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FSGW Special Event

Bethesda, MD

Eleanor Ellis

Red-Hot Blues • CD release!

Friday, November 9 • 8 pm



Eleanor Ellis, one of the founders of the **Archie Edwards Blues Heritage Foundation**, will celebrate the release of her new CD, *Comin' a Time*, with a lively concert at the Brookmont Social Hall, joined by special guests: **Neil Harpe, Judy Luis-Watson, Jay Summerour, Mike Baytop, Joel and Pearl Bailes, and Tom Cox.**

Eleanor combines the rich musical heritage of her native Louisiana with a powerful attraction to the music of the old country blues masters. The result is a blend of individual interpretation and expression with a feeling and intensity reminiscent of those who have been her musical inspirations.

Eleanor is a founding member of the DC Blues Society, has written about the Blues for several publications, and has produced a video documentary, "Blues House Party," which features Archie Edwards along with other well-known area Piedmont blues musicians.

Tickets \$15 for FSGW Members and non-members.

Info: info@pxrec.com or 301.424.0637

Venue: Brookmont Church, 4000 Virginia Place, Bethesda, Maryland 20816. From 495, exit Exit 40 or 41 as though you were going to Glen Echo. After the hairpin U-turn at the exit to Glen Echo turn right on MacArthur Blvd, towards DC. Go 1.5 miles to Maryland Ave. Turn right on Maryland Avenue. Turn right onto the SECOND Broad St. and take the next left on Virginia Place. Please obey the *no parking* signs along the Green and park on the side of the street next to the building. Accessibility: Not ADA compliant. Let us know, and we'll try to make accommodation.

FSGW Special Event

Great Falls, VA



Liz Donaldson, Becky Ross, and Colleen Reed

English Echoes of Song and Dance

Saturday, November 17 ★ 8pm

As part of the vibrant and talented local community of English County Dance musicians, **Becky Ross** (fiddle), **Liz Donaldson** (piano) and **Colleen Reed** (flute) play frequently at the weekly FSGW-sponsored English Country Dance. Their new CD, *English Echoes: English Country Dance Favorites*, with guest **Bruce Edwards** on bassoon, features a selection of their favorite tunes in a variety of meters and moods – jigs, reels, waltzes, and more, from elegant and smooth to bouncy and lively.

Each member of this trio brings experience and style to the collaboration. Liz's distinctive piano captures the mood of each dance through textures, harmony lines

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FSGW Sunday Night Dances

at Glen Echo Park, MD • (Directions, page 14)
Contras & Squares • 7:30 to 10:30 pm
Introductory lesson every Sunday from 7-7:30 pm



Join us for an evening of dance at Glen Echo Park. Every Sunday FSGW (in cooperation with the National Park Service, Montgomery County, and the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture) presents contras and squares danced to live music by fabulous bands with entertaining callers. Experienced and new dancers welcome; no partner needed. **Welcome/Orientation session every Sunday at 7 pm. Come early to learn the basics or improve your allemandes!** Dances often become more challenging as the evening progresses. Stay hydrated – bring water or a sports drink (no alcohol permitted in the Park). If you use scented products such as perfumes, note that some dancers have allergies – please apply it, if you must, with a light hand. **Info: Robert Cox, dance@fsgw.org. November dances will be in the Ballroom.**

**Admission: \$9 for FSGW, BFMS, CDSS, and ATDS Members.
 \$12 for the general public**

Nov



- 4 **Taylor Among the Devils**, a mischievous line-up featuring **Steve Hickman** on fiddle, **Jonathan Jensen** on keyboard, and **Marty Taylor** playing concertina and winds, will play some flaming hot contras and squares. And another Taylor will add her own special seasoning to the mix – **Susan Taylor** will be calling!
- 11 Visiting us from Faber, Virginia, **Denise Lair** will be calling to a Boston favorite, the **Dead Sea Squirrels**, with **Cathy Mason** on fiddle, **Craig Edwards** on fiddle and banjo, and **Henry Yoshimura** on guitar.
- 18 Don't miss this one! – caller **Rick Mohr** will bring some of his great dances (including both squantras and contras) to the Ballroom, where you'll dance to **Beeswax Sheepskin**, featuring **Ethan Hazzard-Watkin** on fiddle, **Anna Patton** on clarinet, **Rodger Kahle** on guitar and foot percussion, and **Chuck Corman** on bass, piano, dumbek, and guitar (probably not simultaneously).
- 25 Gravy from the Butterball Dance – the amazing **Seth Tepher** from Atlanta will be calling with local favorites the **New Hip Trio** – **Joe DeZarn** on fiddle, **Liz Donaldson** on piano, and **Ralph Gordon** on bass, with special guest **Dave Langford**, a fine fiddler from Boston.



FSGW Midwinter Festival • Takoma Park, MD

Saturday, February 2, 2008 • noon-10:30 PM

Mark your calendar now. The 2008 edition of the FSGW Midwinter Festival (aka Mini-Fest) will take place on Groundhog Day, which makes a perfect excuse to host an all-day contra dance (noon to 10:30 pm) – at which we will, of course, do lots of contras with shadows. So, are you interested in performing (calling, playing, singing, dancing, hosting a workshop), or in financial gain (selling crafts)? How about doing some of the programming, and/or volunteering to help with load-in/load-out or taking on one 2-hour shift of overseeing this madness? Email yours truly, the newsletter editor, who is obviously crazy enough to take this on for another year. **Newsletter@fsgw.org.**

Keith Kendrick

"Sturdy and English as a five-bar gate!"

Saturday, November 10 • 8-10 pm

Free to Members!!



Keith Kendrick is a fine and characterful singer – a voice with a rich timbre and well developed sense of style. He's blessed with a wry sense of humour and his voice has a unique and endearing quality which effortlessly commands your attention and makes him one of the world's very best story tellers in song. Master of both the 'English' and the 'Anglo German' concertinas, his career has taken him all over the world performing traditional and contemporary songs and tunes. Don't miss this rare opportunity to spend an evening with one of England's most celebrated singers and dance musicians!

Info: Julia Friend, 917.685.9243 or www.fsgw.org

Church of the Ascension, 633 Sligo Avenue, is handicapped accessible from the Silver Spring Ave doors by elevator or from Sligo Ave side by ramp access.

Directions: From the Beltway 495: Exit 31B South (MD 97/Georgia Avenue) towards Washington through downtown Silver Spring. At the 5th light after Colesville Road (US29/MD384), turn left at Sligo Avenue. (It's the last light before the railroad/Metro underpass.) 633 Sligo Ave is half a mile, on the left between Carroll Ave and Schrider St.

From Washington DC: North on Georgia Ave into Maryland. Right on Sligo Ave (first street after the Metro/railroad underpass). Ascension is located between Carroll Ave and Schrider Street on the left.

Free Parking: East Silver Spring Elementary School on Silver Spring Avenue (just across the street that runs BEHIND the church). Turn onto Schrider Street (East of the church) and go one block to the stop sign at Silver Spring Ave., turn left. The school is on the far left corner. There's a back entrance to the church facing Silver Spring Ave. and the school. (624 Silver Spring Ave.)

Metro: Red Line to Silver Spring station, then take a Ride-On Number 16 Bus to the church.

FSGW Special Event

Glen Echo, MD

Judy Cook

**A Multi-Media Program of
Songs and Images from the Civil War**

Thursday, November 15 • 8-10 pm



Captivating! Stirring! Inspiring! Join Judy Cook, whose command of narrative style and deep respect for traditions have earned admiration on both sides of the Atlantic, for this exceptional program of songs and images. Judy, dressed in 1860s garb, will present some of the remarkable ballads of the Civil War from her new CD, as well as excerpts from the Civil War era letters of her own great-great-grandfather. Hear Sam Hood's irrepressible foot soldiers taunt the cavalry with a line from a popular song. Marvel at Jenny, a Pennsylvania girl who challenges a regiment of Confederate soldiers on their way to Gettysburg. And picture Gilbert, a 40 year old drafted farmer, as he writes home with details of camp life.

The one-hour multi-media program will be followed by a reception with refreshments. At Glen Echo Town Hall. (Directions on page 16)

Admission: FSGW Members \$15; Students \$10; Glen Echo town residents free; General public \$20. **Info:** 301.776.4314 or email judy@judycCook.net.

FSGW English Country Dances at Glen Echo Town Hall, MD Wednesdays • 8 to 10:30 pm

(Directions, Page 14).

Admission: \$7 for FSGW members, \$9 for non-members.



Dance on a wood floor in the climate-controlled community room of the Glen Echo Town Hall (Directions, Page 14). Bring clean, non-scuffing shoes for dancing. Cheerful, patient, talented callers are accompanied by top-notch musicians. Each evening offers a different and delightful mix of instruments, including piano, fiddle, flute, harp, oboe, concertina, bassoon, viola, and recorder. Light refreshments served at the break. Experienced and new dancers welcome. No partner required.

Info: Stephanie Smith at 301.229.3577 or Roger Broseus at English@fsgw.org

November

- 7 **Tom Spilsbury** calls to music by **Julie Gorka** (piano), **Bruce Edwards** (bassoon and concertina), and **Jeff Steinberg** (fiddle).
- 14 **Anna Rain** (recorders), **Edith Coakley** (fiddle) and **Liz Donaldson** (piano) will provide the music, while **Stephanie Smith** leads the dancing.
- 21 **Bob Farrall** calls to music by **Liz Donaldson** (piano), **Susan Brandt** (flute) and **Paul Oorts** (mandolin).
- 28 **Becky Ross** (fiddle), **Francine Krasowska** (piano), and **Colleen Reed** (flute) provide the music while **Rich Galloway** calls the dances.

Family Dance • Glen Echo, MD Sunday, November 11 • 3-5 pm



Bring yourself and your kids and your parents and your grandparents and your third cousins once removed to the Glen Echo Town Hall on Sunday afternoon, and meet **Denise Lair**, visiting from the wilds of Faber, Virginia. Dancers of all ages and abilities will have a great time dancing to the **Dead Sea Squirrels**, with **Cathy Mason** on fiddle, **Craig Edwards** on fiddle and banjo, and **Henry Yoshimura** on Guitar. Admission is still only \$5 per person (age 4 and up) for an entire afternoon. This is a great activity for birthday parties, scouts, or family reunions. Please bring a snack/drink to share. More information at www.fsgw.org. Directions on page 14.

*Liz Donaldson, Becky Ross, and Colleen Reed. English Echoes of Song and Dance
Saturday, November 17 ★ 8pm ★ Continued from front page*

and exciting rhythms. Colleen's natural ebullience bubbles irrepressibly with silvery smoothness or rapid-fire pulses. With Becky's rich tone and sensitive emotional connection to the music, the music soars and blends beautifully. This trio's easy chemistry weaves together sweet harmonies and melodies with lively rhythmic punctuation.

This delightful evening of music and social dance, at the Great Falls Grange, will start with a concert. Then after intermission, Brad Sayler from Charlottesville will teach and call favorite English Country dances. \$15 FSGW members, \$18 general public.

Directions from Beltway 495: Exit 44 West (Old Georgetown Pike/Route 193 West). Follow Old Georgetown Pike for 6.2 miles to the park entrance on the right. **Info:** www.fsgw.org or contact Marty Summerour at 703.354.6460.

Lil' Rev

Rev Up That Ukulele

Saturday, November 3 • 7 pm

This award-winning Wisconsin-based performer, instructor, and music historian specializes in Old Time, Blues, Tin Pan Alley, Ragtime and Folk. He was voted Best Folksinger in Wisconsin in 2004 and won the 1996 National Blues Harmonica Championship at Avoca, Iowa. Known for his high-energy, feel-good, sing-along concerts and workshops, this is sure to be a great evening of "Edu-tain-ment." **At home of Kathy and Marv Reitz, 17833 Bowie Mill Road. Info and directions: 301.670.6716 or reitz@verizon.net Suggested donation \$10.**

See the Weekends and Workshops listing in this issue for information about Lil' Rev's ukulele workshop earlier in the day, also at this venue.



Clarke Buehling

A Dillar, A Dollar, A Banjo Scholar

Tuesday, November 6 • 8 pm

Clarke Buehling has been a major force in minstrel, classic-period, and old-time fingerstyle banjo music performance for over thirty years. Internationally known for his extensive and eclectic old-time banjo and string band music repertoire, he bases much of his performance on items from his collection of 19th century sheet music (including some that belonged to Thomas Alva Edison).

As an Illinois schoolboy, Clarke studied piano, drums, and clarinet. A school performance by Hobart Smith inspired him to pick up the banjo and fiddle, and led to his life-long interest in folk music. After attending college in Oregon, and then studying at the San Francisco Art Institute, Clarke drifted to Berkley, traveled and performed in Europe, studied classic banjo in Connecticut, classical mandolin in Boston, and eventually landed in Fayetteville, Arkansas, where he met and married Lisa Tomayko.

In addition to performing, Mr. Buehling teaches banjo, fiddle, mandolin, and guitar in Fayetteville, Arkansas, and has taught old-time banjo classes for the Augusta Heritage Workshop in Elkins, West Virginia. He is the founder of the *American Banjo Fraternity Orchestra*.

The concert will be at Mount Lubentia, the restored 18th century home of Andy and Sondra Wallace located at 603 Largo Road in Largo/Upper Marlboro, Md. For information about the venue (accessibility, etc.), please contact Any Wallace at **301.324.7311**.

For more information about the concert, please contact Charlie Baum, event coordinator, at **202.334.1701 (work)** or **301.589.6855 (home)**, or visit the fsgw website. **Suggested donation \$15.**

See the Weekends and Workshops listing in this issue for information about Clarke Buehling's "Old Time Fingerstyle/Pre-Bluegrass" banjo workshop on Monday, November 5.



The Karelian Folk Music Ensemble

Kanteles, jouhikkos, and flutes, oh my!
Sunday, November 25 • 8-10:30 pm

irresistible special concert of acoustic music from Karelia, a region of forests, lakes, and small villages that encompasses both sides of the Finnish/Russian border.

The Karelian Folk Music Ensemble (Igor Arkhipoff, Alexander Bykadoroff, and Arto Rinne) play an astonishing array of instruments—5-, 10-, and 32-string kanteles (Finnish-Karelian harp), jouhikko (Karelian bowed lyre), wooden wind instruments (diatonic flutes, overtone flutes, goat's horn, birch barked trumpet, and Estonian bag-pipes), Russian and German button accordions, mandolin, bass, scythe and horse bells. Their music ranges from ancient epic songs accompanied by Finnish harps to a *cappella* Russian village songs, from old shepherd melodies on wooden flutes and trumpet to Finnish dances on accordions, and from scythe accompaniment to church bells. They sing (accompanied by instruments or a *cappella*) in Finnish, Karelian, Russian, and even Finnglish!

Contact Loretta Kelley at 301.270.4925 or lorettakelley@fanitull.org to reserve a seat, so she knows how many chairs to set up (and whether the capacity of the room has been reached).

Pamela Goddard

Old Music from New England

Saturday, December 1 • 8 pm

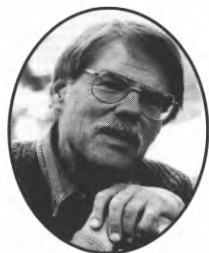
The chance discovery that her high school library contained a full collection of Library of Congress field recordings permanently altered **Pamela Goddard's** life and, as she puts it, "saved her from an adolescence of heavy metal rock music." Pamela sang with her father at home, with the church choir, and travelled up and down the Hudson River soaking up music at the early Clearwater Picnics (now known as the annual *Hudson River Revival Festival*).

In the early 1980s Pamela was a literature major in college, studying folk songs in their narrative form while learning local history as a staff member of the Sleepy Hollow Restorations living history museums. In 1989 she moved "upstate" to the Finger Lakes region of Central New York. Working full-time as the Curator of Education and Co-Director of a local history museum, she continued calling dances and singing traditional songs. Recent years have found her exploring the sound archives at Cornell University and Middlebury College, and she continues to promote the traditional singing of New York and New England. In 2000, after nearly twenty years as a museum educator, Pamela decided to focus on her song and dance interests, and is now a free-lance writer, country dance caller, and folk singer.

In performance, she blends an intimacy with the music and careful historical scholarship with light humor, creating an easygoing relationship with her audience. Much of her repertoire is performed in the pure, unaccompanied style, and Pamela also accompanies herself on the mountain dulcimer. When not singing solo versions of the traditional songs of North America and Great Britain, Pamela performs with the eclectic a *cappella* trio **Diamonds in the Rough**.

Please contact Dennis or Judy Cook at 301.776.4314 or cooks@ceimd.com to let them know you'll be coming, and to reserve a seat. All reservations held until at least 10 minutes before showtime.





The 43rd Getaway

West River Conference Center

West River, Maryland



Friday-Sunday, November 2-4 (and encroaching on Monday, November 5)

If you're reading this in the November newsletter, it's too late to register for the Getaway and stay over and eat with us – but it's NOT too late to plan to come out and make music with everybody. So come out and sing on Friday night, or come during the day on Saturday or Sunday. There's the November FSGW Open Sing, and singing and jamming of all kinds at almost any hour. There are mini-concerts by our invited guests, and participatory workshops during the day on Saturday and Sunday – look at the schedule of daytime activities, posted on the website. There are concerts after dinner on both Saturday and Sunday and jamming into the wee hours. **Info: 703.631.9655.**

Confirmed guests include **Gordon Bok, John Roberts, Saul Broudy, Joe Newberry, Lani Herrmann, Colleen Cleveland, and Sylvia Herold.**

Daytripper rates don't include meals (though we can direct you to nearby eateries).

Day rate (per day) without meals:

FSGW Members: \$35 adults 18 and older; \$20, ages 13-17; \$5 ages 4-12; 3 and under free.

Non-members: \$40 adults 18 and older; \$25 ages 13-17; \$10 ages 4-12; 3 and under free.

Driving Directions from the Washington Beltway (495):

From the North side/Montgomery County, etc.:

Beltway to Exit 19A (US 50 East); follow US 50 East toward Annapolis for 11 miles; take Exit 16 (MD 424) South toward Davidsonville. Follow MD 424 for 3.6 miles. Make a left onto MD 214 East (Central Avenue). Follow Central Avenue for 4.7 miles, then turn right on MD 468 South (Muddy Creek Rd). Follow Muddy Creek Rd for 8.2 miles, turn left onto Chalk Point Rd. Camp entrance is 0.9 miles on the left (5100 Chalk Point Road).

From the South side/Virginia. Wilson Bridge, etc.:

Beltway to Exit 11A (MD 4 South/East – Pennsylvania Avenue) toward Upper Marlboro. Follow MD 4 past Upper Marlboro for 11.6 miles. Then take MD-258 East toward Bristol / Deale / Mt. Zion for 7.2 miles. Turn left onto MD 256 (Deale-Churchton Rd.), and follow MD 256 for 1.7 miles, then left onto MD 468 (Muddy Creek Rd.) for 0.1 miles Turn right onto Chalk Point Rd. Camp entrance is 0.9 miles on the left (5100 Chalk Point Road)

FSGW Special Event

Laurel, MD

Vocal Workshops

November 2007 - March 2008 • 1-2 pm • Five Saturdays



A series of five classes (Saturdays: November 17, December 15, January 19, February 16, and March 8), limited to 12 students. This intimate class size will give all attendees the chance to get the most from their voices while protecting their vocal instrument from harm. Tutorial and student participation, led by **Charles Williams**, singer and vocal coach (a regular at Augusta Heritage Center Vocal Week). Classes are non-cumulative; you may sign up for one, all, or any combination. \$80 for the series, \$20 for each class; priority to those registering for the series. **Info: Dennis at 301.776.4314 or Dennis@DennisCook.net**

FSGW Special Event

McLean, VA

Nowell Sing We Clear

Tony Barrand, John Roberts, Fred Breunig and Andy Davis

Saturday, December 22 • 8 pm

Nowell Sing We Clear has toured for thirty-three years with its unusual songs, carols, stories, and customs. Drawn mostly from English-language folk traditions, the songs tell of the events and characters involved in the Christmas story and detail the customs which are honored during the twelve magical days following the winter solstice. Many of these ancient customs are the basis of today's holiday traditions – visiting and feasting, gift-giving, carol singing from door-to-door and adorning of houses and churches with evergreen garlands.

Nowell Sing We Clear celebrates Christmas as it was observed for centuries in Britain and North America, and as it is still kept in some places. Many songs come from an age when the midwinter season was a time for joyous celebration and vigorous expression of older, perhaps pagan, religious ideas. A special and unusual treat is the enactment of a Mummers Play from Kentucky. Performed in the traditional manner, the play is typical of folk dramas which survive to this day throughout Britain and North America symbolizing and portraying the death of the land at midwinter and its subsequent rebirth in spring.

While much of the singing is unaccompanied, the performance also features the energetic dance band sound of fiddle, button accordion, electric piano, drums, and concertina. Song sheets will be available, and the audience is encouraged to sing along. Some “new” (that is “different”) songs and carols are introduced every year. While most of them are rarely-heard traditional tunes, some others are recently-composed. This year's show includes new songs by John Kirkpatrick and Ian Robb.

Performers **John Roberts** and **Tony Barrand** are widely known for their lively presentations of English folk songs, and **Fred Breunig** and **Andy Davis** are well known in New England as dance callers and musicians.

At the Alden Theatre, 1234 Ingleside Avenue. General admission is \$27 per person, but FSGW members may purchase tickets at the significantly reduced price of \$19. To do this by mail, send your request to: Alden Theatre Box Office, 1234 Ingleside Avenue, McLean, Virginia 22101. In your cover letter, please state that you are an FSGW Member, provide your membership number [look at the newsletter label], provide a check for the appropriate number of tickets, and provide a return mailing address (or enclose an SASE). To do this at the box office window [see address above], begin the transaction by telling the staff that you are an FSGW member. You will need to present your membership card; you may purchase tickets at the box office using cash, checks, or Visa or MasterCard. You may also purchase tickets through the FSGW website, using PayPal.



FSGW Sings/Swaps & Co-sponsored Events

FSGW Open Sing • West River, MD Friday, November 2 • 8 pm

The November FSGW Open Sing will be at the Getaway, hosted by Dick Rogers. This month's theme: "Chorus Songs." See the article on the FSGW Getaway for details.

FSGW Storyswap • Annandale, VA Sunday, November 11 • 2:30 pm

Storytellers and listeners are invited to the home of Barbara Effron in Annandale for an afternoon of shared stories and potluck snacks. Free. Storytelling and storylistening children welcome. 703.323.1783 for RSVPs and directions.

FSGW Gospel Sing • Takoma Park, MD Sunday, November 11 • 4-8 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. Everyone is welcome! The November Gospel Sing will be at the home of Kathie Mack, just a few blocks from the Takoma Metro station. Info/directions: 301.270.5367.

FSGW Sacred Harp Singing • Arlington, VA Sunday, November 25 • 4-8 pm

St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 4250 North Glebe Road Thanksgiving Sunday, "Mortals, give thanks and sing." FSGW sponsors 4th Sunday group singings of shape-note hymns and fugues in unaccompanied four-part harmony at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 4250 N. Glebe Rd. We'll sing from the 1991 Sacred Harp and maybe Christian Harmony (loaner books available) from 4 to 6, share a potluck supper, then sing some more. Free. **Info: 301.229.8534.**

Directions: St. Peter's is 0.5 miles south of Chain Bridge, on the west side of Glebe Rd (coming from Washington, on your right; from Virginia, on your left). The church is not visible from Glebe Rd, but its sign is. Turn on Tazewell to reach the parking lot.

Co-Sponsored Event

Glen Echo International Folkdancers Glen Echo, Md Thursdays, 7:30-10:45 pm

Every Thursday at the Church of the Redeemer, 6201 Dunrobbin Drive (just west of the shopping center across from Glen Echo Park). Lesson at 7:30. Request dances from 9-10:45. Mostly recorded music. No partner or experience necessary. Wear comfortable clothing and soft-soled shoes. Admission \$5. **Info: Jamie at 301.466.3018 or dancingplanet@erols.com**

FSGW Bylaws Review and Revision

The Board of Directors has appointed a committee to review the FSGW Bylaws and propose changes, including permissible use of modern telecommunications. If you would like to comment on any issues respecting the bylaws, please send your comments to **Jane Ziki**, Secretary, at secretary@fsgw.org.

Co-Sponsored Event

Eisteddfod-NY • Jackson Heights, Queens, NY Friday-Sunday, November 16-18

Family-friendly gathering of musicians and singers, with lots of audience participation. Concerts, workshops, ballad swap, open stage, Festival Marketplace, and much more. Confirmed as of press date: Hillel Arnold, Norris Bennett, Colleen Cleveland, Jeff Davis, Craig Edwards, Jerry Epstein, Margaret Farrell, Alan Friend, Julia Friend, Howard Glasser, Martin Grosswendt, Jodee James, David Jones, *The Karelian Ensemble*, Keith Kendrick, Evy Mayer, Dan Milner, Anne Price, Jean Ritchie, Riki Schneyer, Steve Suffet, Ken Sweeney, Bill & Livia Vanaver, Jeff Warner, Heather Wood. Mary Cliff of WAMU will share emcee chores. At Renaissance Charter School, 35-59 81st St. Info: www.eisteddfod-ny.org or 718.965.4074. Co-sponsored by FSGW, the Folk Song Society of Greater Boston, and the NY Pinewoods Folk Music Club.

Concerts & Concert Series

Individual Concerts listed chronologically

Kate Campbell Concert • Washington, DC

Thursday, November 1 • 7:30 pm

Kate Campbell will perform a benefit concert presented by Calvary Baptist Church at 755 8th St. N.W. (corner of H and 8th, one block from the Gallery Place/Chinatown Metro). The concert will benefit Calvary's afterschool program for at-risk youth. **Holler-town** (Americana/bluegrass) will open the show. Tickets \$15 may be purchased online at www.calvarydc.org or by calling 202.347.8355.

Cajun Dance/Concert • Silver Spring, MD

Thursday, November 1 • 7:30-10:30 pm

This month a special treat — a showcase of local Cajun artists playing together. At Los Arrieros restaurant, 7926 Georgia Ave (just north of the DC line, south of the Silver Spring Metro station) Parking in rear lot off Blair Rd and on Georgia Ave). Admission: \$7. Come to eat and drink, dance, or just listen. No partner or dance experience necessary. Info: 301.585.8813

DC Bluegrass Union Concert • Falls Church, VA

Saturday, November 3 • 7 pm

Robin & Linda Williams and Their Fine Group will be joined by the **John Cowan Band** at James Lee Theater, 2855-A Annandale Rd. **Robin and Linda Williams** are regulars on *A Prairie Home Companion* radio show, and will be joined by **Jim Watson** on bass and **Jimmy Gaudreau** on mandolin and mandola. Co-sponsored by WAMU. Tickets \$24 for DCBU members, \$28 general public. Info: 703.916.0655 or www.dcbu.org

Washington Balalaika Society • Annandale, VA

Saturday, November 3 • 7:30 pm

America's largest and finest orchestra of Russian folk instrumentalists, conducted by **Svetlana Nikonova**, will present a concert featuring Russian instrumental duo **Tamara Volskaya** (domra) and **Anatoly Trofimov** (bayan), with balalaika virtuoso **Andrei Savelliev**. Northern Virginia Community College, 8333 Little River Tnpk (Rte 236). \$20/\$18 seniors and students; children under 12 free. 703.549.2010 or www.balalaika.org

Tom Paxton • Alexandria, VA

Saturday, November 3 • 7:30 pm

Legendary performer **Tom Paxton**, an integral part of the songwriting and folk singing scene since the 1960s, with **The Kennedys** at the Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mt. Vernon Avenue. Info at 703.549.7500 or www.birchmere.com. Tickets \$29.50.



Washington Balalaika Society • Washington, DC

Sunday, November 4 • 4 pm

See Saturday November 3 listing above for concert details. American University's Greenberg Theatre (off campus), 4200 Wisconsin Ave at Van Ness. \$25. 202.885.2587 or www.american.tix.com or www.balalaika.org

Solo Reunion Tour • Alexandria, VA

Wed/Thurs, November 7-8, 7:30 pm

Arlo Guthrie brings his inimitable blend of musicianship and storytelling magic to the Birchmere for two performances. 3701 Mt. Vernon Avenue. Info at 703.549.7500 or www.birchmere.com. Tickets \$45.

Hankin/Schwab • Baltimore, MD

Thursday, November 8 • 7 pm

A concert featuring **Jacqueline Schwab**, nationally-known English Country Dance musician with traditional and new keyboard works, and **Wayne Hankin**, specialist in pre-1750 woodwinds, playing pieces that span a millennium. Each will perform first separately and then will delight the audience with duets. An Die Musik, 409 North Charles Street. Tickets \$18. Info: 410.385.2638 or henry@andiemusik.com

Stone Jug House Concert • Gettysburg, PA

Friday, November 9 • 7:30 pm

Wendy Stewart, Scottish harpist. \$15 Info: 717.677.4420 for reservations and directions.

Tamburitza Concert/Dance • Harrisburg, PA

Saturday, November 10 • 7:30 pm

Croatian music concert and open dance with **Gipsy Stringz**, a Tamburitza orchestra from Pittsburgh featuring **Jerry Grcevic**, prim player, and Rom violinist **George Batyi**. Christ the Saviour Orthodox Church, 5501 Locust St. Tickets \$18, \$14 SFMS members, \$10 Students. Info: 717.214.2787 or www.sfmsfolk.org

Jug Band Music • Falls Church, VA

Sunday, November 11 • 5-8 pm

Razz'm Jazz'm is a musical hardware store, playing a unique and entertaining style of washboard/jug band music. **Marv Reitz**, jug and reeds; **Kathy Reitz**, bass; **Mark Cox**, saw; **Tom Layton**, washboard; **Dave Littlefield**, plectrum; **Bags Howard**, trumpet; **Pete Hinz**, violin; **Doug Everton**, banjo; **Don Rouse**, clary. JV's Restaurant, Route 50 at Annandale Road (6666 Arlington Blvd). Info 703.241.9504

Sioux Hoop Dances • Washington, DC

Thursday, November 15 • noon

Dallas Chief Eagle and **Jasmine Pickner**, both World Hoop Dance Champions, present the wisdom and symbolism of Rosebud Lakota (Sioux) and Crow Creek Lakota dance tradition in the intricate hoop

Concerts & Concert Series continued

dance. Library of Congress Folklife Concert series, Coolidge Auditorium, Jefferson Building, Library of Congress. Free. Info at 202.707.5510 or www.loc.gov/folklife

Benefit Concert • Washington, DC

Friday, November 16 • 7:30 pm

Singer-songwriter **John McCutcheon**, a master of banjo, guitar, fiddle, autoharp, and hammer dulcimer, performs at this benefit concert for St. Alban's Crossroads Shelter for homeless men. St. Alban's Church, Wisconsin at Massachusetts Ave. Tickets are \$25 and may be purchased on-line for will-call at www.albandsdc.org or at the door (cash or check only). Parking at adjacent National Cathedral garage \$3. Info: 301.996.3848

Traditional Scottish Music • Wormleysburg, PA.

Saturday, November 17 • Lecture 6:30 Concert 7:30

Back of the Moon features tightly-woven Scottish border pipes and fiddle, the intimate pairing of low whistle and flute, the distinctive rhythmic force of their guitar/piano rhythm combo, and beautiful three-part vocal harmonies Pre-concert lecture on the Scots/Irish in Pennsylvania by Peter Seibert. Harrisburg Academy, 10 Erford Rd Tickets \$18, \$14 SFMS members, \$10 Students. Info: 717.214.2787 or www.sfmsfolk.org

Sugarloaf Coffeehouse • Germantown, MD

Saturday, November 17 • Open mic at 7, concert at 7:30

2006 WAMMIE winners **Lori Kelly and Cletus Kennelly**, with **Karen Scuderi** opening In the yurt at the Sugarloaf Congregation of Universalist Unitarians, 16913 Germantown Rd. Suggested donation \$15, refreshments included. Info: www.scuu.org or 301.977.8952

Thanksgiving Weekend Concert • Herndon, VA

Saturday, November 24 • 7:30 pm

Jimmy Gaudreau and Orrin Star. Hot picking, sweet singing and fun stories. Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1090 Sterling Road. Tickets \$15 Info: 301.270.9090 or www.jimmyandorrin.com

Stone Jug House Concert • Gettysburg, PA

Saturday, November 24 • 7:30 pm

Fynesound Celtic Band open rehearsal for their benefit holiday concert. \$15 Info: 717.677.4420 for reservations and directions.

Concert Series, listed by day of the week

Mondays

Institute of Musical Traditions • Rockville, MD

Weekly concerts at St. Mark Presbyterian, 10701 Old Georgetown, Rockville, MD 20852. Shows begin at 7:30; Admission: \$14/\$17. More info: 301.754.3611

November

5 Maggie Sansone with **Andrea Hoag, Paul Oorts, Rob Greenway, Seth Kibel** and **Matthew Bell** accompanying the **Teelin School of Irish Dance**

12 Geoff Muldaur (Tickets \$15/20)

19 Archie Edwards Blues Heritage Foundation

26 SONiA and **disappear fear**

Wednesdays

Vic's Music Corner • Rockville, MD

Focus Inn presents Vic's Music Corner on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, O'Brien's BBQ, 387 E Gude Dr, Rockville. Shows begin at 8 pm. \$12 members/\$15 general public. Info: **David** at focusrockville@earthlink.net, 301.275.7459, or www.focusmusic.org

November

14 Red Molly (**Laurie MacAllister, Abbie Gardner, and Carolann Solebello**)

28 Chuck Brodsky

Literary/Music Series • Rockville, MD

Wednesdays • 7:30

VisArts (a non-profit) will host a monthly literary reading/music series featuring poetry/fiction reading, music, literary open mic. Seeking musicians interested in providing a free 20-minute segment (all genres). Contact mayorgapoetry@gmail.com (preferably with audio clip), with "VisArts Music" in the subject line.

Thursdays

Baldwin's Station • Sykesville, MD

Twice monthly Thursday concerts at 7618 Main St, Sykesville, MD. Info: 410.795.1041 or www.uptownconcerts.com

November

1 Pierce Pettis – singer/songwriter

15 Toby Walker (fingerstyle guitar) and **Pat Wictor** (lap slide guitar)

Fridays

Cellar Stage • Baltimore, MD

In the basement of Faith Community United Methodist Church, 5315 Harford Road. Show begins at 8. Info: 410.521.9099 or www.uptownconcerts@gmail.com


November

2 Jon and Ben Carroll

16 The Limelitters

30 Al Petteway, Amy White, and Robin Bullock (Holiday show)



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Monthly FREE Program
BRIDGET FITZGERALD AND
JOHN GALLAGHER
Irish & Appalachian Traditional
Location TBA

Saturday, February 2, 2008
ANNUAL MID-WINTER
MINI-FESTIVAL
Takoma Park Middle School
Takoma Park, MD

APRIL 5 & 6, 2008
19TH ANNUAL POTOMAC
RIVER SACRED HARP
SINGING CONVENTION

April 11-13, 2008
26TH ANNUAL CHESAPEAKE
DANCE WEEKEND
Camp Letts, Edgewater, MD

October 3-6, 2008
44TH ANNUAL GETAWAY
West River Retreat Center
Edgewater, MD



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Driving & Mass Transit Directions to Frequent Venues:

Glen Echo Park, MD • Spanish Ballroom/Bumper Car Pavilion 7300 MacArthur Blvd. At Goldsboro Rd., Glen Echo, MD

The Bumper Car Pavilion is located just past and to the right of the Carousel. The Spanish Ballroom is to the right of the Bumper Car Pavilion.

FROM THE BELTWAY:

Maryland Side: at 2-lane Exit 40 take the left fork for the Cabin John Parkway. Where Cabin John merges with the Clara Barton Parkway, 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. The Upper parking lot is on the left. For the 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 last dance ends. Ask the dance coordinator to announce that 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:

Same as for Glen Echo Park, save that Harvard Street is the THIRD left off of MacArthur Blvd. After the traffic circle.

PLEASE NOTE: Park in the lot behind the hall, on University Drive, or on the east side of MacArthur Blvd, **NOT** on Harvard St.

St. Mark's Presbyterian Church 10701 Old Georgetown Road, Rockville, MD 20852 • www.stmarkspresby.org

FROM THE BELTWAY:

Virginia Side: Exit 36, Route 187 North (Old Georgetown Road). Left on Route 187. Continue past Wildwood Shopping Center on right and over I-270. Next right is church driveway.

Maryland from Silver Spring area: After crossing Rockville Pike, follow I-270 North. Continue on I-270 to first exit, Route 187 (Old Georgetown Road). Right on Route 187. Next right is church driveway.

FROM I-270 — FROM THE NORTH

Continue on I-270 and follow left fork where I-270 divides. Right on first exit (Route 187, Old Georgetown Road). At second traffic light, turn left onto Old Georgetown Road. After going back over 270, church is first driveway on right.

From DC:

Wisconsin Avenue through Bethesda and past Bethesda Naval Hospital. Left on Cedar Lane. Right on Route 187 (Old Georgetown Road). Continue past Wildwood Shopping Center on right and over I-270. Next right is church driveway.

VIA METRO:

Dances

Contra

Sundays

The FSGW Sunday Night Dances are listed on page 2.

Wednesdays

Baltimore Folk Music Society • Baltimore, MD
Wednesdays • 8-10:30 pm

Lovely Lane Ch., 2200 St. Paul St, Baltimore. Beginners are always welcome. Free lesson at 7:30 on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. Nationally-known musicians and callers appear regularly. **New prices as of September 1:** \$8 Members/\$12 Non-members, \$3 discount to students w/ID.

November

- 7 Caller **Janine Smith**. Music by **Jacqueline Schwab**, **Wayne Hankin**, and **Carl Friedman**
- 14 **Tori Barone** with music by **Looney Tunes**
- 21 Caller **Bob Dalsemer** with **Fiddlestyx**
- 28 **Robbin (Schaffer) Marcus** calls with the **Baltimore Open Band**

Thanksgiving Thursday

Burn-Off-The-Calories Dance • Pikesville, MD
Thursday, November 22 • 8-10:30

A BFMS Thanksgiving Tradition – this all-volunteer evening dance features an open band led by **Liz Donaldson** and open mic for callers of English, contras, and squares. \$7 for BFMS, FSGW, ATDS, or CDSS members, \$10 for non-members. Student discount. St. Mark's on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Rd. Kid-and beginner-friendly dances from 8:00-8:30. Bring your dinner guests, bring your hosts, and bring your leftover desserts (they all lose calories in transit). To sign up or for more info: **Mike Franch 410.889.3252** or **engdance@bfms.org**.

Fridays

Friday Night Dancers • Glen Echo Park, 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 weekly contra dances in the Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom. New dancer class every week at 7:30. \$9 per person. Info: **fndgigs@petml.com** or **www.friday-nightdance.org**

November

- 2 Caller **Anna Rain** with **Green Light Karma**
- 9 Caller **Robert Cromartie** with the fabulous **Glen Echo Open Band**.

- 16 Caller **Rick Mohr** with **Beeswax Sheepskin**
- 23 Caller **Cis Hinkle** with **Lift Ticket**
- 30 Caller **TBA** with **The Gigmesters**

Locust Lane Contra • Harrisburg, PA
2nd and 4th Fridays • 8-11 pm

Air-conditioned hall, all ages and experience levels welcome. Light refreshments at the break, donations welcome. New dancer class at 7:30. \$8 Members/\$9 Non-members/\$4 students. Info: **harrisburgcontra.org**

Saturdays

Elverson Dance • Elverson, PA
1st Saturdays • 7:30-10:30 pm

St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 61 Morningside Drive (3 miles east of downtown Elverson). \$8, \$5 for students and seniors. New dancers welcome. Smoke free, alcohol free. Beginners' lesson at 7. Children must be chaperoned. Info: **Nancy Katzen, 610.780.5667**

Baltimore Folk Music Society • Pikesville, MD
2nd Saturdays • 8-11 pm

St. Marks on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Rd. November 10th, **Laura Brown** and **Intelligent DeZarn and the Natural Selections**. Pot luck at 6:30; new dancer orientation at 7:30. \$8 BFMS and affiliates/\$12 Non-members/\$3 discount to students with ID. Info: **Diane Friedman at matchmaker2@comcast.net**, or **410.321.8419**, or **www.bfms.org**

Annapolis Traditional Dance • Annapolis, MD
3rd Saturdays • 7 pm

Quaker Friends Meeting House, 351 DuBois Rd, Annapolis. Potluck at 5:30. \$7 Members/\$10 Non-members. November 17th, **Eva Murray** calls to **Sugar Beat**. Info: **www.smtmd.org**.

Lancaster Contradance • Lancaster, PA
3rd Saturdays, 7-10 pm

Bob Nicholson calling to **Eileen Nicholson**, **Cathy McGrath**, and **Jill Smith**. St. John's Episcopal Church 321 W. Chestnut St. Beginners workshop 7 Dance 8-11 pm. \$7/\$4. Info: **Shane 717.431.7417** or **sam@mcc.org** (mailto:sam@mcc.org) or **www.lancastercontra.org**

Frederick Contra Dance • Frederick, MD
4th Saturdays • 8-11 pm

At Trinity School, near the Harry Grove Stadium. Admission \$8. Under 16, \$4 Info/directions: **www.contradancers.com** or call **Boe Walker** at **301.694.6794**.

November

- 24 Ohio caller **Becky Hill**, music by the fabulous **Elke Baker** on fiddle, **Alexander Mitchell** on mandolin, and **Liz Donaldson** on piano.

*Dances continued**English Country***Mondays****Baltimore Folk Music Society • Pikesville, MD*****Mondays • 8-10:30 pm***

English Country Dancing is lively movement to elegant music in a friendly informal setting. All dances are taught and walked through. New dancers are welcome. New dancer orientation first Wednesday at 7:45. Admission \$7 Members, \$10 Non-members, \$2 student discount. St. Mark's on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Rd, 0.5 miles from Balt. Beltway Exit 20 South. Info: **Mike Franch at 410.889.3252 or engdance@bfms.org**

November

- 5 Caller **Tom Spilsbury**, music by **Edith Coakley, Robin Wilson and Julie Gorka**
- 12 **Jacqueline Schwab** calling and playing piano, with **Wayne Hankin**.
- 19 Caller **Susan Taylor**, music by **Julia Gorka, Walt Robinson and Jeff Steinberg**
- 26 Caller **Rich Galloway**, music by **Becky Ross, Paul Oorts and Jonathan Jensen**.

Tuesdays**English Country Dancing • Herndon, VA*****2nd and 4th Tuesdays • 7:45-10 pm***

Harding Hall, 730 Jackson Tr. Workshop includes figures, phrasing, and style. Live music (guest musicians welcome - call in advance). \$5 No partner or experience necessary. Info: **Barbara Harding at 703.437.3615**.

Wednesdays

The FSGW English County Dances are listed on Page 4.

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

At Sligo Middle School, 1401 Dennis Ave. Dance to music by **Peascods Gathering**, calling by **Barbara Harding and Bob Farrall**. Beginners and singles welcome. \$5. Info: **Carl Minkus 301.493.6281, Bob Farrall 301.577.5018**.

Family

The FSGW Family Dance is listed on Page 4.

BFMS Family Dance • Pikesville, MD***Saturday, November 10 • 5-6:30; potluck 6:30-7:30***

Laura Brown calls to **Intelligent DeZarn and the Natural Selections**. St. Mark's on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Rd, 0.5 miles from Balt. Beltway Exit 20 South. Group discounts for youth groups, Scout

troops, church groups, home schooling communities (12 or more). \$5 for BFMS members and affiliates; \$7 non-members; children under 2 free. Family maximum \$20 members, \$28 non-members. Info: **Diane at 410.321.8419, or matchmaker2@comcast.net**

Burn-Off-The-Calories Dance • Pikesville, MD***Thursday, November 22 • 8-10:30***

A BFMS Thanksgiving Tradition – see listing under contra dances.

*International***Mondays****Bethesda International Folk Dancers • Bethesda, MD*****Mondays • 7:30-10pm***

No partner necessary, all ages and levels of expertise welcome. Beginners: 7:30-8:10. Intermediate/Adv.: 8:10-10pm. Mostly recorded with occasional live music. \$6 per class. Leland Community Center, 4301 Willow Lane. Alternate location, Women's Club of Bethesda, 5500 Sonoma Rd (across from NIH). \$7 per class. Info: **Phyllis or Brandon Diamond at 301.871.8788, www.diamonddancecircle.com or diamonddancecircle@comcast.net**.

Tuesdays**Arlington International Folk Dancing • Arlington, VA*****Tuesdays • 8-10 pm***

Key Elementary School, Veitch St., between Wilson and Key near Courthouse Road Metro. Folk Dance for Fun Admission \$5 Recorded music, instruction, walk-throughs, and requests. Singles welcome, all ages or levels of expertise. Info: **Sam or Sarah 703.527.8998 or sstulberg@earthlink.net or Kent Hibben at 301.520.3794 or kenthibben@hughes.net**

Thursdays

The FSGW Glen Echo Folkdancers are listed on Page 7

Chevy Chase International Folk Dancers • Washington, DC***Thursdays • 7:30-9:30 pm***

Chevy Chase Community Cntr, 5601 Connecticut, NW (at McKinley). Instruction and walk-through until 8:30. All levels welcome, no partner necessary. Recorded music. Leader: **Roland Forbes**. Info: **Jackie Davis at 301.424.8827 or Naomi Rogers at 301.438.0063**

Circle Dance Arlington, VA***Thursdays • 7:45-9:45 pm***

Beginners especially welcome 1st and 3rd Thursdays. Dances on 2nd and 4th Thursdays are more advanced. All dances are taught. Recorded music. Unitarian Universalist Church of Arlington, Rte 50 at George Mason Dr. \$10 per session or pay a reduced fee for a series. Info: **Judie David at 703.451.2595 or Vedavid@starpower.net**.

Dances continued

Mount Vernon International Folk Dancing • Alexandria, VA Thursdays • 8-10 pm

Beginners to advanced - all are welcome! Easy dances 8-8:30, followed by requests and advanced instruction. Join our friendly, diverse group on a beautiful dance floor. No partner necessary. Donation \$2.50. Mt Vernon Unitarian Church, 1909 Windmill Lane. Info: 703.866.2393 or kkrogh@aol.com

Fridays

Greenbelt International Folk Dancing • Greenbelt, MD Fridays • 8:15-10:45 pm

Greenbelt Community Cntr Dance Studio, 15 Crescent Rd. Focus is dance from Eastern Europe and Scandinavia. No partner or experience necessary. Mostly recorded music. Beautiful dance floor. Teaching 8:15-9, requests from 9-10:45. \$7/\$10 on 1st Fridays (live music). Info: Larry Weiner at 301.565.0539, larry@larryweiner.com or John Robinson at 410.715.9210

Israeli

Israeli Dancing • Kensington, MD Mondays • 7:30-11 pm

Temple Emanuel, 10101 Connecticut Ave. Circle dances 7:30-9:30, couple dances 9:30-11. \$7/Students \$5. Info: Moshany, 240.350.3110, maspro@verizon.net

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

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, November 17, 8:15-11 pm

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

Morris

Arlington Northwest Morris • Arlington, VA Mondays • 7:30-9 pm

Learn and perform the traditional morris dances of Northwest England which combine simple footwork with power and precision. We are a welcoming group of women who practice in a great place with a wooden floor (easier on your knees) at the Unitarian Universalist Church. Info: Suzanne @suzelise@comcast.net or Laura @LLPar42@aol.com

Rock Creek Morris Women • Silver Spring, MD Wednesdays • 7:5 pm

Learn to dance in the ancient English morris tradition, and you'll get all the aerobics you need. Join a

strong community that dances, plays, sings, and drinks together. Montgomery Knolls Elementary School, 807 Daleview Dr. Info: 301.927.6373, louiseneu@earthlink.net or www.uswet.com/RCMW.html

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

Learn and perform long-sword, traditional dances from English villages, and seasonal mumming. Anyone who enjoys dance and movement 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: Brad Graham, 410.480.3289 or www.fbmm-morris.org

Scandinavian

Norwegian Dance House Party • Washington, DC Saturday, November 3 • Potluck 6:30 pm, Dancing 8 pm

Bring clean shoes to wear, food to share, and \$\$ you can spare to 3600 T St., NW. Mesmerizing live music by Grammy winner Paul Morrisett on the unique Hardanger fiddle (see hfaa.org). Beginners welcome. Hosts: Linda Brooks & Ross Schipper, 301.654.7667. Info/dirs: Jenny, pi@xecu.net, 301.371.4312

Scandinavian Dance • Greenbelt, MD Saturday, November 17 • 7 - 10 pm

Scandia DC sponsors a 3rd Saturday dance, this month with fiddlers Andrea Hoag, Bruce Sagan and the Scandia DC Spelmannslag There may be some recorded music. No partners necessary. Teaching 7-8: Polskdans/Springdans from Hogdal Lommeland - this favorite Swedish dance has both clockwise and counterclockwise slow and fast turns. Fiddle music for the teaching by Karen Myers. Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio (wood floor) at 15 Crescent Rd. \$7 Info: 202.333.2826, inclement weather call 301.474.5525. Info: linda@scandiadc.org, www.scandiadc.org.

Scottish

For new and experienced dancers. No partner needed. Bring soft, flexible shoes. Recorded and live music.

Scottish Country Dance • Bethesda, MD Mondays • 8-10 pm

NIH Building T-39 (Dance and Aerobic Center). Call/email in advance for directions. Info: John MacLeod, 301.622.5945 or blackolav@cs.com and Betty Lee Barnes, 202.966.3595 or Thistledance@starpower.net

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

Dance all year round at the Greenbelt Community Center. Info: www.rscds.greaterdc.org or Bob Cameron at rbcthescot@yahoo.com or 202.321.7718



Dances continued

Scottish Country Dance • Alexandria, VA

Wednesdays • 8-9:45 pm

Durant Center, 1605 Cameron St. Info: Carol Porter, 703.379.5779 or nova-secretary@rscds-greaterdc.org

Squares

Hot Squares Dance Party • College Park, MD

2nd and 5th Tuesdays • 8:30-11:00 pm

On Tuesday, November 13, **Alan Jabbour** (fiddle) and **John Schwab** (guitar) join the Hot Square Babes (**Laura Brown, Ann Fallon, Eva Murray, Janine Smith** and **Susan Taylor**) for a rousing evening of square dancing at Cherry Hill RV Park Conference Center, 9800 Cherry Hill Rd. Beginners welcome, no partner required. \$8. Refreshments to share are welcome. Info: 410.268.0231 or 301.762.2231 or www.hotsquares.info

Swing/Waltz/Ballroom

Washington Swing Dance • Glen Echo Park, MD

Saturday, November 3 • 8-midnight

Swing Speak. No partner or dance experience necessary. All ages welcome. Introductory lesson from 8-9 pm in the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park. Admission \$12. Info: 301.340.9732 or wsdcswings@yahoo.com or www.wsdc.org

Sunday Afternoon Waltz • Glen Echo Park, MD

Spanish Ballroom • Glen Echo Park, MD

Sunday, November 4 • 3-6 pm

Hickman, Glickman & Devine, in the lovely Spanish Ballroom. The fun begins with a 30-minute introductory waltz lesson at 3, followed by 2½ hours of social

dancing – a lively mix of folk waltzes with a few dances like Schottische, swing, tango, or polka. \$8. Info: www.WaltzTimeDances.org or 301.634.2222

Slow Blues and Swing Dance • Glen Echo Park, MD

Sunday, November 4 • 7-11:30 pm

ACME Blues Company, in the Bumper Car Pavilion. The event begins at 7 with a 90-minute workshop taught by Donna Barker and Mike Marcotte. The dance begins at 8:30 with the band playing slow blues and swing. \$17 for the workshop and dance; or \$12 for the dance only. Info: Donna Barker, 301.634.2231 or Glen Echo Park at 301.634.2222, or www.DanceDC.com.

Sunday Afternoon Waltz • Glen Echo Park, MD

Sunday, November 18 • 3-6 pm

Beeswax Sheepskin, in the elegant Spanish Ballroom. The fun begins with a 30-minute introductory waltz lesson at 3, followed by 2½ hours of social dancing – a lively mix of folk waltzes with a few dances like Schottische, swing, tango, or polka. \$8. Info: www.WaltzTimeDances.org or 301.634.2222

Zydeco/Cajun

Cajun Dance/Concert • Silver Spring, MD

Thursday, November 1 • 7:30-10:30 pm

This month a special treat — a showcase of local Cajun artists playing together. At Los Arrieros restaurant, 7926 Georgia Ave (just north of the DC line, south of the Silver Spring Metro station) Parking in rear lot off Blair Rd and on Georgia Ave). Admission: \$7. Come to eat and drink, dance, or just listen. No partner or dance experience necessary. Info: 301.585.8813

Dance Classes

Irish/Celtic

Irish Ceili and Set Dancing - Gaithersburg, MD

Tuesdays • 7-9:30 pm

The Ring of Kerry Dancers (a non-profit club) conducts Irish ceili and set dance instruction from September 4 thru early December. Beginners 7-8, Advanced 8:15-9:30, at Ridgeview Middle School, 16600 Rock Raven Dr. Adults and children 8 and up are welcome. \$35 per semester. Info: Marilyn O'Brien 301.926.6943

Irish Set and Ceili Dancing • Rockville, MD

Thursdays • 7-9:30 pm

Basics from 7-8, Regular from 8-9:30 at Frost Center, 4915 Aspen Hill Rd, Rockville, September 6 to December 6, 2007. \$30 donation to Frost Center School. Sponsored by Greater Washington Ceili Club (non-profit). Info: Paul O'Donnell 301.649.6410 for additional information.

Scandinavian

Scandinavian Dance Classes • Bethesda, MD

Beginning Class: Tuesday Nov 6 & Thursday Nov 15

• 7:30-9:30 pm

Advanced Class: Tuesdays Nov 13 • 7:30-9:30 pm

Beginners learn Hambo, Schottish, Waltz, Zwiefacher, and other couple turning dances. Advanced dancers learn dances from Boda, Orsa, Rättvick, Ragunda, and requests. Singles, couples, beginners, and advanced dancers welcome. Sometimes live Swedish fiddle music. Wear smooth-soled shoes for turning, not running shoes. \$5. Info: Lisa Brooks at 240.731.1935, lisa@HamboDC.org, or www.HamboDC.org.

Directions: Enter NIH at Wisconsin Av. and South Dr. for vehicle inspection (have ID ready). Go to the south center of NIH and park in NIH permit parking next to dancing in Building T-39, just northwest of building 41. Or walk 12 minutes from the Medical Center metro stop (also need ID). See a map (essential) at www.HamboDC.org or on a flyer.

Jams/Open Mics/Audience Participation

Listed by day of the week (Sunday thru Saturday)

Sundays

Scottish Traditional Music Jam • Wheaton, MD

1st Sundays • 3-6 pm

Scottish traditional music jam, first Sundays, Royal Mile Pub, 2407 Price Avenue. Musicians welcome. Info: <http://dcscottishsession.blogspot.com/> or contact Peter Walker at boghadubh@gmail.com.

Black Book Singers of DC • Washington, DC

1st Sundays • 7 pm

Black Book Singers of DC invite all voices to sing sacred and secular music of the Renaissance. Some sight reading skills needed. Recreational sing monthly on the first Sunday eve near Van Ness Metro. Info: jgildemeister@cs.com.

CABOMA Jam • Arlington, VA

2nd and 4th Sundays • 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. Info: Dave at 301.274.3441.

Annapolis Acoustic Jam • Annapolis, MD

Sundays • 9 am-Noon

Indoors at The Visitor Center, Quiet Waters Park. Info: phyllis@saroffillustration.com.

Bluegrass Jam • Reston, VA

5th Sundays • 1-4 pm

Open acoustic bluegrass jam held any month having a 5th Sunday. Bring an instrument, sing along or listen – all are welcome. At Reston Used Book Shop, Lake Anne, 1623 Washington Plaza. Info: 703.435.9772.

Mondays

Monthly Children's Irish Music Jam Session • Accokeek, MD

2nd Mondays • 6:30-8 pm

Come out to National Colonial Farm and join the fun! We will meet at the Farm's Education Center. Look for signs. National Colonial Farm is located at 3400 Bryan Point Road in Accokeek, MD. Info: 301.283.0167 or p.addamiano-carts@att.net.

DC Bluegrass Union VFW Bluegrass Jams

• Takoma Park, MD

2nd & 4th Mondays • 7-10 pm

Free. At Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 350, 6420 Orchard Ave. (corner of 4th Ave). Info: VFW Post 350 at 301.270.8008 or Barb Diederich barb@alum.mit.edu.

Balkan Singing • Takoma Park, MD

Every Monday • 8 pm

Informal singing group meets Takoma Park (sometimes in DC) to sing Balkan village songs. Interested novices welcome. Info: Katya@partan.com or Joan at 202.363.6197.

Tuesday

Monthly Children's Irish Music Session • Silver Spring, MD

1st Tuesdays • 6:30-7:45 pm

Children's Irish Music Session run by Karen Ashbrook with Paul Oorts precedes a weekly adult session at 8 pm led by Dennis Botzer. Children are welcome to stay and play if they know the tunes. McGinty's Pub, 2nd floor, 911 Ellsworth Dr, 301.587.1270. Info/music booklet: karenashbrook.com.

Sea Chantey Open Pub Sing

• Wheaton, MD and Falls Church, VA

1st and 4th Tuesdays • See below for start times

The Ship's Company chanteymen host open mike sea chantey sings. No cover/minimum; arrive early for a table. Participation encouraged but not mandatory. Requests are honored if possible. Mostly a cappella but instruments are welcome. Info: Myron Peterson at ructic@yahoo.com or www.shipscompany.org.

1st Tuesdays – At Royal Mile Pub, 2407 Price Avenue, Wheaton. 8 pm

4th Tuesdays – At Stacy's Coffee Parlor, 709 W. Broad Street, Falls Church. 7 pm

Folk Club of Reston/Herndon • Herndon, VA

2nd Tuesdays • 7:30 pm

At the Tortilla Factory, 648 Elden Street. Open mic format. 2nd Tuesday includes a 25-minute member showcase. Smoke-free environment. Info: www.restonherndonfolkclub.com, 703.689.0444.

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.

Women's A Cappella Chorus • Brooklyn Park, MD

Wednesdays • 7-10 pm

The Harbor City Music Company, a women's a cappella chorus, seeks motivated singers in all voice parts. Rehearsals at Chesapeake Center, 194 Hammonds Lane. 800.856.9868, hcmcsueg@comcast.net or www.harborcitymusiccompany.org.

*Jams/Open Mics/Audience Participation continued***Sea Chantey Open Pub Sings**

• Baltimore, Annapolis, Charlestown, MD

2nd, 3rd & 4th Wednesdays • 8 pm

The Ship's Company chanteymen host open mike sea chantey sings. Participation encouraged but not mandatory. Requests are honored if possible. Info: Myron Peterson at ructic@yahoo.com or www.ship-company.org

2nd Wednesdays – Wharf Rat, 801 S. Anne Street, Baltimore (Fells Point)

3rd Wednesdays – Galway Bay, 63 Maryland Ave, Annapolis 21401

4th Wednesdays – Wellwood Inn and Rivershack, 523 Water Street, Charlestown 21914

Arlington Jam! • Arlington, VA*3rd Wednesdays • 7-10:30 pm*

Fiddles, guitars, all instruments welcome! Intermediate and advanced players interested in old-time, blues, Scandinavian, swing, and other styles. First Friday and third Wednesday at 1909 N. Ohio Street, Arlington, VA. Info: Lilli Vincenz, 703.532.2731 or FiddlerLilli@zzapp.org.

Cajun Jam • Silver Spring, MD*4th Wednesdays • 7:30-10:30 pm*

For dancers, musicians, and listeners who enjoy Cajun music. Los Arrieros, 7926 Georgia Ave. Park in rear lot off Blair Rd. and on Georgia Ave. Beginners welcome.

Info: swopes123@aol.com.

Thursdays**American Balalaika Symphony, Open Rehearsals**

• Alexandria, VA

Thursdays • 8 pm

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 Hermitage, 5000 Fairbanks Avenue. Info: www.balalaika.biz or 703.248.8199.

Irish Traditional/Bluegrass Music Sessions • Frederick, MD*Thursdays • 7 and 8:30 pm*

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

Songwriters Open Mic • Greenbelt, MD*4th Thursdays • 7-9 pm*

New Deal Café, 113 Centerway/Roosevelt Center. Originals encouraged. Signups at 6:30 pm. Hosted by the Songwriters' Association of Washington. Info: 301.474.5642 or www.saw.org.

Fridays**Songwriters Open Mic • Olney, MD***1st & 3rd Fridays • 7:30-10 pm*

Caribou Coffee, 18101 Olney Village Mart Drive. Originals only. Signups at 7 pm. Hosted by the Songwriters' Association of Washington. Info: contact SAW at 301.654.8434, www.saw.org, or Caribou Coffee at 301.570.0909.

Arlington Jam! • Arlington, VA*1st Fridays • 7-10:30 pm*

See Wednesday listing.

Glen Echo Open Band • Glen Echo, MD*2nd Fridays • 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. Find recordings, tunebook names and page numbers of tunes played by the Open Band at www.openbandonline.com. The site works best using iTunes on a PC or a Mac. Info: www.friday-nightdance.org.

Open Mic at Potter's House • Washington, DC*4th Fridays • 8 pm*

Both spoken word and music. Homemade dinner/desserts served starting at 7. Potter's House 1658 Columbia Road NW (Green line to Columbia Hgts). Suggested donation \$10. Info: www.PottersHouseDC.org.

Saturdays**Archie Edwards Blues Jam • Washington, DC***Saturdays • 2 pm*

The Archie Edwards Blues Heritage Foundation holds an acoustic blues jam almost every Saturday afternoon. All skill levels welcome. 2007 Bunkerhill Road, NE. Info/confirmation: 202.526.7539 or www.acousticblues.com.

Batala Percussion Band • Washington, DC*Saturdays • 10am-1 pm*

Newly-formed all-woman ensemble plays Brazilian samba-reggae rhythm. Instruments provided by the band. No prior knowledge of music or percussion is necessary, only interest and willingness to learn. Practices will be in locations convenient to public transportation. Info: Mariana Pereira, Musical Director 202.361.8993, or drums@batalawashington.com, or www.batalawashington.com.

Folk Music Sing Along/Jam • Arlington, VA*1st and 3rd Saturdays • 2 pm*

Indoors in Crystal City. All voices, instruments welcome. Visit the website for details: <http://folk.meet-up.com/45>. More info: liverpoolwalrus@yahoo.com.

Jams/Open Mics/Audience Participation continued

Songwriters Open Mic • Springfield, VA

2nd Saturdays • 7:30-10:45 pm

Kings Park Community Room (next to Cricket Box gift shop), Kings Park Shopping Center, intersection of Braddock, Rolling and Burke Lake Rds. Originals encouraged. Signups at 6:30 pm. Hosted by the Songwriters' Association of Washington. Info: Jim Johnson at 703.913.7408, jimjohnson@verizon.net or www.saw.org.

Hammer Dulcimer Jam • McLean, VA

Saturday, November 17 • 1:30-4:30 pm

Hammer dulcimer players meet monthly at the Dolley Madison Library to swap tunes and play together.

er. Other acoustic instruments welcome. Info: Heli at 703.689.3477, heliel@earthlink.net, or <http://pages.prodigy.net/holsopple>.

Songwriter Exchange • Vienna, VA

4th Saturdays • 10 am-12:30 pm

Bring your original song or portion of a song to share for friendly peer feedback. A song is not required to participate. At Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. East (www.jamminjava.com). Info/directions: Paige Powell 703.671.4131, www.saw.org.

Storytelling

Voices in the Glen • Falls Church, VA

Saturday, November 17 • 8 pm

Voices in the Glen presents stories for adults (and children who can listen like adults) at Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike. Free, light refreshments. Storytellers **Margaret Chatham**, **Penelope Fleming**, **Miriam Nadel**, **Ralph Chatham**, and **Merrilee Pallansch**. Info: 703.698.5456. Parking in the staff lot will be permitted.

Voices in the Glen • Kensington, MD

Saturday, November 17 • 7:30 pm

Voices in the Glen invites you to come to Kensington Row Book Shop, 3786 Howard Ave, and listen to **Jane Dofrman**, **Bill Mayhew**, **Ellouise Schoettler**, and **Anne Sheldon** spin some tales for adults and children who can listen like adults. Free. Light refreshments.

Virginia Storytelling Alliance • Fredericksburg, VA

Saturday, November 17 • 7:30 pm

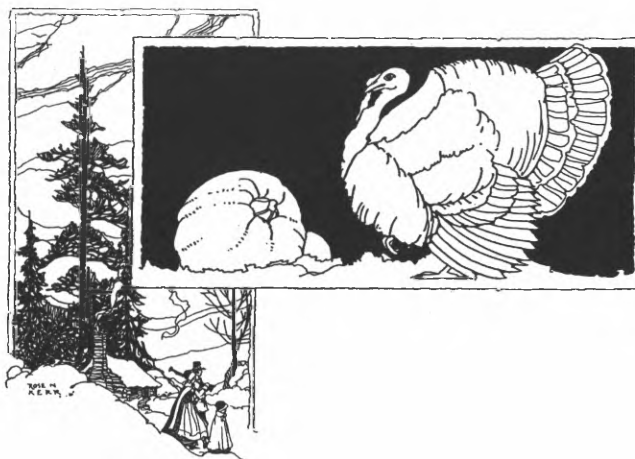
Come to The Wounded Book Shop, 109 Amelia St, to hear storytellers **Lynn Ruehlmann**, **Elizabeth**

Hensley, Norris Spencer, Denise Bennett, Linda Goodman, Joan Leotta, Debbie Griffin, and Megan Hicks tell for adults and children who listen like adults. Benefit Virginia Storytelling Alliance and The Fredericksburg Atheneum. Info: megan@meganhicks.com

12th Annual Tellabration! • Towson, MD

Saturday, November 17 • 7-10:30 pm

BFMS will present a storytelling "concert" as part of an international celebration of storytelling. This year's theme is "civility" which some tellers will illustrate through tales of mayhem, treachery, deception, and feats of cunning. Family storytelling from 7-8:30. Stories for adults and children who can listen like adults begin at 8:30. Woodbrook Baptist Church, 25 Stevenson Ln (between Charles and Bellona) in North Baltimore. Info: **Diane** at 410.321.8419 or matchmaker2@comcast.net



Workshops, Weekends, Festivals & Special Events

Ukulele Workshop • Derwood, MD

Saturday, November 3 • 3-4:30 pm

Lil' Rev, an award-winning Wisconsin-based performer, instructor, and music historian, will teach a ukulele workshop (rolls, strums, triplets, tremolo, novelty tunes and more) at the home of Kathy and Marv Reitz, 17833 Bowie Mill Road, with a potluck supper at 5 pm and house concert at 7:30. Ukulele workshop only \$20; Concert \$10; both \$25. Info and directions: 301.670.6716 or reitz@verizon.net

Banjo Workshop • Takoma Park, MD

Monday, November 5 • 7-9 pm

Clarke Buehling demonstrates and teaches "Old Time Fingerstyle/Pre-Bluegrass." Simple accompaniments and chord patterns, as well as a couple of easy pieces, as time permits. House of Musical Traditions, 7040 Carroll Ave. \$40. Info at 301.270.9090 or lessons@hmtrad.com

Callers' Collective Workshop • Cherry Hill, MD

Thursdays, beginning November 8 • 7-9:30 pm

A series of workshops designed for both new and experienced callers. **Ann Fallon, Eva Murray** and **Laura Brown**, with special appearances by other local and national talent. Info: Ann Fallon at 410.268.0231 or afallon@riva to register and for additional details.

Mandolin Workshop • Takoma Park, MD

Saturday, November 10 • 2-5 pm

Matt Flinner's topics will include right hand technique; exercises for improving speed, accuracy and tone; double stops; improvisation--building solos on familiar tunes; theory--scales and arpeggios; how to practice--ideas for a schedule. House of Musical Traditions, 7040 Carroll Ave. \$50. Info at 301.270.9090 or lessons@hmtrad.com

Eisteddfod-NY • Jackson Heights, Queens, NY

Friday-Sunday, November 16-18

Family-friendly gathering of musicians and singers, with lots of audience participation. Concerts, workshops, ballad swap, open stage, Festival Marketplace, and much more. Confirmed as of press date: **Hillel Arnold, Norris Bennett, Colleen Cleveland, Jeff Davis, Craig Edwards, Jerry Epstein, Margaret Farrell, Alan Friend, Julia Friend, Howard Glasser, Martin Grosswendt, Jodee James, David Jones, The Karelian Ensemble, Keith Kendrick, Evy Mayer, Dan Milner, Anne Price, Jean Ritchie, Riki Schneyer, Steve Suffet, Ken Sweeney, Bill & Livia Vanaver, Jeff Warner, Heather Wood.** Mary Cliff of WAMU will share emcee chores. At Renaissance Charter School, 35-59 81st St. Info: www.eisteddfod-ny.org or 718.965.4074

Upper Potomac Celtic Fiddle & Feet Weekend

• Harpers Ferry, WV

Friday-Sunday, November 16-18

Workshops, classes, concert, a ceilidh dance and sessions for players of all instruments in Scottish, Irish and French Canadian traditions in a relaxed retreat setting at the Historic Hilltop House Hotel in Harpers Ferry. Faculty features French Canadian band **Gentecorum**, Scottish fiddler **Laura Risk**, Irish fiddle with **Cleek Shrey, Robin Bullock** on guitar, mandolin and tenor banjo, **Ken Kolodner** on hammered dulcimer and **Kieran Jordan** teaching step dance. Info: www.celticfiddle.info or Joanie Blanton 304.263.2531 or email updf@earthlink.net

Bluegrass Rhythm Guitar Workshop • Takoma Park, MD

Sunday, November 18 • 2-4 pm

Orrin Starr will cover G and other bass runs and strums, rest strokes, playing in 3/4 time, playing fast, and backing up simple country songs. Limited to 12 participants, all levels except complete beginners. House of Musical Traditions, 7040 Carroll Ave. \$50. Info at 301.270.9090 or lessons@hmtrad.com

FSGW Vocal Workshop • Laurel, MD

November 2007 - March 2008 • 1-2 pm

Five classes (11/17, 12/15, 1/19, 2/16, 3/8), 12-student limit. Protect your vocal instrument from harm. Tutorial and student participation, led by **Charles Williams**, singer and vocal coach (a regular at Augusta Heritage Center Vocal Week). \$80 for the series, \$20 for each class; priority to those registering for the series. Info: Dennis at 301.776.4314 or Dennis@DennisCook.net

5th Annual Contradancers Delight • Morgantown, WV

December 26-31, 2007

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Terpsichore's Holiday • Roanoke, WV

December 27, 2007 - January 1, 2008

Dancing, singing, live music, meals and 4-star accommodations at Stonewall Jackson Lake State Park! Programs for adults, teens, and children – contra and squares, waltz, English country, Morris, couple dances, dance band, longsword, arts and crafts, singing, storytelling, juggling, nature walks, swimming, community dances, and nightly contra dances. Featuring **The Groovemongers, The Avant Gardeners, Gaye Fifer, Bill Wellington** and more. Info: Jeff Kenton 301.587.1525, jkenton@verizon.net. Details: www.danceholiday.net.

*Workshops, Weekends, Festivals & Special Events continued***FSGW Midwinter Festival • Takoma Park, MD****Saturday, February 2, 2008 • noon-10:30 pm**

Mark your calendar and remember to bring your shadow. The 2008 edition of the FSGW Midwinter Festival (aka Mini-Fest) will take place on Groundhog Day.

Folksong Tour of Scotland**June 14-25, 2008**

11 days with Scottish singer/folklorist Ed Miller. Info: edmiller@songsofscotland.com.

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