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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## **Two Door County Students Play at Birch Creek Jazz Session**

**Egg Harbor, Wis. – July 18, 2014** – Sturgeon Bay High School student Sean Moynihan and Sevastopol School student Ty Zawojki are attending Birch Creek's Jazz I session under Program Director Jeff Campbell.

Sean, now 16 years old, started playing alto saxophone at 10. Gerry Mulligan, Paul Desmond, Ben Webster, Stan Getz, Chet Baker, Maceo Parker and Bobby Militello are cited as musicians who have influenced Sean's personal style. He recently earned a 1<sup>st</sup> rating on a saxophone solo at the Wisconsin State Music Association, and he attended the Bay Area Music Association Honor Band for the past three years. Sean plays in his school jazz band under the direction of Heidi Hintz.

Fourteen-year-old Ty has attended Birch Creek concerts since he was three and picked up the trombone six years ago. He likes to listen to hard rock and classic rock, naming AC/DC, Metallica, Def Leppard, Motley Crüe, and Guns and Roses as particular favorites. For the past two years, he participated in the St. Norbert Honors Band, and one of his goals is to earn a first-place rating at state solo ensemble. His music instructor at Sevastopol is Tanya Hasenjager.

The application and auditioning process for students applying to Birch Creek is challenging. Applications must be submitted along with teacher recommendations. Jazz students audition for placement within various combos. They perform approximately 10 public concerts and must possess the skills to keep up with a demanding repertoire and schedule.

Birch Creek Music Performance Center is a summer music school in Door County, WI, for advanced young musicians. With a performance emphasis, students are taught by nationally known performers and educators during the day, and perform alongside them in concerts at night. Five sessions focus on percussion and steel band, symphony, big band jazz, and vocal jazz. Applications are welcome.

2014 Season Concert Schedule

Percussion & Steel Band – Concluded

Symphony – Concluded

Big Band Jazz – July 16 – August 9  
Vocal Jazz – August 12 – August 16

Photos are attached to the email.

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