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Forest County Board discusses a possible \$10 million Law Enforcement Center renovation

By Mike Monte

There were some interesting topics covered at the recent Forest County Board meeting on March 15th.

While there was some general business like the amount of money left for the courthouse renovation, which was quoted as \$1,130,000. This is from a \$5 million budget.

One notable change that was approved by the board was for the board to meet on a monthly basis instead of bi-monthly. Laabs brought up the extra cost, but Chairman Gretzinger brought up that the board is also quite busy these days, and that the extra meeting was needed.

The board approved the change, so from now on, the county board will meet the 3rd Tuesday of each month.

The biggest topic discussed was a possible \$10 million updating of the Law Enforcement Center. The reason for this possibility is the need for increased security during trials. Currently, those heading to a trial or hearing in the courthouse have to be transported from the Law Enforcement Center to the courthouse, and this can, in certain cases, bring up a security risk. The update would put the court room and related offices in the addition.

There was some good discussion on the topic. Chaney thought that the subject should be acted on or at least made clearer at the April meeting when more info is known. The Chair agreed with this thinking and suggested that it be discussed at the April meeting. Laabs added that plans should be drawn up to meet the needs and determine the cost of materials and said that right now materials are high cost.

There was more discussion, with some board members adding that waiting 30 days won't make a difference.

The vote was taken and it was decided to table the issue to the April meeting by a vote of eleven to ten.



Conservation Corner

Conservation Corner is a weekly article produced by the Forest County Land &Water Conservation Department. For more information contact Steve Kircher, County Conservationist-Land Information/GIS Director at 715-478-1387 or by e-mail at Icc@co.forest.wi.us.

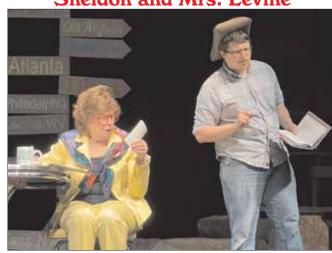
As Spring approaches, many of us will get out to start our Maple Syrup operations. Pure maple syrup is a natural and nutritious sweetener and a smart choice as a sweet topping or as a flavorful ingredient in baking and cooking. Maple Syrup is 100% natural and unrefined, retaining the inherent nutritional value of the sap obtained from the maple tree.

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In the state of Wisconsin, it is regulated that any maple syrup labeled pure must not contain any additives including flavor additives as some may. Pure Maple Syrup contains NO preservatives and can be kept in a sealed container indefinitely. After the opening of the container, it should be refrigerated to prevent mold. Maple Syrup can also be frozen. Maple Syrup may form sugar crystals inside the jug, but these are not dangerous to your health. Check out the food safety guidelines when making maple syrup.

Learn how to identify maple trees in winter. The middle of February to the middle of April is the time period to tap across Wisconsin. It will depend on the local weather conditions and the type of tap method you implement, but usually a good rule of thumb is to tap when you have had one or several days where temperatures have been above 32 degrees Fahrenheit and fall back below freezing at night. The reason for this is because at night, with the cold, sap leaves the roots and travels up within the tree. Then in the day the sap flows back down towards the roots due to gravity and the pressure within the tree. With a tap in the tree at this time the sap will flow from the tree as it flows downward within the tree. Each tree tap should, in a good year, produce an average of 40 gallons of sap which produces 1 gallon of maple syrup.

Wabeno Area Players presentation of "The Outrageous Adventures of Sheldon and Mrs. Levine"



The Wabeno Area Players are sure you will laugh until your ribs hurt when you see a performance of "The Outrageous Adventures of Sheldon and Mrs. Levine." Sheldon is played by the wonderfully talented RJ Chickey. Mrs. Levine is played by the veteran actress Carol Bartlein. There are many more performances still to be enjoyed of this hilarious comedy: March 24, 25, 26, 31, and April 1, 2 at 7:00 p.m. and March 27 and April 3 at 2:00 p.m. All shows are at the Nancy Volk Auditorium in Wabeno. Tickets are available online at www.ShowTix4U.com and will be sold at the door starting one hour before showtime. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for students. The show is rated PG-13. Come join the nonstop laughter!





Mapping broadband and internet access in Forest County

Hello Forest County Residents and Businesses, Student's, Etc.,

For those of you who have internet access, can we get you to take a broadband speed test where you live? Also, for those of you who do NOT have internet access. This is a safe link. It will only take a few moments and personal information is always protected and never shared.

At this link: https://expressoptimizer1.net/public/ When the link comes up:

- 1) Click let's do it
- (2) Type in your address
- (3) Click Check address
- (4) Click begin (after checking the tab)

Even if your home does not have reliable internet a c c e s s , y o u c a n h e l p . V i s i t t h e l i n k https://expressoptimizer1.net/public/ from a friend's home or the local library and click on "Enter an Address with No Available Service" to complete the survey.

Why are we asking you to do this? Because taking this internet speed test will help us identify areas of need for broadband in Forest County. This is part of a statewide test being taken all over Wisconsin. The Forest County Broadband Commission is working with the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation and Grow North Regional Economic Development Corporation to roll out this simple speed test. We hope that EVERYBODY as noted above, residents, students, businesses - will take this simple speed test and take it repeatedly.

Even those residents without internet access can help by logging onto the site from a friend's home or the local library. Click on "Enter an address with No Available Service" to complete it.

Another Reason we are asking you to do this: To tap into state and federal grants for broadband, we need to identify areas of greatest need. This is one major way to identify those areas of greatest need. It will provide you with information on the speed of your own broadband at home or at your business.

FOREST COUNTY FORWARD!

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Spring must be coming!



These swans landed in a farm field near Argonne on County P. They are picking a meal from last summer's leavings. While the weather was just above freezing when this picture was taken, last Tuesday on May 22nd, the swans are likely an indicator that warm weather isn't far away.

Positive cases of covid-19 in Forest County

Forest County Public Health officials have confirmed 1 individual has been diagnosed with novel coronavirus infection (COVID-19) since March 1, 2022 with either a PCR, antigen, or home test. County health officials and local partners are contacting individuals who test positive as able. There have been 6 deaths this year related to COVID-19. This is a snapshot of the numbers as they are continuously changing throughout the day.

The Forest County Health Department encourages community members to get vaccinated, practice good hand hygiene, wear a mask or cloth face covering when necessary, and stay alert for symptoms of COVID-19. If you are experiencing any symptoms or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, please contact your health care provider and ask to be tested. If positive, please isolate yourself away from others for 5 days since symptom onset and wear a mask for the 5 days following your release from isolation.

In an effort to keep our community members upto-date on COVID-19, the Forest County Health Department will continue to update our Facebook page and local newspapers every Friday with current COVID-19 case counts as capacity allows. Please call our office at 715-478-3371 with any questions or concerns.

Sen. Felzkowski supporter of the changes to shoreland zoning

On Friday, Governor Evers signed Senate Bill 867 into law, which was championed by Senator Mary Felzkowski (R-Tomahawk). This bill, which passed through the legislature with strong bi-partisan support, makes changes to shoreland zoning laws regarding viewing corridors and bridge construction.

Viewing corridors for lake-front property, under current statute, are permitted to be 35 feet for every 100 feet of shoreline frontage. The purpose of this statute was to allow land owners to have a beautiful view of the lake they are residing on, while requiring that a vegetative buffer zone be maintained as well. Due to the unclear language of the statute, counties asked for clarification, as the current interpretation of the law requires at least 100 feet of shoreline before a viewing corridor is allowed. This bill allows a riparian landowner to create an access and viewing corridor that is 35% of their shoreline or 10 feet, whichever is greater.

"One of the greatest natural resources we have in Wisconsin are the thousands of lakes spread throughout the state. These lakes provide prime locations for homes and cabins, where it's only natural to want a view of the tranquil waters you live on. This commonsense, bipartisan bill provides clarity in our laws, and protects the rights of the landowner to enjoy their property to the fullest."

This bill also adds bridges that have received a permit from the DNR to the list of structures that may be built within the 75-foot shoreland zoning setback area putting county and local bridges on the level as state bridges, which are already exempt.

SB 867 was signed into law as 2021 Wisconsin Act 200.

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SEASONAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Nicolet Country Club, an 18-hole public golf course and restaurant located in Laona, WI is accepting applications, until March 31, for the following positions:

Head Grounds Kepper

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Grounds Worker

Bartender

Employment season varies, but runs approximately March through October for grounds and May through September for Kitchen and Bar. Part time and full time available.

Head Grounds Keeper responsibilities include day to day operations, supervision of a 6 person crew, mowing fertilizing and general outdoor maintenance. On the job training as well as additional training seminars will be available.

If interested and have questions, please call 715-889-2703 or send letter of application to

> Nicolet Country Club P.O. Box 56 Laona, WI 54541

School District of Laona School Board Vacancy

The School District of Laona has an open seat on its school board. Interested candidates should submit a letter of interest to Melissa Chrisman District Administrator by Friday, April 8, 2022. The board will interview candidates at a public meeting and select an appointee by majority vote to fill the remaining term of the open seat, which will expire on April 2023.

Please send your letter of interest to: School District of Laona Attn: Melissa Chrisman District Administrator 5216 Forest Ave Ste A Laona. WI 54541

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Position: Daycare Teacher Department: A-Binoojii Child **Development Center**

Reports to: Daycare Director

Position Summary:

Under the direct supervision of the Early Childhood Director, works cooperatively with teaching staff to carry out the responsibilities and duties of the child development center in order to meet the cognitive, emotional, social, and physical needs of A-Binoojii's children.

Qualifications:

- Must be 18 years of age and have experience caring for children. ~And~
- Have completed the non-credit courses "Introduction to the Child Care Profession" and "Fundamentals of Family Child Care."

All staff are required to have training in Shaken Baby, SIDS, Child Abuse and Neglect and complete CPR, First Aid and AED Training from the approved list from

All educational qualifications will be reviewed to insure minimum qualification levels are met for this position.

Native American Preference Policy

Send applications/resumes to:

Donna Vodar, HR Director Phone: (715) 478-7663 3051 Sand Lake Road

Email: donna.vodar@scc-nsn.gov

Crandon WI 54520

Posting Date: March 22, 2022 Closing: Open until filled

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The Forest County Highway Department is accepting applications for a full time position. This position would be involved with all road maintenance functions of the Highway Department.

Applicants must have a valid drivers license, a clean driving record, with a CDL endorsement, and be able to pass a physical, audiogram and D.O.T. drug screen. Applications may be obtained at the Highway offices located at 5350 County Road W, Crandon, WI.

All interested parties must file a new job application to be given consideration.

Applications will be accepted until 3:00 p.m. on April 11, 2022.

By order of the Forest County Highway Committee: Bill Anderson, Highway Commissioner

School District of Laona

teacher opening. This is a full-time position to begin in the 2022-23 school year. Our 4K program runs 5 days a week hosting both morning and afternoon classes. Candidates must have an appropriate DPI license and be certified to teach 4K. Interested and licensed candidates should submit a letter of interest, resume, transcripts, copy of license(s), and three (3) current letters of reference. All applications need to be submitted by April 15, 2022. You may also apply on WECAN.

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of interest, resume, transcripts, copy of license(s), and

three (3) current letters of reference. All applications

need to be submitted by April 15, 2022. You may also

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· Compile and complete student files electronically.

- Keep an Excel spreadsheet for each student's received grants, scholarships and work studies monies to be used in Annual **BIA Reports.**
- · Keep and update all student email addresses and mass mail all students two months prior to the start of each semester reminding students of upcoming deadlines.
- · Keep correspondence with the UW-System. Local colleges and Wisconsin DPI. Research all scholarships as they relate to SCC Tribal Members.
- Track all SCC Tribal Members High School graduations and college graduations.
- · Plan, organize and host the Annual **Education Awards Banquet.**
- Prepare and monitor Education Department budget.
- · Assist students with college applications.
- · Visit post-secondary institutions with students.
- · Complete other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

- High School Diploma/GED/HSED required. Bachelor's degree preferred.
- Knowledge of financial aid for colleges and technical schools.
- Knowledge of federal and state programs as they relate to the Sokaogon Chippewa Community students.
- · Counseling experience preferred.
- · Possess strong organizational skills.
- Ability to write grants and grant reports
- · Knowledge of the traditions, customs and culture of the Sokaogon Chippewa Community

NATIVE AMERICAN PREFERENCE IS GRANTED IN **ACCORDANCE WITH P.L. 93-638**

Applications are available at the Sokaogon Chippewa Tribal Office. Submit your completed applications and resume to:

Donna Vodar

Director, Human Resources POSTING DATE: March 16, 2022

3051 Sand Lake Rd.

CLOSING DATE: April 4, 2022

Crandon, Wi 54520

Email: donna.vodar@scc-nsn.gov

Telephone: 715-478-7663

FOREST COUNTY **COMMISSION ON AGING** RANSPORTATIO

Tuesday - March 29 - Crandon, Laona, Cavour, Alvin and Nelma to Iron Mountain. Arrive about 10 a.m. Will stop for lunch. Depart Iron Mountain by 2 p.m.

Thursday - March 31 - Wabeno, Laona, Crandon, Argonne and Hiles to Rhinelander. Arrive about 10 a.m. Walmart complex and Aldi's only. Will stop for lunch. Depart Rhinelander by 2 p.m.

If you want to ride the bus, please call Mark Gatton at 715-478-7712 to reserve your spot! Cost to ride the bus is \$4 per day.

If you need transportation to medical appointments and you are age 60 and/or a person with disability, please call New Freedom Transportation at (715) 233-1070 to reschedule a ride. The cost for this service is \$10 round trip.

Position: Grant Writer Job Summary:

This position is responsible for the development of social services and other tribal grant applications submitted to county, state, federal and private entities. The grant writer prepares proposals for approval and submittal to potential funding sources for ongoing or special organizational projects and programs.

Duties/Responsibilities:

- · Develops federal, state, county, private and foundation contracts and grant applications to fund tribal programs and projects.
- · Works cooperatively with all tribal departments and tribal planners to determine needs and to formulate plans including: goals and objectives, scope of work, feasibility and funding needs.
- · Identifies and researches potential funding sources to address the needs of tribal programs.
- · Develops and prepares new or revised program and project budgets.
- · Tracks the status of proposals and follows up with additional information when necessary.

Qualifications:

- · Bachelor's degree in English or Liberal Arts or related field.
- · Additional training with a Grant Writing emphasis
- · Four years experience with a proven track record of grant approvals. • Exceptional verbal, written, computer skills
- especially related to internet research.
- Exceptional mathematical skills especially related to interpreting statistical data
- · Knowledge of Native American culture, community and specific issues related to tribal areas.

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Submit completed applications/resumes to: Sokaogon Chippewa Community Donna Vodar, HR Director Posting Date: February 3, 2022 3051 Sand Lake Road Closing Date: Open until filled Crandon WI 54520

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Forest County Commission on Aging Nutrition Program SENIOR MEALS

CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA

Monday - March 28 - Ham potato, spinach and egg frittata, fruit, biscuit, berry cobbler

Monday- April 4 - Roast pork, parsley potato, sweet and

sour cabbage, dinner roll, fruit cup CRANDON, WABENO, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK

Tuesday - March 29 - Chicken with gravy, rice pilaf, carrots, fruit, apple pie square

Tuesday - April 5 - Turkey tetrazzini casserole with noodles, carrots, spinach salad, jello with fruit

CRANDON, LAONA, ARMSTRONG CREEK

wedges, baked beans, fruit, brownie

Wednesday - April 6 - Lemon chicken, roasted potato,

green beans, fruit, wheat bread, tapioca pudding WABENO CONGREGATE & HOME DELIVERED

Thursday - March 31 - Hamburger on bun, potato wedges, baked beans, fruit, brownie

Thursday - April 7 - Lemon chicken, roasted potato, green beans, fruit, wheat bread, tapioca pudding

Thursday - March 31 - Pepperoni sausage pizza pasta, mixed salad, corn, breadstick, banana pudding

Thursday - April 7 - Beef with gravy over noodles, California blend veggies, canned peaches, biscuit, snickerdoodle cookie

Please register with Commission on Aging - 478-3256.

Crandon site manager Debbie Brock is at 920-946-3020. Serving at 12:00 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Alvin nutrition site manager Tammy Wolfe is at 715-545-3323.

Laona site manager Peggy Alderton at 715-889-3116 (cell). Meal served at 12:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Wabeno site manager Linda McEwen at 715-889-0123 (cell). Meal served at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Home delivered on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Armstrong Creek site manager Sharon Giles at 715-674-3532 (home) or 715-336-2218 (site). Meal served at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday.

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Thank Yous and Personals

I am willing to say prayers for anyone who feels the need for prayers. I do not need to know why you would like to have prayers said . Please call Laurie at 715-484-7256.



THANK YOU

The family of Joan Winkelman would like to express our heartfelt thank you to all that were a part of our Mother's life. From the visits by family and friends; to the great and personal care she received at Grace Lodge; to the ladies of St John's and the hospice staff, we thank you.

It was truly a blessing to share our Mother with so many and have your support during this difficult time.

THANK YOU! Coyote Hunt for Joe Dirt Clark

We would like to thank all the gun donators and others who donated

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And others that helped participate, selling tickets and other help, Thanks

Dawn at Roadhouse 139 **Mary Belland Pam Clark**

Mainstreet Eds & the crew

Joyce Gentz & Gus Kuester

Gus's Bar

Haily Aschinger Courtney Briten Jim Lane

And all the people that were here to support the event Everyone of you helped make the event! THANK U ALL! VERY APPRECIATED! Senolihn's Bar

Wabeno Post 44 **American Legion Social**

Enjoy the fellowship of your comrades at the Olive Pit Bar & Grill, Townsend for our Social scheduled for April 4, 2022, hosted by Ron & Dolly Boeldt. Cocktails 4:30 p.m.and dinner at 6:00 p.m. Reservations/payment with check payable to Olive Pit Bar & Grill, in the amount of \$17.00 includes tax and tip, should be sent to Ron & Dolly Boeldt, 17711 Birch Circle, Townsend, WI 54175. RSVP March 24, 2022. For information, contact Ron & Dolly 715-276-3827. Reminder postcards are being mailed to persons attending at least one of the 2021-2022 socials. All that is required to receive notice by postcard is to attend one of the socials. Dates of socials are listed in the Bugler Newsletter, submitted to the newspapers and posted at the Legion Hall.

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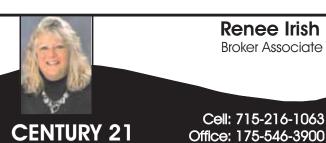
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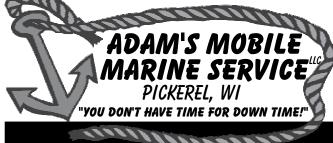


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Wabeno Women's **Bowling League**

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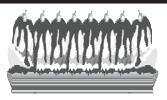
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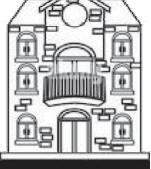
broadband infrastructure. Right now, the FCC has decided that the definition of broadband is 25 Mbps (mega bits per second) of download speed and 3 Mbps of upload speed. It is important to note that this definition is rapidly changing. Many involved in broadband throughout the United States are calling for a new definition of broadband to be 100/20, meaning 100 Mbps of download speed and 20 Mbps of upload speed. Whereas this would be a substantial improvement for sure, most experts are calling for speeds of 100 symmetrical meaning 100 Mbps/100Mbps both download and upload speeds. It important to note that upload speeds means that information is being sent videoconferencing, etc. is being done. Hence, business transactions are being conducted when information is uploaded. So, yes, I would like to see upload speeds as high as download speeds. I am in favor of 100/100.

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We'll never know their names, but I wanted to send my sincere appreciation to them all.

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Dan and Marisa Kentowski

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Spring elections ahead, ensure you have an ID to vote

Spring is officially here and the Wisconsin Spring Election is weeks away. Wisconsin Department of Transportation Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) reminds voters to check and be sure that they have the proper identification needed to vote in next month's election (April 5)

Wisconsin driver licenses or IDs are the most common form of identification used for voting purposes. A federally compliant REAL ID card is not required to show at the polls. The Wisconsin Elections Commission notes other forms of identification are valid for voting, such as military or student ID cards. To see if a card meets the requirements, visit the Wisconsin Elections Commission website.

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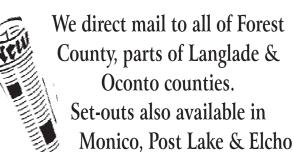
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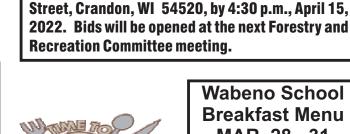
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BIDS AND NOTICES

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School District of Wabeno Area Strategic Plan Update - Invitation

The School District of Wabeno Area invites any residents who live within the District boundaries to our Strategic Plan Update night on Monday, April 11, 2022 at 5 p.m. The event will be held in the cafeteria of the Jr./Sr. High school. The Administration will be providing an update on the Strategic Plan presented May 5, 2020.

For those planning to attend, please RSVP to the District Office by April 6, 2022. This is to give us an estimate for the meeting so we can plan on seating and snacks for the night. You can reach the District Office at 715-473-2592 ext. 4503.

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Crandon Senior Spotlight -**Alexis McCorkle**



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She plans to continue her education at Nicolet Technical College through the UW-transfer program to earn an associates degree in

She would like to

Alexis McCorkle, daughter of Rob and Stacey McCorkle, said her best high school memories were going to sports games, homecoming, winterfest, prom, playing basketball at lunch and getting a game of cards in whenever we got the chance senior year. Her accomplishments include going to state for basketball her sophomore year and being a part of organizations like National, Spanish and Psi Alpha Honor Societies. She is also the salutatorian of

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On March 4, 2022, several Crandon Middle and High School students participated in WSMA Solo and Ensemble hosted by Florence High School. Seniors Elle Reeder and Joey Walrath, as well as Junior Cole Shepherd all played class A pieces and achieved the rating of a starred first which advanced them to the State Solo and Ensemble competition.

Elle played a piano piece by Ignance Paderewski titled "Minuet in G, Op. 14 No. 1". A vocal piece titled "The Vagabond" by Ralph Vaughan Williams with lyrics by Robert Louis Stevenson was sung by Joey. On trumpet, Cole performed "Grand Russian Fantasia" by J. Levy. Best of luck at the State competition!

Crandon Senior Spotlight -**Carter Bissonette**



Carter Bissonette, son of Bobbi and Chandy Bissonette, said a few of his best high school memories are from his freshman year. One of his favorite memories is his first final exam. Another good memory he has of high school is his sports career. He has learned a lot about

He has learned a lot in his past twelve years of school, but most importantly how fast time goes. He believes he has learned as much information as he will need to pursue his career.

He plans to attend NWTC for electrical power distribution. He then plans on becoming an electrical lineman.

He would like to thank his parents for pushing him to always do his best in everything he does. He would also like to thank all of his family for watching him in his sports over the years.

Crandon Senior Spotlight -**Gabrielle Ackley**



Gabrielle Ackley, daughter of Richard and Ethel Ackley and Amy and Mike Moringstar, said her best high school memories are sharing her artwork and her baked goods with friends and teachers. Her accomplishments include sharing her craft of felting at Night of the Arts.

In the past twelve years, she's learned to stop and think before making decisions. An important lesson is that some people you believe to be your friends are not really friends at all.

She plans to go to Nicolet for culinary arts in the future.

She would like to thank Mrs. Ison, Mrs. Gunderson, Mr. Marten, Ms. Nickel, Mr. Mac, Mrs. Peters, Ms. Hansen and Dad and Ethel for helping her make it this far.

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