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#Dance Weekend • March 29 – 30 [Info/Registration](#)
—An ultra-challenging urban contra dance weekend! [See more on p. 2](#)

FSGW Mid-Winter Festival

Alexandria VA • Saturday March 22 • 11 am–10 pm • More info: fsgw.org/mini-fest

Come enjoy this FREE Folk Festival featuring musical performances, dance demonstrations, singing and instrument workshops, storytime for young folkies, family programming and more!



Featured performers include:

Capital Accord Chorus, Capitol Hillbillies, Wombat Crossing,
Rock Creek Morris Women, Foggy Bottom Morris Men,
Raymi Music, Archie Edwards Blues Heritage Foundation,
Fiddlin’ Willie Band and more!

Programming 11 am–6 pm

Membership Meeting: Board Nominations ... 12:45–1:15 pm
—25 members need to be present for a quorum.

Community Dance 7–10 pm

Food trucks!

Two Smooth Dudes Food Truck 11 am–3 pm
The Roaming Coyote 3–8 pm

Location: Browne Academy, 5917 Telegraph Rd.

We are in need of **volunteers!** If you are interested, please reach out to president@fsgw.org.



#Dance Weekend

MARCH 29 – 30 • GLEN ECHO MD

Come dance in the famous **Bumper Car Pavilion** to the calling of **Lisa Greenleaf** and **River Rainbowface** with music from:

Free Raisins: Audrey Knuth-Jabber (fiddle), Amy Engelsberg (piano/accordion) & Jeff Kaufman (mandolin/feet)

Bowrider: Kelsey Wells (banjo/fiddle), Alex Sturbaum (guitar) & Brian Lindsay (fiddle/banjo)

#Dance Weekend is an ultra-challenging urban dance weekend featuring mind-bending figures, non-gendered calling, and phenomenal music.

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

This event strives to create a queer-friendly and pronoun-respectful event; please attend prepared for these philosophies.

Location: Glen Echo Park, 7300 Macarthur Blvd. • Free parking, on site

LISA GREENLEAF



Callers

RIVER RAINBOWFACE



FREE RAISINS



Bands

BOWRIDER



Registration is open now!

Info / Registration: fsgw.org/hashtag-dance-weekend

Questions / to Volunteer: hashdanceweekend@gmail.com

Dance till the stars come down from the rafters. Dance, dance, dance 'til you go to bed. — W.H. Auden

■ FSGW Co-Sponsored Festival ■

UpCounty TradFest • Germantown MD • Saturday March 29 • 12–9:30 pm

Celebrate Maryland traditions through music, art, and dance!

UpCounty TradFest includes an artisan market, student performances, workshops, square dance with *Devil in the Mill* and caller **Janine Smith**; headline performances by *Charm City Junction* and **Jocelyn Pettit & Ellen Gira**.

Schedule: Artisan Market: 2 – 4 pm Square Dance: 4 – 6 pm Evening Concert: 7:30 pm

Tickets: [Square Dance](#): \$20
[Charm City Junction and Jocelyn Pettit & Ellen Gira](#): \$40
[TradPass](#) (dance & concert): \$50

Location: BlackRock Center for the Arts,
12901 Town Commons Dr.

Info: blackrockcenter.org/upcounty-tradfest



April 18 – 19
Baltimore MD

Concerts, workshops, jamming, square dancing
Location: Baltimore Museum of Industry, 1415 Key Hwy
Info: baltimoreoldtimefest.com



May 9 – 11
Dumfries VA

The [DC Square Dance Collective](#) and our friends at the [Baltimore Square Dance](#) are excited to host another year of **Dare to Be Square DMV!** A fun and affordable weekend gathering featuring: square dancing, learn/hone calling skills, instrument and singing sessions, learn clogging/flatfooting, lawn games, jam and just hang out!
Registration is open! **Details:** daretobesquaredmv.com



■ Call for Volunteers! ■

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WASHINGTON FOLK FESTIVAL

Sun. Oct. 19 • Noon–7 pm • Glen Echo Park MD

The Washington Folk Festival is back! Same festival but just one day, not two, so it will be super jam-packed with the most excellent folk music from the DC area!

Admittance to the festival is free every year because of VOLUNTEERS! That's right: performers, emcees, stage crew, sound engineers, operations, food servers and office staff all donate their time and their talents. As always, this year's festival needs you.

Volunteering takes only a few hours of your time. Tell us about some of your talents and interests and we will find a place for you to contribute to the Washington Folk Festival's ongoing success.

To **volunteer** for the festival, please fill out and submit the form [here](#) or email wffvolunteers@fsgw.org.

More info: fsgw.org/washington-folk-festival

THE GRAPEVINE

Takoma and Online
Wed. Mar. 12 • 7:30 pm

STORYTELLING

Our featured storytellers
this month are
April Armstrong and
Queen Nur!



*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**.*

April Armstrong was raised by parents with lovely singing voices, and her father was a natural storyteller. The acting bug bit in second grade, playing a lovesick Martian in a musical. She knew that she was destined to entertain. Her mother told her to stop being so dramatic. Good thing she didn't listen. April now weaves melodies and words in a refreshing and compelling style of multi-cultural folktelling, including African-American and Latino stories. [More about April](#)

Queen Nur follows the griot tradition, with stories that capture historic victories, celebrate folkloric tradition, and speak to the essence of humanity. She has performed in 36 states, Ghana, Cameroon, and Canada, at such venues as the opening of the Smithsonian NMAAHC and as Emcee for the NEA Heritage Awards. She received the 2020 National Association of Black Storytellers' Zora Neale Hurston Award. [More about Queen Nur](#)



FSGW & VITG (Voices in the Glen) Monthly Story Swap • Bethesda MD
Sat. Mar. 8 • 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.

Please RSVP / Info:

[Jane Dorfman](#), 301-654-5818
[Mar. 8 location info](#)
fsgw.org/story-swaps

Join us
on March 12
at 7:30 pm, live at
Busboys and Poets
Takoma and also
via Zoom!

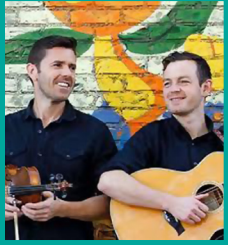
[Register](#) for access to the live stream or to catch the recorded show later. No registration needed for in-person participation; you can just show up!

[We ask for donations](#) to support our tellers; suggested contribution is \$20 per person. Donations can be made online before, during or after the event.

Location: Busboys & Poets: 235 Carroll St. NW, Washington DC

Info: fsgw.org/grapevine

Lúnasa's Dave Curley and Colin Farrell at the Lyceum
Alexandria VA • Tues. Mar. 11
7:30 pm (doors 7 pm)



Dave Curley is one of Ireland's leading multi-instrumentalists and vocalists. Hailing from Co. Galway on the west coast of Ireland, Curley has

brought his wealth of talents to the largest of stages in North America and Western Europe. He is a member of *SLIDE*, *One for the Foxes*, *the Crannua Collective* and regularly performs with award-winning fiddler and composer, **Colin Farrell**. *One for the Foxes* received "Album of the Year" for their 2020 release of *Take a Look Around* from the ACSLR Music Awards. [More about Dave](#)

Colin Farrell was born in Manchester, England, into a very musical family to parents from Co. Galway and Co. Cavan, Colin started playing the fiddle and tin whistle from an early age and won numerous titles at the Fleadh Cheoil. Since then, he has made a name for himself performing and recording with an array of great musicians in Europe and the US, including singers and groups such as *Flook*, *Grada*, *Karen Casey*, *The Elders*, *Julie Fowlis*, *Tim O'Brien*, *Natalie Merchant*, *Mary Chapin Carpenter*, *The Michael McGoldrick Band* and is currently playing with the *Ashley Davis band* and *Lúnasa*. [More about Colin](#)

Advance tickets / more info:

\$15 - \$25 / Children \$12

[ticketstripe.com/curleyandfarrell](https://www.ticketstripe.com/curleyandfarrell)

Location: The Lyceum
201 S. Washington St.

Presented by FSGW and the
Traditional Music Series at the Lyceum

FSGW Co-sponsored Jam



Takoma Park Old-Time Jam • 3rd Wed. Mar. 19 • 7:30–9:45 pm

We'll have a 30 to 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 which is generously hosting us!

Our location has been Busboys and Poets, subject to change

235 Carroll St. NW, Washington DC

—**Watch for updates on our location.**

Info: fsgw.org/Takoma-Park-Old-Time-Jam
[Jonathan Vocke](#)



FSGW DANCES

FSGW BARN DANCE!

Ballroom Annex, Glen Echo MD
2nd Sunday March 9 • 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!

Admission: FREE! **Info:** fsgw.org/barn-dance/ / [March Barn Dance](#)

**2nd Sunday
Barn Dance!**

2ND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
1-3PM
ALL AGES WELCOME!

March 9:

Penelope Weinberger calling
to the music of
Gina Faber & Kirk Evans

FSGW English Country Dance

Glen Echo MD

Wednesdays • 8–10:30 pm

The FSGW weekly English Country Dance offers delightful dancing at Glen Echo Town Hall led by talented callers, accompanied by top-notch musicians playing a wide variety of instruments.

The crowd is friendly; new dancers are always welcome and can get an informal lesson if they arrive around 7:30. No need to bring a partner, or dress up.

Latest info: fsgw.org/ecd

March lineup . . .

- 5 **Anna Rain** calls to the playing of **Colleen Reed** (flute), **David Knight** (fiddle) & **Neil Epstein** (piano)
- 12 **Kappy Laning** leads the dancing while **Susan Brandt** (flute), **Jeff Steinberg** (fiddle) & **Liz Donaldson** (piano) make the music
- 19 **Melissa Running** calls while **Tina Chancey** (fiddle), **Carrie Rose** (flute) & **Francine Krasowska** (piano) play
- 26 **April Blum** calls to the music of **Paul Oorts** (mandolin/accordion), **Becky Ross** (fiddle) & **Bobby La Rose** (piano)

Registration
is open!

39th Annual Washington Spring Ball

May 17 • Silver Spring MD

Learn the dances we will dance at the Spring Ball; beginners are welcome during Wednesday ECDs. Join us! Weekly beginner lesson at 7:30.

More info: fsgw.org/washington-spring-ball

Come have a ball with us!



March 5 - Anna Rain



March 19 - Melissa Running



March 12 - Kappy Laning



March 26 - April Blum

Will you, won't you, will you won't you,
won't you join the dance?

– Lewis Carroll

FSGW Co-sponsored
Silver Spring Contra Dance
Silver Spring MD • Thursday March 13
7:30–9:30 pm (7 pm free introductory lesson)

Melissa Chatham calling to the music of
Jonathan Vocke and **Sarah Miller**
with special guests, the **Old Time Cobras**

[Register here](#)

Location:

The Great Hall, Silver Spring Civic Building
8525 Fenton St.

Admission:

\$15 general admission
\$12 Folklore Society of Greater Washington
(FSGW) Members
\$5 ages 21 and under and those with limited income

Info: 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 Co-sponsored
**Sunday Afternoon Dancing Planet
Contra Dance** • Glen Echo Park MD • Sunday
Mar. 9 • 3–6 pm, Introductory session 2:30 pm

Contras & Squares in the Bumper Car Pavilion



Time to get jiggy with it! St. Patrick's Day is coming
up fast; come get your jigs in a row. Yup, we'll
probably even dance to *Morrison's Jig*. And
speaking of Morrissions, we're thrilled to have the
whole awesome **Morrison Brothers** crew:
Jim Morrison (fiddle), **Will Morrison** (drums) and
Owen Morrison (guitar/foot percussion).

Caller **Melissa Chatham** makes the
P-A-R-T-Y complete, come join the FUN!



Location: The Bumper Car Pavilion is a
wonderful covered open-air space with a nice
wooden floor. Heavy plastic side curtains and over-
head radiant heaters keep us toasty warm through-
out the winter months, no matter the weather.

Admission: \$15 cash or Venmo \$17 (includes fee) at
the door, sorry no cards

For more info:

dancingplanetproductions.com/contra

Future 2025 dates:

5/4, 6/22, 7/27, 8/24, 9/14, 10/26, 11/9

GLEN ECHO INTERNATIONAL FOLK 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](#) to RSVP before attending.

For out-of-towners, we will try to show the class via Zoom.

You can enter by clicking [here](#).

Meeting ID: 871 5265 1884

Password: 145

If you click on the link, you may not need to enter a password.

More info: [Jamie](#), [FSGW Glen Echo Intl](#), [Dancing Planet](#)

FSGW Co-sponsored Greenbelt International Folk Dance Greenbelt MD & Online Fridays • 8–9:30 pm

Weekly in-person international folk dancing has returned to Greenbelt with some sessions being in-person only, and others 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.
(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](#).

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

More Info: [FridayDance](#) or [facebook](#)

GREENBELT INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCE



■ FSGW SINGS ■

FSGW Open Sing • Online 1st Fri. Mar. 7 • 7:30 pm

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

The topic is:

Keeping Hope / Persistent Hope

Only those wishing to sing need to register.

[Register here](#). **Reminder:** registration will be open till noon on 3/7/25.

Check to see if you've already registered [here](#).

Zoom Link will be sent to the Open Sing mailing list; if you're not a member, sign up [here](#).

Info: fsgw.org/open-sings,
[Vince Wilding](#)

FSGW Gospel Sing Takoma Park MD Sun. Mar. 9 • 4-7 pm

The March Gospel Sing will be held the first day of Daylight Saving Time at the home of Kathie Mack in Takoma Park MD, only two blocks from the Takoma Metro Station on the Red Line. Group singing of Southern country gospel for two hours, from 4 to 6 pm, followed by potluck dinner until 7 pm. Hymnals provided.

A mask-friendly event—masks are optional but welcome. Everyone is welcome, but be sure you are symptom-free. (N.B. Cats are in residence and there are six steps up to the front door.)

RSVP/directions: kpmack2@gmail.com
or 301-270-4239

Info: [Gospel Sing](#)

FSGW Song Circle Silver Spring MD and Online 2nd Fri. Mar. 14 • 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.

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 Rd., Silver Spring MD.

Participants should read and follow [FSGW's Respiratory Virus Policy](#).

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 have attended the Song Circle via Zoom and to others who [register here](#) by Thursday, Mar. 13.

Latest Info

*There is nothing
in the world so
much like prayer
as music is.*

– Shakespeare

FSGW Open Sing Silver Spring MD 3rd Sat. Mar. 15 • 2-5 pm

Fred Stollnitz will host the March In-person Open Sing in the Kemp Mill neighborhood of Silver Spring.

Theme: *The Ides of March*

RSVP, directions, info:
fred@stollnitz.net

■ OPEN DANCES ■

MID-ATLANTIC NORWEGIAN DANCERS KENSINGTON MD • SAT. MAR. 1 6:30 PM DOORS/POTLUCK 7:30 PM MUSIC FOR DANCE

Norwegian-style cozy house party. **Loretta Kelley, Sonia White** plus possibly other guest musicians will play Norwegian and some Swedish tunes for dancing.

Beginners, singles/couples, watchers/listeners all welcome. Please bring food to share and clean shoes to wear for dancing. Donations gratefully accepted.

Location info: Sonia's place (no pets). If you need the address, contact snowwhite4468@mac.com and include MAND in the subject line.

Info/Updates: MAND.fanitull.org

Questions? MAND@fanitull.org

SWING DANCE • GLEN ECHO PARK MD SAT. MAR. 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 LESSON 8 PM; DANCE 9-11:30 PM

March . . .

- 1 Craig Gildner & Friends
- 8 Swing Dance with Gottaswing
- 15 DCLXtra with Live Music
- 22 Swing Dance with Gottaswing
- 29 Swing Dance with Gottaswing

Info: glenechopark.org/events-calendar

WALTZ TIME • GLEN ECHO MD
AFTERNOONS: SUN. MAR. 2 & 16
EVENING: SUN. MAR. 30

Afternoon Waltzes • Sun. Mar. 2 & 16
Lesson 2:45 pm; Dance 3:30–6 pm

Join us for an afternoon of waltzing in the Spanish Ballroom!

March . . .

- 2 **Soundrise** with **David Knight** (flute), **Ellen Gira** (cello) & **Liz Donaldson** (piano)
- 16 **The Gigmeisters** with **Alexander Mitchell** (fiddle/mandolin/vocals), **Paul Oorts** (accordion/mandolin/banjo/guitar/concertina), **David Wiesler** (piano) & **Ralph Gordon** (bass)

Evening Waltz • Sun. Mar. 30
Lesson 6:15 pm; Dance 7–9:30 pm

Join us for an evening of waltzing in the Spanish Ballroom to the delightful tunes of **Handspring: Carrie Rose** (flute), **Alexander Mitchell** (fiddle/mandolin/vocals) & **Owen Morrison** (guitar/piano)!

No partner required.



Location: 7300 MacArthur Blvd.

Admission: \$15, \$5 for full-time students with ID.

Info: WaltzTimeDances.org
or 301-634-2222

BFMS ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE
BALTIMORE MD • MON. MAR. 3,
10, 17, 24 & 31 • 8–10:30 PM

English country dancing is lively movement to elegant music in a friendly, informal setting. All dances are taught and walked through.

 To dance is to be out of yourself.
Larger, more beautiful, more powerful. 
– Agnes DeMille

March . . .

- 3 **Christopher Field** calls to **Ye Merrie Bande** led by **Emily Aubrey**
- 10 **Emily Aubrey** calls to **Susan Brandt** (flute), **Tom Wright** (mandolin) & **Jonathan Jensen** (piano)
- 17 **Kappy Laning** calls to **Becky Ross** (violin), **Marty Taylor** (recorders/whistles/concertina) & **Carl Friedman** (piano)
- 24 **April Blum** calls to **Elke Baker** (violin/viola), **Robin Wilson** (flute/concertina) & **Janina O'Brien** (piano, usually)
- 31 **Andrea Nettleton** calls to **Jeff Steinberg** (violin), **Mark Vidor** (accordion) & **Carl Friedman** (piano)

Participants are welcome to bring snacks to share at the break.

Admission: \$10 members, \$15 non-members, under 21 and full-time students with IDs: free.

Advance registration only

Location: Church of the Nativity and Holy Comforter, 6112 York Rd.
[Directions](#)

Info: engdance@bfms.org or [Janina O'Brien, 443-722-5805](tel:443-722-5805)

CONTRA DANCE BEGINNERS
WORKSHOP • SILVER SPRING MD
TUE. MAR. 4, 11, 18, 25 • 7:30 PM

One-hour workshop each Tuesday in March—Free

Inside secrets to help new dancers maximize the flow, beauty and effortlessness of Contra like an old hand. Whee!!!

Info: [Linda Zebooker](mailto:LindaZebooker@bfms.org), 202-386-8252

BFMS CONTRA • BALTIMORE MD
WED. MAR. 5, 12, 19 & 26
8–10:30 PM

New dancer workshops at 7:30 pm
Beginners always welcome!

March . . .

- 5 **Caroline Barnes** calls to **Elke Baker** (fiddle), **Ken Koldner** (guitar) & **Liz Donaldson** (piano)
- 12 **Penelope Weinberger** calls to **Backstep Cindy: Sandy Hofferth** (fiddle), **Joe Langley** (guitar), **Fred Cherney** (banjo) & **Shirley Echols** (bass).
- 19 **Janine Smith** calls to the music of **Charlie Pilzer** (piano), **Zachary Mills** (fiddle/feet) & **Bobby LaRose** (mandolin)
- 26 **TBD** calls to **Contranella: Meg Wobus** (fiddle), **John Wobus** (piano) & **Charley Beller** (percussion)

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

Cost: BFMS and FSGW members \$10, non-members \$15. Under 21 and students dance for free.

Online payment only

Info: bfms.org or [Hannah Mueller](mailto:HannahMueller@bfms.org)



Friday Night Dancers

GLEN ECHO PARK MD • FRIDAYS MAR. 7, 14, 21 & 28

LESSON: 7:30 PM; DANCE: 8–11 PM

Friday Night Dancers, a nonprofit, volunteer-based organization, in cooperation with the National Park Service, the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture, and Montgomery County, sponsors weekly contra dances to live music in the historic Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom or the Glen Echo Bumper Car Pavilion.

March . . .

7 **Annie Kidwell** calls to **Nobody's Business:**
Casey Murray (cello),
Hayden Stern (fiddle) &
Helen Kuhar (guitar)

14 **Kappy Laning** calls to
The Fabulous Glen Echo Open Band

21 **Perry Shafran** calls to
The Dead Sea Squirrels:
Cathy Mason (fiddle),
Joel Wennerstrom (banjo) &
Henry Yoshimura (guitar)

28 **River Rainbowface** calls to
The Free Raisins:
Audrey Knuth Jaber (fiddle),
Jeff Kaufman (mandolin/feet) &
Amy Englesberg (piano/accordion)

Location: 7300 MacArthur Blvd.

Tickets: online or at the door, \$15.

Info: fridaynightdance.com or
info@fridaynightdancers.org

SMTMD CONTRA DANCE • CHAPTICO MD • 2ND SAT. MAR. 8 • 7 PM

The evening starts at 7 pm with a half-hour beginner's dance workshop followed by live music performed by the **SOMD Open Band**. Dancing starting at 7:30 pm. Check the [website calendar](#) for the lineup of dances and callers!

Admission:

\$8 for members;
 \$12 for non-SMTMD members;
 children 17 and under (when accompanied by a paying adult) and band members are free



PHOTO: GREG PENNILL

Location: Christ Episcopal Church
 Parish Hall, 37497 Zach Fowler Rd.

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

BUMPER CAR SQUARES



Come dance with us!

Bumper Car Squares

Glen Echo Park MD

Sat. Mar. 8 • 7–10:30 pm

Join us for square dancing in the
 Bumper Car Pavilion!

After a lesson
 for all skill levels,
 dance caller **LP Kelly**
 will lead a rousing square dance
 with live music by
The Horsenecks!

No partner or special attire required.
 Shoes with backs are recommended
 (no flip flops).

7 pm ~ Lesson; 7:30–10:30 pm ~ Dance

Admission: \$15/adult, \$5/teen,
 FREE for ages 12 and under.
 Cash, checks and credit cards
 accepted at the door.

Info: glenechopark.org/dances
info@glenechopark.org
 or 301-634-2222

Upcoming 2025 dances:

4/3, 5/1, 6/5, 9/4, 10/9, 11/6, 12/4

Brought to you by Glen Echo Park
 Partnership for Arts and Culture

**NORDIC DANCERS OF WASHINGTON DC
SILVER SPRING MD • WED. MAR. 5,
12, 19 & 26 • 7:30–9:50 PM**

The Nordic Dancers of Washington DC have in-person sessions at Highland View Elementary School and will meet regularly on Wednesdays through May 28 (with some exceptions for holidays).

Come any Wednesday and learn traditional dances of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden. Music is provided by fiddler **Paul Carlson**. Newcomers are welcome; no prior dance experience is necessary.

More info

Questions: To verify the meeting room, check for updated COVID protocols, or ask questions call 301-864-1596 or [send a message](#).

**ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE
SILVER SPRING MD
SAT. MAR. 8 • 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. (Parking and entrance in rear.)

Info: [Carl Minkus](#), 301-493-6281 or Bob Farrall, 301-577-5018

**BFMS 2ND SATURDAY CONTRA
DANCE • BALTIMORE MD
SAT. MAR. 8 • 7–9:30 PM
(6:30 PM DANCE LESSON)**

Penelope Weinberger calls to *Contra Rebels*:
Henry Koretzky (guitar),
Barb Schmid (fiddle) &
Todd Clewell (fiddle)

Potluck snacks at the break.

Location: Church of the Nativity and Holy Comforter, 6112 York Rd.
[Directions](#)

Admission: \$10 BFMS members & affiliates, \$15 non-members. People under 21 and students with ID: free.

Online payment only
Pre-payment is encouraged.

Contact: [Carol Fleishman](#)

**DC SQUARE DANCE COLLECTIVE
MOUNT PLEASANT DC • SAT. MAR. 15
8–11 PM (DOORS 7:30)**

Music by **Big Cricket String Band**, more details coming soon!

Location: St. Stephen's Church, 1525 Newton St NW

Admission: \$10 cash or Venmo

**SCANDIA DC DANCE/MUSIC EVENT
GREENBELT COMMUNITY CENTER MD
3RD SAT. MAR. 15 • 6:45–9:30 PM**

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 the lead musician 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.

**ANNAPOLIS ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE
ANNAPOLIS MD • SAT. MAR. 15
7–9:30 PM, INTRO LESSON: 6:30 PM**

Tom Spilsbury calls to the music of **Carl Friedman** (violin), **Francine Krakowski** (piano) and **Marty Taylor** (concertina/whistles).

Pre-registration is not required but please email aefallon@verizon.net to let us know if you can help with pre-dance setup and/or post-dance hall restoration. Such help is much appreciated! Face masks are optional. Please bring your own water bottle. Snacks to share are welcome if you bring napkins+appropriate paper goods+utensils and plan to clean up after snack time. No experience or partner required.

Admission: \$15; students \$5; children through 5 years old free

Location: Annapolis Friends Meeting Hall, 351 Dubois Rd.

Info: [Ann Fallon](#), 410-507-0934 or [Jan Scopel](#), 443-540-0867
[facebook](#)

**BALTIMORE SQUARE DANCE AT
MOBTOWN BALLROOM • SAT. MAR. 22
7:30–10:30 PM (DOORS 6:30 PM)**

Dust off your dancing shoes and join us for a hilariously fun evening of square dancing, live music and plentiful silliness. All dances will be taught and called gender-free. Beginners are welcome! The bar will be open!

Location: Station North, 30 W North Ave.

Tickets/Info: \$15 advanced, \$20 at the door, kids 12 & under FREE

**BFMS GENTLE ENGLISH COUNTRY
DANCE • BALTIMORE MD
SAT. MAR. 22 • 2:30–4 PM**

“Gentle English” are English country dances from all periods selected to be

gentle on the knees, hips, feet, and backs of the dancers. Some dances will be easy, some difficult, but none will stress the joints.

Michael Franch calls to

Emily Aubrey (violin),

Marty Taylor

(recorders/whistles/concertina) &
Janina O'Brien (piano, usually)

Admission: \$10 members,
\$15 non-members, under 21 and
full-time students with IDs: free.

[Advance registration only](#)

Location: Church of the Nativity
and Holy Comforter, 6112 York Rd.
[Directions](#)

Info: engdance@bfms.org or
[Janina O'Brien, 443-722-5805](tel:443-722-5805)

**NEW AT GLEN ECHO PARK
WEST COAST SWING: LATE NIGHT EARLY
BALLROOM BACK ROOM
MAR. 22 • 5–10 PM**

Late Night Early is the only West Coast
Swing party with late night vibes
...during the day! Join us at 5 pm for a
leveled lesson, then dance into the
evening with a social dance from
6 to 10 pm.

[Purchase Tickets](#)

**THE GREATER WASHINGTON CEILI
CLUB • SANDY SPRING MD
SUN. MAR. 23 • 3–8 PM**

Workshop 3–4 pm: *the 'Derry' Set*

Ceili 4–8 pm

Music by *The Hands of Time:*

Tabby Finch, John Ready,

Jeff Thomas & Ralph Gordon

Single dancers and listeners welcome!
Please bring a dish to share at the
potluck supper.

Location: The Lyceum,
17801 Meeting House Rd.

Admission: \$20/GWCC members,
\$25/non-members, ages 11-20 half-
price, under 11 free

Info: gwcc-online.org

**ANNAPOLIS CONTRA DANCE
ANNAPOLIS MD • SAT. MAR. 29
7–9:30 PM, INTRO LESSON: 6:30 PM**

Kim Forry calls to the music of

Some Assembly:

Mary Flora (woodwinds),

Donna Boylan (keyboards),

Adam Lee (guitar),

Joe Klausner (strings) &

Lain Sturrock (percussion/guitar).

Pre-registration is not required, but
please email aefallon@verizon.net
to let us know if you can help with pre-
dance setup and/or post-dance hall
restoration. Such help is much
appreciated! Face masks are optional.
Please bring your own water bottle.
Snacks to share are welcome if you
bring napkins+appropriate paper
goods+utensils and plan to clean up
after snack time. No experience or
partner required.

Admission: \$15; students \$5;
children through 5 years old free

Location: Annapolis Friends Meeting
Hall, 351 Dubois Rd.

Info: [Ann Fallon, 410-507-0934](tel:410-507-0934)
or [Jan Scopel, 443-540-0867](tel:443-540-0867)
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**JUST IN TIME PERCUSSIVE DANCERS
SILVER SPRING MD
SUNDAYS OR MONDAYS • 4 PM**

We are a performing dance company in
the DC Metro area, specializing in
Appalachian, Canadian, English and Irish
step dance. We are recruiting new
adult members!

Weekly rehearsals on Sundays or Mondays.

Info: justintimesteppers@gmail.com

**BETHESDA INTERNATIONAL FOLK
DANCE GROUP
THURSDAYS • 7–8:45 PM**

Join our friendly dancers for dances
from around the world.

Masks are optional.

Location: Jane E. Lawton Community
Center, 4301 Willow Ln.
(convenient to Bethesda Metro)

Info: [Carl Minkus](http://CarlMinkus.com) or 301-493-6281
for info on our First Time Free
policy and subscription policy
(can't accept money on
premises).

**THE GREATER WASHINGTON CEILI CLUB
IRISH SET & CEILI DANCE CLASS
SPRING SESSION • SILVER SPRING MD
THURSDAYS • 7 PM**

*GWCC sponsors, supports and
encourages ceilis, dance classes, concerts,
and other programs for the enjoyment of
its members and the community at large.*

Thursdays Mar. 13 – May 15:

7 pm: basics; 8–9:15 pm: continuing

Any interested adult is welcome; no
experience or partner needed.
No risk—try your first class free.

Location: 301 St. Lawrence St.

Info: gwcc-online.org, email

**CUBAN SALSA CLASS & SOCIAL
DANCING • WASHINGTON DC
SATURDAYS • 1:15–4 PM**

Location: Chevy Chase Baptist Church
5671 Western Ave. NW

Admission: \$15/person

Details: danceintime.com/classes

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

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**DC BLUEGRASS UNION DUPONT
CIRCLE BLUEGRASS JAM
WASHINGTON DC
1ST & 3RD SUN. MAR. 2 & 16
1-4 PM**

This jam plays mainly bluegrass songs and tunes, and welcomes new beginners and experienced jammers.

Location: The Mansion at O St.,
2020 O St. NW

Info: [DC Bluegrass Union Dupont Circle](#)
[DCBU Facebook](#)

**FREDERICK MD OLD-TIME JAM
1ST MON. MAR. 3 • 6-9 PM**

The Frederick jam is oriented toward new and young players. It is offered in collaboration with the Frederick campus of Johns Hopkins Peabody Prep, whose classical music students are encouraged to join the jams.

Location: Y Arts Center, downstairs,
115 E. Church St.

Info: [OldTimeFrederick.org](#), or join the
[OldTimeFrederick](#) mailing list

**LUNDI GRAS CELEBRATION WITH
LITTLE RED & THE RENEGADES
ROCKVILLE MD
MON. MAR. 3 • 7:30 PM**

Lundi Gras is “Fat Monday.” It’s a huge part of the annual Mardi Gras/Carnival event, filled with parades and parties. Little Red “. . . is just flat out fun—it’s an exuberant celebration of everything wonderful about American music, with a heavy emphasis on Zydeco and Cajun... rhythm and blues, conjunto, and back again.”

Location: Saint Mark Presbyterian
Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Rd.

Tickets: \$15 adv (+\$2 box office fee) /
\$20 door

Info / tickets: [imtfolk.org/3-3-little-red-and-the-renegades](#)

**TAKOMA SPARK OPEN MIC
TAKOMA PARK MD & ONLINE
TUES. MAR. 4, 11, 18 & 25 • 7 PM**

A cauldron of creativity from local and not-so-local artists. You’re invited to come and play, or just listen.

March . . .

- 4 Wes Collins
- 11 FallRisk
- 18 Juels Bland
- 25 sutra

Free: Sign up at 6:30, music at 7 pm, webcast live on Facebook, YouTube and Twitch.

Location: School of Musical Traditions
7112 Willow Ave.

Info: [imt folk SPARK](#),
rob@ilyaimy.com, 301-910-2575

Presented by the
Institute of Musical Traditions

**WESTMINSTER MD JAMS
WED. MAR. 5 & 19 • 7-9 PM**

All ages, skill levels and listeners are welcome.

Mar. 5 at Carroll Arts Center, 91 W. Main

Mar. 19 at St. Paul’s, 17 Bond St.

Info: [Website](#), [email](#) or 410-857-2771

**LOW LILY • TAKOMA PARK
FRI. MAR. 7 • 7:30 PM**

Vermont-based American Roots band **LOW LILY** brings their infectious sound to Takoma Park! With the introspective quality of contemporary folk, the precision of bluegrass, and the drive of Americana, the band’s founding couple **Liz Simmons** and **Flynn Cohen** perform as a duo, combining their individual talents into one stunning soundscape.

Location: School of Musical Traditions,
7112 Willow Ave.

Tickets: \$20 advance (+\$2 box office fee) / \$25 door

Info / tickets: [imtfolk.org/3-7-low-lily](#)

WASHINGTON'S SPELMANSLAG
KENSINGTON MD
SAT. MAR. 8 & 22 • 2:30–4 PM

Rehearsals: Come play Scandinavian music with us!

Info: dcspelmanslag@gmail.com
Catherine Chapman, 240-461-9244

CABOMA JAM • ARLINGTON VA
2ND & 4TH SUN. MAR. 9 & 23
2–6 PM

We have three rooms for jamming.

Location: Unitarian Universalist Church
of Arlington, 4444 Arlington Blvd.

Info: caboma.org

BALTIMORE SHAPE NOTE SINGING
2ND MON. MAR. 10, 4TH TUE. MAR. 25
7–9:30 PM (6:30 PM DOORS)

Join us in America's oldest musical tradition! Experience the joy of singing a *cappella* choral music in four-part harmony. Shaped note heads aid sight reading. No experience needed and loaner books are available.

Attendance is free. All are welcome!

Location: Four Hour Day Lutherie
4305 Harford Rd.

Info: baltimoreshapenote.org
[facebook](https://www.facebook.com/baltimoreshapenote.org)

TOUCHED BY SONG GOSPEL JAM
HERNDON VA
2ND TUES. MAR. 11 • 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.

Location: Floris United
Methodist Church
13600 Frying Pan Rd.
Drive up the hill and park on the upper level.

Info: [FlorisCalendar](http://FlorisCalendar.com)
edickerson@florismc.org

BFMS IN-PERSON SONG SWAP
BALTIMORE MD
2ND TUES. MAR. 11 • 7:30–9:30 PM

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! Free (pass-the-hat goodwill donation welcome).

REMEMBER: If you are sick, not feeling well, etc., please stay home.

Location: Four Hour Day Lutherie
4305 Harford Rd.

CAPITOL HILL SHAPE NOTE SINGING
WASHINGTON DC
3RD WED. MAR. 19 • 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

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

SHIP'S COMPANY CHANTEYMEN
WHEATON MD • 2ND WED. MAR. 12
& 3RD THUR. MAR. 20 • 8–10 PM

The 2nd Wednesday (Baltimore)
is in Fells Point in the Anchor Bar at
Admiral Fell's Inn:
815 S. Broadway (8 pm)

3rd Thursday folk songs are hosted by
Johnny Strum at the Limerick Pub:
11301 Elkin St., Wheaton MD (8 pm)

Info: website, [Brad Graham](http://BradGraham.com)
Subscribe to Ship's Company
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events newsletter

MANOR MILL OLD-TIME JAM
MONKTON MD
SUN. MAR. 23 • 2:30–5:30 PM

Feel free to bring a dish. BYOB!

Questions: otj@manor-mill.com

Info: manor-mill.com/otj

BFMS ZOOM SONG SWAP
ONLINE
4TH TUES. MAR. 25 • 7:30 PM

It's 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 4th Tuesday BFMS song swap has become transcontinental. You can drop in on the Zoom and meet (and hear / sing with) some nice folks you're not likely to meet in person!

INTRO TO CELTIC REPERTOIRE CLASS
w/ ELLEN GIRA
TAKOMA PARK MD
SUN. MAR. 30 • 1:15–2:45 PM

Every third Saturday of the month Cellist and teacher **Ellen Gira** teaches an Intro to Celtic Repertoire class at School of Musical Traditions in Takoma Park.

The class is for aspiring players of all skill levels and instruments who want to add to their repertoire and get themselves ready to play in sessions around town.

Location: Takoma Spark, 7112 Willow Ave.

Price: \$30

Info: Website
Bebe Blumenthal, 240-690-1910

SMTMD SPRING CONCERT • CHAPTICO MD
FRI. MAR. 21 • 7:30 PM (DOORS 7 PM)

Blue Ridge Gathering will be performing live. A Knoxville-based neo-traditional old-time trio, **Cody Bauer, Jessica Watson and Duck Ryan** combine traditional old-time music with elements of bluegrass, Celtic and folk music along with an energetic and engaging stage presence.

Complimentary refreshments will be offered.

Admission: members: \$15; non-members: \$20; accompanied children under 17 free (Advance or at the door.)

Location: Christ Church Episcopal Parish Hall
37497 Zach Fowler Rd.

Info: [email](mailto:info@smtmd.org), smtmd.org/#/concert/



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This concert was made possible in part by a grant from the St. Mary's County Arts Council and the Maryland State Arts Council.

ROCK CREEK MORRIS WOMEN
TAKOMA PARK MD • WEDNESDAYS
MAR. 5 • 7:30–9:30 PM
MAR. 12, 19 & 26 • 6:30–8:30 PM

Learn English morris dancing and become part of a community that dances, sings and socializes together. No dance experience necessary! Email if interested.

Location: Takoma Park Middle School,
7611 Piney Branch Rd.

Info: [email](mailto:info@rockcreekmorris.com), [website](http://rockcreekmorris.com)

WASHINGTON BALALAIKA SOCIETY
(WBS) • ARLINGTON VA
WEDNESDAYS MAR. 5, 12, 19 & 26
7:30–9:30 PM

The orchestra plays Eastern European folk instruments including balalaikas and domras in various sizes and some Western percussion and wind instruments, producing a uniquely beautiful sound. Our repertoire includes classical music, folk songs, Broadway tunes and popular music from around the world. New members welcome.

Come and visit us any Wednesday night.

Location: Faith Lutheran Church
3313 Arlington Blvd.

Info: [email](mailto:info@washingtonbalalaika.com), [website](http://washingtonbalalaika.com)

FOGGY BOTTOM MORRIS MEN
WASHINGTON DC
SATURDAYS • 10 AM–12 PM

Learn traditional English Morris dances. Join our community that dances, socializes & sings. It's as easy as step-hop, step-hop.

Location: Rotates throughout the DMV

Info: fbmm.org
[Jud McIntire](mailto:jud@fbmm.org), [Nat Brown](mailto:nat@fbmm.org)

ORFEIA ENSEMBLE SING
CHEVY CHASE MD • 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 Eastern Europe. *Orfeia's* repertoire spans the rich and diverse musical heritage of the Balkans. We are always seeking new members. No familiarity with Eastern European music required.

Info: Diane, 202-274-4155
[email](mailto:info@orfeia.org), orfeia.org, [facebook](https://www.facebook.com/orfeia)

TAKOMA MANDOLEERS
ARLINGTON VA
TUESDAYS • 7:30–9:30 PM

The *Takoma Mandoleers* are a community orchestra playing mandolin, mandola, mandocello, classical guitar & string bass. Founded in Takoma Park in 1923, we play the mandolin orchestra repertoire from classical to the 21st century.

Info: Mandoleers.org/contact

BLUEGRASS AND OLD TIME JAM
BALTIMORE MD
TUESDAYS • 7–10 PM

The weekly jam is held in The Green Room with wonderful acoustics. 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 **Old Time Jam**. The first hour of the jam will be a "slow jam": anyone can play along at a moderate tempo. From 8 to 10 pm, they'll kick up the tempo for the "fast jam."

On the other Tuesdays, **Alex Lacquement & Lucas Chohany** will lead the **Bluegrass Jam** featuring songs and instrumentals.

Best of all, the jam is FREE!

Location: 3600 Hickory Ave.

Info: [facebook](https://www.facebook.com/bluegrassandoldtimejam)

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 2025–2026 term and invites you to nominate candidates. **You may offer your nominations for the FSGW Board at:**

Saturday March 22 – [FSGW Mid-Winter Festival](#) • Alexandria VA • [More info on p. 1](#)

Come enjoy this FREE Folk Festival featuring musical performances, dance demonstrations, singing and instrument workshops, storytime for young folkies, family programming and more!

Programming 11 am–6 pm

Membership Meeting 12:45–1:15 pm

—25 members need to be present
for a quorum.

Community Dance 7–10 pm

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.

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



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

Basic Ad charges: 1/4 page ads (3.4” x 4.5” or 7.25” x 2.5”): \$65 for one month, \$120 for two. Commercial business: \$8 for 10 words. Noncommercial and individual: \$4 for 10 words. 25% discount for any single ad placed in 12 consecutive issues (one year) and paid in advance. We will work with you on larger ads. Copy, with check made payable to FSGW, must be received by the newsletter deadline.

Mail to FSGW, P.O. Box 323, Cabin John, MD 20818. Memo on the check should read, “Advertising for ...”

FSGW POLICY REGARDING RESPIRATORY VIRUSES AND IN-PERSON EVENT PARTICIPATION

FSGW's goal is to keep in-person event participants healthy and safe. FSGW requests that participants approach attendance at in-person events from a “community care” perspective, including respecting the personal choice to mask/not mask. Each of us plays an essential role in keeping the community healthy so thank you for your collaboration! A current version is posted on our website at fsgw.org/FSGW-covid19-response

Lucia Schaefer, FSGW President

FSGW BOARD MEETING (ONLINE) TUESDAY MARCH 4 • 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 Lucia Schaefer at president@fsgw.org at least two days in advance of the scheduled meeting.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Status of ongoing events may vary. Please confirm with the organizer.		<p style="text-align: center;">Noon Every Day! Carpe Diem Arts Daily Antidote of Song</p>		 We should not confuse information with knowledge. – T.S. Eliot		<p>1</p> 10 Foggy Bottom Morris Men 1:15 Cuban Salsa, DC 6:30 MAND Norwegian Dance Party, Kensington 8 Swing Dance, Glen Echo
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