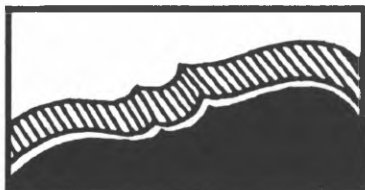


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NEWSLETTER

SPECIAL EVENT

Nightingale in concert

Thursday, April 9, 8:00 pm

Once in a blue moon a band comes along which combines musical perfection with playfulness, full-bore rhythm with technical brilliance, respect for tradition with a sense of adventure, and great singing with exciting instrumental work.

Nightingale brings together three Vermont-based musicians experienced in interpreting Celtic, Quebecois, and European folk music.

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PROGRAM

Sandy and Caroline Paton

Saturday, April 18, 8:00 pm

At the Washington Ethical (NW, DC)

Admission \$10 / but FREE for FSGW members.

Come hear Sandy and Caroline Paton sing a rousing song from the roustabouts of the steam boating days on the Ohio River, a haunting love song from North Carolina's Appalachians, or a lively tongue-twister of a song from the Pacific Northwest. These and many more are likely to be among the musical memories you will take home from Sandy and Caroline Paton's program of wonderful songs and ballads that form their unique and highly varied collection of both traditional and contemporary folk material. (Continued on pg. 7)

HOUSE CONCERT

Ken Schatz and Alison Kelley

Saturday, April 4, 8:00 pm

aka *The NexTradition* – traditional music in motion

at Woods/Clayton's in Silver Spring, MD.

Two voices singing dangerous harmonies -- leading to goose-bump images, driving rhythms and roaring choruses. The group first came together in June 1997 at the Mystic Sea Music Festival in Mystic, CT, and was christened *The NexTradition* by Heather Wood (of The Young Tradition) on the back of a beer menu a few months later. *TNT* performs traditional music, including sea songs and chanteys, gospel and blues, and work songs of the railroads, mines, prisons, factories, and fields.

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THE FOLK FESTIVAL NEEDS YOUR HELP – SEE PAGES 5 & 6.

FSGW SUNDAY NIGHT DANCES

Glen Echo Park, Glen Echo, MD

Sundays, 7:30 – 10:30 pm

FSGW's Sunday evening dance is held in the historic Spanish Ballroom at the Glen Echo Park National Historic Site, off MacArthur Boulevard (at 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. 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 air-conditioned or heated, so dress accordingly.

THE SCHEDULE

- Mar 29 Vermont-based *Popcorn Behavior* features three wonderful musicians who are still in their teens: fiddler **Sam Amidon**, percussionist **Stefan Amidon** & pianist **Tom Bartlett**. No gimmicks, this is just a fine band. Tonight's caller is **Peter Amidon**.
- Apr 5 Fresh from the Chesapeake Dance Weekend come caller **Kathy Anderson** and the *Hillbillies From Mars*: **Daniel Steinberg** (piano), **Kevin Carr** (fiddle, uilleann pipes, banjo) **Ray Bierl** (fiddle), and **TJ Wangerman** (mandolin, guitar).
- Apr 12 New England caller **Mary DesRosiers** teams up with ever-popular *Nightingale*: **Becky Tracy** on fiddle, **Keith Murphy** on guitar, piano & feet, and **Jeremiah McLane** on accordion and piano.
- Apr 19 Upper New York State is the home of caller **Eric Holman** and *Taconic Tonic*. The band features **George Wilson**, one of the legendary contra dance fiddlers, **Becky Ashenden** and **Chuck Corman**.
- Apr 26 Local area favorites **Ann Fallon** and *Taylor Among the Devils* (**Steve Hickman** - fiddle, **Marty Taylor** - flute, concertina & **Johnathan Jensen** - piano) highlight tonight's program.
- May 3 **Susan Kevra** calls, music by *Childsplay* - 20 of the best fiddlers from around the world!
- May 10 **Becky Hill** calls, music by **Laura Lengneck & Larry Unger**.
- May 17 **Beth Molaro** calls, music by the *Open Band*.
- May 24 **Cis Hinkle** calls, music by *Legal Contraband*.
- May 31 Caller TBA, music by *Folk Remedy*.

English Country Spring Ball

Saturday, May 16, 8:00 pm

at the Whitby Gymnasium, National Cathedral School, Washington, DC

Experience English country dancing at its finest. Music will be provided by a stellar group: **Earl Gaddis** (from Bare Necessities) on violin and viola. **Liz Donaldson**, a popular and accomplished piano player who has long experience playing for English country dances as well as other styles of folk dance. Rounding-out the group of renowned musicians is violinist **Andrea Hoag**, also well known on the Washington scene and other venues across the country.

Admission by prior reservation only. \$20 for members of FSGW, BFMS or CDSS, \$22 for non-members. Reception: 7:30 pm. Dance: 8:00 pm. Priority for acceptance will be given to dancers whose applications are postmarked by April 5 and for FSGW members (only) who apply by April 16, subject to space limitations. After that, an approximate gender balance will be maintained. Dances will not be called so attendance of the FSGW's Wednesday evening English country dances is strongly encouraged: dances will be taught and practiced in the weeks preceding the ball. Ball dances will also be called at BFMS English country dances on Monday evenings so that our friends in Baltimore can practice them. A practice session will be conducted in the afternoon before the ball. Fliers are available at local dances or by contacting Roger to receive a copy via e-mail. For info, contact Marian Lapp at 703-533-2966 (h), 703-876-5207 (w); Kimberly Field at 410-366-5033; or, Roger Broseus via e-mail: english@fsgw.org, or at www.fsgw.org.

FSGW WEDNESDAY NIGHT ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE

Glen Echo Town Hall

Wednesdays, 8:00 – 10:30 pm

Attend the FSGW's English country dances and find a mix of fun and refined dancing led by talented callers who are accompanied by topnotch musicians playing tunes that are unique to each dance. On a given night you may hear anything from the ubiquitous piano and fiddle to the flute, harp, oboe, concertina, bassoon, or viola. Dance on a wood floor in the fine community room at the Glen Echo Town Hall. Enjoy the friendly crowd, known for its welcoming nature, light refreshments, and dance from 8:00 to 10:30 pm. Open to dancers of all experience levels. Cost: members \$5, nonmembers \$6. Newcomers: come early, by 7:45, for some quick, FREE, coaching on basic moves before the dance starts.

BALL PRACTICE: Callers during the coming weeks will include dances from the upcoming Washington Spring Ball in their programs so that the dances may be practiced in advance of the Ball. See the announcement appearing below for more details on the Ball.

- Apr 1 Caller **Dawn Culbertson** drops down from Baltimore to call the first dance of the month, **Liz Donaldson** on accordion and piano; accompanied by **Dave Wiesler** on piano and guitar, and **Colleen Spence** on flute.
- Apr 8 Charlottesville's **Brad Sayler** calls expertly to the music of **Liz Donaldson** on piano, oboist **Judy Klepell**, and **Susan Brandt** on flute.
- Apr 15 **Rich Galloway**, Spring Ball program writer extraordinaire, calls to music provided by **Liz Donaldson** on piano, **Jeff Steinberg** and **John Ward** playing fiddles.
- Apr 22 Guest caller from Philadelphia, **Jenny Beer** calls to the music of **Liz Donaldson** on piano, **Barbara Heitz** on flute, and cellist **Karin Loya**. Jenny is known throughout the English dance community as a wonderful caller.
- Apr 29 **Mary Kay Friday**, advisor to the upcoming English American Summer dance camp at Buffalo Gap, calls to music provided by two fiddlers, **Steve Hickman** and **Becky Ross**, and the piano playing of **Liz Donaldson**.

Saturday, April 25, 1:30 - 5:00 pm – Celebrating the Glory of English Country Dance, at the Glen Echo Town Hall. What better way to celebrate than with the music of **Steve Hickman** on fiddle and **Liz Donaldson** on piano! From 1:30 - 3:00 pm come enjoy a session on "Music and the Dance," led by Liz and Steve. Learn about how dance and music fit together from two of the country's finest dance musicians. From 3:30 - 5:00 pm **Rich Galloway** will lead us as we seek out "Magic Moments in English Country Dance." Explore those moments in a dance that make it truly special and enjoyable. Lots of great dances and music in both sessions. Individual session, \$4.50 for FSGW members, \$5.50 for nonmembers; both sessions are \$8 for FSGW members, \$10 for nonmembers.

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 at the fork). At the tee, turn left onto MacArthur Blvd. Continue NW on MacArthur past Glen Echo Park. Harvard Ave. and the Town Hall will be on your left, 2 blocks past the small shopping center. The Town Hall is at 6106 Harvard Ave (Post Office bldg.).

Info: Norm Bernhardt, 301-320-2469; Rich Galloway, 301-589-0939. Via Email: Roger Broseus, English@fswg.org.



Note: English Country Spring Ball information on page 2.

FSGW needs a good upright or baby grand piano - must play well and be in good working order.
If you have one or know of one, please call Carly at 703-631-9655.

We could also use an enclosed trailer.

We can pay a small amount, and because we are a 501(C)(3), give the donor a tax deduction!

NOMINATIONS TO THE FSGW BOARD

Each Spring the Folklore Society elects new Board members, who serve as committee chairs as well as making policy decisions for the Society. It's a big commitment of time and energy to sit on the Board, but the rewards can also be great. If you feel you are in a position to give something back to the ongoing, all-volunteer efforts of the Folklore Society of Greater Washington by running for office, or if you would just like more information about the election, please call Election Committee member Sarah Fulton at 301-309-0483.

Board Meeting

Monday, April 6, 8:00 pm

The March 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 our President, Carly Gewirz, at 703-631-9655.



MORE FOLKLORE SOCIETY EVENTS

Open Sing

Friday, April 3, 8:30 pm

Come to the home of Kathie Mack in Takoma Park, MD, a block from the Takoma Metro Stop. Gail Snyder will be the leader, with a topic of "Friend or Foe --being for or against, on different sides, etc." (also could be faux as in false -- in other words -- WIDE OPEN!). For directions and/or more info, call Kathie at 301-270-5367.

The May Open Sing is seeking a leader, location and firm date. It was decided at the March Open Sing to move the May Sing to May 8th, but we have yet to firm up all details. If you would be interested in hosting the May Open Sing give Judy Cook (301-776-4314) or Jennifer Woods (301-587-7174) a call to set things up.

Easter Gospel Sing

Sunday, April 12, 4:00 pm

The monthly Gospel Sing will be Easter Sunday, April 12, at the home of Debby Churchman in Arlington, VA. Call her at 703-532-2696 for directions. Hymns appropriate for Easter week will be featured. 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, April 18, 7:30 pm

Storytellers and listeners are invited to the home of Bill Mayhew in Beltsville for an evening of shared stories and potluck refreshments. Free, open to listeners and tellers. Call Bill at 301-595-7920 for directions & rsvps.

Sacred Harp Singing

Sunday, April 26, 4:00 pm

This month's singing will be at Brookmont Church, 4000 Virginia Place, off Maryland Ave. in Bethesda. The singing is FREE, but participants are asked to bring a potluck dish and a donation for the church. Directions: From the D.C. line take MacArthur Blvd. ½ mi NW, L on Maryland Ave., R on Broad St. 1 block to church on L. For additional info & directions, call 202-543-3539 or 202-328-5027.

The Potomac River Sacred Harp Singing Convention

(see last month newsletter for full details)

Friday, March 27, 7:30 to 9:30 pm: Singing School taught by the Lee Family of Georgia

Saturday, March 28, 10:00 am to 3:30 pm: All-Day Singing and 4:00 - 5:30 pm: New Traditions Singing

These events are at the Pohick Church, 9301 Richmond Highway (Route 1 at Telegraph Rd.), Lorton, VA

Sunday, March 29, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm: All-Day Singing at Hearst Hall, National Cathedral School, next to the Washington National Cathedral at Wisconsin Ave. and Woodley Rd., NW, Washington, DC

Experience the powerful harmony of Sacred Harp singing at the Folklore Society's convention. All are welcome; no experience or vocal talent is necessary. The Friday-evening singing school will feature a different approach to Sacred Harp singing compared to our usual fast and pulsed "north-Alabama" style. The two all-day singing sessions at lovely, historic, and acoustically lively locations will feature rugged hymns, fusing tunes, and anthems from *The Sacred Harp* and potluck lunches. Saturday's New Traditions singing will feature shape-note music, old and new, not in *The Sacred Harp*.

Tunebooks will be available. Admission is free, but contributions are needed to defray expenses. Local singers, please bring **LOTS OF FOOD** to feed the many out-of-towners and yourselves. For more info, consult the Convention's web page at <http://www.his.com/sabol/PRC98.html>, or call the FSGW Hotline #56, or call Tom or Cathy Tucker at 703-313-4964.

THE WASHINGTON FOLK FESTIVAL IS BACK

MAY 30 & 31

In just 2 short months the 21st Annual Washington Folk Festival will take place at Glen Echo Park. Programming is well underway, with many acts confirmed and others soon to be finalized. With 7 performance venues and a crafts area, the festival will open at noon on Saturday and run until late in the evening; it will open again at noon on Sunday and run until 6:00 pm. After the hiatus required by last year's Park construction and paving schedule, the WFF will be making a strong return. Please join us for 2 days of great performances, exceptional talent and a showcase of arts and crafts. Remember, this is a **FREE** event which relies on the contributions of the performers and organizers & volunteers who donate their time & talents. Anyone interested in working on and/or chairing a committee, or anyone needing answers to questions concerning the festival, is asked to contact one of the coordinators: Dean Clamons can be reached at 703-631-9655, or e-mailed at wff@fsgw.org or Beth Curren, at 301-657-2789, e-mail: dwainl@aol.com.

The Program Committee is hard at work; anyone wishing to make suggestions can e-mail Betsy Platt, Committee Chair, at bplatt@access.digex.com. Lots of help is needed with various committees such as publicity, volunteer coordination, hospitality, crafts, program book, fund raising and operations.

Spring has sprung, the grass is riz. Wonder where the festival is. The shop at Glen Echo Park becomes a busy and exciting place; a place of fun, frolic and the acquisition of technical skills; a place of mud and fellowship. Accomplishments will include Tent Laundry, Stage Assembly, Crafts Table Repair, Sign Design, Tent Pole Jousting, Site Preparation, Snowfencing, Pargo Maintenance, and Bench Painting. This is all really hot stuff. Want to learn how to operate heavy machinery? Use loud and noisy power tools? Or, if you are the quiet type, a tape measure or builder's survey? How about a walkie talkie? Have you ever driven an electric golf cart?

Volunteers are needed to work on Festival Operations in preparation for the Washington Folk Festival. Work weekends begin in April and continue through each Saturday in May (tents and stages go up on May 16). Without volunteer help, the festival cannot happen. For more details on Festival Operations call 301-657-2789. A grateful Festival staff awaits your call.

✂ See next page for volunteer form. ✂

FSGW Co-Sponsored Events

Community Concert & Dance Program at the Glen Echo Town Hall

Sunday, April 19

The intergenerational family concert and dance series is fun for all and would make a great outing for a church, community, or social organization, girl or boy 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 ages and skill levels are invited to attend. The concerts start at 3 pm and the dances are from 4-5:30 pm.

Sue Trainor serenades the little ones from 3:00 - 4:00 pm, then everyone dances from 4:00 - 5:30 pm.

Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for children 5 and over, with a \$15 family maximum. For further information about the dance, call Jamie or Betsy Platt at 301-320-7099. For directions to the Town Hall, see page 3.

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. Air conditioned room with good dance floor. Beginner / intermediate classes 7:30 - 9:00 pm. Request dancing 9:00 - 10:45 pm. N/E, N/P. Mostly taped music. Occasional parties and workshops. \$4.00. For info, call Jamie at 301-320-7099.

Capital Tangueros Check the Tangueros home page: www.geocities.com/CapitolHill/4119/, or call the FSGW hotline - x 36 - for April events.

Volunteer Form

for the 21st Annual Washington Folk Festival

The Washington Folk Festival is presented FREE every year, largely because it is produced entirely by volunteers. That's right: performers, emcees, stage crews, sound engineers, operations crews, food servers and office staff all donate their time. The volunteer effort builds a powerful sense of community as people pool their unique skills and interests to work toward a common goal. As always, this year's WFF can use Your help. Be a part – it only takes a few hours of your time. (Work is usually scheduled in 2 hour blocks, although you can work as many blocks of time as you like.) Tell us some of your interests and we will find a place for you to contribute to the Washington Folk Festival's continuing success.

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Numbers (home) (____) _____ (work) (____) _____

Have you worked at previous Washington Folk Festivals? _____

What kinds of jobs would you like to help with? _____

Preference for: sitting _____ active _____

Anything you would prefer NOT to help with? _____

Please check your preferences for your two hour block: Saturday only _____ Sunday only _____

Saturday and Sunday _____ Either, but only one day _____

Afternoons _____ Evenings _____ Flexible _____

Check here _____ if you would like to volunteer more than 2 hours in 1 day

Other comments or suggestions? _____

Do you have any special physical needs? _____



**Please fill out and mail to: Beth Curren, 4525 Middleton Lane, Bethesda, MD 20814
or call 301-657-2789.**

Nightingale – April FSGW Special Event (continued)

Becky Tracy's fiddling has lifted eyebrows and inspired feet everywhere she plays. She has traveled and studied in Ireland and Canada perfecting her musical style that combines drive with delicacy. The pulsing sound of Jeremiah McLane's accordion playing brings to mind the diverse musical traditions of continental Europe, and the rich textures he creates give depth to the trio's performances. He is also an innovative piano player, adding his melodic and harmonic inventiveness, as well as his collection of original compositions to the band's repertoire. Keith Murphy brings from his native Newfoundland a wealth of songs and lore. His strong tenor voice easily ranges from a soulful ballad to a rollicking Quebecois call-and-response song. He gives the band its driving edge with his hypnotic guitar and mandolin sound and the infectious rhythm of French Canadian foot percussion.

Those who haven't heard *Nightingale* are in for an exceptional treat. In concert, *Nightingale* displays an amazing versatility with their creative new arrangements of traditional songs and instrumentals. Your Special Events Chair notes that *Nightingale's* CDs, *The Coming Dawn* and *When the Moon is High*, live permanently in her CD player. *Nightingale's* recordings have received critical acclaim from all corners of the music world for their seamless arrangements and their dazzling variety of material.

For directions to the Glen Echo Town Hall (6101 Harvard Avenue in Glen Echo, MD) see page 3 of this Newsletter under English Country Dance - DIRECTIONS.

Admission is \$10 (FSGW) & \$14 (non-members). Come prepared for an evening of great songs and riveting instrumentals. For more info, call 301-229-3577, or check out the FSGW webpage at: <http://www.fsgw.org>

Sandy and Caroline Paton – April FSGW Program (continued)



Drawing upon a vast repertoire developed over their many years of collecting folk songs, Sandy and Caroline share their personal memories as well as their musical talents. They "prefer to sing with people rather than at people," so they invite their audiences to join in on the many choruses. "Folk music has been a participatory sport for many centuries, and we would like to see it continue to be just that."

Accompanying themselves with guitar, Appalachian dulcimer and autoharp, the Patons skillfully blend their voices in harmonies. Many of their older songs provide insights into our nation's history, reflecting the concerns, the delights, the joys and the sorrows of those families who braved the wilderness to settle in the New World. Truly, theirs is a program to be enjoyed by all. For more info, call 301-776-4314.

WES is located at 7750 16th Street, NW (at the intersection of Kalmia Road) 5/8 of a mile south of the circle where 16th Street meets Colesville Road and a few blocks from the Silver Spring Metro station.

Ken Schatz and Alison Kelley – FSGW House Concert (continued)

Alison Kelley grew up a chantey brat in New York City, while Ken Schatz lived in Washington, DC. (His parents were virtually FSGW founding members). She teaches children with special needs and heads a college of medieval bards. He acts, directs, teaches, and coaches acting for theater, television, and film.

Don't miss this exciting example of the next generation carrying on their parents' traditions! At the home of Bob Clayton and Jennifer Woods in Silver Spring, MD. Admission is \$6 FSGW members, \$8 nonmembers. For further info and directions, call them at 301-587-7174. (Note: they have 2 cats & a dog, so if you have pet allergies, be warned!)



A R O U N D T O W N

National Geographic presents *The Virginia Company*

Friday, April 17, 8:00 pm

At the National Geographic Society's Grosvenor Auditorium, 1600 M Street, NW. Free parking is available beginning at 5:30 pm. The group is among the country's best-known performers of popular music of 17th and 18th century North America. They perform with reproductions of period instruments and offer a spirited mix of English ballads and drinking songs, Scottish airs, Irish fiddle tunes, and other pieces culled from the popular music collection of the day. From 5:30 pm until 7:55 pm, concert-goers may attend a special viewing of the exhibition "Jamestown Fort Rediscovered" before the performance. Tickets are \$15 & \$18. For info, call 202-857-7700.

International Spring Sampler of music, dance, crafts, and food

Sunday, April 26, Noon - 5:00 pm

At Van Dyck Park, 3700 block of Old Lee Highway in the City of Fairfax, VA. This outdoor event is presented by the Northern Virginia Folk Festival Assoc., in partnership with Fairfax Spotlight in the Parks, which will share the park and present jazz, harmony, ballet, and hands-on children's art activities. Admission is free. Scheduled performers include *The Kennedys*, *Sara Landymore*, *Randy Barrett*, *Suzanne Michele*, the *Patchwork Cloggers*, and other performers from around the world. Crafts will be demonstrated and sold, and a sampling of international finger foods and snacks will be available. For info or to volunteer, call 703-549-6044.

L O C A L V E N U E S & E V E N T S

Institute of Musical Traditions – April 1998 Concerts

Monday Nights at 8:00 pm

Concerts are held at the Silver Spring Unitarian Universalist Church, 10309 New Hampshire Ave. (Exit 28A - New Hampshire Ave. - north off beltway & go 3 blocks, right at Oaklawn). \$2 coupon towards your next purchase at the House of Musical Traditions at any concert. Attend 6 concerts & get the 7th free. FSGW members get \$1 off each ticket. For more info or advance tickets, call 301-588-7525. 14 and under ½ price.

Mon, Apr 6 *Hesperus* with **Bruce Molsky** (\$10 advance, \$12 door).

Mon, Apr 13 **Vance Gilbert / Erica Wheeler** (\$10 adv/\$12 door).

Sat, Apr 18 **Fred Small** (\$12/14) at Paint Branch Unitarian Church, 3215 Powder Mill Rd., Adelphi, MD.

Mon, Apr 20 *La Musgana* from Spain (\$10/\$12).

[- exit 28A off beltway. At 2nd light turn right on Powder Mill Rd, go 1½ miles - Church on right.]

Mon, Apr 27 **Dougie MacLean** (\$12/\$15).

Sat, May 2 **Si Kahn** w/ special guest **Marcy Marxer** at Paint Branch Unitarian Church (\$12/\$10).

Mon, May 4 **Roy Book Binder / Les Sampou** (\$10/\$12).

Sea and Pub Songs at The Royal Mile Pub

Tuesday, April 7, 8:00 pm

At 2407 Price Ave., Wheaton, MD. *Ship's Company Shantymen* host a monthly pub sing-around in a traditional tap room setting. While the sing is "anchored" in traditional music of the sea, a cappella pub songs and songs with good choruses are welcomed. No charge. For info, call 301-946-4511 or <http://www.mindspring.com/~pp001589/shanty.htm>.

Tawes Theater, University of Maryland (College Park)

Saturday, April 11, 6:00 pm

Enjoy an evening of pulsating rhythms with the Tabla Maestro **Ustad Zakir Hussain** and his distinguished Troupe: *The Rhythm Experience*. (**Shiv Mani** on Western Drums, **Fazal Quereshi** on Tabla and **Ustad Sultan Khan** on Sarangi). Ticket Prices: \$20, 35, 70, 100. For info, call 301-513-0565 or email: tickets@aidindia.org.

Caffé Florian Coffeehouse

Saturday, April 11, 8:00 pm

At Davies Memorial Unitarian Church, 7400 Temple Hill Rd., Camp Springs, MD., 0.3 mi south of Allentown Rd. Open mike, held on the 2nd Saturday of each month, Sept thru June; acoustic musicians, songwriters, storytellers, and poets. Sign-up starts at 7:30 pm. Free. Info, Syl Smith, 301-292-6482, or visit our website at www.dmuuc.org/Cafe_Florian.html

Strathmore Hall Arts Center**Monday, April 13, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm**

At 10701 Rockville Pike, North Bethesda, MD. School's out family program features **Sue Trainor** and **Sue Ribaud** presenting *Earth Songs Celebration*, a lively musical program about our own back yards and beyond. Info, 301-530-0540.

Georgetown Art Guild Coffeehouse**Wednesday, April 15, 7:00 pm**

At 1054 31st Street, NW, Washington, DC (in Canal Square). Original acoustic music featuring singer-songwriter & instrumentalist **Lisa Taylor**. \$12 (includes dessert & coffee). On-site parking available. Reservations, 202-625-1470.

Del Ray Coffeehouse**Saturday, April 18, 7:30 - 10:00 pm**

At the Del Ray United Methodist Church Hall, 100 E. Windsor Ave., Alexandria, VA; off Route #1 South between Crystal City & Old Town Alexandria. East coast singer/songwriter night - **Frank Gotwals** and **Barbara Martin**. Admission \$7.00. For info, call 703-549-4848 (9:30 am - 1:30 pm).

Panzer House Concerts**Saturday, April 18, 8:00 pm**

Monthly concert series featuring acoustic music in an intimate setting in Columbia, MD. *The Kennedys* with **Lisa McCormick**. Reservations required - to RSVP and for directions 410-531-9233. BYOB. Light refreshments served. Suggested donation \$8.

Coffeehouse at Good Counsel**Saturday, April 18, 8:30 pm**

At Good Counsel High School, 11601 Georgia Ave., Wheaton, MD. Featuring **Lisa Jones** and **Bill Bromfield**. *Sheepshead Bay* opens. Admission \$5. For info, call 301-680-8669 evenings.

Reston Community Center Concert**Sunday, April 19, 7:00 pm**

At 2300 Colts Neck Rd., Reston, VA. Features **Tom Prasada-Rao**, **Chris Rosser** & **John Sherman**. For directions & info, call 703-476-4500, website is www.va-acoustic.com/sa/venues/cofehous.

Where? House Concerts**Sunday, April 19**

At Kim Kaplan's house, 2911 Woodstock Ave., Silver Spring, MD. **Seamus Kennedy**, known locally for entertaining in Irish pubs and at Irish festivals, presents an evening full of good songs and great laughs. The evening includes light refreshments. \$10. For reservations (required) and directions, call 301-588-5314 or email jkkaplan@erols.com.

DC Jewish Community Center – Family concert**Sunday, April 26, 11:00 am**

At 1529 16th Street NW, WDC. **Cathy Fink** & **Marcy Marxer** will celebrate the release of their new children's recording, *Changing Channels*. It includes diverse musical styles such as Dixieland, gospel, swing, Celtic and folk; it's sure to be a hit with kids and adults alike. The concert will include songs from the new album as well as some old favorites. \$8.00. For more info/tickets, call 202-518-9400.

YMCA Benefit Children's Concert**Sunday, April 26, 2:00 - 4:00 pm**

Masur Auditorium, Building 10 on the campus of NIH, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda. Family program features *Hot Soup* and **Nicolo Whimsey**. For info, call 301-229-1347.

Kehliat Shalom Synagogue – Klezmer, Yiddish & Israeli Folk Music Concert**Sunday, April 26, 7:00 pm**

At 9915 Apple Ridge Road, Gaithersburg, MD. The *Old World Folk Band*, a ten piece Klezmer band from Harrisburg, PA is dedicated to preserving and presenting the sounds of Jewish music, with poignant melodies, joyous tunes and soulful chants. \$10.00/adults, \$5.00/students, family max. of \$25.00. For info, call 301-869-7699 or email kehliat@tiac.net.

Marley Station**Fridays, April 3 & 17, Noon**

Located at 7900 Ritchie Highway in Glen Burnie, MD - Center Court in the Mall. **Sue Trainor** and **Sue Ribaud** are featured every other week in the "Family Friday at Noon" series. For info, call 410-766-2033.

Klezmer Club**Sundays, April 5 and 19**

At the Chevy Chase Holiday Inn, 5520 Wisconsin Ave (across from Saks Fifth Ave). Featuring *Machaya Klezmer Band* with dancing, singing and concert; \$17 all-you-can-eat buffet, (\$4 cover charge for listening only); singles tables. For info or reservations, call Julian's at the Holiday Inn; 301-951-0001.

Leaf Through Used Book Store and Gathering Place**Thursdays, April 16 & 23**

At 1701L Rockville Pike In the Congressional South Shopping Center, across the parking lot from Magruder's (across the street from the Twinbrook Metro stop). Admission is free and all are invited. For info, call the store at 301-230-8998.

Thurs, April 16, 7:00 pm, Artists of Word and Music Series, open mike evening.

Thurs, April 23, 7:30 pm, Old fashioned hootenanny, sing/play along with musicians of *Michael's Boat*.

Kennedy Center - Millenium Stage, Washington, DC**April 2, 4, 5, 9, 11 & 12, 6:00 - 6:45 pm**

In the foyer. *Ceoltoiri* will be artists in residence. FREE concerts. For info, call 301-588-2820.

Folk, Celtic, and Bluegrass Music at O'Brien's**Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays, 8:30 pm**

Folk and acoustic music venue at O'Brien's, 387 E. Gude Drive in Rockville, MD. For concert schedule info, call 301-762-3395. Ticket prices vary. Tues. shows feature a variety of contemporary acoustic musicians and singer-songwriters. Wed. shows feature Irish and other Celtic performers. Thurs. is Bluegrass night.

Vic's Music Corner - for new acoustic and singer/songwriters. It specializes in presenting lesser known performers, highly regarded by folk aficionados, who are becoming national touring acts.

Dulcimer Jams: Fretted Dulcimer Circle**First Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm**

Meet to swap tunes and play together at the Thomas Jefferson Library, 7415 Arlington Blvd., Falls Church, VA. In addition, the Northern Virginia Hammer Dulcimer Players usually meet the last Saturday afternoon of the month at the Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. For info, call 703-578-3106 or eholsopple@aol.com.

St. Elmo's Coffee Pub - live acoustic music**Every Friday & Saturday night, 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.

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

At the Tortilla Factory, 648 Elden Street, Herndon, VA. Open mike with a 3-song, 12-minute limit. \$1 donation. Member Showcase 2nd Tuesdays. Steve Gillette & Cindy Mangsen 4/28 \$10 (\$9/members). Info: 703-437-7766 or 703-318-0768.

Western Loudoun Arts Center Acoustic Concert Series**Wednesdays, 7:30 - 9:00 pm**

At 743 E. Main St., Purcellville, VA (Blue Ridge Café in the Loudoun Valley Shopping Center). New weekly concert series. Coffee available. Admission is \$5. For more info, call the Blue Ridge Cafe at 540-338-3394.

4/1 John Rickard - songwriter & storyteller from Short Hill Mountain

4/8 Terri Allard & Gary Green - acclaimed Charlottesville singer/songwriter with world champion harmonica

4/15 *Furnace Mountain* - Fine Appalachian, Celtic and original fiddle music

4/22 Vyktoria Pratt Keating - Original upbeat acoustic music; gorgeous vocals with brilliant guitar

4/29 Al Petteway & Amy White - Colorful imagery, stories, and Celtic & contemporary original songs.

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

In the Hobbit's Glen Golf Club, 11130 Willow Bottom Drive, Columbia, MD. \$10. Full menu. For info, call 410-531-5350.

April 2 Y'all.

April 16 Mary Flowers and Ray Kaminsky (blues).

April 9 Jack Hardy and Chuck Brodsky.

April 23 Vance Gilbert with Chris Rosser \$12. Advance tickets

April 30 Steve Gillette and Cindy Mangsen.

- send check to PO Box 10, Columbia MD 21045)

Celtic Concerts at the Old Brogue**Sunday Evening Concerts**

At Snuggery, at the intersection of Walker Road and Route 193 in Great Falls, VA. The concerts offer two sittings each evening, 5 - 6:30 pm and 7 - 8:30 pm. Admission is \$9 for each concert. A season ticket for all 6 dates is \$42. For info & reservations, call 703-759-3309.

The Courtyard Concert Café**Mon thru Thurs, 8:00 pm; Fri & Sat, 9:00 pm; Sun, 7:30 pm**

A smoke-free restaurant/listening room at the Willston II Shopping Centre, 6108 Arlington Blvd. (Rt. 50 & Patrick Henry Drive), Falls Church, VA. Price varies. For info and reservations, call 703-533-2828.

Birchmere**April Events, 7:30 pm**

At 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria, VA. For info, call 703-549-7500 or www.birchmere.com. For tickets, call 202-432-7328. Wed, Apr 1 - *Fairport Convention* (\$16.50) Sun, Apr 26 - *Leahy* (\$17.50)
 Fri, Apr 17 - *Monsters of Folk* featuring **Dave Alvin, Jack Elliott, Tom Russell & Chris Smithers** (\$17.50).

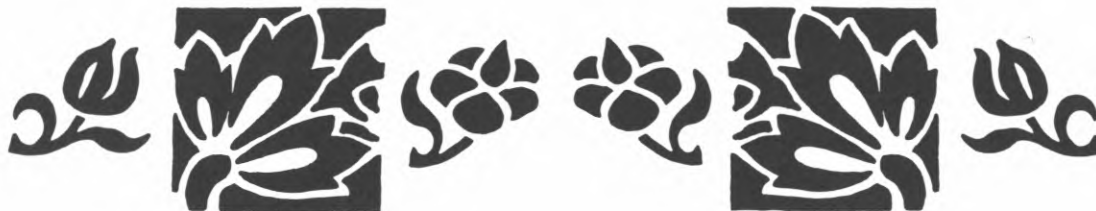
Storytelling in the Washington Area**April events**

Voices in the Glen Newsletter lists many events for all ages. Call Margaret Chatham for info at 703-698-5456.

Footlights, a modern drama discussion group**Tuesday, April 21, 7:30 - 9:30 pm (dinner at 6:30)**

Discuss plays from the modern western theater! We will discuss an authentic Irish masterpiece: Sebastian Barry's *The Steward of Christendom* (1995). At TGI Friday's, 2100 Pennsylvania Ave., NW (2 blocks from Foggy Bottom metro). \$2 donation requested. For more info, call 202-484-8303 or e-mail dsobelso@capaccess.org.

For a comprehensive listing of folk/acoustic music in your area, visit MusiCal at <http://concerts.calendar.com/>.



LOCAL DANCES

Editorial Policy for Dance Events & Classes: 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 Tele Numbers!**

Abbreviations used in the listings: **BEG:** Beginning **INT:** Intermediate **ADV:** Advanced

N/E: No experience necessary **N/P:** No partner necessary.

Friday Night Dances

The Friday Night Dancers & the National Park Service sponsor contra dances (with occasional squares) 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. Beginner classes start at 7:30 pm before each dance. For more info, or if you would like to play or call for a Friday Night Dance, please contact Betsy Platt at 301-320-7099 or bplatt@access.digex.com.

- April 3 *Please and Thank You* with **Chart Guthrie** calling.
- 10 Open band / caller TBA.
- 17 *Taconic Tonic* with **Eric Hollman** calling.
- 24 **Bruce Molsky & Big Hoedown** / caller TBA.
- May 1 **Laura Lengnick and Larry Unger** / caller TBA.

CDSS Northern Virginia Dance Group – English Country Dance**April events**

At Harding Hall, 730 Jackson St., Herndon, VA.

2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 7:45 pm. English Country Dance and Workshop, figures, phrasing, and style taught. Live music. Guest musicians welcome - call Howard. N/P, N/E. \$3. For info, call Howard or Pat at 703-471-0629.

Tues, April 14: **Howard Markham** calling, **Pat Wexelblat** on recorder and **Alice Markham** on piano.

Tues, April 28: **Pat Ruggiero** calling, **Pat Wexelblat** on recorder and **Jeff Steinberg** on fiddle.

Sat, April 18, 8 pm. English Country Dance. Calling by **Barbara Harding**. Recorded music. All are welcome. N/P, N/E, free admission. For more info, call Barbara at 703-437-3615.

Friday Night International Folk Dance Group**Thursday, April 2, 8:00 - 11:00 pm**

At the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD. Int'l Folk Dance party with **Loretta Kelley** (Scandinavian Fiddle music) & *Karpouzi* (Greek music - Clarinet, Santouri, Fiddle, Lauoto, Dumbek & Vocals). Teaching from 8 - 9 pm. N/P, BEG. Wooden floor. \$5.00. For more info, call Larry Weiner 301-565-0539.

Reston Contra Dance**Saturday April 4, 8:00 - 10:45 pm**

Kate Charles calls with the *June Apple Band*. Dance \$5. Beginners workshop 7:00 pm, \$1. Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Rd., Hunters Woods Shopping Center. From 495: Toll Rd. (267 W) to exit 12, Reston Pkwy; left on Pkwy 3/10 mile to first possible left turn (unmarked) into newly configured parking area next to new Rite Aid drugstore. Park, then follow tortuous path to Community Center. Info: Alice Markham, 703-709-9121.

Scandinavian Dance**Saturday, April 4, 8:15 - 10:45 pm**

At Rosemary Hills Elementary School, in the gym at the west end of the school, 2111 Porter Rd., Silver Spring, MD. Music by *Peascods Gathering*. Teaching followed by general dancing. \$4. NE, NP. Info: Carl Minkus 301-493-6281, Fred Aalto 703-356-3036.

Arminius Social Club Spring Dance**Saturday, April 4, 8:30 pm - 12:30 am**

At the Knights of Columbus Hall, 5417 Cedar Lane, Bethesda, MD. Admission \$14 members/\$16 non-members (includes dance and food). *The Edelweiss Band* play dance music. For info, call Gerhard Meinzer at 301-559-1944.

Meadowbrook Community Center Norwegian Dance party**Sunday, April 5, 3:00 - 6:00 pm**

At Rock Creek Park, Montgomery County, MD (near East-West Highway (410) and Beach Drive). Some teaching. **Loretta Kelly** playing Hardanger fiddle. N/P. \$6 donation. For more info, or precise directions call Annamarie 301-588-4001 / email apluhar@tvp.org or Loretta 301-270-4925 email lkelle2@ibm.net.

Scandia DC – Scandinavian couple dancing**Saturday, April 18, 8:00 - 11:00 pm**

At Greenbelt Community Center (dance studio), 25 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD. Teaching by Linda Ross and Ross Schipper from 8 - 9 pm. N/P. Music by **Andrea Hoag**. For info, call 202-333-2826.

The Oklahoma Twisters & Squeeze Bayou Cajun band join forces**Friday April 24, 9:00 pm - 1:00 am**

At Phantasmagoria, 11319 Elkin St. in Wheaton, MD. An evening of Texas Swing and Cajun music. Workshop with **Terry Davey** from 8-9 pm. Admission \$10. FFI - Phantasmagoria 301-949-8886; Squeeze Bayou 301-270-2586.

Washington Saengerbund Spring Concert and Dance**Saturday, April 25, 8:00 pm**

At Knobloch Hall, Upper Marlboro, MD. Dance music by *Lysle Sexton's German Orchestra*. Admission \$7. German food and beverages available to purchase. Free parking. For info, call 202-310-4691.

Swing Concert and Dance**Sunday, April 26, 4:00 - 6:00 pm**

At Glen Echo's Spanish Ballroom. *Oklahoma Twisters*. Dance Lesson 3 - 4 pm. \$5 cover. For info, call 703-644-2536.

Scottish Dance Party**Sunday April 26, 2:00 pm**

At Carly Maxwell Dance Studio (4th Fl), 8030 Main St. Ellicott City. **Elke Baker** and **Terry Traub** playing. Pot luck to follow. For more info, call Annamarie at 301-589-6813 or Elke at 301-869-0963. Please bring soft-soled shoes. \$10.

Swing Dance**Saturday, April 4 & 18, 9:00 - Midnight**

At the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo. The great boogie-woogie sounds of *Cathy King Band*. Admission \$8 (includes the introductory swing workshop from 8 to 9 pm). As always, you are invited to volunteer for free or reduced admission. Call 202-726-3972 and leave a message to volunteer. For more info, call the WSDC Hotline at 301-340-9732.

April 4, jump blues of the *J Street Jumpers*.

April 18, the rockabilly sounds of *Rockin Bones*.

NOTICE: The crowds have been large and growing.

Get there early to be sure and get in.

Sunday Afternoon Waltz at Glen Echo Park**Sunday, April 5 & 19, 3:00 - 6:00 pm**

April 5 with the band *Hesperella* and April 19 (band TBA). Introductory waltz workshop at 3:00 pm, followed by 2½ hours of social dancing. Everyone is welcome to attend. Cost is \$5 per person. For more info, call Donna Barker at 703-978-0375 or see <http://www.erols.com/swing4me>.

Alpine Dancers**Sundays, April 5 & 19, 4:00 - 6:30 pm**

Free open practice of the Alpine Dancers. New dancers welcome. New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6016 Princess Garden Parkway, near Washington Beltway exit 20A. Call for confirmation and directions. Specializing in couples and trio dances from Austria and Germany. Taped music. For info, call 301-577-3503, Carol & Herbert Traxler.

English Country Dance**Saturday, April 11 & 25, 8:15 - 10:45 pm**

At Sligo Middle School, 1401 Dennis Ave., Silver Spring, MD. Music by *Peascods Gathering*, calling by Barbara Harding. N/P, N/E. \$5. For info, call Carl Minkus 301-493-6281 or Karla Farrall 301-577-5018.

Friday Night International Folk Dance Group**Fridays, April 17 & 24, 8:00 - 11:00 pm**

At the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD. International (European) Folkdance - recorded music. Teaching from 8 - 9:15 pm. N/P, BEG. \$5.00. For more info, call Larry Weiner 301-565-0539.

Children's Irish Music Session**Second Monday, 7:00 - 8:30 pm**

In the back room of Nanny O'Brien's, 3319 Conn. Ave NW, DC (by the Cleveland Park metro). Free. For info and session booklet, contact Karen Ashbrook at 301-588-2820 or e-mail at HDashbrook@aol.com.

Taylor Made Squares, a square dancing club**Tuesdays, 8:00 - 9:30 pm**

At the Long Branch Community Center on Piney Branch Road in Silver Spring, MD. There is a wood floor, records are used and the event is free. **Betsy Taylor**, the caller, can be reached at 301-589-4868 for further info. Singles and couples are welcome, and instruction will be given if needed.

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 540-659-3993 or 703-527-8998 (voice mail) or e-mail [sstulberg@aol.com](mailto:ssstulberg@aol.com).

Swiss Folklore Group Dancing**2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7:30 - 10:00 pm**

At the Swiss Embassy, 2900 Cathedral Rd., NW, DC. Dancing to recorded music. Free. Beginners welcome. For info, call Fran Walters at 301-530-5643.

Israeli Dances**Wednesdays, 8:00 - 11:00 pm**

At the Har Shalom Congregation, 11510 Falls Rd., Potomac, MD. Instruction from 8 - 9:15. Oldies on 1st and 3rd Wed, newer dances on 2nd & 4th Wed. Recorded music. \$4. Recorded music. For info, call Ben Hole at 301-441-8213.

Cajun and Zydeco Dancing – Gumbo Groupies**Wednesdays, 8:00 - 10:00 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.

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), 301-495-4642 (day).

Swing Dances**Every Friday, 9:00 - Midnight**

At America Restaurant, Tysons Corner Center, Lower level. *Tom Cunningham Orchestra*. Lessons 8-9 pm. \$10 cover.

Ceilis (Irish set and ceili dancing)**2nd Saturday, 8:00 pm**

From Sept thru June. Free lesson for beginners at 7:30 pm. At the John C. Wood Recreation Center, 3730 Old Lee Hwy., Fairfax, VA. Live music by the *Bog Wanderers Ceili Band*. N/P, N/E. Families and non-dancers welcome. Price: \$10 for adults, \$5 children 6-15, under 6 free (\$20 family maximum). Directions/information: Bob Hickey, 703-978-8265.

Blackthorn Ceili**3rd Saturday of each month, 8:00 pm**

Irish ceili and set dancing. From Sept to May. At St. Michael's, 805 Wayne Ave., Silver Spring, MD. Live music by the *Blackthorn Ceili Band*. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$5 for under 16, free for children under 8. For directions & info, call Clare Stohlman, 301-929-6135.

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 fun & the dancing is addictive and great exercise. We practice in Reston, VA. Come join us, call Laura at 703-845-8536.

**CLASSES**

NOTICE: Starting with the June/July issue, all submitters under "CLASSES" MUST be FSGW members.

BandAid – Ensemble Playing Workshop**Monday, April 20, 7:00 - 10:00 pm**

Area pianist **Liz Donaldson** will lead an ensemble playing session with emphasis on how to play by ear and provide good harmony. All instruments welcome. Cost \$10. To register or find out more contact Liz at 301 986-1291 or liz@us.net.

Dance Classes with Donna Barker & Ken Haltenhoff. No partner required (EXCEPT Master Waltz class as noted). Recorded music used for classes. For further info, call Donna at 703-978-0375 or see the web site at <http://www.erols.com/swing4me>.

Monday Nights, Maryland Youth Ballet, Second Floor, 7702 Woodmont Ave., Bethesda, MD. March 30 - April 20: 7 - 8 pm = Beg. Swing; 8 - 9 pm = Beg. Waltz; 9 - 10 pm = Beg. Lindy. \$40/person for each 4-week series. Register at first class.

Wednesday Nights at Vienna's Grille, 146 Maple Ave., East, Route 123, Vienna, VA. Come to workshops and dance OR just the dancing from 8:45 to 11 pm! 7:15 - 8:00 pm = Beg. Swing; 8:00 - 8:45 pm = Int./Adv. Swing; 8:45 - 11 pm = Dancing to music by DJ. \$10/night for workshops AND dance, \$7/night for dance only (\$12 & \$9 respectively for non-PSDC members)

Thursday Nights – April 2 - 23: 6 - 7 pm = Beg. Swing; 7 - 8 pm = Int. Swing; 8 - 9 pm = Int. Waltz; 9 - 10 pm = Int. Lindy with practice time afterward. \$36 per person for each 4-week series. Register at first class.

Clogging Class - FREE - taught to modern c/w & bluegrass music at Thomas Jefferson Com. Center, Arlington VA, by *Old Dominion Cloggers*. Thursdays at 7:30 pm starting April 16 for 5 weeks. N/P, beg. For info, call Bill at 703-379-7525, email william.gueyler@ferc.fed.us or Karen at 703-354-3713.

Dance Classes – Taped music. BEG/INT, Singles/Couples. \$50 for 10 sessions. For more info, call Anna at 301-340-8723.

Mon, starting 3/30 - 8:00 pm -- Israeli Golden Oldies, Potomac Community Center, Potomac, MD.

Tues, starting 3/31 - 9:00 am -- Line Dancing, Potomac Community Center, Potomac MD.

10:30 & 11:30 am -- Line Dancing, Damascus Community Center, Damascus, MD.

Tues, starting 4/7 - 1:30 pm -- Latin Line Dancing, IONA in NW Washington DC

Fri, starting 4/3 - 7:00 pm -- Line Dancing; 8:00 pm -- Greek, Israeli, & other folk dances; Cold Spring Elementary Schl, Potomac, MD.

International Folk Dance Classes Mondays at the Leland Community Center in Bethesda, MD. BEG, 7:15 - 8:00 pm; INT/ADV, 8:15 - 10:00 pm. \$5 per class. N/P, mostly recorded music. Instructors: Phyllis and Brandon Diamond. For info, call 301-871-8788.

Music in the Glen, group lessons in **Irish fiddle** and **pennywhistle** for various ages and ability levels, 5 weeks, April 18-May 30. Locations in Vienna, Takoma Park, and DC. Offerings are for teens and adults, beg pennywhistle for ages 8-12, and an Irish repertoire class for melody instrumentalists. \$50.00 for the 6 weeks, \$35.00 for the children's series only. For more info and to register, call Betsy at 703-560-4719.

Irish Ceili and Set Dancing. Wednesdays at the Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo & Thursdays, at the Frost Center, Aspen Hill Rd., Rockville. Beginners 7:00-8:15 pm. Intermediate and advanced 8:15-9:30 pm. 12-week session is \$35. Instructor is Jim Keenan. Taped music. For info, call 301-840-1416. Ceili on the 3rd Thursday of each month.

Scottish Country Dancing - Wed, 8:00 pm, Durant Center, Alexandria, VA. Live music once a month. N/P. Basic and general class available. Northern Virginia Branch, Royal Scottish Country Dance Society. For info, call 703-329-9118.

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. Soft-soled shoes please. For more info, call 301-589-6813 or e-mail apluhar@tvp.org or Elke at 301-869 0963.

Scottish Country Dancing - Tuesdays, 8:00 pm, Greenbelt Community Center, beginners welcome, N/P, N/E. \$3 a night, first night. Free. Taped music. For info/directions, call 202-234-6840 or e-mail: jmcclullo@erols.com.

Scottish Country Dancing - Mondays, 8:00 p.m., NIH Fitness Center (Bldg T-39), Bethesda, MD. N/P, N/E. Beg and ADV. \$3 a night. Taped music. For info/directions, call 301-942-2831, or e-mail: BLPeet@aol.com

Western Square Dancing for BEG. Wednesdays at the North Chevy Chase Christian Church, 8814 Kensington Pkwy. Taped music. N/P. \$3.50/session, 7 - 8:30 pm. Mainstream dancing from 8:30 - 10:00 pm. For info, call 301-762-4541 or 301-593-6267.

Scandinavian Folk Dances (Advanced basics)--Couple turning dances including Hambo, waltz, & polska. Taught by Linda Brooks & Ross Schipper. 4 Tuesdays, April 7 - 28, from 8:00-9:30 pm. Recorded music. N/P. \$5 donation. Meadowbrook Community Center in Rock Creek Park off East-West Highway at Meadowbrook Drive. For info, call Frank or Elaine at 301-588-8745.

Traditional Clogging including some Irish: Classes at Wakefield Recreation Center, Beltway & Braddock in VA, Thursdays at 8:30 pm. New classes start April 2 for 10 weeks at \$55. Taught by Jim Maxwell and other Patchwork dancers. We also have classes for children and adults on Saturday at 10 am. For info call, Jim Maxwell at 703-503-9260, 202-401- 3571 or James_Maxwell@ed.gov.

Baroque Dance (17th / 18th C.) Classes, taught by Cheryl Stafford. Tuesday nights, 8:30-9:45 pm, taped music. At Ballet 106 in Gaithersburg, MD. N/P, N/E. \$15/class. For info and directions, call Cheryl at 301-330-0072.

AND BEYOND

MARYLAND

Baltimore Folk Music Society Dances (BFMS)

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.satelink.net/bfms/.

Square and Contra Dancing – Wednesday evenings. For more info, call 410-321-8419.

Free workshops introducing basic contra dance figures on the 4th Wednesday of this month at 7:30 pm.

Apr 1 April Fools Dance - Please bring goodies to share, and dress as foolishly as possible. **Kate Charles** calls, band is **Mike Stein, Marcy Marxer, & Cathy Fink**.

Apr 8 Note special place and time! - 7:30-10:30 at Church of the Redeemer, N. Charles St. at Melrose Ave, just north of Northern Pky. **Robbin Schaffer** calls, band is *Nightingale* - **Jeremiah McLane, Becky Tracy, Keith Murphy**.

Apr 15 **DeLaura Padovan** calls, band is *Fiddlestyx* - **Steve Hickman, John Devine, Jim Bienemann, Jon Simmons**.

Apr 22 **Susan Taylor** calls, band is *Goosebone Prophets* - **Laura Lengnick & John Devine**.

Apr 29 **Laura Brown** calls, band is *The IVs* (The "Fours") - **Andrea Hoag, Charlie Pilzer, Paul Oorts, Karen Ashbrook**.

English Country Dancing – Monday evenings. Beginners are always welcome. For more info, call 410-740-3250

Apr 6 No dance tonight due to Easter week. Note: there will be no beginner workshop in April.

Apr 13 **Judi Rivkin** from Seattle calls, music by **Andrea Hoag** and **Liz Donaldson**.

Apr 20 **Rich Galloway** calls, music by **Marty Taylor** and **Jonathan Jensen**.

Apr 27 **Christopher Field** calls, music by **Robbin Schaffer**, **Carl Friedman**, and **Susan Brandt**.

2nd Saturday Contra Dance Series. April 18, 8:00 - 11:00 pm. Free intro dance workshop at 7:30 pm. At St. Mark's On the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Road, Baltimore (just inside the Baltimore beltway - I-695 - at exit 20 South). Workshop \$2, dance \$6 for BFMS and St. Mark's members, \$8 for non-members. For info, call 410-561-4573. **Greg Frock** calling to music by *Hopscotch* - **Dave Miller**, **Hal Switkay**, and **Chris Carpenter**.

BFMS House Concert Featuring *Slaveya*, Saturday, April 25 at 8:00 pm at the home of Andy Cooper & Dan Hollister in NE Baltimore. Admission: \$8 BFMS/FSGW members, \$10 others. Call 410-426-3894 for directions and to let them know you're coming. Please bring a snack or beverage to share. *Slaveya* sings folk and traditional a cappella music from Eastern Europe and neighboring regions. *Slaveya's* members are: **Thea Austen**, **Karen Chittenden**, **Margie Crawford**, **Helen Fedor**, **Anne Harrison**, **Andrea Loewenwarter**, **Susanne Oldham**, **Miriam Rollin**, and **Diane Weinroth**.

Baltimore's Open Band Rehearsal**Thursday, April 9, 8:00 - 10:00 pm**

At McGregor Yatsevich's, 127 Longview Drive in Catonsville. Come play with the ever-lovable Open Band. Folks gather each month at rotating locations to play, practice, chat & chew. For info or if you need music, call Susan at 410-254-1730.

Annapolis Traditional Dance Society**Saturday, April 4 & 11, 8:00**

At the Fraternal Order of Police Hall, 1311 General's Highway (MD Route 178), Crownsville, MD. Lovely wooden floor. For info, call the ATDS hotline at 410-544-9505.

Apr 4 Contra Dance featuring **Greg Frock** calling to music by *Some Assembly* (**Mary Flora**, **Paul Miller**, **Donna Boylan** and guest), \$6 ATDS Members and Reciprocals/\$8. General, Instruction at 7:20 pm.

Apr 11 Swing to the music by *Sunset Royals Orchestra*. General instruction at 7:00 pm. \$9.

333 Coffeehouse, Annapolis**Friday, April 17, 8:00 pm**

At the Unitarian Church, 333 Du Bois Road, off Bestgate (Exit 24). **Greg Howard** and **Bernice Lewis**. \$6 / students & seniors \$5. Food available. For info, call Max at 410-647-4275.

Chesapeake Children's Museum Festival, Annapolis**Saturday, April 25**

At Riva Road Shopping Center, 2331 Forest Drive, Annapolis, MD. \$3.00 admission includes the concert and all-day play at the museum. Family concert features **Sue Trainor** solo at 10:00 am. For info, call 410-266-0677.

Frederick (MMFAC) Contra Dance**Saturday, April 25, 8:00 pm**

Laura Brown calls mostly contras to the tunes of *Folk Remedy* (**Elke Baker**, **Ken Wright**, and **Liz Donaldson**). At the Talley Adult Recreation Center at Bentz and Second Streets in Frederick, MD. Beginners' workshop starts at 7 pm. Admission is \$3 for Frederick city residents, \$4 for Mid-Maryland Folk Arts Council members, and \$6 for everyone else.

Baldwin's Station & Pub – Sykesville, MD**April Events, 6:00 pm**

At 7618 Main Street. Dining room opens at 7:00 pm. For event info, call Joyce Sica at 410-521-9099 or e-mail

4/1 **Al Petteway & Amy White.**

4/22 **Karen Savoca.**

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4/29 **Tom Vincent & Vyktoria Pratt Keating.**

4/15 **Mike Munford, Jon Glik & Mark MacGlashan.**

VIRGINIA

Bluemont Old-time Country Dances**Saturday, April 18, 8:00 pm**

At the Old Bluemont School Community Center, Bluemont, VA. **Tom Hinds** calls to music by *Uncle Henry's Favorites* (**Peter** and **Ellen Vigour**). For info and directions, call 703-777-6306 or e-mail bluemontes@aol.com.

WEST VIRGINIA

Buffalo Gap Work Weekends April 11-12 and May 9-10. Please contact Andy Rogers at 304-856-1122 or e-mail gapbuflo@aol.com. Visit our web page www.buffalogapcamp.com. We still have some choice dates available for dances, retreats, weddings, reunions, etc.

Shepherdstown Music & Dance - Contra Dance, Saturday, April 4, 8:00 pm. At the War Memorial Building (Men's Club) on German Street. **Beth Molaro** will call contras to the music of *Microchasm* (**Laura Lengnick, Steve Hickman, Dave Wiesler, and John Devine**). Free beginner's workshop at 7:15 pm. Dancers must bring soft-soled shoes. Admission is \$6.00 for non-members / \$4.50 for members. For info, call 304-725-0266 or 304-876-2169.

Shepherdstown Music & Dance Special Tea Dance & Concert, Saturday, April 11. Afternoon Contra dance with *Nightingale* (**Keith Murphy, Becky Tracy & Jeremiah McLane**), **Mary Des Rosiers** calling at 1:00 pm followed by a sit-down tea at 4:00 pm at the Shepherdstown Men's Club (corner of King & German Sts). Info, Bruce at 304-725-0266. Concert with *Nightingale* at 8:00 pm at Shepherd College's Reynolds Hall (across the street from the Men's Club. \$12 adults, \$10 members, \$5 children under 12. (Does not include dance and tea!). For info, call Joanie at 304-263-2531.

Shenandoah Coffeehouse Series - Season Finale Concerts, Sat. 4/18 Shepherdstown WV, War Memorial Bldg., 102 W. German St. 8 pm. Features **Vyktoria Pratt Keating, Simple Gifts & John Sherman**. Tickets available at Maggie's Organic Grocer, 106 W. German St.; Infoline is 540-687-6759, website is www.va-acoustic.com/sa/venues/cofehous

Old World Music & Dance / Buffalo Gap, WV – Memorial Day Weekend - May 22-25. Music & dance from the Rom (Gypsy) community and the Balkans. Dance staff includes **Severdjan Azirovi** family (Rom dances) & **Michael Ginsburg** (Balkan dance). Music by **Zlatne Uste Balkan Brass Band**, the **Yuri Yunakov Ensemble** (Yuri is Bulgaria saxophone player), and the **George Caba Transcarpathian Ensemble** (Romanian, Serbian/Croatian music). Food by Janet Bradley. \$260. For info: Larry Weiner or Margaret Loomis 301-565-0539, e-mail: weiner@erols.com.

International Folk Dance Weekend - May 22-25 (Memorial Day). Features **Theodore Vasilescu** (Romanian dance), **Ingval Sodal** (Scandinavian dances), **Tineke Van Geel** (Armenian dance). Performance by **Smoesul-Napoca Folklore Ensemble** (Romanian dance and music). Many dance and music workshops. At the Holton Arms School and the Women's Club of Chevy Chase. For a flyer and info, call Phyllis Diamond, 301-871-8788.

Almost Heaven 98

Saturday, May 23 thru Monday, May 25

At YMCA Camp Horseshoe, St. Georges, WV (a 4½ hour drive from the DC area). Swing to the *O-Tones*, contra and waltz to *Swallowtail*, and learn couples dances with **Donna and Ken**. Cost before 4/14 is \$150 for adults and \$85 for kids. For info, call Cindy at 301-933-3645, Joyce at 301-596-0487, or Myrna at 410-268-5540.

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June 15 - 20

5- day residential festival with workshops, concerts, dances and jam sessions featuring the hammered dulcimer. Featured artists are: **Kim Murley** (Chinese and Appalachian) **Scott Reiss** (and *Hesperus* doing Crossover Traditional and Early Music), **Linda Lowe Thompson** (Traditional American) and **Ken Kolodner** (with **Robin Bullock** and **Laura Risk** doing Celtic and International). For more info and a brochure, contact Joanie Blanton at 304-263-2531 or blanton@intrepid.net



PENNSYLVANIA

York Folk Dance Association – Contra Dance

Friday, April 3, 8:00 - 11:00 pm

At the Red Lion Grange, Rt. 24 & Lombard Rd., Red Lion, PA. Beginners' workshop 7:30. **Beth Molaro** calling to the *Lava Lamps* (Laura Lengnick & Dave Wiesler). Cost: \$6.00. For info, call 717-845-2897 or sdenise@umaryland.edu.

Lancaster Traditional Society Contra Dance

Saturday, April 18, 8:00 - 11:00 pm

At Faith United Church of Christ, 1204 Wabank St., Lancaster. Caller, **Beth Molaro**, band: *Crofter's Heir*. \$6. Free beginners' workshop at 7:15 pm. For info and directions, call 6717-390-7277 or sam@mcc.org.

FARTHER AWAY

Victoria's Revenge Dancefest, Cape May, NJ – May 1 & 2. The weekend features music by *CHILDSPLAY* and calling by **Susan Kevra** and **Tom Hinds**. Dance to the exciting, elegant music of over 20 of the best fiddlers you will ever hear play together. Flyer at local dances or call 301-320-7099 or e-mail Bplatt@access.digex.com with your request. Early registration counts this year. The weekend includes a Friday night contra-dance, a full day of workshops on Saturday, a picnic lunch with live music, and the Victorian Ball on Saturday evening. \$45.

The John C. Campbell Folk School spring dance weekend – May 1 - 3. In Brasstown, NC. Featuring contra, square & English country dancing taught and called by **Sue Dupre & Bob Dalsemer** to live music by **Al & Alice White**, **Tippy Kramer** and **Daron Douglas** and singing with **Patty Tarter**. Tuition is \$80. Various room and board options ranging from camping to dorm rooms to double private rooms (\$56-\$105). For further info, call 1-800-365-5724 (8-5 pm weekdays) & see <http://www.grove.net/~jccfs/>.



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