

Vienna Union Hall News

Spring Update

Waking from Hibernation

Winter was to be a slow time for members of the Union Hall. After the very successful 2015 season and the Winter Revels in December, Hall members took some needed time off for rest and relaxation.

During this time we received the very exciting news that the Union Hall was awarded a grant for \$13,700 from the Davis Family Foundation for the painting of the exterior of the hall and the metal roof. This set us into motion to try to decide exactly what color to paint the hall. Coming to consensus with eleven (11) voting members of the hall on a color scheme is not an easy job but we are almost there. The Association has hired the Bullen brothers to paint the hall and work will begin in the spring or early summer.

Vienna Mt. Vernon Review

The fundraising project for this March, the Vienna/Mt. Vernon Review, was the brainstorm of one of our members and turned out to be a great cabin fever reliever as well as a very successful fundraiser. All local people performing all kinds of humorous and mildly artistic acts brought in a full house.

Out Building Update

We have hired a carpenter to complete the composting toilet building and ramp. The building should be complete and ready to use sometime early this summer. We are thrilled about the completion of this project and once again want to thank all of those who donated money and time to get us to where we could afford to hire out the remainder of the work.

Bad Little Falls to Play in April

Bad Little Falls is a musical collaboration that incorporates elements of classic blues, soul, jazz and Americana into a unique formula that showcases the breathtaking vocals of Jan Schmidt and the soulful guitar of Dave Richardson.

“Bad Little Falls” is a reference to Machias, Maine where Dave was born and raised. Machias roughly translates in Passamaquoddy as “bad little falls.”

Dave has performed in blues, rock and soul bands over the last 20 years in Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Maine. He has a distinctive style reminiscent of his early blues oriented influences (Stevie Ray Vaughn, BB King). Dave’s vocals reflect his appreciation for classic soul, Bill Withers and Van Morrison.

Jan Schmidt, originally from Rhode Island, has toured worldwide as a vocal performer with 35 years of stage experience.



Jan Schmidt

Her influences include Billie Holiday, Eva Cassidy and Etta James. It has been said that her passionate performances are often reminiscent of Janis Joplin.

Bad Little



Falls provides a unique musical experience that is both nostalgic and refreshing. Tickets go on sale in April.

Volunteers

We would be nowhere without our wonderful volunteers at the Union Hall. As always we are looking for new members. Please join us as a new member. If you have a bit of free time and are looking for a rewarding community service opportunity give us a call at 293-2674 or email us at viennaunionhall@gmail.com.

Visit us on [facebook](#) or check out our [website](#) to keep up on what is happening at the Hall.

Upcoming 2016 Schedule

April 23 (Saturday) - Bad Little Falls

May - Kyle Knupple & Matt Davis - Returning Heros

June 24 (Friday) - ["Poor Howard" Stith](#) and [Mike "Bullfrog" Rogers](#) - Bottleneck steel guitar blues and harmonica.

July 3 (Sunday) - Village Harmony

July 28-31- Historical Society Plays

August 13 (Saturday) - Performing Dancers from Bearnstow a duet couple from Colima, Mexico - featuring Adriana León

August 26 (Friday) - Bearnstow Resident Concert.

August 27 (Saturday) - [Ruth Hill](#)

September - Maine Squeeze - Accordion orchestra

October - Theater at Monmouth Presents - The Tempest

November - Harvest Dinner Fundraiser

December 17 (Saturday) - Winter Revels

