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Erik Hoffman, Andrea Hoag & Dave Wiesler
Thursday, June 5, 8:00 pm
A triple delight — Erik plays guitar, fiddle, percussion and sax, to go with Andrea's renowned fiddling, and Dave's piano. Come enjoy their wonderful music.

Bill Amatneek
Wednesday, June 11, 8:00 pm
This veteran folk and bluegrass musician shares an intimate evening of story-telling, music, song, and humor. A not-to-be-missed chance for the whole family.

Rosemary McCormack
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Rosemary McCormack brings to us a wealth of Scottish Gaelic songs and tales gathered over the many years she lived among traditional singers and story-tellers on both sides of the Atlantic.

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Friday, July 18, 8:00 pm
Irish singer, lecturer, and scholar, he is renowned for his a capella singing. Join him (and join in) for a warm and witty evening of songs in English and Irish.

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Saturday, May 31, 9:00 - Midnight
The Tom Cunningham Orchestra will hold a special swing dance in the historic Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park. There will be a beginning swing workshop from 8:00 - 9:00 pm, followed by the hot swing of the 16-piece Tom Cunningham Orchestra. Admission is $12 (includes the workshop). For more info, call 703-533-8864.

Smithsonian Institution Festival of American Folklife — on the Mall, June 25 thru July 6.
(See page 8 for more information.)

NOTE: new e-mail address for Newsletter submissions: newslettereditor@fsgw.org
**FSGW Sunday Night Dances**

**Glen Echo Park, Glen Echo, MD**  
**Sundays, 7:30 – 10:30 pm**

FSGW's Sunday night dance is held in the historic Spanish Ballroom at the Glen Echo Park National Historic Site, off MacArthur Boulevard (just below the intersection of Goldsboro Road) in Glen Echo, Maryland. Our dances feature a mix of traditional American contras and squares performed to wonderful live music. We welcome both experienced and new dancers, and you do not need to bring a partner. New dancers should come early, since dances become more challenging later in the evening, and may include medleys or omit walk throughs. Admission is $6.00 for members of FSGW and affiliated groups (BFMS, CDSS, ATDS), $8.00 for all others. Remember, the Spanish Ballroom is not air-conditioned or heated, so dress accordingly.

**Note:** ($1 of admission price goes for the restoration of Glen Echo Park and the Ballroom.)

Jun 1  Caller **Beth Molaro** always brings high energy to the dance. The equally energetic **Freighthoppers**, an old-time band from North Carolina, provide the music. The **Freighthoppers**, touring with their new Rounder CD, feature **David Bass** on fiddle, Cary Fridley on guitar, Frank Lee on banjo and TBA on bass.

Jun 8  Californian **Erik Hoffman** is back with his always entertaining dances and some of his (and our) favorite local musicians, **Andrea Hoag** (fiddle) and **Dave Wiesler** (piano).  
(Hear them at an **FSGW House Concert** on Thursday, June 5th – see page 5.)

Jun 15  For a good time, call(er) **Tom Hinds’** and **Blue Bamboo**. The band includes **Steve Hickman** (fiddle), **John Devine** (guitar), **Barbara Heitz** (flute), **Ralph Gordon** (bass) and **John O’Laughlin** on a variety of large and small wind instruments.

Jun 22  Newlywed **Greg Frock** calls to the music of **June Apple**, another fine local band. **Alice Markham** plays piano, Howard Markham plays concertina, Jeff Steinberg is on fiddle, Bob Garber on clarinet and Mike McGearry plays banjo and guitar.

Jun 29  **Robbin Schaeffer** travels down from Charm City to call to the music of the **Coco Oldtime Stringband** from Williamsburg, Va. Phil Levy is the fiddler, with Sarah Carlton on banjo, Paul Faber on guitar and Jason Sypher on bass.

Jul  6  Caller **TBA**, music by **Folk Remedy**.

Jul 13  **Susan Kevra** calls, music by Bill Tomczak, Keith Murphy & Dave Langford.

Jul 20  **Beth Molaro** calls, music by Laura Lengnick, Larry Unger & Jeanie Snow.

Jul 27  **Howard Bass** calls, music by the **Mighty Possums**.

Deadline for the August 1997 Issue: 9 pm, Thursday, July 10
FSGW WEDNESDAY NIGHT ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE

Glen Echo Town Hall  Wednesdays, 8:00 – 10:30 pm

FSGW's English country dances offer a mix of fun and refined dancing, led by talented callers who are accompanied by top-notch musicians who play tunes that are unique to each dance. Dance on a wood floor in the elegant, community room of the Glen Echo Town Hall. Summer fun is facilitated by the CLIMATE CONTROL system in the community room (that means AC in the Summer, folks). Enjoy the friendly crowd, known for its welcoming nature, light refreshments, and dance from 8:00 to 10:30 p.m. Open to dancers of all experience levels. Cost for dance: members $5, non-members $6. Newcomers: arrive a few minutes early and, if there's enough people, get a FREE orientation at 7:45.

Jun 4  Stephanie Smith calls to the music of Liz Donaldson on piano and accordion, Steve Hickman on fiddle, and Judy Klepel on oboe.

Jun 11  Rich Galloway is accompanied by Susan Brandt on flute, Jeff Steinberg on fiddle, and Dave Wiesler on piano.

Jun 18  Caller Diane Schmit will be accompanied by Liz Donaldson on piano and accordion, Bruce Edwards on bassoon and concertina, and Becky Ross on fiddle.

Jun 25  Mary Kay Friday calls to music of Liz Donaldson on piano and accordion, Malcolm Stephens on fiddle, and Ken Wright on cello.

Jul 2  Musicians Barbara Heitz on flute, Ellen Jacobs on fiddle, and Dave Wiesler on piano play for caller Rich Galloway.

Jul 9  Diane Schmit calls with music provided by Steve Hickman on fiddle, Alice Markham on piano, and Hope Stanton on concertina.

Jul 16  Stephanie Smith calls to the music of Andrea Hoag on fiddle and that famous group, TBA (To Be Announced; we're working on a special surprise).

Jul 23  Mary Kay Friday will be accompanied by Liz Donaldson on piano and accordion, Ralph Gordon on bass fiddle, and Colleen Spence on flute.

Jul 30  Brad Sayler calls to the music of Liz Donaldson on piano and accordion, Howard Markham on concertina, and Becky Ross on fiddle.

Directions: From the Beltway, take either the Clara Barton Parkway (from VA) or the Cabin John Expressway (from MD) toward Glen Echo. From the left lane, take the Glen Echo exit (which involves a U-turn and a right fork). At the tee, turn left onto MacArthur Blvd. Continue northwest on MacArthur past Glen Echo Park. Harvard Ave. and the Town Hall will be on your left, 2 blocks past the small shopping center (6106 Harvard Avenue), in the building with the Post Office.

Info: Norm Bernhardt, 301-320-2469; Rich Galloway, 301-589-0939; or Roger Broseus via e-mail at RogerB@cais.com.

NOTICE: In keeping with the time-honored formula of holding the Washington Folk Festival one week after Memorial Day, the 21st Annual WFF will be held on May 30th & 31st, 1998, NOT on June 6th & 7th, as previously reported.
MORE FOLKLORE SOCIETY EVENTS

Storyswap
Saturday, June 7 & July 12, 7:30 pm
Storytellers and listeners meet to share stories and snacks. June 7 in the home of Bill & Nancy Fauth in Germantown. Call them at 301-963-4054 for directions and rsvps. July 12 in the home of Margery Maidman in Columbia. Call her at 301-490-9567 for directions and rsvps.

Open Sing – Songs of Musical Instruments
Friday, June 6 & July 11, 8:30 pm
The June Open Sing will be held on Friday, June 6 at 8:30 pm, at the home of Rebecca Clayton and Ron Davies. Rita Ferrara will be leader, with the topic of "Money." Naturally this includes songs in which money is given, exchanged, spent, found, lost or simply lacking, or even just mentioned in passing. Call 301-270-9365 for directions.

The July Open Sing will be led by Nancy King and will be held at her home, on Friday, July 11, at 8:30 pm. The topic is "Comings and Goings, Arrivals and Departures." Call 301-933-3073 for directions.

Gospel Sing
Sunday, June 8 & July 13, 4:00 pm
On the second Sunday of each month, the FSGW Gospel Sing in held at a participant's home. Singing starts around 4:00 pm with a break for a covered dish supper at 6:00 pm and then more singing until around 8:00 pm. Everyone is welcome and there are no prerequisites.

On June 8, the sing will be at the home of Eric Northman in Bethesda, MD, about a mile from River Road and the Beltway. Call him at 301 469-0173 for directions.

On July 13, the sing will be at the home of Nancy Bailey in Arlington, VA. Call her at 703 532-7520.

Sacred Harp Singing
Sunday, June 22 & July 20, 4:00 pm
6/22: Our singing of shape-note music in four-part harmony from The Sacred Harp and other early American tunebooks will take place at the acoustically lively auditorium of the Unitarian Church of Rockville, 501 Mannakee St., Rockville, MD. Singing is from 4 pm to 6 pm, potluck supper at 6 pm, and more singing after supper. Loaner tunebooks available. Admission is free, but there will be a free-will offering this month.

Directions: From I-270 take Exit 6, Route 28, West Montgomery Ave., toward Rockville. Go one block beyond the ramp and turn left at Mannakee St. Go about 7 blocks to the driveway of the church on the right. For more info, call Hunter Jones at 301-762-6343 or the FSGW Hotline #42.

7/20: The location was not finalized at press time. Call the FSGW Hotline #42 or Steven Sabol at 301-897-5274 one week before the singing.

Election Results (1997 - 98 Board Members)

President: Carly Gewirz
Vice-President: Marty Summerour
Treasurer: Richard Roth
Secretary: Joe Metzler
Dance: Jay Ladin
Program: Dennis Cook
Membership: Norm Bernhardt
Special Events: Stephenie Smith
Publications: Carl Mintz
Publicity: Esther Bushman
Member-At-Large: RosieLee Salinas & Richard Seidel

Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 3, 7:30 pm
The June Board meeting will be at the Glen Echo Park Ranger Station. Any FSGW member may attend. If you have any issues for the Board to consider, please contact the appropriate Board member or Jamie Platt. Board members' telephone numbers are listed in the back of this Newsletter (page 19).
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FSGW House Concerts

Roy Harris & Main Brace  Tuesday, June 3, 8:00 pm
Roy Harris, stalwart of the English folk world and "singer's singer," revisits FSGW for the first time since 1994 in a special event house concert at the close-in Silver Spring home of Bob Clayton and Jennifer Woods. Though he is known more as a solo singer, this time he brings with him a pair of other first-rate singers – Michael O'Leary-Johns and Tony Fraser – to form a trio known as Main Brace. With a repertoire of shanties, ballads, comic songs and stories, the trio builds on the talents of its members. Roy Harris is a vigorous, broad-ranging singer with credentials which establish him as one of the "founding fathers" of the English folk-song revival. He is singer, collector, folklorist, storyteller, and shanty man, and wherever he performs, the "audience is full of singers."

Michael O'Leary-Johns has family roots in Ireland, and his large repertoire includes family songs, songs from work mates, and songs heard from old singers in Ireland. A friend of the late Joe Heaney, Michael has a deep, powerful voice, straightforward yet nicely decorated style, and a great sensitivity.

Tony Fraser, another first-rate singer, rounds out the trio known as Main Brace. The trio's material will rouse the audience into song, and entertain as it enlightens the listener.

Refreshments will be served. Call 301-587-7174 for details and directions.
(Note: Jennifer & Bob have cats and a dog.)

Erik Hoffman, Andrea Hoag, and Dave Wiesler  Thursday, June 5, 8:00 pm
Local favorites Andrea Hoag and Dave Wiesler are joined by West Coaster Erik Hoffman at the Great Falls, VA home of Ursy Potter. For info, call 703-354-5450; for directions, call 703-821-1373.

Twenty-five years a fiddler, Andrea Hoag has performed across the U.S. as well as in Sweden and England. Her versatile and creative fiddling has gained renown on the East Coast since her move from Seattle to the Other Washington in 1992. Andrea is fluent in fiddle idioms from New England to Swedish to swing, and a composer of tunes in traditional styles. She has been on the staff of numerous dance and music camps including Ashokan Northern Week, Festival of American Fiddle Tunes, and Pinewoods. Locally she plays for English, contra, and Scandinavian dances, and has given concerts at the Kennedy Center and for FSGW and the Institute of Musical Traditions.

While best known on the East Coast as a dance caller, Erik Hoffman is a versatile musician, equally at home on guitar, fiddle, percussion, and sax. This spring he is on tour in England with Bayou Seco, playing Cajun and old-time music. Hoffman loves lots of music, from the wide variety of contra dance fiddle tunes, to good old rock and roll, to swing and jazz, to modern 20th century composed music. Somehow all this comes into play in what comes out in his original songs and tunes.

Dave Wiesler is best known in the DC area for his lively and varied piano backup for contra, English, and Scottish country dancing. His musical interests, however, run the gamut from folk, ragtime, blues, rock and roll, to classical vintage music and jazz. While piano is his forte, he admits to playing at least six other instruments (seven, counting kazoo) and not scaring small children when he sings. An inveterate improvisor and composer, Dave has written over 150 songs and tunes, in styles running from 16-bar driving reels, silly songs, and folk ballads to intricate semi-classical compositions.

Admission to this concert is $6 (FSGW members) and $8 (non-members). Refreshments will be served.
Call 703-821-1373 or 703-354-6460 for directions and more information.

Come dance to the trio on Sunday evening, June 8th in the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park (see page 2).

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Bill Amatneek
Wednesday, June 11, 8:00 pm

This veteran folk and bluegrass musician shares Acoustic Stories, an intimate evening of story-telling. Amatneek, a California resident, draws upon more than 30 years of performance experience with luminaries as diverse as The Greenbrier Boys; Peter, Paul and Mary; Bill Monroe; Kate Wolf; Peter Rowan; Dave Grisman; and Jerry Garcia. He weaves many of these personalities into tapestries of tale, music, song, and humor exploring themes of unrequited love, pay-back, the parent-child struggle, and lessons of self-discovery. Amatneek's stories draw gentle lessons from the 60's folk revival movement. They create bridges to a younger generation and stand alone as pieces of literature. Jesus Loves His Mandolin Player, which chronicles life in the trenches with hellacious mandolinist Frank Wakefield, was the recent cover article in April 97's Bluegrass Unlimited. Acoustic Stories should appeal to an unusually broad cross-section of music and story-telling enthusiasts.

It will take place in the cozy living-room of Bob Clayton and Jennifer Woods in central Silver Spring near the Metro. Call 301-587-7174 for reservations and directions. (Note: Jennifer & Bob have cats and a dog.) Admission is $6 (FSGW) and $9 (non-members). Refreshments will be served.

Rosemary McCormack
Tuesday, June 24, 8:00 pm

Rosemary McCormack brings to us a wealth of Scottish Gaelic songs and tales gathered over the many years she lived among traditional singers and story-tellers on both sides of the Atlantic. She was born in South Uist in the Outer Hebrides, into a family descended from a long-established line of hereditary bards. Rosemary learned her first songs from her mother, and stories from her grandfather and other family members. In her teens she collected songs on visits to tradition-bearers in South Uist and Barra. Rosemary has lived in Cape Breton, N.S. for over 25 years – giving her a unique opportunity to research, teach, and perform Gaelic songs found in Nova Scotia, side by side with songs of the old country. Her stories, told in both Gaelic and English, include lore from the renowned bards of Cape Breton. Rosemary performs regularly on CBC Radio in Canada and BBC Radio Scotland, and at mods, concerts and festivals in Scotland and North America.

This program is at the home of Ursy Potter and Carter Heam in McLean, VA (just off the beltway). For directions, call 703-821-1373. Admission is $6 for FSGW members, $9 for nonmembers. Refreshments will be provided.

Lillis Ó Laoire
Friday, July 18, 8:00 pm

Fans of traditional song will have a rare opportunity to hear a master singer from Donegal perform at an FSGW house concert on Friday, July 17 at 8:00 pm, venue to be arranged. Lillis Ó Laoire is currently finishing his year as a Fulbright Scholar at the Department of Ethnomusicology at UCLA, where he has been writing his doctoral dissertation on Irish folk song and changing cultural process in Ireland.

Lillis grew up in northwest Donegal, a Gaelic speaking region renowned for the wealth of its oral tradition. He has twice won the O Riada Cup, the highest national accolade for traditional acapella singing in the Irish language. He can be heard on a number of recordings, including a solo CD on the Clo Iar-Chonnachta label, Bláth Gach Géag dádTig. He can also be heard on Echoings, an experimental recording by the composer Colm O Foghlú, on which he sings poetry by the acclaimed poet Cathal Ó Searcaigh. An academic who has lectured, broadcast and published on Gaelic song and literature, Lillis teaches Irish at the University of Limerick where he is also the director of the Song Centre, which aims to promote performance and scholarship of traditional song in both languages of Ireland. Lillis draws his audience to him in his warm and witty performances, which feature songs in both Irish and English, and he warmly encourages all to join in on choruses. An evening not to be missed!

Admission to this concert is $6 (FSGW members) and $8 (non-members). Refreshments will be served. Call 301-229-3577 or 703-354-6460 for more information and concert location.

Deadline for the August 1997 Issue: 9 pm, Thursday, July 10
New! II Community Concert and Dance Program at the Spanish Ballroom

The community dance has now expanded into a concert and dance program. It will feature a concert of family-friendly talent from 3:00 - 4:00 pm and dancing from 4:00 - 5:30 pm. The concerts will include singers, musicians, story tellers, mimes, clowns, sing-alongs, and other surprises. The dances will, as always, feature talented callers and musicians,

June 15  Steve Hickman will present his wonderful mixed-bag of hamboine and other traditional treats. DeLaura Padovan will call the dance with Steve and John Devine providing the music.
June 29  Sue Traior will entertain you with songs and stories. Lots of audience participation. Robbin Schaffer will call to the music of Liz Donaldson and Laura Lengnick.
July 13 and 27  TBA.

The intergenerational community concert and dance program is fun for all and would make a great outing for a church, community, or social organization, girl or boy scout troop (with parents), or friends from work. These dances are a wonderful way for parents to introduce their children to the joys of dancing, but they are not only for families with children; dancers of all ages and skill levels are invited to attend. The programs are held at the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park. Admission: adults $5, children 5 & over $4, ($15 family maximum). For further info, call 301-320-7099.

Capital Tangueros

No events currently scheduled

Check the Tangueros home page: www.geocities.com/CapitolHill/4119/, or call the FSGW hotline x36 for July events.

International Folk Dancing

Thursdays, 7:30 - 9:00 pm

The Foggy Bottom Folk dancers meet in the parish hall of St. Mary's Church, 23rd St., NW, between G & H Streets – one block from Foggy Bottom Metro, parking available. Air conditioned room with good dance floor. Beginner/Intermediate classes from 7:30 - 9:00 pm. Request dancing from 9:00 - 10:45 pm. N/E, N/P. Mostly taped music. Occasional parties and workshops. $4.00. For info, call Jamie at 301-320-7099.

1997 Gumbo Jam: The Cajun - Zydeco - Bluegrass Festival has been postponed until next year. It will be held on July 17 - 19, 1998 at the Anne Arundel Fair Grounds.

Free Concerts at Mason District Park, Fairfax, VA

Fridays in June & July, 7:30 pm

At 6621 Columbia Pike, Annandale, VA. A beautiful outdoor setting for summer evening entertainment. Full picnic facilities. Bring a chair if you require back support. Plenty of free parking. For info and directions, call 703-941-1730.

FREE. (Note: rain date is the following Sunday).

6/6 Takoma Mandoleers
6/13 Big Blow and the Bushwackers
6/20 Tanchaz Ensamble (Hungarian music)
6/27 Machaya (Klezmer band)
7/11 Del Rio (Spanish dancers)
7/18 Alte Kameraden (German Band)
7/25 The Irish Breakfast Band

MY LAST PRESIDENT'S LETTER

My intention here is to summarize my last 2 years as FSGW President. However, such an assessment is impossible to do. I feel that the Society has made a number of improvements and we have accomplished a lot. We extensively revised the bylaws, a very difficult process that took many months to complete. We had some great FSGW concerts and dances and held some wonderful festivals (when they were not canceled). My vision for the Society has been to connect with other venues and organizations that are producing traditional music and dance and find ways of working with them. To this end, FSGW has co-sponsored events with the American History Museum and the Fairfax County Parks. We co-sponsored a concert with the University of Maryland and we have another program with them in February 1998. We have been co-sponsoring a wonderful coffeehouse series with the Northern Virginia Folk

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AROUND TOWN

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Jay Ungar and Molly Mason
Friday & Saturday, June 6 & 7, 8:00 pm
Special Benefit Concerts for IMT and Class Acts outreach program, featuring Jay Ungar and Molly Mason at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Silver Spring (300 seat hall, air-conditioned!) 10309 New Hampshire Ave. (3 blocks north of beltway exit 28A, right on Oaklawn). Enjoy a wonderful evening of great music and festivities, and support a good cause at the same time. A portion of the concerts' proceeds will benefit the IMT concert series and IMT's arts-in-education and community outreach program, Class Acts, which this year worked with 29 different artists to bring over 200 performances and workshops to 130 locations in the greater DC area. Pay extra and join us for some great refreshments and unusual prize drawings at intermission, as well as a post-concert reception with Jay and Molly and company. It promises to be a great time. Don't miss out! Tickets: Concert only $12 advance, $15 at the door; $25 includes refreshments and prize drawings at intermission, and post-concert reception; $50 includes all of the above plus VIP seating ($25 tax-deductible); $100 includes all of the above plus autographed CD of Jay and Molly's latest hit release, A Lover's Waltz. Call 301-588-7525 for info and phone orders – or get your tickets at The House of Musical Traditions in Takoma Park.

Smithsonian Institution's Festival of American Folklife
June 25 - 29 & July 2 - 6
The Smithsonian Institution will be holding its Festival of American Folklife June 25 - 29 & July 2 - 6 on the National Mall, Washington, D.C. daily 11 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. The Festival features music, dance, food ways, crafts, storytelling, work demonstrations, community celebrations, family activities, and cultural workshops in this year's 3 programs, The Mississippi Delta, African Immigrant Folklife, and Sacred Sounds: Belief & Society. Each evening of the Festival, from 5:30 to 7 pm, visitors are invited to join a dance party featuring traditional music. Concerts featuring musicians from Festival programs are scheduled from 7 to 9 pm daily except July 4. Festival food services will be open during the evening activities. A special concert will be held Saturday, June 28, beginning at 5:30 pm. This year's concert and dance traces the development of the revival of Southern traditional music over the past 40 years and of the community of musicians and dancers that has developed with it. The concert features Mike Seeger and the New Lost City Ramblers, joined by some favorite old-time musicians, flat-foot dancers, and dance callers from the string band revival. For info on the Festival, call 202-357-2700. During the Festival, call 202-357-4574 to hear a recorded description of daily events. The Festival is cosponsored by the National Park Service, and all events are free.

Volunteers needed to help provide hospitality for the Festival. 5 to 10 volunteers are needed nightly between June 24 and July 6 to staff the lounge where participants relax at the end of the day. It is particularly satisfying work to welcome singers, craftspeople and cooks, keepers of the lore, instrumentalists, dancers, folklorists, technicians & other staff to Washington. FSGW members are especially aware of the importance of these people within the American culture, and as an evening volunteer you get to meet with participants on a more informal level than during Festival hours. Volunteer for an evening or a week, early shift or late. Leave your name and number at one of Mary Cliffs machines: 703-998-2795 or 703-534-7581, along with days you might be available. She will get back to you with scheduling and other info. We are also looking for contributions of munchies or catering possibilities – same number, or mcliff@weta.com.

Northern Virginia Folk Festival
Saturday & Sunday, September 20 & 21
The NVFF Association invites crafters, food vendors, performing groups and individuals, volunteers interested in any of the aspects of festival planning and operation to write or call for information: NVFFA, c/o Gunston Arts Center, 2700 S. Lang Street, Arlington, VA 22206; telephone 703-549-6044. It is held at the Thomas Jefferson Community Center in Arlington. Presented in Arlington since 1961, the festival has a strong tradition of ethnic participation, international music and dance, a world of food and traditional crafts, and kids' activities.

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**LOCAL VENUES & EVENTS**

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**Community Sing at Adeiphi Friends Meeting House**
Sunday, June 1, 3:00 - 4:30 pm
At 2303 Metzerott Rd. in Adeiphi, MD (exit 28B off beltway, New Hampshire Ave. south, left on Metzerott) Repertoire includes international folk songs, rounds, Shape-note hymns, Shaker songs, favorites from *Rise Up Singing* (available at the "Sings" at reduced cost) — a cappella and accompanied. All ages welcome. Free. For info, call 301-589-4920.

**Panza House Concerts**
Sunday, June 1, 7:00 pm & Friday, June 27, 8:00 pm
Monthly series in Columbia, MD. BYOB, light refreshments served. For reservations and directions, call 410-531-9233. Sun, June 1 at 7 pm **Sonia Rutstein** (of disappear fear). Suggested donation $10. Fri, June 27 at 8 pm **Christopher Williams** and **Tom Prasada-Rao**. Suggested donation $8.

**Luna Park Grille**
Thursday, June 5, 8:00 pm

**CoffeeHouse at Mays Chapel**
Fridays, June 6 & 13, 8:30 pm
At the United Methodist Church, 11911 Jenifer Rd., Timonium, MD. For info, call 410-922-5210. Admission $15. June 6 **Andy Stewart & Gerry O’Beirne** June 13 **Maura O’Connell**

**Lake Accotink Park - Singalong and Concert**
Friday, June 6, 6:15 pm
in Springfield, VA. Join the chorus (6:15 pm) or the audience (7:30 pm). Featuring the rounds of **Ann Bauer**. For info and directions, call 703-425-5943

**Blue Mountain Coffee & Tea**
Friday, June 6 & Saturday, June 21, 6:30 - 10:30 pm
4224 Fessenden St., NW, DC, at the intersection of Fessenden and Wisconsin Ave. Join **Sue Trainor** in the garden — no sound system here, just a pleasant evening of music. Great coffees and other beverages, ice cream, pastries, candies. For info, call 202-686-5599.

**Church of the Saviour - New Release Concert**
Friday, June 6, 8:00 pm
At 2025 Massachusetts Ave, NW. The **Jesse Palidofsky Group** celebrates their new recording. Guest artists include **Christina Muir & Blair Pettyjohn**. For info, call 301-593-7207 or 202-387-1617 (6/6 only). Suggested donation $5.00.

**Shirlington Artists Guild Coffeehouse**
Wednesday, June 11, 7:00 pm
A pleasing mix of folk, pop, R & B, country, and rock performed by **Venus Rising** (Nancy Dougherty, Margaret Wolfe, and **Susan Waldrip**). $10 admission includes dessert & coffee. The gallery is located at 4024 South 28th St., Arlington, VA (in the Village at Shirlington, 5 doors from the Carlyle Grand Cafe). For reservations, call 703-379-6666.

**Caffe Florian Coffeehouse**
Saturday, June 14, 6:00 pm
Located at Davies Memorial Unitarian Church, 7400 Temple Hill Rd., Camp Springs, MD, 0.3 mi south of Allentown Rd. Annual picnic (starts at 6 pm) and monthly open stage (begins at 8 pm). Bring a side dish to share and soft drinks; main course will be provided. Acoustic musicians, songwriters, storytellers, and poets sign-up is at 7:30 pm; the stage begins at 8. Free, but a $2 donation is requested. Info: Syl Smith, 301-292-6482, or visit our website at http://www.dmuuc.org.

**Music Americana at Bad Habits Grille**
Wednesday, June 18, 8:15 pm
Admission $6.00 - to benefit The World Folk Music Association. 5444 Columbia Pike, Arlington, VA. Dick Cerri is host and emcee. Features **Andrew McKnight**, **The Wilcomicas**, **Common Bond**. For info, call 703-998-5808.

**Dupont Music Circle**
Wednesdays, June 18 & July 16, 8:00 pm
Come sing and play British Isles (and other) folk music with us. We don't charge, and we don't pay; it's just for fun. Third Wed. of each month in DC. Call 703-658-0957 for details and possible, additional meeting dates.

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Westminster Presb. Church - Bread & Roses Feminist Chorus  Saturday, June 21, 8:00 pm
At 400 Eye Street, SE, Washington, DC. Concert. Tickets $10. For info, call 703-205-9060.

New Deal Cafe  Saturday, June 21, 8:00 pm
At the Community Bldg., Roosevelt Center, 15 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD. Nancy Magill. For info, call 301-424-5642.

Bethesda Acoustic House Concert  Sunday, June 22, 7:30 pm
Peter Mealy and Laurie Rose Griffith. Contemporary folk duo perform with rich harmonies and sharp, insightful lyrics. Suggested donation $9. For reservations and info, contact Frank Allen Philpot at 301-897-5695 or Fphilpot@aol.com.

Center Court in the Marley Station Mall  Fridays, June 13 & 27, July 11 & 25, Noon
7900 Ritchie Highway in Glen Burnie, MD. Sue Trainor, Sue Ribaudo and friends will be featured in the new "Family Friday at Noon" series. There is no admission charge. For more info, call 410-766-2033.

St. Elmo's Coffee Pub - live acoustic music  2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month, 7:00 - 9:00 pm
At 2300 Mt. Vernon Ave. (corner of Del Ray Ave.), Alexandria, VA. $5. For reservations and info, call 703-739-9268.
   June 10 Carolyn Jane  July 8 Randy Barrett
   June 24 Sue Trainor  July 22 Andrew McKnight

The Courtyard – A new “Concert Cafe”  Sunday thru Thursday, 8:00 pm; Friday & Saturday, 9:00 pm
A smoke-free restaurant/listening room at the Willston II Shopping Center, 6108 Arlington Blvd., Falls Church, VA (at intersection of Rte. 50 & Patrick Henry Dr). Great food, parking! Price varies. For info & reservations, call 703-533-2828.
   June 6 Buddy Mondlock & Carol Elliott  June 12 Singer-songwriter Rich Baritone

The Folk Club of Reston-Herndon  Tuesdays at 7:30 pm
At the Tortilla Factory, 648 Elden Street, Herndon, VA. Open mike with a 3-song limit. $1 cover. Member Showcase 2nd Tuesday. 6/17 James Mee $7 ($6/members). For info, call 703-437-7766 or 703-573-6855. Smoke-free.

Ellicott Theatre  Friday & Saturday, June 6, 7, 13, 14, & 21, 8:00 pm
At 8217 Main Street, Ellicott City, MD. $10. For info and tickets, call 301-762-3395. Ticket prices will vary. Tues. shows will feature a variety of contemporary acoustic musicians and singer-songwriters. Wed. shows will feature Irish and other Celtic performers. Thurs. will be Bluegrass night.
   Fri, June 6 Love Riot  Sat, June 7 Billy Kemp
   Fri, June 13 The Kennedys  Sat, June 14 Bill Kirchen
   Sat, June 21 Baltimore Washington Songwriters Guild

Leaf Through Used Book Store and Gathering Place  June & July Schedule
In the Congressional South Shopping Center, across the parking lot from Magruders (across the street from the Twinbrook Metro stop). Admission is free and all are invited. For info, call the store at 301-230-8998. No preregistration for open mikes necessary.
   Sat, June 7, 6:00 pm Folk Songs & Other Mellow Music, an evening with Chris Mayberry, singer/songwriter
   Th, June 19, 7:00 pm (monthly 3rd Thursdays), Open Mike Evening for Artists of Word and Music.
   Sun, June 22, 2:00 pm Musical Performance by Pete Frailey, Singer of Folk Songs.
   Th, June 26, 7:30 pm An Old Fashioned Hootenanny. Sing along with the musicians of the group Michael's Boat.
   Sat, June 28, 6:00 pm Nancy Magill, Jazz, Blues and Original Tunes, vocal and guitar.
   Sun, July 13, 2:00 pm Original and Contemporary Folk Music, Steven Gellman, singer/songwriter.
   Th, July 17, 7:00 pm (monthly 3rd Thursdays), Open Mike Evening for Artists of Word and Music.
   Sun, July 27, 2:00 pm Irish & American Tunes on Hammered Dulcimer & Guitar, Norm Taylor & Bud Burwell.
   Th, July 31, 7:30 pm An Old Fashioned Hootenanny. Sing along with the musicians of the group Michael's Boat.

Folk, Celtic, and Bluegrass Music at O'Brien's  Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays, 8:30 pm
New folk and acoustic music venue at O'Brien's Rockville, 387 E. Gude Drive in Rockville, MD. For concert schedule info, call 301-762-3395. Ticket prices will vary. Tues. shows will feature a variety of contemporary acoustic musicians and singer-songwriters. Wed. shows will feature Irish and other Celtic performers. Thurs. will be Bluegrass night.
Starbucks Coffee - Weekly Acoustic Music Series Performances

Call the telephone number listed for each store for performers and other information.

- Cascades Marketplace, Sterling, VA; every Wed. & Thurs. 703-421-0932, free admission / donations.
- Burke Center Plaza, 6003-A Burke Center Parkway, Burke, VA; Wed. 703-250-2292, free admission / donations.
- Northpoint Plaza, 1444 Northpoint Village, Reston, VA; Wed. 703-787-9341, free admission / donations.
- Connecticut Ave. & N Street, NW, Washington, DC; Every Fri. from 6 - 8 pm. 202-785-4728.
- Annapolis Road (Free State Mall), Bowie MD, Thurs., 301-352-5500.
- Dock Street (Waterfront), Annapolis MD, Thurs., (No phone given).
- York Rd., Baltimore MD, Fri. 7 - 9 pm, 410-377-6378.

Blaskapelle Alte Kameraden - The Old Comrades German Band

For a list of their numerous events visit their web site: http://www.gmu.edu/cityband/ or call 703-757-0220 or 703-978-8642.

Footlights, a modern drama discussion group

Monday, June 16 & Tuesday, July 15, 7:30 - 9:30 pm

Come join us to discuss plays from the modern theater! In June, we will discuss Lanford Wilson's *5th of July*. In July, we will discuss Jean Anouilh's *Becket*. Local directors will join us for both discussions. In June at Luna Books, 1633 P St., NW, in Washington, DC. Dinner at 6:30. In July at a place TBA. For more info, call 202-484-8303.

Voices In the Glen -- Storytelling in the Washington area. Call Margaret Chatham at 703-698-5456 for specifics.

Free old-time Banjo Workshop with Don Rasnak. For more info on date, time & place, call 703-522-1696.

**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 Dances**

The Friday Night Dancers & the National Park Service sponsor contra dances (with occasional squares) at the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park on MacArthur Blvd. Dances begin at 8:30. Admission is $5 unless otherwise noted. Beginners are always welcome. A four-week series of classes for beginning dancers starts on the first Friday of the month at 7:30 pm. The cost of the series is $12 and does not include admission to the dances. The lessons are progressive & participants should start the series on the first Friday of the month, and attend all 4 classes. For the current week's dances, call the DC Dance Hotline at 301-270-1678. For more information, or if you would like to play or call for a dance, contact Betsy Platt at 301-320-7099 or bplatt@access.digex.com.

June 6  Scrod Pudding with Bill Olson
  13  Open band with Howard Bass
  20  Adam's Housecat with Denise Lair
  27  Mando Mafia with Bev Smith

July 4  Northern Comfort (Bill Tomczak, Becky Tracy, & Keith Murphy) with Susan Kevra
  11  Open band with Robbin Schaffer
  18  String Beings with Barbara Groh
  25  Swing on a Dime with Bill Wellington

Washington Swing Dance Committee

Saturdays, June 7, 21 & July 19, 9:00 pm - Midnight

At the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park. Dance preceded by a free introductory workshop in beginner swing from 8:00 until 9:00 pm. Admission is only $8, with $1 going directly to the Ballroom rehabilitation fund. Or, call 202-726-3972 to volunteer and receive free admission! See FSGW Sunday Night Dance (on page 2) for directions to the Ballroom.

For more info, call the WSDC hotline at 301-340-9732.

June 7  Doug Jay and the Blue Jays
       June 21  The Nighthawks

July 19  Tom Principato
International Dance  Saturday, June 7, 8:15 - 11:00 pm
At Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio, 15 Crescent Rd, Greenbelt, MD. Music by Peascods Gathering. $5.00. NE, NP. For info, call Carl Minkus at 301-493-6281 or Fred Aalto at 703-356-3036.

Reston Contra Dance  Saturday, June 14 & July 12, 8:00 - 10:45 pm
At the Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Rd., Hunters Woods shopping center. All levels of experience welcome. N/P. Dance $4.50; beginners workshop 7:00 pm, $1.50. The hall is air-conditioned for your comfort. For info, call Alice Markham at 703-709-9121.

6/14 Bob Hirsch calling with the June Apple Band  7/12 Ridge Kennedy calling with the June Apple Band

CDSS Northern Virginia Dance Group – English Country Dances & Workshops
Saturday, June 28. English Country Dance Party. Sterling Community Center Annex, 1115 West Church Road, Sterling, VA (3 miles north of Dulles Airport just off Route 28). Dance to music by Alice Markham, piano, Jeff Steinberg, fiddle, and Pat Wexelblat, recorder, calling by Howard Markham and Pat Ruggiero. $10 admission. N/P. Beginners orientation at 7:30, dancing 8 to 11 pm. Contributions to the refreshments table welcome. For info, call 703-471-0629.

2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:45 pm. Figures, phrasing, and style taught. Guest musicians welcome – call Howard. N/P, N/E. Admission $3.00. Harding Hall, 730 Jackson St., Herndon, VA. For info, call Howard or Pat at 703-471-0629.

June 10  Carl Dreher calls, music by Laurie Mielke, recorder and Tom Anastasio, concertina.
June 24  Howard Markham and Pat Ruggiero call, music by Pat Wexelblat, recorder and Jeff Steinberg, fiddle.
July 8  Carl Dreher calls, music by Pat Wexelblat, recorder and Howard Markham, concertina and piano.
July 22  Howard Markham and Pat Ruggiero call, music TBA.

English Country Dances, 3rd Saturdays, June 21 and July 19 at 8:00 pm. For more info, call Barbara at 703-437-3615. Calling by Barbara Harding. Recorded music. All are welcome. N/P, N/E, free admission.

Western Swing Dances  Sunday, June 8, 8:00 pm - 11:00 pm
with The Oklahoma Twisters. At The Washington House, 222 North Washington St., Falls Church, VA. Admission $6. Lessons 7:00 -8:00 pm ($3). Beginners/singles welcome. Large dance floor. BYOB. For info, call 703-536-4369.

Columbia Pike Blues Festival  Saturday, June 14, Noon - 6:00 pm
At the Patrick Henry School, 701 S. Highland St., Arlington, VA. Blues bands including Jessee Yawn and His Music Men, O.C. Nun & The Stingers, Rick Franklin, the Kenny Haddaway Trio, & more. FREE. For info, call 703-892-2776.

Irish Céili & Set Dancing  Saturday, June 14, 8:00 pm - Midnight
At the John C. Wood Muni Center, 3730 Old Lee Hwy., Fairfax City, VA. Music by the Bogwanderers Céilí Band. $10.00. Free dance instruction at 7:30 pm. For info, call Bob Hickey at 703-978-8265.

English Country Dance  Saturday, June 14, 8:15 - 10:45 pm
Last dance of the season. At Sligo Middle School, 1401 Dennis Ave., Silver Spring, MD. Music by Peascods Gathering, Barbara Harding calling. $5.00. N/E, N/P. For info, call 301-493-6281 or 301-577-5018.

Zydeco Dances  Saturday, June 14 & Friday, July 11
at the Spanish Ballroom in Glen Echo Park, MD. For info, call 301-309-0895.
Sat, June 14  Chris Ardoin & Double Clutchin’ 9:00 pm - Midnight. $10. Beginners workshop from 8:00 - 9:00 pm.
Fri, July 11  L’il Brian & the Zydecon Travelers 9:00 pm - Midnight. $10. Beginners workshop from 8:00 - 9:00 pm.

Cajun Dances  Fridays, June 20 & 27, Sunday, June 22, & Saturday, July 12
at Cherry Hill Park Ballroom in College Park, MD. For info, call 301-309-0895.
Fri, June 20  Basin Brothers 9:00 pm - Midnight. $10. Beginners workshop from 8:00 - 9:00 pm.
Sun, June 22  Steve Riley & the Mamou Playboys 7:00 - 10:00 pm. $12. Beginners workshop from 6:00 - 7:00 pm.
Fri, June 27  Tracey Schwarz & Friends 9:00 - Midnight. $10. Beginners workshop from 8:00 - 9:00 pm.
Sat, July 12  Balfa Toujours 9:00 pm - Midnight. $10. Beginners workshop from 8:00 - 9:00 pm.

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Western Swing, Country & Rockabilly
Saturday, June 21, 9:00 pm - 1:00 am
The Oklahoma Twisters, Ruthie & the Wranglers, Rodeo Motel, at Phantasmagoria, 11319 Elkin St, Wheaton MD. For info, call 301-949-8886.

Scandia DC (Scandinavian couple dancing)
Saturday, June 21, 8:00 - 11:00 pm
At the Greenbelt Community Center, 25 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD. Teaching from 8:00 - 9:00 pm. Music by Scandia DC Spelmanslag. Teachers: Linda Brooks & Ross Schipper. N/P. $5.00. For info, call 202-333-2826.

Swing Dances
Saturdays, June 28 & July 26, 9:00 pm - Midnight
In the historic Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Mark, MD with the Tom Cunningham Orchestra. Beginning workshop 8:00 - 9:00 pm. $8.00. For info, call 703-533-8864.

Western Swing Dance
Wednesday, July 11, 9:00 pm - 1:00 am
At Vienna's Tap & Grille, 146 Maple St., Vienna, VA. Dance to The Oklahoma Twisters. For info, call 703-255-0800.

Alpine Dancers
Sundays, June 1 & 22 and July 13 & 27, 4:00 - 6:30 pm

International Folk Dance
Tuesdays, 8:00 - 10:00 pm
at Key Elementary School, Key Blvd. (between Adams & Veitch, 3 blocks from Courthouse Metro), Arlington, VA. $3. Recorded music. Instruction, walk-throughs, & requests. Singles welcome and all ages or levels of expertise. For info, call 703-527-8998.

Scottish Country Dance
2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 8:15 - 10:00 pm
Live music by National Fiddling Champion Elke Baker. At 8030 Main St., Ellicott City, MD. Caryl Maxwell Dance Studio, 3rd floor. Beginners welcome, N/E, N/P. $5 per class. For more info, call 301-589-6813 or e-mail apluhar@tvp.org or Elke at 301-869 0963.

International Folk Dancing
Wednesdays, 8:00 - 10:30 pm
Kahler Hall, Beaverkill Road & Harper's Farm Road, Columbia, MD. Admission is $3. Recorded music. Beginners are welcome. Teaching until 9:00 pm. We have parties & workshops. For info: 410-997-1613 (night), 301-495-4642 (day).

Swiss Folklore Group – Dancing
2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7:30 - 10:00 pm

Cajun and Zydeco Dancing – Gumbo Groupies
Wednesdays, 7:30 - 9:30 pm
Join us for dancing, practice, and informal instruction at the Longbranch Community Center, 8700 Piney Branch Rd (between University Blvd. and Flower Ave.), Silver Spring, MD. Free. Recorded and (occasional) live music. For info, call Peter or Lydia at 301-439-4815.

Friday Night International Folk Dance Group – New
Fridays, 8:00 - 11:00 pm
Meets June 13, 20 & July 11 & 25, 8 - 11 pm at the Greenbelt Community Center, 25 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD. Teaching from 8 - 9 pm. Everyone is welcome, N/P; beginners are encouraged to attend. Great wooden dance floor - lots of fun! Admission $5.00. For more info, call 301-565-0539, 410-715-9210, or 410-437-1959.

Foggy Bottom Morris Men
Thursdays, 8:00 - 10:00 pm
Foggy Bottom Morris is looking for a few good men! We practice our brand of English traditional morris dancing at Oak View ES, 400 East Wayne Ave., Silver Spring, MD. No experience necessary, but some minimal physical conditioning and some sense of rhythm would be helpful. For info, call Bill Brown at 301-270-2014 or Jud McIntire at 703-528-0588.

Bluemont Morris
Mondays, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
A group of men and women who do traditional English morris dances in the spring and fall. The group is very fun and the dancing is addictive and great exercise. We practice in Reston, VA. If you would like to join us, please call Laura at 703-845-8536.

Newsletter Submissions to: FSGW Newsletter % Carl Mintz, 704 East Capitol Street, Washington, DC 20003-1344.
CLASSES

Study Bass with Ralph Gordon - Intensive (upright & electric) week-long class - July 6-11. All styles of music explored with the focus on student's needs. Group and private lessons. For info, call Common Ground at 410-857-2771 or e-mail cground@qis.net.

Cajun Classes, Tuesdays for 5 weeks beginning Tues, July 29 at the Spanish Ballroom in Glen Echo Park. BEG: 7:30-8:30 pm, ADV/BEG: 8:30-9:30, For info, call 301-309-0895.

Zydeco Classes, Saturdays for 5 weeks beginning Sat, July 26 at the Spanish Ballroom in Glen Echo Park. BEG: 10:00-11:00 am, ADV/BEG: 1:00 - Noon. For info, call 301-309-0895.


Clogging Classes. You can just drop by and learn a few steps, call for details. Or, you can take formal classes which begin at Spring Hill in VA on June 22. If your interesting in traditional clogging, please call Jim Maxwell at 703 503 9260.

International folk dance classes every Monday at the Leland Community Recreation Center, 4301 Willow Lane, Bethesda, MD. Classes: BEG, 7:15 - 8:00 pm; INT/ADV, 8:15 - 10:00 pm. N/P, mostly recorded music. For info, call 301-871-6788.

AND BEYOND

MARYLAND

Annapolis Traditional Dance Society Saturday Dance in June & July
All dances are held at the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) Hall in Crownsville, MD. The dances will be from 8:00 to 11:00 pm with a free beginner's lesson from 7:30 until 8:00 pm and an ice-cream social afterward. Join us at our lovely, wood-floored hall located at 1311 General's Highway (Rte. 178) in Crownsville. Cost: $6 for members/affiliates and $8 for the general public. For more information call 410-544-8505 or their web site: http://www.pobox.com/~dancers..

The Annapolis Traditional Dance Society will be doing a dance demo & outreach at the South (Anne Arundel) County Festival on Saturday, June 7. Come help! Call Tracy at 410 263-5546.

Swing Baltimore June dance Saturday, June 14, 9:00 pm - Midnight
Sassparilla (swing, boogie-woogie, & jump blues). Swing dance workshop at 8:00 pm. At the Avalon Dance Studio, 624 Frederick Road, Catonsville, MD. Dance is $8 for members & $10 for nonmembers. For info, call 410-377-7410.

Frederick (MMFAC) Monthly Contra Dance Saturday, June 28, 8:00 pm - 11:00 pm
Bev Smith will call to another prodigal, the band Sodabread. At the Adult Recreation Center on the corner of Bentz and 2nd Streets. A beginners' workshop starts at 7 pm. For more information, contact Boe Walker at 301-694-6794.

SummerTunes '97 – Dance Band Day in Frederick Saturday, July 26
Are you an open band-type musician who is ready to perform and wants a little more instruction and experience? Plan to come to SummerTunes '97, combined dance band workshops and evening dance performance at the Adult Recreation Center at Bentz and Second Streets in Frederick, MD. You'll be able to take part in workshop sessions with noted musicians Liz Donaldson and Sandy Mitchell, and then play that night for Frederick's regular Fourth Saturday contra dance, with caller Tom Hinds. (This is not an "open band" - only workshop participants may sit in.) Admission is by pre-registration only. Cost $30. For more info, call 717-334-5392 (no calls after 8:30 pm) e-mail mvhplank@sun-link.com.
Baltimore Folk Music Society Dances (BFMS)

All dances take place at the Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul Street. Admission is $6 for members (including FSGW) and $8 for non-members. All dances are taught and walked through. Beginners are always welcome and are encouraged to arrive promptly at 8:00 pm. BFMS Hotline 410-366-0808 has up to the minute info on all events, or see the BFMS web page, www.statelink.net/bfms/.

Square and Contra Dancing – Wednesday evenings.
Free workshops by Nouveaux Danseurs introducing basic contra dance figures on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:30.

- June 4 Caller: Erik Hoffman, Band: Laura and the Lava Lamps, Laura Lengnick, Dave Weisler, Ralph Gordon.
- June 18 Caller: Andy Kane, Band: Looney Tunes, Lisa Roberts, Tom Reedy, Jim Bienemann, Alice Rodman. 7:00 p.m. Workshop: Hambo, taught by John Bartholomew and Marge Scerbo. N/P. Free to all dance attendees.
- July 2 Caller: Barbara Groh, Band: Laurie Fisher and Zan McLeod.
- July 9 Caller: TBA, Band: TBA. New Dancers’ Workshop
- July 16 Caller: TBA, Band: Open Band
- July 23 Caller: TBA, Steve Hickman and friends. New Dancers’ Workshop
- July 30 Caller: Michael Schechtman, Je Ne Sais Quebecois, Dave Wiesler, Carl Friedman, Susan Brandt.

English Country Dancing – Monday evenings. Beginners are always welcome.

- July 14 Celebrate Bastille Day. Caller: Mary Kay Friday, Music: Andrea Hoag, Dawn Culbertson, Susan Rudy.

Second Saturday Contra Dance Series. Intro dance workshop: 7:30 pm, contra dance: 8:00 - 11:00 pm. At St. Mark’s on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Road, Pikesville. $6 for members of BFMS and affiliated organizations. For more info, contact Ralph Barthine at 410-561-4573 or rbarthin@mail.bcpl.md.us.

- June 14 Tom Hinds calling to music by Maia Bang, David Zinkin, David Miller, Mary Kay Mann, Chris Carpenter
- July 12 Susan Kepra calling to the music of Northern Comfort, Becky Tracy, Keith Murphy, and Bill Tomczak.

Zydeco Dances. Dance workshop at 8:00 pm. Dancing 9:00 to midnight. The Barn Theater, Catonsville Community College (CCC). $10 general public, $8 BFMS members and CCC faculty/staff, $4. CCC students (please show ID for reduced admission). Workshop included in cost of admission. For info, call 410-552-1004.

- Fri, June 20 Chris Ardin & Double Clutchin’
- Fri, July 18 Creole Junction

Western Maryland Blues Fest – Hagerstown, MD  Friday thru Sunday, June 6 - 8
For info e-mail kgiffin@miworld.net or see their web site: www.bluesfest.com. Lodging available, call 1-800-228-7829.

Deer Creek Fiddlers Convention  
At the Carroll County Farm Museum, Westminster, MD. For info, call 410-287-2492.

Maury River Fiddler’s Convention  
At Glen Maury Park, Buena Vista, VA. Cash prizes. Concerts by Greg Hooven & more. For info, call 1-800-555-8845.
Common Ground on the Hill
Sunday, July 6 - Friday, July 11
At Western Maryland College (1-hr. from DC). A traditional music and arts center offering a quality learning experience with musicians, dancers, visual artists and crafts people. A week of classes, informal jams, concerts and merrymaking.
Staff includes Karen Ashbrook, Mike Auldridge, Robin Bullock, Guy Davis, Footworks, Vance Gilbert, Ralph Gordon, Joe Hickerson, Mike Holmes, Reed Martin, Walt Michael, Barry Mitterhoff, Christina Muir, Paul Reisler, Sue Trainor, Sue Richards, Hot Soup Trio, Sankofa Dance Theater, Tony Trischka and more! For info and catalog, contact Common Ground on the Hill, WMC Box 1296, Western Maryland College, Westminster, MD 21157, 410-857-2771 (x2772). E-mail: cground@qis.net.

Calvert Marine Museum – Solomons, MD
Saturday, July 12, 8:00 pm
In the auditorium, come hear singer/songwriter/storyteller Brian Bowers. $12.00. For info, call 410-326-6935.

VIRGINIA

Oatlands Celtic Festival
Saturday & Sunday, June 21 & 22, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Held at Oatlands Plantation (located 5 miles south of Leesburg, VA on Route 15. Ample free parking. Shuttle (not free) is available from West Falls Church Metro). The 40 bands, 20 dance groups and 20 storytellers on 9 stages plus 60 Celtic crafters. New this year is a music stage in the Pub Tent and a Celtic Drama/Poetry stage, which will feature Gu Siorruaidh Buan – a program of Gaelic music, song and stories from Cape Breton, NS. Evening Concert/Ceili from 7:30 - 9:30 – at the music stage will be Celtic Thunder and Aberjaber, while at the dance stage will be Jim Keenan with the Washington Irish Dancers and SGWRS with Welsh clogger Carol Loughlin. Adults $10 each day, 2-day pass $15, Concert/Ceili $10. For info & tickets, call 703-777-3174.

Americana Stage in Leesburg
Saturday, June 7, 7:00 pm
9 South King Street. Buddy Mondlock & Carol Elliott. For concert info and tickets, call 703-777-3523. Smoke free.

Herndon Festival
Thursday, May 29 - Sunday, June 1
Free music festival in downtown Herndon, with BeauSoleil, The Shirelles, Pete & Maura Kennedy, Suzzy Roche, to name but a few. Carnival, crafts, folk art, food, childrens' events, and more. For more info, call 703-435-6868.

PENNSYLVANIA

York Folk Dance Association - Strawberry Festival
Saturday, June 7
Free outdoor contra dance from 3:30 - 6:30 pm at the day-long Festival at Brown's Orchard in Loganville, PA. Susan Denise & Susan Taylor calling to the Contra Rebels. For info, call 717-845-2897 or sdenise@umabnet.ab.umd.edu. No events in July.

Bethlehem, PA - Valley Contra Dance
Saturdays, June 28 & July 26, 7:30 - 11:00 pm
At the Unitarian Universalist Church, Center & Wall Streets. $7.00. For info call 610-966-5526 or 610-867-2881.
June 28 Greg Frock & The Neanderbobs
July 26 Bev Smith & The Feeties

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WEST VIRGINIA

Shepherdstown Music and Dance - Contra dances  Saturday, June 7 & July 5, 8:00 pm
At the War Memorial Building on German Street in downtown Shepherdstown, WV. Dancers, remember to bring soft-soled shoes. Free beginner's workshop at 7:15 pm. Admission is $6 / $4.50 for SMaD members. Silent auction of unusual wares and art during the dance to support team's trip to England. For more info, call 304-725-0266 or 304-263-2531.
Sat, June 7, Denise Lair will call to the music of Furnace Mountain Duo David Van Deventer and Morgan Morrison.
Sat, July 5, Barb Groh will call to the music of Laurie Fisher and Larry Unger.

Camp Angels Crossing Dance Weekend  Friday thru Sunday, June 6 - 8
45 minutes north of Elkins in Newburg, WV. Nightingale with Ron Buchanon and Kathy Anderson. Also playing Mark DeLozier, Rich Moore, and David Polechko. Camping, food, and weekend, $68. For info, call David Polechko at 412-363-3815 or e-mail lesliedw@bluemarble.net.

Community Party at Buffalo Gap  Sunday, June 8, 1:00 - 5:00 pm
Come enjoy the mountains, swim & canoe in the lake, dance to Cajun & Zydeco music of the Basin Brothers and 3 different bands of the Ardoin family: Chris Ardoin & Double Clutchin; Lawrence Ardoin's Traditional Creole; Bois-Sec Ardoin's La La music - a history of Zydeco in one day! $12. No food, only drinks. For info, call 301-340-6960.

CDSS English and American Dance Week at Buffalo Gap  Saturday thru Thursday, July 5 - 12
Program includes the English teaching of Scott Higgs, American Contras and Squares by Susan Kevra, Northwest Morris from Rosie Donovan and Ritual Dancing from Alistair Brown and Carl Dreher. Other staff members are Laurie Andres, Bill Tomczak, Dave Langford, Becky Tracy, Keith Murphy, Bob Pasquarello, Kathy Talvitie, Bob Mills, Robert Mills and Susie Lorand. The program director is Sue Dupre. For additional info, see below.

CDSS Family Week at Buffalo Gap  Saturday thru Saturday, July 12 - 19
Share traditional English and American dance, music and storytelling as well as the beauty of the outdoors with children. Peter & Mary Alice Amidon will tell stories and lead children's classes, Brad Foster will teach English dance, Kari & Paul Eric Smith will teach sword and morris and John Krumm will call American contras and squares. Other staff members are DeLaura Padovan, Steve Hickman, John Devine, Jonathan Jensen, Daron Douglas, Patty Tarter, Susie Secco, and Tully Larew. The program directors are Andy and Robin Davis.

NOTE: For further information or registration for the above 2 events, contact CDSS, 17 New South Street, Northampton, MA 01060, or call 413-584-9913, or camp@cdss.org.

Upper Potomac Dulcimer Fest - Shepherdstown, WV  June 10 - 15
Hammered dulcimer workshops, classes, concerts, and jam sessions featuring Karen Ashbrook, Nick Blanton, Ken Kolodner, Sam Herman, many more. All levels of instruction, rental instruments available, advanced registration necessary. Featured concerts each day and evening Wed. thru Sat. For more info & tickets, call 304-263-2531.

Avalon Resort - Folk Festival  Friday thru Sunday, August 8 - 10
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### Late Submissions

**Medium Rare Cafe**  
Saturday, June 7, 8:00 pm  
At the Accotink Unitarian Universalist Church, 10125 Lakehaven Ct., Burke, VA. $10 (Lakehaven is first left off Burke Lake Rd. going west from Fairfax Co. Pkwy.) Terri Allard, Charlottesville singer-songwriter performs. For info, call 703-924-8992.

Pianist Liz Donaldson will direct the next Band Aid, an ensemble playing workshop, on Saturday, June 28 from 10 am - 3 pm. $15. Bring a bag lunch, drinks provided. To reserve a space, call Liz at 301-986-1291.

### President's Letter - Continued

Festival Association. We lent our support to WETA-FM and Mary Cliff's Saturday night program, Traditions, and the Folk Alliance Conferences in Washington and Toronto. We co-sponsor several local dance programs, including the Foggy Bottom Folk Dancers and the Capitol Tangueros. We also provided support for the Oatlands Festival, several music and dance weekend programs, and some fund-raising concerts. FSGW Board members are involved in many non-FSGW activities and the influence of FSGW continues to broaden.

When I first became President, I indicated in this column that our membership should increase. I somehow felt that this was an indicator of our health as an organization. Well, our membership is slightly less than it was 2 years ago, but it remains pretty steady. Yet, as an organization, FSGW is as strong as ever. The cancellation of the 1996 Minifest and the 1997 Washington Folk Festival hurt us, because we usually sign up many new members at our festivals. So many people move into and out of the Washington area each year that we must constantly bring in new members just to stay even.

One of my greatest pleasures as President has been my working with some great people on the Board. The Board members have been hard working, cooperative, dedicated, resourceful, and lots of fun to be around. I look forward to serving on the Board for the next year as Past President and hope that I can continue to contribute. I also extend my congratulations to those who agreed to run for Board positions and were elected. There are several Board positions that have specific or mandated requirements. For example, the Membership Chair must make sure that membership applications and renewals are handled efficiently, the Treasurer handles all our financial affairs, the Program Chair produces nine concerts a year, the Dance Chair arranges the Sunday night Contra dances and...
oversees all the other FSGW dances, and the Publications Chair produces this wonderful newsletter 11 times a year. The role of the President, on the other hand, is largely what the incumbent makes it to be. I had great hopes of being an activist President, and although not every vision of mine became reality, we have accomplished a great deal. The Board will be facing some major issues over the coming years. The details of running our programs, special events, festivals, and other activities take much of the Board's time and energy. The current Board has started to do some long range planning and many of the Board members will be back to continue this effort. Although I will not be President, I expect to stay active and involved as ever in supporting traditional music and dance in the Washington area.

Jamie Platt

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Mansion Stage: Celtic Thunder & Aberjaber
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### Sunday, June 22

10 am - 6 pm each day - Oatlands Plantation - 6 miles south of Leesburg, VA on Route 15

Festival Admission at the gate: $10/day ages 12 through adult, $5/day children 6 - 12 yrs. (under 6 get in free) Family Pass (2 adults & up to 4 children) $30. Concert/Ceili Tickets $10.

Advance tickets (through June 14) are 20% off gate price available by phone (credit card) from Oatlands (703) 777-3174, and locally (cash or check only) from House of Musical Traditions (Takoma Park), Scottish Merchant (Alexandria), Misty Isles (Frederick), Treasures of the British Isles (Annapolis) and Bibelot (Pikesville).

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