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Big Brothers Big Sisters and Stearns County Pheasants Forever Partner for Youth

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Central Minnesota Big Brothers/Big Sisters and Stearns County Chapter of Pheasants Forever hosted a youth mentor hunt at Fischer's Kennel and Hunt Club. This opportunity was created to provide an understanding and appreciation for hunting, conservation, and the outdoors where there is a need and desire.

"BBBS's record of helping youth is the main reason for PF support," said Joe Klein, board member of the Stearns County Pheasants Forever chapter and coordinator for this event. "We saw this as an opportunity to pass along the hunting tradition."

The day's activities included gun safety, trap shooting, and an actual pheasant hunt followed by a lunch. Each Little and their Big were paired with a Stearns County Pheasants Forever volunteer along with their hunting dog while only the Littles hunted. The day was a wonderful experience for the kids as well as the volunteers. The smiles as the Little brought back their birds were priceless.

"We are thrilled to be partnering with Big Brothers/Big Sisters," explained Ken Fruth, Youth Director for the Stearns County Chapter of Pheasants Forever. "Pheasants Forever is honored to work with an organization with Big Brothers/Big Sisters' reputation and tradition to guide our youth in conservation and hunting ethics."

This is the third year Stearns County Pheasants Forever has hosted this type of hunt. This has been made possible with donations from Xcel Energy, Thelen Distributing, and Roger Linz of Frito-Lay, Inc.

Little Moments. Big Magic. Huge Impact. Makes for a nice Tradition.

For more information about Pheasants Forever or Big Brothers Big Sisters visit their websites, www.pheasantsforever.org and www.bbbs.org.

Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever are non-profit conservation organizations dedicated to the protection and enhancement of pheasant, quail, and other wildlife populations in North America through habitat improvement, land management, public awareness, and education. PF/QF accounts for more than 125,000 members in 700 local chapters across the continent.