



Bennington Beledi Tribal Bellydance

July 2011 Newsletter

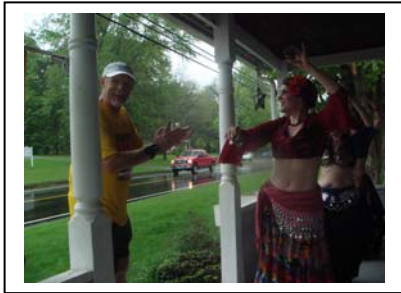


Photo by Marty Irion

A grateful and appreciative runner takes a detour to greet the BBTB dancers on Kathy's porch during the Shires Marathon on May 15, 2011.

Magical Night



Photos by Matt Bittel

BBTB troupe members and students had a fabulous time with our guest dancers and musicians at the June 18th Magical Night of Bellydance fundraiser at the UUM. As always, it was wonderful to see our dance friends from Northern VT and NH and an extra special treat to have Duende perform live music. So far, we've raised \$185 through donations and partial donations from vending, which will go to the Interfaith Food & Fuel Fund since the Catamount Creativity Center project is now defunct. Thanks to Laura Bittel and all the crafty ladies of BBTB for making such lovely items for the vending table.



Upcoming Events

July 8: Sisters of the Shawl will perform at a block party at Greenburg's lot at 6:30 in a fundraiser for the Sprague & Eriksen families who recently lost three teenagers in a tragic accident.

July 9 & August 6: Sister of the Shawl will perform at the Walloomsac Farmer's Market, 10-1 p.m.

July 17th: Sahidi Sisters will perform 6-7 on Spring Street in Williamstown as party of Sundays at Six.

August 14: Bennington Battle Day Parade. Any current BBTB student or troupe member with costuming may march in this parade, which is televised. If you are interested, please see Kathleen McBrien.

Nov 6: Sahidi Sisters at Akhawaty Raksat (My Sisters of Many Dances) at the Courtyard Marriott in Nashua, NH.

Dec 3: Sahidi Sisters and Sisters of the Shawl at the Fall Benefit for Rutland County Women's Shelter at the Gorge, Green Mountain College, Poultney, VT.

Highlights from the Annual Members Meeting

The annual members meeting took place on June 9th. BBTB President, Christina Russell, shared a blog by Wendy Allen of FatChance and the group celebrated BBTB's accomplishments from June 10-11, which included 16 dance performances, 3 workshops, donations to 4 charity auctions, the debut of the BBTB Facebook page and YouTube videos and a new Sister of the Shawl (Beth Acheson).

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