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FSGW Monthly Program (FREE to Members)

(Takoma) Washington, DC

OCEAN Quartet:

It Must Be Spring!

Saturday, March 12 • 8-10 pm

What else can we want for a March monthly program (and annual meeting) than an evening of Celtic traditions old and in-the-making from local composer and band leader **Jennifer Cutting** and her **OCEAN Celtic Quartet** (**Jennifer Cutting** on accordions & keyboard; **Lisa Moscatiello** on vocals, whistles & guitar; **Andrew Dodds** on fiddle, and **Steve Winick** on vocals and percussion)?

For those unfamiliar with Cutting's cutting-edge (pardon the pun) spin on Old World Celtic rhythms and songs, expect an evening ranging from soaring ballads and stirring sea chanteys to blazing fiddle and accordion tunes. And then, of course, are the gems that come out of Cutting's mental drawing board: *Green Man*, *Song of Solstice*, and her compelling *Steady as You Go* to name a few of her originals. Together, the group combines powerful vocals, award-winning original songs, rollicking instrumentals, and innovative arrangements of rare traditional repertoire uncovered by original archival research—a signature blend Cutting calls "Celtic Music for Ancient Moderns."

Cutting celebrates the seasons of nature and human life, delving deep into the archives and coming up with some of the oldest

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songs from British and Celtic tradition. With her penchant for deep scholarship (and a great sense of humor), she delivers a deeply satisfying program as provocative as it is entertaining.

OCEAN has played to sold-out and enthusiastic crowds throughout the Mid-Atlantic region: Strathmore Mansion, Annapolis Maritime Museum, Globe Theater in Berlin, MD, the Southern Maryland Celtic Festival, Musikfest in Bethlehem, PA, the Birchmere, Mystic Seaport's Sea Music Festival in Connecticut, and Mountain Stage.

The March program will be held on Saturday, March 12 from 8–10 pm, at Seekers Church, 276 Carroll St. NW, Washington, DC (Takoma Park) catty-corner from the Takoma Metro stop (across from the 7-11). Street parking or in the metro lot. Free to FSGW members; Non-members - \$20.

A brief membership meeting will be held at the end of the intermission to accept nominations for the 2016-2017 FSGW Board.

FSGW Sings/Swaps/Events

FSGW OPEN SING • FULTON, MD

FRIDAY, MARCH 4 • 8 PM NOTE: EARLIER START TIME

Singers go around the room, giving everyone a chance to sing a song, play a tune, or pass. Most songs are presented from memory, but cheat sheets often appear. Everyone is welcome. The open sings have a loose topic to encourage us to learn new songs or put the polish back on some old ones. Don't worry if you can't think of a song on the topic—come join in the fun anyway! Theme: Bodies of Water, or Water of Bodies. This month, held at the home of Anne McCabe. Info **240-687-2914** or **amkm098@aol.com**.

FSGW STORYSWAP • FALLS CHURCH, VA

SATURDAY, MARCH 5 • 7:30 PM

St. Patrick's Day is coming with its remembrance of all things Celtic, & especially the stories! Storytellers and listeners are invited to the home of Margaret Chatham for an evening of shared tales and potluck snacks. Free. Call **703-698-5456** or email **Margaret.chatham@verizon.net** for RSVPs and directions.

FSGW GOSPEL SING • BETHESDA, MD

SUNDAY, MARCH 13 • 4-8 PM

Gospel sings are held the second Sunday of every month at various homes. Group singing starts at 4 pm and breaks for a covered dish supper at 6pm, with more singing after supper until 8 pm. Everyone is welcome! This month's Gospel Sing will be at the home of Mary Ann Daly. Info/directions: **301-229-8534**.

FSGW SHAPE-NOTE SINGING • ALEXANDRIA, VA

None this month.

CO-SPONSORED SINGS

CIRCLE OF LIFE SONG CIRCLE • ROCKVILLE, MD

TUESDAYS, MARCH 1 & 15 • 1-2:30 PM

Co-sponsored by the Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington [Senior Adult Programs] and the Folklore Society of Greater Washington. At the Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington, 6125 Montrose Road, Rockville, MD 20852. Sing favorite songs and make new friends! The song circle is about the joy of singing, not about talent. All are welcome, regardless of experience or level of ability. Enjoy delightful songs—humorous or serious, old or new, timeless or topical. Words will be provided on song sheets—no need to read music. Come for informal singing or just to listen, but do come! Free! For those who would like to volunteer, we can use volunteer song leaders and instrumentalists. For more information or to volunteer, please e-mail Liz Milner **lizmilner@mindspring.com**.

SCHWEINHAUT SONG CIRCLE • SILVER SPRING, MD

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16 • 1-3 PM

On the third Wednesday of each month, this song circle offers a daytime opportunity for informal group singing. Open to all ages and levels of experience, the song circle is about the joy of singing, not about talent. Lyrics will be provided, and you don't need to read music. Come to sing or just to listen to delightful songs, humorous or serious, old or new, timeless or topical. Co-sponsored by FSGW and Carpe Diem Arts. Margaret Schweinhaut Senior Center, 1000 Forest Glen Road, 20901. Free! For info or to suggest songs in advance, Fred Stollnitz at **fstollnitz@comcast.net**.

PLEASE NOTE: FSGW Newsletter deadline NOW the 8th!

From here forward, please send newsletter submissions to editor (**newsletter@fsgw.org**) by the **8th of the preceding month.**

Lilt

Friday, March 4

6:30 pm

Lilt takes the limelight at Emma's Espresso and Wine Bar in the Del Ray community of Alexandria, Va., on March 4 for FSGW's monthly First Friday concert series, a new offering closer to home for FSGW folks in northern Virginia.

Tina Eck (flute and tin whistle) and **Keith Carr** (bouzouki and banjo) play the traditional dance music of Ireland—jigs, reels, hornpipes—spiced with the occasional slow air or vocal number. They have been performing together since 2009, frequent players in the local Irish scene, where their first CD *Lilt* (released in 2010) became a surprise hit. Since then they've produced two more albums: *Onward* in 2011 and *Little Falls* in December 2013. (Individually **Carr** is a part of *The Love Mongrels*; **Eck** plays with the *Flaming Shillelaghs*, among others.)



The duo is a multiple nominee for the Wammie Awards (2012-2015). They have appeared in concert throughout the eastern US, with performances at such notable venues as The Embassy of Ireland, The Kennedy Center, The Birchmere, The Institute of Musical Traditions, The Old Brogue Celtic Concert Series, the Washington Conservatory of Music, the Swift Run Celtic Concert Series, and numerous music festivals.

Emma's Espresso and Wine Bar is located at 106 Hume Ave., Alexandria, 22301. Menu features hearty sandwiches and salads; beer and wine. Concerts run from 6:30-8:30 pm. \$15 donation is requested. More info: www.emmascoffee.com.

FSGW Elections Coming Up

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 is recruiting Board members through our annual election process for a one-year term beginning on July 1. If you're ready to give back to an organization that provides so much, please consider running for the Board. The Election Committee invites you to nominate candidates for the 2016–2017 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 Program on Saturday, March 12, and at the Sunday contra dance on March 20. These events are 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 the Election Committee at elections@fsgw.org.

Call for Volunteers

36th Annual FSGW Washington Folk Festival

June 4-5, 2016

For more than three decades the Folklore Society of Greater Washington has produced the FSGW Washington Folk Festival ("WFF") at historic Glen Echo Park. This free rain-or-shine event is a celebration of the many cultural traditions that are a part of Greater Washington. The FSGW WFF has presented music and dance from India, Mongolia, North Africa, Ireland, Scotland, France, Israel, Brazil, Bulgaria, Guatemala, Iran, Turkey, Japan, and Spain, and this year's event will again showcase international culture along with American blues, bluegrass, old-time string bands, contemporary singer-songwriters, gospel, western swing, storytellers, and crafts. The FSGW WFF runs from noon to 7 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. With seven event areas running simultaneously and over 85 hours of performances, there will be something for everyone.

In order to produce this Festival, FSGW relies on an army of volunteers. Many have volunteered for decades, but new volunteers are needed each year. A few hours of your time can help make the event possible. We need help not only during the festival weekend but also on weekends in May and June to with set-up and take-down. If you'd like to volunteer, visit www.washingtonfolkfestival.org and fill out an on-line volunteer form.

We also hope to recruit people who would like to get more deeply involved in the planning and management of the event – volunteers who want to take on staff roles that make the Festival possible, including volunteer coordination, publicity, web page design, database management, fund raising, food preparation, stage hands, and general Festival management. If you have experience or would like to develop skills in any of these areas, please send an email to dwain-fest@aol.com or call Dwain Winters at 301-526-8558.

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Washington Folk Festival Coordinating Committee

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FSGW BOARD MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9 • 8 PM

The monthly FSGW Board meetings will be held in Classroom 301 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.

HOW TO SUBMIT A LISTING TO THE FSGW NEWSLETTER

1. Please look at this Newsletter and determine under what category your listing should appear. When submitting copy by email, put that category in the subject line, followed by the month. So if you want to list a contra dance, your subject line is: Dance Contra [Month]. No punctuation, please. If it's a workshop: Workshop [Month]. If it's a single concert: Concert Individual [Month]. And so forth. Putting the category in the subject line makes it easier for the editor to retrieve groups of events.

2. Please submit all listings in FSGW format. All information should be submitted in the following sequence:

Event Title • City, State Abbreviation
 Day of the week, Date • start time - end time
 One or two sentences only. Location (+ zip code for GPS). Ticket prices.
 Info: Contact Name at Phone number or email/website.

NB: The city and state appear in the header; do not repeat them in the body, but in this age of Droids and GPS units, you need to include the 5-digit zip code – it goes right after the street address. **Submit entries to newsletter@fsgw.org**

27TH ANNUAL POTOMAC RIVER SACRED HARP CONVENTION

APRIL 2ND AND 3RD, 2016



THE GREAT FALLS GRANGE
9818 GEORGETOWN PIKE (ROUTE 193)
GREAT FALLS, VIRGINIA



Schedule

Saturday, April 2, 10 am-3:30 pm: All-Day singing from *The Sacred Harp* (1991 Edition) with a midday break for dinner. Please bring a dish to share. Saturday evening social nearby - location to be announced

Sunday, April 3, 10 am-3:30 pm, All-Day singing from *The Shenandoah Harmony* with a midday break for dinner. Please bring a dish to share.

Registration begins at 9:30 pm on both days.

The convention is free and open to the public. All are welcome and no experience is required. Copies of *The Sacred Harp* (1991 Edition) and *The Shenandoah Harmony* (2013 Edition) will be available to borrow or purchase. The Grange is now wheelchair-accessible and ADA-compliant.

Shape note singing is an American a cappella tradition with roots in the Colonial period. Characterized by open harmonies and a powerful sound, shape note singing is music designed primarily for participation, rather than for performance.

Also, on Friday, April 1, there will be a shape-note singing from 7-9 pm in Takoma Park, MD, at the home of Corinne Ducey: Corinne.ducey@gmail.com.

For more information about *The Sacred Harp*, *The Shenandoah Harmony*, or shape note singing, visit <http://www.fasola.org/> or www.shenadoahharmony.com

Special Event: Music in Memory of Richard Seidel Bethesda, MD • Saturday, March 26 • 1-5 pm

Honoring the memory of local musician and onetime FSGW newsletter editor **Richard Seidel**, who died in November, friends and those touched by his musical gifts will gather. Members of many of the groups Richard played with—klezmer, jazz, Scandinavian, English, classic rock—will perform short sets, and there will be time for talking and remembering this mainstay of the local music community. At the Brookmont Church, 4000 Virginia Pl., 20816. For information email: concertinist@gmail.com.

Takoma Park Folk Festival • Sunday, September 11 Applications Being Accepted

The 39th Takoma Park Folk Festival will be held on Sunday, September 11, 2016. Information about the Festival is available at www.tpff.org, where performers and volunteers can find application forms. The application deadline for performers is April 18.

Craft Show applications will be posted in mid-March; if you would like one sent to you, please e-mail crafts@tpff.org

FSGW DANCE EVENTS

FSGW English Country Dances

Glen Echo, MD • Wednesdays • 8–10:30 pm

Dance on a wood floor in the climate-controlled community room of the Glen Echo Town Hall, 6106 Harvard St., 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, oboe, concertina, bassoon, cello, viola, and recorder. Light refreshments served at the break. Experienced and new dancers welcome. No partner required. **Info: Stephanie Smith 301-229-3577 or Roger Broseus English@fsgw.org**

Admission: \$10 for FSGW members, \$12 for non-members.

March



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Tom Spilsbury calls the dances to the music of **Jeff Steinberg** (fiddle), **Harriet Kaplan** (cello), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano)

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Liz Donaldson calls the dances while **David Knight** (fiddle), **Barbara Heitz** (flute), and **Melissa Running** (piano) make the music



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Dan Gillespie leads the dances while **Tina Chancey** (fiddle), **Susan Brandt** (flute), and **Francine Krasowska** (piano) play the tunes

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Susan Taylor calls to the playing of **Paul Oorts** (mandolin and accordion), **Anna Rain** (recorders), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano)



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Melissa Running calls while **Becky Ross** (fiddle), and Guest Musicians **Barb Seppeler** (piano) and **Laurie Williams** (flute) play



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

FSGW Newsletter Editorial and Advertising Policy

The Folklore Society of Greater Washington endeavors to print copy it deems relevant to its membership and purpose as stated in its by-laws:

“The main purpose of the Society is to further the understanding, investigation, appreciation, and performance of the traditional folk music and folklore of the American people.”

- All copy (except ads) must be submitted by e-mail to newsletter@fsgw.org in text format in the body of the e-mail by the 10th of the preceding month.
- All listings must be submitted in the format set out in paragraph 2 above. The format is also on our website (fsgw.org). Just click on Newsletter and look for a paragraph in green.
- The Editor reserves the right to edit or omit copy as necessary. Ad content must be approved by the Editor.

Basic Ad charges: 1/4 page ads (3.4" x 4.5" or 7.25" x 2.5"): \$65 for one month, \$120 for two. Commercial business: \$8 for 10 words. Non-commercial and individual: \$4 for 10 words. 25% discount for any single ad placed in 11 consecutive issues (one year) and paid in advance. We will work with you on larger ads. Copy, with check made payable to FSGW, must be received by the newsletter deadline. Mail to **FSGW, PO Box 323, Cabin John, MD 20818.**

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FSGW SUNDAY NIGHT DANCES

AT GLEN ECHO PARK, MD · SPANISH BALLROOM

CONTRAS AND 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. Bring water or a sports drink, and dress in layers. Smooth-soled shoes are kindest on your knees and ankles when turning. Info: **Penelope Weinberger** or **Steve Burnett**; dance@fsgw.org

Admission: \$10 for FSGW, BFMS, CDSS, and ATDS Members
\$5 youth (with student ID if over 17)
\$13 for the general public

March 6 - Sue Rosen with Bruce Rosen and Graham DeZarn

Sue Rosen is a published writer of contra dances. We're sure she'll bring some of her originals down with her when she comes down to call with legendary musicians **Bruce Rosen** (piano, guitar) and **Graham DeZarn** (fiddle). **Sue:** <http://suerosencaller.com>; **Bruce:** <http://www.rosenatthewheel.com>.



March 13 - Donna Hunt calls with the MetroGnomes

Donna Hunt has built a reputation for using clear, concise instructions to minimize teaching time and maximize dance time. **Donna Hunt** calls with the **MetroGnomes: McGregor Yatsevitch** (fiddle, mandolin), **Bob Garber** (clarinet), and **Mark Vidor** (piano). **Donna:** <http://donnahuntcaller.com/index.html>.



March 20 - Sarah VanNorstrand with Seaglass

The wonderful **Sarah VanNorstrand** calls with **Seaglass**. **Seaglass** is a brand new dance band that combines the diverse talents of three seasoned and dynamic musicians. They have a unique, wide-ranging repertoire from classic New England contradance tunes to French balfolk and English Country Dance music, weaving in roots-rock grooves and captivating improvisations. **Seaglass** has been received with great enthusiasm by dance communities from the northeast to



California, and all the way to Paris, France! **Rachel Bell** (accordion), **Andrew VanNorstrand** (guitar) and **Eileen Nicholson** (fiddle). **Seaglass:** <http://rachelbellmusic.com/rachels-bands/>. The dance this evening is FREE to FSGW members. A brief membership meeting will take place at the break to accept nominations for the 2016-2017 FSGW Board.



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March 27 - Tom and Myra with *Contranella*



Dance callers and teachers **Myra Hirschberg** and **Tom Calwell** team up to call a wonderful night of dance. They will be joined by a father-daughter team who have been playing together for years. *Contranella* is **Megan Wobus Beller** (fiddle), **John Wobus** (piano) and **Charley Beller** (percussion, mandolin, and banjo).



Contranella: <http://www.contranella.com>, Tom and Myra: <http://www.dancingthread.ca/>.



Chesapeake Dance Weekend Friday, April 8 – Sunday, April 10



You know that spring is here when you walk past the flowering trees of scenic Camp Letts, in Edgewater, MD, to check in at the annual Chesapeake Dance Weekend. Whether you're dancing away your winter doldrums on the fine wood floor; relaxing with old friends on the veranda; or enjoying walking trails, canoeing, and other amenities, you know you are in the right place.

This year's program features contras, squares, French dances, and more:

- Veteran icon **Lisa Greenleaf** will treat dancers to her high-spirited calling backed up by the music of *Stringrays*, a hard-driving ensemble dedicated to the exploration of tunes in all their dimensions: raucous to sublime, funky to old-school, and playful to tender. *Stringrays'* artists include the legendary **Rodney Miller** on fiddle, **Max Newman** on guitar, and **Stuart Kenney** on bass and banjo.



- *The Hogwire Stringband* will energize us with the superb fiddling and rich harmonies of their driving brand of American roots music. With **Brad Leftwich** on fiddle and banjo, **Linda Higginbotham** on banjo, **Abby Ladin** on bass, and **Joel Lensch** on guitar, *Hogwire* combines virtuosity, relentless rhythms, and expert harmony to bring classic American music to life. They will support the calling of Colorado's legendary square dance caller **Larry Edelman**, previously of Baltimore.



- Every year, we reach outside our comfort zone to enjoy something special. This time, **Susan Kevra**, introduces us to the world of traditional French Dancing. If you've never heard of French dances before, you're in for a treat as Susan, accompanied by **Lynn Baumeister**, indulges her secret passion for bourrées, mazurkas, schottisches, and walses. **Leslie Barr** (fiddle) and **Jeremiah McLane** (accordion), who have both



studied "la musique trad" in its native habitat, provide the musical back up as you learn some of the couple dances you might do at a "bal" in France. By the time they are done, you'll definitely want to "Lève-toi et danse!"



Enjoy it all in one of the local region's most beautiful, scenic, and best-appointed camps, less than an hour from DC, and 20 minutes from Annapolis. Heated, dormitory-style cabins sleep 8-12 per room in clean bunk beds (tenting option). All meals are provided from Friday dinner to Sunday lunch. Check-in begins at 4 pm Friday, and the program concludes at 4 pm Sunday.

For more information, visit: www.ChesapeakeDanceWeekend.org

(application form on page 23 of this Newsletter)

FSGW DANCE EVENTS

FSGW FAMILY DANCE

SUNDAY, MARCH 13 · 3-5 PM

Donna Hunt will use her ability to instill confidence to get with participants who do not yet know that they are dancers out on the floor. Fun for the whole family! In the Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom Annex. No experience necessary – an experienced (and patient) family dance leader will make sure that everyone has a great time. \$5 for ages 4 and older.

THE GREAT AMERICAN SQUARE DANCE REVIVAL -

PART XLII WASHINGTON, DC

SATURDAY, MARCH 19 · 8:30-11:30 PM

We're baaaaaaaack! The DC Square Dance Collective is celebrating 5 wildly successful years of presenting traditional Appalachian Square Dances! We're returning to (the just newly renovated) Saint Stephen's Church for another rollicking evening. Square Dance tunes played by real-deal musicians led by fiddler **Anna Roberts-Gevalt** and a real live Square Dance Caller, **Sarah Gibson**, shows you how it's done and will have you up and do si do-ing in no time flat. Come see what it's all about, right in the heart of DC on a swingin' Saturday night. All are welcome – young and old, brand new and experienced dancers, hipsters and total outta-the-loopers. No partner, lessons, overalls, or fancy dress needed! At Saint Stephen's Church, 1525 Newton St. NW, 20010, near the Columbia Heights Metro. \$5. More info: visit www.dcsquaredance.com.

FSGW Co-SPONSORED DANCE EVENTS

SILVER SPRING CONTRA/SQUARE DANCE

SILVER SPRING, MD

THURSDAY, MARCH 10 · 7:30-10 PM · (7-7:30 LESSON)

Caller **Greg Frock** with band **Sugar Beat** (**Elke Baker, Susan Brandt, Marc Glickman**). Great Hall of the SS Civic Bldg, One Veterans Plaza, 20910. Free parking at 801 Ellsworth Dr. Introductory workshop at 7. Co-sponsored by FSGW, Carpe Diem Arts, and Montgomery Cty Rec Dept. \$8 for FSGW/BFMS/CDSS members. \$10 adults, \$5 students. First timers free. Info: Rachael Erichsen at **757-329-3714** or Busy Graham at busygraham@gmail.com



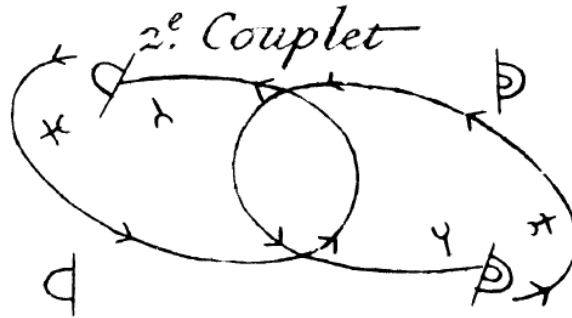
GLEN ECHO INTERNATIONAL FOLKDANCERS · MD

THURSDAYS · 7:30-10:45 PM

See the listing under International Dances on page 16.

The Folklore Society of Greater Washington presents the 30th Annual

Washington Spring Ball



Saturday, May 14, 2016

Music by: Alchemy

Karen Axelrod, piano; Eric Martin, violin/viola; Rachel Bell, accordion

Silver Spring Civic Building; One Veterans Place; Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

2:30-5:00 p.m.
Practice session

5:00-7:00 p.m.
Dinner on your own

7:00-7:30 p.m.
Reception

7:30-11:00 p.m.
Ball

Practice session: Anna Rain, caller; David Knight, fiddle; Melissa Running, piano

Bronord.com/ball2016 (directions, videos, FAQs)

Registrar@bronord.com (Roger) Ball.Chair@bronord.com (Carrie)

Register Online: Brown Paper Tickets: washingtonspringball.brownpapertickets.com
or Register by Mail: Download flier at bronord.com/ball2016

Prices

\$33 for members of FSGW, BFMS, or CDSS

\$38 for non-members

Add \$5 if postmarked after April 30

1/2 price for students

Concerts

CONCERT SERIES



FOCUS MUSIC MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

RISE AGAIN SONGBOOK SHOW • ALEXANDRIA, VA

(Focus) SATURDAY, MARCH 19 • 7 PM

Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer are talented singers, songwriters, instrumentalists, educators and record producers. **Dr. Ysaye M. Barnwell** was a member of *Sweet Honey In The Rock*® for 34 years. George Washington Masonic Memorial, 101 Callahan Drive, 22301. \$20 advance; \$25 door. More info Herb Cooper-Levy at 703-380-3151 or FocusMusic.org.

SONGS OF PHIL OCHS (MULTIPLE MUSICIANS)

(Focus) ARLINGTON, VA

SATURDAY, MARCH 26 • 7 PM

Brother Sun (Greg Greenway, Pat Wictor, and Joe Jencks) is an explosion of musical diversity and harmony, in the finest of male singing traditions. **Maggie** is two strong voices in harmony and superb instrumental arrangements, with a powerful and moving sound. **SONia's** songs are drawn from rock to blues to reggae to folk to Latin to Judaic to pop and country brimming with stories of passion and hope. Unitarian Universalist Church of Arlington, 4444 Arlington Blvd., 22204. \$20 advance; \$25 door. More info Herb Cooper-Levy at 703-380-3151 or FocusMusic.org.



INSTITUTE OF MUSICAL TRADITIONS (IMT)

Info for all locations at imtfolk.org or 301-960-3655 for advance tickets.

Rockville, MD – at Saint Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Rd., 20852

Takoma Park, MD – at "Allyworld," of Airshow Mastering Studios, 7014 Westmoreland Ave., 20912

DAVID OLNEY • (IMT) ROCKVILLE, MD

FRIDAY, MARCH 4 • 7:30 PM

Blurring the lines between Vaudeville, Shakespeare and characterizable truths, prolific singer-songwriter and actor **David Olney** will deliver a high-energy performance. \$20 adv/\$25 door.

THE REVELERS • (IMT) TAKOMA, DC

FRIDAY, MARCH 11 • 7:30 PM

Join **The Revelers** at a NEW LOCATION in Takoma, DC for a concert-dance. This Louisiana supergroup is composed of founding members of the **Red Stick Ramblers** and the **Pine Leaf Boys**. They shine playing all styles of Cajun, zydeco, swamp pop and Americana. \$18adv/20door. Location: EF International Language Centers, 6896 Laurel St., NW 20012; about three blocks from the Takoma Metro, and midway between Seekers Church and Allyworld.

BRUCE MOLSKY AND HIS MOUNTAIN DRIFTERS

(IMT) ROCKVILLE, MD

SATURDAY, MARCH 19 • 7:30 PM

Bruce Molsky is "one of America's premier fiddling talents" (*Mother Jones*) and a twice-Grammy-nominated artist on fiddle, banjo, guitar and song. Bruce is joined in this brand new trio by **Allison de Grootand** and **Stash Wyslouch**. \$20 adv/\$25 door. At St. Mark's.

BLUE RHYTHM BOYS • TAKOMA PARK, MD

(IMT) FRIDAY, MARCH 25 • 7:30 PM

Blending the blues of **Mississippi John Hurt** with the "hot club" swing of **Django Reinhardt**, the **Blue Rhythm Boys** have delighted audiences with their tight vocals and hot guitar playing since 1997. **Tom Mitchell, Jim Stephanson, John Previti** and **Vince McCool** bring authenticity and originality to their own smoky mix of hot jazz, blues and ho-kum. \$15 adv/\$20 door. At Allyworld.

333 COFFEEHOUSE

LISA MOSCATELLO & FRED LIEDER • ANNAPOLIS, MD

FRIDAY, MARCH 18 • 8 PM

333 presents the lovely vocals of **OCEAN** singer **Lisa Moscatiello**, with cellist **Fred Lieder**. Guest MC **Max Ochs**. Annapolis Friends Mtg., 351 DuBois Rd, Annapolis, 21401. \$12/\$10 for 65+, students, members of ATDS/FSGW/BFMS. Info: 333concerts.org or 443-333-9613.

WINTER CONCERTS OF TRAD CELTIC MUSIC



AT THE OLD BROGUE



Contact: Barbara T. Ryan, ionavoic@pobox.com or 703-426-1450. The Old Brogue Irish Pub, 760-C Walker Rd., Great Falls, VA 22066. 2 sittings: 4 & 6 pm. A third sitting will be added at 8 if the first 2 sell out. \$17/\$12 children. Info / tickets: ionamusic.com/brogue.shtml.

March

- 6 **Iona** - The East Coast's premier pan-Celtic group transports audiences to the 7 Celtic Nations, and explores the Celtic cultures of the New World. Lead singer/bouzouki/bodhrán player **Barbara Tresidder Ryan and Bernard Argent** on wooden flute/whistles/vocals and percussion, are joined by **Chuck Lawhorn** on bass guitar and vocals, **Jim Queen**, fiddle, banjo and vocals, and dancer/vocalist/percussionist **Kathleen Larrick**. IonaMusic.com
- 13 **Seán Tyrrell** - Coming from a family immersed in the musical traditions of his native Galway, singer, poet and storyteller Tyrrell was described by *Billboard Magazine* as "the genuine article!". He has toured and recorded with a galaxy of Irish stars. Seantyrrell.com



SUNDAY	MONDAY	Tuesday	Wednesday
<h1>MARCH 2016</h1> <p>All times are pm unless otherwise noted.</p>		1	2
		<p>1 CIRCLE OF LIFE SONG CIRCLE ROCKVILLE, MD</p> <p>7 Chevy Chase Israeli Dance</p> <p>7:15 Reston/Herndon Folk Club</p> <p>8 Greenbelt Scottish Country Dance</p>	<p>7:30 Arlington Jam</p> <p>7:30 Rock Creek Morris Women</p> <p>8 FSGW ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE</p> <p>8 Baltimore Contra Dance</p> <p>8 Columbia Folk Dancers</p> <p>8 Alexandria Scottish Country Dance</p>
6	7	8	9
<p>10am Annapolis Acoustic Jam</p> <p>11am DC Bluegrass Jam</p> <p>3:30 Glen Echo Waltz</p> <p>7:30 FSGW CONTRA DANCE SUE ROSEN WITH BRUCE ROSEN AND GRAHAM DEZARN</p> <p><i>Spring Forward!</i></p> 	<p>7 DC Bluegrass Jam</p> <p>7:30 Bethesda Int'l Folk Dance</p> <p>7:30 Arlington Morris Women</p> <p>8 Baltimore English Country Dance</p> <p>8 Balkan Singing</p> <p>8 Wheaton Chantey Sing</p> <p>8 Bethesda Scottish Country Dance</p>	<p>7 Chevy Chase Israeli Dance</p> <p>7:15 Reston/Herndon Folk Club</p> <p>8 Greenbelt Scottish Country Dance</p> <p>8 Arlington Israeli Dance</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NEWSLETTER DEADLINE!!</p>	<p>7:30 Rock Creek Morris Women</p> <p>8 FSGW ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE</p> <p>7:30 Grapevine Storytelling</p> <p>8 FSGW BOARD MEETING</p> <p>8 Baltimore Contra Dance</p> <p>8 Columbia Folk Dancers</p> <p>8 Sea Chanteys/Baltimore</p> <p>8 Alexandria Scottish Country Dance</p>
13	14	15	16
<p>10am Annapolis Acoustic Jam</p> <p>2 Country & Gospel Jam</p> <p>2 CABOMA Jam</p> <p>3 FSGW FAMILY DANCE</p> <p>3 Norwegian Dance/Potluck</p> <p>4 FSGW GOSPEL SING</p> <p>5 Tisza Ensemble Dance</p> <p>7 Revels Pub Sing, Falls Church</p> <p>7 WFMA Showcase, Bethesda</p> <p>7:30 FSGW CONTRA DANCE DONNA HUNT WITH METROGNOMES</p>	<p>7:30 Bethesda Int'l Folk Dance</p> <p>7:30 Arlington Morris Women</p> <p>8 Baltimore English Country Dance</p> <p>8 Balkan Singing</p> <p>8 Bethesda Scottish Country Dance</p>	<p>1 CIRCLE OF LIFE SONG CIRCLE ROCKVILLE, MD</p> <p>7 Chevy Chase Israeli Dance</p> <p>7 DC Shape Note Sing</p> <p>7:15 Reston/Herndon Folk Club</p> <p>8 Greenbelt Scottish Country Dance</p>	<p>1 FSGW SONG CIRCLE, SILVER SPRING</p> <p>7 Carpe Diem Women's Song Circle Silver Spring, MD</p> <p>7:30 Rock Creek Morris Women</p> <p>8 FSGW ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE</p> <p>8 Baltimore Contra Dance</p> <p>8 Columbia Folk Dancers</p> <p>8 Sea Chanteys/Annapolis</p> <p>8 Alexandria Scottish Country Dance</p>
20	21	22	23
<p>First Day of Spring</p> <p>10am Annapolis Acoustic Jam</p> <p>11am Lilt House Concert, Takoma Park, MD</p> <p>3 GWCC Ceili</p> <p>3:30 Glen Echo Waltz</p> <p>2 Ballroom Blum Outrageous Squares & Challenging Contras</p> <p>4 Sandy Spring Sacred Harp Singing</p> <p>5 Oakton Shape Note Sing</p> <p>7:30 FSGW CONTRA DANCE SARAH VANNORSTRAND WITH SEAGLASS</p>	<p>6:30 Revels Community Sing</p> <p>7 DC Bluegrass Jam</p> <p>7:30 Bethesda Int'l Folk Dance</p> <p>7:30 Arlington Morris Women</p> <p>8 Baltimore English Country Dance</p> <p>8 Balkan Singing</p> <p>8 Bethesda Scottish Country Dance</p>	<p>7 Chevy Chase Israeli Dance</p> <p>7:15 Reston/Herndon Folk Club Showcase concert</p> <p>8 Greenbelt Scottish Country Dance</p> <p>8 Arlington Israeli Dance</p>	<p>7 Cajun Jam Greenbelt</p> <p>7:30 Rock Creek Morris Women</p> <p>8 FSGW ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE</p> <p>8 Archie Edwards Blues Foundation Concert: Rory Block</p> <p>8 Masters of the Celtic Harp Shepherdstown, WV</p> <p>8 Baltimore Contra Dance</p> <p>8 Columbia Folk Dancers</p> <p>8 Sea Chanteys DC</p> <p>8 Alexandria Scottish Country Dance</p>
27	28	29	30
<p>Easter Sunday</p> <p>10am Annapolis Acoustic Jam</p> <p>2 Scottish Jam</p> <p>2 CABOMA Jam</p> <p>7:30 FSGW CONTRA DANCE TOM AND MYRA WITH CONTRANELLA</p> 	<p>7:30 Bethesda Int'l Folk Dance</p> <p>7:30 Arlington Morris Women</p> <p>8 Baltimore English Country Dance</p> <p>8 Balkan Singing</p> <p>8 Bethesda Scottish Country Dance</p>	<p>7 Chevy Chase Israeli Dance</p> <p>7:15 Reston/Herndon Folk Club</p> <p>8 Greenbelt Scottish Country Dance</p>	<p>7:30 Rock Creek Morris Women</p> <p>8 FSGW ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE</p> <p>8 Baltimore Contra Dance</p> <p>8 Columbia Folk Dancers</p> <p>8 Alexandria Scottish Country Dance</p>

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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6:30 Carpathia Folk Dancers 6:30 Harrisonburg, VA Family Dance 7:30 GLEN ECHO INT'L FOLK DANCE 8 Mt. Vernon Int'l Folk Dance 8 Foggy Bottom Morris Men 8:15 Glen Echo Blues Dance	6:30 FSGW LILT CONCERT - ALEXANDRIA 7:30 IMT Rockville: David Olney 8 FSGW OPEN SING 8:30 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance 8:30 Friday Night Contra Dance	1 Archie Edwards Blues Jam 4 Berryville, VA Shape Note Sing 7 Galesville Square Dance 7:30 Sideline, Herndon, VA 7:30 Rørospols Dance Party 7:30 FSGW STORYSWAP 8 Shepherdstown, WV Contra Dance
10	11	12
6 Front Royal, VA Family Dance 6:30 Carpathia Folk Dancers 7:30 SILVER SPRING CONTRA/SQUARE DANCE 7:30 GLEN ECHO INT'L FOLK DANCE 8 Mt. Vernon Int'l Folk Dance 8 Foggy Bottom Morris Men 8:15 Glen Echo Blues Dance	7 IMT Takoma DC: The Revelers 8 Celebration of Strings Shepherdstown, WV 8:30 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance 8:30 Friday Night Contra Dance (Glen Echo Open Band)	1 Archie Edwards Blues Jam 2:30 Spelmanslag 5 Baltimore Family Dance 7:30 Tom Mindte & Patuxent Partners 8 Baltimore Contra Dance 8 Silver Spring English Country Dance 8 FSGW MONTHLY PROGRAM: OCEAN CELTIC QUARTET IN CONCERT SEEKERS' CHURCH
St. Patrick's Day 17	18	19
6:30 Carpathia Folk Dancers 7 Ukes Jam Session 7:30 GLEN ECHO INT'L FOLK DANCE 7:30 Arlington Circle Dance 8 Mt. Vernon Int'l Folk Dance 8 Foggy Bottom Morris Men 8 Wheaton Folksong Sing-In 8:15 Glen Echo Blues Dance 	8 Archie Edwards Blues Foundation Concert: Elijah Wood & Sandrine Sheon 8 333 Coffeehouse Annapolis Lisa Moscatiello & Fred Lieder 8:30 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance 8:30 Friday Night Contra Dance	1 Archie Edwards Blues Jam 7 Focus Alexandria, VA Rise Up Again 7 Annapolis Contra Dance 7 Lancaster, PA Contra Dance 7 Beatles Sing-along 7 Scandia DC Dance 7:30 IMT Rockville Bruce Molsky & His Mountain Drifters 7:30 Leesburg Assembly ECD 8:30 FSGW SQUARE DANCE
24	25	26
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FSGW Advance Notice

Friday, April 1

LEE MURDOCK
Emma's, Alexandria, VA

Saturday, April 2

LEE MURDOCK
Seeker's Church, Takoma, DC

Saturday and Sunday
April 2 & 3, 2016

**THE 27TH ANNUAL
POTOMAC RIVER
SACRED HARP
CONVENTION**
Great Falls, Virginia

Friday, April 8, thru Sunday, April 10

**34TH ANNUAL
CHESAPEAKE DANCE
WEEKEND**

See flyer p. 23.
Camp Letts, Edgewater, MD

Wednesday, April 13

BOB BOVEE
house concert
Mt. Lubentia (the Wallace's),
Largo, MD

Tuesday, April 19

CASTLEBAY
house concert
Meneely's, Takoma Park, MD

Saturday, May 14

**30TH ANNUAL
WASHINGTON SPRING BALL**
Silver Spring, MD

Saturday, June 4 and
Sunday, June 5

**36TH ANNUAL
WASHINGTON
FOLK FESTIVAL**
GLEN ECHO PARK, MD

Friday, September 23, thru
Monday, September 26, 2016

**52ND ANNUAL
FSGW GETAWAY**
West River Conference Center
West River, MD

CONCERTS continued

WEEKEND BLUEGRASS CONCERT SERIES

Held at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1090 Sterling Road, 20170. For more info: Bob Thompson at **703-435-8377** or **kdfue2@verizon.net**.

SIDELINE • HERNDON, VA**SATURDAY, MARCH 5 • 7:30 PM**

This is a truly magnificent project band composed of members from some of the top bluegrass bands on the scene today doing their thing, great bluegrass music. **Steve Dilling** (banjo), **Skip Cherryholmes** (guitar), **Jason Moore** (bass), **Brian Aldridge** (mandolin), and **Nathan Aldridge** (fiddle). \$15; children 12 and younger free.

TOM MINDTE & PATUXENT PARTNERS • HERNDON, VA**SATURDAY, MARCH 12 • 7:30 PM**

Bluegrass music in the raw edgy Baltimore style created by the late and great **Buzz Busby** with a ton of fun thrown in too. \$15; children 12 and younger free.

INDIVIDUAL CONCERTS*(listed chronologically)***CELEBRATION OF STRINGS: APPALACHIAN MUSIC****SHEPHERDSTOWN, WV****FRIDAY, MARCH 11 • 8 PM**

Hickory Jack and **Hammered Dulcimer Showcase** features special guests from southern Virginia: WV fiddle champion **Erynn Marshall** along with banjo player and guitarist, **Carl Jones**, who form the fine old-time duo **Hickory Jack**. Dulcimer music by **Ann Lough**, **Ruth Smith**, **Bob Shank** and a fine player from Barcelona, Spain, **Marina Albero**. At the Shepherdstown Presbyterian Church at 100 W. Washington Street, 25414. \$20, \$18 seniors, \$15 SMD members, \$10 students. Info: **304-263-2531** or email **updf@earthlink.net**.

WFMA SHOWCASE DAVID GLAZER, JIM SHARKEY & KEVIN JAMES WITH LENA MARKLEY • BETHESDA, MD**SUNDAY, MARCH 13 • 7:00 PM**

We will have a little Irish music at our new Italian restaurant for an early St. Patrick's Day celebration. **Kevin James** does a bit of Irish music and **Jim Sharkey** is originally from Ireland. **David Glaser** will round out the lineup. NEW LOCATIO: Positano Ristorante Italiano, 4948 Fairmont Ave., 20814. \$15; WFMA Members - \$10. For reservations email **reserve@wfma.net**. (Pay at the door). Info: The World Folk Music Association: **wfma.net**.

ELIJAH WALD AND SANDRINE SHEON**ARCHIE EDWARDS BLUES HERITAGE FOUNDATION****FRIDAY, MARCH 18 • 8 PM**

Don't miss this great duo playing old blues, folk, ragtime, swing and classic Swhili pop and more. at the Barbershop; \$15; and he's doing a wkshop on Mississippi John Hurt styles the next day \$30 - \$40 for both. Res: **events@acousticblues.com**

LILT • TAKOMA PARK, MD**SUNDAY, MARCH 20 • 11-2 PM**

Lilt (Tina Eck and Keith Carr) present their lively repertoire of traditional Irish tunes and may even have a dancer in tow. Sit back and get ready to tap your toes. Doors at 11 am; music at 11:30. Breakfast, brunch, bloody marys and coffee provided. \$20 donation. Janie Meneely's Carroll House in Takoma Park. RSVP for reservations/directions: **janiemeneely@gmail.com** or **443-786-0463**.

**SHOWCASE CONCERT • HERNDON, VA****TUESDAY, MARCH 22 • 7:15**

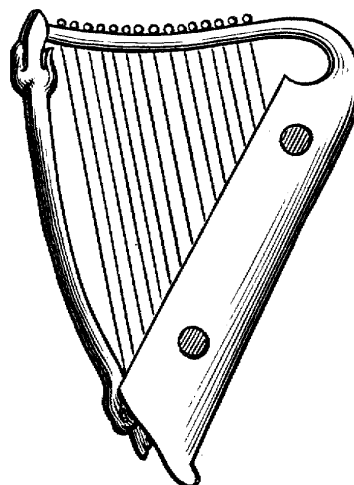
Reston-Herndon Folk Club will host a concert showcasing some of the winners of the 2015 Mid-Atlantic Song Contest. Amphora Diner Deluxe, 1151 Elden Street, \$11 non-members/\$10 members. Info: **www.restonherndon-folkclub.com** or **703-435-2402**. Adv. tickets - **DAHurdSr@cs.com**.

RORY BLOCK**ARCHIE EDWARDS BLUES HERITAGE FOUNDATION****WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23 • 8 PM**

Heralded as "a living landmark" (Berkeley Express), "a national treasure" (Guitar Extra), and "one of the greatest living acoustic blues artists" (Blues Revue), Rory Block has committed her life and her career to preserving the Delta blues tradition and bringing it to life for 21st century audiences around the world. 4701 Queensbury Road, Riverdale, MD. \$20 - Reserve Tickets Email **events@acousticblues.com**

MASTERS OF THE CELTIC HARP • SHEPHERDSTOWN, WV**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23 • 8 PM**

Gráinne Hambly and **William Jackson** are two of the foremost harpers of Ireland and Scotland. Combining their extraordinary talents on harp as well as concertina, tinwhistle and bouzouki, **The Masters of the Celtic Harp** have been performing all over the country and dazzling audiences with their artistry. At St. Peters Lutheran Church, 112 S. King Street, 25443. \$20, \$18 seniors, \$15 SMD members, \$10 students. Info: Joanie at **304-263-2531** or **updf@earthlink.net**.



Dances

CEILI

GWCC CEILI • COLLEGE PARK, MD SUNDAY, MARCH 20 • 3 - 8 PM

The Greater Washington Ceili Club is celebrating it's 30th season this year! GWCC sponsors a 4th Sunday dance (Sept-May). Music this month by *Pride of Patuxent Pond Scum*. Workshop (Derrada Set) at 3 pm, Ceili 4-8 pm, with potluck dinner during the first break. No partner needed; smooth soled shoes (not tennis shoes) recommended. Cherry Hill Park Ballroom, 9800 Cherry Hill Rd, 20740 (entrance code 76000). \$15 Members, \$20 Non-members. Ages 11-20 half price. Ages 10 and under free. Info: **301-512-4480** or **gwcc-online.org**.

COMMUNITY/FAMILY

FSGW Family Dance • Sunday, March 13 Details on page 9.

HARRISONBURG FAMILY DANCE • HARRISONBURG, VA FIRST THURSDAYS • 6:30-8:30 PM

First Presbyterian Church, 17 Court Square 22802. Line, circle and square sets. Free and open to all. Info: **tommack1861@gmail.com** or **facebook.com/SVCWED**.

FRONT ROYAL FAMILY DANCE • FRONT ROYAL, VA SECOND THURSDAYS • 6-7:30 PM

Samuels Public Library, 330 East Criser Rd 22630. Line, circle and square sets. Free and open to all. Info: **tommack1861@gmail.com** or **facebook.com/SVCWED**.



BFMS FAMILY DANCE SATURDAY, MARCH 12 2016

St. Mark's on the Hill, 5 pm; \$4members/\$6non-members/free under age 3. **Donna Hunt** calls to **Megan Beller & The Charles Street Fiddlers**. There is a short potluck from 6:30-7:00 because the members meeting starts at 7:00

CONTRA

Sundays

FSGW Sunday Night Dances. Details on pages 7 & 8.

OUTRAGEOUS SQUARES AND CHALLENGING CONTRAS DANCE SUNDAY, MARCH 20 • 2-5 PM

The Too Hot Mamas (Susan Taylor and Janine Smith) are taking their show on the road (to NEFFA!). We need your help to put the finishing touches on some hot-off-the-press Singing Squares featuring songs from the last six decades!

Come dance squares and challenging contras to the fabulous LIVE music of **Sarah Gowan, Bill Quern, Charlie Pilzer, and Bob Garber**. Admission is FREE, donations gratefully accepted for the Hall and Musicians. Feel free to bring some snacks, your go-go boots, and your sense of good time fun! Hey, it's a party!!! Location: Ballroom Blum, 8300 Osage Terrace, Adelphi, MD 20783. Info: **301-926-9142**.

Wednesdays



BFMS CONTRA DANCE • BALTIMORE, MD WEDNESDAYS • 8-10:30 PM

Beginners always welcome. New dancer workshops at 7:30 on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. Nationally-known musicians and callers appear regularly. BFMS and FSGW members \$9, non-members \$13. Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul St, 21218. Info: **bfms.org**.

March

- 9 **David Giusti** calls to *Gnutones* - **Henry Koretzky** (mandolin, guitar), **Jill Smith** (piano), and **Bruce Young** (fiddle). New dancer orientation at 7:30 pm.
- 16 **Ann Fallon** calls to *Strings on Wings*: **Barb Schmid** (fiddle) and **Todd Clewell** (guitar).
- 23 No dance. Hall not available during Holy Week (Week before Easter).
- 30 TBA calls to *Taylor Among the Devils* - **Marty Taylor** (whistles, concertina), **Steve Hickman** (fiddle), and **Jonathan Jensen** (piano, ocarina).

SPECIAL - THURSDAY, MARCH 3

Perry Shafran calls to the *Baltimore Open Band*.

Fridays

FRIDAY NIGHT DANCERS • GLEN ECHO, MD FRIDAYS • 8:30-11:30 PM



The Friday Night Dancers, a non-profit, volunteer-based organization, in cooperation with the National Park Service, Montgomery County, and the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture, sponsors weekly contra dances to live music in the historic Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom (unless otherwise specified), at 7300 MacArthur Blvd, 20812. New dancer class every week from 7:30 to 8:15. \$10 for the lesson and dance. \$5 for age 17 and under. (Age 17 and under free on second Fridays.) Info: **FridayNightDance.org**, or **301-632-2222**, or the Friday Night Dance Facebook page.

March

- 4 **Bob Isaacs** calls to *Nor'easter* with **Cedar Stanistreet** on fiddle, **Julie Vallimont** on piano/accordion and **Max Newman** on mandolin/guitar.
- 11 **David Giusti** calls to the fabulous *Glen Echo Open Band*.
- 18 **Sarah VanNorstrand** calls to *Seaglass* with **Andrew VanNorstrand** on guitar, **Rachel Bell** on accordion and **Eileen Nicholson** on fiddle.
- 25 **Donna Hunt** calls to *Atlantic Crossing* with **Viveka Fox** on fiddle, djembe, and bodhran, **Peter Macfarlane** on fiddle and low whistle, **Tristan**

DANCES continued

Henderson on mandolin, bouzouki, tenor banjo, foot percussion, djembe, and bodhran and **Rick Klein** on guitar.

Saturdays

MARCH CONTRA DANCE • SHEPHERDSTOWN, WV SATURDAY, MARCH 5 • 8 PM

David Giusti calls lively contra dances to the fine music of **Elke Baker** on fiddle, **Paul Oorts** on guitar, tenor banjo, accordion, and mandolin, and **Liz Donaldson** on piano at the Shepherdstown War Memorial Building. Beginners workshop at 7:30 pm; dance starts at 8 pm. All levels welcome, no partners needed. Please wear clean, soft-soled shoes to protect the floor. Potluck snacks at the break. War Memorial Bldg., 102 E. German St., 25443. \$12, \$5 under 12. Info: Becky at 304-870-4118 or smad.us.



BFMS CONTRA - BALTIMORE, MD SATURDAY, MARCH 12 - 8-11 PM

Donna Hunt calls to *New Hip Trio*: **Joe DeZarn** (fiddle), **Graham DeZarn** (fiddle and accordion), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano). Bring a snack & bring a friend. \$9 BFMS/FSGW members/\$13 non-members, discount for under 21 and full-time students with ID. St. Marks on the Hill, 1620 Reisterstown Rd., 21208; info Becca Denison at 301-606-7115 or satdance@bfms.org.

ATDS CONTRA • ANNAPOLIS, MD SATURDAY, MARCH 19 • 7-10 PM

Kim Forry + Strings on Wings. Includes a free introductory session at 6:30; Dance 7-10 p.m. All ages welcome. All dances taught and walked through. No experience or partner required. Snacks to share at the break are welcome! Annapolis Friends Meeting House, 351 DuBois Rd, 21401. \$10/discounts for seniors, students, families, and ATDS/FSGW Members. Info: Jan Scopel at 443-540-0867 or janscope@hotmail.com or contradancers.com/atds.

LANCASTER CONTRA DANCE • LANCASTER, PA SATURDAY, MARCH 19 • 7-10 PM

Greg Frock calls to *Smash the Windows* with **Bruce Young** (fiddle), **Ryck Kaiser** (fiddle) and **Peggy Shutes** (piano). St. John's Episcopal Church, 321 W. Chestnut St, 17603. Beginners workshop 6:15. \$9 adults/\$6 students. Age 15 and under free. Info: Karen at 717-951-4317 or lancastercontra.org.

FREDERICK CONTRA DANCE • FREDERICK, MD SATURDAY, MARCH 26 • 8-11 PM

Caroline Barnes calls, with **Carl Friedman**, **Susan Brandt** and **Charlie Pilzer**. Veteran multi-tradition fiddler, inventive flutist and powerful pianist form this dynamic Maryland trio, sure to make you move your feet. Caroline's first appearance here, not to be missed! Introductory workshop at 7:15. Trinity School, 6040 New Design Rd., 21703; \$10/students with ID \$5. Info: Boe Walker at 301-694-6794 or contradancers.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 7:45. Admission \$8 Members (BFMS, ATDS, FSGW, CDSS); \$11 Non-members, \$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.

March

7 Free New Dancer Orientation at 7:45

Carl Friedman calls to **Elke Baker** (violin), **David Crandall** (flute, sax), and **Janina O'Brien** (piano)

14 Emily Aubrey calls to *Geud Band* of Baltimore

21 Tom Spilsbury calls to **Becky Ross** (violin), **Paul Oorts** (strings, accordion), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano)

28 Ann Fallon calls to **Tina Chancey** (violin), TBA, and **Jonathan Jensen** (piano, etc.)

Wednesdays

FSGW English Country Dance. Details on page 6.

Saturdays

SILVER SPRING ECD • SILVER SPRING, MD SATURDAY, MARCH 12 • 8-10:45 PM

Dance to music by *Peascods Gathering*, calling by **Bob Farrell**. Glen Haven Elementary School, 10900 Inwood Ave, 20902. Parking and entrance in rear. Beginners and singles welcome. \$5. Info: Carl Minkus at 301-493-5281, cminkus@verizon.net.

LEESBURG ASSEMBLY • GREAT FALLS, VA SATURDAY, MARCH 19 • 7:30-10:30 PM

The luck o' the Irish will be with you when you join us for our monthly dance! All dances taught and called to live music, and new dancers are welcome! **Tom Spilsbury** will call. Please bring a refreshment to share. \$10. St. Francis Episcopal Church Hall, 9220 Georgetown Pike, 22066, 4.7 miles west of the Beltway. \$10. Info: David Pacelli at 703-757-8648 or theleesburgassembly.org.

INTERNATIONAL

Sundays

TISZA ENSEMBLE • WASHINGTON DC SUNDAY, MARCH 13 • 5-9 PM

Táncház (Hungarian folk dance social evening) with teaching for children and adults. Couple, line, and circle dances to ex-

citing music from various regions of Hungary and Transylvania—no partner needed. Fényes Banda of NYC and Potomac Band of DC. At the Embassy of Hungary, 3910 Shoemaker St., 20008. Suggested donation: \$15. Students/Seniors \$10, Children under 10 free. Info: Cathy Lamont, **301-648-1909**, info@tisaensemble.org; tisaensemble.org. For security purposes, please RSVP by March 12!

Mondays

BETHESDA INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCE

BETHESDA, MD

MONDAYS • 7:30-10 PM

Come join our friendly group and learn dances from all over the world. Beginners 7:30-8, intermediate / advanced 8-10 (requests from 9:15-10). No partner needed. All levels of experience welcome. Adults over 16 please. Mostly recorded music; wonderful wood floor. Jane Lawton Community Ctr, 4301 Willow Ln, 20815. \$8. Info: Phyllis or Brandon, **301-871-8788**, DiamondDanceCircle.com or DiamondDanceCircle@comcast.net.

Wednesdays

COLUMBIA FOLK DANCERS • COLUMBIA, MD

WEDNESDAYS • 8-10:30 PM

We meet at Kahler Hall in Columbia, Village of Harpers Choice. Class at 8, dancing starts at 8:30. Requests taken throughout the evening. \$5 (\$3 for seniors). Info: Ethel at **410-997-1613**, Ed at **410-740-2309**, or columbiafolkdancers.org.

Thursdays

GLEN ECHO INTERNATIONAL FOLK • BETHESDA, MD

THURSDAYS • 7:30-10:45 PM

Church of the Redeemer, 6201 Dunrobbin Dr (near the intersection of Goldsboro and MacArthur). Lesson at 7:30, Request dances from 9 to 10:45. Mostly recorded music. No partner or experience necessary. Wear comfortable clothing and soft-soled shoes. Co-sponsored by FSGW. \$5 Info: Jamie at **301-466-3018** or dancingplanet@erols.com.

CARPATHIA FOLK DANCERS • WASHINGTON, DC

THURSDAYS • 6:30-9 PM

Carpathia is Washington's multi-ethnic Eastern & Central European dance performance ensemble. We are currently looking for 3-4 new men and women who are interested in performing dances from a variety of countries including Ukraine, Poland, Romania, Germany, and Bulgaria. We rehearse on Thursday evenings in Foggy Bottom, and have dancers from 16 years old to their mid-40s (we are open to any interested in fast paced performance dance of at least 14 years old). Costumes are provided by the ensemble. Please contact carpathiadc@gmail.com for more information and check us out at www.facebook.com/carpathiadc.

MT. VERNON INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCING ALEXANDRIA, VA

THURSDAYS • 8-10 PM (NO DANCING ON MARCH 24)

We welcome beginners and advanced dancers, no partner necessary. Friendly and diverse group; fabulous wooden floor; a mix of easy dances, advanced instruction and requests. Mt Vernon Unitarian Church, 1909 Windmill Lane, 22307. Donation \$4. Info: Patricia at **703-472-3888** or pdw@patricia-daywilliams.com.

CIRCLE DANCE • ARLINGTON, VA

3RD AND 5TH THURSDAYS • 7:30-9:30

Come and explore dances from all over the world in a spirit of mediation and joy. All dances taught. Recorded music. Unitarian Universalist Church of Arlington, Rte 50 at George Mason Dr, 4444 Arlington Blvd, 22204. Donation requested. Info: Ann Ulmschneider at **703-528-5114** or aulmsch@msn.com.

Fridays

GREENBELT FOLK DANCING - GREENBELT, MD

FRIDAYS - 8:30-10:45 PM

We focus on dance from Eastern Europe and Scandinavia. No partner or experience necessary. Beautiful dance floor. Teaching from 8:30 to 9:15, requests from 9:15 on. Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio, 15 Crescent Rd., 20770. \$7/students and seniors half price. Check website for special events. Info: Larry Weiner at **301-565-0539** or larry@larryweiner.com, or larryweiner.com/FridayDance.htm.

ISRAELI

ISRAELI DANCING • ARLINGTON, VA

2ND AND 4TH TUESDAYS • 8-10 PM

Beginner/review instruction from 8 to 9. Intermediate and practice from 9-10. All with a thirst for exercise and dance are welcome. Congregation Etz Hayim, 2920 Arlington Blvd, 22204. \$5 per person per hour. Info: **Ethan Halpern** at **301-982-0937** or xtc0yes@aol.com.

ISRAELI DANCING • CHEVY CHASE, MD

TUESDAYS • 7-10:30 PM

Instruction from 7 to 7:45. We focus 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 Ln, 20815. \$8 adults, \$6 students. Info: Mike Fox at **240-424-0805** or markidmike.com.

MORRIS

ARLINGTON NORTHWEST MORRIS WOMEN

MONDAYS • 7:30-9 PM

Learn and perform the traditional morris dances of Northwest England, which combine simple footwork with power and

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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 at George Mason Dr. Info: suzelise@comcast.net or nwdancers@comcast.net.

ROCK CREEK MORRIS WOMEN
WEDNESDAYS • 7:30-9:45 PM

Learn English morris dancing and become part of a community that dances, sings, and socializes together. Bethesda Elementary School, 7600 Arlington Rd, 20814, walkable from Bethesda Metro. Info: Louise at **301-927-6373** or louise-neu@earthlink.net or uswet.com/RCMW.html.

FOGGY BOTTOM MORRIS MEN
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, Washington DC and/or at the pub afterwards. Info: Alan Peel at **301-920-1912** or squire@fbmm.org or fbmm.org.

SCANDINAVIAN

5TH ANNUAL RØROSPOLS DANCE PARTY
WASHINGTON DC
SATURDAY, MARCH 5 • 7:30 PM

This event is co-sponsored by Scandia DC and the Mid-Atlantic Norwegian Dancers (MAND). An evening of dancing to a band recorded live at the Rørosmarknan week in Røros, Norway. 5:30 pm lesson, 6:30 pm potluck. At Ross Schipper and Linda Brooks' home - 3600 T Street NW, 20007. Info: Linda Brooks or Ross Schipper **202-333-2826**, Linda@ScandiaDC.org, www.ScandiaDC.org. Inclement weather call **301-474-0646**.

NORWEGIAN DANCE & POTLUCK • TAKOMA PARK, MD
SUNDAY, MARCH 13 • 3 PM

Norwegian-style house party. Mesmerizing live music by Loretta Kelley on the unique Hardanger fiddle (w/sympathetic strings under the bowed strings—see HFAA.org). Addictive dances, some with elements like Swing or Hambo. Beginners, singles/couples, watchers/listeners all welcome. Bring clean shoes to wear, food to share, and bucks you can spare. Potluck at 1 pm. 6807 Westmoreland Ave., 20912. Host phone just in case: Loretta & Tony **301-270-4925**. Info and directions <http://MAND.fanitull.org> or Jenny at pi@xecu.net.

SCANDIA DC DANCE • GREENBELT, MD
SATURDAY, MARCH 19 • 7-10 PM

Scandia DC sponsors Scandinavian couple dancing on the 3rd Saturday of the month. This month, live fiddle music will feature **Loretta Kelley**, considered by many to be the best

American-born Hardanger fiddler, and the Scandia DC Spelmannslag. There may be some recorded music. No partners necessary. Teaching 7-8: Hallingspringar, a favorite Norwegian couple dance with various figures that can put together in different ways. Open Dancing 8-10. Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio (wood floor) at 15 Crescent Rd., 20770. \$10; Info: Linda Brooks or Ross Schipper **202-333-2826**, Linda@ScandiaDC.org, www.ScandiaDC.org. Inclement weather call **301-474-0646**.

SCOTTISH

See rscds-greaterdc.org for all Scottish dance listings.

BETHESDA SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE
MONDAYS • 8-10 PM

NIH Building T-39 (Dance and Aerobic Center). Call or email in advance for directions. Info: John MacLeod at **301-622-5945** or blackolav@gmail.com.

GREENBELT SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE
TUESDAYS • 8-10 PM

Dance all year 'round at the Greenbelt Community Center. \$8. Info: Jay Andrews at **703-719-0596** or andrewj@rcn.com.

ALEXANDRIA SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE
WEDNESDAYS • 8-9:45 PM

Learn Scottish dance at the Durant Center, 1605 Cameron St, Alexandria 22314. \$5 Info: elanyi@cox.net.

SQUARE

COMMUNITY SQUARE DANCE • GALESVILLE, MD
SATURDAY, MARCH 5 • 7 PM

Dance squares, circles, longway sets and waltzes. **Janine Smith** calls to traditional Appalachian dance tunes by **Leah Weiss** (fiddle), **Gary Wright** (guitar) and friends. Sit-ins welcome on fiddle, guitar, and clawhammer banjo. All ages welcome. 5:30 Doors open; 6 optional potluck, 7 Family-friendly dancing; 8:30 More Challenging dancing. Galesville Memorial Hall, 952 Galesville Road, 20765 (Near Annapolis). \$10, Kids 5-17 \$5. Info: <http://communitysquareddance.wordpress.com> or **301-926-9142**.

SWING/BLUES

BACK ROOM BLUES • GLEN ECHO, MD
THURSDAYS • 8:15-11:30 PM

Popular weekly blues dance in the "Back Room" at the Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd, 20812. Sprung wood floor. Beginner lesson from 8:15 to 9. Different DJs and instructors play blues from 9 to 11:30. Info: Donna Barker at **301-634-2231** or CapitalBlues.org.

WALTZ/COUPLES DANCING

AFTERNOON WALTZ • GLEN ECHO, MD • 3:30-6

A lively mix of folk waltzes with other couples dances, including hambo, swing, tango, and polka. Beginner lesson from 2:45 to 3:30. No partner required. Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom, 7300 MacArthur Blvd, 20812. \$10. Info: WaltzTimeDances.org or 301-634-2222.

March

- 6 *Blue Bamboo* with **Barbara Heitz** (flute), **Elke Baker** (fiddle), **John Devine** (guitar), **Marc Glickman** (piano), **Ralph Gordon** (bass)
- 20 *Rhapsody* with **Marty Taylor** (winds, concertina), **Alexander Mitchell** (fiddle, mandolin), **Dave Wiesler** (piano, guitar), **Ralph Gordon** (bass)

Dance Classes

WALTZ PRACTICUM • GREENBELT, MD

SUNDAY, MARCH 13 • 1-3 PM

Waltz lovers, please join us for an open practicum at the Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio. Mid-tempo waltzes to recorded music. All waltz styles are welcome; eclecticism and fusion encouraged. Dance shoes mandatory; street shoes not permitted on dance floor. 15 Crescent Rd, 20770. \$5 suggested donation. Info: Elliott Drabek at 443-653-1468, Elliott.drabek@gmail.com or tinyurl.com/waltz-practicum.

SCANDINAVIAN DANCE CLASSES • BETHESDA, MD

TUESDAYS (MARCH 1, 8, 15, 22)

7:30-9:30 PM

Beginning and advanced dancers welcome. Learn Hambo, Schottis, Waltz, *Zwiefacher*, and other Swedish and Norwegian couple turning dances, including requests. Sometimes live music. Wear smooth-soled shoes (leather soles are best) for turning, not running shoes. \$5. First time free. Info: Lisa Brooks at 240-731-1925, lisa@HamboDC.org or HamboDC.org.

IRISH SOCIAL DANCE CLASSES • GAITHERSBURG, MD

TUESDAYS (THROUGH MAY 10) 7-9 PM

The Ring of Kerry Irish Dancers teach Irish set and ceili dancing, for ages 8 and up. No partner necessary. We begin on January 5, 2016. Ridgeview Middle School, 16600 Raven Rock Dr., 20878. First class is free (see website for coupon) for non-members, then \$50 per semester, \$5. Info: www.ringofkerrydancers.org

GWCC IRISH SET DANCE CLASSES • SILVER SPRING, MD

THURSDAYS THROUGH MAY 19 • 7-9:30 PM

The Greater Washington Ceili Club offers ongoing Irish social dance lessons in a relaxed setting, no partner needed. 7-8 pm, basic steps and dances. 8-9:30 advanced dances (this season will include the West Kerry Set and the Claddagh Set). Third Thursday, in lieu of later class, there is a mini-ceili with live music open to all (small donation for musicians; 1/21, 2/18, 3/17, 4/21, 5/19). Wear comfortable clothing and smooth-soled shoes. \$40/season, first class free. Argyle Park Activities Bldg., 1030 Forest Glen Rd, 20901. Plentiful free parking. Info: Paul O'Donnell at 301-649-6410 or info@gwcc-online.org or www.gwcc-online.org.

Jams/Open Mics/Audience Participation

Sundays

DC BLUEGRASS UNION DUPONT CIRCLE JAM

WASHINGTON DC

1ST SUNDAYS • 11 AM-2 PM

The Mansion, 2020 O St NW, 20036. Accessible on Metro Red Line. Info: Mike Marceau at mikemarceau@juno.com. Info on venue: omansion.com.

ACOUSTIC JAM • ANNAPOLIS, MD

SUNDAYS • 10 AM-12:30 PM

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

CLASSIC COUNTRY & GOSPEL JAM SILVER SPRING, MD

2ND SUNDAY • 2-5 PM

The Sunday jam welcomes a wide range of musical abilities and acoustic instruments including (but not limited to) guitar,

fiddle banjo, mandolin, bass, Dobro, harmonica, cello & auto-harp—as well as the human voice. 9819 Capitol View Ave., 20910. Playlist & directions: www.SundayJam.org; Questions: Dorie Hightower 301-706-763

CABOMA JAM • ANNANDALE, VA

2ND AND 4TH SUNDAYS • 2 PM

Capitol Area Bluegrass and Old-Time Music Association holds jams at Lyon Park Community Center, 414 N. Fillmore St (at Pershing Dr.), Arlington VA 22201. Info: Don at 703-522-1696 or www.caboma.org.

REVELS PUB SING - FALLS CHURCH, VA

SUNDAY, MARCH 13 • 7-9 PM

Revels-style singing, so bring your voices, to Ireland's Four Provinces, 105 W. Broad St., 22046. Adv \$20/teens \$15/kids \$10; Door (if available) \$23/teens 18/kids \$13; info, tickets: revelsdc.org

JAMS/OPEN MICS/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION continued

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

Singing is followed by a potluck supper. Location is a small schoolhouse behind the Community Building, 17801 Meetinghouse Rd, 20860 (about 10 miles west of Laurel). Info: Dave Greene at **301-570-3283** or **dgreene@all-systems.com** to confirm.

VIENNA/OAKTON SHAPE NOTE SING • OAKTON, VA
3RD SUNDAYS • 5-7:30 PM

Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter Mill Rd, 22124, in classroom 3/4. Info: John at 540-955-2660 or **jdelre@visuallink.com** or visit **dcshapenote.square-space.com**.

SCOTTISH JAM • ALEXANDRIA, VA
4TH SUNDAYS • 2-5 PM

John Strongbow's Tavern, 710 King St., 22314. Info: Peter@boghadubh@gmail.com or **dcscottishsession.blogspot.com**. Info on venue: **johnstrongbows.com**.

*Mondays***BALKAN SINGING • TAKOMA PARK, MD**
MONDAYS • 8 PM

Informal singing group, *Sedenka*, meets in to sing Balkan village songs. Interested novices welcome. Info: Katya at **301-270-4175** or **Katya@partan.com**.

DC BLUEGRASS UNION VFW JAM • TAKOMA PARK, MD
1ST AND 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: Barb Diederich at **301-633-2504** or **barb@barbdiederich.com**.

COMMUNITY SING AT REVELS • SILVER SPRING, MD
MONDAY, MARCH 21 • 6:30-8:30 PM

Revels and Carpe Diem Arts sponsor a monthly community sing. All ages welcome. No experience necessary. Bring refreshments and songs to share if you wish. March theme: Welcoming the Spring; Celts & Ceilidhs; Women's History Month. Songs, snacks and celebrations of March birthdays at 7:30pm. Free will donations. Revels Studio Space, 531 Dale Dr, 20910. Info: Jo Rasi, **jrsi@revelsdc.org** or **301-587-3835**.

SEA CHANTEY OPEN PUB SING • WHEATON, MD
1ST MONDAYS • 8-10 PM

The Ship's Company chanteymen host open mic chantey sings. No cover or minimum; arrive early for a table. Participation encouraged but not mandatory. Requests honored if possible. Mostly a *cappella* but instruments are welcome. Limerick Pub, 11301 Elkin St, 20902. Info: Myron Peterson at **ructic@yahoo.com** or **ShipsCompany.org**.

*Tuesdays***CAPITAL ACCORD CHORUS • SILVER SPRING, MD**
TUESDAYS: 7:30-10 PM

This winter, beat the "cabin fever blues!" Sing with the Capital Accord Chorus, an all-women's a capella group singing in the barbershop style. Free and open rehearsals, Tuesday nights, 7:30-10:00 pm. We meet at Northwood High School in the Chorus Room (new location), 919 University Blvd. West, **1-301-392-7664** or **admin@capitalaccord.org**

**RESTON/HERNDON FOLK CLUB**
HERNDON, VA
TUESDAYS • 7:15 PM

At Amphora Diner Deluxe, 1151 Elden St, 20170. Open mic format. Doors open at 6. Second Tuesday includes 25-minute member showcase. Third Tuesday often features monthly concerts, price varies. Info: **703-435-2402** or **RestonHerndonFolkClub.com**.

DC SHAPE NOTE SING • WASHINGTON, DC
3RD TUESDAYS • 7-9:30 PM

We sing from both *The Sacred Harp* and *Shenandoah Harmony*. Loaners available and books for sale. Everyone is welcome to bring snacks and friends. Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church, 201 4th St SE, 20003. Enter side door, left of the main steps. Street parking possible; church is 10 minutes from Capitol South and Eastern Market Metro stations, or 20 minutes from Union Station. Info: John at **540-955-2660** or **dcshapenote.squarespace.com**.

OLD-TIME JAM • BALTIMORE, MD
ALTERNATE TUESDAYS • 7:30-10:30 PM

Ken and Brad Kolodner lead the Baltimore Old-Time Jam at Liam Flynn's, 22 W. North Ave, 21201. Info: **KenAndBrad.com**.

*Wednesdays***SEA CHANTEY OPEN PUB SING • 3 LOCATIONS**
2ND, 3RD, AND 4TH WEDNESDAYS • 8-10 PM

The Ship's Company chanteymen host open mic chantey sings. Participation encouraged but not mandatory. Requests honored if possible. Info: Myron Peterson at **ructic@yahoo.com** or **ShipsCompany.org**.

March

- 9 Wharf Rat**, 801 S Anne St. (Fell's Pt.), Baltimore, 21231
- 16 Galway Bay**, 63 Maryland Ave., Annapolis, 21401
- 23 Laughing Man Tavern**, 1306 G St NW, Washington, DC 20005

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**

JAMS/OPEN MICS/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION continued

CARPE DIEM WOMEN'S SONG CIRCLE SILVER SPRING, MD

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16 • 7-9:30 PM

Song leaders: **Mary Amato, Molly Hickman, Emma Kaufman, Busy Graham, Corinne Ducey** — from Carpe Diem A Cappella. Diverse traditions of song from America, Bulgaria, Africa, shape-note hymns, rounds, and more. A potpourri of all-time favorites! Requested contribution: \$15-30+ (tax-deductible). Proceeds will benefit Carpe Diem Arts outreach to under-served communities and financial aid fund for language immersion arts summer camps. Revels Studio Space, 531 Dale Dr, 20910. Silver Spring, MD 20910. RSVP: busy-graham@gmail.com or **301-466-0183**.

CAJUN JAM • GREENBELT, MD 4TH WEDNESDAYS • 7-9 PM

Monthly open Cajun jam and dance. New Deal Café, 113 Centerway, 20770. Info: **301-474-5642** or newdealcafe.com. Check website to confirm.

Thursdays

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 pub-style fellowship. The Limerick Pub, at the corner of Elkin and Price, 11301 Elkin St, 20902. Venue Info: thelimerickpub.net.

UKES ON THE MOVE JAM SESSION • TAKOMA PARK, MD THURSDAY, MARCH 17 • 7-8:30 PM

Monthly jam session, third Thursdays. All levels, instruments welcome (especially ukuleles!) Essex House, 7777 Maple Ave., 20912. Info: michellemosher@carpediemarts.org or www.carpediemarts.org

Fridays

UKES ON THE MOVE JAM SESSION • SILVER SPRING, MD FRIDAY, MARCH 25 • 7-8:30 PM

Monthly jam session, fourth Fridays. All levels, instruments welcome (especially ukuleles!) Park Montgomery, 8860 Piney Branch Rd., Silver Spring, MD 20901. Info: MichelleMosher@CarpeDiemArts.org or www.carpediemarts.org.

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 OpenBandOnline.com. The site works best using iTunes on a PC or a Mac. Info: 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 acousticblues.com.

WASHINGTON'S SPELMANSLAG SILVER SPRING KENSINGTON MD

2ND AND 4TH SATURDAYS 2:30-4:30 PM

Open rehearsals for a small orchestra playing traditional Swedish music. Info at Juliaborland3250@gmail.com.

IRISH HERITAGE FESTIVAL • ROCKVILLE, MD SATURDAY, MARCH 26 • 2-4:30 PM

Festive and rollicking day of Irish dance and music followed by a traditional jam session. Featuring: **Jeffrey Herbert** on guitar and vocals, **The Bog Band**, a local group of young talented traditional musicians, and **Culkin School of Traditional Dance** and **Shannon Dunne Dance**, performing traditional dance. Join in the open jam session. Aspen Hill Library, 4407 Aspen Hill Road, 20853. Free. Info: **240-773-9410**.

SHAPE NOTE SINGING • BERRYVILLE, VA 1ST SATURDAYS • 4-8 PM

Shape note singers will gather at Josephine School Museum, 303 Josephine St. Potluck supper (picnic style, no kitchen facilities). Info: shenandoahharmony.com, dcshapenote.square-space.com, or call John or Kelly at **540-955-2660**.

BEATLES SINGALONG • LEESBURG, VA MARCH 19 (3RD SATURDAYS) • 7-10 PM

Do you love the Beatles music? Sing along with other Beatles fans as we sing all their great songs. Lyrics sheets provided. Other acoustic instruments welcome. 601 Catocline Circle NE, 20176. Free parking. \$2 suggested donation. Info Lawrence Brand at **301-639-7608** or Lawrence@RLBrand.com.

Storytelling

THE GRAPEVINE • WASHINGTON, DC WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9 • 7:30-9:00 PM

The Grapevine is home for first-rate storytelling and storytellers of all styles. Hosted by **Tim Livengood**, with featured tellers **Michael Parent** and **Noa Baum** at Busboys and Poets in Takoma Park, 235 Carroll St NW, Washington, DC 20012. Food and drink available. Suggested donation of \$10 per person goes to the featured tellers (feel free to donate more!). "Like" The Grapevine on Facebook at GrapevineStorytelling. Details: **301-587-3558** or grapevinetakoma@gmail.com.

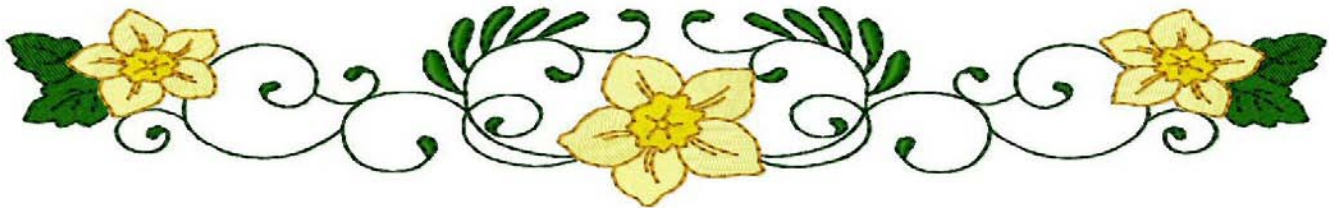
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UPPER POTOMAC SPRING MUSIC WEEKEND SHEPHERDSTOWN, WV

FRIDAY, MARCH 11- SUNDAY, MARCH 13

Workshops, classes, concerts and jam sessions for hammered dulcimer, fiddle, banjo and mixed instruments with special guest instructors including hammered dulcimer players **Ann Lough, Ruth Smith, Bob Shank, Nick Blanton,** and **Ma-**

rina Albergo; plus old-time fiddle champion, **Erynn Marshall** and **Carl Jones** on banjo and guitar, teaching an old-time music class. All classes are held in the relaxed retreat atmosphere of the Shepherd University campus center at 210 N. King St., Shepherdstown, WV, and the surrounding historic buildings. For more information see the webpage at upperpotomacmusic.info/dulcimerfest/index.html info, call **304-263-2531** or email upperpotomac@gmail.com.



2016 Mid-Winter Mini-Fest Thank You!

Mini-Fest 2016 was a delightful day full of fabulous music and energetic dance, fascinating storytelling and joyful jamming. FSGW would like to offer special thanks to:

- * The programmers – **Charlie Baum, April Blum, Martha Burns, Tim Livengood, Heather and Mike Livingston, Janie Meneely, and Lisa Null.** They were responsible for the wonderful range of workshops and performances in the gyms, all of the classrooms and the Cafetorium.
- * The sound technicians, whose expertise made the fine music in the Gyms and the Cafetorium clear and crisp: **David Eisner, Dan Kahn, Van Mertz, Charlie Pilzer, Jamie Platt, and Mike Rivers.**
- * The Takoma Park Middle School staff.
- * Crafts coordinator **Candy Madigan** and the vendors.
- * Green Room coordinators **Fred and Janet Stollnitz and Jerry Blum.**
- * **The Takoma Park Subway crew,** and **Marie Genovese** and her charming students – who sold wonderful French pastries and coffee.
- * **House of Musical Traditions,** for coordinating the sale of performer CDs.
- * The logistics volunteers and daytime volunteers.
- * **Steve Tuttle** for his wonderful photographs.

Mark your calendars now for Saturday, February 4, 2017!



Chesapeake Dance Weekend

April 8 - 10, 2016



FSGW's 34th annual Chesapeake Dance Weekend takes place at Camp Letts in Edgewater, MD (20 minutes south of Annapolis), on the shores of the Rhode River. There's a variety of daytime dance and music workshops. Evenings will be filled with contras, squares, and more, all danced on a fine wood floor. Dormitory-style cabins sleep 8-12 in bunk beds (or bring your tent). Teens will be housed with their adult companions.

The Stringrays with Lisa Greenleaf. This hard-driving ensemble is dedicated to every kind of tune – raucous to sublime, playful to tender: **Rodney Miller** (fiddle), **Max Newman** (guitar), and **Stuart Kenney** (bass, banjo). Boston-based caller **Lisa Greenleaf's** high spirits and rich repertoire will guarantee a good time.

The Hogwire Stringband with Larry Edelman. American roots music – superb fiddling and rich harmonies: **Brad Leftwich** (fiddle, banjo), **Linda Higginbotham** (guitar), **Abby Ladin** (bass), and **Joel Lensch** (guitar). Caller **Larry Edelman** has taught and called at dozens of dance camps and festivals, and CDW is delighted that he can join us.

French Dance. **Susan Kevra** and **Lynn Baumeister** will be teaching French mazurkas, schottisches, waltzes, and bourrées, with music by **Leslie Barr** (fiddle) and **Jeremiah McLane** (accordion).

You may register by mail (send a check with your filled-out application form) or online (visit ChesapeakeDanceWeekend.org). You will receive a confirmation email and follow-up emails with directions and details. The fee covers the program, accommodations, and meals.

- \$225 for FSGW members postmarked before 2/6/16.
- \$245 for FSGW members postmarked on or after 2/7/16.
- \$260 for non-FSGW members (you may join FSGW by mail or online and pay the member fee).
- \$160 for 13-25 year old dancers. (Dancers 13-17 must be accompanied by a paying adult guardian.)

Additional fine print: No part-time registrants; no walk-ins; all registrants must be 13 or older. Refunds (minus a \$25 handling fee) will be made if you cancel before March 12. On or after March 12, refunds will be made only if we can fill your slot. A \$50 reduction is available if you can work for 4 hours. Contact registrar@chesapeakeweekend.org for more information.

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Make checks payable to FSGW and send your application and check to Chesapeake Dance Weekend, c/o Michal Warshow, 1725 N. Nelson St., Arlington, VA 22207.



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1 Year	<input type="checkbox"/> \$33	<input type="checkbox"/> \$33+ \$6	<input type="checkbox"/> \$45	<input type="checkbox"/> \$45 + \$6
2 Years	<input type="checkbox"/> \$62	<input type="checkbox"/> \$62+ \$12	<input type="checkbox"/> \$85	<input type="checkbox"/> \$85 + \$12
3 Years	<input type="checkbox"/> \$91	<input type="checkbox"/> \$91+ \$18	<input type="checkbox"/> \$125	<input type="checkbox"/> \$125 + \$18
Lifetime	\$550 (no charge for paper)		\$800 (no charge for paper)	
Student	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	Student membership is electronic newsletter only.		
Paper	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	Paper newsletter memberships are only for those outside of the Greater Washington area. The subscription includes no member privileges.		

Name 1 _____
(Principal contact for membership, ballots, etc.)

Additional Names _____
(Family memberships only)

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Name 1: H: _____ - _____ - _____ W: _____ - _____ - _____

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