

Member, Contry Dance & Song Society

February 2016

http://www.bfms.org

888-646-BFMS

Join us Feburary 13 for the Valentine's Day Dance Extravaganza!



2:00 PM to 11:00 PM at St.Marks

Calling by: Tom Hinds and Ted Hodapp

Music by the Sligo Creek Stompers

and Chocolate, Too!

Tickets on sale now.

Special Events

Valentine Extravaganza

February 13 2016

2 PM to 11 PM -Valentine Extravaganza: Sligo Creek Stompers: with Jess Eliot Myhre playing clarinet, washboard, upright bass, vocals, Sarah Foard playing fiddle and vocals. Chris Ousley playing banjo, guitar, upright bass, bodhran and vocals and Adrian Erlinger playing upright bass, guitar Waltz Dance Workshop with Tony Treston from Waltz Time. Tom Hinds calling the Challenging Contra Dances. Ted Hodapp calling the Evening Contra Dance. For details see www.bfms.org/valentine.php http://www.bfms.org/valentine.php

Wednesday Contra Dance

American Contra and Square Dancing at 8:00 p.m. every Wednesday at Lovely Lane United Methodist Church, 2200 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, MD 21218. Admission is \$9 for members, \$13 for nonmembers. Under 21 and full-time students with IDs: \$4 members, \$6 non-members. All dances are taught and walked through beforehand. http://www.bfms.org/squarecontra.php

February 03 2016

Susan Taylor calls to the MetroGnomes - Bob Garber (clarinet), McGregor Yatsevich (fiddle, mandolin), and Mark Vidor (piano).

February 10 2016

TBA calls to Contra Rebels - Todd Clewell (fiddle), Barb Schmid (fiddle), and Henry Koretzky (guitar). New dancer orientation at 7:30 pm.

February 17 2016

Chuck Abell calls to New Caldeonia - Laura Light (fiddle), Janet Muse (piano), Bert Carlson (guitar), and Loren Oppenheimer (percussion).

February 24 2016

Ted Hodapp calls to Northern Aire - Patrick O'Laughlin (banjo, concertina), Tim Reese (fiddle), and Bob Wasler (piano, accordion, guitar). New dancer orientation at 7:30 pm.

Monday English Dance

English Country Dance - Pikesville, MD - Mondays 8 to 10:30 pm English Country Dancing is lively movement to elegant music in a friendly, informal setting. All dances are taught and walked through. Admission \$8 Members, \$11 Non-members, \$2 student discount. St. Mark's on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Rd., 21208. Info: Carl Friedman at 410-321-8419 or engdance@bfms.org

http://www.bfms.org/mondayDance.php

February 01 2016

Free New Dancer Orientation at 7:45 Ann Fallon calls to Elke Baker (violin), Paul Oorts (stings, accordion), and Jonathan Jensen (piano, etc.)

February 08 2016

Tom Spilsbury calls to Carl Friedman (violin), Karin Loya (cello), and Janina O'Brien (piano)

February 15 2016

Sharon McKinley calls to Jeff Steinberg (violin), Mark Vidor (accordion), and Judy Meyers (piano)

February 22 2016

Mike Franch calls to Becky Ross (violin), David Crandall (winds), and Janina O'Brien (piano)

February 29 2016

April Blum calls to Tina Chancey (violin) Robin Wilson (flute, concertina), and Jonathan Jensen (piano, etc.)

Fourth at Four

The Fourth at Four Storyfolk is the most active storytelling group in the Baltimore area. Seasoned and fledgling storytellers meet to swap tales at 4 pm on the 4th Sunday of each month. This is an open, warm group of supportive storytellers, and listeners are always welcome. We also share potluck goodies at the break. 4th Sunday of each month at 4 pm - No meeting in November and December Pickersgill Retirement Community 615 Chestnut Avenue in Towson. MD 21204

http://www.bfms.org/Fourth-at-Four.php

February 28 2016

Storytelling at the Pickersgill Retirement Community

Member Sponsored Events

http://www.bfms.org/membersponsored

Waltz Practicum

February 14 2016

Waltz lovers, please join us for an open practicum. 1-3 PM at the Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio. The format is very simple: there's a dance floor and there's waltz music playing on the stereo. The rest is up to you.

http://tinyurl.com/waltz-practicum.

http://www.bfms.org/memberSponsored.php#waltzPracticum

BFMS Open Sing

February 18 2016

The Open Sings will take place on the third Thursday of each month, from 7:00-9:30 PM, at Guitars of Pikesville, 806 Reisterstown Road 2nd Floor S-6 Baltimore, MD 21208. \$5.00 charge per person to go toward his rent. Help with this fee for students available. Contact Michael at mappens at gmail.com for information.

http://www.bfms.org/memberSponsored.php#opensing

International Folk Dancing

Every Saturday, 7:30-10:30 pm, lesson in first hour. Homewood Friends Meeting House, 3107 N. Charles St. Dances from Europe, Israel and other countries of the Near and Middle East. Beginners welcome; no partner necessary. Admission \$2; first time free.

http://www.bfms.org/memberSponsored.php#intFolkDancing

Ballroom Dancing

Every Friday,8:00 pm (waltz, rumba, tango and more) - in the ROTC building on the Johns Hopkins University campus. http://www.bfms.org/memberSponsored.php#ballroom

Sacred Harp Sing

Sing Sacred Harp the third Sunday of each month at 4:00 PM in the schoolhouse beside the Community Building at 17801 Meetinghouse Road, Sandy Spring, Maryland; pot-luck follows at 6:00. Books are available. Contact Dave Greene at eneergdivad@gmail.com or call 301-570-3283. http://www.bfms.org/memberSponsored.php#sacredharp

Other Folk Events

http://www.bfms.org/folkevents

Annapolis Traditional Dance Society

For over 25 years, the Annapolis Traditional Dance Society has brought monthly contra dances and other traditional dance events to the Annapolis area. Our contra dances are held the third Saturday of each month. Our English country dances are usually held on fifth Saturdays. Dances run from 7 to 10 PM. All events (unless otherwise noted) are held at the Annapolis Friends Meeting House, at 351 DuBois Rd in Annapolis. Parking is free. The hall is climate controlled and cooled with extra fans in summer.

http://www.contradancers.com/atds/

February 19 2016 - Dance

333 Coffeehouse

We welcome Andrew McKnight back to 333 after a long absence! This singer and songwriter from Virginia's Blue Ridge spins well-wrought story songs, with polished guitar chops and gutsy singing. 7:30 PM; \$12/\$10.

February 20 2016 - Dance

Annapolis Contra Dance

We're excited to have the great fiddler Laura Light and her band play for our dancing pleasure! Chuck Abell will call. The evening includes a free introductory session at 6:30; Dance 7-10 p.m.

Baldwin's Station

Baldwin's Station 7618 Main Street Sykesville, MD 21784 The Music at Baldwin's Station is brought to you by Uptown Concerts Inc. Reach Joyce at 410-922-5210 uptownconcerts@gmail.com http://www.baldwinsstation.com

February 04 2016 - Folk Music

Allison Shapira and Kipyn Martin present Joan & Joni Tickets \$20.00 ~ Showtime 8:00 pm Joan & Joni is a tribute to Joan Baez and Joni Mitchell performed by singer-songwriters Allison Shapira and Kipyn Martin. In a musical journey from the 60's to today, Allison and Kipyn demonstrate the effect Joan and Joni have had on their own development as modern musicians.

February 25 2016 - Folk Music SEAMUS KENNEDY

Tickets \$20.00 ~ Showtime 8:00 pm Long before there was a computer on every desk, Seamus Kennedy was providing "interactive entertainment" to delighted audiences from one end of the country to another. He is quick with a quip and likes nothing better than to discover someone in the audience who is similarly inclined. He makes it all seem so effortless that it is easy to miss that he is a superb instrumentalist with an apparently infinite repertoire. The depth of his musicality allows him to tailor his show to the audience before him, whether it be children, families or adults.

Bluemont Dance

Hillsboro Old Stone School 37098 Charles Town Pike Hillsboro, VA 20132 Third Saturday of the month, October through May. Dances begin at 8 PM, with a beginner workshop at 7:30 PM \$12 per person, \$8 for seniors, students and Bluemont members.

http://www.bluemont.org/

February 20 2016 - Dance Bluemont Dance TBA TBA

Cellar Stage

Faith Community United Methodist Church of Hamilton 5315 Harford Road * Baltimore, MD 21214 Located in the Hamilton area of Northeast Baltimore. Concert information: 410-521-9099 Cell phone for info on day of show: 443-540-0226 uptownconcerts@gmail.com http://uptownconcerts.com/cellar-stage/shows/

February 12 2016 - Folk Music

Baltimore Irish Trad Fest Fundraiser Concert and Celebration Tickets \$21.00 ~ Showtime 8:00 pm - Join us for an entertaining evening of some of the Baltimore/Washington area's finest Irish traditional music! Featuring greats such as Billy McComiskey (button accordion), Donna Long (piano), Jim Eagan (fiddle), Laura Byrne (flute), and MANY MORE! There will be dancers, music, a silent auction and other events to be announced.

Common Ground on the Hill

Baltimore Concert Series Presented at Brown Memorial Woodbrook Presbyterian Church 6200 North Charles St., Baltimore, Md. 21212 Held Monthly October - April The Westminster Concert Series Held Monthly at the Carroll Arts Center 91 West Main Street Westminster, MD 21157 Seating 7:30 PM; Showtime 8:00 PM http://www.commongroundonthehill.org

February 05 2016 - Folk Music Scott Ainslie

Armed with a variety of instruments - vintage guitars, a fretless gourd banjo, a one-string, homemade diddley bow (aka cigar box guitar) and carefully chosen historical personal anecdotes of his encounters with senior musicians across the South - Scott Ainslie brings the history, roots music, and sounds of America alive. Ainslie has received numerous awards and grants for his work documenting and presenting traditional music.

February 07 2016 - Folk Music Frank Solivan & Dirty Kitchen

Frank Solivan & Dirty Kitchen are at it again! Following up on their 2014 International Bluegrass Music Association (IBMA) award for Instrumental Group of the Year and their 2014 Grammy nomination for Best Bluegrass Album, the band has received a 2015 IBMA nomination for Instrumental Recorded Performance of the Year ("Yeah Man" from the album Cold Spell)! With a string of additional awards under their belts, including a 8 Washington Arts Music Association (WAMMIE) awards in 2014, Frank Solivan's nomination for 2014 IBMA Male Vocalist of the Year, 2013's IBMA Banjo Player of the Year award for Mike Munford, and IBMA Momentum Award - Instrumentalist of the Year for Chris Luquette, this band continues to enthrall bluegrass lovers across the country. Don't miss your chance to see this spectacular Washington, D.C.-based group that has been taking the country by storm!

Focus Music

Presenting and Supporting Folk & Acoustic Music in the Washington, DC Area An intimate, "up-close" music experience, the opportunity to discover high-quality new artists, personal contact with performers, a community of

music-loving friends and time to socialize. http://www.focusmusic.org/

February 28 2016 - Folk Music Anne Hills and Susan Greenbaum 7PM George Washington Masonic Memorial 101 Callahan Drive Alexandria, VA 22301

Frederick Maryland Contra Dance

Trinity Episcopal School 6040 New Design Rd, Frederick, MD 21703 Admission is \$10 general, \$5 students, \$5 age 12 and under. Dances are the fourth Saturday of each month, from 8 to 11 p.m. A free beginners' workshop starts at 7:15 p.m. Snacks to share at the break are welcome. To ask questions in real time, talking to a real person, call Boe Walker at 301-694-6794

http://contradancers.com/mmfac/

February 27 2016 - Dance Frederick Maryland Contra Dance Devine Comedy featuring John Devine, guitar; Marty Taylor, concertina, recorder, whistles; and Steve Hickman, fiddle.

Friday Night Dance at Glen Echo

Dances are held every Friday evening in historic Spanish Ballroom or Bumper Car Pavilion at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Boulevard, Glen Echo, Maryland 20812. Admission is \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for 17 and under. Open Band nights are free for 17 and under. Contra dance is a type of folk dance for all ages and a social dance in the most literal sense. It is a great way to meet lots of new people and potentially make new friends. You do not need to bring a partner. http://www.fridaynightdance.org

February 05 2016 - Dance Friday Night Dance at Glen Echo

TBA calls to Contrarians with Will Carter on stick bass, Paul Epstein on fiddle, John Longwell on mandolin, saxophone, tenor banjo and fiddle and Andy Park on acoustic and electric guitars.

February 12 2016 - Dance Friday Night Dance at Glen Echo Melissa Chatham calls to the fabulous Glen Echo Open Band.

February 19 2016 - Dance Friday Night Dance at Glen Echo Chuck Abell calls to New Caledonia with Laura Light on fiddle, Janet Muse on piano, Bert Carlson on guitar and Loren Oppenheimer on percussion.

February 26 2016 - Dance Friday Night Dance at Glen Echo Ted Hodapp calls to Northern Aire with Patrick O'Loughlin on banjo/concertina, Tim Reese on fiddle and Bob Wasler on piano/accordion/guitar.

FSGW English Country Dance

English Country Dance every Wednesday from 8:00 - 10:30 p.m. at the Glen Echo Town Hall, located at 6106 Harvard Ave, just off MacArthur Blvd a few blocks west of Glen Echo Park, upstairs from the Glen Echo Post Office. We dance every Wednesday, all year, unless that day is a major holiday. Admission: FSGW, BFMS, ATDS & CDSS members: \$10; Nonmembers: \$12; Students: \$5 http://www.fsgw.org

February 03 2016 - Dance FSGW English Country Dance Bob Farrall calls the dances to the music of Becky Ross (fiddle), Carrie Rose (flute) and Melissa Running (piano)

February 10 2016 - Dance FSGW English Country Dance

Anna Rain calls the dances while Jeff Steinberg (fiddle), Paul Oorts (mandolin and accordion). and Francine Krasowska (piano) make the music

February 17 2016 - Dance FSGW English Country Dance

Melissa Running leads the dances while Guest Musician Aidan Broadbridge (fiddle), Ralph Gordon (cello), and Liz Donaldson (piano) play the tunes

February 24 2016 - Dance FSGW English Country Dance

Laura Schultz and Stephanie Smith call to the playing of David Knight (fiddle), Colleen Reed (flute), and Liz Donaldson (piano)

FSGW Family Dance

The Family Dance, welcoming all ages, usually takes place the second Sunday of each month. It offers a rare opportunity to experience the joy of dance with your children and with your community. Bring the entire family, neighbors, church or synagogue group, birthday party, girl or boy scout troop. No experience is necessary, just come on out and dance. Admission: \$5 for ages 4 and older. http://www.fsgw.org

February 14 2016 - Dance FSGW Family Dance TBA

TBA

The Sunday Night Contra and Square Dance is held in The Spanish Ballroom, restored to all its 1933 splendor, or in the adjacent wonderful, covered, radiant-heated Bumper Car Pavilion. The Ballroom and the Bumper Car Pavilion are not thoroughly climate controlled, so please dress accordingly. Our dances welcome both experienced and new dancers and feature a variety of traditional American contras, squares, waltzes, and mixers performed to wonderful live music. You do not need to bring a partner. Welcome/Orientation to Traditional American Dance session at 7:00 pm. Come early to get the inside scoop on all this stuff, personalized to suit your needs! Admission prices: \$10.00 for members of FSGW and affiliated groups (BFMS, CDSS, ATDS) and \$13.00 for all others. Children ages 7 to 22 (over 17 with student ID) \$5.00. http://www.fsgw.org

FSGW Sunday Night Contra and Square Dance

February 07 2016 - Dance FSGW Sunday Night Contra and Square Dance Lindsey Dodson with The Contrarians

February 14 2016 - Dance FSGW Sunday Night Contra and Square Dance Hot Square Babes with Have-a-Heart Trappers

February 21 2016 - Dance FSGW Sunday Night Contra and Square Dance T. Hinds with A. Knuth, M. Sokolovsky, D.Cory February 28 2016 - Dance FSGW Sunday Night Contra and Square Dance Ted Hodapp and Northern Aire

Lancaster Contra Dance

Our dance recently celebrated its 20th anniversary! May, June and August: Lancaster County Central Park at Pavilion 11 September - April: St. John's Episcopal Church 6:15: Beginner's Workshop - Dance starts at 7:00 PM Admission: Adults: \$9 - Students: \$6 - Children 15 & under: Free We will teach you how! A beginner's workshop takes place before each dance. http://www.lancastercontra.org/

February 20 2016 - Dance Lancaster Contra Dance

Tom Hinds calls to Devine Comedy with Steve Hickman-fiddle, John Devine-guitar, and Marty Taylor-whistles, concertina. Beginners Workshop 6:15; \$9 adults/\$6 students. Children 15 and under free.

Perry Hall Folk Music Night

Perry Hall United Methodist Church 9515 Belair Rd., Baltimore, MD 21236 7:00-10:00 PM Admission is free, but donations are welcome. This is an "open mike" event with a featured performer. Check our website for details. ndzimmer@comcast.net (Neil Zimmerman) [phone] 410-529-7176 http://folkmusicnight.weebly.com/

February 13 2016 - Folk Music Abigail Palmer Group http://www.abigailpalmergroup.com/

Roots Cafe

409 North Charles Street Second Floor Baltimore, Maryland 21201 888.221.6170 - 410.385.2638 http://www.andiemusiklive.com/

February 21 2016 - Folk Music VICTORIA VOX AND THE GRANDSONS ALAN MACEWEN performig their own songs in the round with your singing host Geoffrey Himes Tickets: \$10 in advance, \$13 at door

Shepherdstown Music and Dance

War Memorial Building 102 E German St Shepherdstown, WV 25443 A beginner's workshop will be held at 7:30, the dance starts at 8pm. Potluck snacks at the break, please wear clean soft-soled shoes to protect our lovely wooden floor at the Shepherdstown War Memorial Building. \$12 general admission, \$8 for members,

http://www.smad.us/

February 06 2016 - Folk Music Shepherdstown Contra Dance

Ron Buchanan calls lively squares and contra dances to the fine music of The Contrarians with Paul Epstein on fiddle and feet, John Longwell on tenor banjo, sax, and mandolin, Will Carter on bass and Andy Park on guitar at the Shepherdstown War Memorial Building. Beginners workshop at 7:30PM, dance starts at 8PM. All levels welcome, no partners needed. Please wear clean, soft-soled shoes to protect the floor. Potluck snacks at the break. Admission is \$12 adults, \$8 SMD members, \$5 dancers under 12 years old. For information contact Becky at (304) 870-4118 or see the web page at www.smad.us

Susquehanna Folk Music Society

The Susquehanna Folk Music Society (SFMS), based in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, is a nonprofit education and arts organization dedicated to the advancement, promotion and preservation of traditional, contemporary and international folk music and folk culture. Every year, from September through June, Susquehanna Folk presents dozens of events for the cultural enrichment of South Central Pennsylvania. We present artists from around the globe as well as hometown performers. Many of our events have a "hands-on" component that strengthens the connections between music and folks. In addition, SFMS brings folk culture into local schools each year through Arts in Education residencies. http://www.sfmsfolk.org

February 06 2016 - Folk Music SFMS Winter Coffeehouse

Susquehanna Folk Coffeehouses are intimate Saturday evenings showcasing Central Pennsylvania's fine amateur acoustic musicians. Cabaret seating and tasty refreshments create an informal coffeehouse atmosphere in the cozy, rustic Fort Hunter Centennial Barn. Enjoy live acoustic music from 7 to 10pm, with free admission and an attentive, music-loving audience. Sales of refreshments benefit Susquehanna Folk; donations to defray costs are always welcome. The Barn is accessible and is smoke- and alcohol-free.

February 13 2016 - Folk Music RUNA

https://www.facebook.com/events/1681650708713920/ 7:30 PM Unitarian Universalist Congregation of York - 925 S. George St., York, PA 17403 \$25 General Admission - \$21 SFMS Members - \$10 Students (ages 3 to 22) RUNA offers a thrilling and redefining take on traditional music, interweaving the haunting melodies and exuberant tunes of Ireland and Scotland with the lush harmonies and intoxicating rhythms of bluegrass, flamenco, blues and jazz. The band consists of vocalist and step-dancer Shannon Lambert-Ryan of Philadelphia; Dublin-born guitarist Fionan de Barra; Cheryl Prashker of Canada on percussion; Dave Curley of Galway on mandolin, vocals, bodhran, and step-dancing; and Maggie Estes of Kentucky on the fiddle. Members of RUNA have played with Solas, Riverdance, Slide, Clannad, Fiddlers' Bid, Moya Brennan, Eileen Ivers, Hazel O'Conner, Keith & Kristyn Getty, Barco, Teada, Jonathan Edwards, and the Guy Mendilow Band.

February 14 2016 - Folk Music SFMS Jam Sessions

SFMS Jams are enjoyable afternoons of homemade acoustic music at the Fort Hunter Centennial Barn. We welcome everyone who loves making music or listening to it, regardless of age, talent or training. We get together for the joy of the company and making music.

The Institute of Musical Traditions

IMT MISSION: The Institute of Musical Traditions (IMT) is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization which preserves and promotes American and international folk music traditions, and nurtures new styles evolving from these cultural roots by presenting concerts, workshops, and educational programs. Contact: Barbara Ryan, 703-426-1450, publicity@imtfolk.org http://www.imtfolk.org

February 10 2016 - Folk Music UltraFaux http://ultrafauxmusic.com/

7:30 PM - Tickets: \$15 advance, \$20 door. Students (with ID) & Children: \$12 advance, \$17 door. All tickets are general admission. Baltimore band UltraFaux performs original acoustic music with Romani, Sinti, Manouche, blues, be-bop, swing, and musette influences. This Gypsy Jazz ensemble draws inspiration for its original music from legendary Manouche guitarist Django Reinhardt.

February 15 2016 - Folk Music THE KENNEDYS

http://www.kennedysmusic.com/

7:30 PM - Tickets: \$20 advance, \$25 door. Students (with ID) & Children: \$15 advance, \$20 door. The Kennedys celebrate their 20th Anniversary with three new CD releases! Pete and Maura Kennedy, both East Coast natives, met in Austin, Texas, joined forces with Nanci Griffith's Blue Moon Orchestra for a couple of years, and set out on a road that, for two decades, has led them not only west but all over the US and the UK many times. This year, they celebrate their twentieth anniversary both as a band and a married couple. Rather than indulge in a nostalgic look backward, they've taken Dylan's dictum "don't look back" to heart; writing and recording forty new songs.

Waltz Time

Waltz Time is an all-volunteer group of dancers who have produced the twice-monthly waltzes at Glen Echo Park since 1995. The group has donated all net proceeds to the renovation of the Spanish Ballroom and the Bumper Car Pavilion, and to help continue Park programs. All of the Sunday afternoon waltz dances are held at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo, MD 20812 in the Spanish Ballroom or occasionally in the Bumper Car Pavilion. Dance to a lively mix of folk waltzes with a few other couples dances, including Tango, Hambo, Swing, 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 or advanced move. Dancing follows until 6 p.m. http://www.waltztimedances.org/

February 07 2016 - Dance Waltz Time

Band: Terpsichore

February 21 2016 - Dance

Waltz Time

Band: New Caledonia