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Fred & Harry's Restaurant

Silver Spring, MD

Pub Night with Chris Timson and Anne Gregson



Tuesday May 18 • 8pm

Come help us create a typical folk club night at an English Pub with **Chris Timson and Anne Gregson** from Bradford on Avon, England. Good food, good beer, good singing - an unbeatable combination.

Chris and Anne are well known to many concertina enthusiasts who frequent the internet. They play both English and Anglo concertinas as well as sing wonderful songs. Bring your songs to share with our guests.

Come early and enjoy a good dinner before the singing starts. Fred & Harry's Seafood Restaurant is a few blocks north of the beltway on Colesville Road (US 29). From US 29, turn left coming from the beltway onto University Blvd at the light, then take an immediate right onto Southerland Road and another immediate right into Fred and Harry's parking lot. Additional parking on the street. **Admission: \$5/\$3 FSGW members.**

Silver Spring Unitarian Universalist Church

Silver Spring, MD

Roustabout

CD Release Old Tyme Music, Southern Songs

Saturday May 22 • 8pm

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Spanish Ballroom

Glen Echo Park, Glen Echo, MD

FSGW Sunday Night Contra Dance

Sundays • 7:30 to 10:30pm



In the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park, MD on MacArthur Boulevard at Goldsboro Road. Called dances include a mix of traditional American contras and squares with live music by excellent bands. Experienced and new dancers are welcome, and no partner is needed. New dancers should come early, since dances become more challenging later in the evening. Admission: \$8, \$6.00 for FSGW members and affiliated groups (BFMS, CDSS, ATDS). The ballroom is unheated, so we recommend that dancers dress in layers, as they may get warmer as the evening progresses. **Info: Jamie Platt at 301.320.7099 or bplatt@access.digex.net.**

April

- 25 Michael Schechtman with *Footloose* (Pete Campbell, piano; David DiGuseppi, accordion; Dean Herington, clarinet; Andrea Hoag, fiddle)**

May

- 2 Bill Wellington with *The Children of Bob*. Bob Childs, Kerry Elkin, Dave Langford (fiddle) and Mark Simos (piano, guitar), Ralph Gordon (bass)**
- 9 George Marshall with *Wild Asparagus***
- 16 Robbin Schaffer with *Dance du Jour*. Liz Donaldson (piano), Ralph Gordon (bass), Steve Hickman and Alexander Mitchell (fiddle).**
- 23 Lou Shapiro with *Critton Hollow*. Joe Fallon (bass), Joe Hermann (fiddle), Sam Hermann (hammered dulcimer). This is an FSGW Geezers Night. If you ever danced at the Concordia Church, this is your opportunity to have a reunion with your old dance friends and dance some of the dances that were popular back then.**
- 30 Tom Hinds with *Fiddlestyx*. Steve Hickman and Alexander Mitchell (fiddle), John Devine (guitar), Jim Bieneman (bass). NOTE: This dance will be at Clara Barton Community Center.**

June

- 6 Nan Evans with *Medicinal Purpose***
- 13 Carol Ormand with *Pig's Eye Landing***
- 20 David Kaynor with *Spare Parts***



Monthly Program

WES Auditorium , DC



Georgia Sea Island Singers

*Traditional songs, stories and more from
African-American culture*

Saturday May 15 • 8pm

Free for FSGW Members!

Isolated from the mainland, the sea islands off the coast of Georgia are home to African traditions and African American lore and song unaffected by the outside world, a slice of life from a time long gone. This tradition is kept alive by such performers as the late **Bessie Jones** and by **Doug and Frankie Quimby**, *The Georgia Sea Island Singers*, the featured performers for the FSGW May Program.

This husband and wife team from Brunswick, GA entertains children and adults alike by weaving together African American folk heritage and history with chants, worksongs, games, stories and spirituals of their Gullah ancestors. **Doug and Frankie Quimby** represent a tradition of songs and music and storytelling that appeals to everyone, including children, and we especially urge you to bring the kids along.

At the **WES Auditorium, 7759 16th St. NW in DC.**, near Kalmia Rd. just inside the District from the Maryland line. **Admission is FREE for FSGW members, \$10 for non-members.**



Roustabout *continued from front page*

Described as "the most fun you can have with old-time music," **Roustabout** includes local favorite **Bruce Hutton** (singer with *Double Decker* and *Hesperus*), fiddler **Chris Romaine** (one of the country's finest), singer **Lars Hanslin** (a former FSGW president), banjo player **Jim Bollman** (from Boston), and bassist **Susan**

Trammell (from Gainesville, Florida). **Roustabout** has performed at the Kennedy Center, the Smoky City Folk Festival, Pinewoods, and at FSGW's Washington Folk Festival.

This CD release concert will feature rural southern songs (including old-time gospel!) from the 20s and earlier, sung in two- and three-part traditional harmonies. Spirited fiddle tunes and old-time banjo pieces will also be included, and maybe even one or two of Chris' lovely waltzes.

At the Silver Spring Unitarian Universalist Church, 10309 New Hampshire Ave, Silver Spring, MD (just four blocks north of the beltway on New Hampshire). Please park only in the church lot or on main roads, not in the neighborhood streets. **Admission \$14/\$10 for FSGW members.**

FSGW English Country Dance

Glen Echo Town Hall, MD

Wednesdays • 8 to 10:30pm



At Glen Echo Town Hall, 6106 Harvard Ave., Glen Echo, MD. Come to 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. Dance on a wooden 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. Cost: \$6/\$5 FSGW members. Open to dancers of all experience levels. Beginners lesson every second Wednesday at 7:30 sharp. From the Beltway, take either the Clara Barton Parkway (from VA) or the Cabin John Expressway (from MD) toward Glen Echo. Take the Glen Echo exit to MacArthur Blvd. Turn left onto MacArthur Blvd. Two blocks past the small shopping center, turn left onto Harvard Ave. **Info:** Norm Bernhardt at 301.320.2469, Rich Galloway at 301.589.0939 or Roger Broseus at english@fsgw.org.

PLEASE NOTE: In deference to the residents of Glen Echo, please park behind the hall and *NOT* on the street that passes by the front. Disperse parking, preferably on the opposite (east) side of MacArthur Blvd.

The emphasis for the first two sessions in May will be on practicing dances for the Washington Spring Ball.

April

28 Mary Kay Friday with Liz Donaldson (piano), Marty Taylor (flute and concertina), Malcolm Stephens (fiddle)

May

- 5 Rich Galloway calls to music played by Liz Donaldson (piano), Judy Kleppel (oboe), and Colleen Spence (flute)
 12 Stephanie Smith with Liz Donaldson (piano), Barbara Heitz (flute), Jeff Steinberg (fiddle). *Free lesson* by Kitty and Bob Keller at 7:30 sharp. Depending on the attendees, the lesson may concentrate on style points in anticipation of the Washington Spring Ball on May 15th.
 15 Washington Spring Ball at the **WHITBY GYM (NEW LOCATION!)**
 19 Brad Sayler with Liz Donaldson (piano), Karin Loya (cello) and Becky Ross (fiddle)
 26 Mary Kay Friday with Susan Brandt (flute), Bruce Edwards (bassoon), Dave Wiesler (piano)

June

9 Nan Evans (Portland, Oregon) with Fred Nussbaum (cello), Andrea Hoag (fiddle) and Dave Wiesler (piano)



FSGW's Annual Washington

Spring Ball

Saturday May 15 • 7:30pm

NOTE CHANGE OF LOCATION!

Whitby Gym, National Cathedral School, in DC.

Musicians Liz Donaldson (piano), Andrea Hoag (violin) and Marty Taylor (flute) will play for this year's Ball. Admission is by prior reservation: \$22/\$20 for members of FSGW, BFMS or CDSS. Reception at 7:30pm, dance at 8pm. At the Whitby Gym of the Washington National Cathedral School, on Wisconsin Ave., Washington, DC. This year, dances *will* be called for a few rounds. However, dancers should be familiar with the program to maximize enjoyment for all as there will be no walk-throughs. A practice session will be conducted at Rosemary Hills Elementary School on the afternoon of the Ball from 2-4. **Info:** Stephanie Smith at 301.229.3577, Roger Broseus at english@fsgw.org or www.just.net/~roger/ball99.html.

House Concert

Great Falls, VA



Anthony McCann

Irish Singer

Thursday May 6 • 8pm

We are fortunate to have in our midst a wonderful singer and scholar from Ireland, **Anthony McCann**, currently a Fellow at the Smithsonian's Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage. From County Down in Northern Ireland, Anthony is both a singer of traditional unaccompanied songs in Irish and English, and a songwriter who accompanies himself on guitar. Anthony

also enjoys playing the bodhran in Irish music sessions. He is working on a Ph.D. at the Irish World Music Centre at the University of Limerick, and his doctoral research focuses on the processes of commercialization and commodification in Irish traditional music and song.

Come experience Anthony's lovely singing, and his delightful wit and humor, at the lovely home of Ursy Potter in Great Falls, VA. Admission \$10/\$7 for FSGW members. Info: **Stephanie Smith 301.229.3577. Directions: 703.821.1373.**

House Concert

Silver Spring, MD



Holdstock & MacLeod

Sea shanties, British traditional songs, California songs

Tuesday May 11 • 8pm

Allan MacLeod and Dick Holdstock have performed together for more than twenty years. Their performances reflect the rapport and polish that two performers can

achieve only after working together for a good long time.

Originally from England (Holdstock) and Scotland (MacLeod) they have made Northern California their homes for over 30 years. They have performed for FSGW many times, but not in recent years. It is a delight to have them in DC again.

An evening of music, Holdstock and MacLeod style, is filled with the richness of the music of their Scottish and English roots. The songs they sing tell more clearly than any history book what the people were thinking and feeling at the time. Whether they are singing of the beauties of the countryside or the horrors of war, Holdstock and MacLeod are able to totally involve their audiences in the experience.

Their act is tight, their guitar and mandolin accompaniments are sparkling, and their stories are outrageous. They are especially expert in the performance of sea songs and shanties, but they have wide experience presenting stimulating workshops on all kinds of British traditional music.

The concert will be at the home of Bob Clayton and Jennifer Woods in Silver Spring, MD. Please call them at **301.587.7174** for directions. Admission: \$10/\$7 for FSGW members.

Local Events

FSGW Washington Folk Festival Setup Parties Saturdays

The 1999 Washington Folk Festival (scheduled to begin June 5th) needs volunteers to help set up Glen Echo Park for the Festival. These set-up "parties" will be held on Saturdays before the Festival. Fun will include designing signs, painting benches, hoisting tents, repairing tables, and assembling stages. **Info/volunteer: Nikki Maylett at 301.270.5371 or maylett@pop.dn.net.**

FSGW Board Meeting Monday May 3 • 8pm

The FSGW board meetings are held at the Glen Echo Park Ranger Station. All FSGW members are welcome to 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.**

FSGW Open Sing Friday May 7 • 8:30pm

Come to the FSGW Open Sing on the first Friday of each month. We take turns doing music that's connected (however vaguely) to a given topic. You're welcome to sing, play, request a song, or just listen. People new to the Sing can do any song regardless of topic. This month's Sing will be held at the home of **Michael Shulman, in Annandale, VA.** The topic will be "*plants and animals*". Donations of refreshments are welcome, and singing usually lasts until around 11:45pm. **Info/directions: 703.642.1383.**

FSGW Storyswap Saturday May 8 • 7:30pm

Storytellers and listeners are invited to the home of **Barbara Effron in Annandale, VA.** It's free, but please bring something to contribute to potluck refreshments. **RSVP/directions: 703.323.1783.**

FSGW Gospel Sing Sunday May 9 • 4pm

Gospel sings are held every second Sunday at various homes. The singing usually starts at 4:00 and breaks for a covered dish supper at 6:00 with more singing after supper. Everyone is welcome!

This month's Gospel Sing will be at the home of **Peggy and Hunter Jones in Potomac, MD.** Since this is Mother's Day, bring your mother. "*Tell Mother I'll Be There*" and "*If I Could Hear My Mother Pray Again*" are sure to be among the selections at this session. **Call Peggy and Hunter at 301.762.6343 for directions.**

FSGW Sacred Harp Singing Sunday May 23 • 3:30pm

FSGW sponsors monthly singings of early American hymns, anthems, and fugal tunes in four-part harmony. The main tunebook is *The Sacred Harp*, 1991 Edition, but *Christian Harmony* (Deason-Parris revision) is also used, and original shape-note compositions by local singers are frequently sung. These singings are held every fourth Sunday afternoon (except in December) and also on New Year's Day. We usually sing until about 6:30, then share a potluck supper. All are welcome to come and sing



FSGW Board Elections

This Month!

Watch your mail boxes! You should be getting your FSGW 1999-2000 Ballots in the mail soon! Please vote quickly! The nominations this year are;

President: Norm Bernhardt*
Carl Mintz
Vice-President: Stephanie Smith
Secretary: Dennis Cook
Treasurer: Pat McGee
Program: Debby Hutton
Special Events: Sousan Frankeburger

Dance: Jamie Platt
Publicity: Cindy Stopak
Publications: Kathie Mack
Membership: Scott McKnight
Members-at Large:
 (two to be elected)

Lisa Anderson
Lindsey Dobson
David Eisner
Betsy Platt

* Norm Bernhardt was nominated from the floor at the March Membership Dance Meeting.
 The rest were nominated by the Nominating Committee.

Local Events (continued)

or listen for as long as desired. Loaner tunebooks are available. Admission is free. (At some church locations a free-will offering is taken.)

The Singing for the month of May will be held **St. John's Episcopal Church, 415 S. Lexington St., Arlington, VA.** Take US Rt. 50 (Arlington Blvd.) to Carlin Springs Rd., which is 4-1/2 miles west of Roosevelt Bridge & 1-1/2 miles east of 7 Corners. Go uphill (south) on Carlin Springs Rd. 4 blocks. Turn left (east) at 4th St. & go one block to S. Lexington St. and the church. **Info: 202.543.3539.**

Vic's Music Corner

This venue specializes in presenting new and lesser known acoustic performers and singer/songwriters who are highly regarded by folk aficionados and are becoming national touring acts. At **O'Brien's Barbecue, 387 E Gude Dr, Rockville MD.** Admission \$10 unless otherwise noted. Shows start at 8pm. **Info/reservations: RebaHeyman@compuserve.com or 301.881.4685.**

April 28 Kate McDonnell and Small Potatoes

Hungarian Folk Music Concert & Dance Saturday May 1

Concert by the *Cletfa*, one of the leading Hungarian folk music bands in North America, and dance-house. Conference Center at Cherry Hill Park, 9800 Cherry Hill Rd., College Park, MD. Tickets \$10. **Directions/info: 301.847.1277, tisza@gmx.net or www.magyar.org/folklor/tisza/.**

Larry Unger Concert and Jam Saturday May 1 • 7:30pm

Larry Unger will present an evening of traditional and original tunes. Larry plays guitar (including blues and slide) and old-time banjo, plus an array of other instruments, including the rarely heard piano-harp, fretless banjo, and the banjo-guitar. There will be a jam afterwards, so bring your instrument. At the **Barcroft Community House, 800 S. Buchanan St.** (between Columbia Pike and Rt. 50) in Arlington VA. **Info: Julie Gorka at 703.979.0339.**

Folk Alley Coffeehouse Saturday May 1 • 8pm

Concert in cabaret format with tables featuring **Doris Justis Band, Mack Bailey** and **Josh Blinder Trio** at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Reston, 1625 Wiehle Ave, Reston VA. Admission \$10, \$5 for 12 and under. No reservations. **Info: 703.742.7992.**

Spring Festival in Meridian Hill Park Sunday May 2 • 2 to 5pm

A free multi-cultural music and dance festival featuring *The Washington Revels, The Georgia Sea Island Singers, Foggy Bottom Morris Men, Rock Creek Morris Women, Liz Lerman Dance Exchange, Weusi Baraka's "Movement", Thir Venstri*

Foetr Renaissance Dancers, Kokopelli Recorder Group, Capricchio Catch Club, the Park Drummers and others. Open House at the newly restored Park Center at 2437 15th St NW from noon on. The park is located between 15th and 16th Streets from Chapin to W Streets. In the event of rain, festival will move inside the Park Center. **Info: 202.364.8744 or washrevels@aol.com.**

Fretted Dulcimer Circle Tuesday May 4 • 6:30 to 8:45pm

Players of the mountain dulcimer meet monthly to swap tunes and play at Thomas Jefferson Library, 7415 Arlington Blvd., Falls Church. **Info: Ellie at 703.578.3106 or eholsoapple@aol.com.**

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

At the Tortilla Factory, 648 Elden Street, Herndon, VA. Open mike with a 3-song/12 minute limit. \$1 donation. Member showcase 2nd Tuesdays. Smoke-free. **Info/advance tickets: 703.437.7766 or 703.318.0768.**

May 18 Jack Williams \$10/\$9 members.

May 25 Come celebrate the Club's 14th birthday party! Admission is FREE.

Dupont Music Circle First Wednesday, Third Friday • 8pm

For 15 years informal Dupont Music Circle has been meeting to sing and play English, Scottish, Welsh, Irish, Quebecois, American, and other traditional music just for fun. It's on the first Wednesday in DC and on the third Friday in Arlington. Call to confirm. **Confirm/directions: Liz at 703.658.0957.**

Medium Rare Cafe First and third Friday • 8pm

Live music at the Accotink Unitarian Universalist Church, 10125 Lakehaven Lane, Burke, VA. \$10 admission. Smoke-free. **Info/reservations: 703.924.8992 or kslayman@erols.com.**

May 6 Terri Allard & Gary Green with Lea

May 23 Garnet Rogers with Andrew McKnight

Tamburitans Eastern European Music and Dance Ense

Sunday May 9 • 2pm

The Tamburitans, from Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA., are the oldest, continuously performing folk ensemble in the U.S. The Tamburitans excite the eyes and ears with bravura dancing and musical excellence from Eastern Europe and neighboring cultures. The ensemble uses over 500 costumes in a whirlwind 2-hour color explosion of music, song and dance. At the Performing Arts Center, Montgomery College, Rockville, MD (on the Montgomery College campus, 51 Mannakee Street, off Hungerford Drive). Free parking adja-

Local Events *(continued)*

cent to the Arts Center. Tickets: 301.279.5301. **Info:** John Dudas at 301.929.3330 or jdudas@earthlink.net or www.pinstripe.org/tamburitza.

Where? House Concert Tanglefoot

May 13 at 7:30pm.

Where? House Concerts at the home of Kim Kaplan in Silver Spring, MD (near the Forest Glen Metro) present folk music in an informal, intimate setting. *Tanglefoot*, original music influenced by Celtic, Maritime, Ottawa Valley, French Canadian, and other northern traditions. Suggested donation \$15, includes light refreshments. Doors open 7pm. **Reservations required.** **Info:** 301.588.5314 or JKKaplan@erols.com.

Archie Edwards Blues Workshops

Saturdays, May 15 & 22 • 11am to noon

The Archie Edwards Blues Heritage Foundation is sponsoring two workshops at Archie's Blues Barbershop. Participants are encouraged to stay after the workshop for the weekly jam that follows. Bring a tape recorder if you want. The Barbershop is located at 2007 Bunker Hill Road, N.E., Washington, DC. \$10 donation. **Info/register:** 202-526-7539.

May 15 Guitar workshop. Rick Franklin teaches hokum and ragtime blues guitar. Students should know basic chords.

May 22 Harmonica workshop. Mike Baytop teaches harmonica to advanced beginners. Bring a C harp.

Bethesda Acoustic House Concerts

Saturday May 15 • 8pm

Acoustic folk performers play in a smoke-free, intimate setting. Includes light refreshments. At the home of Frank Allen Philpot in Bethesda near the Grosvenor Metro. **Reservations/directions:** 301.897.5695 or fphilpot@aol.com.

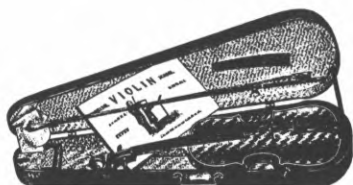
May 15 • 8pm Charlie Zahm (maritime music) with Christina Muir. \$10.

May 23 • 3 and 7:30pm *Artisan*, an English a cappella contemporary folk trio. \$15.

Footlights modern drama discussion group

Tuesday May 18 • 7:30 to 9:30pm

Come join us to discuss plays from the modern western theater! In May we will discuss *The Cripple of Inishmaan* (1996), by Martin McDonagh, a hot young Irish playwright. Our meeting will feature professor Christina Hunt Mahony. We'll start with dinner at 6:30 at the Delray Vietnamese Garden, 4918 Del Ray Ave., Bethesda, 6 short blocks north on Old Georgetown Rd. from the Bethesda metro. \$2 donation. **Info:** 202.484.8303 or dsobelso@capaccess.org.



BandAid Workshop

Thursday May 20 • 7 to 10pm

Pianist **Liz Donaldson** will conduct *BandAid*, an ensemble playing workshop. This month's theme is "Designing Tune Medleys," either for dancing or concert presentation. Drinks provided. Bring a goodie to share if you like. Cost \$12. **Info/registration:** Liz Donaldson at 301.986.1291 or liz@us.net.

Hammer Dulcimer Jam

Saturday May 22 • 2 to 4:30pm

Hammer dulcimer players meet most months to swap tunes and play at Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. **Info/confirm:** Ellie at 703.578.3106 or eholsopple@aol.com.

Sound Bites Cafe

This recently opened pop health food cafe and coffee bar presents regionally and nationally acclaimed recording artists performing folk, bluegrass, blues, world and other acoustic music in an intimate setting. All shows start at 7:30. At 1400 Chain Bridge Rd. McLean, VA. **Info:** 703.749.0650.

May 5 & 6 Christina Muir

May 13 Carey Colvin & Granger Helvey

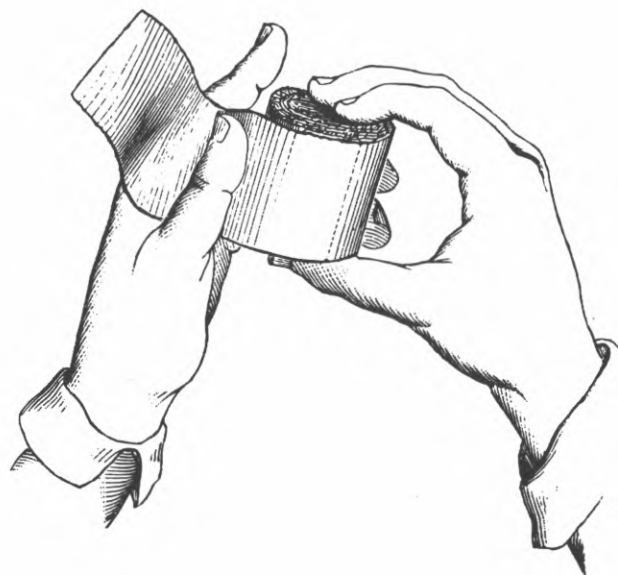
May 20 Andrew McKnight

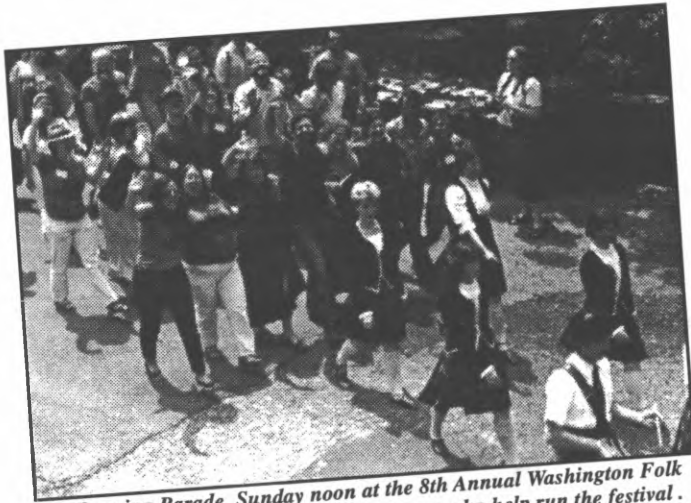
May 27 Jerry Bresee

Marley Station

Sunday May 30 • noon

Family Friday at Noon at Center Court in the Mall, 7900 Ritchie Highway, Glen Burnie, MD. Free. **Info:** 410.766.2033.





Opening Parade, Sunday noon at the 8th Annual Washington Folk Festival, 1984. All the volunteers who help run the festival.

22nd Annual Washington Folk Festival

Saturday June 5
noon to 10pm
Sunday June 6
noon to 6 pm

The 22nd Annual Washington Folk Festival will be held at Glen Echo Park on the 5th and 6th of June. The festival is FSGW's largest production effort and is a major cultural event for the National Capital Area. As in past years, the festival will feature over 450 performers and crafts persons all from the Greater Washington area.

The Washington Folk Festival remains a free event; all staff and performers volunteer their services. Co-sponsored by the National Park Service, the festival is a memorable weekend of great music, dance and storytelling, celebrating the rich diversity of cultural traditions that are unique to the nation's capital.

The festival hours are noon until 10pm on Saturday and noon until 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, rain or shine. Free satellite parking with free shuttle bus service will be available. Food and beverages can be purchased from the Park's concessions. The Carousel will be running and the Park artists' studios will be open. Watch for a full schedule in next month's issue of this Newsletter.

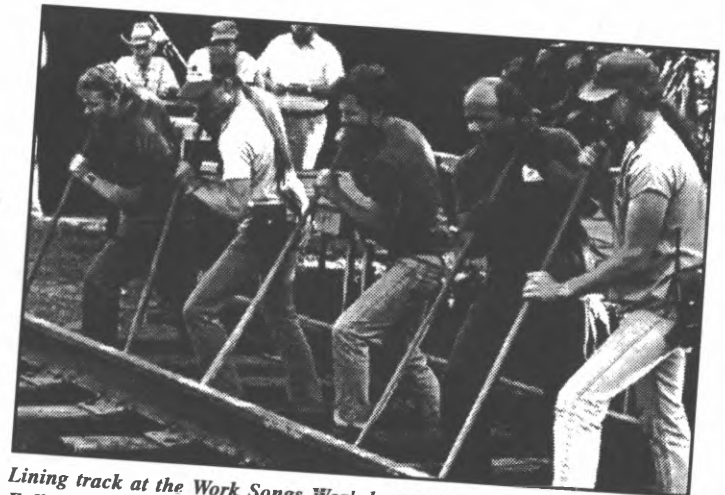


South American dancers at the 7th Annual Washington Folk Festival, 1983.

WFF Volunteers Needed!

The Washington Folk Festival depends completely upon donations of cash and in-kind services. Volunteers are needed to assist in the preparation, operation and take-down of the event. It takes over 6,000 volunteer hours to produce the festival. Many volunteer opportunities are available during the festival weekend in such areas as hospitality, ushering, stage crews, performer check-in, crafts set-up, and festival parking. Volunteers are also needed on both Saturdays and Sundays in May for site preparation. This work includes maintenance of festival equipment, dozens of tasks at a variety of skill levels, and (everyone's favorite) tent raising. Please consider donating some time to make this event a success. We meet at the 9am at the Maintenance shop.

To volunteer, contact Nikki Maylett at 301 270 5371 www.fsgw.org/signup. To help underwrite the financial costs of the festival and become a Friend of the Festival, contact this year's festival coordinators Dean Clamons at 703.631.9655 or wff@fsgw.org, Beth Curren at 301.657.2789 or dwainl@aol.com.



Lining track at the Work Songs Workshop at the 8th Annual Washington Folk Festival, 1984. Left to right: Dean Clamons, Carl Zwanzig, Dwain Winters, George Stephens and Jeff Yates.

Local Dances

Special policy for dance submissions:

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 telephone numbers!**

FSGW Sunday Night Contra Dances Sundays • 7:30 to 10:30pm

See page 2 for details.

FSGW English Country Dances Wednesdays • 8 to 10:30pm

See page 2 for details.

FSGW Community Dance and Pot Luck Picnic Sunday May 30 • 3:30 to 5pm

This month's American folk dance will be led by the creative **DeLaura Padovan**. Music virtuosos **Steve Hickman** and **John Devine** will provide the melodies. Bring a snack to share with others and both of your "left feet", along with children, grandparents, neighbors, and friends. We will have a potluck dinner/picnic followed by the regular Sunday evening dance. So join the fun at **Glen Echo Town Hall, 6106 Harvard Avenue, Glen Echo, MD. \$4 children, \$5 adults (max of \$15 for a family)**. Please park in only legal spaces by the town hall or in the public parking lot at Glen Echo. **Info: Tali Stopak or Bob Mathis at 301.589.7539.**

Future dates remember:

June 20	at Washington Grove Town Hall
July 18	at Bannockburn Community Center,
August 22	at Bannockburn Community Center

Foggy Bottom International Folk Dancing Thursdays • 7:30 to 10:45pm

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 is available. Air conditioned room with good dance floor. Beginner/intermediate classes 7:30-9 pm. Request dancing 9-10:45pm. No experience or partner needed. Mostly taped music. Occasional parties and workshops. **Admission: \$4. Info: Jamie at 301.320.7099.**

Oklahoma Twisters Western Swing Dance Party Wednesday May 5 • 7:30 to 10pm

Swing Western Style with the *Oklahoma Twisters*, the area's Premier Western Swing Band. Learn dance survival skills with Sara Jane McDaniel at 7:30, then two-step, swing, waltz and polka 'till Sara comes back at 8:45 to teach the mid-dance

lesson. Beginners and singles welcome! At Glen Echo's Spanish Ballroom. **Admission \$5, \$4 for FSGW members. Info: George at 703.644.0551.**

Friday Night Contra Dances at Glen Echo Fridays • 8:30pm

The Friday Night Dancers and the National Park Service sponsor contra dances(with occasional squares) at the Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, MacArthur Blvd at Goldsboro. Admission is \$5 unless otherwise noted. Beginner classes start at 7:30pm. If you would like to play or call for a Friday Night Dance, **contact Marni Dittmar at 301.962.7313 or fndbooking@folkdancer.com. Info: Friday Night Dance Hotline at 202.216.2116 or www.fnd.folkdancer.com.**

April

30 Beth Molaro with *Gigmeisters*

Glen Echo Park Update

(This item is provided monthly by the National Campaign to Save Glen Echo Park (NCSGEP) in order to provide FSGW members with a quick and easy way to stay current on the status of the National Park Service (NPS) plans for Glen Echo Park)

Hundreds of faxes and phone calls by users of Glen Echo Park from all over Maryland and elsewhere have resulted in a solid success in the effort to repair Park buildings. The Maryland General Assembly budget conference committee approved \$1 million in capital funds this year for the rehabilitation of Park, with a commitment for an additional \$5 million in following years.

The federal and county funding of the remaining two thirds of the money still must be obtained. Please continue to write, fax or call your representatives in the U. S. Senate and House to urge funding of the Park. Be sure to include members of the U.S. Senate and House sitting on the appropriations subcommittees of the Department of the Interior.

In anticipation of near-term funds coming in, the planning process for the rehabilitation of the park is well underway. Preliminary plans have been drafted for the work. Park Cooperators are studying them and making suggestions on how best to maintain their programs.

To obtain frequently updated information and a more detailed report see the website of NCSGEP at www.w4c.com/glenecho or call 301-320-TALK for information on their next general meeting.

Local Dances (continued)

May

- 7 **George Marshall** with *Wild Asparagus*
 14 Special dance to benefit the Glen Echo Park Foundation. **Ann Fallon and Greg Frock** with the *Washington DC Open Band*. This dance will feature songs and dances relating to Glen Echo and the winner of the Friday Night Dancer's logo contest will be announced. Admission \$10.
 21 **Laura Brown** with *Martin's Flight*
 28 **George Marshall** with *Swallowtail*

June

- 4 **Robert Cromartie** with *Footloose*

Washington Swing Dance Committee

Saturday May 1 • 7pm to 12:30am
Saturdays • 7:00 to 9:30pm and 10:30pm to 12:30am

At the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park. A two-dance system is in effect, with a beginner swing dance lesson from 7 to 8pm and dancing until 9:30. The ballroom will then be cleared and a second dance will go from 10pm to 12:30am, with no lesson. Admission for each dance is \$8, with \$1 going directly to the Ballroom rehabilitation fund. Volunteer for one hour and get into both dances for free. Dress is casual, and no partner or experience is necessary. **Info: 301.340.9732 or www.wsd.org.**

- May 1 **Bellevue Cadillac**
 May 15 **USO dance with Walt Wagner**
 June 19 **The Jivewires**

Scandinavian Dancing

Saturday May 1 • 8:15 to 10:45pm

At Rosemary Hills Elementary School, in the gym at the east end of the school, 2111 Porter Rd. Silver Spring, MD. Music by *Peascods Gathering*. Teaching followed by general dancing. \$4. Beginners and singles welcome. **Info: Carl Minkus 301.493.6281, Fred Aalto 703.356.3036 or Lorraine Silsbee 301.585.1130.**

Reston Contra Dance

Saturday May 1 • 8 to 10:45pm

Mavis McGaugh calls with the *June Apple Band*. Admission \$5. Free beginners workshop at 7. At Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Rd., Hunters Woods Shopping Center. From 495: Toll Rd. (267 W) to exit 12, Reston Pkwy; left on Pkwy. (from west, right turn onto Reston Pkwy), left at 1st light onto Sunrise Valley Dr. Go 1 blk. to Colts Neck Rd., turn right, go 1/2 mile to left turn into Hunters Woods Center. Park anywhere except behind highrise. Follow signs to walk to Community Center. Future dances: June 12, July 10. No dance in August. **Info: Alice Markham at 703.709.9121.**

Sunday Afternoon Waltz

Sunday May 2 • 3:30 to 6pm

Social dancing (mostly waltzes, of course) at Glen Echo Park (at the intersection of Goldsboro Rd. and MacArthur Blvd in Glen Echo, MD.) with live music and an introductory class at 3. All levels are welcome to attend. Admission \$5. **Info: Donna Barker at 703.978.0375, or www.erols.com/swing4me.**

- May 2 **Children of Bob**
 May 16 **Waltz du Jour**

Bethesda International Folk Dancing

Mondays • 7:30p to 10pm

Dance on the wood floor of the Leland Community Recreation Center social hall, 4301 Willow Lane, Bethesda, MD (on holidays classes move to Women's Club of Bethesda, 5500 Sonoma Rd, except for Memorial Day). No partner necessary. Mostly recorded but occasionally live music. **Admission \$5 per class. Info: Phyllis or Brandon Diamond at 301.871.8788.**

- 7:30-8 **Beginners**
 8-10 **Intermediate/Advanced**

Bluemont Morris

Mondays • 7 to 8:30pm

A group of men and women who do traditional Morris dances in the spring and fall. The group is fun and the dancing is addictive and great exercise. Practice in Reston, VA. If you would like to join, call **Laura 703.845.8536.**

Israeli Folk Dancing at GWU

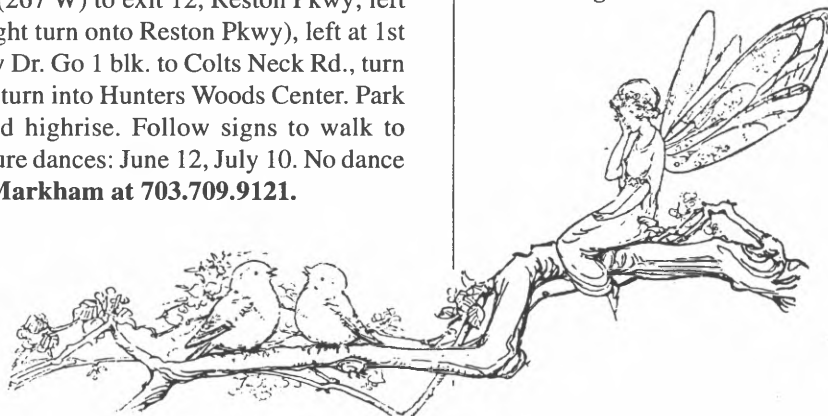
Mondays • 8 to 10:30pm

GW Hillel at GWU Smith Center, 22nd and G Streets NW, DC. 8pm beginners teaching, 9pm advanced/requests. Recorded music. \$2 with GWU ID, \$5 without. **Info: Helen Rubin, 703.207.1551 or hrubin@carleton.edu.**

Arlington International Folk Dancing

Tuesdays • 7:30 to 9:30pm

Key at Wilson School, 1601 Wilson Blvd. (between Rosslyn & Courthouse Metros), Arlington, VA. \$3. Recorded music. Instruction, walk-throughs and requests. Singles welcome and all ages or levels of expertise. **Info: 703.527.8998 sstulberg@earthlink.net.**



Local Dances (continued)

Taylor Made Squares Dancing Club

Tuesdays • 8 to 9:30pm

Betsy Taylor calls squares to recorded music at the Long Branch Community Center on Piney Branch Rd., Silver Spring, MD. There is a wood floor and admission is free. No Experience or partner necessary. **Info: 301.589.4868.**

Israeli Dancing

Wednesdays • 8 to 11pm

At the Har Shalom Congregation, 11510 Falls Rd., Pottomac, MD. Instruction 8-9:15. Oldies on first and third Wednesdays, newer dances second and fourth. Recorded music. \$4. **Info Ben Hole, 301.441.8213.**

Chevy Chase International Folk Dancers

Thursdays • 7:30 to 9:30pm

At the Chevy Chase Elementary School, 4015 Rosemary (off Connecticut Ave., one block from Bradley Blvd.). Instruction and walk-throughs until 8:30. All levels welcome. No partner necessary. Admission \$1. Recorded music. Leader **Roland Forbes**. **Info: Anna Pappas, 301.340.8723 or Naomi Rogers, 301.438.0063.**

Foggy Bottom Morris Men

Thursdays • 8 to 10pm

We practice our brand of English Morris Dancing most Thursdays for fun and exercise before heading to the pub. You can see us performing throughout the seasons at major public events and at pubs. Some people prefer our music and singing to our dancing. If you are athletic and like good beer, we can teach you to be a Morris man. At Oak View ES, 400 Wayne Ave, Silver Spring, MD. **Info: Bill Brown at 301.270.2014 or Brad Graham at 703.916.0213.**

Mount Vernon International Folk Dancing

Thursdays • 8 to 10pm

Dance in the meeting hall of the Mount Vernon Unitarian Church, 1909 Windmill Lane, Alexandria, VA. Instruction, walk-throughs, requests. No experience or partner needed. Admission \$2.50. Recorded music. **Info: 703.780.2393 or kkkrogh@aol.com.**

Greenbelt International Folk Dancing

Fridays • 8:30 to 11pm

International Folk Dancing at Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD. Recorded music, unless otherwise noted. Teaching at 8. No partner or experience necessary. Wooden dance floor. Admission \$5.00. **Info: Larry Weiner at 301.565.0539.**

MAY 7 George Caba and his *Transcarpathian Orchestra* (music from Romania, Serbia and Croatia) and **Luk Na Glavata** playing traditional Macedonian instruments.

Ceili Dancing

Saturday May 8 • 8pm to midnight

Country Sets and Ceili Dancing. Music by *Bogwanderers Ceili Band*. John C. Wood Municipal Center, 3730 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax City, VA. Adults \$10, children 6-15 \$5. Under 6 free. Family max \$20. Instruction at 7:30. Free soda bread, coffee & tea, and parking. **Info: Bob Hickey at 703.978.8265.**

Zydeco Dances at Glen Echo Park

Saturday May 8 • 9pm to mid

At the Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom. **Info: 301.309.0895.**

May

- 8 John Wilson** and the *Zydeco House Rockers*. Workshop at 8, dance 9-midnight. Admission \$10.
- 12 John Wilson** and the *Zydeco House Rockers*. Workshop at 7, dance 8 - 11:30. Admission \$10.
- 23 Live Cajun/Zydeco Band**. Workshop at 3pm, dance 3:30-6:30. Admission \$8.

Twenties and Thirties Ballroom and Swing Dance

Sunday May 9 • 3 to 5:30pm

Ballroom and swing dance at Glen Echo's Spanish Ballroom. Take Mom dancing for Mother's Day! The *LaSalle Orchestra* plays music from the roaring twenties and sophisticated thirties. Charleston lesson at 2 with **Ellen Engle** and **Marc Shepanek** (*Flying Feet Enterprises*). Admission \$5. **Info: Ellen Engle at 301.299.8728, flyfeet@erols.com or www.erols.com/flyfeet.**

Alpine Dancers

Second and fourth Sunday • 4 to 6:30pm

Free open practice of the Alpine Dancers, specializing in couples and trio dances from Austria and Germany. Taped and live music. New dancers welcome. New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6016 Princess Garden Parkway, near Washington Beltway exit 20A. Confirm date as practices may be replaced by performances. **Confirmation/directions: Carol & Herbert Traxler at 301.577.3503 or www.geocities.com/Vienna/Strasse/1945/alpine.html.**

Norwegian Telespringar Dance

Sunday May 2 • 2 to 6pm

Held the first Sunday of each month (except June, July & August). **Paul Morrisett** plays Hardanger fiddle. Instruction for beginners, exercises for advanced dancers with Norwegian waffles and refreshments in cozy Meadowbrook Community Center, Rock Creek Park (near East-West Highway and Beach Drive). No Partner necessary. Donation \$6. **Info: Annamarie at 301.589.6813 or apluhar@tvp.org.**



Local Dances (continued)

English Country Dance (CDSS)

Second and fourth Sunday • 8:15-10:45 pm

Sligo Middle School, 1401 Dennis Ave., Silver Spring, MD. Caller: Barbara Harding with Peascods gathering. \$5. Beginners and singles welcome. **Info: Carl Minkus 301.493.6281 or Karla Farrall 301.577.5018. For May 22 only, the location will change to Glen Haven Elementary School, 10900 Inwood Ave., Silver Spring, MD.**

English Country Dance (CDSS)

Second and fourth Tuesday • 7:45pm

At Harding Hall, 730 Jackson St. Herndon, VA. Workshop includes figures, phrasing, and style. Live music (guest musicians welcome, call in advance). Admission \$3. **Info/musicians: Barbara Harding at 703.437.3615.**

May 11 Pat Wexelblat (recorder)

May 25 Tom Anastasio (English concertina) and Laurie Mielke (recorder)

Folk Dancing at the Swiss Embassy

Second and fourth Wednesday • 7:30 to 10pm

Swiss folk dancing to recorded music on the wooden floor at the Swiss Embassy, 2900 Cathedral Avenue NW, DC. Sponsored by the Swiss Folklore Group, admission is free. Beginners are welcome. **Info: Fran Walters at 301.530.5643.**

Scandinavian Couple Dancing

Saturday May 15 • 7:30 to 11pm

Scandia DC sponsors this dance at Greenbelt Community Center (dance studio), 15 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD. No partner necessary. Teachers - Linda Brooks and Ross Schipper. **Info: 202.333.2826 or www.erols.com/s526/.**

MAY 15 Beginning teaching - Basic Schottis 7:30-8, regular teaching - Springleik fran Gubrandsdal (a fun Norwegian dance) 8-9. Live Norwegian and Swedish fiddle music by **Gay Kohl** (special out of town guest fiddler) and the Scandia DC Spelmannslag with some recorded music.

English Country Dance (CDSS)

Saturday May 15 • 8pm

At Harding Hall, 730 Jackson St. Herndon, VA. Caller: Barbara Harding with recorded music. No experience or partner necessary. Free. **Info: Barbara Harding at 703.437.3615.**

Rockabilly Swing Dance

Wednesday May 19 • 8 to 11pm

Swing the night away with **Rockin' Bones** — Rockabilly at its finest — at Glen Echo's Spanish Ballroom. Swing lesson at 7 with **Ellen Engle and Marc Shepanek** (Flying Feet Enterprises). Admission \$6. **Info: Ellen Engle at 301.299.8728, flyfeet@erols.com or www.erols.com/flyfeet.**

Diamond's Dance Circle Festival

The Diamond's Dance Circle Memorial Day

Weekend International Folk Dance Festival

May 28-31

This 30th anniversary celebration will bring several internationally renowned dance masters: **Jaap Leegwater, Bulgarian dance with the Kusmet Bulgarian Trio, Ahmet Luleci, Turkish dance with the Faruk Tekbilek Turkish Ensemble, Ira Bernstein, Irish step dance and flatfoot clogging with the Castle Garden Ceili Band, and Jerry Helt** teaching American squares, and others. At Cherry Hill Park, College Park, MD. **Info: Phyllis or Brandon Diamond at 301.871.8788.**

Classes

Class listings may be submitted by FSGW members ONLY.

Scottish Country Dancing Classes

Scottish Country Dancing Classes. Learn to enjoy this form of social dancing related to English and Contra:

MONDAYS, 8:15PM ~ NIH Aerobics and Dance Center. Directions: 301.942.2831.

TUESDAYS, 8:00PM ~ Greenbelt Community Center. Directions: 301.589.3045

WEDNESDAYS, 8:00PM ~ Durant Center, Alexandria. Directions: 703.329.9118.

\$3/lesson. Recorded music is used and no partner is required. Wear soft-soled shoes. **General info/other locations: Jim McCulloch, 202.234.6840 or jmccullo@erols.com.**

Dance classes with Ken & Donna

Dance classes with **Donna Barker & Ken Haltenhoff**. No partner required. Recorded music used for classes. No partner

necessary. **Info: Donna at 703.978.0375 or www.erols.com/swing4me (preferred).**

MONDAY NIGHTS AT LYON PARK COMMUNITY CENTER., 414 No. Fillmore, Arlington, VA. 4-week sessions starting April 5-26. (Cost to take both classes is \$62). **Register: Teresa Brooks at 703.435.8315.**

7-8 Introduction to romantic slow dancing. \$32.

8-8:30 Social dancing and snacks. Free.

8:30-9:30 Int./Adv. lindy. \$32.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT VIENNA'S GRILLE. 146 Maple Ave., East, Route 123, Vienna, VA. Drop-in any Wednesday for a Beg. Swing workshop at 7:15pm or an Adv. Swing workshop at 8pm followed by 2 hours of social dancing (DJ). PSDC members: \$11 lesson & dance, \$8 dance only. Non-members: \$13/\$10.

THURSDAY NIGHTS AT GLEN ECHO PARK. 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo, MD. March 4 - March 25, \$36

Classes (continued)

for any 4-week series. No partner necessary. Register on first night of class. May 6 - May 27:

- 6-7 Int. Swing
- 7-8 Adv. Waltz
- 8-9 Experienced Swing
- 9-10 Experienced Lindy

SUNDAY NIGHTS AT FT. MYER COMMUNITY CENTER, FT. MYER ARMY BASE, Arlington, VA. Drop-in any Sunday for a Beg. Swing workshop at 7pm or an Adv. Swing workshop at 7:45pm followed by 2-1/2 hours of social dancing (DJ). PSDC members: \$10 lesson & dance, \$7 dance only. Nonmembers: \$12/\$9.

Lindy Hop Classes and Open Dancing

Swing Dancing every Monday night at Glen Echo's beautiful Spanish Ballroom with swing jockey Daddy-O! **Ellen Engle** and **Marc Shepanek** (Flying Feet Enterprises) will be on hand to help with moves, technique and style. No partner required. Admission \$5 (\$2 for class members). **Info: Ellen Engle at 301.299.8728, flyfeet@erols.com or www.erols.com/flyfeet.**

Traditional Clogging Classes

Traditional Clogging classes at Recreation Centers in Virginia. Students will learn the basic steps and a routine they can perform with the Patchwork Dancers. You can join the current class or start with the next class which begins on Thursday, April 8th. **Info: 703.503.9260, 202.401.3571 or jpmaxwell@yahoo.com.**

Out-of-Town Events & Dances

KY • Cumberland Dance Camp

August 1-7

Come to this intergenerational folk camp for Contras, Squares, English, Scottish, Irish, Waltz, and International Dance. A complete children's program will keep the younger ones busy with folk dance, Bacca Pipes, storytelling, singing games, nature exploration, and lots more. Staff includes **Robbin Schaffer, Peter and Phyllis Rodgers, Marnen Laibow-Koser, Bill Alkire, Enid Cocke, Bill Bailey, Bob Tomlinson, Don and Sylvia Coffey**. The accommodations (private rooms) and facility are outstanding. Adults: approx. \$400, Kids: approx. \$40 - \$150 (depending on age). **Info: Bob Mathis at 301.589.7539 or Don at dscoffey@mis.net.**

MD • Annapolis Contra Dance (ATDS)

Saturday May 1 • 8pm

Annapolis Traditional Dance Society holds it's dances at the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) Hall, 1311 Generals Highway (MD Rte 178), Crownsville, Maryland. Each dance is followed by the famous ATDS Ice Cream Social! Instruction begins at 7:20. Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) Hall, 1311 Generals Highway (MD Rte 178) in Crownsville, MD. \$8, \$6 for ATDS & FSGW members. **Info: 410.268.0231.**

May 1 Contra Dance featuring **Denise Lair** with *Findhorn*

MD • Annapolis, 333 Coffeehouse

Friday May 21 • 8pm

The 333 Coffeehouse is a non-profit, non-alcoholic venue run by volunteers for the love of music. It features songwriters, acoustic folk singers and spoken art. Proceeds go to charitable causes. Third Friday of each month at the Unitarian Church, 333 Du Bois Road (exit 24 B off Rt. 50 to Bestgate). Inexpensive gourmet fare offered. Admission is \$6.00, \$5.00 for students/senior citizens. **Info: Leslie at 410.266.8044 or Max at 410.647.4275.**

MD • Baltimore - Lovely Lane Contra Dance (BFMS) First, second, third and fourth Wednesday • 8pm

This weekly contra dance is sponsored by the Baltimore Folk Song Society. All dances are taught and walked through. Beginners are always welcome and are encouraged to arrive promptly at 8:00 p.m. Nationally-known musicians and callers appear regularly. Free workshops introducing basic contra dance held on 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 7:30. Admission is \$8, \$6 for BFMS/FSGW members. Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, MD. **Info: 410.321.8419 or www.bfms.org.**

April

- 28 Robbin Schaffer** with **Steve Hickman** and friends. New dancer's workshop at 7:30.

May

- 5 Susan Hankin** with *Taylor Among the Devils*. **Marty Taylor** (flute), **Jon Jensen** (piano), **Steve Hickman** (fiddle).
- 14 Robbin Schaffer** with *Cabaret Sauvignon* (formerly the IV's). **Dave Wiesler** (piano), **Karen Ashbrook** (hammered dulcimer, flute), **Andrea Hoag** (fiddle), **Paul Oorts** (plucked strings, accordion). New dancer's workshop at 7:30.
- 19 Alan Gedance** with the *June Apple Band*. **Alice Markham** (piano), **Bob Garber** (clarinet), **Jeff Steinberg** (fiddle), **Mike McGeary** (banjo/mandolin).
- 26 Dick Bearman** with *Findhorn*. **Steve Hickman** (fiddle), **Liz Donaldson** (piano), **Marty Taylor** (flute), **Ralph Gordon** (bass). New dancer's workshop at 7:30.

MD • Baltimore - Lovely Lane English Country Dance Mondays • 8pm

English Country Dancing is joyous, lively movement to elegant music in a friendly, informal setting. The figures are simple, and each dance is taught and walked through. New

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dancers are always welcome. Come alone or with a friend. Admission is \$8, \$6 for BFMS members. Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, MD. **Info: 410.321.8419 or www.bfms.org.**

April

- 26 *English Country Dancing for Contra Dancers*. **Brad Saylor** with **Malcolm Stephens** (fiddle), **Dave Wiesler** (piano), **Susan Brandt** (flute).

May

- 3 **Christopher Field** with **Liz Donaldson** (piano, accordion) and **Malcolm Stephens** (fiddle). Refreshments at the break. Beginners' workshop starts at 7:30.
- 10 **Dawn Culbertson** with **Francine Krasowska** (piano) and **Colleen Spence** (flute)
- 17 **Rich Galloway** with **Becky Ross** (fiddle) and **Jonathan Jensen** (piano, ocarina, and others)
- 24 **Carl Friedman** with **Andrea Hoag** (fiddle) and **Liz Donaldson** (piano, accordion)
- 31 **Mary Kay Friday** with Baltimore's ECD Rehearsed Open Band led by **Marty Taylor**. Contact Eileen Franch to play with the band 410.889.3252.

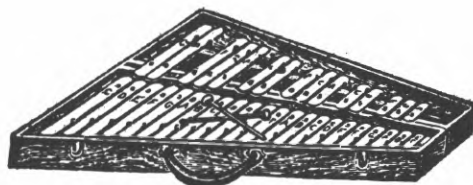
MD • Baltimore - Second Saturday Contra Dance Saturday May 8 • 8 to 11pm

Join the merriment as the ever-playful **Susan Taylor** calls contras and squares to the high-spirited music of *Not from Cleveland*. Then romp with the others as teacher **Celia McGrain** leads us through some Maypole dances! Thrill to a death-defying demonstration of English "rapper" sword dancing by "*Charm City Rapper*," laugh at The Fool's antics, and let the lovely "*Step Sisters*" cloggers steal your heart away.

Free introductory dance workshop at 7:15. Beginners, singles, couples, and families are welcome, and you don't need to bring a partner. Free beverages will be served at the break and participants are invited to bring goodies to share with their fellow dancers. At St. Mark's on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Road, Baltimore. The cost is \$6 for members of BFMS, \$8 for non-members. Discounts for children, families, students. **Info: Ralph Barthine at 410.561.4573, rbarthin@bcpl.net or www.bfms.org.**

MD • Baltimore - Somebody Scream Zydeco Dance Friday May 21 • 9pm to mid

Geno Delafosse and *French Rockin' Boogie* return for a night of rollickin' good music and dancing. Known for his traditional, high-energy zydeco, Geno will get everyone on the dance floor kickin' up their heels. Free Zydeco workshop at 8. At the Barn Theater, Catonsville Community College. \$10. **Info: 410.415.5395 or www.bfms.org.**



MD • Baltimore Open Band Rehearsal Thursday May 13 • 8 to 10pm

Come strum, saw, squawk, shake, rattle and roll with the Open Band. Open means *anybody* can come and is truly welcome to jam and to perform. We gather once a month on a Sunday or a Thursday to play our favorite tunes, and yours. We usually wind up having a hell of a party! Music is available, or play by ear. All skill levels and all instruments (as well as those who play them) are welcome. Rehearsal this month will be at the home of **McGregor Yatsevich** in Catonsville, MD. Come out and play with us! **Please call Susan if you need music, directions or cookie recipes at 410.254.1730.**

MD • Camp Springs - Café Florian Coffeehouse Saturday May 8 • 8pm

Open mike, held on the second Saturday of each month, September through June. Acoustic musicians, songwriters, storytellers, and poets. Sign-up starts at 7:30. Free. Located at Davies Memorial Unitarian Church, 7400 Temple Hill Rd., Camp Springs, MD., 0.3 mi south of Allentown Rd. **Info: Syl Smith at 301.292.6482 or www.dmuuc.org/cafe_florian.html.**

MD • Columbia - Folkal Point Concerts

Folkal Point, 11130 Willow Bottom Drive, Columbia MD. Doors open 7:15pm, shows start at 8. Food and drink available. Tickets are \$10 except as noted. Advance tickets available. **Info: 410.531.5350.**

May

- 6 **The Kennedys** with **Julie Sanderson**. \$10 adv/\$12 door.
- 13 **Andrew McKnight** with **Jane Wellington**
- 20 **Salamander Crossing** with **Lisa Beth Weber** \$10/\$12.
- 22 Special Saturday show: **James Keelaghan** at Oliver's Carriage House, 5410 Leaf Trader Way, Columbia, MD. \$12/\$14.

MD • Columbia - Panzer House Concerts Sunday May 30 • 7pm

Panzer House Concerts, Columbia MD. Monthly concert series featuring acoustic music in an intimate setting. This month: **Jimmy Landry** and **David Lamotte**. Suggested donation for performers \$8. BYOB. Light refreshments served. **Reservations required. RSVP/directions: 410.531.9233 or spanzer@compuserve.**

MD • Columbia International Folk Dancing Wednesdays • 8 to 10:30pm

Kahler Hall, Beaverkill Rd. & Harper's Farm Rd., Columbia, MD. Admission \$3. Recorded music. Beginners welcome. Teaching until 9 pm. We have parties and workshops. **Info: 410.997.1613 (night), or 301.495.4642 (day).**

Out-of-Town Events & Dances *(continued)*

MD • Frederick Contra Dance

Saturday May 22 • 8 to 11pm

This regular monthly dance features country dances (contras and squares) native to New England and Appalachia. **Tom Hinds** will call to the music of *Findhorn*, featuring **Liz Donaldson** (piano), **Marty Taylor** (flute, piccolo, and concertina) and **Steve Hickman** (fiddle). At the William R. Talley Adult Recreation Center at Bentz and Second Streets in Frederick, MD. At the William R. Talley Adult Recreation Center at Bentz and Second Streets, Frederick, MD. Beginner's workshop at 7. Admission \$6. **Info: Sound Source at 301.695.2633 (code 7499), Marc Glickman at 301.695.4390, Boe Walker at 301.694.6794 or www.w4c.com/dance/mmfac.**

MD • Sykesville, Baldwin's Station Concerts

Baldwin's Station & Pub, 7618 Main St, Historic Sykesville, MD. The dinning room opens for seating at 6:30pm. Shows begin at 8pm. **Info: Joyce R. Sica, 410.521.9099 or joycesica@aol.com. Tickets/reservations: 410.795.1041.**

May 5	Steve Gillette and Cindy Mangsen \$12.
May 12	Rob Carlson \$12.
May 19	Pierce Pettis \$15.
May 26	Erica Wheeler \$12.
Jun 2	Pete & Maura Kennedy \$12.00.
Aug 8	Jonathan Edwards \$22.50.

MD • Tiimonium - Mays Chapel Concert

Mays Chapel United Methodist Church, 11911 Jenifer Road, Timonium, MD. Tickets are available in advance for some concerts by sending a check in a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Uptown Concerts, PO Box 150, Randallstown, MD 21133. Shows start at 8:30pm unless otherwise indicated. **Info: Joyce R. Sica at 410.922.5210**

April

30 Flutar \$12.

May

7 Maggie Sansone, Al Petteway, Bonnie Rideout and Hesperus \$15.
14 Peter Tork (yes, of the Monkees!) and James Lee Stanley \$15.
21 Garnet Rogers \$15.
28 Mike Cross \$15.

PA • Red Lion Grange - Contra Dance

Friday May 7 • 8 to 11pm

At the Red Lion Grange, Rt. 24 & Lombard Rd., Red Lion, PA. **Jim Kitch** calls to York's own *Contra Rebels*. Beginners' workshop 7:30. Cost: \$6. **Info: 717.845.2897, www.w4c.com/dance/york or sdenise@umaryland.edu.**

VA • Charlottesville - Friday Contra Dances

First, third and fifth Friday • 8 to 11pm

In the gym. At MACAA. Take Rt 29 South to Charlottesville. Turn east onto Rt 250. Just after the light at McIntire Rd. Turn north on Park St. Go a block to the first marked pedestrian crosswalk and turn left into the alley. Beginner's workshop at 7:30. Admission \$6. **Info: contradanc@aol.com, www.contradance.sbc.edu or Rob Craighurst at 804.971.8863.**

Friday, April 30:

Laura Light (fiddle) & **Friends** playing with **Bill Wellington** calling.

Friday, May 7:

Michelle Bellinger calling with **Dave Wiesler** on piano, **Andrea Hoag** on fiddle, and **Susan Brandt** on flute.

VA • Charlottesville - Sunday Contra Dances

Second and fourth Sunday • 6:30 to 9:30pm

At Greenwood Community Center. I-64 to Exit 107, west on Rt 250 about 1.5 miles, then right onto Rt 690 for about 1 mile, then turn right onto Rt 691. In less than 1/4 mile the center is a long 1-story white building on the right set off from the road. Beginner's workshop at 6. Admission \$6. **Info: contradanc@aol.com or Rob Craighurst at 804.971.8863.**

May 9

Contra Corners

May 23

Contra Corners

VA • Charlottesville - Advanced Contra Dance & Potluck

Saturday May 15

Special dance and potluck for experienced dancers at the Greenwood Community Center (see directions in listing for Sunday Dances). Admission: workshop \$6, dance \$8, \$12 for both. **Info: contradanc@aol.com or Rob Craighurst at 804.971.8863.**

4 - 5:45 Waltz workshop by Scott Baxla

6 - 7 Potluck supper

7-7:45 Couple dancing

8 - 11 Contra dance. Tom Hinds with Footloose

VA • Fredericksburg Contra Dance

First and third Thursday • 8 to 10:30pm

There's no longer any need to drive to Philadelphia to dance on Thursday nights. Dance in the New England tradition with caller **DeLaura Padovan** and the extraordinary music of **Laura Lengnick** and **Steve Hickman**. Upstairs at Pickers' Supply, 902 Caroline Street, in beautiful "Oldtown" Fredericksburg. There is ample free parking and a free beginner's workshop at 7:30. Admission is \$6, \$5 for students and seniors. **Info: Pickers' Supply, 540.371.4669 www.pickersupply.com.**

Out-of-Town Events & Dances (continued)

WV • Buffalo Gap - Jambalaya Zydeco & Cajun Weekend

June 17-20

Featuring Zydeco bands **Chris Ardoin & Double Clutchin'** and **J-Paul Jr. and the Zydeco Newbreeds**, as well as the **Bruce Daigrepoint Cajun Band**. With workshops in beginning and advanced Zydeco dances by **Sean Ardoin** from Lake Charles, LA, and in Cajun dances by **Don Brasseau & Miriam Fontenot** from Lafayette, LA.

The Cajun Mardi Gras Parade will return, as well as mask making, instrument workshops, jam sessions, informal dance parties, a beach party, late-night bonfires and possibly a Cajun cooking school. At Buffalo Gap Community Camp, Capon Bridge, WV. Cost: \$215 to \$280. **Info: jerry@pressroom.com, Jerry Stilkind at 202-265-1108 or www.erols.com/ghayman/buffalo.jambalaya.htm.**

WV • Buffalo Gap Dance Events

BUFFALO JAMBALAYA

JUNE 17-20

A weekend of Cajun and Zydeco music, food, and dancing. **Info: Barbara Davenport at 301.434.0682 or cajunbarb@erols.com.**

Submitters Take Note!

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SCANDINAVIAN WEEK

JULY 3-10

A week of Swedish and Norwegian music and dance sponsored by the Multicultural Folk Arts Center. **Info: Judy Barlas at 301.649.6921 or jbarlas@erols.com.**

CDSS ENGLISH & AMERICAN WEEK

JULY 10-17

A week of English and American Country-Dance. **Info: Steve Howe at 413.268.7426 or camp@cdss.org.**

CDSS FAMILY WEEK

JULY 17-24

An opportunity to share traditional English and American dance, music, and storytelling as well as the beauty of the outdoors with children. **Info: Steve Howe at 413.268.7426 or camp@cdss.org.**

SAVOY SWINGS AGAIN

SEPTEMBER 3-6

A three-day weekend of dance classes and parties sponsored by the Washington Swing Dance Committee. **Info: Sue Ann Barbera at 703.369.6941.**

BUFFALO ON THE DANUBE WEEKEND

SEPTEMBER 17-19

A weekend of dance classes and evening parties sponsored by Dancing Planet. **Info: Jamie Platt at 301.320.7099 or bplatt@iamdigex.net.**

AMERICAN DANCE WEEKEND

SEPTEMBER 24-26

A weekend of American Square and Contra dancing sponsored by the Buffalo Contra Committee. **Info: Carl Mintz at 202.543.4999 or aircarl@cpcug.org.**

WV • Buffalo Gap Work Weekend

May 22 & 23

FREE food for your labor. **Info: Jim Newburn at jnewburn@home.com or 301.596.3877.**

WV • Shepherdstown - Contra Dance

Saturday May 1 • 8pm

Andy Kane with *Martin's Flight* featuring **Alexander Mitchell** (fiddle), **Marc Glickman** (piano) and **Paul Oorts** (mandolin).

At the newly air-conditioned War Memorial Building (Men's Club) on the corner of German and King Streets in Shepherdstown WV. Beginners' workshop starting at 7:15 pm. Admission \$6, \$3 under age 26. Dancers must bring soft-soled shoes. **Info: 304.725.0266 or 304.876.2169.**

WV • Shepherdstown - Sunday Afternoon Contrás

Sunday May 16 • 2:30 to 5pm

Enjoy an afternoon in the country. Baltimore's **Kate Charles** will call to **Joe DeZarn & friends**. Workshop at 2. At Men's Club, 102 E. German St, Shepherdstown, WV. A new dance, aimed at helping dancers improve. Beginners also welcome. **Info: 304.876.6728.**

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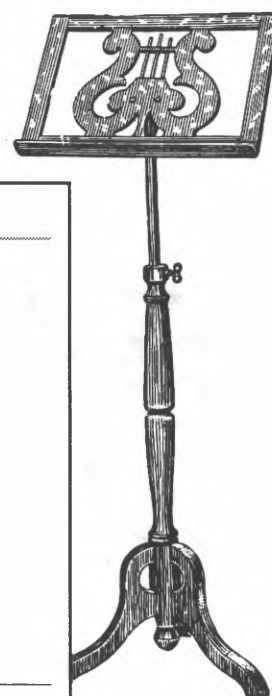
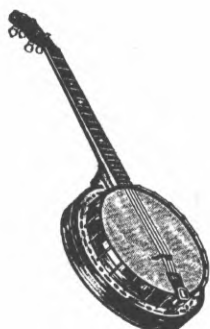
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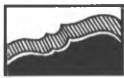
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2 2:00 • Norwegian Telespringar Dance, Spring Festival, Telespringar Dance. 3:30 • Waltz at Glen Echo 7:30 • FSGW Contra Dance	3 7:30 • Bethesda Folk Dance 7:00 • Bluemont Morris 8:00 • FSGW Board Meeting, Baltimore - English Country Dance, GWU Israeli Folk Dancing	4 6:30 • Fretted Dulcimer Circle 7:30 • Folk Club of Reston, Arlington Folk Dancing 8:00 • Taylor Made Squares	5 7:30 • Western Swing Dance Party 8:00 • FSGW English Country Dance, Columbia Folk Dancing, Israeli Dancing, Baltimore Contra Dance, Dupont Music Circle	6 7:30 • Foggy Bottom Folk Dancing, Chevy Chase International Folk Dance 8:00 • FSGW Anthony McCann Concert, Foggy Bottom Morris, Mount Vernon Folk Dancing, Fredericksburg - Contra Dance	7 8:00 • Medium Rare Cafe 8:30 • FSGW Open Sing, Glen Echo Contra Dance, Greenbelt Folk Dance	8 9:00 • FSGW Folk Festival Setup Party 7:30 • FSGW Storyswap 8:00 • Baltimore - Contra Dance, Ceili Dancing 8:15 • Sligo English Country Dance 9:00 • Glen Echo Zydeco Dance
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23 3:00 • Artisan House Concert 3:30 • FSGW Sacred Harp Singing, Glen Echo Zydeco Dance 4:00 • Alpine Dancers 7:30 • FSGW Contra Dance, Artisan House Concert	24 7:30 • Bethesda Folk Dance 7:00 • Bluemont Morris 8:00 • Baltimore - English Country Dance, GWU Israeli Folk Dancing	25 7:30 • Folk Club of Reston, Arlington Folk Dancing 7:45 • CDSS English Country Dance & Workshop 8:00 • Taylor Made Squares	26 7:30 • Swiss Embassy Folk Dancing 8:00 • FSGW English Country Dance, Columbia Folk Dancing, Israeli Dancing, Baltimore Contra Dance	27 7:30 • Foggy Bottom Folk Dancing, Chevy Chase International Folk Dance 8:00 • Foggy Bottom Morris, Mount Vernon Folk Dancing	28 8:30 • Glen Echo Contra Dance, Greenbelt Folk Dance	29 9:00 • FSGW Folk Festival Setup Party
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