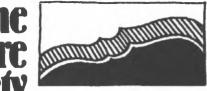
The Folklore Society of Greater Washington



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Bruce Molsky & Bob Carlin, Saturday, December 17th

Note: new date & location!

Individually, Bob Carlin and Bruce Molsky are stunning musicians; their energy combined, there will be a danger of combustion when they perform together on Saturday, December 17, 8:30 pm at Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church in Bethesda, MD. PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS A DIFFERENT DATE AND LOCATION THAN WAS ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED!!!

Two of the country's finest old-time banjo and fiddle players, Bruce and Bob will demonstrate the best in banjo-fiddle duets. Bob was voted Best Folk & Old-Time Banjo player three years running by *Frets* magazine. He

has a serious and thorough knowledge of the music, having produced *Our Musical Heritage*, a radio series based on the Library of Congress Folk Archives, and hosts two radio shows on Philadelphia's WHYY-FM, *Country Boy Rock'n 'Roll* and *The Record Ranch*.

Bruce's explosive rhythmic fiddling has driven several old-time bands including Ace Weems and the Fat Meat Boys, The Correctone String Band, and most recently A Robic and the Exertions. Both have several recordings on Rounder, Kicking Mule and Flying Fish. Don't miss one of the most exciting concerts of the year.

Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church is at 6601 Bradley Blvd., 3.2 (approx.) miles west of Wisconsin Ave., in Bethesda. Parking is available. Admission at the door is \$6. FSGW members, \$8. nonmembers, \$1. off for Senior Citizens.

Edwin Johnson Fiddlers Tuesday, December 27th, 8 PM

FSGW is extremely fortunate to have the opportunity to present, from Minneapolis, the Edwin Johnson Fiddlers in a special concert and dance, Tuesday, December 27 at 8 pm (NOT 8:30) at Takoma Park Intermediate School in Takoma Park, MD. Formerly the American Swedish Spelmans Trio, the Johnson family began performing in 1972, sharing their Swedish folk fiddling nationwide as well as in Canada and Sweden.

Edwin Johnson, a fiddle maker and the senior member, taught his music and fiddling technique to his son, Bruce, and grandson, Paul Dahlin, and received several honors for preserving the music of Sweden. Performing at colleges and folk festivals, including the National Folk Festival and the Smithsonian Folklife Festival, they were occasional guests on A Prairie Home Companion and performed for the Governors of Minnesota and Wisconsin and for the King and Queen of Sweden.

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Edwin Johnson Fiddlers Tuesday, December 27th

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Edwin passed away in 1984 and the family band, consisting of his daughter, Nancy Dahlin on cittra (Swedish table harp), Paul Dahlin and Bruce Johnson on fiddles, recruited Mary Londborg to play third fiddle. They renamed themselves the Edwin Johnson Fiddlers in honor of the special man who gave his family the gift of this music.

The concert begins at 8 pm. Chairs will be cleared at intermission to allow for dancing for the second half. Admission at the door is \$6. FSGW members, \$8. nonmembers, \$1. discount for senior citizens. Takoma Park Intermediate School is located at 7611 Piney Branch Rd., Takoma Park, one block north of Rt. 410 (Philadelphia Ave.).

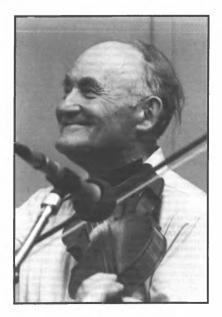
Don Stover December 9th Program

December's program, at 8:30 pm Friday, December 9th, features the banjo wizardry of Don Stover. A native of West Virginia, Don now resides in Brandywine, Maryland. Primarily a bluegrass player, he is also a master of traditional old-time playing styles. Many young banjo players, such as Bill Keith, cite Don as a major influence.

Don's career as a bluegrass musician began in Boston in the 1950s, where he performed with the Lilly Brothers. Over the years he has performed with such notables as Buzz Busby, Red Rector, Red Allen, and has toured and recorded with Bill Monroe. He has played in Europe and Asia, the latter during a 1984 USIA tour, and was a mainstay at the Smithsonian Institution's Festival of American Folklife last summer.

Don will be accompanied on guitar by Cathy Fink. Don't miss this opportunity to hear one of the masters of the 5-string banjo. The program is free to FSGW members, \$4. for nonmembers, and takes place at the WES Auditorium, 7750 16th St., NW (near the corner of 16th and Kalmia Rd.). Seating is limited, so come early.





Lotus Dickey House Concert Saturday, December 10th

Quentin Lotus Dickey, of Paoli, Indiana (near Louisville), will sing in an FSGW house concert on Saturday, December 10, at 8:30 pm at the home of Lars and Becky Hanslin in Chevy Chase, MD.

Lotus has been singing, fiddling and composing songs for the last seventy years or so and, in the last ten, has appeared at folk festivals and concerts around the United States, including the National Folk Festival, the Augusta Heritage Arts Workshops, and Pinewoods. He has recently been touring with Pete Sutherland, who accompanies him on his soon-to-be-released recording. Lotus was also featured in Dillon Bustin's movie *Got Someone I'm Wild About*, (named for one of Lotus' songs).

Lotus sings untold numbers of traditional songs he learned as a child in rural Indiana (he still lives in the farmhouse where he was born), and his own lovely compositions.

After the concert, there will be informal singing and tunes, so plan to come for a full evening of good music. Admission is \$5. for FSGW members, \$7. for nonmembers, with \$1. discount for senior citizens. Call Lars or Becky for directions at 654-4317.

FSBW Sunday Right Dances

The Sunday Night Dance continues at Takoma Park Intermediate School (7611 Piney Branch Rd., just off East-West Highway in Takoma Park, MD) for the winter. The dance is aimed at the intermediate to advanced dancer, meaning little teaching, short walk-throughs, and lots of music and dancing. The dance runs from 8 to 11 pm. Admission is \$3.50 for FSGW members, and \$5. for nonmembers. The schedule for December is:

- Dec. 4: WILD ASPARAGUS One of those "need we say more" nights, but George Marshall calls a whole evening of New England Contras, plays concertina with Ann Percival on piano, and David Cantieni on flute and oboe. Fresh from their gig with Hesperus.
- Dec. 11: BILL TRAUTMAN with FIDDLESTYX —
 Bill calls a mixture of squares and contras to tunes
 from Fiddlestyx, who we haven't heard in too long.
 Fiddlestyx is Steve Hickman, fiddle, John Devine
 guitar and Jim Bienemann on bass.
- Dec. 18: EVENING STAR Claudio Buchwald calls contras and squares and plays piano with Steve Hickman on fiddle, David Crandall on flute & saxophone, John Devine on guitar, and June Drucker on bass.

FSGW's Third Annual New Year's Eve Dance

Come and help us celebrate New Year's Eve with a "dress-up" affair. Tuppence Blackwell will be calling the dances with Peter Fricke and the New Findhorn Ceilidh Band Trio and Faith Coddington will provide marvelous music. For this affair *advance registration* is required and gender-balance will be maintained. Look for the registration forms at FSGW dances and monthly program. Cost? \$13 for FSGW members, \$16 for nonmembers. Need more information? Call Peter Fricke at (301)565-9530.

- Dec. 25: FRED PARK with BOB WILLOUGHBY AND KEVIN WIMMER Spend Christmas Day with your family, then come dance with your friends. Fred Park calls a jolly collection of contras and squares to music from Kevin Wimmer on fiddle and Bob Willoughby on piano, all with a Southern accent.
- Jan. 1: HOLD THE MUSTARD with DAVID McLEOD
 Yes, we'll dance on New Year's Day, too! David
 McLeod makes his Sunday night debut calling
 contras to the fantastic music of Hold the Mustard
 (Barbara Greenberg on fiddle, Daniel Beerbohm
 on clarinet, Paul Prestopino on banjo & mandolin,
 and Eric Scott on piano).

17th Annual Mini Festival January 28, 1989

The plans for the Mini are going great guns. Mark your calendars for Saturday, January 28th. The evening concert line-up includes FSGW founding member and Head of the Archive of Folk Culture at the Library of Congress, Joe Hickerson. Pete Kennedy is doing a mini concert during the day. If you want to volunteer to help call Lisa Freedman at (703)765-3190. For music workshops call Judy & Dennis Cook at (301) 776-4314. For dance workshops call Joanie Blanton, work (HMT) 270-9090 or home (304)876-2197. And finally, for storytelling, call Al Booth (301)956-6761.

Is there a Directory?

How do I get a Directory? I never knew there was a Directory!

Here are the answers to all of those frequently asked questions.

YES, there is an FSGW Membership Directory. The 1989 edition will be available about December 1. To obtain a copy, you can either write to:

FSGW Membership 307 Broadleaf Dr., NE Vienna, VA 22180

Or come to the membership table at any concert or special event. Costs are the same as last year: \$4. in person, and \$5. through the mail. The directory is sold *only* to FSGW members at a price which just covers printing and mailing expenses.

If someone would like to sell the Directories for us at FSGW dances, please call (703)938-4564 to discuss it. We really would like to have them available at all FSGW activities!

More FSGW News

Open Sing

Friday, December 2, 8:30 pm

The Open Sing will be held on Friday, December 2, at 8:30 pm at the WES Auditorium, 7750 16th St., N.W., D.C. Susan Hills leads, with the topic "Something New," songs about surprises, births, and beginnings. Everyone is welcome. Admission \$4. (to cover cost of the hall) and potluck refreshments.

Gospel Sing

Sunday, December 11, 4 pm

The December Gospel Sing on Sunday, December 11, will start at 4 pm at the home of Louise Powers in

Northwest Washington. Call her at 333-4377 for directions. Singing will precede and follow a luscious potluck supper brought by you and your fellow singers. All are welcome!!

Sacred Harp Sing Sunday, January 1, 1989 4 pm

New Year's Day can be such a letdown if you aren't a football fan. The holidays are over, everything is closed and it seems like there's just nothing left to do. Well, not THIS year!!! You're invited to revive yourself in pleasant company by joining us to "Sing in the New Year" on Sunday, January 1st, 1989 at the home of Ruth and Fritz von Fleck
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Have Some Free Time to Give? Need a Tax Deduction? Help Support the Washington Folk Festival!

Each year at Glen Echo Park on the first weekend in June, FSGW treats the Washington community to the Washington Folk Festival, a FREE weekend of folk music, dance, storytelling and crafts. Performers and staff all volunteer their time to make this possible (and we need volunteers for hundreds of jobs, big and little, to put on the Festival). But we also need to raise close to \$10,000 in cash and in-kind donations for such items as publicity, printing the program book, sound equipment, and meals for staff and performers. WE NEED HELP FROM OUR MEMBERS TO RAISE THESE RESOURCES.

<u>We urgently need volunteers</u> who have skills with and access to word processors, to help put out mailings. We also need people to contact local businesses and organizations, by telephone and/or in person, to request contributions. Our fundraising work starts in January — we'd like to have volunteers lined up by then. We'd also like your suggestions on businesses and organizations that might contribute to the Festival.

We also welcome your cash donations. Donations to WFF are tax deductible and a contribution made this month is deductible from your 1988 taxes. Checks should be made payable to FSGW and earmarked for "Washington Folk Festival."

If you'd like to find out about other ways you can get involved in the Festival, come to the first general meeting at 8 pm, Wednesday, January 11, in the Glen Echo Park office (Up the ramp, across from the stone tower.).

If you can help, please fill in the coupon below and send it to Kyle Terrell, WFF Community Resources Chair, 4934 Battery Lane, #5, Bethesda, MD 20814. Or call Kyle at (301)986-4133.

WASHINGTON FOLK FESTIVAL RESOURCES

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enstein in the Adams-Morgan neighborhood of NW D.C. Whatever mischief you got into the previous night should wear off by 4 pm when the singing starts, and perhaps you'll even begin to feel hungry by the time the potluck starts at 6. Newcomers are always welcome, and extra songbooks are available for use. Please call Ruth or Fritz at (202)387-7233 for more information and directions, and remember to bring something for the potluck supper. Come on, you can start your diet January 2nd!

Storytellers Meeting Saturday, December 17, 7:30 pm

On Saturday, December 17, Storytellers and listeners will gather at the home of Anne Sheldon in Silver Spring, MD to share stories and potluck snacks. Call Anne at 588-5516 to rsvp and for directions.

Country Dances of the British Isles Wednesdays, December 7 & 21, 7:30 pm

Two great workshops are planned for December, so get out your dancing shoes and head for Woodlin Elementary School, 2101 Luzerne Ave., Silver Spring, on Wednesdays, December 7 and 21. Workshops begin at 7:30 pm; admission is \$3.50 for FSGW members, \$5. for nonmembers. Information? Call (301)565-9530.

Jackie Schwab will teach "new/old English dances" on December 7, to the music of Liz Donaldson, Faith Coddington and David Mann. Those of you who have attended Pinewoods Camp during the past seven years, or have dance to *Bare Necessities* will know that this will be a super evening.

On December 21, Peter Fricke will end the Fall series of workshops with an "Old Favorites Part." Musicians will be Liz Donaldson and Bruce Edwards. Bring snacks to share with us at the break. If you would like a dance to be include in the program call Peter at (301)565-9530.

Wednesday Night Dance Series Coordinator/Leader Needed!

FSGW sponsors a Wednesday night series of dance workshops, Country Dances of the British Isles, in Silver Spring. Peter Fricke has coordinated these workshops for the past 18 months, but has indicated that he will not be able to continue after December. The workshops showcase dancing from England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales (and the Isle of Man), and the coordinator arranges for teachers and, with the assistance of Liz Donaldson, musicians. If you are interested in helping with this series, please call Peter at (301)565-9530 or Mary Kay Friday at (202)543-0355 before December 10th, or come and join us at the workshop (taught by Jackie Schwab of Pinewoods and Bare Necessities) on Wednesday, December 7th.



Advanced English Country Dance Workshop

Tuesday, December 13, 7:30 pm

The next workshop in the Advanced English Country Dance Series will be a holiday dance party on Tuesday, December 13, at Christ Church Georgetown Parish Hall, 3116 "O" St., N.W., D.C. at 7:30 pm. Music will be by Liz Donaldson, Larry Brandt, and Susan Wright. Dances will be called by Peter Fricke and Friends. Please bring snacks to share at the break! Cost is \$3.50 for FSGW members, \$5. nonmembers. For information call Peter Fricke at (301)565-9530 or Mary Kay Friday at (202)543-0355.

Vintage Tea Dance (The Dansant) Sunday, December 11, 3 pm

The Capital Vintage Dance Society and the Folklore Society of Greater Washington hold the first Tea Dance on Sunday, December 11, from 3 until 6 pm at Christ Episcopal Church Parish Hall, 3116 "O" St., NW, Georgetown, DC. Steve Hickman's Ragtime trio will provide the music and refreshments will be served. An hour workshop at 2 pm precedes. Advance reservation only. Tickets: \$7. FSGW, CDSS, and BFMS members, \$9 nonmembers. Call 565-0104 or 543-7178.

Ski/Dance Weekend

A limited number of spaces may still be available for the second annual Ski/Dance Weekend at Camp Soles, PA on the President's Day weekend, February 17-20, 1989. The weekend will feature cross-country skiing during the day and English country dancing in the evening. Music will be provided by the New Findhorn Ceilidh Band Trio with

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calling by Bob Dalsemer, Peter Fricke and friends. For information and an application, send a long (business-size, #10) self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

Ski/Dance c/o P. Ruggiero 1561 Inlet Court Reston, VA 22090

Co-sponsored by FSGW, the Potomac Appalachian Trial Club's Ski Touring Section and the Sierra Club. The FSGW Hotline at (703)281-2228 will carry information on whether the Ski/Dance Weekend is sold out or how much space remains. For other information, please call Rich Galloway at (301)589-0939, Peter Fricke at (301)565-9530 or Bob and Tali Mathis at (301)588-2717.

FSGW Board Meeting Wednesday, December 7, 8 pm

The next meeting of the FSGW Executive Board will be held on the Democrats' Pearl Harbor Day, Wednesday, December 7, at 8 pm in the large conference room of WETA-FM, in Arlington, VA. Any FSGW member may attend. Those with questions and/or agenda items for the Board should call President Dean Clamons (703)631-9655, or Secretary Mary LaMarca (work) 496-0373, home 229-5845, prior to the meeting. For more information or directions call Vice President Mary Cliff at (703)534-7581.

Board Meetings Highlights

The FSGW Board held a special meeting on October 26 at the office of Vice President Mary Cliff to discuss problems with the *Newsletter* and possible solutions. As the *Newsletter* has grown larger over the years, we've had problems balancing the Society's need to publicize our events and providing a service to our members by listing other events of interest. The Publications Chair, like other Board positions, is a volunteer position. The job of collecting, editing and organizing the submissions from the many different groups that want to list their events in our *Newsletter* (which we do *without charge*) has grown, and there's been a debate over the best way to handle it. After lengthy discussion, the Board voted to spell out the purpose of the *Newsletter*, and to specifically state that the Publications Chair has the editorial authority to decide what goes into the

"Thanks Judy Cmero!...

for volunteering your time and helping to make the Roy Book Binder concert run so smoothly. Tom Helde did a great job on sound, and a very special thanks goes to Dan Fox and Lisa "gimmyahug" Freedman.

If you want to assist with these concerts, hear good music and be a part of making the Society work, call Special Events chair Diane Walder, 588-5595. I'll need some help at the December 27 Swedish fiddling concert. Thanks."

Newsletter and how to present it, in keeping with the priorities set forth in the statement of purpose. The Publications Chair, as with other Board positions, can do the job as he/she sees fit, alone or by committee, as long as it gets done on time and within budget. Comments, compliments or complaints should be made to the Chair or brought up at a Board meeting. The Board amended the job description to include:

"The purpose of the *Newsletter* shall be to publish information about events sponsored by FSGW and about other Society business and, as space and budget permit, about other events related to the Society's purpose. The Publications Chair shall make decisions on the form and content of the *Newsletter* in keeping with its purpose."

The regular November meeting of the Board was held on November 2 at the home of Special Events Chair Diane Walder. The Board acted to:

- Approve the 1988-89 Budget
- Schedule a Special Event featuring a concert and dance by the Edwin Johnson Fiddlers on Tuesday, December 27, to start at 8 pm, instead of our usual 8:30 pm.
- Approve appointments of Nancy King to the Washington Folk Festival Coordinating Committee and Dennis and Judy Cook as Chairs of the Mini Festival.
- Approve loan of Society Sound equipment to Joanie Blanton for a dance featuring Critton Hollow and to Kathy Hickerson for the Gordon Bok/Bob Zentz concert.
- Designate the Dances on the Sundays following the March and April Programs as regular meetings of the Society, at which the Nominating Committee shall report to the members and accept nominations from the floor. Members of the Society will be admitted to these two dances free of charge.

Deadline for January Newsletter Thursday, December 15

All copy for the January issue of this *Newsletter* is due at the home of temporary editor Jennifer Woods, *NO LATER THAN MIDNIGHT*, Thursday, December 15th. *NO* copy will be accepted over the telephone. This is a very tight turnaround for January because of the holidays, so please folks.... GET YOUR COPY IN EARLY!!!!!

Please, as it makes it less likely for your copy to get lost, send it on standard $8\ 1/2\ x\ 11$ paper. Copy has literally gone through the cracks because it was on such small sheets of paper or post cards. Please include a phone number where you can be reached in case the editor has any questions concerning your copy. It also helps greatly if you send it in article form. Thanks!

Send all copy for January to: FSGW Newsletter, c/o J. Woods 1220 N. Vermont St. Arlington, VA 22201

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For those who have questions or need directions to hand-deliver copy, call (703)528-8537.

Coming Up On The FSGW Calendar— Dates to Keep in Mind

Friday, January 13: Okyerema Asante, master percussionist from the Paul Simon Graceland Tour, Monthly Program, WES.

Saturday, February 4, Gospel Day with Ethel Caffey Austin and the Word of God Youth Choir. Afternoon choir-building workshop: 1-4 pm, National Building Museum.

Wednesday, March 22: Windfall House Concert, location TBA

Saturday, April 9: From France: Moubuissons, music of Brittany and France, concert & dance, Takoma Park Intermediate School

Saturday, April 22: Lou and Peter Berryman, satire/laughs by Wisconsin's official state songwriters. St. Columba's.

Saturday, May 6: **Peter Ostrousko & the Mando Boys,** Ukrainian & mandolin string ensemble. Gaston Hall.

Friday, June 23: Bill Staines, singer/songwriter/yodeler. location TBA.

Non-FSGW Events

Gordon Bok & Bob Zentz Tickets Still Available

December 10, 8:30 pm

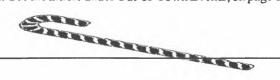
Maine folksinger Gordon Bok joins Norfolk-based Bob Zentz in a first-ever joint appearance in Washington on Saturday, December 10. The concert will be held at the WES Auditorium, 7750 16th St. N.W., D.C. at 8:30 pm. Tickets are \$10 each. Tickets are still available by mail, but order now! This is a rare chance to hear two superb musicians in an intimate informal setting.

Send \$10. per ticket (checks payable to Quandary Productions) to: Quandary Productions P.O. 4829, Washington, DC 20008-0029. PLEASE INCLUDE A STAMPED-SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE WITH YOUR ORDER. Ticket orders received after December 3rd will be held at the door. Please include a phone number so that we may contact you if we are holding tickets or we are sold out before your order can be filled. No phone reservations will be accepted, you must order by mail. Some tickets may be available at the door, for more information call: after December 3: 966-6233 (DC), 528-8537 (VA), 270-5881 (MD).

John McCutcheon with Helicon Winter Solstice '88

Sunday, December 11, 4 pm

House of Musical Traditions is presenting John McCutcheon with Helicon in McCutcheon's Annual Winter Solstice Concert, on Sunday, December 11, 4 pm, at Montgomery Blair High School, corner of Dale & Wayne, Silver Spring, MD. Tickets are \$10. in advance, \$12. at the door, and \$5. for children of all ages under 12 years old. For more information call HMT at 270-9090. John and Helicon will be appearing also in Baltimore on Saturday, December 10th. See the article under Out-of-Town Events, on page 14.



Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer AND Tom Paxton

Saturday, December 10, 11 am

There's no holding back! You can't help singing, clapping and being part of the fun when you're live and in concert with Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer, and Tom Paxton. They will be doing one performance only, for families and children at the Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School, 4301 East-West Highway, on Saturday, December 10 at 11 am. Tickets are \$6. and available at the House of Musical Traditions in person or by phone (MC/Visa) at (301)270-9090.

Donate a marvelous toy at our toy drive, too! Help make sure the season is a happy and wondrous one for a child in the metro area by bringing a cheering present. Donated toys will go to children in area shelters. For more information on tickets, directions, suggested toys to bring, call (301)270-9090.

HMT Monday Night Concert Series

The House of Musical Traditions Monday Night Concert Series continues this month, 8 pm at the Silver Spring Unitarian Church, 10309 New Hampshire Ave., Silver Spring, MD three blocks north of the Beltway. Admission \$5 unless otherwise noted (*). Beverages and snacks provided by Takoma Kitchens. For more information, directions, call HMT at (301)270-9090. This month:

Dec. 5: Grazz Matazz, "new acoustic music" combining bluegrass, country, jazz, rock and folk. Al & Pat Petteway, Akira Otsaka, Mike Stein and Fred Smith.

Dec. 12: **Big Nite Out,** from Philadelphia the acoustic quartet of the seven-piece band, with tight three-part harmony, hot instrumentals and a lot of fun.

Dec. 19: **Bethesda Chamber Singers**, a cappella vocal ensemble, performing a wide range of secular and religious music spanning many styles and eras. (continued on page 8)

Dec. 26: **Sodabread.** Local favorite Celtic band with Dennis & Angela Botzer, Myron Bretholz, Marc Glickman and Lisa Moscatiello.

Celtic Christmas Concert

Fridays & Saturdays, December 2,3, 9, & 10

The Dumbarton Concert Series ushers in the holiday season with four performances by the Barnes & Hampton Celtic Consort in a warming, cheering celebration of Celtic music and verse on Fridays December 2 & 9, and Saturdays December 3 & 10 at 8 pm. The Concert Cafe offers a delicious pre-concert supper. Concert tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10. for seniors and students, and free for children under 12. For tickets and further information, please call 965-2000.

Hazelwood Cassette Signing Party Friday, December 16, 7-9 pm

On Friday, December 16 the duo Hazelwood, Grace Griffith and Susan Graham-White will be at the House of Musical Traditions, 7040 Carroll Ave., Takoma Park, MD to sign copies of their new cassette *A Note to Share* from 7 to 9 pm. Refreshements will be served.

Takoma Cafe Concerts

The Takoma Cafe showcases entertainment nightly Wednesdays, through Sundays, starting at 9:45 pm. Suggested donations \$3-5. For further information call the Cafe at 270-2440. The schedule this month:

- Dec. 1: Classical Magic, Fred Strebe & Kate Hoving.
- Dec. 2: Rick Schmidt & Friends, folk gospel blues
- Dec. 3: Side by Side, pop & orig. folk
- Dec. 4: Irish Night, hosted by Mary-Duke Smith
- Dec. 7: Bluegrass Night, hosted by Frank Cassel
- Dec. 8: Bill Clayton, topical folk for & about men
- Dec. 9: Eileen Joyner, favorite humorous songwriter.
- Dec. 10: Pomegranate, womyn's ensemble
- Dec. 11: Herbie Wheatley, virtuoso flute & sax
- Dec. 13: Poetry Night
- Dec. 14: Open Mike
- Dec. 15: Frank Cassel, down-home banjo/songwriter
- Dec. 16: Blue Shift, satirical rock
- Dec. 17: Side by Side, pop & orig. folk
- Dec. 18: Irish Night, hosted by Mary-Duke Smith
- Dec. 21: Bluegrass Night, hosted by Frank Cassel
- Dec. 22: Ironweed, traditional, with Celtic flavor
- Dec. 23: Christmas Event, seasonal music
- Dec. 28: Open Mike
- Dec. 29: Erica Wheeler, singer/songwriter from Canada
- Dec. 30: Rick Schmidt & Friends, folk gospel blues.



Hesperus & Wild Asparagus Christmas Concert Saturday, December 3, 8 pm

Hesperus, early music ensemble-in-residence at Georgetown University, opens its 1988-89 *Crossover Series* with a holiday concert with the popular contradance band Wild Asparagus. On Saturday, December 3rd at 8 pm, Gaston Hall, Georgetown University, 37th and "O" Sts., NW, the two groups will present a fusion of medieval, renaissance, baroque, swing, blues, Appalachian and New England contradance styles. Tickets are \$10 (\$25. for the three-concert series), \$5. students and seniors and are available at the door, or by calling 525-7550. Parking is available in the Prospect St. lot. The two groups will also perform in Baltimore on the 4th. See the article on page 13.

Mill Run Dulcimer Band Christmas Concert & New Album!

December 10, 8 pm & 9:15 pm

The Mill Run Dulcimer Band will perform a Christmas program of old-time music on Saturday, December 10 at Colvin Run Mill Park Barn 8-8:45 pm and 9:15-10 pm. The park is located five miles west of Tysons Corner, VA on Route 7. \$2. donation suggested. Park: 759-2771.

Mill Run also announces the release of their fifth album, You've Been a Friend to Me. Copies can be ordered from members of the band, at the Colvin Run Mill General Store, and from them at their concerts. For mail order send \$9. per record or cassette plus postage(\$1.50 for one, \$.50 for each additional) with checks payable to Mill Run Dulcimer Band, from: Mill Run Dulcimer Band, c/o Keith Young, 3815 Kendale Rd., Annandale, VA 22003.

A Ceoltori Christmas Sunday, December 11, 7 pm

Join Ceoltoiri for a full length concert of Celtic Yuletide music on Sunday, December 11, at 7 pm in Rockville, MD. Ceoltoiri, with Sue Richards on harp, Karen Ashbrook on hammered dulcimer and flutes and the lovely vocals and guitar playing of Connie McKenna will warm your heart on this early winter's evening. As part of the Strathmore Concert Series, Ceoltoiri will play in beautiful Strathmore Hall, 10701 Rockville Piike, Rockville, MD. For information and reservations call 530-0540.

Seamus Connolly in Concert Sunday, December 4, 3 pm

Conradh na Gaeilge/Washington (The Gaelic League) presents master fiddler Seamus Connolly in an informal concert, Sunday, December 4, at 3 pm in the School of International Studies Lounge, American University, Washington, D.C. Admission is \$5. and includes a reception. Information (301)864-2385.

Free Blues & Jazz Concert December 1, 7:30 pm

The DC Commission on the Arts is sponsoring a free blues and jazz concert on Thursday, December 1, at Howard University's Blackburn Center at 7:30 pm. The eventwill be preceded by a reception at 6:30, the public is invited and encouraged to bring a new toy or clothing item for D.C.'s homeless residents.

Auditions for Washington artists who wish to participate in next year's events will be held on January 4-6. For more information about the concert or auditions, please call the D.C. Commission on the Arts at (202)724-5613.

Reston Folk Club, Every Tuesday

The Reston Folk Club meets in a great private room in the Tortilla Factory Restaurant, 648 Eldon St., Herndon, VA, (703)471-1156. Dinner/social hour 6:30-7:30 pm, music 7:30-10 pm. The Club meets every Tuesday evening. Regular meetings are open mikes, sometimes guest performers. In December Saffire, blues and fun with a lively trio of outspoken women, on December 6th. For more information call (703)437-7766.

Cafe Florian Coffeehouse Second Saturday in Camp Springs, MD

Cafe Florian open mike in Camp Springs features special guests Side By Side for the December coffeehouse Saturday, December 10. Stage is open to performers in all media on sign-up basis. Potluck refreshments, tea and coffee served. Cafe Florian is held at Davies Memorial Unitarian Church, 7400 Temple Hill Rd. in Camp Springs, MD. For more information call the church at (301)449-4308 or call Grace Griffith (301)743-5946.

CABOMA Jam Sessions 2nd & 4th Sundays, 2-6 pm

The Capitol Area Bluegrass and Old Time Music Association (CABOMA) will hold open "jam sessions" on the second and fourth Sundays from 2 to 6 pm at the Lyon Park Community Center at the corner of N. Fillmore St. and Pershing Dr. in Arlington, VA. These jams are held every month, all year, *rain* or shine. For more information call (703)691-0727.

Dupont Music Circle Meets Wednesdays

The Dupont Music Circle is a gathering of people interested in the traditional music of the British Isles — English, Irish and Scottish — with a dash of Renaissance and Medieval thrown in for good measure. Singers and instrumentalists, at all levels of ability, are welcome. The setting is informal, and the purpose is to have fun. Meetings are held at 1600 16th St., N.W. Apt. #710, every Wednesday night from 7:30 to 11 pm. For more information, call Liz or Gary at 845-1674.

1989 Calendar of Glen Echo Park

Available for holiday gift giving

Fourteen photographs, dating from 1890 and through the 1920s, 30s and 40s, are available in a calendar for 1989 from the Glen Echo Park Foundation for \$9.95. The calendars are available at the Glen Echo Gallery, Glen Echo Hardware, the Bethesda Co-op, the Washington Projects for the Arts and from the Glen Echo Foundation by mail at 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo, MD 20812. Please include \$1.50 for postage and handling. Proceeds from the sale go to the Foundation whose purpose is the preservation of Glen Echo Park and its cultural, educational and recreational programs.

Carousel Stamp Cachet — four new carousel stamps, first day cancellation, are available from the Glen Echo Park Foundation by mail, or at the Glen Echo Gallery, open noon to 5 pm, daily, except Mondays. Cachets with four stamps cost \$3.50, with one stamp cost \$2.50; please include \$.50 for postage and handling. The Glen Echo Park Foundation is working to establish an endowment for the Glen Echo Park Dentzel Carousel.

National Folk Archive Needs Volunteers!

Once again, the Archive of Folk Culture at the Library of Congress is accepting volunteers. If you can spare a day a week (or less) and want to help out at the hub of federal folk activity, call Archive Head Joe Hickerson, Mondays-Fridays, 8:30 am-5 pm at 707-5510.

Computer BBS for Traditional Activities (music, dance, storytelling, crafts)

Oft-times FSGW membership chair Don Nichols has instituted a computer bulletin board for news of traditional music, dance, storytelling and crafts. The BBS can be used to enter notices for the FSGW Newsletter, as well as for others to read. Call Don at (703)938-4564 or talk to him at the Membership table at FSGW concerts, for details of how to use the system.

FSGW Editorial Policy

We try to print all copy that is relevant to FSGW's purpose, and membership (Quote from the FSGW Bylaws: "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.") However, in most instances, it is simply impossible to print copy in full. When space is tight, FSGW news receives top priority, followed by local non-FSGW news followed by listings of out-of-town, non-FSGW events.

Dance Events

Editorial Policy for Dance Events

Because so many dancers seek dances with live music, all dance event articles submitted should state whether the music is recorded or live. We do this as a service to our members. No dance copy will be used that does not state live or recorded music.

Friday Night Dances

The Dance Committee sponsors square and contra dances every Friday night which run from 8 to 11 pm and are \$4. unless otherwise noted (*). The schedule for December is:

Dec. 2: Long and Mulland, with Bridget Edwards.

ATTENTION! This dance ONLY will be held at Durant Recreation Center, 1605 Cameron St., Alexandria, VA.

The rest of December's dances will be at the Takoma Park Intermediate School, 7611 Piney Branch Rd., just off East-West Hwy.

Dec. 9: Open Band with Donna Barker

Dec. 16: *Capital Quicksteps with Steve Hickman/ Claudio Buchwald

Dec. 23: NO DANCE

Dec. 30: Sodabread with Bill Trautman

NOTE: January 6 — dance off those holiday pounds with Swallowtail.

For details on dances, call the DC Dance HOTLINE — (301)270-1678. Grace note: Thanks to Ken, Donna, David, Bill, Tuppence and Dan who donated time as callers for the Halloween Dance to benefit the Glen Echo Foundation!

The Reston Dance: Contras & Squares Saturday, December 3, 8-11 pm

The December 3rd dance will be called by Tom Hinds to the live music of the June Apple Band. Beginners and experienced dancers welcome, no partner needed. 8-11 pm, \$3. Reston Community Center 2310 Colts Neck Rd., Reston, VA. For info call Alice Markham (703)437-1209.

Clogging At Capt. White's on Thursdays

Every Thursday night, the Clog Palace features both local and out-of-town bands for your listening and dancing pleasure. Free introductory clogging lesson upon request. Admission to the Clog Palace is \$4. to pay the band. The festivities begin at 9 pm and go until Midnight. Capt. White's, 8123 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring, MD. Free parking on street and in parking garage behind Capt. White's. For information call Julie Mangin at (301)495-0082.



Greater Washington Ceili Club Dance

Sunday, December 18, 4:30-9 pm

The Greater Washington Ceili Club monthly dance will be held at the Kennedy-Warren Ballroom, 3133 Connecticut Ave., NW., Sunday, December 18. Dancing 5-9 pm, optional potluck from 4:30. Music by Celtic Thunder. Admission \$7, GWCC members \$5, children free. Beginners welcome, instruction at 4 pm. For more information call 229-7124.

English Country Dance Christmas Party

Saturday, December 10, 8:15 pm

An English country dance Christmas party under candlelight, with music by Peascods Gathering, Saturday, December 10, 8-11 pm at Takoma Park Intermediate School, 7611 Piney Branch Rd., Takoma Park, MD. Beginners and singles welcome. Admission is \$3. Information Carl Minkus 493-6281, Dick Atlee 522-2769 or Faith Coddington 762-4541.

Swing Dance

Saturday, December 3, 9 pm

On Saturday, December 3 at 9 pm the Washington Swing Dance Committee will present **Tom Principato** performing rhythm and blues. A basic jitterbug workshop at 8 pm will be led by Mary Pat Cooney.

Join us at Cabin John Jr High School, 10701 Gainsborough Rd, Rockville, MD (the intersection of Gainsborough Rd and Bells Mill Rd). Admission \$7. For more information please call 779-8562.

Swing Fling January 7, 1989

The Washington Swing Dance Committee presents "Swing Fling —1989" a fabulous dance event featuring New York City's Frank Manning and Norma Miller and the exciting Hot Jazz Orchestra on Saturday, January 7, 1989, at Cabin John Jr. High. Sharing the bill will be New York's "Harvest Moon Ball" lindy champ Margaret Batiuchok, Norma's dance show "Swinging at the Savoy,' and Leslie Coombs from "Swing Baltimore."

A lindy workshop will be led by Leslie from 1 to 3 pm and Frank and Margaret from 3 to 5 pm.

Later that evening, from 8 pm to Midnight, dance to the sizzling Hot Jazz Orchestra and the show "Swinging at the Savoy," an hour of entertainment featuring high energy lindy hopping, music and film.

Cabin John Junior High School is located at 10701 Gainsborough Rd., Rockville, MD Tickets at the door: workshop \$10.; dance \$10.; discount for both, sold at workshop only, \$18. For more information please call the WSDC HOTLINE at (301)779-0234.

Cowboy Christmas Ball Saturday, December 3, 8 pm

Herb Fredrickson Western American Dance Company will host its third annual Cowboy Christmas Ball, Saturday, December 3, from 8 pm to Midnight, at Montgomery County's Upper County Community Center, 8201 Emory Grove Rd. at Gaithersburg-Laytenville Rd. (Rt 124), Gaithersburg, MD five minutes from Shady Grove metro on the Ride-On Bus, or from I-270 by car. Western music by the popular James Brothers. Potluck, bring your favorite dish, drink or holiday specialty, enough to share. Dress Western or celebrate your family tradition through old time, regional or ethnic dress. \$8. per person, 840-2056 for info or flyer.

Santa Lucia Gamaldans Party Saturday, December 3, 8 pm

A gamaldans party (Scandinavian couple turning dances), and candlelight celebration of upcoming Santa Lucia Day, with music by Peascods Gathering will be held Saturday, December 3, 8-11 pm, at Takoma Park Jr High, 7611 Piney Branch Rd. The first hour, 8-9 will be teaching, followed by open dancing. Beginners and singles are welcome. Admission is \$3. For more information call Carl Minkus 493-6281, Dick Atlee 522-2769 or Faith Coddington 762-4541.

Scandia D.C. Saturday, December 17, 7 pm

Enjoy an evening of Scandinavian couple dancing the third Saturday of each month at Takoma Park Intermediate School 7611 Piney Branch Rd. No partners necessary. Dancing from 7 to 10:45 pm; teaching from 7:30 to 9 pm. On Saturday, December 17, there will be a Christmas Party with some live and some recorded music; fiddle music by Ellen Jacobs. Bring to food to share if you can, but most importantly, bring yourself. Admission \$3. Information: Linda Brooks (202)333-2826 or Ross Schipper (301)721-9237.

Hungarian Folk Dance Party Saturday, December 10, 8-11 pm

Come dance and enjoy the exciting couple dances of Hungary. The Tisza Ensemble is holding its monthly tanchaz, or folk dance party, on Saturday, December 10. Beginners are welcome to join the teaching circle from 8 to 9 pm. Open dancing to recorded music will continue until 11. Please wear dance shoes to protect the new dance floor. Potomac Methodist Church of Falls Rd. Admission is \$3, plus optional donation of food or nonalcoholic beverage for the snack table. For more information call Joan Dubinsky at 933-9845, evenings only.

International Folk Dancers of Bethesda Mondays, 8:30-10:30 pm

Have fun and meet new friends doing folk dances from the Balkans, Hungary, Romania, Israel, Scandinavia, Greece and other East European countries on Mondays at the Bethesda Community Recreation Center, 4506 Walsh St., Bethesda. All ages and experience levels. Newcomers are always welcome. Join us with or without a partner. Every Monday, except some holidays (no dance December 26). Teaching 8:30-9:30 pm, requests 9:30-10:30. Recorded music or occasional live music (see next article) for parties. \$3. admission. For more information call Mel or Phyllis at 871-8788.

International Folk Dancers of Bethesda Annual Christmas & Chanukah Party Monday, December 12, 8 pm.

On Monday, December 12, the International Folk Dancers of Bethesda will have their Annual Holiday Party from 8 to 11:30 pm. Peascods Gathering plays an International Dance program. The Balkan American Music Company will also play. Come with or without a partner. Newcomers are always welcome. All ages and experience levels.

Refreshments are served, and everyone is invited to bring a favorite to share, preferably an ethnic dish. Wear ethnic costumes. For this night we invite you to bring your children. There will be a Mexican Pinata for children under 10, and no charge for children under 10. Admission is \$4. Bethesda Community Recreation Center, 4506 Walsh Ave., Bethesda, MD. For further info, call Mel or Phyllis Diamond 871-8788.

Traditional Polish Folk Dance! Mondays

Come join the fun! Dawne Tance Polish Folk Dance Ensemble is seeking new members to join our lively and growing performing group. Our repertoire includes traditional dances from various regions of Poland and handmade authentic costumes are supplied. Rehearsals every Monday 8 pm at the McLean Arts Center (with recorded music). For more information contact Martha at (703)255-0886, or Mike at (301)236-6753.

Arlington International Folk Dance Tuesdays 8-10 pm

Arlington International Folk Dancing with Sam & Sarah Stulberg, Key Elementary School, Key Blvd. between Adams & Veitch, three blocks from Courthouse Metro, Tuesdays, 8-10 pm. Non stop dancing with instruction, beginning, intermediate and advanced dancers, friendly congenial atmosphere. Recorded music, requests honored, refreshments. Admission \$2. Information: 527-8998.

Snurrdansarna Tuesdays, 8 pm

Do Scandinavian-couple-turning dances (polka, waltz, polska, masurka, schottis and more) to recorded music, Tuesdays 8 to 11 pm, Takoma Park Intermediate School, 7611 Piney Branch Rd. \$2. Call Bill Warren (301)585-7916 for more information.

Foggy Bottom International Folkdances Thursdays 7:30 pm

Every Thursday night the Foggy Bottom International Folkdancers meet at St. Mary's Church, 23rd St., between G& H Sts. NW (one block from Foggy Bottom Metro, Orange & Blue Lines). No experience or partner needed. All welcome. Beginners class 7:30 pm. Intermediate/Advanced class 8:30 pm. Request dancing 9:30-10:45 pm. Mostly recorded music. Occasional workshops and parties. Always fun. Admission is \$3. For more information, call Jamie 547-6419 or Steve 262-7222.

Friday Night International Folk Dancing

Enjoy the excitement, challenge and fun of learning dances from Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Scandinavia, Hungary, Rumania and Greece. Every Friday, except some holidays, at Wheaton Recreation Center, 11711 Georgia Ave., Wheaton, MD. Newcomers of all ages/experience, with/without partners, always welcome. Teaching 8:30-9:30 pm, requests 9:30-11. Recorded music, occasional live music for parties. \$2.50 admission. Call Larry at 565-0539 or John at (301)740-3498 for more information.

Other International Dances

In each of these dances no partner is needed . . . little or no experience is welcome. All have taped music. The only must: you like to dance:

Tuesdays: 8:15-10:15 pm

Roland Forbes, International Folkdance group at White Oak Intermediate, 12201 New Hampshire Ave., Silver Spring, MD. Instruction \$3. All levels. Information: Roland Forbes 572-4215.

Wednesdays: 8-10 pm

Charlie Toxey at Guy Mason Center, off Wisconsin Ave., NW, DC. Free. Information: Charlie Toxey 229-0455. **Thursdays:**

Roland Forbes at Chevy Chase Center, Conn. Ave., NW, DC. Free. Information: Roland Forbes 572-4215. Fridays

Charlie Toxey at Chevy Chase Recreation Center, Conn. Ave., NW. Free. Information: Charlie Toxey 229-0455. 3rd Sunday

Greek and International Folkdancing at River Road Unitarian Church, at River Rd & Whittier Blvd., Bethesda, MD. \$2. Information: Anna Pappas 340-8723.

LAST Sunday

Walsh Club at Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church, 1 Chevy Chase Circle, NW. International Folk Dance Party, some walk throughs, mostly requests. Every other month a special ethnic emphasis. \$2. Refreshments. Information: Roland Forbes 572-4215 or Anna Pappas 340-8723.



Out-of-Town Events

Lucy Simpson House Concert Saturday, December 17, 8:15 pm

The Howard Folk Society presents Lucy Simpson, a wonderful singer of ballads and gospel music, in a house concert in Columbia, MD on Saturday, December 17, at 8:15 pm. Admission is \$4. for members (includes FSGW) and \$5. for nonmembers. Tickets are available at the door. For information call (301)996-2017 or (301)997-1599.

Marmaduke's In Annapolis Wednesdays

Marmaduke's Pub in Annapolis has a folk music series every Wednesday evening in the upstairs lounge. The room opens at 8 pm, and the show starts at 8:30 pm, continuing until 11. Marmaduke's is located at Third St. and Severn Ave. (Eastport), in Annapolis, MD. Cover charge \$5. and reservations can be made by calling (301)268-3159.

- Dec. 7: Allen Damron, one of Texas' finest, tunes and storytelling.
- Dec. 14: Anita Silvert, a singer/songwriter from Connecticut
- Dec. 21: Crab Alley. whimsical trio, with Chesapeake Bay music.

Note: Marmaduke's will be closed on Dec. 28 and January 4. We wish you Happy Holidays!

Coming Attractions: Jan. 11 Hazelwood, Jan. 18 Ed Trickett, and Jan. 25 Mark Levy.

Annapolis Country Dance Friday, December 9, 8 pm

Held on the second Friday of each month at 8 pm. Dancers of all levels of experience are welcome. The December 9 dance features Tom Hinds calling, with the lively music of Robbie Caruthers, Tom Mitchell, & Paul Mackrell. St. Anne's Parish Hall is at 199 Duke of Gloucester St., Annapolis, MD. Admission is \$4. For further information call Chris at (301)956-2852.

Annapolis Traditional Dance Society Thursday, December 22, 8 pm

The Annapolis Traditional Dance Society will hold a dance on Thursday, December 22 at 8 pm. Music by Liz Donaldson and Marty Taylor. At the Bates Jr High School, Smith & Chase Rds. Call (301)268-0231 for directions, or pick up flyer at a dance.

Maggie Sansone's new album: Sounds of the Season

Maggie Sansone, owner of Maggie's Music in Annapolis, MD, has just released her third album, *Sounds of the Season*, on cassette tape and compact disc. Traditional Christmas carols and Celtic melodies from ancient to modern times are featured. For more information call (301)268-3394.

Hesperus & Wild Asparagus Baltimore Christmas Concert Sunday, December 4, 3:30 pm

Hesperus & Wild Asparagus will appear together in A Crossover Christmas Concert at 3:30 pm at the Baltimore Museum of Art on Sunday, December 4. Tickets are \$8. general public, \$7. Museum members, and \$5. students & seniors, available at the door, or in advance from the Museum Bookstore or by calling (301)467-3461 (Baltimore).

Winter Solstice '88, Baltimore Saturday, December 10, 8 pm

John McCutcheon and Helicon will appear in the Winter Solstice '88 concert on Saturday, December 10 at 8 pm at Dulaney High School auditorium, 225 Padonia Rd., Baltimore. Sponsored by the House of Musical Traditions, tickets are \$10. in advance, \$12. at the door, \$5 for children of all ages under 12 years old. For more information call HMT at 270-9090 or in Baltimore (301)578-1118.

Celtic Thunder & Paris Kern in Benefit Concert

Sunday, December 47 pm

On Sunday, December 4 Celtic Thunder and Paris Kern with Courtney Bellassi will appear in concert at Le-Clerc Hall, College of Notre Dame, 4701 N. Charles St (just north of Cold Spring Ln.), Baltimore to benefit the Johns Hopkins Diabetes Center. Tickets are \$10. in advance or \$12. at the door. Tickets available at the House of Musical Traditions, Takoma Park, Baltimore Bluegrass, and all Recordmasters locations. For more information and ticket orders call (301)592-2784 or call the John Hopkins Diabetes Center at (301)955-7139.

Fred Penner — A Children's Concert Friday, December 2, 4:30 & 7 pm

The Baltimore Folk Music Society and the House of Musical Traditions is presenting a concert especially for kids and their families. Fred Penner from Canada, in "a concert of magic and excitement." On Friday, December 2, two shows, 4:30 pm and 7 pm at the Lovely Lane Church Hall, 2200 St. Paul St., Baltimore. All tickets are \$5.50. For more information call HMT at 270-9090 or the Baltimore Folk Music Society at (301)366-0808.

New Year's Eve Dance in Baltimore Tickets available now!

The 4th Annual New Year's Eve Dance in Baltimore will be held on Saturday, December 31 (when else!) from 8 pm to 2 am at the Lithuanian Hall, 851 Hollins St. This year Fred Park and Sue Dupre will be calling to the great music of Fiddlestyx and Hold the Mustard. Tickets are \$15. per person and available from Bill O'Connor, 2916 Montebello Terrace, Baltimore, MD 21214-3129. Or call (301)426-2844.

Baltimore Dance Council Workshop & Square Dance

Saturday, December 3, 7 pm & 8:30 pm

The Baltimore Dance Council presents a traditional American square dance on Saturday, December 3 with Bridget Edwards calling to music of Fiddlestyx. Bridget & the band will start with a 7 pm workshop, on the waltz quadrille, Harry's Hornpipe and Cotton-Eyed Joe. (admission \$2.50). The 8:30 pm dance will be at the Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul St., Baltimore. Admission is \$4. No experience necessary. For information call Matt Bienemann at (301)391-8418 or Tom Bryson at (301)265-5386.

Annual Bluemont Winter Ball Saturday, December 17, 8 pm

The annual Bluemont Winter Ball will be on Saturday, December 17, at the Bluemont Community Center (Old Schoolhouse). Bluemont's own Mighty Possums, will provide the music and Howard Bass will call. The Bluemont Mummers are threatening to return with an all new shtick and Jubilo, a community vocal group will perform carols during the evening. It all starts with a potluck supper at 6:30 (bring a dish to share); the dance starts at 8 pm. Bluemont is located just off Rt. 7, about 40 miles west of the Beltway. For further information call the Bluemont Concert Series office (703)777-0574; or Howard Bass, (202)357-4182 (days) or (703)955-2244 (eve.).

Frederick English Country Dance Ball Saturday, January 7, 1989 8 pm

Attend Frederick's second English Country Dance Ball with the New Findhorn Ceilidh Band, Steve Hickman, Marty Taylor and Liz Donaldson, on Saturday, January 7, 1989, 8 pm, at Brodbeck Hall on Hood College Campus. Some dances will have quick walk-throughs. Tickets are \$12. Preregistration only. Contact Candice Harris at (301)663-0238 or write her at: 213 S. Market St., Frederick, MD 21701. NOTE: Practice sessions are held every Tuesday at the Banner School in Frederick. Call Winnie Palmer (301)662-0783 for directions/information.





Frederick County Dance

No dance due to Christmas Eve. Look for the dance on January 28.

Shepherdstown Dance Saturday, December 3, 8 pm

Carlotta Wellington will call to the music of Caledonia on Saturday, December 3, at 8 pm for the Shepherdstown dance at the Shepherdstown Mens Club on the corner of King & German Sts. in Shepherdstown, WV. Admission is \$3.50 for nonmembers. For information call (304)876-2762 or (304)876-6907.

New Year's Winter Dance Fest at Ashokan Olivebridge, NY, December 29- January 1

Fiddle and Dance Workshop is having a New Year's Winter Dance Fest at Ashokan, from Thursday, December 29 through Sunday, January 1. The event will feature workshops, jam sessions and evening dances by John Krumm, David Kaynor, Camony Kaynor, George Marshall, Ann Percival, Josephine (from Quebec), Jay Unger, Molly Mason, Pete Jung and Bill Tomczak and Wild Asparagus! Cost

for the whole weekend, great food and lodging included is \$185. Call or write for more information: Fiddle & Dance Workshop, RD 1, Box 489, West Hurley, NY 12491, (914)338-2996.

Madeline MacNeil Performances in VA

Singer, dulcimer player (both hammered and lap) will be appearing around Virginia during December. Her performances include: Dec. 11, Belle Grove Plantation, Middletown, VA, info (703)869-2028; Dec. 16, noon Music concert, Winchester, (703)662-9041; Dec. 17, concerts, Petersburg, (804)733-2401; Dec. 31, First Night, Winchester, with Seth Austen, (703)777-0574.

Traditional Music Hall for Sale Western North Carolina

Nationally known traditional music hall for sale in picturesque small historic town in Blue Ridge Mts. of Western North Carolina. \$159,000 with owner financing. For details, contact Wayne Erbsen, Appalachian Realty, 18 Orange St., Asheville, NC 28801. (704)255-7530.

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Classified Ad Policy: FSGW Members ONLY may place ads. Lost & Found are free; all others are \$5. for commercial concerns (e.g. HMT, Olde Towne Music, etc.), \$2. for non-commercial groups and individuals. Limit 20 words, which includes phone number with area code. Limit 3 ads per issue. Ads MUST be relevant to FSGW's stated purpose (i.e., no houses for sale, roommates wanted, etc.). Deadline is the same as copy for the rest of the Newsletter. Please include a phone number.

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- PIANO TUNING: Get your piano ready for the Holiday festivities. December Tuning Special. \$45. Call Zan McLeod 652-3765.
- GIVE THE GIFT OF MUSIC THIS CHRISTMAS: Piano Tuning Holiday Gift Certificates now available. Call Zan McLeod 652-3765.
- FOR SALE: Estey 4-octave Harmonium \$150, Oak floor-model Victrola \$250, RMI 5-octave electric piano (a dinosaur, but still kicking) \$100. Cheryl (301)277-4643.
- EXPERIENCED FEMALE VOCALIST WITH KEY-BOARDS SEEK GUITAR-PLAYING MALE—FORM DUO. Int'l Folk, Irish, C/W preferred for fun, \$\$\$/Clubs. (301)498-4835.
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December 1988						
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3 pm Seamus Connolly	5	6	7:30 PM BRITISH ISLES DANCES WKSHP	8	8 pm Friday Dance: Open Band w/ Donna Barker	10 11 am Fink & Marxer w/ Paxton 8 & 9:15 pm Mill Run Dulcimer Band 8:15 pm English Country Dance 8:30 pm Gordon Bok & Bob Zentz
8 PM FSGW DANCE: WILD ASPARAGUS	8 pm HMT: Grazz Matazz	7:30 pm Reston Folk Club	8 PM FSGW BOARD MEETING	9 pm Capt. White's	8:30 PM FSGW PROGRAM: DON STOVER	8:30 PM LOTUS DICKEY HOUSE CONCERT
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4 PM GOSPEL SING 8 PM FSGW DANCE: BILL TRAUTMAN & FIDDLESTYX	8pm HMT: Big Nite Out	COUNTRY DANCE WORK- SHOP		9 pm Capt. White's	Capital Quicksteps w/ Steve Hickman & Claudio Buchwald	8:30 PM BOB CARLIN & BRUCE MOPLSKY BRADLEY HILLS
18	19	20	7:30 PM	22	23	Seasons Greeting from the
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