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FSGW: Monthly Program

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M.S.G. Acoustic Blues Trio Friday, July 14 8-10 pm

M.S.G. kicked off the evening concert at this year's FSGW Midwinter Festival with rousing call-and-response songs, heartfelt originals, and old-school Piedmont blues. Guitarist Miles Spicer, vocalist/percussionist Resa Gibbs, and multi-instrumentalist Jackie Merritt (harmonica, bones, bass ukulele) can raise the roof, make you laugh, and make you weep. Their fourth CD, The Flood (2016), received a first-round nomination for the Grammy Award for Best Traditional Blues Album. Seekers Church, 276 Carroll St NW, 20012 (Metro: Takoma). \$20; members \$10.

FSGW: Concert Alexandria, VA

Sam Gleaves & Tyler Hughes CD release Friday, July 21 • 6:30-8:30 pm



Appalachian author Lee Smith calls **Sam Gleaves** "courageous as hell and country to the bone . . . the best young songwriter around." Peggy Seeger said of his 2015 debut album, "I keep very few albums that I am given. This one's a keeper." A protégé of Sheila Kay Adams, he has performed with Peggy

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Heather Livingston, editor

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Seeger, John McCutcheon, Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer, and the Berea College Bluegrass Ensemble and on Saro Lynch-Thomason's Blair Pathways compilation of the music of the West Virginia mining wars. There are probably some instruments he doesn't play, but they're not banjo, guitar, fiddle, dulcimer or autoharp. Tyler Hughes has performed solo at Mountain Stage and Carter Fold and with the Empty Bottle String Band. Traditional musician Rich Kirby says "Tyler plays the music of his native Southwest Virginia with the kind of knowledge, respect, and affection that speaks of a deep understanding of who and where the music came from. With folks like Tyler on the scene, I know our music is in good hands." At the Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St, 22314. \$15 suggested donation.

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- 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. E.g., Classes [Month], Concert [Month], Dance [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

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"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."

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- The Editor reserves the right to edit or omit copy as necessary. Ad content must be approved by the Editor.

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FSGW BOARD MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5 · 8 PM WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2 - 8 PM

The monthly FSGW Board meeting will be held in Classroom 201 Arcade Bldg. at Glen Echo Park, MD. All FSGW members may attend. If you wish the Board to consider a particular matter, please contact the appropriate Board member, or April Blum by e-mail, president@fsgw.org, or call afternoons or evenings 301-422-0292 in advance of the meeting.

SUNDAYS

Concerts

FSGW House Concert

Takoma Park, MD

Judy Cook

Songs from American heritage Sunday, July 23 · 4–7 pm

A longtime FSGW performer before moving to the Midwest, **Judy** has recorded four CDs of American heritage and Anglo-American folk music, including Civil War and 1812 collections. A featured guest at the upcoming 2017 FSGW Getaway, Judy also hosts *Glad4Trad* (3–4 pm EST Wednesdays) on WOBC-FM 91.5 in Oberlin, Ohio (and online at **wobc.org/listen**). At **Janie Meneely's**. \$15 suggested donation. RSVP/directions: **program@fsgw.org.**



BIRCHMERE • ALEXANDRIA, VA 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave, 22304 All shows 7:30 pm • birchmere.com

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20 • JONNY LANG Blues rock guitarist & singer; \$69.50

JAMMIN' JAVA • VIENNA, VA 227 Maple Ave E., 22180 • jamminjava.com

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13 • 7 PM • AZTEC TWO-STEP

Classic folk-rockers have new release; \$25/30 + 5:15 pm preconcert Meet & Greet, \$25

JV's RESTAURANT • FALLS CHURCH, VA 6666 Arlington Blvd, 22042 • jvsrestaurant.com

Close to 70 years old, JVs has music every day, usually blues or roots rock. Occasional cover charge, always a bucket; most shows 8 or 8:30 pm; room to dance. 8 pm Open Mics 3 or 4 times a month.

Sundays include **1 pm brunch**, feat. bluegrass or tradjazz. Mostly area musicians, with occasional touring artists.

Norwegian Potluck, Concert, & Dance Takoma Park, MD

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13 • POTLUCK NOON, DANCING 1:30 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. Host phone just in case: Loretta & Tony: 301-270-4925. Info/directions: http://MAND.fanitull.org or Jenny, pi@xecu.net, 301-371-4312.

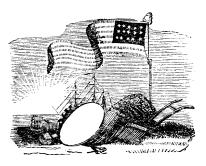
SOUTH AMERICAN FOLK HARP CONCERT • McLean, VA Sunday, July 9 • 3 pm

Featuring Hildo Aguirre Daza, internationally acclaimed performer of evocative and lyrical arpa llanera (harp of the plains) and director of a traditional music and dance school in Bogotá, Colombia. Langley Hill Friends Meeting House, 6410 Georgetown Pike, 22101 (5 minutes from the Beltway or George Washington Parkway). Donations benefit Friends Wilderness Center, a Quaker retreat near Harpers Ferry, WV (friendswilderness.org). Info: Sheila Bach, 304-728-4820 or snbach@earthlink.net.

Washington Balalaika Society • Manassas, VA Sunday, July 2 • 3-4:30 pm

Free concert and ice cream social. Loy E. Harris Pavilion, 9201 Center St., 20110. Info: harrispavilion.com/index.php/event/sunday-ice-cream-social-washington-balalaika/.

Sunday Dances start on the next page.



FSGW SUNDAY NIGHT DANCES

at Glen Echo Park, MD \cdot Spanish Ballroom Contras and Squares \cdot 7:30–10:30 pm Introductory lesson every Sunday \cdot 7–7:30 pm

Join us for an evening of dancing at Glen Echo Park (7300 MacArthur Blvd, 20812). 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 Roth; 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

July

- Janine Smith with The Ripples Spanish Ballroom Local darling Janine Smith calls with a hot-as-can-be band from the midwest. Ripples of excitement will exude from you as you dance to the incredible sounds of Christopher Wood (guitar and bass), Gabrielle Lanza (percussion), Kristen Planeaux (flute), and Andrew Taylor (fiddle). Come preview this Contrastock-bound band.
- 9 April Blum with Zeke's Fancy Bumper Car Pavilion
 After wowing us last year, Zeke's Fancy returns for another amazing
 night of contra dancing. Zeke Hutchinson (mandolin), Mark Barsamian
 (fiddle), Dave Borowski (guitar), and Nick Weiland (bass) will be joined
 by April Blum calling. April is known for her wry wit and great programming!

16 Mike and Penelope with Narrowminded Naysayers Bumper Car Pavilion

Chris Romaine (fiddle) returns to the bumper car pavilion in the excellent company of Bruce Hutton (guitar), Kate Brett (banjo), and Kevin Enoch (bass). Mike Lentz and Penelope Weinberger will split the calling for a great night of old-time music, contras, and a few fast-paced squares thrown in!

23 Greg Frock with Contra Rebels • Bumper Car Pavilion
Two fiddles and a guitar will fill the air as Todd Clewell and Barb
Schmid bow and Henry Koretzky picks. A fine night of dancing is in

30 Contraforce • Bumper Car Pavilion

Rona Weiner calls when the inimitable *Contraforce* returns to Glen Echo with their multicultural sound and driving beat. It's **Andrae Raffield** (effected/looped/slayed fiddle, pedal bass synth, guitar), **Jimi Peirano** (looped acoustic/electric guitar, chaos pad), and **Joey Dorwart** (looped heavy hand/foot percussion, tabla, saxophone).





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FSGW SUNDAY NIGHT DANCES CONTINUED

August

Sue Gola with Cabaret Sauvignon • Bumper Car PavilionThe joint is jumping with **Andrea Hoag** (fiddle), **Karen Ashbrook** (hammered dulcimer, wooden flute), **Dave Wiesler** (piano, guitar), and **Paul Oorts** (button accordion, mandolin, banjo, guitar). **Sue Gola** comes from Philadelphia to call.



No idea who's playing or calling this date, but it's gonna be a hot one! Any thoughts on who you'd like, email: dance@fsgw.org.

20 Perry Shafran with Backstep Cindy Bumper Car Pavilion

A powerful, experienced old-time string band playing square and contra dances. **Sandy Hofferth** (fiddle), **Howard Zane** (banjo), **Joe Langley** (guitar), and **Art Abrams** (bass). **Perry Shafran** brings his attentive, fun calling.



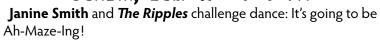


27 Emily Rainbowface Abel calls with Graham DeZarn and friends Bumper Car Pavilion

Emily Rainbowface Abel makes her not-to-be-missed Glen Echo calling debut! Touted as a brilliant rising caller, it's going to be an incredible night! Only **Graham** knows who's joining him, but with the company he keeps we trust it's gonna be hot! **Graham DeZarn** fiddles, while assorted talented others strum, pick, pluck, and beat.



FSGW: CHALLENGE DANCE · GLEN ECHO, MD SUNDAY, JULY 2 · 3-6 PM



A typical challenging session features dances with figures that might not be regularly encountered in an evening of dance. So be ready to challenge your brain and feet with star-thru contra corners, backward progressions, left-hand chains, and other odd delights. You will advance your dance practice, be it through

learning new moves, getting smoother on infrequent ones, or helping others to do so. Mostly it's a chance to dance your best and have fun! Informal potluck to follow, see you on the dance floor!



Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, 7300 Macarthur Blvd, 20812. Admission: \$10 for FSGW, BFMS, CDSS, and ATDS Members; \$5 students (with student ID if over 17); \$13 for the general public. Info: **Penelope Weinberger** or **Steve Roth**, **dance@fsgw.org**.

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

Sundays continued



FSGW FAMILY DANCE · GLEN ECHO, MD SUNDAY, JULY 9 (NO DANCE IN AUGUST) · 3-5 PM

Zeke's Fancy plays some lively tunes. The boys from Appalachia will tear it up while **Penelope Pineapple** returns to call. Glen Echo Ballroom Annex, 7300 Macarthur Blvd, 20812. \$5 for ages 4 and older. Info: Penelope Weinberger or Steve Roth, dance@fsgw.org.



Dance

Afternoon Waltz • Glen Echo, MD Sundays • 3:30 pm • Beginner Lesson 2:45 pm

Join us for an afternoon of waltzing! The band will play a lively mix of folk waltzes with other couples dances, including hambo, swing, tango, and polka. Beginner lesson from 2:45 to 3:30 pm. No partner required. Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom, 7300 MacArthur Blvd, 20812. \$10. Info: waltztimedances. org or 301-634-2222.

July

- Valse Impressions with Edith Coakley Stowe (fiddle), Carrie Rose (flute), Liz Donaldson (piano), and **Ralph Gordon** (bass)
- 23 Trio with Liz Donaldson (piano), David Knight (fiddle), and Carrie Rose (flute).

August

- Cabaret Sauvignon with Andrea Hoag (fiddle), Karen Ashbrook (hammered dulcimer, wooden flute), Dave Wiesler (piano, guitar), and Paul Oorts (button accordion, mandolin, banjo, guitar)
- 20 Waltz du Jour with Alexander Mitchell (fiddle), Ralph Gordon (bass), and Liz Donaldson (piano)

GWCC Ceili • College Park, MD

The Greater Washington Ceili Club (GWCC) dance will return in September. Have a great summer! Info: 301-512-4480 or gwcc-online.org.

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Participatory Performing Groups

MASON DIXON BORDER MORRIS • ADELPHI, MD SOME SUNDAYS • 12-2 PM

Possibly the oldest and most fictitious morris team in North America. Gender irrelevant, steampunk a plus. Practices usually twice a month at Ballroom Blum. Info: blgraham_99@ yahoo.com or facebook.com/masondixonbordermorris.

Sings, Jams, and Open Mics

FSGW GOSPEL SING

SUNDAY, JULY 9 AND SUNDAY, AUGUST 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 6 pm, with more singing after supper until 8 pm. Everyone is welcome!

July's Gospel Sing will take place at the home of Karen Smith in Kensington, MD. Info/directions: kwren.smith@ gmail.com or 240-338-0180.

August's Gospel Sing will take place at the home of **Debbie Churchman** in Arlington, VA. Info/directions: dchurchm@yahoo.com or 540-467-3455.

FSGW SHAPE NOTE SINGING ALEXANDRIA, VA Sunday, July 23 and Sunday, August 27 • 4 pm

Every fourth Sunday, singers explore the rich traditions in The Sacred Harp (1991) and Shenandoah Harmony (2013), with unaccompanied four-part singing fueled by a potluck supper. Loaner books are available, and all are welcome. The singing takes place upstairs in room 19 and the supper from 6-7 on the ground level of the Fellowship Hall of the First Christian Church of Alexandria, 2723 King St, 22302 (about a mile out from the Metro & Amtrak stations & GW Memorial). Info: madaly@verizon.net or 301-229-8534.

Sundays continued

Acoustic Jam • Annapolis, MD Sundays • 9 am-11:45 am

Back room at 49 West Coffeehouse, 49 West St, 21401, 49westcoffeehouse.com Info: ken.i.mayer@gmail.com.

BLUEGRASS OPEN JAM • BRUNSWICK, MD 2ND AND 4TH SUNDAYS, 3-6 PM

Beginners welcome. Feel free to join the group and enjoy lively homegrown music the way it was meant to be. Great for listening, too. Beans in the Belfry, 122 W Potomac St, 21716. Info: **301-834-7178**.

BLUEGRASS JAM • HERNDON, VA 1st and 3rd Sundays, 1-4 pm

Frying Pan Park, 2709 W Ox Rd, 20171. Held outdoors in summer months, in the Country Store in winter months. Info/directions: **703-437-9101**.

CABOMA JAM • ARLINGTON, VA 2ND AND 4TH SUNDAYS • 2-6 PM

Capital Area Bluegrass & Old-Time Music Association holds jams at Lyon Park Community Center, 414 N. Fillmore St (at Pershing Dr), 22201. Slow Jam, 2–3 pm; Regular Jam continues until 6 pm. Info: **Don, 703-522-1696** or **caboma.org**.

CLASSIC COUNTRY & GOSPEL JAM • SILVER SPRING, MD 2ND SUNDAYS • 2-5 PM

The Sunday jam welcomes a wide range of musical abilities and acoustic instruments, as well as voice. Playlist, directions, info: **Dorie Hightower**, **301-706-7633**, **Sundaylam.org**.

DC BLUEGRASS UNION • WASHINGTON, DC 1ST SUNDAYS • 11 AM TO 2 PM (BLUEGRASS JAM) 3RD SUNDAYS • 11 AM TO 2 PM (BLUEGRASS & COUNTRY JAM)

The Mansion, 2020 O St NW, 20036 (Dupont Circle Metro). Info: Mike Marceau, mikemarceau@juno.com.

OLD-TIME JAM • RICHMOND, VA SUNDAYS, 2-5 PM

Bluegrass/Old-Time stringed instruments only. Cary Street Café, 2631 West Cary St, 23220. Info/directions: **804-353-7445**.

OLD-TIME OPEN JAM • BRUNSWICK, MD 1st and 3rd Sundays • 3-5 pm

With **Old-Time Frederick**. Open to all with a fiddle, banjo, mandolin, or guitar that wish to join an open group for merry music-making. Great listening pleasure. Beans in the Belfry, 122 W Potomac St, 21716. Info: **301-834-7178**.

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

Singing 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, 301-570-3283 or dgreene@all-systems.com

SCOTTISH JAM & GAELIC SONG CIRCLE • ALEXANDRIA, VA 4th Sundays • 1-5 pm

Song circle begins at 1 pm, jam begins at 2 pm. Fiona's Irish Pub, 5810 Kingstowne Center, 22315. Info: dcscottishsession.blogspot.com. Info on venue: info@fionasirishpub.com.

UKULELE JAM • RIVERDALE, MD 1st Sundays • 2-4 pm

Playing music from many different genres; it's just plain fun! Archie Edwards Blues Heritage Foundation, 4701 Queensbury Rd, 20737. Free (donations accepted/encouraged). Info: **UkeJamatArchieEdwards@gmail.com**.

VIENNA/OAKTON SHAPE NOTE SINGING • OAKTON, VA SUNDAY, AUGUST 20 (NO SINGING IN JULY) • 5-7:30 PM

Books: The Shenandoah Harmony and Sacred Harp (1991 Denison edition). Bring a snack to share. Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax (Classroom 1), 2709 Hunter Mill Rd, 22124. Info: John, 540-955-2660 or jdelre@visuallink.com or dcshapenote.squarespace.com.



MONDAYS

Concerts

BIRCHMERE • ALEXANDRIA, VA 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave, 22304 All shows 7:30 pm • birchmere.com

BILLY BRAGG + OPENER SONIA MONDAY, JULY 24

Singer/songwriters: English progressive activist + Baltimore LGTB activist; \$59.50

JAMMIN' JAVA • VIENNA, VA 227 Maple Ave. E, 22180 • jamminjava.com

> Tempest Monday, July 31 • 7:30 pm

Celtic rock since 1988; \$20

WOLF TRAP, FILENE CENTER • VIENNA, VA 1551 Trap Rd, 22182 • wolftrap.org

JOHN MELLENCAMP "SAD CLOWNS & HILLBILLIES TOUR"
MONDAY, JULY 3 • 7:30 PM

Noted Americana singer/songwriter + Emmylou Harris & Carlene Carter open; \$45–125

Mondays continued

Dances

BFMS 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 Mondays at 7:45 pm. St. Mark's on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Rd, 21208. \$11; BFMS/ATDS/FSGW/CDSS members, \$8; \$2 student discount. Info: **Sharon McKinley**, **410-660-9147** or **engdance@bfms.org**.

July

- Free New Dancer Orientation at 7:45.

 Bob Farrall calls to the music of Elke Baker and Carl Friedman (dueling violins), and Robin Wilson (flute, concertina)
- 10 Ann Fallon calls the figures to the music of Tina Chancey (violin), Marty Taylor (winds, concertina), and Jonathan Jensen (piano and more)
- 17 Tom Spilsbury will be the caller; music provided by Becky Ross (violin), Dave Crandall (winds), and Liz Donaldson (piano)
- 24 April Blum calls to the big band sound of the Geud Band of Baltimore
- 31 Emily Aubrey calls the figures to the music of Jeff Steinberg (violin), Mark Vidor (accordion), and Judy Meyers (piano)

August

- 7 Free New Dancer Orientation at 7:45.
 Hilton Baxter calls to the music of Tina Chancey (violin), Robin Wilson (flute, concertina), and Judy Meyers (piano)
- 14 Carl Friedman calls the figures to the music of Becky Ross (violin), Steve Epstein (clarinet), and Judy Meyers (piano)
- 21 Sharon McKinley will be the caller; music provided by Emily Aubrey (violin), Barbara Gorin (other strings), and Judy Meyers (piano)
- 28 Ann Fallon calls the figures to the music of Emily Aubrey (violin), Robin Wilson (flute, concertina), and Judy Meyers (piano)

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 pm, Intermediate/Advanced 8–10 pm (requests from 9:15–10 pm). No partner needed. All levels of experience welcome. Adults over 16. Mostly recorded music; wonderful wood floor. Jane Lawton Community Ctr, 4301 Willow Ln, 20815. \$7. Info: Phyllis or Brandon, 301-871-8788 or DiamondDanceCircle.com; or DiamondDanceCircle@comcast.net.

BETHESDA SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE • BETHESDA, MD Mondays (no dance July 3) • 8-10 pm

National Institutes of Health Building T-39 (Dance and Aerobic Center). Call or email in advance for directions. Drop-in fee, \$5. Info: John MacLeod, 301-622-5945, blackolav@gmail.com, or rscds-greaterdc.org.

Sings, Jams, and Open Mics

BALKAN SINGING • TAKOMA PARK, MD MONDAYS • 8 PM

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

DC Bluegrass Union Jam • Takoma Park, MD 1st and 3rd Mondays • 7-10 pm

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 350, 6420 Orchard Ave, 20912 (corner of Orchard and 4th, just a few blocks from the intersection of New Hampshire and Eastern). Info: VFW Post 350, **301-270-8008** or Barb Diederich at **Barb@BarbDiederich.com**.

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6666 Arlington Blvd, 22042; **jvsrestaurant.com** Close to 70 years old, JVs has live music every day, usually blues or roots rock; occasional cover charge, always a bucket; most shows 8 or 8:30 pm; room to dance

EVERY MONDAY, 8:30 PM: WOLF'S BLUES JAM

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 welcome. Limerick Pub, 11301 Elkin St, 20902. Info: Myron Peterson, ructic@yahoo.com or ShipsCompany.org.

TEAVOLVE CAFE • BALTIMORE, MD MONDAYS • 7 PM

Open Mic Showcases hosted by **Rob Hinkal**. Teavolve Cafe & Lounge, 1401 Aliceanna St, 21231. Info: **Rob Hinkal**, **410-522-1907** or **facebook.com/teavolvecafe/**.

TOUCHED BY SONG GOSPEL JAM • HERNDON, VA 3rd Mondays, 7:30-9 pm

Acoustic circle jam. Share favorite gospel, hymns, or praise songs or just play along. Open to all ages and skill levels. Floris United Methodist Church, 13600 Frying Pan Rd, 20171. Info: debbie@touchedbysongs.com or dcbu.org.



TUESDAYS

Concerts

FSGW: House Concert Takoma Park, MD

Elias Alexander Band

Tuesday, July 11 · 8 pm (doors, 7:30 pm)

Elias Alexander, last seen in these parts as half of the *New Millennium Jelly Rollers*, returns with **Ryan McKasson** and **Colin Cotter**, bringing raucous Scottish tunes "played with feeling and skill," according to the *Green Man Review*—"top-notch Scottish tradition with lots of contemporary influences." At **Janie Meneely's**. \$15 suggested donation. RSVP/directions: **program@fsgw.org**.



FSGW: House Concert Takoma Park, MD



Nicole Singer Tuesday, July 18 • 8–10 pm

Nicole learned her first sea chanteys and forebitters as a crew member on the schooner *Mystic Whaler*, the seagoing classroom operated by Pete Seeger's Clearwater Foundation. Her first CD, *Long Hot Summer Days*, was released last fall, and along with Julia Friend, she literally wrote the book on song circles, the Country Dance and Song Society's *Folk Song Starter Kit*. At **Janie Meneely's**. \$15 suggested donation. RSVP/directions: **program@fsgw.org**.

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STEVE EARLE & THE DUKES
TUESDAY, JULY 18

Texas classic folk/rock/Americana; *The Mastersons* open; \$59.50

JV's RESTAURANT • FALLS CHURCH, VA 6666 Arlington Blvd, 22042 • jvsrestaurant.com

Close to 70 years old, JVs has music every day, usually blues or roots rock Occasional cover charge, always a bucket; most shows 8 or 8:30 pm; room to dance 8 pm Open Mics 3 or 4 times a month.

Tuesday, July 18: Mark Wenner (of *The Nighthawks*) & *The Blues Warriors*

Classes

SCANDINAVIAN DANCE CLASSES • BETHESDA, MD TUESDAYS, JULY 11 & 18 • 7:30-9:30 PM TUESDAYS, AUGUST 8, 15, 22, & 29 • 7:30-9:30 PM

Beginning and advanced dancers welcome. Learn hambo, schottis, polskas, springars, and other Swedish and Norwegian couple-turning dances, including requests. Wear smooth-soled shoes (leather soles are best) for turning, not running shoes. \$5. First time free. Info: Lynn Walker at 301-834-4020, lisa@HamboDC.org, or Hambodc.org.

Dances

GREENBELT SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE • GREENBELT, MD Tuesdays • 8-10 pm

Dance all year 'round at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd, 20770. \$8. Info: **Jay Andrews**, **703-719-0596** or **andrewj@rcn.com**.

Tuesdays continued

CONTRA SONIC · GLEN ECHO, MD

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29 · 8-11 PM (LESSON AT 7:30)



The Second Summer Sonic! Emily Rainbowface Abel will call some trance-y dances to hot beats and rhythms and rhymes of pop, techno, trance, and electronic dance music provided by Beats and Tea (Jakob Raitzyk). Wrap up your summer with this night of alternative music for contras—glowsticks a distinct possibility. Glen Echo Ballroom Annex, Glen Echo Park, 7300 Macarthur Blvd, 20812. \$8; \$6 for FSGW/ BFMS/CDSS/ATDS members/students. Info: Penelope Weinberger or Steve Roth, dance@fsgw.org.

Instruction from 7 to 7:45 pm. 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. Adults, \$8; Students, \$6. Info: Mike Fox, 240-424-0805 or markidmike.com.

ISRAELI DANCING • CHEVY CHASE, MD

Tuesdays • 7-10:30 PM

Participatory Performing Groups

CAPITAL ACCORD CHORUS • SILVER SPRING, MD Tuesdays • 7:30-10 pm

Come sing with us this summer! The Capital Accord Chorus, an all-women's a cappella group singing in the barbershop style, welcomes visitors every Tuesday night for free and open rehearsals. Northwood HS Chorus Room, 919 University Blvd W, 20901. Info: 1-301-392-SONG (7664), admin@capitalaccord.org, or capitalaccord.org.

Sings, Jams, and Open Mics

FSGW-cosponsored: CIRCLE OF LIFE SONG CIRCLE ROCKVILLE, MD 1st & 3rd Tuesdays • 1-2:30 pm

Cosponsored by the Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington's Coming of Age in Maryland Program and FSGW. 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. Words will be provided on song sheets—no need to read music. Come for informal singing or just to listen, but do come. Free! 6125 Montrose Rd, 20852. Info or to volunteer: Frieda Enoch, fenoch@jccgw.org or Liz Milner, lizmilner@mindspring.com.

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

We sing from both The Sacred Harp and Shenandoah Harmony. Loaner books available and books for sale. Everyone 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; 10 minutes from Capitol South and Eastern Market Metros; 20 minutes from Union Station). Info: Brenda Dunlap, 202-425-5264 or dcshapenote. squarespace.com.

GYPSY SALLY'S, WASHINGTON, DC 3401 K St., NW, 20007 • gypsysallys.com Free Open Mic most Tuesdays upstairs in Vinyl Lounge • 8 pm

OLD-TIME JAM • BALTIMORE, MD ALTERNATE TUESDAYS, JULY 11 & 25 AND AUGUST 8 & 22 • 7-10:30 PM

Ken and Brad Kolodner lead the Baltimore Old-Time Jam at The Five and Dime Ale House, 901 West 36th St, 21211. Info: KenandBrad.com or Baltimore Old Time Jam Facebook page.

OPEN MIC • FALLS CHURCH, VA 1st Tuesdays • 8 pm

Hosted by Crazy After Midnight. JV's Restaurant, 6666 Arlington Blvd, 22042. Info: 703-241-9504, jvsrest@aol.com, 703-216-0560, or avnocero@gmail.com.

RESTON-HERNDON FOLK CLUB • HERNDON, VA **Tuesdays** • **7:15** PM

Open mic format. Doors open at 6 pm. Second Tuesday includes 25-minute member showcase.

Third Tuesday often features monthly concerts, price varies. Amphora Diner Deluxe, 1151 Elden St. 20170. Info: 703-435-2402 or RestonHerndonFolkClub.com.

Storytelling

WASHINGTON REVELS WORLD STORY TIME SILVER SPRING, MD

Returns in September.

Info: revelsdc.org/revels-kids/revels-world-story-time/.



WEDNESDAYS

Classes

Scottish Dance • Alexandria, VA WEDNESDAYS • 7:30-9:30 PM

Learn Scottish dance at the Durant Center (2 blocks from King Street Metro), 1605 Cameron St, 22314. \$5. Info: elanyi@ cox.net.

Concerts

BIRCHMERE • ALEXANDRIA, VA 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave, 22304 All shows 7:30 pm • birchmere.com

Marcia Ball • Wednesday, August 30

Gulf-coast blues piano and vocal; \$25

HOMEGROWN CONCERTS FROM THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS Washington, DC

Wednesday, July 5 • 12-1 pm

Ledward "Led" Kaapana, master of the two leading string instruments in Hawaii: the Hawaiian ukulele and ki ho'alu, the slack key guitar, a fingerstyle guitar art form that originated in Hawaii. Coolidge Auditorium, Jefferson Bldg, Library of Congress, 1st St & Independence Ave SE, 20540. Free! Cosponsored by the American Folklife Center. Info: Thea Austen, 202-707-1743, loc.gov/folklife. See loc.gov/folklife/ events/index.html for a full listing of wonderful events at The American Folklife Center.

WOLF TRAP, FILENE CENTER

1551 Trap Road, Vienna, VA 22182; www.wolftrap.org Punch Brothers • Wednesday, August 2 • 8 pm

Chris Thile's all-star acoustic lineup with openers I'm with Her and guest Julian Lage; \$30-60

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: English@fsgw.org

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

July

5 Beginner Session starts at 7:30 pm. **Bob Farrall** calls the dances to the music of Dan Gillespie (recorders, pipes), Tina Chancey (fiddle), and Liz Donaldson (piano)

12 Philippe Callens (guest caller from Belgium) calls the dances while Alexander Mitchell (fiddle), Paul Oorts (mandolin, accordion), and Melissa Running (piano) make the music

> **19** Tom Spilsbury calls the dances while Anna Rain (recorders), Bruce Edwards (bassoon, concertina), and Janina O'Brien (piano) play

26 Melissa Running calls to the playing of Susan Brandt (flute), Tom Wright (10-string mandolin), and Liz Donaldson (piano)

August

2 Beginner Session starts at 7:30 pm. Carol Marsh calls the dances to the music of Jeff Steinberg (fiddle), Colleen Reed (flute), and Melissa Running (piano)



Andrea Nettleton calls the dances while Barbara Heitz (flute), Alexander Mitchell (fiddle), and Liz Donaldson (piano) make the

music

16 Anna Rain calls the dances while Becky Ross (fiddle), Lisa Premo (cello), and Liz

Donaldson play

Stephanie Smith calls to the playing of Emily Aubrey (fiddle), Sophie Chang (cello), and Melissa Running (piano)

30 Melissa Running calls while Carrie Rose (flute), Paul Oorts (mandolin, accordion), and Ralph Gordon (cello) play

Wednesdays continued

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

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

July

- 5 Kim Forry calls to the Contra Rebels: Todd Clewell (fiddle), Barb Schmid (fiddle), and Henry Koretzky (guitar).
- 12 New dancer orientation at 7:30 pm.
 Woody Lane calls to Terpsichore: Elke Baker (fiddle), Liz Donaldson (keyboard), and Ralph Gordon (bass).
- 19 Kappy Laning calls to Unbowed: Henry Koretzky (mandolin), Jamie O'Brien (guitar), and LJ Palmer (bodhran and cajon).
- 26 New dancer orientation at 7:30 pm.
 Anna Rain calls to Callithump: Glyn Collinson (mandolin), David Knight (fiddle), and Andrew Marcus (accordion). August

The Wednesday Night Contra continues through August. Please come out and dance! Our August Schedule is available at **bfms.org/squarecontra.php**.

Participatory Performing Groups

ROCK CREEK MORRIS WOMEN • BETHESDA, MD 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: RCMW@uswet.com, or uswet.com/RCMW.html.

WASHINGTON BALALAIKA SOCIETY ORCHESTRA ARLINGTON, VA WEDNESDAYS, 7:30-9:30 PM

We are seeking people who play (or want to learn) balalaika, domra, or bayan/accordion or who play some orchestral wind and percussion instruments to perform the music of Russia, Ukraine, and Eastern Europe. Rehearsals are every Wednesday 7:30–9:30 pm at the Rock Spring Congregational Church, 5010 Little Falls Rd, 22207. Free concert and ice cream social, Sunday, July 2 (3–4:30 pm), at Harris Pavilion, Manassas, VA, 20110. Info: balalaika.org or 703-549-0760.

Sings, Jams, and Open Mics

FSGW-Cosponsored: Schweinhaut Song Circle • Silver Spring, MD

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19 AND WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16 • 1–3 PM Bring kids and grandkids! On the third Wednesday of each month, this song circle provides a daytime opportunity to enjoy great songs, old or new, humorous or serious, timeless or topical. The song circle is about the joy

of singing, not about talent. You don't have to read music, and printed words are provided for songs that have been suggested in advance. Of course, you may lead or request any song, whether or not we have printed words. All are welcome, regardless of age or experience, including instrumental accompanists. Come when you can and leave when you must, but do come to sing or just to listen! Free! Cosponsored by FSGW and Carpe Diem Arts. Margaret Schweinhaut Senior Center, 1000 Forest Glen Rd, 20901. Info/suggest songs in advance: Fred Stollnitz, fstollnitz@comcast.net.

Bluegrass Music Alliance Jam • Martinsburg, WV Wednesdays • 6-9 pm

Musicians of all levels encouraged to come; bluegrass music fans are welcome to listen. Martinsburg Moose Lodge, 201 Woodbury Ave, 25404, **bluegrassmusicalliance.org/local-area-jams/**.

JV's RESTAURANT • FALLS CHURCH, VA

6666 Arlington Blvd, 22042; **jvsrestaurant.com** Close to 70 years old, JVs has live music every day, usually blues or roots rock; occasional cover charge, always a bucket; most shows 8 or 8:30 pm; room to dance. Mostly area musicians, with occasional touring artists.

8 pm Open Mics: Wednesdays, hosted by Bob Hume & Martha Capone Band. Various events, see website for more info.

SEA CHANTEY OPEN PUB SING 2nd (Baltimore), 3rd (Annapolis), and 4th (DC) 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**, **ructic@yahoo.com** or **ShipsCompay.org**.

July

- **12 Wharf Rat**, 801 S Anne St (Fell's Pt), Baltimore, MD 21231
- 19 Galway Bay, 63 Maryland Ave, Annapolis, MD 21401
- **26 Mackey's Public House** (formerly Laughing Man), 1306 G St NW, Washington, DC 20005

August

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

Storytelling

FSGW-cosponsored: The Grapevine • Takoma, DC

Returns in September. "Like" The Grapevine on Facebook at GrapevineStorytelling. Details: 301-587-3558, grapevinetakoma@gmail.com.

THURSDAYS

Classes

GWCC SET & CEILI DANCE CLASS • SILVER SPRING, MD THURSDAYS, JUNE 8 TO AUG 17 7-8 PM (BASICS), 8-9:30 PM (ADVANCED)

The Greater Washington Ceili Club holds weekly adult set & ceili dance classes in a friendly, relaxed—and air-conditioned—environment. No experience or partner needed. Wear comfortable clothes and leather or smooth-soled shoes. The 8 pm classes will explore workshop dances from our 2016–17 season. In addition to weekly instruction, there is a mini-ceili with live music, open to all on August 17 (small donation requested for musicians). Also, look for a special miniceili (different venue) on July 20, cohosted with CCE as part of their MAD Week events. Argyle Park Activities Bldg, 1030 Forest Glen Rd, Silver Spring, MD 20901. \$40/season, register and pay at class, first class free. Info: 301-649-6410, info@gwcc-online.org, or gwcc-online.org.

Concerts

AMP BY STRATHMORE • NORTH BETHESDA, MD 11810 Grand Park Ave, 20852 • ampbystrathmore.com [Strathmore members receive admission discounts]

GAELIC STORM
THURSDAY, JULY 20 • 8 PM

Celtic rock band featured in "The Titanic;" \$40

JOHN HAMMOND
THURSDAY, JULY 27 • 8 PM

Blues legend; \$30-40

BALDWIN'S STATION • SYKESVILLE, MD 7618 Main St, 21784 • shows 8 pm uptownconcerts.org • 410-795-1041

DAVID BUSKIN THURSDAY, JULY 13

Longtime singer and songwriter, folkrock to pop to tv ads; \$20



BIRCHMERE • ALEXANDRIA, VA 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave, 22304 All shows 7:30 pm • birchmere.com

SIERRA HULL Thursday, August 17

Young bluegrass singer/songwriter/mandolinist/guitarist + openers *The Bumper Jacksons Duo* (Jess Eliot Myhre & Chris Ousley) \$25

CARPE DIEM! JUMP START WITH THE ARTS FAMILY FUN NIGHT OUT • SILVER SPRING, MD

Returns in September. Info: carpediemarts.org/family-funnight.

GYPSY SALLY'S • WASHINGTON, DC 3401 K St NW, 20007 • gypsysallys.com

Open Mic most Tuesdays upstairs in Vinyl Lounge; 8 pm, free

Nora Jane Struthers & the Party Line Thursday, July 13 • 8 pm in the main room

Bluegrassy Americana + openers *Virginia Man*, young folkrockers; \$12

THE HAMILTON • WASHINGTON, DC 600 14th St (at F) NW, 20005 • thehamiltondc.com

WALTER TROUT
THURSDAY, AUGUST 17 • 7:30 PM
Blues! + opener TBA; \$15–39.75

BEAUSOLEIL AVEC MICHAEL DOUCET THURSDAY, AUGUST 31 • 7:30 PM

40 years as the best-known Cajun band + opener TBA; \$19.75–29.75

JAMMIN' JAVA • VIENNA, VA 227 Maple Ave E, 22180 • jamminjava.com

> Driftwood + Suitcase Junket Thursday, July 13 • 7:30 pm

Bluegrass-rooted Americana + one-man band; \$15-25

WAYNE HENDERSON AND HELEN WHITE • VIENNA VA THURSDAY, JULY 6 • 7:30 PM

Nottoway Park, 9537 Courthouse Rd, 22181. Free! Info: fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/park-events-calendar.htm or 703-938-7532

Go to GREAT Concerts for FREE!

Go to great concerts for free! Most FSGW concerts rely on volunteers: See the "Details" page of a concert on the calendar at fsgw.org to sign up to volunteer at that event. You get in for free and you get a pass for free admission to a future FSGW concert, dance or workshop with a fixed admission price of \$25 or less.

Dances

FSGW-COSPONSORED: SECOND THURSDAY CONTRA/SQUARE DANCE · SILVER SPRING, MD THURSDAY, JULY 13 & THURSDAY, AUGUST 10 · 7:30-10 Pm

(FREE INTRO WORKSHOP 7 PM)

Great Hall, Silver Spring Civic Bldg, One Veterans Plaza, 20910 (free parking in lot across the street at 801 Ellsworth Dr). Cosponsored by FSGW, Carpe Diem Arts, and Washington Revels, with major support from the Montgomery County Department of Recreation. \$10; FSGW/BFMS/CDSS/Revels members, \$8; students and those without income, \$5; first-timers, free. Info: Bob Mathis, talibob@starpower.net; or Busy Graham, BusyGraham@CarpeDiemArts.org or 301-466-0183; or carpediemarts.org/dance-with-us, revelsdc.org/, or fsgw.org.

July 13 dance features *Organic Family Band*: Rebekah Geller (violin), Jakob Raitzyk (violin, foot percussion), Judith Geller (french horn, piano, irish whistle, vocals), and Michael Raitzyk (guitar, vocals) with caller, Woody Lane from Oregon.

August 10 dance features Backstep Cindy—Sandy
Hofferth (fiddle), Howard Zane (banjo), Joe Langley

(guitar), and Stu Geisbert (bass)—with caller, Greg Frock.



FSGW-COSPONSORED: GLEN ECHO INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCERS · BETHESDA, (ND THURSDAYS · 7:30-10:45 PM

Lesson at 7:30 pm, request dances from 9 to 10:45 pm. Mostly recorded music. No partner or experience necessary. Wear comfortable clothing and soft-soled shoes. Cosponsored by FSGW. Church of the Redeemer, 6201 Dunrobbin Dr, 20816 (near the intersection of Goldsboro and MacArthur). \$5 Info: Jamie, 301-466-3018 or dancingplanet@erols.com.

ALEXANDRIA FOLK DANCERS • ALEXANDRIA, VA THURSDAYS • 8-10 PM (NO DANCING JULY 6)

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

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. Sprung wood floor. Beginner lesson from 8:15 to 9 pm. Different DJs and instructors play blues from 9 to 11:30 pm. 7300 MacArthur Blvd, 20812. Info: **Donna Barker, 301-634-2231** or **CapitalBlues.org**.

CHALLENGING ENGLISH • ADELPHI, MD THURSDAY, AUGUST 17 • 7:30-9:30 PM

A new "third Thursday" English Contra Dance series offers a chance to dance the hard ones. At Ballroom Blum. \$5 donation suggested. Info: 301-422-0292 or quatriemme@aol.com.

CIRCLE DANCE • ARLINGTON, VA THURSDAYS, JULY 6 & AUGUST 17 • 7:30-9:30 PM

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, 4444 Arlington Blvd, 22204 (Rte 50 at George Mason Dr). Donation requested. Info: Ann Ulmschneider, 703-528-5114 or aulmsch@msn.com.

FRONT ROYAL FAMILY DANCE • FRONT ROYAL, VA 2ND THURSDAYS • 6-7:30 PM

Line, circle, and square sets. Free and open to all ages 10 and up. Samuels Public Library, 330 East Criser Rd, 22630. Info: tommack1861@gmail.com or sites.google.com/site/svcwed/.

Open Mics

Acoustic Open Mic • Riverdale, MD 1st Thursdays • 7:30-10 pm

If you have a song or three to share with others, original or otherwise, stop in and show your stuff. Archie Edwards Blues Heritage Foundation, 4701 Queensbury Rd, 20737. Info: acousticblues.com/events/events.html.

Participatory Performing Groups

CARPATHIA FOLK DANCERS • WASHINGTON, DC THURSDAYS • 6:30-9 PM

Carpathia is Washington's multiethnic 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. Info: carpathiadc@gmail.com, carpathiadc.org, or facebook.com/carpathiadc.

FOGGY BOTTOM MORRIS MEN • TAKOMA, DC

Returns in September. 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 Thursday nights to our practices at Knock On Wood Tap Studio, 6925 Willow St NW, 20012, and/or at the pub afterward. Info: Alan Peel, 301-920-1912, squire@fbmm.org, or fbmm.org.

Sings, Jams, and Open Mics

Folksong Sing-in • Wheaton, MD 3rd Thursdays • 8-10 pm

Join local musician **John Durant, Jr.**, every month for this musical gathering. Everyone gets a change 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, 11301 Elkin St, 20902 (corner of Elkin & Price). Venue info: **thelimerickpub.net**.

OPEN BLUEGRASS JAM • BRUNSWICK, MD 1st Thursdays 6:30-9 pm

Hosted by **Bobby Bales** and **Claude Jones**. Bobby is a legendary lead guitarist in the *Grassy Ridge Band*. All are welcome to join in. Beans in the Belfry, 122 W Potomac St, 21716. Info: **301-834-7178**.

SEA CHANTEY OPEN PUB SING • TYSONS CORNER, VA 2ND THURSDAYS • 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 welcome. Paddy Barry's Irish Pub and Restaurant, 8150 Leesburg Pike, 22182 (Rte 7 near 123; half-mile walk from Tysons Corner or Greensboro Metros). Info: Myron Peterson, ructic@yahoo.com or ShipsCompany.org.

FRIDAYS

Concerts

FSGW Concert Location TBA

Karen Ashbrook & Paul Oorts

Friday, August 18 • Time TBA

To fans of the hammered dulcimer, **Karen Ashbrook** is a rock star, and she literally wrote the book on it: *Playing the Hammered Dulcimer in the Irish Tradition*. She also plays the wooden flute and penny-



whistle, and has performed as a solo artist; with *Ceoltoiri, Cabaret Sauvignon*, and *Pavilion 3*; and in hospice settings as a Certified Music Practitioner to comfort the sick and dying. Her husband and musical partner **Paul Oorts** joins her on harp guitar, cittern, mandolin, and musette accordion, often with French music from his native Belgium. He has taught at Pinewoods, Augusta Heritage Center, the Swannanoa Gathering, and other camps and festivals around the United States and in Belgium. **Check fsgw.org for updated location and time.**

Note: FSGW fondly thanks the proprietors of Emma's Espresso & Wine Bar for their support for live traditional music over the past year and a half. We are searching for a new home for our Alexandria concert series—please check **fsgw.org** for updates.

Fridays continued

BIRCHMERE • ALEXANDRIA, VA 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave, 22304

All shows 7:30 pm • birchmere.com

JERRY JEFF WALKER FRIDAY & SATURDAY, JULY 7 & 8

Legendary troubadour, writer of "Mr. Bojangles" & lots more; with son **Django Walker**; \$65

ROBERT EARL KEEN FRIDAY, JULY 14

Singer/songwriter, in Texas Heritage Songwriters Hall of Fame; \$55

GORDON LIGHTFOOT FRIDAY, AUGUST 4

Canadian legend; \$89.50

STEPHEN STILLS + JUDY COLLINS Friday & Saturday, August 11 & 12

Successful roots rocker & his Judy Blue Eyes; \$115

GYPSY SALLY'S • WASHINGTON, DC 3401 K St NW, 20007 • gypsysallys.com Open Mic most Tuesdays upstairs in Vinyl Lounge; 8 pm, free

CALEB STINE & THE REVELATIONS FRIDAY, JULY 7 • 8 PM UPSTAIRS IN THE VINYL LOUNGE

"Lynchpin of Baltimore folk scene" invites **Letitia VanSant**; no cover

WILL MACKIE-JENKINS

FRIDAY, JULY 14 • 10:30 PM UPSTAIRS IN THE VINYL LOUNGE

Roots from Appalachia to Chicago; no cover

CALEB STINE & THE REVELATIONS FRIDAY, AUGUST 4 • SPM UPSTAIRS IN THE VINYL LOUNGE

"Lynchpin of Baltimore folk scene" invites *Tongue in Cheek* duo; no cover

THE HAMILTON • WASHINGTON, DC 600 14th St (at F) NW, 20005 • thehamiltondc.com

HONEY ISLAND SWAMP BAND FRIDAY, AUGUST 4 • 8PM

New Orleans Americana + opener TBA; \$15-20

JAMMIN' JAVA • VIENNA, VA 227 Maple Ave E, 22180 • jamminjava.com

THE CACTUS BLOSSOMS FRIDAY, JULY 14 • 8 PM

Brother harmonies, eclectic repertoire; \$15-25

THE NIGHTHAWKS FRIDAY, AUGUST 11 • 8 PM

Washington's own classic blues/roots band; \$20

333 COFFEEHOUSE / ATDS 333concerts.org • 443-333-9613 333coffeehouse@gmail.com

Broadside Electric • Annapolis, MD Friday, July 21 • 7:30 pm

This Philly-based quintet offers a variety of (mostly) traditional songs and tunes, from Child ballads to klezmer, with a wild array of instruments, big vocals and some rock energy. Annapolis Friends Mtg, 351 DuBois Rd, 21401. \$12; Students/65+/ATDS/FSGW/BFMS, \$10.

Tom Paxton • Annandale VA Friday, August 25 • 7 pm

Mason District Park, 6621 Columbia Pike, 22003 Free! **703-938-7532**, or annandalechamber.com/concertsinthepark.rhtml.

WOLF TRAP, FILENE CENTER • VIENNA, VA 1551 Trap Rd, 22182 • wolftrap.org

Lyle Lovett & His Large Band Friday, August 11 • 8 pm

Texas music, from western to gospel; \$25–55

Dances

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



The Friday Night Dancers, a nonprofit, 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), 7300 MacArthur Blvd, 20812. New dancer class every week from 7:30 to 8:15 pm. \$10 for the lesson and dance. \$5 for age 17 and under. (Age 17 and under free on second Fridays.) Info: FridayNightDance.org or the Friday Night Dance at Glen Echo Park Facebook page.

July

- 7 Tom Hinds + Zeke's Fancy: Zeke Hutchinson (mandolin), Mark Barsamian (fiddle), Dave Borowski (guitar), and Nick Weiland (bass)
- 14 Doug Singleton + Glen Echo Open Band
- 21 Anna Rain + TBA
- 28 Bill Wellington + Contraforce: Andrae Raffield (fiddle), Joey Dorwart (drums, sax), and Jimi "Two Nails" Periano (guitars)

August

- 4 Mark Hillengonds + The Chameleon Band: Alexander Mitchell (fiddle, mandolin), Paul Oorts (mandolin, guitar, banjo, accordion), Dave Wiesler (piano, guitar), and Ralph Gordon (bass)
- 11 TBA + Glen Echo open Band
- 18 TBA+ TBA
- 25 Susan Taylor + Boneshakers: Joe DeZarn (fiddle), Paul Hammerton (guitar), Gina Faber (mandolin), and Ralph Gordon (bass)

GREENBELT FOLK DANCING • GREENBELT, MD FRIDAYS IN JULY (NO DANCE IN AUGUST) • 8:30 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 pm, requests from 9:15 on. Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio, 15 Crescent Rd, 20770. S7/students and seniors half-price. Check website for special events. Info: Larry Weiner, 301-565-0539 or larry@larry-weiner.com; or larryweiner.com/FridayDance.htm.

Sweden in the Park: Swedish/Nordic Folk Dance Glen Echo Park, MD

FRIDAY, JULY 28 & FRIDAY, AUGUST 25 • 7 PM (DANCE CLASS); 8 PM (SOCIAL DANCE)

The Embassy of Sweden in collaboration with Glen Echo Park and the local folkdance community are offering free Swedish/Nordic folk dance lessons and social dancing to live music. July features the Mid-Atlantic Norwegian Dancers with Melissa Running and Sonia White on Swedish nyckelharpa and Loretta Kelley on Norwegian Hardanger fiddle. August features Nordic Dancers of Washington, DC, with Christine Kalke teaching the dances and Paul Carlson on fiddle. Beginners welcome; partner not required. Bring smooth-soled shoes with wide low heel if you can. In the Bumper Car Pavilion, 7300 Macarthur Blvd, 20812. Info & registration (appreciated but not required): eventbrite. com/e/sweden-in-the-park-swedish-nordic-folk-dancetickets-34698217302. (Ignore "sold out" and see text for times.) Info about Mid-Atlantic Norwegian Dancers: mand. fanitull.org/. Info about Nordic Dancers of Washington, DC: sites.google.com/site/nordicdancersdc/home.

Participatory Performing Groups

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 welcome. Find recordings, tune book names, and page numbers of tunes played by the Open Band at **OpenBandOnline**.

Special Events

FSGW-cosponsored Event:

com (site works best using iTunes on a PC or Mac). Info: **FridayNightDance.org**.

Sings, Jams, and Open Mics

FSGW OPEN SING • KENSINGTON, MD FRIDAY, JULY 7 • 8:30 PM

(SEE FSGW.ORG FOR AUGUST OPEN SING)

Theme: On the Road: Streets, Avenues, Highways, Trails, Paths.... 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! Don't miss the firefly show at the break! This month at the home of Nancy King. RSVP/directions: nlking2@verizon.net.

Washington Revels-Carpe Diem Monthly Community Sing • Silver Spring, MD Friday, July 21 • 6:30-8:30 pm

Join us in celebrating diverse cultures through song the 21st of every month. Welcoming all ages. Bring songs and refreshments to share. Location: Revels Studio Space, 531 Dale Drive, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Free (donations welcome). Info: Busy Graham at BusyGraham@gmail.com or 301-466-0183; Jo Rasi at jrasi@revelsdc.org or 301-587-3835; or carpediemarts.org/sing-with-us or revelsdc.org.



Library of Congress, Capitol Hill, DC

Billy Bragg presents Roots, Radicals and Rockers: How Skiffle Changed the World

Friday, July 21 · 7-9 pm

As part of the Benjamin Botkin Lecture Series at the Library of Congress, distinguished British folk-rocker **Billy Bragg** discusses and signs his new book about Skiffle, the music phenomenon in Britain concurrent with the late 1950s folk revival in the United States. Skiffle put guitars in the hands of many future rockers such as *The Beatles* and *The Stones* as well as many future folkies like Martin Carthy, John Renbourn, and *The Watersons*. Skiffle drew heavily on American folk music, especially Lead Belly's; the biggest early Skiffle hit was Lonnie Donegan's version of "Rock Island Line," which inspired most later versions, including Johnny Cash's. Alan Lomax and Peggy Seeger lived in London during the Skiffle era and were among the muses of the movement. Bragg's book, *Roots, Radicals and Rockers*, is described on the Library's web site as "a meticulously researched and joyous account" of the tremendous influence of Skiffle. Free. Mumford Room of the Madison Bldg, Library of Congress, 1st & C Streets SE (Metro: Capitol South).

SATURDAYS

Concerts

FSGW House Concert Takoma Park, MD



Sam Gleaves & Tyler Hughes CD release

Saturday, July 22 • 8-10 pm

In case you missed it on July 21, an encore performance by **Sam** & **Tyler**. At **Molly Graham Hickman's**. \$15 suggested donation. RSVP/directions: **program@fsgw.org**.

FSGW Monthly Program

Takoma, DC

URIHEARN

Second-generation Celtic Musicians

Saturday, August 12 · 8–10 pm

"It was an honor to work with such talented and hard-working young musicians," says Yann Falquet of *Genticorum*, "but above all, it's their energy, enthusiasm and generosity as human beings as well as artists



that made the experience truly enjoyable." Washington area native siblings **Caitlin**, **Brendan**, and **Conor Hearn**, now based in Cleveland, are second-generation Celtic musicians drawing on Irish, Scottish, and American influences as they "push outside of their musical comfort zone." Seekers Church, 276 Carroll St NW, 20012 (Metro: Takoma). \$20, members \$10.

BIRCHMERE • ALEXANDRIA, VA 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave, 22304 All shows 7:30 pm • birchmere.com

JERRY JEFF WALKER FRIDAY & SATURDAY, JULY 7 & 8

Legendary troubadour, writer of "Mr. Bojangles" & lots more; with son **Django Walker**; \$65

STEPHEN STILLS + JUDY COLLINS FRIDAY & SATURDAY, AUGUST 11 & 12

Successful roots rocker & his Judy Blue Eyes; \$115

BLACKROCK CENTER FOR THE ARTS • GERMANTOWN, MD
12901 Town Commons Dr, 20874 • blackrockcenter.org
Free summer concerts on the front lawn;
indoors in bad weather • 7 pm

THE NIGHTHAWKS SATURDAY, JULY 8

Washington's own classic blues/roots band

MARIACHI FLOR DE LA TOLOACHE SATURDAY, JULY 15

All-woman mariachi band from NY

CELLAR STAGE COLUMBIA • FULTON, MD Temple Isaiah, 12200 Scaggsville Rd, 20759 uptown concerts.com

> VANCE GILBERT + ELLIS PAUL SATURDAY, AUGUST 26 • 7:30 PM

Double bill featuring two solid, entertaining singer-songwriters; \$30

FOCUS MUSIC • ALEXANDRIA, VA Info: Herb Cooper-Levy, 703-380-3151, or Focus Music.org

AL PETTWAY AND AMY WHITE SATURDAY, AUGUST 12 • 7 PM

Al & **Amy** perform an eclectic repertoire that includes Celticand Appalachian-influenced music with occasional nods to

blues, new age, and jazz. Their performances feature acoustic guitar, mandolin, Celtic harp, piano, banjo, mountain dulcimer, and fine vocals. St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 8531 Riverside Rd, 22308. \$15.

GYPSY SALLY'S • WASHINGTON, DC 3401 K St NW, 20007 • gypsysallys.com

Open Mic most Tuesdays upstairs in Vinyl Lounge (8 pm, free)

JEFF AUSTIN BAND

SATURDAY, JULY 15 • 9 PM IN THE MAIN ROOM

Former member of *Yonder Mountain String Band*. *Dirty Grass Players* open; \$20/23

SWEET MAPLE SINGERS

SATURDAY, JULY 29 • 8 PM UPSTAIRS IN THE VINYL LOUNGE

Folk trio: guitar, fiddle/mandolin & harps; no cover

THE HAMILTON • WASHINGTON, DC 600 14th St (at F) NW, 20005 • thehamiltondc.com

Town Mountain + I Draw Slow Saturday, July 15 • 8 pm

Asheville bluegrass + Irish bluegrassy folk; \$12-17

Music Matters Showcase Mad City Coffeehouse • Columbia, MD

10801 Hickory Ridge Rd, 21044

410-964-8671 · madcitycoffee.com

Music Matters Showcase Showcase hosted by Joseph Isaacs.

Donation for the homeless requested.

josephisaacs.com

July 15

Denee Bar with Grant Goldberg, DL Weiner, and Scott Sivakoff

August 19

Harmonessence, Lyric Response, and Laurence Baer

August 26

Dejon, *Having Fun*, and **Rob Hinkal** of *ilyAIMY*

WOLF TRAP, FILENE CENTER 1551 Trap Road, Vienna, VA 22182; www.wolftrap.org

MARY CHAPIN CARPENTER + GUEST LUCINDA WILLIAMS
SATURDAY, AUGUST 12 • 7:30 PM

Our "Hometown Girl" and her fellow songwriter; \$28-60

Dances

FSGW: SQUARE DANCE UNDER THE STARS IN ROCK CREEK PARK

SATURDAY, JULY 29 · 7-10 PM

The D.C. Square Dance Collective and Friends of Peirce Mill invite you to a special FREE square dance on the grounds of the historic Peirce Mill, 2401 Tilden Street NW, Washington, DC 20008. Bring a picnic dinner, enjoy a tour of the mill and dancing under the stars! Details at **dcsquaredance.com or fsgw.org**

There will not be a dance in August, we will start up again at Saint Stephen's in September.



FSGW-COSPONSORED: GREENBELT CONTRA DANCE · GREENBELT, MD SATURDAY, AUGUST 5 (NO DANCE IN JULY) · 7-9:45 PM

Our August dance is going to be full of fun and surprises! At the moment, those surprises include the names of the band and caller. If you want to know in advance, keep an eye on our Facebook page "Greenbelt Contra Dance." Or just show up and enjoy the surprise—we guarantee it'll be great music and calling whoever we have! No partner or experience necessary. Greenbelt Community Center Gym, 15 Crescent Rd, Greenbelt. \$10; \$5 for age 7–18; 6 and under, free. Info: **301-397-2208**. Cosponsored by FSGW and the City of Greenbelt.

Saturdays continued

ATDS CONTRA DANCE • ANNAPOLIS, MD SATURDAY, JULY 15 & SATURDAY, AUGUST 19 • 7-10 PM (FREE INTRO LESSON, 6:30 PM)

All ages welcome. All dances taught and walked through. No experience or partner required. Snacks to share at the break welcome. Annapolis Friends Meeting Hall, 351 Dubois Rd, 21401. \$10/discounts for seniors/students/families/ATDS. Info: contradancers.com/atds; Jan Scopel, 443-540-0867 or janscope@hotmail.com; or Charlotte Featherstone, 203-247-3964 or charlotte.featherstone@verizon.net.

- July 15 dance: Woody Lane will call contras and squares to the delightful tunes of *Sugar Beat*: Elke Baker (fiddle), Susan Brandt (flute), and Marc Glickman (piano).
- August 19 dance: April Blum will call contras and squares to the engaging and diverse melodies of *Broadwater*: Andrew Broadwater (fiddle, hammered dulcimer, recorder, steel drums), Gerry Heming (guitar), and Ed VandenBosche (cello).

ATDS ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE • ANNAPOLIS, MD

Returns September 2 with Tom Spilsbury and *Elegant Echoes*. Info: Jan Scopel, 443-540-0867 or janscope@hotmail.com; or Ann Fallon, 410-268-0231 or aefallon@verizon.net; or contradancers.com/atds.



BFMS CONTRA DANCE • BALTIMORE, MD SECOND SATURDAYS, JULY 8 & AUGUST 12 • 8-11 PM (INTRO WORKSHOP AT 7:30)

Baltimore Folk Music Society presents American square and contra dancing on the second Saturday of each month. Introduction to contra dancing from 7:30 to 7:55; dance from 8 to 11 pm (with a short break in the middle). Beginners, singles, couples, and families welcome. No experience or partner necessary. Bring a snack & bring a friend. St. Marks on the Hill, 1620 Reisterstown Rd, 21208. \$13; members & affiliates, \$9. Under 21 / full-time students with ID, \$6 (\$4 members). Info: Sara Glik, satdance@bfms.org or BFMS hotline, 888-646-BFMS.

- July 8 dance: April Blum calls to Zeke's Fancy, all the way from southeastern Ohio, featuring Zeke Hutchison (mandolin), Mark Brasamian (fiddle), Paul Brown (banjo), Dave Borowski (guitar), and Nick Weiland (bass).
- August 12 dance: Greg Frock calls to Callithump, featuring Glyn Collinson (mandolin), Andrew Marcus (accordion), and David Knight (fiddle).



BFMS FAMILY DANCE • PIKESVILLE, MD
Returns in October. Info: bfms.org/familyDance.
php.

BLUEMONT OLD-TIME COUNTRY DANCE • HILLSBORO, VA Returns in October. Info: bluemont.org or Suzanne Grobbel, 703-220-6256, or suzanne@bluemont.org.

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE • SILVER SPRING, MD
Returns in September. Info: Carl Minkus, 301-493-6281 or cminkus@verizon.net; or Bob Farrall, 301-577-5018.

FREDERICK CONTRA DANCE • FREDERICK, MD SATURDAY, JULY 22 & SATURDAY, AUGUST 26 • 8-11 PM (INTRO WORKSHOP, 7:15 PM)

Snacks to share at the break are welcome. Introductory workshop at 7:15. Trinity School, 6040 New Design Rd, 21703. General: \$10, Students: \$5. Info: Boe Walker at 301-694-6794 or contradancers.com.

- July 22 dance: Ann Fallon will call to the mighty SummerTunes Orchestra, led by Liz Donaldson and Andrea Hoag. The SummerTunes musician workshop runs all day, and then plays for the evening dance (Workshop info: Liz Donaldson, Liz@us.net).
- August 26 dance: Kappy Laning will call to the local favorite *Rambling House*, featuring Joe DeZarn (fiddle), Tina Eck (flute), Patrick Cavanagh (tenor banjo, button accordion), and Marc Glickman (piano, bodhran).

GALESVILLE COMMUNITY SQUARE DANCE • GALESVILLE, MD Returns in September. Info: communitysquaredance.word-press.com or 301-926-9142.

LANCASTER CONTRA DANCE • LANCASTER, PA SATURDAY, AUGUST 19 (NO DANCE IN JULY) • 7-10 PM (INTRO WORKSHOP AT 6:15, POTLUCK 5:30 PM)

Sue Gola calls to *Dance Wiz* with **Bill Quern** (mandolin, fiddle, banjo, harmonica), **Adlai Waksman** (accordion), **Steve Epstein** (clarinet, sax), and **JoAnne Rocke** (keyboard). NOTE: CHANGE OF VENUE FOR SUMMER MONTHS: Lancaster County Central Park, Williamson Rd, Pavilion 11, 17602. \$9 adults; students, \$6. Age 15 and under free. Info: **Karen**, **717-951-4317** or **lancastercontra.org**.

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

Join us for our monthly dance. **Tom Spilsbury** calls to music by **Catherine Chapman** (fiddle) and **Liz Donaldson** (piano). All dances taught and called. Please consider bringing a refreshment to share. \$10; Students, \$5. St. Francis Episcopal Church Hall, 9220 Georgetown Pike, 22066 (4.7 miles west of the Beltway). Info: **Laurel Bybell** (Secretary), **lbybell@gmail.com** or **703-791-5603**; or **theleesburgassembly.org**.

Norwegian Potluck, Concert, & Dance • Kensington, MD Saturday, July 8 • Potluck, 6:30 pm; dancing, 8 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. Large friendly dog. Host phone just in case: Sonia, 301-503-7906. Info/directions: MAND.fanitull.org or Jenny, pi@xecu.net, 301-371-4312.

Saturdays continued

Scandia DC Dance • Greenbelt, MD THIRD SATURDAYS • 7-10 PM

Returns in September. Info: Linda Brooks or Ross Schipper, 202-333-2826 or Linda@ScandiaDC.org; or ScandiaDC.org.

SHEPHERDSTOWN CONTRA DANCE • SHEPHERDSTOWN, WV 1st Saturdays • 8 pm

Returns in September. Info: John Sauer, 301-542-3272 or smad.us.

Participatory Performing Groups

Washington's Spelmanslag • Kensington, MD

Returns in September. Open rehearsals (2nd and 4th Saturday afternoons) for a small orchestra playing traditional Swedish music. Info: JuliaBorland3250@gmail.com.

Sings, Jams, and Open Mics

FSGW Doo-Wop Sing POTOMAC, MD

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19 (No sing in July) 6:30 PM (OPTIONAL POTLUCK, 5:30 PM)

Remember those classic harmonies from the early days of rock—from groups like the Platters, the Clovers and the Drifters? Not to mention the great girl groups such as the Shirelles, the Angels, the Crystals, the Dixie Cups, etc. Come join us as we sing those wonderful songs from that era, such as: Under the Boardwalk; Goodnight, Sweetheart; Goin' to the Chapel; My Boyfriend's Back; Earth Angel; Charlie Brown; Yakety-Yak. And so many more. Lyrics are provided for anyone who wants them. This month at the home of Al Kehs and Lynn Blei. RSVP/directions: Al Kehs, 301-983-0534 or kehsra@ verizon.net.

ARCHIE EDWARDS BLUES HERITAGE FOUNDATION RIVERDALE, MD ACOUSTIC BLUES JAM

SATURDAYS • 1-5 PM

Acoustic instruments, all levels; listeners also welcome. 4701 Queensbury Rd, 20737 (across from Riverdale MARC train station; ample parking). Free, but donations welcome. Info: 301-396-3054 or acousticblues.com.

SHAPE NOTE SINGING • BOYCE, VA 1st Saturdays • 4-8 PM

All are welcome to sing from The Shenandoah Harmony & The Sacred Harp. Potluck dinner at 6 pm. Locations vary; contact Kelly or John, jdelre@visuallink.com or 540-336-8112; Northern Shenandoah Valley Facebook page; or dcshapenote.squarespace.com/nsv/ for address or more info.

Storytelling

FSGW STORYSWAP SATURDAYS, JULY 29 & AUGUST 19 • 7:30 PM

Summertime, and the stories are flowing. Storytellers and listeners are invited to the Falls Church, VA home of Margaret Chatham in July, and to the Bethesda, MD home of Eve Burton and Roger Metcalf in August (around the firepit if the weather is good!), for an evening of shared stories and potluck snacks. Free. RSVP/directions (July): Margaret at 703-698-5456 or margaret.chatham@verizon.net; (August): ebnineteen@hotmail.com.



MUITI-DAY EVENTS

Augusta Heritage Center • Elkins, WV SUNDAY, JULY 9 TO FRIDAY, AUGUST 11

Each summer, Augusta Heritage Center of Davis & Elkins College offers music and dance classes from many traditions in the form of theme weeks: Cajun/Creole Week, Early Country Music Week, Blues & Swing Week, Bluegrass Week, Old-Time Week, and Vocal Week. Each theme week is offered concurrently with Craft, Arts, & Folklore classes. Info/registration: 304-637-1209 or augustaheritagecenter.org/.

BLUEMONT SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Multiple locations in Virginia. More info: bluemont.org/Concerts/concerts_intro.html.

Common Ground on the Hill • Westminster, MD SATURDAY, JULY 1 TO SATURDAY, JULY 8

Traditions Weeks continue: during Traditions Week 2 (Monday, July 3 through Friday, July 7), there are public concerts and/or lectures most evenings. There is also Common Ground on the Town (Saturday, July 1, 9 pm to midnight) and the Common Ground on the Hill Festival (Saturday, July 8, 10 am to 8:30 pm). Find out more: commongroundonthehill. org/tw_PM_events.html.

XIV LATVIAN SONG AND DANCE FESTIVAL • BALTIMORE, MD THURSDAY, JUNE 29 TO MONDAY, JULY 3

Known for its vibrant singing tradition, the small Baltic nation of Latvia has held national song and dance festivals since the late

Multi-Days continued

19th century. Taking place roughly every five years, the Latvian-American Song and Dance Festival moves from city to city. This summer it will return to the East Coast for the first time in over three decades, bringing four days of concerts, exhibitions, and parties to Baltimore's Inner Harbor and surrounding neighborhoods. Join the Latvians pouring in from across the globe to celebrate quick-hopping polkas, elaborate choral arrangements, sacred music, chamber music, and festive nightlife. All are welcome! Info: en.latviansongfest2017.com/.

Northern Virginia Summer Concert Series

July and August, multiple locations. Summer outdoor concerts, many free, include music of many types. More info: funinfairfaxva.com/2017-northern-virginia-summer-concerts/.

RED WING ROOTS MUSIC FESTIVAL • MOUNT SOLON, VA FRIDAY, JULY 14 TO SUNDAY, JULY 16

The 5th annual music festival at Natural Chimneys Park. Festival hosts and hometown favorites The Steel Wheels will be joined by dozens of other artists, including **Steve Earle & The** Dukes, Lake Street Dive, Tim O'Brien, Sarah Jarosz, Mandolin Orange, Pokey Lafarge, The Cactus Blossoms, Darlingside, and many more! The full lineup can be viewed at redwingroots.com/2017-line-up/.

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

SILVER SPRING THURSDAY NIGHT SUMMER CONCERT SERIES • SILVER SPRING, MD

Thursdays, July 6 through August 3 • 7-9 pm

Summer concert series continues. Outdoor performances sponsored by Discovery Communications, Live Nation, Montgomery County, the Silver Spring Urban District, Montgomery County Recreation, and the Celebrate Downtown Silver Spring Foundation. Veterans Plaza, Silver Spring Civic Building, One Veterans Place, 20910. Performances are canceled due to weather only if it is raining at 7 pm. Free! Info: Montgomery County Recreation, 240-777-0311.

TRADMAD 2017 • PLYMOUTH, MA SATURDAY, AUGUST 26 TO FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Registration is now open for TradMad! At Pinewoods Camp. Workshops, dances, concerts, one-shots, camper concerts, parties, jamming, singing, swimming in two lovely ponds, relaxing, learning, and generally having fun. Staff includes Tina Chancey, Jeff Davis, Brian Peters, Larry Hanks, Bruce Hutton, Rev. Robert B. Jones, Bennett Konesni, Saro Lynch-Thomason, Becky Tracy, Wild Asparagus, and more! \$820; FSGW members (and members of other associated organizations) get a discount, \$770. The fee covers all events, lodging, and meals from dinner on Saturday through breakfast on Friday. Some scholarships and work scholarships are available. Info, including registration and scholarships: minstrelrecords.com/tradmad/.

FSGW congratulates

Phíl Wíggíns of Takoma Park,



who was named a National Heritage Fellow by the National Endowment for the Arts. Phil, who for years performed alongside John Cephas, in recent years has performed both solo and with various collaborative projects, including the Chesapeake Sheiks and Blues House Party. In 2016, Phil appeared at the FSGW Midwinter Festival, and he has toured the world, performing on every continent except Antarctica (where a friend recently jokingly tried to get him a gig). He is one of the coordinators of Blues Week at Augusta Heritage Center in Elkins, WV, and is a regular artist with the Archie Edwards Blues Heritage Foundation in Riverdale, MD. He is one of only three harmonica players ever designated a National Heritage Fellow and is recognized for his artistic mastery and commitment to sharing traditions.

master of the blues harmonica.



Upcoming events are subject to change; please check fsgw.org for updates, further details, additional event listings, and links to performers' audio samples and websites.

September-December (check fsgw.org for defails/updates)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 • IAIN MATTHEWS WITH CALLITHUMP

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 • LYNN NOEL CD RELEASE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 • BARE BONES

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 • CONTRASTOCK 7
CONTRASTOCK 7 is coming!

SAVE THE DATE, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 (1 TO 11 PM).

Featuring *The Ripples, Pete's Posse*, and *The Great Bear Band*, with callers **Will Mentor**, **Cis Hinkle**, and **Maggie Jo Saylor**. Also: the world's best contradance potluck.

Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park.

Info/registration: **contrastock7.brownpapertickets.com** (coming soon!) or "Contrastock 7" on Facebook.

Friday, October 6 • Archie Fisher w/ Two Sisters

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7 • CLAUDE MARTIN MEMORIAL CONCERT & CD RELEASE

w/ Dom Flemons, Orpheus Supertones, Matt Kinman, and the Martin Family String Band

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20 • MIKE AGRANOFF

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21 • MARI BLACK W/BEA LEHMAN

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29 • ALLAN HENDERSON

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11 • CASSIE & MAGGIE MACDONALD W/ SHANNON DUNNE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18 • ED TRICKETT W/ SARAH WHITE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2 • FSGW WINTER SOLSTICE CONCERT

SUPPORT FOLK MUSIC ON YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY RADIO STATIONS!

Saturday nights listen to **Mary Cliff's** *Traditions* (Washington's longest-running radio show devoted to folk music) from 9 pm to midnight on WERA-FM Arlington (96.7 FM or streaming at **wera.fm**).

And tune in to WOWD-LP Takoma Park (94.3 FM or streaming at **takomaradio.org**) for a wide variety of music, including ballads, blues, cajun/zydeco, reggae, and roots/folk. Full schedule/show descriptions at **takomaradio.org**.



OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

46th Annual Delaware Valley Bluegrass Festival: Friday, September 1 to Sunday, September 3 Info: delawarevalleybluegrass.org/.

FOOTFALL DANCE WEEKEND • HIGH VIEW, WV FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 TO SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Two fabulous callers—Gaye Fifer and Bob Isaacs—at nearby Timber Ridge camp the weekend after Labor Day. This year's contra bands are local fave *Frog Hammer* plus the excellent *Buddy System*. English Country Dance with calling by *Melissa Running* and music by *Old World Charm School*. Contras, squares, waltz, Dutch Crossing, and more! Sound by The Sound Guy—Jamie Platt. Good food, comfortable cabins, and refreshing swimming pool (with postdance swims). Register on-line or by mail. Info: footfalldance.com or Registrar Jerry Blum at 301-422-0292.

CDSS BENEFIT DANCE SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Join us for a benefit potluck and dance for the Country Dance and Song Society at Ballroom Blum. **Brooke Friendly** will come from Ashland, Oregon, to call for us. Look for more details in the September newsletter!

AMERICAN BANJO FRATERNITY • NEWARK, NY Thursday, October 12 to Saturday, October 14

Banjo players and listeners are invited. Please check our website for updates, www.banjofraternity.org. There will be a free concert at 7:30 pm on October 14. The meeting location is at the Newark Garden Hotel, 125 N. Main St., Newark, NY, 14513 (315-331-9500). We welcome guests without charge except for food and lodging. Info: Joel Hooks, joel-hooks@me.com.

FSGW Elections Results

The FSGW Election Committee is pleased to announce the following results of the election for the 2017–2018 Folklore Society of Greater Washington Board of Directors. The Election Committee thanks all of the candidates for their willingness to run and serve on the Board, and who are willing to step forward to invest the time, energy, and skills needed to help ensure the future of FSGW as a vibrant and meaningful organization which relies on volunteers to continue its mission. The FSGW Board thanks its retiring Board members: Charlie Baum, Judy Oppenheim Myers, Penelope Weinberger, and Steve Winick.

President—April Blum

Vice President—Molly Hickman

Treasurer—**Jerry Stein**

Secretary—Kim Gandy

Dance Chair—Steven Roth

Program Chair—Mike Livingston

Publications—Heather Livingston

Publicity—Ingrid Gorman

Membership—Jen Furlong

At Large—Steve Kaufman

At Large—**Tim Livengood**

At Large—Kenneth Mayer

In Memorium: Kathleen Farrar (1948–2017)

Kathleen's passion for music, kindness, fun-loving spirit, and gentler style of banjo playing made her a welcome addition at many music circles in the DC area. As one musician noted, "She made every show more fun with her infectious smile." An active member of several area folk music and bluegrass groups, she and her husband Bill were often seen attending jams and volunteering at local events and were "regulars" at several nearby festivals. As a long-time member of the Folk Club of Reston/ Herndon, Kathleen loved to perform with various musicians, and her avid interest in collecting songs and ability to navigate music software resulted in her becoming the club's most authoritative archivist. She was also an active member of Capital Area Bluegrass and Old Time Music Association (CABOMA), DC Bluegrass Union, Folklore Society of Greater Washington, and The Dulcimer Disorganization of the Washington Area and was associated with many other groups. In recent years, Kathleen took up piano and loved going to Augusta's Blues and Swing week, enjoying the old songs and new friends from those additional circles. Kathleen made a point of talking to new musicians, welcoming them into jam circles and nurturing their fledgling interests. Outside of music, she was a wonderful cook and friend and often took a specially cooked dish to those in need. Kathleen and her "infectious smile" and kind, generous, gentle soul will be greatly missed.

—Sara Rasmussen



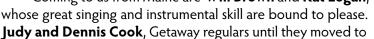
53rd Annual FSGW Getaway · September 15-18

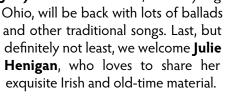
A whole weekend of music, friends, and fun! West River Conference Center, West River, MD

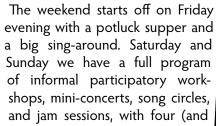
Do you enjoy singing and playing music with friends? Learning new songs? Spending time at a beautiful spot by the water? Seeing old friends and meeting new ones? If so, you'll love the FSGW Getaway! It is "a gathering of musicians, with all attendees being 'just folks', whether they are professional musicians or shower singers," as a friend from California has said. If you can't come for the whole weekend, come for the day—you'll love it!



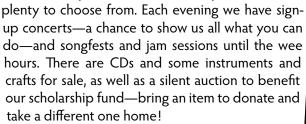
We have an exceptional lineup of special guests this year: We're excited that the folksinger's folksinger—the incomparable Barry O'Neill—will be joining us. Larry Hanks and Deborah Robins will be here with their extensive repertoire of traditional American music. Two of our favorite friends from the U.K., Carole Etherton and Andrew McKay, will bring lots of original—and traditional—songs. Coming to us from Maine are Will Brown and Kat Logan,







sometimes five) events occurring simultaneously, so there's always



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We're encouraging folks to bring their kids and/or grandkids and want to plan appropriate activities for them, so do let us know in advance how many children you'll be bringing, and their ages.









ACCOMMODATIONS:

There are 50 bedrooms in buildings with heat, AC, and hot showers, with up to four sturdy bunks per room (a discount is offered if you'll volunteer to take an upper bunk; if you cannot get yourself into an upper bunk, please let us know). Tents, RVs, and sleep-aboard boats are OK, but no hookups are available —You'll get some privacy (and the upperbunk volunteer discount). Public gathering areas and some bedrooms are handicapped accessible. Special dietary needs may be accommodated if you let us know in advance. Limited kitchen facilities (fridge, freezer, microwave) are available to us at all times. No smoking is permitted indoors, and we are asked not to bring any alcohol.

ALL-NIGHT MUSIC: We fervently hope to have a **music-all-night cabin**, but this will require that enough folks sign up to bunk there to adequately fill the bed-spaces. As an extra incentive, no workshops will be scheduled in the Peace Cabin until after lunch, so all-night singers can sleep in! Please be sure to indicate on the application form if you would like to be in the music-all-night cabin!

WHAT TO BRING:

Along with voices, instruments, and your love of music, bring bedding, pillows, towels and soap, flashlight, and a coffee mug to help save paper. No pets, please.

RATES AND REGISTRATION:

See registration form on the next page and explanation below. Rates are for one, two, or three nights and for day-trippers who bring their own food. To dine at the Getaway buffet, you MUST register in advance. If you register for two nights, the fee covers three meals and a late-night snack both Saturday and Sunday. A three-night registration gives you an additional night's lodging and breakfast on Monday morning. A one-night registration gives you all meals and snacks on either Saturday or Sunday and, if you wish, a bed on either adjacent night. Be sure to register by September 10—after then, space cannot be guaranteed.

PAYMENT NOTES

You may register online with your credit card at **fsgw.org**. We have been able to keep our prices as low as possible this year, but we recognize that some folks may still have a problem with the cost. If you need help with the tuition, there is a scholarship fund to assist; contact **Charlie Baum** at **cbaum@fsgw.org** to inquire about scholarships. We've always made it affordable for anyone who wants to come.





Deadline September 2017 Newsletter: TUESDAY, August 8, 2017



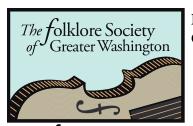
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