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Elmore County NWTF Chapter Volunteers to Host a Youth Event

(Wetumpka, Alabama) - Young people under the age of 18 and their parents are invited to enjoy a day of outdoor fun at Ft. Toulouse, Wetumpka, AL on Saturday, June 3, 2017.

The Elmore County Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTF), headquartered in Wetumpka will host Jakes Event 2017. Registration is free and includes lunch for the youth participant. Pre-registration is required by May 31st. On-Site Registration will also be available.

"This is an opportunity for kids to get away from the TV for a day and discover how exciting the outdoors can be," said Brett Atchison, Parent and Volunteer. "It's also a great time for kids to connect with their parents or grandparents by doing hands-on activities they both enjoy."

Supervised activities will include: (change to suit event)

crafts
archery
hunter safety
BB gun shooting
Hatchet Throw
Black Powder Shooting
And many other events

Local and state NWTF chapters host thousands of similar events nationwide each year to introduce youth to the outdoors through the JAKES (for 12 and younger) and Xtreme JAKES (13 to 17) Hunting Heritage programs. JAKES stands for Juniors Acquiring Knowledge, Ethics and Sportsmanship, which conveys the NWTF's dedication to educating the next generation of smart, ethical hunters.

Many families enjoy hunting together and pass traditions on from one generation to another. Hunting also is important for the health of our nation's wildlife and habitat because hunters fund conservation. Wild turkeys, and the management and hunting that go with them, contribute \$2 billion to the American economy each spring.

For registration information about this year's Jakes Event, contact Barbara Burchard, bburc24315@aol.com

Online Registration Form can be located at: <http://bit.ly/2017ECJAKES>

Registration Form can be downloaded from our Facebook Page - <https://www.facebook.com/ElmoreCountyNWTF/>

About Save the Habitat. Save the Hunt.

The NWTF Save the Habitat. Save the Hunt. initiative is a charge that mobilizes science, fundraising and devoted volunteers to give the NWTF more energy and purpose than ever. Through this national initiative, NWTF has committed to raising \$1.2 billion to conserve or enhance more than 4 million acres of essential upland wildlife habitat, create at least 1.5 million hunters and open access to 500,000 acres for hunting, shooting and outdoor enjoyment. Without hunters, there will be no wildlife or habitat. The NWTF is determined to Save the Habitat. Save the Hunt.