



SPRING GREEN AREA *Arts* COALITION

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Country Living Social Set for April 19

SGAAC's popular "Meet the Coalition" socials series continues on April 19 with "Country Living," a showcase of local arts. The social begins at 7:00 p.m. at St. Luke's in Plain. The evening features Cecilia Farran, reading from an original work about the land surrounding the River Valley area. Jack Whaley will perform on acoustic guitar and River Valley High School's flute quartet, under the direction of Matt Snow, will perform selections from Vivaldi's *Four Seasons*. The evening will be rounded out with refreshments and a display of rural arts and crafts. Socials are free of charge and the public is encouraged to attend.

The series of socials has proven to be popular; more than 100 people attended the March woodworking social in Lone Rock. Board member and socials chairperson Jeannie McCarville says, "This is a great way for people to understand what SGAAC is about. We are interested in getting everyone in the River Valley area interested in the arts. And we mean arts defined broadly—everything from the visual arts and performance to woodworking, scrapbooking and beer making. There is truly something for everyone at the socials."

Previous socials have had themes such as film, local history, quilting, and "the harvest," and have given rise to local interest groups, including:

- A Movie Club. Possible subjects include classics, travel, educational, musicals, student films, etc. Individuals interested in participating are asked to contact Mary Ann McKenna at 583-3921 as soon as possible with ideas.
- A Woodworkers Network. Folks interested in joining or looking for more information can contact John Miliunas at 583-2898.
- Several Community History Groups.

SGAAC holds five socials each year. Upcoming topics include beer brewing, architecture, scrapbooking, and the culinary arts. Watch for dates in the newspaper and at SGAAC's website, www.springgreenarts.org.

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19 SGAAC Social, "Country Living," St. Luke's in Plain, 7pm

20 Free Workshop: Selling Through a Gallery, Studio, or on Consignment, Mineral Point, 6:30-8pm.

(To register go to www.uwplatt.edu/cont_ed/ and select "Arts Build")

may

19 River Valley High School Jazz Concert, RVHS, Old Gym, 7pm

29 Bob Fest, Noon-?, Spring Green General Store

june

4 American Players Theatre season opens, www.playinthewoods.org

5 Tower Hill Heritage Day, Tower Hill State Park, Spring Green, 10am-4pm

25-26 Spring Green Arts & Crafts Fair, Sat. 9am-5pm/Sun. 10am-4pm

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SGAAC Begins New Year, Welcomes New Board Members

SGAAC held its annual membership meeting at the Shed on February 8th and elected their board of directors for 2005. We are happy to welcome new board members Tor Caraway, Harrison Cobb, Craig Jacobsen, Jeannie McCarville, Mary Ann McKenna, Robin Reid, Max Savage, Rebecca Sadler and Sara Young. We also thank departing board members for their service in 2004. They are: Megan Emery, Terry Kerr, Jenna Lenz, Sharon Nicholas, Millie Rott, and Michael Whaley. We would like to offer an extra special thanks to Michael Whaley, who not only served as Vice President in 2004, but was one of the strongest organizers of SGAAC. Thank you, Michael, for your extraordinary service.

Arts and Cultural Calendar

The SGAAC Arts and Cultural Calendar is your link to all things cultural and arts-related in the River Valley area—listing hundreds of events in 2005. A monthly calendar will be printed on the front page of the Buyer's Guide April through October. A printed version will also be available in area businesses during the peak season, June through October. **For the most comprehensive list, visit SGAAC's website at www.springgreenarts.org.** If you have an event that you would like to add to the calendar, e-mail calendar@springgreenarts.org or go to our website and fill out our new online form.

Get Involved!

The Spring Green Area Arts Coalition is a coordinating and resource agency whose mission is to nurture the artistic life of the Spring Green area communities. SGAAC is a membership organization, and the Board of Directors is committed to having as broad and inclusive a membership base as possible. We hope that members and prospective members will take an active role in guiding the future of the Arts Coalition.

- If you are not a member, become one. You may join by going to our website at www.springgreenarts.org and downloading the form or by calling Kay Taylor at 583-4041 for an application. Annual membership is \$5 for individuals and \$35 for organizations.
- Already a member? Recruit other members. Make sure your friends, neighbors and family members are familiar with SGAAC and are encouraged to join.
- Attend SGAAC events, including socials, fundraisers and other sponsored events
- Volunteer. Give your time in any number of areas, including event planning, fundraising, and clerical work.

Watch for More Information

SGAAC has a number of exciting programs planned for 2005. Stay tuned for more information on a summer Music in the Park series, Arts in the Park for Kids, a listing of area artists on our website, and public artworks in the various communities!