



# Baltimore Folk Music Society

Member, Country Dance & Song Society

[www.bfms.org](http://www.bfms.org)

December 2008

## Wednesday Night Contra Dances \*

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

Wednesday evenings, 8 - 10:30 pm; New dancer orientation: 7:30 pm, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays

In the midst of all the holiday preparation, you know you'll need a break. This is the perfect time to join us for the Wednesday Night Contra Dances!

Dances are always taught and walked through. No partner necessary. New dancers of all ages are always welcome.

This is an especially wonderful month for Wednesday Night Dances!

On December 3, we start the month with **Tori Barone** calling to the lively music of **The Avant Gardeners** (right). With **Laura Light** on fiddle, **Dan Sebring** on guitar and mandolin, and **George Paul** on piano and accordion, this trio will have your toes tapping and feet stomping from start to finish.



December 10 brings **Rick Mohr** (pictured on left) and **The Contraptions**. Rick was our fabulous caller at last year's Midwinter Ball (psst... info on this year's ball is on page 3!), and calls a lively mix of squares and contras. He'll be joined by **Nora Smith** on fiddle, **Chloe Maher** on piano, and **Bill Quern** on mandolin, banjo, fiddle, concertina and harmonica.

December 17 is yet another special treat. Local favorites **Rocket Surgery** (**Carl Friedman** on fiddle and Irish flute, **Andrew Marcus** on accordion, and **Ralph Barthine** on guitar) join us as **Colin Hume** (right) travels across the Atlantic Ocean to join us for an evening of fine dancing. Colin is well known not only as a caller, but for the many dances he's written, and his excellent workshops on dancing style and technique.



Alas, there will be no contras on December 24 or 31, but we'll be back again on January 7!

Admission: \$12/8 BFMS members and affiliates. Full-time students receive a \$3 discount. Snack contributions for the break are welcome. Info: [amdance@bfms.org](mailto:amdance@bfms.org) or [www.bfms.org](http://www.bfms.org)

### Directions to Lovely Lane

From the North: I-83 south to 28th Street/Druid Hill exit. Bear left; take 28th St. to Maryland Ave. Right on Maryland Ave then left on 23rd St.

From the South: I-95 to I-395, exiting for downtown Baltimore onto S. Howard and turning right onto Pratt. Once on Pratt, turn left onto Charles and then right onto 23rd St. Use parking lots on either side of 23rd St at St Paul. The church is on the right.

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***Did you know? Your BFMS membership is tax-deductible to the full extent allowed by law. Consult your tax preparer for details. And, as always, all donations are deductible!***

## BFMS Sponsored Dances

### BFMS English Country Dance\*

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

1/3 mile inside the Baltimore Beltway, at Exit 20 South

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

Jane Austen did it (and wrote about it). George Washington did it (but not with Jane Austen). You can too! Each dance is taught and walked through. You don't have to bring a partner. We always have live music and friendly dancers ready to welcome and teach new dancers. Admission: \$10/\$7 for BFMS members & affiliates. Info: [engdance@bfms.org](mailto:engdance@bfms.org) or [www.bfms.org](http://www.bfms.org)

*December 1*

**Christopher Field** calling to **Liz Donaldson** (piano), **Karin Loya** (cello), and **Becky Ross** (fiddle).

*December 8*

**Liz Donaldson** calling to the big band sound of **The Geud Band of Baltimore**, Baltimore's rehearsed English open band.

*December 15*

**Michael Barraclough** calling to **Judy Meyers** (piano), **Emily Aubrey** (fiddle), and **Robin Wilson** (flute, concertina).

*December 22*

**Colin Hume**, a leading choreographer, composer, and caller of English country dance, comes from England to call to the music of **Julie Gorka** (piano), **Walt Robinson** (recorders), and **Jeff Steinberg** (fiddle).

*December 29*

**Mike Franch** calling to **Ralph Barthine** (guitar), **Carl Friedman** (fiddle), and **Robin Wilson** (flute, concertina).



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.

### BFMS Family Dance \*

*Saturday, December 13, 5 pm, potluck at 6:30*

St Mark's, 1620 Reisterstown Rd., Pikesville MD

**Ridge Kennedy** calls to the fun and energetic music of **Ladies in the Parlor**: **Barb Schmid** on fiddle and vocals, **Suzanne Gates** on bass, **Sharon Sack** on 5-string banjo and vocals, and **Freya Qualley** on guitar. All ages are welcome! We love to see 3 generations having a terrific time together. Please join us for the pot luck dinner that follows the dance -- bring a dish to share.

Admission is: \$5 members \$20 maximum member families, \$7 non-members \$28 maximum non-member families. Group discounts are available. No Experience necessary; you don't need to bring a partner.

For more information call the **BFMS** hotline at 410-366-0808 or Diane at 410-321-8419.



### BFMS Second Saturday Contra Dance \*

*Saturday, December 13, 8 - 11 pm; new dancer orientation at 7:35 pm*

St Mark's, 1620 Reisterstown Rd., Pikesville MD

Dance communities always have a festive evening when **Ridge Kennedy** calls. His secret to success is that he develops a great rapport with both dancers and musicians. **Ladies in the Parlor** are the sweethearts of the Mid-Atlantic dance scene. If you are lacking energy this holiday season, you will certainly be revitalized by these energetic Ladies. **Barb Schmid** is on fiddle and vocals, **Suzanne Gates** is on the bass, **Sharon Sack** is on 5-string banjo and vocals, and newest member **Freya Qualley** plays guitar.

Holiday treats will be served during the break, and there's even early reports that Contra Claus will find time in his busy schedule to stop by and say hello!

Admission: \$8 BFMS Members & Affiliates, \$12 non-members. Under 21 and full-time students with ID: \$5 members, \$6 non-members. Beginners, singles, couples, and families are welcome.

For more information call the **BFMS** hotline at 410-366-0808 or call Diane at 410-321-8419.

## BFMS and Member Sponsored Dances & More

### The 28<sup>th</sup> annual BFMS Mid-Winter Ball

#### A Mid-Winter Night's Dream

Saturday, January 31, reception 6:45 pm

Grand March 7:15 pm

Chesapeake Rooms, Towson University

Gentle Ladies, Good Sirs, we pray your indulgence in attending our most festive of contra dance events, the Mid-Winter Ball. Travel back to a time when fairies roamed the night and nothing was as it seemed.

Delighting us with their sweet melodies will be that most delicious of duos, the **Elftones**. **Mara Shea** on fiddle and **Roger Gold** on guitar create a hard driving combination of Irish, Scottish, Canadian and old-time tunes. Is it not strange that sheep's guts should hale souls out of men's bodies? But what greater delight is there than in dancing with your friends to such wonderful music?

Accompanying the sylvan duo, **Cis Hinkle** of Atlanta will provide her graceful and clear calling. Cis, a veteran caller in demand at many weekends as well as the coordinator for Dance Week at Augusta, will provide an evening of charm and excitement. And of course, there will be much more than just dance. Games, amusements, and any number of diversions will round out your night – a most rare vision, past the wit of man to say what dream it was.

For more information email [midwinter@bfms.org](mailto:midwinter@bfms.org) or call 410-433-4419. Tickets are available now at most BFMS events, online at [www.bfms.org](http://www.bfms.org), and by mail (see flier in this newsletter.) We beg your attendance at this delightful evening.

### Ballroom Dancing & Lessons‡

Fridays, 8 pm

JHU ROTC Building

Waltz, rumba, tango & more! Our 17th year; always free! From 39th St & University Pkwy go south onto San Martin Drive; take 3rd left into campus. Climb wooden stairs, south side of building. Don't pay to park. Special: MarbleTag at 7:50!! For info contact Dave/Anne Greene 410 599-3725.

### BFMS Board Meeting \*

Tuesday, December 2, 7:30 pm

Board meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month. Meetings are open to all BFMS members, and all are encouraged to attend. Ice cream social follows meeting. For directions, agenda, and other information, please contact the President (see page 7).

### Baltimore Open Band Practice ‡

Sunday, December 14, 4 to 6 pm

Come toot, snap, fiddle, and plink with the ever-lovin' Baltimore Open Band. This group is a community gem whose members meet on the second Sunday of each month in Catonsville. All ages, instruments, and levels are truly welcome. For more info, contact Susan Taylor at 301-982-1107 or [susantaylor@greenbelt.com](mailto:susantaylor@greenbelt.com)

### Fourth at Four Storyfolk \*

The 4th at 4 does not meet in December. We look forward to meeting with you on January 25, 2009.

### Singing for Everyone‡

Sunday, December 7, 7 - 9 pm

Homewood Friends Meetinghouse, 3107 N Charles

Join us for an evening of songs and company - all are welcome! Snacks are welcome but will be confined to the lunch room downstairs. On-street parking available -- meters do not run on Sundays. For more info, please contact Susan Warner at [scwarner@hotmail.com](mailto:scwarner@hotmail.com)

### English Open Band Practice ‡

Sunday, December 7, 3:30 - 6 pm

This is a rehearsed open band for English dancing. Newcomers welcome. For information, contact Eileen Franch, 410-889-3252 or [franch@juno.com](mailto:franch@juno.com).

### Alison Chase Radcliffe & Allen Holmes‡

Saturday, December 6, 8 pm

6006 Jerry's Drive, Columbia

House concert featuring world class musician and artist Alison Chase Radcliffe on piano & vocals, and Allen Holmes on bass & harmonica. Alison sings many spirituals and gospel pieces, accompanying them with her own piano arrangements. Alison also paints and draws, using primarily oil on wood. Some of her work will be on display during the concert. Limited Seating, Advance reservation required!

\$15. For tickets and reservations, contact Susan Keach Sweeney 443-756-6231 or at [SusasnKeach@comcast.net](mailto:SusasnKeach@comcast.net)

## BFMS & Member Sponsored Dances & More

### **The Friendly Coffeehouse \***

*Friday, December 12, 8-11 pm*

*Calvary Baptist Church, 120 W Pennsylvania Ave.,  
Towson*

Join us the second Friday of each month for an evening of music and more. Acoustic performers are invited to sign up for open mike slots (three songs or ten minutes). Friendly, supportive atmosphere with a music-loving audience that really listens! Parking lot in the back; piano inside. For info., call 410-825-0948; email [leahu@earthlink.net](mailto:leahu@earthlink.net); or check our website at [www.friendlycoffeehouse.org](http://www.friendlycoffeehouse.org) on the day of the event for any last minute changes.



### **Norwegian Dancing House Party ‡**

*Saturday December 6, potluck 6:30 pm, dance 8 pm*

718 Dunkirk Rd, Baltimore, MD 21212

Norwegian springars are quite different from the familiar Swedish Hambo. Mesmerizing live music by guest fiddler Petra Kirstein on the unique Hardanger fiddle (w/4-5 sympathetic strings located underneath the bowed strings--see [hfaa.org](http://hfaa.org)). Beginners welcome--we'll show you the moves. Bring clean shoes to wear, food to share, and \$\$ you can spare. Hosts are Joyce Duncan and Tom Zeller, (410) 377-8457. Info/dirs: Jenny, [pi@xecu.net](mailto:pi@xecu.net), (301) 371-4312.



### **International Folk Dancing ‡**

*Saturdays, 7:30-10:30 pm, Lesson in first 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 [phone] 410-484-9392 (check answering machine message to confirm dancing is on) or Paul & Elise Kreiss [phone] 410-367-8194 (evenings & weekends) [email] [pkreiss@toadmail.com](mailto:pkreiss@toadmail.com) Directions: Across Charles St. from Museum Drive (just east of Johns Hopkins). Enter down outside stairs from side porch. Call to arrange handicapped access.



### **We need your help to spread the word!**

#### **There's a great place for family fun: St. Marks!**

Do you know anybody who home schools their children or anybody with children? How about inviting them to our Family Dance the second Saturday of each month from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm. After the dance there is a potluck, followed by a new dancer orientation at 7:35 and a contra dance at 8:00.

Do you know anybody that is retired, has a little time on their hands and that enjoys being around children? We are looking for volunteers to sit at the door during the family dance and collect money for those attending the family dance? It is about 2 hours of time monthly and every month would not necessarily be required. Oh, and you could also invite them to our English dances on Mondays, and our contra dances and Wednesday and the Second Saturday! A personal invite is what brings most of the dancers to our events.

If you don't know anyone, what about stopping by a senior center that is near your home or work, dropping some flyers off (download from [BFMS.org](http://BFMS.org) or pick up at an event) and maybe even meeting someone new? It could make their day and chalk up a few karma points for you!

Thanks for your help in spreading the word!  
Your friendly publicity chair, Becca

### **Helicon Solstice Concert\***

*Saturday, December 20, 3:30 pm & 8 pm shows*

Kraushaar Auditorium, Goucher College

Baltimore-based trio **Helicon** celebrates their 23rd reunion appearance in this year's **Winter Solstice Concert**. *Helicon* blends the talents of Baltimore natives Ken Kolodner (hammered dulcimer, fiddle, hammered mbira), Chris Norman (wooden flutes, tin whistle, small pipes, vocals, piano) and Robin Bullock (guitar, cittern, fiddle, piano) and a repertoire spanning the traditional folk music of nearly 30 countries, along with the sounds of the season. While *Helicon's* style is clearly Celtic flavored, the concert will feature a unique blend of seasonal and traditional music from Appalachia, Israel, Quebec, Nova Scotia, Europe, Africa, the Far East, Ireland, and Scotland and beyond.

Tickets are available at [www.kenkolodner.com](http://www.kenkolodner.com) via credit card or call 410-243-7254; \$28 at the door; \$25 in advance; \$21 for groups of 15+; \$21 for groups of 30+. Directions to the campus and Kraushaar Auditorium can be found on Goucher's website at <http://www.goucher.edu/about/>



## Other Dances

### Friday Night Dancers

*Fridays, 8:30 - 11:30 pm, Beginner Workshop 7:30*  
Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, MD

Contras with occasional squares. Live music. Beginners welcome. Admission is \$9, [info@fridaynightdance.org](mailto:info@fridaynightdance.org)

*December 5*

**Adina Gordon** calls to **Crowfoot**

*December 12*

**Susan Taylor** calls to the fabulous **Glen Echo Open Band**.

*December 19*

**Janine Smith** calls to the **Morrison Brothers**.

*December 26*

**TBA** calls to **AP & the Banty Roosters**.



### Lancaster Contra Dance

*December 20, 8 to 11 pm; workshop 7 pm.*

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

**June Apple** with **Jeff Steinberg** (fiddle), **Mike McGeary** (mandolin, banjo), **Bob Garber** (clarinet), and **Alice Markham** (piano). **Susan Taylor** calling.

For information call Shane at (717) 431-7417 or [www.lancastercontra.org](http://www.lancastercontra.org).



### Arden Contra Dance

*Friday, December 5, 8 - 11 pm; lesson at 7:30 pm*

Arden Gild Hall, Arden, DE.

**Tori Barone** and **Susan Hankin** call for **Avant Gardeners** \$9

For more information <http://home.sprynet.com/~rbrat/>



### Frederick Contra Dance

*Saturday, December 27, 8 pm (workshop 7 pm)*

Trinity School, Frederick (by Harry Grove Stadium)  
Come join us in Frederick for a dance between the holidays!  
Caller and band are TBA (everyone's favorite!) until final details are worked out. Be sure to check our website for details as the date draws near.

General-\$8; Students-\$5; 12 and under \$4. Info/directions: [www.contradancers.com](http://www.contradancers.com) or call Boe Walker at 301.694.6794.

### FSGW Sunday Night Squares & Contras

*Sundays, 7:30 - 10:30 pm, Beginner Workshop 7 pm*  
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. For info contact Robert Cox [dance@fsgw.org](mailto:dance@fsgw.org) or [www.fsgw.org](http://www.fsgw.org)

*December 7*

**Adina Gordon** calls to **Crowfoot**.

*December 14*

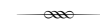
**Susan Hankin** calls with **Morrison Brothers Band**.

*December 21*

Colin Hume calling to **Some Assembly**.

*December 28*

**Janine Smith** calls to **AP & the Banty Roosters**.



### Locust Lane Contra Dance

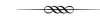
*2nd & 4th Friday, 8 - 11 pm, Free workshop at 7:30*

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

*December 12:* **Roger Auman** from Philadelphia calling to the **Looney Tunes**.

*December 26:* **Terry Bachmann** from Harrisburg calling to **Strings on Wings**.

Admission \$9/\$8 members. For more info or directions, contact Dave Colestock at 717-770-1477 or [LocustLaneContra.freesevers.com](http://LocustLaneContra.freesevers.com)



### FSGW Family Dance

*Sunday, December 14, 3 pm*

Glen Echo Town Hall, 6106 Harvard St, Glen Echo

**Janine Smith** calls to **Morrison Brothers Band**. Admission \$5 for ages 4 and older. [fsgw.org](http://fsgw.org).

## More Dances

### Potluck and Dance 2Nite!

*Saturday, December 6*

*dinner 5:45 - 7 pm, dancing 7 - 10 pm*

Galesville Mem. Hall, 952 Galesville Rd, Galesville

Live music by **Leah Weiss, Gary Wright & Friends**. Squares, longways sets, and circle dances called by **Janine Smith**. No partner, experience, or lessons necessary. ALL AGES WELCOME. Adults:\$10, Ages 10-18 \$5, Under 10 FREE. Call (301) 926-9142 for more info/questions.

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### FSGW English Country Dancing

*Wednesdays 8-10:30 pm*

Glen Echo Town Hall, 6106 Harvard St, Glen Echo

\$10/\$8 members. More info: 301-320-2469, 301-229-3577, or [English@fsgw.org](mailto:English@fsgw.org). Live musicians each week, see website for details. Callers listed below.

*December 3*

**Melissa Running** with **Becky Ross** (fiddle), **Bruce Edwards** (bassoon) and **Julie Gorka** (piano).

*December 10*

**Tom Spilsbury** calls with **Dan Gillespie** (recorders), **Rhonda Hotop** (fiddle), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano).

*December 17*

**Stephanie Smith** with **Susan Brandt** (flute), **David Knight** (fiddle), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano).

*December 24*

**No dance.**

*December 31*

**See New Year's Eve dance info on page 7.**

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### Shepherdstown Contra Dance

*Saturday, December 6, 8 pm; workshop 7:30 pm*

War Memorial Building, Shepherdstown WV

**Adina Gordon** calls to **Crowfoot: Jaige Trudel** on fiddle, **Adam Broome** on guitar and **Nicholas Williams** on flute, accordion and piano. Annual Christmas Potluck at 6:00PM. Please wear clean, soft-soled shoes. Potluck snacks at the break. Admission is \$10 adults, \$7 members, \$4 dancing kids under 12. For more information, check the web page at [www.smad.us](http://www.smad.us) or call Jeanne Marie at (304) 263-8323 or Becky at (304) 876-2169. Located at corner of King & German Streets.

### Glen Echo Afternoon Waltz

*1st & 3rd Sundays, 3 pm lesson, 3:30 - 6 dancing.*

Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, Glen Echo, MD

Dance to a lively mix of folk waltzes with a few other couples dances, including Hambo, Schottische, Swing, Tango, and Polka. Admission is \$8 per person. For info: go to [www.WaltzTimeDances.org](http://www.WaltzTimeDances.org), e-mail [info@WaltzTimeDances.org](mailto:info@WaltzTimeDances.org), or call Glen Echo Park at 301-634-2222.

*December 7: Blue Bamboo.*

*December 21: Some Assembly.*

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### Scandinavian Dance Classes

*Tuesdays, 7:30 - 9:30 pm*

NIH, Bethesda, MD (ID required to enter facilities)

In the **Beginning Class** (Dec 2 & 16), learn Hambo, Schottish, Waltz, Zwiefacher, and other couple turning dances. Some Hambo is done every time. In the **Advanced Class** (Dec 9), learn dances from Boda, Orsa, Rättvick, Ragunda, and Föllinge, plus Finnskogspols, Nigpolska, Gammalvånster, Springleik, and requests.

Singles, couples, beginners, and advanced dancers welcome. Sometimes live Swedish fiddle music. Wear smooth-soled shoes for turning, not running shoes. \$5. Info: Lisa Brooks at 240-731-1935, [lisa@HamboDC.org](mailto:lisa@HamboDC.org), or [www.HamboDC.org](http://www.HamboDC.org). Go to web site to get map for directions and parking! New entrance to NIH -- be sure to check web site for info!

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### Annapolis Traditional Dance Society Contra

*Saturday, December 20, 7:00 p.m.; workshop 6:30*

Annapolis Friends Meeting Hall, 351 Dubois Road

American Contra and Square Dancing. **Michael Barraclough** brings his unique style to Annapolis, calling to the music of **Mortal Wombat: Carl Friedman**, fiddle; **Robin Wilson**, flute; **Michael Friedman**, piano; **Ralph Barthine**, guitar.

Admission for dance, \$10 with discounts for seniors, students, families and members of 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](mailto:janscope@hotmail.com); [www.contradancers.com/atds](http://www.contradancers.com/atds)

## More Dances & Concerts

### Hot Dance Sunday Afternoon

*Sunday, December 14, 3 - 6 pm*

Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, MD

**New Hots Jazz Orchestra.** No partner or experience necessary. Half hour rhumba lesson at 3:00. Swing, waltz and ballroom dance to music of the 20's, 30's, 40's and more. \$10. Info: [www.newhotsjazz.com](http://www.newhotsjazz.com) or [info@newhotsjazz.com](mailto:info@newhotsjazz.com)

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### Cajun and Zydeco Holiday Dance Party

*Sunday, December 28, time TBA*

Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park

Join us for an end-of-year Holiday Party in the fabulous Spanish Ballroom. Check our web site at [www.DancingbytheBayou.com](http://www.DancingbytheBayou.com) for details as they unfold. Contact Michael Hart at 301.762.6730 for more information.

## New Year's Eve Dances

### FSGW New Year's Eve Ball

*Wednesday, December 31st 8 pm - 12 midnight*

Paint Branch UU Church, Powder Mill Rd, Adelphi

**The Familiars: Alexander Mitchell** (fiddle), **Jonathan Jensen** (piano) and **Henry Koretsky** (guitar) with **Laura Brown** calling the figures. Download the registration form at [www.fsgw.org](http://www.fsgw.org). \$30 Current FSGW Members, \$36 General.

### FSGW New Year's Eve English Country Dance

*Wednesday, Dec. 31st, 7:30 pm - 12:30 am*

Historic Adelphi Mill, 8401 Riggs Rd., Adelphi

English Country and couple dances. Caller Judi Rivkin, music Liz Donaldson (piano), Colleen Reed (flute), and Becky Ross (fiddle). Potluck refreshments, midnight champagne toast. \$28 members and affiliates, \$30 guests. Register by Dec. 14 for \$3 off. Info: [fsgw.org](http://fsgw.org), 301-577-5018, or 301-585-7750.

### GWCC New Year's Eve Ceili

*Tuesday, December 31, 9:00 PM - 1:00 AM*

Music by **Dave Abe**, **Billy McComiskie**, **Zan Meleod**, **Myron Bretholz**. Cherry Hill Park Conference Center, 9700 Cherry Hill Road, College Park, MD (Entrance Code: 76000)

Admission: Advance Purchase - \$50, GWCC Members \$45; At Door: \$55 Contact Dixie: 301-294-3568, Jane: 301 929-8179 <http://www.gwcc-online.org>

## Concerts

### Perry Hall Folk Music Night

*Saturday, December 6, 7:30-10 pm*

Perry Hall United Methodist Church, 9515 Belair Rd., Baltimore, MD 21236

Featured Performer: Damion Wolfe <http://www.damionwolfe.com/> Admission free, donations welcome. This is an "open mike" event. For more information, see [www.perryhallumc.org](http://www.perryhallumc.org) or contact [ndzimmer@comcast.net](mailto:ndzimmer@comcast.net) or 410-529-7176.

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### Holiday Coffee House

*Saturday, December 6, 7 pm sign-up, 7:30 music*

UU Fallston, 1127 Old Fallston Rd, Fallston

Open mike coffee house hosted by Uncle John Sawbriar. For info: [uufallstonmusic@yahoo.com](mailto:uufallstonmusic@yahoo.com)

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### Uptown Concerts at Cellar Stage

*Fridays, 8 pm (doors open 7 pm)*

Faith Community United Methodist Church of Hamilton, 5315 Harford Rd, Baltimore

December 5: Robin Bullock, Al Petteway & Amy White \$20

December 12: Maggie's Music Celtic Holiday Concert \$20

Tickets: 410-795-1041 or [uptownconcerts@gmail.com](mailto:uptownconcerts@gmail.com)

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### Uptown Concerts at Baldwin's Station

*8 pm unless noted (dining room opens 6:30)*

7618 Main Street, Sykesville

Thursday, December 4: Mac Walter (\$16, 8 pm)

Sunday, December 7: Christmas Concert with The Hard Travelers (\$22, 7:30 pm)

Thursday, December 18: A Connemara Christmas (\$20, 8 pm)

Tickets: 410-795-1041 or [uptownconcerts@gmail.com](mailto:uptownconcerts@gmail.com)

*Note: These are the last shows that Uptown Concerts will hold at Baldwin's Station. For information about the issues involved, please contact Joyce Sica at [uptownconcerts@gmail.com](mailto:uptownconcerts@gmail.com)*

## Workshops & Festivals

### Introduction to playing old time fiddle Introduction to playing the hammered dulcimer

Jan 8, 12, 15 and 22

Fiddle 5:30 - 6:30 pm; Dulcimer 7 - 8 pm

Johns Hopkins University

No music background necessary. Hands on workshop--take home an instrument with you. FEE PER INSTRUMENT CLASS: \$60.00 if have an instrument; \$75 if no instrument. Contact: Ken Kolodner at 410-243-7254 [kenkolodner@aol.com](mailto: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

January 9 - 11

Shepherdstown, WV

Weekend retreat featuring classes, individual tutoring and sessions for a wide variety of bellows-blown bagpipes, fiddle, flute and mixed instruments. Piping staff includes Eliot Grasso, Jerry O'Sullivan, Dick Hensold, Laura McKenzie, Bob Mitchell and more. For more information see [www.squeezethebag.info](http://www.squeezethebag.info) or call Joanie Blanton (304) 263-2531 or email [updf@earthlink.net](mailto:updf@earthlink.net).

### Upper Potomac Scandinavian Fiddle & Dance

January 23 - 25

Shepherdstown, WV

Dance workshops, instrumental classes, jam sessions and a Scan/Contra Dance in a weekend event for fiddle, dance and mixed instruments featuring mostly Scandinavian music. Program staff includes Andrea Hoag, Loretta Kelley, Charlie Pilzer, Julia Borland-Fernborg, Bruce Sagan, Goran Ohlsson and more.. For more information see the web page at [www.scanfiddle.info](http://www.scanfiddle.info), call Joanie Blanton (304) 263-2531 or email [updf@earthlink.net](mailto:updf@earthlink.net).

### FSGW Mini-Fest

Saturday, February 7

Takoma Park Middle School

Mark your calendars now for the annual FSGW Mini-Fest aka Mid-Winter Festival. A full day of dancing (family, square, English Country, International, Irish set & step, contra, waltz...), music, singing, and crafts. Concert from 7:30-10:30 pm. The evening program is all-Irish. Interested in participating or volunteering? Please email April Blum at [minifestmessages@aol.com](mailto:minifestmessages@aol.com), or [newsletter@fsgw.com](mailto:newsletter@fsgw.com).

## Dance Camps

### 6th Annual Contradancers Delight Holiday

December 26th -31st

Lakeview Resort, Morgantown, West Virginia

Beth Molaro and Nils Fredland calling to Crowfoot and Lift Ticket. \$300 to \$450. Info: [www.warrendoyle.com](http://www.warrendoyle.com).

### Terpsichore's Holiday

December 27 - January 1

Stonewall Resort, Roanoke, WV

Terpsichore is a folk dance camp for ages 4 & up. Join us for a great vacation and experience the magic of 5 days and nights of dancing, music-making, crafts, nature hikes, meals and 4-star accommodations at Stonewall Jackson Lake State Park! Enjoy the community spirit of our 12th annual winter dance camp. With programs for adults, teens and children, activities include contras & squares, English country, swing dance swap, English ritual dancing (Morris and sword), dance band, arts & crafts, singing, storytelling, nature hikes, swimming, community dances, and nightly contra dances. Featuring Bill Wellington, Gaye Fifer, Notorious, Steve Hickman, John Devine, DeLaura Padovan, Leslie Jean Milbourne, Lew & Enid Cocke, Jude Binder, Nikki Herbst.

For best rates, register before **December 1**.

Details and registration information: [www.danceholiday.net](http://www.danceholiday.net).

Questions? Contact Sylvia Malm at 703-532-6181 or

[danceholiday08@gmail.com](mailto:danceholiday08@gmail.com)

### 27th Annual Chesapeake Dance Weekend!

April 3-5, 2009

Camp Letts, Edgewater

Featuring: Lisa Greenleaf, Kathy Anderson, The Latter Day Lizards, I-95 Breakdown, and back by very popular demand - the music and dance of Quebec with Reveillons! For ALL the details visit [www.fsgw.org](http://www.fsgw.org) and click on Chesapeake. If you get your registration in **before January 1st** you are guaranteed immediate admission to the weekend and that's that. **NO** lottery as in years past. After January 1st, there will most likely be a pesky waiting list, so act **now** to avoid disappointment! **Kitchen Scholarships** (a discount of \$50 off your registration fee) are available in exchange for only 4 hours in the kitchen, not 6 hours as in the past. On line registration is available again this year. **YOUTH Scholarships are available for a mere \$150 for dancers 13-25 years of age.**



# Baltimore Folk Music Society Membership Application

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<b>Folkie Interests</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Contra dancing <input type="checkbox"/> Cajun / zydeco <input type="checkbox"/> English dancing <input type="checkbox"/> Coffeehouse / concerts <input type="checkbox"/> Singing <input type="checkbox"/> Storytelling <input type="checkbox"/> Family / kids events <input type="checkbox"/> Dance / camp weekends <input type="checkbox"/> Instruments / open band	<b>Volunteer Interests</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Greeting / ticket taking <input type="checkbox"/> Sound system <input type="checkbox"/> Refreshments <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter <input type="checkbox"/> Graphic design—fliers, etc. <input type="checkbox"/> Hosting musicians / visitors <input type="checkbox"/> Website <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
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<b>MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES AND PRICES</b>	
Student: 1 year (\$20) (no newsletter delivery)	\$ _____
Individual: 1 year (\$27) 2 years (\$50) 3 years (\$69)	\$ _____
Family: 1 year (\$37) 2 years (\$71) 3 years (\$93)	\$ _____
Newsletter only: 1 year (\$20)	\$ _____
Donation:	\$ _____
<b>SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP:</b>	
___ Contributor (\$75) ___ Supporter (\$150) ___ Sustainer (\$250) ___ Patron (\$500)	\$ _____
<b>TOTAL ENCLOSED:</b>	\$ _____

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### December 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> English Dance 2	<b>2</b> Board Meeting 3 Scandinavian Dance 6	<b>3</b> Contra Dance 1 FSGW English 6	<b>4</b> Baldwin Stn. 7	<b>5</b> Ballroom Dance 3 Glen Echo Contra 5 Arden Contra 5 Cellar Stage 7	<b>6</b> House Concert 3 Norwegian Dance 4 Internat'l Dance 4 Potluck/Dance 2Nite 6 Shprdstwn Contra 6 Perry Hall Concert 7 Holiday Coffeehouse 7
<b>7</b> Singing/Everyone 3 ECD Open Band 3 FSGW Contra 5 Glen Echo Waltz 6 Baldwin Stn. 7	<b>8</b> English Dance 2	<b>9</b> Scandinavian Dance 6	<b>10</b> Contra Dance 1 FSGW English 6	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Ballroom Dance 3 Friendly Coffeehouse 4 Glen Echo Contra 5 Locust Lane Contra 5 Cellar Stage 7	<b>13</b> Contra Dance 2 Family Dance 2 Internat'l Dance 4
<b>14</b> Open Band 3 FSGW FamDn 5 FSGW Contra 5 Hot Jazz Dance 7	<b>15</b> English Dance 2	<b>16</b> Scandinavian Dance 6	<b>17</b> Contra Dance 1 FSGW English 6	<b>18</b> Baldwin Stn. 7	<b>19</b> Ballroom Dance 3 Glen Echo Contra 5	<b>20</b> Internat'l Dance 4 Helicon Concert 4 Lancaster Contra 5 ATDS Contra 6
<b>21</b> FSGW Contra 5 Glen Echo Waltz 6	<b>22</b> English Dance 2	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Ballroom Dance 3 Glen Echo Contra 5 Locust Lane Contra 5	<b>27</b> Internat'l Dance 4 Frederick Contra 5
<b>28</b> FSGW Contra 5 Cajun Dance 7	<b>29</b> English Dance 2	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> NYE Contra Ball 7 NYE English Dance 7 NYE Ceili 7	<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 15px; padding: 10px; background-color: #e0e0e0;">           BFMS and member sponsored events are in <b>boldface</b>. See page numbers for full details on events.         </div>		