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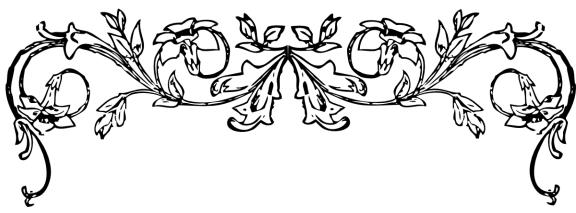
As the year draws to a close, we would like to take a moment to recognize all the volunteers who make our dances and other events possible. As an all-volunteer organization, we truly could not do it without you!

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Jon Patton

Andy Porter

BFMS American Contra & Square Dance*

Lovely Lane United Methodist Church 2200 Saint Paul St. Baltimore 21218

Wednesday evenings, 8-10:30 pm New dancer session at 7:30 on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month Admission: \$13/\$9 for BFMS members & affiliates. Students \$6/\$4 for members.

Bring-a-friend contest continues in December!

Whoever brings the most new dancers to our Wednesday night dances in **December** gets to dance for free all of January! (The small print: The new dancers must be new to BFMS dances, including the Monday, Wednesday and 2nd Saturday dances. You must bring at least 3 new dancers in the month to be eligible to win.)

Directions to Lovely Lane

From the north: take I-83 south to the 28th St./Druid Hill exit. Bear left and take 28th St. to Maryland Ave. Turn right on Maryland Ave., then left on 23rd St.

From the south: I-95 to I-395, exit onto S. Howard (downtown Baltimore), turn right onto Pratt. Left onto Charles, right onto 23rd Street. Use parking lots on either side of 23rd St. at Saint Paul. The church is on the right.

December 7

DeLaura Padovan calls to **Taylor Among the Devils**: **Steve Hickman** (fiddle), **Marty Taylor** (concertina and whistle), and **Jonathan Jensen** (piano).

December 14

Susan Taylor calls to the New Southern Cowtippers: Sandy Hofferth (fiddle), Donna Fatur (fiddle), Al Fatur (guitar), and Howard Zane (banjo). New Dancer Orientation at 7:30

December 21

Dick Bearman calls to Some Assembly: Mary Corletta Flora (flute), Joe Klausner (fiddle), Donna Boylan (piano), and Paul Miller (guitar).

December 28

Rachel Shapiro calling to the Cosmic Otters: Meg Dedolph (guitar), Eric Schedler (accordion, piano), Edward Wallace (fiddle), and Jonathan Whitall (fiddle, piano). New Dancer Orientation at 7:30

BFMS English Country Dance*

Saint Mark's on-the-Hill Parish Hall 1620 Reisterstown Rd, Pikesville 21208 0.5 miles from Balt. Beltway Exit 20 South

Monday evenings, 8-10:30 pm; New dancer session at 7:45 on the first Monday of the month Admission: \$11/\$8 for BFMS members & affiliates \$2 student discount

English Country Dancing – fun, flirty, elegant movement to live music. All dances are taught and walked through. For more info, contact Emily Aubrey at 410.433.4419 or engdance@bfms.org

December 5

Sharon McKinley calls to music by **Carl Friedman** (violin), **Karin Loya** (cello) and **Francine Krasowska** (piano). New dancer session at 7:45.

December 12

Tom Spilsbury leads the dances to music by Paul Oorts (strings), Dave Crandall (winds) and Jonathan Jensen (piano).

December 19

Diane Schmit calls to **Becky Ross** (violin), **David Giusti** (recorders) and **Liz Donaldson** (piano).

December 26

Boxing Day fest with **Rich Galloway** calling to music by **Jeff Steinberg** (violin), **Robin Wilson** (flute) and **Judy Mevers** (piano).



BFMS Second Saturday Contra Dance*

Saturday, December 10th Saint Mark's on-the-Hill 1620 Reisterstown Rd, Pikesville 21208

Perry Shafran calls to Gypsy Meltdown: Colleen Reed (flute and sax), Kathy Kerr (flute and mandolin) and Keith Gillis (guitar).

Admission: \$9 BFMS members and affiliates, \$13 nonmembers. Under 21 and full-time students with ID: \$6/\$4. Beginners, singles, couples, and families are welcome. No Experience necessary; you don't need to bring a partner.

For more information call Becca at 301-606-7115 or email Becca at nutritionexpeditions@yahoo.com

BFMS and Member-Sponsored Events

BFMS Board Meeting*

Tuesday, December 6, 7:30 pm

Meetings are open to BFMS members, and all are encouraged to attend. Ice cream social follows meeting. For directions, agenda, and other information, please contact the President at: president@bfms.org.

BFMS MidWinter Ball *

Saturday, January 14, 2012, 7-11:30 pm Scottish Rite Masonic Center 3800 North Charles Street, Baltimore, 21218

Perpetual eMotion (Ed Howe - fiddle, John Coté - guitar, didgeridoo and foot percussion) will provide the music and Will Mentor will call the dances. Steampunk-themed attire encouraged. For more information, visit: http://www.bfms.org/midwinter.php

International Folk Dancing‡

Saturdays, 7:30 - 10:30 pm, lessons in first hour NO DANCING DEC 24, DEC 31 Homewood Friends Meeting House, 3107 N. Charles St. Baltimore, MD 21218

Dances from Europe, Israel and other countries of the Near and Middle East. Beginners welcome; no partner necessary. Admission \$2; first time free.

Al & Hildy Sanders 410-484-9392 (check answering machine message to confirm dancing is on) or Paul & Elise Kreiss 410-367-8194 (evenings & weekends) or pkreiss@toadmail.com. Across Charles St. from Museum Drive (just east of Johns Hopkins). Enter down outside stairs from side porch. Call to arrange handicapped access.

Dickey Mill Contra Dance ‡

Sunday, December 18, 1:30 to 4:30 pm ChileSwing Studio 4900 Wetheredsville Road, Baltimore, MD 21207

Becca Denison calls to Whirlitzer - Amy Hopkins (fiddle), Gerry Hemming (guitar), Lisa Roberts (banjo, mandolin, fiddle), Ed VandenBosche (cello), Mark Vidor (piano).

\$10 per person. Max. \$20 per family. For more information, contact:
Ed VandenBosche, edveih@yahoo.com, 443-846-4748 or Diana Kerns, Dianakerns@yahoo.com, 410-467-4771

Ballroom Dancing ‡

Every Friday, 7:50 pm ROTC building at Johns Hopkins University

Waltz, rumba, tango and more. Always free.
All are welcome. Goodies for snack time are welcome, too.
For more info call Anne and Dave Greene at 410-599-3725
or email Anne: agreene@all-systems.com, Dave:
DGSG@all-systems.com

Singing for Everyone:

Homewood Friends Meeting House 3107 N. Charles St. Baltimore, MD 21218 Sunday, December 4, 2011 from 7 to 9 PM

Everyone is welcome. Snacks are welcome, and will be confined to the Lunch room downstairs. You do not have to feed the parking meters. More info: scwarner@hotmail.com

Uptown Concerts at The Cellar Stage:

Faith Community United Methodist Church 5313 Harford Rd. Baltimore, MD 21214

Friday, December 2nd, 8 pm Robin Bullock, Ken Kolodner, and Elke Baker. Tickets \$23.

Friday, December 9th, 8 pm

Maggie Sansone, Pat Egan, Andrea Hoag, Seth Kibel & Matt Bell. Tickets \$20.

For tickets and information, call: 410-521-9099 www.uptownconcerts.com

Uptown Concerts at Baldwin's Station:

7618 Main Street * Sykesville, MD 21784

Thursday, December 8th

A Celtic Christmas w/Jody Marshall, Carey Creed, Andrea Hoag, Paul Nahay & special guest Grace Griffith Tickets \$20.00 ~ Showtime 8:00 pm

Sunday, December 18th

The Hard Travelers Christmas Show

Kenn Roberts, Mack Bailey, Mike Munford, Jon Glik and Ira Gitlin. Tickets \$25.00 ~ Showtime 7:00 pm

For tickets and reservations, call: 410-795-1041 www.uptownconcerts.com

Other Local Contra Dances

Annapolis Traditional Dance Society

American Contra and Square Dancing Saturday, December 17, 7-10 pm. Lesson 6:30 Annapolis Friends Meeting Hall 351 Dubois Road, Annapolis MD

A.P. and the Banty Roosters (Andy Porter, fiddle; Joe Langley, guitar; Mark Lynch, mandolin; Art Abrams, bass) return to the Annapolis barnyard to play their high energy music while Ann Fallon calls.

Admission for dance, \$ 10, with discounts for seniors, students, families and members of Annapolis Traditional Dance Society (ATDS). All ages welcome. All dances taught and walked through. No experience or partner required. Snacks to share at the break are welcome!

Questions?? Contact Jan Scopel at 443-540 0867 or janscope@hotmail.com; or Ann Fallon, 410 268 0231, aefallon@verizon.net. www.contradancers.com/atds

Frederick Contra Dance

Trinity School 6040 New Design Rd, Frederick MD 21703

NO DANCE IN DECEMBER, enjoy the holidays with friends and family.

Information is available at www.contradancers.com/mmfac or call Boe Walker at 301-694-6794 (please do not call before 10AM or after 9 PM). Or email dancefred@gmail.com

FSGW Sunday Night Squares & Contras

Sundays, 7:30-10:30 pm, Beginner Workshop 7pm Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, MD

Contras and squares for new and experienced dancers. No partner necessary. New dancers please arrive early. Admission \$12, \$9 for members, \$4 ages 17 and under. www.fsgw.org

December 4

Ted Hodapp with the Avant Gardeners

December 11

Adina Gordon with Nor'Easter

December 18

Charlie Harvey with **Great Big Taters**

December 25

No Dance - See you New Years Eve!

Friday Night Dance

Fridays, 8:30-11:30. Beginners' workshop 7:30 Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, MD

Weekly contra dances to live music. Admission \$9. www.fridaynightdance.org

December 2

Richard Bearman calls to Floorplay: Rya Martin on piano; Paul Rosen on mandolin, fiddle, accordion and Will Morrison on drums. This dance will be held in the Bumper Car Pavilion.

December 9

Steve Gester calls to the Fabulous **Glen Echo Open Band.** Dancers aged 17 and under get in free.

December 16

Charles Harvey calls to Great Big Taters: Jane Rothfield, fiddle; Hilarie Burhans, banjo; Bernie Nau, piano.

December 23

Michael Barraclough calls to Morrison Bros – Jim Morrison, fiddle; Owen Morrison, guitars; Will Morrison, percussion.

December 30

Bob Isaacs calls to Perpetual eMotion-- Ed Howe, electric violin; John Coté, guitar, didgeridoo, foot percussion.

Lancaster Traditional Society Contra Dance

Saturday, December 17, 8-11 pm. Lesson at 7:15. St. John's Episcopal Church 321 W. Chestnut St. Lancaster, PA.

Great Big Taters with Jane Rothfield (fiddle), Hilarie Burhans (banjo), and Bernie Nau (piano). Charley Harvery calling.

\$8/\$5 students. Children 15 and younger FREE. For information call Shane at (717) 538-5833 or visit our website at www.lancastercontra.org.

Elverson Contra Dance

Saturday, December 3rd, 7:30 pm. Lesson 7 pm. Hillcrest Hall (Near Birdsboro, PA., directions on website)

Ryck Kaiser's Band, Dave Colestock calls.
Our Anniversary Dance! Fun fancy-dress encouraged.

\$9/\$8 for members. Info: www.elversoncontra.org

Other Local Dances

Locust Lane Contra Dance

2nd, 4th & 5th Fridays; 8-11pm; lesson 7:30 Christ the Savior Orthodox Church 5501 Locust Lane, Harrisburg PA 17109

Dec 9—Karl Senseman calling to Hay for Three

Dec 23—Terry Bachmann calling to Jill Smith and Joe DeZarn

Dec 30—Kim Forry calling to the Contra Rebels

Admission \$9/\$8 members. For more info or directions, contact Dave Colestock at 717-770-1477 or LocustLaneContra@freeservers.com http://locustlanecontra.freeservers.com/index.html

Shepherdstown Music and Dance Contra Dances

Saturday, December 3, 8 pm, Lesson 7:30 pm. War Memorial Building. German & King St. Shepherdstown, WV 25443

Will Martin calls lively squares and contras to Sugar Beat with Elke Baker on fiddle, Susan Brant on flute, and Marc Glickman on piano.

All levels welcome, no partners needed. Please wear clean, soft-soled shoes to protect the floor. Admission is \$10 adults, \$7 SMD members, \$4 dancers under 12 years old.

For information contact Becky at 876-2169 or see the web page at www.smad.us. Annual Holiday Potluck starts at 6PM; bring a favorite dish to share.

FSGW English Country Dancing

Wednesdays 8-10:30pm Glen Echo Town Hall 6106 Harvard St. Glen Echo 20812

Dec 7 - Liz Donaldson calls while Colleen Reed (flute), Bruce Edwards (bassoon and concertina) and Melissa Running (piano) play the tunes.

Dec 14 - Bob Farrall calls to the playing of Susan Brandt (flute), David Knight (fiddle) and Francine Krasowska (piano).

Dec 21 - Stephanie Smith leads the dances to the music of Becky Ross (fiddle), Anna Rain (flute) and Melissa Running (piano).

Dec 28 - Susan Taylor leads the dances while Rhonda Hotop (fiddle), Karin Loya (cello) and Liz Donaldson (piano) make the music.

Sunday Afternoon Waltz

Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park 7300 MacArthur Blvd, Glen Echo, MD 20812

December 4 – Avant Gardeners December 18 – Waltz du Jour

Dance to a lively mix of folk waltzes with a few other couples dances, including Hambo, Schottische, Swing, Tango, and Polka. Admission is \$10. No partner required.

The waltz lesson begins at 2:45 p.m. with a half-hour of beginner instruction and 15-minutes for an intermediate move. Dancing follows until 6 p.m.

For info: go to www.WaltzTimeDances.org, e-mail info@WaltzTimeDances.org, or call Glen Echo Park at 301-634-2222.

Norwegian Dance & Potluck

Sunday, December 11 Dancing 4:30pm, potluck break 6pm 3812 Denfeld Ave., Kensington 20895

Norwegian-style house party. Mesmerizing live music by Loretta Kelley on the Hardanger fiddle (see hftaa.org). Addictive dances, some with elements like Swing or Hambo. Beginners & listeners welcome. No need to bring a partner. Bring clean shoes to wear, food to share, and \$\$ you can spare. Large friendly dog in house.

Host Sonia White's phone just in case: 301.503.7906. Info/directions: http://MAND.fanitull.org or Jenny, pi@xecu.net, 301.371.4312.

Scandinavian Dance Classes

Tuesdays, December 13, 20, 27, 7:30 - 9:30 pm NIH, Bethesda, MD

Beginning and advanced dancers welcome. Beginners learn Hambo, Schottish, Waltz, Zwiefacher, and other couple turning dances. Advanced dancers learn Springleik, Boda, Orsa, Föllinge, Finnskogspols, Nigpolska, Gammalvänster, Telespringar, and requests. Sometimes live music. Wear smooth-soled shoes for turning, not running shoes. \$5. Info: Lisa Brooks at 240.731.1935, lisa@HamboDC.org, or www.HamboDC.org.

Directions: Enter NIH at Wisconsin Av. and the new Gateway Drive Visitor Entrance (south of South Dr., reachable ONLY from the north on Wisconsin Av.). Park there, or drive to the south center of NIH and park in NIH permit parking next to Building T-39. Or walk 12 minutes from the Medical Center metro stop. See map at www.HamboDC.org

Other Local Dances

Thursday Blues Dance

Thursdays, Dec 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 9-11 pm Beginner lesson 8:15 pm The "Back Room", Glen Echo Park

DJ Mike Marcotte and guests. Dance slow blues and swing to incredible blues music. For more information, call Donna Barker at 301-634-2231 or Glen Echo Park at 301-634-2222, or go to www.CapitalBlues.org.

BamBLOOZled Blues Workshops and Exchange

December 2-4, 2010 Glen Echo Park. Glen Echo MD

Capital Blues hosts a weekend of dances, workshops, and competitions at Glen Echo Park. The blues workshops will be multi-track for Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced dancers. Our visiting instructors include Chris Harm and Brenda Russell, Josh Boroff and Devona Cartier, and Heidi Fite and Damon Stone.

Blues and Swing Dance on Friday, December 2Band TBD. Spanish Ballroom ~ 8 pm to midnight ~ \$15

Blues and Swing Dance on Saturday, December 3 Seth Walker Spanish Ballroom ~ 8 to midnight Swing dance lesson 8 - 9 pm ~ \$15

Blues Dance Sunday, December 4 Glen Crytzer & his Syncopators – special guest, **Solomon Douglas** Back Room ~ 7:30 to 11:30 pm
Slow blues dance lesson 7:30 - 8:30 pm ~ \$15

The **blues dance workshops** will be held on Saturday from 11 am to 6 pm and Sunday from 11:15 pm to 5:45 pm. Check www.CapitalBlues.org for weekend details and pricing. For more information, call Donna Barker at 301-634-2231 or Glen Echo Park at 301-634-2222.

Swing Dance

Saturday, December 10, 8 pm. Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park

Boilermaker Jazz Band—The beginner swing lesson, free with the price of admission, starts at 8 pm with dancing from 9 pm – midnight. Admission is \$15. No partner required. For more information go to www.thejamcellar.com, call Curtis Breitenlohner at 301.404.2064, or Glen Echo Park at 301.634.2222.

Hot Society Sunday Afternoon Dance

Sunday, December 18, 3-6 pm Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park

The Hot Society Orchestra of Washington, featuring music and dances from the 20's, 30's and 40's. Foxtrot, two-step, waltz, cha cha, rhumba, swing and more. No partner or experience necessary. Two-Step lesson at 3:00. \$12

Info: www.glenechopark.org and www.hotsociety.net.

Cajun/Zydeco Dances

Friday, December 2, 9 pm-midnight.

Knights of Columbus St. Agnes Hall 2021 Frederick Road, Catonsville, MD 21228.

Zydeco dance party featuring **Dikki Du** and the **Zydeco Krewe**. Admission \$18. No partner required. For more information, call 410.935.6002 or go to www.WhereWeGoToZydeco.com

Sunday, December 11, 3 to 6 pm.

Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo, MD 20812

Band Rosie Ledet and the Zydeco Playboys

Join the fun and learn Cajun/Zydeco dancing. The 30-minute dance lesson given by Michael Hart and Sharon Schiliro begins at 3 pm with dancing from 3:30 to 6 pm. Admission is \$20. No partner required. For more information call Michael Hart at 301.762.6730 or go to www.DancingbytheBayou.com

Friday, December 16, 8:30pm to midnight

American Legion Hall 136 6900 Greenbelt Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770

Curley Taylor and Zydeco Trouble

Join us for a Zydeco Dance Party. The 30-minute Cajun dance lesson given by Michael Hart and Sharon Schiliro begins at 8:30 pm with dancing until midnight. Admission is \$15. For more information, call Michael Hart at 301.762.6730 or go to www.DancingbytheBayou.com

Concerts, etc.

A Roots Café Christmas

Sunday, December 11, at 5 pm An Die Musik Live 409 Charles Street, Baltimore MD 21201

An Evening of Holiday Songs by some of Baltimore's finest singer-songwriters: **Mark Brine and Janine Wilson** perform original and obscure Christmas songs in the round with your singing host Geoffrey Himes. \$7 in advance, \$9 at door. (410) 385-2638

More info: www.rootscafe.org or www.andiemusiklive.com

Common Ground on the Hill Baltimore Concert Series

December 16, 8 pm, seating begins at 7:30 Brown Memorial Woodbrook Presbyterian Church 5200 North Charles St., Baltimore, MD 21212

Breaking Up Christmas!

This seasonal concert celebrating Appalachian roots music features Walt Michael & Co. (Walt Michael on hammered dulcimer, guitar, lead vocals, Alexander Mitchell on fiddle, mandolin, Ralph Gordon on cello, and Tom Wetmore on string bass), with special guests Barry Mitterhoff (Hot Tuna mandolinist) and gospel/jazz vocalist Shelley Ensor.

General admission tickets are \$19 for adults, \$17 for seniors over 65 and those 19 and younger, children 12 and younger get in free. To purchase by phone call Common Ground on the Hill at 410-857-2771. To order online visit www.commongroundonthehill.org. Tickets are sold at the gate as available.

Helicon's 26th annual Winter Solstice Concerts: Saturday, Dec 17, 3:30 pm and 8:00 pm Kraushaar Auditorium, Goucher College 1021 Dulaney Valley Rd. Towson, MD 21204

Ken Kolodner (hammered dulcimer, fiddle and hammered mbira), **Chris Norman** (wooden flutes, whistle, small pipes, vocals) and **Robin Bullock** (guitar, mandolin, cittern, piano), with Brad Kolodner (banjo, banjola, gourd banjo).

Contact: Ken Kolodner, 3806 Fenchurch Road, Baltimore, MD 21218 (410) 243-7254 Email: kenkolodner@aol.com www.kenkolodner.com \$28 at the door; \$25 in advance; group discounts available.

Perry Hall Folk Music Night

Saturday, December 17, 7:00-10:00 pm Perry Hall United Methodist Church 9515 Belair Rd., Baltimore, MD 21236

Admission is free, but donations are welcome. This is an "open mike" event. Featured Performer: **Janet Griffin** www.janetgriffincentral.com/

http://www.perryhallumc.org/FolkMusicNight/ndzimmer@comcast.net (Neil Zimmerman) 410-529-7176

Focus Music Rockville

Tuesday December 13, 8 pm Unitarian Universalist Church of Rockville 100 Welsh Park Dr., Rockville, MD 20850

Folk/Americana duo **Naked Blue**, in celebration of its 20-year anniversary, in concert with special guest **Putnam Smith**. Tickets are \$18 at the door, \$15 in advance at www.focusmusic.org. For more information, contact David Spitzer at focusrockville@earthlink.net or 301-275-7459.

Nowell Sing We Clear

Saturday, December 17, 2:00 pm. Church of the Ascension 633 Sligo Ave., Silver Spring, Md. 20901

Every year this lively quartet (John Roberts, Tony Barrand, Fred Breunig and Andy Davis) culls carols, songs, tales and customs of Winter Solstice, Christmas, and New Year's celebrations to craft a high-energy, participatory entertainment. It's a family-friendly afternoon guaranteed to reverse the darkness of winter and start the trend toward longer days and the greening of spring to come!

Tickets bought before Dec. 14 are \$24. Tickets at the door are \$27. Students with valid ID pay \$10. We always sell out; please buy early. For parking, you need to drive around the block and park in the elementary school lot behind the church.

Contact: webmaster@fsgw.org. Phone 301-776-4314. More information at fsgw.org.

Institute of Musical Traditions Concert Series

Monday, December 5, 7:30 pm Saint Mark Presbyterian Church 10701 Old Georgetown Road, Rockville, MD

Al Petteway, Amy White & Robin Bullock Christmas show

\$20 advance, \$25 door, Student with ID: \$15 / \$20 www.alandamy.com

(Folk) Songs for the coldest day of December, Al Petteway, Amy White & Robin Bullock bring an expert touch to their guitar strings and heart felt Holiday concert filled with seasonal song, stories and meditations.

Wednesday, December 14, 7:30 pm Takoma Park Community Center Auditorium 7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park, MD

A Scandinavian Christmas with Andrea Hoag, Loretta Kelley & Charlie Pilzer (AKA: Hoag-Kelley-Pilzer) \$15 advance, \$20 door, Student with ID: \$10/\$15 www.hoagkelleypilzer.com

(Scandinavian) God Jul! Light the candles, feast like a Viking as we bring the heart of Scandinavia to you in our fourth annual Scandinavian Christmas celebration with the internationally recognized trio of Andrea Hoag, Loretta Kelley, and Charlie Pilzer, and special guest Arna Rennan.

Family AWESOME Concert Experience

Saturday, December 3 Two shows: 1 pm and 3 pm Takoma Park Community Center Auditorium 7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park, MD 20912

Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer

\$10 advance, \$12 door, season tickets available http://cathymarcy.com/

Cathy and Marcy are trailblazers in children's and family music. They play dozens of instruments from banjos to mandolins to rockin' electric guitar, steel drum and ukulele. They sing, yodel, chicken cluck in harmony, twirl a mean lariat rope, scat sing and inspire effortless participation from every audience.

INFO: call 301-754-3611 and visit www.imtfolk.org



Old Bay Céilí Band

Old Bay Céilí Band Concert & Céilí

Sunday, December 4th, 4-7pm Acre 121—1400 Irving Street NW, DC

The Old Bay Céilí Band recently released its debut CD - Crabs in the Skillet. The band is having a concert and céilí to celebrate. Come join us for some dancing, music, and a chance to get a copy of the new album. Marilyn Moore will be on hand to call a combination of set and céilí dances. You can learn more about the Old Bay Céilí Band and hear clips of the new album on the band's website – www.oldbayceiliband.bandzoogle.com

GETTING THERE: Acre 121 is located right next to the Columbia Heights Metro (Green Line). In addition to street parking, there is also a parking garage across the street from Acre 121 in the Target/Best Buy building.

ADMISSION IS FREE!



The Baltimore Folk Music Society is funded by an operating grant from the Maryland State Arts Council, an agency dedicated to cultivating a vibrant cultural community where the arts thrive. Funding for the Maryland State Arts Council is also provided by the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency, which believes that a great nation deserves great art.

Shepherdstown Music & Dance International Concert Series

Sunday, December 18, 4PM Shepherdstown Presbyterian Church King & Washington Streets, Shepherdstown, WV

Get into the mood of joyous celebration with some time travel into the past with National Heritage Fellow and "living legend", singer Flory Jagoda accompanied by Trio Sefardi with Howard Bass on lute, Tina Chancey on viola da gamba and Susan Gaita on guitar and accompanying vocals, in a lovely afternoon concert. They perform music from the centuries-old Sephardic tradition, brought by the Jews of Spain as they migrated throughout Europe, after their expulsion from Spain in 1492; a rare brew of music with influences from a variety of cultures from Europe, Africa and the Middle East and songs sung in the Ladino language.

Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors, \$10 for SMaD members and \$8 for children and students, for more info call (304) 263-2531, email Joanie at updf@earthlink.net, or see the web page at smad.us

Music Classes & Workshops

Introduction to playing old time fiddle

January 9, 12, 16 and 19, 2012. Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore MD

No music background necessary. Hands on workshop--take home an instrument with you. Johns Hopkins Intersession, 5:30-6:30 pm, Sherwood Room, Levering Union, Johns Hopkins University Campus FEE: \$60.00 if have an instrument; \$75 if no instrument. Contact: Ken Kolodner at 410-243-7254 kenkolodner@aol.com or call JHU at 410-516-7428 or 410-516-4842 or see http://www.jhu.edu/intersession/enrich/

Introduction to playing the hammered dulcimer

January 9, 12, 16 and 19, 2012 Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore MD

No music background necessary. Hands on workshop--take home an instrument with you. Johns Hopkins Intersession, 7:00 - 8:00 pm, Sherwood Room, Levering Union, Johns Hopkins University Campus FEE: \$60.00 if have an instrument; \$75 if no instrument. Contact: Ken Kolodner at 410-243-7254 kenkolodner@aol.com or call JHU at 410-516-7428 or 410-516-4842 or see http://www.jhu.edu/intersession/enrich/

Upper Potomac Pipers Weekend

Friday, January 6-Sunday, January 8, 2012 Shepherd University, Shepherdstown, WV

Weekend retreat featuring classes, individual tutoring, concert and sessions for a wide variety of bellows-blown bagpipes, percussion, flute and mixed instruments. Piping staff includes **Jerry O'Sullivan** (Irish uilleann pipes), **Dick Hensold** (Northumbrian smallpipes), **EJ Jones** (Scottish smallpipes and border pipes), and **Bob Mitchell** (Scottish smallpipes and border pipes) along with John Skelton on Irish flute and whistle plus Breton and Galician Repertoire and Matt Bell on bodhran and Scottish snare.

All classes are held in the relaxed retreat atmosphere of the Shepherd University campus center and the surrounding historic buildings.

For more information see www.squeezethebag.info, call Joanie Blanton (304) 263-2531 or email updf@earthlink.net Now payable by PayPal.

Upper Potomac Fiddle Retreat

Friday, January 13 -Sunday, January 15 Shepherd University, Shepherdstown, WV

Join some of our finest local fiddlers and special guests for a weekend featuring over 20 different workshops for fiddle and mixed instruments, and dance band classes in a variety of styles in historic Shepherdstown, WV, on the campus of Shepherd University. Weekend's staff includes Lisa Gutkin (Klezmer), Elke Baker (Scottish, Cape Breton), Cleek Schrey (Irish), Amy Cann (English, New England), Joe Herrmann (Old Time Fiddle), Ken Kolodner (Hammered Dulcimer), and Paul Oorts (mandolin). Friday night features a showcase concert; Saturday night has a contra dance with the weekend's open band led by our instructors as well as jam sessions nearby.

For information see www.fiddleretreat.info or call Joanie Blanton (304) 263-2531 or email updf@earthlink.net. Now payable by PayPal.

