



Saint Andrews Society of the Eastern Shore
The Bagpiper

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St. Andrews Society of the Eastern Shore is a social and benevolent organization which offers educational and charitable assistance to Scottish men and women, their descendants, and their widows or widowers. Membership in the Society is available to both men and women of Scottish birth or ancestry. The Society is an independent organization and is not affiliated with any religious or secular group. Our aim is to perpetuate Scottish culture and traditions.

“Cued Mìle Fáilte”



**A Hundred Thousand Welcomes!
 To Our Newly Elected Members**

Carol L. Chisholm of St. Michaels, MD
 Francis Graham Lee of Easton, MD
 James L. McCloud of Bozman, MD
 Jane Monteith of Trappe, MD
 Katherine B. Moose of Easton, MD

Upcoming Events 2011

- Feb 2 Stated Meeting and Covered Dish
Christ Church Parish Hall, St. Michaels MD
- Mar 1 Board of Managers Meeting
Home of George & Tellie Dixon
- Mar 19 Ceilidh
Oxford Community Center, Oxford MD
- Apr 2 Tartan Day Festival on the Square
Market Square, Old Town Alexandria, VA
- Apr 8 Tartan Day Concert
Maryland Hall, Annapolis, MD

For the latest information on SASES events and other local events of interest, check www.standrewseasternshore.org/calendar

The President's Corner....



Our Annual Dinner at the Harbourtowne Resort in November was a fitting conclusion to another great year for our Society. Thank you to members of the Dinner Committee who made our 40th Annual Dinner such a success: Mike and Barbara Sheridan, Helen Henseler, Perry Foster, Martha Nelson, Randy Welch and Elizabeth Foulds.

An extra thank you to Perry Foster and Helen Henseler for their hard work in organizing and running the silent auction and to members and local merchants who gave so generously this year. In December, your Board of Managers approved donation of the auction proceeds to the Critchlow Adkins Children's Centers in memory of SASES Past President William Hughson, and to the Star Democrat's Brighter Christmas Fund.

We've begun another great year for our Society. As a result of hard work and leadership by Past President George Dixon and your Board of Managers, SASES is growing and becoming more involved in the community. Thank you, George. We look forward to your continuing leadership as Past President.

Good times will abound in 2011. Thanks to Howard and Lynn Sinder, our wonderful luncheon series continued with the Robert Burns celebration held on January 14th. Our next Stated Meeting/covered dish supper will be Wednesday, February 2nd, at Christ Church, St. Michaels. March will feature a traditional Ceilidh at the Oxford Community Center on Saturday evening, March 19th.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve as your President. I look forward to sharing our Scottish traditions and good Scottish fellowship with you in 2011. Please don't hesitate to call or email your comments or suggestions. Thank you for supporting our Society!

Wishing you all a happy, healthy, prosperous New Year!

Yours Aye,
 Jack Moore

Never let your feet run faster than your shoes.
Scottish Proverb



Flowers of the Forest 2010

In memory of "Them That's Awa'" and with our heartfelt condolences to all who loved them:

Betty A. Coho
Geoffrey B. Freeman
William J.C. Hughson
Leslie E. Lancaster
Allen R. Malcolm

Congratulations to Our Newly Installed Board of Managers!

Officers

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| President | Jack Moore |
| Vice President | Leo H. Foulds III |
| Secretary | Paulette Johns |
| Treasurer | Mike Sheridan |
| Membership Secretary | Barbara Sheridan |
| Corresponding Secretary | Susan Coulston |
| Immediate Past President | George Dixon |

Members at Large

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| Randy Gregory | 2011 |
| Randy Welch | 2011 |
| Elizabeth Foulds | 2012 |
| Marie Martin | 2012 |
| Tom Orem | 2013 |
| Carl Widell | 2013 |

Many thanks to Perry Foster, Cliff Fleenor, and Fred Parker who have completed their terms of office. We appreciate your service to your Society!

Members Enjoy the Scottish Christmas Walk



The Battle of the Bands

In December 2010, I was introduced to the Scottish Christmas Walk by Martha Walls and Randy Gregory and enjoyed some wonderful hospitality before the event commenced. Hundreds of Scottish clansmen parade with their bagpipes through Old Town Alexandria. This family-friendly holiday event, which is a traditional favorite of the Alexandria community, includes a tour of historic homes, a children's tea party, a Celtic Concert and a Christmas Marketplace and Café. It draws crowds of over 30,000 people who come from all over to participate. The highlight is the Battle of the Bands at the end of the Walk. It is truly a great experience and one we can hopefully repeat this year with a group from SASES.

- Elizabeth Foulds



Stated Meeting and Covered Dish Supper

Wednesday, February 2, 2011

Christ Church Parish Hall, St. Michaels MD

6:00 pm Meet and Greet - 6:30 pm Dinner

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DAY TO
WEDNESDAY.

This is the first general membership meeting of 2011. Our special guest will be Tara O'Barsky, Executive Director of the Critchlow Adkins Children's Centers, who will accept our donation from the auction proceeds and also give us a brief presentation on the CACC's work. So, please bring a dish and come out to support your Society. This is also your opportunity to hear about our upcoming plans and to give us your thoughts and ideas. And remember, family and friends are always welcome!

Tartan Day Concert

April 8, 2011 • 8:00 pm

Maryland Hall, Annapolis MD

Featuring the Blue Ridge Brass and Montreat Scottish Pipes and Drums, and well-known balladeer, Ed Miller. Tickets are \$25. For more details, go to www.marylandhall.org or call 866-438-3808

Sellout Attendance Makes Our 40th Annual Gala a Record Success

Our 40th Annual Dinner on November 20 drew a record-breaking 100 members and guests, and the silent auction raised more than \$1000 for our Society and its good works. Proceeds will be donated to local charities.

Traditional toasts and tunes added to the celebration at the Harbourtowne Resort in St. Michaels. Betty Boda played the harp during the cocktail hour, and after dinner, fourteen members of the Ellice McDonald/Chesapeake Caledonian Pipes and Drums entertained. Piper Randy Welch led the Parade of the Haggis. Cliff Fleenor, Michael Sheridan, Randy Gregory and the Haggis Bearer also took part. Peregrine Russell-Hunter and his son Malcolm addressed the Haggis by reciting Robert Burns' poem with their usual dramatic flair.

Leo Foulds III was master of ceremonies

and the Rev. Paul Winters gave the invocation and benediction. Toasts were made by Randy Gregory; Nancy Badertscher, president of the Robert Burns Society of Annapolis; Greg Scott, president of the St. Andrews Society of Baltimore; and Elizabeth Foulds. Piper Robert Wallace played "Scots Wha Ha'e," and George Dixon said the Selkirk Grace.

Cherie Christy presented a lively explanation of "The Day a' Wha' Honor It".

Michael Sheridan remembered "To Them That's Awa'", in honor of members who died during the past year. Piper Art Fournier played "Flowers of the Forest." Barbara Sheridan led the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" to conclude a wonderful evening.

- Jack Moore



Bard Perry Russell-Hunter anoints the haggis.
Photo courtesy of Tellie Dixon

Mark Your Calendars Today!! Ceilidh

Saturday, March 19, 2011
6:00 pm - ??
Oxford Community Center

Calling all singers and dancers, musicians and comics, actors and artists!

Here's a chance to share your talents and participate in a Scottish tradition. Can you sing a song or play an instrument? Tell a joke, recite a poem or act out a skit? Painters, photographers, sculptors, and artisans, we need you, too! If you are creative in any way, come out and show us what you can do.

If you plan to get into the Ceilidh spirit and want to perform or display your artwork or crafts,

PLEASE CALL PERRY FOSTER AT 410-226-5351 ASAP

**Or, if your true talent is being a good audience...
we need you, too!**

The price of admission is a plate of finger food: a starter or a dessert. (N.B. We do not have access to a kitchen or ovens). A cash bar will be available. Scottish dress is encouraged. Family and friends are welcome for this evening of friendship and fun! Please use the form at right to RSVP today!



Ceilidh, March 19, 2011

RSVP to: Perry Foster, 5031 Reed Rd,
Oxford MD 21654 no later than MARCH 9:

Name _____

Tel # _____

Guest(s) _____

Total # Attending _____

Please call Perry ASAP at 410-226-5351 if you wish to perform or exhibit your work

A Long Family History with St. Andrews

Two hundred years ago my ancestor, Daniel Campbell, was listed as a member of The St Andrews Society of Alexandria, Virginia in 1810. He came from Dundee between 1800 and 1810 and was a tailor. His wife, Margaret, was a seamstress, and they brought three children with them and then had three or four more. By 1815, they had moved to Washington DC, where daughter Anne married a silversmith, John Potter, whom the family had known in Alexandria.

Their daughter Margaret Anne Potter married Allen C. Harmon in Alexandria and had seven girls and a son. The last daughter, Rebecca Harmon, married Walter Roberts of Cameron Mills, which is on the edge of Alexandria. They, in turn, had seven children. Their son, Allen Hunt Roberts, was my dad. And I am proud to be a member of the St. Andrews Society of the Eastern Shore.

Jean Campbell (Roberts) Harris

Do you have a story about your Scottish heritage that you would like to share? Send it to the editor at communications@standrewseasternshore.org.

SASES Shirts Are Now Available

Stylish polo-style shirts embroidered with the SASES crest are now available in white, red, navy blue, black, or hunter green in S, M, L or XL for \$32.00. 2X and larger are \$5.00 more at \$37.00. For further details or to place your order, contact Randy Welch at 410-822-5441 or midlifepiper@yahoo.com.

Curious About Your Scottish Ancestry?

Have you ever wondered if the stories your grandparents used to tell were true? Or do you have a friend who is interested in joining SASES, but aren't sure they qualify? Don't forget we have three volunteers who are willing to help get you started with genealogical research:

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Jim Mason
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jlmason95@verizon.net

Jim McConnell
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Did you know....



that there is actually a Scottish tropical paradise in the Indian Ocean? The Cocos Keeling Islands were first discovered by British captain William Keeling and later settled by Scottish merchant, John Clunies-Ross, who declared himself king. He was recognized as such by

Queen Victoria in 1886. These islands are among some of the most remote in the world, with the nearest land being the Christmas Islands, about 560 miles away. Beautiful sandy beaches, gorgeous clear water, and friendly locals make the islands a great getaway for people who want to travel far off the beaten path. With a population of just over 700, made up predominantly of Muslim Malay and Scottish Protestants, they have an interesting blend of festivals and a unique culture. Anyone thinking winter getaway??

Happy 2011 !!

