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FSGW Special Event

Takoma, DC



“Voices of Winter”
Priscilla Herdman
Anne Hills
Cindy Mangsen

A delightful mix of winter & holiday songs, original compositions & whimsical pieces

Thursday December 2 • 8pm

“Voices of Winter” is a concert of traditional and contemporary folk music by the acclaimed trio **Priscilla Herdman, Anne Hills, and Cindy Mangsen**. The program will offer a delightful mix of beloved winter and holiday songs, original compositions and whimsical pieces that celebrate the frosty joys of this snowy season.

One of the finest folk groups performing today, **Herdman•Hills•Mangsen** has released two CDs which have consistently been ranked among the “Top Ten” folk recordings by American and Canadian reviewers. The Boston Globe calls the trio “a genuine folk super-group,” comprised of accomplished solo artists **Priscilla Herdman, Anne Hills and Cindy Mangsen**. Seamlessly blending the three-octave range of Herdman with Hills’ “mellifluous voice” and Mangsen’s dulcet alto, **Herdman•Hills•Mangsen** offers a unique and poignant concert experience that is as exhilarating as a midnight sleighride through an icy forest. “Their intricate harmonies are powerful,” explains one reviewer, while Canadian River Music dubs the trio “three of the loveliest voices in American folk.”

“Voices of Winter” features live performances of carols, ballads and other songs from **Herdman•Hills•Mangsen**’s latest CD of the same name. Included are interpretive variations of familiar favorite holiday songs as well as contemporary pieces composed in traditional folk style. The songs are sometimes funny, sometimes haunting, but always moving, capturing the many moods of the dark season with all its mystery and majesty. Within the lyrics, **Herdman•Hills•Mangsen** take audiences down frosty lanes to visit old friends, discover hidden delights in snow-crested fields, and warm body and soul before a roaring fire.

Don’t miss this rare opportunity to enjoy a truly memorable concert event. “Voices of Winter” at **Trinity Episcopal Church in Washington, DC, located at 7005 Piney Branch Road, at the corner of Dahlia Street and within walking distance of the Takoma Metro Station. Tickets: \$16/\$12 FSGW members. Info: www.fsgw.org.**

Special Co-sponsored Concert:

Wednesday December 1 • 7:30pm

The Henry Reed Fund Benefit Concert

Featured Performers included:
Pete Seeger with Tao Rodriguez-Seeger, Stephen Wade,

Hazel Dickens with Dudley
Connell, Alan Jabbour and members of
the Henry Reed Family.

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Neal MacMillan

Saturday, December 11, 1999

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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 for FSGW members and affiliated groups (BFMS, CDSS, ATDS).** The ballroom is not air-conditioned, 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 dancingplanet@erols.com.**

December

- 5 Denise Lair calls to the music of *Terpsichore* (Elke Baker, Liz Donaldson, and Ralph Gordon)
- 12 *The Buzzard Rock Bayou Boys* from Charlottesville provide the music. The caller is Beverly Smith from Philadelphia
- 19 Beth Molaro calling to the music of *Laura and the Lava Lamps* (Laura Lengnick, Ralph Gordon, and Dave Wiesler)
- 26 Dan Pearl is paying us a rare visit and will call to the music of *June Apple* (Alice Markham, Bob Garber, Mike McGeary, and Jeff Steinberg).
- 31 Y2Kontra Ball with Jim Kitch calling to the music of *Contra Nova*. See notice below.

January

- 2 Alexander Mitchell, Liz Donaldson, Paul Oorts, and Ralph Gordon. caller TBA

Glen Echo Town Hall

Glen Echo, MD

FSGW Community Concert & Dance

Sunday December 5 • 3:30 to 5pm



Start this holiday month off by joining us for the community dance. Bring a snack to share with others and “both left feet” - along with children, grandparents, neighbors, and friends. Beginners are encouraged to come. Check the FSGW web page for the latest details. We will be at the Glen Echo Town Hall, 6106 Harvard Avenue, Glen Echo, MD. **Cost: \$5 for adults, \$4 for children (\$15 maximum for family).** **Info: Bob Mathis or Tali Stopak, 301.589.7539 or talibob@boo.net** Please park in legal spaces only behind the Town Hall, on University, or at the Glen Echo Park lot. Do not park in front of the town hall.



Special Dance

Chevy Chase, MD

Y2Kontra Ball

Friday December 31 • 8:30pm

At the Leland Community Center in Chevy Chase. Music provided by *Contra Nova*: Steve Hickman (fiddle), Dennis Botzer (piano), David Crandall (flute and saxophone), John Devine (guitar), and Ralph Gordon (bass). Jim Kitch will call. **Admission is \$24 per person. Reservation required in advance.** Space is limited—early registration suggested. Info: flyers in the Spanish Ballroom and the November FSGW newsletter; the FND or FSGW websites; or 202.216.2116. This event is co-sponsored by the Friday Night Dancers and the Folklore Society of Greater Washington.

Special co-sponsored event

Falls Church, VA

The Henry Reed Fund Benefit Concert

Wednesday December 1 • 7:30pm

This benefit concert will raise funds to establish a gift fund named for West Virginia Fiddler Henry Reed (1884-1968). The fund's purpose will be to financially assist folk artists and musicians with research projects in the American Folklife Center's Archive of Folk Culture at the Library of Congress. Featured Performers: **Pete Seeger with Tao Rodriguez-Seeger, Christine Balfa, Dirk Powell, Geno Delafosse, Stephen Wade, Hazel Dickens with Dudley Connell**, the gospel group "*Prophecy*", **Alan Jabbour** and **members of the Henry Reed Family**. At the State Theater, 220 Washington Street, Falls Church, VA (just 8 minutes from Key Bridge). Tickets are \$25 and are available through the Folk Alliance web site: <http://www.folk.org> or by phone 202.835-3655. Co-sponsored by the American Folklife Center, The Folk Alliance, and the Folklore Society of Greater Washington. Info: 202.835.3655 or 202.707.1743.

FSGW House Concert

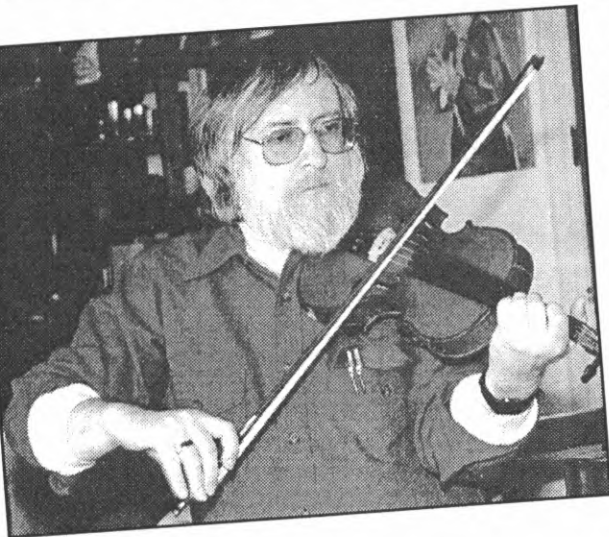
Silver Spring, MD

Neal MacMillan

Traditional singer & instrumentalist

Saturday December 11 • 8pm

Neal MacMillan is a fine singer of traditional song and an instrumentalist of amazing depth and range. Using guitar, banjo, concertina, and cittern, he provides sensitive accompaniments for his songs. He also plays tunes from several traditions on fiddle and a wide variety of bagpipes. He says, "I am a real instrument freak. One of my favorite things to do is to take a new instrument and figure out how it works. Many musicians, when they hear something new, have the good sense to try to play it on an instrument they already know. I seem to need to reproduce the whole sound, new instrument and all."



Neal's songs come from the American and British Isles traditions. His fiddling is from the New England, Irish and Cape Breton traditions with a little Quebecois and Southern Appalachian thrown in. He also has been studying Norwegian Hardanger fiddle. He plays the softest, sweetest sounding bagpipes, Northumbrian and Scottish Small Pipes as well as Leicestershire Small Pipes, Cornish Pipes, Cornemuse Central, and the louder Border Pipes. He finds that he is especially drawn to traditional material. "I find the old songs and the old tunes the most satisfying, the ones that are rooted in time and place. One of the most exciting musical things I have done recently is to go to So. Uist (in the outer Hebrides). There I have heard Gaelic spoken and sung and have learned pipe tunes based on Gaelic song, step-dancing and fiddling." His family background is Irish and Scottish and he feels that his musical soul is connected to these traditions.

This wonderful concert is at the home of **Bob Clayton and Jennifer Woods** in Silver Spring, MD. Admission \$10 (\$7 for FSGW members). Info: www.fsgw.org. Info/directions: 301.587.7174.



FLASH! Come and Listen In to Your Radio Station...

We all know and love Mary Cliff's show "*Traditions*" on Saturday nights, 9pm to 1am on WETA-FM, 90.9. But did you also know about "*Live in Loudoun*" on WAGE-AM 1200, daily from 4 to 6pm? Some of you may remember host **Pat Staton** from her old shift at the now-defunct all-local music WTRI; she's pretty knowledgeable about the scene, occasionally has performers in for live interviews, and is generally very supportive of acoustic music. You can tune her in during drive time!

Glen Echo Town Hall

Glen Echo, MD



FSGW English Country Dance

Wednesdays • 8 to 10:30pm

Come to the FSGW's English country dance. Find a mix of fun and refined dancing led by talented callers who are accompanied by topnotch musicians playing tunes that are unique to each dance. On a given night you may hear anything from the ubiquitous piano and fiddle to the flute, harp, oboe, concertina, bassoon, or viola. Dance on a wood floor in the fine, climate controlled, community room at the Glen Echo Town Hall. Enjoy the friendly crowd, known for its welcoming nature, light refreshments, and dance from 8 to 10:30pm. Open to dancers of all experience levels. **Cost: members \$5, nonmembers \$6.** Free 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. For more info on English country dance, see www.just.net/~roger/dance_niche.html.

Take note of the great line-up of musicians and callers this month! Don't forget the New Year's Eve English Country Dance at Adelphi Mill. See your November Newsletter for a flyer, pick one up at the Wednesday evening dance, or call Norm Bernhardt at 301.320.2469.

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.

December

- 1 **Rich Galloway** calls to music by **Liz Donaldson** (piano), **Keith Gillis** (guitar), and **David Knight** (flute).
- 8 Caller **Stephanie Smith** is accompanied by **Colleen Spence** (flute), **Jeff Steinberg** (fiddle), and **Francine Krasowska** (piano). **Free Lesson:** *Basics of English Country Dance*, led by **Bob and Kitty Keller**, 7:30 sharp.
- 15 **Becky Ross** (fiddle), **Laurie Mielke** (recorder), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano) accompany caller **Mary Kay Friday**.
- 22 **Diane Schmit** steps up to the mike and calls to music by **Alexander Mitchell** and **Steve Hickman** (fiddles), with **Liz Donaldson** (piano).
- 29 **Liz Donaldson** calls to the trio of **Elke Baker** (fiddle), **Jonathan Jensen** (piano), **Paul Oorts** (mandolin).

Callers in January: Jan. 5 **Rich Galloway**, Jan. 12 **Brad Sayler**, Jan. 19 **Mary Kay Friday**, Jan. 26 **Stephanie Smith**

Special New Year's Ball

Adelphi, MD

New Year's Eve Millennium Dance

Friday December 31 • Potluck 7:30 pm • Dance 8:30pm

Don't miss out! Come dance the old year away at the Historic Adelphi Mill to Philadelphia caller **Liz Snowden** leading mostly English Country Dances, Waltzes, and Couple Dances. Music by **Judy Kleppel**, oboe; **Susie Lorand**, fiddle and recorders; and **Liz Donaldson**, piano. The evening begins at 7:30 with a potluck supper, dancing at 8:30-12:45, with a dessert break at 10:30. Advance registration necessary; register today as space is limited! **FSGW members \$25, Guests \$27**, \$3 reduction for registrations received by December 14. **Call Karla or Bob Farrall at 301.577.5018, or Norm Bernhardt at 301.320.2460.**

History of the Folklore Society

FSGW 's 35th Anniversary

FSGW Firsts



FSGW "Sampler Concerts"

By Julie McCullough

On September 18, 1965, the Folklore Society sponsored an "FSGW Folk Fest" at Ft. Meade. Two months later, on November 27, 1965, the first "Folk Sampler Concert" took place. Both of these events were designed to raise funds for the Folklore Society, and both featured FSGW members as performers. Together, the Folk Fest and the Sampler Concert represent "FSGW firsts" in several important respects.

In the fall of 1965, FSGW was just a little more than a year old and was still operating on a shoestring budget. Organizers hoped that both the Folk Fest and the Sampler Concert would generate much-needed funds for the organization. Performers did not get paid, and all income beyond expenses (rental of space, etc.) went towards supporting future FSGW activities. These were FSGW's first two fundraisers of any kind.

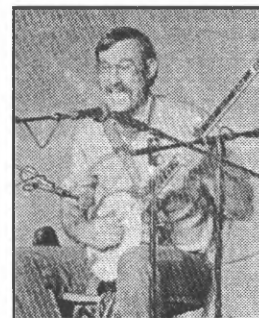
Many of FSGW's earliest members had considerable talent as singers of folksongs or as musicians and performed on the then-thriving local coffeehouse circuit (remember, this was the heyday of the "Folksong Revival" in the DC area!). By conscious design and official policy, FSGW would not pay its own members to perform, so the Sampler Concert offered a rare opportunity for the organization to showcase its members' talents—without breaking this rule. Selected FSGW members—including **Chuck and Nan Perdue**, (pictured at lower left) **Helen** (pictured at upper left) and **Sol Schneyer**,

Ed Morris, Jonathan Eberhart, Mike Rivers, and Andy Wallace (pictured at right)—performed in the first Sampler Concert, which took place at the Rockville Civic Center (Rockville, MD).

The November Sampler Concert was in addition to the regular free-to-members monthly program ("Folk Music on Commercial 'Race' and 'Hillbilly' Records from 1920 to 1940," presented by FSGW members **Gus Meade** and **Dick Spottswood**, on November 12, 1965) and an Open Sing (November 20, 1965, "Religion, Death, and Axes—Hard-Working Men," led by member **Ed Morris**). Never before had FSGW sponsored more than two programs in any given month. And never before had FSGW sponsored any sort of special concert separate from the regular monthly programs.

For at least the next 10 to 15 years after that, FSGW sponsored Sampler Concerts once or twice a year to generate funds for the organization. It occasionally held concerts to raise funds for other organizations or causes. And of course, since then, the Folklore Society has presented many special concerts in people's homes and elsewhere. But the November 27, 1965, Sampler Concert was the first!

All the photos on this page, including Joe Hickerson's, come from an FSGW Sampler Concert in 1967.



Next month look for a description of the start of the "Mini-Festivals." The author is researching FSGW's first decade and the history of folk music in the Washington, DC area; she is also sole proprietor of Your Story: Oral and Family Histories.

The Folk Scene in Washington, DC

FSGW's 35th Anniversary

35 Years Ago This Month,
December 1964

The second FSGW program, held December 19, 1964, at Hawthorne School, (501 Eye St. SW, now Southeastern University) was a lecture/demonstration on the Appalachian dulcimer by **Howie Mitchell** (with wife **Martha Ann**) and **John Putnam**. The vol. 1, no. 3 issue of the *FSGW Newsletter*, dated December 7, 1964, announced this program and presented two amendments to the FSGW by-laws.

The following were performing in the area this month: **Josh White, Carolyn Hester, Carol Hedin, Roy Thompson Singers** (Cellar Door); **Mississippi John Hurt, Holy Modal Rounders** (Ontario Place); **Raun MacKinnon, Dawn & Joe** (Crow's Toe); **John Blair, Joe Corey, 2 Brothers, Dawn & Joe** (Brickskeller); **Pete Seeger with John Hurt and Libba Cotten, Yale Russian Chorus** (Lisner); **Andy Wallace, the Perdues, Karen Dorn, Colleen Rue** (Endor Inn); **Woody Carter, Mike Kent** (Canto II). Many of these events were reported in the no. 9 (December 1, 1964) issue of *Dick Rodgers' Washington Folk Strums*.

Meanwhile, the Library of Congress Archive of Folk Song registered the following researchers and visitors: **Laura Boulton** (Columbia Univ.), **Fulton Brylawski** (Wash., DC), **Hazel Buchbinder** (Fish Creek, WI), **Edith Fowke** (Toronto), **James J. Fuld** (NYC), **Will Geer** (Stratford, CT), **Frances Gillmor** (Univ. of Arizona), **Lena Gitter** (Amer. Montessori Soc.), **Bruno Netti** (Univ. of Illinois), **James Potter** (Bucks Co. Folksong Soc.), **Willard Rhodes** (Columbia Univ.), **Wayne Shirley** (Brandeis Univ.), **Virgill Sturgil** (Laurel, MD), **Billy Vanaver** (San Fernando Valley State Coll.).



Joe Hickerson in the 1967

Joe Hickerson's folk music credentials are almost too numerous to mention. Head of the Archive of Folk Culture at the Library of Congress until his retirement in 1998, he is now even more available to sing and lecture about folk music. One of the founding members of FSGW, he has served as the Society's President, Program Chair, and Book Review Editor, and has kindly agreed to write occasional articles for the FSGW Newsletter in honor of the 35th year of the Society. If any readers have flyers, clippings, etc. concerning local events in 1965, please mail copies to Joe at 43 Philadelphia Avenue, Takoma Park, MD 20912 for possible inclusion in this column.

Other FSGW Events

FSGW Board Meeting Tuesday December 7 • 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, **Carl Mintz at 202.543.4999**.

Highlights of Last Month's FSGW Board Meeting

- The unrealistic expense budget of the 1999 Getaway was increased retroactively to cover actual costs incurred by this extremely successful, well attended event.
- The website budget was increased by \$250 to allow for on-line credit card purchase of tickets to FSGW events, if such proves feasible.

FSGW Open Sing Friday December 3 • 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 **Dottie Hurley**, in Aspen Hill, MD. The topic will be "Seasonal Songs". Donations of refreshments are welcome, and singing usually lasts until around 11:45pm. **Info/directions: 301.871.7652**.

FSGW Gospel Sing Sunday December 12 • 4pm

Gospel sings are held the second Sunday of every month at various homes. The singing usually starts at 4pm and breaks for a covered dish supper at 6pm with more singing after supper. Everyone is welcome! This month's Gospel Sing will be at the home of **Kathie Mack** in Takoma Park, MD. **Info/directions: 301.270.5367**.

FSGW Sacred Harp Singing Saturday January 1 • 3 to 8pm

FSGW sponsors nearly monthly singings of early American hymns, anthems, and fuguing 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 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 New Year's Day singing will be held at **Rock Spring Congregational Church, Arlington, VA**. Start the millennium on the right note (fa, sol, or la) with 4 hours of singing from 3 to 8pm, on both sides of a potluck supper at the adjacent Neigh-

borhood House. Please bring a contribution — money and/or nonperishable food — for the church's aid to the needy of Arlington. Directions: From Washington, take I-66 W to the Glebe Rd. (Rt. 120) exit, turn R on to Glebe, & go N 1.3 mi., bear L onto Old Dominion Dr. (Rt. 309, the 1st signal after Lee Hwy.), go 2 blocks, then turn L at the signal onto Rock Spring Rd., go 1 long block to the church at 5010 Little Falls Rd. at the corner of Rock Spring & Little Falls. Or from Fairfax, take I-66 E to the Fairfax Dr./Glebe Rd. exit, turn L at the 2nd traffic light onto Glebe, & go N 1.7 mi., continue as above starting with "bear L onto Old Dominion Dr." **Info: 202.543.3539**.

CO-SPONSORED EVENTS:

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 7:30-9pm. Request dancing 9-10:45pm. No experience or partner needed. Mostly taped music. Occasional parties and workshops. Co-sponsored by the FSGW. Admission: \$4. **Info: Jamie at 301.320.7099**.

Storyswap • Takoma Park, MD Saturday December 11 • 7:30pm

Storytellers and listeners are invited the home of **Alan and Arwen Centa** in Takoma Park. Free, but bring your favorite snack to share. Call **301.270.3916** for rsyvs and directions.

Chesapeake Dance Weekend Deadline December 31



Remember to register for the 18th Annual Chesapeake Dance Weekend by December 31, 1999, in order to be included in the lottery. This year's lineup is phenomenal: Northern music by **Rodney Miller** (fiddle), **Paul Kotapish** (guitar), and **Mary Cay Brass** (piano), with **Steve Zakon** calling, and Southern music by *The Monks* (**Sam Bartlett**, **Claudio Buchwald**, **Frank Hall**, and **Abby Ladin**) with **Beverly Smith** calling. And, as if that weren't enough, **Kerry Elkin** and **David Surette** will play for waltzes and other couples dances. All this will happen at YMCA Camp Letts, Edgewater, MD, April 14-16, 2000. So, look for the registration form in last month's newsletter, in your mailbox, at your favorite dance hall, or call **Ann Porcella at 301.587.4783**.

Attention Performers!

MiniFest Opportunities

Deadline December 15

Planning has begun for the FSGW MiniFest to be held **Saturday, January 29, 2000** at **Eastern Middle School in Silver Spring, MD**. The MiniFest is a half-day extravaganza of song, music, dance, and crafts for all ages that benefits the Folklore Society of Greater Washington and the community. The festival provides ample opportunity for participation, watching, and listening to some of the finest traditional music the Washington area has to offer. It is an all-volunteer festival, with performers and dozens of others volunteering their time to make the day a success.

As part of the varied program, there will be a track or two of mini-concerts throughout the afternoon. We would like these concerts to be of the very highest quality and focus on local performers of traditional song and music. The program committee is aware of a wealth of talent, but knows that there are many performers unknown to us. **IF YOU ARE A PERFORMER OF TRADITIONAL MUSIC—VOCAL OR INSTRUMENTAL—**and would like to take advantage of this opportunity to share your talents and be heard by the community, please send us a recorded sample of your music. This can be tape or CD and need not be a professional recording. Submit entries to: MiniFest c/o Cook, 16125 Malcolm Drive, Laurel, MD 20707-3230. **All entries received by December 15th** will be reviewed by the program committee. You will be notified by phone or postcard whether or not you are selected for a mini-concert.

If you would like to volunteer to help with the MiniFest in any way, please contact MiniFest coordinator, **Gail Snider** at **202.667-3484**. Set-up and clean-up crews for before and after the festival are particularly needed. Volunteers get in free.

Local Events

Institute Of Musical Traditions 14th Annual Holiday Family Concert Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer, with special guest Bill Harley *Sunday December 4 • 11am & 1:30pm*

Two fun-packed shows, each an hour of music and sing-alongs the whole family can enjoy! The Marvelous Toy Drive will collect toys for needy children.

At the NOAA Auditorium, 1301 East-West Hwy., Silver Spring, MD, 1 block from SS Metro station, with plenty of free parking! Tickets: \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door. Call **301.263.0600** to order advance tickets, or purchase them at the House of Musical Traditions, 7040 Carroll Ave., Takoma Park, MD (**301.270.9090**).

IMT Monday Night Concert Series

This month all concerts are held at 8pm on Monday nights at the Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church, 3215 Powder Mill Road in Adelphi, MD. Tickets may be purchased at the House of Musical Traditions, 7040 Carroll Ave., Takoma Park, MD, or by phone IMT **301.263.0600** until 8pm the Sunday before each concert.

December

- 6** Celtic Extravaganza: **Susan McKeown & Robin Bullock**. \$12 adv, \$14 door.
- 13** **Pete and Maura Kennedy** \$12 adv, \$14 door.
- 20** OPEN MIKE NIGHT with **Cathy Fink and Marcy Marxer**. October's open mike night was such a resounding success we decided to have another one. Come signing at 7pm.; 15 performers chosen by lottery. Cathy &

Marcy promise a few surprise guests as well. Admission is \$5 (even for performers) and proceeds benefit IMT.

27 no concert

Upcoming concerts:

January

- 3** **Preston Reed**
- 10** **HOT SOUP!**
- 17** **Cephas & Wiggins**
- 24** **Malcolm Dalglish**
- 31** **Tanglefoot**

Medium Rare Cafe Friday December 3 • 8pm

At the Accotink Unitarian Universalist Church, 10125 Lakehaven Lane, Burke, VA. \$12 at the door/\$10 advance. Smoke-free. Info/tickets/directions/full year schedule: **703.924.8992** or fuzzy@mediumrarecafe.com.

- 3** WINTER CELEBRATION, featuring **Andrew McKnight w/ Carey Colvin, Doris Justis, Charles Parente, Kim Person and Lana Puckett**, and special guests

Madeline MacNeil in Concert

December

- 3** Kurtz Cultural Center, 2 North Cameron Street, Winchester, VA, 6 to 7:30pm. Info: **540.678.1305**.
- 4** First United Methodist Church, 308 N. Braddock Street, Winchester, VA. Admission: \$8. Benefit ADK Sorority Scholarship Fund.
- 5** Renfrew Museum and Park, Waynesboro, PA. Info: Shirley Baker, **717.762.4723**.

Local Events *(continued)*

- 11 Carols by Candlelight. Herndon United Methodist Church, 701 Bennett Street, Herndon VA. 5:30pm. Info: **703.471.0627**.
- 18 Syden Stricker United Methodist Church, 8521 Hooes Rd., Springfield, VA. 5:30pm. Info: **703.451.8223**.
- 24 Midnight Mass, Holy Cross Abbey, Cool Springs Road, Berryville, VA. 11:30pm. Info: **540.678.1305**.

Sea Shanty Open Pub Sings

Tuesday December 7 & 21 • 8pm

This twice monthly opportunity for participatory maritime music is held in two locations. 1st Tuesdays: Royal Mile Pub, Price Street, Wheaton, MD. Hosted by *Ship's Company Chanteymen*. Good pub food and brew available, no cover. Since 1996. Arrive early for a table. 3rd Tuesdays: Hard Times Cafe, 1404 King Street, Alexandria, VA. Hosted by several shanty groups, upstairs of Hard Times has the famous chili and more, brew and again, no cover charge. Started April 1999. The format for both sessions is invitations around the tables to lead the assemblage in song; you are welcome to sing, play, request a song or simply listen, but participation is encouraged. Mostly *a cappella*, but instruments also welcome. Info: **Michael Bosworth/Ship's Company 703.281.6421**, boz@erols.com.

Fretted Dulcimer Circle

Tuesday December 7 • 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 eholsopple@aol.com.

Connemara in Concert

Join *Connemara* (Grace Griffith, Jody Marshall, and Cathy Palmer along with guest pianist Paul Nahay) for the following special holiday concerts:

December

- 10 8pm at Industrial Strength Theater, 269 Sunset Business Park, Herndon, VA. \$6 in advance, \$7 at door. Info: **703.435.6868**.
- 18 8pm. Christmas at the Creek, at historic St. John's Episcopal Church, 9801 Livingston Rd., Fort Washington, MD. \$10 donation supports the Fort Washington Food Pantry and Warm Night Program. (Bring canned goods for a chance at a door prize.) Info: **301.489.6991** or www.erols.com/dtower.
- 22 8pm. A Celtic Christmas at Baldwin's Station and Pub, 7618 Main St., Sykesville, MD. \$15; reservations recommended. Info: **410.521.9099** or joycesica@aol.com; reservations **410.795.1041**.



Caffé Florian Coffeehouse

Saturday December 11 • 7:30pm

Open mike, held on the second Saturday of each month, September through June; acoustic musicians, songwriters, storytellers, and poets. Sign-up starts at 7:30pm. Free. Located at Davies Memorial Unitarian Church, 7400 Temple Hill Rd., Camp Springs, MD, 0.3 mi south of Allentown Rd. Info: **Den Frumen, 301.856.2573**, or http://www.dmuuc.org/Cafe_Florian.html.

Where? House Concert • Susan Graham White

Saturday December 11 • 7:30pm

Susan Graham White will perform for Where? House Concerts, presenting great folk music in the informal and intimate setting of Kim Kaplan's living room in Silver Spring, MD (near the Forest Glen Metro). Doors open at 7pm; music at 7:30. Suggested donation \$10, includes light refreshments. A gifted singer/songwriter, Susan touches the heart while she entertains. Her songs celebrate the connections of music and emotions, people, home, and the land. Her music soars with rich vocals accompanied by strong guitar work and sometimes haunting piano. Although Susan is well known for her own compositions, she also collaborates with many other talented writers including Tom Paxton. An up close and personal house concert may be one of the best ways to hear and see Susan. Reservations/directions/info: **301.588.5314**, or jkkaplan@erols.com.

MoonFire in Concert

MoonFire (Elise Kress on flute, whistle, guitar, and vocals; Jody Marshall on hammered dulcimer, keyboard, and vocals; and Cathy Palmer on fiddle) will present celtic, contemporary, and holiday songs and instrumentals at the following venues:

December

- 11 8pm at historic St. Ignatius Church at Chapel Point, 8855 Chapel Point Rd., Port Tobacco, MD. Joined by guest harper Ellen James. \$10 for adults, \$5 for kids 12-18 (under 12 free). Info: **301.934.4511**.
- 26 6pm at the Kennedy Center Millennium Stage. Free admission. Info: **202.467.4600**.
- 27 2:30pm at the Hall of Musical Instruments at the National Museum of American History, 13th and Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC. Free admission. Info: **202.357.2700** (TTY # **202.357.1729**).

Shenandoah Coffeehouse

Sunday December 12 • 7pm

An awesome way to say goodbye to years starting with 1! Join us for a delightful evening with Nashville songbird Joni Bishop playing some tunes from her Holiday recording, fun swing-jiving-folk from "*Jive Five Minus Three*", and old favorites and friends **Laurie Rose Griffith** and **Peter Mealy**, as well as an array of special guests from "Camp Fredburg". At the Reston Community Center, 2300 Colts Neck Rd., Hunter Woods Shopping Center, Reston, VA. Tickets are available at the door the night of the show only, starting at 6:30pm. Info/directions: **703.476.4500**.

Local Events *(continued)*

David Mallett in Concert

Sunday December 12 • 7:30pm

This special concert will take place at Imagination Stage at White Flint Mall, Nicholson Lane and Rockville Pike, North Bethesda, MD. David Mallett may hail from a small town in Maine, but his music has quietly reached every corner of the world. His songs have been covered by hundreds of other singers, including John Denver, Pete Seeger, Emmylou Harris, even the Muppets, and his "Garden Song" has become a classic. Tickets: \$15. **Info: Frank Allen Philpot, 301.897.5695** or Fphilpot@aol.com.

Laurel Jam Session

Wednesday December 14 & 28 • 7 to 10pm

Adults of all ages who enjoy acoustic music are invited to come and sing, play or listen to folk, bluegrass, and other traditional music in an informal setting. At The Phelps Senior Center, 701 Montgomery Street, Laurel, MD. **Info: 301.776.6168** during business hours.

Dupont Music Circle

Arlington, VA

Friday December 17 • 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. **Confirm/directions: Liz at 703.658.0957.**

Hammer Dulcimer Jam

Saturday December 18 • 1:30 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.

Traditional Irish Session

Sunday December 19 • 7pm

Irish traditional music session with Dennis Botzer (fiddle, flute) on the third Sunday of each month from 7-10pm at the Royal Mile Pub, 2407 Price Avenue, Wheaton, MD. Traditional musicians welcome, small floor for step dancers, and a great dinner! **Info: Dennis, 301.422.6550.**

Washington Sangerbund Christmas Concert

Sunday December 19 • 3pm

Washington Sangerbund Traditional Christmas Concert at United Church, 20th & G Streets, Washington, DC. Free; offering is taken. **Info: 301.577.3503** or www.geocities.com/saengerbund

Hank Williams Remembered

Tuesday & Thursday December 28 & 30

Hank Williams Tribute Night with **Robin & Linda Williams, John Starling, Bill Kirchen, Mike Stein, Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer, Dave Giegerich, and Mark Shatz.** **Info: Matt Watson 301.891.1228.**

December

- 28** Annapolis, MD, The Ram's Head, 8:30pm, \$16.50 + 10% state tax. **Info: 410. 268.4545.**
30 Alexandria, VA, The Birchmere, 7:30pm, \$17.50. **Info: 703.549.7500.**

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. \$10/\$9 members. **Info/advance tickets: 703.437.7766 or 703.318.0768.**

- 21 HOLIDAY PARTY.** We will do a one-song round robin and keep going until the place closes—trying to get in as many people as possible. If we run out of people, we will start over from the beginning of the list. We will also have our traditional humongous carrot cake that is to die for at the break! **FREE.**

12th annual "Folk Against Drinking & Driving" Concert

Friday December 31 • 8pm

Come toast the New Year and Millennium with sparkling cider and candlelight and enjoy great music from local performers! At the Unitarian Universalist Church, 1625 Wiehle Ave, Reston, VA. You are encouraged to dress in black, white, silver, gold and sparkling and glittering. Refreshments available from Shelley Caplan's Party Bites. Child care at nominal cost; when making reservation, state number of children and ages for child care. Plenty of free parking. This concert will raise funds to deal with the shortage of space in women's shelters in Fairfax County and to focus attention on this need. Admission at door with reservation \$10, without reservation \$15. **Reservations after Dec. 1** (leave name, number of reservations and phone number): **202.686.9210. Info/directions: 703.742.7992.**

First Night Alexandria

Friday December 31 • 6pm

Many locations with many entertainers, including the *Alpine Dancers* and the *Alte Kameraden German Band*. Tickets: \$12. **Info: 703.836.1526** or firstnite@erols.com or www.firstnightalexandria.org/



Local Events (continued)

Starbucks

Starbucks Coffee cranks up the holiday cheer and wards off the cold with a hot lineup of great live acoustic music in many of its Maryland and Virginia stores. Acclaimed regional and local artists, many with commercially available recordings and national recognition, perform in our smoke-free stores for the comfortable listening pleasure of friends and neighbors. The music is diverse, branching from many roots; folk, blues, country, jazz, Celtic and world music. We welcome you to take a break from your daily hustle and bustle to join us for a coffee drink and great music.

Virginia Locations:

Sterling, Cascades Marketplace, Thurs 7-9pm. 703.421.0932

- 2 David A. Alberding
- 9 Jerry Bresee
- 16 Damion Wolfe
- 23 Songwriters-in-the-Round featuring Annette Gallant, Sara Landymore & Christopher Russell
- 30 Doris Justis

Leesburg, Bellewood Common, 531.D E. Market St., Tues 6:30-8:30pm. 703.443.9251

- 7 Randy Barrett
- 14 Andrew McKnight
- 21 Michelle Swan
- 28 Damion Wolfe

Chantilly, Greenbriar Plaza, US 50, Chantilly (west of West Ox Rd.), Thurs 7-9pm. 703.968.0026

- 2 Annette Gallant
- 9 Mac Walter
- 16 Doris Justis
- 23 John Fahres
- 30 Michelle Swan

McLean, Chesterbrook Plaza, 6214 Old Dominion Dr., Tues 7:30-9:30pm, Thurs 8.10pm. 703.241.9482

- 2 Roger Edsall and Dave Sherman Trio
- 7 Lisa Moscatiello
- 9 Steve Hudson and Half Nelson
- 14 Dana Robinson
- 16 3rd Thursday Songwriter Showcase, hosted by David A. Alberding; featuring Nancy Dougherty & Sara Landymore
- 21 Charles Parente
- 23 Jerry Bresee and Friends
- 28 John Fahres
- 30 Carey Colvin and Granger Helvey

Maryland Locations:

Bowie, Annapolis Rd., Free State Mall, Thurs. 6:30-8:30pm. 301.352.5500

- 2 Red Letter Day
- 9 Dana Robinson
- 16 Michelle Swan
- 23 Lisa Moscatiello
- 30 David A. Alberding

Glen Burnie, Southdale Center, 4A Mountain Rd., Wed. 6:30-8:30pm. 410.766.5719

- 1 Bill Parsons
- 8 Andrew McKnight
- 15 Sparks & Raymond
- 22 Red Letter Day
- 29 Michelle Swan



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 4 for details.

FSGW Monthly Community Dance, Sunday, December 5 • 3 to 5pm

See page 2 for details.

FSGW New Year's Y2K Kontra ball Friday, December 31 • 8:30pm

See page 2 for details.

FSGW English Country New Year's Ball Friday, December 31 • 8:30pm

See page 4 for details.

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) in the Spanish Ballroom of Glen Echo Park, MacArthur Blvd. at Goldsboro Rd. Free beginners' classes start at 7:30pm. Dances start at 8:30. Admission to the dance is \$5 for the remainder of the year, except for the Y2Kontra Ball on New Year's Eve. Admission will increase to \$6 in January, 2000. If you would like to play for or call a dance, send email to fndbooking@folkdancer.com. For other information, call the Friday Night Dance Hotline 202.216.2116 or see our webpage <http://fnd.folkdancer.com>.

December

- 3 Kathy Anderson calls to music provided by *Raise the Roof*. Mathew Clark (fiddle), Judi Stellar (hammered dulcimer), Kathy Talvitie (guitar), and Pete Soloway (bass).
- 10 Susan Taylor calls to the music of the *Glen Echo Open Band*.
- 17 Beth Molaro calls to the music of *Laura and the Lava Lamps*. Laura Lengnick (fiddle), Dave Wiesler (piano), and Ralph Gordon (bass).
- 24 No dance.
- 31 Special event: Y2Kontra Ball at the Leland Community Center in Chevy Chase. See page 2 for full details.

Local Dances *(continued)*

Krampus Kränzchen

Saturday December 4 • 7:30pm to 12:30am

Festive formal dinner dance in Austrian style, sponsored by the American-Austrian Society. Details and reservation form at web site www.geocities.com/americanaustriansociety/. Reservations due November 25. Tickets \$60 per person. Held at Spates Hall Ballroom, Fort Myer, VA. The Program includes Alpine Folk Harp Music, Traditional Viennese Songs and Heurigen Music, and hours of Dance Music by the *Viennese Strings*, with the *Fledermaus Quadrille* at midnight. Ballroom is designated non-smoking. Dance music will consist primarily of Viennese waltzes, with some traditional Viennese polkas and schottisches and a variety of other ballroom dances. **Info/reservations: Margaret Klatt, 202.362.6610; info: Carol Traxler, 301.577.3503** or caroltraxler@geocities.com.

Santa Lucia Scandinavian Dance Party

Saturday December 4 • 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. Candlelight celebration of upcoming Santa Lucia Day, music by *Peascods Gathering*. \$4. Beginners and singles welcome. **Info: Carl Minkus 301.493-6281, Fred Aalto 703.356-3036, Lorraine Silsbee 301.585.1130.**

Arminius Social Club

Saturday December 4 • 8:30pm to 12:30am

St. Nick's Dance, Knights of Columbus Hall, 5417 Cedar Lane, Bethesda, MD. Admission \$14 members/\$16 non-members, includes dance, beer, soft drinks, coffee, food platter. With dance music by the *Edelweiss Band*. **Info: Gerhard Meinzer, 301.559.1944; Joan Stoneberger, 410.635.2435.**

Waltzing at Glen Echo Park

Sundays December 5 & 19 • 3:30pm

At 3pm there is a half-hour introductory waltz workshop, followed at 3:30pm by social dancing for 2 1/2 hours to live music until 6pm. Everyone welcome. Glen Echo Park is located at 7300 MacArthur Blvd. (intersection of Goldsboro Rd. and MacArthur Blvd.) in Glen Echo, MD with easy access from the Beltway. Admission: \$5 (includes waltz lesson). **Info: Donna Barker 703.978.0375** or <http://www.erols.com/swing4me>.

December

5 *Terpsichore*

19 *Waltz on a Dime*. Feel free to "dress-up" for this Holiday Dance!

Folk Dancing at the Swiss Embassy

Wednesday December 8 & 22 • 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.**

Tisza Ensemble

Saturday December 11 • 7:30 to 10:

Hungarian Tanchaz: dance party for adults and children. Teaching basic steps in circles throughout the evening. Live music by *Maros & Tanchaz! Ensembles* & recorded music. Bring dance shoes. Admission \$5. Location: Greenbelt Community Center's Dance Studio on Crescent Rd next to Library, Greenbelt, MD. **Info: Szilvia Balazs, 301.441-4659, tisza@gmx.net, or <http://www.magvar.org/folklor/tisza/>.**

English Country Dance Christmas Party

Saturday December 11 • 8:15 to 10:45pm

At Sligo Middle School, 1401 Dennis Ave., Silver Spring, MD. Under candlelight, music by *Peascods Gathering*, calling by *Barbara Harding*. \$5. Beginners and singles welcome. **Info: Carl Minkus 301.493.6281, Karla Farrall 301.577.5018.**

Cajun/Zydeco at Glen Echo Park

Saturday December 11 • 9pm

Leeroy Thomas & The Zydeco Roadrunners. Workshop with *Ellen & Roland* at 8pm. Dance from 9pm to midnight. Admission \$10. NASFE. **Info: 301.309.0895.**

Norwegian Couple Dances of Telemark

Sunday December 12 • 2 to 6pm

Instruction for beginners 2-3, dancing 3-6, with some exercises for advanced dancers. *Loretta Kelley* playing Hardanger fiddle. Meadowbrook Community Center, Rock Creek Park, Chevy Chase, MD (near East-West Highway (410) and Beach Drive). No partner necessary. Donation \$7. Please bring shoes with clean hard soles to dance in. **Annamarie 301.589.6813** or aplumar@zipink.net; **Loretta 301.270.4925** or loretta.kelley@ibm.net.

"Texas" Tea Dance

Sunday December 12 • 4 to 6pm

Two-step, waltz, swing, and polka to the area's only Western Swing dance band. Casual dress. Newcomers welcome. No partner needed. Dance lesson by *Mary Pat Cooney* from 3 to 4pm. Admission \$5, includes workshop. **Info: George, 703.644.0551.**

Alpine Dancers

Sunday December 12 • 4 to 6pm

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, 301.577.3503** or www.geocities.com/alpinedancers/.



Local Dances *(continued)*

Bethesda International Folk Dance Holiday Party

Monday, December 13 • 7:30 to 11:30pm

The Bethesda International Folk Dancers invite you to our Annual Holiday Party at the Women's Club of Chevy Chase, 7931 Connecticut Avenue, Chevy Chase, MD. Come join us on the beautiful wood floor of the Club, with live music by *Peascods Gathering* playing International Folk Dance music and the *Machaya Klezmer Band* playing Klezmer music. Children under 8 are invited to join the Pinata festivities. Wear folk dance costumes if you wish and bring goodies to share. \$8. Our Monday, December 6 and December 20 classes will meet at the Leland Recreation Center, \$5. There will be no class on December 27. **Info: Phyllis Diamond, 301.871.8788.**

English Country Dance (CDSS)

Tuesday December 14 • 7:45pm

At Harding Hall, 730 Jackson St., Herndon, VA. Holiday party featuring favorite English dances. Live music. No partner or experience necessary. Admission \$3. **Info: Barbara Harding, 703.437.3615.**

English Country Dance (CDSS)

Saturday December 18 • 8pm

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

Scandinavian Couple Dancing Holiday Party

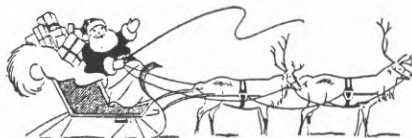
Saturday December 18 • 8 to 11pm

Scandia DC Sponsors this annual holiday party at Greenbelt Community Center (dance studio), 15 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD. All live music: **Andrea Hoag** (Swedish fiddle), **Loretta Kelley** (Norwegian Hardanger fiddle), and the *Scandia DC Spelmannslag* (gammal dance). Short talk-through of most dances, no formal teaching. No partners necessary. Finger food to share. Folk costumes welcome but not required. Leaders are Linda Brooks and Ross Schipper. Cost: \$7. **Info: 202.333.2826** or www.erols.com/s526/

Terpsichore's Holiday

December 28 to January

There are just a few spaces left to dance and sing-in the millennium at Jackson's Mill, WV. This wonderful intergenerational camp will have plenty of dancing with Contras, English, Irish, International, Swing - and much more. Children's classes run throughout the day. Staff includes **Robbin Schaffer, Alexander Mitchell, Marty Taylor, Alice Markham, Jeff Steinberg** - to name but a few. Four nights and three days for \$215, much less for children. **Info: Bob Mathis 301.589.7539, talibob@boo.net** or www.flinthills.com/~lsf.



Israeli Folk Dancing

Mondays • 7:30 to 10:30pm

At St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 728 23rd St. NW (between G and H Sts.), Washington, DC. 7:30 beginners teaching, 8:30 advanced/requests. Recorded music. Admission \$5. **Info: Helen Rubin, 703.207.1551** or helen@israelidance.com.

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.**

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.**

Arlington International Folk Dancing

Tuesdays • 8 to

At the Key School, Key Blvd at Veitch St. near the Courthouse Road Metro, Arlington, VA \$3. Recorded music. Instruction, walk-throughs, and requests. Singles welcome and all ages or levels of expertise. **Info: 703.527.8998** or ssulberg@earthlink.net.

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.**

Foggy Bottom Morris Men

Thursdays • 8 to 10pm

Join the Foggy Bottom Morris Men. Authentic Cotswold and Border-Morris dance taught by Nick Robertshaw (Herga Morris Men, Hammersmith Morris Men, Brackley Morris Men), accompanied by live, traditional concertina and accordion dance music from the English villages of Badby, Bampton, and the Welsh-English border regions. The FBMM perform at traditional music and dance festival venues locally, regionally, and internationally (a trip to England is being planned for the summer of 2000). Practices at Oak View Elem. School, Silver Spring near Takoma Park. **Info: Bill Brown 301.270.2014, Brad Graham 703.916.0213, Bob Collins 410.536.0986** or wmlbrown@earthlink.net.

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.

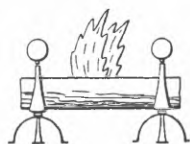
Local Dances *(continued)*

Chevy Chase International Folk Dancers *Thursdays • 7:30 to 9:30pm*

For current location (until renovations are complete at the Chevy Chase Community Center), call **Jackie Davis at 301.424.8827**. 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 **Jackie Davis, 301.424.8827**.

Reston Contra Dance

There is no dance in December. Come to the New Millennium Blastoff on Saturday, January 8, with **Greg Frock** and the *June Apple Band*. Info: **Alice Markham 703.709.9121**.



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**. In case of inclement weather, call the Community Center, 301.474.5525 or 301.397.2208.

December

- 3 Workshop & party featuring **Karin Brennesvik & Sigbjorn Rua** teaching Norwegian Telespringar with music by **Loretta Kelley** (Norwegian Hardingfele) & **Luk Na Glavata** (Macedonian music)
- 10 **John Robinson**
- 17 **Larry Weiner**
- 25 Cancelled (Christmas Eve)
- 31 Cancelled for the remainder of the Millennium

Classes

Class listings may be submitted by FSGW members ONLY.

BandAid Workshop *Saturday December 18 • 1 to 5pm*

Dave Wiesler, pianist and tunesmith extraordinaire, now from Charlottesville, will lead the December BandAid ensemble playing workshop: "Moods, Grooves, Flow, and Contrast in Dance Music." All instruments welcome. Drinks provided. And if you like, bring a goodie to share. Cost \$20. Space is limited. Info/registration: **Liz Donaldson at 301.986.1291** or liz@us.net.

Clogging Classes

Sponsored by the *Cranberry Cloggers*. Includes steps, routines, opportunities to free style and opportunities to perform with the Cranberry Cloggers. Info/registration: **Dianne Dougherty 703.556-4145** or **202.564-2518**.

TUESDAYS at Dianne's Dance Studio in McLean: 6-7 Adults, 7-8 Children, 8-9 Adults.

SATURDAY MORNINGS at Dianne's Dance Studio in McLean: Cloggercize and Clogging I.

SUNDAYS at the McLean Community Center: 3:30-4:30 Cloggercize, 4:45-5:45 Clogging I Adults.

Clogging Classes

Traditional clogging classes at Providence Recreation Center in Virginia. Students will learn the basic steps and a routine they can perform with the *Patchwork Dancers*. The next Providence class begins on Wednesday January 12th at 8:30. We can arrange other classes and also teach tap, jazz, Irish step, and ballet as well. For classes or performances, call **703.503.9260** or **202.401.3571**, or email jpmawell@yahoo.com.

Scottish Country Dancing

Come explore this enjoyable form, which emerged from English Country Dancing and employs many similar figures, with more emphasis on technique. Several popular ECD musicians also play for our dances, which are held regularly throughout the area—including two teaching weekends culminating in formal balls. Live music once a month at some locations, recorded music otherwise. No partner or special attire required. Wear loose clothes and soft shoes. \$3 an evening, first one free.

MONDAYS 8:15pm, Bethesda: NIH Fitness & Dance Center (Bldg T-39). Call **Blaine or Denise, 301.942.2831**

TUESDAYS 8pm, Greenbelt: Community Center. Call **Janet, 301.977.1757**

WEDNESDAYS 8pm, Alexandria: Durant Center. Call **Jay, 703.719.0596**

THURSDAYS 8pm, Frederick: Hood College. Call **Valerie, 301.663.1042**

Swing Dancing

Dance classes with **Donna Barker & Ken Haltenhoff**. Recorded music used for classes. Info: **Donna, 703.978-0375** or visit (best!): <http://www.erols.com/swing4me>

WEDNESDAY 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 8:00pm followed by 2 hours of social dancing (DJ). PSDC members: \$11 lesson & dance, \$8 dance only; Nonmembers: \$13/\$10

SUNDAY 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 hours of social dancing (DJ). PSDC members: \$10 lesson & dance, \$7 dance only; Nonmembers: \$12/\$9

Out-of-Town Events & Dances

MD • Annapolis • Contra Dance Saturday December 4 • 8 til 11pm

Annapolis Traditional Dance Society contra dance at the Fraternal Order of Police Hall, Rt. 178, Crownsville, MD. **Alan Gedance** calling with **Laura Lengnick** and **Dave Weisler**. Introductory lesson 7:30, dance 8pm. No partner or experience necessary. Admission \$8/\$6 members. **Directions/info:** 410.268.0231 or w4c.com/dance/atds.

MD • Annapolis • 333 Coffeehouse Friday December 17 • 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. This month **Bob Zentz & Maggie!** **Info:** Leslie at 410.266.8044 or Max at 410.647.4275.

MD • Annapolis • Y2K Contra Dance Saturday January 1 • 8 to 11pm

Annapolis Traditional Dance Society Y2K Contra Dance at the Fraternal Order of Police Hall, Rt. 178, Crownsville, MD. Start the century on the right feet by dancing! New Year festivities galore!! Caller and musicians TBA. Introductory lesson 7:30, dance 8pm. No partner or experience necessary. Admission \$8/\$6 members. **Directions/info:** 410.268.0231 or w4c.com/dance/atds.

MD • Baltimore • Lovely Lane English Country (BFMS) Mondays • 8pm

English country dancing is joyous, lively movement to elegant music in a friendly, informal setting. The dances are adapted from a tradition of social dancing that dates back to 17th century England. All dances are taught and walked through. No partner is necessary. New dancers are always welcome, but are encouraged to arrive on time, as easier dances are taught earlier in the evening. A session for newcomers is held at 7:30 on the first Monday of every month. Admission is \$8/\$6 BFMS members. At St. Mark's on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Road, Baltimore (1/2 mile inside the Baltimore Beltway - I-695 - at Exit 20 South). **Info:** 410.321.8419 or www.bfms.org.

December

- 6 **Christopher Field**, music by **Andrea Hoag**, **Marty Taylor**, and **Dawn Culbertson**
- 13 **Mary Kay Friday**, music by **Jonathan Jensen** and **Elke Baker**
- 20 **Rich Galloway**, music by **Liz Donaldson** and **Becky Ross**

- 27 **Diane Schmit**, music by **Alexander Mitchell**, **Eileen Franch**, and **Liz Donaldson**
- 29 **Ann Fallon**, music by the Open Band

MD • Baltimore Lovely Lane Contra Dance (BFMS) Wednesdays • 8pm

This weekly contra dance is sponsored by the Baltimore Folk Music Society. All dances are taught and walked through. Beginners are always welcome and are encouraged to arrive promptly at 8m. Nationally-known musicians and callers appear regularly. Music and dance styles include New England, Southern Appalachian, and Celtic. Free workshops introducing basic contra dance held on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays 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.

December

- 1 **Sue Dupré** from Princeton, music by *Some Assembly*
- 8 **Peggy Myers**, music by *Findhorn*
- 15 **Beth Molaro**, music by *Laura and the Lava Lamps*
- 22 **Gaye Fifer** from Charlottesville, music by *Mortal Wombat*
- 29 **Ann Fallon**, music by the Open Band

MD • Baltimore Open Band Rehearsal Sunday December 12 • 4 to 6pm

At Leon Josowitz's, 637 Oak Farm Court, Timonium MD, 4 to 6pm with potluck to follow. The ever-lovin' Baltimore Open Band is you, needs you, means you! We're preparing now for the last dance at Lovely Lane in a year that starts with a 19 (I'm not getting into a millennial argument) and our third annual MLK holiday gig in Arden De with *SPUDS* - the Philly Open Band. We're just a bunch of (fun, naturally!) folks who gather to play music. Maybe you've seen us at Lovely Lane playing for the dance. Or maybe you're just curious and wanting to dust off that glockenspiel. Come and play with us. We're always welcoming musicians of all levels to play with the Baltimore Open Band. Folks gather each month at rotating locations to play, practice, chat and chew. **Music/directions/info:** Susan 410.254.1730.

MD • Baltimore • 2nd Saturday Contra Dance (BFMS) Saturday December 11 • 8pm

Holiday Contra and Square Dance! Music by *Au Contraire:* **Ralph Barthine** (guitar), **Carl Friedman** (fiddle), **Susan Friedman** (flute), **Mark Vidor** (keyboards). Annapolis girl-next-door **Ann Fallon** calls the dances. Possible appearance(s) by guest caller **Contra Claus** and/or his helpers.

Contra dancing is easy to learn, lots of fun, and great exercise. All dances are taught. 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

Out-of-Town Events & Dances *continued*

invited to bring goodies to share with their fellow dancers. Potluck supper at 6pm, free beginners' workshop at 7pm, free advanced contra workshop on "Timing Is Everything" at 7:30pm. Music for dancing 8 to 11pm. Admission to dance: \$8/\$6 BFMS/ St. Mark's members. Discounts for children, families, students. At St. Mark's on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Road, Baltimore (1/2 mile inside the Baltimore Beltway - I-695 - at Exit 20 South). **Info: 410.321.8419** or www.bfms.org.

MD • Catonsville Somebody Scream Dance

Saturday December 4 • 9pm

Zydeco with the *Alligator Zydeco Band* at the Barn Theater, Catonsville Community College (CCC). Free zydeco dance workshop at 8pm. Music for dancing 9pm to midnight. Refreshments on sale. Directions: From I-95, exit at Route 195 but take Route 166 north (Rolling Road) towards Catonsville. At the second traffic light (Valley Road) turn left into Catonsville Community College campus. The Barn Theater is the stone building on the hill beyond parking lot A. Free, well-lit parking is available nearby. Admission: \$10 (reduced admission for BFMS members and CCC faculty, staff, and students. **Info: www.bfms.org**.

MD • Columbia

Sunday December 12 • 3 to 5pm

The Duquesne University Tamburitians will be performing at Atholton High School in Columbia, MD. There will be a reception/party after the concert. Concert \$20; reception/party \$7. Tickets/info: **Judith Weintraub, 410.730.0039**.

MD • Columbia • Folkal Point

Thursdays • 8pm

11130 Willow Bottom Drive, Columbia, MD. Doors open 7pm. Food and drink available. Web page: www.serve.com/folkalpoint. All shows \$10 except as noted.

December

- 2 **Chuck Brodsky** with **Joe Giacoio**
- 9 **Mary Sue Twohy** and **Amy Fradon**

MD • Columbia • Panzer House Concerts

Saturday December 11 • 8pm

Informal acoustic concert by **Brooks Williams** with **Rod Smith** (web page: www.columbiaskiclub.org/phc). Suggested donation for performer \$8. Reservations required. Light refreshments served but BYOB. Info/reservations: **410.531.9233** or spanzers@cs.com.

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 9pm. We have parties and workshops. **Info: 410.997.1613** (night), or **301.495.4642** (day).

MD • Frederick Country Dance

Saturday December 18 • 8 to 11pm

Laura Brown will call dances to the music of *The Possum Trio*, featuring **Alexander Mitchell** and **Joe DeZarn** on fiddles, with **Tabby Finch** on piano at the Mid-Maryland Folk Arts Council country dance. The dance, normally held on the fourth Saturday of the month, is being held December 18 because the fourth Saturday is Christmas Day. The dance has been moved to the former Seventh Day Adventist School on Adventist Drive off Market St. South (Rt. 85) near Harry Grove Stadium. We expect to return to the Armory in January. Beginners' workshop starts at 7pm; the dance follows from 8 to 11. Driving directions and a map are on the MMFAC site at: <http://www.w4c.com/dance/mmfac/adventist.htm>. Admission is \$6, with discounted prices for Frederick city residents and Mid-Maryland Folk Arts Council members. Recorded info: Sound Source, **301.695.2633**, code **7499**. Human info: **Marc Glickman, 301.695.4390**, or **Boe Walker, 301.694.6794**. Exhaustive info: Our web site, <http://www.w4c.com/dance/mmfac>.

MD • Sykesville

Baldwin's Station & Pub

Productions at 8pm by Uptown Concerts, a non-profit organization affiliated with the North American Folk Alliance. Concert info: **Joyce R. Sica, 410.521-9099** or joycesica@aol.com. Reservations: **410.795.1041**. 7618 Main St, Sykesville, MD 21784. <http://www.charm.net/~dirtylin/baldwin.html>

December

- 1 **Ellis Paul** (\$14)
- 8 **James Keelaghan** (\$15)
- 15 **Mike Cross** (\$20)
- 22 *Connemara*, a Celtic Christmas (\$15)

PA • Harrisburg Contra Dance

Friday December 10 • 8pm

Dave Colestock will call to *The Contra Rebels* at Christ the Saviour Orthodox Church, 5501 Locust Lane, Harrisburg, PA. Dances are held the second Friday of each month from 8 to 11pm, with a free beginners' workshop from 7:30 to 8pm. Cost: \$8/adults, \$4/children 12-17, free/under 12. Members of HACDA save 1.00 on the admission. **Info: Dave Colestock, 717.770.1477**, or davecole@igateway.com, or www.locustlanecontra.freesevers.com.

PA • Lancaster Traditional Society Contra Dance

Saturday December 18 • 8 to 11pm

Contra dances the 3rd Saturday of each month from October to April at St. John's Episcopal Church on the corner of 321 W. Chestnut and Mulberry Streets in Lancaster, PA. Free beginners' workshop from 7:15 to 8pm. Dance 8 to 11pm. Admission: \$6 for adults, \$3 for students, and free for children 15 and under. Beverly Smith calls on December 18 to music by *Medicinal Purpose*. **Info: Shirley 717.394.2047**, sam@mcc.org or <http://www.voicenet.com/~frvsing/dance/index.html#lancaster>.

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PA • York Contra Dance

Friday December 3 • 8pm

Lively caller **Susan Hankin** will supply fun dances to the hot fiddle music of **Alexander Mitchell**, with **Marc Glickman** accompanying on keyboard. At the Red Lion Grange on Capehorn Road, at the northeast corner of Rt. 24 and Lombard Rd., Red Lion, PA. An optional beginners' workshop at 7:30, dance at 8. Cost: \$6. The next YFDA contra dance will be Friday, January 7, at the same location and time. **Info: 717.845.2897, Janramer1@compuserve.com, <http://www.w4c.com/dance/york>.**

VA • Charlottesville Friday Contra Dance

Friday December 3 & 17 • 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**.**

VA • Fredericksburg Contra Dance

Thursday December 2 & 16 • 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.**

WV • Shepherdstown Contra Dance

Saturday December 4 • 8pm

The monthly Shepherdstown contra dance on December 4 will start with a special two-hour square and contra dance workshop taught by **Kathy Anderson** from 4 to 6pm. A holiday potluck dinner will follow at 6:30pm. **Kathy Anderson** will also call the 8pm contra dance with music provided by **Raise the Roof** from Philadelphia, featuring **Kathy Talvitie** on guitar, **Matthew Clark** on fiddle, **Judi Stellar** on Dulcimer, and **Pete Soloway** on bass. A free beginners workshop will start at 7:15pm. All events are held at the Shepherdstown War Memorial Building (Men's Club) on the corner of German and King Streets. Admission \$6/\$5members/\$3 under age 26. Dancers must bring soft-soled shoes. **Info: 304.725.0266 or 304.876.2169, or www.w4c.com/dance/shepherdstown.**



WV • Shepherdstown

Shenandoah Coffeehouse Series

Saturday December 11 • 8pm

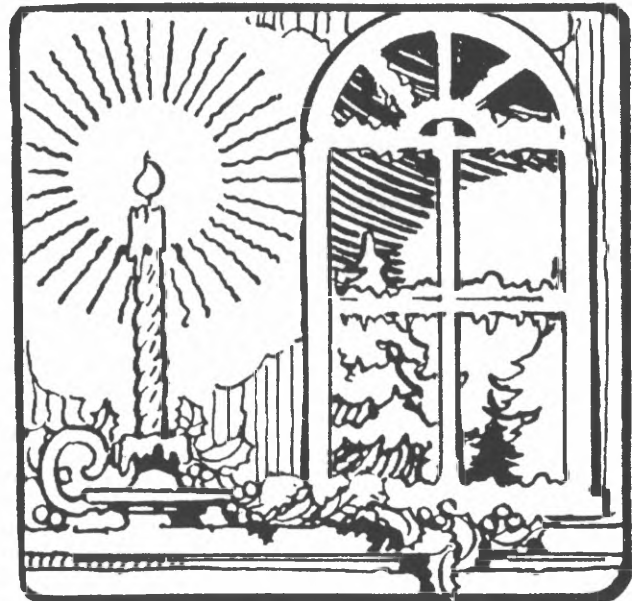
Christmas comes early to Shepherdstown, with the edgy acoustic pop of **Jen** and **Scott Smith** of *Naked Blue*, fun swing-jiving-folk from *Jive Five Minus Three*, and the traditionally inspired original country blues of **Mike Elosh**. Showtime is 8pm sharp, at the War Memorial Building in downtown Shepherdstown, WV, 102 W. German St. 50 tickets will be available in advance for each show through our partners, Maggie's Organic Grocer right down W. German St. The remainder are available at the door starting at 7:30; we sold out two shows last season so if you're worried about getting a seat, get there by 7:30!

WV • Shepherdstown

International Concert Series

Saturday December 18 • 8pm

Special "Candlelight Concert" with the *Virtual Consort*, the highly-acclaimed trio from western Massachusetts featuring arch-guitar (modern day lute relative) virtuoso, **Peter Blanchette**, **Charlie Schneeweis** on trumpet, and **Jean Chaine** on bass. Winners of the Prairie Home Companion's "Talent from Town's Under 2000" contest, they play music which is refined yet lively, stately yet colorful, spanning the Renaissance, Baroque and the 20th Century, uniting all with an individual elegance. The concert takes place at the Shepherdstown Presbyterian Church, on the corner of King and Washington Streets, in Shepherdstown, WV at 8pm. Concert admission is \$12 for adults, \$10 for SMD members and seniors and \$6 for children. Advance tickets are recommended. **Info: Joanie Blanton (304)263-2531, blanton@intrepid.net, www.w4c.com/dance/shepherdstown.**



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Ski-Dance Weekend: February 18-21 - in the Laurel Highlands of PA. English, contras, and squares called by Brad Sayler, Peter Fricke, Stephanie Smith, and Bob Mathis. Music by Marty Taylor, Alexander Mitchell, and Dave Wiesler. Co-sponsored by FSGW, Sierra Club Outings Section, and Potomac Appalachian Trail Club Ski-Touring Section. **Info: Bob Mathis/Tali Stopak 301.589.7539, Peter Fricke 304.728.6400, Stephanie Smith 301.229.3577, steph@boo.net, or Peter_Fricke@hotmail.com.**

Special Concert, Friday, February 25: ANITA BEST, Canadian singer, location TBA.

Monthly Program, Saturday, March 18: BENNETT & LORRAINE LEE HAMMOND (WES Auditorium)

POTOMAC RIVER SACRED HARP CONVENTION, March 31-April 2

CHESAPEAKE DANCE WEEKEND, April 14-16 (see flyer in this Newsletter!)

Monthly Program, Saturday, April 15: FINEST KIND (WES Auditorium)

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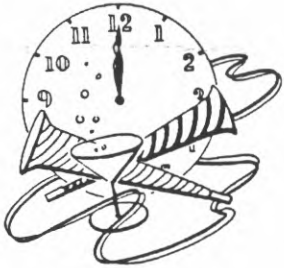


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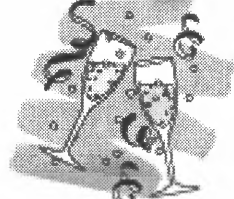
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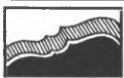
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