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## One-man show to appear at library

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

A musical, one-man show is making its way to the International Falls Public Library.

A release from the Arrowhead Library System said Jack Pearson will offer a free program for all ages at 3 p.m. June 18 at the library.

A storyteller and musician, Pearson will wow the audience with an experience of imagination, spirit, folklore and history, the release stated. He will play songs on all types of instruments including guitar, fiddle, five-string banjo, mandolin, jaw harp, and an assortment of small percussion instruments including his one-and-only amplified toy box lid.

"It's a great show that's appropriate for the entire family," the release said.

Pearson has been blending songs and stories professionally for more than



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**Jack Pearson will perform a free program at the International Falls Public Library at 3 p.m. June 18.**

### If you go

**What:** Children's performer Jack Pearson

**When:** 3 p.m. June 18

**Where:** International Falls Public Library

**Who:** All ages are welcome

**Cost:** Free

30 years. His recordings have won multiple Parents' Choice awards. The musi-

cian brings a fun family experience of music and stories that focuses on books and the love of reading. Providing good variety and well-paced participation, he will explain how reading opens the twin doors of information and imagination no matter age or interests.

He is known for shows that touch old and young alike. The sheer joy of settling down with a good book shines through Pearson's assembly of tunes and tales.

## Harmony of Nations announces Chad Brownlee and local musicians

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The Harmony of Nations Music Festival announces the remainder of its line-up for July 18 and 19. Award-winning country artist Chad Brownlee will headline Friday night, and seven local musicians will take to the stage.

An array of local talent auditioned for the Festival with a variety of musical styles ranging from folk to rap, bluegrass to electronic dance. Artists include Sloughgrass family band of Birchdale, Trevor Barker of Devlin, Ontario, Percy Bird of Couchiching First Nation, Ontario, and Ben Sletmoen, Sandra Lori Allan, Jeremy Jordan and Jerome Tuesday, all of Fort Frances, Ontario.

Born and raised in Kelowna, British Columbia, Brownlee was the recipient of the Rising Star Award at the Canadian Country Music Association Awards in 2011 and has been nominated twice for the CCMA Male Artist of the Year, according to a release. He has also been nominated for the coveted JUNO Country Album of the Year Award in 2013.

The singer/songwriter and former NHL draft pick



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**Award-winning country artist Chad Brownlee will headline July 18 at the Harmony of Nations Music Festival.**

has released three albums with singles reaching the top 100 in the Canadian country music charts. His most recent single, "Fallin' Over You," comes from his latest album released in early June. Brownlee's charisma and charming persona promises to add another great performance to Harmony of Nations, according to the release. Listen to his music at [www.chadbrownlee.com](http://www.chadbrownlee.com).

Festival tickets will go on sale Thursday at [www.harmonyofnations.ca](http://www.harmonyofnations.ca). Find tickets locally at Fort Fran-

ces Public Library, Cloverleaf Grocery in Emo, Ontario, and Coffee Landing Cafe in International Falls. Tickets are \$60 for a two-day pass; \$35 for a one-day pass; \$12 per day for children 3 to 12; and children 2 and under are free.

Harmony of Nations takes place on the Fort Frances waterfront. The festival unites artists and audiences from First Nation, Métis, Canadian and American communities.

Find out more at [www.harmonyofnations.ca](http://www.harmonyofnations.ca), Facebook and Twitter.

## Getting into history this weekend with MN Historical Society

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Spend the weekend exploring history around the state of Minnesota. The Minnesota Historical Society, or MNHS, lists the following events going on around the state Saturday:

**Wild Edibles — Forest History Center, 2609 County Road 76, Grand Rapids, Minn.:**

Sipsumac lemonade, savor sauteed day lilies, nibble on a fresh fiddlehead and munch on acorns. Learn which common plants growing in northern Minnesota forests are edible and how to harvest them responsibly. Join a nature hike to learn where certain plants grow and the best time to pick them. Then head back to the visitor center where you'll learn how to prepare the items. There will be an opportunity to sample nature's delicacies and to learn the cook's recipes. The spring class will feature very different edibles from the fall class.

■ Time: Noon to 3 p.m.  
■ Fee: \$15 adults, \$12 seniors and college students, \$11 children ages 6 to 17; \$5 MNHS members.

■ Reservations: required; call 218-327-4482.  
**Butter Making Day — Historic Forestville 21899 County Road #118, Preston, Minn.:**

Butter has been used for more than 4,000 years. For many years, butter was only produced in the home. During the 19th century, many farm wives supplemented farm income by selling butter. They churned every day or so, or whenever enough

cream had accumulated. Step back into 1899 and observe costumed guides as they complete the weekly task of butter churning. Nineteenth-century traditional techniques of churning will be showcased with opportunities for hands on participation.

■ Phone: 507-765-2785  
■ Time: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
■ Fee: \$7 adults, \$6 seniors and college students, \$5 children ages 6-17; free for children age 5 and under and MNHS members. State park vehicle permit required.

**Blacksmithing II (advanced) — Historic Fort Snelling 200 Tower Avenue, St. Paul:**

Individuals who have participated in the Blacksmithing I program are encouraged to join the skilled tradespeople the fort and further sharpen their blacksmithing skills. Students will work on an advanced smithing project to make a real working knife. Children ages 13-17 must be accompanied by an adult.

■ Time: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
■ Fee: \$75/\$70 for MNHS members.  
■ Reservations: required; call 612-726-1171 or buy tickets online.

**Piano Concert by Don Irwin — James J. Hill House 240 Summit Ave., St. Paul:**

Popular pianist Don Irwin returns to the Hill House for a summer concert in the two-story, skylit Art Gallery highlighting music from his latest CD. The 90-minute concert will be followed by a light reception and tours of the Hill House, included with admission.

■ Time: 7:30 p.m.  
■ Fee: \$27 / \$25 MNHS

members.

■ Reservations: recommended; call 651-489-5771.

**The American Indian Travois — Jeffers Petroglyphs Historic Site 27160 County Road 2, Comfrey, Minn.:**

Discover the material culture and innovations that American Indians developed in order to survive on the prairie. Visitors will take part in a hands-on activity investigating reproduction items that would have been used in daily life and packed on a travois. The roles and responsibilities of various members of an American Indian family will be explored. Plus, guests can compete to see who can hitch up and pack their travois the quickest and race to a finish line.

■ Phone: 507-628-5591  
■ Time: 2 to 5 p.m.

■ Fee: \$7 adults, \$6 seniors and college students, \$5 children ages 6-17; free for children age 5 and under and MNHS members.

**Engineering the Falls Tour with History Player William de la Barre — Mill City Museum 704 South Second Street, Minneapolis:**

Take a walking tour of St. Anthony Falls led by costumed history player William de la Barre, the Austrian engineer who spent half a century developing Minneapolis flour milling and waterpower. Participants will visit the Minneapolis Riverfront, the west-side milling district and the Stone Arch Bridge, and hear about the many ways the falls has changed over the years. The tour includes one mile

of moderately paced walking on uneven surfaces. Please call ahead to make arrangements for guests with limited mobility. The tour will begin and end at Mill City Museum, where participants can visit the museum's gallery, included in the price of the tour. Tours are held rain or shine.

■ Time: 1 p.m.  
■ Fee: \$14 adults, \$12 seniors and college students, \$10 children ages 6-17 and MNHS members. Includes museum admission.

■ Reservations: required; call 612-341-7555 or buy tickets online.

**We Are Anishinaabe: Our Migration Journey — Mille Lacs Indian Museum and Trading Post 43411 Oodena Dr., Onamia, Minn.:**

According to oral tradition, ancestors of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe moved westward from the Atlantic coast of North America. By the mid-1700s they had established themselves in the region around Mille Lacs Lake. Discover the origins of Ojibwe people in Minnesota in this 30-minute discussion and explore the stories, values and traditions that traveled with them and remain today.

■ Phone: 320-532-3632  
■ Time: 1 and 2 p.m.  
■ Fee: \$8 adults, \$7 seniors

and college students, \$6 children ages 6-17; free for children age 5 and under and MNHS members.

**History Food Crawls: University Avenue, Frog-town and Rondo — Minnesota History Center 345 Kellogg Blvd W., St. Paul:**

Ride through the history, culture and cuisine of one of St. Paul's most changeable districts, University Avenue. From a country road, streetcar line and urban highway, the avenue is now a light rail route that both divides and defines the district. Investigate Frogtown and the Hmongtown Marketplace and discover what was lost in Rondo, the city's historic African American neighborhood. Experience the beauty of St. Agnes Catholic Church, one of St. Paul's architectural gems, and get to know the story of Pilgrim Baptist, home of Minnesota's oldest black congregation. Along the way enjoy hearty samples from the neighborhood's best purveyors of food. The two-and-a-half hour tour is on an air-conditioned bus and includes up to three blocks of moderately paced walking on uneven surfaces. Please call ahead to make arrangements for guests with limited mobility. Food samples are included in ticket price.

■ Time: 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

■ Fee: \$35/\$30 for MNHS members.

■ Reservations: required; call 651-259-3015 or buy tickets online.

**Architecture Tour of the State Capitol — Minnesota State Capitol 75 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., St. Paul:**

Take a 90-minute guided tour of one of the grandest and most architecturally significant public buildings in the United States. Along the way, learn about the Capitol's renowned architect, Cass Gilbert, and the building's Beaux-Arts style. The tour will include stops in the legislative chambers, rotunda, and a special rooftop visit to see stunning views of the city and a close-up look at the Quadriga (golden horses) weather permitting. Visitors can also see a cut-away drawing of the unique dome and photographs documenting the 1905 construction of the building. Books on the life and career of Cass Gilbert will be available for purchase at the information desk.

■ Time: 11 a.m.  
■ Fee: \$9 adults, \$8 seniors and college students, \$6 children ages 6 to 17; \$2 discount for MNHS members.

■ Reservations: required; call 651-296-2881 or buy tickets online.

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**Lamont Cranston 5pm**  
**Mike Ure Band 3:30**

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