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LET THE GAMES BEGIN AGAIN!

Record Crowds Expected at this Year's Games

Alexandria, VA – The Virginia Scottish Games are expecting record crowds at this year's Games so says their president Thomas Wright. "We are expecting crowds in excess of 15,000 this year. We weren't sure what to expect in our first year at Great Meadow with both a change in venue and moving to Labor Day Weekend, but we had a tremendous turnout. Everyone loved the change in venue. The Games feel right at home at Great Meadow. Now that people know when and where we are, we think this year's turnout will be even larger than last year." Mr. Wright went on to say that last year's attendance was the best since the release of *Braveheart* (the Mel Gibson movie about Scottish folk hero William Wallace) back in 1995.

This year's Games includes an expanded Saturday night concert that will run from 6-9PM. "Last year's concert turned out to be very popular and generated a lot of excitement. It made sense to extend the music for another hour." The Celtic Concert will include a special performance by the City of Alexandria Pipes & Drums and feature the Glengarry Bhoys. Described as bold, unorthodox, vibrant, and evocative, the Glengarry Bhoys hybrid of Canadian Highland Scots and French Canadian musical idioms has evolved

into a sound that is weighty, authoritative, and extremely entertaining. Their energy and good humor, as much a part of the show as their musicianship, crosses all cultures and ages. Many things have been written and reported about this world renown Canadian alt-Celt group over that last decade, all depicting their musical and entertaining prowess with varied audiences the world over, but their ability to marshal large enthusiastic audiences show after show is legion and recognized.

The cornerstone of the Virginia Scottish Games is the highland athletic competition. Throughout the years the Games has played host to numerous professional and amateur championships. In 2010, the Games will host many of the top-ranked professional athletes in North America to include several who have competed in the World Championships. The Games is rounded out with piping & drumming, highland dancing, and fiddling competitions along with sheepherding demonstrations, an antique car show, a variety of vendors & crafters, clan and society exhibits, a living history encampment, activities just for

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CALENDAR

September 2010

- 2 Wee Dram
6,20 Jefferson Cup Luncheon
16 Member Dinner

October 2010

- 4,18 Jefferson Cup Luncheon
5 Board of Manager's Meeting
7 Wee Dram

November 2010

- 1,13 Jefferson Cup Luncheon
2 Board of Manager's Meeting
4 Wee Dram
13 Tartan Ball
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the children, plenty of Scottish food and drink, and entertainment on the main stage to include Glengarry Bhoys, Coyote Run, and Alex Beaton. The Celtic Concert will close-out activities on Saturday.

The 37th Annual Virginia Scottish Games & Festival will take place on September 4-5, 2010 at Great Meadow in The Plains, VA. Gates open at 9AM both days and close at 9PM on Saturday after the Celtic Concert and 6PM on Sunday. Daily tickets are \$18. Children 5 - 12 are \$5 and those under 5 are free. A two-day pass can be purchased for \$25. Active duty military and seniors 65 and over receive \$5 off the price of admission with ID at the gate. Tickets for the Celtic Concert are just \$10 after 4PM. The daily ticket gives you admission to the Saturday night concert that begins at 6PM. Discounted tickets and a schedule of events is available online at www.vascottishgames.org. On-site parking is \$5. Great Meadow is located just off Interstate 66 at 5089 Old Tavern Rd in The Plains, VA and is just a short 35 miles west of the Washington Beltway

The Virginia Scottish Games is an annual state-sponsored event celebrating the rich Scottish heritage and traditions of so many of Virginia's first families. The Games began in 1974 as an officially sponsored event of the City of Alexandria. For 33 years, the Games were held every July at Episcopal High School in Alexandria, VA. In 2007, the Games moved west to Fauquier County and now take place at Great Meadow in The Plains, VA. Nestled in the heart of Virginia's Piedmont countryside and evoking the spirit of the Scottish Highlands, Great Meadow is Northern Virginia's premier outdoor event venue attracting thousands each year to its various field events. If you require additional information about the *Virginia Scottish Games*, please contact the Virginia Scottish Games Association at info@vascottishgames.org or 703-912-1943 ☼

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER



Fellow Members,

Fall in the Washington area is, in my humble opinion, the most pleasant season of all. The air is cool and crisp, making DC monuments seem more brilliantly lighted against the night sky. Fall foliage turns the landscape into a work of art and the festivals and pumpkins are plentiful. It's also a somewhat sentimental time for me because I started my career in Washington, DC many years ago in the month of September – a journey filled with an abundance of positive, life changing experiences that I never thought would place me in a position to lead this dignified society in its 250th year.

One of those experiences is portrayed in the photo above. I had the fortune of getting to know **Congressman Mike McIntyre** (D-NC), who participated in this year's Kirkin' O' The Tartan. Congressman McIntyre, who brought his own Bible for the occasion, is a champion of the Scottish diaspora and co-chairs the Friends of Scotland Caucus in the U.S. House of Representatives. If you've never attended, I recommend you make plans to attend next year, and bring the family or a friend for a truly unique experience.

As we near the end of what I hope was a pleasant summer for you, I'm reminded of the cadre of activities in store to round out our 250th anniversary year. On **September 9th**, **Lord Lyon King of Arms** will join us at the members' dinner meeting at Belle Haven Country Club – see additional information in this edition and send your RSVP quickly as it is sure to fill up fast. And don't forget the **Virginia Scottish Games & Festival on September 4th & 5th** at Great Meadow - The Plains, Virginia. Last year's event was wonderful and fellow society member and president of the games, Tom Wright, has more fun in store for you this year. The **Tartan Ball** Committee is also working hard to plan another memorable black tie event and charity auction. This year's event will again be on a **Saturday, November 13**, at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, DC and you can get your ticket now at tartanball.com. Finally, we will once again join the parade at the **40th Annual Scottish Christmas Walk in Old Town Alexandria** on **December 4th**. You will see more information about some of these events in this edition.

What a blessing to live in such a place and time, in association with you all, enjoying all the modern conveniences of our day – many of which were invented by Scots! Society events and the experiences they provide are part of what makes life in Washington, DC that much more meaningful, and I look forward to enjoying some or all of these upcoming events with you.

Thank you for your time and membership in the society.

Yours aye –

Vern

HERITAGE—IT'S A SMALL'S WORLD AFTER ALL

by Andrew McIlwaine Bell

“It was my great good fortune, and what probably fixed the destinies of my life, that Dr. William Small of Scotland was then Professor of Mathematics, a man profound in the most useful branches of science, with a happy talent of communication, correct and gentlemanly manners, and an enlarged and liberal mind. He, most happily for me, became soon attached to me, and made me his daily companion when not engaged in the school; and from his conversation I got my first views of the expansion of science, and of the system of things in which we are placed.”—**Thomas Jefferson, *Autobiography***

Don't let the name fool you. William Small's legacy looms large on both sides of the Atlantic. During his brief life, he hobnobbed with the leading figures of the Enlightenment, contributed to the birth of the industrial revolution, and schooled the chief architect of the American Revolution. Not bad for a preacher's kid from Angus.

William Small was born in 1734, the youngest son of the Reverend James Small, a Presbyterian minister from Carmyllie, near Arbroath. Bookish and precocious, he attended Dundee Grammar School before enrolling in the University of Aberdeen to study mathematics, medicine, and “natural philosophy” (a precursor of today's science curricula.)

Small matriculated Aberdeen at a time when Scottish universities were changing the world. Many of the leading luminaries of the Enlightenment—men like David Hume, Adam Smith, and Francis Hutcheson—earned degrees from Scottish schools before publishing their *magna opera*.

Small's professors were so impressed by his academic performance that they offered him a teaching position at Aberdeen after he graduated. He took the job, but left after only a few semesters to see America. Arriving in Virginia in 1758 (part of a wave of Scottish immigrants then washing up on the Old Dominion's shores), Small found employment at the College of William and Mary where he encountered a sixteen-year-old freshman named Thomas Jefferson.

The Scottish professor took a shine to the young Virginian right away. Jefferson in turn was blown away by Small's teaching style, which relied on Hutcheson's “vernacular lecture-course method” rather than rote memorization. Small not only delivered brilliant lectures, he also conducted physics experiments in the classroom and encouraged his students to explore their own ideas. More importantly, he taught them to see how the various branches of learning—politics, philosophy, science, etc.—flowed from a single font of reason. This lesson clearly made a strong impression on the young man who would later pen a carefully-reasoned explanation of why revolutions are sometimes necessary in the course of human events.



William Small

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The Scots developed golf to irk common loch pests, like merats, locharoaches and Nessie, who to this day rarely surfaces for fear of being beaned by a well-aimed little white ball.

Come out to the Club at South River on Tuesday, September 28th and test your monster-vexing skills at the 17th Annual Tee It Up For Education Golf Classic.



This is golfing at its best...with a Scottish Twist. Wear a kilt and be registered to win a trip to Scotland!! Prizes will be awarded for the best dressed foursome!

Be sure to sign up for a fearsome golf foursome before this tourney sells out!! Rarely will you encounter a course with such character, beauty and excellent playing conditions as the Club at South River.

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All proceeds will help members of the Boys & Girls Clubs further their education through scholarships and educational opportunities including Gordonstoun International Summer School in Scotland.



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In 1764, Small's poor health forced him to return to Britain. While recovering in London, he bumped into an old acquaintance from America, Benjamin Franklin, who introduced him to a wealthy industrialist named Matthew Boulton.

Small followed Boulton to Birmingham and started palling around with the city's intelligentsia—a naturalist named Erasmus Darwin (grandfather of Charles); a pottery manufacturer named Josiah Wedgwood; and a chemist named Joseph Priestly. These men began meeting on a monthly basis to discuss the latest developments in science and industry. A young instrument maker named James Watt later joined the group. Their informal meetings became the basis of the Lunar Society, the illustrious science/supper club which spawned the industrial revolution.

Over the next ten years, Small dabbled in metallurgy, microscopy, horology, medicine, and mechanical engineering. He also took out patents on two new types of clocks—one hydraulically-driven, the other without hands—and dreamed up the idea of a "spiral oar" nearly half a century before the screw propeller was invented. During this time, Small became close friends with Watt and the two men frequently joked "about death and sex while trading notes on their inventions." Small encouraged his friend to patent his ideas, including one for an improved version of the Newcomen steam engine.

In his spare time, Small supported charitable causes and helped the city of Birmingham build a new hospital and theatre hall. His generous heart and incandescent wit earned him the respect of his peers. Franklin proclaimed Small "an ingenious philosopher and a most worthy [and] honest man" while Richard Edgworth, a fellow member of the Lunar Society, described him as "a man esteemed by all who knew him" who was "beloved with no common enthusiasm."

During the winter of 1775, Small's poor health and demanding schedule finally caught up with him, and he died on February 25 at the age of forty-one. His Lunar Society friends laid him to rest in St. Philip's Churchyard in Birmingham

Three months later, a crate of Madeira wine arrived on Small's doorstep. It was a gift from Thomas Jefferson, who wanted his former professor to know that Britain's blunders in Massachusetts had not spoiled their friendship ❁

Are you ready for the new normal?

When I'm not publishing the St. Andrews Society of DC's Journal, the *Whin & Thistle*, I help people imagine, crystallize and then capture their dreams with proven attitude development, accountability coaching, and a decades' old, scientifically-validated and repeatedly-proven process of assessment and then alignment of your personal and professional strengths and goals as we increase your potential in areas of finance and career, family life, ethics and beliefs, mental and physical development, productivity, leadership and social growth.

I offer to cover the expense for any gentlemen of the Society who will give me an hour where we'll review a thorough assessment of your talents, values and behaviors, identifying which will serve you best and how to master your unique genius to achieve more, work less and celebrate often. I hope to hear soon about your dreams.

Adam Pressman

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SCOTS4TOTS FUNDRAISER A ROUSING SUCCESS

By Darren Harrison

On July 31, Mark and Rhonda Wardlaw hosted the inaugural fundraiser for the Mid-Atlantic Scots4Tots in their Bowie home, and before the evening was over the 501(c)3 charitable organization had raised over \$900 through donations, new memberships and a whiskey tasting.

According to David Close, who came up with the idea for the organization that supports Walter Reed wounded warriors and children at the Children's National Medical Center of Washington, D.C., the group raised \$360 in new memberships, \$360 in whiskey tasting, and \$215 in donations for a grand total of \$935.

"This is the first of, we hope, many fundraisers for the organization," said Lee Shackelford who is on the Board of Managers. "Last weekend we had a meeting and started to plot out the future projects that we think are going to make it so we can be as effective and efficient as possible to take the funds that are donated and use them to help the children and help the families of the wounded warriors."

The idea for Mid-Atlantic Scots4Tots came about through a desire on the part of Close to help children. When Rhonda Wardlaw heard his idea to start a charitable organization she decided to throw all the energy she had been investing in getting a women's auxiliary to the Saint Andrew's Society of Washington, D.C. started, into working to get the Scots4Tots organization going.

"During [the Color Guard] planning session in January we came up with the idea that we wanted to do more out in the public domain," said Close. "We decided that, since the ladies wanted to join the organization with us, we would start our own non-profit charity called Mid-Atlantic Scots4Tots but at the same time keeping our ties with the St. Andrews Society (SAS), of which the Color Guard are members, and continue to actively promote the SAS through local community and charity events. Conducting the Whiskey tasting was Bart Forbes, the convener of Whiskey D.C., who brought along several brands of whiskey for those attending the event to sample.

"I am on the board of directors for the Saint Andrew's Society and I have been a good friend of David Close for many years," said Forbes. "When he launched Scots4Tots we talked and I offered to do a tasting to raise some funds."

Forbes included samples from six distilleries in an attempt to cover the different regions of Scotland, as well as the different tastes. He made a point to note that everyone's taste is different, and he said he does not tell people which whiskey is considered a "good whiskey."

"A good whiskey is a whiskey that you like," Forbes said.

Unlike the 14 other organizations with a similar name, the Mid-Atlantic Scots4Tots use the numeral 4 instead of spelling out "for" in their title. The organization is also open to people who are not of Scottish lineage.

"The slogan for Mid-Atlantic Scots4Tots is "You don't have to be Scottish, you just have to care." We have enough people with Scottish lineage in the organization that we are still justified in calling ourselves Mid-Atlantic Scots4Tots," while permitting us to bridge the gap between those of Scottish and non Scottish descent, Close said.

Scot-4-Tots services include one-on-one visits with children at local hospitals, group visits at local children hospitals demonstrating Scottish military drills, participating at local festivals to educate visitors about the Scottish Culture and participating in parades to promote the Scots-4-Tots organization

"The goal is to bring some happiness into either the families of wounded warriors or to children at the National Children's Hospital," said Shackelford. "When people see others dressed in kilts there is a sort of automatic feeling of festivity and it's something different and something happy for them to deal with."

To contact Mid-Atlantic Scots4Tots send an e-mail to David Close at david@scots4tots.org or visit the organizations web site www.scots4tots.org ❁

SCHOLAR UPDATE— CASSIE SMITH CHRISTMAS

Thanks to TJ Holland for forwarding this poem by a current St. Andrew's scholar.

Tiodhlacadh, Eirisgeigh

Anns an taigh-bidhe,
bha sinn nar shuidhe,
na faclan a' tuiteam
mar salann,
aotrom agus falamh.

Bha iadsan nan seasamh:
dubh orra, air mhisg,
a' cluich snucair
gun fhacal sam bith.

A-muigh,
bha a' ghrian soilleir
air na tuinn
nuair a bha iad a' leum
gu coma
dhan a' chladach.

Tron an uinneig,
chunnaic mi caileag 's balach,
a' ruith suas an cnoc,
an cuirp mar phupaidean
anns a' ghaoithe.
Bha deise air;
bha dreasa geal oirre-se.

Chum e grèim oirre
's bhuail a dreasa geal
an aghaidh a dheise dhubh:
gun chomas,
mar sgiathan dealain-de,
a' basachadh.

Chuala mi a deòir.

Dh'fhag sinn an taigh-bidhe,
a' leanntainn ar slighe
saor-laithean.

Ach fhathast,
le gach tiodhlacadh,
gach bàs,
gach tùras mu dheireadh,
smaoinichidh mi oirre-se
's a dreasa geal.

~le Cassie Smith-Christmas

CHARITY & EDUCATION FUND PROVIDES SCHOLARSHIPS

The Board of Managers has approved the list of awardees and amounts recommended by the Scholarship Committee. The committee, consisting of fellow members T.J. Holland (chairman), Juge Gregg, J.B. Meek, David Strother, Brian Mabry, Scott Johnston and Michael Jackonis, undertook a thorough review process of nearly fifty applications to formulate their recommendation below. Please thank the committee for their efforts and join us in congratulating these highly qualified scholarship recipients for the 2010-2011 academic year.

- **Mr. Jujhar Singh Dhanda** has been awarded **The James & Mary Dawson Scholarship** of \$5,000 for Scots coming to the USA for graduate or post-graduate level study. Hailing from Southpark Village, Glasgow, Scotland, he'll be pursuing a Master of Laws degree at Columbia Law School in New York City. Mr. Singh, currently serving as a Policy Officer in the Scottish Government's Justice Department, is a First Class Honors graduate of the University of Glasgow School of Law. Planning to return to government service, his concentration in Labor Law and Industrial Relations will lay the foundation for future contributions to the analysis and formulation of labor rights policies and regulations in a post-referendum Scotland.

- **Mr. Aaron Jentzen** of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania has been awarded **The Donald Malcolm MacArthur Scholarship** of \$2,500, for Americans studying in Scotland. A Rhodes Scholar nominee, Grade I Champion piper and the Music Editor of the *Pittsburgh City Paper*, he will be working toward a dual MA/MLitt degree in Professional Writing and Investigative Journalism at Carnegie-Mellon University and the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow. His plans include investigating changes in technology and new communications paradigms challenging traditional print media and book-length non-fiction writing on a range of topics including bagpiping culture in the United States.

- A St. Andrew's Scholarship in the amount of \$2,500 has been awarded to **Ms. Cassandra Smith-Christmas**, of Stafford, Virginia, who is working toward a Ph.D. in Celtic Studies at the University of Glasgow. A champion Scottish fiddler and linguist with *cum laude* degrees from the College of William and Mary in Virginia and the Universiteit Leiden in The Netherlands, her doctoral work centers on the preservation of endangered languages – specifically Scottish Gaelic. Her long-term aims include an academic post in Linguistics, research and teaching contributions to Gaelic language preservation programs, and the creation of a publishing house for children's books in endangered languages.

St. Andrew's Scholarships in the amount of \$2,000 each have been awarded to each of the following:

- **Mr. Alexander Whittaker Smith** an award-winning Honors graduate of the august Glasgow School of Art, coming to Columbia University in New York City for a Master of Fine Arts degree in Visual Arts.
- **Mr. Craig Iffland** of Centreville, VA, an MLitt candidate in Philosophy at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland, where he will study the effects of the Scottish Enlightenment on contemporary political and moral thought.
- **Ms. Abigail Lowry Campbell** of Arlington, VA, beginning her MD at the Columbia University College of Physicians & Surgeons in New York City. Born in Dundee, Scotland, she is a graduate of Princeton University and University College, Dublin.
- **Mr. Michael Collins** of Glasgow, Scotland, pursuing an MSFS degree at Georgetown University's Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service here in Washington.
- **Ms. C. Rowan McGirr** of Clackmannan, Scotland, a remarkably talented young violin scholar working toward her BM in Violin Performance at the prestigious conservatory of the Peabody Institute of the Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore ❁



Save the Date for the 61st Annual Tartan Ball

This year's Tartan Ball will be held on Saturday, November 13th, 2010 at The Mayflower Hotel, Washington, DC, described by President Harry Truman as "Washington's 2nd best address."

Conjuring images of a more elegant era, this black tie evening boasts Scottish pageantry, delicious single malts, dazzling cocktails and fine cuisine served amidst the heady entertainment provided by the Pipes and Drums of The St. Andrew's Society as well as ballroom dancing until midnight to a popular dance band.

Discounted Tickets:

Tickets are discounted for a limited time. Tickets purchased now at www.TartanBall.com will cost \$165 (plus a PayPal fee), but they will soon be going up to the full price of \$175.

Silent Auction:

Proceeds from the Tartan Ball's silent auction benefit the Washington Scots Charity and Education Fund, which has enabled young American and Scottish students to further their higher education. If you would like to donate any items for the silent auction, please contact any of the Ball Co-Chairs.

Additional Information: For additional information, please visit www.TartanBall.com or call 202-419-1887. We look forward to seeing you at the Tartan Ball.

Best regards,

Your 2010 Tartan Ball Co-Chairs

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61ST ANNUAL TARTAN BALL AUCTION

The 61st Annual Tartan Ball will be held on Saturday, November 13th, 2010, at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, DC (1127 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20036). All the Scottish pageantry of this grand ball, a high point of the Washington social season, will be on display for hundreds of fine guests in attendance. Conjuring images of a more elegant era, this black tie evening boasts single malt scotch, dazzling cocktails and fine cuisine served amidst the heady entertainment provided by our own Highland Pipes & Drum Corps and Highland Dance Troupe. The Tartan Ball is sponsored by The St. Andrew's Society of Washington, D.C., a non-profit fraternal social and cultural organization whose members are of Scottish birth or ancestry. The Society traces its origins back to 1760 in Colonial Alexandria, Virginia. Attendance at the Tartan Ball is open to all lovers of Scottish pageantry and culture. A Silent Auction will accompany the Ball.

Proceeds from the Tartan Ball, including those from our silent auction, benefit the St. Andrew's Society's own Washington Scots Charity & Education Fund, a 501(c) (3) charitable arm of The Society, which has enabled students from both the United States and Scotland to further their academic pursuits. The Charity and Education Fund annually grants awards enrolled in US or Scottish institutions for the third or fourth year of College or University or full time Graduate study. There are generally 6 to 10 awards granted annually in excess of \$20,000. Items donated to the Silent Auction are fully tax-deductible to the donor. Thank you letters confirming the donation are provided to all donors once all donated items have been auctioned – which will occur during the evening of the Tartan Ball on November 13th.

Name and address of the Donor(s) _____

Business Phone _____ Home Phone _____

Email Address _____ Fax Number _____

Description of item(s) to be donated to the Washington Scots Charity's Silent Auction at the Tartan Ball:

Estimated fair market value of the above item(s):

How will you be delivering the above item(s) on or before the date of the Ball?

Hand-Delivered Shipped by Commercial Carrier

For details about shipping items, contact Russell Shumway at 202-408-3230.

The Saint Andrew's Society of Washington, DC and the Washington Scots Charity & Education Fund assume no liability for the safe or timely delivery of donated items, nor for their safekeeping while at the hotel for the purposes of display and auction. Donors agree to hold the Society harmless for any breakage, loss, or other damage to items while in transit or at the event.

Contact Andrew Bell, bellam@gwmail.gwu.edu, 860-941-7601 or Scott Burrell, Scott.Burrell@dc.gov, 202-345-7016 to make your donation or for more information about the Ball ❁

NOMINATIONS NEEDED

In accordance with society bylaws, the nominating committee is now seeking nominations for the following positions:

Officers – President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary each for one year terms

Board of Managers – three slots for three year terms

Board of Trustees – two slots for three year terms

The committee welcomes all candidates but please be sure the candidate you're recommending is willing to serve. You are strongly encouraged to send your input to any member of the committee no later than September 24 (see contact info below). The committee must then prepare its recommended slate of nominees and submit to the secretary no later than October 1. Thanks to the committee for their work on this important issue.

Nominating committee:

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David McKenzie – calvingpi@aol.com



MOST MERITORIOUS ORDER OF ST. ANDREW

As part of our 250th anniversary celebration, the Board of Managers has approved a new program called the Most Meritorious Order of St. Andrew. Its purpose is to recognize the outstanding achievements of individuals of Scottish ancestry, as well as those individuals not of Scottish ancestry whose achievements have made an outstanding contribution to the Scottish diaspora. Fellow member **Scott MacMillian** (scotmac2000@hotmail.com) introduced the concept to us earlier this year and thanks to him we now have a program that will not only recognize and encourage such contributions but also promote our society in the process. Please contact Scott to learn how you can submit your nomination

HELP THE SOCIETY SAVE PAPER, ELECTRICITY AND TIME

The Society is updating and scrubbing its email list. If you are not currently receiving email notifications of upcoming events (for example, Members' Meetings) and would like to, please send a note to our Vice President, Russ Shumway at russ@rmshumway.net to have your name added to the mailing list. If you are receiving notifications and would like to opt out, please send a note to that effect to Russ as well.

ANOTHER CHANCE FOR MEMBERS TO MEET DEBUTS IN DC

By David Close"

Fifteen members St Andrews Society DC met at the City Tavern in Georgetown Thursday August 19th 2010. This was the inaugural event using the City Tavern Club's 3rd floor as a meeting point for society members to socialize in a private club like atmosphere.

Andrew Bell (recent new member) worked with City Tavern group and Joel Hinzman (SAS member) to put the event together and plan on holding monthly or bi-monthly social gatherings at the club where, you can sit and read in the library, play cards, chess, or just socialize over drinks with other members.

As for the costs we have to pay (\$100) for the private bar staff so the more members that take advantage of the fantastic venue the cheaper it will be per person. (last night five SAS members sponsored the event cost)

The intentions is to have a great meeting place for members and guests"

COLOUR GUARDS UPDATE

THE GUARDS TAKE TO THE HIGH SEAS



Your Editor's Residence pressed into service by the Guards.

Or at least...the Chesapeake Bay.

Joining "Regimental Boatswain" Adam Pressman on the 40' Sailboat on which he lives were several of the Colour Guard and the women who stand behind us and make this all possible. This was our second annual Day on the Bay



Ladies can join in this annual event



Insignia Chairman Mark casts off

GUARDS SUPPORT VIRGINIA SCOTTISH GAMES AND POLO AND WINE EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER A GREAT MEADOW IN VIRGINIA.

- 4,5 Virginia Scottish Games
- 11, 12 Wine and Polo Events





St. Andrew's Society of Washington, D.C.

- RSVP -

Members' Dinner – Thursday, September 9, 2010

Please join us Thursday, September 9, for our members' dinner meeting. Our speaker will be W. David Sellar, Esq., Lord Lyon King of Arms. The Court of the Lord Lyon is the heraldic authority for Scotland and deals with all matters relating to Scottish Heraldry and maintains the *Public Registers of Arms and Bearing* in Scotland. We will also distribute special 250th Anniversary Membership pins to all members present.

We will meet at the **Belle Haven Country Club**, 6023 Fort Hunt Road, Alexandria, VA 22307. From I-495/ I-95 exit at 177A/B, Rt. 1 South (Richmond Hwy) towards Fort Belvoir (this is the exit typically taken to get to Old Town Alexandria from the Beltway). At the end of the ramp, make a left on to Fort Hunt Road; this will take you across Route 1. Then turn left at the first light which is at the intersection of Fort Hunt Road and Huntington Avenue into the Entrance of the Club. Follow the signs to the Clubhouse at the end of the drive and park in any available space. Ample parking is available on club grounds – you need not park along Ft. Hunt Road.

Please note that both protocol and tradition require gentlemen to wear jacket and necktie at evening dinner meetings. Highland dress (daywear jacket and kilt) is encouraged but not required. Members are encouraged to bring guests to join us for dinner and to hear the speaker. We will be extending this invitation to other Scottish and heraldic societies. However, only members may attend the business meeting.

Because space is limited and we expect a large turnout to hear our speaker, you are strongly advised to complete your reservation and payment no later September 3, 2009. You may also RSVP electronically to Vice President Russell Shumway at vicepres@saintandrewsociety.org or leave a message at 703-980-6252.

YES, I WANT A GREAT DINNER & DISCUSSION

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Signature: _____

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