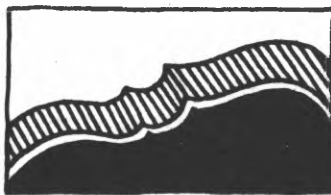


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NEWSLETTER

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GLENN OHRLIN AT OCTOBER PROGRAM

This month we are proud to present Glenn Ohrlin at the October program. Born to Swedish immigrant parents in Minnesota, Glenn left home at age 16 to become a buckaroo. While ranching and traveling around on the rodeo circuit, he picked up many of the old cowboy songs and ballads. Although he escaped the folk boom of the fifties, Glenn was discovered at the Rakensake festival in April of 1963. Since then he has appeared at many other festivals around the country including the National. In addition to accompanying himself while singing, I have been told that Glenn also plays Flamenco music on his guitar.

As usual, the program will be held at 8:30 PM on the second Friday of the month (Oct 8) at the Washington Ethical Society, 7750-16th Street NW, Washington, D.C. FSGW members are admitted free; nonmembers \$2.

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OCTOBER SPECIAL EVENTS WILL FEATURE TONY SALETAN AND LOU KILLEN

On Saturday October 2, Tony Saletan will be featured in a house concert at the home of Bruce and Debbie Hutton. Tony sings a wide variety of American and English traditional songs-accompanying himself on the guitar and banjo. The Huttons live at 6 Pine Ave. Takoma Park. Their phone number is 270-2217 and the concert will start at 8 PM..

As at all house concerts, admission will be \$1.50 for FSGW members and \$2 for the general public.

-Bill

One of the finest traditional singers from the British Isles--in fact, one of the finest in the English language--is Louis Killen, and he will be doing a house concert for us at 8:30 PM on Thursday Oct 14 at the home of Helen Schneyer. Although (strictly speaking) he is an "interpreter" rather than an original source, he carries an unsurpassable knowledge of the music, songs and lore. His repertoire ranges from ballads to sea chanties, from children's songs to drinking songs and ribaldry. Lou will undoubtedly be accompanied by his concertina and perhaps a whistle or guitar. For more information and directions call 949-4552.

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FIRST FRIDAY OPEN SING/OCT 1

The October Open Sing to be held Friday October 1 at 9PM at the Washington Ethical Society, will be led by Joe Hickerson. Joe's theme will be "Road to the Isles, Farewell", and will be divided into two parts. Part I-Road to the Isles will consist of songs about roads and/or islands. An intermission will be declared at some point in the proceedings and then.....

Part II-Farewell, This will include songs about parting, leaving, etc.

A special prize will be awarded to the person(s) who come up with a TRADITIONAL song combining all three elements: roads, islands, and leaving. Here's a challenging evening for all you road, parting, and island freaks. Don't forget Oct. 1.

-Tom

SQUARE DANCE/OCTOBER 30

On Saturday, Oct 30, the society and Sidwell Friends School will sponsor the second dance of our newly begun monthly series. The dance will be called by Jim Morrison from the Country Dance and Song Society and admission will be \$2 for adults and \$1 for students under 16. The dance will be held at the Sidwell Friends School, 3825 Wisconsin Ave. NW in the gym. Come on out and dance!

-Al

NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS

There has been too much suggesting articles over the telephone and not enough writing them out and submitting them to the editor. Things have gotten completely out of hand. Henceforth, if you would like to submit an article to the newsletter, write it out completely, and give it to me personally or mail it to: 11443 Cherry Hill Rd. #103 Beltsville, Md. 20705 The deadline for the November issue will be October 20.

GETAWAY WEEKEND/Oct 22-24

Getaway XI is almost here! The weekend begins Friday Evening, Oct 22, with an open sing and probably a square dance. Workshops begin at 10 AM on both Saturday and Sunday. As always, there will be something for everyone to enjoy. Activities include square and contra dancing, instrument workshops, song style workshops, and of course, late night sings.

There is still room for weekend registration; the available has not filled up as quickly as it did last year. However, if you can't come for the whole weekend.....

Daily registration will be accepted by mail until October 18. Costs per day are \$3 for adults and \$2 for children under 14. Meals will not be available for day registrants, so bring some food if you like to eat. It's important to register and pay in advance if you're coming for the day, since no money can be collected at the park.

Weekend registrants will receive cabin assignments and a list of things to bring by about Oct 18. We have lots of supplies to be taken to the park. If you have room to carry cartons or people in your vehicle, please call Debbie 270-2217 or Tom 554-8535.

Remember--NO PETS ALLOWED.

Keep your fingers crossed for good weather!

Directions to Prince William Forest Park: Take Route 95 South approximately 52km (that's what the park map says). Take Route 234 (Dumfries-Manassas) West(right) between 2 and 3 miles. Watch for signs to Camp 4 just past the trailer park. Turn left into the camp entrance and follow the signs.

THANKS

Thanks to Betty Bramer and the NFFA office for helping us to mail out the newsletters. Special Thanks to Al Bromborsky for helping to address and stamp the silly things.

FALL OLD TIME COUNTRY DAY

The Arlington County Performing Arts section of the Dept of Environmental Affairs is sponsoring a Fall Old Time Country Day on October 17 from 1 to 6 PM at the Gunston Community Center. This FREE event will feature music, crafts, and square dancing.

-Al

FOLKLORE COURSE

The Univ. of Va. (through its Falls Church Regional Center) has announced a newly developed course entitled "Be your own Family Historian". This non-credit course is designed to teach you the sources of information and the techniques of uncovering and preserving your own family history. It will also aid in identifying the types of information that you may want to collect. The general theme of the course will parallel the display on the family that you probably saw at the Folklife Festival this summer.

The course is scheduled to begin on Oct. 4. For more information call Lyn Curtis at 532-5800 ext 45.

-Al

VOCAL STYLES WORKSHOP

On October 30-31 (during the day), Jerry Epstein will conduct a vocal styles workshop at the home of Bruce and Debbie Hutton. The class will concentrate on singing style, breathing, pauses, length of notes, diction, accent, phrasing, and other aspects of presenting a song.

The workshop will be similar to the one that Jerry led at the last mini-festival and similar to the one hour session that he will be leading at the upcoming GETAWAY. The workshop will run 4-5 hours each day, will be limited to 10 people, and will cost \$10 per head. For further information and reservations call Wally at 546-3771.

-Al

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Joe Hickerson has issued an urgent appeal for volunteers to help keep the Archive of Folksong running smoothly. Old and new material piles up much faster than the permanent staff can handle it. So, if you have some free time during the week, and would like to take on an interesting and useful project for the Archive of Folksong, call Joe or Gerry Parsons at 426-5510 and they will tell you all about it. Or you could talk to Joe in person at the open sing on Oct 1.

-Al

CRAFT FAIRS AT THE ETHICAL SOCIETY

The Washington Ethical Society will hold its annual EARTH CRAFTS EXHIBIT AND SALE twice this year-- Saturday and Sunday, October 9 and 10, and again on November 20 and 21, noon to seven each day. Admission is FREE to a pleasant environment filled with plants, beautiful handmade crafts, good food, and music! The Folklore Society will have a membership table at both fairs. If you'd like to help staff the table, call Dolores Nichols at 938-4564 or Nan Goland at 332-0232. Several FSGW members will be there throughout both fairs, so bring your instruments, come by and pick with us.

-Nan

RED FOX INN/MONDAY EVENINGS

Traditional folk music can be heard on Monday evenings at the Red Fox Inn in Bethesda. There is a \$1 cover on special guest nights with an open stage before and after the feature set. The Oct schedule:

Oct 4-regular hoot
11-Peter Bellamy-formerly of the Young Tradition
18-to be announced
25-to be announced
Nov 1-John McCutcheon-all kinds of trad folk music on all kinds of instruments

-Al

Your current officers and their
phone numbers are as follows:

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Bill Destler.....699-5816
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Mary Cliff.....536-6900
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Tom McHenery.....554-8535

GETAWAY REGISTRATION

CIRCLE ONE: DAILY WEEKEND HOME _____
NAME _____ PHONE WORK _____
ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
(WKEND ONLY)
PLEASE LIST ALL PERSONS WHO WILL BE ATTENDING:

NAME	AGE GROUP	# OF DAYS	PRICE
_____	_____	_____	_____
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IDEAS FOR WORKSHOPS? _____ TOTAL ENC. _____

WEEKEND ONLY

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SHARE A CABIN WITH SOMEONE IN PARTICULAR? WHO?

ARE YOU AVAILABLE TO HELP ON FRIDAY? _____ MONDAY? _____

COULD YOU TRANSPORT FOOD OR SUPPLIES TO THE GETAWAY? _____

ARE YOU A FSGW MEMBER? _____

OCTOBER AT THE BERWYN

- OCT 2 9:30PM Nymphs and Satyr-a
five member vocal ensemble
performing everything from
Renaissance to Duke Ellington
- OCT 3 8:30PM Becky Minton and Riki
Schneyer-two outstanding vocal-
ists. Together they provide
superb treatment of traditional
folk music.
- OCT 9 9:30PM Howie Bursen-among the
best 5 string banjo players
around.
- OCT 10 8:30PM Emanon-trad. and modern
jazz w/ keyboards, bass, sax,
percussion, & guitar.
- OCT 16 8:30PM Andrea Brown-Very
powerful vocals & guitar accom-
paniment. Andrea does contemp-
orary, traditional, and original
folk material uniquely & well.
- OCT 17 Open Sing-Come and share a
few tunes with us. Everyone
welcome-even bongo players.
- OCT 23 9:30PM Steve Hancoff-guitar
whiz. Steve's got a couple of
records under his belt including
a collection a Joplin rags
transcribed for guitar.
- OCT 24 8:30PM Cathy Fink & Duck
Donald-Bluegrass, blues, and
the Gamut of "folk"by two of
the most accomplished instru-
mentalists and vocalists in
Canada.
- OCT 30 9:30PM John Jackson-Real,
I repeat, real blues.
- OCT 31 8:30 The Port City Promenaders-
Bob Dalsemer and friends with
some great string band stuff.
Bring your toes, you'll want
to tap them.

GUITAR FOR SALE

A 25 year old Gibson Flat top LGO
in good condition is up for sale.
For further information call Carol
at 530-6386.

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LUCI & VGO

Luci & Vgo are spending Saturdays in this
Harvest month as resident exhibits at their
neighborhood ??? that is, "Madams Organ" in
Adams-Morgan(sic). Besides weekly tea-house
concerts starting at 8PM, Vgo will present an
afternoon 99¢ workshop on Blues & other Med-
ieval Music on Oct 2. On Oct 23, Luci will
present a \$1.50 workshop on group singing.
Both workshops will be held from 4-6 at
Madam's Organ 2318 18th St. NW. Admission
to the evening concerts is \$2.

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SACRED HARP SING/OCTOBER 24

The October Sacred Harp sing will be held
on Sunday Oct 24, at the GETAWAY. The
schedule isn't definite yet, but it will
probably start around 10 AM. For more
information, call Arlene at 462-3667.

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--CONCISE CALENDAR OF EVENTS--

- Oct. 1 - OPEN SING
2 - TONY SALETAN
8 - PROGRAM-GLENN OHRLIN
9-10 - CRAFTS FAIR
14 - LOU KILLEN
17 - OLD TIME COUNTRY DAY
20 - NOV NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
22-24 - GETAWAY
30 - SQUARE DANCE
30-31 - VOCAL STYLES WORKSHOP

MONDAYS - RED FOX INN

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS - BERWYN CAFE

THE NEW FSGW HOTLINE TELEPHONE NUMBER IS 281-2228, CALL FOR LATEST INFO.

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I/we want to join! Enclosed is:

_____ \$6 - One year, Individual

_____ \$18 - Three year, Individual

_____ \$9 - One year, Family

_____ \$27 - Three year, Family

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

CHECK ONE: New Membership _____ Renewal _____ Is this a change of address? _____

Are you interested in helping the Society in some way? _____

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