THE FOLK FESTIVAL | MAY 30 & 31
At historic Glen Echo Park at the intersection of MacArthur Blvd and Goldsboro Road.

This year's Washington Folk Festival will present a program rich in tradition and highlighting the cultural diversity which makes the Greater Washington area unique. For 21 years, this festival has been a showcase of performance, craftsmanship, hard work and volunteerism. Hundreds of people donate their time and energy and talent to create this event; thousands of people arrive to immerse themselves in music, dance, crafts and culture. Come and join the festivities - it promises to be an exciting experience.

The festival runs from noon to 10:00 pm on Saturday and noon to 6:00 pm on Sunday. There is a full program of music, dance, storytelling, and crafts from around the world. But, all the performers come from the Washington area! Just a few of the 150 performances include Tom Paxton, Tom Prasada-Rao, the Spanish Dance Society, Elke Baker, Hesperus, Ed Trickett, Bill Baker, the Washington Toho Koto Society, Mike Stein, and Big Blow and the Bushwackers. You will find everything from blues to bluegrass, from Celtic fiddle to Vietnamese dulcimer, and from zydeco dance to Roumanian dance. Look for a full program inside this Newsletter. (Additional information on page 5)

SPECIAL EVENT
Joe Hickerson
at Glen Echo Town Hall
Saturday, June 13, 8:00 pm
Admission $14 / $10 for FSGW Members
FSGW proudly presents one of its founding members, Joe Hickerson in concert. Since 1953, Joe has performed over a thousand times in concerts, festivals, coffeehouses, folk clubs and societies, colleges and universities, community groups, and radio programs (including A Prairie Home Companion). He has been called a "folksinger's folksinger" for his ability to remember an incalculable number of folksongs, ballads, popular songs of the past and other goodies. His wide-ranging repertoire of English-language songs includes occupational and labor songs, ballads, children's songs, sea songs, Irish-American songs, humorous songs and parodies, and chorus songs, all accompanied by an idiosyncratic guitar style which nonetheless fits each song to a "T". (continued on page 4)

FSGW PROGRAM
Cucanandy Saturday, June 20th 8:00 pm at the Washington Ethical Society
Admission is $10 but FREE for FSGW Members (see page 5 for particulars)
FSGW SUNDAY NIGHT DANCES

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

FSGW's Sunday evening dance is held in the historic Spanish Ballroom at the Glen Echo Park National Historic Site, off MacArthur Boulevard (at 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. 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.

THE SCHEDULE

June 7  Baltimorean Susan Taylor calls to the music of Fiddlestyx, our favorite local band. Steve Hickman and Alexander Mitchell play fiddle, John Devine is on guitar, and Jim Bieneman plays bass.

June 14  Welcome North Carolinians Hank Morris and Hot Frogs on the Loose, making their debut in the DC dance world. The Frogs include June Advincula on keyboard, Kelly Lawrence on fiddle, with Brent Skidmore providing the percussion.

June 21  Another lively dance. Bill Wellington calls and plays mandolin, Lynne Mackey is on piano, and Alexander Mitchell is the fiddler.

June 28  Philadelphia's Jim Kitch calls his own interesting & intricate contra dances. Charlottesville's Adam's House Cat adds some great music. Craig duBose plays guitar & keyboard, Bo Bradham plays fiddle, and the incomparable Dave Grant is on bass.

July 5  Dancer Steve Gester switches hats and calls tonight's dance. From our vast pool of talented local musicians we draw Andrea Hoag (fiddle), Liz Donaldson (piano, keyboard), and Ralph Gordon (bass).

July 12  Tom Hinds calls to music by some of the finest contra dance musicians on both coasts. Laurie Andres (accordion) & Cathy Whitesides (fiddle) team up with John Devine (guitar) & Ralph Gordon (bass).

July 19  Our wide local metro area is home to tonight's caller, Baltimorean Robbin Schaeffer, and band, the MD-VA-WV-based Mighty Possums. Tabby Finch is on keyboard, Joe DeZarn fiddles, Alexander Mitchell plays guitar & fiddle, and Ralph Gordon is on bass.

July 26  Mary Virginia Brooks, she of ultra high energy, travels down from NYC to call to the southern old-time tunes of Roustabout. The band includes Chris Romaine (fiddle), Lars Hanslin (guitar, banjo uke), Jim Bollman (banjo) & more.

Booking Ahead at Contra Dances by Laura Brown

Booking dances far ahead is detrimental to our dance community as a whole, primarily because it is unwelcoming to newcomers and prevents them from gaining dance skills quickly and easily. And if we don't continue inviting new people into our dance, it will die out (just as club squares are dying out). You may help beginners when you pass them in line, but if you don't ask them to dance, you are not actively inviting them to join our community. And if you are not actively encouraging newcomers, then you are contributing to the slow death of contra dance. (Both the Fiday night dance the FSGW Sunday night dance have had significant attendance drops over the past 3 years.)

"Everyone else books ahead" is not a valid reason. In the past 2 years, I've quit booking ahead. (I will only go as far as the "next dance.") My behavior has actually influenced others. If they want to dance with me, they know they have to leave some dances open and look for me. And if some people feel they can't do this, that's okay. There are lots of people I enjoy dancing with -- including beginners. (Continued on facing page)
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, many of which you will hear playing for us during the Summer months. 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 p.m. Open to dancers of all experience levels. Cost: members $5, non-members $6. The Town Hall is climate controlled: that means Air Conditioned for enjoyable dancing during the hot, muggy, Washington Summer.

June 3 Mary Kay Friday calls to music provided by Barbara Heitz on flute, Liz Donaldson on piano, and Bruce Edwards on bassoon.

June 10 Charlottesville's Brad Sayler calls to the music of Liz Donaldson on piano, Becky Ross on fiddle, and flutist Colleen Spence.


June 24 Before departing for CDSS staff duties at Pinewoods summer dance camps, Mary Kay Friday calls to the music of Susan Brandt on flute, Dave Wiesler on piano, and Ralph Gordon, on cello.

July 1 A special treat is in store: Laurie Andres who has called and played the piano in Seattle since 1984 will do the same for dancers tonight. Laurie is known to many dancers from earlier days spent in the DC area. A fine fiddler, Cathie Whitesides, rounds-out this duo as they stop by to play and call for us on their way to help staff English American dance week at Buffalo Gap Camp.

July 8 The indefatigable Diane Schmit will call to the accompaniment of Susan Brandt on flute, Liz Donaldson on piano and concertina player Hope Stanton.

July 15 Stephanie Smith calls to the music of Some Assembly - Donna Boylan on piano, Mary Flora on flute, Joe Klausner on fiddle and guitarist Paul Miller.

July 22 Rich Galloway calls to music by Barbara Heitz, flute, Jonathan Jensen, piano, and Becky Ross, fiddle. One of the several wonderful musicians we are lucky to enjoy the music of, Jonathan is a musician for the local orchestra know as the Baltimore Symphoy and also serves of the staff of dance camps from Mendocino in California to Pinewoods in Massachusetts.

July 29 Pianist Liz Donaldson may play alternative keyboard (accordion) with Dave Wiesler alternating between piano and guitar. Fiddler Jeff Steinberg joins-in to round out the musical talent for caller Brad Sayler.

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 (Post Office bldg.).

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

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Think of it this way: The dance community is giving something to you. For each of you it is something different -- perhaps the live music, exercise, fun, socializing, flirting or human contact. The dance experience is worth infinitely more than we pay for admission. Isn't it time you started thinking about giving something back to our community?

I'm not saying you shouldn't dance with your friends. But you could save one or two dances every night to dance with beginners--preferably the first dances of the evening when they need the most encouragement.

Next time: dancing with beginners

Newsletter Submissions to: newslettereditor@fsgw.org. See new editorial policy in the back of this issue.
In Memoriam, Henry (Harry) Fenlon (1932-1998). Harry Fenlon, an avid contra dancer, died on April 10 after a 10-year battle with cancer. Although he was a quiet, rather shy person, he gave freely of his time and energy in a variety of venues. He was a member of FSGW and volunteered for the Washington Folk Festival. He attended several dance weekends at Buffalo Gap, Catoctin Mt., and Camp Letts. Unbeknownst to most of us, Harry enjoyed sailing, and a few years ago he donated his catamaran to Camp Letts. He will be missed as a member of the FSGW community.

FSGW Board Meetings

Monday, June 1, 8:00 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 our President, Carly Gewirz, at 703-631-9655.

Saturday, July 11, 4:00 pm

The July Board meeting is our annual transition meeting with both the old and new Board members attending. It will be at the home of Carly Gewirz. Call her at 703-631-9655 for additional info.

FSGW Election Results

President: Carly Gewirz
Vice President: Carl Mintz
Treasurer: David Boynton
Secretary: Joe Metzler

Special Events: Dennis Cook
Program: Debbie Hutton
Dance: Jamie Platt
Publications: Richard Seidel

Publicity: Esther Bushman
At-Large: Roger Broseus
Suzanna Frankeburger

Almost 350 members took the time to vote - wow! Congratulations to our new Board members.

FSGW SPECIAL EVENT (continued from front page)

Joe Hickerson

Saturday, June 13, 8:00 pm at Glen Echo Town Hall

Raised in a family in which folksong books and recordings were the norm, Joe began his folk music activities at Oberlin College where he founded the Oberlin Folk Song Club in 1956. He studied folklore and ethnomusicology at Indiana University where he served as the first president of the Indiana Folksong Club.

Joe came to Washington in 1963 to assume a position as reference librarian of the Archive of Folk Culture of the Library of Congress, which he has headed since 1974. Singers and researchers from all over the world have consulted with him. In 1964, he was one of the founding members of the Folklore Society of Greater Washington, and has served in many offices in the organization. This special concert is a "must see" for lovers of good folksong. Admission is $10 (FSGW members) and $14 (non-members). For more info, call 301-229-3577. Directions to the Town Hall are on page 3 of this Newsletter.

Deadline for the August 1998 Issue: 9:00 pm, Friday, July 10
**FSGW Program**

**Cucanandy**

at the Washington Ethical Society

*Mike Casey, Malke Rosenfeld & Stephanie Johnston*

*Cucanandy* take tradition-based songs, dances, percussive rhythms, tunes and stories - find the places where they blend into a powerful whole - and present them in performances that are both compelling and entertaining. For an all-acoustic trio, they are an electric combination!

*A Cucanandy* concert features enduring, heartrending songs drawn from Irish, Scottish, English and American traditions. Whether it's a poignant emigrant's farewell, a bold maiden's besting of a group of sailors, a playful children's nonsense song or a glimpse of the dark side of a relationship, *Stephanie Johnston*s voice soars with clarity and passion.

With nimble fingers and a love of strong melodies, *Mike Casey* and *Malke Rosenfeld* weave beautiful tunes through songs, instrumentals, dances and even stories that make up a *Cucanandy* concert. They blend the wooden Irish flute, whistle, lap dulcimer and guitar together into rich instrumental textures.

Whether it's step dancing from Cape Breton or flatfooting and clogging from the American South, *Malke Rosenfeld's* energetic percussive dancing drive a *Cucanandy* concert. Her primary instrument is her feet, and her infectious rhythms wind through *Cucanandy's* tunes and songs.

Come on out for this delightfully modern mosaic of traditional dances, songs, tunes and tales. WES is located at 7750 16th Street, NW (at the intersection of Kalmia Road) 5/8 of a mile south of the circle where 16th Street meets Colesville Road and a few blocks from the Silver Spring Metro station.

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**THE WASHINGTON FOLK FESTIVAL STILL NEEDS YOUR HELP**

*MAY 30 & 31*

Please join us for 2 days of great performances, exceptional talent and a showcase of arts and crafts. Remember, this is a FREE event which relies on the contributions of the performers and organizers & volunteers who donate their time & talents. We still need help - volunteer now for a few hours - help prepare food for performers, staff the performer check-in area, safeguard performer's instruments during the Festival, and most of all come out weekends to set up the Festival at the Park. Clerical help is needed Memorial Day weekend on Saturday and Monday in the Festival Office - make buttons, collate performer information, etc. On Festival Day we need stage hands, photographers, and archivists. Call Leigh Partington at 301-320-5003.

**Friends of the Washington Folk Festival**

The Washington Folk Festival is free to attend, but it is not free to produce. Our costs include renting sound systems and pianos, feeding performers and staff, printing the programs and publicity, maintaining the tents, stages and equipment, buying postage and office supplies, and paying for the parking shuttle buses. You can help by becoming a Friend of the Washington Folk Festival for just $30. This year as an incentive we are offering a special T-shirt commemorating the 1997 festival (or lack thereof) for a donation of $45. You can also become a Super Friend with a donation of $75 and get both a T-shirt and a parking pass for the main Glen Echo lot. If you would like to become a Friend of the Festival, send a check made out to FSGW to: Dean Clamons, PO Box 217, Clifton, VA 20124. If you want a T-shirt, be sure to include the desired size.
FSGW House Concerts

Betty and Norman McDonald

Saturday, June 6, 8:00 pm
in Silver Spring, MD

With great delight FSGW welcomes back two favorites from England, Betty and Norman McDonald to perform their charming and melodious songs.

Betty and Norman hail originally from the northeast of England (canny Newcastle) and sing a variety of Geordie, Scottish, Irish and American songs and ballads in harmony some a cappella but most accompanied on banjo, guitar and autoharp. They lived in Scotland for 12 years, but are now based in southwest England, in Gloucestershire. They are well-known in the UK for their many appearances at folk clubs and festivals. "They sing songs from their native area simply and with much charm." (Folk Roots Magazine) This is their fifth American tour, and they have pleased FSGW audiences every visit.

Don't miss what's sure to be a wonderful evening of song and fellowship! For further information or directions call Bob or Jennifer at 301-587-7174. (The Clayton/Woods house is 5 blocks from the Silver Spring Metro stop. Note: they have two cats, and one or more dogs). Admission is $6 for FSGW members, $8 for non members. Light refreshments will be served.

Jeff Davis and Brian Peters

Tuesday, June 30, 8:00 pm
in Silver Spring, MD

FSGW will present a house concert of American and English traditional music. It will be a rare combination of American Jeff Davis performing with his English friend Brian Peters. Jeff Davis is one of the US's foremost performers and interpreters of traditional music. He communicates an affection for and understanding of rural America's older singers and their songs. While moving from guitar to fiddle to mando cello to banjo to fretless banjo to dulcimer to piano, he is comfortable with songs and tunes but at home, too, with tales and monologues.

Jeff offers a journey into the roots of American music. With humor, warmth and scholarship, he presents the songs and music of the American people: New England ballads, African-American banjo tunes, gospel songs; cowboy ditties, Appalachian fiddle tunes, river work songs, minstrel songs, maritime verse, dulcimer songs and more.

Making his Washington, DC debut is Brian Peters. Brian has been described a "one of British folk music's finest ambassadors." Emerging from the folk clubs, he has taken his skillful and dynamic performances of traditional and other material to stages all over the world. Brian is one of England's best squeeze box players, doubling on melodeon and concertina. He is a polished guitarist in the open-tuned English folk style and is a fine singer who has studied traditional technique but knows how to use modern dynamics. His instrumental accompaniments blend adventure, sophistication and good taste. Believing passionately in the modern relevance of the tradition, from ancient ballads to 200-year old dance tunes, he nonetheless includes original and contemporary songs, and even blues or rock'n'roll, in a stage act known for its variety.

They will appear at the home of Bob Clayton and Jennifer Woods in East Silver Spring, MD (5 blocks from the Silver Spring Metro). Light refreshments. Admission $6 FSGW members, $8 general public. For further information or directions, call Bob or Jennifer at 301-587-7174.

Deadline for the August 1998 Issue: 9:00 pm, Friday, July 10
Open Sing

Friday, June 5 & July 10, 8:30 pm

The Open Sing for June will be held at the home of Dotty Hurley in Aspen Hill, MD. She will be our leader and her topic is "The Sun, the Moon and the Stars." Call Dotty for directions or more info at 301-871-7652.

Note: Held on the 2nd Friday of July. Dick Rogers will lead with the topic "Songs of Things, Things of value, Things of little value." Held at the home of Bill Day and Rita Ferrara in Wheaton, MD. For directions call them at 301 946-2161. We usually go around the circle and give each person a chance to lead or suggest a song. Any song that might fit the topic no matter how remotely, is fair game. Come have a good time.

Storyswap

Saturday, June 20 & July 11, 7:30 pm

June 20 Storyswap convenient for those who come to the Potomac Celtic Festival in Leesburg, in the home of Laura Bobrow. From the festival, go south on business Route 15 thru the center of Leesburg. At the 3rd traffic light past route 7, turn right onto Davis Ave. You are looking for #131, from the driveway after that marked Southgate II. Go down the driveway, turn right and park across the road from the back gates or around the traffic circle (not on the grass, please). Free, potluck refreshments. Call Laura at 703-443-8491 to rsvp.

July 11 Listeners and tellers are invited to the new home of Yaakov Mizrachi and Becky Feld in Silver Spring for an evening of shared stories and potluck refreshments. Call 301-754-2027 for directions and rsvps.

Gospel Sing

Sunday, June 14 & July 12, 4:00 pm

On the second Sunday of each month, the FSGW Gospel Sing is 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.

June 14 at the home of Barbara Karpas in Takoma Park, MD. Call her at 301-270-4239 for directions.

July 12 at the home of Ann Herzog and Bill Thompson in northwest DC. Call them at 202-797-9259.

Sacred Harp Singing

Sunday, June 28, 4:00 pm

At St. John’s Episcopal Church, 415 S. Lexington St., Arlington. The singing and fellowship are always great in the acoustically lively sanctuary. Bring a dish for 4 and a donation for the church’s social service program. Take US Rt. 50 (Arlington Blvd) to Carlin Spring Rd., (4½ miles west of Roosevelt Bridge or 1½ miles east of 7 Corners). Go up hill (south) for 4 blocks on Carlin Spring Rd., to 4th St., & turn left (east). Go one block to S. Lexington St., and the Church. For additional info, call 202-543-3539.

Sunday, July 26 - Location to be determined. Consult FSGW Hotline (4-2), web site, or above no. for info.

Note from the Outgoing Editor

To: Newsletter Event Submitters

All copy for the August and subsequent Newsletters should be submitted to our new Newsletter Editor - Richard Seidel. His telephone number is 202-966-3583; his address is 4391 Embassy Park Drive, Washington, DC 20015. You should still send e-mail submissions to newslettereditor@fsgw.org.
Community Concerts & Dances  
Sunday, June 6 & 21, 3:00 - 5:30 pm
An afternoon of family fun. Bring the kids, grandparents, your brownie or scout troop, church or synagogue group, birthday party, neighbors, and friends. No experience is necessary. The family-style program starts at 3 pm and the dances are from 4 - 5:30 pm.

Sat, June 6  at the Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom - Steve Hickman in concert. Then Tom Hinds calls a dance for all ages to the music of Steve Hickman, Liz Donaldson, and Ritchie Schuman.

Sun, June 21 at Glen Echo Town Hall - Bill Wellington charms children with his antics. Then he calls the dance accompanied by Alexander Mitchell and Lynn Mackey.

Admission is $5 for adults, $4 for children 5 and over (under 5 free), with a $15 family maximum. For further info about the dance, call Jamie or Betsy at 301-320-7099 or bplatt@access.digex.net. For directions to the Town Hall, see page 3.

Sunday Afternoon Dance Potpourri at the Spanish Ballroom  
July 12, 4:00 - 6:00 pm
Lots of waltzing and other couple dancing. Teaching at 3:30 pm by Jamie and Betsy Platt, followed by open dancing at 4 pm. This new event is co-sponsored by FSGW. For more info, call 301-320-7099 or e-mail bplatt@access.digex.net.

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 June & July events.

GUMBO JAM  
Fri & Sat, July 17th & 18th, 10:00 am - midnight, Sun, July 19th, 10:00 am - 8:00 pm
At the Anne Arundel County Fairgrounds, General's Highway (Rt. 178) Crownesville, MD (right outside of Annapolis). A New Orleans-style Festival of Cajun, Zydeco, blues and bluegrass music, dancing, featuring workshops, authentic Cajun and Creole cuisine, traditional to contemporary crafts and children's activities.

Performances by: The Sam Bush Band, Buckwheat Zydeco, Marcia Ball, Beausoleil avec Michael Doucet, Steve Riley, the Mamou Playboys, Geno Delafose, French Rockin' Boogie, Nathan, the Zydeco Cha Chas, The Duke Robillard Band, Brave Combo, Don Walser, Pure Texas, Long John Hunter, File, Tony Delafose Zydeco Band, Chesapeake, Chris Gaffney, the Cold Hard Facts, Lil' Malcolm, the House Rockers, Salamander Crossing, Alligator Zydeco Band, Squeeze Bayou, and Zydeco Crayz.

Daily admission is $25 at the gate. Advance tickets are normally $20 per day for adults, BUT for FSGW members advance tickets are only $17! Daily tickets are $15 for seniors and $10 for children 7-15 years of age. Children 6 & under free. Weekend passes available for all 3 days.

For info or advance tickets, call 202-463-0200 or toll-free 877-486-2652; web-site: www.gumbojam.com.
Volunteers Needed for the Smithsonian Festival of American Folklife

One of the ways FSGW supports the American Folklife Festival each year is by providing hospitality for the evening participants' lounge, so they have a place to relax and socialize at their hotel -- even make music -- after they've spent the day on the hot and dusty Mall. From 5 to 8 volunteers each evening set up munchies between 8 and 9, maintain the food and drink tables, welcome participants to Washington and clean up when the evening's done. You can do one evening or many, early shift or late, short or long. Our duty usually extends from the day before the Festival opens until closing night: from Tuesday, June 23 right thru Sunday, July 5. We'll need more volunteers for Saturday and Sunday nights this year. The 1998 SFAF is a large festival, and up to 650 participants may be dropping by the lounge this year. So we can also use donations or discounts or gift certificates for appropriate snacks.

Check your calendar, and volunteer by leaving a message with Mary Cliff at 703-998-2795, or e-mail her at mcliff@weta.com. She'll get back to you to schedule your time, or arrange for delivery of your snack donations. Remember, we're deductible. Come on out and help; we're sure you'll enjoy it!

Annual meeting of the Northern Virginia Folk Festival Assoc - attention, Northern Virginians - meeting will be at 8 pm on Tuesday, June 9 in Theatre 1 of the Gunston Arts Center, 2700 South Lang Street, Arlington (a couple blocks off South Glebe Rd., between I-395 and Rt.1). The NVFFA is a non-profit volunteer organization in Arlington County; founded to provide continuity and support for the biennial Festival, which features the music and dance, crafts and food of the northern part of Virginia. Board members will be elected. Other items for discussion: the future of the Northern Virginia Folk Festival and other Assoc. activities; development and outreach; whether to continue the Festival -- annual or biennial -- and where. Come early for munchies & videos. Questions or to RSVP, call NVFFA at 703-549-6044.

Martin Luther King Memorial Library - Concert
Thursday, June 4, Noon

At 901 G Street, NW across from Gallery Place Metro stop and 2 blocks from Metro Center. The popular and dynamic chamber group QuinTango will perform in the lobby. It is free and open to the public. For info, call 727-1285.

Concerts on the Green
Sunday, June 7, 6:00 - 8:00 pm


Children's Irish Music Session
Monday, June 8, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

In the back room of Nanny O'Brien's, 3319 Conn. Ave NW, DC (by the Cleveland Park metro). Free. For info and session booklet, contact Karen Ashbrook at 301-588-2820 or e-mail at Hdashbrook@aol.com.

Rosemary's Thyme Bistro
Thursday, June 11, 7:30 pm

At 5762 Union Mill Rd., Clifton, VA. Lisa Moscatiello. For info, call 703-502-1084. No cover.

Institute of Musical Traditions -- June 1998 Benefit Concert
Saturday, June 13

at Paint Branch Unitarian Church (3215 Powder Mill Rd., Adelphi, MD: exit 28A off beltway, at 2nd light turn right on Powder Mill Rd. about 1.5 miles, church on right.) The Greater Beltway Broads: Cathy Fink and Marcy Marxer, Sue Richards, Bonnie Rideout, Grace Griffith. 3:00 pm - family matinee ($8 advance, $10 door / $15 benefit tickets w/reserved seating). 8:00 pm - evening concert ($12.50 advance, $15 door -- $25 benefit tickets, reserved seats) FSGW members get $1 off each ticket. For more info or advance tickets, call 301-588-7525. 14 and under V* price.

Panzer House Concerts
Saturday, June 13, 8:00 pm


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Caffé Florian Picnic (6:30 pm) and Coffeehouse (8:00 pm)  
Saturday, June 13  
At Davies Memorial Unitarian Church, 7400 Temple Hill Rd., Camp Springs, MD., 0.3 mi south of Allentown Rd. Annual picnic & monthly open stage. Bring a side dish to share & soft drinks; main course will be provided. Acoustic musicians, songwriters, storytellers, and poets. Sign-up is at 7:30 pm. Free. Info: Syl Smith, 301-292-6482.

Bethesda Acoustic House Concerts  
Saturday, June 14, 7:30 pm  
Veteran folk singer Rod MacDonald performs an evening of songs with haunting lyrics and offbeat perspectives. Refreshments provided. Suggested donation $10. For reservations and info, call 301-897-5695.

Crystal City Waterpark  
Saturday, June 20, 6:30 pm  
At South 18th St. & Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA. Lisa Moscatiello. For info, call 703-226-6960. FREE.

Georgetown Art Guild Coffeehouse  
June 10 & 19 & July 8  

Marley Station  
Fridays, June 12 & 26, Noon  
Located at 7900 Ritchie Highway in Glen Burnie, MD - Center Court in the Mall. Sue Trainor and Sue Ribaudo are featured every other week in the "Family Friday at Noon" series. For info, call 410-766-2033.

Klezmer Club  
Sundays, June 14, 28 & July 12, 26  
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.

Potomac Celtic Festival  
Sat, June 20, 10:00 am - 8:00 pm & Sun, June 21, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm  
(Formerly Oatlands Celtic Festival.) Morven Park International Equestrian Center, Tutt Lane on Rte 15, Leesburg, VA. Jean Redpath, Martin Hayes & Dennis Cahill, Emma Christian and many more. Dance, storytelling, workshops, family stage, Highland athletics, etc. Adults $12, Children $6 (under 6 free). For info 800-752-6118, for tickets 703-777-0099.

Friendship Heights Village Center  
July 22, 7:30 - 8:30 pm  
Outdoor concerts at 4433 South Park Ave., Chevy Chase, MD. Featuring IONA. Free. For info, call 301-656-2797.

Leaf Through Used Book Store and Gathering Place  
June & July 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. Th, 6/18, 7 pm - Open Mike Evening; Th, 6/25 & 7/30, 7:30 pm - Hootnany - Sing/play along with musicians of Michael's Boat; Sat, 6/27, 6 pm - Chris Mayberry; Sun, 6/28, 2 pm - Irish & American Tunes with Norm Taylor and Bud Burwell; Sun, 7/12, 2 pm - Steve Gellman performing from his new CD Photobook; Th, 7/16, 7 pm - open mike; Sun, 7/26, 2 pm - Blues Concert by Ray Kaminsky from his CD Barker Hill Blues.

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.

June 10  Bill Parsons and Chris Noyes.  
June 24  Kate Wallace and Michael Camp.

July 8  Tom Prasado Rao and Jimmy Landry.  
July 29  Sally Fingerett, opening is Elise Witt.
Birchmere

June & July Events, 7:30 pm
At 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria, VA. For info, call 703-549-7500. For tickets & prices, call 202-432-7328.

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.

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.

The Folk Club of Reston – Herndon
Tuesdays, 7:30 pm
At the Tortilla Factory, 648 Elden Street, Herndon, VA. Open mike with a 12-minute (3-song) limit. $1 donation. Member Showcase 2nd Tuesdays. Maria Sangiolo 6/23 - $8 ($7/members) and Michael Smith 7/21 - $10 ($9/members). For info, call 703-437-7766 or 703-318-0768.

St. Elmo's Coffee Pub – live acoustic music
At 2300 Mt. Vernon Ave. (corner of Del Ray Ave.), Alexandria, VA. $5. For reservations and info, call 703-739-9268.

Braddock Nights Concert Series
Fridays, June thru August

Western Loudoun Arts Center Acoustic Concert Series
Wednesdays, 7:30 - 9:00 pm
At 743 E. Main St., Purcellville, VA (Blue Ridge Cafe in the Loudoun Valley Shopping Center). New weekly concert series. Coffee available. Admission is $5. For more info, call the Blue Ridge Cafe at 540-338-3394.

Mason District Park - Summer in the Park
program is back. The park is located at 6621 Columbia Pike (Rte. 244), Annandale, VA. For info on all their events, call 703-324-8569. Sat, 6/13, 11:00am-Noon - Family show. Sue Trainor presents Just Act Naturally, an interactive musical program about caring for the environment.

Storytelling in the Washington Area
June / July events
Voices in the Glen Newsletter lists many events for all ages. Call Margaret Chatham for info at 703-698-5456.

Footlights, a modern drama discussion group
Thursday, June 18, 7:30 - 9:30 pm (dinner at 6:30)
Join us to discuss plays from the modern western theater! In June we will discuss British playwright David Hare's recent Tony Award-winning play Racing Demon. At North China Restaurant, 7814 Old Georgetown Rd., 4 blocks north of the Bethesda metro. $2 donation requested. For more info, call 202-484-8303 or e-mail dsobelso@capaccess.org.

Washington Irish Folk Festival
Saturday & Sunday, September 5 & 6
At Montgomery County Fairgrounds, Gaithersburg, MD. The festival features 2 day of world-class Irish and Celtic music, song and dance, over 200 performers and crafters direct from Ireland, across North America, 6 concert stages, including a family area with children's activities and much more. For info, call 301-565 0654 or e-mail ncta@aol.com.

Smithsonian Resident Associates Folk Music Programs.
June, 7:00 pm

For a comprehensive listing of folk/acoustic music in your area, visit MusiCal at http://concerts.calendar.com/.
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.

Jun 5  Dance du Jour / Open mke night.
12  Open band with Beth Molaro.
19  Elke Banker, Laurie Fisher & friends with Ten Hodapp.
26  The IV’s with Mary Devlin.

Jul 3  Laurie Andres & friends with Laura Brown
10  Open band with Keith Cornett
17  Sue Brandt & friends with Susan Taylor
24  Larry Unger & friends with Cis Hinkle
31  Findhorm with Denise Lair.

CDSS Northern Virginia Dance Group – English Country Dance

At Harding Hall, 730 Jackson St., Herndon, VA. For info, call Howard or Pat at 703-471-0629.
2nd & 4th Tuesdays - 7:45 pm. English country dance and workshop, figures, phrasing, and style taught. N/P, N/E. $3.
June 9  Music by Tom Anastasio, concertina and viol, and Laurie Mielke, recorder.
June 23  Music by Liz Donaldson, piano, and Pat Wexelblat, recorder.
3rd Saturday - 8:00 pm. English Country Dance. Recorded music. All are welcome. N/P, N/E, free admission.
June 20  Calling by Barbara Harding. For more info, call Barbara at 703-437-3615.

Cajun Dance

Friday, June 5, 7:30 - 10:00 pm
At the Lincolnia Center, 4710 N. Chambliss St., Alexandria, VA. Music by Squeeze Bayou cajun band. Dance workshop at 7:00 pm. $8. Bring your own non-alcoholic drink. For info, call 703-922-5383. or 301-270-2586.

Arminius Social Club Maifest

Saturday, June 6, 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, beer, soft drinks, coffee, food platter. Mike Surratt and the Continentals play dance music. For info, call Gerhard Meinzer at 301-559-1944 or Joan Stoneberger at 410-635-2435.

Zydeco Dance

Saturday, June 13, 9:00 pm
At the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo. Admission $10 (includes intro zydeco workshop from 8 - 9 pm). Roy Carrier and the Night Rockers. For more info, call 301-309-0895.

Columbia Pike Blues Festival

Saturday, June 13, Noon - 6:00 pm

English Country Dance

Saturday, June 13, 8:15 - 10:45 pm
At Sligo Middle School, 1401 Dennis Ave., Silver Spring, MD. Music by Peascods Gathering, calling by Barbara Harding. N/P, N/E. $5. For info, call Carl Minkus 301-493-6281 or Karla Farrall 301-577-5018. Last dance of season.

Hungarian Folk Dance & Music - Tisza Ensemble

Saturday, June 13, 7:30 - 10:30 pm
Dance party w/ teaching circles at Starting Point Dance Studio, Calvert & Route 1, College Pk, MD. Beg. N/P. Live & recorded music. Bring dance shoes. $5. Info, call Richard at 301-946-5867. http://www.glue.umd.edu/~hungaria/Tisza

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Reston Contra Dance
Saturday, June 13 & July 11, 8:00 - 10:45 pm
Bob Hirsch calls on June 13, and Ann Fallon and Mark Sherman call on July 11, with the June Apple Band. Dance $5. Beginners workshop 7 pm, $1. At the Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Rd., Hunters Woods Shopping Center. See May Newsletter for directions. Info: Alice Markham, 703-709-9121.

Lawn Theatre - Western Swing Dance
Sunday, June 21, 7:30 - 8:30 pm
At Montgomery Village, MD. The Oklahoma Twisters. FREE (301) 948-0110.

Western Swing Tea Dance at Glen Echo
Sunday, June 28, 4:00 - 6:00 pm
Swing, two-step and waltz with The Oklahoma Twisters in the Spanish Ballroom. $5 includes dance lesson with Mary Pat Cooney at 3:00. For info visit www.pressroom.com/~okt or call 703-644-0551.

Southern Maryland Traditional Music & Dance
Friday, June 26 & Saturday July 25, 7:30 - 10:30 pm
SMTM&D has acquired an air-conditioned facility to continue its contra dance series through the summer. Dances will be held in the Southern Community Center in Lusby, MD. just 3 mi. north of Solomons. Beginners class at 7:00 pm. For info, call 301-769-3840 or e-mail mtoole@radix.net.

Swing Dance
Saturday, June 6 & 20 & July 4, 9:00 - Midnight
At the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo. 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.

Alpine Dancers
Sunday, June 14 & 28 & July 12 & 26, 4:00 - 6:30 pm

Waltzes at the Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom
Sunday Afternoon in June & July, 3:00 - 6:00 pm
A ½ hour introductory workshop, followed by social dancing for 2½ hours to live music. Cost is $5 per person. For more info visit our web site at http://www.erols.com/swing4me or call Donna Barker at 703-978-0375.

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 301-589-4888 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
Cajun and Zydeco Dancing – Gumbo Groupies  
Wedgesdays, 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  
Wedgesdays, 8:00 - 10:30 pm
Kahler Hall, Beaverkill Road & Harpe'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

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. Come join us, call Laura at 703-845-8536.

CLASSES

NOTICE: Starting with this issue, all submitters under “CLASSES” MUST be FSGW members.

BandAid – Ensemble Playing Workshop.  
Sunday, June 28, 1:00 - 5:00 pm. Pianist, Liz Donaldson will lead Scottish dance tunes (maybe some Irish ones, too) with a focus on playing for Scottish Country Dancing. Cost $15. Space is limited. Contact Liz at 301 986-1291, or email: liz@us.net to reserve a space. Cost $15.

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 the web site at http://www.erols.com/swing4me.

Dance Classes & Open Dancing. N/P. For further info, call Ellen Engle at 301-299-8728, E-mail at flyfeet@erols.com. Monday nights - Glen Echo's Spanish Ballroom, each 4 week class $36, register at first class. Or just come for the dance! June 1 & 8: 9-11:30 = Open swing dancing with recorded music $5.00; June 15, 29, July 6,13 7-8= Ballroom Sampler B, 8-9=BEG/INT Lindy, 9-11:30 = open swing dancing with recorded music $5.00, currently scheduling live bands! June 22 - Lindy Fest with Shout and Feel It! including 5 World Lindy Hop Champions! (Limited attendance)! 7-8:15=Beg./Intermediate Lindy (start from the ground up, will move quickly). 8:15-9:30=INT/ADV Lindy II (New material.). 9:30-10:45 Lindy Technique and Styling. Each class $8 For July, 5 week class $43, register at first class. Or just come for the dance! July 20 - Aug. 17 7-8= Ballroom Sampler B, 8-9=BEG/INT Lindy, 9-11:30= open swing dancing with recorded music $5.00, currently scheduling live bands!

Irish Set and Ceili dancing classes sponsored by STM&D. At the Southern Community Center in Lusby, MD. on Thurs from 7:30 - 9:30 starting June 11. Instructor Yutaka Usui. For info and to register call 301-769-3840 or email mtoole@radix.net.

Cajun Dance Classes with Ellen Wicker & Terry Davey at the Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom. Saturdays, June 6 - July 11. Beginning Cajun, 9:30 - 10:15 am; Adv/Beg Cajun, 10:30 - 12:00 noon. Tuition $36.00. For more info, call 301-309-0895.

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.

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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 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 301-942-2831 or e-mail: BLPeet@aol.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.

Traditional Clogging including some Irish: Classes at Wakefield Recreation Center, Belwith & Braddock in VA, Thursdays at 8:30 pm. Taught by Jim Maxwell and other Patchwork dancers. We also have classes for children and adults on Saturday at 10 am. For info, call Jim Maxwell at 703-503-9260, 202-401-3571 or James.Maxwell@ed.gov.

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 4th Wednesday of this month at 7:30 pm.

June 10 Caller: Robbin Schaffer, band: Je Ne Sais Quebecois (Dave Wiesler, Carl Friedman, Susan Brandt, Ralph Gordon). New Dancers' Workshop at 7:30
June 17 Caller: Hank Morris, band: Hot Frogs on the Loose (June Advincula, Kelly Lawrence, Brent Skidmore).
June 24 Caller: Andy Kane, band: Cackling Hens and Roosters (Clare Bartholomew, Chris Ferrier, Wanda Irion, Cathie Whitesides).

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

June 1 Caller: Christopher Field, Music: Liz Donaldson and Colleen Spence.
First Monday Beginner Workshop begins at 7:15, and is included in the cost of the evening dance.
June 15 Caller: Diane Schmidt, Music: Jonathan Jensen and Susan Brandt.
June 22 Caller: Brad Sayler, Music: Marty Taylor and Liz Donaldson.
June 29 Caller: Mary Kay Friday, Music: Dave Wiesler, Becky Ross, and Laurie Mielke.

Newsletter Submissions to: newslettereditor@fsgw.org. See new editorial policy in the back of this issue.
2nd Saturday Contra Dance Series.  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.

June 13  John Krumm calls to The Band Named Bob (Bob Pasquarello, Bob Stein, and "Bobera" Greenberg).

July 11  Caller TBD, with music by Laurie Andres and Cathie Whitesides.

Zydeco Dance, Friday, June 12. The Alligator Zydeco Band at the Barn Theater on the Catonsville Community College campus. Free dance workshop at 8:00 pm. Dancing to live music begins at 9:00. Admission is $8 for BFMS members and CCC faculty and staff, $10 for general public. For info, call 410-552-1004.

Annapolis Traditional Dance Society — Contra Dance

Saturday, June 20 & July 18, 8:00 pm

At the Fraternal Order of Police Hall, 1311 General's Highway (MD Route 178), Crownsville, MD. Lovely wooden floor. $6 ATDS members and reciprocals/$8 General, Instruction at 7:20 pm. For info, call the ATDS hotline at 410-268-0231.

June 20 - features graduates of Ann Fallon and Greg Frock's Contra dance callers class calling, music by Laura Lengnick and friends.

July 18 - TBA calling, music by Maggie Brown's Favorites (Carl Friedman, Mark Vidor, Ralph Barthine, Joe Balkowski).

Baltimore's Open Band Rehearsal

Sat, June 14, 4:00 - 6:00 pm & Thurs, July 9, 8:00 - 10:00 pm

At Ben Hobb's, 7107 Wardman Road in Baltimore. Come play with the ever-lovable Open Band. Folks gather each month at rotating locations to play, practice, chat & chew. For info or if you need music, call Susan at 410-254-1730.

333 Coffeehouse, Annapolis

Friday, June 19 & July 17, 8:00 pm

At the Unitarian Church, 333 Du Bois Road, off Bestgate (Exit 24). $6 / students & seniors $5. Food available. For info, call Max at 410-647-4275. June 19  Donal Leace & Mary Sue Twohy  July 17  Jamie Watson & Doris Justis

Frederick (MMFAC) Contra Dance

Saturday, June 27 & July 25, 8:00 - 11:00 pm

At the William R. Talley Adult Recreation Center at Bentz and Second Streets in Frederick, MD. Beginners' workshop starts at 7 pm. Admission is $6, with discounted prices for Frederick city residents and Mid-Maryland Folk Arts Council members. For info, call Marguerite at 717-334-5392.

6/27 - Susan Taylor will call mostly contras to the tunes of the Lava Lamps (Laura Lengnick and David Weisler).

7/25 - SummerTunes, an all-day musicians' workshop and evening contra dance. Ann Fallon will call in the evening to the SummerTunes Band, instructed & led by Liz Donaldson and Alexander Mitchell. Workshop cost is $30.

Common Ground On The Hill

June & July events

New musical program at the Frederick Celtic Club, at 611 North Market St., Frederick, MD. Great food, excellent music and hardwood dance floor. For info, call 301-662-7499 or e-mail cground@qis.net. 6/5 & 7/3 - Old-Time Jam & Clogging 8:00 pm. Clogging workshop 7 pm. 6/6 - Concert, Homespun Ceili Band 8:00 pm. 6/12, 26 & 7/10, 24 - Celtic Session & Ceili Dance. Beginning Irish set dance workshop 7:00 pm. 6/13 - TBA. 6/19 - Celtic Session (mostly Scottish) 8:00 pm. John Ward Scottish Fiddler. 6/20 - Concert, Mark Brine 8:00 pm. 6/27 - Concert, IONA 8:00 pm. 7/4 - Firecracker Fiddle Champions 8:00 pm. 7/11 - Grand Concert at Common Ground on the Hill, Western MD college Westminster. 7/17 - Open Jam 8:00 pm. 7/18 - Concert 8:00 pm. John Ward and Friends Scottish Concert. 7/25 - Concert Terry O'Neal & Friends 8:00 pm. 7/31 - Bluegrass Jam.

Common Ground on the Hill Annual Workshops & Concerts

July 5 - 10

At Western Maryland College, Westminster, MD. Concerts, dialog, dances, open mikes, song swaps, jams, instrumental music, singing & songwriting, dance, fine arts & crafts, children's program, writing storytelling & human arts. Featuring over 50 instructors including Peggy Seeger, Robin & Linda Williams, Bill Keith, Deidre McCalla, Sally Rogers, Bryan Bowers, Sparky Rucker, Bob Zentz and many more. For info, call 410-857-2771 or cground@qis.net.

American Music & Arts Festival

July 11 (10 am - 9 pm) & July 12 (10 am - 5 pm)

At Carroll County Farm Museum, Westminster, MD. A music, dance and arts festival for all ages celebrating the "common ground" found in the traditional arts blues, native American, folk, bluegrass, Appalachian old-time music & dance, jazz, black gospel, Celtic, African drumming & dance, world percussion, storytelling, poetry, children's festival, juried art & craft show, ethnic foods and more. For info & tickets, call 410-857-2771 or email cground@qis.net.

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WEST VIRGINIA

**Buffalo Gap Community Camp**
The camp is located on 200 wooded and open acres in the hills of West Virginia, about 2 hours west of Washington DC. It features a hand-hewed timber open-air dance pavilion, Scandinavian-style log sauna, 100' x 100' indoor dance hall, swimming pond with sandy beach, dining hall large enough for 300, rustic but comfortable sleeping cabins, and a spectacular night sky. For info about programs or to register, contact the individual program sponsors. For info about leasing the camp or about work weekends, contact Andy Rogers at Buffalo Gap 304-856-1122 or Jim Newburn at 410-997-4430. The preliminary schedule and contacts for information follow:

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We still have some choice dates available for dances, retreats, weddings, reunions, etc.

**Shepherdstown Music & Dance – Contras**
At the War Memorial Building. A free beginner's workshop will begin at 7:15 pm. Admission is $6.00 for nonmembers, $4.50 for members and $3.00 for dancers under 25 years of age. Dancers should bring soft-soled shoes. For more info, call Bruce at 305-725-0266 or Becky at 304-876-2169.

June 6 **Ann Fallon** calls contras to the music of *Folk Remedy* (Elke Baker, Liz Donaldson, and Ken Wright).

July 4 **Susan Denise** calls to the music of the *Contra Rebels* (Bob Buckingham, Jack Quigley, Todd Clewell & Renny Allgyer).

**Upper Potomac Dulcimer Festival**
5-day residential festival with workshops, concerts, dances and jam sessions featuring the hammered dulcimer. Featured artists are: **Kim Murley** (Chinese and Appalachian) **Scott Reiss** (and *Hesperus* doing Crossover Traditional and Early Music), **Linda Lowe Thompson** (Traditional American) and **Ken Kolodner** (with Robin Bullock and Laura Risk doing Celtic and International). For more info and a brochure, contact Joanie Blanton at 304-263-2531 or blanton@intrepid.net

**Augusta Heritage Center Summer Workshops**
On the Davis & Elkins College campus, Elkins, WV. Top quality instructors conduct week-long workshops in vocal and instrumental music, crafts, dance and folk arts for kids in the cool West Virginia mountains. For a catalog, contact Augusta Heritage Center, Davis & Elkin College, Elkin WV 26241 - phone 304-637-1209 or fax 304-637-1317 or e-mail: augusta@augustaheritage.com or see website: www.augustaheritage.com. Swing Week - July 12 - 17

**The Folk Music Festival at Avalon - A Clothing-optional resort near Paw Paw, WV**
The program stars **David Buskin & The Testostertones**, **Grace Griffith**, **Bill Danoff**, **Side-by-Side**, **Sue Trainer & Christina Muir**, **Hickory Grove**, **Critton Hollow String Band**, **Bernice Lewis**, and **Bill Davis**. Located 2 hours from DC, Avalon offers food, camping, and use of resort as well as a fun event. For info, call 304-947-5600.

**American Dance Weekend at Buffalo Gap Community Camp**
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Dear FSGW Members -

As I put my final Newsletter to bed, I look back over my 2 years as Newsletter editor and hope that you have all enjoyed reading the Newsletter. As many of you requested, I have tried to have the Newsletter into your hands a week before the end of the month. You may have noticed that the number of submissions has increased by almost 40 percent since the beginning of my tenure. Almost 2/3 of submitters now send their submissions by e-mail - a statistic I find remarkable given that 2 years ago the number was around 12.

I'd like to thank all those people who helped me put the Newsletter together. In particular, I'd like to thank my wife for putting up with me during the few days leading up to the deadline and helping me to proof the Newsletter so it could get to the printer quickly. I look forward to getting to bed at a decent hour on the 10th. I'd also like to thank the House of Printing and the Heyman Mailing Service for their support.

Carl Mintz
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This year's Washington Folk Festival will present a program rich in tradition and highlighting the cultural diversity which makes the Greater Washington area unique. For 21 years, this festival has been a showcase of performance, craftsmanship, hard work and volunteerism. Hundreds of people donate their time and energy and talent to create this event; thousands of people arrive to immerse themselves in music, dance, crafts and culture. Come and join the festivities at Glen Echo Park on May 30th and 31st; it promises to be an exciting experience.

Parking at Glen Echo is limited, but you can park at the satellite lot at the National Imagery and Mapping Agency on Sangamore Road and take the FREE shuttle bus to the park. There will be signs directing you from Glen Echo to the satellite parking lot.

You can still volunteer to help at the Festival by calling Nikki Maylett at 301-270-5371. There are plenty of jobs, and many of them allow you to hear some of the performances while you are helping us.
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# Potomac Celtic Festival

**Music/Dance Schedule for Sunday June 21**

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10:30 | | | | | Rakes & Roses
10:45 | | | The Dronemaster & The Dancer | Jim Wearne | Andurín
11:00 | Harp 'n Fool | David & Ginger Hildebrand | | | Rakes & Roses
11:15 | | | Potomac Valley Scottish Fiddle Club | | Rakes & Roses
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4:00 | Carol Thompson | David & Ginger Hildebrand | Session (to 5:30) | Charlie Zahm | Emma
4:15 | | | | | Emma
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