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FSGW Special Event

Rockville, MD

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Nightingale In Concert

Co-sponsored with Institute of Musical Traditions (IMT)

Monday, October 6 • 7:30 pm

Since 1993, the three superb musicians who make up **Nightingale**, **Becky Tracy** (fiddle), **Jeremiah McLane** (piano, accordion), and **Keith Murphy** (guitar, mandolin, foot percussion, vocals), have charmed audiences with their vibrant and imaginative explorations of musical traditions that carry listeners across New England to Quebec, Newfoundland, Ireland, France, and beyond.

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Special English Country Dance

Washington, DC



Workshop & Dance with **Philippe Callens**

Saturday, October 11

Join us Saturday, October 11 for an FSGW English Country Dance special event led by master teacher and choreographer **Philippe Callens** from Belgium. Music will be provided by **Waverley Station: David Knight** (fiddle), **Liz Donaldson** (piano) and **Ralph Gordon** (cello).

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FSGW Sunday Night Dances

at Glen Echo Park, MD • (Directions, page 23)

Contras & Squares • 7:30 to 10:30 pm

Introductory lesson every Sunday from 7-7:30 pm

Join us for an evening of dance at Glen Echo Park. Every Sunday FSGW (in cooperation with the National Park Service, Montgomery County, and the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture) presents contras and squares danced to live music by fabulous bands with entertaining callers. Experienced and new dancers welcome; no partner needed. **Welcome/Orientation session every Sunday at 7 pm. Come early for an introduction to the basic moves.** Dances often become more challenging as the evening progresses. Neither the Ballroom nor the Bumper Car Pavilion is climate-controlled. Dancers should dress appropriately in layers and bring water or sports drinks. If you use scented products such as perfumes, note that some dancers have allergies – please apply it, if you must, with a light hand. Info: **Robert Cox, dance@fsgw.org.**

**Admission: \$9 for FSGW, BFMS, CDSS, and ATDS Members.
\$12 for the general public**

October



5 Don't miss this one! The legendary **Nightingale** (Keith Murphy on guitar and foot percussion, **Becky Tracy** on fiddle, and **Jeremiah McLane** on keyboards) will fill the Spanish Ballroom with their incomparable brand of music. (FSGW will also feature **Nightingale** in a special concert, see the front page and page 3). Calling will be the genial and energetic **Rick Mohr**.



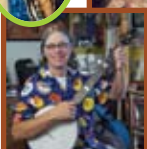
12 It's just a short leap from Charlottesville for **The Toad Mamas** (Rick LaRue on fiddle, **Jack Maus** on keyboards, **Patti Reum** on woodwinds, and **David Stone** on mandolin, guitar and tenor banjo). **Denise Lair**, a fav caller from Faber, will keep the Ballroom jumping. So come on, let's go to the hop!



19 Meanwhile, back in the Bumper Car Pavilion, more birds of a musical feather... **The Boiled Buzzards** soar into town. **Dan Levenson** on fiddle, **Jennifer Levenson** on clawhammer banjo, and **Bob Carlin** on guitar. With our own **Eva Murray** to call some high flying dances!



26 A cyclone of sound comes roaring into the Bumper Car Pavilion – **The Tribal Tune Twisters** with **David DiGiuseppe** (accordion) and **Jim Roberts** (percussion) – both well known locally as members of **FootLoose** – and **Roger Gold** (of the fabulous **Elftones**) on guitar. Joining in the whirlwind is caller **Adina Gordon**, who'll put a whole new spin on your dancing.



Of interest:

Have you come across an online article about some aspect of dance you'd like to share? Please send your suggestions to Newsletter@fsgw.org



Whitetop Mountain Band

Saturday, October 18 • 8 pm

The Whitetop Mountain Band plays old-time music from the high mountains on the southwest Virginia/North Carolina border, close to the Kentucky line. They are rooted in a band that fiddler and fiddle maker **Albert Hash** began in the 1940s. His brother-in-law **Thornton Spencer** joined him on fiddle in the '70s, as did Thornton's wife **Emily**. The Spencers and their young daughter still form the nucleus of the band. Theirs is true Appalachian music — traditional Anglo-Celtic ballads, high-energy fiddle and banjo tunes, blues, tight harmonies on sentimental songs and classic country, bluegrass and mountain gospel. They've been featured at the Smithsonian Folklife Festival, The National Folk Festival, Merlefest and more. Last fall they were part of the Crooked Road Music Tour, taking the music of southwest Virginia across the western U.S. In recent years, they've also brought America's music to venues around the British Isles and in Australia.

The Whitetop Mountain Band is one of the most popular dance bands of the Appalachian Mountains. They have a great following at square dances all over Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Kentucky at venues like the Carter Family Fold.

The band has also taught and been master musicians/dancers for workshops and classes in fiddle, banjo, guitar, vocals, and dance all over the US. Some of these include Swannanoa Gathering in Asheville, NC, Cowan Creek Music School in KY, Mountain Music School in Big Stone Gap, and Mt. Rogers Combined School. In conjunction with their FSGW-sponsored concert, they'll be leading workshops in banjo and Appalachian flatfooting. See additional information on page 4.

Come out and see this extraordinary and delightful Old Time Stringband – **Thornton Spencer** (fiddle), **Emily Spencer** (banjo, vocal), their daughter **Martha** (guitar, banjo, fiddle, bass, vocal, flatfoot dancer), **Jackson Cunningham** (mandolin, guitar, vocals), **Spencer Pennington** (guitar, vocal), and **Debbie Bramer** (bass, clog dancer).

Admission is \$20 for the general public, \$10 for students, Free for children 10 and under. Free for FSGW members, although we request a \$5 donation to help defray the increasing costs of the monthly programs.

Directions to the WES auditorium – see page 23



*Whitetop Mountain Band WORKSHOPS!
Banjo and Appalachian Flatfooting
Details page 4*

Special Workshops with Whitetop Mountain Band

FSGW is pleased to present two exciting workshops with these fabulous musicians.

On Saturday, October 18, from 3-5 pm, a banjo workshop in Room 301 of the Glen Echo classroom building – \$30.

On Saturday, October 18, from 5:30 to 6:30 pm, an Appalachian flatfooting workshop, in the Bumper Car Pavilion – \$15.

For information and reservations for either workshop (or both!!) – call 703.354.6460.

*FSGW English Country Dances
at Glen Echo Town Hall, MD
Wednesdays • 8 to 10 pm*



Admission: \$8 for FSGW members,
\$10 for non-members.

Dance on a wood floor in the climate-controlled community room of the Glen Echo Town Hall (Directions, Page 23). Bring clean, non-scuffing shoes for dancing. Cheerful, patient, talented callers are accompanied by top-notch musicians. Each evening offers a different and delightful mix of instruments, including piano, fiddle, flute, harp, oboe, concertina, bassoon, viola, and recorder. Light refreshments served at the break. Experienced and new dancers welcome. No partner required.

Info: Stephanie Smith at 301.229.3577 or Roger Broseus at English@fsgw.org

October

- 1 Liz Donaldson** calls to music by **Francine Krasowska** (piano), **Colleen Reed** (flute), and **Ralph Gordon** (cello).
- 8 Tom Spilsbury** leads the dances to music by **Liz Donaldson** (piano), **Walter Robinson** (recorders) and **Bruce Edwards** (bassoon and concertina).
- 15 Anna Rain** calls to tunes by **Julie Gorka** (piano), **Becky Ross** (fiddle) and **Karin Loya** (cello).
- 22 Martha Seigel** calls the dances and **Liz Donaldson** (piano), **Jeff Steinberg** (fiddle) and **Laurie Mielke** (recorders) make the music.
- 29 Stephanie Smith** leads the dances to music by **Melissa Running** (piano), **Edith Coakley** (fiddle) and **Anna Rain** (recorders).



*FSGW Family Dance
Glen Echo Park (Directions, Page 23)
Sunday, October 19 • 3-5 pm*

Bring your family to Glen Echo Park's open-air Bumper Car Pavilion, for a delightful afternoon of dances for all ages, led by **Eva Murray** calling to music by the **AP and the Banty Roosters**. Admission is only \$5 per person (age 4 and up) for an entire afternoon. This is a great activity for birthday parties, scouts, or family reunions. More information at www.fsgw.org

Nightingale In Concert continued from front page

Nightingale is one of New England's leading contradance bands, and in concert, the same understanding of the rhythmic pulse drives the music propulsively forward.

Hailed in *Sing Out!* magazine for their "impeccable playing ... danceable and exciting, with a reflective approach to the music," Nightingale has fashioned a fresh and distinctive sound that is innovative while rooted in Celtic and Northern European folk traditions. From a Newfoundland ballad to a blazing set of Irish reels, from a rollicking Quebecois chanson-à-répondre to a lilting bourrée from Central France, their song and tune arrangements find the perfect balance between tradition and innovation.

FSGW and IMT are proud to co-sponsor this rare concert at **Saint Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Rd, Rockville, at the intersection of I 270 and Old Georgetown Rd.** The building is fully handicapped accessible.

Admission: FSGW \$14 in advance or at the door. General public, \$14 in advance or \$17 at the door. Advance tickets available through the IMT system at www.imtfolk.org or in person at House of Musical Traditions, 7010 Westmoreland Avenue, Takoma Park, MD, or call 301.754.3611

Directions: BELTWAY (495)

Virginia side: Take Exit 36, Route 187 North (Old Georgetown Road). Left on Route 187. Continue past Wildwood Shopping Center on right and over I-270. Next right is church driveway.

Maryland side: After crossing Rockville Pike, follow I-270 North. Continue on I-270 to first exit, Route 187 (Old Georgetown Road). Right on Route 187. Next right is church driveway.

I-270 FROM THE NORTH: Continue on I-270 and follow left fork where I-270 divides. Right on first exit (Route 187, Old Georgetown Road). At second traffic light, turn left onto Old Georgetown Road. After going back over 270, church is first driveway on right.

DC: Wisconsin Avenue through Bethesda and past Bethesda Naval Hospital. Left on Cedar Lane. Right on Route 187 (Old Georgetown Road). Continue past Wildwood Shopping Center on right and over I-270. Next right is church driveway.

Via METRO: Take the Red Line to the White Flint Metro Station and the Ride-On Bus 26 (towards Montgomery Mall) to the Tuckerman/Old Georgetown Rd stop. The church is a quarter mile walk south on Old Georgetown or take the Red Line to the Grosvenor Metro Station and the Ride-On Bus 96 (towards Montgomery Mall) to the Tuckerman/Old Georgetown Rd stop. The church is a quarter mile walk south on Old Georgetown. Either way the trip takes about 45 minutes from Metro Center (If you are a little more athletic, the walk from Grosvenor Metro is about a mile).

Workshop & Dance with **Philippe Callens** continued from front page

The afternoon workshop from 2:30-5 pm will emphasize technique and styling – how we can become better dancers, and bring more joy and satisfaction to our dancing. The evening dance from 7:30-10:30 pm will be a casual social event. Philippe will lead the dancing, with a few tips on technique.

Philippe Callens is known internationally as a leader of English country dance and also of contra and square dance. He started dancing in 1975 in Antwerp, Belgium, and has been teaching for 30 years. Since 1991, Philippe has called all over the United States, including CDSS weeks at Pinewoods, English week at Mendocino, and Winter Dance Week at the John C. Campbell Folk School. Philippe is a talented choreographer whose dances are widely appreciated and enjoyed. This is a special opportunity to experience Philippe's enthusiastic and inspirational dance leadership, fused with the exciting musical energy of Waverley Station, whose members have played extensively for English country dancing nationally, as well as being core musicians of the FSGW English country dance.

At Kenworthy Gym, Sidwell Friends School; 3825 Wisconsin Ave., Washington, DC.

Afternoon workshop (2:30-5 pm)

\$12 FSGW/BFMS/CDSS members, \$14 non-members

Evening dance (7:30-10:30 pm)

\$16 FSGW/BFMS/CDSS members, \$18 non-members

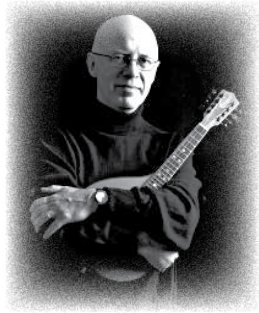
Both events – \$26 FSGW/BFMS/CDSS members, \$30 non-members

If you pre-register for both events by mail, postmarked by October 7th, deduct \$2 per person.

Registration details and a printable flyer are available on the FSGW website.

Info/questions: [english\(at\)fsgw.org](mailto:english(at)fsgw.org) or Tom Spilsbury at 301.585.7857





Dónal Maguire

Saturday, November 1 • 8 pm

Dónal Maguire is an Irishman currently living in England. His passion, his lilting voice and his true mastery of vocal technique make him one of the finest interpreters of Irish song.

Dónal's current project is a multimedia program about the Michael Davitt, one of the most influential figures of 19th Century Irish history. Maguire traces the life and times of Davitt through song and story, words and music. Whether singing unaccompanied or accompanying himself on guitar or mandolin, Maguire commands attention as he recreates the lost experience of eviction, emigration and hardship. The program includes songs of land and labour, love and politics from the Irish and English folk-traditions, all rendered with gusto and passion.

Dónal will present the *Michael Davitt program* in Dennis and Judy Cook's "Treehouse" concert room in Laurel, Maryland. Please contact the **Cooks at 301.776.4314 or cooks@ceimd.com** to reserve a space. Reservations held until 10 minutes before showtime. **Suggested minimum donation of \$15** will help cover the performer's travel expenses.

Opt-In Opinion

I haven't received many responses to this request for FSGW Member feedback. Please email me at [newsletter\(at\)fsgw.org](mailto:newsletter(at)fsgw.org) with "Opt-In Opinion" in the subjectline, to let me know whether you'd like email reminders about concerts, dances, volunteer opportunities and more. **No messages would be sent to your email address unless you affirmatively requested that we do so (an "opt-in" system).**

—April Blum, Publications Chair

Highlights of FSGW Board Meeting • September 2008 (September 9, 2008)

- The Board affirmed that lifetime memberships in FSGW are non-transferable.
- Membership continues to decline slowly but steadily. The Board discussed ways to recruit potential new members, including a membership table at all concerts.
- Not many responses to "Opt In Opinion." request in Newsletter.
- Program Committee working on one-page tip-in flyer.
- New efforts to research options to allow for credit card charges at concerts and dances.

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FSGW Board Meeting Tuesday, October 7 • 8 PM

The monthly FSGW board meeting will be held in Classroom 304 Arcade Bldg at Glen Echo Park, MD. All FSGW members may attend. If you wish the Board to consider a particular matter, please contact the appropriate board member or **Charlie Baum, FSGW president at 301.587.2286** in advance of the meeting.



Lena Jonsson with Bruce Sagan



Swedish Fiddling from Both Sides of the Pond

Wednesday, October 15 • 8 pm

This house concert, to be held in the Great Room at 6807 Westmoreland Ave in Takoma Park, features two gifted musicians – one from each side of the Atlantic.

Lena Jonsson is a young and exceptionally talented Swedish fiddler from Hälsingland, a beautiful province north of Stockholm with unusually rich folk music traditions. In recognition of her extraordinary talent, she was recently awarded the title *riksspelman*, or “National Folk Musician” of Sweden, a badge of mastery for Swedish folk musicians. She plays in the legendary Bollnäsbygdens Spelmanslag (music group), a group which specializes in traditional styles but also gives traditional tunes a modern edge, mixing back-country fiddle with electric guitar. For more information about Lena visit myspace.com/lenajonsson or myspace.com/jonssoncoudroy.

Bruce Sagan is a respected player and teacher of traditional Scandinavian fiddle music. He has visited Scandinavia many times and worked with well-known fiddlers, including Lena’s father. He was awarded the Zorn Diploma in Bronze by a jury of Sweden’s best fiddlers, an honor rarely accorded a non-Swede. A preeminent Swedish folk music magazine said that he played “like a native” – high praise in a country where fiddlers are best known for playing traditional tunes from their own village. Bruce has taught at camps and workshops throughout the United States. In addition to fiddle, Bruce plays the haunting, highly ornamented Norwegian *hardingfele*, the Swedish *nyckelharpa* (keyed fiddle), and the *tussefløyte*, or recorder.

Suggested donation \$15 – All proceeds go to the performers.

Information/directions/RSVP: Sonja Bensen (703.931.5586 or email DalkullaSB@aol.com).

6807 Westmoreland Ave. is just a few blocks from the DC line at Eastern Avenue. Parking is on the street, and there are usually spaces within a block or so. If you’re having a hard time, search toward Eastern Avenue. It’s within a mile of the Takoma Metro, and the Ride-On 12 or 16 to the corner of Laurel & Carroll Avenues will shorten your walk. Westmoreland Ave. is the street that runs downhill off of Carroll by the gazebo.



Sheryl Sears Trio

Saturday, October 25 • 8 pm

Sheryl Sears, Carl Aiyeola, and Allen Holmes present an evening of blues, jazz, and beyond. Enjoy an evening of Carl’s sweet guitar strumming, Allen’s bold upright bass beat and heavenly harmonica, and Sheryl’s smooth vocals. They’ll take you on an excursion around the world of music including traditional blues, American and Brazilian jazz, and spiritual songs.

Contact Jeff Glassie or Julie Littell to assure a space in their home in the Brookmont neighborhood (overlooking the Potomac between the Pallasades and Glen Echo) at **301.320.7865** or [jeffglassie\(at\)comcast.net](mailto:jeffglassie(at)comcast.net).

Directions: Just off MacArthur Boulevard. The Ride On Route 23 at 7:00 or 7:30 pm from Friendship Heights will get you TO the Glassie’s house; ask for a ride back to the Metro; you’re sure to get one. **Suggested minimum donation: \$15.** All proceeds go to the performers.

44th FSGW Getaway

Friday to Monday, October 3 - 6, 2008

West River Conference Center • Edgewater, MD

The Folklore Society of Greater Washington announces the 44th annual Getaway weekend, Friday to Monday, October 3 - 6, 2008, at the West River Conference Center, 20 miles south of Annapolis, MD.

The Getaway is a weekend of music-making and socializing with folks from the local Washington, DC area and from all over the world. The relaxing environment of West River Conference Center offers a place near the Chesapeake to unwind and find fellowship and fun with both old friends and friends you haven't met yet. There's still lots of room for daytrippers (bring your own meals!). **Check out fsgw.org or call Charlie Baum at 301.587.2286.**

Note that it's earlier this year than the past couple of years—the first weekend of October – which may mean possibilities for gatherings outdoors.

The weekend will be full of participatory workshops, mini-concerts, song circles, evening sign-up concerts, and jam sessions, in gathering places both large and small. There will be CDs and crafts for sale, as well as a silent auction to raise money for the scholarship fund. Be sure to bring an item or two to contribute to the auction, and be ready to bid on something you didn't know you needed!

Special guests this year are **The Beans (Jim & Cindy Bean & Steve Sullwold)**, and **Elizabeth LaPrelle, Murray Callahan, and the Kossoy Sisters**, so we can look forward to some great mini-concerts by those folks and others, as well as workshops and jam sessions on lots of different topics. A few of the planned workshops are *Music Hall Songs, Traditional and Regional Industries, Songs from Cicely Fox Smith, Sea Ballads and Foc's'le Songs, Remembering Utah Phillips, Blues, 19th-Century Historical Songs, Gospel, Squeezeboxes*, and even some massage techniques especially for musicians. There's lots more as well, so be sure to come and join the fun!



FSGW Sings/Swaps & Co-sponsored Events

FSGW Open Sing • West River, MD Friday, October 3 • All Evening!

The Open Sing for October will be held at the Getaway!! The topic is "Chorus Songs."

FSGW Storyswap • Bethesda, MD Saturday, October 18 • 7:30 pm

Storytellers are invited to bring their best ghostly (or other) stories to the home of **Jane Dorfman** in Bethesda for an evening of shared stories and potluck snacks. Free. Call **301.654.5818** for info/directions and to RSVP.

FSGW Gospel Sing • Alexandria, VA Sunday, October 12 • 4 - 8 pm

Gospel sings are held the second Sunday of every month at various homes. Singing starts at 4pm and breaks for a covered dish supper at 6pm with more singing after supper. Everyone is welcome! The October Gospel Sing will be at the home of **Nancy Bailey** in the Landmark area of Alexandria, VA. **Info/directions: 703.823.5536.**



FSGW Sacred Harp Singing • Arlington, VA Sunday, October 26 • 4-8 pm

St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 4250 North Glebe Road. Monthly (usually 4th Sundays), singers enjoy the unaccompanied harmonies of old-time shape-note hymns and fugues taken from the 1991 edition of the original Sacred Harp and the 1958 Christian Harmony songbooks (loaner books always available), with a potluck supper break from 6-7. All are welcome **Info: 301.229.8534.**

Directions: St. Peter's is 0.5 miles south of Chain Bridge, on the west side of Glebe Road (coming from Washington, on your right; from Virginia, on your left.) The church is not visible from Glebe Rd. but its sign is. Turn on Tazewell St. to reach the parking lot.

Co-Sponsored Event

Glen Echo International Folkdancers • Glen Echo, Md Thursdays, 7:30-10:45 pm

Every Thursday at the Church of the Redeemer, 6201 Dunrobbin Drive (just west of the shopping center across from Glen Echo Park). Lesson at 7:30. Request dances from 9-10:45. Mostly recorded music. No partner or experience necessary. Wear comfortable clothing and soft-soled shoes. Admission \$5. **Info: Jamie at 301.466.3018 or dancingplanet@erols.com**

Mark your calendars NOW for the Upcoming FSGW 2008-2009 season!

This is the current listing of upcoming FSGW events – mark your calendars in pencil as dates, times, and locations (and even performers) are subject to change, particularly for events scheduled for 2009.

Starting in September, FSGW requests a \$5 donation from FSGW members who attend monthly events, to help offset the increased costs of these events.

If you would like an email reminder of these events, please read and respond to Opt-In Opinion, on page 6.

November

Date	Day	Performer	Location
1	Sat	DONAL MAGUIRE	House Concert -Cooks, Laurel, MD
8	Sat	LEN GRAHAM	Contradiction@Echo Park, Takoma Park, MD
9	Sun	JILL ROGOFF	Tifereth Israel co-sponsored event
14-16	F-Sun	EISTEDDFOD-NY	New York City, co-sponsored event
22	Sat	DAVID ROTH	Adat Reyim co-sponsored event
29	Sat	CAROLINA JUG STOMPERS	House Concert, Washington, D.C.

December

Date	Day	Performer	Location
20	Sat	NOWELL SING WE CLEAR*	Matinee at Church of the Ascension, Silver Spring, MD

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Date	Day	Performer	Location
17	Sat	FLORY JAGODA AND ENSEMBLE	Monthly program w/co-sponsor

February

Date	Day	Performer	Location
7	Sat	FSGW MIDWINTER FESTIVAL	Takoma Park Middle School, Takoma Park, MD
13	Fri	BALKAN CELEBRATION: SLAVEYA & LYUTI CHUSKI	WES - monthly program, Washington, DC
28	Sat	JOE STEAD	House concert - Cooks, Laurel, MD

March

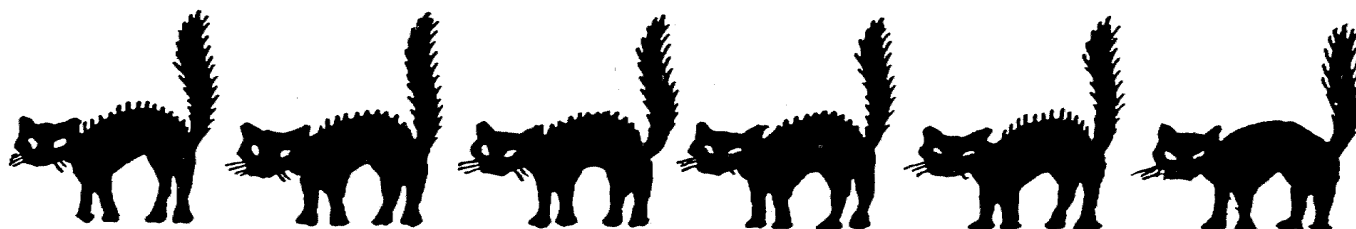
Date	Day	Performer	Location
1	Sun	SPARKY AND RHONDA RUCKER	WES - monthly program, Washington, DC

April

Date	Day	Performer	Location
3-5	Fri-Sun	CHESAPEAKE DANCE WEEKEND	Camp Letts, Edgewater, MD
4-5	Sat-Sun	POTOMAC RIVER SACRED HARP CONVENTION	Great Falls Grange
24	Fri	RUMISONKO — TRADITIONAL ANDEAN MUSIC	WES - monthly program, Washington, DC

May

Date	Day	Performer	Location
2	Sat	IRISH EVENING	WES - monthly program, Washington, DC
15	Sat	WASHINGTON SPRING BALL	Location TBA
30-31	Sat/Su	WASHINGTON FOLK FESTIVAL	Glen Echo Park, MD



Concerts & Concert Series

Library of Congress Concert • Washington, DC Thursday, October 2 • noon

Bar J Wranglers from Wilson, Wyoming present cowboy music and humorous skits. **Scott Humphrey** (vocals, guitar), **Bryan Humphrey** (vocals, bass), **Tim Hodgson** (vocals, fiddle), **Donnie Cook** (guitars, dobro and banjo), and **Jerry "Bullfrog" Baxter** (vocals, guitar). Free. Info: American Folklife Center at www.loc.gov/folklife or 202.707.5510.

Finest Kind Concert • Accokeek, MD Friday, October 3 • 7:30 pm

Glorious harmony singing by **Ian Robb**, **Ann Downey** and **Shelley Posen** at the Moyaone Community Center, 2311 Bryan Point Road. Tickets \$15 in advance, \$18 door. Info/tickets: alexnaar@earthlink.net or 301.789.1190.

Benefit Concert • Adelphi, MD Saturday, October 4 • 7 pm

Richard Broadbent and **Jesse Palidofsky** in concert at the Adelphi Friends Meeting House, 1202 Metzert Road. Donations to benefit Friends Wilderness Center in Harpers Ferry. Info: **Sheila Bach**, 304.728.4820. Directions: <http://adelphi.quaker.org>, email to cente@friendswilderness.org

Gypsy Meltdown • Damascus, MD Saturday, October 4 • 8 pm

Gypsy Meltdown performs lively and lilting tunes at the Music Café – gourmet fare for your ears and palate. 26528-B Ridge Road. \$5 cover. Info: www.the-music-cafe.com or 301.253.1500.

George Kaufman House Concert • Germantown, MD Thursday, October 9 • 8 pm

New England-based **Geoff Kaufman** in an evening of contemporary and traditional acoustic music, accompanying himself on guitar and squeezebox. Door opens at 7:30. Suggested donation \$12/FSGW members, \$15 non-members. Info/RSVP/directions: **Tom Milke** at txmilke@aol.com or 240.424.2231.

Flatpick Guitar • Alexandria, VA Saturday, October 10 • 7:30 pm

Tony Rice and **Mountain Heart** at the Birchmere, 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave. Tickets \$25. Info: 703.549.7500 or www.birchmere.com

The Hedge Band Concert • Shepherdstown, WV Friday, October 17 • 8 pm

A cast of characters that's a Who's Who of Irish music – **The Hedge Band** will delight the audience and warm the cockles of any Celtic heart. Lively button accordion by All-Ireland champion **Billy McComiskey**, the lilting flute of **Laura Byrne Egan**, the wonderful songs and dynamic guitar backup of Tipperary born **Pat**

Egan, and the fine fiddle and sensitive piano backup of **Donna Long**. At Shepherd University's Reynolds Hall, corner of King and German Sts. Admission \$15 adults, \$12 seniors, \$10 members, \$8 students. Info: **Joanie** at 304.263.2531 or email updf@earthlink.net, on the web at www.smad.us.

Jeff Warner House Concert • Catonsville, MD Saturday, October 18 • 8 pm

An evening of American traditional songs from the Outer Banks fishing villages, Adirondacks lumber camps, New England whaling ports, and more. Info/directions/RSVP: **Barbara or McGregor**, 410.788.2761 (before 8:30 pm) or svob@comcast.net.

Orrin Star House Concert • Mt. Rainier, MD Saturday, October 18 • 7 pm

A rare area solo appearance by a performer once described as "Arlo Guthrie-meets-Doc Watson".

Concert will be preceded by a potluck, rhythm guitar workshop, and jam. Info/RSVP/directions: **Andy Bryson** at 301.277.5258 or BryCA137@aol.com. Additional information at www.orrinstar.com.

Swedish Traditional Music • Silver Spring, MD Sunday, October 19 • 7-10 pm

Award-winning Swedish traditional musicians **Cajsa Ekstav** (vocals and nyckelharpa) and **Örjan Englund** (accordion and more) present a concert and dance. Light refreshments. Church of the Ascension, 633 Sligo Avenue. Tickets \$18 at the door. Info: **Julia Borland-Ferneborg**, 301.585.3650.

Bluegrass Double Bill • Alexandria, VA Friday, October 24 • 7:30 pm

John Starling Band plus **Claire Lynch Band** at the Birchmere, 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave. Tickets \$25. Info: 703.549.7500 or www.birchmere.com

Acoustic Concert • Baltimore, MD Sunday, October 26 • 4 pm

Ken Kolodner (hammered dulcimer, mbira and fiddle) and **Robin Bullock** (guitar, cittern, piano, mandolin) will perform at the Stony Run Friends Meeting House, 5116 North Charles St. Advanced reservations encouraged as seating is limited. \$21 in advance, \$23 at the door (space permitting), children under 16 \$15. Info/reservations: 410.243.7254 or www.kenkolodner.com

Juggernaut Jug Band • McLean, VA Saturday, November 1 • 8 pm

Travel back to the 20s and 30s when jazz, blues, ragtime and swing were played on washboards, wash-tubs, kazoos and jugs. **The Juggernaut Jug Band** combines vaudeville with a musical American history lesson and a zany sense of humor. Alden Theatre, 1234

Concerts & Concert Series continued

Ingleside Ave. Tickets \$29; group prices available. Info: 703.790.0123 x.203, or www.mcleancenter.org/alden

Tom Paxton • Alexandria, VA

Saturday, November 1 • 7:30 pm

Tom Paxton plus *The Kennedys* at the Birchmere, 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave. Tickets \$35. Info: 703.549.7500 or www.birchmere.com

Indian Head House Concert • Indian Head, MD

Saturday, November 1 • 6 pm

A house concert, sponsored by Indian Head Center for the Arts, featuring Michael and Carrie Kline. Info/RSVP: 301.246.4961

Tribute to American Acoustic Music • Washington, DC

Saturday, November 8 • 8 pm

A benefit concert for The Shepherd's Table, a local non-profit which has provided meals, social services, and more for 25 years – at Kennedy Center's Eisenhower Theater. Host/moderator James Earl Jones with performers Mark O'Connor (fiddle), Tony Trischka (banjo), Frank Vignola (guitar), *The Biscuit Burners* (bluegrass), Sarah Lee Guthrie (singer/songwriter and yes, Arlo's daughter), and David Bromberg. Premium tickets (\$250) include post-concert reception with the artists; general admission \$40-75. Info: jcoyle@shepherdstable.org, or 301.585.6463; www.kennedy-center.org-the, or 202.467.4600.

Klesmer Music Concert • Shepherdstown, WV

Saturday, November 29 • 8 pm

Of course *Klezmos* plays Klezmer music, but it adds an eclectic assortment of songs and tunes from other cultures – Israeli dance music, swing- jazz standards, traditional dance music, it all goes in the mix – Balkan or Breton overtones to a Klezmer melody, or freylekhs with a New England contra dance tune. *Klezmos* will also present a variety of serious and light-hearted songs and celebratory pieces in keeping with the start of Hannukah – to lighten the darkest season of the year. At Shepherd University's Reynolds Hall on the corner of King and German Sts. Admission is \$15 adults, \$12 seniors, \$10 members, \$8 students. For more information call Joanie at 304.263.2531 or email updf@earthlink.net, on the web at www.smad.us.

Concert Series

listed by day of the week

Sundays

Focus Inn Alexandria • Alexandria, VA

Church of the Resurrection, 2280 N. Beauregard St. 7 pm; admission \$12 members, \$15 non-members. More info: 703.501.6061, kay@focusmusic.org or www.focusmusic.org

October

12 Lucy Kaplansky tribute to Jay Votel

Eastern Market Music Series • Washington, DC

Fall series of weekly concerts begin at 10:30 am outside Port City Java, at 7th and North Carolina Ave SE. More info: www.capitolhillcommunityfoundation.org.

October

5 Rick Franklin & Mike Baytop; Archie's Barbershop Jambassadors
12 *The Capitol Hillbillies*; *Rio Garage*

Mondays**Institute of Musical Traditions • Rockville, MD**

St. Mark Presbyterian, 10701 Old Georgetown, Rockville, MD 20852. Shows begin at 7:30. More info: 301.754.3611 or www.imtfolk.org

October

6 *Nightingale* (co-sponsored with FSGW) (\$14 adv / \$17 door)
13 Jayme Stone & Mansa Sissoko (\$15 adv / \$18 door)
20 *Mediaeval Baebes* at Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom (\$22 adv / \$27 door)
27 Jay Summerour, Michael Baytop & Rick Franklin (\$14 adv / \$17 door)

Tuesdays**Folk Club of Reston-Herndon**

Tortilla Factory, 648 Elden Street. Doors open at 6, open mic at 7:15. Info/directions: 703.435.2402, cluba-coustic@cox.net or www.RestonHerndonFolkClub.com. Non-smoking venue, door opens at 6. See <http://www.musi-cal.com/search?key=venue&value=Folk+Club+of+Reston-Herndon>. \$16, \$15 for Folk Club members.

October

7 Barry McGuire

Wednesdays**Focus Rockville • Rockville, MD**

Focus Inn presents bi-monthly concerts, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, at O'Brien's BBQ, 387 E Gude Dr, Rockville. Shows begin at 8 pm. \$12 members/\$15 general public. Special note – this month's first concert is Tuesday, not Wednesday!! Info: David at focusrockville@earthlink.net, 301.275.7459, or www.focusmusic.org

October

7 Singer/songwriter *Johnsmith* – TUESDAY, not Wednesday
22 Terri Allard

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>October gave a party – the leaves by hundreds came. The Chestnuts, Oaks and Maples, and leaves of every name. The Sunshine spread a carpet, and everything was grand. Miss Weather led the dancing, Professor Wind the band.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">– George Cooper, October Party</p>			<p style="text-align: right;">1</p> <p>7:30 Rock Creek Morris Women 8 FSGW ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE 8 Baltimore Contra Dance 8 Alexandria Scottish Dance 8:15 Potomac Israeli Dance</p>	<p>noon Cry noon Lib 7 Fr 7 DC 7:30 G 7:30 Ch 7:45 Ar 8 Mt 8 Fo</p>		
<p style="text-align: right;">5</p> <p>9 am Annapolis Jam 10:30 Eastern Market Music 3 pm Wheaton Scottish Jam 3 Nightingale Waltz 7 More Geese Than Swans 7 Glen Echo Slow Blues 7:30 FSGW CONTRA DANCE RICK MOHR & NIGHTINGALE FSGW GETAWAY</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">6</p> <p>7:30 Bethesda Int'l Dance 7:30 Kensington Israeli Dance 7:30 Arlington Morris Women 7:30 FSGW/IMT CONCERT NIGHTINGALE 8 Baltimore English Dance 8 Bethesda Scottish Dance</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">7</p> <p>7:30 Reston/Herndon Folk Club 8 FSGW BOARD MEETING 8 Greenbelt Scottish Dance 8 Arlington Int'l Folk Dance 8 Sea Chanteys /Wheaton 8 Focus Rockville</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">8</p> <p>7:30 Rock Creek Morris Women 8 FSGW English Country Dance 8 Baltimore Contra Dance 8 Sea Chanteys/Baltimore 8 Alexandria Scottish Dance 8:15 Potomac Israeli Dance</p>	<p>noon Cr 7 pm Fr 7:30 G 7:30 Ch 7:45 Ar 8 Mt 8 Fog</p>		
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THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>2</p> <p>Crystal City Concert of Congress Concert Frederick Irish/Bluegrass C Bluegrass Jam GLEN ECHO INT'L DANCE evy Chase Int'l Dance ington Circle Dance t. Vernon Int'l Dance ggy Bottom Morris Men</p>	<p>3</p> <p>noon Crystal City Concert 7 Arlington Jam 7:30 Finest Kind Concert 8 Cellar Stage Concert 8:15 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance 8:30 Friday Night Contra Dance FSGW OPEN SING AT THE FSGW GETAWAY</p>	<p>4</p> <p>10 am Batala Percussion noon Crystal City Concert noon Mandolin Workshop 6 pm BalktoberFest 2008 6:30 Revels Barn Dance 8 Shepherdstown ContraDance 8 Glen Echo Swing Dance FSGW GETAWAY</p>
<p>9</p> <p>Crystal City Concert Frederick Irish/Bluegrass GLEN ECHO INT'L DANCE evy Chase Int'l Dance ington Circle Dance t. Vernon Inter'l Dance ggy Bottom Morris Men</p>	<p>10</p> <p><u>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE!!</u> noon Crystal City Concert 8 pm Harrisburg Contra Dance 8 Glen Echo Swing Dance 8:15 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance 8:30 Friday Night Contra Dance (Open Band)</p>	<p>11</p> <p>10 am Batala Percussion noon Crystal City Concert 2:30 PM FSGW ENGLISH DANCE SPECIAL WORKSHOP W/ PHILIPPE CALLENS Baltimore Family Dance CCE Monthly Ceili 7:30 FSGW ENGLISH DANCE Baltimore Contra Dance Norwegian Dance</p>
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<p>23</p> <p>Crystal City Concert Frederick Irish/Bluegrass enbelt Songwriters GLEN ECHO INT'L DANCE evy Chase Int'l Dance ington Circle Dance t. Vernon Int'l Dance ggy Bottom Morris Men</p>	<p>24</p> <p>noon Crystal City Concert 8 pm Harrisburg Contra 8 Cellar Stage Concert 8:15 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance 8:30 Friday Night Contra Dance</p>	<p>25</p> <p>10 am Batala Percussion noon Crystal City Concert 1:30 pm Hammer Dulcimer Jam 7:30 FSGW STORYSWAP 8 Frederick Contra Dance 8 FSGW HOUSE CONCERT SHERYL SEARS TRIO</p>
<p>30</p> <p>Frederick Irish/Bluegrass GLEN ECHO INT'L DANCE evy Chase Int'l Dance ington Circle Dance t. Vernon International ggy Bottom Morris Men dwin's Station</p>	<p>31</p> <p>HALLOWEEN!! 7 Potter's House Concert 8:15 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance 8:30 Friday Night Contra Dance</p>	<p>NOVEMBER 1</p> <p>8 PM FSGW HOUSE CONCERT, DONAL MAGUIRE</p>

FSGW Advance Notice

Saturday, November 8, 2008

LEN GRAHAM
 Contradiction@Eco Park, Takoma Park, MD

Sunday, November 9, 2008

JILL ROGOFF
 Tifereth Israel • co-sponsored event

November 14-16, 2008
 co-sponsored

EISTEDDFOD-NY
 New York City, New York

Saturday, November 22, 2008

DAVID ROTH
 Adat Reyim co-sponsors

Saturday, November 29
CAROLINA JUG STOMPERS
 House Concert • Washington, DC

Saturday, December 20, 2008

NOWELL SING WE CLEAR
 Church of the Ascension
 633 Sligo Ave., Silver Spring, MD

February 7, 2009
ANNUAL MINI-FEST
 Takoma Park Middle School
 Takoma Park, MD

April 3-5, 2009
**27TH ANNUAL CHESAPEAKE
 DANCE WEEKEND**
 Camp Letts
 Edgewater, MD

April 4 and 5, 2009
**POTOMAC RIVER SACRED HARP
 CONVENTION**

May 30 & 31, 2009
**29TH ANNUAL WASHINGTON
 FOLK FESTIVAL**
 Glen Echo Park, MD

October 2-5, 2009
45TH ANNUAL GETAWAY
 West River Retreat Center
 Edgewater, MD

Concerts & Concert Series continued**Thursdays****Baldwin's Station • Sykesville, MD**

7618 Main St, Sykesville, MD. Shows begin at 8. Ticket prices vary. \$2 service charge on credit card orders, \$1 service charge for cash or checks. Info: **410.795.1041**, www.uptownconcerts.com, or uptownconcerts@gmail.com

October

- 16 Pierce Pettis
- 30 James Lee Stanley

Crystal City Concert • Crystal City, VA

Free concerts at lunchtime and late afternoon, Crystal City Market featuring the Washington area's best blues, jazz, contemporary, and international musicians. 2121 Crystal Drive, 3 blocks from Metro.

October

- 2 noon Rick Franklin / 4:30 Ian Walters
- 9 noon Gina DeSione / 4:30 Kessler Brothers
- 16 noon BanjerDan / 4:30 Robert Lighthouse
- 23 noon Esther Haynes & Keith Grimes / 4:30 Kessler Brothers

Fridays**Cellar Stage • Baltimore, MD**

In the basement of Faith Community United Methodist Church, 5315 Harford Road. Show begins at 8. Info: **410.521.9099** or www.uptownconcerts@gmail.com

October

- 3 Mike Cross with Phil Minissale opening \$20
- 24 Seamus Kennedy with Danielle Miraglia opening \$16

Potter's House Benefit Concerts • Washington, DC

Potter's House, 1658 Columbia Rd NW, easy Metro access and off street parking available. Info: 202.232.5483 or www.PottersHouseDC.org

October

- 31 Open mic music and poetry,

333 Coffeehouse • Annapolis, MD

Third Fridays at Annapolis Unitarian Universalist Church, 333 DuBois Rd, off Bestgate Ave. Acoustic music. Dessert and coffee available in this smoke- and alcohol-free environment. Doors open at 7:30, concert at 8. Admission \$10, \$8 for Seniors/students. Info: **443.786.0463** or www.fsgw.org/333/

October

- 17 Lou and Peter Berryman

Crystal City Concert • Crystal City, VA

Free concerts at lunchtime and late afternoon, Crystal City Market featuring the Washington area's best blues, jazz, contemporary, and international musicians. 2121 Crystal Drive, 3 blocks from Metro.

October

- 3 noon Robert Lighthouse / 4:30 Sears Trio
- 10 noon Jody Marshall & Andrea Hoag / 4:30 Roddy Barnes
- 17 noon Seth Kibel Duo / 4:30 Siobahn Quinn & Michael Bowers
- 24 noon Maureen Andary / 4:30 Mike Baytop & Rick Franklin

Saturdays**Sugarloaf Coffeehouse • Germantown, MD**

Sponsored by the Sugarloaf Congregation of Unitarian Universalists, at 16913 Germantown Road. Open mic at 7, concert opener at 7:30. Suggested donation \$15, refreshments included. Tickets in advance at www.scuu.org/coffeehouse. Info: coffeehouse@scuu.org or 301.977.8952.

October

- 18 Andy & Denise; Jesse Palidofsky; David LaFleur opening

Crystal City Concert • Crystal City, VA

Free concerts at lunchtime and late afternoon, Crystal City Market featuring the Washington area's best blues, jazz, contemporary, and international musicians. 2121 Crystal Drive, 3 blocks from Metro.

October

- 4 1:30 Mystic Warriors / 4 Hokum Jazz
- 11 1:30 Rick Franklin & Delta Blues Boys / 4 Roddy Barnes
- 18 1:30 Kim Capps & Company / 4 Dead Men's Hollow
- 25 1:30 Tom Mitchell & Robert Redd / 4 Gibraltar



Dances

Contra

Sundays

**THE FSGW SUNDAY NIGHT DANCES
ARE LISTED ON THE INSIDE FRONT COVER.**

Wednesdays

Baltimore Folk Music Society • Baltimore, MD
Wednesdays • 8-10:30 pm

Lovely Lane Ch., 2200 St. Paul St, Baltimore. Beginners are always welcome. **New dancer workshops at 7:30 on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.** Nationally-known musicians and callers appear regularly. \$8 Members/\$12 Non-members, \$3 discount to students w/ID.

October

- 1 Caller **Anna Rain**, music by **Green Light Karma**
- 8 Caller **Tori Barone** to **Taylor Among the Devils**
- 15 Caller **Janine Smith** calls to **Late for Supper**
- 22 Caller **Adina Gordon** with **Tribal Tune Twisters**
- 29 (Halloween dance) Caller **Michael Barraclough** with **Marc Glickman and Fiends**

Fridays

Friday Night Dancers • Glen Echo Park, MD
Fridays • 8:30-11:30 pm

The Friday Night Dancers (in cooperation with the National Park Service, Montgomery County, and the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture) sponsor weekly contra dances to live music in the Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom. New dancer introductory class every week at 7:30. \$9 per person. To play for or call a dance, contact fndgigs@petml.com. For general information, visit www.fridaynightdance.org

October

- 3 Caller **Jack Mitchell** with **New Hip Trio**
- 10 Caller **Anna Rain** with the fabulous **Glen Echo Open Band**
- 17 Caller **Gaye Fifer** with **Avant Gardeners**
- 24 Caller **Adina Gordon** with **Tribal Tune Twisters**
- 31 Caller **Ted Hodapp** with **Floor Play** - Halloween dance!

Locust Lane Contra • Harrisburg, PA
2nd and 4th Fridays • 8-11 pm

Air-conditioned hall, all ages and experience levels welcome. Light refreshments at the break, donations welcome. New dancer class at 7:30. Members \$8; Non-members \$9; Students \$4.. Info: www.harrisburg-contra.org

Saturdays

Elverson Dance • Elverson, Pa
1st Saturdays • 7:30-10:30 pm

October 4 **Susan Hankin** and **Pieces of Eight**. Note change of location for this dance only. Crow's Nest Preserve. Call for directions. \$8, \$5 for students and seniors. New dancers welcome. Smoke free, alcohol free. Beginners' lesson at 7. Children must be chaperoned. Info: **Nancy Katzen, 610.780.5667** or elver-son.org

Shepherdstown Dance • Shepherdstown, WV
1st Saturdays • 7:30-11 pm

October 6, **Ann Fallon** calling to **Critton Hollow String Band**. War Memorial Building, corner of German and King Sts. \$7 for members, \$10 for non-members, \$4 for dancers under 12. Beginners workshop at 7:30, dance at 8. Please wear clean, soft-soled shoes. Potluck snacks at the break. Info: **smad.us** or call **Jeanne Marie** at **304.263.8323** or **Becky** at **304.876.2169**

Baltimore Dance • Pikesville, MD
2nd Saturdays • 6:30-11 pm

October 11, **Greg Frock** calls to **Quasimodal**. St. Marks on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Rd. Potluck dinner 6:30-7:30; new dancer orientation 7:35-7:55 pm. Contras and squares from 8 to 11. \$8 BFMS and affiliates/\$12 Non-members. Students \$5 members, \$6 non-members. Info: **Diane Friedman** at matchmaker2@comcast.net, or **410.321.8419**, or www.bfms.org

SMTMD Dance • California, MD
2nd Saturdays • 7-10 pm

October 11, **DeLaura Padovan** calls to the **Southern Maryland Open Band** at St. Andrew's Church Parish Hall, St. Andrew's Church Rd (MD Rte 4). Beginners instruction at 7, dance from 7:30-10, with ice cream social at 10. Wear floor-friendly non-scuffing shoes. \$6 for SMTMD member, \$8 for non-members. 12 and under free. Info: www.smtmd.org or **301.769.4762**.

Annapolis Traditional Dance • Annapolis, MD
3rd Saturdays • 7 pm

October 18, **Dick Bearman** with **Strings on Wings**. Free introductory session at 6:30, dance 7-10. \$10 with discounts for seniors, students, families and ATDS members. All ages welcome. All dances taught and walked through. No partner or experience required. Snacks to share are welcome. Friends Meeting House, 351 DuBois Rd. Info: **443.540.0867**, janscope@hotmail.com <http://www.smtmd.org>, or www.contra-dancers.com/atds



*Dances continued***Lancaster Contradance • Lancaster, PA**
3rd Saturdays, 7-10 pm

October 18, caller **Anna Rain** to *The Contraptions*. Note different location this month: St. John's Episcopal Church, 321 W. Chestnut St. Potluck supper 5:30-6:15; Beginners lesson at 6:15. Dance 7-10. \$8/5. Info: Shane 717.431.7417 or www.lancastercontra.org

Frederick Contra Dance • Frederick, MD
4th Saturdays • 8-11 pm

October 25, **Adina Gordon** with *Tribal Tune Twisters*. Trinity School, near Harry Grove Stadium. Free beginners' workshop at 7 pm, dance begins at 8. Adults, \$8, students \$5, 12 and under \$4. Info/directions: www.contradancers.com or call Boe Walker at 301.694.6794.

*English Country***Mondays****Baltimore Folk Music Society • Pikesville, MD**
Mondays • 8-10:30 pm

English Country Dancing is lively movement to elegant music in a friendly informal setting. All dances are taught and walked through. New dancers are welcome. New dancer orientation first Wednesday at 7:45. Admission \$7 Members, \$10 Non-members, \$2 student discount. St. Mark's on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Rd, 0.5 miles from Balt. Beltway Exit 20 South. Info: **Mike Franch** at 410.889.3252 or engdance@bfms.org

October

- 6 Caller **Michael Barraclough**, with *Geud Band of Baltimore*
- 13 Callers **Carl Friedman**, **Diane Schmit** and **Sharon McKinley**, with *Julie Gorka*, *Walt Robinson*, and *Jeff Steinberg*
- 20 Caller **Mike Franch**, with *Judy Meyers*, *Marty Taylor*, *Carl Friedman*, and *Karin Loya*
- 27 Halloween dance - come dressed as your favorite dance - mystery callers, with *Jonathan Jensen*, *Paul Oorts*, and *Becky Ross*

Wednesdays**THE FSGW ENGLISH COUNTY DANCES**
ARE LISTED ON PAGE 4.**Saturdays****English Country Dance • Silver Spring, MD**
Saturday, October 11 • 8-10:45 pm

Note new location. Glen Haven Elementary School, 10900 Inwood Ave. Dance to music by *Peascods Gathering*, calling by **Barbara Harding** and **Bob Farrall**. Beginners and singles welcome. \$5. Info: **Carl Minkus** 301.493.6281, **Bob Farrall** 301.577.5018.

*Family***THE FSGW FAMILY DANCE**
IS LISTED ON PAGE 4.**BFMS Family Dance • Pikesville, MD**
Second Saturdays • 5-6:30 pm

October 11, **Greg Frock** calls to two-thirds of *Quasimodal*. St. Mark's on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Rd, 0.5 miles from Balt. Beltway Exit 20 South. Potluck dinner after the dance - 6:30-7:30. Group discounts for youth groups, Scout troops, church groups, home schooling communities (12 or more). \$5 for BFMS members and affiliates; \$6 non-members; children under 2 free. Family max \$20 members, \$27 non-members. Info: **Diane** at 410.321.8419, or matchmaker2@comcast.net

*International***Sundays****Alpine Dancers • New Carrollton, MD**
Sunday, October 26 • 4-6:30 pm

Alpine Dancers are looking for energetic beginners; we hold a free open practice at New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6016 Princess Garden Pkwy, near Beltway Exit 20A. Graceful and lively couples and trio figure dances from Austria, German, and Switzerland. Recorded music. Confirm dates. Info/directions: caroltraxler@yahoo.com, 301.577.3503, 301.464.9193, or www.alpinedancers.org

Mondays**Bethesda International Folk Dancers • Bethesda, MD**
Mondays • 7:30-10 pm

No partner necessary, all ages and levels of expertise welcome. Beginners: 7:30-8:10. Intermediate/Adv.: 8:10-10pm. Mostly recorded with occasional live music. \$6 per class. Leland Community Center, 4301 Willow Ln. \$7 per class. Info: **Phyllis** or **Brandon Diamond** at 301.871.8788, www.diamonddancecircle.com or diamonddancecircle@comcast.net.

Tuesdays**Arlington International Folk Dancing • Arlington, VA**
Tuesdays • 8-10 pm

Key Elementary School, Veitch St., between Wilson and Key near Courthouse Road Metro. Folk Dance for Fun. Admission \$5, recorded music, instruction, walk-throughs, and requests. Singles welcome, all ages or levels of expertise. Info: **Sam** or **Sarah** 703.527.8998 or sstulberg@earthlink.net or **Kent Hibben** at 301.520.3794 or KentLHibben@hughes.net

*Dances continued***Thursdays****THE FSGW GLEN ECHO FOLKDANCERS
ARE LISTED ON PAGE 7****Chevy Chase International Folk Dancers • Washington, DC
Thursdays • 7:30-9:30 pm**

Chevy Chase Community Cntr, 5601 Connecticut, NW (at McKinley). Instruction and walk-through until 8:30. All levels welcome, no partner necessary. Recorded music. Leader: **Roland Forbes. Info: Jackie Davis at 301.424.8827 or Naomi Rogers at 301.438.0063**

**Circle Dance • Arlington, VA
Thursdays • 7:45-9:45 pm**

Beginners especially welcome 1st and 3rd Thursdays. Dances on 2nd and 4th Thursdays are more advanced. All dances are taught. Recorded music. Unitarian Universalist Church of Arlington, Rte 50 at George Mason Dr. \$10 per session or pay a reduced fee for a series. **Info: Judie David at 703.451.2595 or Veda-vid@starpower.net.**

**Mount Vernon International Folk Dancing • Alexandria, VA
Thursdays • 8-10 pm**

Beginners to advanced - all are welcome! Easy dances 8-8:30, followed by requests and advanced instruction. Join our friendly, diverse group on a beautiful dance floor. No partner necessary. Donation \$2.50. Mt Vernon Unitarian Church, 1909 Windmill Lane. **Info: 703.866.2393 or kkrogh@aol.com**

Fridays**Greenbelt International Folk Dancing • Greenbelt, MD
Fridays • 8:15-10:45 pm**

Greenbelt Community Cntr Dance Studio, 15 Crescent Rd. Focus is dance from Eastern Europe and Scandinavia. No partner or experience necessary. Mostly recorded music. Beautiful dance floor. Teaching 8:15-9, requests from 9-10:45. \$7/\$10 on 1st Fridays (live music). **Info: Larry Weiner at 301.565.0539, larry@larry-weiner.com or John Robinson at 410.715.9210**

Irish

CCE Monthly Ceili • Fairfax, VA
Saturday, October 11 • 7-11 pm
Workshop at 7 pm, ceili from 7:30-11 pm. Green Acres Center, 4401 Sideburn Road. Dance program, directions and more online at www.ceilidance.com or call Kendra Swann 703.490.5207.

**Irish Set Dance Evening • Shepherdstown, WV
Saturday, October 18 • 8 pm**

Marilyn Moore will teach lively Irish sets and ceilis, music by **Hedge Band** and friends (Billy McComiskey, Donna Long, Laura Byrne, Pat Egan, Myron Bretholz, and Peter Fitzgerald) and the **Upper Poto-**

mac Irish Weekend open band. War Memorial Building, corner of German and King Sts. \$7 for members, \$10 for non-members, \$4 for dancers under 12. Beginners workshop at 7:30, dance at 8. Please wear clean, soft-soled shoes. Potluck snacks at the break. **Info: smad.us or call Jeanne Marie at 304.263.8323 or Becky at 304.876.2169.**

**GWCC Monthly Ceili • College Park, MD
Sunday, November 2 • 4-9 pm**

The October Ceili will be November 2 because of the October 24-26 weekend (see listing). Greater Washington Ceili Club holds a monthly ceili, usually on 4th Sundays. Cherry Hill Park Conference Center, 9700 Cherry Hill Road (use entrance code 76000 at the barrier/gate). Set dance workshop at 4, potluck from 6-7, dance from 7-9. GWCC Members \$12; non-members \$15, students 11-20, \$8, kids under 11 free. **Info: 301.294.3568 or <http://www.gwcc-online.org>**

*Israeli***Israeli Dancing • Kensington, MD
Mondays • 7:30-11 pm**

Temple Emanuel, 10101 Connecticut Ave. Circle dances 7:30-9:30, couple dances 9:30-11. \$7/Students \$5. **Info: Moshany, 240.350.3110, maspro@verizon.net**

**Israeli Dancing • Potomac, MD
Wednesdays • 8:15-10 pm**

Har Shalom Congregation, 11510 Falls Rd., Potomac (between Democracy Blvd. and Montrose Rd.). "Oldies" only (dances before 1990). Instruction 8:15-8:45, Requests 8:45-10. Recorded Music. \$5. **Info: Ben Hole 301.441.8213.**

*Morris***Arlington Northwest Morris • Arlington, VA
Mondays • 7:30-9 pm**

Learn and perform the traditional morris dances of Northwest England which combine simple footwork with power and precision. We are a welcoming group of women who practice in a great place with a wooden floor (easier on your knees) at the Unitarian Universalist Church. **Info: Suzanne, suzelise@comcast.net or Laura, LLPar42@aol.com**

**Rock Creek Morris Women • Silver Spring, MD
Wednesdays • 7:45-9:45 pm**

Learn to dance in the ancient English morris tradition, and you'll get all the aerobics you need. Join a strong community that dances, plays, sings, and drinks together. Montgomery Knolls Elementary School, 807 Daleview Dr. **Info: 301.927.6373, louiseneu@earthlink.net or www.uswet.com/RCMW.html**

Dances continued

Foggy Bottom Morris Men • Silver Spring, MD
Thursdays • 8-10 pm

Learn and perform long-sword, traditional dances from English Cotswold villages, and seasonal mumming. Anyone who enjoys dance and movement can experience the vigorous thrill of the morris! We welcome new and slightly used dancers at practices (and at McGintys afterwards). Highland View Elementary School, 9010 Providence Ave. **Info: Brad Graham, 410.480.3289** or www.fbmm-morris.org

Scandinavian

Scandinavian Dance • Greenbelt, MD
Saturday, October 18 • 7-10 pm

Scandia DC sponsors a 3rd Saturday dance, this month live fiddle music by Swedish *Rikspellman Lena Jonsson* (who is on a US tour). **Karen Myers** will play for the teaching. Possibly some recorded music. No partners necessary. Teaching 7-8, this month the *Bingjö Polskor* – a dance that includes 3 turns. Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio (wood floor) at 15 Crescent Rd. \$7 **Info: 202.333.2826**, inclement weather call 301.474.5525. **Info: linda@scandiadc.org, www.scandiadc.org.**

Norwegian Dance House Party • Kensington, MD
Saturday, October 11 • Potluck 6:30 pm, Dancing 8 pm

Bring clean shoes to wear, food to share, and \$\$ you can spare to 3812 Denfeld Ave in Kensington. Mesmerizing live music by **Loretta Kelley** on the unique Hardanger fiddle (see hfaa.org). She's back from Norway with new tunes! Beginners welcome. Host is **Sonia White, 301.503.7906**. Dog in residence. **Info/dirs: Jenny, pi@xecu.net, 301.371.4312.**

Scottish

For new and experienced dancers. No partner needed. Bring soft, flexible shoes. Recorded and live music.

Scottish Country Dance • Bethesda, MD
Mondays • 8-10 pm

NIH Building T-39 (Dance and Aerobic Center). Call/ email in advance for directions. **Info: John MacLeod, 301.622.5945** or blackolav@cs.com and **Betty Lee Barnes, 202.966.3595** or Thistledance@starpower.net

Scottish Country Dance • Greenbelt, MD
Tuesdays • 8-10 pm

Dance all year round at the Greenbelt Community Center. **Info: www.rscds.greaterdc.org** or **Jay Andrews at andrewj@erols.com** or **703.719.0596**

Scottish Country Dance • Alexandria, VA
Wednesdays • 8-9:45 pm

Durant Center, 1605 Cameron St. **Info: Carol Porter, 703.379.5779** or nova-secretary@rscds-greaterdc.org

Squares

Monster Mash Halloween Dance • College Park, MD
Tuesday, October 28 • 8:30 11 pm

Loose Strings (**Scott Prouty** on fiddle, **Kate Brett** on banjo, **Kevin Enoch** on bass, and **Brandt Ryder** on guitar) will play tunes for squares and more called by the **Hot Square Babes**. Put on your costume, and bring your trick-or-treat bags to the Cherry Hill RV Park Conference Center, 9800 Cherry Hill Road. \$8, Refreshments to share are welcome. **Info: 410.268.0231** or **301.947.2231** or <http://www.hotsquares.info/>

Swing/Blues

Washington Swing Dance • Glen Echo Park, MD
Saturday, October 4 • 8-midnight

WSDC Band Jam with three hours of continuous live music – no band breaks. Lots of special guests, including **Steve Wolf, John Previti, Barry Hart, Big Joe Majer, Chuck Redd, Robert Redd, Jim Stephanson, Diane Westphal, Chris Watling, Don Lerman, Jerry Queen, Jacques Johnson, Bruce Swain, Rusty Mason** and more! No partner or dance experience necessary. Dress is casual. Snack bar closes at 10 pm, so bring water or sports drink. All ages welcome. Introductory lesson from 8-9 in the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park. Admission \$15 (or volunteer to help for one hour and get in free – email to Derek at wsdcvolunteer@hotmail.com). **More info: 301.340.9732** or wsdcswings@yahoo.com or www.wsdc.org

Slow Blues and Swing • Glen Echo Park, MD
Sunday, October 5 • 7-11 pm

In the Bumper Car Pavilion. 90-minute slow blues dance workshop with **Donna Barker** and **Mike Marcotte**. The dance begins at 8:30 with **BG & The Mojo Hands** playing a variety of blues including traditional Chicago, jump, swing, rockabilly, and down-home Delta. \$17 for class and dance; \$12 dance only. **Info: Donna Barker at 301.634.2231** or **Glen Echo Park at 301.634.2222** or www.DanceDC.com

Swing Dance • Glen Echo Park, MD
Friday, October 10 • 8-midnight

In the Bumper Car Pavilion. **Donna Barker** and **Mike Marcotte** present a 60-minute swing lesson starting at 8 pm; the dance begins at 9. \$13 for workshop and dance. **Info: Donna Barker at 301.634.2231** or **Glen Echo Park at 301.634.2222** or www.DanceDC.com

Slow Blues and Swing • Glen Echo Park, MD
Sunday, October 19 • 7-11 pm

In the Spanish Ballroom. 90-minute slow blues dance workshop with **Donna Barker** and **Mike Marcotte**. The dance begins at 8:30 with **ACME Blues Company** playing electric, hard-driving blues and swing tunes. \$17 for class and dance; \$12 dance only. **Info: Donna Barker at 301.634.2231** or **Glen Echo Park at 301.634.2222** or www.DanceDC.com

Dances continued

Waltz

Waltz with Nightingale • Glen Echo Park, MD
Sunday, October 5 • 3-6 pm

A 30-minute introductory waltz lesson at 3, followed by 2½ hours of social dancing – a lively mix of folk waltzes, Schottische, swing, tango, or polka, in the Spanish Ballroom. \$8. Info: www.WaltzTimeDances.org or 301.634.2222

Hot Dance Sunday Afternoon • Glen Echo Park, MD
Sunday, October 26 • 3-6 pm

New Hots Jazz Orchestra, in the Spanish Ballroom. 30-minute polka variations lesson at 3. No partner or experience necessary. Swing, waltz, and ballroom dance to music of the 20s, 30s, 40s and more. \$10. Info: www.newhotsjazz.com or info@newhotsjazz.com

Oklahoma Twisters Afternoon Waltz • Glen Echo Park, MD
Sunday, October 19 • 2-6 pm

A special C&W 2-step workshop from 2-3 pm, taught by **Mal and Linda Zerden**; then a 30-minute introductory waltz lesson at 3, followed by 2½ hours of social dancing – a lively mix of folk waltzes, some C&W 2-step, tango, or polka, in the Spanish Ballroom. \$8. Info: www.WaltzTimeDances.org or 301.634.2222

Zydeco/Cajun

Zydeco Dance • Glen Echo Park, MD
Friday, October 17 • 8-midnight

Join Michael Hart and Sharon Schiliro at 8 pm for a 60-minute Cajun dance lesson. The dance begins at 9 with Zydeco, Cajun Blues, R&B, 2-step, and more by **Leroy Thomas and The Zydeco Road Runners**. Admission \$18. Info: Michael Hart at 301.762.6730 or www.DancingbytheBayou.com



Dance Classes

Ballroom

Thursdays, October 2-23

Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park. Each 4-week series is \$40 (plus applicable registration fee); pay at the door or pre-register at www.glenechopark.org. **Additional information at www.dancedc.com**. No partner or previous experience required for either class.

Intermediate Folk Waltz from 7-8 pm. For waltzers already comfortable with basic footwork and half-turn. Learn creative dance figures including scissors, grapevine, optical illusion and more.

Intermediate Swing from 8-9 pm. For dancers who know the basic 6-count, this class adds moves in open and closed position and introduces the Charleston.

Argentine Tango from 9-10. Learn technique and styling, beginning with basic concepts and moving on to ochos, pasadas and more.

Irish

Thursdays, September 4 - December 18

Greater Washington Ceili Club dance classes. Frost Center, 4915 Aspen Hill Road, Rockville, MD. **Paul O'Donnell** teaches basic dances from 7-8, and advanced dances from 8-9:30. Come for your session of choice, or for the entire evening. Mini-Ceili on the 3rd Thursday of each month, with live music. Info: 301.649.6410 or www.gwcc-online.org.

Saturdays, September 13 - May 9, 2009

O'Neill-Malcom Branch Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann (CCE) classes. Green Acres Center, 4401 Sideburn Road, Fairfax, VA 22030. 10:30 am to noon. Five 6-week sessions from September 2008 through May 2009, taught by **Marilyn Moore**. \$30 per session for CCE members, \$40 for non-members. No experience or partner required. Info: 703.281.5882 or [marymulrenan\(at\)aol.com](mailto:marymulrenan(at)aol.com)

Scandinavian

Scandinavian Dance Classes • Bethesda, MD

Beginning Class: Tuesday, October 28 • 7:30 - 9:30 pm

Advanced Classes: Tuesday, October 21 • 7:30 - 9:30 pm

Beginners learn Hambo, Schottish, Waltz, Zwiefacher, and other couple turning dances. Advanced dancers learn Finnskogspols, Nigpolska, Gammalvånster, Springleik, and requests. Singles, couples, beginners, and advanced dancers welcome. Sometimes live Swedish fiddle music. Wear smooth-soled shoes for turning, not running shoes. Air conditioned! \$5. Info: Lisa Brooks at 240.731.1935, lisa@HamboDC.org, or www.HamboDC.org.

New Directions and New Entrance to NIH: Directions: Enter NIH at Wisconsin Av. and the **new Gateway Drive entrance**. (This new entrance is south of South Dr., and can be reached ONLY from the north, on Wisconsin Ave). Have ID ready for vehicle inspection. Park there, or drive to the south center of NIH and park in NIH permit parking next to dancing in Building T-39, just northwest of building 41. Or walk 12 minutes from the Medical Center metro stop (also need ID). See a map (essential) at www.HambDC.org or on a flyer.

Jams/Open Mics/Audience Participation

— Listed by day of the week (Sunday thru Saturday) —

Sundays

Scottish Traditional Music Jam • Wheaton, MD
1st Sundays • 3–6 pm

Scottish traditional music jam, first Sundays, Royal Mile Pub, 2407 Price Avenue. Musicians welcome. **Info:** <http://dcscottishsession.blogspot.com/> or contact Peter Walker at boghadubh@gmail.com.

More Geese Than Swans • Washington, DC
1st Sundays • 7 pm

More Geese Than Swans meets on 1st Sundays to sing Renaissance choral music, sacred and secular. Some sight reading skills necessary. Group meets near a Metro stop and welcomes new members. **Info:** Joan Gildemeister at jgildemeister@cs.com.

CABOMA Jam • Arlington, VA
2nd and 4th Sundays • 2 pm

Capitol Area Bluegrass and Old-Time Music Association (CABOMA) holds jams the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. Lyon Park Community Center, corner of N. Filmore and Pershing. **Info:** Dave at 301.274.3441.

Annapolis Acoustic Jam • Annapolis, MD
Sundays • 9 am-Noon

Indoors at The Visitor Center, Quiet Waters Park. **Info:** phyllis@saroffillustration.com.

Mondays

Balkan Singing • Takoma Park, MD
Every Monday • 8 pm

Informal singing group meets in Northwest DC/Takoma Park to sing Balkan village songs. Interested novices welcome. **Info:** Katya, 301.270.4175 or Katya@partan.com or Joan at 202.363.6197.

Tuesday

Sea Chantey Open Pub Sing
 • Wheaton, MD and Falls Church, VA
1st and 4th Tuesdays • See below for start times

The Ship's Company chanteymen host open mike sea chantey sings. No cover/minimum; arrive early for a table. Participation encouraged but not mandatory. Requests are honored if possible. Mostly a cappella but instruments are welcome. **Info:** Myron Peterson at ructic@yahoo.com or www.shipscompany.org.

1st Tuesdays – At Royal Mile Pub, 2407 Price Avenue, Wheaton. 8 pm

4th Tuesdays – At Stacy's Coffee Parlor, 709 W. Broad Street, Falls Church. 7 pm

Folk Club of Reston/Herndon • Herndon, VA
Tuesdays • 7:30 pm

Tortilla Factory, 648 Elden Street. Open mic format. 2nd Tuesday includes 25-minute member showcase; monthly concerts usually 3rd Tuesday, price varies. Smoke-free environment. **Info:** www.restonherndonfolkclub.com, 703.435.2402.

Old Time Jam • Washington, DC
2nd Tuesdays • 8 pm

Fiddlers, banjo pickers, guitarists, bass players and cloggers all welcome at Nanny O'Brien's, 3319 Connecticut Ave NW, for an old-time jam. **Info:** ulrike@brauneis.us

Wednesdays

Sea Chantey Open Pub Sings
 • Baltimore and Annapolis, MD
2nd & 3rd Wednesdays • 8 pm

The Ship's Company chanteymen host open-mike sea chantey sings. Participation encouraged but not mandatory. Requests are honored if possible. **Info:** Myron Peterson at ructic@yahoo.com or www.shipscompany.org

2nd Wednesdays – Wharf Rat, 801 S. Anne Street, Baltimore (Fells Point)

3rd Wednesdays – Galway Bay, 63 Maryland Ave, Annapolis 21401

Arlington Jam! • Arlington, VA
3rd Wednesdays • 7-10:30 pm

Fiddles, guitars, all instruments welcome! Intermediate and advanced players interested in old-time, blues, Scandinavian, swing, and other styles. First Friday and third Wednesday at 1909 N. Ohio St. **Info:** Lilli Vincenz, 703.532.2731 or FiddlerLilli@zzapp.org.

Thursdays

Irish Traditional/Bluegrass Music Sessions • Frederick, MD
Thursdays • 7 and 8:30 pm

At Boe's Strings, 26 S. Market Street. **Info and tune list at** www.BoesStrings.com or Boe at 301.662.0750.

DC Bluegrass Union VFW Bluegrass Jams
 • Takoma Park, MD
1st & 3rd Thursdays • 7-10 pm

NOTE CHANGE OF DATE! Free. At Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 350, 6420 Orchard Ave. (corner of 4th Ave). **Info:** VFW Post 350 at 301.270.8008 or Barb Diederich barb@barbdiederich.com.

Fridays

Arlington Jam! • Arlington, VA
1st Fridays • 7-10:30 pm

See Wednesday listing.

Jams/Open Mics/Audience Participation continued

Glen Echo Open Band • Glen Echo, MD

2nd Fridays • 8:30–11:30 pm

The fabulous Glen Echo Open Band plays for the second Friday contra dance. All instruments and levels of ability are welcome. Find recordings, tunebook names and page numbers of tunes played by the Open Band at www.openbandonline.com. The site works best using iTunes on a PC or a Mac. Info: www.friday-nightdance.org.

Open Mic at Potter's House • Washington, DC

4th Fridays • 8 pm

Both spoken word and music. Homemade dinner/desserts served starting at 7. Potter's House 1658 Columbia Road NW (Green line to Columbia Hgts). Suggested donation \$10. Info: www.PottersHouseDC.org.



Saturdays

Batala Percussion Band • Washington, DC

Saturdays • 10am - 1 pm

All-woman ensemble plays Brazilian samba-reggae rhythm. Instruments provided by the band. No prior knowledge of music or percussion is necessary, only interest and willingness to learn. Practices will be in locations convenient to public transportation. Info: Mariana Pereira, Musical Director 202.361.8993, or drums@batalawashington.com, or www.batalawashington.com.

Hammer Dulcimer Jam • McLean, VA

October 25 • 1:30 - 4:30 pm

Hammer dulcimer players meet monthly at the Dolley Madison Library to swap tunes and play together. Other acoustic instruments welcome. Info: Ellie at 703.578.3106, [nvhd@holsopple.com](mailto:nvhdp@holsopple.com), or <http://pages.prodigy.net/holsopple>.

Storytelling

Diane Macklin • College Park, MD

Sunday, October 12 • 3 pm

This vibrant storyteller incorporates music and rhythm into energetic retellings of traditional folk tales from around the world. Free, ideal for ages 3 and up. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Registration is suggested as space is limited. Info: info@cpae.org or 301.927.3013.

McGoddess • Washington, DC

Friday, October 10 • 7:30 pm

Speakeasy DC Special Event, **Vijai Nathan's** storytelling presentation on "Big Macs, Karma and the American Dream." Info: <http://speakeasydc.org>

Workshops, Weekends, Festivals & Special Events

BalktoberFest 2008 • Silver Spring, MD

Saturday, October 4 • 6pm - 2am

The **Balkanics** and The World Music Folklife Center present the 2nd annual Balkan Music and Dance Festival at Hollywood Ballroom. Info: www.balktoberfest.com or www.wmfoklifecenter.org

Mandolin Workshop • Cheverly, MD

Saturday, October 4 • noon-2 pm

Orrin Star presents "Mapping the Mando Fretboard." There's an implied "map" or layout of the fingerboard that mandolinists rely on to play in any key. Using the tune *Silent Night* we'll jump-start your understanding of the map and touch on essential tremolo technique. 12 participant limit, beginner through intermediate level – \$40 includes written hand-out.

Info: <http://orrinstar.com/Pages/MandoShops.htm> or orhay@aol.com, or 301.773.6149.



Québécois Kitchen Dance and Dinner • Bethesda, MD

Saturday, October 4

• Dinner 6:30-8, Dancing 7:30-10:30

Washington Revels invites you to its 3rd Annual Barn Dance and Dinner. Internationally renowned step dancer and caller **Pierre Chartrand** and fiddler extraordinaire **Éric Favreau** will come from Quebec to teach and play for the dances. Cedar Lane Unitarian Church. Kids welcome. Advance purchase required. Tickets: Adults \$40 / Youth (18 & under) \$15. Info: www.revelsdc.org or 301.587.3835.

Upper Potomac Irish Music Weekend • Shepherdstown, WV

Friday-Saturday, October 17-18

Friday evening concert and Saturday music and dance workshops for fiddle, flute, guitar, vocal, bodhran, mandolin, tenor banjo, sean-nos step, Irish set dance, and evening ceili with Hedge Band featuring Billy McComiskey, Donna Long, Pat Egan and Laura Byrne, along with Peter Fitzgerald, Myron Bretholtz, Shannon Dunne and Marilyn Moore. All classes on the Shepherd University campus and surrounding histor-

Workshops, Weekends, Festivals & Special Events continued

ic buildings. Info: www.irishmusicwknd.info, call Joanie Blanton at 304.263.2531, or email to updf@earthlink.net

Bluegrass Rhythm Guitar Workshop • Cheverly, MD
Saturday, October 18 • 1-3:15 pm

Bluegrass rhythm guitarists have developed some interesting rhythm techniques, but the techniques are rarely taught or explained in an organized way. **Orrin Star** provides a hands-on, detailed, and entertaining look at bass runs and strums, rest strokes, playing in 3/4 time, playing fast, and more. 12 participant limit, all levels – \$50 includes written hand-out.

Info: <http://orrinstar.com/Pages/MandoShops.htm> or orhay@aol.com, or 301.773.6149.

Bluegrass Banjo Workshops • Arlington, VA
Saturday, October 18 • 12:30-2:30 and 3-5 pm

Eddie Collins of Austin, Texas, founder of *5-String Quarterly*, will teach two workshops: Basics of Bluegrass Banjo from 12:30-2:30 and Beyond the Basics from 3-5. \$30 per workshop, or \$50 for both. 8 participant limit. Info: **Lew Stern**, brooklynbanjoboy@yahoo.com

GWCC Dance Weekend • Rehoboth Beach, DE
Friday-Sunday, October 24-26

The Cape May Tradition has moved to Rehoboth Beach! The Greater Washington Ceili Club dance weekend is now at the Atlantic Sands Hotel & Conference Center. Three set dance workshops with **Padraig and Roisin McEneaney**. Ceilis Friday and Saturday evenings, and Sunday afternoon. Concert Music by **The Cape May Ceili Band** - featuring **Felix Dolan, John Whelan, Bernadette Fee, Jimmy Kelly** and **Laura Byrne Egan**. Info: sousane@comcast.net or 301.802.2631

Pocono Waltz Weekend II • Pocono Manor, PA
Friday-Sunday, October 31 - November 2

At the Pocono Manor Golf Resort & Spa, lovely ballroom with wood floor. Classes in waltz flourishes, rotary and cross-step waltz, partnering, zweifachers, and more. Teaching by **Richard Powers**, music by **The Flying Romanos**. Saturday evening costume ball. Limited to 78 dancers. Info: www.PoconoWaltzWeekend.org or call **Loretta Holz** at 732.356.7773 x201 or **Ken Crawford** at 732.3656.5164.

Eisteddfod-NY • Jackson Heights, Queens, NY
Friday-Sunday, November 14-16

Eisteddfod is a Welsh word meaning a gathering of musicians and bards. This year's family-friendly gathering (co-sponsored by FSGW) includes audience participation and concerts, workshops, ballad swap, open stage, Festival Marketplace, and much more. Confirmed performers at press time include **Len Graham, John Roberts and Tony Barrand, Dave Weber & Anni Fentiman, Pat Conte, and Jerry Epstein**. Renaissance Charter School, 35-59 81st St. Info: www.eisteddfod-ny.org or 718.965.4074

FSGW Midwinter Festival • Takoma Park, MD
Saturday, February 7, 2009 • noon-10:30 pm

It's official. Mark your calendar now. The 2009 edition of the **FSGW Midwinter Festival (aka Mini-Fest)** will feature an all-Irish evening program. Interested in helping? Participating? Email minifestmessages@aol.com – **April Blum, Mini-Fest Chair**

The Perfect Gift

A one-year (or more) membership to FSGW is a perfect gift for anyone and everyone. Please send your request and check to FSGW Membership, 3612 Greenway Place, Alexandria, Virginia 22302, and FSGW will send a note and membership card to your recipient. Simply use the FSGW Membership Form on the back of your Newsletter, and mark it "Gift Membership." The holiday season begins soon, so there's no better time than now!

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If you support WAMU, why not do it through FSGW? If you channel your donations to WAMU through FSGW, we will bundle those contributions and specify that they must be used to underwrite programming on WAMU such as **Mary Cliff's "Traditions."** Every dollar collected by FSGW for WAMU will be passed along to the radio station.

To donate to WAMU through FSGW, just write a check to FSGW and note that it is for the WAMU fund. Send it to the FSGW Treasurer, **Dennis Cook**, 16125 Malcolm Dr. Laurel, MD 20707. We'll pass along your contribution to WAMU, and you can hear the results when you hear FSGW mentioned on the air as a sponsor. Like WAMU, FSGW is a 501(c)(3) organization, so you can still take advantage of charitable tax deductions.

We'll also be in touch about putting together volunteer crews during WAMU's fundraising efforts—you'll be able to volunteer on the same shifts with your fellow folkies.

Driving & Mass Transit Directions to Frequent Venues:

Glen Echo Park, MD • Spanish Ballroom/Bumper Car Pavilion

7300 MacArthur Blvd. At Goldsboro Rd., Glen Echo, MD

FROM THE BELTWAY:

Maryland Side: at 2-lane Exit 40 take the left fork for the Cabin John Parkway. Where Cabin John merges with the Clara Barton Parkway, move into the left lane, under the overhang. Then follow instructions in MD&VA, below.

Virginia side: Get into the far right hand lane at the top of the bridge. At the first fork, bear right. Stay in the left lane; watch for Cabin John traffic merging from the right at the overhang. Then follow instructions in MD&VA, below.

MD&VA: Watch for signs to MacArthur Blvd. Make a very sharp hairpin turn and move immediately into the right lane. At the T intersection/stop sign, turn left onto MacArthur Blvd. The Upper parking lot is on the left. For the lower parking lot, go around the small traffic circle and make the first left onto Oxford St. Be SURE to come to a COMPLETE STOP at the Stop Sign!!!!

BY PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION: Take the #29 Bus from the Friendship Heights Metro Station. Ask the driver to let you know when to get off for Glen Echo Park. The bus stops running before the last dance ends. Ask the dance coordinator to announce that you need a ride. We've never left anybody at the Park. Last bus leaves Friendship Heights Metro at 7:30 pm.

Glen Echo Town Hall

6106 Harvard St., Glen Echo, MD:

Same as for Glen Echo Park, save that Harvard Street is the THIRD left off of MacArthur Blvd. After the traffic circle.

PLEASE NOTE: Park in the lot behind the hall, on University Drive, or on the east side of MacArthur Blvd, **NOT** on Harvard St.

Washington Ethical Society (WES) Auditorium,

7750 16th St. NW, DC just south of the intersection of Kalmia Rd. and 16th St, about four blocks inside the DC/MD line.

FROM THE BELTWAY:

Take the Georgia Ave. South exit (29 south). Stay in either right line. Go .4 miles from the exit ramp, going south on 16th St. South. Follow 16th Street past the light at East-West Highway (Rt. 410); go straight at the circle at the DC/MD line. Kalmia Rd. is the second light after the DC/MD line. WES is the second building on the right after Kalmia Rd. Parking is on Kalmia or 16th St.

BY METRO: Red Line to Silver Spring Stop. Walk south on Rt. 29 Colesville Rd. to the traffic circle at 16th – go left down 16th four blocks to Kalmia Rd. and WES. If you'd rather not walk, an S-4 Metro Bus will deliver you to the corner of Kalmia Rd. and 16th.

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