



BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY

Member, Country Dance & Song Society

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22ND ANNUAL SPRING CATOCTIN MOUNTAIN MUSIC AND DANCE WEEKEND

FRIDAY, JUNE 15 TO SUNDAY, JUNE 17, CAMP MISTY MOUNT, CATOCTIN MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK NEAR THURMONT, MD

Our 22nd Annual affordable, all-volunteer, folk getaway in the beautiful Catoctin Mountains in northern Maryland! Like contra/square dancing, jamming, sword dancing, arts and crafts, swimming, storytelling, hiking, eating, napping? All this and MORE at our family weekend.

Stay in a historic log cabin in the mountains. Gather with old friends and meet new ones. Perfect getaway for singles, couples and families, and children of all ages. You get have lots of fun and perhaps learn a new dance or new craft.

All campers volunteer an hour or two during the weekend to make it affordable yet lots of fun. This is YOUR weekend.

Just \$78 members/\$90 non-members for the whole weekend. Children 4-14 \$62 members/\$66 non-members. CDSS, FSGW, and ATDS discounts available. Register by May 5 and receive \$6 discount!

For registration and online virtual camp tour, go to www.bfms.org. For more information, contact Matt Bieneman at 410-799-9180, or email catoctin@bfms.org. Save the date of Oct. 26-28 for our Fall Weekend!



Folkie Clothes and Music Exchange

Saturday, May 12, 2007, 5-9:30 pm, St. Mark's on the Hill, Pikesville



Looking for some great folk clothing? Are you trying to get rid of some old-but-still-in-good-condition dancewear? Come to our Folkie Clothes and Music Exchange, during this month's 2nd Saturday Family and Contra dances. Trade some of your slightly-used dancewear for something cool! Have nothing to trade but still want to shop? That's OK, you can still purchase some wonderful

articles of clothing at thrift-shop prices! All sizes and styles of clothing to be available. Also, CDs and sheet music to be traded as well. All proceeds will be donated to the Baltimore Folk Music Society. Leftover clothing will either be returned to the person donating or be donated to a local worthy charity. For more information, email Diana at DianaKerns@yahoo.com or Susanna at SusannaLynnRuspi@aol.com.



BFMS Dance

BFMS English Country Dance *

Monday evenings, 8–10:30 pm; New dancer workshop: 7:45 on the first Monday of each month

St. Mark's on the Hill, 1620 Reisterstown Road, Pikesville

English Country Dancing: Jane Austen did it (and wrote about it). George Washington did it (but not with Jane Austen). You can do it, too! Each dance is taught and walked through. You don't have to bring a partner. Always live music, always friendly dancers to welcome new dancers. Admission: \$10/\$7 for BFMS members and affiliates. Info: engdance@bfms.org www.bfms.org

1/2 mile inside the Beltway, Exit 20 South

May 7

Caller: **Susan Taylor**. Music: **Trio con Brio**: **Elke Baker** (violin), **Jonathan Jensen** (piano, etc.), and **Paul Oorts** (mandolin, accordion). New dancers' orientation promptly at 7:45.

May 14

Caller: **Tom Spilsbury**. Music: **Marty Taylor** (recorder, whistle, concertina), **Becky Ross** (violin), **Liz Donaldson** (piano).

May 21

Caller: **Carl Friedman**. Music: **Edie Stern** (violin) and **Walt Robinson** (recorder), **Judy Meyers** (piano).

May 28

Caller: **Mike Franch**. Music: **Mostly Mortal Wombat**: **Carl Friedman** (violin), **Robin Wilson** (flute), **Michael Friedman** (piano).

BFMS American Contra & Square Dance *

Wednesday evenings, 8–10:30 pm

New dancer orientation: 7:30 pm on the 2nd and 4th

Wednesdays each month

Historic Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul St., Baltimore

Music and dance styles include New England, Southern Appalachian, and Celtic. Nationally-known musicians and callers appear regularly. Dances are taught and walked through. No partner is necessary. New dancers are always invited.

Admission: \$10/\$7 for BFMS members and affiliates. Full-time students receive a \$2 discount. Snack contributions for the break are welcome. Info: amdance@bfms.org www.bfms.org

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

From the south: Get to Pratt St., either by taking I-95 to I-395, exiting for downtown Baltimore onto S. Howard and turning right on Pratt. Once on Pratt, turn left onto Charles and then right onto 23rd St.

Use parking lots on either side of 23rd at St. Paul. The church is on your right.

May 2

Tori Barone calls for **Ken Kolodner** (fiddle, hammered dulcimer), joined by **Edward** (fiddle, nyckelharpa) and **Elin** (nyckelharpa), plus **Butch Ross** (guitar, mountain dulcimer) and **Christie Burns** (hammered dulcimer). International event, with Edward & Elin from Sweden and Butch Ross from TN!

May 9

DeLaura Padovan calls fun figures to the energetic music of **HGD** (**Steve Hickman**, fiddle, **Marc Glickman**, piano, bodhran, **John Devine**, guitar). Free new dancer orientation at 7:30.

May 16

Greg Frock, Mr. Charm City himself, calls for the sweet sounds of **Taylor Among the Devils** (**Marty Taylor**, whistle, concertina, **Steve Hickman**, fiddle, and **Jonathan Jensen**, piano).

May 23

Susan Taylor returns to help us party to the music of **Gypsy Meltdown** (**Kathy Kerr**, fiddle, **Colleen Reed**, flute, and **Keith Gillis**, guitar). Free new dancer orientation at 7:30.

May 30

The always satisfying **Andy Kane** calls to the driving energy of the **Baltimore Open Band**.

Charles Village Parade

Saturday, June 2, 9:30 am-noon

Start: St. Paul & 23rd Sts (Lovely Lane Church).
End: Wyman Park Dell

If you've been part of the parade before, you know how much fun it is to dance and/or play contra tunes with fellow BFMS'ers up St. Paul St., surrounded by marching bands, art cars, and cheering neighbors. If you're new to the parade, now's your chance! Musicians, dancers, wavers, and smilers welcome. Dress in BFMS regalia and wear your biggest, wildest hat. Thrill to Mike Franch's air guitar! Rain or shine. For information and to sign up: Edie Stern, 410 913-0745 (cell), hso@jhu.edu.

BFMS Music and Performance

First Thursday Cajun Concert and Dance †

Thursday, May 3, 7:30-10:30pm

Los Arrieros Restaurant and Night Club, 7926 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring.

Squeeze Bayou. Enjoy Columbian, Dominican, and Mexican cuisines. \$10. Info: 301-585-8813. Half block north of Eastern Ave. Ample neighborhood parking including Montgomery County lot on King St. and in the restaurant's rear lot off Eastern Ave.

Baltimore Open Band Practice †

TBA

Come toot, snap, fiddle, and plink with the ever-lovin' Baltimore Open Band. A community gem whose members meet to play for dancing. Meets 2nd Sunday of each month in Catonsville. All ages and instruments and levels are truly welcome. Info: Susan Taylor 301-982-1107 susantaylor@greenbelt.com

Sacred Harp Singing †

Sunday, May 13, 4-6 pm

Potluck and more singing follows

Join us as we sing early American hymns, anthems, and fugue tunes in four-part harmony. We use the Sacred Harp 1991 edition, and have loaner books. No experience necessary. Free.

Liz Cusick 410-235-6627, liz.cusick@verizon.net or Sharon McKinley 410-740-3250, smckinley@loc.gov

English Open Band Practice †

Sunday, May 20, 4-6 pm

This is a rehearsed open band for English Country Dancing. The band practices once a month and plays for Monday night English Country Dancing once every 2 or 3 months. Newcomers welcome Info: Eileen Franch 410-889-3252, franch@juno.com

Norwegian Dancing House Party †

Sunday, May 6, potluck noon, dancing 1-4:30

6807 Westmoreland Ave, Takoma Park, MD

Norwegian springars are quite different from the familiar Swedish hamba. Mesmerizing live music by Grammy-nominated hostess Loretta Kelley on the unique Hardanger fiddle (w/4-5 sympathetic strings located underneath the bowed strings--see hfaa.org). Beginners welcome--we'll show you the moves. Bring clean shoes, food to share, and \$\$ to contribute. Host phone:

(301) 270-4925. Info/dirs: Jenny, pi@xecu.net, (301) 371-4312.

Singing for Everyone †

Sunday, May 6, 7 pm.

Home of Anne & Dave Greene, 500 E. 42nd St., Baltimore.

The last "Rise Up Singing" gathering at the Greene's will be May 6, 2007 at 7:00. All are welcome. There is no charge. Bring "Rise Up Singing" books. Bring goodies (non-alcoholic) to share during the break. 500 East 42nd Street. Call Anne &/or Dave Greene, if you wish 410 435-0967. Help decide the future for this group; we've been together a long time; the Greene's are moving to Sandy Spring.

Monthly Community Singing in Oella †

Sunday, May 13, 2-4 pm

Westchester Community Center, 2414 Westchester Ave, Oella

We gather for the joy of hearing our voices raised together. All are welcome - any age, experience, or comfort level with singing. Our repertoire is gospel, spirituals, rounds, etc. We work at learning the melody and harmony lines. We sing that song for a while, then move on to a new song. The hall has very sweet and lively acoustics. \$3 donation helps cover the hall rental. At 4:30 p.m. after the singing, Peggy Adams leads the Dances of Universal Peace in the same room until 6:00. More info: Stuart Rodes. (410) 465-1914. Directions at www.oella.org.

Fourth at Four Storyfolk *

Sunday, May 27, 4 pm

Towson Unitarian Universalist Church, 1710 Dulaney Valley Rd., Towson

Storytellers and story enthusiasts get together to swap stories and performance ideas. It is an ideal place to try out new stories in front of a supportive audience.

The Fourth at Four also plans and publicizes interesting performance opportunities in the greater Baltimore area. Please bring a beverage or snack to share at the break. Everyone is welcome to join us, but we do appreciate RSVPs so we don't inadvertently lock you out of the hall.

Info/newsletter: Barbara Woodey 410-252-1438 bellwoodey@prodigy.net; RSVP: Diane 410-321-8419

BFMS-sponsored events (*) are open to the public and are handicapped accessible. Member-hosted events (†) are held in member's homes, which may not be completely accessible. Please check with the host regarding access and other concerns. Unmarked events are not affiliated with BFMS. Access questions?

Call Mike Franch at 410-889-3252.



June Issue Deadlines
May 8: Articles & classified ads
May 10: event listings

**Admissions do not cover the cost of
 BFMS events.**
Your contribution is welcome!

More BFMS Dance

BFMS Family Dance and Clogging Workshop *

Saturday, May 12, 5-6:30 pm; potluck 6:30 pm

St. Mark's on the Hill, 1620 Reisterstown Road, Pikesville

Andy Kane makes a perfect family caller, because he has never lost his childhood sense of fun and joy. He will be right on the dance floor with you leading you in a joyous afternoon of dancing and fun. We are also honored to have **Diane Shaw** leading a mini workshop in Appalachian clogging for all ages. The great music of **Contra Rebels** will have your feet itching to move in rhythm to the beat. Diane's clogging techniques are the perfect solution for your feet and soul.

Admission is: \$4 , members of BFMS and affiliated groups, \$5, non-members. Family maximum is \$16 member, \$20 non-members. For more information or to inquire about group discounts, please call Diane at 410-321-8419 or e-mail, matchmaker2@comcast.net .

BFMS Second Saturday Contra Dance *

Saturday, May 12, Dance: 8-11 pm; Free workshop: 7:30

St. Mark's on the Hill, 1620 Reisterstown Road, Pikesville

Baltimore's own **Andy Kane** calls to one of the region's favorite bands, **Contra Rebels**. We guarantee you won't be able to seat down when **Todd Clewell** on fiddle, **Henry Koretszky** on guitar, and **Bruce Campbell** on bass start playing wonderful old-time tunes in exciting new arrangements.

Admission is: \$7 , members of BFMS and affiliated groups, \$10, non-members. For more information or to inquire about group discounts, please call Diane at 410-321-8419 or e-mail, matchmaker2@comcast.net .

Classified

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BFMS accepts classified advertising from its members. Ads should be related to the purposes of BFMS, which are preserving and promoting folk music, dance, and tradition.

A member's noncommercial ad costs \$5 for each 25 words or fraction (50 words maximum). Business and nonmember ads cost \$10 for each 25 words (maximum 75 words). Lost and found is free (maximum 25 words). Phone number and email address each count as one word.

Your ad copy and check (payable to BFMS) must be received by the Editor (see contact information on page 9) by the 8th of the month before publication.

Somebody Scream



Leroy Thomas and The Zydeco Road Runners

Saturday, May 19, Lesson w/Ben and Debbie, 8 pm, Music 9-12 pm.

The Barn Theater at CCBC-Catonsville: 800 S. Rolling Road, Catonsville, MD

Leroy Thomas hails from Elton, La, but seems at ease wherever he chooses to be. Up and down the West coast and East coast and everywhere in between, audiences welcome Leroy as

one of their own. He mastered the button and piano accordions and enjoys keeping the tradition of Louisiana style Zydeco in his music that he refers to as "old-school Zydeco". Leroy has been described as a throwback to the first generation of zydeco masters. Please welcome Leroy Thomas and the Zydeco Roadrunners back to Catonsville. You're sure to have a great time as Leroy rocks the house!

Co-sponsored by BFMS and CCBC/CC Admission \$15, \$12 BFMS Members w/ID, \$7 CCBC/CC Students w/ID Dance Lesson with Ben and Debbie at 8, partners not necessary, Music 9-12 Please support the venue by supporting the bar (AKA-No BYOB) Profits support the scholarship fund FFIC: patyaffe@yahoo.com : 410.653.2571

BFMS Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 1, 8 pm

We meet at the home of Nan Lyon.

Board meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month. Meetings are open to all BFMS members, who are encouraged to attend. Ice cream social after the meeting. For directions, please contact the host. For agenda or other information, please contact the President (see page 9).

Summary of April Board Meeting

The BFMS Board met on April 3. They discussed the possibility of creating an interactive web site. A new lease has been signed with St. Marks for next year. Diana discussed her ideas for the clothing and music exchange in May. There was an organizational meeting for the fall Catoctin weekend. They need volunteers to help with the weekend. Planning for the Playford Ball to be held on October 13 is under way.

Etc.

Concerts

Baldwin Station

Thursdays, 8 pm

7618 Main Street, Sykesville

May 3 - Lucy Kaplansky. \$20

May 24 - Ellis Paul. \$20.

More info: joycesica@aol.com,
www.uptownconcerts.com.

Cellar Stage

Fridays, 8 pm

Faith Community United Methodist Church, 5315 Harford Rd, Baltimore.

May 11 - Old Blind Dogs. \$20.00.

May 18 - James Keelaghan. \$18.00

Cross street: Gibbons Ave. Handicapped accessible. More info: 410-521-9099,
www.uptownconcerts.com.

Institute of Musical Traditions

Mondays, 7:30 pm

St. Mark Presbyterian, 10701 Old Georgetown Road, Rockville, MD.

May 7 - IONA. \$14/adv, \$17/door.

May 14 - King Teddy & the Natty Beaux. \$15/adv, \$20/door.

May 21 - Annual Silent Auction with Erynn Marshall, Chris Coole, and Arnie Naiman. \$15/adv, \$20/door.

Info: marysue@buildthemountain.com,
www.imtfolk.org, 301-754-3611

Special Concert

Friday, May 4, 8 pm

Stony Run Friends Meeting House, 5116 N. Charles St., Baltimore

Ken Kolodner will join forces with National Fiddle Champion **Elke Baker** in an intimate acoustic concert of traditional music. Adding to the fun from Sweden will be "**Elin and Edward**," two virtuosos of the Swedish instrument called the nyckelharpa" who are just completing their first tour of the U.S. Also, joining from Tennessee are **Butch Ross**, sometimes

called the "Bela Fleck" of the mountain dulcimer and hammered dulcimer player **Christie Burns**.

Tickets are \$17.50 in advance (www.kenkolodner.com) and \$20 at the door. Contact: Ken Kolodner, kenkolodner@aol.com 410-243-7254

Choregraphie Antique

Sunday, May 6, 3 pm

Merrick Hall, Goucher College, Baltimore

Free concert, entitled Roots of Ballet; Ballet Then and Now. This program will show examples of how Renaissance dance, Baroque dance, English Country dancing, and 19th century ballroom dancing influenced the development of ballet as we know it today. For more information, email Chrystelle Bond at cbond@goucher.edu.

Focus Concert Series

May 9 - Steve Gillette and Cindy Mangsen. 8 pm at O'Brien's BBQ, 387 E. Gude Dr., Rockville, MD. \$15/general, \$12/members. Contact David at focusrockville@earthlink.net, 301-275-7459, or www.focusmusic.org.

May 20 - Guitar workshop, with Johnsmith. 2-5 pm, Mount Vernon Presbyterian Church, 2001 Sherwood Hall Lane, Alexandria, VA. Workshop fees: \$30/members, \$35/non-members. Workshop plus Johnsmith evening concert: \$40/members, \$45/non-members. To sign up: workshops@focusmusic.org. More info: 703-799-3062, 703-501-6061, www.focusmusic.org, www.johnsmithmusic.com.

May 20 - Johnsmith, with special guest David A. Alberding. 7 pm at Church of the Resurrection, 2280 N. Beauregard St., Alexandria, VA. \$15/general, \$12/members. Contact Herb at herbcl@earthlink.net, or 703-380-3151, or www.focusmusic.org.

May 23 - Joe Crookston and Kym Tuvim. 8 pm at O'Brien's BBQ, 387 E. Gude Dr., Rockville, MD. \$15/general, \$12/members.

Special Events

Almost Heaven

May 25-28, 2007

NEW LOCATION: Timber Ridge Camp, High View, WV (near Buffalo Gap)

Featuring **Swallowtail** and the **Figments**, with caller **Nils Fredland**. We have moved down the road to Timber Ridge where the Cacapon River flows. The dancing program will include contra, swing, and waltz. The weekend also features a children's program, canoeing on the river, swimming in the pool, and late-night bonfires. Information at www.contradancers.com. Contact Marti Schweitzer, registrar, at almostmarti@gmail.com or 703-437-0766 with questions. No calls before 10 am or after 10 pm, please.

FootFall Dance Weekend

September 7-9, 2007

Timber Ridge Camp, High View, WV

Two fabulous bands -- **FootLoose** and **Crowfoot** -- with calling by **Cis Hinkle** and **Ron Buchanan**, and an audience participation joke show hosted by **Ted Hoddapp**. \$175 includes six meals and snacks. For more information, a map of the camp, and on-line registration form, please visit, www.footfalldance.com

Open Mics

Friendly Coffeehouse

Friday, May 11, 8-11 pm; sign-up 7:30-8

Johns Hopkins Interfaith Center, 3509 Charles St., Baltimore

Friendly, supportive atmosphere; good listening audience, coffee and refreshments, piano on site. 410-825-0948, leahu@earthlink.net.

Folk Music Night

Saturday, May 12, 7:30-10 pm

Perry Hall United Methodist Church, 9515 Belair Rd., Baltimore
Free, donations welcome. Featured Performer: Woody Lissauer
www.woodylissauer.com

This is an "open mike" event. Note the new web site URL.

www.perryhallumc.org
ndzimmer@comcast.net, 410-529-7176.

Contra & Square Dances

Friday Night Dancers

Fridays, 8:30-11:30 pm

Free new dancer class 7:30 pm

Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, MacArthur Blvd. & Goldsboro Rd., Glen Echo

Contra dances, with occasional squares and couple dances, to live music. Admission \$9. Info: info@fridaynightdance.org, www.fridaynightdance.org. To play or call: fndgigs@petml.com

May 4

Anna Rain calls to **Mary Lea**, fiddle, **Paul Oorts**, mandolin, and **Dave Wiesler**, piano. Bumper Car Pavilion.

May 11

Tom Hinds calls to the fabulous **Glen Echo Open Band**.

May 18

Rick Mohr calls to **Rhythm Method String Band** (**Craig Edwards**, fiddle, banjo, **Cathy Mason**, fiddle, **Erica Weiss**, guitar, and **Dedo Norris**, bass).

May 25

George Marshall and **Tim Van Egmond** call to **Swallowtail** (**Dave Cantieni**, oboe, flute, horns, **Ron Grosslein**, fiddle, mandolin, **Timm Triplett**, piano, **Tim Van Egmond**, hammered dulcimer, and **George Marshall**, concertina, bodhran).

FSGW Sunday Night Contra and Square Dance

Sundays 7:30-10:30 pm

New dancer orientation 7 pm

Glen Echo Park, MacArthur Blvd. & Goldsboro Rd., Glen Echo.

Contras and squares for experienced and new dancers. No partner needed. New dancers please come early. \$12/\$9 members/\$4 age 17 and under. Info: David Shewmaker, dance@fsgw.org, www.fsgw.org.

May 6

David Rupp calls to **Mary Lea**, fiddle, **Dave Wiesler**, piano, and **Paul Oorts**, mandolin, accordion), In the Bumper Car Pavilion.

May 13

Beth Molaro calls to **Gypsy Meltdown**

(**Kathy Kerr**, fiddle, **Colleen Reed**, flute, saxophone, and **Keith Gillis**, guitar). In the Bumper Car Pavilion.

May 20

Swallowtail, with **George Marshall** (calling, bodhran, concertina), **Tim Van Egmond** (calling, hammered dulcimer), **Timm Triplett** (piano), **Ron Grosslein** (fiddle, mandolin, bouzouki), and **David Cantieni** (flute, saxophone, bombard, whistle). In the Spanish Ballroom.

May 27

Laura Brown calls to the **Love Mongrels** (**Orrin Starr**, banjo, mandolin, guitar, **Danny Knicely**, mandolin and guitar, and **Jon Glik**, fiddle). In the Spanish Ballroom.

Elverson Contra Dance

Saturday, May 5, 7:30-10:30 pm.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 61 Morningside Dr, Elverson, PA.

Tori Barone calls to **HoboPie**. Admission \$8/\$5 students and seniors. For more information, contact Nancy Katzen at 610-780-5667 or visit Ted Crane's website at <http://tedcrane.com/PA/ECD/>

Crab Contras

Saturday, May 5, 8-11 pm; workshop 7:30

Christ Episcopal Church, Whatley Hall, Cambridge.

TBA.

\$7 per person, free snacks! Info/directions: 410-546-775 or 410-901-9177.

Arden Contra Dance

Sunday, May 6, 2-5 pm; workshop 1:30 pm

Arden Guild Hall, Arden, DE

Bill Olson calls to **Ti Acadie**.

Cost: \$8. Info/directions: www.ardenclub.com, 302-478-7257.

Hot Squares in the Olde Town Tonight

2nd and 5th Tuesdays, 8:30-11 pm

Conference Center, Cherry Hill RV

Park, 9800 Cherry Hill Rd, College Park.

Laura Brown, **Ann Fallon**, **Eva Murray**, **Janine Smith**, and **Susan Taylor** call twice this month!

May 8 - MetroGnomes: **Barb Schmid**, fiddle, **McGregor Yatsevitch**, fiddle, **Mark Vidor**, piano, and **Bob Garber**, clarinet.

May 29 - Matt n' Geff n' Jon: **Matt Levine**, guitar, banjo, **Geff King**, bass, and **Jon Glik**, fiddle.

Admission \$8. Refreshments to share are welcome. 410-268-0231, 301-762-2231 squaredancers@comcast.net, www.hotsquares.info

Locust Lane Contra Dance

2nd & 4th Fridays, 8-11 pm

Free intro workshop at 7:30 pm

Christ the Savior Orthodox Church, 5501 Locust Lane, Harrisburg, PA.

Admission \$9/\$8 members. Info/directions: Dave Colestock 717-7701477, LocustLaneContra.freeservers.com.

May 11

Beth Molaro calls to **Amarillis**.

May 25

Karl Senseman calls to **Ladies in the Parlor**.

Annapolis Traditional Dance Society

Saturday, May 19, 7-10 pm; , potluck 5:30 pm, workshop 6:30 pm, dance 7 pm

Annapolis Quaker Friends Meeting-house, 351 DuBois Rd, Annapolis

Susan Taylor calls to the **MetroGnomes:** **Barb Schmid**, fiddle, **McGregor Yatsevitch**, fiddle, **Mark Vidor**, piano, and **Bob Garber**, clarinet.

Directions/info: 410-451-1791, pshaf@yahoo.com, contradancers.com/atds.

More Contrás & Squares

Bluemont Contra Dance

Saturday, May 19, 8 pm, New dancer workshop 7:30 pm

Purcellville Skating Rink, Purcellville, VA

Come join us for the Bluemont Dance, at the Purcellville Skating Rink! We'll wrap up the season with **Hickman, Glickman, and Devine** (Steve Hickman, fiddle; Marc Glickman, piano; John Devine, guitar), with caller **Delaura Padovan**. Be sure to check the website for directions and info on the next season's schedule. Admission: \$8, \$6 for Bluemont friends and students. Info: www.bluemont.org or 703-777-6306

Lancaster Traditional Dance Society

Saturday, May 19, New dancer workshop 7 pm, Dance 8-11 pm.

St. John's Episcopal Church, 321 W. Chestnut St., Lancaster, PA

Featuring **Gooseberries**, with **Matt Burke**, fiddle, **Rich Dodson**, tenor banjo, and **Jill Smith**, piano, **Susan Hankin** calls.

Admission \$7/\$4 students. More info: 717-431-7417, sam@mcc.org, www.lancastercontra.org.

MMFAC Frederick Contra

Saturday, May 19, 8-11 pm, Beginner's workshop at 7 pm.

Trinity Episcopal School, Frederick. (Near Harry Grove Stadium)

Swallowtail featuring **Ron Grosslein**, fiddle; **Timm Triplett**, piano; **Tim Van Egmond**, hammered dulcimer; **David Cantieni**, wind instruments; **George Marshall**, concertina, bodhran. **George Marshall** and **Tim Van Egmond** will share calling duties.

Beginners welcome, no partner necessary. Admission \$7/\$3 children under 16. More info: Boe Walker, 301-694-6794, BoeWalker@boestrings.com, www.contradancers.com.

Other Dances

FSGW English Country Dancing

Wednesdays 8-10:30 pm

Glen Echo Town Hall, 6106 Harvard St., Glen Echo.

\$9/\$7 FSGW members. More info: 301-320-2469, 301-229-3577, or English@fsgw.org.

May 2

Stephanie Smith calls to **Barbara Heitz** (flute), **Karin Loya** (cello), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano).

May 9

Susan Taylor calls to **Jeff Steinberg** (fiddle), **Ralph Gordon** (cello), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano).

May 16

Tom Spilsbury calls to **Paul Oorts** (mandolin, accordion), **Colleen Reed** (flute), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano).

May 23

Bob Farrall calls to **Walter Robinson** (recorder), **Bruce Edwards** (concertina, bassoon), and **Julie Gorka** (piano).

May 30

Liz Donaldson calls to **Becky Ross** (fiddle), **Laurie Mielke** (recorders), and **Francine Kraskowsa** (piano).

International Folk Dancing

Saturdays, 7:30-10:30 Lesson in first half hour

Homewood Friends Meeting House, 3107 N. Charles St., Baltimore.

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 Saunders 410-484-9392 (check answering machine message to confirm dancing is on) or Paul & Elise Kreiss] 410-367-8194 (evenings & weekends) pkreiss@toadmail.net

Free Ballroom Dancing and Lessons

Fridays, 7:50 pm

ROTC Building, Johns Hopkins

University Campus, Baltimore.

Waltz, rumba, tango and more. Our 16th year! Beginners & advanced welcome. Turn south from the intersection of 39th Street and West University Parkway onto San Martin Drive. Take the 3rd left turn from San Martin Dr. Bring friends and party goodies. Anne and Dave Greene 410-435-0967

Scandinavian Dance Classes

Tuesdays, 7:30-9:30 pm

Building T-39, NIH, Bethesda

Beginning Class: Tuesdays May 15 and 29* 7:30 - 9:30 pm Advanced Class: Tuesday May 1 and 22 * 7:30 - 9:30 pm In the Beginning Class, learn Hambo, Schottish, Waltz, Zwiefacher, and other couple turning dances. Some Hambo is done every time. Singles, couples, beginners, and advanced dancers welcome. In the Advanced Class, learn dances from Boda, Orsa, Rättvick, Föllinge, Viksta, Varnas, Telemark, and Valdres, 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.

Sunday Afternoon Waltz

Sundays, 3:30 pm, lesson 3 pm

Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, MD

May 6 - Mary Lea and Friends

May 20 - Swallowtail

Admission is \$8. For info: go to www.WaltzTimeDances.org, e-mail info@WaltzTimeDances.org, or call Glen Echo Park at 301-634-2222.

For more information, call Donna Barker at 301-634-2231 or Glen Echo Park at 301-634-2222, or go to www.DanceDC.com

Mandolin Workshop with Orrin Star

Saturday, May 5, Noon-2pm

Cheverly, MD

"St. Anne's Reel" is one of the prettiest melodies ever devised. It is popular among players of all traditional instruments. And it also has an interesting chord structure, which lends itself to moving bass lines on the mandolin. In this workshop (geared to advanced beginner through intermediate players) we will learn both the rhythm and the lead. \$40 fee. Includes written hand-out with tablature. Complete info at www.orrinstar.com (cf May 5 on the schedule page and click on the info link.) 301-773-6149.

MALCOLM DALGLISH: "A Ceremony of Song for Choir, Hammer Dulcimer, Percussion and Dance"

Saturday, May 5, 8pm

Talbot County Auditorium/Easton High School, 723 Mecklenburg Ave, Easton, MD.

Malcolm Dalglish will perform with 111 singers from the Easton High School Concert Choir, Chamber Singers and the Carpe Diem Community Choir directed by William R. Thomas, along with special guests N. Scott Robinson on percussion, Shizumi Dance Theatre of Japan, Irish stepdancers, bagpipes, fiddles and more. For a sampling of music visit www.MalcolmDalglish.com. Tickets are

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\$10 for adults, \$5 for students.
Info: www.CarpeDiemArts.org, graham-busy@aol.com -- or call 410-745-5654.

The Three Musketeers

Saturday, May 5, 8 pm

Creative Alliance at the Patterson, 3134 Eastern Ave, Baltimore

Presented by the Czech and Slovak Heritage Association and the Alfa Theater of the Czech Republic. Cast of thirteen from an award winning company with a live gypsy band from Alfa Theatre, Czech Republic will present a grotesque hand puppet variant, inspired by the Alexander Dumas' novel of the immortal story of a group of four, whose motto was "all for one, one for all!".

For more information call: 410-276-1651 or visit website www.creativealliance.org

Slow Blues Lesson and Dancing

Sunday, May 6, 8:30 pm, lesson 7 pm

Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, MD

Sunday Blues dance featuring the **Ruby Hayes Band** Cost: \$17 for the workshop and dance; or \$12 for the dance only.

For more information, call Donna Barker at 301-634-2231 or Glen Echo Park at 301-634-2222, or go to www.DanceDC.com

Washington Area Folk Harp Society

Saturday, May 12, 7:30 pm

Knox Presbyterian Church, Falls Church, VA

A concert of dazzling and graceful music featuring Sue Richards, Port Righ, Karen Ashbrook and Paul Oorts and Frank Voltz. Tickets \$15/10 at the door. More information www.wafhs.org

Nordic Fiddles & Feet Camp

June 30-July 7, 2007 weekend option 6/30-7/3

Buffalo Gap Camp, Capon Bridge, WV

The only folkie event staying at magical Buffalo Gap Camp this summer is Nordic Fiddles & Feet, a celebration of Swedish & Norwegian music & dance. So, whether or not you know a Hambo from hambone, don't miss this chance to visit the place that's so dear to us. All live music. Excellent Scandinavian Dance Basics class by **Roo Lester & Larry Harding**. Swedish Polskas with **Stig & Helen Eriksson**. Norwegian Finnskogpols with **Bjorn Sverre Hol Haugen & Eva Karlsson**. Fiddle, hardingfele, & nyckelharpa classes w/US and foreign teachers, too. Scandi craft & culture sessions. Fabulous food. Nightly dance parties. And oh that sauna.... \$675/adult for the week; 10% off for newbies. www.nordicfiddlesandfeet.org. Meg, (865) 522-0515.

Editor's Corner

Hi, everyone! Miss the This Month in BFMS feature? That's because folks have been submitting so many great events these past few months. Unfortunately, features have to give way to the events, because these events are the lifeblood of our folk community. As a community, we not only advertise BFMS events but also other fabulous folk events within an hour or so drive from here. From all the way to Timber Ridge, in West Virginia, to Easton, on Maryland's beautiful Eastern Shore, from Harrisburg, PA down south to Richmond, VA, and nearby in Baltimore and Washington, we have folk events going on!

And when you go to folk events, you have to dress the part, right? Folkies are always looking out for great clothes at a great bargain. And they like to recycle those garments that just don't fit anymore. You can donate your clothes to the BFMS Folk Clothes Exchange, and also pick up some wonderful clothes at a price that won't break your bank. And the proceeds will be donated to BFMS as well.

Sign up now for another wonderful folk event happening in June, the Spring Catocin Weekend. I will be going to my first one! But first, enjoy all of May's wonderful folk events, and see you around!

Perry Shafran, BFMS Newsletter Editor

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		1 BFMS Board Meeting 4 Scandinavian Dance Class 7	2 Tori Barone/Ken Kolodner, Edward & Elin, Butch Ross, Christie Burns 2 Stephanie Smith/Barbara Heitz, Karin Loya, Liz Donaldson 7	3 Squeeze Bayou 3 Lucy Kaplansky 5	4 Ken Kolodner concert 5 Anna Rain/Mary Lea, Paul Oorts, Dave Wiesler 6 Free Ballroom Dancing 7	5 Tori Barone/HoboPie 6 International Folk Dancing 7 Mandolin Workshop 8 Malcolm Dalglish 8 The Three Musketeers 8
6 Norwegian House Party 3 Singing for Everyone 3 Choreographie Antique 5 Bill Olson/Ti Acadie 6 David Rupp/Mary Lea, Dave Wiesler, Paul Oorts 6 Mary Lea and Friends 7 Ruby Hayes Band 8	7 Susan Taylor/Elke Baker, Jonathan Jensen, Paul Oorts 2 IONA 5	8 Hot Square Babes/MetroGnomes 6	9 DeLaura Padovan/HGD 2 Steve Gillette and Cindy Mangsen 5 Susan Taylor/Jeff Steinberg, Ralph Gordon, Liz Donaldson 7	10	11 Old Blind Dogs 5 Friendly Coffeehouse 5 Glen Echo Open Band 6 Beth Molaro/Amarillis 6 Free Ballroom Dancing 7	12 Andy Kane/Contra Rebels 4 Folk Music Exchange 1 Folk Music Night 5 International Folk Dancing 7 Washington Area Folk Harp Society 8
13 Sacred Harp Singing 3 Oella Community Sing 3 Beth Molaro/Gypsy Meltdown 6	14 Tom Spilsbury/Marty Taylor, Becky Ross, Liz Donaldson 2 King Teddy and the Natty Beaux 5	15 Scandinavian Dance Class 7	16 Greg Frock/Taylor Among the Devils 2 Tom Spilsbury/Paul Oorts, Colleen Reed, and Liz Donaldson 7	17	18 James Keelaghan 5 Rick Mohr/Rhythm Method String Band 6 Free Ballroom Dancing 7	19 Leroy Thomas and the Zydeco Road Runners 4 Susan Taylor/MetroGnomes 6 DeLaura Padovan/Hickman, Glickman, and Devine 7 Susan Hankin/Gooseberries 7 George Marshall, Tim Van Egmond/Swallowtail 7 International Folk Dancing 7
20 English Open Band Practice 3 Guitar workshop 5 Johnsmith 5 Swallowtail 6 Swallowtail 7	21 Carl Friedman/Edie Stern, Walt Robinson, Judy Meyers 2 Annual Silent Auction w/ Erynn Marshall, Chris Coole, and Arnie Naiman 5	22 Scandinavian Dance Class 7	23 Susan Taylor/Gypsy Meltdown 2 Joe Crookston and Kym Tuvim 5 Bob Farrall/Walter Robinson, Bruce Edwards, Julie Gorka 7	24 Ellis Paul 5	25 Almost Heaven 5 George Marshall, Tim Van Egmond/Swallowtail 6 Karl Senseman/Ladies in the Parlor 6 Free Ballroom Dancing 7	26 Almost Heaven 5 International Folk Dancing 7
27 Fourth at Four 3 Almost Heaven 5 Laura Brown/Love Mongrels 6	28 Mike Franch/Carl Friedman, Robin Wilson, Michael Friedman 2 Almost Heaven 5	29 Hot Square Babes/Matt n' Geff n' Jon 6 Scandinavian Dance Class 7	30 Andy Kane/Baltimore Open Band 2 Liz Donaldson/Becky Ross, Laurie Mielke, Francine Kraskowska 7	31	BFMS sponsored and member-hosted events are in boldface . See page numbers for full details.	