

NEWSLETTER

January 2024

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FSGW STORYTELLING

GRAPEVINE

THE GRAPEVINE STORYTELLING

TAKOMA DC & ONLINE • JANUARY 10 • 7:30 PM

The Grapevine is spoken word performance for adults and teens, celebrating the timeless art of the story, hosted by storytellers **Renée Brachfeld** and **Tim Livengood**.

Join us on January 10 at 7:30 pm live at Busboys and Poets Takoma (235 Carroll St. NW, Washington DC), and also via Zoom, featuring storytellers **Regi Carpenter** and **Liza Newell!**

FSGW IS ON SOCIAL MEDIA



Facebook:

facebook.com/fsgw.org/



Twitter:

twitter.com/fsgw_org/



Instagram:

instagram.com/fsgw_org/

Meetup: meetup.com/ folklore-society-of-greater-washington/

No registration needed for in person, but register at <u>fsgw.org/grapevine</u> for Zoom and online recording.

Registration: fsgw.org/event-5431715/Registration

<u>We ask for donations</u> to support our tellers; suggested \$20 per person at <u>fsgw2.org/grapevine.html</u>

Info: fsgw.org/grapevine



Regi Carpenter is the youngest daughter in a family that pulsates with contradictions: religious and raucous, tender but terrible, unfortunate yet irrepressible; four generations of Carpenters raised on the Saint Lawrence River. Tales of underwater tea

parties, drowning lessons, and drives to the dump give voice to generations of family life in a small river town with an undercurrent.

More about Regi at: regicarpenter.com

Liza Newell grew up in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. Her love of storytelling is inspired by stories told around the dinner table and by the fireplace. Liza's stories are shaped by her experiences of a small town childhood, of summers

spent in the Blue Ridge Mountains, and of what it means to leave and find home again in different corners of the world.

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House concert featuring KEITH MURPHY Potomac MD • Friday January 12 • 7 pm

World Music & Dance Institute and Folklore Society of Greater Washington

present a house concert featuring

Keith Murphy

A native of Newfoundland, Keith's traditional song repertoire is based in Eastern Canada and



Quebec as well as his current home,
Vermont. His direct and intimate style of traditional singing in English and French infuses old ballads and songs with a powerful immediacy while his rhythmic and percussive finger style of guitar playing

brings new shape and color to his songs. Keith was a founding member of **Nightingale**, which broke new ground in its sophisticated approach to traditional music.

More about Keith Murphy at: blackislemusic.com

The concert will take place at the home of Jamie and Betsy Platt in Potomac, MD, 10 minutes from Glen Echo Park.

<u>Advance registration required</u>. Suggested donation \$20.

<u>Info</u>: To reserve a seat, get the address or other information: hrhbetsy@gmail.com

DICK HENSOLD & PATSY O'BRIEN IN CONCERT ALEXANDRIA VA • SATURDAY JANUARY 20 • 8 – 10 PM



CD Release Tour!

Dick Hensold is the leading exponent of Northumbrian smallpiping in North America, and Patsy O'Brien is a singer, songwriter and guitarist from County Cork in

Ireland. Together they play a concert of Celtic music which is both traditional and innovative, focused and eclectic.

The program is half songs and half instrumentals, including a variety of songs from Britain and Ireland, accompanied by guitar and Northumbrian smallpipes (a quiet bagpipe from Northeast England), or various whistles. It also features traditional and historical tunes from Cape Breton

Island, Scotland, Ireland and Northumberland. As well as a broad range of styles of Celtic music, this program also features an impressive range of expression, from the jaunty and humorous to soulful, led by Patsy's warm and multi-colored baritone voice, Dick's variety of pipes and whistles, and the nimble instrumental virtuosity of both musicians.

Ticket information:

Recommended donation of \$20 per person with all proceeds going directly to the performers.

Info: Reserve seats via email at mjkandg@verizon.net and for the concert address. Day of reservations, please call: 703 380-7932.

Bruce Molsky

ALEXANDRIA VA • FRIDAY JANUARY 26 • DOORS OPEN 7 PM, 7:30 PM SHOW

Grammy-nominated, described as "an absolute master" (No Depression), Molsky transports audiences to another time and place, with his authentic and personal interpretations of rarities from the Southern Appalachian songbook and other musical traditions from around the globe.

Best known for his work on the fiddle, Bruce's banjo, guitar and his distinctive, powerful vocals also resonate with listeners. His combination of technical virtuosity and relaxed conversational wit makes a concert hall feel like an intimate front-porch gathering.

Presented by FSGW and the Traditional Music Series at the Lyceum: 201 South Washington St., Alexandria, VA 22314

Info and Ticketing: ticketstripe.com/brucemolsky



FSGW ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE GLEN ECHO, MD WEDNESDAYS • 8 – 10:30 PM

The English Country Dance committee has initiated the resumption of in-person Wednesday night dances at Glen Echo Town Hall.

The Dance Committee has decided to discontinue the Virtual Dances. We thank everyone for their enthusiastic support for the dance, and for our friends from all over the world for attending. Here's hoping more happy dancing is in your future.

Check our web page (<u>fsgw.org/ecd</u>) for the latest information on dancing in-person.



- Melissa Running calls to the playing of David Knight (fiddle),
 Anna Rain (recorders) and
 Francine Krasowska (piano)
- 10 Ann Fallon leads the dancing while
 Tina Chancey (fiddle), Ralph Gordon (cello) and
 Liz Donaldson (piano) make the music
- 17 Andrea Nettleton calls to the music of Becky Ross (fiddle), Carrie Rose (flute), and Bobby LaRose (piano)
- **24 April Blum** calls while **Susan Brandt** (flute), **Tom Wright** (10-string mandolin), and **Neil Epstein** (piano) play
- 31 Kappy Laning calls to the playing of Mari Carlson (fiddle),
 Paul Oorts (mandolin and accordion), and Melissa Running (piano)



January 3 - Melissa Running



January 10 - Ann Fallon



January 17 - Andrea Nettleton



January 24 - April Blum



January 31 - Kappy Laning

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IMPORTANT NOTE

The FSGW Board has rescinded the Policy on Calling Terms adopted on January 14, 2020.

Gender-free terms will now be used for the FSGW co-sponsored contra dances.

FSGW AND
THE FRIDAY NIGHT DANCERS
JOINT CONTRA DANCE
GLEN ECHO MD
FRIDAYS • LESSON AT 7:30 PM,
DANCE AT 8 PM

FSGW and **FND** have joined to present Contra dances! Full information will be on the FSGW calendar and FND Facebook page.

Info: fsgw.org/

Friday-contra-square-dance

Please pre-register so we can manage participation.

January . . . FSGW Tier 2 events

- 5 Kappy Laning with Rhymajigs - Jack Maus (piano), Patti Reum (flute/whistles), and Michael Giordano (fiddle/mandolin) fsgw.org/event-5481342/Registration
- 12 Gaye Fifer with
 The Glen Echo Open Band
 fsgw.org/event5481354/Registration

- 19 Michael Karcher with
 Squirrel's Chair Nathalie Levine (fiddle),
 Nathan Bishop (fiddle), and
 Judy Minot (keyboard)
 fsgw.org/event5481348/Registration
- 26 Andrea Nettleton with
 Carrie Rose and Friends Carrie Rose (flute),
 Dave Wiesler (piano), and
 Miranda Weinberg (fiddle)
 fsgw.org/event5482195/Registration

Please note that all are strongly encouraged to preregister.

COVID POLICY:

Since June 1, this is an FSGW Tier 2 event: N95, KN95, KF94 or similar masks are optional. We no longer require proof of vaccination. fsgw.org/FSGW-covid19-response

FSGW Co-sponsored
Silver Spring Contra Dance
Silver Spring MD
January 11 • 7 pm Lesson,
7:30 pm Dance

January . . . FSGW Tier 2 event

11 David Giusti with Sugar Beat - Elke Baker (fiddle), Susan Brandt (flute), and Marc Glickman (piano)

Register at: fsgw.org/event-5482186/Registration

Location: Silver Spring Civic Building 8525 Fenton St.
Silver Spring MD 20910

NEW EVENT: A Dance Basics session from 6:30 to 6:55. Exercises and demos GEARED to making Contra

Dance safer and more fun for all. Presented by **Linda Zebooker**.

Free introductory lesson 7 to 7:30 pm. Dance 7:30 to 9:30 pm. \$15 general admission. \$12 Folklore Society of Greater Washington (FSGW) Members. \$5 ages 21 and under and those with limited income.

This is an FSGW Tier 2 event: N95, KN95, KF94 or similar masks are optional. We no longer require proof of vaccination.

fsgw.org/FSGW-covid19-response

<u>Info</u>: <u>fsgw.org/</u> <u>silver-spring-contra-dance</u>

This dance is presented by FSGW and Carpe Diem Arts and is funded in part by Montgomery County Recreation, the Arts and Humanities Council of Montgomery County, and the Maryland State Arts Council, plus individual donors and dancers!

LE BAL PERDU DC AND FSGW
PRESENT AN EVENING OF BALFOLK!
DANCES FROM FRANCE
TAKOMA PARK MD
WEDNESDAY JANUARY 17
7:30 PM

Live music from **Trio Mirambel** - fiddle, accordion, and hurdy-gurdy

All dances taught, no partner needed!

Cost: \$10

Location: Join us at the
School of Musical Traditions in
Takoma Park, MD.
Easy street parking and a few
blocks from the Takoma Metro.

Info: lebalperdu.dc@gmail.com



FSGW BARN DANCE!

GLEN ECHO MD • JANUARY 14 • 1 – 3 PM

Come join us at the barn dance! This fun-spirited dance event is suitable for all ages and ability levels and features live music and calling. There will be circle dances, ceilidhs, and a variety of mixers.

This dance fits the bill for families with preschool children just as well as older groups of tweens and teens. Our intergenerational community is what makes this dance unique and fun.

~ So grab a friend or your kids and come join us! ~

January . . .

14 Penelope Weinberger with Sarah Foard (fiddle) and friends

1 to 3 pm in the Ballroom Back Room (Annex) at Glen Echo Park—FREE!

Info: fsgw.org/barn-dance

FSGW Co-sponsored
GLEN ECHO INTERNATIONAL
FOLK DANCERS
GLEN ECHO MD & ONLINE
WEDNESDAYS • 7:30 PM

To register, please provide an email address for possible contact tracing. Masks and vaccinations are urged, but not required. These dances are instruction- oriented from 7:30 to 8:30 pm with open request dancing after 8:30 pm. \$10 at the door. If you wish to attend, please contact Jamie at dancingplanet@erols.com to RSVP before attending.

For out-of-towners, we will try to show the class via Zoom. You can enter by clicking onto the following link: uso2web.zoom.us/j/87152651884
?pwd=QWVyVEc1cm9uWTNq
TkwrYTdPWIRrdzo9

Meeting ID: 871 5265 1884 Password: 145 If you click on the link, you may not need to enter a password.

For more information:

please contact Jamie at dancingplanet@erols.com or the website: dancingplanet productions.com/folkdance.

FSGW Co-sponsored
GREENBELT INTERNATIONAL FOLK
DANCE • GREENBELT MD
FRIDAYS • 8 PM

Weekly in-person international folk dancing has returned to Greenbelt with some sessions being in-person only, and others will be hybrid (in-person AND through Zoom). Occasionally, due to dance studio unavailability, some events will be Zoom only.

We do a variety of line, circle and couple dances mostly from the Balkans, Scandinavia and other parts of Europe. If you've ever wondered about music in odd rhythms – like 7, 9 and 11 – come and get hooked on this wonderful music, which includes these great dance rhythms and more. The room where we dance has a beautiful sprung wood floor (please bring a clean change from your street shoes). We sometimes have special events, including dance workshops and live music nights. Newcomers and beginners are welcome!

When: (almost) Every Friday night from 8 to 9:30 pm

Where: Greenbelt Community
Dance Studio
15 Crescent Rd.
Greenbelt MD 20770
(NEW! Enter and depart the community center through the front door.)
For the zoom link, contact John Robinson.

COVID POLICY: To participate in the In-Person programs at the Greenbelt Community Center you must comply with the Greenbelt IFD Covid-19 masking & vaccination policy. larryweiner.com/FridayDance-Covid-19%20-%202022-08-01a.htm

Info: Larry Weiner, 301-565-0539 or John and Sheila Robinson, 410-715-9210

More Info: visit larryweiner.com/ FridayDance.htm or facebook.com/Greenbelt InternationalFolkDancing/ ?ref=page_internal

FSGW SINGS

FSGW OPEN SING • ONLINE FRIDAY JANUARY 5 • 7:30 PM

Start 2024 with a truly OPEN sing! No social host, no topic! Can't get more open than that.

Only those wishing to sing need to register.

Sign up: bit.ly/Jan2024 OpenSingSignUp

Singer's List:

bit.ly/Jan2024OpenSingList

Reminder: Registration will be open til Noon on 1/5/24.

Zoom Link will be sent to the Open Sing Mailing List, if you're not a member, sign up at groups.io/g/FSGWOpenSings

Event Page:

fsgw.org/event-5539164

Info: Vince@VinceWilding.com

FSGW OPEN SING SILVER SPRING MD SATURDAY JANUARY 20

2 - 5 PM

Connie McKenna will host the in-person Open Sing in the Kemp Mill neighborhood in Silver Spring. The theme will be "Winter and the Anticipation of Spring," but all songs and topics are welcome.

To RSVP and obtain directions, call or text Connie at 301-906-2453 or email her at

conniemck@comcast.net

In-Person Event Page:

fsgw.org/event-5532976

Info: Vince@VinceWilding.com

Schweinhaut Song Circle
Silver Spring MD & Online
Second Friday January 12
1:30 – 3:30 pm

The monthly Schweinhaut Song Circle provides a daytime opportunity to enjoy delightful songs, old or new, humorous or serious, timeless or topical. Everyone is welcome, regardless of experience. Come for informal group singing or just to listen.

January 15 will be the 95th birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. In his honor, bring or request your favorite civil-rights songs, or any other songs! To keep the singing going, it's

helpful if you send your requests in advance using the form in the registration link below.



Susan McNelis will lead songs with guitar accompaniment, and any participant may lead any song a cappella or self-accompanied.

The Song Circle will be held in person at the Margaret Schweinhaut Senior Center, 1000 Forest Glen Road, Silver Spring, MD 20901. Participants are encouraged, but not required, to pre-register (see below), to have completed a full course of a COVID-19 vaccine (including boosters if eligible) before December 29, and to wear a mask except while leading a song.

If you can't come in person, you can join us on Zoom or by phone. The Zoom link and phone number will be sent Friday morning to those who are on the Song Circle email list and to others who register at forms.gle/jr4sR9tmu6VRMBdN8
by Thursday, January 11.

For the <u>latest updates</u> about the Song Circle, see: fsgw.org/event-5520357

FSGW GOSPEL SING ARLINGTON VA SUNDAY JANUARY 14 • 4 – 7 PM

The January 2024 Gospel Sing will again be indoors and include a potluck dinner. Come to Debby Churchman's accessible condo in Arlington VA.

Group singing for two hours, from 4 to 6 pm, potluck dinner from 6 to 7 pm. Hymnals provided.

A mask-friendly event — masks are optional but welcome. Everyone is welcome, but be sure you have had the latest COVID booster and are symptom-free.

RSVP/directions: email Debby at dchurchm@yahoo.com or call/text her at 540-467-3455

General Info: fsgw.org/gospel-sings

OPEN DANCES

SHEPHERDSTOWN CONTRA DANCE
SHEPHERDSTOWN WV
SATURDAY JANUARY 6 • 8 PM

Put on your dancing shoes for a fabulous evening as **David Giusti** calls to **Gina Faber** (guitar, fiddle) and **Joe DeZarn** (fiddle).

Beginner/refresher lesson at 7:30; potluck snacks at the break.

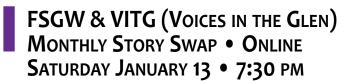
Vaccinations are recommended and masking with KN95 or similar masks is encouraged but not required.

Admission: \$15 nonmembers, \$12 members, \$5 dancing kids under 12.

Info: smad.us

FSGW STORYTELLING

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Storytellers and listeners are invited to an evening of shared stories. Anyone is welcome to tell a tale; no one ever has to. For adults or families. Free.



Sunday Afternoon Pop-up
Dance • Glen Echo Park
January 14 • 3 – 6 pm,
Introductory session at 2:30 pm

We're spicing up this contra with a touch of English. Will you be able to tell the difference between contra and English? Take the challenge! You'll discover why English Country Dancing is their 'cup of tea' for so many people, including contra dancers.

Calling by **Gaye Fifer**, and music by **Dave Wiesler** (piano, guitar), **Miranda Weinberg** (fiddle), and **Carrie Rose** (flute).

Admission: \$15, cash or Venmo only.

Location: The Bumper Car Pavilion at Glen Echo Park. Mask optional. Overhead radiant heaters keep you toasty warm, no matter the weather.

<u>Info</u>: dancingplanetproductions.com/ contra ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE
HERNDON VA

Saturday January 14 ● 2 – 6 pm

Join us with Tom Spilsbury calling, and music by Catherine Chapman (violin), Liz Donaldson (piano), and Jeff Steinberg (violin)

**Period or modern evening attire suggested ** To assist with refreshments we invite you to contribute hors d'oeuvres, a covered dish, or dessert. \$10; Students, \$5.

<u>Location</u>: Self-Trail Manor 13222 Loyalty Rd. Leesburg VA

Info: Laurel Bybell (Secretary)

lbybell@gmail.com or

703-791-5603 or

theleesburgassembly.org

or Jean Self-Trail at

selftrail@gmail.com or

540-822-9728

BFMS DANCE (BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY) • BALTIMORE MD SATURDAY JANUARY 13 • 7 – 9:30 PM NEW DANCER LESSON: 6:30 PM

Contra dances with

Kappy Laning calling to Richard Osban (guitar), Joanna Clare (fiddle), Laura Byrne (flute)

Dance lesson: 6:30 pm

Online payment only.

Pre-payment is encouraged. bfms.org/secondsatpay.php

Location: The Church of the Nativity and Holy Comforter 6112 York Rd. Baltimore, MD 21212 Admission is: \$10 BFMS members & affiliates, \$15 non-members.
Under 21 and full-time students with ID: free

Potluck snacks at the break. Masks & vaccinations are optional.

BFMS CONTRA (BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY) • BALTIMORE MD FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAYS:

JANUARY 3 & 17 • 8 – 10:30 PM

Wednesday Night Contra Dance Series! Every other Wednesday, 8 to 10:30 pm.

Location: Lovely Lane Church 2200 St. Paul St. 21218

Beginners always welcome! New dancer workshops at 7:30. BFMS and FSGW members \$10, non-members \$15. Student discount.

Pre-registration info: bfms.org

January . . .

- 3 Emily Aubrey (fiddle), Tom Wright (10-string mandolin), and Charlie Pilzer (piano)
- 17 Anna Rain calls to Starling -Jared Kirkpatrick (fiddle, mandolin, piano, feet) and Mo Brachfeld (fiddle).

BFMS ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE
BALTIMORE MD
2ND AND 4TH MONDAYS
8 – 10:30 PM
New Dancers' workshop 7:45 PM

New Dancers' workshop 7:45 pm.

English country dancing is lively movement to elegant music in a

friendly, informal setting. All dances are taught and walked through.

Preregistration required at <u>bfms.org</u>, vax/mask required.

Location: Church of the Nativity and Holy Comforter 6112 York Rd., 21212 bfms.org/directionsToChurchof theNativity.php

\$15 for non-members; \$10 BFMS, ATDS, FSGW, CDSS members; \$7 student non-members, \$5 student members.

Info: Ann Fallon, 410-507-0934, engdance@bfms.org or aefallon@verizon.net

January ...

- 8 Sharon McKinley will call dances to music by Carl Friedman (violin), Francine Krasowska (piano) and Mark Vidor (accordion). Free admission to this dance, but pre-registration required.
- **22 TBD** leads the dancing with music by **TBD**

Swing Dance • Glen Echo MD January 27 • 8 pm

- Beginner swing lesson 8 to 9 pm; dance 9 to 11:30 pm (band plays two sets)
- Admission \$20/person advanced sales (credit card only);
 \$30/person at the door.
 Advanced ticket sales ends at 12 noon on the day of the dance.
 All ticket sales are final;
 no refunds or credits.

Register at:

Gottaswing.com/calendar where you can buy tickets online for each dance.

We have dropped all covid-related restrictions at our classes and dances. We encourage vaccinations, boosters, and masks are always optional.

Info: gottaswing.com/calendar

January (in the Ballroom)

27 Carnival Time with The Grandsons

2024 BFMS MIDWINTER BALL BALTIMORE MD SATURDAY JANUARY 27 6:15 PM

Anna Rain calls to Triple Helix Colleen Reed (flute & sax)
Alexander Mitchell (fiddle &
mandolin), and
Keith Gillis (guitar)

6:15 - Social/Gathering 6:45 - Grand March 7 to 10 - Contra and Couples Dancing

<u>Tickets</u> are \$15/\$20 for students, \$30/\$40 for BFMS members, and \$35/\$45 for non-members.

<u>Location</u>: Church of the Redeemer 5603 North Charles St. Baltimore, MD

Registration Online:

bfms.org/midwinter2.phpOn-line ticket sales will end at10:59 pm on Saturday January 27.

English Country Dance
Annapolis MD
Saturday, January 20
7 – 9:30 pm
(Intro Lesson: 6:30 pm)

Tom Spilsbury calls to music of Gyrations: David Knight (violin); Carrie Rose (flute); Liz Donaldson (piano).

Capped attendance, so <u>pre-registration required</u> via email to <u>aefallon@verizon.net</u>.

Venue has windows and fans for ventilation. No experience or partner required. No food/drinks provided; please bring own drinking water. \$10.

Location:

Annapolis Friends Meeting Hall 351 Dubois Rd. Annapolis, MD 21401

Info: Jan Scopel, 443-540-0867, janscope@hotmail.com or Ann Fallon, 410-507-0934, facebook.com/profile.php?id=1 00057517095183

BALTIMORE SQUARE DANCE
BALTIMORE MD
SATURDAY JAN 20 • 7:30 PM

Baltimore Square Dance at Mobtown Ballroom
—Dust off your dancing shoes and join us at Mobtown
Ballroom's brand new home at 30 West North Ave. in Station
North for a hilariously fun evening of square dancing, live

music and plentiful silliness. The bar AND kitchen will be open.

Music from **Rachel Eddy Stringband** and dance calling from **Becky Hill.**

All dances will be taught. Beginners are welcome!

Come for dinner, drinks and dancing! No experience or partner is needed. There will be a dance caller walking you through all the moves. 6:30 pm doors, 7:30 – 10:30 pm dance.

Cost: \$15 advanced, \$18 at the door

Location: 30 West North Ave. Baltimore, MD 21218

Register online at:

eventbrite.com/e/baltimoresquare-dance-at-mobtownballroom-tickets-773182087437 ?aff=oddtdtcreator

AFTERNOON WALTZ GLEN ECHO MD JANUARY 7 & 21 • 2:45 PM

Join us for an afternoon of waltzing in the Spanish Ballroom! Take our beginner waltz lesson from 2:45 to 3:30 pm and enjoy dancing from 3:30 until 6 pm. No partner required. Admission is \$15, \$5 for full-time students with ID.

Info: WaltzTimeDances.org

or 301-634-2222 Proof of fully vaxed status is required. Masks requirements change; please bring one. More info on our website.

January . . .

- 7 The High Drive with David Wiesler (piano), Paul Oorts (accordion, mandolin, banjo, guitar), David Courret-Knight (fiddle)
- 21 Larry Ungar and Friends with Larry Unger (guitar, banjo), Elke Baker (fiddle), Carrie Rose (flute)



Bob Farrall calls to music by **Peascods Gathering**.

Beginners and singles welcome. \$5.

Location:

Glen Haven Elementary School 10900 Inwood Ave., 20902 (Parking and entrance in rear.)

Info: Carl Minkus, 301-493-6281, cminkus@verizon.net, or Bob Farrall, 301-577-5018

SMTMD CONTRA DANCE
CHAPTICO MD
SATURDAY, JANUARY 13 • 7 PM

The 2nd Saturday of the month September through June.

<u>Location</u>: Christ Church Parish Hall 37497 Zack Fowler Rd. Chaptico, MD

The evening starts at 7 pm with a half hour beginner's dance workshop followed by live music performed by the **SOMD Open Band** and dancing from 7:30 to 10 pm.

Check the <u>website calendar</u> (<u>smtmd.org/new-events</u>) for the lineup of dances and callers!

Admission is \$12 for non-SMTMD members; \$8 for members.
Children 17 and under, when accompanied by an adult, and band members are free.

Info: smtmd2@gmail.com
 smtmd.org/#/dances



MID-ATLANTIC
NORWEGIAN DANCERS
SILVER SPRING MD
JANUARY 13 • 7:30 PM

Norwegian-style cozy house party, with the music first this time.

Jonathan Een Newton and Loretta Kelley plus other guest musicians will play Swedish and Norwegian tunes for dancing on exotic instruments with sympathetic strings. Jonathan will be showcasing the results of his year-long study with Loretta under a Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC.org) Maryland Traditions Folklife Apprenticeship grant, and this event is supported in part by MSAC.

Addictive dances, some with elements like Swing or Hambo.
Beginners, singles/couples, watchers/listeners all welcome.
Please bring food to share (dish or snack), clean shoes to wear, and bucks you can spare. No need to bring a partner—we mix and some enjoy dancing either role so all can dance.

At Stephen & Phyllis' place (no pets); if you need address ask phllsdrrck@gmail.com. Hosts'

health precautions: masks optional; stay home if sick or COVID exposure within 7 days.

Info: MAND.fanitull.org or Jenny Foster, pi@xecu.net (MAND in Subject please), H 301-371-4312

Scandia DC Dance/Music Event GREENBELT MD Saturday, January 20 3:30 – 5:45 pm; sign-in at 3:15

Scandia DC will be holding its monthly Third Saturday dance/music event January 20th in person. The event will feature dance teaching at the beginning to recorded music followed by live music sets. The first music set will allow musicians to play along with lead musician,

Loretta Kelley, after a practice session in a separate room during the dance teaching. Tunes in that set will be available on the website in advance of the event.

Please don't attend if you are feeling sick or have been in recent contact with someone with COVID. More details on COVID precautions will be in the invitation email.

Info: Email Linda@ScandiaDC.org to get on the list to receive the latest information on the event if you are not already on the list. More information will be available at ScandiaDC.org and in the invitation email closer to the event.

THE NORDIC DANCERS OF
WASHINGTON DC
SILVER SPRING MD
WEDNESDAYS • 7:30 – 9:50 PM

The Nordic Dancers preserve the traditions of community dance groups in Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden.

Music by Paul Carlson.

Check by email for updated COVID protocols.

No charge the first time; \$4.00 per session thereafter.

Location: Highland View Elementary School 9010 Providence Ave. Silver Spring, MD

Info: Chris Kalke, 301-864-1596, ckalke@verizon.net sites.google.com/site/ nordicdancersdc

Cuban Salsa Class & Social Dancing • Washington DC Saturdays • 1:15 – 4 pm

We dance at:

Chevy Chase Baptist Church 5671 Western Ave, NW Washington, DC 20015

\$15/person

Details: danceintime.com/classes

Questions: Barb@DanceInTime.com or call Barb: 443-773-2623



OPEN CONCERTS, SINGS, AND PERFORMING ARTS

CARPE DIEM ARTS

DAILY ANTIDOTE OF SONG

ONLINE • DAILY • 12 NOON

Daily at noon, Carpe Diem Arts offer "notes of hope" as a song leader from our roster of OVER ONE HUNDRED local, national and international guest artists shares a song online. Watch our website for announcements about specially-themed weeks.

Great for all ages! Attend in the virtual concert room or sing along on Facebook Live; see our website for participation instructions.

Free; donations to the "Antidote Fund" are encouraged and support the artists.

Info: carpediemarts.org/
 daily-antidote-of-song

Ruthie and the Wranglers
Takoma DC • Friday January 12
7:30 – 9:30 pm (doors open at 7)

Takoma Park's Ruthie and the Wranglers bring original Americana Country to whiskey-drenched ballads, and with more than 30 WAMMIE wins, you don't want to miss Ruthie Logsdon, Andy Rutherford, Tom Fridrich, Alch Alcantara, & Bill Starks' return to Carroll Cafe. \$25 adv or door.

Location: 276 Carroll St NW, Takoma.

Info: carrollcafe.seekerschurch.org Sandra Miller, 240-350-1769, sandra@seekerschurch.org

MLK "GONNA TAKE US ALL" BALL • SILVER SPRING MD SUNDAY JANUARY 14 • 7 – 11 PM

On the eve of the 95th birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., recommit to his dream of equality and justice for all, and celebrate Elise Bryant's retirement as Executive Director of the Labor Heritage Foundation. Join us in solidarity as we prepare for another year of struggle and victory, with friends, hors d'oeuvres, music and dancing, and special guest speaker Congressman Jaime Raskin.

Venue: McGinty's Public House, 2nd Floor, 911 Ellsworth Dr. Silver Spring, MD 20910 McGinty's full food & drink menu will be available for purchase.

Tickets at bit.ly/3uw312X

LHF members \$20 + \$3.18 fee General admission \$25 + \$3.52 fee

Info: info@laborheritage.org

Bluegrass/Old-Time, Celtic, Blues/Folk Jams Westminster MD Wednesday January 3 • 7 pm

Each genre will have a separate space but participants are welcome to spend time in each one! All ages and skill levels are welcome.

Leaders will help everyone take part. No enrollment necessary.

Listeners welcome.

<u>Location</u>: Carroll Arts Center 91 West Main St. Westminster, MD 21157

First Wednesday of every month, 7 to 9 pm.

THE FRYING PAN OLD-TIME JAM FAIRFAX VA SUNDAY JANUARY 7 • 1 PM

Near the stage in the Visitor Center. The jam is on the first Sunday of the month from 1 to 4 pm. Chairs are available in the room. You can go to the main Visitor Center entry and they will direct you.

Free. Frying Pan Park, Fairfax VA.

TAKOMA OPEN SPARK TAKOMA PARK MD ONGOING TUESDAYS • 7 PM

Institute of Musical Traditions presents the Takoma Open Spark.

Supported by a cast of talented local regular artists and hosted by rob Hinkal and David Eisner, each Tuesday evening IMT hosts an open mic night where all are invited to perform. A special featured artist slot is the highlight of the night!

Signup at 6:30, music at 7 pm, webcast Live on Facebook, YouTube and Twitch. House piano available.

7 pm | The evening is free to attend, but we encourage a \$10 suggested donation for our featured artist.

<u>Location</u>: School of Musical Traditions 7112 Willow Ave. Takoma Park, MD 20912

Info: rob Hinkal at
 publicity@imtfolk.org or
 imtfolk.org

Warrenton Bluegrass Jam Warrenton VA January 14 • 2 pm

Yes...that is right. The Warrenton Bluegrass Jam is back! The Jam is

now part of the Allegro Acoustical Jams Programs of the Allegro Community School of the Arts. Thanks to Lachelle and Sam Yoder for embracing and supporting a revitalized jam. Doc Phillips and I will co-lead the jams and we encourage everyone to come and enjoy the music and good times.

Our jams will continue meeting on the second Sunday of each month from 2 to 4 pm. We will use the Allegro studio located at 65 Main St. in downtown Warrenton. There should be plenty of parking available. This facility will permit us to jam in one location year round without having to worry about the weather. The building is located in the block between the Post Office and the Presbyterian Church.

Feel free to spread the word about our jam.

Info: wattman52@gmail.com

CIDER TRADJAM • ALEXANDRIA VA SUNDAY JANUARY 14 • 1 – 4 PM

An afternoon of English, Irish, Scandi, French and American tunes at Lost Boy Cider. All (acoustic) instruments, all levels: just great jamming and great cider.

Free Location: Lost Boy Cider 317 Hooffs Run Dr. Alexandria, 22314

Info: concertinist@gmail.com

CABOMA Jam • Arlington VA January 14 & 28 • 2 pm

CABOMA's jams are regularly on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month.

Regular time and place: 2 to 6 pm Unitarian Universalist Church of Arlington 4444 Arlington Blvd. Arlington, VA 22204

We have three rooms for jamming. The slow jam starts in the chapel (the big basement room with the circular ceiling fixture) from 2 to 3 pm. Room 13/15 houses a regular tempo jam. And room 14 is also available to us. Room 14 is not used a lot; it's available for creative uses—small breakout groups or perhaps a continuation of the slow jam.

Info: caboma.org

Touched by Song Gospel Jam Herndon VA Tuesday January 8 • 7 – 9 pm

New time: 2nd Tuesday from 7 – 9 pm

Open to all ages and all levels. We play a variety of gospel from hymns, bluegrass gospel, country gospel, praise, original songs. Chairs are available but please bring a stand.

The <u>address</u> is: Floris United
Methodist Church
13600 Frying Pan Rd.
Herndon, VA 20171.
Drive up the hill and park on the upper level.

Maura Shawn Scanlin
House Concert
Baltimore MD
Monday January 22 • 7 pm

You're invited! Bring friends, food, drink and a smiling face for what will surely be a beautiful evening of music and community!

Boston-based fiddle player and songwriter Maura Shawn Scanlin is making her home among the Celtic and Acoustic music scenes across the country. Her playing is hailed for its inventiveness, fluidity, and tone. Her music brings together influences from Ireland, Scotland, and the American South, where she grew up. Maura is a 2time U.S. National Scottish Fiddle Champion, a Glenfiddich Fiddle Champion, and is touring for the first time under her own name, following the release of her debut full-length solo album, released in May 2023. Her band features Conor Hearn on guitar (Rakish), Adam Hendey on bouzouki (The Fire), and Julian Pinelli on fiddle (Peter Rowan Bluegrass Band, The Foreign Landers).

Invite your friends and spread the word! Most shows fill up so don't hesitate to reserve a spot. Feel free to bring food and drink to share.

Sign up at: bradkolodner.us5.listmanage.com/track/click?u=67 046729f55eae5595cobcd71&i d=cb62bba5e7&e=a47fbff5d9

Info: bradkolodner@gmail.com with any questions.

CAPITOL HILL SHAPE NOTE SINGING WASHINGTON DC
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17 • 7 – 9 PM

Shape note singing from The Sacred Harp and Shenandoah Harmony: community singing of 4-part a cappella songs in a style rooted in colonial America. Join us the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

All are welcome! Songbooks available to share.

Location:

Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church 201 4th St SE Washington, DC 20003

<u>Info</u>: <u>dcshapenote.squarespace.com</u> <u>silvermanalexa@gmail.com</u>

FSGW Co-sponsored
Takoma Old-Time Jam
Takoma Park MD • Wednesday
January 17 • 7:30 – 9:30 pm

Jonathan Vocke will host the Old Time Jam on Wednesday from 6:45 to 9 pm. We'll have a 30 - 40 minute slow jam to start.

This jam is open to all skill levels and instruments. Please come with

whatever you play and plan on supporting the restaurant who is generously hosting us!

Our location has been Busboys and Poets, subject to change.
235 Carroll St NW
Washington, DC 20012
—Watch for updates
on our location.

Info: fsgw.org/

Takoma-Park-Old-Time-Jam

Washington's Spelmanslag
Hyattsville and Kensington MD
Sessions on the 2nd and 4th
Saturday • 2:30 – 4 pm

Washington's Spelmanslag is a group of local musicians who love to

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play traditional Swedish folk music together. All instruments and all levels of play are welcome.

Info: Catherine Chapman
240-461-9244
washingtonsspelmanslag.com
facebook.com/
washingtonsspelmanslag

SMTMD OPEN MIC NIGHT CHAPTICO MD FRIDAY JANUARY 26 • 7 PM

4th Friday of the month September through June.

Acoustic musicians of all skill levels are warmly welcomed to perform their favorite tunes. Doors open at 7 pm with performances beginning promptly at 7:30 pm. Admission is \$8; performers are admitted free of charge. Contact Chris Dudley in advance (ccdudley@rocketmail.com) to sign up as a performer.

Location: Christ Church Parish Hall 37497 Zack Fowler Rd. Chaptico, MD

Info: smtmd2@gmail.com
 smtmd.org/#/open-mic-night

Irish Social Dance Classes Gaithersburg MD Tuesdays, January 9 to May 7 7 – 8:45 pm

The Ring of Kerry Irish Dancers teach Irish set and ceili dancing, for ages 18 and up. No partner necessary. For non-members, the first class is free (see website for coupon), afterwards is \$50 per semester plus an annual \$25 membership fee.

Location: Ridgeview Middle School 16600 Raven Rock Rd. Gaithersburg, MD 20878

Website: ringofkerrydancers.org

Takoma Mandoleers Arlington VA Tuesdays • 7:30 – 9:30 pm

The **Takoma Mandoleers** are a community orchestra comprised of mandolin, mandola, mandocello, classical guitar and string bass. Founded in Takoma Park in 1923, we play the mandolin orchestra repertoire from classical to the 20th and 21st centuries.

Info: Mandoleers.org/contact

Bluegrass and Old Time Jam Baltimore MD Tuesdays • 7 pm

Howdy folks! We're moving to the Green Room which is an event space below the Bluebird Cocktail Room on Hickory Ave just off The Avenue. The Green Room is a gorgeous space with wonderful acoustics, a cozy vibe, plenty of room for the jammers and viewers, great drinks of all sorts (beer, wine, cocktails, non-alcoholic options) and awesome food. We hope this becomes the long-term home for the jam.

All are welcome to play along in the jam regardless of skill level or instrument. Even if you don't play, you can come to soak in the scene, listen to the music and grab a bite to eat.

Every other Tuesday, Ken & Brad Kolodner will lead the Baltimore Old Time Jam from 7 to 10 pm. The first hour of the jam will be a "slow jam" so anyone can hop in and play along at a moderate tempo. From 8 to 10 pm, they'll kick up the tempo for the "fast jam." Imagine a sea of fiddles, banjos, guitars and more all swelling together in a chorus of joyous tunes!

On the opposite Tuesdays, **Alex Lacquement & Lucas Chohany**will lead the **Baltimore Bluegrass Jam**from 7 to 10 pm for a jam featuring
bluegrass songs and instrumentals.
Come with a song or two to lead —
or just show up and jam along.

Best of all, the jam is FREE!

Location: The Green Room 3600 Hickory Ave. Baltimore, MD 21218

Info: facebook.com/groups/ 569707316420150

Manor Mill Old Time Jam Monkton MD Sunday January 28 • 1 – 4 pm

Fourth Sunday every month. Generally 1 to 4 pm unless otherwise noted!

Feel free to bring a dish. BYOB!

Questions: otj@manor-mill.com
Info: manor-mill.com/otj

Bluegrass Class with Cherry Blossom Special Takoma Park MD Thursdays, January 4, 18, February 1, 15, March 7, 21 7 – 8 pm

Learn how to play in a bluegrass ensemble with other beginner-to-intermediate musicians! Come with your fiddle, guitar, mandolin, banjo, or bass - or the willingness to learn a new instrument. With the guidance of *Cherry Blossom Special* (with SMT teachers, *Mari Carlson*, *Justin Heath*, and *Nick Cameron*), you will learn how to play and sing with proper technique, blend in a group on your

instrument and voice, and prepare for a performance.

This class is open to middle school age students and above (students under the age of 12 should speak to us prior to registration).

The class will culminate in a recital, in which the group will be the opening act for **Cherry Blossom Special**. Come join the band! \$200 for 6 sessions.

<u>Location</u>: 7112 Willow Ave. Takoma Park, MD 20912

Info: (240) 690-1910
lessons@schoolofmusical
traditions.com
schoolofmusicaltraditions.com/
classes-workshops/bluegrassclass-w-cherry-blossom-special

FUSING THE MUSIC FROM CHINA
TO APPALACHIA AND BEYOND
TAKOMA PARK MD
WEDNESDAY JANUARY 10 • 7 PM

Institute of Musical Traditions presents a workshop with Cathy Fink, Marcy Marxer and Chao Tian. Part workshop, part masterclass, the program will give a detailed view of their instrumentation, particularly the lesser known Yanqin (Chinese Hammered Dulcimer), along with five-string banjo, cello banjo, gourd banjo, mandolin, ukulele and percussion.

The band will co-show how they fuse their eclectic musical instruments and ideas for both an arranged piece and an improvised piece of music. If people bring instruments, they will teach 1 Chinese tune that easily adapts to American old-time instruments. Q & A to follow and a last tune.

Free workshop.

<u>Location</u>: 7112 Willow Ave. Takoma Park, MD 20912

<u>Info</u>: (240) 690-1910

lessons@schoolofmusical traditions.com

schoolofmusicaltraditions.com/ classes-workshops/fusing-themusic-from-china

Adult Old-Time String Band with Jonathan Vocke Takoma Park MD Wednesdays, January 10, 24, February 14, 28, March 13, 27 7:30 – 8:30 pm

This class is open to adults 18+ interested in learning how to play traditional string band music in a group setting. Over the course of our four meetings we will be learning and practicing 3-4 tunes.

This class is open to all instruments but band members should come to the class knowing the basic techniques to play their instruments. At the end of the class we may even perform a little concert for our friends and family members. \$200 for 6 sessions.

<u>Location</u>: 7112 Willow Ave. Takoma Park, MD 20912

<u>Info</u>: (240) 690-1910

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traditions.com

schoolofmusicaltraditions.com/ classes-workshops/ adult-old-time-string-bandw-jonathan-vocke Bluegrass Slow Jam
Takoma Park MD
Thursdays, January 11 & 25
7 – 9 pm

Cherry Blossom Special
(Mari Carlson, Justin Heath,
Nick Cameron, Gabby Cameron, and
Sophie Chang) lead a bi-weekly
bluegrass jam for high school
students and adults looking to build
their jamming chops. They will lead
standard tunes from the bluegrass
repertoire and help you out if you
get lost in the chords.
\$10 suggested donation.

Location: 7112 Willow Ave. Takoma Park, MD 20912

Info: (240) 690-1910

lessons@schoolofmusical traditions.com

schoolofmusicaltraditions.com/ jams-open-mics/bluegrassslow-jam

Drumlady K's Rhythm Room Takoma Park MD Saturdays, January 27, February 3, 10, 17 • 10 - 11 am

Join **Drumlady Kristen Arant & Friends** for a series on children's songs and games of the African diaspora!

Explore drums and other instruments made of wood, straw, seed pods and gourds; learn songs about the instruments, rhythms, and children's songs in African languages such as Ga Adangbe and Yoruba. Move and sing and play, Ashe! For ages 4 to 6. \$150 for 4 sessions.

<u>Location</u>: 7112 Willow Ave. Takoma Park, MD 20912 Info: (240) 690-1910

lessons@schoolofmusical
traditions.com
schoolofmusicaltraditions.com/
classes-workshops/
drumlady-ks-rhythm-room

GET YOUR LONESOME ON!
TAKOMA PARK MD
MONDAY JANUARY 22
7 – 9:30 PM

Bluegrass is a Washington-area tradition. In the 1940s Appalachian migrants to the region brought a plethora of great music and musicians, earning Washington-Baltimore the moniker "Bluegrass Capital of the World."

In the spirit of that proud tradition, SMT is hosting a monthly jam for both experienced and beginner pickers and those who love them, hosted by Ira Gitlin and Mary Naden.

\$10 suggested donation.

Folks are free to play or listen as they please. BYO non-alcoholic beverages and food are allowed. Plenty of restaurants and bars are within 1-2 blocks of the school, and parking is available. We encourage patronizing Takoma Park's lively food scene!

<u>Location</u>: 7112 Willow Ave. Takoma Park, MD 20912

<u>Info</u>: (240) 690-1910

lessons@schoolofmusical traditions.com

schoolofmusicaltraditions.com/ jams-open-mics/ get-yer-lonesome-on

Washington Balalaika Society (WBS) • Arlington VA Wednesdays • 7:30 – 9:30 pm

WBS is welcoming new members. The orchestra is comprised of Eastern European folk instruments including balalaikas and domras in various sizes, and some Western percussion and wind instruments, producing a uniquely beautiful sound.

We have an eclectic repertoire including classical music, folk songs, Broadway tunes and popular music from around the world. We perform often around the Washington DC metropolitan area and occasionally beyond, and our audiences are always enthusiastic.

WBS invites strings players at all levels, as well as percussion, oboe, clarinet, and accordion players. (If you read music, you can learn domra or balalaika.) Come and visit us any Wednesday night.

<u>Location</u>: Faith Lutheran Church 3313 Arlington Blvd. Arlington, VA 22201

Info: balalaika@balalaika.org or balalaika.org

Message us on Facebook for details.

ROCK CREEK MORRIS WOMEN
KENSINGTON MD
SUNDAYS • 10 – 11:30 AM

Learn English morris dancing and become part of a community that dances, sings, and socializes together. No dance experience necessary! Email if interested. <u>Location</u>: White Flint Park 11525 Rokeby Ave. Kensington, MD 20895

Info: rockcreekmorriswomen
@gmail.com and rockcreek
morriswomen.weebly.com

FOGGY BOTTOM MORRIS MEN
ARLINGTON VA
SATURDAYS • 11 AM – 1 PM

Learn traditional English morris dances from the Cotswold villages of Bampton, Bledington, and more. New and experienced dancers are wanted to join our community that dances, socializes, and sings. It's as easy as step-hop, step-hop.

<u>Location</u>: Welburn Square 901 N. Taylor St. Arlington, VA 22203

Info: Jud McIntire, squire@fbmm.org Nat Brown, foreman@fbmm.org

Ship's Company Chantymen
Fairfax VA, Baltimore,
Wheaton, & Woodstock MD
1ST Thursday, 2nd Wednesday,
& 3rd Thursday: 8 pm
4th Sunday: 2 pm

1st Thursdays are at the Auld Shebeen Irish Pub & Restaurant: 3971 Chain Bridge Rd., Fairfax, VA 22030. (8 to 10 pm)

The 2nd Wednesday (Baltimore) is in Fells Point in the Anchor Bar at Admiral Fell's Inn: 815 S. Broadway. (8 pm) The 3rd Thursday folk sing hosted by **Johnny Strumm** is at the Limerick Pub: 11301 Elkin St., Wheaton, MD 20902. (8 pm)

The 4th Sunday location is now located NW of Ellicott City MD at Los Compadres Mexican Restaurant: 10805 Birmingham Way #24, Woodstock, MD.

NOTE: <u>NOT</u> 8 pm as usual for Pub sings, but rather 2 pm start. Still approximately two hours. Same format, same lead host

Brad Graham, different location, food & daylight instead of nighttime.

Info: Brad Graham

blgraham_99@yahoo.com Subscribe to Ship's Company Chantymen open Chantysings events newsletter at SCC-ChanteySings-Invitationsubscribe@groups.io

ORFEIA ENSEMBLE SING • ONLINE MONDAYS • 7 PM

Orfeia is an all-woman vocal ensemble, directed by singer, director and composer Tatiana Sarbinska, dedicated to preserving, performing and teaching traditional music from Bulgaria and Eastern Europe. Orfeia's repertoire spans the rich and diverse musical heritage of the Balkans, including Bulgaria, Macedonia, Serbia, Russia, and Greece. We usually rehearse in Chevy Chase MD. We are always seeking new members. No familiarity with Eastern European music required.

Info: Diane, 202-274-4155 orfeiavocalensemble@gmail.com orfeia.org facebook.com/orfeiamusic

Ski-Dance Weekend

Laurel Highlands PA • February 16 to 19

Cross-country ski or snowshoe in the Laurel Highlands of Pennsylvania during the day and contra dance at night!

Do you have two left feet? 🌽

...Bring both of them because there is free ski instruction and Janine Smith will have you moving to the music of Dave Wiesler and Mat Clark.

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Lots of fun and prices range from \$95 to \$450 depending on your accommodations.

Info: skidance.org
or contact Bob Mathis
at rjmathis62@gmail.com
or call 240-858-9341

Ski-Dance

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April 19-20, 2024

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Location: Baltimore Museum of Industry

1415 Key Highway, Baltimore, MD 21230

Info: baltimoreoldtimefest.com

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Needed skills include organizing information, documenting procedures, writing business-like emails, comfort with Google Docs and Sheets, and using a WYSIWYG editor to make website updates. HTML and CSS skills are nice to have but not required.

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Interested? Email contact@fsgw.org

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AT IN-PERSON EVENTS is being revised as we watch the spread of variants and their effect on the community. A current version is posted on our website at fsgw.org/FSGW-covid19-response

The goal is to keep all of us healthy and to enable everyone to feel safe. FSGW hopes that everyone will approach participating at in-person events from a "good neighbor" perspective. Each of us is essential to keeping the community healthy. Thank you!

Charlie Pilzer, FSGW President

FSGW BOARD MEETING (ONLINE) TUESDAY JANUARY 9 • 8 PM

Monthly FSGW Board meetings are all electronic via Zoom. Meetings are open to all FSGW members; contact president@fsgw.org or webmaster@fsgw.org for a link to the meeting. If you wish to have the Board consider a particular matter, please contact the appropriate Board member or Charlie Pilzer at president@fsgw.org at least two days in advance of the scheduled meeting.

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