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From Our President

Hello again from the President's Corner where all is well and the music and dancing continue.

Our contra dances continue to be well attended, and our contra dance "demo team" is in high demand to show folks how much fun and good exercise contra dancing is. Their most recent outing was at the Celtic Festival at Jefferson Patterson Park on April 26th.

We had a great open mic in March with the best variety and quality of performers you can imagine. Quality entertainment at an unbelievable price!

The concert with Alex Mitchell and John Devine on April 25th was an outstanding event by two amazing musicians. It was a warm and relaxing evening and attendance was very good.

Please remember to renew your membership or join if you have not done so before. The benefits are many, and it helps SMTMD bring in great talent like Alex Mitchell. Also remember the "bring a friend" campaign. If you bring a friend or guest who is not yet a member, they will be admitted free at that event.

Keep playing, singing, and dancing.~John Garner

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Something Interesting

This from from Wikipedia...*"In the United Kingdom, the largest ongoing open mic-styled music contest is Open Mic UK, which regularly attracts 10,000 participants of all genres. The grand prize for the contest is an investment up to £30,000. The size of the event has necessitated that all participants sign up for performance slots beforehand, instead of simply walking onstage."*I guess we'd need a larger venue....

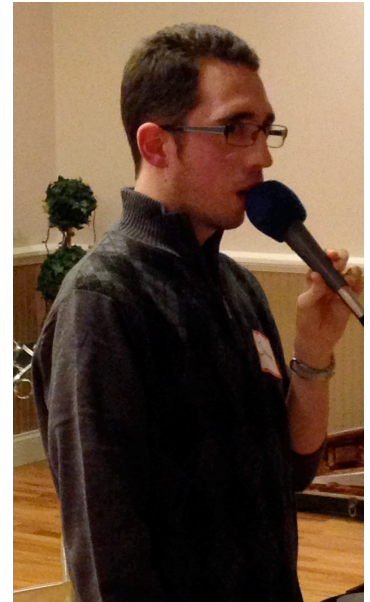
Table of Chords

I	ii	iii	iv	v	vi	vii	I
major	minor	minor	major	major	minor	diminished	major
C	D	E	F	G	A	B	C
D	E	F	G	A	B	C	D
E	F	G	A	B	C	D	E
F	G	A	B	C	D	E	F
G	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	A
B	C	D	E	F	G	A	B

I, IV, V = Major chords

ii, iii, vi = Minor chords

vii = Diminished chords



**Sargon DeJesus –
Jan. caller**

Old Time Music Resources

Our **Traditional Old Time Jam** at the Bushwood Mill is held the last Sunday of every month beginning at 4:00. The purpose of this jam is to have fun and focus on "Old Time Music" played in an "old time setting" with just the "old time instruments" passing along songs in that "old time way." Questions? Call Lucy at 301-769-4762 or email LucyPeterkin@aol.com. For new jammers, the address is 22840 Bushwood Road, Bushwood MD, 20618.

Our **Bushwood Mill Jam** is held every second Friday of the month beginning at 7:00. The purpose of this jam is also to have fun! We have been known to play a bit of Irish, Cajun, folk, blues, old time, and country. At this jam we welcome a variety of instruments as well as a variety of skill levels. We share tuners, make room for music stands, and encourage everyone in the music circle to take turns picking tunes for the group to play.

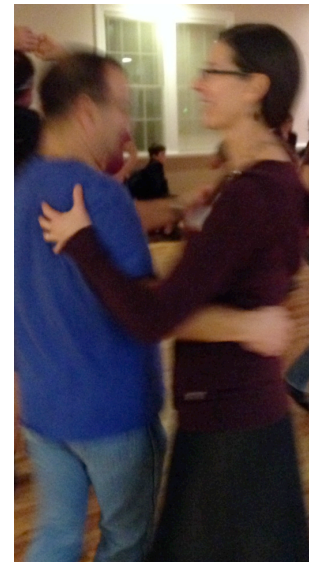
We have plenty of chairs. Snacks to share are welcome but no pressure. BYOB. Hope you can join us.

Lucy and Brenda

CD Sales

Songs That Last by The Bushmill Band is available for \$10. Phone John Garner at (301) 904-4987.

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**Happy Contra-
Dancers!**

2014 Calendar

January

Jams: 3, 26
Dance: 11 Sargon DeJesus
Concert: 24 Open Mic

February

Jams: 7, 23¹
Dance: 7 (Friday) Ann Fallon
Concert: Mac Walters and John Cronin

March

Jams: 7, 23
Dance: 8 Greg Frock
Concert: TBD

April

Jams: 4, 27
Dance: 12 Elgin Perry
Concert: Alexander Mitchell

May

Jams: 2, 25
Dance: 9 (Friday) Elgin Perry
Concert: 23rd Open Mic

June

Jams: 6, 29
Dance: 14
Concert: TBD

September

Jams: 5, 28
Dance: 13
Concert: TBD

October

Jams: 3, 26
Dance: 11
Concert: TBD

November

Jams: 7, 30
Dance: 8
Concert: TBD
Annual Membership Meeting 7:30 PM

December

Jams: 5, 28
Dance: 13
Concert: Holiday Open Mic

INFORMATION & CONTACTS

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ADMISSION FEES

Concerts: \$10 members, \$15
non-members

Contra Dance: \$6 Members
\$10 non-members

Open Mic: \$7 members & non-
members

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