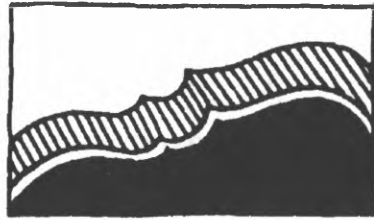


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NEWSLETTER



Drive the Cold Winter Away! 23rd Annual FSGW MiniFest Saturday, January 28



Afternoon Events 12-6 PM Evening Concert & Dance 7:30-10:30 PM

Drive away those winter blahs and join your fellow folkies for a day of picking, singing, fiddling, dancing, storytelling and crafting at the FSGW's annual winter fundraiser, the MiniFest. We'll be back at the Takoma Park Middle School, 7911 Piney Branch Rd., Takoma Park, MD. The afternoon session will run from 12 noon to 6 PM, featuring song swaps, dance and music workshops, instrumental jams, wonderful kids' programs, craft demonstrations and mini-concerts by featured performers. The evening will be filled with a concert and dance (simultaneously) starting at 7:30PM until 10:30 PM.

Afternoon Program

The afternoon's events feature **YOU!** Whether you're looking for a hands-on instrumental jam or a feet-on dance session, the MiniFest has something for you. Sessions are led by members of the folk community with participation by all encouraged. Singing and instrumental music sessions include swaps and jams on particular topics or folk styles, tutorials featuring folklorists and musicians demonstrating some particular facet of folklore, and mini-concerts by area singers, storytellers and instrumentalists. Dance workshops include demonstration and instruction to live music in a delicious variety of styles. A special Family Area will have all-afternoon programming aimed at kids. Crafters will exhibit their work and demonstrate techniques. Come share some homemade music and dance with your friends and family! Some of this year's program include:

- International: Music and stories from Asian, Klezmer, Balkan and Slavic, Finnish, West African traditions

- Song Swaps: Two all-afternoon tracks featuring Ballads (Scots' Border, Happy Endings, Non-Anglo, Women's Themes and Ballads Not in Child) and Work Songs (Mining and Lumbering, "Women's" Work, Agricultural, Labor Unions and Aquatic)

- Dance: Two rooms of teaching and demonstrations in Zydeco, Swing, English, Israeli, Contras, Balkan, Clogging and much, much more -ALL with Live Music!



- Instrumental jams and Tutorials: Honky-Tonk, Celtic, Blues, Autoharp, Lap Dulcimer, Performing with Microphones, Setting Up and Running Sound and more

- Mini-concerts: Spots featuring well-known and not-so-familiar performers in samplers of local and visiting talent; Mactalla, The Washington Toho Koto Society, Sidekicks, Van Mertz, Kathy Westra, Machaya and many more

- Children's Favorites: All-afternoon track includes Clogging with Diane Shaw, Mime with Mark Jaster, Irish tunes by the Irish Breakfast Band, Klezmer with the Klezmer Katz and more

Evening Concert and Dance

Featured concert artists this year are the Georgia Sea Island Singers, Sweet Accord, Reverb and Ceiltori to give a blend of tight vocal harmonies and intricate instrumental weaving. The dance is an exciting two-part extravaganza: Contras and Squares to the hot sounds of Celtic Thunder with Ann Fallon calling, and International dancing to the brassy tunes of BAMCO with Larry Weiner. Evening MiniFest goers can sample both the concert and dance!

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FSGW SUNDAY NIGHT DANCES

CHERRY HILL PARK 7:30 - 10:30 PM

From December through mid-March dances are held at Cherry Hill Park, 9800 Cherry Hill Road, College Park, Maryland. The hall was built for dancing, with a 60' by 60' suspended wood floor and good acoustics. Directions: Take the Beltway to exit 25B (Route 1 South). At the second light (1/10 mile) turn right onto Cherry Hill Road. Go one mile until you see the park on your left. Turn left and follow the entrance road one block past a Stop sign to a T intersection. Turn right and park near (or past) the clubhouse. If you're lost call (301) 595-7181.

Jan 1 Could there possibly be a better way to start the year than with a dance? **Tuppence Blackwell** will call stylish and challenging contras to help you get started on the right foot. *Beyond the Beltway* provides sprightly New England tunes to keep you in a holiday mood.

Jan 8 Traveling south from Montague Center, Massachusetts, **David Kaynor** joins us to call an evening of contras with the *Future Geezers*, featuring Andrea Hoag's melodious fiddle teamed with Charlie Pilzer providing piano and Bob Mills on his magical mandolin.

Special Schedule for *Swallowtail*:
2:30 - 5:30pm and 7:30 - 10:30pm.

Jan 15 In their second decade of thrilling dancers with their unique sound, *Swallowtail* is one band that needs little introduction. Ron Grosslein (fiddle, mandolin), David Cantieni (lots o'winds), Tim van Egmond (hammered dulcimer), Timm Triplett (piano and virginal) combine with George Marshall on concertina to provide dance music ranging from raucous to classical. **George** and **Tim** share the calling.

Jan 22 **Nancy Mamlin** tears herself away from the Internet to call contras and squares to the spirited old time sounds of *The Deadbeats*: Mike Ballo on fiddle, Alan Firth playing bass, Kevin Enoch's guitar and Adam Yarmi on banjo.

Jan 29 From St. Paul, Minnesota, *Pig's Eye Landing* travels South and East in search of warmer weather. Combining eclectic instruments with Celtic and New England tunes, PEL consists of Erik Sessions, Andrew Munkres, Erik Peterson, Scott Spencer and Greg Dale. From Albany, New York, caller and former Minnesotan Peter Stix, will provide contras and a square or two gathered in his travels from New Mexico to New York.

Feb 5 *Findhorn Trio*



Note: Special Schedule for Swallowtail

Since Swallowtail's popularity is guaranteed to outstrip the limited capacity of Cherry Hill Park we will be holding two dances on January 15. The first will run from 2:30- 5:30 and the second will begin at our regular time of 7:30.

Remember: Drive slowly and carefully in the Park. Avoid blocking campsites and remember that people are trying to sleep when we leave. Please remember to bring a pair of clean, soft-soled shoes to change into for dancing.



Drive the Cold Winter Away! At The 23rd Annual FSGW MiniFest

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Food, Fees and Other Important Stuff

A delicious selection of luncheon offerings and beverages will be sold during the day by *Trails' End Kitchens* (run by Debby McClatchey). They will also sell a limited number of dinner meals; reserve yours the afternoon of the MiniFest.

Volunteers are needed to work as ticket sellers, instrument checkers, craft sitters, chair movers, etc. We need your help to make the MiniFest work - please call Sally Lackman at 301-649-7144 to volunteer!

Admission for **FSGW members**: \$12 All Day (both Afternoon and Evening Sessions), \$7 Half Day (either Afternoon or Evening). Children ages 5-12 are \$5 All Day, \$3 Half Day. Family **MAXIMUM** is \$34 All Day, \$20 Half Day.

Admission for **Non-members**: \$15 All Day and \$10 Half Day. Children 5-12 \$6 All Day and \$4 Half Day. Family **MAXIMUM** is \$42 All Day, \$28 Half Day. (You may become an FSGW member at the door.) All Kids under 5 free.

Members of BMFS, Mid-Maryland Folk Arts, N.Y. Pinewoods, CDSS and other organizations with reciprocity may pay FSGW member prices; please bring your membership cards, though!

The MiniFest is co-sponsored by WETA (90.9 FM) this year; listen for updates on performers and other info. Watch for a more detailed schedule in your February FSGW *Newsletter*, (to be delivered before the Mini) or call the FSGW Hotline at 202-546-2228.

North Carolina's Sheila Kay Adams Friday, January 13, 8:30pm

For the January membership program, the Folklore Society is proud to present North Carolina's Sheila Kay Adams, a seventh-generation ballad singer with a rare and beautiful repertoire of ancient ballads. The concert will be held at the Washington Ethical Society auditorium on Fri, Jan. 13, at 8:30pm.

Sheila Kay Adams was born and raised in the town of Sodom in the mountains of western North Carolina, a region long recognized as home to some of the oldest and rarest musical traditions in the United States. It was in these mountains that English folklorist and ballad collector Cecil Sharp made his famous ballad collecting expeditions; there he found that the local people had preserved more completely than in Britain, the traditional English ballads and songs, some dating back to the Elizabethan time. Sheila grew up hearing these ancient ballads still sung in the old, unaccompanied style, by family members, particularly her great aunt Dellie Norton, and by older members of the community including Cas Wallin, Evelyn Ramsey and Inez Chandler. As a young woman Sheila, was encouraged by her great aunt and by others to learn and preserve these ancient songs, which would otherwise die out with the older women in the community. She has taken to this mission with a vengeance, learning the old repertoire and singing it in a clear, unaccompanied style with roots stretching back three hundred years and across an ocean. She has brought her music to concerts and festivals all over the country and is recognized by many as one of the best young singers of traditional mountain ballads.

Sheila is also recognized as a fine storyteller. Possessed of a keen ear and a singer's sense of timing, she presents the unique ways of speech and life in the southern mountains in an authentic honest voice. She is a fine banjo player, having learned the instrument as a teenager from Dwight Diller and her uncle, Bayard Ray. She plays in the clawhammer or frog-thumb style, and mentions that Tommy Jarrell as another major influence. Sheila has recorded three albums of her own and has appeared on two albums by hammered dulcimer player Jim Taylor. Jim, who is her husband, will occasionally accompany Sheila on dance tunes during the concert. Washington Ethical Society auditorium is located at 7750 16th St. N.W. in Washington, DC at the corner of 16th & Kalmia Rd. Admission for this program will be FREE to FSGW members and \$9 to nonmembers, who may join the society at the door.



Ski/Dance Weekends

Two great Ski/Dance weekends are planned for 1995. The American Ski/Dance weekend (January 13 - 16) will feature David Kaynor and Peter Fricke calling New England contras to the music of Elke Baker and Friends. Washington's Ski/Dance Weekend (February 17 - 20) will feature Erna-Lynne Bogue calling for English country dancing to the music of Amarillis Country Dance Band. David Wiesler will play for workshops at both Weekends and lead the song sessions. Cost? \$126 members; \$140 nonmembers; \$88 children, 12 years and under. For registration forms, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Ski/Dance Weekends, P.O. Box 2011, Shepherdstown, WV. For more info call 301-589-7539.

19th Annual Washington Folk Festival Needs Your Help June 3rd & 4th, 1995

PERFORMERS:

Do you know someone down the street from you who plays Cajun fiddle, sings the blues, or does dances from Uzbekistan? Do you perform folk music or dance of any kind? Then the Washington Folk Festival would like to hear from you! We are planning the program for the 19th annual Washington Folk Festival which will be held on June 3 and 4 at Glen Echo Park. The Festival tries to present a wide variety of traditional music forms from around the world performed by people living in the Washington metropolitan area. If you would like information about performing at the Festival or if you have information about an act you would like to see at the Festival, please call program committee co-chairs Carol Lite at 301-681-7768 or Donna Fletcher at 202-547-5217.

VOLUNTEERS:

The 19th Washington Folk Festival is looking for a few good folks---no, make that *lots* of good folks---to help plan and stage this year's event. This year will mark the 19th Annual WFF, to be held as always at Glen Echo Park, on Jun 3 & 4th. The Festival, co-sponsored by FSGW and the National Park Service, is produced through a coordinated volunteer effort over several months; performers donate their services.

Committee work for 1995 has already begun, and the staff invites all interested people to join in working with one of the several committees. This year there is a particular need for help on the Volunteers, Publicity and Operations committees. Skills are helpful for each of these roles, but more important is a general willingness to contribute to the overall success of the Festival. You'll be especially welcome if you can work a few hours on some weekends *before* the Festival---making phone calls, assembling and mailing publicity kits, circulating fliers, preparing the site, building stages and setting up equipment.

If you have ideas for this year's WFF, or can volunteer some time between now and June 3 & 4, please call one of the WFF Coordinators. You'll find their phone numbers listed with the FSGW Board in the box below.

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FSGW Editorial Policy

We try to print all copy relevant to FSGW's purpose and membership. (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.").

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.

Chesapeake Spring Dance Weekend

Plan now for a great time dancing in the Spring. The Chesapeake Spring Dance Weekend returns to YMCA Camp Letts on April 7 - 9, 1995. Once again, Chesapeake brings you great music and dance that you won't find anywhere else. This year's line-up will include New England contras called by **Mary DesRosiers** with music provided by Jeremiah McLaine, Pete Sutherland and Keith Murphy. From America's heartland, **Frank Hall** will call squares to music by the **Red Mule Stringband**, featuring Jeff, Susie and Rick Goehring. **Kari Smith** will teach Marley clog and English clog styles. And more. Flyers will be sent out to past attendees and will be out at your local dance shortly. Just as last year, we will have a registration lottery in mid-January to avoid penalizing anyone with poor mail service. Call 202-544-7512 for more information or if you haven't found a flyer by early January.

MORE FOLKLORE SOCIETY NEWS

Board Meeting

Wednesday, January 4, 7:30pm

The next Board meeting will be at the home of Dance Chair, Paul Levitt on Jan. 4, 1995 at 7:30pm. Any FSGW member may attend. If you have any items for the board to consider, please call Marty Summerour 703-354-6460 or Carl Mintz 202-543-4999.

Board Highlights

The Board met Dec. 8, 1994. Topics discussed and actions taken:

- Volunteers are needed for pledge night at WETA on Feb. 11, 1995. Please volunteer to help take pledges as we join together to support Mary Cliff's show, Traditions. If you can help, please call Marty Summerour, 703-354-6460 between 6 - 10pm. Please pledge to WETA in support of this show. It is very important to let WETA know that we support folk music on the radio.
- The Board voted to extend our membership to the Capital Tangueros, a group dedicated to preserving and celebrating The Argentine Tango. Watch for their practice sessions and dances to be listed in your FSGW *Newsletter*. Contact Dan Fish 703-276-1430 for more info.
- Jamie Platt and Diane Dormady will co-chair the MiniFest to be held Jan. 28, 1995 at the Takoma Park Intermediate School. The MiniFest needs volunteers for many things! If you are willing to do instrument check, or money taking or be a room coordinator, please call Jamie Platt 301-320-7099. Remember you get reduced or waived admission depending on how much time you put in.
- The performance lights for concerts have now been purchased.
- Dean Clamons from the Washington Folk Festival Coordinating Committee reported to the board regarding progress on the 1995 WFF. The WFF will produce a compact disk of WFF music. It is hoped that this will be completed for the 1996 festival.
- Volunteers are still needed to help our Membership Chair, Dan Fox. Dan needs help with data entry and concert helpers. Please call if you can help! Dan Fox 301-384-2089.

FSGW Sponsors Capital Tangueros

The Capital Tangueros are a group of dedicated dancers whose purpose is to preserve and popularize the authentic Argentinean Tango. Effective as of the Dec 8th meeting, FSGW will sponsor The Capital Tangueros.

The Tangueros hold weekly Saturday tango practice sessions at Starting Point Dance and Fitness Studio in College Park, MD. The cost is minimal. Other tango dance parties and dances are planned for the coming year. For more info call Dan Fish 703-276-1430.

Sacred Harp Singing

Sunday, January 1, 3pm

The popular annual New Year's Day singing of Early American shape-note hymns, anthems, and fusing tunes will take place at the Rock Spring Congregational Church, 5010 Little Falls, Rd., Arlington, VA. Introduction to shape-note singing at 2pm, singing 3 - 6pm, a pot-luck dinner at 6pm with more singing after dinner. Everyone welcome! Loaner tunebooks available. Please bring some nonperishable food or a donation for the needy. Directions: From Rte. 66 take North Glebe Rd. for 1.6 miles and turn left on Rock Spring Rd. Go two blocks to church on corner. For info call 301-897-5274.

Open Sing**Friday, January 6, 8:30pm**

It's Twelfth Night and Dottie Hurley chooses "The Magi and other Wise Guys" as the open sing topic. The Open Sing will be held Fri. Jan 6, in the Guild Room, Church of the Ascension Parish Hall, 630 Silver Spring Ave. Silver Spring, MD. Bring your own refreshments, voice and choice of songs and instruments.

FSGW English Country Dance**Every Wednesday, 8:00-10:30pm**

The FSGW English country dance meets weekly on Wednesdays at 8pm at the Church of the Ascension, 633 Sligo Ave, Silver Spring, MD. Parking and entry are easier from Silver Spring Ave. Open to dancers of all experience levels. Members \$5, nonmembers \$6.

- Jan 4 Diane Schmit welcomes the new year as she calls to the music of Liz Donaldson and Elke Baker
- Jan 11 Rich Galloway calls with music by Steve Hickman, Bruce Edwards and Liz Donaldson
- Jan 18 Christopher Field leads the dancing with music by Laura Doty and Liz Donaldson
- Jan 25 Stephanie Smith calls with music by Andrea Hoag and David Wiesler.

Directions: From the Beltway (I-495), go south on GA Ave. (Rt. 97) thru downtown Silver Spring. Just before the WGAY building, turn left at the firehouse onto Silver Spring Ave. Continue a few blocks until you see the church on the right, just across from East Silver Spring Elementary. From DC, north on GA Ave. and turn right on Silver Spring Ave., just past the WGAY building. Metro: Call in advance and we'll see that you get a lift! Info: Norm Bernhardt 301-320-2469 or Rich Galloway 301-589-0939.

Gospel Sing**Sunday, January 8, 4:00 PM**

The Jan. Gospel Sing will be at the home of Kathie Mack in Takoma Park, MD. Call her at 301-270-5367 for directions. She is quite close to the Takoma Metro stop. Singing starts around 4:00 PM with a break for a covered dish supper and then more singing. Everyone is welcome!

Argentine Tango Workshops**Sunday, January 8, 2:00 - 6:00pm**

Argentine Tango workshops taught by Jorge Nel, director of Compania de Tango Argentino from Miami, FL will be held Sun. Jan. 8 from 2 - 3:30pm. Beginning/intermediate (BEG. INT. N/E, N/P), \$15; 3:45 - 5:15pm Intermediate/advanced, \$15 and guided dance practice from 5:15 - 6:00pm. Starting Point Dance and Fitness Studio, 7215-B Baltimore Blvd., College Park, MD. For more info call 703-276-1430. Sponsored by Capital Tangueros.

Milonga!!! (Argentine Tango Dance)**Sunday, January 15, 8pm**

Authentic Argentine dance hall line-of-dance tango. Will also include other Latin dances, 40's swing. Recorded 1940's and other traditional tango music (no live Argentine Tango music in DC area yet.) Light refreshments, Admission is \$5. Starting Point Dance & Fitness Studio, College Park, MD. For more info call 703-276-1430. Sponsored by Capital Tangueros.

Storytelling**Saturday, January 21, 7:30pm**

Storytellers and listeners are invited to the home of Ralph & Margaret Chatham in Falls Church, VA. on Sat. Jan. 21, at 7:30pm for an evening of stories and pot-luck refreshments. Call 703-698-5456 for RSVPS & directions.

Sacred Harp Singing**Sunday, January 22, 4pm**

Our regular fourth-Sunday singing will be at the Elementary all purpose room of Grace Brethren Christian School, 6501 Surratts Rd., Clinton, MD. Singing school at 3pm, regular singing at 4pm; pot-luck at 6pm. Directions: Take Rte 495 in MD to exit 7, Rte 5 toward Clinton. Go 5.5 miles on Rte. 5 and turn right at Surratts Rd. Go one mile on Surratts to school at corner of Brandywine, Rd. For more info, call 301-248-5186.

AROUND TOWN**Institute of Musical Traditions****Concert Series**

The Institute of Musical Traditions Monday Night Concert Series 1994-95. Unless otherwise noted, all concerts are held at the Silver Spring Unitarian Universalist Church, 10309 New Hampshire Ave. Silver Spring, MD. Shows begin at 8pm. Admission is \$8 unless otherwise noted. Call 301-270-9090 for more information.

- Jan 9 **5 Chinese Brothers** - Bayou flavored country-pop-folk-rock band
- Jan 16 **Catie Curtis** - winner of Telluride songwriting contest
- Jan 23 **Chic Streetman** - acoustic bluesy ballads and jazzy up-beat originals
- Jan 30 Double Bill: **Vicky Pratt Keating Trio** - songwriter with great new band & **Don Conoscenti** - named Atlanta's best musician and songwriter

House of Musical Traditions Fiddle Workshops**Tuesday, January 17**

Continuing fiddle, for those who have learned basic technique and can play several tunes, starts Tues. Jan. 17 and runs 5 weeks. Andrea Hoag is the teacher; the topics are style, technique and new tunes in a variety of genres. Call 301-565-2777 or 301-270-9090.

Thursday, January 19

Fiddling from Scratch, a 5-week course, starts Thurs. Jan. 19th. "Fiddle basics in a friendly atmosphere"; it is taught by Andrea Hoag, who taught over 500 beginners in Seattle before moving to the other Washington. Call 301-565-2777 or 301-270-9090 for more info.

Greater Beltway Broads**Friday, January 6, 8:30pm**

Celtic meets country meets folk meets a wonderful mix of songs, harmonies and instruments. PLUS wild humor and good karma. The **Greater Beltway Broads** are Sue Richards, Debi Smith, Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer, Freyda Epstein and Grace Griffith. The show starts at 8:30 at the Birchmere in Alexandria, VA. Tickets are \$15. To order call 703-573-7328. For more info call 703-549-5919.

Scottish Fiddling**Sunday, January 8, 2:30 pm**

The Potomac Valley Scottish Fiddling Club invites all people interested in Scottish fiddle music to come our monthly meetings. The January session will be at 2:30 pm on Sun. Jan. 8, at the home of Karin Loya Babst, 7926 Helmart Drive, Laurel, MD 20723. Our music director, Elke Baker, will lead a workshop, teaching a few new tunes by ear, and will pass out the month's printed music. There will be a potluck supper after the workshop, so bring something to eat. There will be jamming after dinner. For more information and directions, call 301-776-2913.

Hesperus Crossover**Thursday, January 12, 7:30pm**

Daredevil fiddler Bruce Molsky joins **Hesperus Crossover** trio Bruce Hutton, Scott Reiss and Tina Chancey in a program melding American folk music and European medieval music on Thurs. Jan. 12 at 7:30pm at the Corcoran Gallery's Frances and Armand Hammer Auditorium, 17th St. N.W. and New York Ave., Washington, DC. Tickets are \$18/\$10 for students and seniors, and are available from Hesperus, 703-525-7550. FSGW members can receive \$5 off the ticket price in advance or at the door by mentioning the society when they buy tickets. For more info call 703-525-7550.

**Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann****Sunday, January 15, 3pm**

Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann (CCE) (Society of Musicians of Ireland). The charter membership meeting of The Washington DC. branch of CCE will be held Sun. Jan. 15, 3pm at Irish Times Tavern, 14 F St. NW, Washington, DC (Suite B). If you are interested in becoming a charter member of the Washington DC branch of CCE please attend the meeting or indicate your interest in writing: CCE 10114 Glenmere Rd. Fairfax, VA 22032. For more info call 703-978-8265.

10th Annual WFMA Benefit Concert**Saturday, January 21, 6:30pm**

The 10th Annual WFMA Benefit Concert will be held Sat. Jan. 21, at 6:30pm in the Lisner Auditorium, 21st and H Sts, NW, Washington, DC. Featured guests: Chad Mitchell Trio, Christine Lavin, Garnet Rogers, The Chenille Sisters, Tom Paxton, Carolyn Hester, Steve Gillette & Cindy Mangsen, Pete Kennedy and Maura Boudreau, Terra Nova and Side by Side. All seats are reserved; Admission is \$27.50. Following the concert there will be a reception at headquarters hotel. One hundred tickets will be sold to the public for the reception. Admission to concert and reception is \$50. For more info call 202-362-2225.

David Novak**Saturday, January 21, 8pm**

The Washington Storytellers Theatre presents David Novak in a performance called "Water from the Gulfstream, smoke from the Everglades". David weaves myth, literature and his own imagination together to tell stories of growing up in Florida. The program will be at Washington Ethical Society, 7750 16th St. NW, Washington, DC. Tickets are \$10, \$6 for students and seniors. To order tickets and to inquire about Novak's workshop on Sun. Jan 22, call the Washington Theatre's hotline 202-291-2170.

Doris Justis on Radio

WTRI Radio presents Folk Alley with Doris Justis, Saturday sometime between 1 - 5pm. Featuring contemporary, traditional and vintage folk music spotlighting local and regional acoustic music and the Best folk performers from 1950's to present. Performers send your CD's to D. Justis, PO Box 4867, Washington, DC. 20008. For more info call Doris at 202-686-9210 or the radio station 301-834-9799.

Showtunes Circle

Showtunes Circle is an informal, for-fun-only get together for people who like to sing songs from musicals. We do not perform in public. We sing only for our own pleasure. You do NOT need to be musically talented to join us. We will meet on the Jan 18. For info call 301-589-1439 or 301-468-9233.

**Capitol Area Bluegrass
& Old-time Music Assn.**

Jams, learner's sessions, song swaps; 2nd & 4th Sundays of every month, 2-6pm.; other activities as scheduled. CABOMA is a membership organization, but visitors are welcome to come and try us out. Beginners to advanced welcome. Lyon Park Community Ctr. at N. Fillmore St. & Pershing Dr., Arlington, VA. Info: 703-549-2594.

**Volunteers Needed
National Folk Archive**

Once again, the Archive of Folk Culture at the Library of Congress American Folklife Center 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 at 202-707-1725 to arrange a starting time. If you have more time available, inquire about the Archive's Intern Program. You too can join the ranks of up to 300 past interns and bold volunteers, going all the way back to Pete Seeger in 1938!

If your schedule does not permit volunteering or interning at the Folk Archive, but you would still like to help out, please consider making a donation to the Friends of the Folk archive Fund. Such donations are tax deductible, and can be made payable to the Archive of Folk Culture, Library of Congress, Washington, DC 20540-8100.

Slavic Music Society Chorus

Slavic Music Society of Washington (SMSW) President Valentin Fetisoff announced the Society is now forming a mixed chorus that will feature a repertoire of traditional Russian, Ukranian and East European songs. As part of this effort, the Society is also searching for a music director to work with the chorus.

The SMSW is a newly created non-profit organization whose purpose is to promote interest in Slavic music and culture. The SMSW also sponsors the Slavic Male Chorus of Washington, DC, that has recently recorded an audio tape of Russian music titled Cossack Favorites. Tape recordings are also planned for the mixed chorus. Any qualified person interested in being associated with the Mixed Chorus as its director and singers wishing to join the Chorus should get in touch with Val Fetisoff, WMSW President 703-978-7363.

Traditions

Traditions on WETA-FM (90.9) in Washington and WETH (89.1) Hagerstown, airs from 9 pm to 1 am Saturday nights and features: 1/7 a whole range of folk music, with an emphasis on new releases; 1/14 includes songs of the Civil Rights Movement and a preview of the World Folk Music Association's annual gala; 1/21 Washington area performers; 1/28 songs of home and hearth and keeping warm.

Folkmasters hosted by Nick Spitzer airs Saturdays at 8 pm: 1/7 Masters of the Folk Violin; 1/14 Cajun and Country Dance Hall music; 1/21 Good Friday Gospel; 1/28 Europe in North America.

IN CONCERT

Carey Creed in Concert

Every Wednesday and Thursday in January at Cate's Bistro, 715 King St., Alexandria, VA. For info call 703-549-0533. 7 - 10pm Reservation recommended.

Rob Guttenberg in Concert

Sat. Jan 14 European Art Cafe, 11120 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD. 8:30 - 10:30pm
Sat. Jan 28 FSGW MiniFest

Terra Nova in Concert

Fri. Jan 13 The Potter's House, 1658 Columbia Rd., NW, Washington, DC. 8pm. For more info call 202-232-5483.

Henderson, Lash & Creed Trio in Concert

Sat. Jan 7 E.M. Magoo's. 2429 Reedy Dr., Wheaton, MD. 9 - 1am. For more info call 301-947-2777
Fri. & Sat. Jan 27 & 28 Nickleby's. 156 Enterprise St., Sterling, VA. 9 - 1am. For more info call 702-444-2208

Eileen Joyner in Concert

Sat. Jan 14 Live taping of CoffeeHouse 10. 12pm. Fairfax Cable Channel 10, 2929 Eskridge Rd. Fairfax, VA. 703-978-2198
Sat. Jan 28 FSGW Minifest



LOCAL CLUB VENUES

Folk Club of Reston-Herndon Tuesdays at 7:30pm

Open mike with a 3-song limit. \$1 cover. Member Showcase 1st Tuesday. Barb Martin and *Rare Bird* 1/31 \$7 (\$6 members) Tortilla Factory, 648 Elden St., Herndon, VA. Info: 703-437-7766, 703-573-6855 for recording of events. Smoke FREE venue.

Open Door Coffeehouse Friday, January 6, 8pm

The Open Door Coffeehouse is a no-smoking, no-alcohol coffeehouse located in the social hall of Fairlington United Methodist Church, 3900 King St., Alexandria, VA. at the intersection of I-395 and Rte. 7. Admission is by donation. For info call 202-775-1742.

Jan 6 Andre McKnight, Kate Campbell

Music Americana Showcase Tuesday, January 3, 8:15pm

Music Americana Showcase at the Red Capricorn et al, 12222 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD. (Just north of Randolph Rd.) For directions and reservations call 202-362-2225. Hosted by Dick Cerri. Admission is \$6.

Jan 3 Andrew McKnight, Randy Barrett, Kathy Ziegler and Amanda McGill

Caffé Florian Coffeehouse Saturday, January 14, 8pm

Located at Davies Memorial Unitarian Church, 7400 Temple Hill Rd. Camp Springs, MD., 0.3mi south of Allentown Rd. The Caffé' Florian is held the second Saturday of each month. September through May. The open mike is occasionally supplemented by a featured performer and admission is FREE. For more info call 301-449-8804

Jan 14 Open Mike plus Hollyfield and Spruill.

Del Ray Coffeehouse Saturday, January 14, 7:30-10:30 PM

The Del Ray Coffeehouse, located in the Del Ray Methodist Church, 100 East Windsor Ave., Alexandria, VA, Del Ray Coffeehouse encourages local musicians to sign up for a 15 minute open mike spot at each concert. Call ahead for an open mike spot to be sure it's available. For details and directions, please contact the church between 9am - 1pm, Monday - Friday at 703-549-4848 or leave a message at 703-549-5609. As always, fresh coffee and tea, homemade baked goodies will be for sale. Bring your own mug for guilt-free coffee. \$5 cover.

Jan 14 *Long Starlet Band* plus Don Conoscenti

Coffeehouse Good Counsel Saturday, January 28, 8:30pm

Open Stage: (Date changed because of a school function). Acoustic musicians, singers, songwriters, storytellers and poets invited to participate. Sheepshead Bay hosts. Admission \$5. Smoke FREE venue, complimentary refreshments and ample parking. Located in Good Counsel High School Library (2nd floor), 11601 Georgia Ave. Wheaton, MD. Info 301-680-8669(Eves.)

Music Americana Showcase Bad Habits

Music Americana presents a monthly showcase of national and regional folk music performers at Bad Habits, 5444 Columbia Pike, Arlington, VA. Showcases will be held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 8:30pm. Admission is \$6 & proceeds benefit the World Folk Music Association. Dick Cerri is host & emcee.

There will be no Showcase in January due to WFMA benefit concert. See article on page 7.

Folkal Point Thursdays

The Folkal Point is a volunteer-operated weekly concert series located in the banquet room of the Coho Grill, Hobbit's Glen Golf Club, 11130 Willow Bottom Dr., Columbia, Maryland. Concerts are held every Thurs. Admission \$8 unless otherwise noted. Smoke-FREE venue. For info 301-982-0686.

Jan 5 Bill Baker Trio

Jan 12 Bob Zentz

Jan 19 Steve Gillette & Cindy Mangsen (\$10, advance tickets available)

Jan 26 Ed Miller (Robert Burns night)

January is Folk Music and Dance Month Celebrate at the Folkal Point

Folk Music and Dance month was created by the Folk Alliance to focus attention on the "growing community of people from throughout North America who are dedicated to the presentation, perpetuation and preservation of folk music in it's various forms.

During the month of January, every first-time Folkal Point attendee will receive a coupon for 50% off a future admission to The Folkal Point! Those who have attended Folkal Point concerts in the past will receive an extra punch on their "Frequent Folkie Cards" for each new person brought to a Folkal Point concert -- a quick way to earn free admissions!

To hear a sound bite from the featured performer and for more info call 410-381-2460 (Balt.) or 301-982-0686 (DC/VA).

LOCAL DANCES

Editorial Policy for Dance Events

Because so many dancers seek dances with live music, all notices about dances should 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. N.B.: **All copy must contain Area Codes in the Info Tel. #s!**

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.

Friday Night Dance

The Friday Night Dancers and the National Park Service sponsor contra dances (with occasional squares) every Friday night at the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park on MacArthur Boulevard. The dances begin at 8:30. The admission price is \$5 unless otherwise noted. There will be no pre-dance lessons during the months of January and February. Lessons will resume in March. **THE FRIDAY NIGHT DANCE WILL REMAIN AT GLEN ECHO THROUGHOUT THE WINTER MONTHS! IF YOU WANT TO KNOW WHETHER A DANCE WILL BE CANCELLED DUE TO WEATHER, CALL THE PARK SERVICE'S RECORDED MESSAGE AT 301-492-6282. THE MESSAGE WILL BE UPDATED AT 9:00 AM, 12:00 NOON AND 3:00 PM. THE 3:00 MESSAGE IS THE DEFINITIVE WORD!** For recorded information about who will be playing for the current week's dances, call the DC Dance Hotline at 301-270-1678. If you wish to discuss any aspect of the dance or would like to play or call for a Friday Night Dance, please contact Betsy Platt at (301) 320-7099 or bplatt@access.digex.com.

Bands and callers for January will be:

- Jan 6 **Findhorn Trio** with **Ralph Gordon / Howard Bass** calling
 Jan 13 Open Band with **Chris Youngblood**
 Jan 20 **Swallowtail** with **George Marshall**
 Jan 27 Elke Baker, Alice Markham and Laura Lengnick with **Ted Hodapp**
 Feb 3 **The Potato Heads** with **Denise Lair**

WACZA Cajun Dance

Friday, January 6, 8:30pm

The monthly WACZA dance features Cajun music with the **Pair O Dice Playboys**. The Playboys include Sakina Thompson on accordion, Trent Van Blaricom on fiddle, Doug Bell on guitar and Wes Crawford on drums. Cherry Hill Park, College Park, MD. Workshop 7:30 - 8:30pm. Dancing is from 8:30 - 11:30pm. Admission to this dance is \$8 for WACZA members and \$10 for nonmembers. For info 703-739-3836.



Reston Dance

Saturday, January 7, 8pm

There will be a contra dance on Sat. Jan. 7 from 8 - 11pm at the Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Rd., Reston, VA., called by Bob Hirsch to the lively music of the June Apple Band. \$4.50. Beginners' workshop 7 - 8pm., \$1.50. Singles, couples, all levels welcome. For more info call Alice Markham 703-709-9121.

Gammaldans

Saturday, January 7, 8pm

Traditional Scandinavian couple turning dances, music by Peascods Gathering, basics for beginners taught by Fred Aalto at TPIS. N/E, N/P. \$4. Note: in April there will be a memorial gammaldans for Bill Warren; details will come later. For more info call 301-493-6281, 703-356-3036 or 301-762-4541.

Squeeze Bayou

Sunday, January 8, 6pm

Early evening Cajun music continues at Tornado Alley with Squeeze Bayou. Its an early evening of Cajun dancing and children are welcome. Workshop takes place from 5 - 6pm. Dancing from 6 - 8:30pm. Admission is \$7 for adults. Kids - FREE. Tornado Alley is located just off of University Blvd. on Elkin St. in Wheaton, MD. For info call 301-270-2586.

English Country Dance

2nd & 4th Saturdays, January 14 & 28, 8:15pm

Music by Peascods Gathering, calling by Barbara Harding, at Sligo Middle School, 1401 Dennis Ave., Silver Spring, MD. Personal instruction for beginners, 8 - 8:15pm. N/E, N/P. \$4. For more info call 301-493-6281, 301-946-5388 or 301-577-5018.

Zydeco Dance

Saturday, January 14, 9pm

Enjoy red hot zydeco music and come dance to the **Creole Zydeco Farmers** in the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park, MacArthur Blvd. at Goldsboro Rd., Glen Echo, MD. Beginners zydeco workshop from 8 - 9pm. Dance 9 - 12pm. Admission \$10 (Includes dance workshop and dance). For more info call 301-309-0895. Sponsored by Crawfish Productions in cooperation with the National Park Service.

Northern Virginia Ceili
Saturday, January 14 7:30pm

The Northern Virginia Ceili will be on Sat. Jan 14 at the John Wood Center, 3701 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax, VA. from 8pm to Midnight. FREE lessons for beginners from 7:30 - 8pm. Music by the *Bogwanderers Ceili Band*. Admission: Adults \$10; children under 16 \$5; family \$20; children under 6 FREE. Complimentary tea, coffee and soda bread; soft drinks for sale. For more info 703-978-8265.

Maryland Klezmer Club
Sundays January 15 & 29, 6:30 - 9pm

Authentic East-European Jewish Music by the acclaimed Machaya Klezmer Band. Concert, Klezmer dance instruction, fine food from Julian's Restaurant at Chevy Chase Holiday Inn, 5220 Wisconsin Ave. Admission \$2.50 for everyone, dining optional. Call 301-656-1500 for reservations.

Clogging at THE CHICKEN PLACE
2nd & 4th Thursdays

Come to the Clog Palace for free-style Appalachian clogging. 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month at the Chicken Place, 11201 Grandview Avenue, Wheaton MD. Admission \$5. Take Georgia Avenue north toward Wheaton, then a left onto Veirs Mill Road. At the second light, take a right onto Reddie Drive. Take an immediate left onto Grandview Avenue. The Chicken Place is just before the large public parking lot on the right. Info: Julie Mangin 301-495-0082.
 Jan 12 TBA
 Jan 26 *The Narrow-minded Nay Sayers* (Chris Romaine, Kate Brett and Kevin Enoch)

Scandia DC
Saturday, January 21, 8pm

Scandinavian couple dancing the third Sat. monthly at Takoma-Langley Community Center, 7315 New Hampshire Ave., Takoma Park, MD; dancing from 8 - 11pm (Teaching from 8 - 9pm); N/P; some live and some recorded music. \$4 Teachers: Linda Brooks & Ross Schipper; Info call 202-333-2826.

Swing Dance
Saturday, January 21, 9pm

Join the Washington Swing Dance Committee at Glen Echo Park as they prepare to spend Winter in the Ballroom! By featuring some too-hot-to-handle bands during the winter months, WSDC knows you'll be glad the temperature outside has dropped! On Sat. Jan. 21, The Original Sevilles will help you keep warm by playing tunes that keep you moving to their infectious rhythms. An introductory Swing workshop from 8 - 9pm helps newcomers to swing dancing, learn the skills they need to enjoy the evening. General dancing gets underway at 9pm and goes until midnight. \$8 workshop and dance. For FREE admission volunteer for one hour. Call 301-942-8384 and leave a message. For more info call 301-340-9732.

Irish Céilí Dance
Sunday, January 22, 2pm

The Greater Washington Céilí club's monthly dance will be held on Sun. afternoon Jan. 22 from 2 - 6pm at the Conference Center at Cherry Hill Park, College Park, MD. Music for sets and céilí dances will be provided by Brendan Mulvihill, Frank Claudy, Bob Smith and Donna Long. A workshop featuring an Irish set dance will be offered at 1pm by Jim Keenan. Admission : \$10 GWCC and FSGW members, \$12 nonmembers, \$8 Students/Seniors/Kids under 16. Kids under 6 FREE, Maximum Family Admission \$30. For more info call 703-532-7422.

Mount Vernon International Folk Dancing
Wednesday, 8 - 10pm

Great wooden floor with instruction by George Tressel. Beg to Int. levels. N/E, N/P, Teaching 1st hour, requests 2nd hour. Seasonal parties. Recorded music. \$2.50 Mt. Vernon Unitarian Meeting Hall, 1909 Windmill Lane, Alexandria (off Fort Hunt Rd. at Mason Hill Drive and right on Windmill). For more info 703-780-2393.

Alpine Dancers

Austrian and German couples and trios folk dance lessons with the Alpine Dancers, teaching and performing folk dance group. N/E, N/P. Recorded Music. FREE. We usually meet 2nd and 4th Suns., 4 - 6pm, New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6016 Princess Garden Pkwy. To confirm date and location call 301-577-3503.

Silver Spring Gumbo Groupies
Wednesdays, 7:30pm

Silver Spring gumbo groupies gather every Wed. 7:30 - 9:30pm in the Long Branch Community Center, Social Hall A at 8700 Piney Branch Rd. Silver Spring, MD. to share and practice Cajun and Zydeco dancing and explore Cajun and Black Creole food, crafts and culture. N/P, N/E, N/C. For more info call 301-439-4815.

Italian Traditional Dancing
Wednesdays 7:15pm

Every Wednesday evening from 7:15pm -10:15pm at Mark Twain Middle School Cafeteria, 4700 Franconia Road, Alexandria, VA. Free. No partners required - beginners welcome. A wide variety of village dances still being done in Italy today are taught: couple dances, set dances, line dances, game dances, circle dances. Dances are easy enough for beginners, yet challenging for intermediate and advanced dancers. We use live music whenever possible. For further information, call Celest DiPietro or Marie DiCocco 703-971-9058.

Morning Dance Enthusiasts

Attention all you flex-time, part-time, full-time morning dance enthusiasts. Coming to the Margaret Schweinhaut Community Center at 1000 Forest Glen Rd. (off Georgia Ave) in Silver Spring, MD., is a new folk dance program. Renew or reactivate your acquaintance with Greek, Israeli and other nationality dances. N/P. Beginners and experienced alike are welcome. You only need a desire to dance from 10 - 11:30am on Tuesday mornings starting Jan. 10, 1995. Music will be taped to allow the maximum input from various national artists. Admission \$40.50 for ten weeks for county residents. For more info call 301-217-6880.

DANCE CLASSES

Swing dance lessons - Synergy Dance Center, 4321 Wisconsin Ave. Washington, DC, Mondays. Starting Jan 9. 7:10pm intermediate, 8:10pm Lindy, 9:10pm experienced (prerequisite of 12 previous swing classes). 4 classes for \$44. For more info call 202-363-4664 ext.3.

Irish dance lessons - Classes resume January 18 in Gaithersburg, MD. Beginner's welcome. For more info call 301-948-2458.

In Memorium

On Tuesday, December 5, Melvin H. Diamond, a local folk dance leader, died from a bacterial infection associated with diabetes. Mel, as he was known by his friends, was a CPA and an avid folk dancer. He led a weekly class for the Montgomery County Recreation Dept. and many folk dance camps at Buffalo Gap Camp in West Virginia. Another interest was theater. Through the years he both acted and directed plays at local theaters. He is survived by his wife, Phyllis, four sons and several grandchildren. The family asked that contributions be made to the American Diabetes Association.

INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCES

A wide variety of dances to choose from! All taped music. N/P, N/E.

- Mon:** SCOTTISH DANCE 8:15pm NIH Fitness Center, Bldg T-39, Bethesda. Info: Peggy Dennis 301-983-9738
INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCING Leland Community Center, 4301 Willow St., Bethesda, MD. Beginner's class - 10 classes 7:15 - 8:00pm \$40, Intermediate/Advanced class 8 - 10pm 7 classes \$34, 9 classes \$40. For info call 301-871-8788.
- Tues:** ARLINGTON INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCE open class every Tuesday from 8 - 10pm at Key Elem School, Key Blvd. (between Adams & Veitch, 3 blocks from Courthouse Metro), Arlington VA. \$3 refreshments served. Dancing nonstop to recorded music with instruction-walk through-request throughout. Singles welcome, and all ages and levels of expertise. Stulbergs: 703-527-8998.
SCOTTISH DANCE 8pm, Washington Episcopal School, River Rd., Bethesda. Info: Jim 202-234-6840.
- Wed:** SCOTTISH DANCE 8pm. Durant Center on Cameron St., Alexandria, VA. Info: 703-549-6077.
IRISH DANCE CLASSES- Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo, MD. Wednesdays. 7:30pm beginner, 8:30pm intermediate to advanced. 11 classes for \$25 beginners, \$30 intermediate/advance. For more info call 301-840-1416. Preregister with Glen Echo Park.
CAJUN & ZYDECO DANCE CLASSES Long Branch Community Center, Social Hall A, 8700 Piney Branch Rd., Silver Spring. 7:30pm For info call 301-439-4815.
- Thurs:** IRISH DANCE CLASSES- Frost Center, Aspen Hill Rd. Thursdays. 8pm. \$25 donation to the Frost Center. For more info call 301-840-1416.
- Fri:** GREEK, ISRAELI FOLK DANCING Beginning, intermediate levels welcome singles and couples. Emphasis on Greek and Israeli dances. 10 week sessions; starting Fri. Sept. 23rd at Cold Spring Elem School, 9101 Falls Chapel Way, Potomac MD. 8-9:30pm. Danced to taped music. 10 wks/\$40.50. Anna Pappas 301-340-8723.
INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCING Takoma Langley Community Center, 7315 New Hampshire Ave. Takoma Park, MD. \$4. 8:30pm. For more info call 301-565-0539.

AND BEYOND

MARYLAND

Baltimore Folk Music Society News Hotline: 410-366-0808

Squares and Contrás.

Wednesdays, 8pm Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul St.
Admission \$5 for BFMS, \$7 nonmembers. Your card is required to enter as a member. Basic steps taught at a workshop 2nd & 4th Wed. of each month.

- Jan 4 **Robbin Schaffer** calling to *Fiddlestyx*
Jan 11 **David Kaynor** calling to Baltimore's Own (Famous) Open Band
Jan 18 **George Marshall** calling to *Swallowtail*
Jan 25 **Ted Hodapp** calling to *T and Spice*

English Country Dance.

Mondays 8pm Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul St.
Admission \$5 for BFMS, \$7 nonmembers. Your card is required to enter as a member. First time attendee FREE.

- Jan 2 **Christopher Field** calling to *The Findhorn Trio*
Jan 9 **Diane Schmit** calling to Elke Baker, Linda Block and David Wiesler
Jan 16 **John Bremer** calling to *Some Assembly*
Jan 23 **Rich Galloway** calling to *Devil Among the Taylors*
Jan 30 **Jenny Beer** calling to Andrea Hoag, Susan Rudy and Liz Donaldson

**Contra Workshop and Dance
Saturday, January 7, 8:30pm**

The BFMS cordially invites you to partake in an evening of casual elegance, featuring the sonorous sounds of The Findhorn Trio and the proficient instruction and delightful calling of dancemaster-in-training David Kirchner. We advise you not to arrive fashionably late, as you'll miss the FREE 7:30pm workshop on Dancing with Style and Grace. The Findhorn Trio's music will make you want to dance on air, and David will teach you how to do just that. Then be prepared to (contra)dance the night away from 8:30 - 11:30pm. As for the menu; We were considering doughnuts and Dom, but frankly, it would have broken the budget. We'll bring something bubbly. Be a dear and plan to bring something sweet, won't you? Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul St., Baltimore, MD. \$6 members \$8 nonmembers. For more info call 410-366-0808.

**Open Band Rehearsal
Tuesday, January 10**

Welcome, welcome all instruments, ages and skill levels to Baltimore's Open Band. If you can't meet to play the 2nd Tuesday of the month, we've got music available at the dances. So, come enrich our community and yours. For a good time call Robbin or David at 410-366-2742 or Susan at 410-254-1730 for more info and directions.

**BFMS Mid-Winter Ball
Saturday, January 14**

Shake out your chemise. Spiff up your spats. Dust off your derby. Touch up your tails. Haunt Hechts, visit Veterans or dig deep into your drawer for your dreamiest duds, but get ready, because the 14th Annual Mid-Winter Ball is coming! The ball will be held at St. Stanislaus Church Hall, 700 South Ann St. in Fells Point, Baltimore, MD on Sat. Jan. 14. Sway to the superb sounds of Yankee Ingenuity with calling by the legendary Tony Parkes. \$13 for members \$16 nonmembers. See flyers at dances or call Barbara or Gregor after 5:30pm for details. 410-788-2761.

REST OF MARYLAND

**Patapsco Scottish Dancers
2nd & 4th Tuesdays each month, 8 - 10pm**

Scottish dancing is GREAT FUN, social, aerobic and challenging. Geared for beginners, we welcome all levels of dancers, all ages, singles & couples and work on keeping it interesting and fun for all. Annamarie Pluhar and Elke Baker teach, Elke provides first class music on the fiddle. We meet at the Caryl Maxwell Dance Studio, (wood floors and mirrors) 8030 Main St. 4th floor, Ellicott City, MD. Bring soft soled shoes and \$5. For more info call 301-593-3858.

**Coffeehouse at Mays Chapel
Fridays, 8:30pm**

Formerly Coffeehouse Uptown and Coffee House at Otterbein, the Coffeehouse has moved to Mays Chapel United Methodist Church, 11911 Jennifer Rd., Timonium, MD. All concerts are \$8 unless otherwise noted. Show time is 8:30pm. The concerts are non-profit educational, alcohol and smoke FREE. The church is wheelchair accessible. For more info call 410-922-5210.

- Jan 6 Sanders, Kass & White, Tom Prasada-Rao, Ebe Yiye Shekere Ensemble and Terra Nova, \$12.50 Benefit for the Woodbourne Center
Jan 13 Bill Staines
Jan 20 The Chenille Sisters \$12.50
Jan 27 Cheryl Wheeler, \$12.50

**Clogging Classes
Wednesdays, 7:15pm**

Start the new year right by learning how to clog! Its aerobic and its fun! A 6 session beginner's class will run January 4 - February 8. 7:15 - 8:15pm at the Homewood Friends Meeting House, 3107 N. Charles St. (Just a few blocks from Lovely Lane Church). For more info about this class and/or inter/advanced classes, please call 410-527-1879.

**An Afternoon of Rounds Singing
Sunday, February 5, 3pm**

Join with Baltimore Singers for the third in a series of "Living Room Sings", as we join many voices for an afternoon of rounds. This sing will be hosted by Barbara Svoboda and McGregor Yatsevitch in Catonsville, on Sun. Feb. 5. Singing will commence at 3pm with emphasis on the more unusual and challenging rounds. Bring one along to try out; also, bring a "round" potluck delicacy for dinner after the singing. Last year this sing netted 24 enthusiastic singers---don't miss this yearly event. For more info call 410-788-2761.

**Frederick Country Dances
Saturday, January 28, 8pm**

Ted Hodapp calls contras to the music of Folk Remedy. **SPECIAL NOTE:** Wintersong, Frederick's annual folk festival, will be held February 28th, and needs volunteers. Free admission will be given in exchange for 2 hours of volunteer time. Call 301-663-8687 to volunteer. Dances hosted by Mid-Maryland Folk Arts Council every fourth Saturday at the Old Armory, corner of Second and Bentz. Directions: From Rte 270, exit at Rosemont Ave. and go straight at light onto 2nd St. follow to Bentz. Armory is on the right. FREE Beginner's workshop promptly at 7pm. MMFAC Members \$4, nonmember \$6, Frederick City residents \$3. For more info 301-694-6794. **PLEASE NOTE:** In the interest of encouraging membership and providing adequate compensation for bands and caller, effective in January, 1995, only MMFAC members will be granted the "Member" discount.

**Annapolis Traditional Dance Society
Friday, January 13, 8pm**

The Annapolis Traditional Dance Society will hold a contra dance on Fri. Jan 13 at the St. Anne's Parish Hall, 199 Duke of Gloucester St. Annapolis, Md. It's *Swallowtail* with **George Marshall** calling to their wonderful music. The dance will be from 8 - 11pm with a new dancer workshop 7:30 - 8pm. For more info call 410-268-0231.

Prospect Coffeehouse
Saturday, January 21, 8pm

Prospect Coffeehouse is a monthly concert series dedicated to acoustic musical programs. Performances are held in the Kepler Theater at Hagerstown Junior College. Adm. is \$7 nonmembers, \$5 for MGCAA members, FREE to HJC students/faculty unless otherwise stated. Complimentary light refreshments available at intermission. For info 301-739-5265 eves.

Jan 21 **Dahjay** - 12 piece band from Washington, DC with a West African "pop" musical approach

Common Ground Music Harvest
Friday, January 20, 8pm

Benefit concert at Big Baker Chapel, Western Maryland College, Westminster, MD. Featuring Zan McLeod with Tom Paxton, Anne Hills, Walt Michael, Steve Gillette, Cindy Mangsen and more. \$15 general admission, \$10 faculty and students under 12, \$5. For more info call 410-857-1710.

VIRGINIA

Bluemont Morris Dancers

The Bluemont Morris Dancers perform traditional English Morris Dances to celebrate the return of the sun in the Spring and the plenty of the harvest in the Fall. Practices are on Mon. evenings in Sterling, VA, near Dulles Airport. New Members, including beginners, are welcome. Call David 202-797-7395.

H M Dancers
Wednesdays 7pm

Eighteenth century English Country dances, cotillions and minuets classes. Weds. at the Northern VA Electric Co-op in Manassas, VA. For more info call Christine 703-636-4639.

Twelfth Night Ball
January 7, 6:30pm

Twelfth Night Ball to be held at Bowling Green Country Club in Front Royal, VA. 6:30 - 11pm. \$20 per person. For reservations call 703-636-4639.

Bluemont Oldtime Country Dances
Saturday, January 21, 8pm

3rd Saturday of each month, Bluemont Concert Series sponsor a country dance at the Bluemont Community Center, Bluemont, VA. Dances begin at 8pm with a beginner's workshop at 7:30pm. Admission \$5, \$3 for Bluemont friends. Bluemont is off Rte. 7. For more info 703-777-6306.

Jan 21 Michael Schectman with the **Big Mamou Band**

Greater Beltway Broads
Saturday, January 7, 8pm

Celtic meets country meets folk meets a wonderful mix of songs, harmonies and instruments. PLUS wild humor and good karma. The **Greater Beltway Broads** are Sue Richards, Debi Smith, Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer, Freyda Epstein and Grace Griffith. The shows starts at 8pm at The Prism in Charlottesville, VA. For info call 804-977-7476.

WEST VIRGINIA

2nd Annual Country Dance Weekend
February 4 - 5, 1995

Shepherdstown Music and Dance invites you to enjoy a weekend of waltzing and contras, plus a homemade Sunday brunch in historic Shepherdstown, WV. Saturday's events include a waltz workshop led by **John Wells** and **Ann Fallon** at 3pm and contra dance called by **Sue Dupre** with music provided by **A Band Named Bob** at 8pm. On Sunday, we'll serve up a delicious brunch and an afternoon of waltzing, with music provided by **A Band Named Bob**. Some housing with local dancers available. All inclusive price is \$22 per person; pre-registration required. Call Bruce at 304-725-0266 for more info.

Shepherdstown Dance
Saturday, January 7, 8pm

Jan Dreschler calls contras to **Future Geezers**. Dance at 8pm. Shepherdstown Men's Club, King & German Sts., Shepherdstown, WV. Bring soft soled shoes. Admission is \$6, SMADS members \$4.50. For more info: 304-263-2531 or 301-432-2911.

NEW JERSEY

13th Annual Victoria's Revenge Dancefest
Cape May, NJ. May 5 & 6, 1995

The 1995 Victoria's Revenge Dancefest flyers should be in you mailbox by mid-January. The weekend features music by **Childsplay**. Dance to the exciting, elegant music of over 20 of the best fiddlers you will ever hear play together. **Childsplay** includes such favorites as Bob Childs, Steve Hickman, Claudio Buchwald, Mary Lea, Ralph Gordon, Ruthie Dornfeld and other fiddlers from around the US and Europe! This delightful orchestra will warm your hearts and knock your socks off. Calling will be **Steve Zakon-Anderson** and **Mary DesRosiers**.

If you are not on the mailing list, look for flyers at the local dances or request one by mail from: Victoria's Revenge, 10408 Inwood Ave., Silver Spring, MD. 20902. Early registrations counts this year. As in the past, the weekend includes a Friday night contra-dance, a full day of workshops on Saturday, a picnic lunch with live music and the Victorian Ball on Saturday evening.

CLASSIFIEDS

EDITORIAL POLICY for Classified Ads: You must be an FSGW Member to place an ad. Ads may be **UP TO 50 WORDS**, including tel. number with area code, **\$8 FOR EACH 10 WORDS** commercial/business, **\$4 FOR EACH 10 WORDS** non-commercial & individuals. **Lost & Found are FREE.** There is a limit of three ads per member per issue. Ads must be relevant to FSGW's stated purpose (see Editorial Policy elsewhere in issue). Deadline is the 10th of the month. Please include tel. # in case of questions. We provide advertisers with a targeted audience of people interested in all the various forms of folklore & folklife.

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NOTE FROM EDITOR: This month the *Newsletter* was once again just over a page limit. As a result the calendar was dropped. Next month it is very important that all copy get to the editor by the 10th. We will be going to the printer several days earlier than usual, so that we can get the *Newsletter* to everyone by January 23rd. The January *Newsletter* will include the grid for the MiniFest.

DEADLINE FOR February *Newsletter*:

Tuesday, January 10

All copy for the Feb. issue of this *Newsletter* is due at the home of EDITOR C. Pilzer, NO LATER THAN 9 PM, Tues. Jan. 10

- Copy may be sent by email to cecily@beartrack.com or uploaded to the Traditional Computer Bulletin Board (see below).
- Computer readable copy may be on 3 1/2" or 5 1/4" MS-DOS or Macintosh formatted diskettes, WordPerfect 5.1 format preferred.
- Copy may be sent by FAX to 301-565-5255.
- Printed Copy should be on standard (8 1/2 x 11") paper, one article per page.
- Include a phone number where you can be reached in case of questions about your text.
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