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RIVER ROAD

#Dance Weekend

MARCH 9 & 10
GLEN ECHO MD

WILL MENTOR



ALEX DEIS-LAUBY



ICE CREAM TRUCKERS

Info: fsgw.org/event-547711

Come dance in the famous **Bumper Car Pavilion** to the calling of **Will Mentor** and **Alex Deis-Lauby** with music from **River Road** (Kristen Planeaux, Sarah-Hadley Yakir, and Jesse Ball) and the **Ice Cream Truckers** (Audrey Leigh Jaber, Kelsey Wells, and Yann Falquet).

#An ultra challenging urban dance weekend featuring mind bending figures, non-gendered calling, and unbelievably amazing music.

#Two days of workshops, dancing, community, fun and food in the fabulous open air, covered Bumper Car Pavilion and throughout Glen Echo Park.

The Friday Night Dance will feature **Will Mentor** and the **Ice Cream Truckers** also at Glen Echo on March 8, an event adjacent to the weekend with separate registration.

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FSGW ELECTIONS



Recruiting New Board Members!!!

FSGW could not offer the hundreds of concerts, dances, festivals and other events each year without the many Society members who volunteer to make it all happen. The FSGW Board of Directors is recruiting Board members through our annual election process for a one-year term beginning on July 1. The Election Committee is compiling a slate of candidates for the May election for the 2024–2025 term and invites you to nominate candidates. You may offer your nominations for the FSGW Board at:

Thursday March 7 – Northern Resonance concert in Washington DC ([see p. 3](#))

Monday March 11 – Alex Cumming "Homecoming" CD Release House Concert
featuring **Audrey Jaber** in Potomac MD ([see p. 4](#))

*These events are
free to members*

Nominations will be accepted from when we open the FSGW membership meeting at each event.

These events are official Folklore Society meetings for the purpose of receiving nominations for the Board from the membership.



**Folklore
Society of
Greater
Washington**

Nominations can also be submitted directly to the Election Committee (prior to April 1) by petition signed by five current FSGW Members. You can contact the Election Committee at:

elections@fsgw.org

Hash Dance Weekend 2024



Schedule: Contra dancing from 10:30 am to 11 pm on Saturday and 10:30 am to 6 pm on Sunday. Before the contras each day, open waltzing to recorded music will be available from 9 to 10:30 am. After the contras on Saturday night, there will be an hour of fusion dancing to recorded music. Additional workshops will be interspersed throughout the days.

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Volunteer: We need volunteers to help this event run! Full-weekend volunteers will be assigned 3 hours of work. Partial-weekend volunteers will be assigned 1 hour of work.

Lunch is prioritized to pre-registered attendees; you must register by Wednesday March 6. Any lunch left after pre-registered attendees have eaten is fair game. Lunch will be a plant based, gluten free, vegan, protein salad (think lentils, garbanzos, black beans) with fruits and veggies on the side, and a Peanut Butter and Jelly sandwich bar.

Info: fsgw.org/event-547711

Registration: fsgw.org/event-5477117/Registration

Friday Night Registration: fsgw.org/event-5523507

For **Questions** or to **Volunteer:**

Contact hashdanceweekend@gmail.com

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Northern Resonance, SCANDINAVIAN ROOTS MUSIC STRING TRIO

WASHINGTON DC • THURSDAY MARCH 7 • 12 – 1 PM

Northern Resonance

is a Scandinavian string trio rooted in traditional folk music. They perform traditional and newly composed roots music on a previously untested combination of instruments: viola d'amore, hardanger fiddle and nyckelharpa. They combine Scandinavian music with explosive rhythms and grand chamber-like arrangements, taking folk music in a new direction.

The members of **Northern Resonance** are highly skilled and accomplished musicians, and they share an intense musical connection that is rare to come across.

Their debut album, released in 2020, introduced their glorious sound and impressed a broad audience worldwide, and was nominated for a Swedish Grammy. The trio released their second album in January 2024.

northernresonance.se

Location: Library of Congress
Thomas Jefferson Building -
Whittall Pavilion (LJG45E)
10 1st St. SE
Washington, DC 20540



Ticket Information: The event is FREE for FSGW members, but tickets are required, and there may be special restrictions. Follow the link below and click on the “Get Tickets” button, for more information and to secure your ticket.
loc.gov/item/event-411871/northern-resonance-scandinavian-roots-music-string-trio/2024-03-07

ALEX CUMMING “HOMECOMING” CD RELEASE HOUSE CONCERT FEATURING AUDREY JABER • POTOMAC MD • MONDAY MARCH 11 • 7:30 PM

Join critically acclaimed folk singer and accordionist **Alex Cumming** as he celebrates the launch of his brand new album, *Homecoming*, an exciting album full of toe-tapping tunes, beautiful ballads and rollicking choruses. Joining Alex will be virtuosic fiddler and singer **Audrey Jaber**, known for her work with *The Gaslight Tinkers*, *Wake Up Robin*, *Larry Unger*, *Free Raisins* and more.

Alex Cumming is a traditional Singer, Accordionist, Pianist and dance caller hailing from Somerset, England, now living in Brattleboro VT, USA. He performs songs and tunes from around the United Kingdom and America with a great depth of knowledge of the tradition. Alex has made his mark on the folk scene with his rhythmic dance-able accordion style, strong voice and his fun and engaging stage presence. After over a decade of recording albums and touring with various bands, 2024 sees Alex release his debut solo album, ‘*Homecoming*’, featuring fiddler Audrey Jaber (*Wake Up Robin*, *Free Raisins*), guitarist Max Newman (*Stringrays*, *Nor’Easter*) and regular recording collaborator Pete Ord (*Haystack Records*). Alex is a member of Celtic trio *Bellwether* (with Louise Bichan,

Eric McDonald), award winning a capella quartet *The Teacups* and critically acclaimed duo Alex Cumming & Nicola Beazley. You may also catch him playing for dances in many combos, including Stuart Kenney’s *Red Case Band* and trio *Crossover*. Alex is also Artistic Director for *Revels North*. AlexCummingMusic.com

You know **Audrey Jaber** is performing if the room is buzzing at a higher level. Her fiddling, featured in bands including *The Free Raisins*, *The Gaslight Tinkers*, *Audacious* (with Larry Unger), and *Wake Up Robin*, has electrified dance and concert halls across the US and Europe. Hailing from Honolulu and now living in California, she cut her folk teeth in the Boston area, attending Berklee College of Music and spending years exploring the thriving New England folk scene. Audrey’s fiddle playing is rhythmically lively and spontaneous; she’s guaranteed to get you up and dancing. She specializes in English dance, New England, Celtic, and Old Time tunes (and did we mention she’s also an audio engineer?!). You might also have taken a workshop with Audrey, as she’s been on staff at various camps including various weeks at Pinewoods, Ashokan Northern Week, BACDS American week, New London Assembly and Halsway Manor.

For more on Audrey, visit her at audreyknuth.com



**This event is
FREE FOR FSGW MEMBERS**

There will be a short **nominations meeting for the FSGW board elections**

Location details will be sent to registered attendees.

Register at fsgw.org/event-5604538

THE GRAPEVINE STORYTELLING

TAKOMA PARK MD AND ONLINE • MARCH 13 • 7:30 PM

Join us on March 13 at 7:30 pm live at Busboys and Poets Takoma (235 Carroll Ave NW, Washington, MD), and also via Zoom, featuring the splendid delightful **Leeny Del Seamonds** and the judicious **Walter Jones!**

About Our Tellers:

The face and the voice of **Leeny Del Seamonds** have launched a thousand characters. Leeny is a multi-award-winning entertainer, singer, recording artist, and voice actor. Animated and uplifting tales and tunes reflect a love of people and embrace life to its fullest. Leeny encourages listeners to rejoice in diversity, sharing her Cuban-American humor and joy. With passion, fire and wit, Leeny's dynamic shows and renowned workshops headline happenings worldwide.



LEENY DEL SEAMONDS

More about Leeny at: leenydelseamonds.com

No registration needed for in person, but register for Zoom and online recording.

Register FOR FREE for access to the live stream or to catch the recorded show later at fsgw.org/event-5431702/Registration

You will get emails with reminders on the date, time, and location, as well as Zoom information.

We ask for donations to support our tellers, suggested \$20 per person. Donations can be made online before, during, or after the event at fsgw2.org/grapevine.html

Info: fsgw.org/grapevine

*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**.*



WALTER JONES, JR.

Walter Jones, Jr. is a singing, dancing, multi-instrumentalist who encourages audiences to sing along, dance along and join the journey to explore cultures, history, and colorful characters from stories around the world. He has been honored as a "Sign of Hope" by the Baltimore mayor and city council and a "Teacher of the Year" at Matthew Henson Elementary school.

More about Walter at: [linkedin.com/in/walter-jones-04303b61](https://www.linkedin.com/in/walter-jones-04303b61)

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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 (fsgw.org/ecd) for the latest information on dancing in-person.

March Lineup:

- 6 **April Blum** calls to the playing of **Becky Ross** (fiddle), **Colleen Reed** (flute), and **Ralph Gordon** (cello)
- 13 **Val Medve** (Guest Caller from VT) leads the dancing while **Laurie Andres** (Guest Accordionist from WA), **Tina Chancey** (fiddle), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano) play
- 20 **Andrea Nettleton** calls to the music of **David Knight** (fiddle), **Sophie Chang** (cello), and **Neil Epstein** (piano)
- 27 **Anna Rain** calls while **Mari Carlson** (fiddle), **Elisabeth Epstein** (flute), and **Melissa Running** (piano) make the music



March 6 - April Blum



March 13 - Val Medve



March 20 - Andrea Nettleton



February 28 - Anna Rain

■ FSGW DANCES ■

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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.

March . . . FSGW Tier 2 events

1 Caroline Barnes with
Waverly Station -
David Knight (fiddle),
Liz Donaldson (keyboard), and
Ralph Gordon (bass)
fsgw.org/
event-5549319/Registration

8 Will Mentor with
Ice Cream Truckers -
Audrey Knuth Jaber (fiddle),
Kelsey Wells (banjo), and
Yann Falquet (guitar)
fsgw.org/
event-5523507/Registration

15 Melissa Chatham with
Laurie Andres,
John Devine (guitar), and
Steve Hickman (fiddle)
fsgw.org/
event-5605267/Registration

22 Penelope Weinberger with
Dead Sea Squirrels -
Cathy Mason (fiddle),
Craig Edwards (fiddle), and
Henry Yoshimura (guitar)
fsgw.org/
event-5605279/Registration

29 Robin Banerji with
Are We There Yet? -
Susan Brandt (flute),
Tina Chancey (fiddle),
Charlie Pilzer (piano), and
Tom Wright (mandolin)
fsgw.org/
event-5605287/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 encouraged but not required. We no longer require proof of vaccination.

fsgw.org/FSGW-covid19-response

**FSGW CO-SPONSORED
SILVER SPRING CONTRA DANCE
SILVER SPRING MD
MARCH 14
7 PM LESSON, 7:30 PM DANCE**

March . . . FSGW Tier 2 event

14 Melissa Chatham with **Lilt -**
Tina Eck (flute),
Keith Carr (bouzouki, tenor
banjo, and mandolin), and
Joe DeZarn (fiddle)
fsgw.org/
event-5607726/Registration

Register at: [fsgw.org/
event-5515409/Registration](http://fsgw.org/event-5515409/Registration)

Location:

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

A **Dance Basics** session will be presented by **Linda Zebooker** from 6:30 to 6:55 pm.

—Exercises and demos geared to making Contra Dance safer and more fun for all.

Free introductory lesson 7 to 7:30 pm.
Dance 7:30 to 9:30 pm.

Cost: \$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 encouraged but not required. We no longer require proof of vaccination.

fsgw.org/FSGW-covid19-response

Info: [fsgw.org/
silver-spring-contra-dance](http://fsgw.org/silver-spring-contra-dance)

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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!



## FSGW BARN DANCE!

GLEN ECHO MD • SUNDAY MARCH 10 • 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! ~*

### March . . .

10 TBA with  
David Coltun (fiddle) and  
Jacob Howley (guitar)

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

Info: [fsgw.org/barn-dance](https://fsgw.org/barn-dance)



FSGW CO-SPONSORED  
LE BAL PERDU DC AND FSGW  
PRESENT AN EVENING OF  
**BALFOLK!**  
DANCES FROM FRANCE  
TAKOMA PARK MD  
WEDNESDAY MARCH 20 • 7:30 PM

Live music from *Trio Mirambel* -  
Leslie Barr (fiddle),  
Patrick Michael Brown  
(accordion),  
Ralph Dubayah (hurdy-gurdy)

All dances taught, no partner  
needed!

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

**Cost:** \$10 cash  
or Venmo at the door

Info: [lebalperdu.dc@gmail.com](mailto:lebalperdu.dc@gmail.com)



**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](mailto: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:  
[us02web.zoom.us/j/87152651884?pwd=QWVYVEc1cm9uWTNqTkwrYTdPWlRrdz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87152651884?pwd=QWVYVEc1cm9uWTNqTkwrYTdPWlRrdz09)  
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](mailto:dancingplanet@erols.com)  
or the website:  
[dancingplanetproductions.com/folkdance](http://dancingplanetproductions.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](http://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](http://larryweiner.com/FridayDance.htm) or [facebook.com/GreenbeltInternationalFolkDancing/?ref=page\\_internal](https://facebook.com/GreenbeltInternationalFolkDancing/?ref=page_internal)

**FSGW SINGS**

**FSGW OPEN SING • ONLINE  
FRIDAY MARCH 1 • 7:30 PM**

Many thanks to **Don Chauls** for hosting the March Online Open Sing.

Don's theme is *Slavery, Jim Crow, Imprisonment and Freedom*.

\*\*\*Only those wishing to sing need to register.\*\*\*

**Register:** [bit.ly/March2024FSGWOpenSingSignup](https://bit.ly/March2024FSGWOpenSingSignup)

**Singers' List:** [bit.ly/March2024FSGWOpenSingSingersList](https://bit.ly/March2024FSGWOpenSingSingersList)

Reminder: Registration will be open till Noon EST on 3/1/24.

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

**Event Page:** [fsgw.org/event-5608752](https://fsgw.org/event-5608752)

**Info:** [Vince@VinceWilding.com](mailto:Vince@VinceWilding.com)

**FSGW SONG CIRCLE  
SILVER SPRING MD & ONLINE  
SECOND FRIDAY MARCH 8  
1:30 – 3:30 PM**

The monthly 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.

March is Irish-American Heritage Month and Women's History Month.

Bring or request your favorite Irish songs, songs about women's history, 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.



**Connie McKenna** 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 February 26, 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/jr4sRgtmu6VRMBdN8](https://forms.gle/jr4sRgtmu6VRMBdN8) by Thursday, March 7. For the latest updates about the Song Circle, see [fsgw.org/event-5607739](https://fsgw.org/event-5607739)

### **FSGW OPEN SING SILVER SPRING MD FRIDAY MARCH 16 2 PM**

**Linda Zebooker** is hosting the March in person sing on Saturday March 16, 2 to 5 pm in Silver Spring.

The topic will be:

"Forces of Nature - Weather or seasonal events, Physics, The natural world, Emotions...."

**RSVP** to Linda to receive address and directions:  
[Swallowtailjig@yahoo.com](mailto:Swallowtailjig@yahoo.com)  
202-386-8252

**In-Person Event Page:**  
[fsgw.org/event-5608804](https://fsgw.org/event-5608804)

**Info:** [Vince@VinceWilding.com](mailto:Vince@VinceWilding.com)

### **FSGW GOSPEL SING WASHINGTON DC SUNDAY MARCH 10 • 4 – 7 PM**

The March 2024 Gospel Sing will take place in Shirley Buzzard's apartment in Southwest Washington DC.

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.

**Event Page:** [fsgw.org/event-5605258](https://fsgw.org/event-5605258)

**RSVP/Directions:** email  
[sbuzzard01@gmail.com](mailto:sbuzzard01@gmail.com) or  
call 202-288-3902 (texts OK).

**General Info:** [fsgw.org/gospel-sings](https://fsgw.org/gospel-sings)

## **FSGW STORYTELLING** CONTINUED FROM PG 5...

### **FSGW & VITG (VOICES IN THE GLEN) MONTHLY STORY SWAP • ONLINE SATURDAY MARCH 9 • 7:30 PM**

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.

**Info:** Jane Dorfman, 301-654-5818,  
[dorfmanjo@gmail.com](mailto:dorfmanjo@gmail.com);  
[voicesintheglen.org/event/vitg-monthly-story-swap-online-41](https://voicesintheglen.org/event/vitg-monthly-story-swap-online-41)



## OPEN DANCES

### SHEPHERDSTOWN CONTRA DANCE SHEPHERDSTOWN WV SATURDAY MARCH 2 • 8 PM

Put on your dancing shoes for a fabulous evening as **David Giusti** calls to **Petrichord** - **Sophie Chang** (cello), **Colleen Holroyd** (fiddle), and **Bobby LaRose** (piano, mandolin).

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](http://smad.us)

### DC SQUARE DANCE COLLECTIVE SQUARE DANCE • WASHINGTON DC MARCH 2 • 7:30 PM

Hello good people of the DMV! We're back for one more rollicking dance party at St. Stephens before the winter's over. Join us on Saturday, March 2 for a night of live, driving old-time music from local legends, the **Fog Cutters** (that's **Marty Frye**, **Jonathan Een Newton**, **Don Fahey**, and **Greg Mulley**). The wonderful **Hannah Johnson** will be coming up from Keezletown, VA to call the dances for you. We can't

wait to see everybody and spin you round and round.

**Location:** St. Stephens Church  
[1525 Newton St. NW](#)  
[Washington, D.C.](#)

**RSVP** (optional): [facebook.com/events/1579669236233240](https://www.facebook.com/events/1579669236233240)

**Admission:** \$10 cash at the door or Venmo; sorry no credit cards

All are welcome - no experience, partner, or fancy outfit needed. All the dances will be taught and called. Bring friends, bring water, and BYOB!

**Directions:** We recommend walking, biking, or taking the bus/metro! St. Stephens is a 10 min walk from the Columbia Heights station on the



## FSGW is looking for A PART-TIME WORKER to help with a number of administrative items.

These administrative items include: membership, event registration, website updates, and handling incoming email. This position shares tasks with another part-time administrative worker (you'll have a co-worker!).

This is a paid position.

Expected hours are 5 to 10 hours per week — spread over the week rather than concentrated into one or two days, since incoming email needs to be monitored and responded to regularly.

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.

Preference for someone in the DMV area who attends FSGW events at least occasionally.

**Interested?** Email [contact@fsgw.org](mailto:contact@fsgw.org)

green/yellow line. For drivers, there is some street parking and a garage below the shopping mall on Park Rd. at 14th Street. Please park only in public spaces; cars without permits may be towed from the church lot.

## SWING DANCE

### GLEN ECHO MD

**MARCH 2 & 16 • 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](http://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](http://gottaswing.com/calendar)

#### March . . . (in the Ballroom)

- 2 Women's History Month  
Swing Dance  
with **Shebop Swing**
- 16 Battle of the Clarinets:  
**Halley's Hot Gumbo Swingtet**  
vs.  
**Seth Kibel's Bay Jazz Project**

## AFTERNOON WALTZ

### GLEN ECHO MD

**MARCH 3 & 17 • 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](http://WaltzTimeDances.org) or

301-634-2222

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

#### March . . .

- 3 **Tangerine Tempo** with  
**Elke Baker** (fiddle),  
**Colleen Reed** (flute),  
**Liz Donaldson** (piano),  
**Ralph Gordon** (bass)

- 17 **Snapdragon** with  
**Carrie Rose** (flute),  
**Miranda Weinberg** (fiddle),  
**David Wiesler** (piano)

## BFMS CONTRA (BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY) • BALTIMORE MD

**FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAYS:**

**MARCH 6 & 20 • 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.

**Cost:** BFMS and FSGW members \$10, non-members \$15.  
Student discount.

**Pre-registration info:** [bfms.org](http://bfms.org)

#### March . . .

- 6 **Penelope Weinberger** calls to music by **Amberwing** -  
**Emily Aubrey** (fiddle),  
**Janina O'Brien** (piano) and  
**Robin Wilson** (flute, sax, and concertina)
- 20 Music by  
**Steve Epstein** (clarinet and sax),  
**Renee Mendenhall** (accordion),  
**Janina O'Brien** (keyboard)  
Caller TBD

## ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE

### HERNDON VA

**SATURDAY MARCH 9 • 6:30 PM**

Called by **Tom Spilsbury**

Music by

**Catherine Chapman** (violin) &  
**Liz Donaldson** (keyboard)

**\*\*Period or modern evening attire suggested\*\***

To assist with refreshments we invite you to contribute hors d'oeuvres, a covered dish, or dessert.

**Cost:** \$10; Students, \$5.

**Location:** Herndon Senior Center  
873 Grace Street, #1  
Herndon, Virginia

**Info:** Laurel Bybell (Secretary)  
[lbybell@gmail.com](mailto:lbybell@gmail.com) or  
703-791-5603 or  
[theleesburgassembly.org](http://theleesburgassembly.org)



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

Contra dances with **April Blum** calling to **Some Assembly** - **Mary Corletta Flora** (flute, sax, penny whistles), **Joe Klausner** (violin, mandolin), **Adam Lee** (guitar), and **Donna Moore Boylan** (piano)

Dance lesson: 6:30 pm. Potluck snacks at the break. Masks & vaccinations are optional.

**Online payment only.**

Pre-payment is encouraged.  
[bfms.org/secondsatpay.php](https://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

**ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE**  
**SILVER SPRING MD**  
**SATURDAY MARCH 9**  
**7:30 – 9:30 PM**

**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](mailto:cminkus@verizon.net), or  
Bob Farrall, 301-577-5018



**SMTMD CONTRA DANCE**  
**CHAPTICO MD**  
**SATURDAY MARCH 9 • 7 PM**

The 2nd Saturday of the month  
September through June.

**Location:**

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 **Caroline Barnes** with live music performed by the **SOMD Open Band** and dancing from 7:30 to 10 pm.

Check the [website calendar](https://smtmd.org/new-events) ([smtmd.org/new-events](https://smtmd.org/new-events)) 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](mailto:smtmd2@gmail.com)  
[smtmd.org/#/dances](https://smtmd.org/#/dances)

**MID-ATLANTIC  
NORWEGIAN DANCERS**  
**SILVER SPRING MD**  
**SATURDAY MARCH 9 • 7:30 PM**

Mid-Atlantic Norwegian Dancers  
Dance Party in Washington DC.

Norwegian-style house party.  
Mesmerizing live music by  
**Laura Hummel and friends** on the  
unique Hardanger fiddle and  
**Sonia White** on key fiddle.

Beginners, singles/couples,  
watchers/listeners all welcome.

Please bring clean dance shoes to  
change into and always check MAND  
website for updates.

**Info:** [MAND.fanitull.org](https://MAND.fanitull.org) or Linda at  
[Linda@ScandiaDC.org](mailto:Linda@ScandiaDC.org)

## BUMPER CAR SQUARES

GLEN ECHO, MD • SATURDAY

MARCH 23 • 7:30 – 10:30 PM,

NEW DANCER INTRO SESSION 7 PM

*Square Dance in the Bumper Car Pavilion at Glen Echo Park, Glen Echo, MD!*

Caller **Will Mentor** teaches the dances with skill and enthusiasm, and guides you through the figures to the pulsing groove of Appalachian dance tunes by **Bach Bui** (fiddle) & **Friends**

Haven't ever square danced before or maybe the last time was in elementary school? YOU can do this! Come at 7 pm (sharp) for an introductory session and we'll have you do-si-do-ing and swinging your partner in no time flat.

NO partner, special attire, or prior experience necessary. The Bumper Car Pavilion has a wonderful wooden floor and overhead radiant heaters keep you toasty warm no matter the weather.

**Admission:** \$15-adults, \$5-teens, 12 and under FREE!  
Cash or credit card at the door.

All this FUN is brought to you by Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture.

For **more details**, please visit:  
[glenechopark.org/events-calendar/event-detail/3754](https://glenechopark.org/events-calendar/event-detail/3754)

# BUMPER CAR SQUARES



Join us for Square Dancing in the Bumper Car Pavilion at Glen Echo Park!

- Each dance will kick off with a lesson at 7pm, followed by a social dance with a live band and caller at 7:30pm
- No partner or special attire required
- \$15 General Admission; check online for discounts

## SAVE THE DATE

- December 2, 2023
- February 24, 2024
- March 23, 2024
- July 6, 2024
- September 14, 2024
- November 2, 2024
- December 7, 2024

[info@glenechopark.org](mailto:info@glenechopark.org)



**GLEN ECHO PARK**  
Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture

**Info:** [glenechopark.org/dances](https://glenechopark.org/dances)

## BFMS ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE

BALTIMORE MD • 2ND AND 4TH

MONDAYS • 8 – 10:30 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 [bfms.org](https://bfms.org), vax/mask required.

**Location:** Church of the Nativity and Holy Comforter

6112 York Rd., 21212

[bfms.org/directionsToChurchoftheNativity.php](https://bfms.org/directionsToChurchoftheNativity.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](mailto:engdance@bfms.org) or  
[aefallon@verizon.net](mailto:aefallon@verizon.net)





# Sunday Afternoon Pop-Up Contra Dances

**Glen Echo Park  
Bumper Car Pavilion  
3:00-6:00 pm  
New dancer lesson at 2:30 pm**

**January 14**

Carrie Rose, Miranda Weinberg, Dave Wiesler with Gaye Fifer!

**February 25**

The Dam Beavers with Janine Smith

**March 24**

Rhys Jones and Friends with Will Mentor

**April 28**

"The French Connection":

Contras, singing squares, and French dances: Sarah Gowan, Bill Quern and Leslie Barr with Leslie Barr, Janine Smith and Susan Taylor

**Info:** [dancingplanetproductions.com/contras](http://dancingplanetproductions.com/contras)

**SUNDAY AFTERNOON POP-UP  
DANCE • GLEN ECHO MD  
SUNDAY MARCH 24 • 3 – 6 PM,  
INTRODUCTORY SESSION 2:30 PM**

*Contras & Squares  
in the Bumper Car Pavilion at  
Glen Echo Park, MD*

Come out and dance to **Will Mentor's** fun, creative and exceptional calling! He'll be powered by driving tunes played by **Rhys Jones (fiddle) & Friends.**

**Cost:** \$15 cash or Venmo at the door, no cards

**Info:** [dancingplanetproductions.com/contras](http://dancingplanetproductions.com/contras)

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](mailto: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](http://ScandiaDC.org) and in the invitation email closer to the event.

## March . . .

**11** Visiting caller **Val Medve** will call dances to music by **Amberwing:** **Emily Aubrey** (violin), **Janina O'Brien** (piano and more), **Robin Wilson** (flute and concertina)

**25** **Ann Fallon** leads the dancing with music by **Becky Ross** (violin), **Jonathan Jensen** (piano), **Marty Taylor** (whistles & concertina)

**SCANDIA DC DANCE/MUSIC EVENT  
GREENBELT MD  
SATURDAY MARCH 16  
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

**ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE**  
**ANNAPOLIS MD • SATURDAY**  
**MARCH 16 • 7 – 9:30 PM**  
**(INTRO LESSON: 6:30 PM)**

Jackie McCabe calls to music by  
**Hot Toddy:**  
**Edith Coakley-Stowe** (violin),  
**Melissa Running** (piano) and  
**Anna Rain** (recorders).

Face masks optional. Attendance is not capped; however, pre-registration is very helpful to us, thanks! Email [aefallon@verizon.net](mailto:aefallon@verizon.net) to pre-register.

Venue has windows and fans for circulation and ventilation. No experience or partner required. Note: No food/drinks provided; please bring own drinking water. Snacks to share are welcome if you bring napkins, appropriate paper goods+utensils and plan to clean up after snack time. \$15.

**Location:**

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

**Info:** Jan Scopel, 443-540-0867,  
[janscope@hotmail.com](mailto:janscope@hotmail.com) or  
Ann Fallon, 410-507-0934,  
[aefallon@verizon.net](mailto:aefallon@verizon.net)  
[facebook.com/profile.php?id=100057517095183](https://facebook.com/profile.php?id=100057517095183)

**CONTRA DANCE • ANNAPOLIS MD**  
**SATURDAY MARCH 30 • 7 – 9:30 PM**  
**(INTRO LESSON: 6:30 PM)**

Ann Fallon and Kim Forry call to music by **Terpsichore:**  
**Elke Baker** (fiddle) and  
**Liz Donaldson** (piano).

Face masks optional. Attendance is not capped; however, pre-registration is very helpful to us, thanks!

Venue has windows and fans for circulation and ventilation. No experience or partner required. Note: No food/drinks provided; please bring own drinking water. Snacks to share are welcome if you bring napkins, appropriate paper goods+utensils and plan to clean up after snack time. \$15.

**Location:**

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

**Info:** Jan Scopel, 443-540-0867,  
[janscope@hotmail.com](mailto:janscope@hotmail.com) or  
Ann Fallon, 410-507-0934,  
[aefallon@verizon.net](mailto:aefallon@verizon.net)  
[facebook.com/profile.php?id=100057517095183](https://facebook.com/profile.php?id=100057517095183)

**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](mailto:ckalke@verizon.net)  
[sites.google.com/site/nordicdancersdc](https://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](https://danceintime.com/classes)

**Questions:** [Barb@DanceInTime.com](mailto: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](http://carpediemarts.org/daily-antidote-of-song)

### THE MARYLAND FOLKLIFE CENTER’S ACOUSTIC ROOTS SONGWRITING CONTEST NOW OPEN

Accepting submissions through April 1. Win cash prizes!

Open to any original song in the bluegrass, old-time, Americana or folk genres. Performance quality will not be judged — it’s all about the song!

**Complete rules:** [commongroundonthehill.org/competitions/songwriting-contest](http://commongroundonthehill.org/competitions/songwriting-contest)

### AMY SPEACE • GAITHERSBURG MD AND ONLINE SATURDAY MARCH 2 • 7:30 PM

“Amy Speace seems to have the most reliable muse in Music City and an ear for sonic settings that help her carefully chosen words soar and drift. If a folk artist is supposed to share everything while teaching us something about ourselves, Speace is an exemplar.”

— Craig Havighurst -  
“String Theory” Host,  
Nashville, TN

**Cost:** \$25 adv / \$30 door  
Livestream is available for \$15

**Location:** Island Pride Oasis  
617 S Frederick Ave.  
Gaithersburg, MD 20879

**Tickets and Info** at [focusmusic.org](http://focusmusic.org)

### ANN PORCELLA & MARTHA BURNS CONCERT SEVERNA PARK MD SUNDAY MARCH 3 • 4 PM

Traditional Song House Concert in honor of Women’s History Month. Join **Ann Porcella** and **Martha Burns** for an afternoon of traditional songs sung old-style. Host Kate Caldwell will also offer up folk favorites and original songs.

**Info:** contact Kate for concert location in Severna Park, MD at 410-972-6535  
[katehcaldwell39@comcast.net](mailto:katehcaldwell39@comcast.net)  
or Ann at  
[aporcella@gmail.com](mailto:aporcella@gmail.com)

Snacks and beverages to share are welcome. \$20 suggested donation.

### BLUEGRASS/OLD-TIME, CELTIC, BLUES/FOLK JAMS WESTMINSTER MD WEDNESDAY MARCH 6 • 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.

**Location:** Carroll Arts Center  
91 West Main St.  
Westminster, MD 21157

First Wednesday of every month,  
7 to 9 pm.

### BLUEGRASS CLASS WITH CHERRY BLOSSOM SPECIAL TAKOMA PARK MD THURSDAYS, 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.

**Location:** 7112 Willow Ave.  
Takoma Park, MD 20912

**Info:** (240) 690-1910  
[lessons@schoolofmusicaltraditions.com](mailto:lessons@schoolofmusicaltraditions.com)

[schoolofmusicaltraditions.com/classes-workshops/bluegrass-class-w-cherry-blossom-special](https://schoolofmusicaltraditions.com/classes-workshops/bluegrass-class-w-cherry-blossom-special)

### **SPRING HARMONY ONLINE**

**FRIDAY MARCH 8, 3 PM PST**  
**THROUGH SUNDAY MARCH 10**  
**ALL DAY AND INTO THE NIGHT!**

The San Francisco Folk Music Club's annual online event is open to everyone! Workshops, singarounds, music games, Zoom instrumental jams and dancing.

Participant slots available for daily concerts. Come to listen, to join in, and to offer your own workshop or other activity!

Volunteers needed for session assistants, tech assistants, and greeter/hosts.

**Spring Harmony Online 2024!**  
**SF Folk Music Club:** [sffmc.org](https://sffmc.org)

**Find out more and register**  
for this free event here:  
[sffmc.org/spring-harmony-online](https://sffmc.org/spring-harmony-online)

### **THE KRUGER BROTHERS** **WESTMINSTER MD** **MARCH 9 • 7:30 PM**

**The Kruger Brothers** (Jens Kruger, Uwe Kruger and Joel Landsberg) seamlessly blend bluegrass, Americana and classical music with extraordinary musicianship.

**Jens Kruger** is a recipient of the Steve Martin Banjo Prize, as well as a member of the Blue Ridge Music Hall of Fame and American Banjo Hall of Fame.

**The Kruger Brothers** have performed with the *Kontras Quartet* and a number of symphonies, while they have been lauded by roots music stalwarts including *Doc Watson* and *Happy Traum*, and performed to rave reviews at music festivals across the world.

**Location:** WMC Alumni Hall  
McDaniel College  
2 College Hill  
Westminster, MD 21157

**Tickets:** \$28/\$25

**Info:** [commongroundonthehill.org/experience/concerts/all-concerts](https://commongroundonthehill.org/experience/concerts/all-concerts)

### **THE FRYING PAN OLD-TIME JAM** **FAIRFAX VA** **SUNDAY MARCH 10 • 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.

### **WARRENTON BLUEGRASS JAM** **WARRENTON VA** **MARCH 10 • 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 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](mailto:wattman52@gmail.com)

### **CIDER TRADJAM** **ALEXANDRIA VA** **SUNDAY MARCH 10 • 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](mailto:concertinist@gmail.com)

**CABOMA JAM • ARLINGTON VA  
MARCH 10 & 24 • 2 PM**

CABOMA's jams are regularly on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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](http://caboma.org)

**BFMS SONG SWAP  
BALTIMORE MD****TUESDAY MARCH 12 • 7:30 PM**

**BFMS live song circle:** We are once a month every 2nd Tuesday.

Bring a favorite folk-genre song or two to share with our community of singers. Chorus songs or repeated refrains are encouraged.

You can lead a song, sing along, hum, listen, or add some accompaniment. No mic, no pressure, no performance. Just singing together in a friendly, supportive space!

**Cost:** Free  
(pass-the-hat goodwill donation welcome)

**Location:**

4 Hour a Day Lutherie  
in Lauraville  
4305 Harford Rd.  
Baltimore, MD 21214

**Info:** [bfms.org/songswap.php](http://bfms.org/songswap.php)

**TOUCHED BY SONG GOSPEL JAM  
HERNDON VA****TUESDAY MARCH 12 • 7 – 9 PM**

**New time:** 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 address is:**

Floris United  
Methodist Church  
13600 Frying Pan Rd.  
Herndon, VA 20171.  
Drive up the hill and park on the upper level.

**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

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

**Info:** Catherine Chapman  
240-461-9244  
[washingtonsspelmanslag.com](http://washingtonsspelmanslag.com)  
[facebook.com/washingtonsspelmanslag](https://facebook.com/washingtonsspelmanslag)

**ADULT OLD-TIME STRING BAND  
WITH JONATHAN VOCKE  
TAKOMA PARK MD  
WEDNESDAYS, 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.

**Location:** 7112 Willow Ave.  
Takoma Park, MD 20912

**Info:** (240) 690-1910  
[lessons@schoolofmusicaltraditions.com](mailto:lessons@schoolofmusicaltraditions.com)  
[schoolofmusicaltraditions.com/classes-workshops/adult-old-time-string-band-w-jonathan-vocke](http://schoolofmusicaltraditions.com/classes-workshops/adult-old-time-string-band-w-jonathan-vocke)

**FSGW CO-SPONSORED  
TAKOMA OLD-TIME JAM  
TAKOMA PARK MD • WEDNESDAY  
MARCH 20 • 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](https://fsgw.org/Takoma-Park-Old-Time-Jam)

**CAPITOL HILL SHAPE NOTE SINGING  
WASHINGTON DC  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20 • 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

**Info:** [dcshapenote.squarespace.com](https://dcshapenote.squarespace.com)  
[silvermanalexa@gmail.com](mailto:silvermanalexa@gmail.com)



**SMTMD OPEN MIC NIGHT  
CHAPTICO MD  
FRIDAY MARCH 22 • 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](mailto:ccdudley@rocketmail.com)) to sign up as a performer.

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

**Info:** [smtmd2@gmail.com](mailto:smtmd2@gmail.com)  
[smtmd.org/#/open-mic-night](https://smtmd.org/#/open-mic-night)

**JOE JENCKS AND JESSE PALIDOFSKY  
CHARLOTTESVILLE VA  
SATURDAY MARCH 23 • 7 PM**

**Joe Jencks** is an 25-year veteran of the international folk circuit, an award-winning songwriter, and

celebrated vocalist based in Chicago. Merging conservatory training with his Irish roots and working-class upbringing, Joe delivers engaged musical narratives filled with heart, soul, groove and grit.

**Location:** FocusMusic and  
Unity of Charlottesville  
2825 Hydraulic Circle  
Charlottesville, VA 22901

**Cost:** \$20 adv, \$25 door

**Tickets and Info:** [focusmusic.org](https://focusmusic.org)

**MANOR MILL OLD TIME JAM  
MONKTON MD  
SUNDAY MARCH 24 • 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](mailto:otj@manor-mill.com)

**Info:** [manor-mill.com/otj](https://manor-mill.com/otj)

**BFMS SONG SWAP • ONLINE  
MONDAY MARCH 25 • 7:30 PM**

**BFMS Zoom Song Swap:** The Song Swap is a place for folks to come together and share songs, community, and keep the live singing tradition thriving.

While we have been getting together on zoom, the BFMS songswap has become transcontinental and international with participants from west, farther west, and north and northwest across the border. You can drop in on the zoom and meet (and hear /



sing with) some nice folks we 're not likely to meet in person!

**Info:** Check the link at our facebook page [facebook.com/groups/618331624855775?sorting\\_setting=RECENT\\_ACTIVITY](https://facebook.com/groups/618331624855775?sorting_setting=RECENT_ACTIVITY)

### **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  
[orfeiaensemble@gmail.com](mailto:orfeiaensemble@gmail.com)  
[orfeia.org](http://orfeia.org)  
[facebook.com/orfeiamusic](https://facebook.com/orfeiamusic)

### **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

**Info:** [ringofkerrydancers.org](http://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](http://Mandoleers.org/contact)

### **BLUEGRASS AND OLD TIME JAM BALTIMORE MD TUESDAYS • 8 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](https://facebook.com/groups/569707316420150)

### **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.

**Location:**

School of Musical Traditions  
7112 Willow Ave.  
Takoma Park, MD 20912

**Info:** rob Hinkal at

[publicity@imtfolk.org](mailto:publicity@imtfolk.org) or  
[imtfolk.org](http://imtfolk.org)

**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.

**Location:** Faith Lutheran Church  
3313 Arlington Blvd.  
Arlington, VA 22201

**Info:** [balalaika@balalaika.org](mailto:balalaika@balalaika.org) or  
[balalaika.org](http://balalaika.org)

Message us on Facebook for details.

**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: **NOT** 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](mailto:blgraham_99@yahoo.com)  
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**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.

**Location:** Welburn Square  
901 N. Taylor St.  
Arlington, VA 22203

**Info:** Jud McIntire,  
[squire@fbmm.org](mailto:squire@fbmm.org)  
Nat Brown,  
[foreman@fbmm.org](mailto:foreman@fbmm.org)

**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.

**Location:** White Flint Park  
11525 Rokeby Ave.  
Kensington, MD 20895

**Info:** [rockcreekmorriswomen  
@gmail.com](mailto:rockcreekmorriswomen@gmail.com) and [rockcreek  
morriswomen.weebly.com](http://rockcreekmorriswomen.weebly.com)

**JAKE BLOUNT CONCERT  
WASHINGTON DC • MAY 19 • 7 PM**

Hello, my friends! I'm so excited to  
get out and play some music these  
next few months. In addition to solo  
work and shows with my band, I'll  
get to perform alongside the  
incredible **Tananarive Due** later this  
month and collaborate with dear  
friends and mentors **Cathy Fink** and  
**Marcy Marxer** in early March.

**Info:** [facebook.com/notjacobnotblunt](https://facebook.com/notjacobnotblunt)

## 2024 *Washington Folk Festival* SUSPENDED

Dear FSGW Family,

*It is with regret that we announce the Folklore Society of Greater Washington will not produce the Washington Folk Festival at Glen Echo Park in 2024. The Festival is beloved by many and a treasured part of the FSGW and Glen Echo Park program portfolios. The deciding factor was a shortage of resources.*

This decision was not made lightly. The FSGW Board spent several

months trying to establish a leadership team to organize and manage the Washington Folk Festival, but was unable to recruit individuals with the willingness, skills and time necessary to produce a festival of the quality of previous years. Additional concerns that factored into our decision were a shortage of time until the Festival as well as funding. It is for these reasons that the FSGW Board voted to suspend the Festival.

We would like to thank the many performers, volunteers, attendees,

and staff at the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture who have supported the Folk Festival in the past. We look forward to finding new ways to celebrate the folk arts together in the future.

If you have **questions**, you can direct them to FSGW President, Charlie Pilzer, at [president@fsgw.org](mailto:president@fsgw.org)

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.



Sincerely,  
The FSGW Board

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## *Potomac River Shape Note Singing Convention*

SILVER SPRING MD/ARLINGTON VA

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, APRIL 6 & 7 • 10 AM – 3:30 PM

All-day community singing of 4-part *a cappella* songs from *The Sacred Harp* and *Shenandoah Harmony*.

~ All are welcome! ~

Songbooks available to share.

**Saturday:** Church of the Ascension  
633 Sligo Ave., Silver Spring, MD 20910

**Sunday:** Lacey Woods Park, back picnic shelter (outdoor, covered)  
1200 N George Mason Dr., Arlington, VA 22205

**Info:** [dcshapenote.squarespace.com/](http://dcshapenote.squarespace.com/) /  
[silvermanalexa@gmail.com](mailto:silvermanalexa@gmail.com)



## BALTIMORE OLD TIME MUSIC FESTIVAL



**April 19-20, 2024**

Concerts, Workshops, Jamming,  
Square Dancing, Free Parking, Community,  
Great Tunes, Good Times

**DON FLEMONS, BRUCE MOLSKY, THE ONLIES,  
THE HORSENECKS, BECKY HILL & FRIENDS,  
ALLISON DEGROOT & TATIANA HARGREAVES,  
KEN & BRAD KOLDNER, FROM AFRICA TO APPALACHIA  
(CHEICK HAMALA, DIABATE, RILEY BAUGUS, DANNY KNICELY),  
BEATBOX DADS**

**Location:** Baltimore Museum of Industry  
1415 Key Highway, Baltimore, MD 21230

**Info:** [baltimoreoldtimefest.com](http://baltimoreoldtimefest.com)

Presented by the Center for Cultural Vibrancy  
Hosted by Ken & Brad Kolodner



## 38th Annual FSGW Spring Ball —English Country Dance

**SILVER SPRING CIVIC BUILDING • SILVER SPRING MD • SATURDAY APRIL 27**

The **Washington Spring Ball** is a joyful annual English Country Dance to glorious music. The atmosphere is relaxed and friendly. There is a review session the afternoon of the Ball, at which all of the dances will be taught. Attending the practice session is strongly encouraged. At the Ball, all dances will be talked through and prompted for a few rounds. Dancers wear what makes them feel happy and festive; some choose attire from the 18th or 19th century.

*Music at the ball by*

**Reelplay:** Dave Marcus (English concertina), Robbin Marcus (piano),  
and special guest **Paul Oorts** (mandolin, bouzouki, tenor banjo, guitar and accordion)

*and by* **Elke Baker** (fiddle), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano) at the practice session.

The Ball (and the practice session) will be in the Great Hall of the Silver Spring Civic Building.  
801 Ellsworth Dr., Silver Spring, MD. There is free parking on weekends in the public parking  
garage across Ellsworth Dr., and other nearby garages.

**Full details** and **registration** on the web page at: [fsgw.org/washington-spring-ball](http://fsgw.org/washington-spring-ball)  
Early bird registration ends April 1.

## Henry Reed Memorial Fiddlers' Convention • GLEN LYN, VA JUNE 14 – 15 • ALL DAY

Howdy all, we're back ... This year's **Henry Reed Memorial Celebration** will be June 14 – 15 at [Kairos Wilderness Resort](https://www.kairosresort.com/) ([facebook.com/KairosResort](https://facebook.com/KairosResort)) in Glen Lyn.

It will be done like the previous 2 years, a weekend celebration of music & fellowship up on the mountain. Spread the word, there's lots of space for camping (& we'll have plenty of burgers & dogs to burn on the grill).

NEWS FLASH: The river road is now paved!!!  
No more bumpy-bumpy road to get there.  
We got your back 😊

## Red Wing Roots Music Festival • MT. SOLON VA JUNE 21 – 23 • ALL DAY

Red Wing Roots Music Festival announced the full line of bands that will perform at the 11th annual music festival at Natural Chimneys Park, in Mount Solon, VA, June 21 – 23.

Along with festival hosts, [The Steel Wheels](https://www.thesteelwheels.com/) ([thesteelwheels.com](https://thesteelwheels.com)), Red Wing organizers are thrilled to announce this outstanding line up of regionally and nationally-acclaimed musicians for the annual 3-day festival located in the beautiful Shenandoah Valley. With fifty artists performing across five stages, it is sure to be an amazing weekend of music.

**Info:** Michael Weaver, 540-820-7847

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## FSGW POLICY REGARDING COVID-19 AND PARTICIPATION 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](https://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 MARCH 6 • 8 PM

Monthly FSGW Board meetings are all electronic via Zoom. Meetings are open to all FSGW members; contact [president@fsgw.org](mailto:president@fsgw.org) or [webmaster@fsgw.org](mailto: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](mailto:president@fsgw.org) at least two days in advance of the scheduled meeting.

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### Washington Folk Festival Coordinating Committee

Suspended for 2024 – [see p. 23](#)

### Newsletter

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# MARCH 2024

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| <p>Noon Every Day!</p> <p>Carpe Diem Arts Daily Antidote of Song</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                | <p><b>1</b></p> <p>7:30 FSGW Online Open Sing</p> <p>7:30 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance</p> <p>8 FSGW &amp; FND Contra w/ Waverly Station</p>                                                       | <p><b>2</b></p> <p>11 Foggy Bottom Morris</p> <p>7:30 Amy Speace Concert</p> <p>7:30 DC Square Dance</p> <p>8 Shepherdstown Contra Dance</p> <p>8 Swing Dance Glen Echo</p>                                                                                                                                                      |
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| <p><b>10</b></p> <p>10 FSGW #Dance</p> <p>10 Rock Creek Morris Women</p> <p>1 FSGW Barn Dance w/David Coltun &amp; Jacob Hawley</p> <p>1 Old-Time Jam-Frying Pan Park</p> <p>1 Cider Trad Jam</p> <p>2 CABOMA Jam</p> <p>2 Warrenton Bluegrass Jam</p> <p>3 Pop up Dance</p> <p>4 FSGW Gospel Sing</p> | <p><b>11</b></p> <p>7:30 FSGW Concert w/ Alex Cumming &amp; Audrey Jaber</p> <p>8 BFMS English Country Dance</p> | <p><b>12</b></p> <p>7 Herndon Gospel Jam Sing</p> <p>7 Baltimore Jam</p> <p>7 Takoma Park Spark</p> <p>7:30 Takoma Mandoleers</p> <p>7:30 BFMS Song Swap</p> | <p><b>13</b></p> <p>7:30 DC Nordic Dancers</p> <p>7:30 FSGW Grapevine Storytelling</p> <p>7:30 Glen Echo International</p> <p>8 FSGW English Country Dance w/ Val Medve</p> <p>8 Ship's Company Chantey Sing</p>                         | <p><b>14</b></p> <p>7:30 FSGW Silver Spring Contra w/ Lilt</p>                                 | <p><b>15</b></p> <p>7:30 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance</p> <p>8 FSGW and FND Contra w/ Melissa Chatham</p>                                                                                          | <p><b>16</b></p> <p>11 Foggy Bottom Morris</p> <p>2 FSGW In-Person Open Sing</p> <p>3:15 Scandia DC Dance Event</p> <p>7 Annapolis ECD</p> <p>8 Swing Dance Glen Echo</p>                                                                                                                                                        |
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- ☐ I would like to receive the weekly e-blast about FSGW events.

**DIRECTORY LISTING:** We will list your name in our Membership Directory (visible only to FSGW Members who are logged into the FSGW website). May we also list the above information?

- ☐ Yes      ☐ Yes, but do not list my:  
☐ ADDRESS      ☐ PREFERRED PHONE  
☐ EMAIL      ☐ MOBILE PHONE