You've been wondering about the health of old-time music, come to our November program. Still in his mid-20s, Matt Brown is a seasoned touring and recording artist, fiddle teacher, studio musician, recording producer and partner with his father in 5-String Productions, specializing in acoustic music.

Matt Brown grew up hearing his dad play banjo, attending folk festivals, listening to his family's old-time recordings, and learning violin. His fiddle teachers have included Brad Leftwich, Rafe Stefanini, Bruce Molsky, Dirk Powell, Bruce Greene and Rickie Simpkins. He took up banjo, guitar and singing in his teens, and since then mentors have included Paul Brown (no relation), Ginny Hawker, Tracy Schwarz, David Holt and Charles Williams.

Matt made his first recording (Lone Prairie) of fiddle tunes, with Paul Brown and Beverly Smith. His second (Falls of Richmond) is solo, and he adds banjo, guitar and vocals. He's working on a third, and has released an instructional fiddle CD and is writing a fiddle book. For more info and a video clip, go to Matt's website at www.fiddler1.com.

For this concert he'll be joined by long-time FSGW member Bruce Hutton, who's been making old-time music since before Matt was born. He plays a roomful of instruments, mostly with strings. He helped form Double Decker String Band in 1977 and still works with them. He's also part of the Hesperus ensemble's crossover project demonstrating relationships between medieval and renaissance music and American folk. In addition to concerts and festivals, Bruce regularly presents workshops and programs for schools and libraries on a wide range of folk subjects, from music styles to history to social studies. Bruce has recorded solo, with Double Decker and with Hesperus.

Come out for old-time music, dance tunes, blues, and an all-around fun musical evening, FREE to members, $15 the public, at Washington Ethical Society Auditorium, 7750 16th St., NW, DC. Directions on p. 23.

Roxanne Watts, editor
FSGW Sunday Night Dances
at Glen Echo Park, MD
(Directions, page 23)
Contras & Squares • 7:30-10:30 pm
Introductory lesson every Sunday from 7-7:30 pm

Join us for an evening of dancing 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. Dances often become more challenging as the evening progresses. Bring water or a sports drink, and dress appropriately in layers. Smooth soled shoes are kindest on your knees and ankles when turning. 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: Penelope Weinberger, dance@fsgw.org.

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

November

1 There's a doctor in the house so come on over to dance away what ails you as Dr Twamley's Audio Snakes perform for your pleasure, and Peg Hesley, from Arizona, on her east coast tour prescribes the dancing.

8 Local favorites, the Love Mongrels perform. All top dogs, these musicians are the dancers’ best friends with the pure talent of Alexander Mitchell on fiddle, Danny Knicely on mandolin, Ralph Gordon on bass, and our own very own prize-winning, Orrin Star on guitar. Come wag your tail as Anna Rain calls!

15 From Lincoln, MA, the infamous Notorious arrive. Witness Eden MacAdam-Somer's brilliant fiddle and Larry Unger's wicked picking. Ralph Gordon joins in on bass and Charlottesville's Gaye Fifer comes to call.

22 Si! Si! You'll like them very much! Mucho Gusto is here to please! Sam Morgan is on mandolin, guitar and fiddle, Tabby Finch on piano and accordion, Wayne Turner on bouzouki and percussion, and Ralph Gordon on bass. Our own dance regular, Steve Gester calls.

29 Come work off that leftover turkey and pumpkin pie. Strut, swing, and stomp to the music of the Clayfoot Strutters, traveling here from Vermont for a rare appearance. Hear Pete Sutherland on fiddle, Jeremiah McLane on accordion and piano, Mark Roberts on flute and banjo, and Peter Davis on guitar, sax and piano, Will Patton on bass, and Russ Sternglass on drums. World famous George Marshall will be calling.

On the Web:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NIo7dtHZyE&feature=related “Contra Dance Training.”

Have you come across an article about dance you’d like to share? Or would you like to write one? Please send your suggestions to Newsletter@fsgw.org

Deadline for the DECEMBER 2009 Newsletter: TUESDAY, November 10th
A performance by John McCutcheon draws upon old-time music, poetry, the curiosity of children, and current headlines. The widely honored folk musician plays it all. His early career mastered stringband tunes, hammered dulcimer medleys and countless old songs. Along the way, he began writing — anthems, stories of ordinary people and extraordinary events, songs about kids, baseball and history. After 31 albums, six Grammy nominations, and other awards, John doesn't look back and hasn't slowed down. He's still organizing people and celebrating their lives in his music. Be prepared to be impressed with his musicianship on multiple instruments, and be prepared to sing along, tap your feet and be thoroughly entertained . . .

Alden Theatre at the McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean, VA. $28 general adm; $23 McLean members; $25 FSGW members; Box Office: 703.790.9223
FSGW English Country Dances
at Glen Echo Town Hall, MD
Wednesdays • 8 to 10 pm

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 – every Wednesday a different and delightful mix of instruments, including piano, fiddle, flute, harp, oboe, concertina, bassoon, cello, 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

Admission: $8 for FSGW members, $10 for non-members.

Attention Dancers
New Year’s Eve English Country Dance Gala information on insert!!

Also, join us before the dance—The pot luck supper is back!

November
4 Tom Spilsbury calls to the music of Colleen Reed (flute), Ralph Gordon (cello), and Francine Krasowska (piano)
11 Martha Seigel leads the dancing while Susan Brandt (flute), Bruce Edwards (concertina and bassoon), and Melissa Running (piano) play the tunes.
18 Dan Gillespie calls while Jeff Steinberg (fiddle), Anna Rain (recorders), and Liz Donaldson (piano)
25 Bob Farrall calls to the playing of Becky Ross (fiddle), Liz Donaldson (piano), and Karin Loya (cello)

Video of The Minor Spaniard at the FSGW Spring Ball (thanks to Leonard Lu):
http://www.facebook.com/n/?video/video.php&v=106219220239&mid=79c721G2e1792bfG1a8f71fG1d

Family Dance
Glen Echo
Bumper Car Pavilion
(Directions, Page 23)
Sunday, November 8• 3 pm

The family dance moves inside for the winter and who better to lead the parade than Anna, the “Pied Piper,” Rain. She will be calling to Alexander Mitchell on fiddle, and Henry Koretsky on mandolin Bring the whole clan! 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.
**Family Event**

**McLean, VA**

---

**The Swing Peepers**

**Songs and Stories for the Whole Family**

**Saturday, November 21, 10:30 am**

Swing Peepers perform inventive, earth-friendly and interactive songs and stories for all ages. (You don’t have to bring a kid, but if you know one bring one!) Swing Peepers are lively, improvisational, and endearingly goofy. Instruments strummed, swung, and tapped include: guitar, mandolin, harmonica, banjo, ukulele, accordion and egg-shaker. Most songs and stories are participatory, and body movement is part of the action!

Matthew Witten and John Hadden hail from Vermont; they perform and offer school residencies throughout New England. This is a rare chance to hear them in the Washington area.

The Swing Peepers draw out the creativity of audiences by having them participate in creating impromptu songs and stories. These made-up-on-the-spot rollicking stories are The Swing Peepers’ trademark – watch out for colorful surprises!

The family house concert will be at the Langley Hill Friends Meetinghouse in McLean, VA, 6410 Georgetown Pike (Rt. 193), about two miles inside (east of) the beltway. Public transportation is limited; your best option is to take Metro to Ballston or Dunn Loring on the Orange Line and then take a cab. Suggested contribution: $10 ($30 maximum per family). For more information, call Steve or Ann at 703.425.5943 (but not later than 9:00 pm).

---

**FSGW House Concert**

**Largo, MD**

---

**Kate Power and Steve Einhorn**

**Quality Folk from Portland, Oregon**

**Saturday, November 7 • 8 pm**

A FSGW house concert at Mount Lubentia, in Largo, MD near FedEx Field, home of Andy and Sondra Wallace.

Since the early 1980s Kate Power and Steve Einhorn have been cornerstone players in the vibrant Pacific Northwest folk scene. Married in 1992, they have been making beautiful music together ever since, as well as running Artichoke Music, a folk music shop, concert hall and school that’s a pivotal part of Portland’s culture.

Born in Boston to musical parents of a large Irish-American family, Kate Power grew up with the New York City area folk revival. A multi-instrumentalist (guitar, banjo, 6-string ukulele, high-strung Nashville Guitar), Kate is also a wonderful singer and skilled songwriter, whose song Travis John won her a Grand Prize at the noted Kerrville, Texas festival in 2006. Guitarist and singer Steve Einhorn also grew up in the Boston – New York corridor during the 60s and was a charter member of the well-known Boston bluegrass ensemble Foxfire for several years before moving to Portland and founding Artichoke music.

Together and separately, Kate and Steve have fourteen recordings to their credit, They’ve appeared at venues ranging from Garrison Keillor’s A Prairie Home Companion, to the Great Hudson River Revival. Tom Paxton has called them “A tour de force,” and Pete Seeger wrote “Your music is wonderful.”

Reservations are NOT required for this concert. Suggested donation $15. Contact Andy or Sondra Wallace at 301.324.7311 or andy.sondra@verizon.net for directions. It’s walkable (about 30 minutes) from the Largo Town Center stop on the Blue Line.

Passings Noted

Shanty Singer Barry Finn, 1951-2009
Barry Finn, a stalwart of the Getaway for years and a great friend to many FSGW members, died unexpectedly of a heart attack on Friday, October 16. Barry, who lived in Derry, NH, was a fine singer with a huge repertoire of songs including sea chanteys, Irish songs, work songs, and cowboy ballads. He was known for creating a community of singers wherever he traveled, and especially for his kindness and encouragement to younger singers. His big voice and big heart will be missed by many. He's survived by Justine Donovan, his wife of 23 years, and his college-aged children Natalie and Gabriel.

Evelyne Beers, Fox Hollow founder 1925-Oct 2009
Evelyne and her husband Bob Beers founded the legendary Fox Hollow Folk Festival, in 1966, which continued until 1980. Evelyne Beers, passed away on Sunday, October 4th, in hospital in Toronto from pneumonia. It was peaceful and painless. She was 84. Even though she was in constant pain from a bad fall in August of 2008, she still found it with her to sing and recount her memories of Fox Hollow and the wonderful supportive performers and friends who attended over a period of 14 years.” These performers included FSGW founding members John and Ginny Dildine, Helen Schneyer, Joe Hickerson, and many others.

N.J. Warren, Blues musician
A transplant from Pine Bluff, Arkansas, N.J. Warren impressed acoustic blues fans with his slow-down, low-down Delta-style guitar work. N.J. was the real deal, with his guitar playing and singing evoking the late Lightnin' Slim and Silas Hogan. N.J. was an old friend of Archie Edwards, had been a regular at the Barbershop for decades, and a mentor to the younger people who come through the doors.

FSGW Board Meeting Highlights/Email Updates • (October 6, 2009)
The meeting began with the treasurer’s report and the suggestion to create an annual report for the membership.
Membership reported on the success of the Magical Montgomery festival and discussion ensued on participating in other festivals.
Progress is being made on resolving the glitches in the emails to members, and using Constant Contact was discussed as an option. A committee will be formed to investigate social networking and technology that would benefit FSGW.
Dance chair, Penelope Weinberger, will be attending a dance organizers workshop in Blacksburg, VA. David Shewmaker will be assisting April Blum in planning the minifest, and taking over that role himself.

FSGW Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 3 • 8 PM
The monthly FSGW board meeting will be held in Classroom 201 Arcade Bldg at Glen Echo Park, MD. All FSGW members may attend. If you wish the Board to consider a particular matter, please contact the appropriate board member, or Mary Cliff by e-mail, president@fsgw.org or call afternoons or evenings 703-534-7581 in advance of the meeting.
FSGW Sings/Swaps & Co-sponsored Events

FSGW Open Sing • Silver Spring, MD  
**Friday, November 6 • 8:30 pm**
Lorraine VanBuren and George Rathbone have graciously agreed to host November’s Open Sing, beginning at 8:30 and going until Lorraine and George get tired of us. The topic is Body Parts. Think human or bodies of water. Mere mention counts. You might want to put a folding chair in your car, just in case it is needed, though Lorraine and George say they have enough. For info/dir: lvanbu@aol.com, or 301.495.2820.

FSGW Storyswap-Bethesda, MD  
**Saturday, November 7 • 7:30 PM**
Storytellers and listeners are invited to the home of Jane Dorfman in Bethesda for an evening of shared stories and potluck kosher snacks. Free. For RSVPs and directions, call 301.654.5818.

FSGW Gospel Sing • Chevy Chase, DC  
**Sunday, November 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! This month’s Gospel Sing will be at the home of Rick Morgan and Arlene Rodenbeck in the Chevy Chase area of Northwest Washington, DC. Info/directions: 202.364.3663.

FSGW Workshop with Charles Williams • Laurel, MD  
**Sundays, 2 pm starting November 8**
The first in a series of five vocal production workshops, this intimate class will help any singer get the most from their voice while protecting it. Learn from tutorials and student participation with Charles’ insightful analysis and effective solutions. Also learn from taking your turn in the hot seat and experiencing Charles work his magic. Limited to twelve. Begins Sunday, November 8, 2 pm. Location: West Laurel, MD, at the Cook’s Treehouse. Call 301.776.4314 for reservations and cost.

FSGW Sacred Harp Singing • Arlington, VA  
**Sunday, November 22 • 3-8 pm**
Introductory shape note singing school will be held between 3-4 pm. If you are new to Sacred Harp, this session will help you understand the difference between far and la, and get you singing in the old time way. Experienced singers are encouraged to come and help with all four parts. At 4 pm the regular monthly singing will begin, with unaccompanied four-part singing of the folk hymns, fugues, and anthems in the 1991 edition of the original Sacred Harp and 1958 Christian Harmony (loaner books available). There will be a potluck supper break from 6-7 pm. All are welcome.
**Info:** 301.229.8534  
**Directions:** St. Peter's is one-half mile south of Chain Bridge, on the west side of Glebe Road (crossing from Washington, on your right; from Virginia, on your left; from the Beltway, take the GW Parkway south to 123 north, then right at the T to Glebe). The church is not visible from Glebe Rd. but its sign is. Turn on Tazewell St. and bear right into the parking lot.

---

**Co-Sponsored Event**

Glen Echo International Folkdancers • Glen Echo, MD  
**Thursdays, 7:30-10:34 pm**
Every Thursday at the Church of the Redeemer, 6201 Dunrobin 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/experience necessary. Wear comfortable clothing and soft soled shoes. Adm. $5. Info: Jamie at 301.466.3018, or dancingplanet@erols.com

---

**FSGW Thanks Hubie King and Mike Magill**
Our Program Committee thanks Hubie King for presenting a thorough overview of how old-time music came to the New Lost City Ramblers after we had seen the documentary Always a Rambler at our September program. You can hear Hubie hosting Old time Jam on WAMU BluegrassCountry, Monday at 6 pm, and Wednesday at 1 am, Thursday at 6 am, and Friday at 8 pm. Available also on bluegrasscountry.org, WAMU 88.5 HD Channel 2, and 105.5 FM in Reston, VA.

We also want to thank Mike Magill of Magill’s Restaurant, 7201 Little River Turnpike, Annandale, VA for donating refreshments for the September program.
Nowell Sing We Clear

Saturday, December 19
3 pm (matinee!) (We Sold Out last year!)

It's not too early to plan your holiday entertainment. Bring the whole family (including your voices) to the Church of the Ascension, 633 Sligo Ave, in downtown Silver Spring, for this year's edition of Nowell Sing We Clear. Every year this lively quartet (John Roberts, Tony Barrand, Fred Breunig and Andy Davis) culls carols, songs, tales and customs of Winter Solstice, Christmas, and New Year's celebrations to craft a high-energy, participatory entertainment. It's a family-friendly afternoon guaranteed to reverse the darkness of winter and start the trend toward longer days and the greening of spring to come!

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, pagan religious traditions. While some of the singing is unaccompanied, the performance also features the energetic dance band sound of fiddle, button accordion, electric piano, drums, and concertina. Some "new" (that is "different") songs and carols are introduced every year.

Buy your tickets through FSGW by December 18 and save $3 per ticket. General admission $25. Students (to age 22) $10. See the website to reserve tickets and for other discounts that may apply.

FSGW Mini Fest

* Takoma Park, MD *

Saturday, February 6, 2010 *

Noon-10:30 pm

Takoma Park Middle School will be full of smiling faces when the annual FSGW Mini-Fest rolls around. We're in the planning stages, but you can expect two all-day dance tracks, traditional music performances and workshops, gospel and Shape Note sings, storytellers, crafts, and much more. Interested in helping? If you volunteer for two hours, you get in free. Do you have a skill to share, or would your group like to perform? Email minifest@fsgw.org or minifestmessages@aol.com.

—April Blum, Mini-Fest Chair
Concerts & Concert Series

Old Time and Bluegrass • Alexandria, VA  
Monday, November 2 • 7:30 pm

“American Revival” featuring Uncle Earl and Sierra Hull and Highway 111, plus the Dixie Bee-Liners. $29.50  Birchmere Concert Hall, 3701 Mt Vernon Ave. 703.549.7500 or www.birchmere.com

Pop /Folk • Alexandria, VA  
Friday/Saturday, November 6,7 • 7:30 pm

DAR Williams + DALA (Friday), or the Rhythm Angels on Saturday. $35 Birchmere Concert Hall, 3701 Mt Vernon Ave. 703.549.7500 or www.birchmere.com

Folk/Blues • Alexandria, VA  
Friday, November 13 • 7:30 pm

Chris Smither and the Motivators (blues), and Paul Cebar (solo) opens. $25. Birchmere Concert Hall 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave., 703.549.7500 or www.birchmere.com

Geoff Kaufman House Concert • Catonsville, MD  
Friday, November 13 • 8 pm

Geoff brings us songs of the sea, of the earth, of the heart and spirit. Ballads, work songs, and songs of love; poignant songs of people engaged in life’s struggles, humorous glimpses of human foibles and insights into history. Please reserve. $12. Held at the home of Barbara and McGregor in Catonsville. 410.788.2761, or svob@comcast.net

Legendary folk singer/songwriter Don McLean • Alexandria, VA  
Saturday, November 14 • 7:30 pm

Don McLean (American Pie), with Kitty Donoho opening. $49.50. Birchmere Concert Hall, 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave., 703.549.7500 or www.birchmere.com

Lisa Null and Caryl P. Weiss • Edgewater, MD  
Saturday, November 14 • 7:30-10:00 pm

An evening of songs, old and new. Lisa Null, a teacher of voice and of folklore, a songwriter, and long-time FSGW member, is known for singing in styles ranging from traditional Appalachian ballads to cowboy, camp, and labor songs. Caryl P. Weiss is a multi-instrumentalist, singer, and songwriter most well known for her vast knowledge of sea shanties and other maritime music. Come, listen and enjoy light refreshments at Dennis and Michele Callaghans. Suggested donation $15. For dir: callagh@verizon.net, or call 410.956.2266.

Scottish/Celtic Song and Dance Music • Annapolis, MD  
Sunday, November 15 • 4 pm

Scottish Singer Katrine Anderson performs with renowned Celtic musicians: Zan McCleod (guitar and more), Billy McComiskey (accordion), Robert Spates (fiddle), and Caroline Kemper (Celtic harp). Music from Katrine's new CD Songs of Celtic Myths will be featured. $15 or $10 for seniors and students. Unitarian Universalist Church of Annapolis, 333 Dubois Rd. Info: 410.266.8044, or www.KatrineAnderson.com

Lui Collins House Concert • Pikesville MD  
Sunday, November 15 • 8–10 pm

Over a thirty year career, Lui Collins has offered heartfelt songs and stories, with her music ranging from contemporary to spiritual. She engages the audience with song and poem, voice, guitar and banjo expressing the complex woman she is; whimsical spirit, wise elder, mother, grandmother, woods walker, writer, poet, teacher. The press is raving. Check her website at www.luicollins.com. There will be a maximum of twenty-five people in this intimate unamplified setting, so advance reservations are strongly recommended. $15 suggested donation to the artist. For info/dir: contact bsmiler@bardon.com, or 410.753.2351.

David Wilcox • McLean VA  
Saturday, November 21 • 8 pm

A songwriter with sixteen albums to his credit, David Wilcox tells stories, paints pictures, and delivers songs worth hearing, Alden Theatre at the McLean Community Center, $28 gen. adm., $23 McLean members. 1234 Inglis Ave., McLean, VA. Box office: 703.790.9223

Washington Balalaika Society • Rockville MD, and Arlington VA  
Saturday, November 21 • 7:30 pm

Sunday, November 22 • 3:30 pm

Russian Revelry – Two fall concerts will feature the sixty member Russian Folk Orchestra under the direction of Svetlana Nikonova, as well as instrumental and vocal soloists. Saturday's concert will be held at F.Scott Fitzgerald Theatre, 603 Edmonston Road, Rockville, and Sunday's will be at the Kenmore Center for the Performing Arts, Kenmore Middle School, 200 South Carlin Springs Drive, Arlington, VA. Tickets: $20 adults, $18 seniors and students, children 12 and under free. Buy online at www.balalaika.org. Info: 703.549.2010

Bluegrass Union Fall Concert • Falls Church, VA  
Saturday, November 21 • 7 pm

The Gibson Brothers, known for their beautiful duets, headline the show, and the Chester River Runoff Band will open. James Lee Community Center, 2855 Annandale Rd, Falls Church, VA. $18 for DCBU members, $22 for the public. www.dcbu.org.

Jimmy Gaudreau and Orrin Star • Herndon, VA  
Saturday, November 28, •  7:30 pm

4th annual Thanksgiving Saturday Show. Mandolin icon Gaudreau and flatpicking/funnyman Star reunite for their first public appearance in two years. Holy
Concerts & Concert Series continued

Cross Lutheran Church, 1090 Sterling Road. Contact: 703.435.8377 or kd4fue2@verizon.net

Traditional Irish Music • Baltimore, MD
Friday, December 4 • 8:00–10:00 pm
Paddy O'Brien is a legendary accordion player and Pat Egan is a rare combination of sensitive guitar backing and lyrical vocals. Suggested donation of $15 advance, $20 at the door. Stony Run Friends Meeting House, 5116 N Charles St., Baltimore. Info: Peter Fitzgerald, 410.598.9094, or tickets@patricksall-stars.com

Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer
24th Annual Winter Family Concert
• Silver Spring, MD
Saturday, December 5 • 1 pm
Children's music GRAMMY award winners Cathy and Marcy perform in their 24th Annual Winter Family Concert with special guests Scottish fiddle Champion, Bonnie Rideout and The Rockville High School Pipe Band. Concert held at the Takoma Park/Silver Spring Performing Arts Center, Montgomery College. Tickets $10 in advance, $12 at the door. Sponsored by the House of Musical Traditions, 301.270.9090, or www.imtfolk.org. Info: www.cathymarcy.com. Share in the spirit of the season and bring a toy for a needy child. Over 3500 toys have been collected and distributed through the years.

Concert Series

Listed by day of the week

Focus Inn Alexandria • Alexandria, VA
Sunday, November 8 • 7 pm
The Two Man Gentleman Band with Shannon Wurst. Church of the Resurrection, 2280 N. Beauregard St. 7 pm; admission $18 advance, $15 at the door. Second Sundays. Info: 703.501.6061, kay@focusmusic.org or www.focusmusic.org

Institute of Musical Traditions • Rockville, MD
Saint Mark's Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Rd, Rockville, MD 20852. Shows at 7:30. $15 or 18 advance, $20 to 22 at the door. More info: 301.754.3611 or www.imtfolk.org.

November
2 Victoria Vox and Patty Reese – Ukelele and strong vocals
9 Kitchen Quartet – Irish music
16 Red Molly – three part harmonies
23 Jeremy Kittel World Band – world roots
30 Roy Book Binder — Blues

Tuesdays

Folk Club of Reston–Herndon
Tuesday, November 10 • 7:15
Garnet Rogers, charismatic Canadian performer and singer songwriter. Monthly concerts at the Tortilla Factory, 648 Eelden Street. Celebrating its 25th year. Doors open at 6 Info/directions: 703.435.2402, jamesue@aol.com, or www.RestonHerndonFolkClub.com. $9 Members, $10 non-members

Wednesdays

Focus Rockville • Rockville, MD
Wednesday, November 11 • 8 pm
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 This month, there will be one show; songbirds, the Rhythm Angels and K.C. Clifford. $12 members/$15 general public. Info: David at focusrockville@earthlink.net, 301.275.7459, or www.focusmusic.org

Thursdays

Baldwin's Station • Sykesville, MD
Thursdays • 8 pm
7618 Main St, Sykesville, MD. Shows begin at 8. Ticket prices vary. $2 service charge on credit card orders, $1 service charge for cash or checks. Info: 410.795.1041, www.uptownconcerts.com, or uptownconcerts@gmail.com

November
12 Garnet Rogers
19 Mac Walters and John Cronin

Fridays

Potter's House Benefit Concerts • Washington, DC
Potter's House, 1658 Columbia Rd NW, easy Metro access and off street parking available. Good music, good food, for a good cause. 7 pm. Benefit concerts, $15 suggested donation; open mic night free. Info: 202.232.5483 or www.PottersHouseDC.org

IMT Next to the House Concerts • Takoma Park, MD
Friday, November 13 • 8 pm FREE
IMT joins with the Sierra Club for a fundraising event and will present the film, Coal Country, a moving documentary revealing the devastation caused by mountaintop removal in Appalachia. Tara Linhardt and friends will perform. Info: www.imtfolk.org

333 Coffeehouse • Annapolis, MD
Friday, November 20 • 8 pm
Hear Andrew McKnight, known for haunting blues, rustic folk, and feisty anthems. Third Fridays at Annapolis Unitarian Universalist Church, 333 DuBois Rd,
Concerts & Concert Series continued


Saturdays

Common Ground • Westminster, MD

Russ Barenberg, an acoustic guitarist, integrates bluegrass, jazz, Celtic traditions. McDaniel College Auditorium, Gen. Adm.: $19 7:30, Info at 410.857.2771, cground@qis.net

Favorite Quotes

From Hope Braveheart

Contra dancing at Glen Echo is as close to a panacea as I think we’re going to get. Where else in the DC metropolitan area can you spend so much time with people but have no clue what they do for a living? I’ve been dancing here over a year and I barely know names. We’re just too busy dancing into our happy place to take anything or anyone too seriously. Contra dancing in the Spanish Ballroom is recess for adults. Another unique treasure in my experience at Glen Echo is to be part of such a strong community of beautiful women. I absolutely adore dancing with men. But to gypsy a woman with playfulness, to remind her that she is radiant, to watch her happiness and everyone else’s happening all at once? For this I am truly grateful. —Hope

Hope is a single mother of two young boys, and works to advance social justice and free conflict resolution in Maryland. She is a contradancer who dances (at Glen Echo, and through life), with great dignity, grace, passion and love. She shares her favorite quotations and thoughts on dance:

While I dance I cannot judge, I cannot hate, I cannot separate myself from life. I can only be joyful and whole. That is why I dance. —Hans Bos

If you can walk you can dance; if you can talk you can sing. —Zimbabwean Proverb

You only have to let the soft animal of your body love what it loves. —Mary Oliver

... this is a magical beast that holds the secret of light & shadow in a safe place in her heart & when it has been too long grey, she starts to dance & laugh & cry & sing & the sunlight fills her up & spills in wild abandon back into the world again

—Brian Andreas

Dear ones,
Let’s
Anoint this earth
With dance! —Hafiz

IMI Next to the House Concerts • Takoma Park, MD

Saturday, November 7 • 8 pm

Greasy String—old time string band. Contradiction Dance Studio, 704 Westmoreland Ave, features emerging artists in an intimate and informal setting. $12. Info: www.imtfolk.org
November

4 David Giusti calls to Taylor Among the Devils
11 Greg Frock with Sugar Beat
18 Robbin Marcus calls to the music of Andrea Hoag, Dave Marcus, and Charlie Pilzer
25 DeLaura Padovan calls to Fiddlestyx

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 classes start at 7:30. Dances start at 8:30. $9 for the lesson and dance. To play for or call a dance, email fndgigs@petml.com. General info at www.fridaynightdance.org.

Contra

sundays

The FSGW Sunday Night Dances are listed on the inside front cover.

Wednesdays

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.
Dances continued

Shepherdstown Dance • Shepherdstown, WV
1st Saturdays • 7:30–11 pm
November 7 Ann Fallon calls to Dance du Jour for this 30th anniversary dance. Wear your finest for this special celebration at the War Memorial Building. Beginners workshop at 7:30 pm, dance starts at 8 pm. All levels welcome, no partners needed. Please wear clean, soft-soled shoes to protect the floor. $10 adults, $7 SMD members, $4 dancers under 12. www.smad.us.

Baltimore Dance • Pikesville, MD
2nd Saturdays • 6:30–11
November 14 Caller Rebecca Denison with Some Assembly. The BFMS dance will be preceded by a potluck from 6:30 to 7:30 and free class--7:30–8 pm. Contra dance from 8-11. Admission: $8 BFMS members/affl., $12 non-members. Under 21 and full-time students with ID: $5 members, $6 non-members. No experience, partner nec. Info: BFMS hotline-1.888.646.BFMS or check out our website at www.bfms.org. The dance is held at St. Marks on the Hill, 1620 Reisterstown Rd. Pikesville.

Reston Dance • Reston, VA
2nd Saturdays, 8–10:45 pm
November 14 Caller David Giusti calls to the music of the June Apple Band. The Reston Contra Dance has expanded to five dances per series. Beginners' workshop 7:15-8, dance 8-10:45. Admission: $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: BFMS hotline-engdance@bfms.org or call Boe Walker at 301.694.6794.

SMTMD Dance • California, MD
2nd Saturdays • 7–10 pm
November 14 Caller Elgin Perry, band TBA. St. Andrew’s Church Parish Hall, 44078 St. Andrew’s Church Rd. Beginners instruction at 7, dance from 7:30–10:30. 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 Contra & Square Dance • Annapolis, MD
3rd Saturdays • 7–10 pm
November 21 Dave Giusti calls to the lively and lilting music of Gypsy Meltdown. Free introductory session at 6:30, dance 7–10. $10 with discounts for seniors, students, families and members of Annapolis Traditional Dance Society (ATDS). All ages welcome. All dances taught and walked through. Snacks to share at the break are welcome! Free introductory session at 6:30, dance 7-10, Friends Meeting Hall, 351 DuBois Rd. Info: Jan Scopel at 443.540.0867, janscope@hotmail.com or www.contradancers.com/atds

Lancaster Contra Dance • Lancaster, PA
3rd Saturdays, 8–11 pm
November 21 Susan Hankin calling to Strings on Wings. St. Johns Episcopal Church, 321 W. Chestnut St. Beginners workshop 7 pm. Dance 8-11 pm. $8/$5. Info: Shane 717.431.7417 or http://www.lancastercontra.org.

Bluemont Contra Dance • Purcellville, VA
3rd Saturdays, 8 pm
November 21 Caller and Music TBA. Emerick Elementary School, 440 South Nursery Avenue, Purcellville, VA. $10, $7 for Bluemont Friends, Seniors. Workshop at 7:30. Info: info@bluemont.org, or 540.338.4640.

Frederick Contra Dance • Frederick, MD
4th Saturdays • 8–11 pm
November 28 David Giusti will call to music provided by Duo Du Jour, Alexander Mitchell and Liz Donaldson. Trinity School, near Harry Grove Stadium. Free beginners’ workshop at 7 pm, dance begins at 8. Adults, $9, students $5, 12 and under $4. Info: www.contradancers.com or call Boe Walker at 301.694.6794.

English Country

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 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: Carl Friedman at 410.321.841 or engdance@bfms.org

November
2 Caller Mike Franch with Geud Band of Baltimore
9 Caller Carl Friedman with Jeff Steinberg, Marty Taylor, Francine Krasowska
16 Caller Tom Spilsbury with Emily Aubrey, Karin Loya, Liz Donaldson
23 Caller Michael Barraclough with Carl Friedman, Robin Wilson, Jonathan Jensen
30 Caller Sharon McKinley with Becky Ross, Marty Taylor, Ralph Bartheine

The FSGW English Country Dances are listed on page 4
Dances continued

Saturdays

English Country Dance • Silver Spring, MD
 **Saturday, November 14 • 8–10:45**
Glen Haven Elementary School, 10900 Inwood Avenue. (Entrance and parking in rear) Dance to music by Peasocks 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

Alpine Dancers • New Carrollton, MD
 **Sunday, November 8 • 4–6:30 pm**
Looking for energetic beginners. Free, open practice at New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6016 Princess Garden Pkwy. Graceful and lively couples and trio figure dances from Austria, Germany, and Switzerland. Recorded music. Info/dir: caroltraxler@yahoo.com, 301.577.3503, www.alpinedancers.org

Mondays

Bethesda International Folk Dancers • 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. Beautiful wood floor. Held at the Lawton (formerly Leland) Center, 4301 Willow Ln. Classes here require registration with Montgomery County. Forms available at the class. $7 per class. Info: Phyllis or Brandon Diamond at 301.871.8788, www.diamonddancecircle.com, or diamonddancecircle@comcast.net

Tuesdays

Arlington International Folk Dancing • VA
 **Tuesdays • 8–10 pm**
Key Elementary School, Velch St., between Wilson and Key near Courthouse Road Metro. Folk Dance for Fun. Admission $5, recorded music, instruction, walkthroughs, 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

Wednesdays

Columbia International Folk Dancing • MD
 **Wednesdays, • 8–10:30**
Meetings are from 8-10:30 at Kahler Hall with dancing at 8:30. Cost: $5, Senior, $3. Info: Ethel at 410.997.1613, or Ed at 410.740.2309. www.columbiasfolkdancers.org

Thursdays

Glen Echo International Folkdancers • MD
 **Thursdays, 7:30–10:45 pm**
Every Thursday at the Church of the Redeemer, 6201 Dunrobin 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

Chevy Chase International Folk Dancers • Washington, DC
 **Thursdays • 7:30–9:30 pm**
Chevy Chase Community Center, 5601 Connecticut, NW (at McKinley). Instruction and walk-through until 8:30. All levels welcome, no partner necessary. Recorded music. Leader: Roland Forbes For info: 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

Irish

CCE Monthly Ceili • Herndon, VA
 **Saturday, November 14 • 7–11 pm**
Note new location at Frying Pan Farm Park, 2709 West Ox Road, Herndon VA Danse programs, directions, and more online at www.ccepotomac.org.
or call Kendra Swann at 703.490.5207. Ceilis will return to the Great Falls Grange in January.

GWCC Monthly Ceili • College Park, MD
Sunday, November 22 • 5–9 pm
Set dance workshop at 4 pm. Potluck supper 6–7 pm. Cherry Hill Conference Center, 9700 Cherry Hill Road (punch entrance code 76000 at the gate). GWCC Members $12, Non-members $15, students 11-20 $8. Under 11 Free. Info: 301.294.3368 or www.gwcc-online.org

CG • College Park, MD
Sunday, November 22 • 5–9 pm
Set dance workshop at 4 pm. Potluck supper 6–7 pm. Cherry Hill Conference Center, 9700 Cherry Hill Road (punch entrance code 76000 at the gate). GWCC Members $12, Non-members $15, students 11-20 $8. Under 11 Free. Info: 301.294.3368 or www.gwcc-online.org

Norwegian Dance & Potluck • Takoma Park, MD
Saturday, October 31 • Potluck 6:30, Dance 8 pm
Bring clean shoes to wear, food to share, and $5 you can spare to Norwegian-style house party at 6807 Westmoreland Ave. Our November party will be a day early, on Halloween! Costumes encouraged. Mesmerizing live music and scary story by hostess Loretta Kelley on the unique Hardanger fiddle (see hfaa.org) Beginners welcome. Host phone just in case: 301-270-4925. Info/dirs: www.mandfanitull.org or Jenny, jpi@xecu.net, 301.371.4312.

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

Israeli Dancing • Potomac, MD
Saturday, November 7, 8:15-11pm
Israeli “Oldies” party (dances before 1990). Recorded music, light refreshments. Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. $5. Info: Ben Hole 301.441.8213

Morris

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: suzelise@comcast.net or nwdancers@comcast.net

Rock Creek Morris Women • Silver Spring, MD
Wednesdays • 7:45–9:45 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, louliseneu@earthlink.net or www.uswet.com/RCMW.html

Scottish


Scottish Country Dance • Bethesda, MD
Mondays • 8-10 pm
NIH Building T-39 (Dance and Aerobic Center). $5 Call/email in advance for directions. Info: John MacLeod, 301.622.5945 or blackolav@cs.com

Scottish Country Dance • Greenbelt, MD
Tuesdays • 8–10 pm
Dance all year round at the Greenbelt Community Center $5 Info: www.rscds.greaterdc.org or Jay Andrews at andrewj@erols.com or 703.719.0596

Swing/Blues

Slow Blues Dance and Lesson • Glen Echo, MD
Thursdays, November 5, 12, 19 • 8:15–11:30
Thursday night Blues Dance in the “back room”. Come early as it is selling out. Beginner lesson at 8:15-
Dances continued

9. Presented by Capital Blues. DJ Mike Marcotte and guests play incredible blues beginning at 9 pm. Admission is $8 for lesson and dance. Sprung solid maple floor, plus heating and air conditioning! Info: Donna Barker at 301.634.2231 or 301.634.2222 or www.CapitalBlues.org

Washington Swing Dance • Glen Echo Park, MD  
_Saturday, November 7 • 8-MN_  
Music by the Junkyard Saints. No partner or experience necessary. 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

Slow Blues and Swing • Glen Echo Park, MD  
_Sunday, November 8 • 7-11 pm_  
Sunday Blues dance in the Spanish Ballroom featuring a band to be determined. There is an optional 1-1/2 hour workshop, taught by Donna Barker and Mike Marcotte, from 7-8:30 pm. Dance slow blues and swing from 8:30-11 pm. Cost: $17 for the workshop and dance; or $12 for the dance only. No partner needed. For more information, call Donna Barker at 301.634.2231 or Glen Echo Park at 301.634.222, or go to www.DanceDC.com. The Park is located at 7300 MacArthur Blvd.

Slow Blues and Swing • Glen Echo Park, MD  
_Sunday, November 22 • 7-11 pm_  
Blues dance in the Spanish Ballroom featuring DJ Mike Marcotte and guests. Optional 90 minute workshop taught by Donna and Mike from 7-8:30. Dance 8:30-11 pm. $14 for workshop and dance, or $8 for dance only. No partner needed. www.DanceDC.com, or 301.634.2231

Afternoon Waltz • Glen Echo Park, MD  
_Sunday, November 1 • 3-6 pm_  
Dance to the music of Honeysuckle Rose in the Spanish Ballroom. They’ll play a lively mix of folk waltzes, Hambo, Schottische, Swing, Tango, and Polka. The fun begins at 3 pm with a half-hour introductory waltz lesson followed by 21/2 hours of social dancing. $8. No partner required. For info: www.WaltzTimeDances.org or call Glen Echo Park at 301-634-2222.

Afternoon Waltz • Glen Echo Park, MD  
_Sunday, November 15 • 3-6 pm_  
Notorious provides the music for an afternoon of couples dances and folk waltzes. Dance the Hambo, Schottische, Swing, Tango, and Polka. 30 minute introductory Waltz lesson at 3pm followed by 21/2 hours of social dancing. Admission is $8. No partner required.

For info: go to www.WaltzTimeDances.org, or call Glen Echo Park at 301-634-2222.

Tea Dance • Glen Echo Park  
_Sunday, November 22 • 3-6 pm_  

Zydeco/Cajun

Cajun Dance – Silver Spring MD  
_Thursday, November 5, 7:30–10:30 p.m._  
The Cajun Dance and Concert Series features Squeeze Bayou with Little Red Thursday. No partner or dance experience necessary. Come to dance or just listen and enjoy Dominican, Colombian, and Mexican food. Los Arrieros Restaurant & Night Club: 7926 Georgia Ave, Silver Spring, MD Admission: $10. 301.585.8813, 301.229.4487

Cajun/Zydeco • Glen Echo Park, MD  
_Saturday, November 8 • 3-6 pm_  
Cajun Zydeco dance party in the Bumper Car Pavilion featuring Acadian Cajun Band. The 30-minute Cajun dance lesson given by Michael Hart and Sharon Schilio begins at 3 pm with dancing from 3:30-6pm. Admission is $15. No partner required. For more information, call 301.762.6730 or go to www.DancingbytheBayou.com.

Cajun/Zydeco • Glen Echo Park, MD  
_Saturday, November 22 • 3-6pm_  
Dennis Stroughmatt and Creole Stomp perform for dancers in the Bumper Car Pavilion.

All other information is the same as for the November 8 dance.
Dance Classes

Scandinavian

Scandinavian Dance Classes • Bethesda, MD
Tuesdays • 7:30–9:30 pm

Beginners Class: October 13 • 7:30–9:30

Advanced Class: October 6, 27 • 7:30–9:30


Directions: Enter NIH at Wisconsin Ave. and the new Gateway Drive entrance (south of South Dr., reachable ONLY from the north on Wisconsin Ave). Park there, or drive to the south center of NIH and park in NIH permit parking next to Building T-39. Or walk 12 minutes from the Medical Center metro stop. See map at www.HamboDC.org.

Viennese Waltz

Arlington, VA

November 7, 14, and December 5 • 12–3 pm

Carol and Herbert Traxler have taught the Viennese Waltz to thousands of Washingtonians at such venues as The White House, The Embassy of Austria, Meridian House, and the Smithsonian. Join them for this popular annual series at the Army-Navy Country Club Ballroom, 1700 Army-Navy Drive. $75 Couples and individuals welcome, dancers will change partners frequently. For info: Mrs. Robert Bocek, 540.882.4808, or mbocek@verizon.net. See Viennese Ball on page 21.

Viennese Waltz

Zydeco/Cajun Dance

October 27 – November 24, 2009

7:30 to 8:30 pm

Let the good times roll! Learn how to Cajun dance! This beginning level course will cover basic two-step, waltz, and one-step dances. Emphasis will be on basic footwork and leading and following. Fun is encouraged! No partner or experience needed. Glen Echo Park Room 202 Arcade Building. Classes 5 weeks long. $50 + $12 reg. fee. www.dancingbythebayou.com

Jams/Open Mics/Audience Participation

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, Sedenka, 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 • Takoma Park, MD

1st & 3rd Mondays • 7–10 pm


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. Fillmore and Pershing. Info: Dave at 301.274.3441.
Jams/Open Mics/Audience Participation continued

**Tuesdays**

**Sea Chantey Open Pub Sing • Wheaton, MD and Washington, DC**

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 capella but instruments are welcome. Info: Myron Peterson at rustic@yahoo.com or www.shipscompany.org.

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

4th Tuesdays – Note new location. Laughing Man Tavern, 1306 G St NW, DC (across 13th St from Metro Center station). 8 pm

**Folk Club of Reston/Herndon • Herndon, VA**

Tuesdays • 7:30 pm

Tortilla Factory, 648 Elden Street. Open mic format. 2nd Tuesday includes 25-minute member showcase; monthly concerts usually 2nd Tuesday, price varies. Smoke-free environment. Info: www.restonherndonfolkclub.com, 703.435.2402.

**Cajun Jam • Greenbelt, MD**

4th Tuesdays • 6–9 pm


**Wednesdays**

**Sea Chantey Open Pub Sings • Baltimore and 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 rustic@yahoo.com or www.shipscompany.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 • 10am – 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.

**Archie Edwards Blues Jam • Riverdale, MD**

Saturdays • 1–5 pm

The Archie Edwards Blues Heritage Foundation is pleased to announce the resumption of weekly Saturday afternoon blues jams. All skill levels welcome. Note the new location: 4701 Queensbury Rd., across the street from the Riverdale MARC train station, a few blocks east of Rte 1. Ample parking. Free, but donations welcome. Info/confirmation: 202.526.7539 or www.acousticblues.com
**Workshops, Weekends, Festivals & Special Events**

**Hammer Dulcimer Jam • Falls Church, VA**

*November 22 • 1:30 – 4:30 pm*

Hammer dulcimer players meet monthly to swap tunes and play together. Other acoustic instruments welcome. Meeting this month is at the Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22043. Info: [pete_lunt@hotmail.com](mailto:pete_lunt@hotmail.com) [http://pages.prodigy.net/holsopple](http://pages.prodigy.net/holsopple). Please double check location and date, prior to going.

**Jams/Open Mics/Audience Participation continued**

**Tellabration 2009! – Baltimore, MD**

*Saturday, November 21, 2009*

Tell-Tale Hearts is the theme of this 14th annual celebration of the ancient art of storytelling. **Tellabration** has taken place annually in hundreds of locations around the world on the Saturday before Thanksgiving. We proudly present ten of the region’s finest storytellers, favorite tellers from previous years and exciting new tellers. They are **Allison Butlien, Mike Franch, Fred Freuthal, Maura Manley, Beth Ohlsson, Chris Potts, Bill Rogers, Barbara Woodey, Marc Young, and Joan Zelinka**. Their stories are guaranteed to entertain and delight, touch your heart, bring tears to your eyes, and make you laugh uproariously. Leading us on this journey is our skillful emcee, **Matthew-Daniel Stremba**. Under his baton, the audience actively participates in the magic of the evening. We have learned over the years that this evening becomes a community of bonding, intergenerational fun, and relaxation before the hectic rush of the holiday season. In the words of Native American scholar and author, Oren Lyons: “Life will go on as long as there is someone to sing, dance, tell stories, and listen.”

Family stories from 7 to 8:15, Adult stories 8:30 to 10:30, Doors open at 6:30. Refreshments available, please bring canned goods for The Towson Assistance Center

Admission: Adults: $8 members, $10 for non-members, Children and full-time students: $5, group discounts available.

25 Stevenson Lane (off Charles Street), Baltimore, MD 21212. Plenty of free parking, wheelchair accessible.

Contact for more information: specialevents@bfms.org or Diane at 410.321.8419.

**Tea Time at Ascension • Silver Spring**

*Sunday, November 8th, 3-5 pm*

Tea with sandwiches, fresh baked scones, homemade cakes, sweetbreads, and cookies served on fine china. Elegant music provided by **Karen Ashbrook** (hammered dulcimer, flute), **Paul Oorts** (harpguitar, accordion) Church of the Ascension, 633 Sligo Ave., Silver Spring, MD 20910. Cost: $10 in advance, $15 at the door. Info: [info@ascensionssilverspring.org](mailto:info@ascensionssilverspring.org), or 301.592.0101 (Karen Ashbrook)

**Viennese Christmas Ball • Arlington, VA**

*Saturday, December 12, 2009*

Presented under the patronage of the Ambassador of Austria, this year’s ball is given in honor of **Herbert and Carol Traxler**. **Con Brio** performs the world’s favorite Strauss waltzes, polkas, and ballroom music. Join in a grand march to the famed Radetzky Grand March and dance the Feldmaus Quadrilles No. 6 as done at midnight in Vienna. Champagnes, seated Austrian dinner and desserts buffet. Cotillion and Opening Ceremonies. For info: Mrs. R Bocek 540.882.4808, mbocek@verizon.net. Tickets: $95 Ball only, $175 with dinner. See classes for preparatory waltz lessons.

**Terpsichore’s Holiday • Roanoke, WV**

*December 27-January 1, 2010*

Terpsichore is a folk dance camp for ages 4 & up. 5 days and nights of dancing, music-making, crafts, nature hikes, meals and 4-star accommodations at Stonewall Jackson Lake State Park! With programs for adults, teens and children, activities include contras & squares, English country, swing dance swap, English ritual dancing (Morris and sword), dance band, arts & crafts, singing, storytelling, nature hikes, swimming, community dances, and nightly contra dances. Featuring Bill Wellington, Gaye Fifer, Notorious, Abby Ladin, Anna Rain, Danny Knickley, Shawn Brennan, Henry Chapin, Betsy Blachley, Lori Madden, and More! For best rates, register before December 1. Details and registration information at [www.danceholiday.net](http://www.danceholiday.net). Sylvia Malm at danceholiday08@gmail.com Or 703.532.6181

**Scottish Folksong Tour • Scotland**

*June 13-23, 2010*

Spend 10 days traveling through Scotland with Ed Miller, a noted folk singer who will share his friends, country, humor and knowledge with you “on location.” Hear Border ballads in a 16th century castle, dance to the fiddle of Iain Fraser, sing sea songs in Pittenweem harbor, and have many more unique and musical experiences. For extensive details, pricing, and an application download information at [www.songsofscotland.com](http://www.songsofscotland.com).
WASHINGTON REVELS PRESENTS

THE CHRISTMAS REVELS

IN CELEBRATION OF
THE WINTER SOLSTICE

Italian Renaissance
Music, Dance & Drama

TICKET PRICES
Adults $18-45
Youth $12-27 (18 & under)

DISCOUNTS
Groups of 10+
Family Friday: 25% off youth tickets

PURCHASE TICKETS
Online at www.revelsdc.org
Phone: 1-800-595-4849
Info/Group Sales: call 301-587-3835

8 PERFORMANCES
Saturday, Dec. 5 at 2:00 & 7:30
Sunday, Dec. 6 at 2:00
Friday, Dec. 11 at 7:30
Saturday, Dec. 12 at 2:00 & 7:30
Sunday, Dec. 13 at 1:00 & 5:00

LISNER AUDITORIUM
The George Washington University
21st and H Streets NW, Washington, DC

Join the Revels company and share the wonder of Leonardo da Vinci’s art and inventions, Italian holiday traditions, a Roman Saturnalia, and the magic of the season with glorious music, rousing dance—and an eclipse of the sun!

“...one of those rare events that delight people of all ages.”

—Washington Post
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

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.(Rt. 97) South exit (31 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.
The Folklore Society of Greater Washington is a not-for-profit [Section 501(C)(3) of the IRS code] institution and we encourage the financial contributions of our members. Contributions in excess of annual dues are welcome and may be tax deductible. Please mail your gift to FSGW, c/o Jerry Stein, 3612 Greenway Place, Alexandria, VA 22302-2005. Subscriptions to the Newsletter are only available outside the Greater Washington Metro area.

---

FSGW is dedicated to preserving and promoting traditional folk arts in the Washington, DC metropolitan area. Membership is open to all who support these goals upon payment of annual dues.

---

FSGW Membership Form

- Renewal 
- New Address 
- New Membership* 
- I want only the electronic copy of the Newsletter
  *(No paper copy sent)*

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Individual</th>
<th>Family</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1 year</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2 years</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3 years</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LIFE</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Student</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$33</td>
<td>$45</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$62</td>
<td>$85</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$91</td>
<td>$125</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$550</td>
<td>$800</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$25</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

- Newsletter Subscription only $25
  Available ONLY to those living OUTSIDE the Greater Washington Metro area.

- Newsletter Subscription carries NO membership privileges.
  *If you are a new member, where did you get this newsletter?

- At Glen Echo Park (which event?)
- Another FSGW Event (which one?)
- From a friend who is a member
- At my public library
- Other______________________

Name(s)_________________________________________
Address_________________________________________
City_____________________State_____ Zip_____________
Phone(s) H: ________-_______-_________W: ______-______-_______
Email:__________________________________________

May we list you in our Membership Directory?
(FSGW does not provide mailing lists to any other organizations.)

- Yes
- No

If Yes, but do not list my:
- address
- home phone
- work phone
- email

Send form and check made payable to FSGW to: FSGW Membership • 6 Sunnyside Road • Silver Spring, MD 20910