

VIENNA UNION HALL NEWS

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Summer Shows

KEEPING UP TO DATE

SOLD OUT!

The old hall rocked to a sold out house during the Pan Fried Steel concert last month. It was one of our most successful shows. Thanks to everyone who came and to the Pan Fried Steel musicians who enjoyed the evening as much as the audience!

VIENNA VILLAGE HARMONY

Village Harmony, the acclaimed teen world music singing ensemble, led by Larry Gordon, Suzannah Park and special guest conductor Carlos Jurado from Colombia, presents three Maine performances in July, the last of which will be held at the Vienna Union Hall on Thursday, July 10 at 7:30 PM.

The group includes 25 brilliant teen singers ages 12-18, from nine states plus France. The program includes traditional songs and choral arrangements from Latin America, South African songs and dances, American Appalachian and shape-note songs and several renaissance works. Rounding out the evening will be two movements from a mass by 16th century south German composer Gregor Aichinger.

Village Harmony is an umbrella organization based in Vermont dedicated to the study and

performance of ethnic singing traditions from around the world. Each summer they sponsor ten ensembles like this one, both in New England and in numerous foreign countries, involving both teen and adult singers.

Carlos Jurado, from Pasto, Colombia, is an expert in Latin American choral repertoire and leads the choirs



at the University of Pasto. He will lead a variety of traditional and composed pieces from Colombia and other South American countries, featuring sweet harmonies and intricate syncopated rhythms.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY PLAYS ROUND OUT JULY

For the last weekend in July (24-26) the Union Hall hosts the annual Historical Society Plays. Homegrown fun and talent make the plays something to look forward to each year.

Upcoming Events

July 10 - Village Harmony
 July 24-26 - Historical Society Plays
 August 2 - "South of the Border" Bearnstow dancers
 August 16 - South Strong Road Crew
 August 29 - Bearnstow Dancers - end of year performance
 September 26 - Ellen & John Gawler music with Molly Gawler solo
 dance October 25 - Theater at Monmouth play - Macbeth
 December 20 - Winter Revels 2014



The first show of the evening, "A Visit From Aunt Tabby," written by Beverly Wight Smith, takes place on a Vienna, Maine farm in the 1920s. The Mudfield farm is as busy as a beehive, with annual summer visitors coming and going, and stopping for a layover and free meal on their way up-country. Madcap antics and many twists of plot keep the story lively and humorous.

The second play, "Home Came Ted", written and directed by Cheryl Herr-Rains is an adaptation from "And Home Came Ted", written by Walter Ben Hare. A rapid paced comedy, it will keep you entranced while taking you back to the 1920's at the Mineral Springs Hotel on the edge of Vienna, ME. Hotel manager, Mollie, is worried about Ted Gilmore arriving in time to claim his inheritance of the hotel since the alternative is greedy Dr Stone taking possession and turning the establishment into an asylum for the rich. Meanwhile, hauntings, robberies, and romance are

complicated by mistaken identities (it's a Vienna play!). It is a hilarious play about the importance of being on time.

BEARNSTOW DANCERS

On August 2 enjoy a unique opportunity to see dances Choreographed by Nitzia Vieyra Velázquez and performed by the Young Artist Residents at Bearnstow. Details in August.

IN THE WORKS

Benches are still being repaired and painted as the new cushions are being made. Each bench takes about 12-15 hours to repair and paint so it is a slow process. Two Grants have been written and sent in. Now we wait.

NEXT MEETING Wednesday, July 9, 2014 - 700PM - at the Vienna Community Center

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