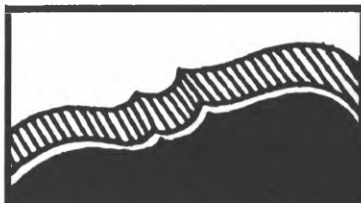


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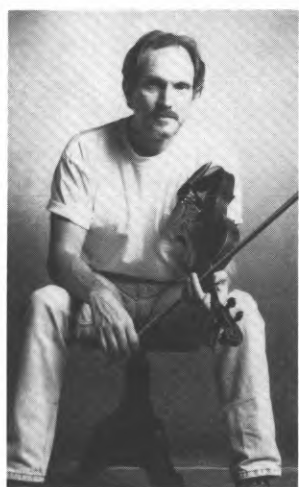
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NEWSLETTER

Special Event

Bruce Molsky

Saturday, February 8, 8:00 pm at the Glen Echo Town Hall



Much of Bruce Molsky's life has been devoted to the traditional fiddle and banjo music of southern Appalachia. His true-to-source interpretations of traditional tunes and songs continue to influence listeners and musicians alike. Originally from New York City, Bruce moved to the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia in 1976 to be closer to many of the older musicians who played the old way, notably Tommy Jarrell and Albert Hash.

Sought after as a performer at festivals and concerts throughout the U.S. and abroad, he is best known for his powerful bowing and harmonies, the infectious rhythms combining blues, African, and folk influences. He has performed and made recordings both solo and with others such as Mike Seeger, Dudley Connell, Bob Carlin, his wife Audrey, the group *Hesperus*, and the band the *L7's*.

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Program

Murray Callahan

Saturday, February 15, 8:00 pm at the Washington Ethical Society

Remember: this Program is FREE to members!

Bring your smiles, a pocket full of good laughs and your voice to share with Ms. Callahan for an evening of English Music Hall treats, turn-of-the-century comic songs, pathetic ballads & humorous songs from the first quarter of this century.

Murray has a faultless voice and perfect pitch. She brings a fresh, elegant, interpretation to the music. During high school, she sang occasionally at open mikes along with the other folkies like Joni Mitchell and Pete Seeger. When she moved to CA, she sang with Jane Voss. About 1974, Murray met John Roberts and Tony Barrand who fell in love with her singing of music hall and vaudeville songs. When they did a music hall in Troy, NY in the late 70's, Marshall Dodge came to the performance and thought Murray was the ticket.

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Don't forget to come to the Minifest on Saturday, January 25th

FSGW SUNDAY NIGHT DANCES

Glen Echo Park, Glen Echo, MD

7:30 – 10:30 pm

FSGW's Sunday night dance is held in the historic **Spanish Ballroom** at the Glen Echo Park National Historic Site, off MacArthur Boulevard (just below the intersection of Goldsboro Road) in Glen Echo, Maryland. Our dances feature a mix of traditional American contras and squares performed to wonderful live music. We welcome both experienced and new dancers, and you do not need to bring a partner. New dancers should come early, since dances become more challenging later in the evening, and may include medleys or omit walk throughs. Admission is \$6.00 for members of FSGW and affiliated groups (BFMS, CDSS, ATDS), \$8.00 for all others. Remember, the Spanish Ballroom is not insulated and, aside from a few heaters, the only heat is that generated by the dancers. So dress accordingly as the weather turns cold. In case of inclement weather, check with the National Park Service (301-492-6282) to learn whether the dance is canceled. This information is available by 3:00 pm.

Note: (\$1 of admission price goes for the restoration of Glen Echo Park and the Ballroom.)

- Feb 2 **Beth Molaro's** dances will warm your body & soul, as will the music of *Laura and the Lava Lamps*: **Laura Lengnick** - fiddle, **Dave Wiesler** - piano and **Ralph Gordon** - bass.
- Feb 9 Caller **Jim Kitch** writes some of the most interesting and intricate contra dances around. They're especially fun to do to the music of *Adam's Housecat*, featuring **Craig Du Bose** on keyboard and guitar, **Bo Bradham** on fiddle and **Joe Fallon** on bass and banjo.
- Feb 16 Old-time music by *Roustabout* and **Bill Trautman's** calling makes for an exciting evening. The band includes **Chris Romaine** - fiddle, **Lars Hanslin** - guitar, and **Jim Bollman** - banjo.
- Feb 23 Caller **Kate Charles** and *Fiddlestyx* (**Steve Hickman** - fiddle, **John Devine** - guitar, **Jim Bienemann** - bass) arrive at Glen Echo at the end of a 5-day tour. Hot time in the old ...building... tonight!!
- Mar 2 **Nancy Mamlin** calls, music by the *Wabash Cannibals*.
- Mar 9 **Jan Dreschler** calls,
music by **Andrea Hoag**, **Bob Pasquarello & Bob Mills**.
- Mar 16 **Mary Virginia Brooks** calls, music by the *Hix*.
- Mar 23 **TBA** calls, music by the *L-7's*.
- Mar 30 **Michael Schechtman** calls, music is *TBA*.



Chesapeake Dance Weekend, April 11-13, at Camp Letts, in Edgewater, MD, featuring *Wild Asparagus*, with **George Marshall** calling, the *Critton Hollow Stringband* with caller **Larry Edelman**, and *Balfa Toujours*. The weekend is filling fast. There may be a few spots. For up-to-date info, call the FSGW hotline at 202-546-2228, mailbox 53. For flyers, call 202-547-6262.

House Concert

Martyn Wyndham-Reid

Friday, January 31, 8:00 pm

Don't forget this special house concert, in close-in Silver Spring, MD. Martyn's songs and singing style are hard to define, but easy to listen to. The concert will likely feature both the rough and rowdy songs of cattle hands, swagmen and miners, and the sentimental songs of love and loneliness from the old-time bush poets. Admission to the concert is \$7 (FSGW members) and \$9 (non-members). Refreshments will be served. Call Bob Clayton or Jennifer Woods at 301-587-7174 for directions to their Silver Spring home. (Warning, they have 2 cats & a dog, so if you are allergic...)

❧ Previews of Coming Attractions ❧

FSGW Monthly Programs

Here is the line-up for the **monthly programs** for the rest of the season. They are always on the third Saturday night at 8:00 pm. They will all have food. There will be a sing-around following each concert. And they are **free** to members. Mark your calendar now, so you do not miss any of them.

- Mar 15 **Bob Zentz** (VA Maritime), at the Ravensworth Baptist Church.
- Apr 19 **Lance Brown** (tribute to Will Rogers), at the Washington Ethical Society.
- May 17 **George & Vaughn Ward**, at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Silver Spring.

FSGW English Country Dance

Wednesday, 8:00 - 10:30 pm

Glen Echo Town Hall

Dance the wintery nights away in the warm company of FSGW members and others in the community. Enjoy the extraordinary diversity of talented callers who are accompanied by top-notch musicians who play tunes that are unique to each dance. Come at 7:30 for a **FREE**, half-hour workshop for newcomers. Dance on a wood floor in the elegant community room of the Glen Echo Town Hall. Enjoy the friendly crowd, known for its welcoming nature, light refreshments, and dance. Open to dancers of all experience levels. Members \$5, non-members \$6.

Mark your calendars for the Spring Ball to be held on May 17.
A great dance in a marvelous hall with wonderful musicians.

- Feb 5 **Diane Schmit** calls to the music of **Liz Donaldson** on piano, **Barbara Heitz** on flute, and **Beck Ross** on fiddle.
- Feb 12 **Norm Bernhardt** and **Rich Galloway** share the calling with music by **Elke Baker** on fiddle, **Alice Markham** on piano, and **Howard Markham** on concertina.
- Feb 19 **Dawn Culberston** comes down from Baltimore to debut as a caller to the music of **Liz Donaldson** on piano, **Ellen Jacobs** on fiddle, and **Wendy Morrison** who may play any one or all of the following: accordion, concertina, or recorder.
- Feb 26 **Brad Saylor** returns from Charlottesville to call to the music of **Liz Donaldson** on piano, **Steve Hickman** and **Malcolm Stephens** on fiddles.

Directions: From the Beltway, take either the Clara Barton Parkway (from VA) or the Cabin John Expressway (from MD) toward Glen Echo. From the left lane, take the Glen Echo exit (which involves a U-turn and a right fork). At the tee, turn left onto MacArthur Blvd. Continue northwest on MacArthur past Glen Echo Park. Harvard Ave. and the Town Hall will be on your left, 2 blocks past the small shopping center (6106 Harvard Avenue), in the building with the Post Office.

Info: Norm Bernhardt, 301-320-2469; Rich Galloway, 301-589-0939; or
Roger Broseus via e-mail at RogerB@cais.com.

25th Annual FSGW MiniFest**Saturday, January 25, Noon - 10:30 pm****Folk Festival featuring music, dance, crafts and food**

The 25th annual FSGW MiniFest will be held at the Eastern Middle School on University Blvd just inside the Beltway interchange. The MiniFest offers an exciting opportunity for people of all ages to participate in traditional and contemporary folk music and dance from all over the world. Beginning at noon and continuing until 6:00 pm, festival-goers can choose among nine different programs taking place simultaneously at various locations throughout the school, including concerts, dances, song swaps, jams, and crafts demonstrations. For information, call Dennis or Judy Cook at 301-776-4314.

*(Continued from page 1)***Bruce Molsky**

In 1994, he showcased old-time music in England as a participant in the Fiddles on Fire tour. Other notable performances include the Smithsonian Institution Folklife Concert Series, Corcoran Gallery Concert Series, and the Clearwater, Live Oak, and Wheatland music festivals. Bruce is also an excellent teacher of fiddle and banjo, and has been on the staff at Augusta Old-Time Music Week and Southern Week at Ashokan.

The Glen Echo Town Hall is located at 6101 Harvard Avenue in Glen Echo, MD just off MacArthur Blvd. and 2 blocks northwest of Goldsboro Rd.

Be prepared for an evening of great music in an intimate hall setting. For more info, call the FSGW Hotline at 202-546-2228 code 22.

Admission is \$8 for FSGW members and \$11 for non-members.

Murray Callahan

He brought her tapes of the 1910's and 20's comic songs and the wonderful pathetic ballads. About a dozen years ago, Murray joined the Godfrey Daniels group in Bethlehem, PA, where she regularly performs the traditional English music hall repertoire.

David McAneny, her accompanist, is half the fun. He developed his piano style from the Princeton Triangle Club and has played piano for Burr Tilstrom at the 1939 world's fair. David can really play turn-of-the-century popular music with first hand experience.

The Ethical Society, 7750 16th Street NW is a few blocks south of the circle where 16th Street meets Colesville Rd, about 4 blocks south of the Silver Spring Metro. Call the Hotline, 202-546-2228 code 21 to confirm the event in case of snow.

Admission is \$9, but is free to FSGW members.

MESSAGE FROM YOUR NEWSLETTER EDITOR

As requested by many members, I have been able to have the Newsletter in your hands a week before the end of the month, but only by sticking to the deadline for submissions. You may not notice it, but the Newsletter is sent out as first class mail. This means that delivery is made quickly, almost always in a day or two within the greater DC area. However, that comes at a price. First class postage is a significant part of the Newsletter budget. We could save money by sending the Newsletter out at bulk mail. The money saved could be used for outreach or other activities. However, there is no guarantee of quick delivery using this cheaper rate. Moreover, we would have to either push back the deadline to the first of the month for submissions or the Newsletter will not arrive for some members (typically around 15%) until closer to or right at the end of the month. Thus, either we continue to send out the Newsletter using first class mail or members may get their Newsletter right at the end of the month unless we push back the deadline. I would like to hear from the membership regarding this possible change, as well as from people who submit copy to the Newsletter. Please give me a call at 202-543-4999 or e-mail at aircarl@cpcug.org and let me know your comments.

Carl Mintz, Newsletter Editor

MORE FOLKLORE SOCIETY NEWS

Board Meeting

Tuesday, February 4, 7:30 pm

The February Board meeting will be at the Glen Echo Park Ranger Station. Any FSGW member may attend. If you have any issues for the Board to consider, please contact the appropriate Board member or Jamie Platt. Board members' telephone numbers are listed in the Newsletter (page 15).

Open Sing

Friday, February 7, 8:30 pm

Join us at the home of Lisa Null & Charlie Baum in Silver Spring, MD. This month's topic, Wet or Dry The Sing, goes on rain or shine. That's inspiration for the topic but not a limit to the interpretations of the topic. You may sing drinking or temperance songs, land or sea songs, songs of the weather, just to mention a few. Brush up one of your favorite songs and come have a good time. For directions and info, call 301-587-2286.

Gospel Sing

Sunday, February 9, 4:00 pm

The monthly Gospel Sing will be at the home of Bill and Bonnie Grim in Glenmont, MD near Aspen Hill. Call them at 301-942-9342 for directions. Singing starts around 4:00 pm with a break for a covered dish supper at 6:00 and then more singing. Everyone is welcome!

Storyswap

Saturday, February 22, 7:30 pm

This month at the home of Yaakov Mizrachi & Becky Feld in Silver Spring for an evening of stories and pot luck refreshments. Call 301-585-9043 (before 10 pm) for directions and rsvps.

Sacred Harp Singing

Sunday, February 23, 4:00 pm

Early American shape-note music in four-part harmony at St. John's Episcopal Church, 415 South Lexington St., Arlington, VA. Singing school for beginners at 3:00 pm; regular singing at 4:00 pm; potluck supper at 6:00 pm. Free-will offering for the needy. Loaner tunebooks provided. Directions: Take U.S. Rte 50 (Arlington Blvd.) to Carlin Springs Rd (4½ miles west of the Roosevelt Bridge & 1½ miles east of Seven Corners). Go south on Carlin Springs Rd. and proceed 4 blocks. Turn left at 4th Street & go one block to the church. For more info, call the FSGW Hotline #42 or 301-897-5274

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Last month, I mentioned that the FSGW Board was considering a weekend retreat or a couple of weekend afternoons in the Washington area to discuss important policy issues, which will guide us in our future plans. For example, we may discuss how FSGW can best use its talents and resources to accomplish its mandate. To what extent should we seek funding from outside sources? Should we make fund raising a priority? Should there be a qualitative difference between programs and special events? Should we charge a small amount for the programs, rather than providing them for free? Should there be other Board positions? I asked that you write to me with your ideas on what issues should be discussed and, if you had any opinions on these issues. I have so far received one response from a Board member, but I am sure that you were all just waiting until February to write to me. Please.

Last month, I also mentioned that the FSGW elections are around the corner. I have appointed Mary Cliff (703-534-7581), Dave Boynton (703-368-3339), and Betsy Platt (301-320-7099) to be on the elections committee. I will probably make one or two additional selections by the time you read this letter. In the meantime, if you would like to get more involved and feel that you have some skills or energy to contribute, or if you want to recommend someone else for the Board, please give one of the election committee members a call.

Jamie Platt

FSGW CO-SPONSORED EVENTS

Community Dance

Sunday, February 9, 3:00 - 5:30 pm

This month's dance continues at the Glen Echo Town Hall (see directions under FSGW English Country Dance). It would make a great outing for a church, community, or social organization, scout troop (with parents), or friends from work. These dances are a wonderful way for parents to introduce their children to the joys of dancing, but they are not only for families with children; dancers of all skill levels are invited to attend. Admission is \$4 for adults and \$3 for children 5 and over. There is a \$12 family maximum. If you are bringing children, please try to arrive on time, because there will be more teaching during the early part of the dance. For further information, call 301-320-7099.

Feb 9 *Home Cooking*. Music and/or calling by **Liz Donaldson, Richie Schuman, Bob Mathis**, and friends.

Capital Tangueros -- Argentine Tango Practice

Saturdays, 3:30 - 5:00 pm

At West End Public Library, 24th & L St., NW, Upstairs. Bring your own music. Free. Check library at 202-727-1397 for closures. Info: 301-949-5501. See web address: <http://www.geocities.com/CapitolHill/4119/> & FSGW hotline Ext. # 36.

1997 Ski-Dance Weekend

February 14 - 17

Washington's Ski-Dance Weekend will feature contras and English country; callers are **Brad Saylor** and **Ann Fallon**; musicians include **Marty Taylor, Steve Hickman, Jonathan Jensen**, and **Julie and Wes Woods-Merchant**. Both weekends include free ski instruction by PATC instructors. Watch for the flyers at FSGW events or send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Ski-Dance Weekends, c/o Peter Fricke, P.O. Box 2011, Shepherdstown, WV 25443 for registration forms and information.

American Sampler presents "Swingtime at the Smithsonian"

Fri, Feb. 21 & Sat, Feb. 22

Second in a series of 4 programs, the American History Museum's American Sampler series presents **Claude "Fiddler" Williams**, octogenarian Kansas City jazz and swing legend, backed by **Steve Abshire**, guitar, and **Keter Betts**, bass.

[Teachers: Call about a special program for school groups at 10:30 on Friday.] Friday noon, Saturday, 2:00 p.m.

Carmichael Auditorium. For further info, call 202-357-4182. FREE.

International Folk Dancing

Thursdays, 7:30 - 9:00 pm

The Foggy Bottom Folkdancers meet in the parish hall of St. Mary's Church, 23rd St., NW, between G & H Streets -- one block from Foggy Bottom Metro, parking available. Good dance floor. Beginner/Intermediate classes from 7:30 - 9:00 pm. Request dancing from 9:00 - 10:45 pm. No experience or partner needed. Mostly taped music. Occasional parties and workshops. For info, call Jamie at 301-320-7099.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Smithsonian: The American Sampler Series

March 14 & 15

presents North Carolina singers/instrumentalists **Betty Smith** and **Daron Douglas** performing music of the Southern Appalachians. **Hazel Dickens** and friends will perform on Saturday (the 15th) only. Details in the next issue.

Fifth Wheel Coffeehouse

Tentative: Saturday, March 29, 4:00 - 7:00 pm

At the Rural Electric Cooperative Assoc. Conference Center, 4301 Wilson Blvd in Arlington, VA. A place to bring friends and family, it is a **joint venture of FSGW** and the Northern Virginia Folk Festival Association. We kicked off the series with resounding success. We hope you will mark the next coffeehouse on your calendar.

The 1997 Washington Folk Festival

Saturday, May 31 & Sunday, June 1

The 21st Annual Washington Folk Festival will be held at Glen Echo Park on Saturday, May 31 and Sunday, June 1. That's right: this is one of those years when Memorial Day comes early so the Festival is the last day of May and the first day of June. Although the Festival is still nearly 6 months from now, the planning process is well underway. The Program Committee is now being organized and interested performers should contact Dean Clamons at 703-631-9655.

As always, the Festival needs help in many areas: publicity, planning, fund-raising, hospitality, silent auction, volunteer coordination, and operations. People interested in working on the Festival, or desiring additional information, should contact Beth Curren at 301-657-2789.

AROUND TOWN

Traditions

Saturday, February 8, 7:30 - 11:00 pm

It's WETA fund-raising time again and FSGW will man (and woman) the fundraiser phones on Saturday, February 8th during **Mary Cliff's** show -- *Traditions*. Please think about making a tax deductible contribution between 7:30 and 11:00 pm. Help support folk music and keep Mary's show on the air. Remember, call 703-998-8100 with your donation on Saturday evening between 7:30 & 11:00 pm!

The *Harlem Spiritual Ensemble*

Saturday, February 1, 8:00 pm

At the Inn & Conference Center, Univ. of Maryland, College Park, MD. Pre-concert seminar at 6:30 pm. \$5 per individual, \$10 per family (up to 4). Concert: \$23 (discounts available). For info, call 301-403-4240.

LOCAL VENUES & EVENTS

Institute of Musical Traditions -- 15th Anniversary Concert Series **Monday evenings, at 8:00 pm**

Concerts held at the Silver Spring Unitarian Universalist Church, 10309 New Hampshire Ave., (exit north off beltway and go 3 blocks, right on Oaklawn). Reserve in advance and save \$2 of the \$12 ticket price. FSGW members get \$1 off ticket prices. Kids are ½ price. For more info, call 301-588-7525.

Feb 3 **Lisa Moscatiello and Susan McKeown**
 Feb 10 **Vicki Pratt Keating and Greg Howard**
 Feb 17 **Cephas & Wiggins**
 Feb 24 **Brooks Williams**



World Folk Music Assoc. 12th Annual WFMA Benefit

Friday, Jan 31, Saturday, Feb 1, & Sunday, Feb 2

First Ever weekend extravaganza! Fri, 7:30 pm, Sat, 7:30 pm, Sun, 1:00 pm, at the Birchmere, 3901 Mount Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, VA. Featuring the first reunion of *The Journeymen* plus performances by **Tom Paxton, Odetta, Eric Weissberg, Carolyn Hester, Melanie, The Hard Travelers, Martin Sexton, Lucy Kaplansky, Side By Side, Artisan, Maggie Sansone, Bonnie Rideout, Al Petteway**, and more! For info, call 202-362-2225 or 1-800-779-2226.

Del Ray Coffeehouse

Saturday, February 8, 7:30 - 10:30 pm

Featuring **Judy Cook** singing American historic music and British folk music in the finest folk tradition, and *Moonfire*, an instrumental group comprised of **Cathy Palmer**, fiddler, **Mary Fitzgerald**, harpist, **Jody Marshall**, hammered dulcimer and **Elise Kress** on flute. *Moonfire* blends the lyricism of Celtic melodies with the elegance of a chamber group & the diversity of new music. Located at 100 E. Windsor Ave. (off Rte. #1), Alexandria, VA. For directions & info, call 703-549-4848.

Caffe Florian Coffeehouse - Open Mike

Saturday, February 8, 8:00 pm

Located at Davies Memorial Unitarian Church, 7400 Temple Hill Rd., Camp Springs, MD, 0.3 mi south of Allentown Rd. Free. Acoustic musicians, songwriters, storytellers, & poets. Sign-up at 7:30 pm. For info, call Sil Smith at 301-292-6482.

Bethesda Acoustic House Concerts

Sunday, February 9, 8:00 pm

New monthly series in Bethesda presents **Red Grammar** in "Grammar for Grown-ups." Best known today for his children's music, he sang lead with the *Limelites* for over 10 years. Suggested donation is \$8. Light refreshments served. For reservations & directions, call 301-897-5695.

Shirlington Artists Guild Coffeehouse**Wednesday, February 12, 7:00 pm**

Contemporary folksinger-songwriter **Bill Parsons**; **Blair Pettyjohn** opens. \$10 admission includes dessert & coffee. The gallery is at 4024 South 28th St., Arlington, VA (in the Village at Shirlington, 5 doors from the Carlyle Grand Cafe). Reservations, call 703-379-6666.

5th Annual fundraiser for battered women & the House of Ruth**Saturday, Feb 15, 8:00 pm**

"Shelter from the Storm," sponsored by the bands *Ceoltoiri* with guest **Carol Rose Duane** on harp, and *Connemara* with guest **Jody Marshall** on hammered dulcimer will present a powerful Valentine concert of Celtic music. At the Church of the Ascension, 633 Sligo Ave, Silver Spring, MD. Cost:\$12 at the door. For info & directions, call 301-588-2820.

St. Elmo's Coffee Pub**Saturday, February 15, 8:00 - 10:00 pm**

2300 Mt. Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, VA. **Suzanne Michele** is featured with **Sally Davis**. 703-739-9268.

Music Americana at Bad Habits Grille**Wednesday, February 19, 9:30 pm**

Admission \$6.00 - to benefit The World Folk Music Association. 5444 Columbia Pike, Arlington, VA. 703-998-5808. Showcases at 8:15 pm; Dick Cerri is host and emcee. Featuring musical couples including *The Cause*, *Iona*, **Tony McGuffin & Abby Bardi**, and *Anderson-Gram*.

King Street Blues**Thursday, February 20, 9:00 pm**

112 St. Asaph St., Old Town Alexandria, VA. **Suzanne Michele** is featured with **Sally Davis** and **Norm Thorne**. Call 703-836-8800.

Down Under The Occoquan Inn**Friday, February 21, 9:00 pm**

Old Town Occoquan, VA. **Suzanne Michele** is featured with **Sally Davis**. For info, call 703-490-0904.

Savory**Saturday, February 22, 8:00 - 10:00 pm**

7071 Carroll Ave, Takoma Park, MD. **Suzanne Michele** is featured with **Sally Davis**. For info, call 301-270-2233.

Footlights, a modern drama discussion group**Monday, February 24, 7:30 pm**

Come join us to discuss plays from the modern English-speaking theater! This month we will discuss the award-winning play "American Buffalo," by American playwright David Mamet at La Madeleine, 7607 Old Georgetown Rd. (MD-187) in Bethesda (301-215-9142), just 2 short blocks from the Bethesda Metro. For more info, call 202-484-8303.

Dupont Music Circle**Wednesdays, February 5 & 19, 8:00 pm**

Come sing and play British Isles (and other) folk music with us. We don't charge, and we don't pay; it's just for fun. First Wed. of each month in Arlington; third Wed. of each month in DC. Call 703-658-0957 for more info.

Marley Station Mall**Fridays, February 7 & 21**

7900 Ritchie Highway in Glen Burnie, MD. **Sue Trainor**, **Sue Ribaud** and friends will be featured in the new "Family Friday at Noon" series. There is no admission charge. For more info, call 410-766-2033.

The Ellicott Theatre**Friday, February 21 & Saturday, February 22, 8:00 pm**

8217 Main Street, Ellicott City, MD. Light refreshments are available. Admission is \$10 unless otherwise specified. For info and reservations, call 410-465-0899.

Fri, Feb 21 Two Shows! 8:00 pm & 10:00 pm: **Deanna Bogart**, blues and boogie pianist/saxophonist. Joined by **Eric Scott** on bass, **Mike Aubin** on drums, and **Kajun Kelley** on guitar.

Sat, Feb 22 **Andrew Lawrence**, contemporary folk singer-songwriter/ guitarist, with vocalist **Anne Louise White**.

Irish Traditional Session**Sundays at 8:00 pm**

Traditional Irish music at Ireland's Four Courts, 2051 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, VA (½ mile north of Key Bridge). Hosted by **Dennis Botzer**. No cover. For info, call the pub at 703-525-3600 or Dennis at 301-422-6550.

The Folkal Point at the Coho Grill**Thursdays in February, 8:00 pm**

Hobbit's Glen Golf Club, 11130 Willow Bottom Drive, Columbia, MD. In the banquet room of the Coho Grill. \$8.00 unless otherwise noted. Food and beverages can be purchased. For info, call 410-531-5350 or 301-982-0686.

Feb 6 **Richard Shindell** sings.

Feb 13 **Grace Griffith** sings, plays guitar, recorder and penny whistle, dulcimer, and bowed psaltery, among other instruments. Grace will be joined tonight by **Paul Nahay** on keyboard. **David Auderling** opens. \$10.

Feb 20 **Erica Wheeler**, contemporary singer-songwriter. \$10.

Feb 27 **Robin Bullock** performs on guitar, fiddle, and cittern, playing traditional American, Celtic, and tunes from other cultures, as well as classical and contemporary selections.

Starbucks Coffee - Weekly Acoustic Music Series Performances**Wed & Thurs, 6:30 to 8:30 pm**

Cascades Marketplace, Sterling, VA; every Wed. & Thurs. 703-421-0932, free admission/donations.

Wed, Feb. 5 **Randy Barrett**

Feb 12 **Andrew McKnight**

Feb 19 **Lisa Taylor**

Feb 26 **Bill Parsons**

Thurs, Feb 6 **Ray Kaminsky**

Feb 13 **Suzanne Michele**

Feb 20 **Christina Muir**

Feb 27 **Marge Calhoun**

Burke Center Plaza, 6003-A Burke Center Parkway, Burke, VA; Wed. 703-250-2292, free admission/donations.

Wed, Feb 5 **Carolyn Jane**

Feb 12 **Doris Justis**

Wed, Feb 19 **Marge Calhoun**

Feb 26 **Jeff Aug**

Northpoint Plaza, 1444 Northpoint Village, Reston, VA; Wed. 703-787-9341, free admission/donations.

Wed, Feb 5 **Dave Alberding**

Feb 12 **Lisa Taylor, Randy Barrett & Suzanne Michele**

Wed, Feb 19 **Steve Hudson**

Feb 26 **Doris Justis**

Traditional Celtic Concerts**Sundays evenings, 5:00 - 6:30 & 7:00 - 8:30 pm**

At the Old Brogue Irish Pub in Great Falls, VA. Traditional Celtic music in the (non smoking) Snuggery dining room. 2 sittings each evening. Tickets are \$9.00 (or 6-concert season ticket for \$42.00). Full dinner menu is available.

Feb 2 **Celtic Thunder**

Feb 9 **Elke Baker with Dave Weisler & Ralph Gordon** (CD release concert)

Feb 16 **The Poor Clares** (from New Orleans)

Feb 23 **Moonfire** (Jody Marshall, Cathy Palmer, Mary Fitzgerald, & Elise Kress)

Mar 2 **Maggie Sansone & Sue Richards**

Mar 9 **IONA** (with Mary Fitzgerald)

For information and
reservations, call
703-759-3309.

Leaf Through Used Bookstore & Gathering Place**February events**

1701L Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD. Free. For info, call 301-230-8998.

Sun, Feb 1 6 pm. **John Mornini & friends.** Sat, Feb 8 6 pm. Songs of Humor & Life with **Iris Hirsch.**

Th, Feb 20 7 pm. Open mike

Th, Feb 27 7 pm. An old fashioned hootenanny led by *Michael's Boat*.

Voices In the Glen -- Storytelling in the Washington area. Call Margaret Chatham at 703-698-5456 for specifics.

**11th Annual Benefit Harp Concert****Saturday, March 1, 8:00 pm**

Benefit for the Washington Area Folk Harp Society at the Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church, 6601 Bradley Blvd, Bethesda, MD. Scottish harp champion **Sue Richards, Mary Fitzgerald, Elizabeth Blakely** & others will perform. A donation of \$10.00 per person (\$5.00 for seniors & children) is requested. Advance tickets: call 301-424-9239 or send a check payable to "James Cowgill" & a SASE to: Sue Richards, 612 East Lynfield Dr., Rockville, MD 20852.

Jerry Epstein Singing Workshop**Saturday & Sunday, March 8 and 9**

At the home of Judy and Dennis Cook in Laurel, MD. Jerry leads small, mutually supportive workshops, for folk singers of all skill levels. He teaches skills that give life and impact to traditional singing and how to take conscious control of your own performance. Two 2-hour sessions a day. Bring a song for each session. Fee: \$50 (both days) or \$35 (one day). For further info or to register, call David Diamond, 301-340-6435.

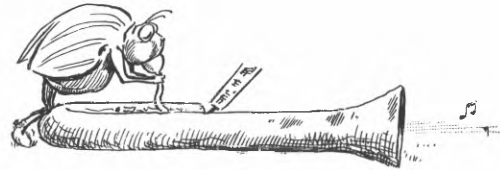
LOCAL DANCES

Editorial Policy for Dance Events: Because so many dancers seek dances with live music, all notices about dances 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. N.B.: **All copy must contain Area Codes in the Info Tel. #s!** ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THE LISTINGS: **BEG:** Beginning **INT:** Intermediate **N/E:** No experience necessary **N/P:** No partner necessary. **TPIS:** Takoma Park Intermediate School, 7611 Piney Branch Road, Takoma Park, MD.

Friday Night Dances

The Friday Night Dancers & the National Park Service sponsor contra dances (with occasional squares) every Friday night at the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park on MacArthur Blvd. Dances begin at 8:30. Admission is \$5 unless otherwise noted. Beginners are always welcome. Classes will resume in March. If you are unsure whether a dance will be held due to weather, call the Park Service's recorded message at 301-492-6282 after 3:00 pm for the final word. For recorded info about who will be playing for the current week's dances, call the DC Dance Hotline at 301-270-1678. If you wish to discuss the dances or would like to play or call for a dance, contact Betsy Platt at 301-320-7099 or bplatt@access.digex.com.

- Feb 7 *Roustabout* with **Bev Smith**
- Feb 14 *Open Band* with **Lou Shapiro**
- Feb 21 *Martin's Flight* / caller TBA
- Feb 28 *Microchasm* with **Ann Fallon**
- March 7 *Wabash Cannibals* with **Nancy Mamlin**



CDSS Northern Virginia Dance Group -- English Country Dances & Workshops

2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 7:45 pm. Figures, phrasing, and style taught. Guest musicians welcome -- call Howard. N/P, N/E. Admission \$3.00. Harding Hall, 730 Jackson St., Herndon, VA. For info, call Howard or Pat at 703-471-0629.

- Feb 11 **Carl Dreher** calls, music by **Pat Wexelblat**, recorder and **Malcolm Stephens**, fiddle or **Howard Markham**, concertina.
- Feb 25 **Howard Markham** and **Pat Ruggiero** call, music by **Pat Wexelblat**, recorder and **Liz Donaldson**, piano and accordion.

3rd Saturday, 8:00 pm. For info, call Barbara at 703-437-3615.

- Feb 15 Calling by **Barbara Harding**. Recorded music. All are welcome. N/P, N/E, Free.

Country Sets & Dancing

Saturday, February 1, 8:00 pm - Midnight

At the John C. Wood Muni Center, 3730 Old Lee Hwy, Fairfax City, VA. Music by the *Bogwanderers Céili Band*. \$10.00. For info, call 703-978-8265.

Reston Contra Dance

Saturday, February 8, 8:00 - 10:45 pm

Brad Saylor will be the caller with the *June Apple Band*. All levels of experience welcome, no partner needed. Dance \$4.50; beginners workshop 7:00 pm., \$1.50. Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Rd., Hunters Woods Shopping Center. For additional info, call Alice Markham at 703-709-9121.

Zydeco Dance

Saturday, February 8, 9:00 - Midnight

Marti Gras party & dance at the Spanish Ballroom in Glen Echo Park. New band: *Gregg Chambers and Creole Junction*. Beginners workshop from 8:00 - 9:00 pm. \$10. For info, call 301-309-0895.

Western Swing Dances

Sunday, February 9, 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Texas Two-step, swing, polka and waltz with *The Oklahoma Twisters*. At The Washington House (home of the Woman's Club of Falls Church), 222 N. Washington St., Falls Church, VA. 6:00 - 10:00 pm. Admission \$8. Dance instruction by Mary Pat Cooney. Experience and partner optional. For details, call 703-536-4369, 24 hours a day.

Scandia DC (Scandinavian couple dancing)

Saturday, February 15, 8:00 - 11:00 pm

At the Greenbelt Community Center, 25 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD. Norwegian dance taught from 8:00 - 9:00 pm. Live music by **Loretta Kelley**. Teachers: **Linda Brooks & Ross Schipper**. N/P. \$5.00. For info, call 202-333-2826.

Washington Swing Dance Committee**Saturday, February 15, 9:00 pm - Midnight**

Warm up your winter with *Sassparilla* at the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park. Dance preceded by a free introductory workshop in beginner swing from 8:00 until 9:00 pm. Admission is only \$8, with \$1 going directly to the Ballroom rehabilitation fund. Or, call 202-726-3972 to volunteer and receive free admission! See FSGW Sunday Night Dance (on page 2) for directions to the Ballroom. For more info, call the WSDC hotline at 301-340-9732.

Waltzing at Glen Echo Park**Sunday, February 16, 3:30 pm**

Featuring the band, *Waltz du Jour*. The waltz dance begins at 3:30 pm with an introductory Waltz workshop followed by 2 hours of social dancing to live music. Everyone is welcome to attend. Cost is \$5 per person. For more info, call Donna Barker at 703-978-0375. See FSGW Sunday Night Dance (on page 2) for directions to the Ballroom.

Cajun Dance**Friday, February 21, 8:45 pm**

Dance to the lively sounds of the *Basin Brothers Cajun Band* at the Cherry Hill Rec Center, 9800 Cherry Hill Rd., College Park, MD. Instruction on waltz, Cajun 2-step from 8:00 - 8:45 pm. Workshop & dance \$10. For info, call 301-309-0895.

Traditional Hungarian Music & Dance - Tisza Ensemble**Saturday, February 22**

Sándor & Erzsebet Timár teach Mezöségi dances. Two workshops: 10:00 am - 12:30 pm, 2:00 - 4:30 pm. The 2nd class is a continuation of the 1st. Dance party: 7:30 - 10:30 pm. \$8.00 (each workshop), \$15.00 (both), \$6.00 (tanchaz), \$20.00 (all 3). At the Starting Point Dance Studio, Calvert St. & Route 1, College Park, MD. Please wear dance shoes. For more info, call Carol at 301-847-1277 or send email to Judy at judy@usassist.com.

Greater Washington Céilí Club – Irish Céilí Dance**Sunday, February 23, 5:00 - 9:00 pm**

At the conference center at Cherry Hill Park, College Park, MD. Music for sets and céilí dances will be provided by Jesse Winch and friends. A workshop featuring an Irish set dance will be offered at 4:00 pm. Admission: \$10 GWCC and FSGW members, \$12 nonmembers, \$8 students/seniors, \$5 kids 11-16, kids under 11 free. Max family admission \$30. For more info, call 703-532-7422 or 301-948-7176.

English Country Dance**Saturdays, February 8 & 22, 8:15 - 10:45 pm**

Music by *Peascods Gathering*, calling by Barbara Harding, at the Sligo Middle School, 1401 Dennis Ave., Silver Spring, MD. Personal instruction for beginners at 8:00 pm. \$5.00. N/P, N/E. For info, call 301-493-6281 or 301-577-5018.

Bluemont Morris**Mondays, 7:00 - 8:30 pm**

A group of men and women who do traditional English morris dances in the spring and fall. The group is very fun and the dancing is addictive and great exercise, we practice in Reston, VA. If you would like to join us, please call Laura at 703-845-8536.

International Folk Dancing**Wednesdays, 8:00 - 10:30 pm**

Kahler Hall, Beaverkill Road & Harper's Farm Road, Columbia, MD. Admission is \$3. Recorded music. Beginners are welcome. Teaching until 9:00 pm. We have parties & workshops. For info: 410-997-1613 (night), 301-405-4642 (day).

Swiss Folklore Group - Dancing**Wednesdays, 7:30 - 10:00 pm**

At Swiss Embassy, 2900 Cathedral Ave., NW, Washington, DC. Recorded music. Free. Beginners welcome. For info, call Fran Walters at 301-530-5643.

Cajun and Zydeco Dancing - Gumbo Groupies**Wednesdays, 7:30 - 9:30 pm**

Join us for dancing, practice, and informal instruction at the Longbranch Community Center, 8700 Piney Branch Rd (between University Blvd and Flower Ave), Silver Spring, MD. Free. Recorded and (occasional) live music. For info, call Peter or Lydia at 301-439-4815.

Foggy Bottom Morris Men**Thursdays, 8:00 - 10:00 pm**

Foggy Bottom Morris is looking for a few good men! We practice our brand of English traditional morris dancing at the Takoma Park Middle School, 7611 Piney Branch Road, Takoma Park, MD. No experience necessary, but some minimal physical conditioning and some sense of rhythm would be helpful. For info, call 301-270-2014 or 301-840-5959.

CLASSES

Melvin Wine's Fiddle Tunes - a workshop taught by **Andrea Hoag**. Tues. 7:30- 9:30 pm, Jan 28, Feb 11 & 25. Held in Fairfax, VA. \$20 each/\$55 for the series. To register, call 703-323-1799. Sponsored by The House of Musical Traditions.

Beginning **fiddle**, Mondays, 8 - 9:30 pm, Feb. 3, 10, 24, March 3, 10. \$90 for the series
Intermediate **fiddle**, Thursdays, 8 - 9:30 pm, Feb. 27 - March 27. \$90 for the series

Classed taught by **Andrea Hoag** & held in Takoma Park. Call 301-565-2777 to register

Band Aid (a music class) - An **ensemble playing workshop** led by pianist **Liz Donaldson**. **Sunday, Feb 23, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm**
All instruments welcome. Come play a variety of tunes. Bring lunch, drinks provided. \$15. To reserve space, call 301-986-1291.

Attention All Musicians - Fiddler **Steve Hickman** and pianist **Liz Donaldson** will be leading an Open Band at the St. Columba's Scottish Dance Group's Valentine Dance party, Tuesday, Feb 11, from 8 - 10 pm. At the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD. If you are interested in playing, please contact Liz at 301-986-1291 so she can provide you with music arrangements in advance.

Irish Dance Classes (traditional country sets and céili dances for adults) Wed, Jan 22 - March 26. BEG 7:00 - 8:15 pm and ADV 8:15 - 9:30 pm at the Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo, MD. Cost \$35.00. Instructor is Jim Keenan. For info, call 301-840-1416. Taped music, N/P, N/E.

Irish Dance Classes (Advanced traditional country sets and Céili dances for adults) Thursdays, Jan 16 - May 22 from 8:00 - 9:30 pm at Frost Center, Aspen Hill Road, Rockville, MD. Cost: donation to the Frost Center of \$35.00. Instructor is Jim Keenan. Taped music. Live music by Matt/Josh/Jim/Cathy and mini-céili on the third Thursday of each month. For info, call Jim 301-840-1416.

Irish Dance Classes Set and Céili dancing presented by Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann. Saturdays, Jan 11 - May 3, 10:00-11:00 am BEG/INT; 11:00-12:00 INT/ADV. Classroom 6, John Wood Center (behind the Fairfax City Police Station), 3730 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax, VA. Instructor: Marilyn Moore. For info, call 703-532-7422. Taped music. N/P, N/E. Cost: \$20 for 16-week series.

Scottish County Dance Society - Basic & General Scottish Social Dancing.

Mondays: Dance and Aerobic Center (Bldg T-39), NIH, Bethesda, MD. Taped and live music. For info, call 202-966-3595.

Tuesdays: Greenbelt (MD) Center. For info, call 202-234-6840.

Wednesdays: Durant Center, Alexandria, VA. For info, call 703-528-5628.

Dance Classes by Donna Barker & Ken Haltenhoff.

Synergy Dance Center: Mondays, Feb. 3 - 24. 6-7 pm = Two Master Classes each in Waltz and One-Step; 7-8 pm = Beg. Swing; 8-9 pm = Int. Lindy; 9-10 pm = Dance party (open to public) with recorded music. Classes are \$44 for 4 weeks (\$40 if pre-registered 1 week ahead) and includes the dance party. Others may join dance party for \$3. The Master Classes are for advanced dancers with partners. Located at 4321 Wisconsin Ave., NW, Washington, DC. Call Donna at 703-978-0375 for more info. Classes use recorded music.

Arlington Classes, Wednesdays, Jan. 8 - Feb. 12. 7 - 8 pm Beg. Swing; 8 - 8:30 Social Dance; 8:30 - 9:30 pm Int. Swing. Located at Lyon Village Community House, 1920 N. Highland St., Arlington, VA. 6-week session costs \$54 for Ski Club members, \$59 for non-members. To register, call Ken Eng at 301-320-5135. Classes use recorded music.

Norwegian Folk Dance class: Reinlendar, Vossarull, Rorospols, Telespringar. Six Thursdays, Jan - Feb 13, 8:00 - 9:30 pm. Taught by Linda Brooks & Ross Schipper. Recorded music. \$5 donation. Indian Springs Community Center. For Info, call 301-588-8745.

International Folk Dance open class every Tuesday from 8 - 10 pm at Key Elementary School, Key Blvd. (between Adams & Veitch, 3 blocks from Courthouse Metro), Arlington, VA. \$3. Recorded music. Instruction, walk-throughs, & requests. Singles welcome and all ages or levels of expertise. For info, call 703-527-8998.

Greek Dancing, Sundays, 7:30 - 9:00 pm. This 8-week series of classes meets at the Youth Center in Greenbelt, MD. Beginners welcome. \$30. For info, call Chris Tennant at 301-498-6218.

Clogging Classes, Sundays for 10 weeks beginning January 12, at Springhill Center near Tysons Corner, VA. For info, call Jim Maxwell, 703-503-9260.

International folk dance classes every Monday at the Leland Community Recreation Center, 4301 Willow Lane, Bethesda, MD. Classes: BEG, 7:15 - 8:00 pm; INT/ADV, 8:15 - 10:00 pm. N/P, mostly recorded music. For info, call 301-871-8788.



AND BEYOND

MARYLAND

WinterSong '97 -- Frederick, MD

Saturday, February 22

Come celebrate the 10th anniversary -- join us, and performers such as **Pete & Maura Kennedy** (folk/rock), **Klezmos** (klezmer), **Prophecy** (gospel), **Unaccompanied Women** (barbershop quartet), **Bob Mabry** (country), **Sodabread** (Celtic), **Findhorn** (Scottish), and many other talented artists. Doors open at 11:30, with the program beginning at noon. There will be concurrent main stage performances, mini-concerts, workshops and a dance room, as well as a full schedule of children's activities. The day events end at 6:00 pm, resuming at 7:00 pm for a beginner's contra dance workshop followed at 8:00 pm by MMFAC's regularly scheduled contra dance, featuring **Robbin Schaffer** calling to the music of *Findhorn* with guest fiddler **Sandy Mitchell** joining in. Admission: \$5.00 for adults & \$3.00 children, family cap is \$15.00. Food will be offered by a number of local restaurants, or you can take advantage of the restaurant guide provided with your WinterSong program. To volunteer (2 hours = free admission to the Festival) call Edith (301-696-0025) or e-mail: elg@fred.net.

(Note: Mid-Maryland Folk Arts Council is not affiliated with Wintersong this year.)

Baltimore Folk Music Society Dances

All dances take place at the Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul Street. Admission is \$6 for members (including FSGW) and \$8 for non-members. All dances are taught and walked through. Beginners are always welcome and are encouraged to arrive promptly at 8:00 pm. BFMS Hotline 410-366-0808 has up to the minute info on all events, or look on the BFMS web page, www.satelink.net/bfms/.

Square and Contra Dancing - Wednesday evenings.

Free workshops introducing basic contra dance figures take place on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:30.

Feb 5 Caller: **Robbin Schaffer**, Band: **Dave Wiesler, Elke Baker**.

Workshop: Ragtime Tango 7:00 - 8:00 pm. \$3 per person (all attendees)

Feb 12 Caller: **Susan Denise**, Band: **Liz Donaldson, Steve Hickman, Ralph Gordon**; Workshop: *Nouveaux Danseurs*

Feb 19 Caller: **Susan Taylor**, Band: *Martin's Flight* (**Sandy Mitchell, Ralph Gordon, Mark Glickman**).

Feb 26 Caller: **Andy Kane**, Band: The L7's (**Bruce Molsky, Rafe Stephens, Beverly Smith**); Workshop: *Nouveaux Danseurs*

English Country Dancing - Monday evenings. Beginners are always welcome.

Feb 3 Caller: **Carl Friedman**, Music: *Ebony, Silver and Spruce* (**Malcolm Stephens, Susan Brandt, Dave Wiesler**).

Feb 10 Caller: **Rich Galloway**, Music: *Some Assembly* (**Donna Boylan, Mary Flora, Paul Miller**).

Feb 17 Caller: **Sue Dupre**, Music: **Carl Friedman, Judy Kleppel, Liz Donaldson**.

Feb 24 Caller: **Dawn Culbertson**, Music: **Jonathan Jensen and Marty Taylor**.

BFMS House Concert featuring **Flawn Williams**, Saturday, February 15, 8:00 pm at 127 Longview Drive, Catonsville, MD. Cost: \$6 for members (BFMS, FSGW), \$8 non-members. For reservations and directions, call 410-788-2761.

Annual St. Valentine's Extravaganza with **Ann Fallon** calling contras to the music of *Fiddlestyx*, Saturday, February 8, 8:00 pm - 1:00 am. Waltz workshop: 7:00 - 8:00 pm (\$2.00). At the Lovely Lane Church. Admission: \$6/ members & \$8/ non-members.

Baltimore Open Band Rehearsal - Tuesday, Feb 11. Call 410-366-2742 for info & directions.

Zydeco Dance Series - Mardi Gras Zydeco with **Geno Delafosse**, Sunday, February 9. Dance workshop at 5:00 pm. Dancing 6:00 to 9:00 pm. The Barn Theater, Catonsville Community College (CCC). \$10 general public, \$8 BFMS members and CCC faculty/staff, \$4. CCC students (please show ID for reduced admission). Workshop included in cost of admission.

Swing Baltimore's Dances: Saturday, February 8 & 22. Band: TBA. 8:00 - 9:00 pm, (Dance Workshop), 9:00 - Midnight (Dance). Moving to a New permanent location at Avalon Studio, 624 Frederick Road, Catonsville, MD. Admission: dance \$10/\$8 for members, workshop is \$2/free for members. For more info, call 410-377-7410.



Annapolis Traditional Dance Society**Saturdays, February 1 & 8, 8:00 pm**

At the Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge 70, 1311 Generals Hwy (Route 178), Crownsville, MD (5 miles north of the Annapolis Mall). Beginners' contra class starts at 7:30 pm, and Contra dances run from 8:00 - 11:00 pm. Wooden floor, free parking! No street shoes please - soft-soled, non-marring shoes required. \$6 for members, \$8 for non-members. For info, call ATDS hotline at 410-544-9505 or Alan G. at 410-647-2374, or their web site: <http://www.pobox.com/~dancers>.

Feb 1 Contra - **Andy Kane** with *Findhorn Trio* (**Liz Donaldson**, **Steve Hickman**, and **Marty Taylor**)

Feb 8 Swing dance with the *Sunset Royals Orchestra*. Workshop with **Marc Shepanek** and **Ellen Engle**.

VIRGINIA**Bluemont Old-time Country Dances****Saturday, February 15, 8:00 pm**

Special dance band to be announced. Admission \$5.00. Beginners workshop at 7:30 pm. For info, call 703-777-6306.

Directions to the Bluemont Community Center: located in western Loudoun County just off Route 7 on the east slope of the Blue Ridge. From Route 7, exit at Bluemont on Route 760; proceed 200 yards to the T intersection with Route 734 at the Snickersville Country Store; turn left, Community Center is 1/4 mile on left.

WEST VIRGINIA**Shepherdstown Music & Dance - 4th Annual Country Dance Weekend****Sat & Sun, February 1 & 2**

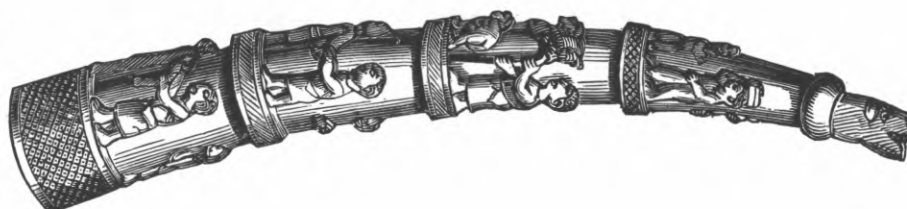
A waltz workshop will taught by **Ken Haltenhoff** and **Donna Barker** Saturday at 2:30 pm. The Saturday evening contra dance will begin at 8:00 pm with **Beth Molaro** calling to the music of **Elke Baker**, **David Weisler** and **Ralph Gordon**. Both events will be held at the War Memorial Building in Shepherdstown and may be attended a la carte (dance is \$4.50/\$6.00, workshop is \$5). A candlelight dessert will follow the dance. Sunday's events start with a leisurely brunch served by the Shepherdstown dancers at noon at the Entier Hotel. More dancing, mostly waltzes, will follow from 1:30 to 4:00 pm with music again by **Baker**, **Weisler** and **Gordon**. The entire weekend - 2 dances, a workshop and brunch - is offered at \$25 per person. For more info, call 304-725-0266 or 304-876-2169.

PENNSYLVANIA**York Folk Dance Association Contra Dances****Friday, February 7, 8:00 pm**

Please join us for our farewell contra dance at the Asbury Church, 340 East Market Street, York, PA. (We move to a new venue - the Red Lion Grange - next month!) **Susan Taylor** calls to **Liz Donaldson**, **Steve Hickman**, and **Al Taylor**. Beginners' workshop 7:30, dance 8:00-11:00. Cost: \$6.00. Info: 717-845-2897; sdenise@umabnet.ab.umd.edu.

NEW JERSEY**15th Annual Victoria's Revenge Dancefest in Cape May****Friday & Saturday, May 2 & 3**

Dancefest flyers are now out. The weekend features music by *CHILDSPLAY*. Dance to the exciting, elegant music of over 20 of the best fiddlers you will ever hear play together, including such favorites as **Bob Childs**, **Steve Hickman**, **Claudio Buchwald**, **Mary Lea**, **Ralph Gordon**, & **Ruthie Dornfeld**. Calling will be **Robbin Schaffer** & **Suzanne Girardot**. Look for flyers at the local dances or request one by mail from: Victoria's Revenge, 6105 Yale Avenue, Glen Echo, MD 20812.



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DEADLINE FOR March, 1997 Newsletter: Monday, February 10 - Don't Wait Until the Last Day!

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