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NEWSLETTER

SPECIAL EVENT

Bok, Trickett, and Muir

Saturday, March 28, 8:00 pm

At Saint Columba's Episcopal Church (NW, DC), 4201 Albemarle Street, near the Tenley Circle Metro stop. Admission is \$12 for FSGW members, for others \$15. Join at the door and get in at our member price.

Come join **Gordon, Ed and Ann**, 3 wonderful singers, instrumentalists and tellers of tales for a delightful evening of music. They demonstrate "... an unusual merging of three distinct musical personalities into a single unit that successfully retains and reflects the unique talents of each," says Sandy Paton. **Bok, Trickett, and Muir** are not a trio in the conventional sense. While sharing the concert stage, each retains his or her musical identity, often performing as many solo songs as those performed together. The texture of their concerts is extremely varied and reflects their diverse tastes and experiences of music, but the wholeness that one senses in their concerts arises from their mutual affection and respect. (see page 6)

PROGRAM

Kartuli Ensemble

Saturday, March 21, 8:00 pm

At the Unitarian Universalist Church, 10309 New Hampshire Avenue, Silver Spring, MD.

The *Kartuli Ensemble* is a fantastic men's a cappella chorus devoted to the performance and study of the rich folk and liturgical music traditions of the Republic of Georgia in the Caucasus Mountains. According to ecclesiastical manuscripts, harmony has been used in Georgian churches since at least the 10th century. The Georgians evolved a unique tradition of polyphonic singing, largely independent of developments in Western European music. Georgian music comes from diverse ethnic regions such as Kakhetia, Mingrelia, Guria, Svanetia, and Abkhazia; each region has its own distinctive style of music. (continued on page 6)

WORKSHOP

Peter Kennedy

Sunday, March 22, 2:00 pm

In Silver Spring, MD

FSGW Members \$15 / Others \$18

We are honored to be able to present one of the world's premier folklorists and collectors in a unique event. **Peter Kennedy** has been collecting songs, dances, and tales throughout Great Britain and Ireland for almost 50 years. Peter will present for us an afternoon of recordings from his huge collection of traditional source singers of Britain and Ireland, with his own discussion of background and of the collecting process. He will also show many photographs which will help place the songs in a living context. Virtually all this material is available nowhere else. This is probably the one chance we will have to hear such a presentation in our area. (continued on page 6)

FSGW SUNDAY NIGHT DANCES

New Winter Location - Cherry Hill Park Sundays, 7:30 – 10:30 pm

We dance at the Conference Center at Cherry Hill Park for the winter. It has a great wood floor. Our costs are somewhat higher at Cherry Hill than at Glen Echo, so we are leaving our admission prices unchanged; the dollar per dancer donated to Glen Echo will be allocated to rent at CH. We'll still be short, so please encourage your friends to dance with us and enjoy the climate-controlled dance hall. NOTE: March 15th we return to Glen Echo Park's Spanish Ballroom!

Directions from the Capitol Beltway: Take exit 25 (US Route 1 South). At the first light, turn right onto Cherry Hill Road and go 1 mile (you will pass over the beltway). The entrance is on the left (there is a left hand turn lane). Go to the end of this road and turn right. The Center is about 1/4 mile on your left.

Directions from I95: Take exit 29B (MD Route 212) and go 1 mile. Turn left on Cherry Hill Road. Go another mile and the entrance is on your right. (Then follow directions above.)

Please drive SLOWLY and be considerate of the Park residents! Please car pool if at all possible so we take up less space outside the hall. Also, we cannot have small children running around the hallways or the side rooms. Thanks.

Note: Do not park in any empty RV spaces. Park BEYOND the conference center only.

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. Admission is \$6.00 for members of FSGW and affiliated groups (BFMS, CDSS, ATDS), \$8.00 for all others.

THE SCHEDULE

- Mar 1 Professor **Nancy Mamlin** calls an always fun mixture of contras and squares, ably supported by the southern old-time *Wabash Cannibals*: **Ron Cole** on fiddle, **Bill Schmidt** on banjo & **John Schwab** on guitar.
- Mar 8 **Tom Hinds** shares the calling chores with members of his recent calling class who wish to begin their calling careers. Music is by the *White Cockade*, a traditional contra dance band from Vermont. Members of the band are: **Tom Mazziotti** - fiddle; **Ralph Jones** - flute; **Cal Howard** - keyboard; & **Sylvia Miskoe** - accordion.
- Mar 15 **WE CELEBRATE OUR RETURN TO GLEN ECHO** [located at 7300 MacArthur Blvd. (intersection of Goldsboro Rd. and MacArthur Blvd.) in Glen Echo, MD with easy access from the Beltway] with *Wild Asparagus*, America's favorite contra dance band. **George Marshall** calls and plays concertina & bodhran, **Becky Tracy** plays fiddle, **David Cantieni** plays an assortment of wind instruments, **Ann Percival** is on keyboard & guitar & new poppa **Stuart Kenney** is on bass.
- Mar 22 **TONIGHT'S DANCE IS FREE TO FSGW MEMBERS. Please bring your membership card or Newsletter.** One of our favorite callers, **Beth Molaro**, teams up with fellow West Virginians *Jimmy Triplett & the Raincrows*: **Jimmy Triplett** on fiddle, **Helena Triplett** on banjo, & someone unknown at this time is on guitar.
- Mar 29 Vermont-based *Popcorn Behavior* features three wonderful musicians who are still in their teens: fiddler **Sam Amidon**, percussionist **Stefan Amidon** & pianist **Tom Bartlett**. No gimmicks, this is just a fine band. Tonight's caller, **Peter Amidon**, is co-author of 2/3 of the band and their current tour driver.
- April 5 **Kathy Anderson** calls, music by the *Hillbillies From Mars*.
- April 12 **Mary DesRosiers** calls, music by *Nightingale*.
- April 19 **Erik Holman** calls, music by *Taconic Tonic*.
- April 26 **Ann Fallon** calls, music by *Taylor Among the Devils*.

Chesapeake Dance Weekend • April 3 - 5 at Camp Letts in Edgewater, MD. Staff includes *Hillbillies from Mars* with **Tony Parkes** and **Bruce Molsky** & *Big Hoedown* with **Kathy Anderson**. For more information, call 703-845-0426.

FSGW WEDNESDAY NIGHT ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE

Glen Echo Town Hall

Wednesdays, 8:00 – 10:30 pm

Attend the FSGW's English country dances and find a mix of fun and refined dancing led by talented callers who are accompanied by top-notch musicians playing tunes that are unique to each dance. On a given night you may hear anything from the ubiquitous piano and fiddle to the flute, harp, oboe, concertina, bassoon, or viola. Dance on a wood floor in the fine community room at the Glen Echo Town Hall. Enjoy the friendly crowd, known for its welcoming nature, light refreshments, and dance from 8:00 to 10:30 pm. Open to dancers of all experience levels. Cost: members \$5, non-members \$6. **NEWCOMERS:** come early, by 7:45, for some quick, FREE, coaching on basic moves before the dance starts.

- Mar 4 **Rich Galloway** calls to the melodious **Laurie Mielke** on recorder, the heavenly flute of **Colleen Spence**, and dynamic **Dave Wiesler** on piano.
- Mar 11 **Stephanie Smith** calls to the accompaniment of **Liz Donaldson** on piano, **Howard Markham**, concertina, and **Pat Wexelblatt** on recorder.
- Mar 18 **Brad Sayler's** excellent and well thought out programs continue with music by **Susan Brandt** on flute, **Jeff Steinberg**, fiddle, and the omnipresent pianist, **Dave Wiesler**.
- Mar 25 **Diane Schmit** calls to the music of **Liz Donaldson**, piano, **Becky Ross**, fiddle, and **Ralph Gordon** on his smaller fiddle, the cello.

Coming up: calling on April 1 by **Dawn Culbertson**; April 8 **Brad Sayler**; April 15 **Rich Galloway**;
April 22 from Philadelphia, **Jenny Beer**; April 29 **Mary Kay**

Don't forget the **Washington Spring Ball** on May 16th. Watch the Newsletter for info.

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 at the fork). At the tee, turn left onto MacArthur Blvd. Continue NW on MacArthur past Glen Echo Park. Harvard Ave. and the Town Hall will be on your left, 2 blocks past the small shopping center. The Town Hall is at 6106 Harvard Ave., in the building with the post office.

Info: Norm Bernhardt, 301-320-2469; Rich Galloway, 301-589-0939, or Roger Broseus at English@fswg.org.

NOMINATIONS TO THE FSGW BOARD

Each spring the Folklore Society elects new Board members, who serve as committee chairs as well as making policy decisions for the Society. It's a big commitment of time and energy to sit on the Board, but the rewards can also be great. If you feel you are in a position to give something back to the ongoing, all-volunteer efforts of the Folklore Society of Greater Washington by running for office, or if you would just like more information about the election, please call Election Committee member Sarah Fulton at 301-309-0483.

Board Meeting

Monday, March 2, 8:00 pm

The March 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 our President, Carly Gewirz, at 703-631-9655.

MORE FOLKLORE SOCIETY EVENTS

A Note from your President

Thank you to all those who worked so hard to put together this year's MiniFestival. With the cooperation of the weather, attendance was good and everyone seemed to have a great time. A special word of appreciation to Laura Sailer, this year's chair. Well done!

FSGW member Norm Bernhardt, who has served on the Board for several years, resigned as Membership Chair as of the end of January. The Board accepted Norm's resignation "with gratitude for all of his good work and contributions to the FSGW." Lisa Peoples was appointed to act as Membership Chair for the balance of the term.

Open Sing

Friday, March 6, 8:30 pm

Come to the home of Rhomyly Forbes in Silver Spring, MD, just off Georgia Avenue near the Beltway -- an easy walking distance from the Forest Glen Metro. Jennifer Woods will be leading the sing, with a topic of "Your state's name here" -- actually, any song that mentions a state name (or if you are really stuck, any place name) or it can be a state of mind. For info and directions, call Rhomyly at 301-589-3228 or e-mail her at NAWJ@sprintmail.com (she'll check it just before she heads home on March 6)

Gospel Sing

Sunday, March 8, 4:00 pm

The monthly Gospel Sing will be at the home Kathie Mack in Takoma Park, MD, just a block from the Takoma Metro station. Call her at 301-270-5367 for directions. Singing starts around 4:00 pm with a break for a covered dish supper at 6:00 pm. In a departure from usual practice, there will be a special, optional taping of singing after supper. Come early and plan to stay late. Everyone is welcome!

Sacred Harp Singing

Sunday, March 22, 4:00 pm

This month's singing -- one week before the Potomac River Singing Convention -- will be held at the home of Mary Ann Daly in Washington, D.C., 5 blocks from Eastern Market Metro near East Capitol Street (on street parking is available). Free. For directions, call 202-543-3539 or 202-328-5027.

Storyswap

Saturday, March 28, 7:30 pm

Storytellers and listeners meet in the home of Barbara Efron in Annandale. Storytellers and listeners are invited to share an evening of stories and potluck refreshments. Call 703-323-1783 for directions and rsvps.

Future of Glen Echo Park At Stake

Come To Public Meeting on Saturday, March 14

A public hearing will be held about the National Park Service's pending management plan for Glen Echo National Park. The meeting will be moderated by Montgomery County Executive Doug Duncan. Time and location are to be determined. For more info about this important meeting, call the National Campaign to Save Glen Echo Park's hotline at 301-320-8255.



The Potomac River Sacred Harp Singing Convention

Friday, March 27, 7:30 to 9:30 pm: Singing School taught by the Lee Family of Georgia

Saturday, March 28, 10:00 am to 3:30 pm: All-Day Singing and 4:00 - 5:30 pm: New Traditions Singing

These events are at the Pohick Church, 9301 Richmond Highway (Route 1 at Telegraph Rd.), Lorton, VA

Sunday, March 29, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm: All-Day Singing at Hearst Hall, National Cathedral School, next to the Washington National Cathedral at Wisconsin Ave. and Woodley Rd., NW, Washington, DC

Experience the powerful four-part harmony of Sacred Harp singing at the Folklore Society's ninth annual Convention. All are welcome; no experience or vocal talent is necessary.

The Friday-evening singing school will feature a different approach to Sacred Harp singing compared to our usual fast and pulsed "north-Alabama" style. It will be led by **David and Clarke Lee**, along with (their families) **Kathy, Julie, Johnny,** and **Delorese Lee** from Hoboken, Georgia. The Lees have sung music from the Cooper Revision of *The Sacred Harp* for generations in their church worship but in isolation from other Sacred Harp singers. They developed a unique style of very slow, unpulsed singing with much unwritten embellishment ("wiggling the notes") and sublime spiritual profundity. For the Lees, "the real music is beyond the book." They have unusual practices, such as the song leader "walking time." Around three years ago they were "discovered" with great excitement by other Sacred Harp singers. Since then, the Lees have been sharing their traditions with new friends around the country with love, respect, and infectious enthusiasm for this music. They will lead our singing school from both the Cooper Revision and our familiar 1991 Edition. The Lees also sing in the "old voice" style from the tuneless Primitive Hymns (1841), using tunes and harmony from the oral tradition to produce an astonishing ancient sound, which they will demonstrate during Convention.

The two all-day singing sessions at lovely, historic, and acoustically lively locations will feature rugged hymns, fusing tunes, and anthems from *The Sacred Harp* and potluck lunches. Saturday's New Traditions singing will feature shape-note music, old and new, not in *The Sacred Harp*. If you wish to lead such a song, bring 100 copies, observing copyright restrictions.

Tunebooks will be available. Admission is free, but contributions are needed to defray expenses. Local singers, please bring **LOTS OF FOOD** to feed the many out-of-towners and yourselves. For child care (ages 6 and under), call Caroline Arlington at 703-904-1625. For more info, consult the Convention's web page at <http://www.his.com/sabol/PRC98.html>, or call the FSGW Hotline #56, or call Tom or Cathy Tucker at 703-313-4964.

THE WASHINGTON FOLK FESTIVAL IS BACK

MAY 30 & 31

Traditionally held the weekend after Memorial Day, the WFF will take place this year, right on schedule, at Glen Echo Park. Last year's postponement allowed the Park's construction to continue uninterrupted, resulting in much-needed improvements; the paving and landscaping have been completed; the roadways are smooth and the plantings will, no doubt, be in bloom by late spring.

The Program Committee is hard at work; anyone wishing to make suggestions can e-mail Betsy Platt, Committee Chair, at bplatt@access.digex.com. Lots of help is needed with various committees such as publicity, volunteer coordination, hospitality, crafts, program book, fund raising and operations. Anyone interested in working on and/or chairing a committee, or anyone needing answers to questions concerning the festival, is asked to contact one of the coordinators: Dean Clamons can be reached at 703-631-9655, or e-mailed at wff@fsgw.org or Beth Curren, at 301-657-2789, e-mail: dwainl@aol.com.

A Washington Folk Festival meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 24th, at 7:30 pm in the Park Office at Glen Echo. It is open to anyone interested in assisting with the festival.

We would hope that all FSGW members will support the festival at the end of May. It is a wonderful, free event, attracting local performers from quite a variety of backgrounds. There will be half a dozen performance venues, local crafts, dance workshops, impromptu sessions, an evening dance in the Spanish Ballroom and an outdoor evening concert.

Bok, Trickett & Muir (continued)

Ed Trickett is well known in traditional music circles, especially for finding rare and beautiful versions of traditional songs as well as fine contemporary songs, all of which he shares with great skill and care. Ed plays 6 and 12 stringed guitars, hammered dulcimer and piano. **Gordon Bok** derives much of his musical inspiration from his years spent as a professional sailor, and is known for singing traditional songs of the sea as well as his own songs, and telling stories and cantefables. Gordon plays both 6 and 12 stringed guitars, the Bok Whistle (a whistle of his own design and making) and the `cellamba. **Ann Mayo Muir** has fashioned an instrument of her voice that is startlingly capable of expressing her great love of music. Ann plays the 12-stringed Bell guitar, 6-stringed guitar, classical baritone ukulele, traditional 6-holed whistle, flute and harp.



To reserve tickets by mail, send a check in the correct amount payable to "FSGW" to: BTM %Smith ; 7111 Braeburn Place ; Bethesda, MD 20817. Your tickets will be held in your name at the door. For more information call 301-229-3577, or check the FSGW web page at: <http://www.fsgw.org>.

The Kartuli Ensemble (continued)

The ensemble's debut concert was in 1985. Since then, the group has performed and taught workshops at concerts and folk festivals across the U.S., and made several trips to the Republic of Georgia, where the group met with Georgian choruses, sources, and experts. The Ministry of Culture recognizes the group as skilled masters of Georgian music. The group has singers living all over North America, with villages which rehearse regularly in the Boston area, the mid-Hudson valley, and Toronto. When the national group assembles, it chooses among each villages' versions of a song. Free to FSGW members, others \$10

To get to the Unitarian Universalist Church of Silver Spring from I-495 north of Washington, take New Hampshire Ave (MD450) north. Go about 4 blocks, passing the shopping center and the fire house on your right, and look for the church also on the right. **PLEASE NOTE:** The church neighbors are concerned about emergency vehicle access to and through their neighborhood during our concerts. Please fill the church parking lot before parking on the residential streets. There is a community building parking lot one block further north on New Hampshire Avenue. If you must park in the residential streets, please be sure you are leaving adequate passage for emergency vehicles. Thank you.

Peter Kennedy (continued)

He was steeped in the traditional arts since birth. He is the son of Douglas Kennedy, the successor to Cecil Sharp as head of the English Folk Dance and Song Society, and grand-nephew of Marjorie Kennedy Frazer (probably the first collector of the traditional song of Scotland -- certainly the first to record sources). Peter's recently published collection, *Folksong of Britain and Ireland*, is one of the most comprehensive ever in print.

Peter Kennedy has long been active in making the source singers available to the wider folk public. He was co-producer (with Alan Lomax) of the famous *Folksongs of Britain* series of 10 recordings issued on Caedmon in the 1950's, the first commercial release to document extensively the original source singers.

The workshop will be in the home of Bob Clayton and Jennifer Woods in Silver Spring, MD. For reservations and directions, call 301-587-7174. Seating is limited, so reserve your space early.

FSGW CO-SPONSORED EVENTS

Community Concert & Dance Program at the Glen Echo Town Hall Sundays, March 8 & 29

The intergenerational family concert and dance series 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 concerts start at 3 pm and the dances are from 4-5:30 pm. It features a concert of family-friendly talent from 3:00 - 4:00 pm and dancing from 4:00 - 5:30 pm.

Mar 8 **Bill Mayhew** will be presenting his wonderful assortment of stories for all ages. **Tom Hinds**, from Charlottesville, will call the dance with music by *Roustabout*.

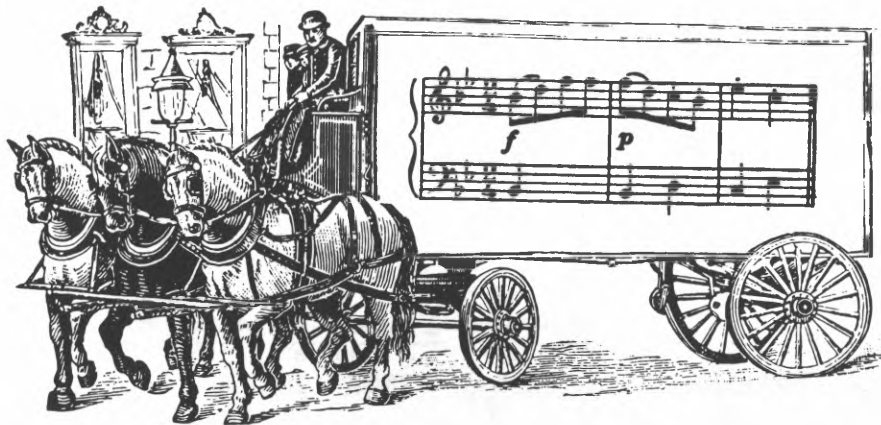
Mar 29 at Glen Echo Park Spanish Ballroom: The *Amidon Family* literally wrote the book on community dancing in the US. *Peter Amidon* will call the dance with music by *Popcorn Behavior*, a group of teenage musicians that will blow you away.

Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for children 5 and over, with a \$15 family maximum. For further information about the dance, call Jamie or Betsy Platt at 301-320-7099. For directions to the Town Hall, see page 3.

International Folk Dancing Thursdays, 7:30 - 9:00 pm

The Foggy Bottom Folkdancers 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 7:30 - 9:00 pm. Request dancing 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.

Capital Tangueros Check the Tangueros home page: www.geocities.com/CapitolHill/4119/, or call the FSGW hotline - x 36 - for March events.



AROUND TOWN

Yiddish Culture Festival Sunday, March 22, 1:30 - 9:30 pm

At Congregation Beth El, 8215 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda MD. Klezmer music by the *Old World Folk Band* from 7:30 - 9:30 pm. Workshops and presentations by well known authors and scholars, mostly in English but some in Yiddish. Klezmer lovers will recognize **Henry Sapoznik** doing a special on old time Yiddish radio. Full day advance tickets - \$45, higher at the door. Dinner (full kosher) and concert - \$30. Note: we need at least a week's notice for dinner. For further info, contact Yiddish Culture Festival at 301-881-0100 #6717 or Miriam Isaacs at miriamis@gwis2.circ.gwu.edu.

LOCAL VENUES & EVENTS

Institute of Musical Traditions – March 1998 Concerts

Monday Nights at 8:00 pm

Concerts are held at the Silver Spring Unitarian Universalist Church, 10309 New Hampshire Ave. (Exit 28A - New Hampshire Ave. - north off beltway & go 3 blocks, right at Oaklawn). \$2 coupon towards your next purchase at the House of Musical Traditions at any concert. Attend 6 concerts & get the 7th free. FSGW members get \$1 off each ticket. For more info or advance tickets, call 301-588-7525. 14 and under ½ price.

- Mon, Mar. 2 *Mariachi Los Amigos* (\$10 advance, \$12 door). Join us at 6:15 pm for a pre-concert Mexican dinner at Sierra's Grill, 11619 Beltsville Dr., Beltsville, MD (less than 10 minutes from UUCSS). Please RSVP at 301-588-7525 so we know how many tables to reserve.
- Mon, Mar. 9 *The Nudes* (\$10 adv / \$12 door).
- Mon, Mar. 16 **Ken Kolodner, Laura Risk and Robin Bullock** (\$10 / \$12).
- Mon, Mar. 23 *Tanglefoot* (from Canada) and **Mack Bailey** (\$10 / \$12).
- Fri, Mar. 27 **Maggie's Music Celtic Day -- Evening Concert** (\$12 / \$15) - **Bonnie Rideout, Al Petteway, Maggie Sansone, Karen Ashbrook, Connie McKenna, Myron Bretholz, Carol Rose Duane & Linda McHale.**
- Sat, Mar 28 10 am- 5 pm. Workshops for musicians (all levels) and non-musicians -- and dancers.
For more information call Connie McKenna at 410-268-3394.
7:30 pm. **Maggie's Music Celtic Day -- Second Evening Concert** (\$12 / \$15) - see above listing of artists.
- Mon, Mar 30 *Nomos* from County Cork, Ireland (\$10 / \$12).

Glen Echo Town Hall – Norwegian Hardanger Fiddle Concert

Sunday, March 1, 8:00 pm

Featuring **Olav Jorgen Hegge** with **Loretta Kelley**. Donation \$5 for S/N or FSGW Members; \$6 others. **Olav Jorgen Hegge** has been playing the Hardanger fiddle for more than 35 years. Featured on Norwegian radio and TV programs, he recently released a recording of Valdres dance music. **Loretta Kelley** is widely regarded as the finest Hardanger fiddle player in the US and has several recordings of Scandinavian dance music. (Directions to event on page 3).

Potomac Valley Scottish Fiddle Club

Sunday, March 1, 2:00 pm

Lovers of Celtic music meet for monthly session in Reston, VA; bring your instrument. No charge. For info and directions, call 703-709-9121.

Strathmore Hall Arts Center – Tea With Elke Baker

Tuesday, March 3, 1:00 - 2:00 pm

At 10701 Rockville Pike, North Bethesda, MD. **Elke Baker** plays fiddle in the Celtic tradition with various fiddle styles, traditional and her own tunes while you relax and are served "tea". For reservations, call 301-530-0540. Lunch is \$10.00.

Bruce Molsky in concert – at the Glen Echo Town Hall

Saturday, March 7, 8:00 pm

One of the most influential old-time fiddlers around, **Bruce Molsky** is also a remarkable guitarist, banjoist, and singer. *Lost Boy* (Rounder) was released in 1996 and he recently released another recording with *Big Hoedown*. He has appeared on *Prairie Home Companion*. \$10 advanced/\$12 door. Call 301-320-7099 or email bplatt@access.digex.net for details. The Glen Echo Town Hall is located at 6106 Harvard Ave., Glen Echo, MD., just off MacArthur Blvd.

Shirlington Artists Guild Coffeehouse

Wednesday, March 11, 7:00 pm

At 4041 South 28th St., Arlington, VA (in the Village at Shirlington, 4 doors from Bistro Bistro). Contemporary folk duo *Not by Chance* (**David Bailey & Douglas Ebert**) perform original songs of hope, peace, courage & faith. \$12 (includes dessert & coffee). Reservations, 703-379-6666.

Where? House Concerts – Songwriter's Workshop

Saturday, March 14, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

At Kim Kaplan's house, 2911 Woodstock Ave., Silver Spring, MD; near the Forest Glen Metro (shuttle from Metro will be provided). An intensive song writing workshop with **Susan Graham White**, designed for the serious songwriter. Bring at least one song to present live or on tape for critique. Max of 8 people. Cost: \$60 includes lunch. For reservations, call 301-855-1319 or mail pflanagan@aol.com

Del Ray Coffeehouse**Saturday, March 14, 7:30 - 10:00 pm**

At the Del Ray United Methodist Church Hall, 100 E. Windsor Ave., Alexandria, VA; off Route #1 South between Crystal City & Old Town Alexandria. St. Patrick's Day celebration: *Irish Breakfast Band* with the *Michelle Donnelly School of Irish Dance* and **Brian Gaffney**, Irish balladeer. Admission \$10.00. For info, call 703-549-4848 (9:30 am - 1:30 pm).

Caffé Florian Coffeehouse**Saturday, March 14, 8:00 pm**

At Davies Memorial Unitarian Church, 7400 Temple Hill Rd., Camp Springs, MD., 0.3 mi south of Allentown Rd. Open mike, held on the 2nd Saturday of each month, Sept thru June; acoustic musicians, songwriters, storytellers, and poets. Sign-up starts at 7:30 pm. Free. Info, Syl Smith, 301-292-6482, or visit our website at www.dmuuc.org/Cafe_Florian.html

Bethesda Acoustic House Concerts**Sunday, March 15, 7:30 pm**

At 5207 King Charles Way, Bethesda, MD. Monthly series featuring acoustic singer/songwriters. Salt Lake City performer **Kate McLeod** plays guitar, harmonica and fiddle as she sings ballads about such diverse subjects as drifters, miners and women struggling with poverty. Suggested donation: \$10 (includes dessert & coffee). For info, call 301-897-5695.

Celtic Concerts in Greenbelt**Friday, March 20 & Saturday, March 21, 8:00 pm**

At the Greenbelt Arts Center, 123 Centerway, Greenbelt, MD. Reservations recommended. Tickets are \$8 general admission and \$6 for children and seniors. For info and directions, call 301-441-8770.

Mar 20 present and past members of the *Homespun Ceilidh Band* and the Celtic quartet *Skye Gathering*, with special guest artist **Francine Krasowska**, in a more intimate and informal setting, including small-group arrangements of tunes as well as big-band foot-stomping reels, jigs, and strathspeys.

Mar 21 a gala evening, including the *Homespun Ceilidh Band*, *Skye Gathering*, the Scottish Gaelic singing group *Mac-talla*, and special guest storyteller **Jan Brenner**. Both concerts will include music and song from Scotland, Ireland, Wales, Brittany, and the Isle of Man.

Panzer House Concerts**Saturday, March 21, 8:00 pm**

Monthly concert series featuring acoustic music in an intimate setting in Columbia, MD. **Kate McDonnell** and **Kat Eggleston**. Reservations required. Call to RSVP and for directions 410-531-9233. BYOB. Light refreshments served. Suggested donation \$8.

Coffeehouse at Good Counsel**Saturday, March 21, 8:30 pm**

At Good Counsel High School, 11601 Georgia Ave., Wheaton, MD. The *Jesse Palidofsky Group* with **Jesse Palidofsky** on vocals and guitar and **Robin Richmond** on a variety of flutes! Admission \$5. For info, call 301-680-8669 evenings.

Churchill High School – Klezmer and Jazz Concert**Saturday, March 28, 8:00 pm**

In Potomac MD. New York Klezmer group *Brave Old World* meets New Orleans Jazz favorite son **Kermit Ruffins** and his *Barbecue Swingers* to create The Big Apple - The Big Easy. Tickets are \$16. For info, call the National Council for the Traditional Arts at 301-565-0654.

Old Brogue Irish Pub – Celtic Concerts**Sundays, March 1 & 8, 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm**

At the intersection of Walker Road and Route 193 in Great Falls, VA. Traditional Celtic music by the fireside. Concerts offer 2 sittings each evening, 5-6:30 pm and 7-8:30 pm. Admission is \$9 for each concert. A full dinner menu is available. Space is limited so advance booking is recommended. 2 shows. For info & reservations, call 703-759-3309.

March 1: **Elke Baker**, past National Scottish Fiddle Champion.

March 8: *Any Puirt in a Storm* (**Paddy Roy**, **Dave Abe**, **Myron Bretholz**, and **Mark Wahlbridge**)

Marley Station**Fridays, March 6 & 20, Noon**

Located at 7900 Ritchie Highway in Glen Burnie, MD - Center Court in the Mall. **Sue Trainor** and **Sue Ribaud** are featured every other week in the "Family Friday at Noon" series. For info, call 410-766-2033.

Common Ground – Live Acoustic Music**Fridays, March 6 & 27, 7:30 pm**

At a new location!!!! Scottish Society, 611 N. Market St., Frederick MD. Featuring hammered dulcimer, mandolin, fiddle, guitar and flute. Music starts at 7:30 pm. For info, call Carl or Jeanne Martin at 301-540-2092.

March 6 - Old time jam with clogging March 27 - Celtic session with Irish country dance.

Klezmer Club**Sundays, March 8 and 22**

At the Chevy Chase Holiday Inn, 5520 Wisconsin Ave (across from Saks Fifth Ave). Featuring *Machaya Klezmer Band* with dancing, singing and concert; \$17 all-you-can-eat buffet, (\$4 cover charge for listening only); singles tables. For info or reservations, call Julian's at the Holiday Inn; 301-951-0001.

Folk, Celtic, and Bluegrass Music at O'Brien's**Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays, 8:30 pm**

Folk and acoustic music venue at O'Brien's, 387 E. Gude Drive in Rockville, MD. For concert schedule info, call 301-762-3395. Ticket prices vary. Tues. shows feature a variety of contemporary acoustic musicians and singer-songwriters. Wed. shows feature Irish and other Celtic performers. Thurs. is Bluegrass night.

Vic's Music Corner - for new acoustic and singer/songwriters. It specializes in presenting lesser known performers, highly regarded by folk aficionados, who are becoming national touring acts.

Sat, 3/28 8:30 pm **Grace Griffith, Lisa Moscatiello and Chris Noyes.** A new band called *Elemental* opening. \$8.00.

St. Elmo's Coffee Pub – live acoustic music**Every Friday & Saturday night, 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.

Dulcimer Jams: Fretted Dulcimer Circle**First Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm**

Meet to swap tunes and play together at the Thomas Jefferson Library, 7415 Arlington Blvd., Falls Church, VA. In addition, the Northern Virginia Hammer Dulcimer Players usually meet the last Saturday afternoon of the month at the Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. For info, call 703-578-3106 or eholsopple@aol.com.

The Folk Club of Reston – Herndon**Tuesdays, 7:30 pm**

At the Tortilla Factory, 648 Elden Street, Herndon, VA. Open mike with a 3-song, 12-minute limit. \$1 donation. Member Showcase 2nd Tuesdays. *IONA* 3/24. \$10 (\$9/members). Info: 703-437-7766 or 703-318-0768. Smoke-free.

Six Degrees Showcase**Tuesdays, 8:00 pm**

At the Courtyard Concert Café at 6108 Arlington Blvd., Falls Church, VA. Admission is \$5. For info or reservations, call 703-533-2828. **Lisa Moscatiello** hosts.

The Folkal Point at the Coho Grill**Thursdays, 8:00 pm**

In the Hobbit's Glen Golf Club, 11130 Willow Bottom Drive, Columbia, MD. \$10. Full menu. For info, call 410-531-5350.

March 5 **Libby Roderick and Justina and Joyce.**

March 19 **Don Conoscenti and Mary Ann Rossoni.**

March 12 *Hot Soup* with **Lisa McCormick.**

March 26 *Tamarack* with **Judy Cook.**

Celtic Concerts at the Old Brogue**Sunday Evening Concerts**

At Snuggery, at the intersection of Walker Road and Route 193 in Great Falls, VA. The concerts offer two sittings each evening, 5 - 6:30 pm and 7 - 8:30 pm. Admission is \$9 for each concert. A season ticket for all 6 dates is \$42. Info & Reservations - 703-759-3309.

Mar 1: **Elke Baker**

Mar 8: *Any Puirt in a Storm.*

The Courtyard Concert Café**Mon thru Thurs, 8:00 pm; Fri & Sat, 9:00 pm; Sun, 7:30 pm**

A smoke-free restaurant/listening room at the Willston II Shopping Centre, 6108 Arlington Blvd. (Rt. 50 & Patrick Henry Drive), Falls Church, VA. Price varies. For info and reservations, call 703-533-2828.

Leaf Through Used Book Store and Gathering Place**March Events**

At 1701L Rockville Pike 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.

Thurs, Mar 19, 7:00 pm, Artists of Word and Music Series, open mike evening held the 3rd Thursday of every month

Sat, Mar 21, 6:00 pm, Musical Performance by **Mike Ball**, guitar and vocal

Thurs, Mar 26, 7:30 pm, Old Fashioned Hootnany, sing/play along with musicians of *Michael's Boat*

Sun, Mar 29, 2 pm, **Christina Muir**, contemporary folk music, guitar & mountain dulcimer, from her album *Feet First*.

Voices in the Glen - Storytelling in the Washington Area**March events**

Many events in March for all both adults, teens, and children. Call Margaret Chatham at 703-698-5456 for information.

Birchmere**March Events, 7:30 pm**

At 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria, VA. For info, call 703-549-7500 or www.birchmere.com. For tickets, call 202-432-7328. Fri, Mar 6 - **John Gorka** (\$16.50) Sun, Mar 22 - **Ladysmith Black Mambazo** (\$22.50)
Sat, Mar 14 - **Schooner Fare** (\$19.50) Sun, Mar 29 - **Catie Curtis and Cosy Sheridan** (\$16.50)

Footlights, a modern drama discussion group**Monday, March 23, 7:30 - 9:30 pm** (dinner at 6:30)

Discuss plays from the modern western theater! We will discuss what Life Magazine called "one of the most sensational theater works of our time": Peter Weiss's *Marat/Sade* (1964). At Luna Books, 1633 P St., NW, about 4 blocks east of the Dupont Circle metro. Admission is free. For more info, call 202-484-8303 or e-mail dsobelso@capaccess.org.



LOCAL DANCES

Editorial Policy for Dance Events & Classes: 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 Tele Numbers!**

Abbreviations used in the listings: **BEG:** Beginning **INT:** Intermediate **ADV:** Advanced
N/E: No experience necessary **N/P:** No partner necessary.

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. Beginner classes start at 7:30 pm before each dance. For more info, or if you would like to play or call for a Friday Night Dance, please contact Betsy Platt at 301-320-7099 or bplatt@access.digex.com.

- March 6 *Wabash Cannibals* with Nancy Mamlin.
- 13 Open band with Denise Lair.
- 20 *Microchasm* with Susan Denise.
- 27 *Popcorn Behavior* with Peter Amidon.
- April 3 *Please and Thank You* with Chart Guthrie.

**CDSS Northern Virginia Dance Group – English Country Dance****March events**

At Harding Hall, 730 Jackson St., Herndon, VA.

2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 7:45 pm. English Country Dance and Workshop, figures, phrasing, and style taught. Live music.

Guest musicians welcome - call Howard. N/P, N/E. \$3. For info, call Howard or Pat at 703-471-0629.

3rd Saturday: No dance in March (see March 21 English Country dance workshop on next page).

Sea and Pub Songs at The Royal Mile Pub**Tuesday, March 3, 8:00 pm**

At 2407 Price Ave., Wheaton, MD. *Ship's Company Shantymen* host a monthly pub sing-around in a traditional tap room setting. While the sing is "anchored" in traditional music of the sea, a cappella pub songs and songs with good choruses are welcomed. No charge. For info, call 301-946-4511.

First Friday Cajun Dance**Friday, March 6, 7:30 - 10:00 pm**

At Linconia Senior Center, 4410 N. Chamblis St., Alexandria, VA. Music by *Squeeze Bayou*. N/P. N/E. Beginner lessons 7 - 7:30 pm. \$8. For info, call 703-757-0211.

Cajun Dance with Squeeze Bayou**Saturday, March 7, 7:30 - 10:00 pm**

Benefit dance for Evergreen School at Temple Emanuel, 10101 Connecticut Ave. (between the beltway and Wheaton Plaza). \$10. For info, call 301-942-5979 or evgreen@erols.com.

Reston Contra Dance **Saturday, March 7, 8:00 - 10:45 pm**

Brad Sayler calls with the *June Apple Band*. Dance \$5. Beginners workshop 7 pm, \$1. At the Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Rd., Hunters Woods Shopping Ctr, Reston, VA. From 495: toll road (267 W) to exit 12, Reston Pkwy; left on Pkwy ½ mile to 3rd light: left on Glade Dr., go one block & turn left on Colts Neck, then immediate right into center for parking during construction. Follow signs to walk to Community Center. Info: Alice Markham, 703-709-9121.

Scandinavian Dance **Saturday, March 7, 8:15 - 10:45 pm**

At Rosemary Hills Elementary School, in the gym at the west end of the school, 2111 Porter Rd., Silver Spring, MD. Music by *Peascods Gathering*. Teaching followed by general dancing. \$4. NE, NP. Info: Carl Minkus 301-493-6281, Fred Aalto 703-356-3036.

Arminius Social Club Bockbier Fest Dance **Saturday, March 7, 8:30 pm - 12:30 am**

At the Knights of Columbus Hall, 5417 Cedar Lane, Bethesda, MD. Admission \$14 members/\$16 non-members (includes dance and food). *Mike Surratt and the Continentals* play dance music. For info, call Gerhard Meinzer at 301-559-1944.

Tenth annual Klezmer-Contra Dance **Saturday, March 7, 8:30 pm**

At Tifereth Israel Synagogue, 7701 16th Street, NW, DC. Featuring *Klezmos*, with Robin Schaffer calling. A benefit for formerly homeless families. For info, call Richard at 301-434-3786. Cost \$10.

Zydeco Dance **Saturday, March 14, 9:00 pm - Midnight**

At the Spanish Ballroom in Glen Echo Park, MD. Hot zydeco sounds of *Rosie Ledet*. Cost is \$10. Beginners' workshop from 8:00 - 9:00 pm. For info, call 301-309-0895.

Cajun Dance with Squeeze Bayou **Friday, March 20, 9:00 - Midnight**

At Cherry Hill Park, near the DC beltway and route 1 in College Park, MD. Workshop 8-9 pm. \$10. Call 301-270-2586.

Swing Dance **Saturday, March 21, 9:00 - Midnight**

At the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo. The great boogie-woogie sounds of *Cathy King Band*. Admission \$8 (includes the introductory swing workshop from 8 to 9 pm). As always, you are invited to volunteer for free or reduced admission. Call 202-726-3972 and leave a message to volunteer. For more info, call the WSDC Hotline at 301-340-9732 (WSDC).

Contra Dance **Saturday, March 21, 8:00 - 11:00 pm**

At the Glen Echo Town Hall. **Tom Hinds** calls squares, circles, and other dances with music by **Steve Hickman** and **Ritchie Schumann**. Admission: \$5.00. Great wood floor. No partner required. This event sponsored by the Friday Night Dancers. For info, call Ann at 410-268-0231. For directions, see page 3 of this Newsletter.

Scandia D.C. – Scandinavian couple dancing **Saturday, March 21, 9:00 - 11:00 pm**

At Greenbelt Community Center, 25 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD. Wood floor - bring clean-soled shoes Schottis and Reinlander taught by Linda Ross and Ross Schipper from 8 - 9 pm. Music by **Loretta Kelly** and *Scandia DC*. For info, call 202-333-2826 or lbroomslb@aol.com.

English Country Dance Workshops **Saturday, March 21, 2:00 - 5:00 pm & 8:15 - 10:45 pm**

At Sligo Middle School, 1401 Dennis Ave., Silver Spring, MD. With **George Fogg** and music by *Peascods Gathering*. For experienced dancers. \$6 per session or \$10 for both. Info: Carl Minkus 301-493-6281, Karla Farrall 301-577-5018.

Swing Dance **Saturday, March 28, 9:00 - Midnight**

At the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo. Dance to the sound of the *Tom Cunningham Orchestra*. Introductory swing workshop from 8 to 9 pm. Admission \$12. For more info, call 703-533-8864.

Sunday Afternoon Waltz at Glen Echo Park **Sunday, March 1 & 15, 3:00 - 6:00 pm**

Bands TBA. Introductory waltz workshop at 3:00 pm, followed by 2½ hours of social dancing. Everyone is welcome to attend. Cost is \$5 per person. For more info, call Donna Barker at 703-978-0375 or see <http://www.erols.com/swing4me>.

Alpine Dancers**Sundays, March 8 & 22, 4:00 - 6:30 pm**

Free open practice of the Alpine Dancers. New dancers welcome. New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6016 Princess Garden Parkway, near Washington Beltway exit 20A. Call for confirmation and directions. Specializing in couples and trio dances from Austria and Germany. Taped music. For info, call 301-577-3503, Carol & Herbert Traxler. Web site: <http://www.geocities.com/Vienna/Strasse/1945/alpine.html>.

English Country Dances**Saturday, March 14 & 28, 8:15 - 10:45 pm**

At Sligo Middle School, 1401 Dennis Ave., Silver Spring, MD. Music by *Peascods Gathering*, calling by Barbara Harding. \$5. N/E, N/P. For info, call Carl Minkus 301-493-6281 or Karla Farrall 301-577-5018.

Taylor Made Squares, a square dancing club**Tuesdays, 8:00 - 9:30 pm**

At the Long Branch Community Center on Piney Branch Road in Silver Spring, MD. There is a wood floor, records are used and the event is free. **Betsy Taylor**, the caller, can be reached at 301-589-4868 for further info. Singles and couples are welcome, and instruction will be given if needed.

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 540-659-3993 or 703-527-8998 (voice mail) or e-mail sstulberg@aol.com.

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

At the Swiss Embassy, 2900 Cathedral Rd., NW, DC. Dancing to recorded music. Free. Beginners welcome. For info, call Fran Walters at 301-530-5643.

Israeli Dances**Wednesdays, 8:00 - 11:00 pm**

At the Har Shalom Congregation, 11510 Falls Rd., Potomac, MD. Instruction from 8 - 9:15. Oldies on 1st and 3rd Wed, newer dances on 2nd & 4th Wed. Recorded music. \$4. Recorded music. For info, call Ben Hole at 301-441-8213.

Cajun and Zydeco Dancing – Gumbo Groupies**Wednesdays, 8:00 - 10:00 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.

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).

Swing Dances**Every Friday, 9:00 - Midnight**

At America Restaurant, Tysons Corner Center, Lower level. *Tom Cunningham Orchestra*. Lessons 8-9 pm. \$10 cover.

Ceilis (Irish set and ceili dancing)**2nd Saturday, 8:00 pm**

From Sept thru June. Free lesson for beginners at 7:30 pm. At the John C. Wood Recreation Center, 3730 Old Lee Hwy., Fairfax, VA. Live music by the *Bog Wanderers Ceili Band*. N/P, N/E. Families and non-dancers welcome. Price: \$10 for adults, \$5 children 6-15, under 6 free (\$20 family maximum). Directions/information: Bob Hickey, 703-978-8265.

Blackthorn Ceili**3rd Saturday of each month, 8:00 pm**

Irish ceili and set dancing. From Sept to May. At St. Michael's, 805 Wayne Ave., Silver Spring, MD. Live music by the *Blackthorn Ceili Band*. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$5 for under 16, free for children under 8. For directions & info, call Clare Stohlman, 301-929-6135.

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 fun & the dancing is addictive and great exercise. We practice in Reston, VA. If you would like to join us, call Laura at 703-845-8536.

**CLASSES**

NOTICE: Starting with the June/July issue, all submitters under "CLASSES" MUST be FSGW members.

A workshop in performing contradance music, Saturday, March 7, 11 - 3:30 pm (bring bag lunch). At the home of Charlie Pilzer, 7425 Buffalo Ave., Takoma Park, MD (301-565-8818). *The White Cockade*, led by **Cal Howard** and **Sylvia Miskoe**, will teach band dynamics, arrangements, tune choices (to fit dances), interacting with callers, and style. Pre-registration is desirable (so presenters know participants' interest and experience level) but not required. \$15 payable at the workshop. For info, call Alice Markham, 703-709-9121, or e-mail Cal Howard, caldance@gis.net.

8-Week Calling Series - taught by veteran callers **Ann Fallon** and **Greg Frock**. The class will run Thursday evenings beginning March 12. Live music will be provided for most sessions, and the series will end with a turn at a real dance at regular venue. Cost for the entire session is \$65, and enrollment is limited to 13 persons. All levels of calling experience are welcome to attend. For more info, call Ann 410-268-0231 or Greg 410-544-9505.

BandAid – Ensemble Playing Workshop**Saturday, March 28, 1:00 - 5:00 pm**

This session will feature tunes from French Canada led by area fiddler **Andrea Hoag**. All instruments welcome. Cost \$18. To register or find out more, contact Liz at 301 986-1291 or liz@us.net.

Dance Classes with Donna Barker & Ken Haltenhoff. No partner required (EXCEPT Master Waltz class as noted). Recorded music used for classes. For further info, call Donna at 703-978-0375 or see our web site at <http://www.erols.com/swing4me>.

Monday Nights – Maryland Youth Ballet, Second Floor, 7702 Woodmont Ave., Bethesda, MD. March 2 thru 23: 7 - 8 pm = Adv. Swing; 8 - 9 pm = Adv. Waltz; 9 - 10 pm = Adv. Lindy. \$40 / person for each 4-week series. Register at first class.

Wednesday Nights – Vienna's Grille, 146 Maple Ave., East, Route 123, Vienna, VA. Come to workshops and dance OR just the dancing from 8:45 to 11 pm! 7:15 - 8:00 pm = Beg. Swing; 8:00 - 8:45 pm = Int./Adv. Swing 8:45 - 11 pm = Dancing to music by DJ. \$10/night for workshops AND dance. \$7/night for dance only (\$12 & \$9 respectively for non-PSDC members)

Thursday Nights – at Glen Echo beginning March 5 - 26, 6 - 7 pm = Master Waltz Class (advanced waltzers, partner REQUIRED!); 7 - 8 pm = Beg. Swing; 8 - 9 pm = Beg. Waltz; 9 - 10 pm = Beg. Lindy with practice time afterward. \$36 per person for each 4-week series. Register at first class.

Sunday Nights – Lyon Village Comm. House, 1920 N. Highland, Arlington, VA, March 1 - April 29 (to register call Karen Pataky, 202-337-3917): 7 - 8 pm = Beg. Swing; 8:30 - 9:30 pm = Exp. Swing

Advanced Argentine Tango - Tues, Mar 3, 10, 17, 7:30 - 9:30 pm. All levels welcome. \$25. For info, call 703-838-4242.

Roaring 20's Dances - Thurs, Mar 5, 12, 19 7:30 - 9:30 pm. Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 N. Royal St., Alexandria, VA.

international Folk Dance Classes Mondays at the Leland Community Center in Bethesda, MD. BEG, 7:15 - 8:00 pm; INT/ADV, 8:15 - 10:00 pm. \$5 per class. N/P, mostly recorded music. Instructors: Phyllis and Brandon Diamond. For info, call 301-871-8788.

Zydeco Dance Classes - Saturday mornings, March 7 thru April 4. Beginning 9:30 am. Advanced beginning 10:45 am. At the Spanish Ballroom in Glen Echo Park, MD. 5 week session is \$36. For info, call 301-309-0895.

Instrumental - 10-week classes - (Tuesdays & Wednesdays) in lap dulcimer (David Moore), clawhammer banjo (Hubie King), bluegrass banjo (Rob Miller), hammered dulcimer, mandolin, guitar and stringband (Walt Michael). Classes start on Mar. 3 at Common Ground on the Hill, Westminster, MD. Call 410-876-9610 for catalog, or Walt Michael at 410-857-2771.

Instrumental - Intensive fiddle workshop with **Jimmy Triplett**, a young West Virginia fiddler and Clifftop Festival winner. Limited to 12 fiddlers, the workshop will focus on archaic modal tunes. It will be held in Hyattsville, from 10-5, Sat., Mar. 21 and 11-3 Sun., Mar 22. Fee for the workshop, which includes a Friday night jam with Jimmy, will be \$75. To register & for more info, contact Andrea Hoag at 301-565-2777 or abhoag@aol.com.

Appalachian ballad-singing workshop with **Helena Triplett**, Sat. March 21, 1-3:30. A member of the band *The Raincrows*, Helena will share tunes from her deep Appalachian repertoire. Contact Andrea Hoag for info (see above).

Irish Ceili and Set Dancing. Wednesdays at the Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo & Thursdays, at the Frost Center, Aspen Hill Rd., Rockville. Beginners 7:00-8:15 pm. Intermediate and advanced 8:15-9:30 pm. 12-week session is \$35. Instructor is Jim Keenan. Taped music. For info, call 301-840-1416. Ceili on the 3rd Thursday of each month.

Scottish Country Dancing - Wed, 8:00 pm, Durant Center, Alexandria, VA. Live music once a month. N/P. Basic and general class available. Northern Virginia Branch, Royal Scottish Country Dance Society. For info, call 703-329-9118.

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. Soft-soled shoes please. For more info, call 301-589-6813 or e-mail apluhar@tvp.org or Elke at 301-869 0963.

Scottish Country Dancing - Tuesdays, 8:00 pm, Greenbelt Community Center, beginners welcome, N/P, N/E. \$3 a night, first night. Free. Taped music. For info/directions, call 202-234-6840 or e-mail: jmcullo@erols.com.

Scottish Country Dancing - Mondays, 8:00 p.m., NIH Fitness Center (Bldg T-39), Bethesda, MD. N/P, N/E. Beg and ADV. \$3 a night. Taped music. For info/directions, call 301-942-2831, or e-mail: BLPeet@aol.com

Western Square Dancing for BEG. Wednesdays at the North Chevy Chase Christian Church, 8814 Kensington Pkwy. Taped music. N/P. \$3.50/session, 7 - 8:30 pm. Mainstream dancing from 8:30 - 10:00 pm. For info, call 301-762-4541 or 301-593-6267.

Scandinavian Folk Dance Basics: Hambo, Schottis, Snoa (Pivot), waltz, and others. Tuesdays, Feb 21 - Mar 31 at 8:00 pm. Recorded music. N/P. \$5 donation. Meadowbrook Community Center, in Rock Creek Park, off East-West Hwy. At Meadowbrook Drive (past the stables). For info, call Frank or Elaine at 301-588-8745.

Traditional Clogging including some Irish: Classes at Wakefield Recreation Center, Beltway & Braddock in VA, Thursdays at 8:30 pm. New classes start April 2 for 10 weeks at \$55. Taught by Jim Maxwell and other Patchwork dancers. We also have classes for children and adults on Saturday at 10 am. For info on performances or classes please call, Jim Maxwell at 703-503-9260, 202-401-3571 or James_Maxwell@ed.gov.

Baroque Dance (17th / 18th C.) Classes, taught by Cheryl Stafford. Tuesday nights, 8:30-9:45 pm, taped music. At Ballet 106 in Gaithersburg, MD. N/P, N/E. \$15/class. For info and directions, call Cheryl at 301-330-0072.



LATE SUBMISSIONS

Ceoltoiri in Concert at Boyds Presbyterian Church **Saturday, March 21, 8:00 pm**
At 19901 White Ground Rd., Boyds, MD. New album release - *Women of Ireland* - celebration. Tickets are \$12, \$9 students/seniors. For info, call 301-208-0609.

Friday Night International Folk Dance Group **Friday, March 6, 8:00 - 11:00 pm**
At the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD. Int'l Folk Dance party with **Richard Morrison & Rudi Petke** (Transylvanian Gyimesi/Csango Music) and **Luk Na Glavata** (Macedonian traditional instruments - Bagpipe, Flute, Tambura and Drum); Teaching from 8 - 9pm. N/P, BEG. \$5.00. For more info, call Larry Weiner 301-565-0539.

Friday Night International Folk Dance Group **Fridays, March 13, 20 & 27, 8:00 - 11:00 pm**
At the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD. International (European) Folkdance - recorded music. Teaching from 8 - 9:15 pm. N/P, BEG. \$5.00. For more info, call Larry Weiner 301-565-0539.

Blue Ridge Café Concert Series **Wednesday evening concerts for March, 7:30 - 9:00 pm**
In the Loudoun Valley Shopping Center in Purcellville, VA. Admission is \$5. For info, call 540-338-3394.
Mar 4 **Linda Lou & the Lucky 4** - Great songs and fine family harmony, from Winchester.
Mar 11 **Andrew McKnight** - Middleburg singer/songwriter with contemporary sound and traditional roots.
Mar 18 **Michael DeLalla** - Original & traditional works for acoustic, 12-string, and classical guitar.
Mar 25 **Lisa Moscatiello** - Award-winning folk and Celtic vocalist.

AND BEYOND

MARYLAND

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.satelink.net/bfms/.

Square and Contra Dancing – Wednesday evenings. For more info, call 410-321-8419.

Free workshops introducing basic contra dance figures on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm.

Mar 4 Caller: Nancy Mamlin; Band: *Wabash Cannibals, Ron Cole, John Schwab, Bill Schmidt.*

Mar 11 Caller: George Marshall; Band: *Wild Asparagus, George Marshall, David Cantieni, Ann Percival, Becky Tracy, Keith Murphy, Stuart Kenney.*

Mar 18 Contra, Square, English Country, and Zydeco dancing, singing, and more! Free to all BFMS members who attend the meeting (arrive by 7:30 for free admission). Caller: Susan Taylor and Carl Friedman; Band: *Findhorn, Steve Hickman, Marty Taylor, Liz Donaldson.*

Mar 25 Caller: Dick Bearman; Band: *Some Assembly, Paul Miller, Mary Corletta Flora, Donna Boylan, Joe Klausner.*

English Country Dancing – Monday evenings. Beginners are always welcome. For more info, call 410-740-3250

Mar 2 Caller: Christopher Field; Music: Susan Brandt, Carl Friedman, Dave Wiesler.

New dancer workshop at 7:15 pm. Note, it has moved to the 1st Monday of the month, rather than the 3rd.

Mar 9 Caller: Rich Galloway; Music: Liz Donaldson, Colleen Spence.

Mar 16 Caller: Diane Schmit; Music: Lenore Cowen, Francine Krakowska, Marty Taylor.

Mar 23 Caller: Mary Kay Friday; Music: Andrea Hoag, Sue Richards, and a special mystery guest.

Mar 30 Caller: Carl Friedman; Music: Jonathan Jensen, Jeff Steinberg.

2nd Saturday Contra Dance Series. March 14, 8:00 - 11:00 pm. Free intro dance workshop at 7:30 pm. At St. Mark's On the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Road, Baltimore (just inside the Baltimore beltway - I-695 - at exit 20 South). Workshop \$2, dance \$6 for BFMS and St. Mark's members, \$8 for non-members. For info, call 410-561-4573. Sue Dupre calling to music by Walt Michael and Company.

Zydeco Dance, Friday, March 6, 9:00 - midnight. Free Dance Workshop at 8:00 pm. *Dikki Du and the Zydeco Crew,* 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.) For info, call 410-552-1004.

Swing Baltimore Dances

Saturdays, March 14 & 28, 9:00 pm - Midnight

At the Avalon Studio, 624 Frederick Road, Catonsville, MD. For info, call 410-377-7410. Dances: \$10 / \$8 members.

Mar 14 *Bad Influence.*

Free intro swing workshop 8 - 9 pm.

Mar 28 *The Lone Starlets.*

First Unitarian Church of Baltimore – Aids Benefit Concert

Saturday, March 7, 8:00 pm

At Franklin at North Charles, Baltimore. It's a night of harmony featuring *Hot Soup* and a reunion of *Sanders, Kass & White!* \$12 advance (by mail or at Lamda Rising bookstores), \$15 at the door. For info, call 410-347-0345.

Southern Maryland Traditional Music & Dance Monthly Contra Dance

Saturday, March 21, 8:00 pm

At the Margaret Brent Middle School, Route 5, Helen, MD. Dance to the music of *Third Story, Andrea Hoag, Janet Lenhardt* and *Jim Hyland* with *Kate Charles* calling. Free beginners workshop at 7:30 pm. N/P, N/E. \$6. For more info, call 301-769-3840.

Baltimore's Open Band Rehearsal

Sunday, March 8, 4:00 - 6:00 pm

At Joe Balkoski's, 718 Dunkirk in Baltimore. Heard us? Loved us? Wanna go to NEFFA? Folks gather each month at rotating locations to play, practice, chat and chew. For info, or if you need music call Susan at 410-254-1730.

Annapolis Traditional Dance Society**Saturday, March 7, 8:00 - 11:00 pm**

At the Fraternal Order of Police Hall, 1311 General's Highway (MD Route 178), Crownsville, MD. Lovely wooden floor. New dancer orientation at 7:20 pm. \$6/members & affiliates; \$8/others. For info, call the ATDS hotline at 410-544-9505. Contra with caller **Tom Hinds**, music by **Alexander Mitchell** and **Liz Donaldson**.

Also, join master caller **Tom Hinds** as he teaches a session on calling vocal techniques and dance programming from 3 - 6 pm. \$15. All levels of calling experience are welcome to attend. Call Tom for session details at 804-263-8070.

333 Coffeehouse, Annapolis**Friday, March 20, 8:00 pm**

At the Unitarian Church, 333 Du Bois Road, off Bestgate (Exit 24). *The Kennedys*, a popular married duo comprised of guitar wizard **Pete Kennedy** and singer **Maura Kennedy**. Also featured is a young singer songwriter from Hoboken, NJ, **Christian Bauman**. \$6 / students & seniors \$5. Food available. For info, call Max at 410-647-4275.

Frederick (MMFAC) Contra Dance**Saturday, March 21, 8:00 pm**

Ridge Kennedy calls contra dances to tunes from **Alexander Mitchell** and **Marc Glickman** on piano. At the Adult Recreation Center at Bentz and Second Streets in Frederick, MD. Beginners' workshop starts at 7 pm. Admission is \$3 for Frederick city residents, \$4 for Mid-Maryland Folk Arts Council members, and \$6 for everyone else.

Easton Contra Dance**Saturday, March 21, 8:00 pm**

At Cross Court Athletic Club on South Washington St at the Bypass in Easton, MD. Caller will be **Greg Frock** with music by the *Goosebone Prophets* - **Laura Legnick**, fiddle and **John Devine**, guitar. N/E, N/P. Admission is \$7 per adult. For info, call Jane at 410-745-2655 or Rene at 410-820-8789.

VIRGINIA

Bluemont Old-time Country Dances**Saturday, March 21, 8:00 pm**

At the Lincoln School, Lincoln, VA. St. Patrick's Day dance with *Celtic Thunder*. For info and directions, call 703-777-6306 or e-mail bluemontes@aol.com.

WEST VIRGINIA

Shepherdstown Music and Dance**Saturday, March 7, 8:00 - 1:00 pm**

At the Shepherdstown Men's Club Building, corner of German & King Sts. Soft-soled shoes required! Admission \$6 / SMD members \$4.50. For more info, call 304-725-0266 or 304-876-2169. Contra dance: **Steve Gester** calling to the music of *Jacob's Ladder* (**Ellen Jacobs**, **Mark Vidor**, **Susan Brandt** and **Larry Robinson**). Free beginner's workshop at 7:15 pm. Salsa workshop will be held that same day at 4 pm with a potluck dinner to follow at 6:30 pm. \$5.00.

Cajun workshop & dance Saturday, March 14, Workshop starts at 6:30 pm; Dance begins at 8:00 pm

Workshop taught by **Michael Hart** and **Sharon Schiliro**. The all-cajun dance will feature music by *Squeeze Bayou*. Admission is \$5 for the workshop, \$10 for the dance, or \$12.50 for both events. For info, call 304-725-0266.

Concert on Friday, March 20 at 8:00 pm Irish fiddler, **Martin Hayes** will appear in concert at the Shepherdstown Presbyterian Church. Admission is \$12 for adults, \$10 for members, \$5 children. For info, call 304-263-2531.

Almost Heaven 98**Saturday, May 23 thru Monday, May 25**

At YMCA Camp Horseshoe, St. Georges, WV (a 4½ hour drive from the DC area). Swing to the *O-Tones*, contra and waltz to *Swallowtail*, and learn couples dances with **Donna and Ken**. Cost before 4/14 is \$150 for adults and \$85 for fids. For info, call Cindy at 301-933-3645, Joyce at 301-596-0487, or Myrna at 410-268-5540.

PENNSYLVANIA

York Folk Dance Association – Contra Dance

Friday, March 6, 8:00 - 11:00 pm

At the Red Lion Grange, Rt. 24 & Lombard St., Red Lion, PA. Beginners' workshop 7:30 pm. **Andy Kane** calls to the old-timey music of Baltimore's *Looney Tunes*. \$6. For info, call 717-845-2897 or e-mail sdenise@umabnet.ab.umd.edu

Lancaster Traditional Society Contra Dance

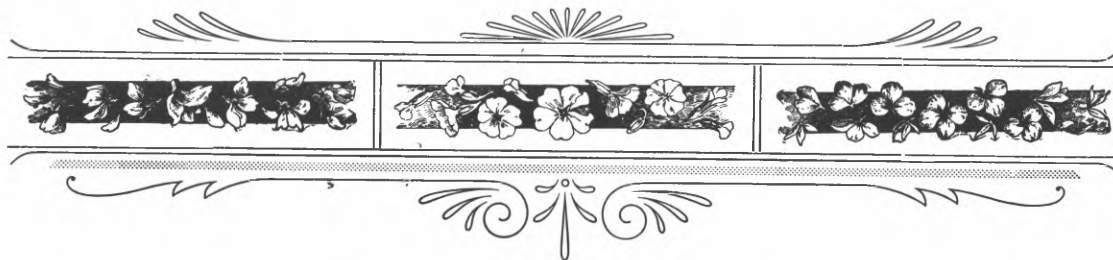
Saturday, March 21, 8:00 - 11:00 pm

At Faith United Church of Christ, 1204 Wabank St., Lancaster. Caller, **Robbin Schaffer**, band: *Contra Rebels*. \$6. Free beginners' workshop at 7:15 pm. For info and directions, call 6717-390-7277 or sam@mcc.org.

FARTHER AWAY

NY Pinewoods Education Festival – March 28 & 29. Staff includes: **Peter Kennedy**, **Andy Wallace** (Folklore sessions), **Andy Cohen**, **Jeff Davis**, **Bruce Molsky**, **Lorraine Lee Hammond**, **Patrick Ourceau** (instrumental workshops), **Jerry Epstein**, **Ellen Weiss** (vocal), **Tom Gibney** (Gospel), **Jack Langstaff** (program for teachers), **Henry and Betsy Chapin** (family program). Register now. Space is limited, and some workshops may close early. For more info, call Jerry at 718-429-3437 or visit the Pinewoods web page at <http://users.aol.com/nypinewood/club.html>.

Victoria's Revenge Dancefest, Cape May, NJ – May 1 & 2. The weekend features music by *CHILDSPLAY* and calling by **Susan Kevra** and **Tom Hinds**. Dance to the exciting, elegant music of over 20 of the best fiddlers you will ever hear play together. Flyer at local dances or call 301-320-7099 or e-mail Bplatt@access.digex.com with your request. Early registration counts this year. 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. \$45.



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