

MVAO 6th graders participate in Honor Band



Two MVAO Middle School students were selected to participate in the 2023 Strong Foundations Honor Band held at North High School in Sioux City on January 16. Arabella Ingram, clarinet, and Raylyn Kelm, trombone, performed with one of two 100-piece honor bands comprised of 6th grade instrumentalists from the Siouxland area.

All participants were selected from nominations submitted by their school band directors. The honor band concluded with a concert at 6 p.m. in the North High School Auditorium after a full day of rehearsals.

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The Strong Foundations Honor Band is in its tenth year of existence. It was conceived by Sioux City Schools band director Stacie Pepin with the mission to provide an opportunity for young instrumental musicians to have an excellent ensemble experience in a positive, friendly environment without competition or unnecessary stress, while working with outstanding music educators.

This year's honor bands were under the direction of Mr. Jason Rygg, band director from Sioux Falls Schools and Ms. Jeana Larson, band director at Bishop Heelan.

Awards, from page 1

National FFA Week page that featured group FFA picture, pictures of different FFA activities and "What has FFA taught you?" answers from the officers.

The judge's comment was "I love the use of yellow and blue colors of FFA. The layout of the page was very pleasing."

The timeline of the Under the Son Childcare Center was second in the Best Use of Graphics. It featured information and pictures of the process in starting the childcare center.

"This was a nicely done graphic -- clear, clean, and easy to follow with a lot of good information," were the judge's comments.

Comes received third place in Best Ad Designer. The portfolio she submitted including First Security Bank's Open House, Mapleton's 4th of July Celebration, along with ads featuring community events and local businesses.

The judge's comment was "Overall great ads and show of community/local businesses."

NATIONAL FFA WEEK

WHAT HAS FFA TAUGHT YOU?

National FFA Week is February 19-26

The following are proud to sponsor this year:

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- Amesbury Area Schools
- First Security Bank
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- Fiesta
- Graceful
- BodyWork
- SECURITY NATIONAL BANK
- Redeemer Press
- Vision Care Clinic
- Wasson County Medical Services
- JUBI
- Staley's Food Service, Inc.
- THE HOFFMAN AGENCY
- Main Street Tax Service

Nominations now being accepted for 2023 Governor's Volunteer Awards

Volunteer Iowa is now accepting nominations for the 2023 Governor's Volunteer Awards; entry deadline is April 17 at 6 p.m.

The Governor's Volunteer Awards program, established in 1982, provides an easy way for organizations to honor their volunteers with a prestigious, state-level recognition award. Three award categories are available: Individual, Group,

and Length of Service.

Award recipient information can be submitted using one of the following methods:

-All organizations (including state government agencies) submit information, and the handling fee (\$15 per nomination) directly through Volunteer Iowa in an online nomination form. -Organizations will be able to submit the handling fee

online.

-State agencies will submit nominations through the same online form. Invoicing will be handled separately. (Staff of state government agencies must submit nominations through their agency's coordinator.)

Nominations are accepted from: City governments, community colleges, county governments, federal government units operating

in Iowa, Iowa MENTOR certified programs, K-12 schools (public and parochial), national service programs operating in Iowa (AmeriCorps, AmeriCorps Seniors), nonprofit and charitable organizations, private colleges and universities, non-state government organizations.

To learn more, please visit volunteeriowa.org.

LIVE IN CONCERT

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Saturday March 4th

Limited Seating

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Monona County Fairs "Friends of the Fair Banquet" Presents Music Guest Casey Muessigmann at Ute Iowa's "Town & Country"

Doors open for social hour at 5:30, Steak Dinner at 6:30 Live Auction at 7:15 with Concert to Follow

Tickets: \$30 includes Dinner & Concert

Tickets can be purchased by calling 712-420-2460 or scanning this QR Code

Pizza, Puzzles, Beer

Sunday, March 5 at 1 p.m.

at the Hawkeye Bar

\$100 per team of 4

Finish a large single topping pizza, 300 piece puzzle, and 12 beers or seltzers (all included in the price)

Must be 21 or older to participate

The first team to finish will receive half the pot. The other half will be donated to community projects in Mapleton.

MUST pre-register. Text/Call Jenna Comes at 712-210-1425 or The Hawkeye Bar at 712-882-1226 with your team name and pizza topping of choice. Arrive early the day of.

The Mapleton Press received second place in the Best Advertising Idea for a Community Promotion or Event for its National FFA Week page.

Visitors Guide

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This full color, glossy magazine is the official guide for visitors and newcomers to Monona County. Supported by Monona County Economic Development Partnership, Onawa Chamber and Mapleton Chamber.

Featuring: Interesting County Facts · Education · Parks & Recreation Attractions · Calendar of Events · Dining, Churches & So Much More

Distribution:

- ★ Mapleton Chamber
- ★ Onawa Chamber Office
- ★ Moorehead Cultural Center
- ★ Mapleton Press Office
- ★ Digitized & Available 24/7 on multiple websites (Monona County Economic Development Partnership, Mapleton Press, Onawa Chamber)
- ★ Libraries
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- ★ Loess Hills Hospitality Association
- ★ Tourist Attractions

Deadline: March 9th

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Full Page (7.75"x10.25"-Includes Bleed)	\$485

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Under the Son Childcare Benefit Auction Event

Saturday, March 4 at Schleswig Community Building

6-7PM: Social Hour & Snacks
7-8PM: Catered Meal by Staley's
6-8PM: Silent Auction
8PM: Live Auction begins

Advance Tickets: \$40/each (before 2/26/23) or \$45 at the door.

Tickets available at Bank Iowa & UBI in Schleswig or purchase from a board member.

To participate, any business or individual may donate an item of their choice. Donations due 2/25/23.

Proceeds go towards the center's operating costs.

Center Director: Stacy Jepsen (712-676-3883)
Board Members: Mike Goodin, Maria Valdez, Taylor Neubauer, Jaden Schug, Laura Ernst, Anne Abbe, Cody Bremser

Ricketts Volunteer Fire Department

Annual **EXTINGUISHER BANQUET**

Sunday, March 5, 2023
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

at Ricketts Community Building

Serving Staley's Chicken
Dessert provided by Sweet Custom Cake Decorating

Free Will Donation
Take Out Available