

Vienna Union Hall News

The Tempest Arrives

Once again this fall the Vienna Union Hall Association is bringing the Theater at Monmouth players to our intimate community. Come to the Vienna Union Hall on October 22, 2016 at 7:00 PM to immerse yourself in the wonderful professional performance of William Shakespeare's *The Tempest* adapted and directed by Dawn McAndrews. These adaptations of classic literature makes them much more accessible to a geographically and economically diverse audience.

In October journey to a unique and fantastical world where spirits roam, reality is elusive, and illusion abounds. After twelve years marooned with her daughter Miranda, the deposed duke must choose between the desire for power and the freedom that comes with compassion. Set during the golden age of sea exploration, *The Tempest* investigates individual freedom: our desire to achieve it, our struggle to preserve it, and ultimately, our forgiveness of those who have taken it from us.

Since 2005, *Shakespeare in Maine Communities* has taken the Bard on the road through 60 to 90-minute versions of

Shakespeare with five to eight actors. Plays are fully designed, rehearsed, and tour for a month to schools and community centers. The objectives of the players are to inspire imaginative thinking and foster creativity; to increase confidence, self-esteem, and a sense of community. The players will answer questions and talk with the audience at the end of the performance.

The Vienna Union Hall Association has offered performances from the Theater at Monmouth at the Hall for three other plays, Hamlet,



Macbeth and Twelfth Night. Tickets are \$13.00 paid in advance or \$15.00 at the door. For more information or advance tickets call Libby 293-2362 or Dodi - 293-2670 or email viennaunionhall@gmail.com.

A Good Feed for Fall

One of our important fundraisers for the year will be the fall *Harvest Ham Dinner* offered on Sunday, November 13 at the Vienna Community Center. The menu will include succulent home baked hams, baked beans, wonderful salads, home baked rolls and corn bread and of course many great pies. Don't miss this fun dinner and enjoy the time to get together with neighbors for a social evening and all you can eat. The dinner runs from 5:00-6:30 PM and costs \$8.00.

A Winter Revels

The fifth annual Winter Revels will be offered at the Union Hall on Saturday, December 17 at 7:00 PM. The first half features acts and music by members of the local community. This year the featured event for the second act will be Castlebay.

Castlebay has been musically weaving together the heritage of New England and the Celtic lands since 1987.

Members Julia Lane and Fred Gosbee have loved and researched traditional music for



most of their lives and blend history, legend and experience into their personable performance style. Their concerts feature poignant ballads sung in Lane's ethereal soprano and Gosbee's rich baritone interspersed with joyous dance tunes played on Celtic harp, guitar, fiddle and tin whistle. Castlebay treats the audience to a musical journey through time and across the Atlantic.

New Pathways

Notice when you next arrive at the Hall the new tar pathway to the front door and to the handicap ramp. This should help to keep the hall cleaner inside and travel for the handicap much safer.

We have also begun a few plantings around the hall looking to the future when they grow, thrive and help keep the place beautiful all summer long.

Scheduling for next summer begins shortly after the Revels. Any suggestions or help in scheduling would be appreciated. As always we are looking for new members so that the Union Hall can keep functioning as old members begin to take a back seat.

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