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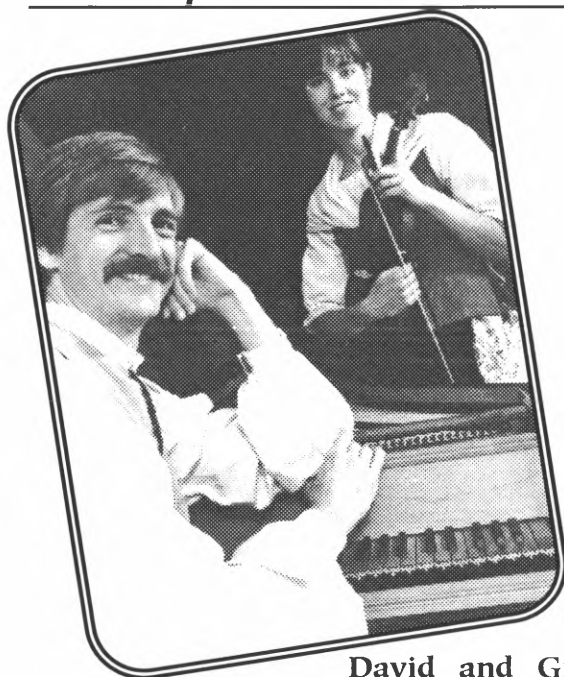
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May 2004

FSGW Special Events

Glen Echo, MD



David & Ginger Hildebrand

Colonial Chesapeake:

Early Music of Maryland & Virginia

Saturday, May 8 • 8pm

David and Ginger Hildebrand specialize in researching and performing American music of the colonial and federal periods. They perform vocal and instrumental music on period and reproduction 18th-century instruments. In addition to their voices, the **Hildebrands** perform on the violin; Baroque guitar, English guitar, hammered dulcimer, English flute, and harpsichord. Their concert will include theater music, dance tunes, topical and patriotic songs, whimsical drinking songs, and chamber music. These selections bring America's musical heritage to life with beauty and accuracy.

Since 1980, this husband and wife team has been presenting concerts, workshops, and educational programs at museums, historic sites and educational institutions. Additionally, they have consulted and contributed music to documentary soundtracks — from “Liberty! — the American Revolution” to C-SPAN’s “The American Presidents” series, and the PBS special “Rediscovering George Washington.”

Ginger Hildebrand holds a Masters degree from the Peabody Conservatory; she is active in developing and presenting educational programs for the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra. **David** earned an M.A from George Washington University and Ph.D. from Catholic University. He writes and lectures in the field of musicology, and teaches American music history at the Peabody Conservatory of the Johns Hopkins University. **The Hildebrands** have issued five full-length recordings, the latest of which is entitled *George Washington: Music for the First President*.

David & Ginger are founding members of *The Colonial Music Institute* (www.colonialmusic.org), which promotes the research and publication of materials related to early American music and dance.

Co-sponsored by the Town of Glen Echo, at **Glen Echo Town Hall**, directions page 16. Admission: \$12 general public, \$10 FSGW members. Info: Betsy Platt at 301.320.8255 or special@fsgw.org

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FSGW Sunday Night Dance**Glen Echo, MD**

FSGW Sunday Night Dance

Contras & Squares

Sundays • 7:30 to 10:30 pm

In the Bumper Car Pavilion at Glen Echo Park (Directions, page 16). FSGW, in cooperation with the National Park Service, Montgomery County, and the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts & Culture, presents contras and squares danced to live music by fabulous bands with awesome callers. Experienced and new dancers welcome; no partner needed. New dancers please come early, as dances become more challenging later in the evening. **Admission \$7 for FSGW, BFMS, CDSS, and ATDS Members; \$9 for Non-Members. Children 12 and under \$3.** We return to the Bumper Car Pavilion for a summer of dancin' out under the stars (OK, twinkle lights) so dress appropriately for the weather. Bring something to drink (no alcohol is permitted in the Park). If you use scented products, such as perfumes, please be considerate of those with allergies and use a gentle hand.

Info: Janine Smith at dance@fsgw.org or www.fsgw.org.

May

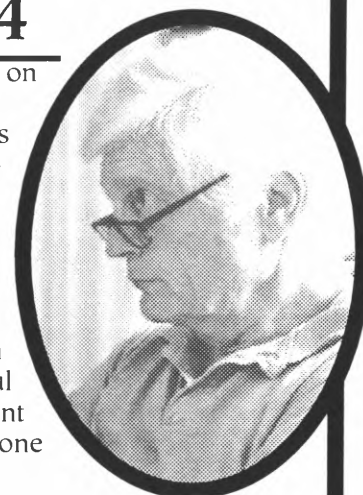
- 2 Nils Fredland calls to **Laura and the Lava Lamps**: Laura Lengnick (fiddle), Dave Wiesler (piano, guitar), and Ralph Gordon (bass).
- 9 *Straight from Cape May!* **The Capital Quicksteps Quadrille Combo**, a lean, mean, swingin' version of the **Quicksteps Orchestra**, led by maestro and fiddler **Steve Hickman**, make the music. **Ted Crane** calls the figures
- 16 **Beth Molaro** will have you dancin' til you're whipped into a fiddle frenzy: **David Knight AND Alexander Mitchell** (fiddle), **Liz Donaldson** (piano), and **Ralph Gordon** (bass). Prepare to ROCK!
- 23 **Steve Gester** sweeps you off your feet and into the groove with **The Hoover Uprights**: **Bill Schmidt** (fiddle), **John Schwab** (guitar), **Kate Brett** (banjo), and **Kevin Enoch** (bass).
- 30 **Special Memorial Day Mystery Dance!** Perennial favorite **TBA** calls with **Taylor Among the Devils**: **Steve Hickman** (fiddle), **Marty Taylor** (flute, concertina) and **Jonathan Jensen** (piano).

Frank Arne Sieverts, 1933-2004

Frank Arne Sieverts, who loved the Glen Echo dance, had a fatal heart attack on Wednesday, March 31, 2004.

He first learned to contra dance in his teens, and danced and called in his twenties as a camp counselor at Farm and Wilderness in Vermont. As an adult, he had a long association with Nelson, NH, dancing there for over 50 years. He began dancing at Glen Echo about fifteen years ago. He attended both the Friday and Sunday dances. Frank's daughter Lisa Sieverts, a contradance caller, states "We often spoke on the phone after he had returned home from the Sunday dance, and he'd tell me all about who had called and who had played and what had been great about that week's dances."

Frank also helped to convince state and federal lawmakers that spending money on the Glen Echo renovation would be a good thing, and he attended the Gala with a real feeling that he had helped to make it happen. Donations in Frank's memory can be sent to: Country Dance and Song Society, PO Box 338, Haydenville, MA 01039-0338/phone 413-268-7426.





The Liverpool Judies and

The Johnson Girls

Women's Maritime Music
Saturday, May 15 • 8pm
FREE for FSGW Members!



We bring together two generations of women who sing sea chanteys and other maritime songs for our May Monthly Program. **The Liverpool Judies** are **Caryl P. Weiss**, **Teresa Pyott**, and **Mary Zikos**. Back in 1976, when America was celebrating its bicentennial, these three women from Philadelphia's sea chantey group **Outward Bound** got together to sing regular concerts aboard the Philadelphia Maritime Museum's tall ship, *Gazela Primeiro*. They turned the maritime music world on its head, proving that women could sing these songs with gusto and style. They evolved into a trio that sang sea shanties, drinking songs, and English countryside ballads, with a healthy dose of humor.

The Johnson Girls are **Joy Bennett**, **Maggie Bye**, **Alison Kelley**, **Bonnie Milner**, and **Deirdre Murtha**. All from the New York City area, the group formed four years ago following the Sea Music Festival at Mystic Seaport, CT. **The Johnson Girls** sing primarily a cappella, performing traditional and contemporary folk music with an emphasis on sea chanteys and other maritime music. With diverse backgrounds, each member of **The Johnson Girls** brings a specialty to the group, including traditional work songs, riverboat and minstrel songs, songs in the African-American tradition, songs of fisherman and their wives, and songs from the Irish tradition. They perform at maritime gatherings, folk festivals, and clubs in the Northeastern U.S. and Britain. **The Johnson Girls** are also part of a larger sea chantey group, **the New York Packet**, and can be heard regularly at South Street Seaport in New York. This concert is **free to FSGW members**, and **\$15 for non-members**, and you're welcome to join FSGW at the door. It will be held at the Washington Ethical Society. Directions, page 16. For more information, see www.fsgw.org, or call the FSGW hotline at 202.546.2228 or e-mail Charlie Baum at program@fsgw.org.

*FSGW English Country Dance**Glen Echo Town Hall, MD*

FSGW English Country Dances

Wednesdays • 8 to 10:30 pm

Dance on a wood floor in the climate-controlled community room of the **Glen Echo Town Hall** (Directions, page 16). Bring clean, non-scuffing shoes for dancing. Talented callers are accompanied by top-notch musicians playing a delightful mix of instruments, including piano, fiddle, flute, harp, oboe, concertina, bassoon, and viola. Enjoy the welcoming crowd and light refreshments. Experienced and new dancers welcome, no partner needed.

Admission \$7 for FSGW members, \$9 for Non-members. Info: Norm Bernhardt at 301-320-2469; Stephanie Smith at 301-229-3577, or Roger Broseus at English@fsgw.org.

May

- 5 **Rich Galloway** calls to music provided by **Barbara Heitz** (flute), **Liz Donaldson** (piano) and **Becky Ross** (fiddle).
- 12 **Stephanie Smith** calls to music by **Colleen Reed** (flute), **Bruce Edwards** (concertina and bassoon) and **Kendall Rogers** (piano).
- 19 **Susan Taylor** calls to **Howard Markham** (concertina), **Liz Donaldson** (piano), and **Donn Williams** (guitar.)
- 26 **Martha Seigel** calls to **Julie Gorka** (piano), **Paul Oorts** (mandolin), **Jeff Steinberg** (fiddle).

*FSGW Family Dance**Glen Echo, MD*

Family Dance

Sunday, May 16 • 3:30-5 pm



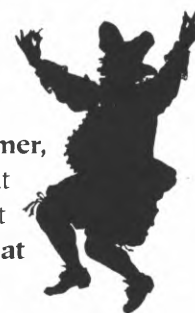
May is the month for warming up, so we are having one of the hottest callers around. **Beth Molaro**, from Asheville, NC, will be calling a lively mixture of dances to the music of **Bob Garber** (clarinet), **Mike McGeary** (banjo/guitar), and **Jeff Steinberg** (fiddle). Bring the whole family, friends, neighbors, the girl scout troop, or even include this as part of your kid's birthday party. Not to be missed. \$5 age 4+, \$18 family maximum. Bring a snack to share at the break. At Glen Echo Town Hall. See page 16 for directions. Presented by WMADI. Cosponsored by FSGW. Info, call **Bob Mathis** and **Tali Stopak** at 301.589.7539 or tali-bob@starpower.net.

*FSGW Co-Sponsored International Dance**Glen Echo, MD*

Glen Echo International Folkdancers

Thursdays • 7:30 to 10:45 pm

The Glen Echo International Folkdancers meet Thursday nights at the **Church of the Redeemer**, 6201 Dunrobbin Drive (next to the shopping center across the street from Glen Echo Park), Lesson at 7:30. Request dancing from 9-10:45. Mostly recorded music. No partner or experience necessary, but wear comfortable clothing and soft-soled shoes. Admission \$5. Co-sponsored by FSGW. Info: **Jamie** at 301.320.7099 or dancingplanet@erols.com.



FSGW House Concert**Laurel, MD**

Sara Grey

*Traditional songs & tunes
from Both Sides of the Pond*

Saturday, May 1 • 8pm



Sara Grey is an old friend, even if you've never met her. She's got a familiar sounding voice, and scours traditional sources on both sides of the Atlantic for obscure songs that will be familiar friends to you by the end of her concert. Her voice is powerful and sweet at the same time, with a distinctive and lovely tremolo. Her old-time banjo frailing brings out wonderfully hidden rhythms, while her foot stomps the strong beats. In between, she offers the well-researched history of her songs, or ably-told stories picked up from her youth in New England, some told to her by her father. Her song might be an unusual American or British version of a ballad, or a tale of harsh life on the frontier. Whatever the subject, she'll present it in a direct way that grabs your attention and weds you to the song like some old-world matchmaker.

Sara grew up in New Hampshire but has lived in North Carolina, Ohio, Montana, New York, Pennsylvania, Arizona, Wales, England, and (currently) Scotland. Her love for old-time banjo music and songs grew out of the mountain music she heard as a youngster in North Carolina. She has been concentrating for the last several years on tracing the migration of songs from the British Isles to North America.

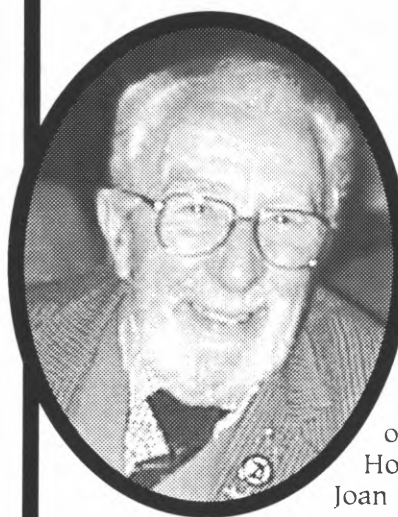
Sara sings all over the world in folk clubs and at folk festivals, and teaches ballads and singing at several weeklong camps every year. On May 1, you'll have a chance to hear her in the friendly space of the Cooks' music room at their home in Laurel, MD.

Donation: \$10 FSGW Members; \$14 Non-Members.

For more information/directions call the Cooks at 301.776.4314. Not accessible by mass transit. Call to see if we can help arrange a ride.



IN MEMORIAM



Bob Copper, Sussex Master Folksinger, 1915-2004

Bob Copper, patriarch of the **Copper Family**, died March 29 at the age of 89. The Copper Family is the primary source of all traditional English folksong harmony. **Bob Copper** was born on a sheep farm in Rottingdean, along England's south coast and comes from a long line of folksingers. **The Copper Family** has sung their songs at sheep-shearing suppers, Harvest Homes, family parties and pub sings for a least a couple of centuries. The music was often inspired by nature and the rhythms of country life and their songs were originally passed down orally from one generation to the next.

At 18, Copper joined the Household Cavalry regiment, but kept performing while on leave; favorite numbers included "The Banks of the Sweet Primroses" and "The Honest Laborer" and "Shepherd of the Downs." After World War II, he and his wife Joan took over the Central Club at Peacehaven in southern England, where they show-

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Bob Copper, continued from page 5

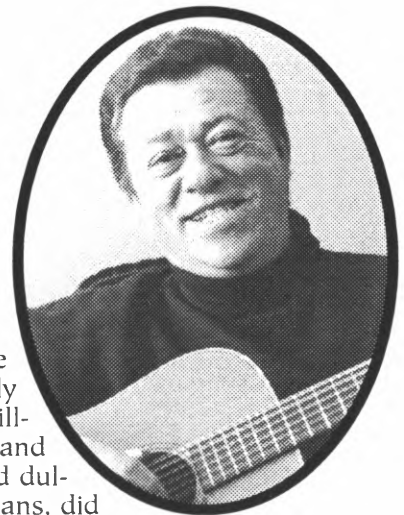
cased folk music. The BBC broadcast a live performance of Copper and his father singing in a pub garden and made recordings of the Coppers singing at Peacehaven. This helped launch Copper on a folk career that included books, recordings, storytelling and lectures. Shortly after his 87th birthday, Bob traveled to New York to meet Pete Seeger, whom he had long admired. A program featuring their conversation, songs and their views on folksinging and family traditions was broadcast on Radio 4 in England in January 2002.

The English Folk Dance and Song Society recognized **Bob Copper's** contribution to folk singing in 1978, when he was awarded its Gold Badge. He received an honorary degree from Sussex University in 2000. Four days before his death he was invested by HRH Prince Charles, the Prince of Wales, with an MBE (Member of the Order of the British Empire.) for "services to folk music."

Rick Fielding, Canadian Folk Singer, 1944-2004

Canadian folk singer **Rick Fielding** passed away March 20 after a lengthy and courageous battle with cancer. A school librarian with a large collection of Folkways records introduced Rick to traditional music. A native of Montreal, Quebec, Rick toured extensively throughout Canada, Great Britain and the United States. He recorded albums for Folk Legacy and Borealis and happily managed to finish his latest album *Acoustic Workshop* while struggling with his illness. In addition to touring and playing a mixture of traditional, contemporary and original songs, Rick taught acoustic techniques on guitar, banjo, mandolin and dulcimer, ran workshops on songwriting and professional development for musicians, did custom leather work, and hosted the radio show *Acoustic Workshop* on CIUT-FM 89.5.

Rick performed several times for FSGW, and attended the Getaway. He is survived by his wife Heather, and many friends on Mudcat Cafe and around the world.



Upcoming FSGW ***Election of Officers***

Keep your eyes peeled for a red ballot arriving in the mail around the first of the month. Please select your candidates of choice and return the ballot right away!

Candidates:

President:	Anne Sergeant, <i>(incumbent)</i> Helen Powell <i>(nominated from the floor)</i>	Membership: Lynn Pastore <i>(incumbent)</i> Publications: Lesley Frank <i>(incumbent)</i> Publicity: <i>No nominee at press time</i>
Vice President:	Betsy Platt	Members-at-Large: <i>(Two to be elected)</i>
Treasurer:	Tom Spilsbury	
Secretary:	April Grastorf <i>(incumbent)</i>	
Program:	Charlie Pilzer	
Special Events:	Charlie Baum	
Dance:	Janine Smith <i>(incumbent)</i>	

Co-sponsored with FSGW

Homegrown Concert Series • Library of Congress, Washington, DC

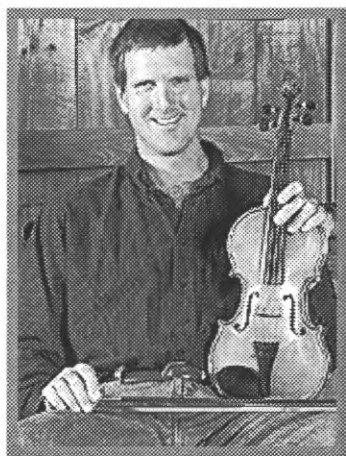
Hazel Dickens and
Helen Schneyer

Saturday, May 15 • 2pm



Hazel Dickens, known for her hard-hitting song writing and haunting vocals, will appear with an all star band, including **Dudley Connell** of the *Seldom Scene*. Hazel broke new musical ground in the 60s with **Alice Gerrard** as "*Hazel and Alice*" creating a sound that has inspired a whole generation of women performers. She has written numerous songs, including "Working Girl Blues," "Don't Put Her Down, You Helped Put Her There," "Black Lung," and "West Virginia, My Home," that have become bluegrass and country standards.

Helen Schneyer, who now lives in Plainfield, Vermont, was a fixture on the Washington folk music scene (she was one of the founding members of FSGW in 1964) for several decades. Whether singing old ballads, Victorian parlor songs or jubilant gospel music, the emotional impact of her strong contralto always moves audiences. At the **Coolidge Auditorium, Jefferson Building, Library of Congress, 10 First Street, SE, Washington, DC. Free, no tickets required.** Presented by the Music Division of the Library of Congress in cooperation with the American Folklife Center and FSGW.

Don Roy Trio and
Florence Martin

Franco-American music from Maine
Wednesday, May 19 * 12 noon

Don Roy is one of the finest Franco-American fiddlers in the Northeast. Roy learned to play the fiddle from his uncle, **Lucien Mathieu**, a master of the French Canadian style. He organized and played with the **Maine French Fiddlers** for eleven years, during which he played at Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, Wolf Trap, and on *A Prairie Home Companion*. In 1990 he won the Maine State Fiddle Championship. Also in the group are Don's wife, **Cindy**, a pianist and step dancer, and bassist **Jay Young**. **Florence Martin**, from Lewiston, Maine, is an accomplished singer of Acadian songs, which she learned when growing up in the Saint John's Valley on the Maine-New Brunswick border. On the Neptune Plaza on the First St. side of the Jefferson Building. Part of the Homegrown Concert Series.

Other FSGW Events

FSGW Open Sing • Rockville, MD

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. Sing, play, request a song, or just listen. People new to the Sing may present any song regardless of topic. Donations of refreshments are welcome, and singing usually lasts until around 11:45pm. May's Open Sing will be at the home of **Pauline Lerner** in Rockville, MD. The topic is "Questions and Answers," songs that contain a question or an answer to a question. You can use specific questions or answers, refer to eternal questions about life or love, or even invent a question that your song answers. So come help answer the age-old question, "If you put a roomful of folkies in a room, can they stop themselves from singing and having a good time?" (answer, no). **Call 301.816.4976 for directions/info.**

FSGW Gospel Sing • Chevy Chase, DC

Sunday, May 9 • 4 to 8 pm

Gospel sings are held the second Sunday of every month at various homes. Singing starts at 4pm and breaks for a covered dish supper at 6pm with more singing after supper. Since this is Mother's Day, mothers are especially welcome. The singing may include "Just Before the Battle, Mother," "The Picture from

Life's Other Side," "Tell Mother I'll Be There," "Don't Grieve Your Mother," and whatever else you would like to sing in honor of your mother, whether it mentions "mother" or not. Everyone is welcome! The May Gospel Sing will be at the home of **Rick Morgan and Arlene Rodenbeck** in Chevy Chase, DC. **Info/directions: 202.364.3663.**

FSGW Storyswap • Washington, DC

Saturday, May 15 • 7:30pm

Join us for an evening of shared stories and potluck snacks at the home of **Tom Livengood** in Bowie, MD. **Call 301.805.8865 for rsmps and directions.**

FSGW Sacred Harp Singing • Arlington, VA

Sunday, May 23 • 4:00 to 8:00 pm

St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 4250 North Glebe Road. FSGW sponsors free monthly singings of early American hymns, anthems, and fugues in four-part harmony. We'll sing from the 1991 Sacred Harp and Christian Harmony (loaner tunebooks available) from 4:00 to 6:00, share a potluck supper, then sing again until 8:00. All are welcome. **Info: 301.229.8534.**

Directions: St. Peter's is one-half mile south of Chain Bridge, on the west side of Glebe Road (crossing from Washington, on your right, from Virginia, on your left). The church is not visible from Glebe Rd. Turn on Tazewell St. to reach the parking lot.

Washington Folk Festival

After a three-year absence, the Washington Folk Festival is returning to Glen Echo Park on June 5 and 6, 2004. The festival is a celebration of folk music and culture in the Washington, DC. metropolitan area.

Although the schedule of events is not firm at this time we can list just a few of the performers that we will have at the festival: **Grace Griffith, the Mill Run Dulcimer Band, Magpie, Cathy Fink and Marcy Marxer, Bill Baker, the Spanish Dance Society, the Nubian Theater Company, Reverb, the Mystic Warriors, Alice McGill, Daryl Davis, Judy Cook.** In all there are 142 concerts and workshops.

By the time this article reaches you, you can look at the schedule on the internet by pointing your browser to **<http://fsgw.org/wff/>**.

The program is about done, but that doesn't mean we are ready to have a festival. We still need volunteers to work on weekends during May as well as during the festival. There will be work parties at Glen Echo Park every weekend in May. Among the things to be done are tent cleaning, sign making, and general clean up of equipment and performance areas.

The big work weekend when we raise the big tents and put up stages will be on **May 22 and 23.** We'll need lots of people to help with that. No experience is necessary. For information about what work will be going on each weekend call **Dwain Winters at 301.657-2789 (h) or 202.566.1977 (w).** If you would like to volunteer please use the form on page 27 in this newsletter or use the web volunteer form at **<http://fsgw.org/wff/signup.php3>**.

Other FSGW Events continued

Volunteers Wanted

Can you spend an hour or two during the Washington Folk Festival to help staff FSGW's membership booth? We need you to hand out newsletters and flyers, describe member benefits and encourage new folk enthusiasts to join. The Festival takes place June 5 and 6 at Glen Echo Park. If you can help, contact Lynn Pastore, Membership Chair, at 301.577.0745 or at lynnpastore@yahoo.com.

Attention All Shutterbugs! Display Your Photos at the Washington Folk Festival!

A photo board will be erected at the Membership Tent at this year's Folk Festival. Members are encouraged to post (push pins provided) their favorite photos of FSGW members in action (all venues). 60's and 70's shots especially desired. Write your name on the back of photos so they get back to you after the Festival.

Concerts & Concert Series

Sundays

**Songs of Hope and Freedom in the Gospel
and Spiritual Tradition • Washington, DC**

Sunday, May 2 • 4 pm

Join the *Carpe Diem Community Choir* and special guest musicians and dancers in a celebration of two musical traditions deeply rooted in American history and culture, as we present "Songs of Hope and Freedom in the Gospel and Spiritual Tradition." Guest composer and choir director, **David Griffiths**, along with co-director **Margie T. Farmer**, have selected songs dating back to times of slavery to the contemporary stylings of today's urban gospel, reflecting a longing for a better life and the promise of a better day. The performance is the culmination of a 9-session choral arts residency, with 100 singers ages 8 to 78. Peoples Congregational Church, 4704 13th St., NW, Washington, DC (near Silver Spring/Takoma Park) Tickets: \$12 advance, \$15 at the door, \$10 for students & seniors, \$25 Benefit tickets (seating in front rows) **Call 301.588.4475 or purchase on-line at www.classactsarts.org, or send check and SASE payable to Class Acts, PO Box 3580, Silver Spring, MD 20918.**

Moore Music (In the House) • Rockville, MD

Sunday, May 23 • 7pm

Big Wide Grin (formerly *ELK*), plus Julie Clark

RSVP required: scott@mooremusic.org or 301.309.0983.

Saturdays

Vibrating Vielles: Beyond Fiddle Fever • Rosslyn, VA

Saturday, May 1 • 8pm

Vielles are medieval fiddles that vibrate, sway, gasp & jingle in the hands of **Tina Chancey** and **Shira Kammen**. Medieval, renaissance, Irish, Sephardic, Breton, Appalachian, Balkan music; it's all fair game, on *rebec*, *kamenj*, *lyra*, *gamba*, even an occasional violin. **Scott Reiss** assists on percussion and recorder. At the Rosslyn Spectrum, Wilson Blvd. and North Kent St., Rosslyn, VA (1611 North Kent St.). The Metro stop is Rosslyn, and there is free garage parking. Tickets are \$20/\$10 for students and fixed income) and are available from **Hesperus 703.525.7550** ScottReiss@cs.com. Students (with a paying parent) who bring their own violins get in free!



Concert & Concert Series *continued*

Washington Balalaika Society's Spring Concert • Annandale, VA

Saturday, May 8 • 3pm and 7:30pm

The Society will present an exciting performance of folk and semi-classical music from Russia and Eastern Europe. Guest artists include **Alexander Tsygankov**, *domra*, **Andrei Saveliev**, *balalaika*, **Anya Titova**, soprano, and **the Kalinka Russian Dance Ensemble**. Marking her second season as the conductor for the Washington Balalaika Society is **Svetlana Nikonova**, from St. Petersburg. At Ernst Cultural Center, Northern Virginia Community College, 8333 Little River Turnpike, Annandale, VA; Tickets: \$20 general admission/\$18 seniors and students. To reserve tickets by phone: call **703.644.9151**; by mail: send check and SASE to WBS, 7421 Calamo St., Springfield, VA 22150; by credit card: order through the web site www.balalaika.org. Information and group rates: **703.644.9151**

Washington DC Area Folk Harp Society (WAFHS) Annual Benefit Concert • Laurel, MD

Saturday, May 8 • 7pm

This dynamic concert will feature performances by **Hen** (Sue Richards and Sharon Knowles); **Barbra Bailey Bradley**, **Jo Morrison**, and **Mimi McNeel**; **Compass Rose** (instrumental ensemble); **Kilda** (harp and storyteller); **the Heatherwood Harp Ensemble**, and others. At Capitol College Auditorium, 11301 Springfield Road, Laurel, MD. Tickets available at the door only: \$10.00 Adults; \$8.00 Children. Proceeds benefit the WAFHS Education Fund. WAFHS is a Virginia-based, non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization. Its mission is to promote the playing and scholarship of the folk harp. For info email benefit@wafhs.org or call **410.875.0855**. <http://www.wafhs.org/benefit/>

Wednesday

Dan Ssuuna of Uganda: East African Story, Dance & Song • Silver Spring, MD

Wednesday, May 12 • 10:30am

The *endongo* and *ndindingidi* (stringed instruments), *akogo* (thumb piano), *amadinda* (xylophone) are just a few of the exotic instruments used in this seamless blend of East African drumming, music and dance, theater and storytelling. **Ssuuna** introduces young audiences to the rich cultural heritage of Uganda in this highly interactive 45-minute performance, part of the Jump Start Series for 3-6 year olds, c/o Class Acts Arts. Co-sponsored by Silver Spring Nursery School at Unitarian Universalist Church of Silver Spring, 10309 New Hampshire Ave., Silver Spring, MD. Tickets: \$6, \$5 for groups of 15 or more. Call **301-588-4475** for tickets or visit www.classactsarts.org

CONCERT SERIES

Sundays

Focus Concert Series • Alexandria, VA

Sunday, May 9 • 7pm.

Two duos: **Bailey Jester**, and **Lori Kelley** and **Cletus Kennelly** play the Focus Inn Alexandria at 2280 N. Beauregard St. (Church of the Resurrection). \$12 general, \$10 members. Contact: **Herb** at **703.548-8699**, herbcl@earthlink.net or log onto www.focusmusic.org for more details.

Mondays

Institute of Musical Traditions (IMT) Series

• Silver Spring, MD

Mondays • 8pm unless otherwise noted

All concerts are at Unitarian Universalist Church of Silver Spring, Md., 10309 New Hampshire Avenue unless otherwise noted. Admission \$12 adv/\$15 door. Ticket Info: **301.754.3611** or e-mail imtfolk@erols.com

May

- 3 **Stream and The Blue Dragons**
- 10 **Garnet Rogers**
- 17 **Steve Seskin and Elise Witt**
- 24 Appalachian-based **Falling Mountain Music Record Label** artists. Voices of Appalachia rise up against mountaintop removal coal mining.

Tuesdays

Folk Club of Herndon Reston • VA

Tuesday, May 25 • 7:30pm

Bob Zentz. Collector of stories/singer of songs; best known for sea shanties, wide range of folk genres and his strong sense of humanity & humor, combining history & nostalgia with audience participation. Hosted by Folk Club of Reston-Herndon (Tortilla Factory Restaurant, 648 Elden St), a smoke-free, friendly space. Doors open 6pm. \$14 (\$13 Folk Club members). **703.435.2402** or clubacoustic@erols.com

Wednesdays

Vic's Music Corner • Rockville, MD

2nd and 4th Wednesdays • 8pm

Vic's is dedicated to introducing acoustic singer/songwriters from across the country to the greater Washington area. At O'Brien's, 387 E. Gude Drive, Rockville, MD. Smoke-free. Tickets \$12 advance/\$15 door.

May

- 12 **Susquehanna Festival Women** — **Jean Synodinos and Bet Williams**
- 26 **Kate McDonnell and Siobhan Quinn.**

Concert & Concert Series *continued*

Baldwin's Station • Sykesville, MD

Wednesdays • 8 pm

7618 Main St., Sykesville. Productions by Uptown Concerts, a non-profit organization affiliated with the North American Folk Alliance.

Info: joycesica@aol.com or Joyce R. Sica, 410.922.5210. Tickets/reservations: 410.795.1041.

May

- 5 Barb Martin & Mac Walter
- 12 TBA
- 19 Mark Erelli
- 26 Julie Gold & Freebo

Fridays

The Cellar Stage at St. John's • Baltimore, MD

Fridays • 8pm

Co-sponsored by Uptown Concerts and St. John's of Hamilton, at the United Methodist Church, 5315 Harford Rd. Access the large parking lot from Gibbons Avenue. **Concert info** 410.922.5210 uptownconcerts@aol.com/www.uptownconcerts.com

May

- 14 Wyrd Sisters
- 28 Donna Long & The Kane Sisters

Focus Concert Series • Mount Rainier, MD

Friday, May 21 • 8 pm

Lisa Moscatiello and Fred Lieder, with *the Tree Surgeons* opening, play the Focus Inn Mount Rainier at Joe's Movement Emporium at 3802 34th St. \$12 general, \$10 members. **Contact:** Rachel at 240.601.4722, cross@tidalwave.net or log onto www.focusmusic.org for more details.

Saturdays

Songs that Matter Music Show Case • Columbia, MD

Saturday, May 22 • 7-10 pm

Joseph Isaacs runs and performs in the Songs that Matter Music Showcase that features some of the best of local Maryland music. The other performers will include *Ilyaimy, Dim Lites, High Five* and *Moonstruck*. The location is Mad City Café, 10801 Hickory Ridge RD 21041. This show is free. **Info:** jcisaacs@starpower.net or www.josephisaacs.com

Panzer House Concert • Columbia, MD

Saturday, May 22 • 7pm

Greg Greenway with Caren Armstrong. Acoustic music in an intimate setting. Light refreshments served. BYOB. RSVP required. 410.531.9233 or spanzers@cs.com. www.columbiaskiclub.org/phc

Dances

CAJUN/ZYDECO

Somebody Scream Dance Series • Catonsville, MD

Saturday, May 22 • 9 pm - midnight

Lil' Malcolm & The House Rockers. Free dance lesson at 8 pm.. \$10 BFMS/FSGW members and affiliates \$12 non-members \$5 CCBC/CC students. Co-sponsored by BFMS and Catonsville Community College Office of Student Events. **Info:** TriciaR1@aol.com or *Cajun/Zydeco* web site: <http://www.cajunzydeco.net/>

Directions: From I 95, exit at Route 195; take Route 166 north (Rolling Road) towards Catonsville. At the second light (Valley Road) turn left onto the campus. Barn Theater is the stone building on the hill beyond parking lot. Free, well-lit parking.

COMMUNITY/FAMILY

For the FSGW/WMADI Community Dance, see page 4.



Family Dance • Baltimore, MD

Saturday, May 8 • 5-6:30 pm

Caller Robbin Schaffer with music by *Shindig USA*. \$4 BFMS/FSGW members and affiliates \$5 non-members (max \$16 BFMS/FSGW member families, \$20 non-member families) At. St. Mark's on the Hill Church, 1620 Reisterstown Rd. in Pikesville. Family and group discounts are available. The dance is followed by a potluck dinner. **For more information call** 410.366.0808, or see the website, www.bfms.org. For questions contact familydance@bfms.org.

CONTRA

Sundays

The FSGW Sunday Night Dances are listed on page 2.

Bear Dancers Sunday Contra Dance • Bear, DE

No dance in May.

Dances continued

Wednesdays

BFMS Lovely Lane Contra Dance • Baltimore, MD Wednesdays, 8-11 pm

Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul St., Baltimore, MD. 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 8 pm. Nationally known musicians and callers appear regularly. Free beginners' workshops on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 7:30. Admission: \$7 for BFMS/FSGW members, \$10 for non-members. \$2 student discount. **Info:** www.bfms.org or Greg Frock at 410.433.4419

May

- 5 Alan Gedance with *The Gigmesters*.
- 12 Beth Molaro with *Roustabout*.
- 19 Dick Bearman with *Off'n Ensemble*
- 26 Robbin Schaffer with *Some Assembly*

Fridays

Friday Night Contra Dance • Glen Echo, MD Fridays • 8:30-11:30 pm

The Friday Night Dancers, in cooperation with the National Park Service, Montgomery County, and the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture, sponsor contra dances (with occasional squares and couples dances) to live music in Glen Echo Park's Bumper Car Pavilion or Spanish Ballroom (Directions, page 16). Free beginners' workshop at 7:30 pm. Dance starts at 8:30. Admission: \$7. To play for or call a dance, email fndbooking@folkdancer.com. For other information: <http://fnd.folkdancer.com>.

May

- 7 Donna Hunt calls to *Rhapsody*—Marty Taylor, Alexander Mitchell, Dave Wiesler
- 14 David Smukler calls to the *Glen Echo Open Band*
- 21 Gaye Fifer calls to Mary Lea, Lise Brown, Peter Barnes and Ralph Gordon
- 28 George Marshall and Tim Van Egmond call to *Swallowtail*—David Cantieni, Ron Grosslein, Tim Van Egmond, George Marshall, Timm Triplett

Saturdays

Second Saturday Dance • Baltimore, MD May 8 • 8-11 pm

Free dance workshop at 7:30 pm. \$7 BFMS/FSGW members and affiliates. \$7 BFMS/FSGW members and affiliates/ \$10 non-members /\$2 student discount. At St. Mark's on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Road, 0.5 miles from Exit 20 South, Baltimore Beltway. **Info:** www.bfms.org. hotline at 410.366.0808.

Second Saturday Contra Dance • Chaptico, MD May 8 • 7:30-10pm

Caller Greg Frock with music by the *Southern Maryland Open Band*. Newcomers always welcome. Beginners' lesson at 7pm. Ice cream social after dance. At Christ Episcopal Church's spacious Parish Hall with beautiful wood floor. Zach Fowler Rd., Chaptico, MD. Admission: \$7. Sponsored by Southern Maryland Traditional Music and Dance.

Info/directions: www.smtmd.org or call 301.475.5522.

Bluemont Oldtime Country Dance • Purcellville, VA Saturday, May 15 • 8pm

The Bluemont Dance is better than ever - come to the granddaddy of the DC area contra dances! This year we're in a new (and larger!) hall, and we have a great season planned. This month, *Gaye Fifer* calls to music by *Dr. Twamley's Audio Snakes*. Beginners workshop at 7:30, dance 8-11pm. Admission: \$7, \$5 for Bluemont friends and students. **Info:** www.bluemont.org or 703.777.6306

Lancaster, PA Contra Dance • PA Saturday, May 15 • 8pm

Beth Molaro calls to *Fingerpyx*. St. John's Episcopal Church 321 W. Chestnut St. Lancaster, PA. Beginners' workshop at 7 pm. Dance 8-11 pm. For information call Shane at 717.390.7277 or email Shirley at sam@mcc.org. \$7/\$4

Annapolis, MD • Contra Dance Saturday, May 15 • 8-11 pm

Susan Taylor calls to *Brave New Whirl* (members from Philadelphia and Annapolis!). Free dance lesson at 7:30 pm. Sponsored by the Annapolis Traditional Dance Society. At the FOP Hall, Route 17, Crownsville, MD **Directions, more info:** <http://www.contradancers.com/atds> or 410.451.1791

4th Saturday Contra Dance • Frederick, MD Saturday, May 22 • 8pm

Gaye Fifer comes from Charlottesville to call to music by *Martin's Flight*. Dance is held at the Trinity school near Harry Grove Stadium. Admission \$7; under 16 \$3. Beginners' workshop at 7 pm; dance starts at 8 pm.

Info/directions: www.contradancers.com or call Boe Walker at 301.694.6794.



Dances continued**ENGLISH COUNTRY****Mondays****English Country Dance (BFMS) • Reisterstown, MD
Mondays • 8-10:30 pm**

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 dancers are always welcome. Beginners' workshop on the first Monday promptly at 7:30 pm. Sponsored in part by the Maryland State Arts Council. Admission: \$6 for Members, \$8 for Non-members, \$2 student discount. St. Mark's on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Road, 0.5 miles from Exit 20 South, Baltimore Beltway.

Info: Mike Franch at 410.889.3252.

May

- 3 New Dancers' Workshop at 7:30. Caller **Rich Galloway** with music by the **Geud Band of Baltimore**.
- 10 Caller **Carl Friedman** with music by **Jonathan Jensen** (piano) and **Marty Taylor** (recorders, whistles, concertina), **Paul Oorts** (various strings).
- 17 Caller **Dawn Culbertson** with music by **Liz Donaldson** (piano), **Colleen Reed** (flute), and **Edie Stern** (fiddle).
- 24 Caller **Diane Schmit** with music by **Julie Gorka** (piano), **Becky Ross** (fiddle), and **Karin Loya** (cello)
- 31 Callers **Mike Franch** and **Sharon McKinley** with music by **Ralph Barthine** (guitar), **Jeff Steinberg** (fiddle), and **Dawn Culbertson** (recorders).

Tuesdays**English Country Dance (CDSS) • Herndon, VA
2nd and 4th Tuesdays • 7:45 pm**

At Harding Hall, 730 Jackson Street. Workshop includes figures, phrasing, and style. Live music (guest musicians welcome; call in advance). \$3. No partner or experience necessary. **Info: Barbara Harding 703.437.3615 or bharding@quixnet.net.**

May

- 11 **Carl Minkus**, marimba
- 25 **Colleen Reed**, flute.

Wednesdays

The FSGW English Country Dances are listed on page 4.

Saturdays**English Country Dance • Silver Spring, MD
May 8 • 8-10:45pm**

At Sligo Middle School, 1401 Dennis Ave. Dance to music by **Peascods Gathering**, calling by **Barbara Harding** and **Bob Farrall**. This is the last dance of the season. We will resume in September. Beginners and singles welcome. \$5. **Info: Carl Minkus 301.493.6281, Karla Farrall 301.577.5018.**

English Country Dance (CDSS) • Herndon, VA

No third Saturday dance in May! Attend the Washington Spring Ball instead!

INTERNATIONAL**ALPINE/SWISS****Sundays****Alpine Dancers • New Carrollton, MD
Sundays (dates unconfirmed at press time) • 4-6:30 pm**

Alpine Dancers hold free, open practice at the New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6016 Princess Garden Pkwy, near Washington Beltway exit 20A. New dancers welcome. Couple and trio figure dances from Austria, Germany and Switzerland. Recorded and live music. Confirm dates, as practices may be replaced by performances. **Info/directions: Regina Loffredo 301.464.9193, www.alpinedancers.org email caroltraxler@yahoo.com.**

Wednesdays**Swiss Folklore Group • NW Washington, DC
2nd and 4th Wednesdays • 7:30-9pm**

Open dance at the Swiss Embassy, 2900 Cathedral Ave, NW. No partner needed, taped music, free. **Info: 301.530.5643 or email: franw@olg.com**

CEILI (IRISH)**Ceili Dance • Fairfax, VA
2nd Saturdays • 8pm-midnight**

Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann (CCE) sponsors this dance at the John Wood Center, 3730 Old Lee Hwy in Fairfax. Lesson at 7:30 pm. **The Bog Wanderers Ceili Band** plays. Free tea, coffee, sodabread. Softdrinks \$0.75 Admission: Members \$10, non-members \$12, 6-16 \$6; maximum family charge \$25. **Info: Vickie Barr 703.521.4340.**




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May 2004

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Irish Music Session, Frederick FSGW INTL FOLKDANCE Chevy Chase Intl Folk Dance Mt. Vernon Intl Folk Dance Foggy Bottom Morris Men American Balalaika Symphony Circle Dance, Arlington	14 8 Cellar Stage/St. John's Concert 8 Harrisburg PA Contra 8:30 Friday Night Contra 8:30 Glen Echo Open Band 8:30 Greenbelt Intl Folk Dance	15 1 Archie Edwards Blues Jam 2 HAZEL DICKENS & HELEN SCHNEYER AT LC 7:45 Circle Dance, Burke 7:30 FSGW STORYSWAP 8 FSGW FREE PROGRAM LIVERPOOL JUDIES & JOHNSON GIRLS 8 Glen Echo Swing Dance
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ADVANCE NOTICE

• FSGW •

Saturday, June 5 &
Sunday, June 6

WASHINGTON FOLK FESTIVAL

IT'S BACK!!!!

Glen Echo Park, MD

Sunday, June 13

ELIZABETH LAPRELLE

17 year old Appalachian &
Old Time Singer

8 pm • House Concert • Wheaton, MD

Friday, October 15 -

Sunday, October 17

40th Annual FSGW Getaway

Camp Ramblewood
Darlington, MD

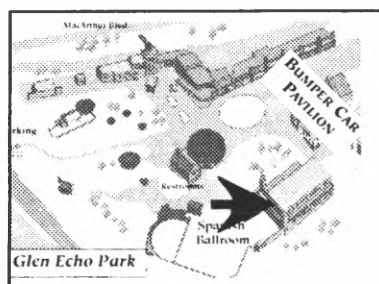


DIRECTIONS TO FREQUENT VENUES:

Washington Ethical Society (WES)

Auditorium. 7750 16th St., NW, just south of the intersection of Kalmia Rd. and 16th St., about four blocks inside the DC/MD line.

From the Beltway: Take the Georgia Avenue South exit. Stay in either right lane. Go 0.4 miles from the exit ramp, where the right lanes curve and put you on 16th St South. Follow 16th past East-West Hwy (Rte 410); cross the MD/DC line at Portal Dr. Kalmia Road is the first traffic signal south of the line, and WES is the second building on the right after you cross Kalmia. You may park on Kalmia Road by turning right at the light, or on either side of 16th St.



Spanish Ballroom/Bumper Car Pavilion, Glen Echo Park. 7300 MacArthur Blvd. at Goldsboro Rd, in Glen Echo, MD. The Bumper Car Pavilion is located just past and to the

right of the carousel.

From the Beltway:

MARYLAND SIDE: at 2-lane Exit 40 take the left fork for Cabin John Parkway. Where Cabin John merges with Clara Barton Pkwy, move into the left lane, under the overhang.

VIRGINIA SIDE: get into the far right hand lane at the top of the bridge. At the first fork, bear right. Stay in the left lane; watch for Cabin John traffic merging from the right at the overhang.

MD/VA: Watch for signs to MacArthur Blvd. Make a very sharp hairpin turn and move immediately into the right lane. At the T intersection/stop sign, turn left onto MacArthur Blvd. Upper parking lot on the left. For lower parking lot, go around the small traffic circle and make the first left onto Oxford St.

By public transportation: Take the #29 bus from the Friendship Heights Metro Station. Ask the driver to let you know when to get off for Glen Echo Park. The bus stops running before the dance ends. Ask the dance coordinator to announce you need a ride. We've never left anybody at the park. Last bus leaves Friendship Heights Metro at 7:30 pm.

Glen Echo Town Hall

6106 Harvard St., Glen Echo, MD:

From the Beltway:

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PLEASE NOTE: Please park in the lot behind the hall, on University Drive, or on the east side of MacArthur, NOT on Harvard Street.



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FSGW Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 4 • 8 pm

The monthly FSGW board meeting will be held at Classroom 201 at Glen Echo Park. All FSGW members may attend. If you wish the Board to consider a particular matter, please contact the appropriate board member or **Anne Sergeant, FSGW President, at 301-270-4553** in advance of the meeting.

Dances continued from page 13**INTERNATIONAL****Sundays****Dances of Universal Peace • MD**

First Sundays, 4-6 pm • Howard County Public Library, Glenwood

Third Sundays, 4-6pm • McCathran Hall, 300 Center Street, Washington Grove

The Dances of Universal Peace are derived from the sacred traditions of the world and have a universal, cross-cultural, ecumenical focus. They are a joyous participatory way to touch the spiritual essence within.

No experience of any kind is needed; every dance is taught each time. Wear comfortable clothing and please be considerate of those sensitive to perfume. Free/Live music. **Instructors/Info: Mary-Lou Davis 301.972.9457 Mary-Lou@Troup.com and Mansur Richard Conviser 410.489.7981 (home) 301.675.6105(cell); DUPMansur@verizon.net**

Mondays**Bethesda International Folk Dancing • MD**

Mondays • 7:30 - 10 pm

Dance on the wood floor of the Leland Community Recreation Center social hall, 4301 Willow Lane in Bethesda. No partner or experience necessary. 7:30 pm beginners teaching, 8 pm intermediate/advanced and requests. Mostly recorded but occasionally live music, parties, and workshops. On certain holidays, we meet at our alternate location, The Women's Club of Bethesda. Call for recorded message. Admission \$5. **Info: Phyllis or Brandon Diamond, 301.871.8788 or diamonddancecircle@comcast.net.**

Circle Dances • Bethesda, MD

Mondays, through May 17 • 7:30-9pm

Dancing in a circle is one of the most ancient ways in which people worldwide celebrate the seasons and community. Sacred Circle dance integrates body, mind and spirit in a "moving meditation." Come and share in the magic of these new and ancient international dances. For beginning and experienced dancers alike, every dance is taught each time. No partners necessary. We dance on a beautiful wooden floor in the main auditorium of River Road Unitarian Church, 6301 River Road at Whittier Blvd. Drop ins welcome, all dances taught. Instructors: **Judit Andai; Diane Wicks Popper; Judith Walton.** \$10 per session. At River Road Unitarian Church, 6301 River Road, Bethesda, MD. **Info: Judit Andai at 301.530.0369 JuAndai@aol.com or Diane Wicks Popper at 301.897.1555 DianeFOL@aol.com**

Tuesdays**Arlington International Folk Dancing • VA**

Tuesdays • 8-10 pm

Key Elementary School, off Veitch St. between Wilson and Key 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 sstulberg@earthlink.net**

Wednesdays**Columbia International Folk Dancing • MD**

Wednesdays • 8-10:30 pm

Kahler Hall, Beaverkill Rd. at 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).**

Thursdays

The FSGW Glen Echo Folkdancers are listed on page 4.

Circle Dance • Arlington, VA

Thursdays in May • 8:00-9:45 pm

See description of Circle Dance under Mondays. Arlington Unitarian Universalist Church at the corner of Route 50 and George Mason Dr. \$10 per session or purchase a block of sessions at reduced cost. **Info: Judie David at 703.451.2595 or Vedavid@star-power.net.**

Chevy Chase International Folk Dancers

• Washington, DC

Thursdays • 7:30-9:30 pm

Chevy Chase Community Center, 5601 Connecticut Ave, NW, Washington DC (Connecticut Ave. at McKinley St., 2 blocks south of Chevy Chase Circle). Instruction and walk-throughs until 8:30. All levels welcome. No partner necessary. Recorded music. Leader **Roland Forbes.** **Info: Jackie Davis 301.424.8827 or Naomi Rogers 301.438.0063.**

Mount Vernon International Folk Dancing

• Alexandria, VA

Thursdays • 8-10pm

Mount Vernon Unitarian Church meeting hall, 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.**

Dances continued

Fridays

Greenbelt International Folk Dancing • MD Fridays • 8:30-11pm

Focusing on dances from Eastern and Western Europe, Scandinavia, and the Mediterranean. No partner or experience necessary. Teaching from 8:30 - 9:15 pm, request dancing 9:15-11 pm. Mostly recorded music. Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio (beautiful wooden floor!), 15 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD. Admission \$5. Info: Larry Weiner 301.565.0539 or weiner@erols.com; John Robinson 410.715.9210; and John Bartholomew 301.565.3650.

Saturdays

Circle Dance • Burke, VA Saturdays, May 1 and 15 • 7:45-10:30 pm

See description of Circle Dance under Mondays. Accotink Unitarian Universalist Church, Lake Haven Dr. (off Burke Lake Rd. near the intersection of Fairfax County Parkway). Info: Judie David at 703-451-2595 or Vedavid@starpower.net.

ISRAELI

Israeli Dancing • Silver Spring, MD Tuesdays • 7:30-11p.m.

Shaare Tefila Congregation, 11120 Lockwood Dr., Silver Spring (near intersection of Route 29 and NH Ave.). 7:30-8:30, beginner/intermediate teaching and dancing. 8:30-11:00, advanced teaching, open dancing and requests. Admission \$6/\$5 members/\$4 students.

Info: Helen Rubin, 301.460.4214 or helen@israelidance.com.

Israeli Dancing • Potomac, MD Wednesdays • 8:15-10pm

Har Shalom Congregation, 11510 Falls Rd., Potomac (between Democracy Blvd and Montrose Rd). "Oldies" only (dances before 1990). Instruction: 8:15-8:45; requests 8:45-10. Recorded music. \$5. Info: Ben Hole, 301.441.8213.

Israeli Dancing • Greenbelt, MD Saturday, May 8 • 8:15-11pm

Israeli "Oldies" party (dances before 1990). Recorded music, light refreshments. Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. \$5. Info: Ben Hole, 301.441.8213.



MORRIS

Bluemont Morris • Reston, VA Mondays • 7-8:30pm

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. Info: Laura 703.845.8536. <http://monticello.avenue.org/amm/>

Rock Creek Morris Women • Silver Spring, MD Wednesdays • 7:30pm

Visit exotic locales—Toronto, Brattleboro, the Biltmore Estate! Dance aerobically to live music! Strap bells to your legs! Join a strong community that dances, plays, sings, and drinks together. Practice held at Eastern Middle School, Silver Spring.

Info: 703.845.0426 or louiseneu@earthlink.net or www.uswet.com/RCMW.html

Foggy Bottom Morris Men • Silver Spring, MD Thursdays • 8-10pm

Learn and perform traditional dances from English villages, long-sword, and seasonal mumming too. As long as you enjoy dance and movement you can experience the vigorous thrill of the Morris! We welcome new and slightly used dancers at practices and at the Quarry House afterwards. Highland View Elementary School, 9010 Providence Ave. Info: Jud McIntire at 703.528.0588 or Bill Brown at 301.270.2014 or website, www.fbmm-morris.org.

SCOTTISH

Scottish Country Dance • NW Washington, DC Mondays • 8-10pm

Similar to English Country. No partner needed. Bring soft, flexible shoes. Taped and live music. Classes for new and experienced dancers. Location: Satterlee Hall, St. Alban's Episcopal School, Washington, DC. Info: John MacLeod, 302.622.5945 or blackolav@cs.com and Betty Lee Barnes, 202.966.3595 or Thistledance@starpower.net.

Scottish Country Dance • Greenbelt, MD Tuesdays • 8-10pm

Similar to English Country. No partner needed. Bring soft, flexible shoes. Taped and live music. New and experienced dancers. Greenbelt Community Center. Info: Jennifer Mayrovitz: 410.922.6369 or rjmayro@erols.com



Dances continued**Scottish Country Dance • Alexandria, VA
Wednesdays • 7:30-9:30pm**

Similar to English Country. No partner needed. Bring soft, flexible shoes. Taped and live music. Jefferson-Houston High School, 1501 Cameron St., Alexandria, VA. Be sure to confirm class date (school events may pre-empt). **Info: Mel or Ellie Briscoe at 703.461.7383 or mail@briscoe.com.**

SQUARE**Taylor Made Squares • Silver Spring, MD
Tuesdays • 8-9:30pm**

Betsy Taylor calls squares to recorded music at the Long Branch Community Center, Piney Branch Rd., Silver Spring, MD. Wood floor. No experience or partner necessary. **Info: 301.589.4868.**

SWING**WSDC Dances • Glen Echo, MD**

Introductory swing dance lesson 8-9pm. Sponsored by the Washington Swing Dance Committee, in cooperation with the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture Inc., the National Park Service, and Montgomery County. Dress is casual and no partner or dance experience is necessary. All ages are welcome. Bring something to drink (no alcohol allowed in the park). Glen Echo Park is located at Goldsboro Road and MacArthur Blvd. **Info www.wsd.org.**

May

- 1 **Jimmy and the Blue Dogs; <http://www.jim-stephanson.com/projects.htm>** (Instructors: Jeff Booth and Gretta Thorne)

- 15 **Armed Forces Day Dance with Brooks Tegler's AAF Big Band;**
<http://www.ww2aaf.com/band/band.html>
(Instructors: **Donna Barker** and **Mike Marcotte** at **www.DanceDC.com**).

WALTZ / BALLROOM / SOCIAL**Sunday Afternoon Waltz • Glen Echo, MD**

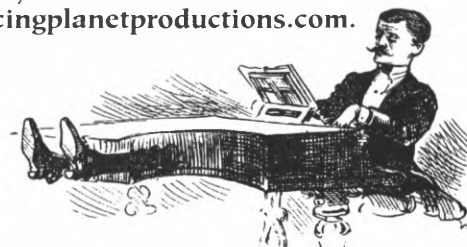
At 3 pm there is a half hour introductory waltz workshop, followed by social dancing until 6 pm. Live music. Admission \$7 includes lesson. In the Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park. **For late-breaking information call Donna Barker at 703.978.0375 or visit our web site at <http://www.dancedc.com>**

May

- 2 **Lava Lamps**
16 **Cabaret Sauvignon**

Mostly Waltz Dance Potpourri • Glen Echo, MD**Sunday, May 23 • 3-6pm**

Glen Echo Park Bumper Car Pavilion. Dance the afternoon away with music provided by **Dark Caravan**. Waltz lesson at 3pm, followed by live music for waltz, tango, schottische, hambo, swing, and other couple dances. **For more information, call Jamie at 301.320.7099, or dancingplanet@erols.com.** Presented by the World Music and Dance Institute. **www.dancingplanetproductions.com.**

**Dance Classes** *listings may be submitted by FSGW members only.***Beginning Scandinavian Dancing
• NIH, Bethesda, MD****Thursdays, May 6 and 20 • 8-9:30 pm**

Learn hambo, schottish, waltz, zwiefacher, and other couple turning dances. Singles, couples, beginners, and advanced dancers welcome. Come when you can; class is continuous, and some hambo is done every time. Air-conditioned! Wear smooth-soled shoes for turning. \$5. DIRECTIONS: Enter NIH at Wisconsin and South, for vehicle inspection (have ID available). Go to the south center of NIH and park in the NIH permit parking, next to Building T-39. Or walk (8 minutes) from the Medical Center Metro stop. See map at www.HamboDC.org <http://www.HamboDC.org> or on a flyer. No dancing if code orange. Mother's ill health may cause a cancellation; check the website or call if you are not on the e-mail list.)

Info: Lisa Brooks at 301.654.7667, 240.731.1935, or lisa@HamboDC.org <<mailto:lisa@HamboDC.org>>

Donna Barker and Mike Marcotte offer area dance classes:

SWING**Beginning/Intermediate Swing****PSDC Room, 146 East Maple Avenue, Vienna, VA****Wednesdays, May 5-26 • 7:30- 8:30pm**

Instructor **Donna Barker**. Class followed by DJ'd social dancing until 11 pm. Walk-in cost: \$10 PSDC members, or \$12 non-members. Dance only: \$6/\$8. **Email donna@dancedc.com or <http://www.dancedc.com>**

Intermediate Swing**Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom • Glen Echo, MD****Thursdays, April 29 - May 27 • 7-8 pm**

Instructors **Donna Barker** and **Mike Marcotte**. Improve your partnering skills and learn new moves. Social dancing

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from 9 - 11 pm included. \$45. Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park (Directions, page 16). Email donna@dancedc.com or <http://www.dancedc.com>

Swing Dance Practice for All levels to DJ music
Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom • Glen Echo, MD
Thursdays, 9 - 11 pm

Free to students, \$5 drop-ins

LINDY

Lyon Village Community House, Lee Hwy and No. Highland, Arlington, VA

Instructors **Donna Barker** and **Mike Marcotte**. Walk-in lessons and dancing every Sunday, 7-8 pm with Slow Blues. 8 - 8:45 pm: Int./Adv. Swing/Lindy, followed by DJ'd dance until 11 pm. Both lessons and dance: \$10 PSDC members; \$12 non-members. Dance only: \$3/\$5. Email donna@dancedc.com or <http://www.dancedc.com>

Beginning Lindy

Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom • Glen Echo, MD

Thursdays, April 29 - May 27 • 8 - 9 pm

Instructors **Donna Barker** and **Mike Marcotte**. Basic concepts for this 6- and 8-count dance, including the 8-count whip and variations. Social dancing from 9 - 11 pm included. \$45. Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park (Directions, page 16). Email donna@dancedc.com or <http://www.dancedc.com>

WALTZ

Beginning/Intermediate Waltz

Glen Echo Bumper Car Pavilion • Glen Echo, MD

Monday, May 3-17 • 7:30 - 9pm

Instructor **Donna Barker**. Followed by a half hour of practice to wonderful DJ'd waltz music. Cost: \$45 for the 3-week series. Email donna@dancedc.com or <http://www.dancedc.com>

Jams/Open Mics/Audience Participation

Listed by day of the week

Sundays

Scottish Traditional Music Jam • Wheaton, MD
Sunday, May 2 • 3-6 pm

Scottish traditional music jam, first Sundays, Royal Mile Pub, 2407 Price Avenue. Musicians welcome.

Info: **John Ward** at 301.627.2770 or fidhle@iamdigex.net

CABOMA Jam • Arlington, VA
Sundays, May 9 and 23 • 2 pm

Capitol Area Bluegrass and Old-Time Music Association (CABOMA) holds jams the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. Lyon Park Community Center, corner of N. Filmore and Pershing, Arlington, VA. Info: **Dave** at 301.274.3441.

Irish Traditional Music Seisiun • Wheaton, MD
Sunday, May 23 • 7-10 pm

Fourth Sundays, Royal Mile Pub, 2407 Price Avenue, Wheaton, MD. Seisiun musicians welcome. Info: **Dennis** at 301.422.6550.

Mondays

Jammin' Java • Vienna, VA
Mondays • 7:30-10:30 pm

Two songs or 8 minutes total. Free, open to all. 231 Maple Avenue East. Sign up at 7; show starts at 7:30. To sign up, contact: **Kris Ohleth**/krisohleth@yahoo.com.

Tuesdays

Sea Chantey Open Pub Sing • Wheaton, MD
May 4 • 8 pm

The Ship's Company chanteymen host an open mic sea chantey on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 8 pm, Royal Mile Pub, 2407 Price Avenue, Wheaton, MD. No cover/minimum; arrive early for a table. Participation encouraged but not mandatory. Requests are honored if possible. Mostly a capella but instruments are welcome. Info: **Myron Peterson** at shipcompany@hotmail.com

Folk Club of Herndon-Reston • Herndon, VA
Tuesdays • 7:30-9:45 pm

Tortilla Factory, 648 Elden Street, Herndon, VA. Open mic format. Each performer gets 12 minutes (including setup time). \$1 donation. 2nd Tuesday includes a 25-minute member showcase. Smoke-free environment. Info: 703.435.2402.

Wednesdays

Laurel Jam Session • Laurel, MD
2nd and 4th Wednesdays • 7-10 pm

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



Jams/Audience Participation etc. continued

Women's A Cappella Chorus • Brooklyn Park, MD *Wednesdays • 7:15pm*

The Harbor City Music Company, a women's a cappella chorus, is seeking motivated singers in all voice parts. Women who love to sing and perform are always welcome. The Chorus is preparing for October 2004 Sweet Adeline International competition. Rehearsals are held at the Chesapeake Center in Brooklyn Park, MD on Wednesdays @ 7:15 pm. **Call 800.856.9868 or visit www.harborcitymusiccompany.org**

Open Mic Nite • Alexandria, VA *Wednesday, May 19 • 7 pm*

St. Elmos Coffee Pub, 2300 Mt. Vernon Avenue. Third Wednesdays, hosted by Michelle Swan. Two songs each. All are welcome. Signup starts at 7. **Info: 703.739.9268 or mswan64@yahoo.com.**

Thursdays

American Balalaika Symphony, Open Rehearsals • Arlington, VA

Thursdays • 8pm

Fiddle, mandolin, and guitar experience translates easily to the balalaika and domra. Enthusiastic beginners welcome! Come play Russian and East European folk and classical music. Most Thursdays at The Church of the Covenant, 2666 Military Rd, Arlington.

Info: John at JohnK@balalaika.biz or 703.837.9083.

Irish Traditional Music Session • Frederick, MD *Thursdays 7pm*

At Boe's Strings, 26 S. Market Street. **Info and tune list at www.BoesStrings.com or Boe at 301.662.0750.**

Fridays

Dupont Music Circle • Arlington, VA *May 7 and 21 • 8pm*

Since 1983 the informal Dupont Music Circle has met to sing and play English, Scottish, Welsh, Irish, Quebecois, American, and other traditional music just for fun. Usually the first and third Fridays, but call to confirm dates. **Info: Liz at 703.658.0957**

Glen Echo Open Band • Glen Echo, MD *May 14 • 8:30-11:30 pm*

The fabulous Glen Echo Open Band plays for the second Friday contra dance. All instruments and levels of ability are welcome. **Info: fnd.folkdancer.com.**

Saturdays

Archie Edwards Blues Jam • Washington, DC *Saturdays • 1 pm*

The Archie Edwards Blues Heritage Foundation holds an acoustic blues jam almost every Saturday afternoon, starting about 1 pm. All skill levels welcome. 1007 Bunkerhill Road, NW, Washington, DC. **Info/confirmation: 202.5267539.**

Hammer Dulcimer Jam • McLean, VA *No hammer dulcimer jam in May.*

Hammer dulcimer players meet bimonthly at the Dolley Madison Library to swap tunes and play together. Other acoustic instruments welcome. **Info: Ellie at 703.578.3106, hdjam@holsopple.com or <http://pages.prodigy.net/holsopple>.**



Storytelling

Speak Easy-Washington Storyteller's Theatre • Washington, DC

Tuesday, May 11 • 8pm

"Counterculture: Stories about Defying Convention." Monthly storytelling series showcasing local storytellers from novice to professional. All Speak Easys take place at HR-57, 1610 14th Street NW, Washington, DC at 8pm. Doors open 7:30. Admission \$5. HR-57 sells beer, wine and some food. Sign up for the open mic when you arrive. Open mic stories are strictly limited to 7 minutes and must incorporate the theme. **Info: www.washingtonstorytellers.org**

WST Flying Solo Series • Washington, DC *Wednesday, May 19 • 7:30pm*

"Noa Baum: A Land Twice Promised" at The Arts Club of Washington, 2017 Eye (I) Street, NW, Washington, DC. Purchase tickets at the door or in advance by calling 301.891.1129.

Willie Claflin: Where Were You in '72? • Washington, DC

Saturday, May 22 • 8pm

Travel back in time with **Willie Claflin** and his well-worn Martin guitar as he relives hilarious counterculture misadventures in backwoods Maine during the 1970s. Willie Claflin grew up on Lake Winnepesaukee in Wolfeboro, NH, where he spent his time wandering

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through the woods, listening to his father tell stories, and worrying about the wolf under his bed. He now delights audiences around the country with his stories, Scottish and American folk songs on banjo and guitar, and a cappella ballads. At Westmoreland Congregational Church -1 Westmoreland Circle @ Mass Ave \$12 (\$10 seniors and students, \$9 for WST members) **At the door or in advance by calling 301.891.1129.** Also, there is a workshop with **Willy Claflin on Sunday, May 23 in Silver Spring, MD.** Call WST at 301.891.1129 to register.



Storytelling Tour to China

September 10-22

Sponsored by the Friendship Storytelling Delegation. Visit the 600-year-old storytelling village of Gengcun in the suburbs of Gaocheng City, China. This village, located about 150 miles south of Beijing, is known for its storytelling traditions, dating back to the beginning of the Ming Dynasty (1368-1644). Chinese storytellers **Linda Fang** and **Li Min Mo** will facilitate the tour. They will give several performances, and there will be storytelling sharing by the participants. We hope that storytellers, their families and friends will join us on this exciting tour.

For more information, please contact Linda Fang (email- lindafang@earthlink.net, phone-301 838.9614) or Li Min Mo (email- storymo@postmark.net, phone 617.661.8943).

Workshops, Weekends, Festivals, & Special Events

Scottish Festival • Silver Spring, MD

Saturday, May 1 • 5-9:30pm

36th Annual National Capital Area Scottish Festival - An authentic program of Scottish Piping and Drumming, fiddling, song, country and highland dancing. Performers include: **The World Champion City of Washington Pipe Band, MacMillan Pipe Band, Rockville High School Pipe Band, Fynesound, Bob Mitchell, Scottish Country Dance Society, Columbia School of Highland Dance** and a Surprise. Scottish food and Celtic crafts from 3:30pm. Tickets are general admission and are available at the door. Adults \$8, Senior Citizens and Students \$3, Children 10 and under free. Rockville High School at Northwood Center, 919 University Blvd, West.

Info: 301.946.0211, <http://www.rhspb.org/festival.shtml> or rhspb@comcast.net

Shepherdstown Mayday Celebration

• Shepherdstown, WV

Saturday, May 1 • 12noon

Celebrate Spring the traditional British way with music, dance, revelry and picnics in the sun as Shepherdstown Morris throws its annual Mayday Celebration. Musicians, dancers and costumed revelers are invited to join the celebration which starts with a parade down German Street at noon to the tune of the Winstar Processional followed by morris and maypole dancing, music and whatever merriment may occur under the town's 22ft maypole. Performers are asked to give advance notice so that we can include you in our plans; others are welcome to join the fun wearing colorful spring clothing, ribbons and flowers to celebrate the end of winter. **For more information**

call Joanie Blanton 304.263.2531 updf@earthlink.net or Laura First at 301.416.2246 laura9first@aol.com or see the info on the web by following the links at www.smad.info.

21st Annual Victoria's Revenge Dancefest

• Cape May, NJ

May 7-8

It's our 21st Annual weekend and we are proud to present some of the finest musicians and callers in the East! This is the reunion of the **Capital Quicksteps Quadrille Orchestra**, the 15-piece orchestra that played for the first 10 Dancefests. A full orchestra, including fiddles, bass, saxophone, flute, clarinet, trombone, keyboard, and percussion, all under the baton, er . . . fiddle bow of **Steve Hickman**. Bringing it all together, our callers for the weekend will be **Becky Hill** (from Cleveland, Ohio) and **Nils Fredland** (from Kennett Square, PA), both of whom are superb! Cost \$48 per person. A balance of the sexes will be maintained. Dance the evenings away and spend your free time exploring the wonders, both natural and man-made, of Cape May. Flyers are out at local dances & at our web site: www.contradancers.com. **For info, contact: Jamie Platt at 301.320.7099**

Susquehanna Music and Arts Festival

• Darlington, MD

Friday, May 7 - Sunday, May 9

At Ramblewood Campground. 3 days of folk music, workshops, craft booths and children's programs. Cabins and camping available with real bathrooms. Indoor facilities available in case of bad weather. Accessible site. Many performers include **Tanglefoot**,

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Aztec 2 Step, Greg Greenway, Sonia, Wyrd Sisters, Mustard's Retreat, We're About 9, Caroline Aiken, Nerissa & Katryna Nields. Singer-songwriter contest on Friday at 6pm. Full information and tickets at www.smaf.info. 301.526.4259.

Music and Instrument Making Workshops •
Front Royal, VA
 Offered by the Northern Virginia 4-H Educational Center.

May 7-9

Hammered Dulcimer Making Workshop with Don Kawalek

A full weekend of hammered dulcimer construction with one of the top craftsman in the field! Each participant will build and take home his/her own 12 treble/11 bass, double-course hammered dulcimer from a kit put together by Don.

Rhythm-Mandolin Boot Camp with Niles Hokkanen

How are your rhythm/backup skills on the mandolin? When you consider that in many styles of music, you may be playing "rhythm" 80-90% of the time, doesn't it make sense to develop your rhythm-playing skills and vocabulary? Are deficiencies in this area hindering you in playing different genres of music? This weekend will help intermediate to advanced mandolin players develop a variety of mando rhythms outside of the bluegrass/old time standards.

Fee includes lodging, meals, materials, and instruction. For full details on all our workshops, please visit the 4-H Center website at www.ext.vt.edu/resources/4h/northern or call **Lance Johnson**, Program Director, at 540.635.7171.

Takoma on Track Spring Music Festival • Takoma, DC

Saturday, May 8 • 10am-5pm

Did you ever wonder what Takoma Park might have been like 100 years ago? Turn back your clock one hundred years and join us to celebrate Takoma -past, present, and future. Enjoy live music on two stages, childrens' rides, a taste of today's best ethnic foods. Metro accessible on the Red line. Takoma. Located on Fourth Street between Cedar and Butternut. Performers: *Squeeze Bayou*, *Nicolo the Juggler*, *Jerry Gordon Jazz Group*. Info: 202.882.7565 or <http://www.takomaontrack.org>.

Tango Workshop • Pikesville, MD

Saturday, May 15 • 1-5pm

BFMS presents a workshop in American Tango to live music. Teaching by **Steve Gester** and **Toni Janiec**, music by **Jonathan Jensen** and **Alexander**

Mitchell. No partner is necessary. A balance of leaders/followers will be maintained. Limited to first 40 registrants, so register early. Price- \$30/\$35 members/non members of affiliated organizations at St. Mark's on the Hill, 1620 Reisterstown Road, Pikesville.

For details call 410.647.2374, or visit www.bfms.org/eventIndex.html for info and application.

Mandolin Workshops with Steve Smith • Takoma Park, MD

Sunday, May 23

Presented by the House of Musical Traditions. Beginners: 11:30 am-1:30 pm; \$30. Intermediate/Advanced: 2:30-4:30 pm; \$30. Location: 7040 Carroll Ave, Takoma Park, MD. For more information or to sign up, call 301.270.9090 or e-mail lessons@hmtrad.com. Visit Steve Smith's website at <http://www.desertnight.com>

35th Annual Diamond Dance Circle International Folk Dance Weekend

• College Park, MD

Memorial Day Weekend, May 28-31

Join us for a weekend celebration of music and dance. **Mihai David** will teach Romanian dance and **Boris Ilievski "Kete"** will teach Macedonian and Greek dance. **Richard Powers** will teach Ragtime dances, waltz, tango, an interesting session of a 1970's 4-count disco, and will call set dances for the evening parties. Featuring the **Izgrev Macedonia' Greek Orchestra**. They will augment the evening party sets with their Serbian and Bulgarian repertoire. Also featuring **The Machaya Klezmer Band** with **Jay McCrensky**. Ethnic food. For information contact **Phyllis and Brandon Diamond** at 301.871.8788 or diamonddancecircle@comcast.net. Website: diamonddancecircle.com

Almost Heaven 2004 • Buffalo Gap Camp, WV

Memorial Day Weekend, May 28-31

A weekend of contra, swing, waltz and tango with **Swallowtail**. Couple dance with **Goldcrest**. Swing music by **SwingSet**. Dance instruction by **Ellen Engle** and **Marc Shepanek** (swing, tango and selected ballroom dances), and **Gaye Fifer** and **Wayne Albright** (waltz).

For information contact **Joyce Duffy-Bilanow** at 301.596.0487 or heavenjoyce@comcast.net. Website: www.contradancers.com

The Annual GottaGetGon Folk Festival

• Upstate NY

Memorial Day Weekend, May 28-30

At the Saratoga County Fairgrounds in Ballston Spa, NY (40 minutes north of Albany). We invite you to join

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us for two days of scheduled concerts and workshops. All scheduled events and much jamming is undercover (in buildings) so the weather poses no problem for us. This year's featured performers include: **Scott Ainslie**, **The Johnson Girls**, **Sara Milonovich & Greg Anderson**, **Dan Duggen**, **Peggy Lynn** and **Dan Berggren**. Info at <http://www.pickingandsinging.org/> (lots of photos) Howie Eskin is the GGG Coordinator/e-mail at: eskin@capital.net, or phone 518.882.6809

Conterpoint 2004 • Rockville, MD

June 11-13

The 14th Northeast Filk Convention, will be held at the Woodfin Suites Hotel in Rockville, MD. With **Chris Malme** as Guest of Honor, **Bob Esty** as Toastmaster, and **Jordan Mann** as Interfilk Guest. Come share and learn about "filk music", the folk music of the science fiction fan community. Registration \$40 thru 5/27/04, \$45 at the door. Call **Gary Ehrlich** at 301.840.9344 or <http://www.filk-er.org/conterpoint> for details.

4th Annual LAUGHS Festival • Sterling, VA

June 19-20 • 10am - 5pm

The 4th annual LAUGHS (Loudoun's Annual Unforgettable Gigantic Hilarious Storyfest) Festival returns to scenic Claude Moore Park in Sterling, VA on Saturday, June 19th from 10am to 5pm, with a concert at 7:30pm and Sunday, June 20th from 11am to 4pm. This year's featured storytellers are **Willy Claflin**, **Carmen Deedy**, **Elizabeth Ellis**, **Diane Ferlatte**, **Bil Lepp**, and **Ed Stivender**. There will also be cameo appearances by the winners of the Virginia Storytelling Alliance national audition. The Saturday evening concert will showcase Keepers of the Culture and Voices in the Glen. For tickets and more information, go to www.laughsfestival.org or call 540.338.7973.

SoundCatcher-Play Early and Traditional Music by Ear with Hesperus.

August 8-14 • Harpers Ferry, WV

Don't be paper trained! Play medieval, Renaissance, Appalachian, Irish, Andean, Sephardic tunes by ear. Music readers and non-music readers alike will learn to hear modes, meters, patterns and forms with **Hesperus**: **Scott Reiss** (recorder, Irish whistle), **Tina Chancey** (viol, fiddle), and **Bruce Hutton** (guitar, banjo). You'll find yourself arranging tunes and adding back-up, variations, improvisation, ornaments, & counter melodies, taught by warm and supportive coaches. Beginning Irish whistle, fiddle, lap dulcimer. At historic Hilltop House in Harpers Ferry, WV, with a special group visit to the international session at O'Hurley's General Store in Shepherdstown. Contact: **Scott Reiss** at 703.525.7550 ScottReiss@cs.com www.hesperus.org

Eisteddfod New York, A Festival of Traditional Music • Brooklyn NY

Friday, August 13-Sunday, August 15

All festival general admission \$75 in advance. \$85 at the door. All festival member's admission: \$65 in advance. \$75 at the door (FSGW members qualify). Sponsored by New York Pinewoods Folk Music Club (Folk Music Society of New York, Inc.) <http://www.folk-musicny.org/>. Featuring **Bishop Nathaniel Townsley, Jr.** and the **Gospel Jubilee**, **Norman Kennedy**, **Helen Schneyer**, **Rafe Stefanini**, **Hedy West** plus many more. Moderately priced dormitory housing available. At Polytechnic University.

For information, Website: <http://www.eisteddfod-ny.org/> E-mail: info@eisteddfod-ny.org Phone: 718.426.8555

Pow-Owl CaMp • Buffalo Gap Camp, WV

August 20 - 22

Can't get enough of Buffalo Gap Camp, where the dance floor's fine and the mountain breezes are delightful? Fellow Folkie **Jenny Foster** is sponsoring a new weekend event on August 20-22 for Mensa, the high-IQ society. Non-members are quite welcome, and it's a bright, friendly, interesting bunch—kind of like us. There will be a wide variety of programs, including a dance sampler series (easy contra, Scandinavian, Balkan, etc.), so come and share the joy of dance! Cabins will be set aside for games, a book swap, and the children's clubhouse. All we need is YOU. \$165 to 5/28, \$185 to 7/19, \$205 to 8/13. Kids 13-17 @ 75%, 6-12 @ 50%, under 6 free. For info: **Jenny Foster**, pinc@xecu.net or 301.371.4312 (email preferred).

Mountain Stage NewSong Festival Charles Town, WV

August 20- 22

Make plans for the Mountain Stage NewSong Festival. Now in its third year, this preeminent performing songwriter event returns to the 350-acre historic Claymont Court estate, tucked in the hills outside Charles Town, WV, a little over an hour's drive from Washington, D.C. and Baltimore. NewSong features great music on multiple stages, workshops on songcraft, family-friendly events, song circles, jamming into the night and creative fellowship on an estate once owned by George Washington's family. NewSong welcomes performing songwriters of all levels and genres, and devoted fans of live music and fine festivals. The 2004 Newsong Contest is accepting entries now through June 15. Information: <http://www.newsongfestival.com> or email info@newsongfestival.com

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35 Years Ago — May 1969

— Joe Hickerson —

The May 9 FSGW program at the Washington Ethical Society featured Frank Goodwyn. The Open Sing was held May 24 at the Union Methodist Church. The 2-page May 1969 newsletter (volume 5, number 9) announced these events, a May 17 Sacred Harp sing and pot luck supper in Accokeek, MD, a May 28-29 program of folklore films at the Smithsonian Institution, **John Dildine's** WAMU folk music radio show, and **Senators Yarborough** and **Fulbright's** introduction of a bill to establish a "Foundation of American Folklife" which eventually resulted in the 1976 creation of the American Folklife Center in the Library of Congress.

The following were scheduled to appear in the area this month: **Theodore Bikel**; **Jamie Brocket**; **Billie & DeDe Pierce & The Preservation Hall Jazz Band**; **Olatunji & His Drums of Passion**; **Country Gentlemen**; **Currie Family**; **Dixie Rebels**; **Bill Emerson**, **Cliff Waldren & The Lee Highway Boys**; **Bob Goff & The Bluegrass Buddies**; **Green County Ramblers**; **Jim & Jessie & The Virginians**; **Page Valley Boys**; **Don Reno**, **Bill Harrell & The Tennessee Cut-Ups**; **Francis Tinsman & The Potomac Valley Boys**. Most of these events were listed in *Bluegrass Unlimited* and *The Washington Star*.

The Library of Congress Archive of Folk Song received important collections this month from **Ruth Rubin** and the **National Federation of Music Clubs**. They also reported the following visitors: **John Allen** (Southern Illinois University); **B. A. Botkin** (Croton-on-Hudson, NY); George Carey (University of Maryland); **R. P. Christeson** (Dept. of Agriculture); **Marshall Dodge** (NYC); **Halim El-Dabh** (Howard University); **Olive Lewin** (Jamaican School of Music); **Stephen Smolian** (SS Sound Studios); **Henrietta Yurchenco** (CCNY).

HELP WANTED!!

FSGW needs a new Database Manager, primarily responsible for membership renewals. FSGW's current database manager, Rita Ferrara, is moving on to pursue other interests, but our loss is your opportunity to support an organization you really care about. In recognition of the time commitment involved in this formerly all-volunteer job, FSGW offers an honorarium of \$200/month.

The database manager is responsible for payment of all state and federal taxes on these earnings. Responsibilities include: printing and mailing of renewal notices, accurately entering membership renewals and donations into the database, depositing funds, printing and mailing welcome letters and membership cards, and sending deposit reports to the Bookkeeper. You will need to purchase ink, paper, envelopes and stamps, for which you will be reimbursed. You may need to confer with the Webmaster, Membership Chair or members from time to time for clarifications. Time commitment is approximately 20 hours per month.

If you are interested, please contact **Lynn Pastore**, our Membership Chair: 301.577.0745 or lynnpastore@yahoo.com.

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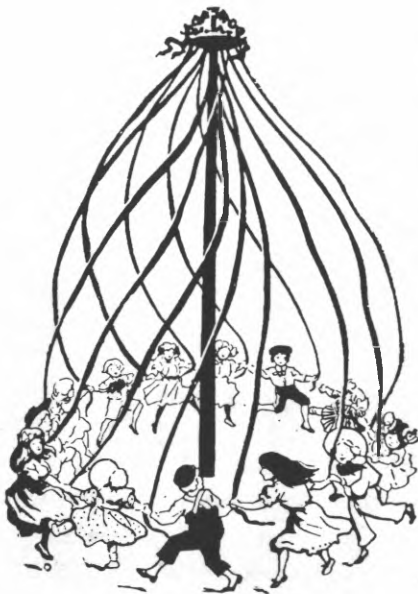
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2004 Washington Folk Festival Volunteer Form

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Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (Evening) _____ (Day) _____ (Cell) _____

Email: _____

Have you worked at previous Washington Folk Festivals? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Check your availability:

- ☐ **Pre Event** (weekends in May between 9am-6pm))
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CHECK YOUR PREFERENCES:

Before the Festival:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Using Power Tools | <input type="checkbox"/> Whatever is Needed | <input type="checkbox"/> Driving Golf carts/equipment | |

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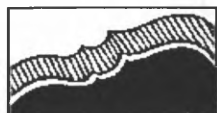
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