

■ FSGW DANCES ■

FSGW BARN DANCE!
BUMPER CAR PAVILION, GLEN ECHO PARK MD
2ND SUNDAY APRIL 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! ~

Info: fsgw.org/barn-dance
fsgw.org/event-5549295

FSGW IS ON SOCIAL MEDIA

f Facebook: facebook.com/fsgw.org/

t Twitter: twitter.com/fsgw_org/

i Instagram: instagram.com/fsgw_org/

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

Check Us Out!

April 14 : Caller: Lucia Schaefer with Sandy Hofferth (fiddle) and Joe Langley (guitar)

1 to 3 pm in the Bumper Car Pavilion at Glen Echo Park—FREE!



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THE GRAPEVINE STORYTELLING

TAKOMA PARK MD AND ONLINE • APRIL 10 • 7:30 PM

Join us on April 10 at 7:30 pm live at Busboys and Poets Takoma (235 Carroll Ave NW, Washington, MD), and also via Zoom, featuring the brilliant **Noa Baum** and the celestial **Denise Bennett**.

■ ABOUT OUR TELLERS:

Born and raised in Israel, **Noa Baum** is an award-winning storyteller and author who uses her art to build bridges of peace and understanding. Her stories highlight our similarities, celebrate our differences, and encourage curiosity, awareness, and acceptance. Her recordings have won the Storytelling World and Parents' Choice Recommended awards.



NOA BAUM

More about Noa at: noabaum.com

Register FOR FREE for access to the live stream or to catch the recorded show later at: fsgw.org/event-5431704/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**.*



DENISE BENNETT

Denise Bennett tells stories with heart, humor, and harp. Whether telling wisdom stories from many traditions, from her youth as an Air Force brat, or folk tales, she always includes music. Though she has heard, “storyteller, huh? ... that’s what my mama called lying”, Denise’s stories ring true, whether she made them up or not.

You can follow Denise at: facebook.com/profile.php?id=100063989171045

FSGW & VITG (VOICES IN THE GLEN) MONTHLY STORY SWAP

ONLINE

SATURDAY APRIL 20 • 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;
voicesintheglen.org/events

FSGW CO-SPONSORED: *Judy Cook* Concert and Song-Sharing

TAKOMA PARK MD • SATURDAY APRIL 13 • 3 PM

Judy Cook has delighted audiences with her skillful presentation of a large repertoire of songs and her obvious love for them for well over 20 years. She and her husband Dennis were mainstays of FSGW for many years, even taking on leadership roles in our organization.

On Saturday, April 13, Judy will be returning to FSGW for a house concert featuring some of her favorite songs at Kathie Mack's home in Takoma Park. Expect songs of strong women, of cowboys, soldiers and sailors, and of quirky animals. There will be great stories in song, and plenty of choruses. Dennis Cook will be adding his harmonies to a number of Judy's songs.

After the concert there will be a short break followed by a time to share songs in an open sing.

For further information, reservations, or directions:

contact Kathie Mack
kpmack2@gmail.com or call
301-270-5367 (leave a voicemail;
landline doesn't take texts)

FSGW CO-SPONSORED W/ THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

Live! At the Library: **Windborne**

WASHINGTON DC • THURSDAY APRIL 25 • DOORS OPEN 6:30 PM, CONCERT 7 PM

~Old Songs, Bold Harmony~



The event is free and open to the public, but a ticket is required. For **tickets**, visit: etix.com/ticket/p/69403890/liveat-the-library-windborne-singers-washington-events-from-the-library-of-congress

Location: Library of Congress, Coolidge Auditorium
Thomas Jefferson Building, 10 First St. SE, Ground Floor

Request ADA accommodations five business days in advance at 202-707-6362 or ADA@loc.gov

Windborne is
Lynn Mahoney Rowan,
Will Thomas Rowan,
Lauren Breunig, and
Jeremy Carter-Gordon.

The four singers grew up immersed in the traditional song

and dance communities of New England and discovered a love of world folk music in their teens. All four have traveled extensively in the U.S. and throughout the world with *Village Harmony*, *Northern Harmony* and the *Renewal Chorus*, leading workshops and giving concerts. Over the past decade, **Windborne** has sought out masters of traditional singing styles in the U.S. and around the world to study a variety of vocal music. Through these collaborations, they have developed the vocal agility and authentic sound for which they are known.

In addition to their musical artistry, the members of **Windborne** are adherents to folk music's longtime alliance with social activism, labor, civil rights, and other movements that champion the oppressed, the poor, and the disenfranchised. On their latest project, "Of Hard Times & Harmony," they explore themes of social consciousness, singing in four languages and showcasing the depth of emotion their voices can evoke, as well as moments of true hilarity and wit. For their concert at the American Folklife Center, they will be performing nature-related songs from a variety of traditions in celebration of Earth Day.

More on Windborne: windbornesingers.com

Presented in cooperation with the Library of Congress: fsgw.org/event-5648986

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.



April 3 - Tom Roby



April 17 - Dan Gillespie



April 10 - Andrea Nettleton



April 24 - Melissa Running

April Lineup:

- 3 **Tom Roby** (Guest Caller from Massachusetts) calls to the playing of **Carrie Rose** (flute), **Paul Oorts** (mandolin and accordion), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano)
- 10 **Andrea Nettleton** leads the dancing while **Jeff Steinberg** (fiddle), **Susan Brandt** (flute), and **Neil Epstein** (piano) play
- 17 **Dan Gillespie** calls to the music of **David Knight** (fiddle), **Tom Wright** (10-string mandolin), and **Melissa Running** (piano)
- 24 **Melissa Running** calls while **Mari Carlson** (fiddle), **Colleen Reed** (flute), and **Ralph Gordon** (cello) make the music

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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 CO-SPONSORED
SILVER SPRING CONTRA DANCE
SILVER SPRING MD
APRIL 11
7 PM LESSON, 7:30 PM DANCE

April . . . FSGW Tier 2 event

11 **Anna Rain** with
Gyrations -
David Knight (fiddle),
Carrie Rose (flute), and
Liz Donaldson (piano)

Register at: fsgw.org/event-5607728/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.

Admission: \$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

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](https://fsgw.org/friday-contra-square-dance)

Please pre-register so we can manage participation.

April . . . FSGW Tier 2 events

5 **50th Anniversary Callers** with
Glen Echo Open Band
[fsgw.org/](https://fsgw.org/event-5605290/Registration)
[event-5605290/Registration](https://fsgw.org/event-5605290/Registration)

12 **Janine Smith** with
The Hollertones String Band -
Paul Brown (banjo & fiddle),
Linda Scutt (fiddle & mandolin),
Jeanie Theiken Creamer (guitar),
and **Nick Weiland** (upright bass)
[fsgw.org/](https://fsgw.org/event-5605316/Registration)
[event-5605316/Registration](https://fsgw.org/event-5605316/Registration)

19 **Melissa Chatham** with
Frog Hammer -
Glyn Collinson
(bouzouki, guitar, vocals),
Andrew Marcus (accordion),
Dave Casserly
(saxophone, vocals),
Michael Ferguson (trombone),
Bob Collins (drums), and
Jim Besser (concertina)
[fsgw.org/](https://fsgw.org/event-5622403/Registration)
[event-5622403/Registration](https://fsgw.org/event-5622403/Registration)

26 **Andrea Nettleton** with
The Treble Makers -
Emily Aubrey (fiddle),
Liz Donaldson (piano), and
Robin Wilson (saxophone, flute)
[fsgw.org/](https://fsgw.org/event-5622413/Registration)
[event-5622413/Registration](https://fsgw.org/event-5622413/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

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 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:
us02web.zoom.us/j/87152651884?pwd=QWVvVEc1cm9uWTRnQkwrYUdPWlRrdz09
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: 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

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

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

FSGW SINGS

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

Many thanks to **Val Fowler** for hosting the April Online Open Sing.

Val's theme is *Hope and Dreams*.

Only those wishing to sing need to register.

Register: bit.ly/AprilOpenSingSignup

Singers' List:
bit.ly/AprilOpenSingSingersList

Reminder: Registration will be open till Noon EDT on 4/5/24.

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

Info: Vince@VinceWilding.com

FSGW SONG CIRCLE
SILVER SPRING MD & ONLINE
SECOND FRIDAY APRIL 12
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.

To celebrate springtime and Earth Day (April 22), bring or request your favorite Spring songs, or songs about the environment, 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

March 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, April 11**. For the latest updates about the Song Circle, see fsgw.org/event-5642899

FSGW GOSPEL SING
TAKOMA PARK MD
SUNDAY APRIL 14 • 4 – 7 PM

The April 2024 Gospel Sing will take place at Rick and Arlene's house in Takoma Park MD. 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 available and are symptom-free.

Event Page: fsgw.org/event-5646760

RSVP/Directions:
morganrick50@gmail.com
or call 301-920-0087

General Info: fsgw.org/gospel-sings

FSGW IN-PERSON OPEN SING
KENSINGTON, MD
SATURDAY APRIL 20 • 2 – 5 PM

Nancy King will host the April in-person Open Sing, with the topic "Flora and Fauna."

RSVP for address and directions:
kingnancy064@gmail.com

FSGW CO-SPONSORED
LE BAL PERDU DC AND FSGW
PRESENT AN EVENING OF
BALFOLK!
DANCES FROM FRANCE
TAKOMA PARK MD
WEDNESDAY APRIL 17 • 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!

Join us: at the School of Musical Traditions: 7112 Willow Ave., 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



OPEN DANCES

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

April . . .

3 **Perry Shafran** calls to **Petrichord - Sophie Chang** (cello)
Colleen Holroyd (fiddle, feet),
and **Bobby LaRose** (piano,
mandolin, bones). Caller TBD

17 Great live music from the
fabulous **Baltimore Open Band!**
Come out and support your local
musicians with a great night of
dancing. If you'd like to join the
Open Band, please email
amdance@bfms.org.

SHEPHERDSTOWN CONTRA DANCE SHEPHERDSTOWN WV SATURDAY APRIL 6 • 8 PM

Put on your dancing shoes for a
fabulous evening as
Andrea Nettleton calls to
Zachary Mills (fiddle) and
Charlie Pilzer (piano).

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

SWING DANCE • GLEN ECHO MD APRIL 6, 13, & 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

April . . .(mostly in the Ballroom)

- 6 Wear your yellow for a dance
with London's own **Jive Aces**
- 13 **Svetlana and the Delancy Five**
- 27 Richmond's **Jay Brown's
Grace Street Seven**
(Bumper Car Pavillion)

AFTERNOON WALTZ GLEN ECHO MD APRIL 7 • 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.

April . . .

7 **Djangolaya Trio** with
Jeanine Greene (vocals, violin),
Charlie Schueller (accordion),
James Key (guitar)

MID-ATLANTIC NORWEGIAN DANCERS VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN MD FRIDAY APRIL 12 7 PM – SUNDAY APRIL 14 4:30 PM

Mid-Atlantic Norwegian Dancers
host the
Spring Springar Spree weekend!

Please join us for all or part of our
Spring Springar Spree weekend. It
runs Friday evening through the final
party on Sunday (which ends at
4:30 pm). Each day's sessions are at
different locations. All music is live
and this year's featured couple
dance, the Hallingspringar, will be
taught by knowledgeable friends
from the Hallingdal region.

Beginners and first-timers welcome. No partners needed. Everyone is welcome!

Pre-registration is **required** but payment can be made when you arrive. We would like all attendees, whether part-time or full-time, to pre-register. Please register individually. Complete the short online [Registration Form](#) and then click Submit.

With COVID, RSV, and the Flu still circulating, please be mindful of your fellow dancers. If you are ill, or think you are ill, please stay home. If you have been exposed to COVID, or think you might have been exposed, please test before coming. Masks not required.

Info and Registration:

MAND.fanitull.org or
[mand.fanitull.org/Home/
2024-spring-springar-spre](http://mand.fanitull.org/Home/2024-spring-springar-spre)

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE
SILVER SPRING MD
SATURDAY APRIL 13
7:30 – 9:30 PM

Bob Farrall calls to music by
Peascods Gathering.

Beginners and singles welcome.

Admission: \$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 APRIL 13 • 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 **Jordan Kammeyer**, with live music performed by the **SOMD Open Band** and dancing from 7:30 to 10 pm.

Check the website calendar (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
smtmd.org/#/dances

**ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE
HERNDON VA
SATURDAY APRIL 13
6:30 PM**

April Blum will call, and there will also be two musicians.

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 or
703-791-5603 or
theleesburgassembly.org

**BFMS DANCE
(BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY)
BALTIMORE MD
SATURDAY APRIL 13
8 – 10 PM
NEW DANCER LESSON: 7:30 PM**

Contra dances with

Sargon de Jesus calling to
The Hollertones ~
Paul Brown (banjo & fiddle),
Linda Scutt (fiddle &
octave mando),
Jeanie Thieken Creamer (guitar),
Nick Weiland (upright bass)

Dance lesson: 7:30 pm. Potluck
snacks at the break.

Masks & vaccinations are optional.

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.
People under 21 and students
with ID: free

**BFMS ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE
(BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY)
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, vax/mask required.

Location: Church of the Nativity
and Holy Comforter
6112 York Rd., 21212
[bfms.org/directionsToChurch
oftheNativity.php](http://bfms.org/directionsToChurch
oftheNativity.php)

Admission: \$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

April . . .

8 Diane Schmit will call dances to
the music of **Emily Aubrey**
(violin), **Charlie Pilzer** (piano),
and **Steve Epstein** (clarinet).

22 Emily Aubrey will lead the
dancing while **Carl Friedman**
(violin), **Francine Krasowska**
(piano), and **Robin Wilson** (flute
and concertina), play the tunes.

**SCANDIA DC DANCE/MUSIC EVENT
GREENBELT MD
SATURDAY APRIL 20
3:30 – 5:45 PM; SIGN-IN AT 3:15**

Scandia DC will be holding its
monthly Third Saturday dance/music
event April 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,
Laura Hummel, 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.

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE
ANNAPOLIS MD
SATURDAY APRIL 20 • 7 – 9:30 PM
(INTRO LESSON: 6:30 PM)

Emily Aubrey calls to music by
Jeff Steinberg (violin),
Liz Donaldson (piano) and
Sophie Chang (cello).

Face masks optional. Attendance is not capped; however, pre-registration is very helpful to us, thanks! Email 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 or
Ann Fallon, 410-507-0934,
aefallon@verizon.net
facebook.com/profile.php?id=100057517095183

“AN EVENING WITH STRAUSS”
WALTZ BALL • GLEN ECHO, MD
SATURDAY APRIL 27 • 9 PM

Join us for a magical evening of waltzing in the Spanish Ballroom! Take our beginner Viennese waltz lesson from 8 to 9 pm and enjoy dancing from 9 pm to midnight.

Tickets sold at the door beginning at 7:30 pm, \$30/person, \$20 for full-time students with ID (cash or check only). No partner required. Formal attire suggested. Glen Echo, 7300 MacArthur Blvd, Glen Echo, MD 20812. More info on our website.

Info: WaltzTimeDances.org or
301-634-2222

April . . .

27 A Benefit Dance for Glen Echo Park — featuring **Olde Vienna** with **Alexander Mitchell** (viola/violin), **Elke Baker** (viola/violin), **Susan Brandt** (flute), **Jonathan Jensen** (piano), and **Ralph Gordon** (string bass)

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



**SUNDAY AFTERNOON POP-UP
DANCE • GLEN ECHO MD
SUNDAY APRIL 28 • 3 – 6 PM,
INTRO LESSON 2:30 PM**

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

>>>The French Connection!

Do you ever wonder why we say do-si-do and not back-to-back? What about promenade and allemande? We don't think about it much, but a lot of our dance moves originally came from France. For centuries, England and France imitated each other's dance styles, and eventually that mixture ended up here, giving us our contradances ("longways") and squares (quadrilles).

Come explore these connections, dancing a mixture of contras, singing squares, and dances from France that show evidence of this great cultural exchange.

Susan Taylor, Janine Smith, and Leslie Barr call the figures to music by **Leslie Barr** (fiddle), **Bill Quern** (fiddle/banjo/mandolin/melodeon) and **Sarah Gowan** (guitar).

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

Info: dancingplanetproductions.com/contras



Sunday Afternoon Pop-Up Contra Dances

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

FUTURE DATES IN 2024

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.

June 16: Alexander Mitchell & friends - caller TBA

July 28: *Playing with Fyre* with Timothy Klein

August 25: *High Drive* (Dave Wiesler, David Knight,
& Paul Oorts) - caller TBA

September 15: *Starling* with Mary Wesley

October 27: *Froghammer* with Caroline Barnes

November 24: *Waverley Station* - caller TBA

Info: dancingplanetproductions.com/contras

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)

BLUEGRASS/OLD-TIME, CELTIC, BLUES/FOLK JAMS WESTMINSTER MD WEDNESDAY APRIL 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.

Location: 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 APRIL 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.

BFMS SONG SWAP BALTIMORE MD TUESDAY APRIL 9 • 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

TOUCHED BY SONG GOSPEL JAM HERNDON VA TUESDAY APRIL 9 • 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 **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
[facebook.com/
washingtonsspelmanslag](https://www.facebook.com/washingtonsspelmanslag)

WARRENTON BLUEGRASS JAM WARRENTON VA APRIL 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 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

**KATE CALDWELL CONCERT
ANNAPOLIS MD
SUNDAY APRIL 14 • 3 PM**

Album Release Concert
—*Blue Jean Day*

Join acoustic guitarist and singer **Kate Caldwell** for her Album Release concert *Blue Jean Day* featuring original songs and folk favorites by Joni Mitchell, Mary Chapin Carpenter, Sting, Gordon Bok and more. Also performing will be **Ernie Tucker** on guitar, mandolin, banjo and bass; and **Brock Holmes**, guitar and piano.

Reception following with CDs for sale. Free-will offering in support of Save the Children.

Location: St. Margaret's Church
Fellowship Hall
1601 Pleasant Plains Rd.
Annapolis, MD 21409

Info: Visit katecaldwell.org
or call 410-972-6535

**CIDER TRADJAM
ALEXANDRIA VA
SUNDAY APRIL 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
APRIL 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

**FSGW CO-SPONSORED
TAKOMA OLD-TIME JAM
TAKOMA PARK MD • WEDNESDAY
APRIL 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

**CAPITOL HILL SHAPE NOTE SINGING
WASHINGTON DC
WEDNESDAY APRIL 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

Info: dcshapenote.squarespace.com
silvermanalexa@gmail.com

**MANOR MILL OLD TIME JAM
MONKTON MD
SUNDAY APRIL 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



THE BLUE RHYTHM BOYS

SMTMD SPRING CONCERT - THE BLUE RHYTHM BOYS
CHAPTICO MD • FRIDAY APRIL 19 • 7 PM

The Blue Rhythm Boys will be performing live at the Christ Church Parish Hall, 37497 Zach Fowler Rd., Chaptico, MD. Doors open at 7 pm and the concert begins at 7:30 pm. Complimentary refreshments will be offered.

Admission is \$15 for members, \$20 for non-members, and children under 17 are free. Tickets can be purchased in advance or at the door. See the website for more details

Info: smtmd2@gmail.com, smtmd.org/#/concert

BFMS SONG SWAP • ONLINE
MONDAY APRIL 22 • 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: bfms.org/songswap.php
 Check the link at our facebook page: [facebook.com/groups/618331624855775?sorting_setting=RECENT_ACTIVITY](https://www.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
orfeia.org
[facebook.com/orfeiamusic](https://www.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

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 • 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://www.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 or 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 or 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
Subscribe to Ship's Company Chantymen open Chantysings events newsletter at [SCC-ChanteySings-Invitation subscribe@groups.io](http://SCC-ChanteySings-Invitation.subscribe@groups.io)

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
Nat Brown,
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 and rockcreekmorriswomen.weebly.com

FESTIVALS & WEEKENDS

~ FSGW Co-SPONSORED ~



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/
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

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
Early bird registration ends April 1.

Dare to be Square DMV • TRIANGLE VA • MAY 10 – 12 • 10 AM

The DC SQUARE DANCE COLLECTIVE, dcsquaredance.org and the BALTIMORE SQUARE DANCE, facebook.com/baltimoresquaredance are excited to announce the return of **Dare To Be Square DMV** at Prince William Forest Park, Cabin Camp 4, May 10 to 12!

clogging/flatfooting, or take advantage of oodles of opportunities to jam, hang out, and make new friends.

This is a fun and affordable weekend getaway for all ages and skill levels, from experienced dancers to those who haven't tried square dancing since middle school gym class. If you have ever enjoyed a fine evening of square dancing and fantastic old-time music at St. Stephen's in DC or Mobtown Ballroom in Baltimore, this is for YOU!

This weekend takes place at a rustic cabin camp in Prince William Forest Park near Dumfries, VA, just an hour south of DC. Square dance to your heart's content to live music at nightly dances and day-time workshops, learn to call your first dance or hone your calling skills, enjoy old-time instrument and singing sessions, learn

back **Phil Jamison** and **Becky Hill** as dance callers and instructors. We'll also have performances and workshops from an all star lineup of musicians, including **Maddy Mullany, Clarke Williams, Bridger Dunnagan, Landon George, Rachel Eddy, Brad Kolodner, Alex Lacquement, Cathy Fink, and Marcy Marxer.**

Unlike our usual dances, advance registration is required. Early bird registration is only \$90 for the first 50 registrations, with discounts available for kids and for musicians who play for workshops. The registration fee covers evening dances, daytime workshops, onsite lodging, and even meals.

Find out more and **register** today! daretobesquaredmv.com

We can't wait to bring people together for another weekend of dancing, music, and revelry.

Cape Breton Music Weekend • SHARPSBURG MD • MAY 10 – 12 • 10 AM

Join us for a weekend steeped in the music of Cape Breton featuring classes for fiddle, Scottish smallpipes, piano and mixed instruments at the Shepherd's Springs Retreat Center. The **website:** upperpotomacmusic.info is still under construction... class details remain to be confirmed but has much of the information about the plans for the weekend. Registration opened March 1.

Fees and Application:

upperpotomacmusic.info/fees-and-application-4

Early bird registration ends April 1. Apply Early and save!

Application Form: docs.google.com/forms/d/1GwGHAB4tgZdYoAZg!pgoURRuVC05Rygg4ArQzhCNsJ4/viewform?edit_requested=true

Lodging: upperpotomacmusic.info/lodging at Shepherd's Spring will include options ranging from comfortable single and double rooms in the lodge, shared bunkhouse cabins (up to 12 people), camping with meals, and just meals or a per diem for those wanting to stay elsewhere. Look at the slideshow at the bottom of the page for photos.

Schedule: upperpotomacmusic.info/schedule-4 includes meet and greet, open mike, faculty concert, sessions, intensive classes for fiddle, pipes and piano and mixed instrument repertoire classes, and a Saturday night ceilidh with an open band.

OUR WEEKEND INSTRUCTORS INCLUDE:

Elke Baker: fiddle, repertoire and Scottish Fiddle Club host: elkebaker.com

Wendy McIsaac: fiddle, piano and step dance celticlifeintl.com/wendy-macisaac

Troy McGillivray: fiddle, piano troymacgillivray.com

Barry Shears: Scottish smallpipes capebretonpiper.com/about-barry-shears

Detailed biographies are available at: upperpotomacmusic.info/instructors

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

For **more info or questions** contact us at: upperpotomac@gmail.com

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](#) (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](#) (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



FSGW Potluck in the Park

GLEN ECHO PARK • JULY 14 • 11 AM – 4 PM

FSGW is excited to bring back our annual potluck where the FSGW community can mix and mingle. There will be dancing in the bumper car pavilion, open singing and jamming, and a potluck lunch. This event is free so invite your friends and bring a dish to share!

FSGW NEWSLETTER EDITORIAL AND ADVERTISING POLICY

The Folklore Society of Greater Washington endeavors to print copy it deems relevant to its membership and purpose as stated in its by-laws: "The main purpose of the Society is to further the understanding, investigation, appreciation, and performance of the traditional folk music and folklore of the American people."

- All copy must be submitted by e-mail to newsletter@fsgw.org in text format in the body of the e-mail by the 8th of the preceding month.
- All listings must be submitted in the format set out on our website (fsgw.org). Just click on [Newsletter](#) and scroll down to Guidelines for Submitting Copy for Publication.
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Mail to FSGW, P.O. Box 323, Cabin John, MD 20818. Memo on the check should read, "Advertising for ..."

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

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 APRIL 2 • 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.

2023-2024 FSGW BOARD

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IF YOU CAN VOLUNTEER TO FILL THE

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APRIL 2024

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7 10 DC Shapenote Convention 10 Rock Creek Morris Women 1 Old-Time Jam -Frying Pan Park 2:45 Waltz at Glen Echo	8 <i>Newsletter Deadline!</i> 8 BFMS English Country Dance	9 7 Baltimore Jam 7 Herndon Gospel Jam Sing 7 Takoma Park Spark 7:30 Takoma Mandoleers 7:30 BFMS in-person Song Swap	10 7:30 DC Nordic Dancers 7:30 FSGW Grapevine Storytelling 7:30 Glen Echo International 8 FSGW English Country Dance w/ Andrea Nettleton 8 Ship's Company Chantey Sing	11 7 FSGW Silver Spring Contra w/ Gyration	12 1:30 FSGW Song Circle 7 Spring Springar Spree 7:30 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance 8 FSGW & FND Contra w/ The Hollertones String Band	13 10 Spring Springar Spree 11 Foggy Bottom Morris 2:30 Washington Spelmanslag 3 FSGW Judy Cook Concert 6:30 Herndon ECD 7 Chaptico Contra Dance 7:30 Silver Spring ECD 8 BFMS Contra Dance 8 Swing Dance Glen Echo
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