

VIENNA UNION HALL NEWS

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Harvesting Hope for the Hall

KEEPING UP TO DATE

For the third year in a row the Theater at Monmouth traveled to Vienna to present their Shakespeare in Maine Communities version of the work of the bard. This year's performance of Macbeth was interesting and intriguing, offering dress from various time periods and an ever present background wall of faces. The wall offered veiled references to walls commemorating war victims, the crying wall, Pink Floyd's rock opera The Wall and any wall standing for isolation, separation, or death. As always, the version of Shakespeare brought on the road offered a thought provoking and interesting twist to bring Shakespeare's characters to life for our audiences. Kudos to the Monmouth players, editing and directing. Although attendance for this play was down from previous years the grant from the Maine Arts Commission was a great boon to the Hall and we ended with a slight profit.



PROGRESS

The insulation of the floor, stage and knee wall in the hall is now finished. This should keep us warmer in the cold months and help to cut heating costs. Thank you once again to Alan Williams for helping the contractor complete this job by jacking up the side of the building to allow access. This was a costly job so we begin once again to raise money to allow us move on for more improvements! Thank-you also to all our patrons for their support and to our volunteers for their constant work and good humor!

The landscaping job is on hold until next spring. Looking forward to next year, we need to address improvements to the handicap ramp and preparations for the new composting toilet building as well as painting the exterior of the Hall.

Another goal for next year is to acquire some theater lighting for the stage and light blocking shades for the backstage windows.

WHAT'S NEXT?

Coming on November 9 the Union Hall Association is hosting a Hunter's Ham Dinner at the Vienna

Upcoming Events

November 9

5:00 -6:30

**Hunter's Ham Dinner at the Vienna Community Center.
Come enjoy some good food, good society and help the Union Hall
all in one fun event.**

\$8.00



December 20

7:00 PM

**A Winter Revels
Featuring
Wondrous Locals
and
Michael Trautman**



Community Center to raise funds for our 2015 season. Stop by for a good hearty ham dinner and enjoy some time to visit with neighbors and fans of the Union Hall!

The second annual Winter Revels will fall on Saturday, December 20 this year. Along with a great line-up of local performers the Association will present a new face to the community. [Michael Trautman](#) most recently from Portland, Maine has been "variously identified as a visual comic, performance artist, new vaudevillian, mime (gasp), physical comedian, storyteller, magician, and fool, he claims only to be a clown...and not a very traditional clown at that. He has appeared in such prestigious venues as the New York International Festival of Clown Theater, Festival D'Ete in Quebec, the General

Jackson Showboat at Opryland USA, the Just For Laughs Festival in Montreal, and The Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts."

Local performers will include a solo singer from Mt. Vernon, a brass jazz band, local classical musicians and a short children's theater.

Get tickets early for this wonderful and festive evening offering holiday warmth and cheer for the whole family.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, November 12, 2014 - 7:00PM at the Vienna Community Center. Always in need of new volunteers....Join us!

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