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FSGW Midwinter Festival

A Day of Family-Friendly Fun

Silver Spring/Takoma Park, MD Saturday, February 8, 2014 Noon to 10:30 pm

Ballads, blues and banjos, washboards, workshops and waltz, squares, shape-note and stories—it's time for the FSGW annual Midwinter Festival at the Takoma Park Middle School. Seven lively concert/workshop tracks and two dance tracks will run from noon to 6 pm, PLUS there's an evening concert and an evening dance, with both begin at 7:30. This year's Festival features a number of performances by young artists—see the box on page 3 for further information. Also, check **fsgw.org** for updates closer to the date.



Daytime Performance/Workshops.

Cafetorium: Cooking With Gas—Takoma blues; Blue Moon Cowgirls—honky-tonk country-

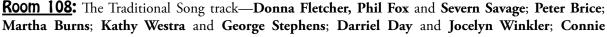
style harmony singing; *Shenandoah Run*—folk music of the '60s; *Rick Franklin & His Delta Blues Boys*—Piedmont blues; *Trio Sefardi*—Sephardic traditional music; **Shannon Dunne & Company**—percussive sean-nós dance; and *Blue Panamuse*—acoustic blues and swing.



Room 104: "American Roots" includes workshops/concerts featuring a washboard workshop led by **Jess Myhre**; Mississippi Delta blues guitar by **Neil Harpe**, vocals by **Dede**

Wyland, ukulele by Dottie Hurley, old-time music with Barb Schmidt and

Todd Clewell, bluegrass with **Tara Linhardt**, and an exploration of the link between Irish step dance and Appalachian flatfooting by **Shannon Dunne**.



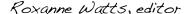
McKenna, Melissa Weaver Dunning, and Betsy O'Malley; Janie Meneely, Bob Clayton, and David Diamond; Riki Schneyer; and Andy Wallace, Bruce Hutton, and Chris Romaine.

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Room 114: Matt Holsen and Bruce Lebovitz play a range of musical styles; Karen Ashbrook and Paul Oorts with the Sligo Creek Hedge School Teens will play Belgian and Irish tunes; Andrea Hoag and Melissa Running play Swedish fiddle and nyckelharpa; Valeri Georgiev on the Bulgarian flute; Boys Night Out classic country instrumental; Bruce Hutton with old-time music; a family-friendly dance and song workshop by DeLaura Padovan; followed by two of DeLaura's children, Tara and Maren Padovan-Hickman on Zimbabwean marimba; and The Squeezers with accordion and concertina.



Room 118: Whitney Street—Irish, Scandinavian and International dance tunes; Ian Walters—piano concert; "How Low Can You Go?"—bass instrument workshop with Ralph Gordon, double bass, Jim Bunch, washtub bass, Marv Reitz, jug, and Kathy Reitz, bass ukulele; Nick and Ukweli Family Concert—Nick is an adult, and Ukweli is 11; Kid's Jam for children who already can play instruments; Eleanor Ellis—blueswoman; Dead Men's Hollow—bluegrass sextet; Toss the Feathers—Irish music on period instruments; and Appalachian Crankies by Katherine Fahey—long rolls of paper depicting scenes from ballads; Slaveya—a cappella women's vocal ensemble.

Room 122: Storytelling by Tim Livengood, Jane Dorfman, The Twinbrook Tellers, Cricket Parmalee, Bill Mayhew, Margaret Chatham, Anne Sheldon, and Richard Roth—and special guest teller Baba Jamal Koram.



Room 184: Gospel Sing led by the **FSGW Gospel Sing regulars**; Shape-Note Singing led by the **FSGW regulars**; sea chanteys by *The Washington Revels Maritime Voices*; a doo-wop vocal workshop led by **Flawn Williams**; a 90-minute blues jam by members of *Archie's Barbershop*; and an **Irish Seisiún**.

Main Gym: Barn Dance will be called by Ann Fallon with music by AP & The Banty Roosters; Introduction to Border Morris with Joanie Blanton and local morris dancers; English Country Dance taught by Tom Spilsbury with music by Liz Donaldson, Bruce Hamilton and Becky Ross; tango music and a lesson by Tango Mercurio Orchestra; a demonstration and workshop by Carpathia Folk Dance Ensemble; a workshop on Scandinavian Schottis taught by Lisa Brooks and Dan Kahn with nyckelharpa music by Sonia White.

<u>Auxiliary Gym:</u> Open Waltz with music by *Firefly*; Introduction to Modern Western Squares taught by Eva Murray with music by *AP & The Banty Roosters*; two hours of Contra Dance—first the *Sligo Creek Stompers* with caller Bob Hofkin and then *The Metrognomes* with caller George Mercer; Cajun Dance with music by the *Cypress Trio*;

and *WreckTangles*—dances in unusual formations called by **Janine Smith** to old time music by **Barb Schmidt and Todd Clewell**.

Hallways: Morris dancers and the *The Washington Revels Maritime Voices*; will perform throughout the day. Retail therapy with lots of vendors, CAMSCO Music in the Cafetorium if you're looking for that hard-to-find CD or book, and, of course the House of Musical Traditions, offering things to toot, tweet, shake, strum, bow, and pound.



TICKET PRICES

Day plus evening (noon to 10:30 pm)

FSGW Adult Member \$15 FSGW Child (6–12) \$8 FSGW Family Maximum \$45 Non-FSGW Adult \$20 Non-FSGW Child (6–12) \$10 Non-FSGW Family Max \$55 Day (noon to 6 ONLY) or Evening (6 to 10:30 ONLY)

FSGW Adult Member \$10 FSGW Child (6–12) \$5 FSGW Family Maximum \$25 Non-FSGW Adult \$15 Non-FSGW Child (6–12) \$7 Non-FSGW Family Max \$40

Mini-Fest Evening Programs

(attendees may sample both)



Concert

Ad Astra ("To the Stars")—The Chromatics, a full spectrum a cappella sextet, who channel the harmony of the spheres, Glyn Collinson and Andrew Marcus, high-energy 21st century British roots music (Glyn designs equipment for space exploration); Tim Livengood, storyteller by night,

planetary astronomer by day; and *Meridian*, heavenly harmonies by **Colin de la Barre** and **Olivia Gale** from Gloucester, Massachusetts.





Dance

Contras, Squares and More in the main Gym, featuring the ebullient Janine Smith and DeLaura Padovan calling to music by *The Major Minors*, a splendid group of seven young musicians—Rebecca Weiss and Kaziah Brachfeld on fiddle, Tara Padovan-Hickman and Maren Padovan-Hickman on marimba, Steven Bluestein on horns, Eli Stopak on saxophone, and Ben Miller on piano, percussion and guitar.



Especially for Young Folkies

All of the performances and workshops at Mini-Fest are family-oriented, but we thought we'd alert you to some very special performances this year:

Room 104: Dottie Hurley & Friends ukulele workshop is kid-friendly.

Room 114: Karen Ashbrook and Paul Oorts with the *Sligo Creek Hedge School Teens* features young musicians, and the dance and song workshop called by **Delaura Padovan** is aimed at families and is immediately followed by young musicians **Tara** and **Maren Padovan-Hickman** on Zimbabwean marimba.

Room 118: Nick and Ukweli Family Concert—Nick is 31, and Ukweli is 11; they've got a new CD ready for release; **Kid's Jam** is for elementary- or middle-school children who already play an instruments; and **Katherine Fahey's** presentation of "crankie" story-songs—crankies are long rolls of paper, scrolled past the audience in a box while the presenter sings the story.

Room 122: The Twinbrook Tellers are a group of young storytellers—they will be doing two half-hour workshops in the Storytelling Room.

Main Gym: The Barn Dance with **Ann Fallon** and **AP and the Banty Roosters** is open to all—easy circle and set dances, with lots of helpful instruction. And the evening dance, with seven young musicians and callers **Janine Smith** and **DeLaura Padovan** should be quite a treat!

FSGW Sings/Swaps/Events

FSGW OPEN SING • MONTGOMERY VILLAGE, MD FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7 • 8:30 PM

Theme: "Rewind." Either the songs you wanted to sing at Nancy's in January, or at Anne McCabe's evening, "On Drink," or the songs we did not get to in the "Back to the Future" evening last time at Heather & Tony's, or even Michele and Dennis's December theme of "Stars and Other Things that Shine." Info, directions: **Heather and Tony Pierce**, 301.869.7551

FSGW Gospel Sing • Chevy Chase, DC Sunday, February 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 supper at 6, with more singing after supper. This month's Sing will be at the home of **Rick Morgan** and **Arlene Rodenbeck**, Info/directions: **202.364.3663**.

FSGW STORYSWAP • SILVER SPRING, MD SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15 • 7:30 PM

An evening of shared stories for Valentine's Day or other ocacasions, in the home of **Cricket Parmalee**. Storytellers and listeneres welcome Free. Potluck snacks. RSVPs and directions: **cricket1415@yahoo.com**

Doo Wop Sing • Bethesda, MD Saturday, February 22 Potluck 5:30 pm, Sing 6:30

Sing four-part harmonies on those classic tunes from the 1950s and 1960s from groups such as the *Platters, Lovin' Spoonful,* and *Everly Brothers.* Metro accessible. Info: denelson22@gmail.com or 240.506.6569.



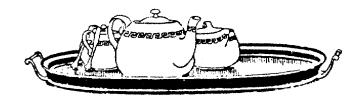
FSGW MONTHLY SHAPE-NOTE SINGING ALEXANDRIA, VA SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23 4–8 PM

Monthly on the fourth Sunday singers enjoy the old-time rhythmic harmonies and spiritual poetry found in shape-note tunebooks. From 4 to 5 pm, singing will be from the 1991 *Sacred Harp*, and after 5 we will also use the 2013 *Shenandoah Harmony* and 1958 *Christian Harmony*. Loaner books for all will be available. Potluck supper from 6 to 7. All are welcome to sing or listen as long as desired. Free, with optional donation for the host church. First Christian Church, 2723 King St.

FOODWAYS PROGRAM ENGLISH TEA AND DANCE • SE WASHINGTON, DC SUNDAY, MARCH 30 (NEW DATE!) • 1–5 PM

See page 8 for details.

Mark your calendars for April 27 and June 29, two other foodways class dates. Topics TBD, ideas welcome at food@fsgw.org.



FSGW BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS • JANUARY 2014

Board: President April Blum, VP Charlie Baum, Past President Mary Cliff, Secretary Noel-Marie Taylor, Treasurer Richard Aigen, Publicity Liz Milner, Publications Roxanne Watts, Program Marty Summerour, Dance Steve Burnett; At Large Molly Graham Hickman and Tim Livengood and Steve Winick. Absent: Membership Janie Meneely

The Society continues to function and remain solvent, with many exciting events coming up. A spirited discussion of the use of social media to promote the Society took place.

- **Will Strang** presented information on the current status and proposed updates to the FSGW website. A migration to newer web software is in process, and will improve the site's performance.
- Planning of 50th Anniversary events continues. Exciting ideas include a gala event and retrospectives on the past 50 years of FSGW.
- Annual elections are coming up. The nominating committee, chaired by **Jim Cole**, will also include **Charlie Bean**, **Mary Cliff**, and **Jerry Stein**.



ALEXANDRIA KLEZTET

KLEZMER MUSIC AT ITS FINEST

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22 · 8 PM

Seth Kibel's clarinet will laugh and weep and sigh, (he's one of the Mid-Atlantic's premier woodwind players), and **Helen Hausmann's** fiddle will match in the give and take, echoing, improvising with the deep feeling of the old laments and joyful energy of the old tunes. Bass player **Scott Harlan** and percussionist **Tim Jarvis** will add the complexity and style the group has been known for in their journey from oblivion to award-winning world-music artists.

Klezmer is city music, community music, the musical tradition of the Ashkenazi Jews of Eastern Europe, with Romanian influences. The music came from thousands of tiny shtetls (villages) to this country with immigrants in the late 19th and 20th centuries. As with most "old-country" music, it wasn't considered very "American" and younger generations rejected it. But eventually musicians rediscovered and revived the tunes, blending them with American jazz (think of Gershwin's clarinet solo at the opening of *Rhapsody in Blue*), Dixieland, Tin Pan Alley, and other popular music. Who doesn't know Fiddler on the Roof...oh, the longing for the old ways...and who hasn't partied to an energetic freilach or *Hava Nagila* (that means "Let us rejoice") at a mitzvah or wedding.

For our February program, *The Alexandria Kleztet* will bring us selections old and new, borrowed and probably blue, as well. As in the old European tradition, the group is composed of working, professional musicians.

Seth Kibel wows audiences on saxophone, clarinet and flute and has more than a handful of Wammies for "Best World Music Instrumentalist." **Helen Hausmann**, violinist and mandolinist, plays in several symphonies and has performed from Kerrville to the Vatican. Bassist **Scott Harlan**, also a singer and keyboardist, has recorded four solo CDs from mainstream jazz to a fusion that has been called "funk/jazz/world/folk." Percussionist **Tim Jarvis** is a life-long musician from the circus to the Annapolis Symphony. The ensemble has recorded four CDs and won many "world music" Wammies. Find them at their website, **kleztet.com**, and see them on the Web as part of no less than 28 Kennedy Center Millennium Stage archive performances.

We are thrilled to present this entertaining group at the **Washington Ethical Society Auditorium**, 7750 16th St., NW, Washington, DC 20012. Admission is free to members, and \$15 for the non-members. You may become a member at the event and receive free admission, or register online prior to the event. See "join us" at **fsgw.org.**

Folklore Society of Greater Washington Adopts Anti-Harassment Policy

by Molly Graham Hickman

FSGW sponsors events that are intended to foster a pleasant environment and a tolerant community, and to provide a comfortable experience for all.

As a sponsoring organization, FSGW has the responsibility to ensure attendees', participants' and performers' safety and security at FSGW events. Behavior that FSGW deems to be disruptive, aggressive, threatening, harassing, dangerous, or inappropriate in any way will not be tolerated.

If you are an attendee at an FSGW event and you experience such behavior, please immediately orally report the incident to the nearest FSGW representative, and, if possible, report the incident in writing to the President and/or Vice President, or to the Officer responsible for the event (e.g., Dance@fsgw.org if the incident occurs at an FSGW-sponsored dance event). Please provide as much detail as possible.

The Folklore Society's programs are in many ways exceptional. You can always trust FSGW to produce/sponsor quality programming that builds community, while celebrating and promoting the diverse traditions of music, dance, and other traditional arts. Our contra-dances are how some know us best. Regular dance-goers might not realize it, but it is extraordinary that strangers can come together and share in this physical encounter with relative ease.

Yes, unbelievably, you dance with strangers and have a really good time while you're at it! And with the frequency and nature of the touching we do as dancers comes a responsibility to make sure our fellow dancers are comfortable.

If you're a dancer, you may have seen our new signs displaying the above anti-harassment policy at Glen Echo. We're doing our best to draw attention to the policy with the confidence that it will foster an even more positive dancing experience for all. By taking this little step of having a clearly articulated policy, we are proud to join the ranks of organizations that are helping to ensure attendees feel happy and safe while at our public events.

To some it might seem that we are making an issue where there is none; we (the Board) see this policy as an effort to bring ourselves up-to-date. We feel there is value in asserting our policy clearly; it will allow people to feel safer, and to know there is an avenue if some line of comfort is crossed.



Molly Graham Hickman is an at-large member on the FSGW board. She has taught folk-dance and -song along the East coast and abroad, and studied the traditions of Appalachia, Japan, and the Republic of Georgia with such experts as Tom Paley, Shizumi Manale, and Carl Linich, respectively. Molly is a math major at Montgomery College.





Shenandoah Kun

Folk Music with a Kick Friday, February 7 • 7:30

Shenandoah Run is a nine-member classic and contemporary folk group known for lush six-part vocal harmonies and skillful instrumental backing. Their sound is becoming instantly recognizable.

With a strong desire to keep folk music alive and fresh, they blend vintage and contemporary American music with an "infusion of country, bluegrass and songs from other lands. They have recently released their first full-length CD, Winter to Spring. Order tickets early; most performances are sell-outs. www.shenandoahrun.com

Toss the Feathers

Early Irish and Scottish Friday, February 21 • 7:30

Traditional and early music from Ireland and Scotland will be tossed playfully at you by Tina Chancey (on fiddle, viola da gamba and other renaissance bowed strings) and Valerie Loomer, who is here from France, and will accompany Tina on theorbo, Renaissance guitar and cittern. The music developed during the 17th and 18th centuries as a new sort of "chamber music" which includes ballads and dance tunes, sonatas, suites, "dompes," and "ports." Tina has been a pillar in the early music community for years, part of the well-known group *Hesperus*, and is highly respected as perfomer and teacher. This inspired duo offers harmonic complexity and spontaneity with refined taste and sparkling energy. Come catch a few tunes!





OCEAN Celtic Quartet

Saturday, March 1 • 7:30

Back for an encore performance after selling out earlier this year....

Jennifer Cutting and her group of talented, passionate artists end the Passport to the World Performance Series. Celebrate the Gaelic traditions with a high-sprited concert by the OCEAN Celtic quar-

tet. Jennifer Cutting (artistic director, piano, accordions), Lisa Moscatiello

(voice, guitar, whistle), Andrew Dodds (fiddle), and Steve Winick (voice and percussion) are known for their goosebump-raising performances and surprise-filled repertoire. \$20, Students/seniors \$18

These programs are presented as part of the Passport to the World Series. Creative Cauldron is in the new ArtSpace at 410 South Maple Ave., Falls Church, 22046. Parking is available in the garage adjacent to the ArtsSpace. More info: www.creativecauldron.org, or Marty Summerour at program@fsgw.org

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.

February

Rich Galloway leads the dances to the music of *Jeff Steinberg* (fiddle) Barbara Heitz (flute), and Harriet Kaplan (cello).



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Anna Rain calls while **Colleen** Reed (flute), Bruce Edwards (bassoon and concertina), and Melissa Running (piano) play the tunes.

Carol Marsh calls to the playing of Tina Chancey (viol and fiddle), Valerie Loomer from France (theorbo, cittern,

Renaissance guitar), and Liz Donaldson (piano).





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Dan Gillespie leads the dances while **Becky Ross** (fiddle), David Giusti (recorders), and Liz Donaldson (piano) play.

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FSGW SPECIAL EVENT

English Dance ,Tea, and Foodlove Event Sunday, March 30 – 1 to 5 pm

Enjoy a proper English tea and dance, along with an innovative foodways class! Learn about a tradition that is being heartily revived...the afternoon tea. Explore the lore of the tea, as well as how to create traditional AND modern (some gluten-free) delectables, both sweet and



savory. The class, taught by Laura Schultz in the state-of-the-art Hill Center kitchen, will precede the dance, and will be participatory. Limited to 15. After class, we'll move upstairs to the charming and historic Lincoln Hall for an English country dance with Anna Rain calling. Limited to 45. Musicians TBD. The Tea will be served on the break.

1 pm to 2:30 or 3* —Foodways class; 2:30 to 5 p.m.—English dance and Tea (Tea at 3:30, after which dancing will resume). In the state-of-the-art kitchen and charming Lincoln Hall of the Hill Center at the Old Naval Hospital, 921 Pennsylvania Ave., SE 20003. FSGW/BFMS members: Class only (includes handout, wine, tastings, and the chance to win small prizes—\$25, Dance and Tea—\$15, Class, Dance, and Tea—\$35. Non-members add \$3 to each category.

*Note, those who register for the class only will stay in the kitchen until 3 pm for tasting.

FSGW Sunday Night Dances at Glen Echo Park, MD

Contras & Squares • 7:30-10:30 pm

Introductory lesson every Sunday, 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. Come early for an introduction to the basic moves. Dances often become more challenging as the evening progresses. During the spring and summer, most Sunday dances are in the Bumper Car Pavilion, then move into the 1920s restored Spanish Ballroom in the fall and winter. Bring water or a sports drink, and dress in layers. Smooth-soled shoes are kindest on your knees and ankles when turning. Info: Steve Burnett, dance@fsgw.org

> Admission: \$10 for FSGW, BFMS, CDSS, and ATDS Members, \$5 AGES 7-22 (WITH STUDENT ID IF OVER 17) \$13 FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

February

2 When Rebecca Lay isn't managing her farm in Vermont she travels the country to call contra dances. Rebecca will be calling with the Sharktones: Elly Marshall (fiddle), Bethany Waickman (guitar) and Glen Loper (mandolin).

9 Local favorites run the show tonight...Baltimorean Greg Frock calls to Elke Baker (fiddle), Liz Donaldson (piano), and Ralph Gordon (bass), AKA *Terpsichore*.

FSGW Valentine **Valerie Young** is a veteran of FSGW's Contra Sonic, the Thursday Night Dance in Silver Spring and, of course, the Sunday Night Dance. Lars Prillaman and the Brothers Metz hail from West Virginia to grace the stage of the Spanish Ballroom once again.

Froghammer is a super-high energy English ceilidh rock band. A brass section with



attitude and a supercharged Englishman guarantee to get you airborne. Froghammer is Jim Besser (concertina), Glyn Collinson (guitar, bouzouki), Andrew Marcus (accordion), Richard Seidel (electric bass), Michael Ferguson (trombone), Bob Collins (drums), and Dave Casserly (saxophone). Michael Hamilton returns from Northeast Ohio to call.

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FSGW Dances & Co-sponsored Dances

Chesapeake Dance Weekend April 11 to 13, 2014

FINAL OPPORTUNITY FOR SPECIAL FSGW RATES!

The Chesapeake Dance Weekend lineup this year is one for the ages, but there's still time to sign up and benefit from the early-bird FSGW discounted rate. Until **February 7th**, FSGW members can save an additional \$20 on their camp admission for adults.

And why would you want to miss out on such fabulous talent as *Nor'easter*, the excitement of *Hotpoint Stringband*, and authentic Kerry and Cork set dancing to traditional Irish music? With fabulous contra and square calling from **Will Mentor** and **Bob Isaacs**, this weekend is going to knock some socks off. Besides dance, the camp offers walking trails, canoes, and tennis courts. Heated, dormitory-style cabins sleep eight to twelve per room in bunk beds. Tenting is an option.

It's no surprise that spots are already filling up at a rate **faster than last year**. So if you want to guarantee you can join in on the fun—and save a few bucks—you want to sign up now. Online registration form is available on the Chesapeake Dance Weekend website at: **www.ChesapeakeDanceWeekend.org.** Or a paper version on page 27. Don't miss out!

The Family Dance Sunday, February 9 · 3 to 5 pm GLEN ECHO TOWN HALL

Usually on a second Sunday, the family dance has been on-going for the past 15 years. Check the website for the caller and musicians. fsgw.org. \$5 for ages 4 and older.

The Great American Square Dance Revival— Part XXVI

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22 • 8:30-11:30 PM



This month Northeast meets Northwest in the Mid-Atlantic. *Put Your Hoe Down* (Mass.) cranks out the tunes: **Michelle Yu** and **Emily Home** on fiddle, **Alex Scala** on bass, and **Rafe**

Wolman on guitar. **Joanne Pontrello** (**WA**) calls the figures. All are welcome—young and old, brand new and experienced dancers, hipsters and total outta-the -loopers. Saint Stephen's Church, 1525 Newton St. NW, Washington DC, near the Columbia Heights Metro. \$5 at the door. More info: visit **www.dcsquaredance.com**

CO-SPONSORED



Valentine's Eve Celebration

Second Thursday Contra Dance in Silver Spring

Free to First-Timers THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13 • 7-10 PM

Featuring Gary Wright and Leah Weiss with Ahren Buchheister. Beginner lesson from 7–7:30. \$10, \$8 FSGW members and Revels, \$5 students and those without income. Co-presented with Carpe Diem Arts. One Veterans Plaza Silver Spring, MD. Free parking in public lot across the street, 801 Ellsworth Dr.

Info: busygraham@gmail.com, 301.466.0183. www.CarpeDiemArts.org.

Glen Echo International Folkdancers • MD THURSDAYS • 7:30-10:45 PM

See page 19.

The Folklore Society of Greater Washington Turns 50!



It's officially here, our golden anniversary, and we are still going strong with close to 2000 members, and a schedule of over 200 events per year with dances, concerts, storytelling and the new foodways program. We have survived where many have not, and fill a niche in the Washington, DC area like no other, providing a community for lovers of the traditional arts and an arena within which artists can blossom. Stay tuned to the newsletter and the website, **fsgw.org**, for news of special events this year.

Looking Back at the Mini-Fest

In this, our 50th year, we'd like to take a look back and thank those who have shepherded this MidWinter Festival along to the vibrant event it is today. There is no way to list the legions who have contributed time, energy, and love to the Festival. Apologies to those who have played a crucial part and are not mentioned here. Your tireless efforts, your passion for the traditions, and what you have done for this Society are immensely appreciated.



We'd especially like to thank those who have taken the helm over the years. **Debbie Hutton**, with bravado and foresight, launched the Festival in February of 1973. The newsletter (four pages at that time and edited by still-current member **Arlene Rodenbeck**) said "Rediscover the Getaway Spirit with the First FSGW Winter Workshop Mini-Festival. There will be something for everybody."

The formula for success was established—concerts and workshops during the day; a dance in the evening. That first year **Andy Wallace**, **Bob Clayton**, and **Alan Jabbour**, plus several others were featured in a concert, group

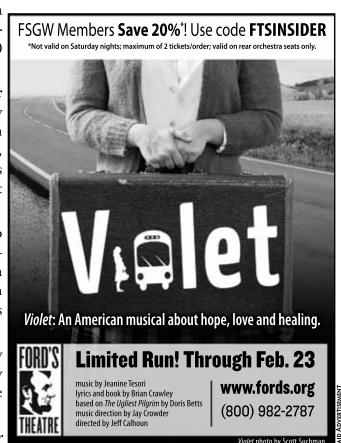
workshops followed, supper was "served" at 6:30, and a square dance, with music by the *Greasy Run Toad Trompers*, got underway at 8:30. A ticket to the festival cost \$3.00 at a time when membership dues were all of \$5.00.

In between then and now, Carly Gewirz, Jennifer Woods, Carl Mintz, Jamie Platt, and Charlie Baum by himself, took a turn at the wheel, but not particularly in that order. Past President Mary Cliff led the effort one year, and remembers 1982, when the Festival was at St. Alban's school, and the library roof leaked. FSGW formed a bucket brigade and saved the library!

Charlie Baum teamed up with April Blum ten years ago and we thank them for their enormous commitment in helping to grow the festival to its present-day magnificence—seven concert and workshop tracks and two dance tracks going on simultaneously, plus the hallway antics! This year, programs for young people are a wonderful enhancement.

Who knows what the future will hold. Hopefully, many more years of passionate performances for audiences hungry to enjoy the traditional arts. After all, that's what we're here for, isn't it?

By Roxanne Watts, Editor



Sandy Spring Folklife Project Needs Your Help

The Sandy Spring Museum, in partnership with Maryland Traditions, is seeking tradition-bearers and traditional artists who reside within seven miles of the Museum. Over the next five months, Emily Hilliard, FSGW member and folklorist, will be identifying and conducting oral histories with traditional artists and tradition bearers among local Quaker, African-American, and newer immigrant communities in the Sandy Spring area. The project will wrap up in May, and Maryland Traditions is currently seeking any information or contacts for local traditional arts and artists. If you have any ideas or recommendations, please contact **Emily Hilliard** at **emilyhilliard@gmail.com**. Thank you!

Concerts

DANNY KNICELY'S BIG WINTER CONCERT PURCELLVILLE, VA SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1 • 8 PM

Tonight is **Danny Knicely's** return to Franklin Park for his 8th annual winter concert with five adventurous and creative cohorts, **Rex McGee** on banjo, **Nate Leath** on fiddle, **John Garris** on guitar, **Dennis Lee** on bass, **Bobby Martin** on percussion. \$20 advance, \$22 door. **540.338.7973**, www.franklinparkartscenter.org.

WASHINGTON REVELS GALLERY VOICES AT "HAPPENINGS AT THE HARMAN" WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5 • 12 NOON

Madrigals of Love in Celebration of Valentine's Day, with a concert of amorous and saucy songs celebrating love. Free. Sidney Harman Hall, 610 F Street NW, DC. More info: www.revelsdc.org or 301-587-3835

Washington Revels Jubilee Voices at Frederick Douglass House Saturday, February 8 • 10 am – 3:30 pm Jubilee Voices open at 10.

Music from the Civil War era and other activities. Free. Frederick Douglass National Historic Site, 1411 W Street SE, DC. More info: www.revelsdc.org or 301-587-3835

WASHINGTON REVELS IN "VOICES OF THE CIVIL WAR" FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14 • 7-9 PM

Heritage Voices, Jubilee Voices, and old-time Roustabout String Band will perform a program of parlor music, spirituals, field hollers, shout songs, shape-note tunes, camp meeting songs, patriotic music, and popular songs and ballads of the era. Actors will portray Abraham Lincoln and his secretary, John Nicolay. A unique history lesson with an engaging, interactive style, with a chance to mingle with Lincoln, Nicolay and other performers at a reception following the show. JB Kussmaul Theater, Fred-

erick Community College. Free. 932 Opossumtown Pike, Frederick, MD 21702. More info: **www.revelsdc.org** or **301-587-3835.**

IRISH MUSIC ON EARLY INSTRUMENTS SHEPHERDSTOWN, WV FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, • 8:30 PM

Bring your Valentine to a romantic evening of 17th and 18th century ballads and dance tunes with *Toss the Feathers;* Tina Chancey on fiddle, viola da gamba, etc. and Valerie Loomer on theorbo, renaissance guitar and cittern. The 8:30 start time accomodates your plans for a sumptuous Valentine's meal before the show. St. Peter's Lutheran Church, King & High Sts. \$18 to \$8. Info: Joanie at 304.263.2531, or updf@earthlink.net, or www.smad.us.

BIRCHMERE CONCERT HALL

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

February

7&8 Arlo Guthrie, "Here Come the Kid(s)" tour; \$45

13 Steve Earle, solo Americana; \$49.50

14-16 *Eddie from Obio*, contemporary folk; \$37.50

19 & 20 Gaelic Storm, Celtic rock; \$35

25 Shawn Colvin + Lilly Hiatt opens; songwriters; \$49.50

27 Los Lobos, 40th Anniversary Tour + The Mastersons open; roots; \$49.50

THE BARNS AT WOLF TRAP

1635 Trap Rd., Vienna, VA 22182, www.wolftrap.org February

- Schooner Fare, Maine duo; \$27-32; 7:30 pm
- *Ladysmith Black Mambazo*, South African male *a cappella*; \$40-42; 8 pm
- 13 Buckwheat Zydeco, for dance; \$28; 8 pm
- **20** *Chad & Jeremy*, 60's pop-folk; \$30; 8 pm
- **26 & 27** *Cherish the Ladies*, Irish music; \$25-30; 8 pm Ceili dance class precedes 2/26 concert (\$15)
- **28** *Hapa*, world music Hawaiian style; \$25-30; 8 pm March 1 *Hapa*, 7:30 pm

THE HAMILTON—NW WASHINGTON, DC

600 14th St.. (14th & F) 20005; show times vary. No Gospel lunches scheduled at this time.

February

4 Indigenous, Nakota blues-rock; \$20/22.50; 7:30 pm

Sundays

FOCUS ALEXANDRIA • ALEXANDRIA, VA

2280 N. Beauregard St., 22311, 7 pm, \$15 advance/members, \$18 door. Info: **703.380.3151**, herb@focus-music.org or www.focusmusic.org

February 16—Julie Clark and Lara Herscovitch

WFMA SHOWCASE • SILVER SPRING, MD SECOND SUNDAYS • 7 PM

Side by Side (Doris Justic and Sean McGhee) alternating months as houseband with guest performers. Folk/acoustic at El Golfo Restaurant. 8739 Flower Ave., \$10 members, \$15 non at door. Reservations: 301.608.2121. Interested performers/Info: Doris Justis @wfma.net.

THE OLD BROGUE CONCERTS • GREAT FALLS, VA

Two sittings, 4 and 6 pm, Tickets: www.instantseats.com/events/oldbrogue: \$17, \$12 children under 12. Season ticket \$90. 760-C Walker Rd., Info: Barbara T. Ryan, ionavoice@pobox.com, 703.426.1450 February

- 2 Beth Patterson: bouzouki queen from New Orleans—instrumentalist, singer and comedienne www.bethpattersonmusic.com
- 9 The John Byrne Band: Dublin native John Byrne's influences range from The Chieftains to Planxty to Bob Dylan; his songwriting reflects the traditions of Ireland and America.

www.johnbyrneband.com/CelticFolk.html

- **16 Al Petteway & Amy White**: Grammy- and Indieaward winning duo brings their Appalachian flavored music to the Brogue. *www.alandamy.com*
- **23 Robin Bullock**: probably the foremost Celtic bouzouki/guitar and mandolin exponent in the nation! *www.robinbullock.com*

Mondays

Institute of Musical Traditions Rockville, MD Mondays • 7:30 pm

Saint Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Road, 20852, **www.imtfolk.org**, or call **301.960.3655** for info.

February

- **The Claire Lynch Band**—reigning Female Vocalist of the Year for the International Bluegrass Music Association and a 2012 recipient of the United States Artists Walker Fellowship. **www.clairelynch.com** \$22 advance, \$26 door, student with ID \$18/\$22.
- 17 Nuala Kennedy—singing, song writing and flute playing springs from the traditional music of her native Ireland and Scotland. www.nualakennedy. com \$18/20, student with ID \$16/ \$18

Tuesdays

Focus Rockville • Rockville, MD Tuesdays • 8 pm

Our home is at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Rockville. 100 Welsh Park Dr., 20850. Admission \$18/15, www.focusmusic.org, 301.275.7459
February

- 11 Jewmongous featuring Sean Altman
- 25 Hot Soup

FOLK CLUB OF RESTON-HERNDON • HERNDON, VA TUESDAYS • 7:15 PM



February 25—guitarist Beppe Gambetta; open mics on other weeks.

www.restonherndonfolkclub.com Tickets: DAHurdSr@cs.com; \$9 members, \$10 non-members; Amphora Diner Deluxe, Doors open at 6. 1151 Elden St, 20170

Thursdays

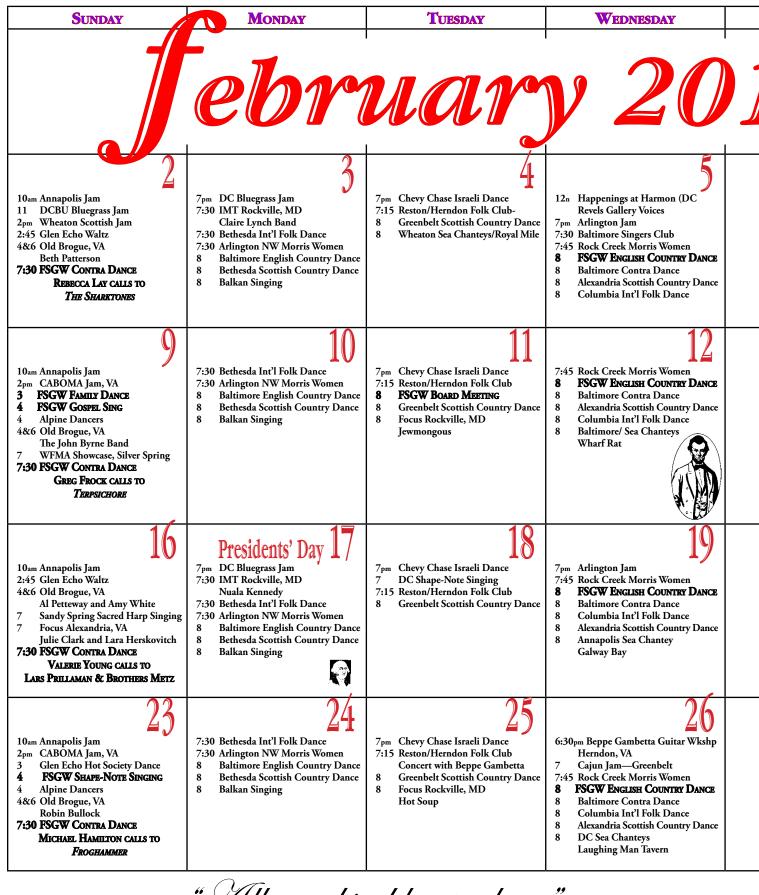
BALDWIN'S STATION • SYKESVILLE, MD THURSDAYS • 8 PM (USUALLY, NOT ALWAYS)

7618 Main St, Sykesville, MD. Accessible to people with disabilities. Info: 410.795.1041, www.uptownconcerts.com, or uptownconcerts@gmail.com
February

- **6** Pierce Pettis-brilliant songwriting. \$20
- 13 Vance Gilbert-singer/songwriter, guitarist, \$20

Live Blues Series • Silver Spring, MD Thursdays • 7–9 pm

Live Acoustic Blues at El Golfo Restaurant, 8739 Flower Ave., 20901. Cover \$5 includes a free drink. Please check the website or e-mail for into. **Takomadave@gmail.com**, www.elgolforestaurant.com



"All mankind loves a lover"

Ralph Waldo Emerson

 Thursday	Friday	SATURDAY
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7pm Silver Spring—Live Blues 7 Frederick Irish/Bluegrass Jam 7:30 Glen Echo Int'l Dance 7:30 Arlington Circle Dance 8 Mt. Vernon Int'l Folk Dance 8 Foggy Bottom Morris Men 8 Baldwin's Station: Pierce Pettis 8:15 Glen Echo Slow Blues Dance	7:30 FSGW & CREATIVE CAULDRON SHEANDOAH RUN 7:30 Common Ground, Baltimore Tom Chapin 8:30 Friday Night Contra Dance 8:30 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance 8:30 FSGW OPEN SING	FSGW MIDWINTER FESTIVAL 12 NOON TO 10:30 PM 10am Fredrick Douglas House Revels Jubilee Voices 2 BFMS Valentine & Chocolate Dance Extravaganza 7:30 Alexandria, VA Valentine's Contra 7:30 Common Ground, Westminster Jonathan Edwards 8 Reston Contra Dance 8 Silver Spring English Dance 8 Carroll Cafe: Cantosur
7 FSGW SILVER SPRING CONTRA DANCE 7 Folk Hoot! —Mt. Rainier 7 Frederick Irish/Bluegrass Jam 7 Silver Spring—Live Blues 7 Baltimore Shape-Note Singing 7:30 Glen Echo Int'l Dance 7:30 Arlington Circle Dance 8 Mt. Vernon Int'l Folk Dance 8 Foggy Bottom Morris Men 8 Baldwin's Station: Vance Gilbert 8:15 Glen Echo Slow Blues Dance	Valentine's Day 7pm Voices of the Civil War Frederick, MD 8 Love Hath Many Faces Margaret Chathan, storyteller, Falls Church, VA 8 Harrisburg, PA Contra Dance 8:30 Friday Night Contra Dance 8:30 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance 8:30 Shepherdstown, WV Concert— Toss the Feathers	15 1pm Archie Edwards Blues 7 Scandinavian Dance, Greenbelt 7 Annapolis Contra Dance 7:30 Leesburg Assembly English Dance 7:30 FSGW STORYSWAP—SS, MD 8 Lancaster, PA Contra Dance 8 Bluemont Dance 8 Greenbelt Israeli Dance Party
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FSGW Advance Notice

2014 FSGW 50th Anniversary

Saturday, March 15
PEGGY SEEGER

WES Auditorium, 7750 16th St., NW, DC

Saturday, March 29 • 8 pm Eric & Suzy Thompson

House Concert (Upper Marlboro,MD)

Sunday, March 30
ENGLISH DANCE, TEA, AND
FOODLORE CLASS

Hill Center, 921 Pennsylvania Ave., SE DC

Saturday, April 5
GINNY HAWKER &
TRACY SCHWARZ

WES Auditorium, 7750 16th St., NW, DC

April 5 & 6
25TH ANNUAL
POTOMAC RIVER
SACRED HARP SINGING
CONVENTION

April 11 to 13
32ND ANNUAL
CHESAPEAKE DANCE
WEEKEND

CAMP LETTS, EDGEWATER, MD

Saturday, May 17
ANNUAL SPRING BALL

Saturday, May 31 & Sunday, June 1, 34TH ANNUAL WASHINGTON FOLK FESTIVAL GLEN ECHO PARK, MD

Friday, September 26 to Monday, September 29

50TH ANNUAL FSGW GETAWAY

West River Conference Center West River, MD

Fridays

CARROLL CAFE • WASHINGTON, DC

See the Saturday listings this month.

333 COFFEEHOUSE • ANNAPOLIS, MD THIRD FRIDAYS • 7:30 PM

The Annapolis Friends Meeting House, 351 DuBois Rd, off Bestgate Ave. Acoustic music. Dessert and coffee available in this smoke- and alcohol-free environment. \$12, \$10 for seniors/students/affiliates. Info: **443.333.9613** or **fsgw.org/333**

February 21—Robin Bullock with Glyn Collinson opening

CELLAR STAGE • BALTIMORE, MD FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21 • 8 PM

Mac Walter and John Cronin (cousins)—golden voice and lyrical guitar player began playing as teenagers. \$21, Faith Community United Methodist Church of Hamilton, 5315 Harford Rd., 21214, **410.521.9099**, **uptownconcerts.com**

CELLAR STAGE • BALTIMORE, MD FRIDAY FEBRUARY 28 • 8 PM

Brad and Ken Kolodner with Alex Lacquement (bass). Faith Community United Methodist Church of Hamilton, 5315 Harford Rd., 21214. Tickets \$21; 410.521.9099, uptownconcerts.com; Cell phone day of show: 443.540.0226 uptownconcerts@gmail.com

FOLKIE FRIDAY • ANNAPOLIS, MD FEBRUARY 28 • 8–10:30 PM

Lisa Moscatiello and Fred Lieder—a rare and intimate performance by one of the area's best-loved female vocalists, accompanied by Fred Lieder on cello. \$20 cover. 49 West Coffeehouse, Winebar and Gallery. Reservations strongly recommended; 410.626.9796, 49westcoffeehouse.com. Hosted by Janie Meneely and Jeff Holland. 49 West St., \$15 cover charge.

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

COMMON GROUND ON THE HILL BALTIMORE, MD

6200 North Charles St., 21212. Admission \$25, \$22 seniors, students with ID, 19 and under. 8 pm, doors open at 7:30.

Info: **410.857.2771**, **www.commogroundonthehill.org February 7—Tom Chapin**, adult and kids folk and pop.

Saturdays

CARROLL CAFE • NW WASHINGTON, DC SATURDAY FEBRUARY 8 • 7:30 PM

Argentine Tango and Latin rhythms. Ramon Tasat, Emmanuel Trifilio and Cantosur. Four fabulous Argentinean musicians including the top bandoneon player from Buenos Aires, and a world-class singer. Carroll Cafe@Seekers Church, 276 Carroll St. NW, \$16, \$20 at the door. Info: Jesse Palidofsky 301.562.4147 or www.carrollcafe.org Please note: We are usually on a Friday!

BLUEGRASS CONCERT SERIES • HERNDON, VA

No shows in February. Please check the website. Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1090 Sterling Rd., 20170. http://www.holycrosslutheranchurch.net/?page_id=18, 7:30-9:30 pm, 12 and under free. Info: Bob Thompson, 703.435.8377, or kd4fue2@verizon.net.

FOCUS MT. VERNON • ALEXANDRIA, VA

Next concert is March 8 with **Kate Campbell**. St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 8531 Riverside Rd, 22308, 7 pm, \$15 advance/members, \$18 door. Info: **703.380.3151**, herb@focusmusic.org,

COMMON GROUND ON THE HILL WESTMINSTER, MD

Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main St., 21157, 8 pm, \$25/22 seniors, students with ID, 19 or under. Info: 410.857.2771, www.commongroundonthehill.org
February 8—Jonathan Edwards—seasoned

showman, singer and songwriter



Classes

SCANDINAVIAN DANCE CLASSES • BETHESDA, MD EVERY TUESDAYS • 7:30–9:30 PM

All levels welcome. Beginners learn Hambo, Schottish, Waltz, Zwiefacher, and other couple turning dances. Advanced dancers learn Boda, Orsa, Föllinge, Finnskogspols, Viksta, Gammalvänster, Telespringar, Valdresspringar, and requests. Sometimes live music. Wear smooth-soled shoes for turning, not running shoes. \$5, first time free. Info: Lisa Brooks at 240.731.1935, lisa@HamboDC.org, or www.HamboDC.org.

Directions: Enter NIH at Wisconsin Av. and the new Gateway Drive Visitor Entrance (south of South Dr., reachable ONLY from the north on Wisconsin Av.). 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**.



FIDDLE CLASS POTOMAC VALLEY SCOTTISH FIDDLE CLUB

Please check the website for details and updates.

Scottish tunes learned by ear, then some learned with music, followed by a potluck and jam session. Occurs monthly; for the location and teacher, check www.potomacvalleyscottishfiddle.org For additional info, contact Rhonda@RhondaHotop.com or 703.992.0752.

Dances

COMMUNITY/FAMILY

FSGW Family Dance See details on page 10.

GALESVILLE POTLUCK/SQUARE DANCE GALESVILLE RD, MD SATURDAY, MARCH 1 • 6–10 PM

Traditional Appalachian dance tunes with live music by Leah Weiss (fiddle), Gary Wright (guitar), and Friends. Sit-ins welcome on fiddle, guitar, and clawhammer banjo. Janine Smith calls squares, circles, and longway sets. All ages welcome. Potluck at 6, family dancing at 7, more challenging dancing from 8:30 to 10. Adults \$10, ages 5 to 17, \$5, under 5, free. Galesville Memorial Hall 952 Galesville Road, http://communitysquaredance.wordpress.com/, info: 301.926.9142

CONTRA

Sundays

The FSGW Sunday Night Dances are listed on page 9.



Wednesdays

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

Beginners are always welcome. *New-dancer workshops are held at 7:30 on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. Na-

tionally-known musicians and callers appear regularly. Members \$9; non-members \$13; member/non-member students with ID \$4/\$6. Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul St., 21218. www.bfms.org

February

- 5 Kim Forry calls to A.P. and the Banty Roosters— Andy Porter (fiddle), Joe Langley (guitar), Mark Lynch (mandolin), and Artie Abrams (bass).
- 12 Perry Shafran calls to *Sugar Beat* —Susan Brandt (flute), Elke Baker (fiddle), and Marc Glickman (piano).
- 19 Shane Knudsen calls to Stomp Rockets— Megan Beller (fiddle), Rose Rutkowski (fiddle), Charley Beller (guitar), Jason Reed (banjo), and Gabe Pickus (percussion).
- **26 Ron Blechner** calls to *Strings on Wings*—Barb Schmid (fiddle), and Todd Clewell (guitar).

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 historic Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom, 7300 MacArthur Blvd. New-dancer classes at 7:30, \$10 for the lesson and dance. Ages 21 and under \$5. 17 and younger admit-



DANCES continued

ted free on the second Friday of the month. Info: www. fridaynightdance.org. or call 301.634.2222. On Facebook at Friday Night Dance at Glen Echo Park.

February

- 7 Eva Murray calls to Gigmeisters; Alexander Mitchell on fiddle, Paul Oorts on chromatic accordion, mandolin, etc., Ralph Gordon on bass, and Dave Weisler on piano & guitar.
- 14 Valerie Young calls to the Glen Echo Open Band.
 - 21 Dick Bearman calls to *Devine Comedy*; Marty Taylor on whistle, Steve Hickman on fiddle, and John Devine on guitar.
 - 28 Ted Hodapp calls with *Contratopia*; Erik Sessions on fiddle, Patrice Pakiz on piano, Pat O'Loughlin on English concertina, and John Goodin on mandolin.

Saturdays

FAUX BARN DANCE • CHEVY CHASE, MD SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1 • 6:30–10:30 PM

Faux Barn Dance at the Stone House at Meadow-brook. Farmer *David Giusti and the Hands* play contras to the calling of **Anne Fallon**. 7901 Meadowbrook Lane. Benefit for Neighborhood Farm Initiative, requested donation \$6–\$20. Info: **Neil Zimmerman**, **301.340.0352**, Facebook page: search for Washington Barn Dance Society

SHEPHERDSTOWN DANCE • WV 1ST SATURDAYS • 8–11 PM

At the Shepherdstown War Memorial Building, German & King Sts. Beginners' workshop, 7:30. 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. Potluck snacks at the break. Info: www.smad.us or call Becky at 304.876.2169

February 1 Rebecca Lay calls to *The Sharktones*March 1 Ted Hodapp calls to *Contratopia*

ALEXANDRIA VALENTINE'S CONTRA DANCE SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8 • 7:30–10:30

Monthly dances on varying Saturdays. **Ted Hodapp** calls to *Sugar Beat*. \$12; \$5 for 21 and under. St. Stephens/St. Agnes Lower School Campus, 400 Fontaine St.. 22302. Info: **Jim** at **Jimfaruki@yahoo.com**, **703.402.8080**

RESTON CONTRA DANCE • RESTON, VA SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8 • 8–10:45 PM

Susan Taylor calls the third of four fall-winter dances to the music of the *June Apple Band*. \$9. Introductory workshop

7:15-8. Partner not necessary. Snacks for the break welcome. Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Rd., in the Hunters Woods Center. Info: anote20@gmail.com.



BFMS ANNUAL VALENTINE AND CHOCOLATE EXTRAVAGANZA SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8 • 2–11 PM



More than seven hours of dance, with music by **Marty Taylor** on whistles and concertina, **Steve Hickman** on the fiddle, and **Dave Wiesler** on piano and guitar. Calling

by **Ron Buchanan**. Waltz workshop at 2, couples dancing at 3:15, advanced contra, 4:30 to 6:30, potluck til 7:30, class at 7:35, and dance from 8 to 11. 9:15 to 9:45, on the break: the famous Chocolate Exgravaganza Contest! Bring your favorite chocolate dish for tasting and prizes! \$25/\$29, full-time students with ID, and under 21, \$10/\$15. For more info, contact **Becca** at **301-606-7115** or **satdance@bfms.org.** At St. Mark's on the Hill Episcopal Church, 1620 Reisterstown Rd., 21209

Annapolis Contra and Square Dance • MD 3rd Saturdays • 7–10 pm

February 15—Kim Forry calls to the *Contra Rebels*. Intro class 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., 21401. Info: Ann Fallon at 410.268.0231, aefallon@verizon.net; www.contradancers.com/atds

BLUEMONT DANCE • HILLSBORO, VA 3RD SATURDAYS • 8 PM

February 15—Anna Rain and *Toss the Feathers* (Tina Chancey and Valerie Loomer.) Lesson at 7:30. \$10, \$7 for Bluemont Friends, students and seniors. At The Hillsboro Old Stone School; 37089 Charles Town Pike. www.bluemont.org. Info: 540.955.8186, or info@bluemont.org

LANCASTER CONTRA DANCE • PA 3RD SATURDAYS • 7–10 PM

February 15—Andrew Bishop and The Gooseberries. St. John's Episcopal Church, 321 W. Chestnut St. Beginners workshop 6:15, \$9/\$6. Children 15 and under free. Info: Karen 717.951.4317 or www.lancastercontra.org

FREDERICK CONTRA DANCE • MD 4TH SATURDAYS • 8–11 PM

February 22—Valerie Young will call to music by the *The Sodabread Trio;* **Dennis "Doc" Botzer, Patrick Cavanagh, and Marc Glickman.** Bring a snack to share at the break to make it a dance party! Trinity School, near Harry Grove Stadium. Free beginners' workshop at 7. Adults, \$10, students \$5. Info/directions: www.contradancers.com or call Boe Walker at **301.694.6794**

ENGLISH COUNTRY

Mondays



BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE 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 Nonmembers, \$2 student discount. St. Mark's on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Rd., 21208. Info: Carl Friedman at 410.321.8419 or engdance@bfms.org February

- 3 Sharon McKinley calls to The Geud Band of Baltimore.
- 10 Carl Friedman calls to Tina Chancey (violin, recorders), Valerie Loomer (early instruments) and Liz Donaldson (piano).
- 17 Diane Schmit calls to Emily Aubrey (violin), Robin Wilson (flute, concertina), and Judy Meyers (piano).
- 24 Mike Franch calls to Elke Baker (violin), Dave Crandall (flute, sax), and Jonathan Jensen (piano, etc.).

Saturdays

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE • SILVER SPRING, MD SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8 • 8–10:45 PM

At Glen Haven Elementary School, 10900 Inwood Ave. (Parking and entrance in rear). Dance to music by *Peascods Gathering*, calling by **Bob Farrall**. Beginners and singles welcome. \$5. Info: Carl Minkus 301.493.6281 (cminkus@verizon.net), Bob Farrall 301.577.5018.

THE LEESBURG ASSEMBLY DANCE • GREAT FALLS, VA SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15 • 7:30–10:30 PM

Todd Harding calls to *Kitchen Gorilla*. Beginners and singles welcome! A snack to share at the break would be appreciated. St. Francis Episcopal Church, 9220 Georgetown Pike, 4 miles from the Beltway. \$10. Info: **David Pacelli** at **703.757.8648**, or **www.theleesburgassembly.org**

INTERNATIONAL

Sundays

ALPINE DANCERS • NEW CARROLLTON, MD SUNDAYS, FEBRUARY 9, 23 • 4–6:30

Alpine Dancers are a performing and teaching folk dance group specializing in graceful and lively dances from Austria, Germany, and Switzerland. Looking for energetic beginners. Free, open practice at New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6016 Princess Garden Pkwy. For info, engagements: www.alpinedancers.org, caroltraxler@yahoo.com or Herbert and Carol Traxler, 301.577.3503.

Mondays

BETHESDA INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCING • MD MONDAYS • 7:30–10 PM

Come join a very friendly group and learn dances from all over the world. Beginners 7:30-8, Intermed., advanced, 8–10, Mostly request dancing, 9:15–10. No partner needed, all ages and levels welcome. Wood floor, mostly recorded music. Lawton Community Center, 4301 Willow Ln. 20815. Classes here require registration with Montgomery County. Forms available at the class. \$7. Info: Phyllis or Brandon Diamond, 301.871.8788, www.diamond-dancecircle.com, or diamonddancecircle@comcast.net

Wednesdays

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

Dancing is from 8:30 to 10:30 at Kahler Hall with a class at 8. Cost: \$5, Senior, \$3. Info: **Ethel** at **410.997.1613**, or **Ed** at **410.740.2309**. www.columbiafolkdancers.org



Thursdays

GLEN ECHO INTERNATIONAL FOLKDANCERS GLEN ECHO, MD THURSDAYS • 7:30–10:45 PM

Every Thursday at the Church of the Redeemer, 6201 Dunrobbin Dr. (at the intersection of MacArthur Blvd). Lesson at 7:30. Request dances from 9 to 10:45. Mostly recorded music. No partner/experience necessary. Wear comfortable clothing and soft-soled shoes. Co-sponsored by FSGW. \$5. Info: Jamie at 301.466.3018 or dancing planet@erols.com.

CIRCLE DANCE • ARLINGTON, VA THURSDAYS • 7:30–9:30 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, Rte 50 at George Mason Dr. Donation requested. Info: **Ann Ulmschneider at 703-528-5114** or **aulmsch@msn.com.**

MOUNT VERNON INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCING • ALEXANDRIA, VA THURSDAYS • 8–10 PM

Beginners to advanced—all are welcome! Easy dances 8 to 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, 22307. Info: Patricia at 703.535.3333 or pdw@patriciadaywilliams.com

Fridays

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

The focus is dance from Eastern Europe and Scandinavia. No partner or experience necessary. Beautiful dance floor. Teaching 8:30 to 9:15, requests 9:15 to 10:45. \$7; \$12 on 1st Fridays (live music). Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio, 15 Crescent Rd. 20770. Info: Larry Weiner at 301.565.0539, larry@larryweiner.com or www.larryweiner.com/FridayDance.htm

Saturdays

CCÉ CEILI • HERNDON, VA FEBRUARY 8 • 7 PM

Music by the *Bog Wanderers*. Check the website for updates. Lesson at 7. CCE members \$12, non-members \$15; 2739 West Ox Rd., 20171. Info: ccepotomac.org. or Sharon Kourz, 703.631.9179, or kourpsc@cox.net

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, 20815. \$8/adults, \$6/students. Info: Mike Fox at 240.424.0805, www.markidmike.com or markidmike@gmail.com

ISRAELI DANCING • GREENBELT, MD SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15 • 8–11:15 PM

Israeli Classic Dance party (dances before 1990). Recorded music, light refreshments. Cost \$8. Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd., 20770. Info: **Ben Hole**, **301.441.8213.**

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 of Arlington, Arlington Blvd & George Mason Dr. 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., 20901. Info: 301.927.6373, louiseneu@earthlink.net or www.uswet.com/RCMW.html

FOGGY BOTTOM MORRIS MEN NW WASHINGTON, DC 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 Knock on Wood Tap Studio, 6925 Willow St., NW D.C. and/or at the pub afterwards. squire@fbmm.org, Alan Peel at 301.920.1912, www.fbmm.org

SCANDINAVIAN

SCANDINAVIAN DANCE • GREENBELT, MD SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15 • 7–10 PM

Scandia DC sponsors a 3rd Saturday dance. This month will feature live fiddle music with Andrea Hoag, a well-known local treasure, and the *Scandia DC Spelmannslag*. Teaching from 7–8. Two beautiful dances from Northern Sweden—Melparing (a schottis variant) and Senpolska from Gimdalen. There may be some recorded music. Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio (wood floor) at 15 Crescent Rd.; \$10; Inclement weather call 310.474.0646. Info: linda@scandiadc.org, www.scandiadc.org, 202.333.2826.

Norwegian Dance & Potluck Takoma Park, MD Saturday, February 1 • Potluck 6:30, Dancing 8 PM

Norwegian-style house party; mesmerizing live music by Loretta Kelley, on the unique Hardanger fiddle (see HFAA.org). Addictive dances, some with Swing or Hambo elements. All welcome. Bring clean shoes to wear, food to share, and \$\$ you can spare. Hosts Loretta and Tony's phone, 301.270.4925. Info: http://MAND.fanitull.org or Jenny, pi@xecu.net, 301.371.4312.

SCOTTISH-

"Sic as ye gie, sic wull ye gie" – (Scottish for: You'll get out of life as much as you put in!)

See **www.rscds-greaterdc.org** for all our Scottish dance listings.

SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE • BETHESDA, MD MONDAYS • 8–10 PM

NIH Building T-39 (Dance and Aerobic Center). \$5. Call/e-mail 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. \$8. 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. 22314. \$5. Info: lara.bainbridge@gmail.com or elanyi@cox.net

SWING/BLUES

SLOW BLUES AND SWING • GLEN ECHO, MD THURSDAYS • 8:15–11:30 PM

Popular weekly Blues Dance in the "back room." Come early as it is selling out. Beginner lesson from 8:15 to 9. DJ **Mike Marcotte** and guests play incredible blues from 9 to 11:30. \$8 for lesson and dance. Sprung sold wood floor. 7300 MacArthur Blvd., 20812. Info: **Donna Barker** at **301.634.2231** or **www.CapitalBlues.org**

- WALTZ/TEA DANCE

WALTZING • GLEN ECHO PARK, MD SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 16 • 2:45–6 PM

Live music by *Karen Collins and the Backroads Band* on the 2nd, *MacArthur Boulevard* on the 16th. They'll play a lively mix of folk waltzes with a few other couples dances, including Hambo, Swing, Tango, and Polka. Beginner waltz lesson 2:45—3:30, with the last 15 minutes dedicated to a more advanced move. \$10. Info@waltz-timedances.org, or 301.634.2222

HOT SOCIETY DANCES • GLEN ECHO PARK, MD SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23 • 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. Foxtrot lesson at 3. \$14. Children under 12, \$5. Family-friendly. Info: Dave Tucker, 703.861.8218, dave@hotsociety.net or www.hotsociety.net.



Foodways and Other Traditional Arts

CHOCOLATE! • WASHINGTON, DC SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9 • 2-5 PM

What better way to celebrate Valentine's Day than with the Fruit of the Gods, *Theobroma cacao*— Chocolate! \$85, CulinAerie—see contact info in the next listing.



VALENTINE'S COUPLE SUPPER Washington, DC FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14 6:30-9 PM

Two cooking classes offered—Valentine's Day in France, a Food and Wine Pairing, or a Feel the Love Valentine's Supper; \$185/\$195 per couple. CulinAerie, 1131 14th St., NW, 20005. 202.587.5674, info@culinaerie.com, www.culinaerie.com

HISTORIC COOKING AND BAKING SE Washington, DC SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22 • 11–1 PM THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27 • 10 AM-NOON

Food and Freedom: The Lives of Malinda Russell and Abby Fisher, two African-American cookbook authors. Recover recipes and stories of the American past with historian and former pastry chef Amanda Moniz. \$40, Hill Center at the Old Naval Hospital, 921 Pennsylvania Ave., 20003, 202.549.4172, www.hillcenterdc.org

STITCH • RESTON, VA **TUESDAYS THROUGH SATURDAYS** UNTIL MARCH 1 • 11-5 PM

Stitching, knitting, embroidery, crochet in combination with painting, sculpture, photography and video. Exhibit explores traditional needlework combined with contemporary art. 12001 Market Street. 703.471.9242. restonarts.org

Jams/Open Mics/Audience Participation Sundays

Annapolis Acoustic Jam • Annapolis, MD EVERY SUNDAY • 10 AM-12:30 PM

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

DC BLUEGRASS UNION DUPONT CIRCLE JAM 1ST SUNDAYS • 11 AM-2 PM

The Mansion, 2020 O St., NW, DC 20036, Accessible on Metro"s Rdd Line. Venue: https://www.omansion.com/. Contact: Mike Marceau, mikemarceau@juno.com.

SCOTTISH TRADITIONAL MUSIC JAM WHEATON, MD 1st Sundays • 2-4 PM

The Royal Mile Pub, 2407 Price Ave., 20902. Musicians welcome. Info: dcscottishsession.blogspot.com or contact Peter Walker at boghadubh@gmail.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, 22201. Info: **Don** at **703.522.1696**

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

Singing is followed by a potluck supper. Contact Dave Green at 301.570.3283, dgreene@all-systems.com to confirm. Location: small schoolhouse behind Community Building, 17801 Meetinghouse Rd, 20860, about 10 miles west of Laurel, MD.

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 JAM 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.), 20912, near New Hampshire and Eastern Aves. Info: VFW Post 350 at 301.270.8008 or Barb Diederich; barb@barbdiederich.com

JAMS/OPEN MICS/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION continued

Tuesdays



FOLK CLUB OF RESTON/ HERNDON • HERNDON, VA EVERY TUESDAY • 7:15 PM

At the Amphora Diner Deluxe, 1151 Elden St., 20170. Open-mic format. 2nd Tuesday includes 25-minute member showcase; monthly concerts usually 3rd Tuesday, price varies. Smoke-free environment. Info: www. reston-herndonfolkclub.com, 703.435.2402.

SEA CHANTEY OPEN PUB SING • WHEATON, MD 1ST TUESDAY • 8–10 PM

The Ship's Company Chanteymen host open-mike seachantey sings. No cover/minimum; arrive early for a table. Participation encouraged but not mandatory. Requests 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 Ave., 20902

Shape-Note Singing • SE Washington, DC February 4 • 7–9 pm

Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church, 201 4th St. SE, 20003. Some street parking is possible—less than a ten-minute walk from Capitol South and Eastern Market Metro stations. Enter by a side door around to the left side of the church. Info: 540.955.2660, dcshapenotesingers@groups.facebook.com, or mseltzqwc@comcast.net

Wednesdays

BALTIMORE SINGERS CLUB • BALTIMORE, MD 1ST WEDNESDAYS • 7:30–10:30 PM

The emphasis is on singing, swapping, learning and developing the performance of materials in the Orleans tradition. Choruses not required. All levels welcome. Admiral Fell Inn at 888 South Broadway (Fells Point area of the city). Call **Severn Savage** at **301.343.3496**

SEA CHANTEY OPEN PUB SINGS • BALTIMORE, ANNAPOLIS AND DC

2ND, 3RD & 4TH WEDNESDAYS • 8-10 PM

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

February

- **12 Wharf Rat** 801 S. Anne Street (Fell's Point), Baltimore 21231
- 19 Galway Bay, 63 Maryland Ave, Annapolis 21401
- **26 Laughing Man Tavern**, 1306 G St., NW DC, 20005

ARLINGTON JAM! • ARLINGTON, VA 1ST AND 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. Also on second Thursdays at 1909 N. Ohio St., 22205. Info: Lilli Vincenz, 703.532.2731 or FiddlerLilli@verizon.net

Cajun Jam • Greenbelt, MD 4TH Wednesdays • 7–9 pm

Monthly open Cajun jam and dance. New Deal Café, 113 Centerway, Roosevelt Center, 20770. More info: **301.474.5642** or **www.newdealcafe.com**. Check website to confirm.

Thursdays

IRISH TRADITIONAL/BLUEGRASS MUSIC SESSIONS FREDERICK, MD EVERY THURSDAY • 7 AND 8:30 PM

At Boe's Strings, 26 S. Market St., 21701. Info and tune list at **www.BoesStrings.com** or Boe at **301.662.0750**

FOLK HOOT! • MT. RAINIER, MD 2ND THURSDAYS • 7–9 PM

Bruce Hutton is hosting a traditional folk music open mic at the Urban Eats Art and Music Café at 3311 Rhode Island Ave., 20712. More info, call **Bruce** at **301.802.7669**, or **www.facebook.com/urbaneatsmd**.

BALTIMORE SHAPE-NOTE SINGING • MD 2^{ND} AND 4^{TH} Thursdays • 7–9:30 pm

Light potluck supper at 8:15. All are welcome. Cathedral of the Incarnation, 4 E. University Pkwy.

Info: kmoreno@gmail.com, or see bmoreshapenote.com for an attractive and informative website.

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

Join local musician **Brad Howard** every month for this musical gathering. Everyone gets a chance to lead the room in song. Bring your favorite folk tunes, your voice, and even your instruments for a great evening of song and

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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 St., 20902 www.thelimerickpub.net

Fridays

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**



Saturdays

Archie Edwards Blues Jam • Riverdale, MD Saturdays • 1–5 pm

Acoustic instruments, all skill levels and listeners welcome. 4701 Queensbury Rd, 20737, 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 • MCLEAN, VA SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22 • 2–5 PM

Hammered dulcimer players of all levels meet monthly to swap tunes and play together; other acoustic instruments welcome. Dolley Madison Library, 1244 Oak Ridge Ave. 703.356.0770. Info, eholsop@gmail.com or http://sites.google.com/site/nvhdplayers,

Shape-Note Singing • Berryville, VA First Saturdays (usually) • 4–8 pm

Potluck supper at 6. Info: www.shenandoahharmony.com. Or send inquiries to John del Re at jdelre@visuallink.com

February 1

Bon Matin/Malucci's Bakery, 1 E. Main St,

March 1

Josephine St. School Museum, 303 Josephine St.

Storytelling

Check page 4 for information on the FSGW monthly storyswap, held on a Saturday evening, alternating between Maryland and Virginia.

There will be a day-long storytelling stage managed by Tim Livengood at the FSGW Midwinter Festival Saturday, February 8.

LOVE HATH MANY FACES • FALLS CHURCH, VA FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14 • 8 PM

Humorous, tragic, and happy-ever-after love stories told by **Margaret Chatham** in the candlelit parlor of the historic Cherry Hill Farmhouse, with light refreshments including chocolate desserts. 312 Park Ave., \$17. Call **703.248.5027** for reservations.

Workshops, Weekends, Festivals & Special Events

BEPPE GAMBETTA GUITAR WORKSHOP HERNDON, VA

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH • 6:30-9 PM

Having performed for the Reston/Herndon Folk Club the previous night, noted flatpicking guitarist Beppe Gam-

betta will lead a guitar workshop in Herndon, VA. Arrival by 6:15 will be appreciated. Cost is \$30 (cash only). Contact **thefolkclub@yahoo.com or 703.786.8894**

Nominating Process Underway for the FSGW Board Election in May

It's time to take your experience to a new level. FSGW could not offer the hundreds of concerts, dances, festivals and other events each year without the many Society members who volunteer to make it all happen. The FSGW Board of Directors, which governs this 50-year-old 501(c)3 corporation, is recruiting new Board members through our annual election process for a one-year term beginning July 1. So if you're ready to give back to an organization that provides so much, please consider running for the Board.

The Elections Committee invites you to nominate candidates for the 2014-2015 FSGW Board. The Committee is compiling a slate of candidates for the May election. You may offer your nominations for the FSGW board at the Monthly Programs on February 22 and March 15 and at the Sunday contra dances on February 9 and March 2. These four events have been designated official Folklore Society meetings for the purpose of receiving nominations for the Board from the membership. Nominations may also be submitted directly to the Election Committee (prior to March 30) by petition signed by five current FSGW Members. You can contact any of the committee members directly or email the Election Committee at elections@fsgw.org.

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FSGW BOARD MEETINGS

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11 • 8 PM

The monthly FSGW board meetings 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 **April Blum by** e-mail, president@fsgw.org, or call afternoons or evenings 301-422-0292

in advance of the meeting.

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Chesapeake Dance Weekend

April 11-13, 2014



A Program of the Folklore Society Of Greater Washington

FSGW's 32nd annual Chesapeake Dance Weekend takes place at Camp Letts in Edgewater, MD (20 minutes south of Annapolis). Dance on a fine wood floor by the shores of the beautiful Rhode River. Choose from a variety of daytime dance and music workshops and spend the evenings enjoying contras, squares, Irish dance and more. The camp offers walking trails, canoes, and tennis courts. Heated, dormitory-style cabins sleep 8-12 per room in bunk beds. Tenting (BYOT) is an option. Check-in begins at 4:00 pm Friday. The program concludes at 4:00 pm Sunday. For more information, visit our website at:

www.chesapeakedanceweekend.org/

or contact Michal Warshow at (703) 351-6363 or: registrar@ChesapeakeDanceWeekend.org.

You may register either by mail or online. If registering by mail, send your check with your application form. If registering online, visit www.ChesapeakeDanceWeekend.org/. Either way, indicate whether you want email confirmation OR send in a self-addressed, stamped envelope (SASE) for a confirmation letter. Fee covers program, accommodations, and meals. Cost for the weekend is \$225 (FSGW member early bird registration postmarked before 2/7/14); \$245 (FSGW member registration postmarked on or after 2/7/14); \$260 (nonmember); \$160 (for 13-25 year old dancers). Dancers 13-17 years old may attend only if accompanied by a paying adult guardian. A variety of Scholarships* (a \$50 REFUND) are available in exchange for 4 hours of work. See our website for details, then contact our Registrar to find the Scholarship that's right for you.

IMPORTANT FINE PRINT!

- You may join FSGW (by mail or online) and pay the member-discounted registration fee. Confirmation will include directions to camp and information about what to bring.
- In accordance with FSGW policy, we will seek to maintain a balance of men and women.
- Sorry, no part-time registrants.

- Single men: please facilitate the registration process and sign up early!
- Cancellation policy: refunds (minus a \$25 processing fee) will be made if the cancellation is received before March 14, 2014. On or after March 14, refunds will be made only if your place can be filled.
- For additional information and updates, check www.ChesapeakeDanceWeekend.org.

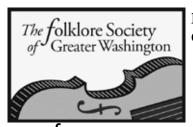
Send check (payable to **FSGW**) and application to: Chesapeake Dance Weekend, c/o Michal Warshow, 1725 N. Nelson St., Arlington, VA 22207

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2014 MiniFest Performance Grid - Saturday, February 8, 2014

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