The Watersons
SING IN THE SEASON
Tuesday, December 4, 8pm, at the Birchmere

The Waterson Family, England's premiere performers of traditional English harmony singing, will hold forth on Tues., Dec. 4, 8pm, in a concert sponsored by FSGW at the Birchmere (3901 Mt Vernon Ave, Alexandria VA). Admission, available only at the door, is $8, FSGW; $10, others.

Ring in the Season with Wassail songs, Kissing Boughs, and carols. The Watersons' fresh and forthright singing is a treat. The folk shines through in their traditional folk tunes and the harmonies are mouth-watering in this stunning a capella program. From earthy to heavenly, harmonies and lyrics are sung by the foursome, Norma, Mike, and Lai Waterson, and son-in-law Martin Carthy. Their newest album, Singing in the Seasons, will be available soon to add to their dozens of earlier recordings on Rounder, Topic and Shanachie. But to hear them live this season! A great present for yourself!

FSGW presents...TWO New Year's Eve Balls

This December 31st, FSGW will host two separate New Year’s Eve Dances: An English Country Dance Ball and a Contra Ball. Usher in the New Year with your favorite dancing friends and some of Washington’s finest music and calling.

The Contra Ball will be called by Tom Hinds, with music by New Original Sin (featuring Claudio Buchwald on fiddle, John Devine on guitar, Marc Glickman on piano and Wendy Morrison on concertina). Champagne will be served at midnight; please bring a dessert or munchies to share. The ball is at the Leland Community Center, 4301 Willow Lane, Bethesda MD from 8pm to 12:45am. Tickets may be purchased in advance until December 21 at $12, members; $15, others. Registration will be limited to 176 people, so plan ahead! A balance of the sexes will be maintained. The dance hall has a wooden floor, so please remember your soft-soled shoes! Send your check, payable to FSGW, and a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Ken Friauf, 2811 Urbana Dr., Silver Spring, MD 20906. Subject to availability, tickets may be purchased at the door for $15. Confused? Want more details on registration? Call Ken at (301) 942-9088. A confirmation letter will be sent upon receipt of registration. If you'd like to help with this event, call Betsy Platt (202) 547-6419.

The FSGW English Country Ball will be at the Adelphi Mill. This dance begins with a reception at 6:30pm. A potluck supper follows at 7pm; at midnight we'll toast the New Year. Liz Snowden calls to the music of the Findhorn Trio plus Wayne Taylor (dancers should be familiar with English Country dance calls). Info: JoAnn (301) 585-7750 or Corinne (301) 593-4336.
FSGW Sunday Night Dances

at Takoma Park Intermediate School, 7-10pm

The FSGW Sunday night contra & square dance is held weekly during the winter at Takoma Park Intermediate School, 7611 Piney Branch Rd, Takoma Park MD. The dance is designed for intermediate to advanced dancers (i.e. little teaching, short walk-throughs, lots of music & dancing). Dances start at 7pm & end at 10pm promptly. Admission: $4, FSGW, BFMS, ATDS, CDSS, and Senior Citizens; $6 non-members.

Dec. 2: Carlotta Wellington with Beyond the Beltway. Carlotta arrives from Charlottesville to call an evening of advanced contras to the eclectic New England style music of Beyond the Beltway: Liz Donaldson, piano; Al Taylor, fiddle; Marty Taylor, flute & concertina; and Larry Brandt, banjo, mandolin & guitar.

Dec. 9: David Kaynor with Moose Chowder. David Kaynor calls and plays fiddle along with Bud Voight, also on fiddle and Pete Campell on piano for an evening of all contras to New England Style music.

Dec. 16: Fred Park with Bo Bradham and Craig DuBose. This evening's program promises a blend of contras and squares, mixers and unusual formations as Fred Park returns to call another of his unique combinations of dances to the jumping music of Bo Bradham on fiddle and Craig Dubose on piano.

Dec. 23: Ann Fallon with Bob Willoughby and Kevin Wimmer. Ann joins us this evening to make her FSGW calling debut with an evening of mixed contras and squares to the music of Bob Willoughby, piano, and Kevin Wimmer, fiddle. The music for the evening comes from a variety of traditions: Bob and Kevin mix gospel with New England style contra music, Spirituals and Christmas Carols with hard driving Appalachian music.

Dec. 30th: Dance has been CANCELED due to the closing of the Takoma Park Intermediate School during their winter recess. For information about our New Year's Eve dances, please see the announcements on page 1. Happy New Year!

A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT -- HELP!

Besides providing great music for our members, one goal of our concerts is to help support traditional musicians. In order to do that we try to keep our production costs low so that as much as possible of the concert admissions goes directly to the performers. Since everyone in the Society is a volunteer, our biggest expense in putting on concerts is the cost of the hall. Lately this has become a problem as the price of some of the halls we have used for a long time has gradually increased, so I am asking all FSGW members to scout out a few good halls. They should have stages or places for the performers to stand, and they should be comfortable. Access via public transportation would be a bonus. We use halls of all sizes but the 300 to 400 seat range seems to be especially hard to find. Of course we're looking for good acoustics and a reasonable price, but don't worry about figuring that out. If you know of any hall that you think would be good for an FSGW concert please call me or Special Events Chair Sheila (Kahn) Robinson. We'll check out the details. Churches, schools, and community centers are all good prospects. If it works out you'll have the bonus of having FSGW concerts right in your own neighborhood. Thanks, Joel B. (P.S. If you know of any good places to hold a dance, call Robin Younghelman and let her know!)
**Bayley-Hazen Workshop**

*Saturday, December 1, 10am-3:30pm*

In addition to the Bayley-Hazen Singers’ FSGW concert of revolutionary-era New England fugue tunes and folk hymns from on November 30 (see November Newsletter or call the Hotline for details), we will have a workshop and sing with them the next day. On Saturday, December 1, beginning at 10am, Larry Gordon, Bayley-Hazen's director, and the ensemble will lead a workshop and *Northern Harmony* sing at McLean's Friends Meeting House, 6410 Georgetown Pike (Rte 193), McLean VA. At 10am there is an introduction to shape-note singing. At noon a pot-luck meal will be shared, and then the singing will continue until 3:30pm. This event is FREE and open to the public; in the shape-note singing tradition, donations will be accepted. Bring your best friend, your favorite dish to share, and - if you have one - your *Sacred Harp* book, as well.

For both the Friday evening concert and Saturday’s workshop, it is essential that we stretch the limited parking by meeting at Langley High School (located on Georgetown Pike a short distance west of the Friends Meeting House) and carpooling from that parking lot to the concert location. Or, you can take the pleasant half-mile walk along a real sidewalk from the High School to the Meeting House. Information is available both from the FSGW Hotline and from Janine Smith’s answering machine (301) 926-9142.

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**TOM PALEY**

**DECEMBER PROGRAM**

*Friday, December 14, 8:30pm*

The FSGW monthly program for December returns to its usual home at the Washington Ethical Society Auditorium, 7750 16th Street NW, Washington, DC. on Friday, Dec. 14, 1990. As always, the monthly programs are FREE to members, including those joining at this event; $6 others.

Tom Paley will present a program of traditional American Folk Music, mainly drawing from the "old-timey" tradition. He sings and plays the guitar, banjo and fiddle. Recently, he has become interested in the traditional fiddle styles of Sweden and has promised to play some of these tunes as well as the American tunes. His repertoire includes some ballads, some blues, and square dance tunes. Tom was a founding member of the New Lost City Ramblers and has also played with the Old Reliable String Band and the New Deal String Band. He has toured extensively in the U.S., Canada, the United Kingdom, Ireland, and most of the European countries.

The monthly program for January will be at the WES auditorium on January 11, 1991 and the artist is still a surprise. Details will be in the January issue of the FSGW Newsletter.

A personal note from the program chair: A few volunteers are STILL needed to help with the program each month. Last month, I had to round up some folks at the concert. While I realize that this is not one of the more glamorous volunteer jobs available, it is a way to become involved in the society's activities. The work involves setting up for the program; assisting with admissions, sound and sales of artists recordings; and clearing chairs from the hall after the program. If you would like to assist, please contact the Program Chair, Charlie Pilzer 301-565-8818, the Volunteer Coordinator, Coco Glass 703-931-5837, or leave a message on the FSGW hotline, 703-281-2228.

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**WANTED**

Somewhere out there is a computer just getting dusty and forlorn. Won’t you give it a new lease on life? FSGW needs a computer for board members to effectively carry out their responsibilities. We are looking for either a donation, long-term (free) loan, or bargain-priced machine. Our minimum requirements are IBM-AT compatible clone (286 processor) with monochrome graphics display, 5 1/4" High Density floppy disk drive, 20mb hard drive. We already have a modem and printer for our use; won’t you help us out? Call Publications Chair Helen Gordon 301-384-2191, President Joel Bluestein 202-544-7512, or Program Chair Charlie Pilzer 301-565-8818, if you can help!
FSGW Board Meeting
Wednesday, December 5, 8pm
The next meeting of the Board is Wed., Dec. 5, 8pm at the home of Publications Chair Helen Gordon in Silver Spring, MD. Any FSGW member may attend; call Helen for directions at (301) 384-2191. If you have items for the Board to consider, call Joel or Sec. Kyle Terrell (301) 986-4133.

Board Highlights
On Nov. 7 the Board met at the home of President Joel Bluestein. Topics discussed & actions taken included:

- Discussed need to explore new locations for concerts and dances. If anyone has any ideas, contact a Board member!
- Moved to acquire a computer for FSGW business.
- Discussed upcoming events: Mini-festival, Chesapeake Dance Weekend, concerts, special dances, etc. Watch the Newsletter for details!

SKI/DANCE Weekend
February 15-18, 1991
Enjoy cross-country skiing during the day and English country dancing at night at the annual SKI/DANCE Weekend on the President's Day weekend, February 15th to 18th, 1991. Ski instruction provided. Music by The Findhorn Trio—Liz Donaldson, Marty Taylor and Malcolm Stephens. Calling by Brad Foster, Peter Fricke and friends. Pick up an application at FSGW events or send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: P. Ruggiero, 11400 Washington Plaza West, #701, Reston, VA 22090. Don't delay, this event sells out early. Cosponsored by FSGW, the PATC Ski Touring Section and the Sierra Club. Info: Rich Galloway (301)589-0939.

THINK SPRING - THINK DANCE
If the onset of winter is getting you down, start planning now for the Chesapeake Spring Dance Weekend. Mark your new 1991 calendars for the weekend of April 5 to 7, which will feature Steve Zakon and Fresh Fish, Kathy Anderson, the Poodles, and more. Additional info and applications in next month's newsletter!

FSGW Gears Up For
15th Annual Washington Folk Festival
This year marks the 15th anniversary of the Folklore Society's festival of homegrown music, songs, stories, dances and crafts cherished and performed by members of our own community. This year we hope to bring you a new, colorful mix of old favorites and newcomers.

Each year we ask for volunteers to do the behind-the-scenes jobs needed for a two-day festival to run smoothly. The more people who help, the less work any one person has to do -- it's that simple. This year, we face special challenges in giving our performers an opportunity to shine. For 15 years, the Festival has found a home in Glen Echo National Park, and its success has been made possible by the help and cooperation of the wonderful staff there. This year, the Park is getting a much-needed new parking area (after the memorable flood). Our plans have to be more flexible to meet the challenges this project may require, and we need you to help make our 15th year a real celebration.

Two committees that start working in early spring will need more folks to help with planning, organization, phoning and letter writing. The Volunteer Committee needs folks to line up people to do all the other jobs, both before and during the Festival. The Publicity Committee needs folks interested in working with local print and broadcast media to make sure our performers have an audience! There's lots of other aspects of running a festival that you can get involved with, too. If you'd like to learn more, call one of the Festival Coordinators: Nancy King (301-933-3073), Mary LaMarca (301-229-5845) or Dave Renne (301-589-3580). Join in; find out (or rediscover) the fun and the challenges that keep so many of us festival junkies coming back for more!

For Sale!! To FSGW Members Only!!
Get Yours While They Last!!
The new, improved, up-to-date 1990-91 edition of the FSGW Membership directory will be available Dec. 1. Copies can be obtained in two ways:
1) At the Membership table at any FSGW concert or festival. (If we can find a volunteer, we will sell them at the dances also!) 2) By writing to FSGW Membership: 307 Broadleaf Dr., Vienna, VA 22180.

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Cost is $5 in person and $6 by mail. This covers the cost of creating, printing, and shipping & handling - FSGW makes NO profit on directories.

If you have any questions (or wish to volunteer to sell directories at dances), call the Membership Committee at (703) 938-4564 evenings & weekends.

Getaway Notes
From the 1990 Chair

The Getaway Committee is still at work following this year's artistic and social success. After last year's 25th Anniversary Getaway, we expected a smaller crowd, but all went well and we didn't lose gobs of money!

Thanks to all who helped out--before, during and after the weekend. Jody Fitterer capably managed the food with the help of many volunteers, including meal planners Annie Storr, Pete the Spy, Bruce Gewirz, Dottie Hurley, Lisa Friedman Malter, and Eric Cole; and a nod of thanks to Dave Laning for advice and folklore. For correspondence, registration, programming and legwork, thanks to Dennis and Judy Cook, Bob Clayton, Dolores Nichols, Barry Schlesinger, George Stephens and Jennifer Woods. Thanks to those who drove and shopped, sliced, diced, pared, swabbed, washed, swept, and, of course, to all who led the workshops.

Next year, the 27th Getaway is on the calendar for October 11-13, 1991--the (long) Columbus Day Holiday weekend--at Camp Letts. Wanted for the next committee: idea people, ideas, chefs, input on kids' activities, crafts, food, workshops, and special guests to be invited. If you have any of these, please contact Mary Cliff, telephone 703-534-7581 (h).

General Concert Policies

Unless announced otherwise, FSGW does not sell advance tickets to any event!!!!!! When advance tickets are available, information on purchase will be published in the Newsletter well in advance of the event (1-3 months). Admission prices announced in the Newsletter are the prices that are charged at the door for members and non-members. (Children 2-15 are admitted for half the adult price; senior citizens receive a $1 discount.)

The doors generally open at around 7:45 pm for an 8:30 concert, although audience members may have to wait to be seated until all sound checks are completed.

Other general rules-of-thumb include: (1) NO private taping of any FSGW concert; (2) NO flash photography of any FSGW concert without the express permission of (a) the FSGW person in charge, and (b) the performer; (3) NO smoking, eating, or drinking in the concert halls.

Getaway Thanks

Jody Fitterer adds her thanks to all the other kitchen volunteers who made eating at the Getaway possible, including Eric Cole, supervisor of the Friday potluck, and Alan Centa, the coffee czar. Thanks also to those who cleaned up on Monday, including Mary Cliff, Pete-the-Spy, Trooper, George Stephens, Mary La Marca, and Janice Cole. Special thanks to those who made food purchasing possible, including Dave Laning, Charlie Baum, Laura Laning Sailer, Mary Cliff, Gary Hutzell, and Dan Burgess. We appreciate the suggestions from Jennifer Woods and Dolores Nichols (and the Bestes) for simple kids' suppers next year (suggestions as to contents will be entertained). The Sunday evening food sale went well and will be repeated. The rest of the leftover food went to Shepherd's Table. If you would like to plan and supervise a meal at next year's Getaway (there is help available for first timers), tell Jody, who will let next year's food coordinator know. And a final THANK YOU to anyone I've forgotten.

GETAWAY LOST-AND-FOUND

The following items were located at the end of the weekend...if you know the whereabouts of the owners, call Jody Fitterer at (301) 864-4131: pillow in pillow case; styrofoam holder with pan; gray running (?) shoes; one gray sock; one white sock; woman's knit gloves; red and green striped shirt; set of keys; bag with a blue pencil and an eraser; brown burlap art work.

FSGW Taping Policy

When FSGW schedules concerts, the Society assures the performers that only an official, archival recording will be made--subject to their permission--of their performance. It is FSGW's policy to allow ABSOLUTELY NO TAPING of any society concert by individuals. In many cases, performers allow FSGW to make listening copies of official concert tapes for members. When this is allowed, a member pays: 1) a fee for the recording engineer's time, 2) the cost of a cassette tape(s), AND 3) a royalty fee for the performer. For more information on obtaining material from FSGW's tape archive contact our tape archivist, Mike Rivers, at 703-241-7445.
**Open Sing**
Friday, December 7, 8:30pm
Janice Cole leads Dec. Open Sing at the MD home of Bill Day and Rita Ferrara. Janice's theme will be "The Words Came First", featuring songs that began as written or spoken words which were later set to music. BYO refreshments. FREE admission as we are in a private home. Call (301) 946-2161 for info/directions.

**Storytellers' Meeting**
Saturday, December 8, 7:30pm
Storytellers & listeners are invited to share tales & snacks at 7:30pm Sat., Dec. 8, in the Alexandria VA home of Susan Garrison. RSVP/directions: (703) 960-0545.

**Gospel Sing**
Sunday, December 9, 4pm
The December Gospel Sing will be December 9 at the home of Kathie Mack in Takoma Park, Maryland. Call her at (301) 270-5367 for directions. Singing will start around 4:00 PM, followed by a covered dish supper and then more singing. Everyone is welcome!

**Sacred Harp Sing**
No Sacred Harp Sing will be held in December. The next meeting will be held on January 1, 1991, at 3 pm. Info: Janine Smith at (301) 926-9142.

**Advanced English Country Dance**
Tuesday, December 11, 7:30pm
Christopher Field and Cynthia Stenger will lead an evening of dances for experienced English Country dancers. Music by Liz Donaldson and Susan Brandt. Tues., December 11, 7:30pm at Christ Church Parish Hall, 3116 "O" St., NW, Georgetown. FSGW members, $4; nonmembers, $6. Info: Rich Galloway, (301)589-0939.

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**FSGW Editorial Policy**
We try to print all copy that is relevant to FSGW's purpose and membership (Quote from the FSGW Bylaws: "The main purpose of the Society is to further the understanding, investigation, appreciation, and performance of the traditional folk music and folklore of the American people."). However, in most instances, it is simply impossible to print copy in full. When space is tight, FSGW news receives top priority, followed by local non-FSGW news, followed by listings of out-of-town, non-FSGW events. In addition: we print a calendar each month unless it pushes the entire issue into a more expensive category for either postage or printing.

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**DEADLINE FOR January Newsletter:**
Wednesday, December 12
All copy for the January issue of this Newsletter is due at the home of Editor Helen Gordon NO LATER THAN 9 PM, Monday, Nov. 12th. NO copy will be accepted over the telephone. Please use standard (8 1/2 x 11") paper so copy does not get lost. Please include a phone # where you can be reached in case of questions regarding your text. It also helps GREATLY if you send your copy in short article form. Thanks! Send all copy to: FSGW NEWSLETTER, c/o H. Gordon, 14244 Bradshaw Drive, Silver Spring, MD 20905. Questions/directions for hand-delivered copy, file format details, call (301) 384-2191. *** Use of the Traditional Computer Bulletin Board for uploading articles strongly encouraged; call Don Nichols (Membership) for details.

ATTENTION: All notices required to include AREA CODE due to change in DC area phone service.

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Deadline for January Issue: 9pm, Wednesday, December 12. Watch for New Editor Next Time!!
AROUND TOWN

House of Musical Traditions
Monday Night Concert Series, 8pm
Dec. 3* Steve Key, songwriter and singer, and Passages, hammer dulcimers & 12-string guitar.
Dec. 10* Debby McClatchy, old-time and contemporary songs with banjo and guitar, and Pat Humphries, original and contemporary songs of women’s issues.
Dec. 17 Outrageous Italian songs and tunes from Acquaragia, with obligatory audience participation.
Dec. 24 & Dec. 31 Happy Holidays! No program.

All Souls by the Zoo
On Sunday Dec 2 at 4:30 pm, the All Souls by the Zoo series will present La Rondinella (Howard Bass, Paul Bensel and Alice Kosloski and friends. The program will include an unusual blend of Medieval, Renaissance, traditional/contemporary songs, carols and dance tunes. All Souls Episcopal Church, 2300 Cathedral Ave. (Metro: Woodley Park/National Zoo). Admission $5, $3 for students and seniors. Information: 202-232-4244.

Round House Theatre
Mostly Music Concerts
Gift of the Magi - First reading of a new musical. Dec.10, 8pm. Round House Theatre, 12210 Bushey Dr. Silver Spring, MD. Adm.: $8 with discounts for students, seniors and children. For tickets and info call 301-217-3300.

Barns at Wolf Trap
Madeline MacNeil, critically acclaimed singer and hammered dulcimer player, will present a Christmas program for children Sat. Dec. 1 at 11 am. and 1 pm. Admission $4. Tickets may be purchased at the Barns box office M-F 10 am. to 6 pm., wknds noon to 5 pm. May also be purchased by phone 703-938-2404 or through Ticketron. Tickets are required for children, regardless of age. Info: 703-255-1939.

WPAS 1990-91 Gospel Showcase Series
Florida Mass Choir
Friday, December 7, 8:30 pm
WPAS launches the 3rd sensational season of its Gospel Showcase Series Fri. Dec. 7, 1990 at 8:30 pm. Florida Mass Choir with special guest Reverend James Moore. Tickets $16.50 at Kennedy Center or instant charge 202-467-4600. Additional info 202-393-3600. There will be interpretation for the hearing impaired.

Cathy Fink, Marcy Marxer and Len Cabral
Holiday Concert
Saturday, December 8, 11 am.
Sing in the holiday season with a fun-filled family concert. 5th annual Holiday Family Show at Blair High School Auditorium Sat. Dec 8, 11 am. Special guest will be Len Cabral, nationally recognized storyteller. Weaving stories in and out of Cathy and Marcy's songs of peace, cookies and self-confidence will ensure a wonderful concert. After the show there will be a FREE ice cream reception sponsored by Ben & Jerry's Scoop Shops. To share with the season's spirit please bring a new toy for a needy child. Tickets: $7, available at House of Musical Traditions and the door. Groups of 10 or more, $5 each before day of show. Snow date Sunday December 9, 1 pm. Info: 301-270-9090.

Jewish Folk Arts Society
13th Annual Festival
Sunday, December 9, 1 - 8 pm
13th Annual Jewish Folk Arts Society Festival offers musical performances, folk dancing, art exhibits, workshops and kosher food. Adas Israel Congregation, 2850 Quebec Ave. N. W. $7 for adults, $3 for children over four, students and seniors. Members of JFAS and children under four admitted free. Chanukah concert with David Shneyer and friends, dance by Kallil Israel Dance Troupe and comedy precedes the festival, 10:45 am. to 11:30 am. Info: JFAS office, 301-230-1369.

Capitol Area Bluegrass & Old-Time Music Assoc. (CABOMA)
Volunteers Needed
National Folk Archive
Once again, the Archive of Folk Culture at the Library of Congress is accepting volunteers. If you can spend a day (or a few hours) a week and want to help out at the hub of federal folk activity, call Joe Hickerson, the Archive’s Head, Mon-Fri 8:30am-5pm., at 202-707-5510 to arrange a starting time. If you have more time available, inquire about the Archive’s Intern Program.

Smithsonian Annual "Holiday Celebration"
National Museum of American History
December 26 - 31, noon to 4 pm daily
Holiday celebration showing the many ways Americans celebrate Hanukkah, Christmas, Kwanzaa and the New Year, featuring musical performances, storytelling, crafts and food demonstrations. All events FREE. Info: 202-357-2700.

Recording Releases
Wine and cheese and album signing celebrating Maggie Sansone’s two new recordings on compact disc and tape. House of Musical Trads. 12/8, 3-5pm. Hazlewood’s new CD/cassette album release expected before Christmas. House of Musical Traditions will host a reception later in month; date and time to be announced. Info/mail order available from Hazlewood, Rte. 2 Box 80-0, Indian Head, MD 20640.

Maggie Sansone in Concert
December 7 and 21, 7 - 9 pm
Maggie Sansone will play concerts at BORDERS BOOK STORE, Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD. Info: 301-816-1067.

Gleanings from Voices in the Glen

Benefit Concert
Sue Richards & Phyllis Childers
Sunday, January 6, 4 pm
Sue Richards on harp and Phyllis Childers on hammered dulcimer will give a benefit concert for the Shelters for the Homeless at the Unitarian Church of Rockville, 501 Manakee St. $5 donations. Info: 301-764-7666.

Eileen Joyner at Potters House
Friday, December 14, 8:15 pm
Eileen Joyner will perform an evening devoted to her singing, songwriting and special brand of wit. Potter's House, 1658 Columbia Rd. N.W., Washington, D.C. Admission FREE, donations requested.

Music Americana Showcases

Dupont Music Circle
Wednesday Nights
The Dupont Music Circle is a gathering of people interested in singing and playing the traditional music of the British Isles -- English, Irish, and Scottish. All singers and instrumentalists, at all levels of ability, are welcome. The setting is informal, and the purpose is to have fun. Meets every Wednesday night from 7:30 to 11:00 pm. Info: Liz or Gary, 703-658-0957.
** LOCAL CLUB VENUES **

** Club Acoustic **
Saturday, December 29, 8:00pm
Club Acoustic will continue its monthly concert series by presenting Rod MacDonald and Jane Gillman. Tickets: $10 ($8 seniors/under 12), reservations are recommended. Industrial Strength Theatre, 269 Sunset Park Dr., Herndon, VA. Info: 703-689-0444.

** Folk Alley **
(formerly Harmony Cafe Coffeehouse)
Friday, December 21, 8pm
Terra Nova, a quintet from Rockville, with Side by Side. Robbie Schaefer will open the show. Cover charge $7. WES, 7750 16th St. N.W., Washington, D.C. For info call 202-686-9210.

** Cafe Florian Open Mike & Coffeehouse **

** Weathervane Acoustic Listening Club **
Wednesdays in Frederick, MD. 8pm

** Folkal Point in Ellicott City, MD **
Thursdays, 8pm
Weekly "not-for-profit" at the Folkal Point at Cacao Lane, 8066 Main St. Ellicott City. 12/6 Mac Bailey $6. 12/13 Pete Kennedy $6. 12/20, 27, 1/3 CLOSED. 1/10 Cathy Fink and Marcy Marxer. Info: 301-982-0686 (DC/VA) or 301-922-5210 (Balt.) IMPORTANT NOTICE: Due to alcoholic beverage service changes, no one under 21 admitted until further notice.

** Coffeehouse at Otterbein **

** Howard Folk Society Open Mike **
Tuesday, December 18, 8pm
Opening act Side by Side. Acoustic musicians and storytellers are encouraged to participate. Opening act scheduled for 8 - 8:30pm. Others will be allowed 3 songs with max of 15 mins. PJ's Pub, Main St., Ellicott City, MD. Info: 301-982-0686 (DC/VA) 301-381-2460 (Balt.) FREE.

** Cafe Kasrilevke **
Sundays in Rockville, MD., 7:30 pm
Monthly cultural series, the first one being a sing-along led by Sue Roemer. Sponsored by the Yiddish Of Greater Washington, Workmen's Circle and Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington. $3.50 members, $5 nonmembers. JCC, 6125 Montrose Rd. Rockville. Info: 301-881-0100.

Wanted: Input on having this section singled out from the rest of the area events. Please alert any regular folk clubs/cafes/coffeehouses that we intend keep this feature as a regular part of our publication, barring any undue amount disagreement from our members. Of course, as this section of area venues grows, we will need a happy typist for a two-hour chunk once a month to type it in...Call 301-384-2191 for details!
LOCAL DANCES

Editorial Policy for Dance Events
All dance submissions must state whether the music is recorded or live. We do this as a service to our members. No dance copy will be used that does not state live or recorded music. LAST WARNING! All copy with NO Tel. Area Codes will be discarded!

ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THE LISTINGS:
BEG: Beginning  INT: Intermediate
N/E: No experience necessary  N/P: No partner necessary
TPIS: Takoma Park Intermediate School, 7611 Piney Branch Road, Takoma Park, MD

Welcome, Julie!
Thanks to Julie Mangin, the Dance section of the Newsletter has a new friend! Julie has agreed to help the swamped committee by preparing all the dance copy. Now...If one MORE body who can type would call 301-384-2191, then Out-of-Town Events will continue to have a generous space allotment in this publication...

FRIDAY NIGHT DANCES
During the winter, the Friday Night Dance Committee's weekly square & contra dances are usually held at Durant Recreation Center, 1605 Cameron Street, Alexandria, VA. Dances begin at 8pm & are $5 unless otherwise noted (*). Info: DC Dance HOTLINE, 301-270-1678.
Dec. 4: Blarneystones; Bill Trautman
Dec. 14: Open Band; Tuppenche Blackwell
Dec. 21: New Original Sin; David MacLeod
Dec. 28: Cabin Fever; Linda Hart.

Clogging at Capt. White's
Thursdays, 9pm
Every Thurs. at 9pm, an old-time string band plays music for free-style clogging at Capt. White's Oyster Bar & Clog Palace, 8123 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring, MD. Adm to the Clog Palace is $4. Dance on a new wooden dance floor! Free parking on street or in garage behind Capt. White's. Info: Julie Mangin 301-495-0082.
Dec 6: Rafe Stefanini and friends
Dec 13: Goin' Crazy (Claudio Buchwald, fiddle)
Dec 20: Caruthers' Others (Rob Caruthers, fiddle)
Dec 27: To be announced

Clogging Classes w/Eileen Carson
Mondays, until December 17, 7-10:30pm
Eileen's (of Fiddle Puppets) 4th season w/BEG 7-8pm, INT 8-9pm, ADV 9-10:30pm. 9-wk session $90 or $12/class. Recorded music. At Hot Feet. Info: Laura Lewis 301-277-5915.

Providence Contras & Squares
Saturday, December 8, 7:30pm
Tuppenche Blackwell calling to the music of Heritage String Band. Sat. Dec. 8, 7:30-10 pm. Providence Recreation Center, 7575 Marc Dr. Falls Church, VA (just off the beltway). N/E, N/P. Info: 703-379-2992.

Conversations w/Contra Dancers
Friday, December 14, noon
To give dancers a chance to talk to each other w/o interference from dancing, a misc. bunch of people will have lunch at noon in the cafeteria at the Amer. Hist. Mus. basement, non-smoking side. Info: Alice Markham 703-709-9121; Paul Burke 202-554-8254.

Reston Contra and Square Dance
Saturday, December 1, 8pm
December Reston dance will be Sat. evening, 12/1, 8pm-11pm. Open mike calling to live music by June Apple at Harding Hall (this month only), corner of Adams and Jackson Sts., Herndon, VA. Admission $3. Hambo workshop 7pm-8pm, taught by Barbara Harding, $2. Info: Alice Markham 703-709-9121.

English Country Dance for Experienced Dancers
Wednesday, December 19, 7:30-10pm

English Country Dance Christmas Party
Saturday, December 8, 8-11pm
Under candlelight, music by Peascods Gathering; calling by Barbara Harding & Gwynne Griswold. White Oak Int School, 12202 NH Ave, Silver Spring, MD, N/E, N/P. $4. Info: Carl Minkus 301-493-6281, Dick Atlee 703-522-2769, Faith Coddington 301-762-4541.

Deadline for January Issue: 9pm, Wednesday, December 12. Watch for New Editor Next Time!!
Scottish Country Dancing
Thursdays, 8pm

Nachtanz Historic Dancers
Mondays, 7:30pm
15th to early 19th C dances taught at Marvin Ctr, 800 21st St NW, GWU (4th floor). Recorded music; FREE. Info (a must! we don't always have a room): Ken Reed, 703-560-8825.

Tisza Hungarian Folk Ensemble
Saturday, December 8, 8 pm
Monthly Tanchaz, or folk dance party, at the Pottomac United Methodist Church on Falls Road, Potomac, MD. Tanchaz starts 8pm w/brief review & teaching session. Open dancing to recorded music (w/some live music by our own musicians) till 11pm. N/E. Please bring food or non-alcoholic beverage for snack table. $3. Info: 301-933-9845, eves. only.

Irish Ceili Dance Class
Tuesdays at Potomac School, McLean, VA. BEG 7-8pm; EXP 8-9pm. $4. Taped music. Info: Maureen Donnellan, 703-521-3827.

Greater Washington Ceili Club Dance
Sunday, December 30, 4:30pm-9pm
Monthly dance Sun, 12/30, at the Women's Club of Bethesda at the intersection of Old Georgetown Road and Sonoma Road (5500 Sonoma Rd) in Bethesda, Maryland. Dance: 5pm-9pm. Optional potluck dinner 4:30pm. Music by Celtic Thunder. $6, GWCC members; $8, non-members. Kids: FREE. Beginners welcome, instruction for those new to Irish dancing begins at 4pm. Info: 301-229-7124.

Washington Swing Dance Committee
Saturday, December 1, 9pm
Swing dance benefit sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association, 12/1, 9pm-12pm at the National Cathedral School, Wisconsin Ave. and Woodley Road NW. Music by the Deanna Bogart Band. Donation: $15. Workshop by Ken Haltenhoff and Donna Barker, 8pm-9pm. Info: Sandy 301-652-6446.

Synergy Dance Center Events for Nov.
Swing Dances: Sat 12/8 8pm-9pm Int. workshop Ken Haltenhoff/Donna Barker - taped music; 9pm-12am Goin, Goin, Gone. $12 workshop and dance; $7 dance only. Fri 12/28 8pm-9pm Beg. workshop Jan Taylor - taped music; 9pm-12m Lamar Carlson's Rock & Roll Swing Band. $12 workshop and dance; $7 dance only. Waltz Tea Dance: Sun 12/9 2:30pm-3:30pm, workshop Ken Haltenhoff and Donna Barker - taped music 3:30pm-5:30pm; band to be announced. $12 workshop and dance; $7 dance only. Lessons: 5 week series begins Mon Nov 19 - Dec 17 $55 (walk-in available). Info: 202-363-4664.

Scandia DC
3rd Saturday, Dec 15, 7pm
Practice 2nd Monday, 8:30-10:15pm

Snurrdansarna
Tuesdays, 7:30pm
Scandinavian couple turning dances (polka, waltz, polska, masurka, schottis and more) to recorded music, at TPIS. $2. Bill Warren 301-585-7916.

Gamaldans
1st Saturday, December 1, 8pm-11pm

Little Red & the Renegades
Zydeco, Cajun, and New Orleans R&B Music
Dec 1: Capt. White's, Silver Spring MD; Dec 7: d.c. space, 7th & E Sts., NW Washington DC; Dec 8: Fat Tuesdays, Fairfax VA. Info: 202-244-9172.
Cajun Dance with Allons-y!
Friday, December 14
Dance workshop 7:30-8:15pm, dance 8:30-11:30pm at Cherry Hill Park in College Park, Md. Admission $7. 60x60 wood floor (soft shoes please); no smoking; BYOB allowed. Dir: from 495, take Rt. 1 S, turn on Cherry Hill Rd., go 1 mile, on left. Info: (301) 270-2586.

International Folk Dancers of Bethesda Holiday Party, December 17, 8pm-1:30pm Live music with Peascods Gathering, BAMCO (Balkan Brass Band of Washington), and the Buffalo Cajun Players. Leland Comm. Rec. Center, 4301 Willow Lane, Chevy Chase MD. Pinata for kids under 9, wear favorite ethnic clothing, bring ethnic goodies to share. N/E, N/P, $5. Info: Mel or Phyllis Diamond 301-871-8788.


St. John’s College Concert December 16, Annapolis MD Maggie Sansone, hammered dulcimer; Sue Richards, Celtic harp; Carolyn Surrick, viola da gamba; and members of the ENSEMBLE GALILEI will perform traditional Christmas music as part of the Great Hall concert series at 7 pm; adm. $10 general. Info: (301) 263-3471, ext. 239.

Annapolis Trad. Dance Soc. **FSGW members use ATDS prices. All at W. Annapolis Elem School (210 Annapolis St, Annap. MD). N/E, N/P, dress casual. Info: 301-268-0231; 626-0136. Monthly Contra Dance, Sat. 12/8, 8:30pm; adv. wkshp 7:15. Tom Hinds; Maggie Brown’s Favorites. Swing Dance, Sat., 12/15, 8pm, music: Sasparilla; workshop at 7:15, led by Judy Seibert and Gary Egerton.


BFMS Call for Entries!
Logo design contest for upcoming 5th Annual BFMS Folk Festival, Mar. 22-23, 1991. Winning logo to appear on Festival Program cover, T-shirts, & other Promo material. Winner gets a free T-shirt & free admission to Festival events. Camera-ready art is to be submitted in 8 1/2" x 11" format with name, address & Tel.# on back of the entry. Mail to: Baltimore Folk Festival, BFMS, 2917 Cresmont Ave., Baltimore, MD 21211. Deadline for entries: Dec. 15. Designs returned upon request.
BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY EVENTS:

**BFMS charges FSGW at their members' rates.**

Hotline: (301) 366-0808.

- **In concert, John McCutcheon, Fri., Dec. 7, 8pm.** Appalachian music at Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul St., Balt. $8 BFMS, $10 gen. ad., $5 kids. Info: Jeff Myers, (301) 866-4622.

- **Sacred Harp Singing. Second Sundays, 4pm.** Potluck supper 6pm. Info/location: Joanne DeVoe (301)366-1959.

- **American Square & Contra Dancing. Every Wednesday, 8pm.** Live music weekly. Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul St., Balt. Wooden dance floor! N/E, N/P. Info: (301)225-7759, 549-3619.

- **BFMS English Country Dancing. Every Monday, 8pm.** Live music each week also at Lovely Lane Church. N/E, N/P. Info: (301)590-9246.

BFMS Mid-Winter Ball
Order your tickets now for the BFMS 10th Annual Mid-Winter Ball, Jan. 19, 1991, to be held at the Schaefer Ballroom, Balt. School for the Arts, 706 Cathedral St. Tickets by advance sale only for this evening with the Capitol Quicksteps Quadrille Orchestra, with Steve Hickman conducting and John Krumm calling squares and contra. Register by Jan. 5; $12 BFMS, $15 non.

Benefit Concert for the Homeless
Advance Tickets
For $10 on January 4 1991, you can see Cross Country, Pete Kennedy, Hard Travelers, Donal Leace, Cornucopia, Sideby Side & Russ Moss at the Old Otterbein Methodist Church (112 W Conway at Sharp), Baltimore MD. Proceeds to South Baltimore Homeless Shelter. Tickets at Folkal Point & Old Otterbein coffeehouses. Also by mail (checks payable to Coffee House at Otterbein): SASE to Joyce Sic, 5607 Northgreen Rd, Baltimore MD 21207. Info: (301)922-5210.

Bluemont Christmas Ball
Saturday, December 15, 8pm
The Mighty Possums play to the calling of Bob Childs, from Cambridge, MA. At the Bluemont Community Ctr., Bluemont, VA. Potluck supper at 6:30, dance at 7pm. $5; $3 members of Bluemont Concert Series. 40 mi W of Beltway, just off Route 7 (Route 760). Info: (703)777-6306.

English Country Workshop and Dance
December 8, Dover DE
The Dover Country Dancers present a calling workshop with Brad Foster from 3-5:30, with a covered dish supper at 6:15 and dancing at 7:45 called by Brad and new callers. Capital Grange, 911 S. Governors Ave., Dover, DE. Wkshp $10, dance $3. For info, or to register the dance you want to call: (302) 734-8018.

Shepardstown Dance
1st Saturday, December 1, 8pm
The Western MD Folklore Soc. holds its monthly dance at Shepardstown Men's Club (King & German Sts.) $3.50 WMFS members, $5 others. Beginners welcome. Also: Special English dance, Sat. Dec. 29. Info: (304) 876-2762 or (304) 263-2531.

WMFS Prospect Coffeehouse in Hagerstown MD
Friday, December 14, 8pm
New Monthly Coffeehouse run by Western MD Folklore Soc. held in auditorium of Women's Club, 31 So. Prospect St., Hagerstown MD. This month, 8pm: Madeline MacNeil, Nick Blanton, Ralph Gordon, and Seth Austen. Info: (301) 739-5265.

MMFAC Annual Christmas Cotillion
Saturday, December 22, 8pm-12m
Lively swing music by the Hard Cider Boys to calls by Tom Hinds at the Old Armory, 2nd & Bentz Streets, Frederick MD. Free wkshp 7pm sharp. Dance begins at 8pm. N/E, N/P. Pre-register: $6.50 MMFAC, BFMS, FSGW; $8.50 others. At the door: $8 members, $10 others. Info: (301)694-6794, (301) 662-0750.

International Folk Dancing
Every Wednesday in Columbia MD
Intl. Folk Dancing to recorded music every Wed. at Kahler Hall in Village of Harper's Choice, Columbia MD, 8-10pm. Teaching 1st hour; requests after. Frequent parties & wkshps. N/E, N/P. Info: Ed (301) 740-2309, Eva (301) 730-6488.

Yorktowne Winter Dance Holiday
York, PA
December 27-New Year's Day
2nd annual festival sponsored by Morgan & Lundquist, 382 White Oak Creek Rd, Burnsville, NC 28714. Phone (704)675-5258. Reserve early w/$150 deposit per person.
POLICY for Classified Ads: FSGW Members ONLY may place ads. Lost & Found are FREE; all others: $15 commercial/business, $7 non-commercial & individuals. Limit 20 words, including tel.# with area code. Limit 3 ads per issue. Ads must be relevant to FSGW’s stated purpose (see Editorial Policy elsewhere in issue). Deadline is the same as for the rest of the Newsletter. Please include tel. # in case of questions. We provide advertisers with a targeted audience of people interested in all the various forms of folk-lore & folk-life.

OASIS RECORDING: Studio and concert recording. Steinway, digital mixdown, $35/hour. Instruction (through HMT), noise elimination, editing... Free brochure! Micah Solomon, (301) 588-4133.

OVER THE HILLS AND FAR AWAY--music from 18th century Annapolis by David and Ginger Hildebrand, $14/CD, $9/cassette ppd. 276 Oak Court, Severna Park, MD 21146. (301) 544-6149.

SWAP 'EM, TRADE 'EM, BUY 'EM, CONSIGN 'EM, your instrument or ours. House of Musical Traditions, 7040 Carroll Ave., Takoma Park, MD.

PIANO TUNING: Don’t wait! It’s time to get your piano in tune for the holidays. Call Zan McLeod, (301) 652-3765.


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PERFORMER’S GROUP. Practice performing solo with other performers in a relaxed atmosphere. Voice, instrument, drama, etc. Details: Gene Long, (703) 758-4044.

RADIO WOOF, Bill Wellington’s newly released cassette, is the perfect holiday gift for the kids on your list. (703) 885-0233.

YES, SANTA, there are some LPs for sale! For the traditionalists on your list...call House of Musical Traditions, (301) 270-9090.

TO ORDER RADIO WOOF, send $11.50 (ppd.) to Well-in-Tune Music, 301 Thompson Street, Staunton, VA 24401. (703) 885-0233.

WANTED: Used (but not abused!) hammered dulcimer, reasonable price. I’m eager to learn--dust off that neglected instrument and call Elizabeth, (202) 244-8981.

MUSIC FROM PBS SERIES: THE CIVIL WAR available from HMT in early December at the crack o’ noon, 7 days/week.

WANTED: One live body who types to take responsibility for typing in classifieds once a month. See notice below for details...


IMPORTANT!! READ THIS!

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Publications Chair is preparing to step down as Newsletter Editor. We have found a new Editor, with good proofreading skills, who is presently "in training." Please be kind to her & give her time to learn the ropes, just as you did for me. As of the January 12th 1991 deadline, all copy must be sent to: FSGW, c/o Ginny Klein, 736 Silver Spring Ave., Silver Spring, MD 20910.

The Newsletter is a huge job. Without a committee, the job is long & hard. With a staff, it is fun & not too arduous. SO...we need two more bodies who each has a single 4-hour (max.) chunk of time once each month to type in Newsletter copy. If we do not get more helpers, some sections may shrink or disappear!
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Silver Spring, MD 20905

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If more than one last name, please indicate preferred name for alphabetical listing.

NAME

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CITY

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Are you willing to help the Society in some way? __________________________________________________________________________________________________________

What are your major interests (music, dance, crafts, etc.)? __________________________________________________________________________________________________________

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