the November 1st Saturday morning edition of FAN Outdoors from AG Power—John Deere in Belle Plaine, MN.



On hand to discuss the successes and continued vision of our chapter's conservation efforts were Chapter President Jim Legg; Banquet Co-Chair and Marketing Director Stacy Dvorak, and Pheasants Forever Member & Volunteer Rob Loftus (*along with his yellow lab, Sugar*). In addition, Conservation Officer Adam Block from the Department of Natural Resources was on hand to talk about what he is seeing in our area when it comes to bird counts, conservation and "not so smart hunter encounters." Following the broadcast, the group enjoyed a morning of Scott County pheasant hunting.



"Having the opportunity to share the SCPF story over the K-FAN airwaves is priceless to our local chapter," commented Jim Legg. "We have over 900 members in our chapter and are doing some great things throughout Scott County to benefit conservation and wildlife, which we couldn't have done without our members and supporters."

To access the November 1st broadcast of FAN Outdoors that includes interviews with members of the SCPF, go to <http://www.kfan.com>; FAN on Demand; then FAN Outdoors and click on the 11/01/08 segments Part I & II. FAN Outdoors is broadcasted on AM 1130-KFAN on Thursday evenings from 7:00-9:00pm and Saturday mornings from 6:00-8:00am

## Minnesota Pheasants Forever & Department of Natural Resources Partner for Youth Mentored Pheasant Hunt

On Saturday, October 25th, our chapter took part in Minnesota's first-ever Youth Pheasant Hunt. This hunt was a joint effort of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and Minnesota PF.



Over 200 youth applied statewide to take part in the hunt, which teamed inexperienced hunters with experienced PF guides. Twelve were from the Scott County area. "In today's society, the hunt only goes on if you take the time and make the effort to introduce youth to the outdoors," according to Stacy Dvorak, SCPF Hunt Coordinator. "This was a special opportunity for parents to get their kids out in the field and hunt 'em up."



Youth participating with SCPF met at the Caribou Gun Club and took part in a firearms/safety briefing from Conservation Officer Adam Block and Chapter President Jim Legg. That was followed by a day of trap shooting, pheasant hunting, a pheasant cleaning demonstration, lunch and post hunt drawing. Every youth left with a goodie bag, prize and a day full of memories. (*continued on the next page*)

## Chapter Meetings – Ridges at Sand Creek Golf Course

IMPORTANT DATES & TIMES TO REMEMBER— MEETING TIMES: 7:30—9:00 PM (Lower Level)  
Cold Beverages will be Served...Come Early and Bring a Friend...Welcome New Members

## Directions to Ridges at Sand Creek

21775 Ridges Dr.; Jordan, MN 55352-9713—P: (952.492.2644)  
(located about 3 miles south of Jordan on CR 21) [www.ridgesatsandcreek.com](http://www.ridgesatsandcreek.com)

### January 2009

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### JANUARY:

- (8th): Regular Business Mtg. (7:30pm)
- (8th): Rooster Tail Deadline
- (10th): Banquet Registration/Mailer sent to SCPF Members
- (9-11th): PF - MN State Convention & Awards Ceremony in Brooklyn Park
- (10th): Iowa Season Closes
- (10th): Corn Pick-up (10am—2pm)
- (31st): Nebraska Season Closes

### February 2009

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### FEBRUARY:

- (6-8th): National Pheasant Fest Madison, WI
- (7th): Holzinger Pro. Dog Training Clinic
- (10th): MHC European Shoot Fundraiser
- (12th): Regular Business Mtg. (7:30pm)
- (14th): Valentines Day
- (14th): Corn Pick-up (10am—2pm)
- (25th): Ash Wednesday
- (26th): 23rd Annual Chapter Banquet

### March 2009

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### MARCH:

- (8th): Daylight Savings Time Begins
- (12th): Regular Business Mtg. (7:30pm)
- (14th): Corn Pick-up (10am-2pm)
- (17th): St. Patrick's Day
- (20th): Spring Equinox
- (28th): Operation Upland Pheasant Hunt

Next Calendar included in the April Edition of "On the Back Fence"

Got plans for Thursday, February 26th from 4:30—10:00pm?

Multiple "volunteer" opportunities are available during our 23rd Annual Banquet in Savage. Call Stacy @ 612.202.6119 for further information.

### Winter Feeding

Shelled & Cob Corn Available for Chapter Members

-SECOND (2nd) SATURDAY ONLY-  
Time: 10:00am—2:00pm

January 10th/February 14th/March 14th

Contact: Jim Legg @ 1.507.665.6300

Please bring your PF Membership Card!!

Location: Roman Hoofhower farm, 6650 West 250th Street, Belle Plaine (2 blocks east of the intersection of County Road 7 & Cty Rd 4)

### CORN IS NO LONGER STORED ON LOCATION

Corn is no longer stored on location between scheduled pick-up times, so your cooperation in picking up corn only during the "scheduled" pick up times is appreciated. Please do not bother Roman or trespass on his property when corn pick-up is not in session.

Thank you—Jim Legg

### Terry Holzinger—Professional Dog Training Clinic

Saturday,  
February 7th

8:00am—4:30pm  
(lunch included)



This rare and special offer is for novice trainers or hunters only...

- Covers Pointers & Retrievers -

Saturday Clinic only \$150

CLINIC SPACE IS LIMITED—RSVP BY FEBRUARY 2nd  
CONTACT BY EMAIL  
[terry.correll@horseandhunt.com](mailto:terry.correll@horseandhunt.com)  
OR CALL FOR DETAILS 952.447.4800

#### CLINIC TOPICS

- \* Picking a Puppy
- \* Socializing and house training
- \* Bird & Gun Introduction
- \* Obedience on & off lead
- \* Conditioning to electric collar use
- \* Handling distractions
- \* Running bird control
- \* Steady in blind, boat, etc
- \* Field quartering control
- \* Forced retrieve programs - land & water
- \* Recall on fly away birds
- \* Honoring - retrieve & backing
- \* Bad habit behavior—jumping, biting, chewing

### Extra - Bonus

Sunday Hands-on Session only  
\$40 plus bird cost

Sunday sessions only for Saturday clinic attendees & this is a scheduled one-to-one evaluation by Terry!

### (Continued) Youth Mentored Pheasant Hunt

"Events like this are crucial for our next generation of hunters to learn proper handling of firearms, conservation and hunter etiquette," according to Dvorak. "There are many adults and youth that have an interest in pheasant hunting, but have no idea how to get started. Events like these give both the proper tools they need to get a field on their own."

#### Reflections of an Experience:

I was walking through the field when my guide said the dog was getting birdie, then he hollered "rooster" and I heard it's cackles and I raised my gun and fired. I watched as it buckled up and fell to the ground while the dog got it and brought it back. It was so much fun, I can't wait to do it again. Thanks for everything! Dylan D. of Savage



Thank you to Randy & Earl Voss, owners of the Caribou Gun Club; United Properties (Bloomington); Conservation Officer Adam Block; Trap Shooting Guide: Mary Dvorak; Mentors: Shane Legg, Matt Fahey, Danny Townsend, Bill Jacobson, Darrel Sellnow, Bob and Chapter President, Jim Legg along with their hardworking bird dogs.

For information about next years hunt, stay tuned to the MN DNR website—Application deadline is tent. August 15th for a chance to step a field with an experienced PF Mentor.

### Join the Hunt - Send Kids to Camp



#### February 10th European Shoot Fundraiser

Set aside an afternoon to enjoy a 800 bird European-style hunt filled with challenging pigeon & pheasant shooting. Not only are you supporting a worthwhile cause, you will be having a blast in the field. Top-ping the day will be a wonderful dinner & auction at Triggers.

"Times have changed and traditions have been lost!"

#### Event Schedule

- 1:30pm European Orientation
- 1:45pm Hunt Begins
- 5:00pm Social Hour
- 6:15pm Dinner & Program

Hunt and Dinner: \$350 per person or 3-guests for \$1000  
Dinner and Evening Activities: \$100 per person or \$175 per couple

Call Terry Correll at the Minnesota Horse and Hunt Club for further information. 952.447.4800

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### Attention Members: YOUR Hunt Club Membership NOW Benefits OUR Chapter

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2009 Fund Raising Opportunity—For every Hunt Club Membership referral to the Minnesota Horse and Hunt Club our chapter will receive a \$200 donation. In addition for every ten referrals our chapter receives a complimentary Hunt Club Membership to raise additional funds.



Please feel free to use the enclosed coupons and pass along to all your family, friends and colleagues. Contact Erik Goettl at 952.447.4800 to schedule your visit, for more information or additional coupons.