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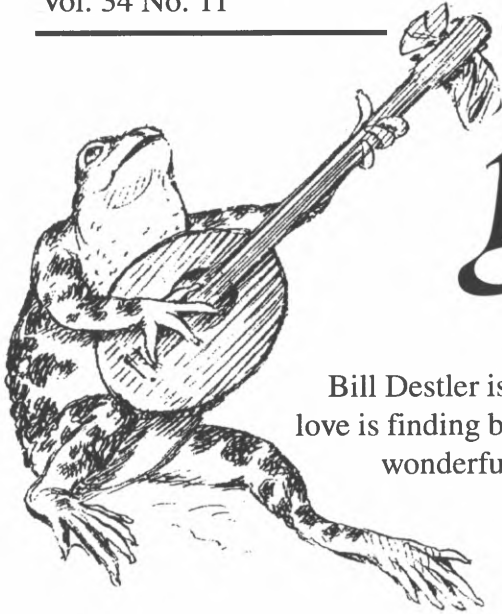
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Special Event/House Concert

Silver Spring, MD



Bill Destler

Wednesday, August 12th • 8 pm

Bill Destler is a fine traditional singer, songwriter, and guitar and banjo player, but his real love is finding beautiful songs and singing them with others. Come prepared to hear and sing wonderful songs of all kinds.

Bill has a delightful repertoire of carefully culled material. Having passed through all of the mandatory phases of folk singer development (British, Australian, Canadian, American, traditional, non-traditional but folk-like, ballads, blues, lyric songs, work songs, spirituals, a cappella, accompanied, solo, group, etc.), he has finally arrived at the wonderful point where he just loves to sing good songs. And we can be the beneficiaries.

Bill is a former President of both FSGW and BFMS, and has recorded both solo and as a member of the group *Rock Creek*. This should be a fun evening, so come join us at the air-conditioned home of **Jennifer Woods and Bob Clayton** in Silver Spring. Call them at **301-587-7174** for directions. Admission is \$7 for FSGW members (\$10 for non-members). (*FYI: they have two cats & a dog for those with allergies.*)



Sunday Night Dances

Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, MD

Sundays • 7:30-10:30 pm

FSGW's Sunday evening dance is held in the historic Spanish Ballroom at the Glen Echo National Historic Site in Maryland, just off MacArthur Boulevard where it intersects with Goldsboro road. 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 FSGW members and affiliated groups (BFMS, CDSS, ATDS) and \$8.00 for all others. The dancing can be quite aerobic and Spanish Ballroom is not air-conditioned, so please dress accordingly.

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FSGW Sunday Night Dances *continued from front page:*

August

- 2 Lou Shapiro calls tonight with **Andrea Hoag & friends** providing the music.
- 9 Our caller is birthday girl **Ann Fallon**. *The Contra Rebels* add old-time spice to the occasion, with **Bob Buckingham** on fiddle, **Jack Quigley** on guitar, **Renny Allgyer** on banjo & **Todd Clewell** on bass.
- 16 Philadelphian **Jim Kitch** is back with another batch of his inventive contras. Music is by our home-grown *Terpsichore*, **Elke Baker** on fiddle & **Liz Donaldson** on piano.
- 23 Charlottesville caller **Brad Sayler** teams up with *Microchasm*, another of our exceptional local bands: **Steve Hickman & Laura Lengnick** on fiddle, **John Devine** on guitar & **Dave Wiesler** on piano.
- 30 A favorite visiting caller, **Beth Molaro**, with yet another exciting local band, *the IVs*. **Andrea Hoag** (fiddle), **Dave Wiesler** (piano) and multi-instrumentalists **Karen Ashbrook** and **Paul Oorts**.

September (*still subject to change*):

- 6 **NOT AT GLEN ECHO**. Probably at the Clara Barton Community, Center 75th Street and MacArthur Blvd. Check FSGW hotline or September newsletter. Music by **Whiskers Before Breakfast** (**Ritchie Schuman**, **Al Taylor**, and **Steve Benke**).
- 13 Back at Glen Echo Park. Caller: **Tom Hinds**, with **Laura Lengnick**, **Liz Donaldson**, and **Ralph Gordon**.
- 20 *Uncle Gizmo*.
- 27 *Medicinal Purpose*

FSGW English Country Dance



Glen Echo Town Hall Wednesdays • 8 to 10:30pm

Attend the FSGW's English country dances and find a mix of fun and refined dancing led by talented callers who are accompanied by top-notch 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, many of which you will hear playing for us during the summer months. 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 p.m. Open to dancers of all experience levels. Cost: members \$5, non-members \$6. The Town Hall is climate controlled: that means Air Conditioned for enjoyable dancing during the hot, muggy, Washington summer.

August

- 5 **Liz Donaldson** calls to music played by **Barbara Heitz** on flute, **Judy Kleppel** on oboe, and pianist **Alice Markham**.
- 12 **Stephanie Smith's** calling is accompanied by pianist **Liz Donaldson**, **Karin Loya** on cello and flutist **Colleen Spence**.
- 19 **Diane Schmit** calls to the music of **Liz Donaldson** on piano, **Howard Markham** on concertina, and fiddler (not on the roof; well grounded) **Jeff Steinberg**.
- 26 **Brad Sayler's** calling to music by flutist **Susan Brandt**, **Becky Ross** on fiddle and the incomparable pianist **Dave Wiesler**.

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., in the building with the post office. **Info:** **Norm Bernhardt**, 301-320-2469 or **Rich Galloway**, 301-589-0939. **Roger Broseus**, English@fswg.org.

34th Annual FSGW Getaway! Coming SOON!

Friday-Monday, October 9-12, 1998

Held at YMCA Camp Letts just south of Annapolis MD, the **FSGW Getaway** features good folk music under the trees and beside the water. Enjoy music, food, friendship and beautiful sunsets on the water. There will be traditional group singing and playing, song and tune swapping, and informal workshops on singing, dancing, crafts and storytelling - the days are packed with good times. There will be music by many local residents and invited guests from around the country. Food will once more be provided by *Debby McClatchy's Trail's End Kitchen*. Camp Letts will provide fall colors, hiking trails, canoes and horseback riding. Bring the whole family - there are activities for everyone.

If you have never been to the Getaway before, bring the family for a day's outing and see all the fun that you have been missing. Registration is available by the day as well as for the entire weekend. Camp Letts is less than an hour's drive from Washington - even if you live in northern Virginia. Info: **Dolores Nichols at 703.938.4564 or doloresn@d-and-d.com**.

See the Newsletter insert for additional information and registration form.

Contra Dancing With Beginners

*(Second in a series of two on contra dance etiquette by
Laura Brown, a well-known DC area contra dance caller)*

In last month's article, I encouraged dancers to actively invite newcomers to join our community by dancing with them. If you have decided to try this out, here are some helpful hints to help make these dances more enjoyable for you and your less experienced partner:

1. *Attitude*: While it is true that a first-time dancer's swing (etc.) may not be perfect, don't think of this as "sacrificing" a good time. What you get instead is the genuine excitement sharing a new dancer's discovery of something new and wonderful, as you introduce them to the joy of dancing. So relax, and enjoy the tradeoff.

2. *Take the lead* (women, too): You have to think like a caller, anticipating what the next move is and helping your partner get ready for it. Physically and verbally point your partner in the right direction (but try not to push).

3. *"Ripping my arm out"*: Some experienced dancers have expressed concern about getting hurt. If someone is being rough, tell them! Whether the person is a beginner or more experienced, don't get hurt and then let that dancer go on to the next person and repeat the mistake! Most beginners (and many experienced dancers) are willing to take helpful hints if presented respectfully.

4. *Embellishments*: A twirl is NOT standard after a ladies chain. Please don't teach it to beginners. They have enough to worry about in the dance without being disoriented by being twirled or having a whirling dervish twirl under their arm. Please remember this etiquette: the gent offers a twirl, and the lady accepts or declines. If she declines, gents, put your other arm around her, look deeply into her eyes (something you can't do in a twirl) and turn her courteously.

And please don't change a dance on a beginner (for example, turning a do-si-do into swing). For the beginner's sake, do the dance the way the caller teaches it.

Be patient, and, MOST IMPORTANT, have fun!



Other FSGW Events & Dances

FSGW Board Meeting Monday, August 3 • 8 pm

The FSGW board meetings are held at the Glen Echo Park Ranger Station. All FSGW members are welcome to 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**.

Open Sing Friday, August 7 • 8:30 pm

Open sings are usually held the first Friday of every month at 8:30 pm in members' homes. We usually go around the room, giving everyone a chance to sing a song, play a tune, or pass. Most songs are presented from memory, but cheat-sheets often appear. Everyone is welcome. The open sings have a loose topic to encourage us to learn new songs or put the polish back on some old ones. Don't worry if you can't think of a song on the topic, come join in the fun anyway.

This month the sing will be held on Friday, August 7 at the home of Nancy King in Kensington, MD starting at 8:30 pm. The topic is: *The Weather* —. For directions/information call **Nancy at 301.933.3073**.

Gospel Sing Sunday, August 9 • 4 pm

Gospel sings are held every second Sunday at various homes. The singing usually starts at 4:00pm and breaks for a covered dish supper at 6:00pm with more singing after supper. Everyone is welcome!

This month's Gospel Sing will be at the home of **Peggy and Hunter Jones in Potomac, MD**. Call them at **301.762.6343** for directions.

Storyswap Saturday, August 8 • 7:30 pm

In the home of **Jane Dorfman** in Bethesda. It's open to tellers and listeners, and it's free. Bring something for pot luck snack. Call **Jane at 310.654.5818** for directions and to RSVP.

Sacred Harp Singing Sunday, August 23 • 4 pm

The FSGW sponsors monthly sings of early American hymns, anthems, and fuguing tunes in four-part harmony. The main tunebook is *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*, but we also use *Christian Harmony* (Deason-Parris revision) and occasionally, *Northern Harmony* or *An American Christmas Harp*; local composers sometimes contribute original compositions as well. These sings are held every fourth Sunday afternoon (except in December) and also on New Year's Day. Singing with rotation of leaders usually starts at 4 pm and is followed by a pot-luck supper from 6 to 7 pm and more singing after supper. All are welcome to come and sing or listen for as long as desired. Loaner tunebooks are available. Admission is free. (At some church locations a free-will offering is taken.)

The next Sacred Harp Sing, August 23, is at the home of **Flawn Williams in Hyattsville, MD**. Directions/Info call **Flawn 301-864-6492** or **Mary Ann Daly at 202-543-3539**.

FSGW Co-sponsored Events

Waltz Potpourri Sunday, August 9 • 3:30 to 6pm

Swirl and twirl in the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park to the sounds of the *Waltz Gypsies* (**Alexander Michell, Dave Wiesler and Wendy Morrison**) Lessons at 3pm. Bring a picnic and stay for the Sunday Evening contra dance! **Info: 301.320.7099 or bplatt@access.digex.net**.

International Folk Dancing

Thursdays, 7:30 to 10:45 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 pm. Request dancing 9-10:45 pm. No experience or partner necessary. Mostly taped music. Occasional parties and workshops. \$4 admission. Further information, 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 event information.



Note From the New Editor

If you have been a member of FSGW for more than one month you have probably noticed that this issue of our newsletter has a new look. As part of the transition to a new publications chair, we have instituted an overhaul of the FSGW newsletter, including a new masthead and layout, as well as some changes in format. We have reduced the number of sections to make events and dances easier to find, and have included a handy monthly calendar suitable for framing. As with any change, there will be something lost, but we hope that our readers will feel that the result is an significant overall improvement. We want to thank long-time member and former FSGW newsletter editor, Jennifer Woods, for both her commitment as a member of the newsletter staff and for her creativity, which really shows.

We would like to encourage members to consider submitting articles. Many members have commented positively on the series by Laura Brown (the last of which appears on page 3) and we'd love to hear your ideas on other articles that might be of interest to our members. Any comments, ideas or criticisms are welcome. Send your e-mail to newslettereditor@fsgw.org or call the new editor, Richard Seidel, at 202.966.3583.

Other Local Events

Connemara **Saturday August 1 • 8pm**
Connemara at The Mainstay, Rock Hall, MD. Info: 410-639-7361.

Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer
Tuesday August 4 • 7:30pm
 Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer perform for their more mature fans (i.e. not a kids concert) at Strathmore Hall Arts Center, 10701 Rockville Pike. The concert is part of the Arts Center's free Tuesday night series and takes place outdoors. Info: 301.530.0540.

Freer Central Asian Concert
Saturday August 8 • 6:30pm

The Smithsonian's Freer Gallery of Art (Jefferson Drive at 12th Street S.W.) features *Ilyas Malayev and Ensemble Maqam* performing lively music and dance from the Central Asian republics of Uzbekistan and Tajikistan. This free outdoor event on the Freer Gallery steps features instrumental pieces from the *shash-maqam* repertoire, songs in the classical Persian *ghazal* form, and folk music and dance. Rain location: Meyer Auditorium.

Panzer House Concerts
Saturday August 8 & Sunday, August 30 • 8pm
 Concert series featuring acoustic music in an intimate setting. Reservations required. Call to RSVP and for directions 410-531-9233.

Saturday August 8, 8pm, **Debi Smith**
 Sunday August 30, 4pm, **Barton & Sweeney and Joni Bishop**

Grace Griffith & Zan McLeod
Saturday August 8 • 8pm
Grace Griffith in concert with **Zan McLeod**, rain or shine. Ferguson Ampitheatre at Hard Bargain Farm, 2001 Bryant Point Road, Accokeek, MD. \$10 donation, proceeds benefit Alice Ferguson Foundation. Info: 301.292.5665 weekdays, 301.203.0720.

"Aug-toberfest" Concert
Friday August 28 • 7:30pm

Lake Accotink "Aug-toberfest" Concert with the *Blaskapelle "Alte Kameraden" German Band and the Alpine Dancers* at 5660 Heming Avenue, Springfield, VA. Entrances at Highland Avenue & Heming Avenue. Free concert. Info: 703.425.9300.

Folk Club of Reston **Tuesdays • 7pm**
 At the Tortilla Factory, 648 Elden Street, Herndon, VA. Open mike with a 3-song/12 minute limit. \$1 donation. Member showcase 2nd Tuesdays. Info: 703.437.7766 or 703.318.0768.

Marley Station, Sue Trainor & Sue Ribaud
Second & Fourth Fridays • 12 noon
 At Center Court in the Mall, 7900 Ritchie Highway, Glen Burnie, MD. **Sue Trainor and Sue Ribaud** are featured every other week in the "Family Friday at Noon" series. Info: 410.766.2033

2nd Annual John Jackson Benefit Concert
Saturday September 12, 7:30pm
 Benefits Fauquier Habitat for Humanity. Fauquier High School, Warrenton, VA. Advance (Mastercard/Visa) \$10.00 540-341-4952, at the door \$12.00.

Takoma Park Folk Festival
Sunday September 13, 11 to 6pm
 The 21st annual Takoma Park Folk Festival moves to its NEW location at the intersection of Rt. 410 and Maple Avenue, Takoma Park, MD., rain or shine. Admission is free, and free shuttle buses run will run all day from the Metro, and satellite parking areas. Six stages of music and dance, as well as crafts, community tables, and ethnic foods. Musical highlights include **Tom Paxton, Hazel Dickens & Dudley Connell, Magpie, Robin Bullock, Machaya Klezmer Band,** and *Irish Shenanigans*. Info and/or to volunteer: 301.270.5367, or tpffmd@aol.com



Other Local Dances

Special policy for dance submissions

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 telephone numbers!

Friday Night Contra Dances at Glen Echo • 8:30pm

The Friday Night Dancers and the National Park Service sponsor contra dances (with occasional squares) at the Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, MacArthur Blvd. at Goldsboro. Admission is \$5 unless otherwise noted. Beginners always welcome. Beginner classes start at 7:30pm. For more information, or if you would like to play or call for a Friday Night Dance, contact **Betsy Platt, 301.320.7099** or **bplatt@access.digex.com**.

August

- 7 **Ridge Kennedy** with *Tithonia*,
- 14 **Mark Sherman** and guest with *Open Band*
- 21 **Robbin Schaffer** with **Liz Donaldson**, **Alexander Mitchell** and **Ken Wright**.
- 28 **Ann Fallon** with *Laura & the Lava Lamps*

Advance notice: September 4 and 11 the Friday Night Dances will move to the Clara Barton Recreational Center, on the right, approximately one mile north of Glen Echo Park on MacArthur Blvd. at 75th Street.

Swing Dance (WSDC)

First and Fifth Saturday • 9pm to midnight

At the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park. \$1 of the \$8 admission fee goes to the Spanish Ballroom rehabilitation fund. Introductory swing workshop starts at 8pm. To volunteer in exchange for reduced or free admission, call 202.726.3972. **Info: Washinton Swing Dance Committee Hotline, 301.340.9732.** *Note:* Due to large crowds, there have been long lines for these dances, so get there early.

August

- 1 *Swing Speak*
- 29 *Seville*

Sunday Afternoon Waltz

Sundays, August 2, 16, 30 • 3:30 to 6pm

Social dancing (mostly waltzes, of course) to live music. All levels welcome to attend. Admission \$5. **Info: www.erols.com/swing4me** or **Donna Barker** at 703.978.0375.

August

- 2 *Blue Bamboo*
- 16 *The Waltz Gypsies*
- 30 *The IVs*

Zydeco Dance Saturday August 8 • 9 to 11pm

Zydeco dance at Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom. **Geno Delafosse & French Rockin' Boogie**, workshop at 8:00, \$10.

English Country Dance (CDSS)

Saturday, August 15 • 8pm

At Harding Hall, 730 Jackson St. Herndon, VA. English Country Dance. Caller **Barbara Harding** with recorded music. All welcome. No experience or partner necessary. Free. **Info: Barbara 703.437.3615.**

Cajun Dance Sunday, August 23 • 3:30 to 6pm

Cajun Dance at Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom. Fais-do-do with *Squeeze Bayou Cajun Band*. Workshop at 3pm, \$8.



Bluemont Morris

Mondays • 7 to 8:30pm

A group of men and women who do traditional Morris dances in the spring and fall. The group is fun and the dancing is addictive and great exercise. Practice in Reston, VA. If you would like to join, call **Laura 703.845.8536.**

Arlington International Folk Dancing

Tuesdays • 8 to 10pm

At Key Elementary School, Key Blvd. (between Adams & Veitch, three blocks from Courthouse Metro), Arlington, VA \$3. Recorded music. Instruction, walk-throughs, and requests. No experience or partner necessary. **Info: 540.659.3993** or **703.527.8998** (voicemail) or e-mail **sstulberg@aol.com**.

Foggy Bottom Morris Men Tuesdays • 8 to 10pm

Foggy Bottom Morris is looking for a few good men! We practice our brand of English traditional Morris dancing at Oak View ES, 400 E. Wayne Ave., Silver Spring, MD. No experience necessary, but some minimal physical conditioning and some sense of rhythm would be helpful. **Info: Bill Brown 301.270.2014** or **Judy McIntire 703.528.0588.**

International Folk Dancing Tuesdays • 7 to 9pm

Note changed location: Madison Recreation Center Dance Studio Rm. 13, Old Glebe Rd. & Stafford St. near Chain Bridge, Arlington, VA. \$3. Recorded music. Instruction, walk-throughs and requests. Singles welcome and all ages or levels of expertise. **Info: 540-659-3993 or 703-527-8998 sstulberg@earthlink.net.**

Taylor Made Squares Dancing Club**Tuesdays • 8 to 9:30pm**

At the Long Branch Community Center on Piney Branch Rd., Silver Spring, MD. There is a wood floor, records are used and the event is free. No experience or partner necessary. Caller: **Betsy Taylor 301.589.4868.**

Columbia International Folk Dancing**Wednesdays 8 to 10:30pm**

Kahler Hall, Beaverkill Rd. & Harper's Farm Rd., Columbia, MD. Admission \$3. Recorded music. Beginners welcome. Teaching until 9 pm. We have parties and workshops. **Info: 410.997.1613 (night), 301.495.4642 (day).**

Editor's note: To all those who submit recurring events or dances on an *annual* basis, please re-submit your listing for the year commencing September 1998 or your listing will be dropped.

**Gumbo Groupies Cajun and Zydeco Dancing
Wednesdays, • 8 to 10:30pm**

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. **Info: Peter or Lydia 301.439.4815.**

Israeli Dancing**Wednesdays • 8 to 11pm**

At the Har Shalom Congregation, 11510 Falls Rd., Potomac, MD. Instruction 8-9:15. Oldies on first and third Wednesdays, newer dances second and fourth. Recorded music. \$4. **Info Ben Hole: 301.441.8213.**

Tyson's Swing Dances Thursdays • 9pm to 12

America Restaurant, Tyson's Corner Center, lower level. **Tom Cunningham Orchestra.** Lessons 8-9 pm. \$10 cover.

Reston Contra Dance**Saturday, August 8 • 8-10:45 pm**

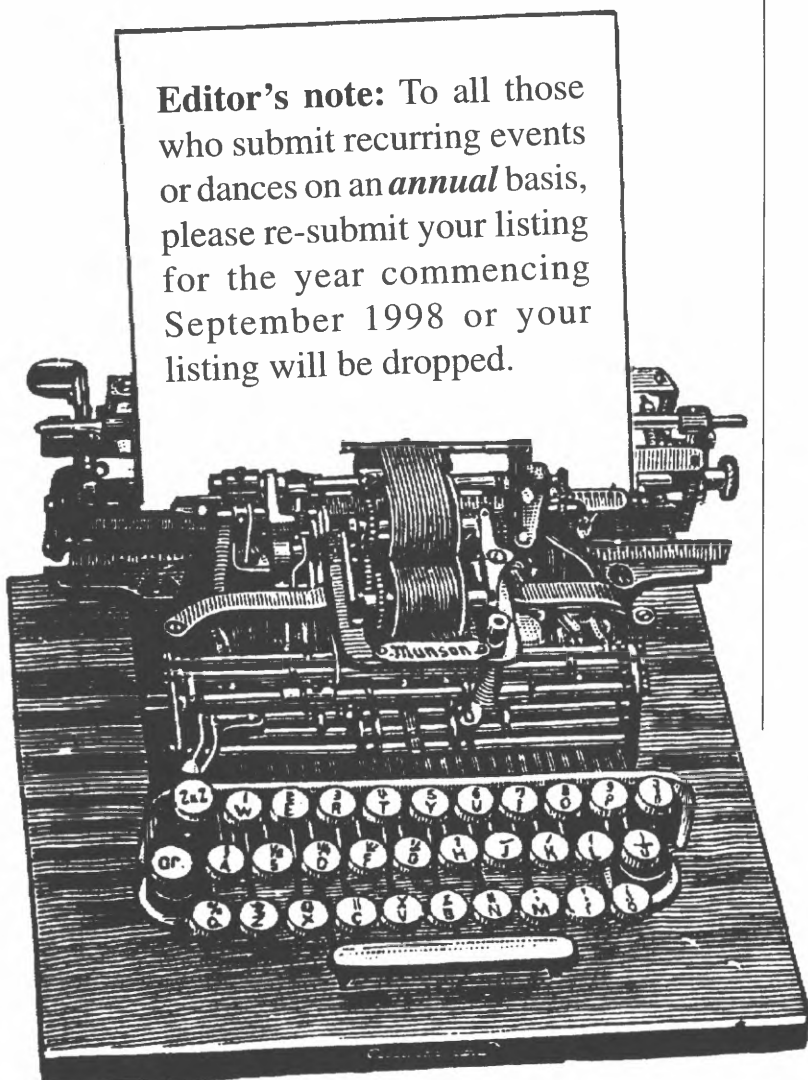
Ridge Kennedy calls with the *June Apple Band*. Dance \$5. Beginners workshop 7 pm, \$1. Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Rd., Hunters Woods Shopping Center. From 495: Toll Rd. (267 W) to exit 12, Reston Pkwy; left on Pkwy. (from west, right turn onto Reston Pkwy), left at 1st light onto Sunrise Valley Dr. Go 1 blk. to Colts Neck Rd., turn right, go 1/4 mile to left turn at Wachovia Bank into newly reconstructed Hunters Woods Center. Park anywhere except behind highrise. Follow signs to walk to Community Center. **Info: Alice Markham, 703.709.9121.**

Alpine Dancers Practice Sundays**August 9 & 23 • 4 to 6:30pm**

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 and live music. **Info: 301.577.3503, Carol & Herbert Traxler or www.geocities.com/Vienna/Strasse/1945/alpine.html.**

English Country Dance & Workshop (CDSS)**Second and Fourth Tuesdays • 7:45pm**

At Harding Hall, 730 Jackson St. Herndon, VA. Workshop includes: figures, phrasing and style taught. Live music. (Guest musicians welcome - call Howard.) \$3. No experience or partner necessary. **Info: Howard or Pat 703.471.0629.**



Out-of-Town

MARYLAND

Annapolis, 333 Coffeehouse

Friday, August 21 • 8pm

The 333 Coffeehouse is a non-profit, non-alcoholic venue run by volunteers for the love of music. It features songwriters, acoustic folk singers and spoken art. Proceeds go to charitable causes. Third Friday of each month at the Unitarian Church, 333 Du Bois Road (exit 24 B off Rt. 50 to Bestgate). Inexpensive gourmet fare offered. Admission is \$6.00, \$5.00 for students/senior citizens. **Info: Leslie, 410.266.8044 or Max, 410.647.4275.**

Baltimore, Lovely Lane Contra Dance

Wednesday, August 5 • 8pm

Sponsored by the Baltimore Folk Music Society (BFMS). All dances are taught and walked through. Beginners are always welcome and are encouraged to arrive promptly at 8:00 p.m. Nationally-known musicians and callers appear regularly. Free workshops introducing basic contra dance held 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 7:30. Admission is \$8, \$6 for BFMS members. Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, MD.

August

- 5** Caller: **Dick Bearman** with *Laura and the Lava Lamps* (Laura Lengnick, fiddle, Dave Wiesler, piano, Ralph Gordon, bass.)
- 12** Caller: **Susan Taylor** with *Au Contraire*, **Carl Friedman** (fiddle), **Ralph Barthine** (guitar), **Susan Brandt** (flute), **Mark Vidor** (piano) New Dancers' Workshop at 7:30
- 19** Caller: **Kate Charles** with *Contra Rebels*, **Bob Buckingham** (fiddle), **Jack Quigley** (guitar), **Todd Clewell** (bass), **Renny Allgyer** (banjo)
- 26** Caller: **Joyce Yensen** with *Dance du Jour*, **Steve Hickman** (fiddle), **Alexander Mitchell** (fiddle) **Liz Donaldson** (piano), **Ralph Gordon** (bass). New Dancers' Workshop at 7:30

Baltimore, Second Saturday Dance

Saturday August 8 • 8 to 11pm

Come dance at the BFMS annual "Home-Grown Fun Night" on a lovely wooden floor with great acoustics and plenty of free parking. Free introductory dance workshop at 7:30. All dances are taught. Beginners, singles, couples, and families are welcome, and you needn't bring a partner. Free beverages will be served at the break; contributions of snack foods are gratefully accepted. \$6 for members of BFMS and FSGW members, \$8 for non-members. Discounts for families and children. Directions to St. Mark's: From the Baltimore Beltway (I-695) take exit 20 south. The church is on the right, just past the Office Depot. **Info: Ralph Barthine 410.561.4573 or rbarthin@mail.bcpl.lib.md.us.**

Baltimore Open Band Rehearsal

Sunday, August 9 • 4 to 6pm

Heard us? Loved us? Wanna try our pasta salad? Come play with the ever-lovable Baltimore Open Band. Folks gather each month at rotating locations to play, practice, chat and chew. **Info/directions: Susan at 410.254.1730.**

Baltimore, German Festival August 14, 15, 16

98th Annual German Festival, Carroll Park, Baltimore. Admission \$2. Live German dance music and folk dance performances. **Info: 410.522.4144.**

Frederick, MMFAC Contra Dance

Saturday, August 22 • 8 to 11pm

At the William R. Talley Adult Recreation Center at Bentz and Second Streets in Frederick, MD. Beginners' workshop starts at 7. \$6 with discounts for Frederick residents. **Info: Marguerite, 717.334.5392.**

This month's dance is a special event and is FREE to all. It will consist of mostly contra dances with a variety of callers and musicians. Refreshments will be provided. Donations will be accepted to defray the expenses of the callers and musicians.

Hagerstown, Augustoberfest

Saturday, August 15 • 1 to 9pm

"Augustoberfest" in Hagerstown, MD, in the North Potomac Street parking lot. German dance music by *Die Shippensburg Blaskapelle* and *Heimat Echo Band* and dance performances by the *GTEV Alpenveilchen* and *the Alpine Dancers*. \$8 in advance/\$10 at the event. **Info/tickets: 1.301.739.8577 ext 116 (Karen Giffin) or kgiffin@miworld.net.**



WEST VIRGINIA

Shepherdstown Contra Dance**Saturday, August 1 • 8:15pm**

Shepherdstown Music and Dance presents an evening of contras at the Shepherdstown War Memorial Building (Men's Club), corner of German and King Streets in downtown Shepherdstown, WV. Dancers should bring soft-soled shoes. \$6, \$4.50 for members and \$3 for dancers under age 25. Free beginner's workshop at 7:15pm. **Info: 304.725.0266 or 304.876.2169.**

This month's dance features **Mark Sherman** calling to the music of *Medicinal Purpose*, with **Ryck Kaiser** (fiddle) **Carol Whitfield** (banjo) **Jamie O'Brien** (guitar) and **BJ Driscoll** (bass).

Shepherdstown, Upper Potomac**Dulcimer Festival****September 11-13**

Workshops, classes, concerts and jam sessions featuring the hammered dulcimer with nationally known players and teachers, including *No Strings Attached*, in scenic Shepherdstown, West Virginia. All levels of instruction, rental instruments available, advance registration is necessary. **Info/register: Joanie Blanton, 304.263.2531 or email:blanton@intrepid.net.**

**Shepherdstown, Third Annual
Appalachian Heritage Festival****Friday and Saturday, October 2 and 3, 1998**

Come out to Shepherd College in Shepherdstown WV and enjoy a weekend of Appalachian music, dance, literature, and workshops. Featured are; Hazel Dickens, Ginny Hawker, and Carol Elizabeth Jones; novelist Lee Smith; traditional Cherokee song and dance from Walker Calhoun and the Raven Rock Dancers of North Carolina; bluesmen Cephas and Wiggins; old-time musician Dwight Diller; WV Stringband Gandydancer; and much more. All activities are free except for the evening showcase concerts at the Frank Center Theater. **Info: Rachael Meads 304.876.5113 or rmeads@shepherd.wvnet.edu.**



Classes

Class listings may be submitted by FSGW members ONLY

Swing, Lindy and Latin Dance Classes**Mondays • 7 to 11 pm**

With Flying Feet Enterprises in the fabulous Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park. 5 week classes: \$43, 4 week classes \$36. Register at first class. Or just come for open swing dancing with a DJ after the lessons from 9 to 11:30 pm for only \$5. Recorded music. No partner required. **Info: Ellen Engle at 301.299.8728.**

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Every Wednesday night at Vienna Grille, 146 Maple Ave., East, Route 123, Vienna, VA. Drop-in workshops and dancing from 7:15 to 11pm. \$10 for workshops and dance, \$7 for dance only \$12, \$9 PSDC members.

7:15 - 8pm	Beg. Swing
8:00 - 8:45pm	Int./Adv. Swing
8:45 - 11pm	Dancing to music by DJ

Every Sunday night at Ft. Myer Community Center, Ft. Myer Army Base, Arlington, VA. Drop-in workshops and

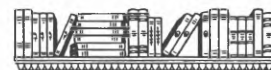
dancing from 7:00 to 11pm. \$10/night for workshops AND dance, \$7/night for dance only \$12, \$9 for PSDC members.

7:00 - 7:45pm	Beg. Swing
7:45 - 8:30pm	Int./Adv. Swing
8:30 - 11pm	Dancing to music by DJ

Info/directions/maps: www.erols.com/swing4me or Donna at 703-978-0375.

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The Folk Alliance presents a day-long course for artists. Gain a broad knowledge of the business of music and obtain information you can put to use immediately in career planning and development. Topics include: An Overview of Management; Creating an Effective Press Kit; The Art of Negotiation; An Introduction to Music Business Law; Record Production and Manufacturing; Publishing. The course will be conducted in the Reception Suite, 1st Floor, of the National Museum of American History, 14th Street & Constitution Avenue, NW. Registration Fees: \$45.00/Folk Alliance Members, \$55 WAMA Members, \$65.00/Non-Members, Space is limited, Pre-Registration is strongly recommended! **Info/regist: 202.835.3655, or janet@folk.org**



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Saturday, September 19

Sara Grey • monthly program

Tuesday, September 29

Anne Nelson & Jack Beck
from Scotland • house concert

Friday, October 2

Dave Webber & Annie Fentiman
from England • house concert

Oct 9-12 34th Annual FSGW Getaway

Tuesday, October 20

Michael O'Leary-Johns
from Ireland/Wales • house concert

Tuesday, October 27

Vic Legg from Cornwall • house concert

Saturday, November 14

John Roberts • hall concert

Tuesday, December 15

Helen Schneyer • hall concert

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Saturday, January 30

Annual Mini Fest

Eastern Middle School, Silver Spring, MD

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<div>1</div> 8 • Connemara at The Mainstay 8:15 • Shepherdstown Contra Dance 9 • Glen Echo Swing Dance
<div>2</div> 3:30 • Waltz at Glen Echo 7:30 • Glen Echo Contra Dance	<div>3</div> 7 • Bluemont Morris 8 • FSGW board meeting	<div>4</div> 7 • Folk Club of Reston, International Folk Dancing 7:30 • Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer Concert 8 • Foggy Bottom Morris, Arlington Folk Dancing, Taylor Made Squares	<div>5</div> 8 • Town Hall English Country Dance, Columbia Folk Dancing, Gumbo Groupies, Israeli Dancing, Lovely Lane Contra Dance	<div>6</div> 7:30 • International Folk Dancing 9 • Tysons Swing	<div>7</div> 8:30 • Glen Echo Contra Dance, Open Sing	<div>8</div> 6:30 • Central Asian Music 7:30 • Storyswap 8 • Reston Contra Dance, Panzer House Concert, Grace Griffith Concert 9 • Geno Delafosse Zydeco Dance
<div>9</div> 3:30 • Glen Echo Waltz Potpourri 4 • Alpine Dancers Practice, Gospel Sing 7:30 • Glen Echo Contra Dance	<div>10</div> FSGW Newsletter deadline 7 • Bluemont Morris	<div>11</div> 7 • Folk Club of Reston, International Folk Dancing 7:45 • CDSS English Country Dance & Workshop 8 • Foggy Bottom Morris, Arlington Folk Dancing, Taylor Made Squares	<div>12</div> 8 • FSGW Special Event: Bill Destler, Town Hall English Country Dance, Columbia Folk Dancing, Gumbo Groupies, Israeli Dancing, Lovely Lane Contra Dance	<div>13</div> 7:30 • International Folk Dancing 9 • Tysons Swing	<div>14</div> Noon • Marley Station 8:30 • Glen Echo Contra Dance	<div>15</div> 8 • CDSS English Country Dance
<div>16</div> 3:30 • Waltz at Glen Echo 7:30 • Glen Echo Contra Dance	<div>17</div> 7 • Bluemont Morris	<div>18</div> 7 • Folk Club of Reston, International Folk Dancing 8 • Foggy Bottom Morris, Arlington Folk Dancing, Taylor Made Squares	<div>19</div> 8 • Town Hall English Country Dance, Columbia Folk Dancing, Gumbo Groupies, Israeli Dancing, Lovely Lane Contra Dance	<div>20</div> 7:30 • International Folk Dancing 9 • Tysons Swing	<div>21</div> 8 • 333 Coffeehouse 8:30 • Glen Echo Contra Dance	<div>22</div>
<div>23</div> 3:30 • Squeeze Bayou Cajun Dance 4 • Alpine Dancers Practice, Sacred Harp Sing 7:30 • Glen Echo Contra Dance	<div>24</div> 7 • Bluemont Morris	<div>25</div> 7 • Folk Club of Reston, International Folk Dancing 7:45 • CDSS English Country Dance & Workshop 8 • Foggy Bottom Morris, Arlington Folk Dancing, Taylor Made Squares	<div>26</div> 8 • Town Hall English Country Dance, Columbia Folk Dancing, Gumbo Groupies, Israeli Dancing, Lovely Lane Contra Dance	<div>27</div> 7:30 • International Folk Dancing 9 • Tysons Swing	<div>28</div> Noon • Marley Station 7:30 • "Aug-toberfest" Concert 8:30 • Glen Echo Contra Dance	<div>29</div> 9 • Glen Echo Swing Dance
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The Folklore Society
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34th Annual GETAWAY!

Friday, October 9, 1998 thru Monday, October 12, 1998
Columbus Day Weekend • Camp Letts, Edgewater, Maryland

What is the Getaway?

For over 30 years, FSGW has held its Getaway weekend as a way for members and friends to share music, stories, crafts and dance in a relaxing camp setting.

The Getaway is:

- music-making under the trees beside the water.
- group singing at its best — whether or not you're a "performer"
- informal workshops on singing, dancing, crafts and storytelling led by FSGW members and friends
- trying your hand at a craft — quilting, basket-making, puppets, and mask-making have been highlights of past years
- a chance to relax on a secluded wooded peninsula
- great food
- a terrific weekend for the whole family, with lots of special activities planned for the kids.
- a chance to renew old friendships and make new ones
- a beautiful camp with horseback riding, canoes, hiking trails and other activities available (weather permitting).
- a wonderful chance for parents to introduce their kids to the magic of group singing and dancing — or to discover that magic for the first time themselves.



Special Guests

Each year, FSGW invites some of its favorite performers to be our guests at the Getaway. This provides a chance to meet, swap songs or stories, or talk informally with people you usually see only on stage.

Getaway Activities at a Glance

Friday —

- register anytime after 3 pm
- potluck dinner in the dining hall
- song swap in the boathouse

Saturday —

- informal music, dance, crafts and storytelling workshops all day
- horseback riding, canoes and other camp facilities available
- Saturday night concert in the dining hall (sign-up to tell a story, present a short skit, tune or song)
- Singing together all night, if you want!

Sunday —

- informal music, dance, crafts and storytelling workshops all day
- horseback riding, canoes and other camp facilities available
- Sunday night concert in the dining hall (sign-up if you didn't participate on Saturday)

Monday —

- parting songs
- farewell brunch in the dining hall

Dates and Times

This year's Getaway will be held on the long Columbus Day Weekend, at YMCA Camp Letts in Edgewater, Maryland. The camp is not far from Annapolis, less than an hour east of Washington. You may choose to stay over either two or three nights (different fees apply), or may come for the day if you are unable to get away for the whole weekend. Daytrippers are offered two meals, lunch & dinner each day. (Must be registered for in advance!)

The weekend starts on Friday evening with a potluck dinner. If you register for two nights, your registration fee covers six wonderful meals and a midnight snack, through Sunday dinner. Three-night registration gives you an additional midnight snack on Sunday and brunch on Monday morning.

Facilities

If you choose to go to bed, housing at the Camp is in communal cabins. Some are heated and have bathrooms. Others are rustic — unheated and grouped around a community bathhouse. For those who prefer rustic cabins there are fewer this year — so register early to guarantee a rustic cabin. In any case, NO SMOKING is allowed in any of the buildings.

Kitchen Help

Debby McClatchy, folk caterer extraordinaire, will prepare meals for us all. To help make the culinary magic, we ask that all adults and children over six, sign-up for an hour in the kitchen or dining hall. (Kids help in the dining hall.) (Bring a favorite vegetable-chopping shanty!)

Fees

Getaway fees depend on whether you're an FSGW member or not, and whether you're an adult or a child. See the registration form for the fee that applies to you. Fees are determined by our actual costs to run this event — food, camp rental, etc.

FSGW Getaway XXXIV

October 9-12, 1998 • Registration Form

Name _____

Home Phone _____

Address _____

Work Phone _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail address: _____

Please DO NOT list ☐ my name ☐ address ☐ phone or ☐ e-mail in Getaway Attendees Directory!

Please list **ALL** who will attend, **INCLUDING YOURSELF**, select housing preference and compute the cost. List additional names on a separate piece of paper.

Housing choices: Modern, Rustic, Single-sex, Quiet (no-kids), or Tent/Camper (FULL weekend rates apply). There is NO smoking in any of the buildings at the camp.

Name to put on badge.	Age (if child)	Friday Night	Saturday Night Day	Sunday Night Day	FSGW Member?	Housing	Cost*
1.					Yes No		\$
2.					Yes No		\$
3.					Yes No		\$
4.					Yes No		\$
5.					Yes No		\$
6.					Yes No		\$

Payment for Overnight Getaway Attendees may be done in installments. Deposits of \$25. per adult and \$10. per child required. The balance is due by **September 25, 1998**. After that date space will not be guaranteed.

Total Due: \$ _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

We're sorry, but we cannot give refunds for any cancellations received after Sunday, September 27th unless someone else takes your space.

Amount due by September 25: \$ _____

There is a \$10. processing fee per person for all cancellations.

*Costs:				
Members**	2 nights	3 nights	One Day (w/2 meals)	Two Days (w/2 meals)
Adults 12 and older:	\$110.00	\$130.00	\$30.00	\$55.00
Children 4 through 11:	55.00	75.00	15.00	25.00
Children 3 and younger:	free	free	free	free
Non-members:				
Adults 12 and older:	\$130.00	\$150.00	\$35.00	\$65.00
Children 4 through 11:	65.00	85.00	20.00	35.00
Children 4 and younger:	free	free	free	free

Daytrippers who wish to bring their own food, need not register in advance. Day rate without meals is \$10 adults 12 and older, \$5 children 4 through 11. 3 and under free.

**Current full members of FSGW or current members of a club with a reciprocal agreement with FSGW.

Please list any food allergies or dietary restrictions: _____

Friday Supper is potluck; please bring a contribution.

Daily Rates with meals include lunch and dinner. Night rates also include late snack, lodging and next day's breakfast.

Children 8 and younger must be accompanied by at least an equal number of adults who are responsible for their care and supervision throughout the event. There is a maximum of 3 children under 12 per adult.

☐ I can help set-up on Friday (3-6 pm). ☐ I can help clean up on Monday (10 am-noon)

☐ I am interested in a work scholarship (clean-up)

Please mail with this form to: _____

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