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FSGW PROGRAM

CROWFOOT

Saturday, October 29 • 8 pm

FREE to FSGW members • Washington Ethical Society, Washington, D.C.

Crowfoot weaves musical influences from England, Ireland, Quebec, and the Appalachian Mountains into a captivating fusion that delights dancers and listeners alike. Into this meeting ground of traditions, of traditions, the trio, **Jaige Trudel**, **Adam Broome** and **Nicholas Williams** meld their own distinctive compositions and original songs.

On the concert stage, rich vocal harmonies, haunting songs, and finely crafted instrumental arrangements complement their infectious dance energy. Their diversity of instrumentation allows for a wide palette of sound, and audience members are consistently won over by the depth and variety of Crowfoot's musical experience.

The band originated in 2003, after a fortuitous meeting at a festival in Boston. They soon after became a touring band, playing throughout the U.S., Canada, and the U.K. They have gained a reputation both on the concert stage and on the contra dance circuit for their trance-like grooves, subtle interplay, and unstoppable energy.

Born and raised in rural England to a life full of music, theatre and dance, **Adam Broome** (guitar, cittern, vocals) was inspired by the folk scene in the mid-seventies to take up the guitar and begin writing songs and tunes. Completely self taught, his unique playing style is influenced by exploration into musical genres as diverse as Renaissance and reggae.

Jaige Trudel (fiddle, cello, vocals) began playing the violin at six years old. After nine years of classical study she discovered an affinity for Celtic music and developed her own technique—Irish and Appalachian influences coupled with a strong rhythmic drive and a sweet, clear tone.



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Ann Porcella and Friends:

CD Release for *Gathering Stones* Saturday, October 15 • 8 pm

Ann arrived in D.C. from the Windy City more than two decades ago. Since then, she has been involved in countless FSGW events, organizing, dancing, singing, and playing. Her musical taste gravitates toward the gospel music she learned at home and in church from her preacher father and large musical family. Her deep, powerhouse voice adapts well to many different traditional styles, though harmony singing is her first love. She has performed solo and with a variety of ensembles at folk venues around the country, including the Augusta concerts and Folk on Broadway. For 11 years, Ann's rich, heartfelt voice has defined the low register for the *Blue Moon Cowgirls*. She has led gospel and singing circles at the Chesapeake Dance Weekend and the Augusta Heritage Center. Now, she has finally released her own recording, *Gathering Stones*. "I am very pleased to share these songs that have become dear friends," Ann says, "telling the stories of sorrow, resilience, and joy that connect us all."

Joining Ann in this concert to highlight music from her recording are **Dede Wyland** on harmony vocals, **Ira Gitlin** on guitar, **Mark Clifton** on resonator guitar, **Bill Schmidt** on guitar, banjo, and fiddle, and **Al Murphy** on fiddle and mandolin.

At Glen Echo Town Hall, 6106 Harvard Ave., Glen Echo, MD

FREE to members — a reservation by October 14 to glen.echo@erols.com or 301-717-4641 would help us plan our concert seating. Non-members \$15 at the door

Frightful Storytelling

The Folklore Society of Greater Washington and Voices in the Glen* Wants to Scare YOU!

Saturday, October 29 • 8 pm

Two nights before Halloween, the scariest tellers ever will lurch up to the stage of Seekers Church (very near to the Takoma DC Metro Station), shedding bits of grave mold on their way to spinning spooky tales for **adults**. Calculated to frighten, charm and entertain, there will be a mix of folk and literary tales featuring ghosts, goblins, graveyards, unnamed haunts and things that sink into the dark sea.

Among the tale-tellers will be National Storytelling Network Oracle Award Winners, **Margaret** and **Ralph Chatham**; poet and teller **Anne Sheldon**; noted women's advocate and featured storyteller at this year's Washington Fringe Festival, **Ellouise Schoettler**; Jewish folk teller, **Marc Young**; and **Jennifer Heine**, who will tell us about a beast that howls with a terrifying English accent.

This is an event for **adults** to hear powerfully told stories and a chance for our tellers to shed the false image that stories are only for the young. Children guaranteed to listen like adults **will** be provisionally admitted. At the Seekers Church, 276 Carroll Street, NW, Washington, DC 20012, one block from the Takoma Metro Station (NOT Takoma Park).

\$15, \$10 for FSGW, Voices in the Glen members. Call Igor, the Mostly Trusted Answering Machine for a reservation, e-mail Ralph.chatham@verizon.net, or just show up.

*Voices in the Glen is a supportive local story-telling guild providing tellers with opportunities for performing, a calendar and a monthly newsletter. For more details, go to www.voicesintheglen.org.



Atwood family Songs from
the Hills of Vermont

Tony Barrand 

Keith Murphy
with Becky Tracy

Thursday, October 6 • 8 pm

We're in for a treat, a very special event this month, featuring **Tony Barrand**, **Keith Murphy** and **Becky Tracy**, performing Atwood family songs from the hills of Vermont.

Stonemason James Atwood worked at Coldbrook, the Sturgis family home in the small town of Dover, Vermont. Quoting from the notes to the CD, *On the Banks of Coldbrook*: "When he wasn't working, James would lean his chair against the wall and sing. Mrs. Sturgis wrote down all the words to the songs and ballads." A music master wrote down the tunes of the Atwood family songs and published a selection in 1919. Vermont singer and collector **Margaret MacArthur** gathered more songs from members of the Atwood and Sturgis families, and when she died in 2006, Tony looked to the Atwood collection as a continuation of his friend Margaret's work. In this concert we'll learn some of the rich folklore and history of the town of Dover.

You probably know **Tony Barrand** as a champion of English song, singing partner to **John Roberts** as a duo and in *Nowell Sing We Clear*. But since he retired from teaching, he has pursued other musical trails, including one that flourished quite close to his Vermont home.

His collaborator in presenting the Atwood songs is his neighbor, singer and multi-instrumentalist **Keith Murphy**, along with Keith's wife, fiddler **Becky Tracy**. You probably know them as two-thirds of the dance band *Nightingale*, and Becky as fiddler with *Wild Asparagus*.

Last October Tony led a program of Atwood songs and poems for the bicentennial of the town of Dover, in the church where the Atwoods worshipped. Our concert might not be quite so historically connected, but the Washington Revels building in Silver Spring will echo with great harmonies, familiar songs with tunes new to our ears and sprightly New England arrangements.

General admission is \$20, \$15 for FSGW members, \$10 for students; the Revels office, 531 Dale Drive, Silver Spring, MD 20910; walk up a block from the parking lot of the Silver Spring International Middle School, at Dale Drive and Wayne Avenue (enter on Wayne), half a mile from the Silver Spring Metro Station on the Red Line.



FSGW Sings/Swaps & Co-sponsored Events

FSGW OPEN SING • TAKOMA PARK, MD

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7 • 8:30 PM

The Sing moves back to Friday this month with **Kathie Mack** hosting until the bovines return to their customary domicile. She has chosen the theme "Days of the Week." For directions call **Kathie** at 301-270-5367 or e-mail her at twizzles@starpower.net.

FSGW GOSPEL SING • TAKOMA PARK, MD

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9 • 4-8 PM

Gospel sings are held the second Sunday of every month at various homes. Singing starts at 4 and breaks for a covered dish at 6, with more singing after supper. Everyone is welcome! This month's Gospel Sing will be at the home of **Barbara Karpas**. Info/directions: 301-270-4239.

FSGW STORYSWAP • FAIRFAX, VA

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16 • 3 PM

Storytellers and listeners are invited to the home of **Michael Fleming** in Fairfax for an afternoon of shared stories and potluck snacks. Free. For RSVPs and directions: kidchisel48@cox.net or 703-573-1341

SACRED HARP SINGING • ARLINGTON, VA

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23 • 4-8 PM

The shape-note tradition lives on at this free monthly event, with singing of early American hymns, camp meeting songs, anthems, and fuguing tunes in unaccompanied four-part harmony and a potluck supper break at 6 p.m. Loaner copies of the 1991 edition of the original *Sacred Harp* and the 1958 *Christian Harmony* will be available. All are welcome to sing or listen. **St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 4250 N. Glebe Rd. Info: 301-229-8534.**

Directions: St. Peter's is one-half mile south of Chain Bridge, on the west side of Glebe Rd. (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 set back from Glebe Rd. Look for its sign at Tazewell St. and bear right into the parking lot, then around to the left to park near the front walkway.



CO-SPONSORED

GLEN ECHO INTERNATIONAL FOLKDANCERS • MD

THURSDAY, 7:30-10:30 PM

Every Thursday at the Church of the Redeemer, 6201 Dunrobbin Drive (just west of the shopping center across from Glen Echo Park). Lesson at 7:30. Request dances from 9-10:45. Mostly recorded music. No partner/experience necessary. Wear comfortable clothing and soft soled shoes. Adm. \$5. Info: **Jamie** at 301-466-3018, or dancing.planet@erols.com

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SEPTEMBER 6

FSGW BOARD MEETING

Attendees: **President Mary Cliff**, **Vice President Bill Mayhew**, **Treasurer Jerry Stein**, **Program and Events Chair Betsy Platt**, **Dance Chair Penelope Weinberger**, **Publicity Chair Katie Blaisdell**, **Publications Chair Roxanne Watts**, **At-Large Sue McIver**.

- * The minutes for August were reviewed, corrected and approved. **Membership Chair Stephanie Kaufman** reported a question about accuracy of the membership numbers over the past five years. We want to get a true picture of the trend over that time period, so we will ask Dennis to take a lot at the web site data.
- * **Publicity Chair Katie Blaisdell** reported a new invite is created for each event on Facebook and the number of hits are increasing. We are preparing for the Takoma Park Street Festival on October 2
- * **Dance Chair Penelope Weinberger** suggests an admission charge of \$5.00 for students up to 22. Regular admission will be changed from \$9.00 to \$8.75 plus .25 to cover the GEPPAC surcharge.
- * **Publications Chair Roxanne Watts** reports the revised newsletter design is underway and mock-ups will be submitted by **Jennifer Woods**.
- * **Programs Chair Betsy Platt** brought up David Eisner's request for \$4400 for new monitors for Glen Echo Park. We'll request a full written description of this proposal.
- * **Treasurer Jerry Stein** led the budget discussion with a review of the chairs' requests for the following year and a summary of our fundraising efforts. Discussion ensued and the budget will be addressed further and voted on next month.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05.

DEADLINE for November 2011

FSGW Newsletter is MONDAY, October 10th.

SEND ALL SUBMISSIONS TO newsletter@fsgw.org

LISA NULL is accepting a few new voice students: basic vocal techniques, coaching in traditional styles. Downtown Silver Spring. Contact: enul@starpower.net or 301.587.2286.

FSGW Sunday Night Dances

at Glen Echo Park, MD

Contras & Squares • 7:30-10:30 pm

Introductory lesson every Sunday from 7-7:30 p.m.


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. 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. During the summer and early fall, the FSGW Sunday dances are in the Bumper Car Pavilion. Bring water or a sports drink, and dress appropriately in layers. Smooth-soled shoes are kindest on your knees and ankles when turning. **Info: Penelope Weinberger, dance@fsgw.org.**

**ADMISSION: \$9 FOR FSGW, BFMS, CDSS, AND ATDS MEMBERS, \$5 AGES 7-17
\$12 FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC.**

October

- 2 **Jim Morrison** calls to *Cabaret Sauvignon* with **Andrea Hoag** on fiddle, **Karen Ashbrook** on hammered dulcimer, flute and percussion, **Paul Oorts** on mandolin, bouzouki, banjos, guitars and musette accordion, and **Dave Wiesler** on piano and guitar. Effervescent and intoxicating, the Cabs are recognized for their energetic and creative dance sets. Karen and Paul are the subjects of this month's feature on page 11.





- 9  On Columbus Day Weekend **Paul Wilde** calls with *Rhythm Method String Band*, a dynamic dance band comprised of **Cathy Mason** on fiddle, **Erica Weiss** on guitar, **Steve Arkin** on banjo, and **Ann Porcella** on bass.



- 16 From Western New York and Pennsylvania, *Montage* pieces together a variety of European-based styles (Quebecois, Breton, French, Scottish and more) then stitches in modern flair. It's a great fit. **Jane Knoek** on piano, **Rachel Bell** on accordion and flute, and **Tom Santarsiera** on mandolin, guitar and banjo. **Bev Bernbaum** leads the dancing.



- 23   *The Contra Rebels* play old-time tunes with carefree abandon. **Todd Clewell** on fiddle and banjo, **Barb Schmid** on fiddle, and **Henry Koretzky** on guitar. Our local gal **Ann Fallon** calls the fun in the Spanish Ballroom.

- 30 No tricks, all treats to have **Nils Fredland** calling to *Crowfoot* for the Halloween Dance in the Ballroom. All warmed up from playing at the English Dance Special Event (see page 6), **Jaige Trudell** on fiddle. **Adam Broome** on guitar and cittern, and **Nicholas Williams** on flute, accordion and piano comprise the trio. And if one night of *Crowfoot* is not enough, don't miss their concert on Saturday, October 29th. Details on the front page.



FSGW English Country Dances

at Glen Echo Town Hall, MD
Wednesdays • 8-10 pm

Dance on a wood floor in the climate-controlled community room of the **Glen Echo Town Hall, 6106 Harvard St., Glen Echo, MD, 20812**. 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.

October

5 **Stephanie Smith** calls the dances while **Anna Rain** (recorders), **Karin Loya** (cello) and **Liz Donaldson** (piano) play the tunes.



12 **Joseph Pimentel** leads the dancing to the music of **Becky Ross** (fiddle), **Ralph Gordon** (cello) and **Liz Donaldson** (piano).



19 **Tom Spilsbury** calls while **Barbara Heitz** (flute), **David Knight** (fiddle) and **Melissa Running** (piano) make the music.



26 **Rich Galloway** calls to the playing of **Jeff Steinberg** (fiddle), **Colleen Reed** (flute) and **Melissa Running** (piano).

English Dance Special Event

Sunday, October 30 • 2:30-5:30 pm • Glen Echo Park, MD

Music by **Crowfoot**, dances called by **Melissa Running**



Please see the cover for details about this remarkable band.

Newcomers welcome, **Admission \$10 for members of FSGW, BFMS, CDSS; Students \$5, all others, \$12.** The dance will be held in the climate-controlled Glen Echo Annex adjacent to the Spanish Ballroom.

For info: E-mail **Anna Rain** at AnnaRain4@gmail.com, or call **301-779-4273**



Family Dance with the Young People's Band

Sunday, October 9 • 3 pm
Glen Echo Park, Bumper Car Pavilion

The Family Dance returns with **Janine Smith** calling to the *Young People's Band*. Come out and support the young musicians in our community who have been preparing for this dance with great enthusiasm. Everyone will have a great time! A patient caller teaches you what you need to know, on the spot, about circle, square and contra dancing. This is a great activity for any group with folks ages 4-104. Consider this for a radically fun birthday party, scouting event, class outing, or family get-together. **\$5 per person** (ages four and up).

FSGW Contra Sonic

Tuesday, October 18 • 7:30 pm
Arlington, VA

Bev Bernbaum calls with **dJ Improper**. Bev brings hip, urban, international (she's Canadian, eh) sensibility to Sonic. dJ Improper is touring. He stops home between Greenfield's Contra Evolution at the Guiding Star Grange and LEAF! Come out and show the hometown love! \$6 for youth, students, \$8 all others. At the metro-accessible **Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd in Rosslyn. 703-875-1100**. Look for us on Facebook at: **Contra Sonic-FSGW Alternative Music Contra**



The Great American Square Dance Revival: Part VII

Saturday, October 22 • 8:30-11:30 pm • NW DC

It's a Hoedown Throwdown! *The Percolators*—musicians **C.W. Abbott, David Cahn, Larry Edelman, Joe Fallon, and Joe Herrmann** take on *The Hot Square Babes*—callers **Laura Brown, Ann Fallon, Eva Murray, Janine Smith, and Susan Taylor** for an unforgettable evening of totally off-the-hook rockin' music and square dancin'! All are welcome—young and old, brand new and experienced dancers. No partner, lessons, or fancy dress needed.



Saint Stephens Church (www.saintstephensdc.org), 1525 Newton St. NW, Washington DC, near the Columbia Heights Metro. \$5 at the door.

Info: visit www.dcsquaredance



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Nicholas Williams (flutes, accordion, piano, vocals) studied world music, composition, and improvisation at York University in Toronto. Since graduating in 1998, he has immersed himself in the traditional dance music of Ireland, Scotland, Brittany, and Québec, and has recorded as a producer and a guest artist on many CDs, including two solo releases.

At the Washington Ethical Society Auditorium 7750 16th St., NW, Washington, DC 20012.



Announcing FSGW's New Year's Eve Contra Ball Women's Club of Chevy Chase Saturday, December 31

Music by **Nor'easter**: Cedar Stanistreet (fiddle), Julie Vallimont (piano) and Max Newman (mandolin & guitar) with **Gaye Fifer** calling the figures.
Registration opens in November



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FSGW BOARD MEETINGS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4 • 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.

Concerts

BRUCE MOLSKY • ALEXANDRIA, VA

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2 • 8 PM

Sunspot Concerts presents old-time master **Bruce Molsky** will be performing solo and unplugged. At the Lyceum, 201 South Washington St., Va. \$24 door, \$20 advance at www.sunspotpro.com.

GORDON BOK

ANNAPOLIS MARITIME MUSEUM, MD

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20 • 8-10 PM

One of the best-loved of all maritime musicians; a sailor who learned sea songs and legends while working on the water. He also writes many of his own tunes. 723 Second St., 21403, www.amaritime.org, 410-295-0104. \$15 advance; \$20 door.

CLAUDIA SCHMIDT WITH JUDY COOK OPENING

TAKOMA, DC

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21 • 7:30 PM

Claudia's passionate voice, inspired playing on multiple instruments and soulful stories weave together into a richly-satisfying tapestry. Garrison Keillor summed it all up saying, "When Claudia sings a song, it stays sung." She was a regular on *A Prairie Home Companion*.

Info: www.carrollcafe.org, info@carrollcafe.org, **Jesse Palidofsky 301-562-4147**. Seekers Church, 276 Carroll St. NW across from Takoma Metro

NEXT TO THE HOUSE CONCERTS

BRUCE MOLSKY PRESENTS: LILY HENLEY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, • 8 PM

A powerful singer, songwriter and fiddler. An IMT Next-To-the-House Concert IMT Takoma Park: Dance Exchange, 7117 Maple Ave, Takoma Park, MD 20912. Tickets \$15 advance, \$18 door. www.imtfolk.org

LILT CD LAUNCH CONCERT/PARTY/SESSION

GLEN ECHO PARK, MD

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23 • 7:30 PM

Keith Carr and **Tina Eck** invite you to celebrate the release of their new album *Onward* (a collection of Irish traditional tunes; jigs, reels, hornpipes, etc., played by Tina and Keith joined by **Joe DeZarn**, **Mitch Fanning**, **Jesse Winch** and **Alistair Watson**, mastered by **Charlie Pilzer**. Available thru CD Baby.) with guest musicians, dancers, and friends. At the Washington Conservatory of Music space (across from the Cuddle Up Stage). Suggested donation \$10. www.liltirishmusic.com.



JAMIE LAVAL HOUSE CONCERT • BETHESDA, MD

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23 • 7-9 PM

Jamie Laval, 2002 U.S. National Scottish Fiddle Champion, passionately performs traditional music from Scotland, Ireland, Brittany and Quebec. He serves on the faculty of The Swannanoa Gathering and has a full-time touring career throughout the U.S. and Scotland. Enjoy fabulous fiddling mixed with amusing stories. \$20. Reservations and directions: **Becky at 301-208-8285**, or BeckyRoss@PeatAndBarley.com

THE GUY MENDILOW BAND • ROCKVILLE, MD

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30 • 7 PM

A Ladino quintet jointly presented by Temple Beth Ami and the Institutes of Musical Traditions. 14330 Travilah Road, \$18/22, \$14/18 students www.imtfolk.org

BIRCHMERE CONCERT HALL

3701 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria VA 22305; all shows begin at 7:30 p.m.; www.birchmere.com

October

3 & 4 **Mary Chapin Carpenter**, \$85

6 **Hot Rize + Red Knuckles & the Trail Blazers**, bluegrass, \$37.50

14 **Karla Bonoff**, California singer-songwriter + **David Mallett** ("The Garden Song") opens, \$35

19 **Baaba Maal**, Senegalese singer & guitarist, \$35

23 **Doc Watson** with **David Holt**, \$35

29 **Red Horse**, featuring **John Gorka**, **Lucy Kaplansky** & **Eliza Gilkyson**, \$35

THE BARNS AT WOLF TRAP

1635 Trap Rd., Vienna VA 22182; wolftrap.org

October

8 7:30 p.m. **Chris Smither**, blues songwriter, \$25

12 8 p.m. **Sam Bush**, bluegrass mandolinist, \$35

13 8 p.m. **Enter the Haggis**, Celtic rock, \$20

16 7:30 p.m. **Noel Paul Stookey**, \$25

20 8 p.m. **Ollabelle**, new old-time + **Kris Delmhorst** opens, \$20

21 8 p.m. **Battlefield Band**, Scottish, \$24

27/28 8 p.m. **Sonny Landreth**, electric Cajun blues, \$25

Sundays

FOCUS INN ALEXANDRIA • ALEXANDRIA, VA

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16 • 7 PM

Big Wide Grin, dynamic singer-songwriting trio + folk duo **Nick Peters** and **Steve Erickson**. Church of the Resurrection, 2280 N. Beauregard St.; Admission \$18/\$15. Info: 703-501-6061, kay@focusmusic.org or www.focusmusic.org.

CONCERTS continued

Mondays

**INSTITUTE OF MUSICAL TRADITIONS • ROCKVILLE, MD
MONDAYS • 7:30 PM**

Saint Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Road, 20852, www.imtfolk.org

October

- 3 **Bearfoot** CD Release Concert — youthful string-band; \$18/23, \$13/18 student
- 17 **Andy Levin** — Irish troubador; \$20/25, \$15/20 students.

Tuesdays

FOCUS ROCKVILLE • ROCKVILLE, MD

Our home is at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Rockville. Concerts are usually the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Come join us at 100 Welsh Park Dr., 20850 www.focusmusic.org 301-275-7459 Admission \$18/\$15. 8 p.m.

October

- 11 **Jack Williams** – folk guitarist roots/Americana singer-songwriter
- 25 **Tom Kimmel** with **Laura Sickles** – renowned songwriters and vocalists

**FOLK CLUB OF RESTON-HERNDON
OCTOBER 11 • 7:15-10 PM**

Sam and Joe Herrmann, multi-instrumentalists and vocalists, old-time, traditional American music. Open mics on other Tuesdays. Doors open at 6. Concerts usually sold out. For seating, contact **Dave Hurd** at DAHurdSr@cs.com. Shows in the Back Room at The Tortilla Factory, 648 Elden Street. www.restonhernndonfolkclub.com, or 703-435-2402.

**INSTITUTE OF MUSICAL TRADITIONS • TAKOMA PARK, MD
WEDNESDAYS • 7:30 PM**

Takoma Park Community Center, 7500 Maple Avenue, 20912, www.imtfolk.org

October

- 12 **Grace Pettis** — award winning singer/songwriter; \$15/18, \$12 for students
- 26 **Ruthie and the Wranglers** — rockin' roots music; \$12/16, \$8/12.

Thursdays

**BALDWIN'S STATION • SYKESVILLE, MD
THURSDAYS • 8 PM**

7618 Main St, Sykesville, MD. Info: 410-795-1041, www.uptownconcerts.com, or uptownconcerts@gmail.com

October

- 13 **Bryan Bowers**—autoharp virtuoso; \$20
- 20 **Steve Gillette and Cindy Mangsen**—trad and ballads in harmony and with humor \$20

**ORRIN STAR'S SECOND ANNUAL
'EVENING OF FOLK, HUMOR & PUMPKINS'
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 • 8 PM**

CABIN JOHN GARDENS COMMUNITY HOUSE, MD

Star is an award-winning guitarist and mandolin player who combines hot picking, cool singing and good humor. Once described as 'Arlo Guthrie-meets-Doc Watson,' he boasts a repertoire that ranges from bluegrass standards to little-known folk gems, Irish fiddle tunes to fingerstyle blues. (His website is www.orrinstar.com.)



Plus: There will be complimentary pumpkins for all concertgoers, courtesy of Roxanne's Pumpkin Truck.

The Cabin John Gardens Community House is located at 8½ Webb Rd., Cabin John, MD 20818. Doors open at 7. \$15 admission. Tickets only available at the door. Light refreshments served. (Note: limited parking on Webb; Ericsson preferred.)

Fridays

**CELLAR STAGE • BALTIMORE, MD
FRIDAYS • 8 PM**

The Faith Community United Methodist Church, 5315 Harford Road. Info: 410-521-9099 or www.uptownconcerts@gmail.com

October

- 14 **Pete and Maura Kennedy** –10 CD's, prolific husband-wife folk-rock duo \$20
- 28 **Cheryl Wheeler** –incisive wit, beautiful poetry, complex melodies \$30

**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 p.m. Benefit concerts, \$15 suggested donation; open mic night free. Info: 202-232-5483 or www.PottersHouseDC.org

**333 COFFEEHOUSE • ANNAPOLIS, MD
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21 • 8 PM**

Jennifer Cutting's Ocean Quartet – contemporary Irish; Unitarian Universalist Church, 333 DuBois Rd, off Bestgate Ave. Acoustic music. Dessert and coffee available in this smoke- and alcohol-free environment. Doors open at 7:30, concert at 8. Admission \$10, \$8 for Seniors/students. Info: 443-786-0463 or www.fsgw.org/333/ for artists' website and sound clip.

"It is a supreme accomplishment to blur the line between work and play" —Arnold Toynbee

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Karen Ashbrook and Paul Oorts

Crossing Continents in Life and Music



He plays, she plays—separately and together; he on his harp guitar, musette accordion, or another treasure from his collection of instruments, and she on her beautifully crafted hammered dulcimer or Irish flute. Both accomplished musicians and teachers, **Karen Ashbrook** and **Paul Oorts** are an engaging husband-wife duo with a multitude of talents, interests, and aspirations.



Their lives in music began early. Karen grew up in Rochester, NY, a hotbed of old-time music. Intimidated by her boyfriend's string band, and inspired by **Sam Herrmann** of the **Critton Hollow String Band**, Karen turned to Irish music and built her own hammered dulcimer while in high school in 1976. After graduation, driven by her passion, Karen embarked on a global musical journey. Diminutive in stature, but not in confidence or competence, she spent five years traveling the world with dulcimer in tow, learning from Irish musicians in pubs, and artists in Europe and Asia, supporting herself with street performing. Eventually, she came to the DC area for the Irish music community, and played in weekly sessions with **Brendan Mulvihill** and **Billy McComiskey** and in a new band, **Ceoltoiri**, with **Sue Richards**. She began giving lessons at the House of Musical Traditions and established a national reputation by writing the first intermediate-level instruction book *Playing the Hammered Dulcimer in the Irish Tradition*. Karen has several CDs on the Maggie's Music label. Also, as well as running a children's Irish music session for ten years, she created the Sligo Creek Hedge School, an Irish music and culture camp for children.

Paul, intense and gregarious, grew up near Antwerp, Belgium, and amazed teachers and classmates in the first grade by teaching himself to play his teacher's melodica—by ear. As a teen he played the flugelhorn in the village band, then later in college, desiring to be a little more cool, picked up the guitar and the five-string banjo. Antwerp was a center of folk music, and the Music Box Café became Paul's second home. He reveled in the company of street musicians and the counter-culture scene, much to the dismay of his family, who at one point confiscated his instruments so he would focus on his exams. After college Paul went to Italy, added the mandolin to his arsenal, then, in 1986 came to the U.S., where he completed his doctoral work in Comparative Literature at Penn State University. He also took up the dulcimer, little realizing how THAT decision would shape his future.



1996 arrived and with it the Upper Potomac Dulcimer Festival in West Virginia. Both attended.

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<p style="text-align: right; font-size: 2em;">9</p> <p>10 am Annapolis Jam 1:30 pm Norwegian Class, Dance and Potluck 2 pm CABOMA Jam 3 FSGW FAMILY DANCE: JANINE SMITH CALLS TO YOUNG PEOPLE'S BAND 4 FSGW GOSPEL SING 7:30 FSGW CONTRA DANCE: PAUL WILDE CALLS WITH RHYTHM METHOD STRING BAND</p>	<p style="text-align: right; font-size: 2em;">10</p> <p><i>COLUMBUS DAY HOLIDAY</i> 7:30 Bethesda Int'l Dance 7:30 Arlington Morris 8 Baltimore English CountryDance 8 Bethesda Scottish Dance 8 Balkan Sing - Takoma Park NEWSLETTER DEADLINE!!!</p>	<p style="text-align: right; font-size: 2em;">11</p> <p>7 Chevy Chase Israeli Dance 7:30 Reston/Herndon Folk Club 8 Sam and Joe Herrmann 8 Old Time Jam 8 Greenbelt Scottish Dance 8 Arlington Int'l Folk Dance 8 Focus Rockville: Jack Williams</p>	<p style="text-align: right; font-size: 2em;">12</p> <p>7:30 IMT Takoma Park: Grace Pettis 7:30 Rock Creek Morris Women 8 FSGW ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE 8 Baltimore Contra Dance 8 Alexandria Scottish Dance 8 Columbia Int'l Dance 8 Sea Chanteys/Baltimore</p>	<p>7 Fred 7:30 GLE 7:30 Chev 7:45 Arli 8 Mt. 8 Fogg 8 Bald 8:15 Gler</p>
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<p style="text-align: right; font-size: 2em;">23</p> <p>10 am Annapolis Jam 2 pm CABOMA Jam 4 FSGW SACRED HARP SINGING 7 Glen Echo Blues/Swing Dance 7:30 Jamie Laval House Concert 7:30 Lilt Concert Glen Echo 7:30 FSGW CONTRA DANCE: ANN FALLON WITH CONTRA REBELS</p>	<p style="text-align: right; font-size: 2em;">24</p> <p>7:30 Bethesda Int'l Dance 7:30 Arlington Morris 8 Baltimore English CountryDance 8 Bethesda Scottish Dance 8 Balkan Sing - Takoma Park</p>	<p style="text-align: right; font-size: 2em;">25</p> <p>6 Greenbelt Cajun Jam 7 Chevy Chase Israeli Dance 7 Sea Chanteys/Northwest DC 7:30 Reston/Herndon Folk Club 8 Greenbelt Scottish Dance 8 Arlington Int'l Folk Dance 8 Focus Rockville: Tom Kimmel</p>	<p style="text-align: right; font-size: 2em;">26</p> <p>7 Greenbelt Cajun Jam 7:30 IMT Takoma Park: Ruthie & the Wranglers 7:30 Rock Creek Morris Women 8 FSGW ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE 8 Baltimore Contra Dance 8 Alexandria Scottish Dance 8 Columbia Int'l Dance</p>	<p>7 Fred 7:30 Gle 7:30 Chev 7:45 Arli 8 Mo 8 Bal 8:15 Gle</p>
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		<p>1 pm Archie Edwards Blues Jam 8 Glen Echo Swing Dance 8 Shepherdstown Contra Dance 8 Greenbelt Israeli Dance 8 Common Ground Concert: Ramblin' Jack Elliot</p> <p>FSGW GETAWAY</p>
<p>6 Archie Irish/Bluegrass Jam GLEN ECHO INT'L FOLK DANCE Wavy Chase Int'l Dance Washington Circle Dance Vernon Int'l Dance Wavy Bottom Morris Men FSGW CONCERT: OLD FAMILY SONGS FROM THE VERMONT TONY BARRAND & MURPHY w/BECKY TRACY Glen Echo Blues Dance</p>	<p>7 Arlington Jam 8 Cellar Stage 8 Potter's House 8:15 Greenbelt Int'l Dance 8:30 FSGW OPEN SING 8:30 Friday Night Contra Dance</p>	<p>8 1 pm Archie Edwards Blues Jam 1 Baltimore Contra Dance Extravaganza 8 Silver Spring English Country Dance</p>
<p>13 Archie Irish/Bluegrass GLEN ECHO INT'L FOLK DANCE Wavy Chase Int'l Dance Washington Circle Dance Vernon Int'l Dance Wavy Bottom Morris Men Twin's Station: Bryan Bowers Glen Echo Blues Dance</p>	<p>14 8 Harrisburg, PA Contra Dance 8 Potter's House 8:15 Greenbelt Int'l Dance 8:30 Friday Night Contra Dance</p>	<p>15 1 pm Archie Edwards Blues Jam 7 pm Annapolis Contra Dance 7 Greenbelt Scandinavian Dance 7:30 Leesburg Assembly English Dance 7:30 Orrin Star Concert 8 FSGW PROGRAM: ANN PORCELLA CD RELEASE CONCERT 8 Lancaster, PA Contra Dance</p>
<p>20 Archie Irish/Bluegrass GLEN ECHO INT'L FOLK DANCE Wavy Chase Int'l Dance Washington Circle Dance Mountain Folksong Sing-In Vernon Int'l Dance London Bok Concert Annapolis Twin's Station: De Gillette & Cindy Mangsen Glen Echo Blues Dance</p>	<p>21 7:30 Carroll Café Concert: Claudia Schmidt w/ Judy Cook 8 333 Coffeehouse: Jennifer Cutting's Ocean Orchestra 8 Potter's House 8:15 Greenbelt Int'l Dance 8:30 Friday Night Contra Dance</p>	<p>22 12 Cajun/Zydeco Fall Festival 1pm Archie Edwards Blues Jam 1:30 Baltimore Playford Ball 8 IMT Next to the House Concert: Bruce Molsky Presents: Lily Henley 8 Orrin Star Concert 8 Frederick Contra Dance 8:30 FSGW SQUARE DANCE</p>
<p>27 Archie Irish/Bluegrass Glen Echo Intl Folk Dance Wavy Chase Int'l Dance Washington Circle Dance Wavy Bottom Morris Men Twin's Station Glen Echo Blues Dance</p>	<p>28 8 Harrisburg, PA Contra Dance 8 Cellar Stage: Cheryl Wheeler 8 Potter's House 8:15 Greenbelt Int'l Dance 8:30 Friday Night Contra Dance</p>	<p>29 1 pm Archie Edwards Blues Jam 1:30 Hammered Dulcimer Jam 2:30 Capitol Hill Contra Dance 7 Galesville Community Dance with 6 pm potluck 8 FSGW/VIG CONCERT: FRIGHTFUL STORY TELLING 8 FSGW PROGRAM: CROWFOOT IN CONCERT</p>



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Advance Notice

Saturday, December 17 • 2 p.m.

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Church of the Ascension,
633 Sligo Ave., Silver Spring, MD

2012

Saturday, February 4, 2012

FSGW MINI-FEST

TENTATIVE DATE

Takoma Park Middle School, MD

Saturday, March 31, 2012

FINEST KIND

Washington Ethical Society, 7750 16th
St. N.W., Washington, D.C.

March 31-April 1, 2012

POTOMAC RIVER SACRED HARP CONVENTION

April 13-15, 2012

30TH ANNUAL CHESAPEAKE DANCE WEEKEND

Camp Letts, Edgewater, MD

Saturday, June 2-3, 2012

32ND ANNUAL WASHINGTON FOLK FESTIVAL

Glen Echo Park, MD

September 28-30, 2012

48TH ANNUAL FSGW GETAWAY

West River Conference Center,
West River, MD



CONCERTS continued

Saturdays

FOCUS MOUNT VERNON • ALEXANDRIA, VA SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1 • 7 PM

Al Petteway and Amy White www.focusmusic.org
St Aidan's Episcopal Church, 8531 Riverside Road,
Alexandria, VA 22308. 703-975-8027 Venue Host:
Mark Gilliam \$18 Public, \$15 Members

COMMON GROUND • WESTMINSTER, MD SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1 • 8 PM

Ramblin' Jack Elliott –a pal with Dylan and Guthrie,
a singing cowboy. \$19/17

Info at 410-857-2771, cground@qis.net, or
www.commongroundonthehill.org

Dances

COMMUNITY/FAMILY

THE FSGW FAMILY DANCE IS LISTED ON PAGE 7

GALESVILLE COMMUNITY DANCE • MD SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29 6 PM POTLUCK • 7-10 PM DANCE

Come one, come all! Live music, traditional Appala-
chian dance tunes played by Leah Weiss on fiddle,
Gary Wright on guitar and friends. Sit-ins welcome on
fiddle, guitar and clawhammer banjo. Dance squares,
circles and longway sets and waltzes. Janine Smith
calling the figures. ALL ages welcome. 7 p.m.: family-
friendly dancing, 8:30-10 p.m.: more challenging danc-
ing. 952 Galesville Road Adults \$10, Ages 5-17 \$5,
Under 5 Free. More info: 301-926-9142 or
<http://communitysquareddance.wordpress.com/>

CONTRA

Sundays

THE FSGW SUNDAY NIGHT DANCES ARE LISTED ON PAGE 5

Wednesdays

BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY • BALTIMORE, MD WEDNESDAYS • 8-10:30 PM



Beginners are always welcome. *New-dancer
workshops are held at 7:30 on the 2nd and
4th Wednesdays.* Nationally-known musicians
and callers appear regularly. \$9 Members/\$13
Non-members, \$4/6 Member/Non-member students
with ID. Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul St.

October — Students dance free!

- 5 Janine Smith calls to *Rocket Surgery*: Carl
Friedman (fiddle, flute), Andrew Marcus
(accordion), Ralph Barthine (guitar).

- 12 Paul Wilde calls to *Taylor Among the
Devils*: Steve Hickman (fiddle), Marty
Taylor (concertina, pennywhistle), Jonathan
Jensen (piano, ocarina).
19 Terry Bachmann calls to the *Baltimore Open
Band*.
26 Perry Shafran calls to *Rambling House*: Joe
DeZarn (fiddle), Tina Eck (flute), Patrick
Cavanagh (banjo), and Marc Glickman
(piano, bodhran).

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) spon-
sor 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, e-mail fndgigs@petml.com.
General info at www.fridaynightdance.org

October

- 7 Laura Brown calls to *Rhythm Method String
Band*: Craig Edwards on fiddle and banjo,
Cathy Mason on fiddle, Erica Weiss on
guitar, and Dedo Norris on bass.
14 Susan Taylor with the fabulous *Glen Echo
Open Band*. Free admission for ages 17 and
under.
21 Janine Smith with *The Percolators*: C.W.
Abbott on mandolin, guitar, jug and nose
flute; Larry Edelman on mandolin, fiddle and
guitar; Joe Fallon on guitar, banjo and bass;
Joe Herrmann on strings, and David Cahn
on guitar, fiddle, mandolin, banjo, bass, and
accordion.
28 Nils Fredland calls to *Crowfoot*: Adam
Broome on guitar and cittern, Jaige Trudel on
fiddle; Nicholas Williams on flute, accordion
and piano.

LOCUST LANE CONTRA • HARRISBURG, PA
2ND AND 4TH FRIDAYS • 8-11 PM

All ages and experience levels welcome. Light refreshments at the break. New dancer class at 7:30. Members \$8. Non-members \$9. Students \$4. Check the website for updates at www.harrisburgcontra.org Check the website for dance info.

October

- 14 20th Anniversary Dance**—Rick Mohn calls to *Contraptions*
28 Halloween Costume Dance—Dave Colestock calls to *Dancewiz*

Saturdays

BALTIMORE DANCE • PIKESVILLE, MD
CONTRA-DANCING EXTRAVAGANZA
OCTOBER 8 SPECIAL EVENT • 1-11 PM



Columbus Day Weekend. Scott Higgs calls to *Taylor Among the Devils*. Waltz workshops with Steve Gester and Peggy Leiby, couples dancing, a potluck supper, challenging contras, the usual evening dance and more. For the schedule, check www.bfms.org. For more information, call or e-mail Becca at nutritionexpeditions@yahoo.com or 301-606-7115. The dance is held at St. Marks on the Hill, 1620 Reisterstown Rd. \$20 members, \$24 non-members, students with ID \$10/14.

ELVERSON DANCE • ELVERSON, PA
1ST SATURDAYS • 7:30-10:30 PM

Check website for info and location. \$8, \$5 students/seniors. New dancers welcome. Bring soft-soled shoes and a snack to share at the break. Smoke-and-alcohol free. Info: Nancy Katzen, 610-780-5667 or www.elversoncontra.org.

SHEPHERDSTOWN DANCE • WV
1ST SATURDAYS • 7:30-11 PM

October 1—Ann Fallon calls a lively selection of contra dances to the music of *Waverley Station* at the War Memorial Building. Beginners workshop at 7:30, dance starts at 8. All levels welcome, no partner needed. Please wear clean, soft-soled shoes to protect the floor. \$10 adults, \$7 SMD members, \$4 dancers under 12. Info: www.smad.us. Or call Becky at 304-876-2169

ANNAPOLIS CONTRA AND SQUARE DANCE • MD
3RD SATURDAY • 7 - 10 PM • POTLUCK 5 PM

October 15—**Special Benefit Dance** for our host, the Annapolis Friends Meeting Hall, to keep its floor in good repair. *The Annapolis Open Band* will provide high-energy music for dances led by local callers. Bring your favorite dish to share for the potluck at 5. Free introductory session at 6:30. All dances taught and walked through. All ages welcome. \$10 with discounts for seniors, students, families and members of Annapolis Traditional Dance Society (ATDS). Snacks to share at the break are welcome! Friends Meeting Hall, 351 DuBois Rd.

Info: Jan Scopel at 443.540.0867, janscope@hotmail.com or www.contradancers.com/atds

LANCASTER CONTRA DANCE • PA
3RD SATURDAY • 8-10 PM

October 15—Rick Mohr calls to *The Contraptions*. St. Johns Episcopal Church, 321 W. Chestnut St. 17603
 Beginners workshop 7:15, dance 8 p.m. \$8/\$5.

Info: Shane 717-538-5833 or <http://www.lancastercontra.org>.

FREDERICK CONTRA DANCE • FREDERICK, MD
4TH SATURDAY • 8-11 PM

October 22 — Andrea Hoag, Karen Ashbrook and Paul Oorts play the tunes with the caller TBA. Dances are held at the Trinity School, near Harry Grove Stadium, from 8 to 11. Free beginners' workshop at 7. Adults, \$9, students \$5.

Info/directions: www.contradancers.com or call Boe Walker at 301-694-6794.

CAPITOL HILL CONTRA DANCE • SE, DC
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29 • 2:30-5 PM

Music by the *Capitol Hillbillies*. Sprung wood floor, admission free but donations encouraged. At the corner of 7th and North Carolina Ave., S.E., Eastern Market Metro. Info: jhbailes@gmail.com

———— *ENGLISH COUNTRY* ————

Mondays

BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY • PIKESVILLE, MD
MONDAYS • 8-10:30 PM



English Country Dancing is lively movement to elegant music in a friendly, informal setting. All dances are taught and walked through. New-dancer orientation first Wednesday at 7:45. Admission \$ 8 Members, \$11 Non-members, \$2 student discount. St. Mark's on the Hill Parish Hall,

DANCES continued

1620 Reisterstown Rd, 0.5 miles from Balt. Beltway Exit 20 South. Info: **Emily Aubrey** at **410-433-4419** or **engdance@bfms.org**

October

- 3 **Caller Sharon McKinley** with **Jeff Steinberg** (violin), **Robin Wilson** (flute, concertina), and **Melissa Running** (piano). New dancer's workshop at 7:45.
- 10 **Mike Franch** teaches to the music of **Carl Friedman** (violin), **Karin Loya** (cello), and **Judy Meyers** (piano)
- 17 Prep for the Playford Ball with caller **Tom Spilsbury** and **Becky Ross** (violin), **Marty Taylor** (recorders, concertina), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano).
- 24 Occasionally Extreme **Michael Barraclough** calls to **Paul Oorts** (strings), **Robin Wilson** (flute, concertina) and **Jonathan Jensen** (piano et al).
- 31 It will be a treat to trick callers **Rich Galloway** and **Diane Schmit** by coming disguised as your favorite ECD. Music by **Emily Aubrey** (violin), **Marty Taylor** (recorder, concertina), and **Melissa Running** (piano).

Wednesdays

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Saturdays

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE • SILVER SPRING, MD SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8 • 8-10:45 PM

10900 Inwood Ave. (Parking and entrance in rear). Dancing will be to music by **Peascods Gathering** with calling by **Bob Farrall**. Beginners and singles welcome. \$5
Info: **Carl Minkus** (**cminkus@verizon.net**), **301-493-6281**, **Bob Farrall** **301-577-5018**.

THE LEESBURG ASSEMBLY • GREAT FALLS, VA 3RD SATURDAYS • 7:30-10:30 PM

October 15— Come join us for English Country dancing at our wonderful new home, the parish hall of St. Francis Episcopal Church. Enjoy a relaxed setting with live music. All dances taught and walked through; new dancers welcome. **www.TheLeesburgAssembly.org**
9220 Georgetown Pike, 4.7 miles from the Beltway just beyond Riverbend Road. Admission is \$10. Info: **David Pacelli** at **703-757-8648**.

INTERNATIONAL

Sundays

ALPINE DANCERS • NEW CARROLLTON, MD

No rehearsals this month due to Oktoberfest performances throughout the area. Looking for energetic beginners. Free, open practice at New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6016 Princess Garden Pkwy. Alpine Dancers are a performing and teaching folk-dance group specializing in graceful and lively couples and trio 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

Come join a very friendly group and learn dances from all over the world. Beginners 7:30-8, intermediate-adv, 8-10, Mostly request dancing from 9:15-10. No partner necessary, all ages and levels of expertise welcome. Wood floor; mostly recorded music. 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 **diamond-dancecircle@comcast.net**

Tuesdays

ARLINGTON INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCING • 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 **ssdancetrav@earthlink.net**

Wednesdays

COLUMBIA INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCING • MD WEDNESDAYS, • 8-10:30 PM

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.columbiafolk dancers.org**.

DEADLINE for November 2011 FSGW Newsletter is MONDAY, October 10th.

SEND ALL SUBMISSIONS TO newsletter@fsgw.org

Thursdays

**CHEVY CHASE INTERNATIONAL FOLK
DANCERS • WASHINGTON, DC
THURSDAYS • 7:30-9:30 PM**

Chevy Chase Community Center, 5601 Connecticut, N.W. (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, corner 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 \$4. Mt Vernon Unitarian Church, 1909 Windmill Lane. Info: **Patricia** at 703-535-333., or pdw@patriciadaywilliams.com

Fridays

**GREENBELT INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCING • MD
FRIDAYS • 8:30-10:45 PM**

•••Note slight time changes.•••Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio, 15 Crescent Rd. Focus is dance from Eastern Europe and Scandinavia. No partner or experience necessary. Beautiful dance floor. Teaching 8:30-9:15, requests from 9:15-10:45. \$7; \$12 on 1st Fridays (live music). Info: **Larry Weiner** at 301-565-0539, larry@larryweiner.com or <http://www.larryweiner.com/FridayDance.htm>

Saturdays

**CCE MONTHLY CEILI • NORTHERN VIRGINIA
2ND SATURDAY • 7:30-11 PM**

October 8, *Bogwanderers and Friends* playing, **Marilyn Moore** calling. Great Falls Grange, 9818 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls 22066 Lessons 7. CCE members \$12/\$6/\$25 family max. Nonmembers \$15/\$7.50/\$35 family max. Refreshments. Info: cceptomac.org.

ISRAELI

**ISRAELI DANCING • CHEVY CHASE, MD
TUESDAYS • 7-10:15 PM**

Instruction from 7 to 7:45. The group focuses on building a repertoire of both classic and newer Israeli dances in a friendly, welcoming atmosphere. Recorded music. Light refreshments served. Ohr Kodesh Congregation, 8300 Meadowbrook Lane, Chevy Chase. \$8/adults, \$6/students. Info: **Mike Fox** at 240-424-0805. www.markidmike.com markidmike@gmail.com

**ISRAELI DANCING • GREENBELT, MD
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1 • 8-11:15 PM**

Israeli "Oldies" party (dances before 1990). Recorded music, light refreshments. Cost \$7, free for ages 18 and under. Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd., 20770 Info: **Ben Hole**, 301-441-8213, ben.hole@verizon.net

MORRIS

**ARLINGTON NORTHWEST MORRIS • 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, louiseneu@earthlink.net or www.uswet.com/RCMW.html

**FOGGY BOTTOM MORRIS MEN • SILVER SPRING, MD
THURSDAYS • 8-10 PM**

Experience the vigorous thrill of the Morris and the camaraderie of a Morris team! Learn and perform dances from English Cotswold villages, Mummers Plays and occasional long-sword dances. We welcome new and slightly used dancers to our practices at Highland View Elementary School, 9010 Providence Ave., and/or at the pub afterwards. squire@fbmm.org, **Alan Peel** at 301-920-1912, www.fbmm.org

SCANDINAVIAN

SCANDINAVIAN DANCE • GREENBELT, MD

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15 • 7–10 PM

Scandia DC sponsors a 3rd Saturday dance. This month, live music will feature **Loretta Kelley**, our local treasure and considered to be the best American-born hardanger fiddle player. Teaching 7-8: Hallingspringar come learn anew or refresh your moves in this popular dance, done to Hardanger fiddle music. There may be some recorded music. No partner necessary. Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio (wood floor) at 15 Crescent Rd. \$7. Info: 202-333-2826, inclement weather call 301-474-0646.

Info: linda@scandiadc.org, www.scandiadc.org.

NORWEGIAN DANCE & POTLUCK, PLUS
DANCE CLASS! • WASHINGTON, DC

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9 • CLASS 1:30 PM,
POTLUCK 4 PM, DANCING 5:30 PM

Bring clean shoes to wear, food to share, and \$\$ you can spare for Norwegian-style house party, plus DANCE CLASS this month. Mesmerizing live music by Grammy winner **Paul Morrisett** on the unique Hardanger fiddle (see hfaa.org). Dance class by **Bruce Emery**: Telespringar for beginners. And he'll share a few cool Valdrespringar moves during the dance party. Beginners & listeners welcome. No need to bring a partner. Hosts **Linda Brooks & Ross Schipper's** phone: 202-333-2826. Info/dirs: <http://MAND.fanitull.org> or **Jenny**, pi@xecu.net, 301-371-4312.

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

SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE • ALEXANDRIA, VA

WEDNESDAYS • 8–9:45 PM

Learn Scottish dance at the Durant Center, 1605 Cameron St. \$5. Info: lara.bainbridge@gmail.com or elanyi@cox.net.

SWING/BLUES

WASHINGTON SWING DANCE • GLEN ECHO PARK, MD

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1 • 8–12 MN

Big Joe and the Dynaflos. No partner or dance experience necessary. All ages welcome. This is the next to the last dance for this organization, soon retiring its colors. Introductory lesson from 8-9 in the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park. Admission \$15. Info: wscswings@yahoo.com or www.wscdc.org

SLOW BLUES AND SWING • GLEN ECHO, MD

EVERY THURSDAY • 8:15–11:30 PM

Popular Thursday night Blues Dance in the Back Room at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd. 20812. Come early as it is selling out. Beginner lesson at 8:15-9. Presented by Capital Blues. DJ **Mike Marcotte** and guests play incredible blues from 9 to 11:30. Admission is \$8 for lesson and dance. You'll love the sprung solid-maple floor and air conditioning!

Info: **Donna Barker** at 301.634.2231 or 301.634.2222 or www.CapitalBlues.org
www.DanceDC.net

SLOW BLUES AND SWING • GLEN ECHO PARK, MD

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21 • 8 PM–12 MN

Join us for a Swingin' the Blues dance in the Bumper Car Pavilion TBD. There are two workshops from 8-9: Slow Blues taught by **Donna Barker** and **Mike Marcotte** and West Coast Swing taught by **Ken Roesel**. \$15. No partner required. For more information, call **Donna Barker** at 301-634-2231 or Glen Echo Park at 301-634-2222, or go to www.DanceDC.net.

SLOW BLUES AND SWING • GLEN ECHO PARK, MD

SUNDAYS, OCTOBER 16 AND 30 • 7–11 PM

Big Boy Little Band will play on the 16th, and **The Glen Crytzler Band** on the 30th. Sunday Blues dance in the Back Room featuring TBD. There is an optional 1-½ hour workshop, taught by **Donna Barker** and **Mike Marcotte**, from 7-8:30. Dance from 8:30-11. Cost: \$17 for the workshop and dance; or \$12 for the dance only. No partner required.

For more information, call **Donna Barker** at 301-634-2231 or Glen Echo Park at 301-634-2222, or go to www.DanceDC.net.

BLUES DANCE • GLEN ECHO PARK, MD

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30 • 8 PM–12 MN

Join us for a Swingin' the Blues dance in the Bumper Car Pavilion, band **Scott Ramminger & the CrawStickers**. There are two workshops from 8-9: Slow Blues taught by **Donna Barker** and West Coast Swing taught by **Ken Roesel**. Dance slow blues and swing from 9 to midnight. Admission is \$15. Contact info as above.

WALTZ AND TEA DANCE

HOT SOCIETY DANCE • GLEN ECHO, MD
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16 • 3–6 PM

Hot Society Orchestra of Washington featuring music and dances from the '20s, '30s and '40s. Foxtrot, two-step, waltz, cha cha, rhumba, swing and more in the Spanish Ballroom. No partner or experience necessary. Samba lesson at 3. \$12.

Info: **Dave Tucker, 703-861-8218,**
www.glenechopark.org and **www.hotsociety.net.**

AFTERNOON WALTZ • GLEN ECHO PARK, MD
SUNDAYS, • 2:45–6 PM

Enjoy a lively mix of folk waltzes with a few other couples dances including the *Hambo*, *Schottische*, Swing, Tango, and Polka. 45-minute lesson at 2:45, starting with a beginner's lesson and ending with an advanced lesson in the last 15 minutes. Dance from 3:30-6 in the Spanish Ballroom. \$10.

Go to **www.WaltzTimeDances.org**, or call Glen Echo Park at **301-634-2222**.

October

2 *Cabaret Sauvignon*
 30 *Gigmeisters*

Jams/Open Mics/Audience Participation

Listed by day of the week
Sundays

SCOTTISH TRADITIONAL MUSIC JAM • WHEATON, MD
1ST SUNDAYS • 3–6 PM

Royal Mile Pub, 2407 Price Ave. Musicians welcome. Info: <http://dcscottishsession.blogspot.com/> or contact Peter Walker at boghadubh@gmail.com.

SACRED HARP SINGING • SANDY SPRING, MD
3RD SUNDAYS • 4–6 PM

Singing is followed by a potluck supper. Contact **Kent Beck** at **301-774-3183** or kent.beck@ssfs.org to confirm. Location: Small schoolhouse behind Community Building, 17801 Meetinghouse Rd., about 10 miles west of Laurel, MD.

CABOMA JAM • ARLINGTON, VA
2ND AND 4TH SUNDAYS • 2 P.M.

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**.

ZYDECO/CAJUN

CAJUN & ZYDECO FALL FESTIVAL
GLEN ECHO PARK, MD

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22 & 23 • TIMES VARY

Dancing by the Bayou presents a Fall Dance Festival featuring a variety of bands, dance lessons, and lots of dancing. Bands will include *Andre Thierry & Zydeco Magic*, *Nathan & the Zydeco Cha Chas*, *Bruce Daigrepoint Cajun Band*, *Dennis Stroughmatt & Creole Stomp*, *Curley Taylor & Zydeco Trouble*, *Patty Reese Band*, *Karen Collins & the Backroads Band*, *Ruthie & the Wranglers*, and *Elikeh!* October 22 from noon to 12:15 a.m., October 23 from noon to 6:30. Visit **www.DancingbytheBayou.com** for the schedule and ticket packages. For more information, call **Michael Hart** at **301-762-6730**.



ANNAPOLIS ACOUSTIC JAM • ANNAPOLIS, MD
SUNDAYS • 10 AM-12:30 PM

Indoors at The Visitor Center, Quiet Waters Park. Info: ken.i.mayer@gmail.com

Mondays

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

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 WASHINGTON, DC
1ST AND 4TH TUESDAYS • 8–10 PM**

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

1st Tuesdays – Royal Mile Pub, 2407 Price Avenue, Wheaton 20902

4th Tuesdays – Laughing Man Tavern, 1306 G St NW, DC 20005



**SACRED HARP SINGING • SE WASHINGTON, D.C.
3RD TUESDAYS • 7–9 PM**

Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church, 201 4th St S.E. The church does not have weeknight parking, but some street parking is possible. It is less than a ten-minute walk from Capitol South and Eastern Market Metro stations. To find the singing space, go around the left/south side of the church and enter by a side door at street level. Info: **760-856-0961**.

**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 3rd Tuesday, price varies. Smoke-free environment. Info: www.restonherndon-folkclub.com, **703-435-2402**.

**CAJUN JAM • GREENBELT, MD
4TH WEDNESDAY • 7–9 PM**

Monthly open Cajun jam and dance. New Deal Café, 113 Centerway, Roosevelt Center. More info: 301.474.5642 or www.newdealcafe.com. Check website to confirm.

Wednesdays

**SEA CHANTEY OPEN PUB SINGS
BALTIMORE AND ANNAPOLIS, MD
2ND & 3RD WEDNESDAYS • 8–10 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.shipscompany.org

2nd Wednesdays – Wharf Rat, 801 S. Anne Street, Baltimore (Fells Point) 21231

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@verizon.net

Thursdays

**IRISH TRADITIONAL/BLEUGRASS 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**



**FOLKSONG SING-IN • WHEATON, MD
3RD THURSDAYS • 8–10 PM**

Join local musician **Brad Howard** every month for this new musical gathering. Everyone gets a chance to lead the room in song. Bring your favorite folk tunes, and even your instruments if you feel so inclined. At the very least, bring your voice and be prepared for a great evening of song and pub-style fellowship. The Limerick Pub is at the corner of Elkin and Price, a few doors down from The Royal Mile Pub, 11301 Elkin Street, 20902 <http://www.thelimerickpub.net/>

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. Site works best using iTunes on a PC or a Mac. Info: www.fridaynightdance.org.

Saturdays

**ARCHIE EDWARDS BLUES JAM • RIVERDALE, MD
SATURDAYS • 1–5 PM**



Acoustic instruments, all skill levels and listeners welcome. 4701 Queensbury Rd, across from the Riverdale MARC train station. Ample parking. Free, but donations welcome. Info/confirmation: **301-396-3054** or www.acousticblues.com

**HAMMERED DULCIMER JAM • ANNANDALE, VA
OCTOBER 29 • 1:30–4:30 PM**

Hammered dulcimer players meet monthly to swap tunes and play together; all levels welcome. The October jam is at the George Mason Regional Library, 7001 Little River Turnpike, 703-256-3800. Other acoustic instruments welcome. Info: **Ellie** at <http://sites.google.com/site/nvhdplayers/>.

Storytelling

**STORYTELLING WITH BILL MAYHEW • GREENBELT, MD
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8 • 2 PM**

Join master teller **Bill Mayhew** at the Greenbelt Library for an hour of entertaining tales. 11 Crescent Rd., 20770, Info: **301-345-5800**

**NATIONAL STORYTELLING FESTIVAL
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7–SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9**

Held in Jonesborough, Tennessee the first full weekend in October, this is the 39th year for this festival to be held. Star tellers, exchange stages, special events all contribute to a memorable, let's-go-back experience. For more details, including pricing, go to www.storytellingcenter.net.

**STAR STORYTELLING BENEFIT • ARLINGTON, VA
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15 • 7 PM**

Storytellers from **Voices in the Glen** will spin tales of stars, constellations, planets, lunar events, and other celestial phenomena, to help save the Arlington Planetarium from premature extinction. Astronomical projections promised! Great for ages 8 to 108. Suggested donation \$10. Arlington Planetarium, 1426 N. Quincy Rd at Washington and Lee High School seven blocks from the Ballston Metro. Info: **Chuck Kleymeyer** at **703-533-7379**.

**TALES IN THE VILLAGE • CHEVY CHASE, MD
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19 • 7:30 PM**

Finding Gus - a new one woman show about a *Man* presented by **Ellouise Schoettler**. Free. Friendship Heights Community Center, 4433 South Park Dr. For adults. Info: **Ellouise1@juno.com**

**STORYTELLING SERIES • LORTON, VA
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 • 10 AM– 4:15 PM**

A day of storytelling workshops for tellers of all levels sponsored by The Virginia Storytelling Alliance and The Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Rd., \$25 per workshop or a VASA member all-day pass for \$80 (includes the evening concert) \$87 all-day pass for non-members (All-day pass must be called in.) Info: vastorytelling.org or Workhousearts.org. Reservations: **703-584-2900**. Have your workshop choices ready before you call.

**AN EVENING OF STORYTELLING • LORTON, VA
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 • 7–8:30 PM
9 PM OPEN MIC**

Featured tellers: **Kim Weitkamp, Geraldine Buckley, Judith Onesty and Les Schaffer**
Reservations: **703-584-2900** Held at the Workhouse Arts Center Gallery, 9601 Ox Road, 22079 Tickets: \$12/\$10 for VASA and VITG members and children.

**SPOOKY TALES SWAP • BELTSVILLE, MD
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 • 2 PM**

Appropriate for all ages...not too frightful! Held at the Beltsville Library, 4319 Sellman Rd, 20705, Info: **301-937-0294**.

**4TH AT 4 STORYFOLK • BALTIMORE, MD
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23 • 4 PM**

Please bring something to nibble or sip and a story to share. Towson Unitarian Universalist Church, 1 mile N of Baltimore Beltway on Dulaney Valley Rd. RSVP **Barb 410-252-1438** or **Diane at 410-321-8419**

Frightful Storytelling

The Folklore Society of Greater Washington and Voices in the Glen Want to Scare YOU!

Saturday, October 29 • 8 pm • details page 2

Workshops, Weekends, Festivals & Special Events

DOLL-MAKING AND THE INDIAN MUSEUM COLLEGE PARK, MD

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15 • 10 AM

Join arts integration specialist **Eileen Cave** in a doll-making activity at the Old Parish House, followed by a field trip to the National Museum of the American Indian. Ideal for ages 3 and up. Free. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Location and more details at info@cpae.org or 301-927-3013.

IRISH MANDOLIN WORKSHOP WITH ORRIN STAR TAKOMA PARK, MD

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15 • 12–2:15 PM

Learn the key embellishments and a lovely jig. Limited to 10 participants, tab hand-out. \$50. More info at orrinstar.com At House of Musical Traditions, 7010 Westmoreland Ave., 20912 www.hmtrad.com. To register 301-270-9090 or e-mail lessons@hmtrad.com.

BALTIMORE PLAYFORD BALL • BALTIMORE, MD

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 • 1:30–11 PM

Enjoy an afternoon ball review with music by **Jonathan Jensen and Becky Ross**. Then break for a potluck and change into your finery to dance the night away, English Country style, to the music of **Steve Hickman, Alexander Mitchell, Marty Taylor, and Ralph Gordon**. From \$30. All dancing at the Church of the Redeemer, 5603 North Charles Street, 21210. Info: **Emily Aubrey**, 410-433-4419 or playford@bfms.

SCOTTISH FIDDLE WORKSHOP WITH JAMIE LAVAL BETHESDA, MD

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2:30–4:30 PM

Reknowned Scottish fiddler **Jamie Laval** will teach you to add drive, excitement and lift to classic Scottish/Irish tunes. He focuses on bowing patterns, rhythmic phrasing and ornamentation, taking your playing to a new level. \$30 Limited space; contact Becky for reservations or info at BeckyRoss@PeatAndBarley.com or 301-208-8285.

BLUEGRASS RHYTHM GUITAR WORKSHOP WITH ORRIN STAR

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29 • 12–2:15 PM

Bluegrass guitarists have developed some of the most potent and interesting rhythm moves. If you strum folk, bluegrass or country music on an acoustic guitar, this workshop is for you. Limited to 10 participants, tab hand-out. \$50. More info at orrinstar.com At House of Musical Traditions, 7010 Westmoreland Ave., 20912 www.hmtrad.com. To register 301-270-9090 or e-mail lessons@hmtrad.com.

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Eisteddfod A Weekend Festival of Traditional Music

Friday, November 4–Sunday, November 6

At Hudson Valley Resort & Spa, Kerhonkson, NY

FSGW is one of several co-sponsoring organizations with the Folk Music Society of New York, Inc., inviting you to join singers, instrumentalists and dancers in a weekend of traditional folk and roots music at the Hudson Valley Resort and Spa, 400 Granite Road, Kerhonkson, NY 12446. Performers include **Claire Boucher, Matt Brown, Martha Burns, Andy Cohen, Dennis and Judy Cook, Christine Cooper, Jerry Epstein, Howard Glasser, Carl Linich, Bob Malenky, Caroline Paton, Rob Paton, John Roberts, Dave Ruch, Heather Wood, and Olga Zaric**. The schedule includes a contra dance, three concerts, many workshops – some participatory jams, sign-up concerts. The resort includes an indoor pool, tennis, golf, shops, restaurants, etc. For room and attendance rates, schedules, performer information and lots more about this long-running traditional festival, see www.eisteddfod-ny.

Profile: KAPO: Karen Ashbrook and Paul Oorts

Crossing Continents in Life and Music (continued from page 11.)

He played. She played.

And a partnership was formed that led to a myriad of musical collaborations...and ultimately, wedding bells, on Valentine's Day, 1998. In 2001 they released their CD, *Celtic Cafe*. Of their music.... "The duo manages to 'catch' its audience with moving harmonies and surprising rhythm changes. We, denizens of the old country, should be very grateful to Ashbrook and Oorts for the way in which they introduce our traditional music to the Americans..." *Goe Vollek!* From Belgium (Translation—Paul Oorts)

Currently, Paul is a professor of Italian at Loyola University and the Peabody Music Conservatory in Baltimore, teaching language to opera singers. He also researches and collects Belgian dance music from the Renaissance to the 1800s. Karen is a full-time dulcimer teacher committed to passing Irish music on to the next generation. Both teach in a way that empowers their students to learn independently and to create their own arrangements. A love of traditional dance music is the focus of much of their efforts; they'll be playing, with their group **Cabaret Sauvignon**, for the Sunday Night Contra Dance and the Waltz Afternoon on **October 2**. Stop by and say "Hello"....in any language. You'll be glad you did. For more about Karen and Paul go to www.karenashbrook.com or www.pauloorts.com.

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