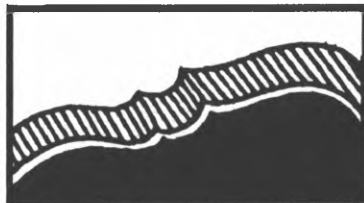


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NEWSLETTER

PROGRAM

Bob Zentz

Saturday, March 15, 8:00 pm

Bring your voice and sea legs and join **Bob Zentz**, the Virginia Minstrel, in a program of the maritime songs and traditions of the Tidewater area.

The Chesapeake Bay and the sea beyond, have woven a spell about our very lives and have created a rich abundance of traditions, natural and historical, overflowing with songs and stories of the life that exists upon their shores. Come join us as we explore the traditions and people of the Tidewater area through their wonderful songs and stories.



Bob Zentz is a singer of songs, old and new, about people, places and times gone by, as well as a player of dozens of the usual and unusual unplugged folk instruments. He is a collector of stories in verse and a teller of the tales behind the songs. Bob treats his audience to an evening of enjoyable folk music sprinkled with humor. If you don't already know Bob, you soon will. There is a kind of communion that occurs between Bob and us as we listen and become the receptors of the songs coming through him. Bob's combination of musical talent and knowledge of music history make him, not only a special person, but a valuable asset to our community.

The Ravensworth Baptist Church is at 5100 Ravensworth Road, Annandale, VA. To get there from I-495 south of Washington, take Braddock Road North. Turn left at the first light (the church is on your left) onto Ravensworth Road. Take the next two left turns to get to the parking lot.

Admission \$9; free to FSGW members.



Members, Please Note: FSGW Board Election Information

The elections for the 1997-98 FSGW Board will take place in May. If you are interesting in serving on the Board, or if you know someone who would make a great Board member, contact Dave Boynton 703-368-3339, Betsy Platt 301-320-7099, or Mary Cliff 703-534-7581. Several Board members have expressed an interest in running again, but all Board positions are open.

FSGW SUNDAY NIGHT DANCES

Glen Echo Park, Glen Echo, MD

Sundays, 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.)

- Mar 2 **Dr. Nancy Mamlin**, former FSGW dance chair, returns to her former haunts with a great mix of contras & squares. Music is by the *Wabash Cannibals*, an old-time band featuring husband **Ron Cole** on fiddle & mandolin, **Bill Schmitt** on banjo & fiddle, and **John Schwab** on guitar.
- Mar 9 **Jan Dreschler** calls contra dances to music by husband **Bob Mills** on assorted stringed instruments, **Andrea Hoag** on fiddle, and **Bob Pasquarello** on piano.
- Mar 16 Caller **Mary Virginia Brooks**, who helped make the New Year's dance so much fun, returns with the *Hix*, a wild, eclectic southern band somewhat akin the *Clayfoot Strutters*. The *Hix* includes **Chad Crum** - fiddle, **Keith Brand** - banjo, **Alex Scala** - bass, and **Gary Wright** - guitar.
- Mar 23 **Laura Brown** and **Ann Fallon** leave the dance floor for the stage to call tonight's dance. Music is by the *L-7s*, one of the finest old-time bands around. **Bruce Molsky** plays fiddle & banjo, **Rafe Stefanini** plays banjo & fiddle, and **Bev Smith** is on guitar.
- Mar 30 Local caller **Michael Schechtman** is joined by the famous *Open Band*, making their first Sunday night appearance for our dancing pleasure.
- April 6 **Bev Smith** calling to the music of the *New Devils*.
- April 13 **George Marshall** calling to *Wild Asparagus*.
- April 20 **Kate Charles** calls, music by **Cathy Fink**, **Marcie Marxer** & friends.
- April 27 **Carlotta McIntyre** calls and plays with *Caledonia*.



Chesapeake Dance Weekend, April 11-13, is full with waiting lists in all categories. The committee would like to thank everyone for their enthusiastic support of the weekend.

❧ *Previews of Coming Attractions* ❧

Upcoming FSGW Special Event

Friday, April 25, 8:00 pm. *La Rondinella* will perform Sephardic songs, music of Renaissance Spain, and other music with Jewish associations at Glen Echo Town Hall. Details in the April issue.

Upcoming 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.

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.



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Minifest: This year, it did not snow and the Minifest was a success. The afternoon workshops and performances were well-attended and everyone appeared to be enjoying themselves. There was some great talent at the evening concert and dance. Many thanks to the coordinators, volunteers, and performers who made this event so great. In particular, I want to thank Judy and Dennis Cook, who made it all happen.

FSGW Board changes: Kathy Westra and Jane Gorbaty have resigned from the Board. Joe Metzler, who was serving At-Large, will take over as Publicity Chair. Charlotte Boynton was appointed Secretary. I wish them all the best in their new positions. I also thank Kathy and Jane for their time on the Board.

Chesapeake Dance Weekend: Last year, the weekend was poorly attended and the Society lost about \$6,000. There was a good deal of criticism about how the weekend was handled. Some of the criticism was valid, but some of it appears to have been an overreaction. The FSGW Board requested a number of changes for this year, including a reduced rate for FSGW members and more Board control over the Chesapeake budget. The Chesapeake committee has produced a wonderful program this year and registrations have increased. The weekend will sell out this year and we expect to make back some of last year's losses. The Chesapeake committee (Alice Taylor, Ann Porcella, Lars Hanslin, and Andy Kane) has worked very hard and their efforts have been rewarded. Joel Bluestein has been involved with the committee for many years and is greatly responsible for its continuing success. This is a great weekend with lots of talent and lots of dancing.

Inaugural Ball: FSGW co-sponsored an inaugural ball on January 20th. It was a great success. The net proceeds will be spent on improvements to the Spanish Ballroom or bumper car pavilion. Thanks to Betsy Platt, Stan Fowler, Kathaleen Karnes, Hope Stanton, Bill Ford, and a host of volunteers for making it all happen.

Donations to FSGW: We have had a few donations during the past year, but there has been no response yet to my last request. FSGW does so much to enrich your lives. It's time for you to show your appreciation. You can earmark your tax-deductible donation for programs, dances, outreach, the Washington Folk Festival, or some other activity.

Jamie Platt

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FSGW Co-SPONSORED EVENTS

Community Dance

Sunday, March 9 & 23, 3:00 - 5:30 pm

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.

March 9 Glen Echo Town Hall: **Robbin Schaffer** calling to the music of **Laura Lengnick** and **Dave Wiesler**.

March 23 Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park: **Ann Fallon** will lead the dancing.

The Girl Sisters (**Laura Lengnick** and **Ann Porcella**) will provide the music.

Upcoming dances:

April 13: **DeLaura Padovan** calling to the music of **Steve Hickman** and **John Devine**.

April 27: **Lou Shapiro** calling. Music by **Ellen Jacobs**, her friends, and students.

American Sampler presents "Women of Appalachia" Friday, March 14 & Saturday, March 15



Daron Douglas and **Betty Smith**, from western North Carolina, performing ballads and tunes from southern Appalachia on fiddle, dulcimer, guitar, autoharp, and psaltery on Friday, March 14, at noon. On Saturday at 1:00 p.m., performer and collector **Anne Grimes** joins **Joe Hickerson**, folklorist at the American Folklife Center, Library of Congress, to discuss the Anne Grimes Dulcimer Collection (recently acquired by the museum) and to perform traditional songs. At 2:00 p.m., West Virginia singer-songwriter **Hazel Dickens** (pictured) and friends join Friday's performers for a performance of traditional music of the Southern Appalachians. At 4:00 p.m., photographer **Barbara Beirne** presents a slide lecture on her documentary photo show, "Women of Appalachia," on display at the museum beginning March 1. Carmichael Auditorium, NMAH. For further info, call 202-357-4182 or 357-2700. FREE.

Fifth Wheel Coffeehouse – Body Language

Saturday, March 29, 2:00 - 5:00 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. At this coffeehouse, make music and dance using more than your voices and your feet. Join the Philippine American Cultural group and other international groups. The program includes good old American ham bone, Philippine coconut dance, and other body music. Judy Cook will lead a community sing on body parts. Price is \$5 members & seniors (plus .50 hall rental fee) and \$6 for others (+ .60 hall rental), kids under 6 free. We hope you will mark the coffeehouse on your calendar. For info, call 703-549-6044 or 202-546-2228, message no. 25.

Capital Tangueros – Argentine Tango Workshops

Saturday & Sunday, March 22 & 23

Rebecca Shulman (New York) and **Brigitte Winkler** (Berlin) are both master tango teachers and tango dancers. They both work and teach in North America, South America, and Europe. Their collaborative teaching styles are informative and fun. They set the standard for clarity, grace and polish. At the In-Step School of Dance, 9440 Mathy Drive, Fairfax, VA (above Kemper Carpets). \$22 per class or \$60 per day. FSGW members \$55 per day. Please arrive early; classes will commence on time. N/P. Dance shoes required. For info, call the Capital Tangueros Hotline at 202-546-2228 ext 36; or call 301-949-5501 (Suzi). Private lessons are available, please schedule by March 21 with Dave at 202-544-2513.

Sat, Mar 22 3 classes for more experienced dancers: 1:00- 2:30 pm - technique (honing your skills in the fundamentals); 2:45 - 4:00 pm - dancing the close embrace; 4:15 - 5:30 pm - barridas/sweeping each other's feet.

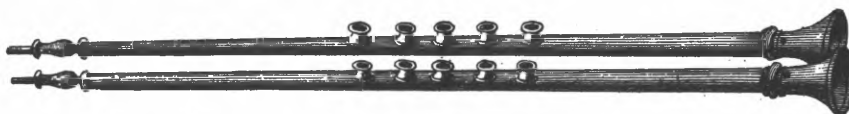
Sun, Mar 23 5 classes, dancers of all levels welcome: 1:00 - 2:30 pm (simultaneous classes in 2 different rooms) basic walking & Advanced walking; 2:45 - 4:00 pm (simultaneous classes, 2 rooms) basic turns & Advanced turns; 4:15 - 5:30 pm - lively, fast-stepping Milonga workout!!

Tommy Thompson Benefit Concert**Saturday, March 29, 8:30 pm**

At the Universalist Unitarian Church of Silver Spring, 10309 New Hampshire Ave. Food by Trails End Kitchens and a silent auction. Bring silent auction items to the concert. *The Red Clay Ramblers* with special guest **Tony Ellis**, the *L-7's* (**Bruce Molsky, Rafe Stefanini, Bev Smith**), the *Hollow Rock String Band* (**Alan Jabbour, Bertram Levy, Jim Watson**), **Henry Saposnik** and *Freylekh Freylekh* (Klezmer music from NYC) **Debby McClatchy** and **Jennifer Cutting**. Tommy was the guiding light of the *Red Clay Ramblers*, and an important catalyst and mentor to hundreds of fledgling old-time music enthusiasts. He was originally diagnosed with Alzheimers, but it is really Mercury poisoning. The concert is to raise funds for his medical and living expenses. Tickets \$12 advance, \$15 door (pay more if you can!) Available at The House of Musical Traditions (7040 Carroll Ave., Takoma Park), or by mail order. Make checks payable to IMT and send to P.O. Box 3580, Silver Spring, MD 20918. Credit card orders taken at 301-588-7525. For more info, call 301-588-7525.

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.



AROUND TOWN

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

To 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 Drive, Rockville, MD 20852.

Elke Baker and Larry Unger in Concert**Saturday, March 8, 8:00 pm**

At the Glen Echo Town Hall (see page 3 for directions). **Elke Baker** is the US National Scottish fiddle champion and has thrilled audiences with her distinctive style of Scottish music. She will be accompanied by **Larry Unger**, who also plays with *Uncle Gizmo*. Elke's new CD *Over the Border* will be available at the concert. To reserve a seat, send a check for \$10 to Friday Night Dancers, 6105 Yale Avenue, Glen Echo, MD 20812, or pay \$12 at the door. For more info, call 301-320-7099 or e-mail to bplatt@access.digex.com.

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 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 & BFMS members get \$1 off ticket prices. Kids are ½ price. For more info, call 301-588-7525.

Mar 3 *The Burns Sisters* \$10 adv/12 door
 Mar 10 **Bill Morrissey** \$10 adv/12 door
 Mar 17 *Whirligig* - Special St. Patrick's Celebration \$10 adv/12 door
 Mar 24 *Ensemble Galilei* \$10 adv/12 door
 Mar 31 **Mary McCaslin, Andrew Lawrence** opening \$10 adv/12 door



Community Sing

Sunday, March 2, 3 - 4:30 pm

Informal and fun. All ages, families welcome. International songs and rounds, favorite contemporary and traditional folk songs arranged in parts. With and without accompaniment. At the Adelphi Friends Meeting House, 2303 Metzert Rd. (off New Hampshire Ave.) in Adelphi, MD. Led by Busy Graham & Wendy Lanxner. Call 301-589-4920 for more info.

Harmony Hall Concert -- Barb Martin album release concert

Saturday, March 8, 8:00 pm

At 10701 Livingston Road, Fort Washington, MD, featuring the *Barb Martin Quartet* (in addition to **Martin, Steve Wolf, Mac Walter, Joe Dockery**). Admission \$10, students/seniors \$8. For info, call 301-292-8331.

Bethesda Acoustic House Concerts

Sunday, March 9, 7:30 pm

Mack Bailey, lead singer with the *Hard Travelers*, does a solo evening mixing traditional ballads and his own contemporary folk/bluegrass compositions. Admission \$9 (includes dessert). For info, call Frank Allen Philpot at 301-897-5695 or contact him via e-mail at Fphilpot@aol.com.

Benefit concert for the Uncommon Market

Sunday, March 9, 2:00 pm

Help keep Arlington's member-owned co-op alive. With *Magpie*. At the Arlington Unitarian Church, 4444 Arlington Blvd. (Rt. 50) at George Mason Drive. Adults \$12/Children \$5. For info, call 703-920-6855.

Shirlington Artists Guild Coffeehouse

Wednesday, March 12, 7:00 pm

Commonbond. The gallery is at 4024 South 28th St., Arlington, VA (in the Village at Shirlington, 5 doors from the Carlyle Grand Cafe). \$10 admission includes dessert & coffee. For reservations, call 703-379-6666.

Panzer House Concert

Saturday, March 15, 8:00 pm

Monthly series in Columbia, MD. Performing are **Susan Graham White with Patti Shea**. Suggested donation is \$8. BYOB, light refreshments served. For reservations and directions, call 410-531-9233.

Historic St. Mary's City, MD

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

At the Old State House (take Rt. 5 South & follow signs to Farthings Ordinary). *IONA* will be featured in a Celtic concert. \$7.00 (\$5.00 to Friends of St Mary's City). For info, call 301-862-0991.

Coffeehouse at Good Counsel

Saturday, March 15, 8:30 pm

Good Counsel High School, 11601 Georgia Ave., Wheaton, MD. Double Bill: **Sue Trainor & Christina Muir**. \$5.00. For more info, call 301-680-8669.

Olde Towne Tavern and Brewing Co.

Sunday, March 16, 7:00 - 11:00 pm

Located at 227 E. Diamond Ave., Gaithersburg, MD. Come listen to lively Celtic music played by the *Homespun Ceilidh Band*. No cover charge. Smoking permitted. For info, call 301-948-4200.

Footlights, a modern drama discussion group**Tuesday, March 18, 7:30 - 9:30 pm**

Come join us to discuss plays from the modern English-speaking theater! This month we will discuss *J.B.*, a poetic updating of the Biblical story of Job and winner of the 1959 Pulitzer Prize for playwright Archibald MacLeish. At Luna Books, 1633 P St., NW, in Washington, DC. Dinner at 6:30. For more info, call 202-484-8303.

Music Americana at Bad Habits Grille**Wednesday, March 19, 8:15 pm**

Admission \$6.00 - to benefit The World Folk Music Association. 5444 Columbia Pike, Arlington, VA. Dick Cerri is host and emcee. Featuring **Anni Clark**, **Don Conoscenti**, others TBA. **Barb Martin** is celebrating the release of her new CD *Between White and Black*. For info, call 703-998-5808.

A Day for Creativity and Renewal**Thursday, March 20, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm**

At the Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington - Recharge your creative batteries by immersing yourself in one of 24 full-day, participatory workshops presented by **Ysaye Barnwell** of *Sweet Honey in the Rock*, master drummer **Barnett Williams**, shamanic scholar **Bradford Keeney**, ceramicist **Soge Track** and more. \$95-\$125. For info, call 301-585-5545.

Roasted Cup Cafe**Saturday, March 22, 7:30 pm**

At the Silver Spring Unitarian Universalist Church, 10309 New Hampshire Ave., (exit north off beltway and go 3 blocks, right on Oaklawn). *Little Lulu and the Greentop Ramblers*. \$3. For info, call 301-589-0279.

Alden Theatre – Footworks (formerly the Fiddle Puppets)**Saturday, March 22, 8:00 pm**

At 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean, VA. \$15. For info and tickets, call 202-432-7328.

Bulgarian workshops & dance, with Ivan Dimitrov**Saturday, March 22, Begins at Noon**

At the Glen Echo Town Hall (see directions on page 3). The Foggy Bottom Folkdancers & **BAMCO** present **Ivan Dimitrov**, the artistic director of a Bulgarian folkdance troupe, who will teach traditional Bulgarian dances. **BAMCO** (Balkan American Music Company) plays the best of Balkan brass music. The workshops are from 12 - 2:30 pm & 3 - 5:30 pm. \$6 per session, or \$10 for both. A pot luck dinner will start at 6:00 pm. The evening dance will start at 8:00 pm and cost \$6.

Bab Habits: Hot Soup! Album release celebration**Wednesday, March 26, 8:00 pm**

At 5444 Columbia Pike, Arlington, VA. For info, call 703-998-5808.

Old Town Hall Performance Series**Friday, March 28, 8:00 pm**

3999 University Drive, Fairfax, VA (corner of Main St. in Fairfax City). *IONA* in concert. Free! For info, 703-352-2787.

Caffe Florian Coffeehouse – Open Mike**Saturday, March 1 & 8, 8:00 pm**

Located at Davies Memorial Unitarian Church, 7400 Temple Hill Rd., Camp Springs, MD, 0.3 mi south of Allentown Rd.

For info, call Sil Smith at 301-292-6482.

Mar 1 Concert - **Grace Griffith** with **Paul Nahay**. Opening: **Audrey Morris & Fred Shuman**. \$6 (advance), \$7 (door).

Mar 8 Open mike. Free. Acoustic musicians, songwriters, storytellers, & poets. Sign-up at 7:30 pm.

The Folk Club of Reston-Herndon**Tuesdays at 7:30**

At the Tortilla Factory, 648 Elden Street, Herndon, VA. Open mike with a 3-song limit. \$1 cover. Member Showcase 2nd Tuesdays. *The Unfortunate Rakes* Mar 18. \$11 (\$10/members). For info, 703-437-7766 or 703-573-6855. Smoke-free.

St. Elmo's Coffee Pub - live acoustic music**Tuesday, March 11 & 25, 7:00 - 9:00 pm**

At 2300 Mt. Vernon Ave. (corner of Del Ray Ave.), Alexandria, VA. \$5. For reservations and info, call 703-739-9268.

Mar 11 **Al Petteway & Amy White**

Mar 25 **Susan Grahm White**

Dupont Music Circle**Friday, March 7 & Wednesday, March 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 Fri. of each month in Arlington; third Wed. of each month in DC. Call 703-658-0957 for more info.

Center Court in the Marley Station Mall**Fridays, March 7 & 21, Noon**

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.

Ensemble Galilei**Saturday, March 22, 8:00 pm & Sunday, March 23, 7:00 pm**

In the Great Hall at St. John's College, Annapolis, MD. Featuring selections for their new CD *The Mystic and the Muse*. Tickets \$15/\$12. For info, call 410-626-2539, for tickets, call 410-267-0908.

The Folkal Point at the Coho Grill**Thursdays in March, 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. Smoke-free. Food and beverages can be purchased. For info, call 410-531-5350 or 301-982-0686.

Mar 6 singer & guitarist **Jim Henry**Mar 13 singer-songwriter & guitarist **Cosy Sheridan**Mar 20 singer-songwriter & guitarist **Tim Malchak**Mar 27 *Salamander Crossing*: Bluegrass from Mass.**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.

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. Two sittings each evening. Tickets are \$9.00. Full dinner menu is available. For info & reservations, call 703-759-3309.

Mar 2 **Maggie Sansone & Sue Richards**Mar 9 *IONA* (with **Mary Fitzgerald**)**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 3/5 **Dave Alberding / Joe Carlson / TBA**Thurs 3/6 **Jeff Aug**3/12 **Christopher Russell**3/13 *Furnace Mountain Duo*3/19 *Venus Rising*3/20 **Anni Clark / Jerry Bresee / Peg Loughran**3/26 **Carolyn Jane**3/27 **Steve Hudson**

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

Wed 3/5 **Christopher Russell / Damian Wolfe / Carey Colvin**Wed 3/12 **Lisa Taylor**3/19 **Peg Loughran**3/26 **Steve Hudson**

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

Wed 3/5 **Ray Kaminsky**Wed 3/12 **Christina Muir**3/19 **Jeff Aug**3/26 **Jon Carmen / Peg Loughran / Randy Barrett**

Connecticut Ave. & N Street, NW, Washington, DC; Every Fri. from 6 - 8 pm 202-785-4728.

Fri 3/7 **Marge Calhoun**Fri 3/14 **Dave Alberding**3/21 **Anni Clark / Christina Muir / TBA**3/28 **Jeff Aug**

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

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Celtic Day '97**Saturday, April 5**

At the Unitarian Church, Silver Spring, MD. 10 am - 5 pm: Celtic workshops. 7:30 pm: concert. Scottish fiddle guitar; Irish stepdancing; bodhran; hammered dulcimer, & more! Classes for non-musicians! \$63 in advance (workshops & concert). Maggie's Music, PO Box 4144, Annapolis, MD 21403. More info: 410-268-3394. www.universe.digex.net/~magmusic/.

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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. A four-week series of classes for beginning dancers starts on the first Friday of the month at 7:30 pm. The cost of the series is \$12 and does not include admission to the dances. Because these lessons are progressive, participants should plan to start the series only on the first Friday of the month, and to attend all four classes. This month's classes will be taught by Al Gedance. 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 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.

March 7 *Wabash Cannibals* with Nancy Mamlin

14 *Open band* with Tom Hinds

21 *An Lar* with Andy Kane

28 *New Devils* with Ridge Kennedy

April 4 *Please & Thank You* with Chart Guthrie



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.

Mar 11 **Carl Dreher** calls, music by **Pat Wexelblat**, recorder and **Jeff Steinberg**, fiddle or **Howard Markham**, concertina.

Mar 25 **Howard Markham** and **Pat Ruggiero** call, music by **Pat Wexelblat**, recorder and **Alice Markham**, piano.

3rd Saturday, 8:00 pm. NO DANCE in March. For info, call Barbara at 703-437-3615.

Scandinavian Dance

Saturday, March 1, 9:00 - 10:30 pm

Music by *Peascods Gathering*, at Takoma Park Middle School. Individualized teaching for beginners at 8:00 pm. \$4.00. N/P, N/E. For info, call 301-493-6281 or 703-356-3036.

Irish Céilí & Set Dancing

Saturday, March 8, 8:00 pm - Midnight

At the John C. Wood Muni Center, 3730 Old Lee Hwy., Fairfax City, VA. Music by the *Bogwanderers Céill Band*. \$10.00. Free dance instruction at 7:30 pm. For info, call Bob Hickey at 703-978-8265.

Scandia DC (Scandinavian couple dancing)

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

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

Western Swing Dances

Sunday, March 16, 8:00 pm - 11:00 pm

with *The Oklahoma Twisters*. At The Washington House, 222 N. Washington St., Falls Church, VA. Admission \$6. Lessons 7:00 - 8:00 pm (\$3). Beginners and singles welcome. BTOB. For info, call 703-536-4369, 24 hours a day.

Traditional Hungarian Music & Dance - Tisza Ensemble

Saturday, March 22, 7:30 - 10:30 pm

Dancing to live local bands (*Tanchez & Maros Ensemble*) and recorded music. The basic steps of the dances will be demonstrated in special teaching circles while each dance is going on. Please bring dance footwear. N/E, N/P. \$4.00. At the Starting Point Dance Studio, Calvert St. & Route 1, College Park, MD. Please wear dance shoes. For more info, call Richard at 301-946-5867 or <http://www.glue.umd.edu/~hungaria/Tisza>.

Swing Dance to Tom Cunningham Orchestra**Saturday, March 22, 9:00 pm - Midnight**

At the Spanish Ballroom in Glen Echo, MD. Workshop 8:00 - 9:00 pm. \$8 (incl workshop). For info, call 703-533-8864.

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

At the conference center at Cherry Hill Park, College Park, MD. Music for sets & Céilí dances will be provided by *Skellig*: **Kieran O'Hare** (uilleann pipes), **Dave Abe** (fiddle), **Zan McLeod** (guitar), and **Myron Bretholz** (bodhran). A workshop featuring an Irish set dance will be offered at 4:00 pm. \$10 GWCC & 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.

Swing Dance to the *Sunshine Skiffle Band***Sunday, March 23, 3:00 - 6:00 pm**

At the Calvert House, 6211 Baltimore Ave., Riverdale, MD. \$5. For info, call 301-864-5220.

Klezmer Contra Dance**Saturday, March 29, 8:30 pm**

Benefit for Fabrangen Project Hope and Tifereth Israel Project Homestart (for homeless families). Music by *Klezmos* (**Jonah Blaustein**, **Marc Glickman**, **Sandy Mitchell**, and **Wendy Morrison**), **Howard Bass** calling. At Tifereth Israel Synagogue, 7701 16th Street, NW, Washington, DC. \$10, seniors/kids \$5. For info, call 301-535-4777

Western Swing and Rockabilly**Saturday, March 29, 9:00 pm - 1:00 am**

The Oklahoma Twisters and *Rockin' Bones* at Phantasmagoria, 11319 Elkin Street, Wheaton, MD. Call 301-949-8886 for details.

Washington Swing Dance Committee**Saturday, March 1 & 15, 9:00 pm - Midnight**

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.

March 1 Enjoy *The Sevilles*, playing tunes suitable for East Coast, West Coast, and DC Hand Dance.

March 15 It's the blues- and R&B-oriented sounds of *The Cathy Ponton King Band*.

Waltzing at Glen Echo Park**Sunday, March 2 & 16, 3:30 pm**

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.

March 2 with the band *Waltz on a Dime*.

March 16 with the band *Marty Taylor and the Waltzin' Leprechans*.

Zydeco Dance -- *Roy Carrier and the Night Rockers***Sat, March 8 & Fri, March 21, 9:00 pm - Midnight**

Mar 8 at the Spanish Ballroom in Glen Echo Park, MD.

Beginners workshop from 8:00 - 9:00 pm.

Mar 21 at Cherry Hill Park Ballroom in College Park, MD.

For info, call 301-309-0895.

\$10.

English Country Dances (8th & 22nd) & Workshop (15th)**Saturdays, March 8, 15, & 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.

Reston Contra Dance**No dance in March**

Next dance is April 12. For additional info, call Alice Markham at 703-709-9121.

International Folk Dance**Tuesdays, 8:00 - 10:00 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.

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.

Scottish Country Dance**2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 8:15 - 10:00 pm**

Live music by National Fiddling Champion **Elke Baker**. At 8030 Main St., Ellicott City, MD. Caryl Maxwell Dance Studio, 3rd floor. Beginners welcome, N/E, N/P. \$5 per class. For more info, call 301-589-6813 or e-mail apluhar@tvp.org or Elke at 301-869 0963.

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 Oak View ES, 400 East Wayne Ave., Silver Spring, MD. No experience necessary, but some minimal physical conditioning and some sense of rhythm would be helpful. For info, call Bill Brown at 301-270-2014 or Jud McIntire at 703-528-0588.

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.

FOLK MUSIC RELEASES

The Maryland-based vocal trio *Hot Soup!* (**Christina Muir, Sue Ribaud** and **Sue Trainor**) proudly announces the release of their debut recording, *Hot Soup!*, on the SOUPer Music label. The album is available in CD and cassette formats.

Barb Martin is celebrating the release of her new CD *Between White and Black*.



CLASSES

Band Aid (a music class) - An **ensemble playing workshop** led by pianist **Liz Donaldson**. **Saturday, March 22, 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.

Fiddle classes taught by Andrea Hoag. Beginning, Mondays, 8 - 9:30 pm, Feb. 3, 10, 24, March 3, 10. \$90 for the series.
Intermediate, Thursdays, 8 - 9:30 pm, Feb. 27 - March 27. \$90 for the series. Held in Takoma Park. Call 301-565-2777 to register.

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.

Monday Nights, Mar. 3 - 24 at the Maryland Youth Ballet, 7702 Woodmont Ave., Bethesda, MD (Please note NEW LOCATION!)
7-8 pm = Int. Swing; 8-9 pm = Exp. Lindy; 9-10 pm = Master class in Waltz on 3/3 & 3/10 and Showstoppers on 3/17 & 3/24 (partners required). Classes are \$36/person for each series. The Master Waltz Class is for advanced dancers with partners. Call Donna at 703-978-0375 for more info. Classes use recorded music.

Wednesday nights, Mar. 5- Apr. 9 at the Lyon Village Community House, 1920 N. Highland St., Arlington, VA. 7-8 pm Int. Swing; 8-8:30 Social Dance; 8:30-9:30 pm Adv. Swing. 6-week session costs \$54 for Ski Club members, \$59 for non-members. To register, call Jeff Beer at 202-307-7056. Classes use recorded music.

Thursday Nights, March 6 - 27. At the Spanish Ballroom in Glen Echo Park. 6-7 pm = Beg. One Step; 7-8 pm = Beg. Swing; 8-9 pm = Beg. Waltz; 9-10 pm = Beg. Lindy. Cost is \$36/person per series. For info, call Donna at 703-978-0375. Classes use recorded music.

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.

Greek, Israeli & other International Folk Dances for BEG and INT, even N/E; Call 301-340-8723 Anna Pappas.

Wed at RRUC, 6301 River Rd., Bethesda, MD; 7-8 pm, Wood floor, taped music, 12 week series; Cost \$50. 1/29 - 3/28.

Fri at Cold Spring Elementary, 9201 Falls Chapel Way, Potomac, MD; 8-9:30 pm, tapes, 10 week series; Cost \$40.50. 1/10 - 3/14.

Line Dancing through MCRD to tapes: N/E and BEG Tues at PCC, 1:30-2:30 pm and Fri at Cold Spring Elementary, 7-8 pm; 10 week sessions. Cost \$39.50. 1/7 - 3/11.

Clogging Classes, Sundays for 10 weeks beginning April 6, 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.

Zydeco Dance Lessons at the Spanish Ballroom in Glen Echo Park, MD. 5 Saturdays, March 1 - 29. Basic: 10:00 - 11:00 am; Adv: 11:00 - Noon. Teachers: **Ellen Wicker & Roland Lewis**. \$36. For info, call 301-309-0895.



AND BEYOND

MARYLAND

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 see the BFMS web page, www.statelink.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.

- Mar 5 Caller: **Nancy Mamlin**, Band: *Wabash Cannibals*, **Ron Cole, John Schwab, Bill Schmidt**.
- Mar 12 Caller: **Robbin Schaffer** and **Christopher Field**, calling a combination of English and American dances; Band: *Maggie Brown's Favorites* (Carl Friedman, Joe Balkoski, Mark Vidor, Ralph Barthine). Workshop: *Nouveaux Danseurs*.
- Mar 19 Caller: **Ann Fallon**, Band: *New Devils*, **Marty Taylor, Jonathan Jensen, Steve Hickman**. Beginners waltz workshop.
- Mar 26 NO DANCE - Easter week.

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

- Mar 3 Caller: **Rich Galloway**, Music: **Marty Taylor, Dave Wiesler**.
- Mar 10 Caller: **Scott Higgs**, Music: **Malcolm Stephens, Liz Donaldson**.
- Mar 17 Caller: **Jacqueline Schwab**, Music: **Andrea Hoag, Jacqueline Schwab**.
- Mar 24 NO DANCE - Easter week.
- Mar 31 Caller: **Liz Donaldson**, Music: **Steve Hickman, Susan Brandt, Jonathan Jensen**.



Second Saturday Contra Dance Series. Mar 8: Intro dance workshop: 7:30 pm, contra dance: 8:00 - 11:00 pm.

Andy Kane calling contra and square dances to the music of *The All-Star Trio*, **Steve Hickman, Marty Taylor, & Dave Wiesler**. St. Mark's on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Road, Pikesville. \$6 BFMS and associated organizations, \$8 non-members.

Klezmos in a Celtic/Klezmer Concert and Dance with Robbin Schaffer. Sat., Mar 15. Concert at 7:30 pm, contra dance: 8:30 - 11:30 pm at St. Mark's on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Road, Pikesville. Dance only admission is \$6 for members of BFMS and associated organizations, \$8 for non-members, kids half-price. Dance and Concert admission is \$2 more than dance admission.

BFMS House Concert featuring **Linda Baer**, Saturday, March 22, 8:00 pm at the Friedman home in Lutherville, MD. For info and directions, call 410-321-8419, \$6.00 BFMS members, \$8.00 all others. Please bring a snack or beverage to share at the break. Concert will be followed by a round robin singing party.

Cajun & Zydeco Dance to Steve Riley and the *Mamou Playboys*, Sunday, March 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, March 8 & 22. 8:00 - 9:00 pm, (Intro to Lindy workshop), 9:00 - Midnight (Dance). At the 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. March 8 *Jazz Caravan* March 22 *Tom Mitchell Quintet*

Annapolis Traditional Dance Society - Contra Dance

Saturdays, March 1, 8:00 pm

At the Fraternal Order of Police Hall, 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 their web site: <http://www.pobox.com/~dancers>. **Al Taylor, Laura Lengnick** and **Alice Markham** will provide the music and the caller is **Tom Hinds**. There will be an ice cream social afterwards.

Frederick (MMFAC) Monthly Contra Dance

Saturday, March 22, 8:00 pm

Greg Frock will be calling to the music of *The Mighty Possums* (**Joe DeZarn, Sandy Mitchell, Tabby Finch, and Ralph Gordon**). At the Adult Recreation Center at the corner of Bentz and 2nd streets. Beginner's workshop at 7 pm. For more info, call Boe Walker at 301-694-6794.

VIRGINIA

Bluemont Old-time Country Dances

Saturday, March 15, 8:00 pm

Linda Hickman, figure caller with *Celtic Thunder*. \$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. Call to confirm dance location!

WEST VIRGINIA

Shepherdstown Music and Dance – Dance

Saturday, March 1, 8:00 pm

At the Shepherdstown War Memorial Building. Music by *The Sandy Mitchell Swing Band*. Swing dance workshop, taught by **Leslie Coombs** at 4 pm. Admission is \$5. A potluck dinner will follow at 6:15 pm. Evening contra dance with **Steve Gester** calling mostly contras. A free beginners' dance class will begin at 7:15 pm. Dancers should bring soft-soled shoes. Admission is \$6 / \$4.50 for members. For more info, call 304-725-0266 or 304-876-2169.

Shepherdstown Music and Dance – Concert

Saturday, March 29, 8:00 pm

A classic swing jazz music concert featuring the *Rusty Mason Swing Quartet* (**Rusty Mason** on saxophone and trumpet, **Ralph Gordon** on bass, **Steve Lurrance** on drums and **John Nichols** on piano). The concert will be held at Shepherd College's Reynolds Hall. \$12 for non-members, \$10 for members, and \$6 for children. For more info, call 304-263-2531.

Almost Heaven 10th Annual Contra and Swing Dance Weekend

May 24 - 26

At Camp Horseshoe, in Monongahelia National Forest. Featured are *Swallowtail* playing contras and *The O-Tones* playing rhythm and blues. Waltz & swing workshops with **Ken and Donna**, **Jim Maxwell** and others will teach a variety of dance and dance related workshops. \$150 until May 14, \$160 after, kids \$80 (3 and under free). For info, call 301-933-3645, or e-mail noams@clark.net.

1997 Buffalo Gap Community Camp Schedule

It's not too early to think about your summer plans. There will be 2 work weekends at the camp on April 19 & 20 and May 10 & 11. For info, call the camp at 304-856-1122 or call Charlie Pilzer at 301-588-0326 or e-mail to bginfo@beartrack.com.

May 23 - 26	Old World Music & Dance, Int'l. Folk Dancing.
June 5 - 8	Buffalo Jambalaya, Cajun-Zydeco Weekend.
June 13 - 15	12 Step Retreat.
June 28 - July 5	Scandinavian Week.
July 5 - 12	CDSS, English and American Dance Week.
July 12 - 19	CDSS, Family Week.
Aug 9 - 17	Mid-Atlantic Reclaiming Week.
Aug 17 - 24	Buffalo On The Roof.
Aug 29 - Sep 1	Savoy Swings Again.
Sep 5 - 7	Int'l Folk Dancing.
Sep 12 - 14	American Contra Dance Weekend.
Oct 10 - 13	Men's Council of Washington Retreat Weekend.

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The **Country Dance and Song Society** will present two programs at Buffalo Gap Community Camp this summer: a week of English and American Dance on July 5-12 (program director Sue Dupre), and a Family Music and Dance week on July 12-19 (program directors Andy & Robin Davis). Further info on both weeks can be obtained or registration made by contacting CDSS, 17 New South Street, Northampton, MA 01060, or calling 413-584-9913, or E-mail: camp@cdss.org.



PENNSYLVANIA

York Folk Dance Association – Contra Dances

Friday, March 7, 8:00 - 11:00 pm

Please join us as we break in our new location – the Red Lion Grange, Route 24 & Lombard St., Red Lion, PA. Gwyn Williams travels down from Long Island to call to *Martin's Flight* (Sandy Mitchell, Ralph Gordon and Marc Glickman). Beginners' workshop 7:30 pm, dance 8:00 - 11:00 pm. Cost: \$6.00. Info: 717-845-2897; sdenise@umabnet.ab.umd.edu.

Spring Gulch Folk Festival (Lancaster County, PA)

March 16, 17, & 18

Folk dancing, concerts, workshops, singalongs, crafts, hot food, & quality camping. Concerts feature Natalie McMasters, *Trout Fishing in America*, Robin & Linda Williams and much more. At The Spring Gulch Resort Campground, 475 Lynch Rd., New Holland, PA. Tickets \$40/camping \$45/person. For more info, call 800-255-5744.

Pittsburgh's Community Dance Network

Friday & Saturday, April 4 & 5, 8:00 pm

Kathy Anderson and Ron Buchanan call wild contras and squares to the driving music of *Strings and Things* (Tina Bergman, David Rice, and Mark DeLozier). Workshops on Saturday. Sleeping space available. Info: 412-421-5708.

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.



FSGW Information

Easily available to all by phone: 202-546-2228

or on our web page: [www://fsgw.org](http://www.fsgw.org)

Below is a list of the categories you can access on our hotline. We apologize for the interruption in the hotline's availability for part of February. It has been repaired and is up and running. Please let a Board member know if you have any difficulty accessing the information.

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You might also want to consider a contribution of appreciated securities or remember FSGW in your will or trusts. There are often tax advantages available by planning your current and future giving. To discuss planned giving opportunities, please contact FSGW President Jamie Platt by calling 301-320-7099.

FSGW's programs need your support. Your generous financial support is critical to our success. All of us with FSGW thank you for your consideration.

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Hammered dulcimer lessons: beginner or Intermediate. Call Noel at 301-589-2502.

IMT's wish list. Please call 301-588-7525 if you can help. Fax machine, copier, photo scanner, Microsoft Office, help with bookkeeping, fund raising, and website maintenance; also high school or college intern with car.

Balance & Twirl, offers custom made **dance skirts and capes**. Choose from a variety of materials including cottons, cotton blends, satins, calicos, fleece, fake fur, or flannel in solids or prints. To place an order or for more info, contact Naomi at 302-792-1821 or njwdance@magpage.com, web page www.magpage.com/~njwdance (under construction).

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FSGW Editorial Policy

We try to print all copy relevant to FSGW's purpose and membership. (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.").

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.

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

All copy for the next issue of this *Newsletter* is due at the home of Editor Carl Mintz, **NO LATER THAN 9 PM, Monday, March 10.**

- Copy may be sent by E-mail to aircarl@cpcug.org in ASCII text (**PREFERRED METHOD**).
- Computer readable copy may be on 3 1/2" or 5 1/4" disk in MS-DOS ASCII or WordPerfect format.
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