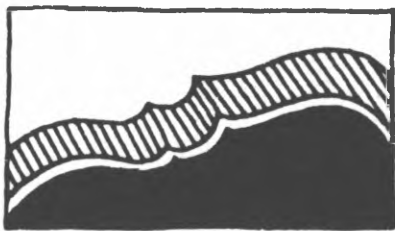


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UTAH PHILLIPS IN CONCERT DEC. 8



Bruce (U. Utah) Phillips—"The Golden Voice of the Great Southwest"—pays another welcome visit to FSGW on December 8 at Georgetown University's Hall of Nations, 36th and Prospect Streets, N.W. Admission to the 8 pm concert is \$4. for FSGW members, \$5. for nonmembers, and the audience is promised an evening of good song and outrageous puns. In Utah's words, a Bruce Phillips concert is "a foot--that is to say a singular feat."

It's hard to pin a label on Bruce Phillips. Storyteller? Singer? Songwriter? Labor organizer? None of these labels really encapsulates this performer. In fact, encapsulation of Bruce is like getting the genie back in the bottle. But if words can tell anything about a person, those words -- storyteller, singer, labor organizer, song writer--tell us something of the man. His music tells us more.

Utah's singing voice is remarkably adequate (he says he has two styles, loud and soft) and his guitar-playing manages to uphold his voice without skating too near the edge of virtuosity. His humor is wry and outrageous, and his stories are filled with truth that may or may not have happened.

In Bruce's words, "I sing songs about trains, coal mines, Unions, factories, working people, lazy people, the old and new West, bums, politicians, and different things that happen to you when you're in love....Most of the songs I sing really belong to those people; they just don't know it yet."

DECEMBER PROGRAM NUBIAN LEAGUE

One of the most popular new groups at this past summer's Washington Folk Festival returns when the Nubian League performs its music, song, dance, and storytelling at 8:30 pm, Friday, December 9 at the WES auditorium for the Society's monthly program.

Led by Baba Ayabu Kamau, the Nubian League specializes in the folklore of Africa and Afro-America. Their skillful mix of dance, music, theatre and historical commentary are certain to create a festive mood for the audience, both those familiar with African culture and those new to this richly varied tradition.

Admission is, as usual, free to FSGW members, and \$4. to nonmembers.



INSIDE: METRO CAROLING & HOLIDAY PARTY

This Newsletter is published by the Folklore Society of Greater Washington, a nonprofit, educational organization dedicated to preserving and promoting traditional folk arts in the Washington, D.C., metro area. Membership in the Society is open to all who wish to help pursue these goals. Membership benefits include free admission to monthly programs, reduced admission to special events and the Newsletter by first class mail. To join, fill out the form below.

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Are you willing to help the Society in some way? _____

What are your major interests (music, dance, crafts, etc.)? _____

Please mail this form, with your check made out to FSGW, to D. Nichols, Membership chair, 307 Broadleaf Dr., N.E., Vienna, VA. 22180

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METRO Caroling, Holiday Party December 17

Saturday, December 17 is the day for our fifth annual "Caroling through the Metro." As always, Cody Pfanstiehl, former public affairs director for Metro, will be our intrepid leader. Coordinators this year are Susan Hills and Sandy Solomon.

We will meet at 1 pm at 13th and G Sts. (Metro Center) and sing outside the station for 30 minutes to allow everyone to assemble. One 75¢ farecard will get us into the system and cover our entire tour, which this year includes:

*Metro Center *Dupont Circle *Gallery Place (change train lines)
*Rosslyn *back to Metro Center
Carol books (to be returned) will be supplied by FSGW. We expect to be done by around 3:30.

Come one, come all, and enjoy wonderful acoustics, harmonies, and general good cheer.

Holiday Party Features Program, Sing

All members and friends of FSGW are invited to join in our festive annual HOLIDAY PARTY on Saturday, December 17 at the WES auditorium. Doors open at 7:30 pm with the serving of wassail. The evening's program starts at 8:30, and will feature special holiday music and tales prepared by your fellow FSGW members--singing groups, storytellers, dancers, and musicians. Please bring some holiday goodies or other finger food to share after the program. Mulled wine, fruit punch, and coffee will be provided. Following the food break will be an open sing upstairs and an open jam downstairs. An admission of \$2. for members and \$3. for friends will help cover costs. If you have questions, or want to volunteer, call Nan Goland at 332-0232 or Tom McHenry at 533-1397.



More FSGW News

Holiday Wreath-Making Workshop

Create your own holiday decoration with Janet Kerig (basket-maker at this year's Getaway) in a workshop at Ursy Potter's home in McLean, VA, at 1 pm, Sunday, Dec. 4. Bring a dish for a potluck supper, and music-making is always welcome. Materials cost \$12. Call Carly Gewirz Mackall, (301)474-9180 for workshop information or Ursy, (703)821-1373 for directions.

OPEN SING

Join Us! December 2 at 9 pm. Dick and Diane Thies will lead us in "Songs by women and Songs from the woman's point of view." The Open Sing is held the first Friday of each month at the Washington Ethical Society Auditorium, 7750 16th St., N.W., and is open to all. Admission is \$2. and includes light refreshments.

In January, Dick Hamlet's topic is: "United we stand, divided we fall." Songs about unions: Labor organizations, marriages, the North vs. the South, or even set theory or plumber's pipe connections

GOSPEL SING

"God Songs" from bluegrass and Pentacostal to old spirituals, starting at 4 pm on Sunday, December 11 at the home of Russ Scarato in College Park, MD. Potluck supper at 6 pm. For directions and details, call Russ at 345-7978.

SACRED HARP SING

Instead of meeting on the usual fourth Sunday --which in December is Christmas Day -- the Sacred Harp group decided to have the December meeting on the following Sunday, New Year's Day. Don't let that confuse you--come anyway! Singing begins about 4 pm and is followed by a potluck supper around 6 pm. And after supper they sing some more. New members always welcome. The place is the home of Alan and Glenna Centa in Takoma Park. For directions or more information call them at 270-3916.

FSGW SUNDAY NIGHT DANCES

The Sunday Night Dances are being held at the Takoma Park Jr. High School at Piney Branch and Grant St. Dances start at 8 pm, ending at 10:30 pm. Admission for FSGW members is \$3. and \$3.50 for nonmembers. The schedule for December;

- Dec. 4--An evening of contras with Tupence Blackwell with the help of Bare Necessities (Mary Lea, Jackie Schwab and Peter Barnes) from Boston.
- Dec. 11--From Bloomington, Indiana, Paul Tyler - "dancing master" and Brad Peftwich and Linda Higginbotham will introduce us to Midwestern square dances along with other familiar and original squares and contras.
- Dec. 18--Bob Dalsemer will help us get into the holiday spirit with special renditions of familiar tunes played by Fiddlestyx and Steve Hickman. Bring holiday goodies and non-alcoholic beverages to share. This dance is FREE to FSGW members, nonmembers \$3.50.
- Dec. 25--NO DANCE
- Jan. 1--NO DANCE

DANCE AT PNA IN BALTIMORE

On Saturday, December 17 the PNA Hall will come alive with dancing to Kate Charles, Laurie Andres and Cathy Fink. Laurie's new album will be available! The dance begins at 8 pm. Admission is \$3.50 at the door. Overnight hospitality can be arranged for out-of-town guests. Polish National Alliance Hall 1627 Eastern Avenue, Fells Point, Baltimore. For more information call Frank, 366-8818 or Jim 467-8308.

LAURIE ANDRES HOUSE CONCERT

On the afternoon of December 17, Laurie Andres will give a repeat performance of that wonderful house concert he did last year. It will be in Baltimore with the time and place to be announced. Come to Baltimore for an afternoon of fine music and an evening of fine dancing. Laurie will be playing tunes from his new album Fantastic Hornpipe and other favorites. For information call Frank 366-8818.

WESTERN MD FOLKLORE SOCIETY DANCE

On Saturday, December 3 the Western Maryland Folklore Society will present a dance at the Sheperdstown, West Virginia Men's Club, with Lou Shapiro calling and the Mountain Music Messengers.

HOWARD COUNTY FOLK MUSIC & DANCE SOCIETY

The Howard County Folk Music and Dance Society will meet for an evening of contradances and squares with music by members of the Green Mountain String Band, at 8 pm Tuesdays, December 6 and 20, at the Longfellow Elementary School, Columbia, Free admission. Call Susan at 964-4906 or 997-1195 or Mary at 596-3148.



DECEMBER 1983

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 8:30pm Rena's Place 8pm College Park Dance 8PM HMT Martha Burns	2 8pm Preston Dance 8:30 NCS Dance 7PM OPEN SING!	3 8pm Santa Lucia Party 8pm Takoma Park Dance 8:15pm Fabrongen raddlers
4 1 PM - WREATH- MAKING WHSP 4PM GOSPEL SING 8PM FSGW DANCE	5	6 8pm Folk Space	7 8PM FSGW BOARD	8 8:30pm Rena's Place 8pm College Park Dance 8pm Cathy Fink HMT 8PM UTAHPHILIPS	9 8:30 NCS Dance 7-9pm Victorian Christmas 8PM FSGW PROGRAM	10 8pm Arlington Dance 8pm English Country Dance 7-9pm Victorian Christmas
11 8PM FSGW DANCE	12	13 8pm folk space 8 PM WASH. FOLK FESTIVAL MEET. 7:30 PLAYFORD + ADPTED DANCE WKS	14	15 8:30 Rena's NEWSLETTER DEADLINE !! 8pm College Park Dance 8pm Jeff Davis + Jeff Warner HMT	16 8:30 NCS Dance	17 1PM METRO CAROLING! 7:30 FSGW HOLIDAY PARTY 8pm Takoma Park Dance
18 8PM FSGW DANCE	19	20 8pm folk space	21	22 8:30pm Rena's Place 8pm College Park Dance 8pm Maggie HMT	23 8:30 NCS Dance	24
25 MERRY CHRISTMAS! HAPPY NEW YEAR! 4PM SACRED HARP NO DANCES	26	27 8pm folk space	28	29 8:30 Rena's Place 8pm College Park Dance	30 8pm Regency Masquerade Ball 8:30 NCS Dance	31

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PLAYFORD AND APTED DANCES REVISITED

An FSGW-sponsored workshop evening of English Country Dances from the Playford and Apted Collections will be held for experienced dancers on Tuesday, December 13, from 7:30 to 9:30 pm. The workshop will be held in the Parish Hall of Christ Episcopal Church, Georgetown, at 3116 "O" Street, N.W. For further information on this workshop, and the series being planned for the Spring, call Peter Fricke at (202)342-0031 between 5 and 6 pm on weekdays.

BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The FSGW Board met on Wednesday, November 2, at the home of Past president, Mary Cliff in Falls Church, Va. Among other actions, the Board:

- Accepted Past-president Mary Cliff's report on her research into FSGW incorporation, and directed her to proceed with the incorporation process in accordance with the provisions of the FSGW Bylaws.
- Approved the establishment of an FSGW Educational Programs Committee, and directed the President to appoint a committee chair as soon as possible.
- Discussed basic needs in a mini-festival site, and authorized Mary Cliff to sign a contract for a site before the December Board meeting.
- Approved the Getaway Committee's recommendation that Camp Letts be reserved for next year's Getaway, and selected the weekend of October 12-14 as the weekend of choice. (The camp has since been reserved for that weekend.)
- Approved the Getaway Committee's recommendation that the day rates for the Getaway be raised to \$8. per day for FSGW members and \$10. per day for nonmembers.
- Appointed Treasurer Dick Hamlet to pursue the possibility of reciprocity of member admission privileges between FSGW and the Baltimore Folk Music Society.

DECEMBER BOARD MEETING

The December meeting of the FSGW Board will be held on Wednesday, December 7, at the home of President Kathy Hickerson, in Takoma Park. The meeting begins at 8 pm. Any FSGW member is welcome to attend. For more information, directions, call Kathy at 587-1462 (evenings, weekends).

MINI-FESTIVAL SET FOR JANUARY 28

The annual FSGW Mini-Festival is set to take place Saturday, January 28, at Trinity College, Catholic University (Michigan Ave. & N. Capitol St., NE, Washington). The committee planning the mini-festival needs the help of many volunteers to make the event a success. If you're interested in helping out, call the FSGW hotline, 281-2228, and leave your name and number on the tape.

WASHINGTON FOLK FESTIVAL!

The Washington Folk Festival needs you! The Washington Folk Festival is the largest and most ambitious project undertaken by FSGW. Held on the first weekend in June at Glen Echo Park, the Festival is a showplace for over 500 local traditional performers and craftsmen. In order to make the Festival a success we need volunteers with nearly every imaginable talent. In

particular, we are looking for someone to serve as an administrative assistant to the Festival committee, people to work on publicity for the Festival, and graphic artists. Everyone who is interested in the Festival is invited to our next planning meeting which will be held in the office at Glen Echo Park on Tuesday, December 13 at 8 pm. We're always looking for the energy and new ideas brought to the Festival by new volunteers, so don't hesitate to come out to the meeting. If you can't attend this meeting, but you're interested in the Festival or have questions about it, call Dean Clamons at (703) 830-3160 or Carly Gewirz Mackall at (301) 474-9180.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!
1984 20th FSGW GETAWAY

Next year's Getaway (1984's--the 20th!!) has been booked into Camp Letts, Edgewater, Md, for the weekend of October 12-14, 1984. Save those dates!!

GETAWAY HISTORY, OR "FOR YOUR INFORMATION"

Several people have asked, "Why did FSGW leave Prince William Forest Park (the site of the first 17 Getaways)?" The primary reason was the unavailability of sufficient space. In 1981, 220 people tried to register for the Getaway, and in 1982, 230 registered. Our old camp ("Pleasant") holds only 180, and is now undergoing renovations --not due to finish till 1990 -- reducing this to 150. The only other large camp in Prince William sleeps 220, but feeds only 140, and has insufficient workshop space. No camp at Prince William Park being adequate, the 1982 Getaway Committee instituted a search, using the American Camping Association list of nearby camps, and settled on Camp Letts, near Annapolis, as the best available camp for our needs.

We have tried to make the Getaway available to as many as want to attend while keeping the friendly atmosphere we all remember from past years. Anyone with comments or suggestions should feel free to contact the committee via the FSGW hotline, 281-2228.

GETAWAY LOST & FOUND

One Muppet Show Mug
One blue and white girl's jacket
One beige knee-high sock
one navy blue towel
one blue sock
one white and blue sock.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for the January 1984 Newsletter is Thursday, December 15. Copy must be received NO LATER THAN THAT DATE. The turnaround time, because of Christmas holidays is very tight, and I will not accept any copy after December 15. Please send copy to: Jennifer Woods, 2021 N. Kenmore St., Arlington, VA 22207. Do NOT send copy to the FSGW P.O. Box, as it will either be delayed, or not received at all.

IN MEMORIUM -- SARAH OGAN GUNNING

Southern labor organizer, singer and songwriter Sarah Ogan Gunning died October 13. One of 11 children (including Aunt Molly Jackson and Jim Garland), Sarah was active in Southern Appalachian labor struggles in the 1930's, and wrote many organizing songs based on Southern folk songs.

TAKOMA PARK SQUARE DANCES

Country dancing at the Takoma Park Presbyterian Church (corner of Maple and Tulip Aves.) at 8 pm, Saturday evenings. \$3. admission. For more information call the House of Musical Traditions, 270-0222. All are welcome.

The schedule for December:

- Dec. 3-Bridget Edwards calling, music by Brad Leftwich (fiddle) and Linda Higginbotham (banjo) from Bloomington, IN.
Dec. 17-Paul Tyler, a patter-style caller from Bloomington, IN calling contras and Midwestern squares. Music by Company Comin' Stringband, from Cincinnati.

CLOGGIN' AT RENA'S

Regular clogging sessions featuring string bands take place every Thursday night at Rena's Place, 12710 Twinbrook Pkwy., Rockville, MD. Admission is \$2; instruction starts at 8:30, dancing at 9. Sponsored by the Capital Cloggers' Club (924-2668).

This month's string bands:

- Dec. 1-Locust Hill
Dec. 8-Powdered Eagle
Dec. 15-Hambone Sweets
Dec. 22-Jeanne Walters' Open Mike w/Richard Schuman on fiddle plus volunteers (4 mikes)
Dec. 29-Hobotoe

FOGGY BOTTOM FOLKDANCES

International folkdancing for the fun of it. Thursday evenings at St. Mary's Church, 23rd St. between G and H Sts. N.W. (one block from Foggy Bottom Metro). Beginners class 7:30-8:30 pm. A full hour of instruction and the best introduction to these dances. Intermediate/advanced dancing (instruction and requests) 8:30-10:45 pm. Both classes led by Jamie Platt. Admission to each class \$2. Both \$3. There will be no dancing December 29 or January 5. For further information please call 547-6919.

SANTA LUCIA GAMALDANS PARTY

A gamaldans party (Scandinavian couple dances) and celebration of Santa Lucia Day will be held Saturday, Dec. 3, 8-11 pm, at Takoma Park Jr. High School, 7611 Piney Branch Rd. Admission is \$2; music by Peascods Gathering. Call Carl Minkus (301)493-6281, Dick Atlee (703) 522-2769, or Bill Warren (301)585-7916.

REGENCY MASQUED HISTORICAL BALL

A Regency Masqued Historical Ball will be held Friday, Dec. 30, from 8 pm to 2 am at Trinity Episcopal Church, Piney Branch Rd. & Dahlia St., NW. Featuring English Country and Renaissance dancing, plus waltzes as well as refreshments, the masque costs \$4 (reservations suggested). Participants should wear evening dress of the Regency Period, and should also bring plates, silverware and drinking vessels.

For those who wish to learn or brush up on some of the dances, there will be an all-day session of Regency dance workshops at Long Branch Library in Silver Spring, MD on December 17 from 10 am to 4 pm.

For further information and/or reservations call Susan Reed (h) 703-783-4282 (w) 202-783-0111 or Gerry Letteney (h) 202-723-6473 or Terry Adams (h) 301-596-3611 (in Columbia, MD).

RESTON DANCE

Bob Hirsch and Sid Berman will call squares and contras to music by June Apple at 8 pm on Friday, December 2, at the Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Rd. Admission \$2. For more information call Alice Markham (703)437-5580.

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE DRUID CHRISTMAS PARTY

An English country dance Druid Christmas party with music by Peascods Gathering, will be held Saturday, December 10, 8-11 pm, at Takoma Park Jr High, 7611 Piney Branch Rd. Admission \$2. For more information, call Carl Minkus (301) 493-6281, Dick Atlee (703)522-2769, or Bob Holloway (301)577-8241.

POTOMAC VALLEY COUNTRY DANCERS

The Potomac Valley Country Dancers would welcome new dancers. They practice on Wednesday nights in Arlington. Anyone interested should contact Darryl Brown, days 861-2518 or evenings 365-7168.

FOLK DANCING AT G.W.U.

Internationally-known choreographer Israel Yakovee will be featured in an Israeli dance workshop at GWU on Monday, Dec. 19. Warm-up dancing starts at 7:30, with the workshop from 8-10 pm and a dance party (with refreshments) from 10 to 11:30. Admission is \$5.

Israeli and International dancing takes place Mondays and Tuesdays, respectively, with a beginners' session at 7pm and a multi-level session at 8:15 each evening. Admission is \$3.25 for the full evening; lower-priced individual session admissions are available.

An all-request (no teaching) International and Israeli folk dance will take place at GWU from 8:30 pm to 1:30 am on Saturday, December 10. \$3 admission includes refreshments.

All events are held in the third floor ballroom of the Marvin Center, 21st and H St., NW. For further information, call 262-7222, 521-6871, or 565-3617.

ARLINGTON SQUARE DANCE

Every second Saturday of the month. The next dance is December 10 at 8 pm, at the Arlington Forest United Methodist Church at the corner of Route 50 and N. Henderson. Music will be by open band with calls by Tom Hinds and others. Call Tom for more information 528-3202.

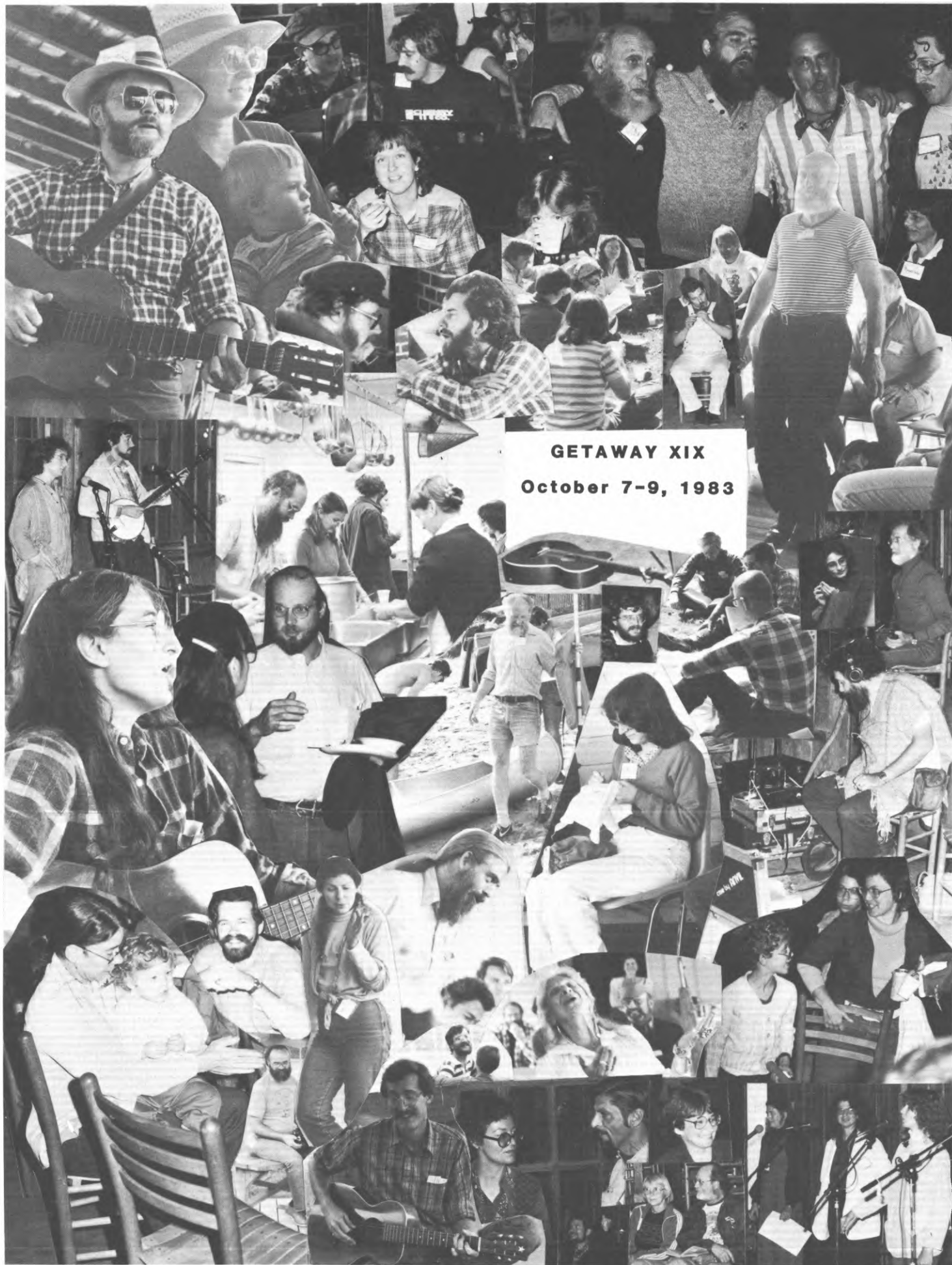
BEGINNERS CLOGGING IN ARLINGTON

Every Wednesday from 7 to 8 pm. Class is ongoing. Registration is not required. Cost is \$2. Also intermediate class from 8 to 9 pm. Call Tom Hinds at 528-3202 for more information.

Out-of-Town Events

MID-WINTER BALL

The third Annual Mid-Winter Ball will be held January 14, 1984 in the Schaefer Ballroom of the Baltimore School for the Arts, Cathedral, at Madison, in downtown Baltimore. The caller will be the infamous Fred Breunig from Vermont, with music by the incomparable Capital Quicksteps Orchestra. Tickets in advance only. Tickets are \$9. for members, and \$10. for non-members. As many people remember, last year's event sold out almost two weeks before the Ball, so reserve your tickets early! Send reservations with SASE to Baltimore Folk Music Society, P.O. Box 7134, Baltimore, MD 21218.



GETAWAY XIX
October 7-9, 1983

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

Special Events chairman Bob Clayton has several concerts tentatively planned for 1984. Early February brings Sally Rogers, and Cliff Haslam comes in late February. Gordon Bok, Ann Mayo Muir and Ed Trickett are slated for early April -- ticket information in the February newsletter -- and Art Thieme returns in early May. Other projected concerts feature string band music and possibly some blues.

FSGW MEMBERS DIRECTORY

Each year FSGW publishes a membership directory. Soon we will begin preparations for the 1984 edition. If you do not wish to be included and have not previously told us, or have changed your address and/or phone number and have not notified us, please tell FSGW before January 1, 1984. You may do this by calling the FSGW hotline (703)281-2228 or writing to the Membership Committee, 307 Broadleaf Dr., Vienna, VA 22180.

Classifieds

DULCIMER WANTED: To buy, used, Appalachian, for beginner. (w)703-553-7379, Mary Lou Tucker.
AUDIO CASSETTE DUPLICATION, DEMO RECORDING: 2 or 4-Track, 78's recorded onto cassettes. Kit, (301)469-8130.

INSTRUMENTALIST WANTED: I sing and play (guitar, autoharp) Russian, American, Italian, Austrian Folk songs. (301)589-7199.

FUND RAISERS: Bea will show/sell handcrafted jewelry, give sponsor percentage sales. Call 350-3474.

CLASSIFIED AD POLICY: FSGW members only may place ads. Lost & Found ads are free; all others are \$1. Limit 15 words, which includes phone number with area code. Limit 3 ads per issue and 3 issues per year. Deadline is the same as regular newsletter copy (see article). Ads must be relevant to FSGW's stated purpose.

Non-FSGW News

HOUSE OF MUSICAL TRADITIONS CONCERT SERIES

The Thursday evening concert series at the House of Musical Traditions in Takoma Park for the month of December feature:

- Dec. 1-Martha Burns-Singer of southern Appalachian ballads and old-time music.
- Dec. 8-Cathy Fink-Local musician extraordinaire will accompany herself on fiddle, banjo, and guitar. Cathy will be singing many different styles and her music is highly acclaimed on her latest album DOGGONE MY TIME
- Dec. 15-Jeff Davis and Jeff Warner-Old time American music at its best. Strong harmony vocals accompanied by guitar, fiddle and concertina.
- Dec. 22-Magpie-Special Christmas concert as well as some of the country, blues, and jazz classics.
- Dec. 29- NO CONCERT--HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!!!

The concerts start at 8 pm. Admission is \$3.50 at the door. The House of Musical Traditions is located at 7040 Carroll Ave., Takoma Park, MD. For reservations and/or directions call HMT at (301) 270-0222.

"FOLK SPACE" OPENS AT D. C. SPACE

"Folk Space," a new folk club, opens Tuesday, December 6, at D.C. Space, 7th & E St. NW. Envisioned as a place to hear and perform folk music in a coffeehouse-style situation, "Folk Space" will operate from 8-11:30 pm every Tuesday. In the future, local and out-of-town performers will be featured in "headliner" sets, but during December, the club will operate as an open stage. The club offers drink and food service and has seating for 80 people. During December there will be no cover charge for admission. Come and see this new club.

VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Colvin Run Mill Park (Rte 7 near Wolf Trap) will host a Victorian Christmas Celebration Friday and Saturday, Dec. 9 & 10, from 7-9 pm. Featured are the Mill Run Dulcimer Band and the Bluemont Morris Dancers. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$1 for kids.

WETA-FM SENDS THANKS

Mary Cliff sends along WETA-FM's thanks to those who supported folk music with their pledges during the station's recent Fall Marathon fundraising drive.

FABRANGEN FIDDLERS IN CONCERT

On Saturday, December 3, at 8:15 pm, the Jewish Folk Arts Society and Congregation Mishkan Torah will be presenting a concert by the Fabringen Fiddlers at Northwood High School, University Blvd and Arcola, in Wheaton. Tickets are \$10 at the door. For further information, call David Herschler at 384-3056.

Dance Events

NCS DANCES

The Friday Night dances at the National Cathedral School are usually held in the Whitby Gym located at the N.E. corner of Woodley and Wisconsin in N.W. D.C. Just north of the National Cathedral grounds. The upstairs gym (Proctor) is in the same building. Both gyms now have fine wooden floors and are good places to dance. The dances run from 8:30-11:15 pm and admission is \$3. The schedule for December is:

- Dec. 2-Don Chase and Lou Shapiro and the music of Fiddlestyx Connection
- Dec. 9-The Full Fiddlestyx Connection and Lou Shapiro
- Dec. 16-The Hambone Sweets Stringband and Lou Shapiro in an evening of mostly contras
- Dec. 30- From Brattleboro, VT. Rich Blazej and Tobin's Favorite.

COLLEGE PARK FOLK DANCES

College Park Folk Dances, Thursdays at Paint Branch Elementary School, 8-11 pm (teaching 8-9:15), \$1. admission. Dances from Bulgaria, Serbia, Rumania, Hungary, Sweden, Norway, Scotland, France, Greece, Germany, Austria, French Canada. Beginners welcome. All levels of dancing. Call Michael Gelman at 498-8840 for directions.