



# Baltimore Folk Music Society

Member, Country Dance & Song Society

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

May 2010

## The Friendly Coffeehouse \*

*Friday, May 7, 8 - 11 pm*

Calvary Baptist, 120 W Pennsylvania Ave., Towson

April's Friendly Coffeehouse, the Baltimore Folk Music Society's monthly open mic night, begins a series of short feature performances showcasing some of the area's most talented folk musicians. This month's open mic will feature Laurel-based singer/songwriter **Michael Berkowitz** ([www.songsaboutsnow.com](http://www.songsaboutsnow.com)).

This month's Coffeehouse premiers both this new format and a new host, Jon S. Patton. Jon assures us that while there's a new format, it'll still be the wonderful Coffeehouse we all love: "The open mic will always be free, and we'll always be open to all ranges of musical skill. And the format will remain acoustic. I just wanted to add something special."

Jon has some unusual featured acts in mind. "Most open mics are music-only. I want to bring in other types of performance art that use folk music: Dancing, storytelling, even poetry. I've asked a couple friends to get together and do the folk music equivalent of what beatnik poetry did with jazz. I plan on pairing a Celtic harpist with a storyteller before the end of the year."

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.

Please visit the Coffeehouse website at [www.friendlycoffeehouse.org](http://www.friendlycoffeehouse.org) for a list of featured performers and to sign up for the mailing list to stay up to date on all Friendly Coffeehouse news. In addition, you can now join the Coffeehouse on Facebook! (Search keywords: "BFMS Open Mic: The Friendly Coffeehouse")

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## Catoctin Mountain Music & Dance Weekend \*

*Friday June 18 - Sunday June 20*

Camp Misty Mount, Thurmont, MD

See enclosed flier for pricing and details

Join us for the twenty-fifth annual Spring Catoctin Weekend! Music, dancing, workshops, hiking, swimming, great food, and more! Bring the whole family! It's a great way to celebrate the start of summer.

Please note that this is the only Catoctin Weekend this year, so register early! Special early bird discounts apply!

## 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 orientation 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)

*May 3*

**Carl Friedman** calls with music by **Becky Ross** on violin, **Marty Taylor** on recorders and concertina, and **Francine Krasowska** on piano.

*May 10*

**Diane Schmit** calls with music by **Emily Aubrey** on violin, **Karin Loya** on cello, and **Liz Donaldson** on piano.

*May 17*

**Tom Spilsbury** calls with music by **Carl Friedman** on violin, **Marty Taylor** on recorders and concertina, and **Jonathan Jensen** on piano and an assortment of other instruments.

*May 24*

**Michael Barraclough** calls with music by **Rhonda Hotop** on violin, **Robin Wilson** on flute and concertina, and **Judy Meyers** on piano.

*May 31*

**Sharon McKinley** calls with music by the **Geud Band of Baltimore**.



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 American Contra & Square Dance\*

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

Wednesday evenings, 8 - 10:30 pm

New dancer orientation: 7:30 pm, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays

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

Admission: \$12/8 BFMS members and affiliates. Full-time students \$6 / \$5 members. Snack contributions for the break are welcome. Info: [amdance@bfms.org](mailto:amdance@bfms.org) or [www.bfms.org](http://www.bfms.org)

*May 5*

**Susan Hankin** calls to **Devine Comedy: Steve Hickman** on fiddle, **Marty Taylor** on concertina and whistle, and **John Devine** on guitar.

*May 12*

**Ann Fallon** calls to **June Apple: Jeff Steinberg** on fiddle; **Mike McGeary** on banjo, mandolin, and guitar; **Bob Garber** clarinet and whistle; and **Alice Markham** on piano.

*May 19*

**Ridge Kennedy** from New Jersey calls to Pennsylvania band **Ladies in the Parlor: Barb Schmid** on fiddle, **Suzanne Gates** on bass, **Freya Qualley** on guitar, and **Sharon Sacks** on banjo.

*May 26*

**Diane Silver** calls to **Sugar Beat: Elke Baker** on fiddle, **Susan Brandt** on flute, **Marc Glickman** on piano and bodhran.

### Directions to Lovely Lane

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 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.



## BFMS and Member Sponsored Dances & More

### **BFMS Family Dance \***

*Saturday, May 8, 5 pm, potluck at 6:30*

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

**DeLaura Padovan** calls dances for kids of all ages to the music of **Devine Comedy: Steve Hickman** on fiddle, **Marty Taylor** on concertina and whistle, and **John Devine** on guitar.

All ages welcome! Admission: \$5 members \$20 maximum member families, \$7 non-members \$28 maximum non-member families. Group discounts are available.

For more information call the **BFMS** hotline at 1-888-646-BFMS or email Becca Denison at [nutritionexpeditions@yahoo.com](mailto:nutritionexpeditions@yahoo.com).

### **BFMS Second Saturday Contra Dance \***

*Saturday, May 8, 8 - 11 pm;*

*New dancer orientation at 7:30 pm; potluck 6:30*

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

**DeLaura Padovan** calls squares and contras to the music of **Devine Comedy: Steve Hickman** on fiddle, **Marty Taylor** on concertina and whistle, and **John Devine** on guitar.

Admission: \$8 BFMS members and affiliates, \$12 non-members. Under 21 and full-time students with ID: \$5 members, \$6 non-members. Beginners, singles, couples, and families are welcome. No Experience necessary; you don't need to bring a partner. For more information call the BFMS hotline at 1-888-646-BFMS or email Becca Denison at [nutritionexpeditions@yahoo.com](mailto:nutritionexpeditions@yahoo.com).

### **Second Saturday Events Need a New Home**

The Family and Second Saturday dances need to locate a new venue. The ministry at St. Marks on the Hill is growing rapidly and they need the space for their important work. This means that BFMS has to locate another suitable location for the Saturday night event. Please note that the English Country dances are not affected by this!

If you know of a venue that might be suitable, please contact Becca Denison at [nutritionexpeditions@yahoo.com](mailto:nutritionexpeditions@yahoo.com) or Jan Caughlan at 410-788-7611.

### **BFMS Board Meeting \***

*Tuesday, May 4, 7:30 pm*

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 9).

### **Fourth at Four Storyfolk \***

*Sunday, May 23, 4 pm*

Towson UUC, 1700 Dulaney Valley Rd., Towson

Storytellers and story enthusiasts get together to swap stories and performance ideas each month. Please bring a beverage or a snack to share during the break. Everyone is welcome to join us, but we appreciate RSVPs so we don't inadvertently lock you out of the hall!

For information, contact Barbara Woodey at 410-252-1438 or [bellwoodey@prodigy.net](mailto:bellwoodey@prodigy.net); to RSVP, please contact Diane at 410-321-8419.

### **Call for Storytellers for Tellabration! 2010\***

The planning team for the 2010 Tellabration!, seeks tellers for BFMS's premier storytelling event, to be held Nov. 20, 2010. Interested? Send an email to the team at [Tellabration@BFMS.org](mailto:Tellabration@BFMS.org) and further information will come your way.

### **Sacred Harp Sing‡**

*Sunday, May 9, 4 pm*

Sandy Spring, MD

Everyone is invited to sing Sacred Harp on the 2nd Sunday of each month at the school building behind the Community House located at 17801 Meetinghouse Road. Pot luck supper follows. Contact Dave Greene: [DGreene@All-Systems.com](mailto:DGreene@All-Systems.com) or 410-599-3725 or 301-570-3283.

### **English Open Band Practice‡**

*Sunday, May 30, 3:30 - 6 pm*

The Geud Band of Baltimore, a rehearsed open band for English Dancing, practices monthly and plays for Monday night English dances every 2-3 months. Newcomers welcome. The next practice is in the Patterson Park neighborhood of Baltimore. For more information, contact Eileen Franch, 410-889-3252, or [franch@verizon.net](mailto:franch@verizon.net).

*NOTICE: The Member-sponsored 4th Sunday Drum Circle at Homewood Friends will be changed to 1st Friday evenings from 4-6PM. For further information contact Linda Niederman at [lniederman@hotmail.com](mailto:lniederman@hotmail.com) or 410-308-0155.*

## BFMS & Member Sponsored Events

### **International Folk Dancing‡**

*Saturdays, 7:30-10:30 pm.*

Homewood Friends Meetinghouse, 3107 N. Charles

Dances from Europe, Israel and other countries of the Near and Middle East. Beginners welcome; no partner necessary. Admission \$2; first time free. Lessons first half hour. Al & Hildy Saunders 410-484-9392 (check machine message to confirm dancing is on) or Paul & Elise Kreiss 410-367-8194 (evenings & weekends) or [pkreiss@toadmail.net](mailto:pkreiss@toadmail.net) Call to arrange handicapped access.

### **Ballroom Dancing & Lessons‡**

*Fridays, 8 pm*

JHU ROTC Building

Waltz, rumba, tango & more! Our 18th year; always free! From 39th St & University Pkwy go south onto San Martin Drive; take 3rd left into campus. Climb wooden stairs, far side of building. Don't pay to park. No partner needed. Plan to change partners often (not required). For info contact Dave/ Anne Greene 410 599-3725.

### **Sandy Spring Ballroom Dancing‡**

*Mondays, 7:30 - 10 pm*

Community House, 17801 Meetinghouse Rd, Sandy Spring

Free ballroom dancing and lessons. Beginners and advanced welcome. Contact Dave & Anne Greene: [DGreene@All-Systems.com](mailto:DGreene@All-Systems.com) or 301-570-3283.

### **Baltimore Open Band Practice ‡**

*Sunday, May 9, 4 to 6 pm*

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 McGregor Yatsevitch 443-840-9339

### **Singing for Everyone‡**

*Sunday, May 2, 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. Free on-street parking. For more info or directions, please contact Susan Warner at [scwarner@hotmail.com](mailto:scwarner@hotmail.com)

### **Zydeco Dance‡**

*Saturday, May 15, 9 - midnight; lesson 8 pm*

KoC St Agnes Hall, 2021 Frederick Rd, Catonsville

**T-Broussard and The Zydeco Steppers.** Presented by Somebody Scream Productions. Cheap Beer, Sodas, Water and Food. Admission \$18 FFIC: 410-935-6002 or visit [wherewegotozydeco.com](http://wherewegotozydeco.com)

### **Recorder Ensemble‡**

*May 23, call for times*

Orthodox Church of St. Matthew, Columbia

A recorder ensemble meets on the fourth Sunday of each month. Please email Tricia at [playford@bfms.org](mailto:playford@bfms.org) if you are interested in joining.

## Other Local Dances

### **Annapolis Traditional Dance Society Contra**

*Saturday, May 15, 7 p.m.; workshop 6:30*

Annapolis Friends Meeting Hall, 351 Dubois Road

Contras & Squares. **Michael Barraclough** calls to the music of **Some Assembly**: **Joe Klausner**, fiddle and mandolin; **Mary Flora**, flute; **Paul Miller**, guitar, percussion; **Donna Boylan**, piano.

Admission \$10 with discounts for seniors, students, families and members of ATDS. All ages welcome. All dances taught and walked through. Snacks to share 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)

### **Frederick Contra Dance**

*Saturday, May 22, 8 pm (workshop 7 pm)*

Trinity School, Frederick (by Harry Grove Stadium)

**Ted Hodapp** calls to lively music provided by **Lark in the Evening** featuring **Orrin Star** on mandolin, tenor banjo, and guitar; **Danny Noveck** on fiddle; and **Daniel Charlton** on guitar.

General admission \$8; Students \$5; 12 and under \$4. Info/directions: [www.contradancers.com](http://www.contradancers.com) or call Boe Walker at 301-694-6794.

## Other Dances

### Friday Night Dancers

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

Weekly contra dances to live music in the Glen Echo Park Spanish Ballroom. New dancer classes start at 7:30 pm. Dances start at 8:30. Admission price is \$9 for the lesson and dance. [www.fridaynightdance.org](http://www.fridaynightdance.org)

*May 7*

**Gaye Fifer** calls to **Rhys Jones** and **Steve Rosen**.

*May 14*

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

*May 21*

**George Marshall** and **Tim Van Egmond** call to **Swallowtail**.

*May 28*

**TBD** calls to **Terpsichore**.

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### Locust Lane Contra Dance

*2nd & 4th Friday, 8 - 11 pm, Free workshop at 7:30*  
Christ the Savior, 5501 Locust Lane, Harrisburg PA

*May 14*

**Janine Smith** calls to **Possumondo: Matt Levine** on guitar and banjo, **Todd Clewell** on fiddle.

*May 28*

**George Mercer** calls with **Jill Smith** on piano and **Joe DeZarn** on fiddle.

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

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### Shepherdstown Contra Dance

*Saturday, May 1, 8 - 11 pm (lesson at 7:30)*  
War Memorial Building, Shepherdstown WV

**Woody Lane** calls lively squares and contras to the tunes of **KGB**. All levels welcome, no partners needed. Please wear clean, soft-soled shoes to protect the floor. Admission is \$10 adults, \$7 SMD members, \$4 dancers under 12 years old. For information contact **Becky** at (304) 876-2169 or see the web page at [www.smad.us](http://www.smad.us)

### FSGW Sunday Night Squares & Contras

*Sundays, 7:30 - 10:30 pm, Beginner Workshop 7 pm*  
Bumper Car Pavilion, Glen Echo Park, MD

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

*May 2*

**Woody Lane** calls with **KGB**.

*May 9*

**Will Mentor** calls with **Rhys Jones** and **Steve Rosen**.

*May 16*

**Ted Hodapp** calls to **Magic Foot**.

*May 23*

**George Marshall** and **Tim Van Egmond** call with **Swallowtail**. In Spanish Ballroom.

*May 30*

**Ann Fallon** calls with **Serpentine**.

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### FSGW Family Dance

*Sunday, May 23, 3 pm - 5 pm*  
Bumper Car Pavilion, Glen Echo Park, MD

Dances for children of all ages with live music. Caller and musicians TBA. Admission \$5 for age 4 and up. [fsgw.org](http://fsgw.org).

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### Elverson Contra Dance

*Saturday, May 1, 7:30 - 10:30 pm*  
St Mary's, 61 Morningside Dr., Elverson PA

New England style contra dances, traditional squares, waltzes and more. No partner necessary. **Perry Shafran** calling to **Jane's Gang**. Admission: \$8; \$5 students (high school and younger) and seniors (65 and older). For more info, 610-856-5180 or [www.elversoncontra.org](http://www.elversoncontra.org).

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### Lancaster Contra Dance

*Saturday, May 15, 7 to 10 pm*  
Lancaster County Park, Pavilion 11, Lancaster

**Rambling House** with **Joe DeZarn** on fiddle, **Tina Eck** on flute, **Pat Cavanaugh** on banjo, and **Mark Glickman** on piano. **Andrew Bishop** calling. Potluck supper 5:30 pm. Beginners workshop at 6:15 pm. \$8/\$5. For information call **Shane** at (717) 538-5833 or [www.lancastercontra.org](http://www.lancastercontra.org).

## More Dances

### 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).

*May 5*

**Melissa Running** calls while **Bruce Edwards** (concertina and bassoon). **Colleen Reed** (flute) and **Francine Krasowska** (piano) play the tunes.

*May 12*

**Tom Spilsbury** leads the dancing as **Paul Oorts** (mandolin), **Karen Ashbrook** (flute / hammered dulcimer) and **Liz Donaldson** (piano) provide the music.

*May 19*

**Stephanie Smith** calls to the music of **Becky Ross** (fiddle), **Ralph Gordon** (cello) and **Liz Donaldson** (piano).

*May 26*

Guest caller **Tom Amesse** (NY) leads the dances while **David Knight** (fiddle), **Dan Gillespie** (recorders) and **Melissa Running** (piano) play the music

### Tea Dance Sunday Afternoon

*Sunday, May 9, 3:30-6 pm, lesson 3 pm*

Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, MD

**The Hot Society Orchestra of Washington**, featuring music and dances from the 20's, 30's and 40's. Foxtrot, two-step, waltz, cha cha, rumba, swing and more. No partner/experience necessary. \$12 [www.glenechopark.org](http://www.glenechopark.org) or [www.hotsociety.net](http://www.hotsociety.net)

### Glen Echo Afternoon Waltz

*Sundays, 3 pm lesson, 3:30 - 6 dancing.*

Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, Glen Echo, MD

*May 16*

**Magic Foot**

*May 30*

**Honeysuckle Rose**

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.

### Galesville Community Square Dance

*Saturday, May 1, 7 - 10 pm; potluck 6 pm*

Galesville Hall, 952 Galesville Road, Galesville

Traditional Appalachian Dance Tunes played by **Lea Weiss** (fiddle), **Gary Wright** (guitar), and Friends. Sit-ins welcome on fiddle, guitar, and claw-hammer banjo. Dance Squares, Circles, Longway Sets & Waltzes. **Janine Smith** calls. ALL ages welcome! Family-Friendly dances 7 pm, more challenging dancing starting 8:30 pm. Adults \$10, Ages 5-17 \$5, Under 5: Free. [www.galesville.info](http://www.galesville.info) or (301) 926-9142.

### Scandinavian Dance Classes

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

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

In the Beginning Class (May 4), learn Hambo, Schottish, Waltz, Zwiefacher, and other couple turning dances. Some Hambo is done every time. In the Advanced Class (May 18 & 25), learn dances from Boda, Orsa, Rättvick, Ragunda, and Föllinge, as well as Finnskogspols, Nigpolska, Gammalvånster, 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!

### Slow Blues and Swing Dancing and Lesson

*Thursdays, 9 - 11 pm (lesson at 8:30)*

“Back Room” at Glen Echo Park

Music by DJ Mike Marcotte & guests. Admission \$8 for lesson and dance. For more information, call Donna Barker at 301-634-2231 or Glen Echo Park at 301-634-2222, or go to [www.capitalblues.org](http://www.capitalblues.org).

### Cajun/Zydeco Dance

*Sunday, May 9, 3:30 - 6 pm; lesson 3 pm*

Bumper Car Pavilion, Glen Echo Park

**T-Broussard & the Zydeco Steppers**. Admission \$18. In Bumper Car Pavilion.

For more information, call Michael Hart at 301.762.6730 or go to [www.DancingbytheBayou.com](http://www.DancingbytheBayou.com).

## More Dances; Concerts

### Arden Contra Dance

Sunday, May 2, 2 - 5 pm; lesson at 1:30 pm  
Arden Gild Hall, Arden, DE

Kathy Angell calls dances to **Strings on Wings**. \$8. For info:  
(302) 478-7257 or <http://home.sprynet.com/~rbrat>

### Strauss Ball

Saturday, May 1, 9 pm - midnight; lesson at 8 pm  
Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park

Waltz Time presents the 27th Annual **Evening with Strauss Waltz Ball** - an evening of Viennese Waltz in the beautiful Spanish Ballroom. This special benefit dance for Glen Echo Park includes a superbly prepared program of classical waltzes from 9 pm - midnight in the style of *Olde Vienna* with musicians **Dave Wiesler**, **Alexander Mitchell**, **Ralph Gordon**, **Elke Baker**, and **Barbara Heitz**. Dancers are encouraged to wear formal attire. In keeping with this 27-year tradition, the wonderfully restored Dentzel Carousel will be open for dancers to enjoy rides until 10:30 pm, \$1.25 per person. Admission is \$20.

## Concerts

### Perry Hall Folk Music Night

Saturday, May 8, 7 - 10 pm  
Perry Hall UMC, 9515 Belair Rd., Baltimore

Featured Performer: **Randy Stern** <http://www.randystern.info/>  
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.

### The Cellar Stage

Fridays, 8 pm  
Faith UMC, 5315 Harford Rd., Baltimore

May 7  
**James Keelaghan**. \$20

May 21  
**The Claire Lynch Band**. \$20

Tickets: 410-521-9099, to speak with Joyce: 410-922-5210  
[joycersica@yahoo.com](mailto:joycersica@yahoo.com) [www.uptownconcerts.com](http://www.uptownconcerts.com)

### Orrin Star House Concert

Saturday, May 1, 8 pm; doors open 7:15 pm  
Adelphi, MD

"An Evening of Bluegrass, Folk, & Humor". \$15 suggested donation. For location/reservations: [ericvesper@verizon.net](mailto:ericvesper@verizon.net) or 240-461-3961. [www.orrinstar.com](http://www.orrinstar.com)

### Uptown Concerts at Baldwin's Station

Thursdays, 8 pm (dining room opens 6:30)  
7618 Main Street, Sykesville

May 13  
**Victoria Vox & Lea**. \$15.

May 27  
**Maura Kennedy**. \$16.

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

### FSGW Presents Norman Kennedy

Saturday, May 22, 8 pm  
The Lyceum, 201 S Washington St, Alexandria VA

The Jonathan Eberhart Memorial Concert Series of the Folklore Society of Greater Washington presents an evening with Scottish singer and storyteller Norman Kennedy. Originally from Aberdeen, Scotland, Norman Kennedy travels the country performing ballads and old songs, telling stories, and teaching traditional weaving. He is an NEA National Heritage Fellowship recipient, and was the master weaver in Colonial Williamsburg for five years.

Admission \$15. See [ww.fsgw.org](http://ww.fsgw.org) for more info.

## Workshops, Jams, Etc.

### Young musicians sought

The Folklore Society of Greater Washington is seeking talent for a young musicians band to play the family dance on October 10. The young musicians band will play old time and big band arrangements under the direction of the amazing Julia Borland, who has been playing the violin for 50 years and is still having fun! She imparts joy to her students and colleagues and is ready to make some lively music with young musicians.

If you are a musician under the age of 18 and are interested in playing in the young musicians band for the family dance please send an email to [dance@fsgw.org](mailto:dance@fsgw.org) ASAP with your age, instrument and relative ability (2 years plus, please). We are particularly seeking piano and bass. Rehearsals begin soon.

### Blues Jams

The weekly Saturday blues jams of the Archie Edwards Blues Heritage Foundation have resumed at the foundation's new home at 4701 Queensbury Rd., Riverdale. The jams are open to everyone interested in playing, learning to play, or listening to acoustic blues. The jams are free, but donations are welcome. [www.acousticblues.com](http://www.acousticblues.com)

## Flatpick Guitar Workshop with Orrin Star

*Saturday May 8, Noon - 2:20 pm*

House of Musical Traditions, Takoma Park

This workshop for intermediate and above level players is modeled after a classical music Master Class: instead of teaching a pre-arranged tune we use each participant's playing as our starting point. Through group and individual interactions you will emerge with an overview of your playing and what areas you need to focus on. [www.orrinstar.com](http://www.orrinstar.com) Limited to 10 participants. \$50 fee. 301-270-9090 or [lessons@hmtrad.com](mailto:lessons@hmtrad.com)

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## Folk & Bluegrass Mandolin with Orrin Star

*Saturday May 15, Noon - 2:20 pm*

House of Musical Traditions, Takoma Park

This workshop for intermediate and above level players is modeled after a classical music Master Class: instead of teaching a pre-arranged tune we use each participant's playing as our starting point. Through group and individual interactions you will emerge with an overview of your playing and what areas you need to focus on. [www.orrinstar.com](http://www.orrinstar.com) Limited to 10 participants. \$50 fee. 301-270-9090 or [lessons@hmtrad.com](mailto:lessons@hmtrad.com)

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## Bluegrass Jams

Every third Saturday of every month, the Middle River Recreation and Parks Council hosts a live bluegrass festival from 7 pm to 11 pm. It's held at The Victory Villa Community Building: 404 Compass Rd E Middle River, MD 21220. Admission is free. 410-687-5340.

## Weekends & Special Events

### Shepherdstown May Celebration

*Saturday, May 1, all day*

Shepherdstown, WV

Shepherdstown Music and Dance and Shepherdstown Morris invite you to celebrate the magic of a traditional English May on Saturday, May 1. The day's big event starts with a processional parade down German Street with the Maypole by musicians, morris dancers, mythical figures, may dancers, costumed people, floats, wagons and other (non-motorized) celebratory vehicles to the Rumsey Monument Park. There, all will be invited to join in the revelry of country dancing, maypole dancing, and singing, as well as watching performances of morris dancing, mummers play, spring dances and other related revelry. More info including a full schedule of the day's activities available at [www.smad.us/mayday](http://www.smad.us/mayday).

## Weekends & Special Events

### Norwegian Spring Springar Spree & Labyrinth Walk

*Friday April 30 - Sunday May 2*

Fri & Sun: 6807 Westmoreland Ave, Takoma Park

Sat: multiple locations in Takoma Park--see website

Dancers and fiddlers! Attend all or part and Share the Joy of Springar! Dance classes & parties, Hardanger fiddle classes & jamming for fiddlers. Labyrinth walk on Saturday, too - see [www.labyrinthociety.org](http://www.labyrinthociety.org). Dance classes for all levels: Valdresspringar class and Telespringar men's steps review by Bruce Emery, Hallingspringar review by Linda Brooks & Ross Schipper, Setesdalgangar session (easy dance). All live music by best-known US fiddler **Loretta Kelley** and special guests **Paul Morrissett** and **Karin Loberg Code**. Beginners & part-timers welcome, no need to bring partner. Comfortable price. Details: <http://MAND.fanitull.org> or Jenny Foster, [pi@xecu.net](mailto:pi@xecu.net), 301-371-4312.

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### Music in the Woods

*Saturday, May 15, 10 am - 5 pm*

Oregon Ridge Nature Center, Cocksaysville

4th annual celebration of traditional music. Come listen to the sounds of many different styles of acoustic music, or be brave and perform! Anyone who plays an instrument, sings or dances is encouraged to call the nature center for a possible performance time. We welcome all acoustic music styles and traditional dance styles. There will also be kids' crafts, a jam area, meet an instrument sessions where you can learn how to play your favorite instrument with an instructor, vendors and the ORNC Council food tent. It is a fun day for families and performers. 410-887-1815 or [www.oregonridge.org](http://www.oregonridge.org) for more information.

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### Almost Heaven Dance Camp

*May 28 - 31*

Timber Ridge Camp, High View, WV

**Swallowtail**, the **Hotpoint Stringband** and the **Ralph Gordon Trio**. **Gaye Fifer**, **Bob Isaacs**, **Timm Van Egmond**, and **George Marshall** will call contras and more. Contra, swing, tango, waltz, and other couples dances. The weekend also features children's and family activities, swimming in the Olympic-size pool, late-night parties. [www.contradancers.com](http://www.contradancers.com). Contact Cindy Rury, registrar, at [almostheaven2010@yahoo.com](mailto:almostheaven2010@yahoo.com) or 240-304-9468.



# Baltimore Folk Music Society

## Membership Application

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
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New member     Renewal     Address change  
 Do not list my:    Name    Address    Phone    E-mail  
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Enclose check payable to BFMS and mail to:  
 BFMS  
 P.O. Box 7134 Waverly Station,  
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Folkie Interests	Volunteer Interests
<input type="checkbox"/> Contra dancing	<input type="checkbox"/> Greeting / ticket taking
<input type="checkbox"/> Cajun / zydeco	<input type="checkbox"/> Sound system
<input type="checkbox"/> English dancing	<input type="checkbox"/> Refreshments
<input type="checkbox"/> Coffeehouse / concerts	<input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter
<input type="checkbox"/> Singing	<input type="checkbox"/> Graphic design—fliers, etc.
<input type="checkbox"/> Storytelling	<input type="checkbox"/> Hosting musicians / visitors
<input type="checkbox"/> Family / kids events	<input type="checkbox"/> Website
<input type="checkbox"/> Dance / camp weekends	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Instruments / open band	

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES AND PRICES	
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:	\$ _____
SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP:	
____ Contributor (\$75)    ____ Supporter (\$150)    ____ Sustainer (\$250)    ____ Patron (\$500)	\$ _____
TOTAL ENCLOSED:	\$ _____

**THE BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY** is a nonprofit, educational organization dedicated to preserving and promoting folk music, dance, and tradition. Members receive the newsletter eleven times a year and are eligible for discounts to Society events by showing their membership card. BFMS is a member of the Country Dance and Song Society, and shares reciprocity arrangements with the Folklore Society of Greater Washington and the Annapolis Traditional Dance Society.

**Board Meetings** are held on the first Tuesday of each month. Meetings are open to the public and members are encouraged to attend. Please call or email the president (see right-hand column). For more information on any BFMS event, call the Hotline at 410-366-0808, or visit our web site: [www.bfms.org](http://www.bfms.org).

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### May 2010

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