FSGW Special Event

Glen Echo, MD

Bob Zentz & Kendall Morse & Ken Hicks

Two Old Salts and a Pepper-upper

Thursday, March 19 • 8 PM

Three old friends share the stage when Bob Zentz and Kendall Morse (maritime mavens) and Ken Hicks (a seaside songwriter) come to the Glen Echo Town Hall for an FSGW Special Concert this month.

Bob Zentz, a native of Norfolk (the one in Virginia) has a vast repertoire of contemporary, traditional and original songs and tunes, particularly about the Chesapeake. He plays guitar, banjo, hammered dulcimer, harmonica, and concertina.

Kendall Morse, a great Maine humorist and raconteur par excellence, spent his youth captaining boats among the rocks, coves and islands of New England. He’s from Machias, Maine ("down-East"), and he really does talk that way.

Ken Hicks, the “round mound of sound” from Virginia Beach, is well known for his humorous songs and droll monologues.

Don't miss this one! $15 for FSGW Members. Free for residents of the Town of Glen Echo. $18 General Public. $10 students and children.

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**FSGW Sunday Night Dances**

at Glen Echo Park, MD • *(Directions, page 23)*

**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 for an introduction to the basic moves, and check out YouTube instructional videos as well (see below).** Dances often become more challenging as the evening progresses. All dances are in the non-climate-controlled Ballroom this month, so as the weather gets colder, dress in layers and bring water or sports drinks. 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.**

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

March

1 The Night the Earth Stood Still – NOT!! The out-of-this-world music machine called **Giant Robot Dance** (Andrew VanNordstrand, Noah VanNordstrand, Andrew Marcus, Aaron Marcus and Michael Ferguson) lands at the Spanish Ballroom. Caller **Anna Rain** abets the alien invasion – Woot!! Don’t miss it!
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uFX7Bq59qjk Great Bear Trio Snowball 2009

8 Caller **David Millstone** will be down from Lebanon, NH to lead you through an evening of delightful dances, with joyful music by **Rhythm Method String Band**, featuring Cathy Mason and Craig Edwards on fiddles, Dedo Norris on bass, and Erica Weiss on guitar.
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=03ALEBBtUbc David Millstone in Denmark

15 This dance will be free to FSGW Members. Non-members will be charged $15. Please bring membership verification – your card or your most recent Newsletter with preprinted label. If you have neither, and your name is not on the most FSGW membership print out, we will ask you to pay full price. A short FSGW meeting will be held at the break. **Robbin (Schaffer) Marcus** calling to the **Avant Gardeners**, with Laura Light, Dan Sebring, Dave Wiesler and George Paul. It may still be frosty outside, but these gardeners will turn the Ballroom into a hothouse of music.
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ioBPmXy-R74 Avant Gardeners at Spanish Ballroom

22 **Jack Mitchell** brings some springtime weather up from South Carolina as he meets those furry Charm City marsupials, **Mortal Wombat** (Carl Friedman on fiddle, Michael Friedman on piano, Robin Wilson on flute and Ralph Barthine on guitar).
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GjToQ6gQLF4 Jack Mitchell in NC May 16, 2008

29 March goes out like a lion with **Shawn Brenneman**, fresh from the Springforth Ball in Richmond, calling to **Notorious** (Eden MacAdam-Somer on fiddle and Larry Unger on guitar)
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HMKBcJkyB_c Notorious in concert, 2009

For Contra Dancing on the Web see the bottom of page 4.
Sparky & Rhonda Rucker
Song and stories with spirit

Sunday, March 1 • 4 pm

NOTE! EARLIER TIME!!

When both Utah Phillips and Sam Hinton have been quoted as saying you’ve GOT to see this guy in concert – well, you’ve GOT to see this guy in concert! James “Sparky” Rucker grew up in Knoxville, Tennessee, sang and played music since childhood, was active in the Civil Rights Movement, studied with some of the original bluesmen, toured with the Southern Folk Cultural Revival Project and researched the old folk songs and heroes so he could bring them and their stories to schools and concert audiences.

Rhonda Rucker grew up in Louisville, Kentucky. Playing piano since age 4, her studies with a women who was both ragtime composer and church organist still influence her music. Rhonda and her two brothers all pursued medicine, and she was a practicing doctor for five years until she decided to join Sparky as a full-time musician, home-schooling their son along the way. She is mostly self-taught on blues harmonica, but studied the techniques of Sonny Terry and coached with Phil Wiggins.

So join Sparky and Rhonda for three centuries of African-American and Appalachian music and lore, at the Washington Ethical Society on Sunday afternoon, March 1, at 4 pm. You’re bound to learn something new about some old songs.

Admission is $20 for the general public, $10 for students, Free for children 10 and under. Free for FSGW members, although we request a $5 donation to help defray the increasing costs of the monthly programs.

Directions to the WES auditorium – see page 23

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=27kEWyQneRc • http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tpAGrUwKYaw
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BjTsF4DtSjc

27th Annual Chesapeake Dance Weekend!
April 3-5, 2009 at Camp Letts in Edgewater, MD • (15 minutes south of Annapolis)

Featuring: Lisa Greenleaf, Kathy Anderson, The Latter Day Lizards, I-95 Breakdown, and the music and dance of Quebec with Rêveillons! Located on the beautiful shores of the Rhode River, Camp Letts is so close you don’t have to leave work early on Friday – even if you live on the Virginia side. Just roll on out there and we’ll have dinner waiting! Daytime dance and music workshops, 4-hour evening dances and delicious, healthy meals. Other activities include jamming, socializing, and this year we’ll have a late-night session of crossover contra, the contra sensation that’s sweeping the nation! (Go to www.YouTube.com and search for contra to my cool.)

Kitchen Scholarships (a discount of $50 off your registration fee) in exchange for only 4 hours in the kitchen, not 6 hours as in the past.

YOUTH Scholarships – $150 for dancers 13-25 years of age!

For ALL the details visit www.fsgw.org and click on Chesapeake.
FSGW English Country Dances
at Glen Echo Town Hall, MD
Wednesdays • 8 to 10 pm

Admission: $8 for FSGW members, $10 for non-members.
Dance on a wood floor in the climate-controlled community room of the Glen Echo Town Hall (Directions, Page 23). 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

March
4 Dan Gillespie calls to music by Francine Krasowska (piano), Jeff Steinberg (fiddle), and Bruce Edwards (bassoon and concertina).
11 Michael Barraclough leads the dances to music by Liz Donaldson (piano), Rhonda Hotop and Becky Ross (fiddles).
18 Anna Rain calls to tunes by Julie Gorka (piano), Karin Loya (cello) and Colleen Reed (flute).
25 Diane Schmit calls the dances while Liz Donaldson (piano) and Walter Robinson (recorders) and Ralph Gordon (cello) play the tunes.

On the Web:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sz7-Bv4sBPI  Dance Flurry 2007
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qUdc5h0iBtA Rappersword dancing 1929

Family Dance
Glen Echo Town Hall
(Directions, Page 23)
Sunday, March 8 • 3-5 pm

Bring your family to Glen Echo Town Hall for a delightful afternoon of dances for all ages, led by David Millstone calling to music by Rhythm Method String Band. Admission is only $5 per person (age 4 and up) for an entire afternoon. This is a great activity for birthday parties, scouts, or family outings. More information at www.fsgw.org

Contra Dancing On the Web:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=18Cq86IAq6L St. Louis, with Kathy Anderson
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gSPmHoSt1I8&feature=PlayList&p=02CE3699F14555BD&playnext=1&index=29 Delphiniums and Daisies explained
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N1o7tdHZyE&feature=related “Contra Dance Training.”

Have you come across a previously-published online article about some aspect of dance you’d like to share? Please send your suggestions to Newsletter@fsgw.org
The 20th Annual Potomac River Sacred Harp Singing Convention
Saturday- Sunday, April 4-5

Saturday, April 4:
Registration begins at 12:30, with singing from 1 to 5 pm at the historic Pohick Church (http://www.pohick.org/history.html) located at 9301 Richmond Highway (US 1) in Lorton. The Saturday evening social will follow, also at the Pohick Church, with a potluck supper provided by local singers. After supper, singing of New Traditions shape-note songs not in the 1991 *The Sacred Harp*. Organizers will provide loaner *Christian Harmony* and *An Eclectic Harmony* books. Please bring 40 copies of any other songs you would like to share.

Sunday, April 5:
Registration begins at 9 am, with singing from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm at the Great Falls Grange, 9818 Georgetown Pike (Route 193), Great Falls, Virginia. A hearty potluck lunch will be provided by local singers.

All are welcome: beginners, experienced singers, and listeners! No admission charge, although a free-will offering will be collected. *The Sacred Harp* (1991 Edition) tunebooks will be available for loan and purchase.

For general information go to www.shapenotes.com.
For information about this Convention or to volunteer,
contact Beverly Yeager at bjyaeger@ntelos.net or 434.361.9016,
or Mary Ann Daly at 301.229.8534 or daly@rff.org.
For lodging or transportation, contact Clare Chapin, 703.931.3064.

On the Web:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eJCC4Nrvww0 Greenwich Sacred Harp 183
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PknhrXlyWTE&feature=PlayList&p=42DC9AF69CF14CB0&playnext=1&index=14 Fuguing Tunes from Sacred Harp 107 Russia 155 Northfield
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c4Jvcmf2A4k All California Convention, January 2009
FSGW presents traditional music and dance to a general public that’s forced to stretch its arts and entertainment dollars because of the recent ups and downs (mostly downs) of the economy. We need to stretch our own organizational dollars, too. So, following the lead of many other non-profit groups, FSGW is actively seeking individuals and businesses to make tax-deductible contributions of $100 or more to support the general work of the Society, or to create one or more funds dedicated to specific types of events – a fund for Irish programs, or for blues, for Jewish events, or for songwriters’ appearances, for Balkan concerts, or for flamenco. What about a fund to present National Heritage Fellows in concert, or to produce events in very public places, where we could spread the word about FSGW’s work? You get the idea. We’re looking for angels to help present the finest folk talent, the best dance band, the most unusual workshop. FSGW has two dedicated funds already: the David Olive & Linda Lieberman Memorial Fund (providing Getaway scholarships) and the Jonathan Eberhart Memorial Fund (for an annual concert). Think about it. If you or your business – law firm, real estate agency, restaurant, employment agency, whatever – is in a position to make a tax-deductible donation to FSGW, we’d like to hear from you. We’ll thank you or your business publicly (unless you’d rather be anonymous) at the event, in the Newsletter, and online. If you’d like to help FSGW, please contact FSGW Vice President Mary Cliff at VicePresident@fsgw.org to discuss your ideas and take the first steps toward becoming an FSGW Angel.
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FSGW Sings/Swaps & Co-sponsored Events

FSGW Open Sing • Takoma Park, MD  
Friday, March 6 • 8:30 pm  
This month’s Open Sing will be at the home of Judy Oppenheim in downtown Silver Spring (inside the Beltway). The topic for March is “Hare” or “Hair” or “Hey...Er” or any other homonyms – maybe even “O’Hare.” Bring a folding chair or other seating device if you can. Directions/info: 301.589.4008.

FSGW Storyswap • Annandale, VA  
Saturday, March 7 • 6:30 pm  
Storytellers and listeners are invited to the NEW home of Penelope Fleming in Annandale for an evening of shared stories and potluck snacks. Note earlier than usual start time. Free. Call 703.508.7971 to RSVP and get directions.

FSGW Gospel Sing • Alexandria, VA  
Sunday, March 8 • 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 March Gospel Sing will be at the home of Nancy Bailey in the Landmark area of Alexandria, VA. Info/directions: 703.823.5536.

FSGW Sacred Harp Singing • Takoma Park, MD  
Sunday, March 22 • 4-8 pm  
The monthly 4th Sunday Sacred Harp Sing will be held at the home of Kyle Greenlee, 7119 Carroll Street in Takoma Park (half a mile from the Metro – east on Cedar, bear left on Carroll). Singing from shape-note tunebooks. Loaner copies of the 1991 edition of the original Sacred Harp and the 1958 Christian Harmony are usually available. Potluck supper break from 6-7 pm. Free.

FSGW Special Event  
Glen Echo, MD

Ed Trickett  
The Return of the Native  
Sunday, April 5 • 7:30 pm  
Ed Trickett is one of the great song sharers of our time. And he’s from around here – as he puts it, “I grew up near Dupont Circle back in the days when you could afford to have kids grow up near Dupont Circle.” He seeks out songs from traditions and songwriters all over the country – ballads, sea songs, love songs, and sometimes songs of no consequence whatsoever – which he performs in his distinctive tenor voice, often accompanying himself on 6- or 12-string guitar or hammered dulcimer.

He’s performed with many other artists, including Anne Mayo Muir and Gordon Bok, and has appeared on A Prairie Home Companion.

In his “real” life as E.J. Trickett, Ph.D. (he teaches psychology at the University of Illinois Chicago) he doesn’t get back here often enough – so take advantage of this rare chance to enjoy an urban and urbane troubadour.

$15 for FSGW Members. Free for residents of the Town of Glen Echo. $18 General Public. $10 students and children.

Directions to the Glen Echo Town Hall on Page 23

Send all Newsletter submissions to: newsletter@fsgw.org
Mini-Fest Thank Yous!

This year's Mini-Fest was a resounding success! Nearly 350 volunteers and more than 600 participants enjoyed a beautiful Saturday at Takoma Park Middle School. Special thanks to:

The program people: Charlie Pilzer (dance bands), Linda Goodman and Charlie Baum (classrooms and Cafetorium), Janine Smith and Matt Levine (bluegrass) and Shannon Dunne (evening program).

The sound technicians: Dennis Cook, Jamie Platt and Charlie Pilzer

The Group 1 volunteers, who showed up at 10 am, set up the classrooms and put things back in order at 6, and stayed after the last waltz to load out.

The Group 2 volunteers, who staffed the ticket and performer check in tables, the instrument room, and the green room, and acted as food sheriff in the lobby.

All of the musicians and singers, callers and Morris and rappersword dancers who shared your wonderful talents with the rest of us.

All of the participants who came and kicked up their heels at the dances and made a joyful noise in the hallways and classrooms.

If you haven’t already seen it – the Gazette put the FSGW Mini-Fest on the front page, ABOVE the fold, with a full color picture and a charming article – here’s the link:

Http://www.gazette.net/stories/02112009/takonew181442_32471.shtml

If you’d like to give us any feedback about any aspect of this year’s festival, or if you have some ideas for next year, please write to me at minifestmessages@aol.com.

April Blum
Mini-Fest Chair

Photos Steve Tuttle.
29th Annual FSGW Washington Folk Festival
Saturday, May 30 and Sunday, May 31

The Folklore Society of Greater Washington’s Washington Folk Festival (FSGW WFF) will be held at Glen Echo Park on May 30 and 31 (the weekend after Memorial Day). For over three decades the FSGW WFF has provided the most comprehensive sampling of the folk arts local to Washington. Featuring only artists from the Washington metropolitan area, it presents musicians, dancers, storytellers, and crafters demonstrating a wide variety of traditions from American culture as well as from cultures around the world.

If you are interested in performing at this FSGW event, please contact Carol Lite at 301.588.8621 or carol-lite4@earthlink.net. Any crafters interested in selling goods at the FSGW WFF should contact Rita Ferrara at 301.946.2161 or pyro-art@comcast.net.

In order to keep the FSGW WFF free we need lots of help – volunteers to help with a variety of tasks before, during and after the FSGW WFF. Our largest need will be on the weekend of May 30-31, but we will also need volunteers on weekends during the month of May to help with set up, and during the first week of June to clean up and break down. Please use the form below, or sign up on the web at fsgw.org/wff/volunteersignup.php, or call Volunteer Coordinator Linda Goodman at 301.656.1627.

Volunteers are usually scheduled in two-hour shifts, but you can work as many blocks as you’d like. Tell us about your talents and interests, and we’ll find a place for you!

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### Washington Folk Festival Volunteer Form 2009

| Name: ____________________________ | My area of expertise/interest: ____________________________ |
| Street: ___________________________ | |
| City: ______________, State ___ Zip __________ | I prefer to be □ Active □ Seated |
| Phones   (Day) ___________________________ | Physical limitations: ____________________________ |
| (Evening) ___________________________ | I do NOT want to help with: ____________________________ |
| Email: ____________________________ | □ I will be UNDER 18 years of age |
| Have you worked at previous FSGW WFFs? | Day and time preference: |
| □ Yes □ No | □ Saturday □ Sunday □ Both days |
| When would you like to volunteer? | □ Morning □ Afternoon □ Evening □ Flexible |
| □ Pre-FSGW-WFF site preparation | □ One 2-hour shift □ Multiple shifts up to ______ |
| □ During FSGW WFF, logistics/support | □ I can help weekends during April and May and/or the week prior to the FSGW-WFF. |
| □ Post-FSGW-WFF clean-up | I’m interested in FSGW-WFF planning: |
| What types of jobs would you like? | □ Publicity □ Fundraising □ Volunteer recruitment |
| □ Parking □ Crafts monitors □ Office support | □ Crafts □ Storytelling □ Performances |
| □ Information booth □ Hospitality (food) | □ Dance □ Children’s activities □ Food |
| □ Performer check-in □ Stage support | |
| □ Grounds support □ T-shirt sales | |
| □ Donations collecting □ Usher | |
Irish Dance Show • Towson/Frederick, MD
  Sunday, March 1 • 3 pm (Towson)
  Saturday, March 14 • 3 pm (Frederick)

The Twelin Irish Dance Company presents traditional and contemporary Irish music and choreography in a celebration of Irish culture called Portraits of Ireland. March 1 at Towson University Stephens Hall Theatre; March 14 at Weinberg Center for the Arts. Tickets $20-35. Info: www.POIdanceshow.com, Towson box office 410.704.ARTS, or Weinberg box office 301.600.2828.

Blues Concert • Alexandria, VA
  Friday, March 6 • 7:30 pm

Saffhire, the Uppity Blues Women – Birchmere, 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave. Tickets $35. Info: 703.549.7500 or www.birchmere.com

Jazz Concert/Silent Films • McLean, VA
  Saturday, March 7 • 8 pm

The Hot Club of San Francisco transports you to 1930s Paris, in a tribute to brilliant Gypsy guitarist Django Reinhardt, plus live accompaniment to 4 short silent films. Alden Theater, McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Avenue. Tickets $29, discounts for McLean residents, students, and seniors. Info: www.mcleancenter.org/alden

Civil War Concert • Largo, MD
  Sunday, March 15 • 7:30 pm

The Civil War Comrades present a house concert of songs that Abraham Lincoln knew and loved. Tenor Bob Clayton on banjo/mandolin, perform Kentucky ballads, Stephen Foster parlor songs and more in period costume. At the historic 18th century home of Andy and Sondra Wallace. $15 suggested donation. Info: songuitar@verizon.net or 301.324.7311 or 301.587.7174.

Doc Watson • Alexandria, VA
  Tuesday/Wednesday, March 17-18 • 7:30 pm


Traditional Irish Song • Alexandria, VA
  Saturday, March 21 • 8 pm


Sea Chantey Sing • Catonsville, MD
  Saturday, March 21 • 8 pm

Don Stallone, recognized throughout the greater Washington area as “The Chanteyman,” will lead these powerful unaccompanied traditional songs at the home of Barbara and McGregor Svoboda. $7. Participants may also lead songs. Please bring snacks to share at the break. Info/directions/reservations: svob@comcast.net

Old World/New World Dulcimer Concert • Shepherdstown, WV
  Saturday, March 21 • 8 pm

Dulcemelos (from Querétaro, Mexico) finds its roots in the aristocratic and folk tunes brought to Mexico by the Spanish in the 16th century, played on salterio (plucked dulcimer) and piano. They are joined by Ensemble Tympanon – Karen Ashbrook, Paul Oorts, and Nick Blanton – performing a range of French music from Provençal pipe tunes to Parisian café waltzes on hammered dulcimer, harp guitar, mandolin, bagpipes, musette, flute, and more. At Shepherdstown Presbyterian Church, corner of King and Washington Streets. Admission $15, $12 seniors, $10 SMD members, $8 students. Info: updf@earthlink.net, www.smad.us, or call Joanie at 304.263.2531.

Richie Havens • Alexandria, VA
  Saturday, March 21 • 7:30 pm

Richie Havens with Harry Manx – Birchmere, 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave. Tickets $25. Info: 703.549.7500 or www.birchmere.com

New Southern Cowtippers • Columbia, MD
  Friday, March 27 • 8 pm

Sandy Hofferth, Howard Zane and friends will delight you with an evening of old-time traditional songs and tunes on fiddle, banjo and guitar. Oakland Mansion, 5430 Vantage Point Road. Free. Dessert and coffee served. Info: 410.730.4744 or 410.730.1036, or www.newsoutherncowtippers.com

World Folk Music Association Concert • Bethesda, MD
  Tuesday, March 31 • 7:30 pm

Anniversary concert featuring the Chad Mitchell Trio (50 years – yes, they first sang together in 1959!) and Side by Side (25 years). Cedar Lane Unitarian Universalist Church, 9601 Cedar Lane. General seating, doors open at 6:30. $35 in advance, $40 at the door. Info: www.wfma.net

Del Rey Blues Concert • Riverdale, MD
  Tuesday, March 31 • 8-10 pm

Del Rey, Seattle-based blues guitarist and ukulele fingerpicker, presents a concert at the new concert at the new home of the Archie Edwards Foundation, 4701 Queensbury Road, across the street from the Riverdale train station. $15. Info: email info@acousticblues.com, or www.acousticblues.com

Acoustic Concert • Baltimore, MD
  Saturday, April 11 • 7 pm

Ken Kolodner on hammered dulcimer, mbira and fiddle and Jim Eagan on fiddle and tenor banjo perform Celtic, Appalachian, Quebeocois, and original

Concerts & Concert Series continued


Concert Series, listed by day of the week

Sundays

Focus Inn Alexandria • Alexandria, VA
Church of the Resurrection, 2280 N. Beauregard St. 7 pm; admission $20 advance, $25 at the door. More info: 703.501.6061, kay@focusmusic.org or www.focusmusic.org

March 8 Holly Near with emma’s revolution to benefit RPJ Housing

Celtic Traditional Concerts • Great Falls, VA
The Snuggery of the Old Brogue Irish Pub, 760-C Walker Road. Three sittings each evening: 4-5:30, 6-7:30, 8-9:30. Reservations recommended. $15 703.759.3309

March 1 IONA – pan-Celtic music and dance
March 9 Irish Inn Mates

Mondays

Institute of Musical Traditions • Rockville, MD
Saint Mark’s Presbyterian, 10701 Old Georgetown Road, Rockville, MD 20852. Shows begin at 7:30. More info: 301.754.3611 or www.imtfolk.org

March 2 Nick Annis & Elizabeth Crisfield with Sam Pacetti – $15 adv/$18 door
March 9 Missy Raines and The New Hip – $15 adv/$20 door
March 16 Eric Brace with Peter Cooper – $15 adv/$20 door
March 23 John Jorgenson Quintet – $19 adv/$24 door

Tuesdays

Folk Club of Reston-Herndon

March 31 Steve Gillette and Cindy Mangsen

Wednesdays

Focus Rockville • Rockville, MD
Focus Inn presents bi-monthly concerts, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, at Branded 72 (formerly O’Brien’s BBQ), 387 E Gude Dr. Shows begin at 8 pm. $12 members/$15 general public. Info: David at focusrockville@earthlink.net, 301.275.7459, or www.focusmusic.org

March 11 Cliff Eberhardt with Claudia Russell
March 25 Pierce Pettis and Tom Dews

Fridays

IMT “Next to the House” Concerts • Takoma Park, MD
Contradiction Dance Studio, 7014 Westmoreland Ave, features emerging artists in an intimate and informal setting. $12 at the door. Info: www.imtfolk.org

March 13 Ben Carroll
March 27 The Kitchen Quartette (sean nos dancers Shannon Dunne and Kieran Jordan, fiddler Cleek Schrey, accordion play Sean McComiskey)

Cellar Stage • Baltimore, MD
In the basement of Faith Community United Methodist Church, 5315 Harford Road. Show begins at 8. $20. Info: 410.521.9099 or www.uptownconcerts@gmail.com

March 6 John Gorka
March 13 Bob Gibson Legacy

Potter’s House Benefit Concerts • Washington, DC
Potter’s House, 1658 Columbia Rd NW, easy Metro access and off street parking available. 7 pm. Info: 202.232.5483 or www.PottersHouseDC.org

March 6 TBA
March 13 Young Women’s Drumming Empowerment Project
March 20 Binaikaye & Friends
March 27 Open Mic music and poetry

333 Coffeehouse • Annapolis, MD

March 20 Sarah Fridrich & Mac Walter

Fredericksburg Songwriters’ Showcase • Fredericksburg, VA
Last Fridays, 8 pm, Picker’s Supply Concert Hall, above 902 Caroline Street (enter through the alley round back). $10 ($5 children, students). Info/directions: 540.898.0611, showcase@bobgramann.com, or www.webliminal.com/songwrite
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7 Arlington Jam
8 Cellar Stage
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**Friday**

10am Batala Percussion
6:30 FSGW STORESWAP
8 Shepherdstown Contra Dance
8 Glen Echo Swing Dance
8 Norwegian Dance

**Saturday**

10am Batala Percussion
5 pm Baltimore Family/Contra Dance
7 CCE Monthly Celli
7:30 Southern Maryland Contra Dance
8 Reston Contra Dance
8 Silver Spring English Dance

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**Potomac River**

**Sacred Harp Singing Convention**

Saturday, April 4 - Sunday, April 5

Pohick Church and Great Falls Grange, Virginia

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**FSGW Advance Notice**

**April 3-5, 2009**

**27th Annual Chesapeake Dance Weekend**

Camp Letts

Edgewater, MD

**April 4 and 5, 2009**

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Sunday, April 5, 2009

**Ed Trickett**

traditional and contemporary Anglo-American

Glen Echo Town Hall, Glen Echo, MD

**May 30 & 31, 2009**

**29th Annual Washington Folk Festival**

Glen Echo Park, MD

**October 2-5, 2009**

**45th Annual Getaway**

West River Retreat Center

West River, MD
Dances

Community/Family

The FSGW Family Dance is listed on Page 4.

Dance and Potluck • Galesville, MD

Saturday, March 28 • potluck 5:45, dance 7-10 pm

Live music by Leah Weiss, Gary Wright, and Friends, with squares, longways dances, and circle dances called by Janine Smith. All ages welcome. No partner, experience, or lessons necessary. Galesville Memorial Hall, 952 Galesville Road, 10 miles south of Annapolis. Adults $10, Age 10-18 $5, under 10 free. Info: 301.926.9142.

BFMS Family Dance • Pikesville, MD

Saturday, March 14 • 5-6:30 pm

Susan Taylor calls to Looney Tunes. St. Mark’s on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Rd, 0.5 miles from Balt. Beltway Exit 20 South. Potluck dinner after the dance – 6:30-7:30. Group discounts for youth groups, Scout troops, church groups, home schooling communities (12 or more). $5 for BFMS members and affiliates; $7 non-members. Family max $20 members, $28 non-members. Info: Diane at 410.321.8419, or matchmaker2@comcast.net

Contra

Sundays

The FSGW Sunday Night Dances are listed on Page 2.

Wednesday

Baltimore Folk Music Society • Baltimore, MD

Wednesdays • 8-10:30 pm

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

March

4 Caller Dave Colestock, music by Baltimore Open Band
11 Caller David Millstone to Cabaret Sauvignon
18 Caller Michael Barraclough calls to Some Assembly
25 Caller David Giusti calls to Mortal Wombat

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 to live music in the Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom. New dancer introductory class every week at 7:30. $9 per person. To play for or call a dance, contact findgigs@petml.com. For general information, visit www.fridaynightdance.org

March

6 Caller David Millstone with Sugar Beat
13 Caller Laura Brown with the fabulous Glen Echo Open Band
20 Caller Jeff Petrovich with Devine Comedy
27 Caller TBA with Mortal Wombat

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. Members $8; Non-members $9; Students $4. Info: www.harrisburgcontra.org

Saturdays

Elverson Dance • Elverson, Pa

1st Saturdays • 7:30-10:30 pm

March 7 Terry Bachman and Hay for Three. St. Mary’s Episcopal Church, 61 Morningside Drive (3 miles east of downtown Elverson) $8, $5 students/seniors. New dancers welcome. Soft-soled shoes, bring a snack to share at the break. Smoke free, alcohol free. Beginners’ lesson at 7. Children must be chaperoned. Info: Nancy Katzen, 610.780.5667 or elversoncontra.org

Shepherdstown Dance • Shepherdstown, WV

1st Saturdays • 7:30-11 pm

March 7, Michael Barraclough calling to Rhythm Method. War Memorial Building, corner of German and King Sts. $7 for members, $10 for non-members, $5 for dancers under 12. Beginners workshop at 7:30, dance at 8. Please wear clean, soft-soled shoes. Snacks at the break. Info: smad.us or call Jeanne Marie at 304.263.8323 or Becky at 304.876.2169

Baltimore Dance • Pikesville, MD

2nd Saturdays • 6:30-11 pm

March 14, Annual BFMS Membership meeting begins promptly at 7:15. Members who arrive by 7:20 get in free! Susan Taylor calls to Looney Tunes. Potluck at 6:30, dance at 8. St. Marks on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Rd. Annual Dessert Contest at the potluck. $8 BFMS and affiliates/$12 Non-members. Students $5 members, $6 non-members. Info: BFMS Hotline at 410.366.0808 or Diane Friedman at matchmaker2@comcast.net, or 410.321.8419, or www.bfms.org
Reston Dance • Reston, VA
2nd Saturdays • 8-10:45 pm

Enjoy the last of the three Reston winter dances on March 14, as Janine Smith calls to June Apple Band. Beginners workshop at 7:15. No partner or experience necessary. Bring a snack to share at the break (juice provided). $7. Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Hunters Wood Center (directions 703.476.4500). Info: 703.709.9121

SMTMD Dance • California, MD
2nd Saturdays • 7-10 pm

March 14, Greg Frock calling to the SMTMD Open Band. Beginners instruction at 7, dance from 7:30-10. Ice cream social after the dance. Wear floor-friendly non-scuffing shoes. $6 for SMTMD member, $8 for non-members. 12 and under free. Info: www.smtmd.org or 301.769.4762.

Annapolis Traditional Dance • Annapolis, MD
3rd Saturdays • 7-10 pm

March 21, DeLaura Padovan with Devine Comedy. Free introductory session at 6:30, dance 7-10. $10 with discounts for seniors, students, families and ATDS members. All ages welcome. All dances taught and walked through. No partner or experience required. Snacks to share are welcome. Friends Meeting House, 351 DuBois Rd. Info: 443.540.0867, janscope@hotmail.com or www.contra-dancers.com/atds

Lancaster Contradance • Lancaster, PA
3rd Saturdays, 8-11 pm


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

March 28, Michael Barraclough, with Mortal Wombat, at Trinity School, near Harry Grove Stadium. Free beginners' workshop at 7 pm, dance begins at 8. Adults, $8, students $5, 12 and under $4. Info/directions: www.contra-dancers.com or call Boe Walker at 301.694.6794.

English Country

Mondays

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

March

2 Caller Christopher Field, with Judy Meyers, Emily Aubrey, and Karen Loya
9 Caller David Millstone, with Liz Donaldson, Becky Ross and Robin Wilson
16 Caller Liz Donaldson, with Jonathan Jensen, Paul Oorts and Marty Taylor
23 Caller Tom Spilsbury, with Michael Friedman, Carl Friedman, and Robin Wilson
30 Caller Michael Barraclough, with Julie Gorka, Walt Robinson, and Jeff Steinberg

Wednesdays

THE FSGW ENGLISH COUNTY DANCES

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Saturdays

English Country Dance • Silver Spring, MD
March 14 • 8-10:45 pm

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.

International

Sundays

Alpine Dancers • New Carrollton, MD
Sundays, March 8, 22, and 29 • 4-6:30 pm

Alpine Dancers are looking for energetic beginners; we hold a free open practice at New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6016 Princess Garden Pkwy, near Beltway Exit 20A. Graceful and lively couples and trio figure dances from Austria, German, and Switzerland. Recorded music. Confirm dates. Info/directions: caroltraxler@yahoo.com, 301.577.3503, 301.464.9193, or www.alpinedancers.org

Mondays

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

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 Ln. $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 KentLHibben@hughes.net

**Irish**

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**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

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**Morris**

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**Thursdays**

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**Thursdays • 7:30-9:30 pm**
Chevy Chase Community Ctr, 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**
Come and explore dances from all over the world in a spirit of meditation and joy. All dances are taught. Recorded music. Unitarian Universalist Church of Arlington, corners of Rte 50 at George Mason Dr. Donation requested. Info: Judie David at 703.451.2595 or vedavid@starpower.net.

**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

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**Fridays**

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

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

Learn and perform long-sword, traditional dances from English Cotswold 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 McGintys afterwards). Highland View Elementary School, 9010 Providence Ave. Info: Brad Graham, 410.480.3289 or www.fbmm-morris.org

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 Thistedance@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 Jay Andrews at andrewj@erols.com or 703.719.0596

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

Scandinavian

Norwegian Dance & Potluck • Takoma Park, MD  
Saturday, March 7 • Potluck 6:30 pm, Dancing 8 pm

Bring clean shoes to wear, food to share, and $$ you can spare to Norwegian-style house party at 6902 Sycamore Ave. Mesmerizing live music by our own world-class Loretta Kelley on the unique Hardanger fiddle (see hfaa.org). Beginners welcome. Hosts are Ted Hodapp and Lynn Baumeister at 301.270.1875. Info/dirs: Jenny, pi@xecu.net, 301.371.4312.

Scandinavian Dance • Greenbelt, MD  
Saturday, March 21 • 7-10 pm

Scandia DC sponsors a 3rd Saturday dance. This month with fiddlers Loretta Kelley and Bruce Sagan, and the Scandia DC Spelmannslag. There may be some recorded music. No partners necessary. This month learn Vossarull, a popular Norwegian dance from Voss in 2/4 time. 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, or www.scandiadc.org.

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Scottish Dance Party • Glen Echo, MD  
Sunday, March 1 • 2 pm

Bring in the Spring with a zingy Scottish Dance Party, led by Elke Baker and the unforgettable Potomac Valley Scottish Fiddle Club Dance Band. At Glen Echo Town Hall (2nd floor). Park in the Glen Echo Park parking lot and walk to the Town Hall. $10. (Free to Glen Echo residents) Info: Becky Ross, 301.208.8285, BeckyRoss@PeatAndBarley.com, or Julie Gorka, 703.527.2096.

Squares

Hot Squares Holiday Dance • College Park, MD  
Tuesday, March 17 • 8:30-11 pm

AP & The Banty Roosters (Andy Porter on fiddle, Joe Langley on guitar, Mark Lynch on mandolin, and Art Abrams on bass) will play tunes for squares and more called by the Hot Square Babes. Put on those shamrocks, dig out your green apparel and come to the Cherry Hill RV Park Conference Center, 9800 Cherry Hill Road. $8, Refreshments to share are welcome. Info: 410.268.0231 or 301.947.2231 or http://www.hotsquares.info/

Swing/Blues

Washington Swing Dance • Glen Echo Park, MD  
Saturday, March 7 • 8-midnight

J Street Jumpers. No partner or dance experience necessary. Dress is casual. Snack bar closes at 10 pm, so bring water or sports drink. All ages welcome. Introductory lesson from 8-9 in the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park. Admission $14 Info: 301.340.9732 or wsdcswings@yahoo.com or www.wsdcs.org

Swing Dance • Glen Echo Park, MD  
Sunday, March 1 • 2 pm

Boilermarker Jazz Band. In the Bumper Car Pavilion. No partner or dance experience necessary. One-hour swing lesson by Mike Marcotte and Donna Barker begins at 8, with dancing from 9 to midnight. Admission $13, with all net proceeds to benefit Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts & Culture. Info: Donna Barker at 301.634.2231 or www.DanceDC.com

Slow Blues/Swing Dance • Glen Echo Park, MD  
Sunday, March 29 • 7-11 pm

There’s an optional 90-minute workshop, taught by Donna Barker and Mike Marcotte, from 7 to 8:30. Then dance slow blues and swing to fantastic music by Big Boy Little from 8:30-11. $17 for workshop and dance, $12 for dance only. In the Bumper Car Pavilion. Info: Donna Barker at 301.634.2231 or www.DanceDC.com

Send all Newsletter submissions to: newsletter@fsgw.org.
Dance Classes

Waltz

**Afternoon Waltz • Glen Echo Park, MD**  
**Sunday, March 1 • 3-6 pm**

**Waltzing Stars.** A 30-minute introductory waltz lesson at 3, followed by 2½ hours of social dancing – a lively mix of folk waltzes, Schottische, swing, tango, or polka, in the Spanish Ballroom. $8. Info: www.WaltzTimeDances.org or 301.634.2222

**Afternoon Waltz • Glen Echo Park, MD**  
**Sunday, March 15 • 3-6 pm**

**Avant Gardeners.** A 30-minute introductory waltz lesson at 3, followed by 2½ hours of social dancing – a lively mix of folk waltzes, along with tango, polka, swing, and more, in the Spanish Ballroom. $8. Info: www.WaltzTimeDances.org or 301.634.2222

**Tea Dance Sunday Afternoon • Glen Echo Park, MD**  
**Sunday, March 22 • 3-6 pm**


**Ballroom**

**Wednesdays, March 11-April 1**

Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park. Each 4-week series is $40 (plus applicable registration fee); pay at the door or pre-register at www.glenechopark.org. Additional information at www.dancedc.com. No partner or previous experience required for any class.

**Swing & Lindy** from 7-8 pm. Learn footwork, lots of moves and styling.

**Blues Dancing 101** from 8-9 pm. Learn partnering techniques in closed and open positions, dips, and other creative moves.

**Argentine Tango** from 9-10 pm Learn basic lead/follow concepts, ochos, and ganchos.

**Irish**

**Tuesdays**

Classes offered through the City of Fairfax Parks and Recreation Department at Green Acres Center, 4401 Sidewburn Road, Fairfax, 22030. Classes given in 5-week sessions throughout the season (through June). Dances taught are at the beginning to intermediate level; cost is $30 per session. Information on Irish social or country dancing can be found at www.Ceilidance.com, and YouTube channel “cel1308” has videos of dances. More information: 703.273.6869 or celliset@yahoo.com

The Ring of Kerry Dancers (non-profit) conducts Irish ceili and set dance instruction at Ridgeview Middle School, 16600 Rock Raven Drive, Gaithersburg. Beginners 7-8, advanced 8:15-9:15 pm. Ages 8-adult. $40 per semester (January-June). Info: Marilyn O’Brien, 301.926.6943.

**Zydeco/Cajun**

**Zydeco Dance • Glen Echo Park, MD**  
**Sunday, March 8 • 3-6 pm**


**Zydeco Dance • Glen Echo Park, MD**  
**Saturday, March 28 • 8-midnight**

Join Michael Hart and Sharon Schilliro in the Bumper Car Pavilion at 8 for a one-hour Zydeco/Cajun dance lesson. Then dance from 9 to midnight. Admission $15. Info: Michael Hart at 301.762.6730 or www.DancingbytheBayou.com

**Cajun Dance • Silver Spring, MD**  
**Thursday, March 5 • 7:30-10:30 pm**

**Cypress Trio** will provide music at this monthly Cajun dance/concert series. Los Arrieros Restaurant, 7926 Georgia Ave just north of DC line, south of Silver Spring Metro. Park in rear lot off Blair Rd or on Georgia. Admission $10. No partner or dance experience necessary. Info: 301.585.8813 or 301.229.4487

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Scandinavian

Scandinavian Dance Classes • Bethesda, MD
Beginning Class: Tuesday, March 10 and 31 • 7:30 - 9:30 pm
Advanced Classes: Tuesdays, March 3 and 17 • 7:30 - 9:30 pm

Directions: New Entrance to NIH: Enter NIH at Wisconsin Av. and the new Gateway Drive entrance (south of South Dr., reachable ONLY from the north, on Wisconsin Ave). Have ID ready for vehicle inspection. Park there, or drive 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 (walk straight into the building, just out of the exit, for inspection – have ID ready). 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.

More Geese Than Swans • Washington, DC
1st Sundays • 7 pm
More Geese Than Swans meets on 1st Sundays to sing Renaissance choral music, sacred and secular. Some sight-reading skills necessary. Group meets near a Metro stop and welcomes new members. Info: Joan Gildemeister at 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.

Balkan Singing • Takoma Park, MD
Every Monday • 8 pm
Informal singing group meets in Northwest DC/Takoma Park to sing Balkan village songs. Interested novices welcome. Info: Katya, 301.270.4175 or Katya@partan.com or Joan at 202.363.6197.

DC Bluegrass Union VFW Bluegrass Jams
1st & 3rd Mondays • 7-10 pm
Note change of date! Free. Non-smoking. At Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 350, 6420 Orchard Ave. (corner of 4th Ave), near New Hampshire and Eastern. Info: VFW Post 350 at 301.270.8008 or Barb Diederich barb@barbdiederich.com.

Tuesdays

Sea Chantey Open Pub Sing • Wheaton, MD and Falls Church, VA
1st and 4th Tuesdays • See below for start times
The Ship’s Company chanteysmen 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 capella but instruments are welcome. Info: Myron Peterson at rustic@yahoo.com or www.shipcompany.org.

Folk Club of Reston/Henderson • Herndon, VA
Tuesdays • 7:30 pm
Tortilla Factory, 648 Elden Street. Open mic format. 2nd Tuesday includes 25-minute member showcase; monthly concerts usually 3rd Tuesday, price varies. Smoke-free environment. Info: www.restonherndonfolkclub.com, 703.435.2402.

Old Time Jam • Washington, DC
2nd Tuesdays • 8 pm
Fiddlers, banjo pickers, guitarists, bass players and cloggers all welcome at Nanny O’Brien’s, 3319 Connecticut Ave NW, for an old-time jam. Info: ulrike(at)brauneis.us
Jams/Open Mics/Audience Participation continued

Cajun Jam • Greenbelt, MD
4th Tuesdays • 7-9:30 pm

Baltimore Singers Club • Fells Point, MD
2nd & 3rd Wednesdays • 9 pm
Baltimore Singers Club convenes in the upstairs room at Bertha’s Bar and Restaurant, at Fells Point (Baltimore). We don’t usually have a theme, but narrative songs and ballads tend to dominate the repertoire. Everyone is welcome. Info: baltimoresingersclub.blogspot.com.

Sea Chantey Open Pub Sings • Baltimore & Annapolis, MD
2nd & 3rd 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.shipcompany.org
2nd Wednesdays – Wharf Rat, 801 S. Anne Street, Baltimore (Fells Point)
3rd Wednesdays – Galway Bay, 63 Maryland Ave, Annapolis 21401

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 St. Info: Lilli Vincenz, 703.532.2731 or FiddlerLilli@zzapp.org.

 Thursdays

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.

Fridays

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.fridaynightdance.org.

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

Saturdays

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

Hammer Dulcimer Jam • McLean, VA
March 28 • 1:30 - 4:30 pm
Hammer dulcimer players meet monthly at the Dolley Madison Library to swap tunes and play together. Other acoustic instruments welcome. Info: Ellie at 703.578.3106, nvhdp@holspopple.com, or http://pages.prodigy.net/holspopple.

Storytelling

Storytelling 101 • Washington, DC
Wednesdays, Mar 4, 11 • 6:30-9:30 pm
Twelve hours of instruction, including two half-hour private coaching sessions. $185. Location TBA. Advance registration required. Info: www.speakeasydc.org

Mommy Dearest • Washington, DC
Saturday, May 9 at 8 pm
Sunday, May 10 at 5 pm
If you are interested in being part of this show, submit a synopsis or the full story by March 15 to www.speakeasydc.org.
Workshops, Weekends, Festivals & Special Events

Rain Barrel Volunteer Training • Accokeek, MD
Saturday, March 7 • 9 am - 3:30 pm
Accokeek Foundation will train volunteers in the construction of rain barrels, and the leading of rain barrel workshops to educate homeowners about water conservation and use of rain barrels. All materials provided. At the Education Center, 3400 Bryan Point Road. Info: 301.283.2113 or abarnes@accokeek.org

Upper Potomac Spring Music Weekend • Shepherdstown, WV
Friday, March 20 - Sunday, March 22
Weekend music workshops for hammered dulcimer, fiddle, and mixed instruments, with Dulcemeiros (from Querétero, Mexico) and Ensemble Tymanon (Karen Ashbrook, Paul Oorts, Nick Blanton), plus Christie Burns and Ken Kolodner. All classes held in the Shepherd University Campus Center and surrounding historic buildings. Advance registration highly recommended. Info: www.dulcimerfest.org, or updf@earthlink.net, or call Joanie Blanton at 301.371.4312.

Flatpicking Workshop • Mount Rainier, MD
Sunday, March 22 • 3-6 pm
Steve Kaufman, 3-time winner of the National Flatpicking Championships, offers a flatpicking workshop, limited to 20 students, at Joe's Movement Emporium, 504.243.2531. Necessary.

GWCC Spring Fling Weekend • Shepherdstown, WV
Friday, March 27 - Sunday, March 29
The Greater Washington Ceili Club sponsors its 5th annual Spring Fling – Friday (Custom House) and Saturday (Dave Abe, Billy McComiskey, Zan McLeod, Myron Bretholz) ceils (mostly Irish county sets) and workshops by Jim Keenan, at the War Memorial building, German and King Streets. $60 per person for all events (must be purchased by March 13). Tickets available for individual events. Info: Dixie Baker at 301.294.3568 or www.gwcc-online.org.

26th Annual Pysanka Workshop • Washington, DC
Sunday, March 29 • noon to 5 pm
At the Ukrainian Catholic National Shrine, 4250 Harewood Road, NE (across from Catholic University). The pysanka workshop runs from 2-5 (registration from 1-2). Learn to decorate Easter eggs the traditional Ukrainian way. Detailed audio-visual presentation, personalized instructions, materials and supplies all included. Adults $15, children under 12 $7. Easter bazaar from noon to 4 pm, with many vendors featuring traditional Ukrainian arts and crafts, pysanka kits, how-to books, and lots of wonderful traditional baked goods, sausages, and more. Info: Sophika at 202.426.0530, Jurij at 301.356.7695, or the Parish office at 202.526.3737.

Guitar Workshop • Takoma Park, MD
Sunday, March 29 • 7-9 pm
John Jorgenson, founding member of Desert Rose Band, presents a guitar workshop, limited to 20 students, at Contradiction Dance Studio, 7014 Westmoreland Avenue. $75. Info: www.imtfolk.org and 301.754.3611

Songwriting/Ukulele Workshops • Riverdale, MD
Wednesday-Thursday, April 1-2 • 7-9 pm
Del Ray, Seattle-based guitar and ukulele artist, offers “Blues Songwriting: Wearing Tradition Like a Tailor-Made Suit” on Wednesday and Thursday, and “Blue Ukule” on Thursday, to include right-hand fingerpicking. Both at the Archie Edwards Blues Heritage new location, 4701 Queensbury Road, across the street from the Riverdale train station. Info/reservations: www.info!acousticblues.com

FSGW Chesapeake Dance Weekend • Camp Letts, MD
Friday, April 3 - Sunday, April 5
FSGW’s 27th annual Chesapeake Dance Weekend features music by The Latter Day Lizards, 1-95 Breakdown, and Réveillons, with calling by Lisa Greenleaf and Kathy Anderson! Info elsewhere in this issue, and at www.fsgw.org.

4th Annual Spring Springar Spree
• Takoma Park/Kensington, MD
Friday-Sunday, May 1-3
Share the joy of Springar – those wonderful Norwegian dances with addictive uneven 3-beat music played on the Hardanger fiddle. Dance and fiddle classes, traditional house parties, space to jam, Saturday night dance. Dance classes led by Laine Harris and Jennifer Brosious. Valdrespringar review and Telespringar basics by Bruce Emery. Music by Loretta Kelley and special guests. Beginners welcome. No partner necessary. Info: Jenny Foster at pi@xceu.net or 301.371.4312.

Spring Banjo Rally • Williamsport, PA
Thursday, May 21 through Saturday, May 23
Players and listeners are invited to attend the American Banjo Fraternity Rally, particularly the Saturday night concert of 1900s music at the Genetti Hotel, 200 West 4th St., 7:30 pm, featuring performances on 5-string banjos of different sizes, using nylon strings, played with fingers (no picks). Info: www.abfbanjo.org, 570.326.6600, or 800.321.1388.

Lindy Hoppers Special Event • New York, NY
Thursday, May 21 - Monday, May 25
A celebration of the 95th birthday of Frankie Manning. Lindy hop legend, with five days of dancing, live music, workshops, discussions, tours, competitions, performances and more at the 12,000 sq. ft.
Hammerstein Ballroom in Manhattan. Also featuring Steven Mitchell, Virginie Jensen, Ryan and Jenny Francois, Sylvia Sykes, Sing Lim, the Harlem Hotshots, Ninjammerz, the Silver Shadows, and three fantastic big bands – The Harlem Renaissance Orchestra, George Gee and his Make Believe Ballroom Orchestra, and Frank Foster’s Loud Minority Band. Info: www.frankie95.com.

Almost Heaven • High View, WV

Friday, May 22 - Monday, May 25

Vocal Week at Augusta • Elkins, WV

Sunday, August 2 - Friday, August 7
Vocal Week at the Augusta Heritage Center is Valhalla for singers! Ballads with Peggy Seeger and Sheila Kay Adams, spirituals with Charles Williams, vaudeville styling with Rhiannon Giddens of The Carolina Chocolate Drops, and jazz and show standards with Anne Louise White. Craft your own songs with the help of Laurelyn Dossett, enjoy vocal improv and doo-wop sessions with Flawn Williams, or backtrack to the Renaissance with Emily Eagen. Plus duet and trio harmony classes with Joe Newberry, Ann Downey of Finest Kind, and Val Mindel. Come add your voice to a hundred happy harmonizers. Info: www.augustaheritage.com/vocal.html or 304.637.1209.

CDSS Music and Dance Week • High View, WV

Sunday, August 16 - Saturday, August 23
If you’re looking for a fabulous summer week, filled with music, dance and song, try CDSS Week at comfortable Timber Ridge Camp, conveniently located about two hours west of the Washington/Baltimore area. The week will feature four complete and interlocking programs: an adult English and American dance program; a Family/Children’s Program; an intensive American Dance caller’s workshop; and a Young Dancers Program, designed specifically for dancers age 16 – 25. Singing, late night dance parties, art, nature walks, swimming, jamming and more will add to the fun. Info: http://www.cdss.org/programs/2009/timberridge.html.

Mark your calendars So You Don’t Miss Any of these Upcoming FSGW Events!

This is the current listing of upcoming FSGW events – mark your calendars in pencil as dates, times, and locations (and even performers) are subject to change.

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

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. Then follow instructions in MD&VA, below.
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. Then follow instructions in MD&VA, below.
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. Be SURE to come to a COMPLETE STOP at the Stop Sign!!!!

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.

Washington Ethical Society (WES) Auditorium,
7750 16th St. NW, DC 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 Ave. South exit (29 south). Stay in either right line. Go .4 miles from the exit ramp, going south on 16th St. South. Follow 16th Street past the light at East-West Highway (Rt. 410); go straight at the circle at the DC/MD line. Kalmia Rd. is the second light after the DC/MD line. WES is the second building on the right after Kalmia Rd. Parking is on Kalmia or 16th St.

By Metro: Red Line to Silver Spring Stop. Walk south on Rt. 29 Colesville Rd. to the traffic circle at 16th – go left down 16th four blocks to Kalmia Rd. and WES. If you’d rather not walk, an S-4 Metro Bus will deliver you to the corner of Kalmia Rd. and 16th.
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