

Member, Contry Dance & Song Society

March 2020

http://www.bfms.org

888-646-BFMS

Annual BFMS Membership Meeting

Saturday, March 14, 7 PM

Church of the Nativity (before Second Saturday Dance)

It is time once again for the Annual State-of-the-Society meeting of the Baltimore Folk Music Society. All members are invited to join us to hear about the past year's activities, and plans for the future. The evening's agenda will include a report from our President, Quintin Aspin; a report from our Treasurer, Tom Bryson; and a proposed slate of BFMS Board candidates from our Nominating Committee. After that, the floor will be open for additional nominations, and board members will be available to answer questions about BFMS events and operations.

Officer Elections

Per our bylaws, one candidate for each Officer position is proposed by a nominating committee comprised of BFMS members appointed by the President. These nominees will be presented to the membership at the Annual Meeting, and a call for additional nominations will be held. Officers-elect shall take office at the June Board Meeting.

Report of the Nominating Committee

This year's nominating committee was chaired by Quintin Aspin. The proposed slate of Officers is to be determined and will be announced. If you would like to serve on the Board, either in the coming year or in a future year, please e-mail the President at president@bfms.org

Additional Nominations

Additional nominations may also be made from the floor during the Annual Meeting, provided that the consent of the nominee has been obtained. If there is no more than one candidate for an office, the nominee shall be deemed elected at the Annual Meeting. In the event of one or more contested election, paper or electronic ballots shall be used and tellers appointed to tally the results. All nominees shall be members in good standing of BFMS.

Board members serve a 13 month term from June 2019 to June 2020. The duties of each position are described in the <u>bylaws</u> (http://www.bfms.org/pdf/bylaws/BFMS_By-Laws_2013.pdf). If you have any questions about the positions or if you want to volunteer or suggest someone else for a position, please contact the <u>Nominating Committee (nominations at bfms.org)</u>. Members may also make nominations at the meeting.

As an added enticement to attend this meeting, all BFMS members who attend the meeting will get into the evening dance **FREE**. That's right -- FREE!

You must arrive by 7:15 pm to take advantage of this once-a-year offer, however!

The gate committee will have a membership list to check for active members. Membership expired? It's the perfect time to renew! Get immediate savings as you come in and dance for FREE!

Special Events

State of the Society Meeting

March 14 2020

All members are invited to attend the annual BFMS membership meeting to learn about the current state of BFMS. The slate for the 2020-2021 Board will presented. Not a member? You can become a member at the gate. All members who arrive BEFORE 7:15 can dance for FREE! The Board is listening! We welcome your input about current BFMS events and your ideas for future events. This is your BFMS! As we celebrate our 45th year, let's think about how to make it our best year yet! This meeting is a great venue to share your exciting ideas. Questions? Contact president@bfms.org http://www.bfms.org/sotsMeeting.php

35th Annual Spring Catoctin Weekend

June 19 2020

The 35th annual Spring Catoctin Mountain Music and Dance Weekend. Music, Dance and Song. Fun for all ages! On-line Registration is open NOW!

http://www.bfms.org/catoctin.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

March 04 2020

Perry Shafran calls to the Baltimore Open Band!

March 11 2020

Anne Lutun calls to OK Boomer - Steve Hickman (fiddle), David Crandall (flute, sax), Ralph Barthine (guitar), and TBA (bass).

March 18 2020

Anna Rain calls to David Giusti (fiddle) and Jacob Howley (guitar).

March 25 2020

TBA calls to Backstep Cindy - Sandy Hofferth (fiddle), Howard Zane (banjo), and Joe Langley (guitar).

Monday English Dance

English Country Dance - 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 \$9 Members, \$13 Non-members, \$6 student member discount, \$6 student non-members. Church of the Nativity, 6112 York Rd., 21212. Info: engdance@bfms.org http://www.bfms.org/mondayDance.php

March 02 2020

Emily Aubrey calling to Carl Friedman (violin), Robin Wilson (flute and concertina), and Jonathan Jensen (piano etc)

March 09 2020

Guest caller Louise Siddons calling to Emily Aubrey (violin), Steve Epstein (clarinet), and Judy Meyers (piano) March 16 2020

Sharon McKinley calling to Jeff Steinberg (violin), Mark Vidor (accordion), and Janina O'Brien (piano etc)

March 23 2020

Carl Friedman calling to Becky Ross (violin), Barbara Gorin (viola), and Liz Donaldson (piano)

March 30 2020

Diane Schmit calling to the Geud Band of Baltimore

Gentle English Dance

Gentle English are English country dances from all periods selected to be gentle on the knees, hips, feet, and backs of the dancers. Some dances will be easy, some difficult, but none will stress the joints. Location: Church of the Nativity, 6112 York Rd. Baltimore 21212. Time 3:00 to 5:30 PM Admission \$9.00 for BFMS, FSGW or CDSS members, \$13.00 for non-members. Refreshments will be provided. http://www.bfms.org/gentleEnglish.php

March 28 2020

Caller: Bob Farrall Music: Cindy Swiss, violin; Marty Taylor, winds and concertina; Judy Meyers, piano

Saturday Contra Dance

American Square and Contra Dancing on the 2nd Saturday of the month running from 8:00 'till 11:00 pm, with a short break in the middle. Admission is: \$9 BFMS Members & Affiliates, \$13 non-members. Under 21 and full-time students with ID: \$4 members, \$6 non-members.

Beginners, singles, couples, and families are welcome. No Experience necessary; you don't need to bring a partner. Church of the Nativity, 6112 York Rd, Baltimore 21212. http://www.bfms.org/saturdayDance.php

March 14 2020

Penelope Weinbergercalls to Tea and Honey: featuring Bobby LaRose (piano and mandolin), Colleen Holroyd (fiddle and feet), Sophie Chang (cello), Rebecca Weiss (fiddle) Dance will be called using Larks and Robins. If you are a current BFMS member and arrive at the dance prior to 7:15 for our Annual members meeting starting at 7PM, you will get into the dance FREE!!! If you arrive after 7:15 there will be a charge. We have a workshop that begins at 7:30 and the dance begins at 8:00. Bring a snack and bring a friend. For more information go to our website at bfms.org or email Don & Michele at satdance at bfms.org. The dance is held at the Church of the Nativity & Holy Comforter, 6112 York Rd, Baltimore, MD 21212 http://www.bfms.org/directionsToChurchoftheNativity.php

BFMS Song Swap

The Song Swap is a place for folks to come together and share songs, community, and keep the live singing tradition thriving. We take turns around the circle. If you are shy about leading a song, don't fret...we sing many songs with choruses and your voice will blend in with everyone else's. Please come prepared with a few songs ahead of time (bring lyrics if you need 'em).

Second Tuesdays 7:30 to 9:30 PM at the Church of the Nativity and Holy Comforter, 6112 York Rd, Baltimore, MD 21212 Fourth Tuesdays 7:30 to 9:30 PM - at the Four Hour Day

Lutherie, 4305 Harford Road Baltimore, MD 21214

These events are FREE.

See the BFMS Website for details www.bfms.org/songswap.php http://www.bfms.org/songswap.php

March 10 2020

Song Swap - 7:30 to 9:30 PM at the Church of the Nativity and Holy Comforter

March 24 2020

Song Swap - 7:30 to 9:30 PM - at the Four Hour Day Lutherie

Member Sponsored Events

http://www.bfms.org/membersponsored

Sing

February 29 2020

7:30 -9.30 PM; 612 Hollow Rd, Ellicott City, MD 21043 All abilities and all ages are welcome; no need to read music or even to carry a tune. Free of charge. Pot luck snacks after Sing. OK to come on in any time between 7:30 to 9:30 and join: just come in the main front door and walk through the kitchen and then through the door on the left -- probably will hear the voices though the inside heavy door at far end of kitchen to the left (though this door may be closed). After 9:30 PM, opportunity to stay for an informal music-jam, sing/ dance along, or chat after the Sing. Bring instruments if you would like; use our collection of shakerees, etc. Or stay just to hang out. RSVP appreciated, though not necessary, to come. http://www.bfms.org/memberSponsored.php#SINg

Mari Black and Trio

March 06 2020

Multistyle violinist and champion fiddler Mari Black and her trio (including guitar player Owen Morrison). 8:00 PM, on W 33rd St (address provided after RSVP). Our shows are open to all with a suggested donation. More information is at https://www.facebook.com/events/182622003060344/ Contact Becca at rederry@gmail.com to RSVP! http://www.bfms.org/memberSponsored.php#beccashouse

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

CircleSinging

Fourth CircleSinging Baltimore meets the LAST Sunday of the month at Stony Run Friends Meeting House 5116 N. Charles St. 3-5 PM. See us on facebook - CircleSingingBaltimore http://www.bfms.org/memberSponsored.php#circle

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

COLUMBIA INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCERS

WEDNESDAYS: 8:00 - 10:30PM. TEACHING: 8:30 - 9:00PM, FOLLOWED BY REQUESTS AND SOME REVIEW. COST: \$5.00,

NO PARTNER REQUIRED. WHERE? KAHLER HALL, 5440 OLD TUCKER ROWE, COLUMBIA, MD 21044. FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: judithweintraub@gmail.com or edchipmunk@aol.ne http://www.bfms.org/memberSponsored.php#ColumbiaDancer s

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/

March 07 2020 - Dance

Annapolis Contra Dance

7-10 PM (Intro Lesson: 6:30 PM) Jackie McCabe calls to Elke Baker, Liz Donaldson and Marty Taylor. No experience or partner required. Snacks to share at the break are welcome. \$10 with discounts for seniors, students, families, ATDS members. Annapolis Friends Meeting Hall, 351 Dubois Road, Annapolis, MD 21401. Info: Jan Scopel, 443-540-0867, janscope@hotmail.com, or Ann Fallon, 410-268-0231, aefallon@verizon.net; www.contradancers.com/atds

March 21 2020 - Dance

Annapolis Contra Dance

7-10 PM (Intro Lesson: 6:30 PM) Mike Lentz calls to Broadwater: Andrew Broadwater (fiddle, hammered dulcimer, recorder, steel drums), Gerry Hemming (guitar, banjo) and Ed VandenBosche (cello, guitar). No experience or partner required. Snacks to share at the break are welcome. \$10 with discounts for seniors, students, families, ATDS members. Annapolis Friends Meeting Hall, 351 Dubois Road, Annapolis, MD 21401. Info: Jan Scopel, 443-540-0867, janscope@hotmail.com, or Charlotte Featherstone, 203-247-3964, charlotte.feathers@gmail.com; www.contradancers.com/atds

Baldwins 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 https://uptownconcerts.com/baldwins-station/shows/

March 05 2020 - Folk Music SETH KIBEL & THE KLEZTET Tickets \$20.00 ~ Showtime 7:30pm

March 19 2020 - Folk Music ANDREW MCKNIGHT Tickets \$20.00 ~ Showtime 7:30pm

March 26 2020 - Folk Music GERRY TIMLIN Tickets \$20.00 ~ Showtime 7:30pm

CEDARHURST UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS

OPEN MIC NIGHT CEDARHURST UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS 2912 Clubhouse Road, Finksburg MD 21049 Free Admission (donation requestedd) First Saturday of each month 6:30 - 9:00 pm, sign up starts at 6:00 pm http://cedarhurstuumd.org/

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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/

March 06 2020 - Folk Music
BALTIMORE IRISH TRAD FEST FUNDRAISER
BALTIMORE IRISH TRAD FEST FUNDRAISER CONCERT &
CELEBRATION Church of the Nativity &Holy Comforter 6112
York Rd (at Cedarcfroft), Baltimore, MD 21212 Tickets & info:
www.uptownconcerts.com 443-540-0226 All proceeds benefit
the Baltimore Irish Trad Fest Join us for an entertaining
evening of some of the Baltimore/Washington area's finest
Irish traditional music! Doors open at 7:15 pm, Silent Auction
begins at 7:30 pm, Concert begins at 8:00 pm

DC Square Dance Collective

We're baaaaaaaaack! The DC Square Dance Collective is celebrating 5 wildly successful years of presenting traditional Appalachian Square Dances! We're returning to (the just newly renovated) Saint Stephen's Church for another rollicking evening. Square Dance tunes played by real-deal musicians and a real live Square Dance Caller shows you how it's done and will have you up and do si do-ing in no time flat. Come see what it's all about, right in the heart of DC on a swingin' Saturday night. All are welcome - young and old, brand new and experienced dancers, hipsters and total outta the loopers. No partner, lessons, overalls, or fancy dress needed. Location: Saint Stephen's Church, 1525 Newton St. NW, Washington DC, near the Columbia Heights Metro. \$5 at the door. https://www.facebook.com/dcsquaredance

March 28 2020 - Dance

D.C. Square Dance Collective Family Dance
12 Noon - 1:30 PM. We present dances appropriate for parents and their children ages 4-12. A caller teaches everything on the spot and there is wonderful live music. Proceeds benefit Loaves and Fishes, a charity based at Saint Stephen's that fights hunger in the DC area. Location: Auditorium at Saint Stephen's and the Incarnation Church, 1525 Newton St, NW near the Columbia Heights Metro. \$5 per adult, children are free. More info at www.dcsquaredance.com or www.fsgw.org.

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/

March 01 2020 - Folk Music Matt Nakoa

7:30pm at Tikvat Israel Congregation | 2200 Baltimore Road | Rockville, MD 20851. Tickets are available now: \$18 in advance at https://www.focusmusic.org/event-3707277 and for members, \$20 at the door. FocusMusic is a non-profit organization that provides opportunities for nationally touring and emerging folk musicians and singer-songwriters that operates 6 venues in the DC/Baltimore area.

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

March 04 2020 - Folk Music FSGW English Country Dance Anna Rain calls to the music of Jeff Steinberg (fiddle), Paul Oorts (mandolin and accordion), and Melissa Running (piano)

March 11 2020 - Folk Music FSGW English Country Dance Dan Gillespie calls the dances while Tina Chancey (fiddle), Colleen Reed (flute), and Liz Donaldson (piano) play

March 18 2020 - Folk Music
FSGW English Country Dance
Kappy Laning calls the dances to the playing of Becky Ross
(fiddle), Bruce Edwards (concertina and bassoon), and Liz
Donaldson (piano)

March 25 2020 - Folk Music FSGW English Country Dance Melissa Running calls the dances while David Knight (fiddle), Ralph Gordon (cello), and Neil Epstein (piano) make the music

Harley String Band, Cletus Kennelly and the Snarky Sisterz

617 South Frederick Avenue Gaithersburg, MD 20877. Tickets are \$18 in advance at http://www.focusmusic.org/buy-tickets and \$20 at the door. The Harley String Band is a mainstay of the DC area folk/Americana scene, noted for both their bold songwriting and their creative takes on covers from a wide range of genres. The Snarky Sisterz play a wide range of music, including roots rock, Americana, blues, 60's girl group songs, and punk, with a smidgen of jazz. For more information, contact Jay Keating at jay@knowlelse.com or 301.221.9000 http://www.focusmusic.org/

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ROBIN BULLOCK

Tickets \$20 ~ Showtime 7:30pm https://uptownconcerts.com/baldwins-station/shows/

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Roots Cafe

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

March 08 2020 - Folk Music THE BILLY KEMP- GEOFFREY HIMES SONGBOOK 2 pm - \$10 in advance, \$13 at door

March 19 2020 - Folk Music ANDREW MCKNIGHT Tickets \$20.00 ~ Showtime 7:30pm

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/

March 20 2020 to March 22 2020 - Dance
Upper Potomac Spring Music Weekend
March 20-22, 2020, Workshops, classes, concerts and jam
sessions for hammered dulcimer, fiddle, uke, and mixed
instruments with special guest instructors including hammered
dulcimer players, Mark Alan Wade, Ruth Smith and Colin
Beasley, plus multi-instrumentalist, Paul Oorts teaching a class
for all instruments on Waltzes (with a special afternoon tea
waltz) and Steve Smith teaching a class on Ukelele. Info: Joanie
304.263.2631, upperpotomac@gmail.com. On the web at
upperpotomacmusic.info.

Timonium United Methodist Church

2300 Pot Spring Road, Timonium, MD 21093 No alcohol permitted in this building. For info reach Joyce: 410-521-9099 cell 443-540-0226

http://www.uptownconcerts.com/cellar-stage-timonium

March 13 2020 - Concert TEADA

Tickets \$25 \sim Showtime 8:00 Remaining tickets on sale at the door at 7:00pm

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 \$13. 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/

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