



After Hours: Ben Beasley

This month, we look at what Ben Beasley does in his spare time, and it involves a lot of photos!

The first class lineman welds and is a carpenter, both trades he came into in his youth.

"My dad used to weld and I learned a lot from him," said Ben. "He welded and built farm equipment."

Carpentry became a hobby in school. Ben took some classes and his first job out of high school was building houses.

Ben likes to work with his hands and power tools, what's even better, is that the enjoyment can benefit his family.

He welds signs and farm equipment, such as bush hogs, potato diggers, and more. He also continues to dabble in carpentry, building sheds or barns, porches and decks.



Sign frame, dad and daughters

After a day at the Cooperative, he goes home and does some welding or carpentry, depending on the project and the deadline. He also uses weekends to work on projects as needed.

Ben says he basically does odd jobs, and he enjoys it. Creating something from scratch, like the items seen throughout the story, is rewarding to him.

He says that the work helps him to de-stress and provides a break from his routine.

"There's just something about seeing the work completed, it just gives you a feeling of accomplishment and pride," he said.



Completed signage; replaced vinyl and rehung sign.

See more of Ben's work on page 2

Ben's Work Continued...



Aluminum dog box



Interested in a set? See Ben!



Built by Ben, this workshop and man cave also gives daughters Abbie, 9 and Erin, 15, a place to hang out.



A new porch



Deck addition

OUR VISION STATEMENT

Achieving Excellence, Empowering Members