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(including cancellation / postponement / online / wait-and-see information),
AND DATES OF FUTURE EVENTS, SHOULD BE SENT TO THE EDITOR



Boston

Highland

Ball

Weekend



2023



*Ball: Saturday Evening May 13, 6 pm
Melrose Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall
590 Main Street, Melrose, Massachusetts
Music by Parcel of Rogues*



*Welcome Dance: Friday Evening May 12, 8 pm
First Parish Church, 349 Boston Post Road,
Weston, Massachusetts*



*Sunday Brunch: Sunday Morning May 14, 11 am
Location to be Announced*



Info: Contact Elizabeth Anderson, highlandball@rscdsboston.org



Burns Night Dance Party

An evening of easy dances & festivities to celebrate Robert Burns' birthday – invite a friend!

Presented by the Cambridge Class, RSCDS Boston

January 23, 2023 7:45 PM

Canadian American Club

202 Arlington Street, Watertown, MA 02172

MC: Jen Schoonover

Music: Susie Petrov, Dirk Tiede and Friends

Pipes: Stephen Thomforde

Scotch Mixer (R32) Scatter formation, 2 facing 2

Corn Rigs (R8x32) 2C (4C set) - RSCDS Book 4

Boston Two Step (J16) Round-the-Room, couples

The Lea Rig (S8x32) 2C (4C set) - RSCDS Book 21

Tam O' Shanter (J40) 4C (4C set) - Ann Malley



(A wee break tae address the Haggis)

Kelvingrove Two Step (16J) Round-the-Room, couples

The Haggis Thrash (R8x32) 2C (4C set) - John Drewry: Grenburn Book 2

Highland Mary (S8x32) 3C (4C set) - Jo Hamilton: Let's All Dance Too

Duke of Perth (R8x32) 3C (4C set) - RSCDS Book 1

South Uist Circassian Circle (Waltz 32) couples mixer



Admission: \$10 Adult \$5 Student

Covid Policy: Vaccination and masks required.

For more info, contact: cambridgeclass@rscdsboston.org

Nashua, NH

New Year's Day Dance

3:00 p.m., Sunday, January 1, 2023
Church of the Good Shepherd
214 Main St., Nashua, NH

*Music led by Terry Traub
Other musicians to be announced.*

\$12 (\$10 Boston Br. Member) Potluck dinner or desserts-only will be based on Covid-19 status. Check our Branch Calendar listing for more details and updates.

<http://rscdsboston.org/event-calendar.html>

Contact Loren Wright, 603-891-2331 NashuaSCD@comcast.net

The New Haven Branch Highland Ball and Brunch

The Ball

Saturday Evening, March 11, 2023

Appetizers will be served at 6:00 pm, Dancing at 7:15 pm

West Hartford Town Hall, 50 South Main Street, West Hartford, Connecticut.

The Brunch with Dancing

Sunday Morning, March 12, 2023

Brunch will begin at 11:00 am

Polish National Alliance Park, 171 North Plains Industrial Road, Wallingford, Connecticut

Music by Parcel o' Rogues

Additional Information: nhscds.com

Class News

Cambridge Class

from Alex Bowers, on behalf of the Committee

During November and December, Cambridge Class enjoyed fine teaching by Mary Ellen Scannell, Roberta Lasnik, Keira Hartstein and Beth Birdsall, and wonderful music from band leaders John Chambers and Anne Hooper. December culminated with the Cambridge Class Holiday Party. Keira Hartstein, MC, led a fun program of dances to awesome music by Tom Pixton, Catherine Miller and Elizabeth Anderson. We celebrated the end of another happy and successful year of dancing with friends from near and far.

As 2022 draws to a close, we would like to thank everybody who has contributed to the class: teachers, musicians, sound crew, committee members, in-person dancers and “Zoomers”. We have been able to livestream some of our classes on Zoom, thanks in particular to John Crabtree. We plan to continue live streaming one Monday each month (usually the double social hour at the end of the month - more information: CambridgeClass@rscdsboston.org).

After a break for the Holidays, Cambridge Class will resume in-person dancing on Monday 9th January with teachers Jen Schoonover and Robert McOwen, and band leader Terry Traub. On Monday 23rd January, the class will be hosting an evening of easy dances and festivities to celebrate Robert Burns’ birthday with MC Jen Schoonover and music by Susie Petrov, Dirk Tiede and friends, and Stephen Thomforde on pipes. Invite a friend - new dancers are very welcome!

We hope to see you on the dance floor in 2023! ~

Albany Class

from Lois New

Saturday December 31st: Albany Class Hogmanay Party @ 7.30 pm

In person (at Lois New’s house) and on Zoom

Program: my.strathspey.org/dd/list/37503

More details: rscdsboston.org/event-calendar.html

Sunday January 1st: Albany Class New Year’s Day Party @ 7.30 pm

Live music by Peter McFarlane

In person (at Lois New’s house) and on Zoom

Program: my.strathspey.org/dd/list/37503

More details: rscdsboston.org/event-calendar.html

For more information on the Albany Class and to be added to the distribution list for updates, please contact Barb Bemis at math.maniac.1@gmail.com and Lois New at Loisscd@gmail.com ~

Stow Class

from Vickery Trinkaus-Randall

Stow group (Massachusetts) is starting up again officially! We will dance 2nd and 4th of each month at the OLD Town Hall, Stow, Mass., starting October 14 (2022). We will start warmups at 7:30 and dances at 7:45. Cost is still \$3.00. ~

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Code Breaker: *** an event sponsored by the Boston Branch, ** other SD events within the Branch area, and * of possible interest (perhaps a concert) within the Branch geographic area. The purpose of this Calendar is not only to provide a listing of current events, but also to note future events. This helps in planning an event to avoid clashes and conflicts. Planners of future Branch and Class events can send to Evelyn and Barbara just the date, name of event and if possible a contact name. When all the pieces are together then it would of course be put on the Branch website. – Ed.



Notes from the Executive Committee

[The March 1st issue of the Tartan Times will cover news from Exec for November through February. – Asst. Ed.] ~

Note from the Keeper of the Class Listing

Opposite is the Class Listing. There are no changes since the last issue. For late-breaking news on re-opening of classes or ongoing activities, get in touch with each class contact, or check the Branch website. – *Barbara McOwen* ~

Important Note from the Webmasters

Please proofread all information submitted for publication on the Branch website. The webmasters are happy to post event fliers and minicribs. However, it is considerably more work for us to have to do it more than once! If you have multiple documents to post, please try to submit them all at once, rather than piecemeal. Thank you in advance. – *Laura and Meyer Billmers* ~

Pinewoods Scottish Sessions

With the shortest day of Winter Solstice now behind us, we look forward to long summer nights dancing among the pines. Scottish Sessions at Pinewoods will run from Friday, July 7 to Monday July 10 (Session 1) and Monday, July 10 to Saturday, July 15 (Session 2). This year's teaching staff will feature Bruce Herbold (San Francisco), Charles Liu (Boston), and Jennifer Schoonover (Boston) reprising her popular conditioning classes and also teaching highland. We also expect to welcome a very exciting, new-to-camp teacher from Scotland who specializes in the deep traditions of Scottish dance.

Our Music Director is once again Tom Pixton (whom we hope to welcome to camp in person this year), and once again he has lined up a stellar band including Elizabeth Anderson (Boston) and Peter MacFarlane (Vermont) on fiddle, Ben Anderson (Boston) on cello, Beth Murray (Boston) on piano, Barbara Pixton (Boston) on piano and bass, Stephen Thomforde (Boston) on pipes, Session 1, Nathan Silva (Boston) on pipes, Session 2, with Sue Chari and John Crabtree on sound. We also will welcome a favorite fiddler from Scotland as well as a beloved pianist from Norway.

We expect to have camp applications out for the beginning of March with a deadline for priority applications by April 1st. Camp tends to fill up early; if we receive more applications than spaces, any applications received by the April 1st deadline will be placed in a lottery for available slots. After that, campers will be placed on a waitlist. These are expected dates and subject to change based on our current health climate. Please watch the RSCDS Boston website for up-to-date information regarding application dates, Covid policies, and other (more fun) session information.

We look forward to seeing you for a fabulous Scottish Pinewoods 2023. Please email scdpinewoods2022@gmail.com with any questions or concerns. – *Debbie Jarvis and Catherine Scannell, Scottish Pinewoods 2023 co-chairs* ~

SCOTTISH DANCE CLASS LOCATIONS

MASSACHUSETTS

- Bedford:** Year-round Tuesdays, 1:00-2:30 pm, Bedford Senior Center (COA), 12 Mudge Way, Bedford (yellow bldg. behind Town Hall). Register at Senior Center as guest. All levels welcome. Contact Heather Day, 617-244-6914, hdshoes14@gmail.com
- * **Brookline:** Sept-May, Sundays 6:30-8:30 pm, Parish House, Church of Our Saviour, 25 Monmouth Street, Brookline. Contact Flo Hearn or Mary Olszowka, brooklineclass@rscdsboston.org
- * **Cambridge:** Year-round, most Mondays 7:45-10:15 pm, at the Canadian American Club (www.canadianamericanclub.com) 202 Arlington Street, Watertown. Beginners welcome! Contact Alex Bowers, cambridgeclass@rscdsboston.org
- * **Chelmsford:** Year-round, First Fridays 7-9 pm at the Chelmsford Community Center at 31 Princeton St, North Chelmsford. Beginner & family-friendly. Contact Rebecca Gore, chelmsfordclass@rscdsboston.org or 508-574-1533
- * **Great Barrington:** Year-round, new night and time: Thursdays 7-9 pm at Berkshire Pulse, 420 Park Street (3rd floor), Housatonic. Dancers must be fully vaccinated. Contact Ted Randolph: (413) 822-0539; greatbarringtonclass@rscdsboston.org
- * **Newton:** Sept to mid-June, Wednesdays 10:30 am - noon. Newton Lower Falls Community Center, 545 Grove Street, Newton (park in the back parking lot). July-Aug at American Legion Post 440, 295 California St, Newton. Contact Heather Day, 617-244-6914, newtonclass@rscdsboston.org
- * **Northampton:** Sept-June, Thursdays 7-9 pm, Sun Studio at The Arts and Industry Building, 121 Pine St, Florence. Contact: Ilene Goldstein - call or text 413-320-1070, or email dansstep1950@gmail.com
- * **Salem (Wee Bluets):** Year-round, Thursdays, 8-10 pm, beginners 7:30. The Bridge at 211, 211 Bridge St, Salem. Contact MaryEllen Scannell, weebluets@rscdsboston.org, 617-462-1925
- * **Stow:** Sept-June, 2nd and 4th Fridays. Footwork/figures: 7:30, social dancing 8:00-10:30. Old Stow Town Hall, 375 Great Road, Stow. Contact: Vickery Trinkaus-Randall, stowclass@rscdsboston.org

MAINE

- * **Belfast:** Year-round Experienced Social Class, Wednesdays 7-9 pm at Waterfall Arts, 256 High Street, Belfast. Vaccinated dancers only. Contact Gayle Koyanagi, 207-322-7727 (cell), Donna Griffith at 207-785-2216 or belfastclass@rscdsboston.org
- * **Brunswick:** Sept-June, Thursdays 6:30 pm, Topsham Grange Hall, Pleasant St, Topsham. Contact Patti Tillotson, 207-841-3232, brunswickclass@rscdsboston.org
- Bucksport:** Year-round Beginners Class for fully-vaccinated singles, beginners and seniors, Mondays 5-7 pm, Brown Hall, 31 Elm Street, Bucksport. Contact Dawn Little, 803-319-8374, bucksportclass@rscdsboston.org
- * **Kennebunk:** Sept-June, Sundays, 5:30-7:30 pm: Community House, Temple St., Kennebunkport. Contact Merrill Henderson, 207-409-9050, kennebunkclass@rscdsboston.org

NEW HAMPSHIRE

- * **Greenland (Seacoast Dancers):** Oct-June, Tuesdays 7:15-9:15 pm. Beginner's class upon demand. Greenland Parish Hall, 44 Post Road (Route 151), Greenland. Contact Merrill Henderson, 207-409-9050 or Laurie Stevens, 603-501-9488, seacoastdancers@rscdsboston.org
- Lancaster:** Sept-June, Fridays 7:30 pm, Lancaster Town Hall, Lancaster. Contact Bill Tobin, 802-751-7671
- * **Nashua:** Aug-June, Wednesdays 7-9 pm, Church of the Good Shepherd, 214 Main St., Nashua. Contact Loren Wright, nashuascd@comcast.net, 603-891-2331

VERMONT

- Burlington:** Call to inquire. Contact Connie Kent, burlingtonscd@rscdsboston.org, 802-355-5901
- * **Fairlee:** Sept-June, Wednesdays 7-9 pm, Fairlee Town Hall, 75 Town Common Rd. (just off Route 5, Main St.). Contact Gary Apfel, FairleeClass@rscdsboston.org, 802-439-3459

NEW YORK

- * **Albany:** Year-round, Sundays, 6:30 in-person only; 7:45 hybrid class with locals plus zoom participants. Newbitz House, 85 Mann Blvd, Halfmoon. Contact Lois New, 518-852-5274, Loisscd@gmail.com or Math.maniac.1@gmail.com

* *Indicates classes sponsored by the Boston Branch of the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society, www.rscdsboston.org.*

NOTE: Because of occasional weather, pandemic and hall variabilities, etc, it's always advisable to get in touch in advance before attending, if you're not on a class contact list. To download this flier as a pdf, go to www.rscdsboston.org/pdf/FullFlyer.pdf. Class Contacts: when changes occur, please notify classes@rscdsboston.org

Music Page

The Boston Scottish Fiddle Club

by Sue Chari, President

The Boston Scottish Fiddle Club is in full swing with their monthly meetings, monthly jam sessions and their Boston Scottish Fiddle Orchestra. So far this year the club has welcomed a number of new members and learned some wonderful tunes and techniques from fiddlers Matt Petrie, Katie McNally and Rachel Reeds. After the New Year they are excited to learn some tunes with Elizabeth Anderson, Anne Hooper, Jenna Moynihan and Ed Pearlman in the year. During the Pandemic the club was very busy with a series of weekly and then bi-weekly Zoom workshops with fiddlers from Scotland, Cape Breton and the US.

The Wednesday night monthly jam sessions at the Canadian American Club in Watertown (open to the public for playing and listening) have been a fun time to catch up with friends, meet musicians in the greater Celtic music community and play some favorite tunes. Talented session leaders, including Katie McNally, Neil Pearlman, Leland Martin and Eamon Sefton have kept the sessions “rocking and rolling” throughout the evening.

The Boston Scottish Fiddle Orchestra has been quite busy. In June they recorded their second CD, which is due out in January. So far this year they performed at the Canadian American Club’s Gala in November and thoroughly enjoyed presenting a full-length program at their own Winter Concert at the Scandinavian Cultural Center in December which was well-received. The orchestra is thrilled to be playing at the BCMFest in Cambridge on Saturday, January 14 at noon. Following that, the members of the group look forward to couple of months learning new tunes and arrangements created and taught by their Music Director, Neil Pearlman. The learning process with Neil is fascinating to be a part of as he comes up with fresh



The cover of the Boston Scottish Fiddle Orchestra's new CD



The Boston Scottish Fiddle Orchestra at their Winter Concert 2022

new innovative ways to play arrangements of traditional and contemporary Scottish and Cape Breton tunes. The final event of the year will be the Boston Scottish Fiddle Club’s Gala in the late Spring which will include a concert by the fiddle orchestra, a special guest fiddler, silent auction and ceilidh dancing. ☺



TAC Summer School
July 30-Aug 6, 2023



**SAVE
THE
DATE**

At King's and Dalhousie Universities
Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada

Celebrate!



tac-rscds.org

Sponsored by
Scottish Country Dance
Teachers' Association (Canada)

RSCDS NJ Branch

Workshop and Tea Dance

Saturday, March 11, 2023

The Woodland

60 Woodland Road, Maplewood NJ 07040



Workshop Teacher – Steven Rusche, RSCDS-DelVal

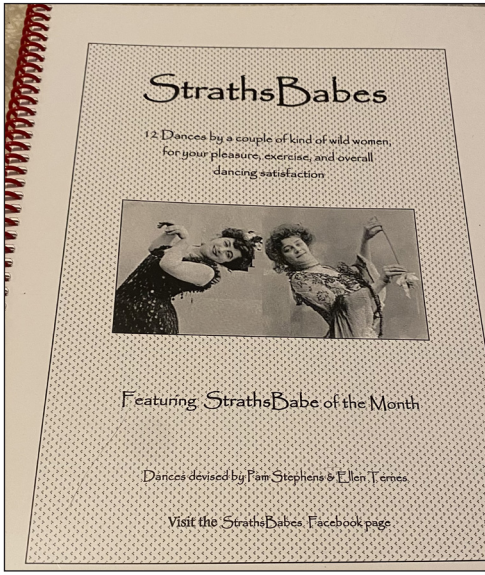
Music by Terry Traub and Anne Hooper

with Malka Pomerantz-Traub

Questions? Email Debbie Saunders debbiecsaunders@gmail.com or call (201) 315 9373

Boston Branch Bookstore

by Laurie Somario, Bookstore Manager



Happy New Year! Looking for some new tunes or dance books? The Branch bookstore may just have what you need! Just one of the many options available include the book “StrathsBabes” (12 Dances by a couple of kind of wild women, for your pleasure, exercise, and overall dancing satisfaction). Dances devised by Pam Stephens & Ellen Ternes.

The bookstore has only a few copies of this book available, so email us if you’d like one before they’re gone! The bookstore inventory list can be found here -

rscdsboston.org/member-bookstore.html

Purchase inquiries can be made by email to Laurie Somario at - bookstore@rscdsboston.org 🌿

The Boston Scottish Country Dancers

by Laura DeCesare, BSCD Administrator

The Boston Scottish Country Dancers (née Demo Team) is looking for new members! If you’re interested in strengthening your technique, digging into some more challenging dances, and sharing the joy of SCD with people of all ages, we’d love to hear from you! Email me at ldecesare@gmail.com or Andy Taylor-Blenis, our Artistic Director, at ataydance@gmail.com. We rehearse on Sundays from 6 to 8 pm. We will likely start rehearsals for NEFFA in February. We hope to hear from you soon! 🌿

NEFFA Lodging

from the NEFFA website – neffa.org

Book your room for NEFFA today! One of the advantages of holding the Festival at a hotel is the availability of onsite accommodations. NEFFA has arranged a group rate for the hotel, and we hope we can fill the hotel entirely for the weekend. Room bookings are now available for NEFFA, April 21-23, 2023.

Please book all rooms online using only the link from the NEFFA website. Please do not call the hotel directly or use other hotel booking services.

The Booking Link and Booking Instructions are found at: neffa.org/folk-festival/lodging

Pinewoods English-Scottish-Contra Session

from Daniel, April, Connie, Kate, and Laurie – ESCape 2023 Committee

Save the dates for the 2023 session – July 3-7, 2023. 🌿

The New Hampshire Highlands 2023

from Loren Wright and Roberta Lasnik

Save the dates August 25-27 for New Hampshire Highlands Scottish Country Dance Weekend. 🌿

Cardigan News

from Bruce Mabbott and MaryEllen Scannell

Cardigan Mountain Winter Sports and Scottish Dance Weekend in the White Mountains of New Hampshire, February 3-5 – is full for 2023. 🌿

BCMFest – Boston Celtic Music Festival

from passim.org

Come all ye to Harvard Square and environs, January 12-15, 2023, for a weekend filled with your favorite music and dance - workshops, sessions, concerts, dancing. Some performers familiar to Scottish country dancers are Katie McNally, Jenna Moynihan, Elias Alexander, Calum Bell, Rachel Reeds, Eamon Sefton, Summer McCall, Elizabeth and Ben Anderson, The Boston Scottish Fiddle Orchestra, Janine Randall and Christine Morrison, among many others. Go to passim.org/bcmfest for info, schedule and updates. Don't give the Boston Urban Ceilidh a miss! 🌿

New York Branch Pawling Weekend

Save the dates: May 19-21, 2023. Teachers: Janet Johnston, Andy Taylor-Blenis. Musicians: Tom Pixton, Mara Shea, Julie Gorka. Location: Berkshire Hills Eisenberg Camp 159 Empire Rd, Copake, NY. Info: rscdsnewyork.org/pawling-weekend. 🌿

Ralph Page Legacy Day

Dedicated to Bob McQuillen

We are planning a joyous one-day dance and reunion event on January 14, 2023, at the beautiful, recently restored Whitcomb Hall in Swanzey, New Hampshire. Swanzey is just down the road from Keene, NH, Ralph's longtime home town. Whitcomb has a wonderful main dance hall and a space for workshops. It will run 12 noon - 6:00 pm

Since 2023 is the year of Bob McQuillen's 100th birthday, the program will focus on celebrating Mac and his contributions. We are also exploring a virtual element for those unable to attend in person, so that no one is left out of the celebration.

Info: neffa.org 🌿



Bob McQuillen, NEFFA 2010

Dear Pinewoods Camp Community –

As some of you may know, Southeastern MA sustained a significant wind event Thursday, December 22 through Saturday, December 24. Unfortunately, Pinewoods did not come away unscathed—experiencing a two-day power outage and sustaining significant wind damage. We lost approximately ten trees in total, the most notable being a very large, 100-foot white pine behind C#, which fell directly onto the pavilion. Although this well-built structure absorbed the force of the large pine, there was still substantial damage where limbs punctured the roof creating approximately 15 holes in total. The holes range from just a few inches to several feet wide.

Due to changes in the insurance market in response to increasingly severe weather events, Pinewoods is currently unable to secure insurance against wind damage for our precious buildings. Therefore, we must pay for the C# restoration out of our own funds.

Today we are asking for your additional assistance with a tax deductible donation to help repair our beloved dance pavilion. Donations in any amount can be made through our online giving portal or by sending a check to Pinewoods Camp, 80 Cornish Field Rd, Plymouth, MA 02360.

Your support will have an important and direct impact, and come next summer while at Pinewoods you will know that your generosity made a difference. Thank you for your continued passion and commitment to Camp. – *Sincerely, Chris Jacobs, Executive Director, Pinewoods Inc., and the Pinewoods Board of Directors* ~



Notes from Lezlie Webster:

Festivities for the annual New Hampshire Pipes & Drums Burns Night begin at 5 pm with hors d'oeuvres, and includes a 3-course dinner, Burns poems, songs and The Address, music and dance entertainment, and ceilidh dancing for all with Celtic Beats led by Marielle Webster. For info, photos and tickets - nhssa.org/burns-night

Coming up April 22nd is our Indoor Scottish Festival in Salem, NH. Piping, Highland Dance, Fiddle and Pipe Band competitions. And finally, we will be running the Quechee Games again this year on August 26th - come join us for a fun-filled day of competitions, clans, vendors, food and entertainment! Info at quecheegames.org ~

Old News

From the June 1976 issue of the Tartan Times

IT'S COMING AGAIN – THE 4th ANNUAL “DOLDRUMS DANCE”

8:00 p.m. Saturday, August 14th [1976], (a true doldrums period) is the day, Hamilton Hall on Chestnut Street Salem, is the location. This will be a Pinewoods Benefit dance, so we hope you won't mind a \$2 fee; it's all for a good cause, and we hope to have the local Scottish Dance Orchestra [*precursor of the White Cockade*] play for half the program. Bring an offering for Pinewoods and for the refreshment table, and we'll guarantee you a good time. S.D. [*Sally Dee of course*] ~

The Queen Dances

from Evelyn Murray

This photograph was missing from the article I wrote for the last issue. So it should go in this issue with the note to say what it is:

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh, dancing an Eightsome Reel at the Centenary Ball of the Royal Scottish Pipers' Society, Edinburgh, 2nd July 1982. ~

RSCDS Centenary Ball

Saturday March 25, 2023

The Royal Scottish Country Dance Society has invited members from around the world to join our 2023 Centenary celebrations at a special Ball hosted in Edinburgh's stunning Assembly Rooms. However, please note - tickets for the Ball are now sold out. If you wish to add your name to the waiting list please go to www.rscds.org/events/rscds-centenary-ball-2023 and we will let you know as soon as any tickets become available. ~

Fall Concert Video

from John Crabtree

Hey Dancers – Here is a link to the video from this year's Matinee performance:

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/ZphYNzbGaBzbHtxc7>

Apologies for the video quality - we had some technical difficulties. Nonetheless, I hope you enjoy – we certainly had some fun! ~



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A Note from Jacqueline Schwab

[Jacqueline is one of our local piano stars; she was recently on staff at Pinewoods Scottish sessions, is usually found either in company with the English country dance band Bare Necessities, or performing solo concerts of historical American music, and she can be heard on many of Ken Burns' PBS documentaries. – Asst. Ed.]

If you're planning a quiet New Year's Eve, please tune in to my televised performance with the America Pops Orchestra, on their 90-minute special *United in Song* on national PBS (in Boston, it's on channel 2, 8-9:30 pm ET). I'll perform one piece (taped earlier this fall) with this innovative orchestra amidst some heady company—performances by noted soloists in many genres (opera, country, bluegrass, classical, ballet, and more)—and hosted by Renee Fleming with Christopher Jackson. This was my second collaboration with Maestro Luke Frazier and the APO. I'm still learning the ropes but would love to share this "progress report" with you—and I was impressed by the other performances, which were taped in beautiful, historic theatres. I've just learned that my performance was included. 