



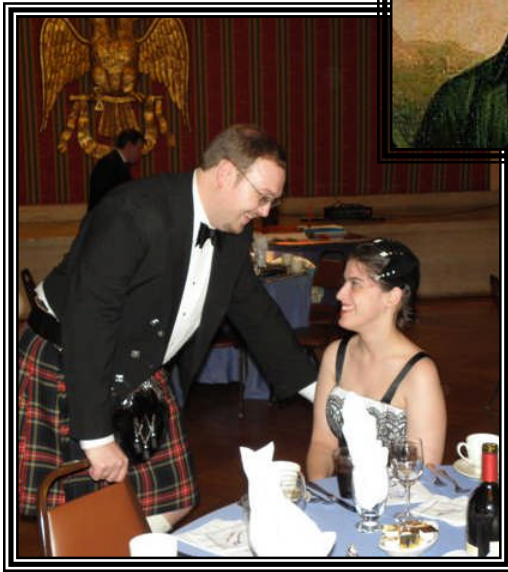
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ROBERT BURNS Supper a Success Scottish Rite Masonic Temple hosts Tribute



Saturday, January 22, 2011

As the accompanying photos attest, the nearly 230 people who attended the 33rd Annual Burns' Night Supper held at the Scottish Rite Temple on North Charles Street had a wonderful evening. The event was planned by Roderick Alexander with the assistance of Fred Dickson who built a beautiful onyx table in memory of Capt. John Kinnier for use at our Burns' Suppers. Paul Douglas gave a thoughtful expository on the St. Andrew's Society of Baltimore as part of his toast to the Society while Robert Alexander toasted the Lassies. Monica McClamrock's original poem toasting the Laddies was a gem of humor and everyone was spellbound by Margaret Alexander's recitation of *Scot's Wa Hae*. Caitlin McLean was magical with her various Highland dances to the accompaniment of Pipe Major Dan Lyden. Col. Alfred E. Schudel, Jr. did a marvelous job of Addressing the Haggis as did Chris Wilson as the Master of Ceremonies. The hors d'oeuvres were plentiful, the beverages abounding, the food delicious, and the company enchanting. Scottish Rite personnel were also in attendance who provided guided tours of their facility. A truly marvelous evening was experienced by all.



President's Wee Word

Fellow Members

It is so wonderful to see the weather beginning to warm and the spring flowers beginning to sprout. Along with this weather comes the beginning of our season to enjoy our Heritage. Recently the Burns Night supper was quite a success.



Preparations are being made for the Tartan Ball on April 2nd and Nick is doing a great job in bringing this together. You should have received your invitation by now and hopefully we will see you and your guests in attendance.

We began the ETC season by parading down the streets of Baltimore with our Celtic cousins from Ireland on March 13th in the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade. Quite a number of members marched along with their families joining us afterwards for some food and fellowship. Heritage and ETC did a magnificent job as usual in planning and bring this together. We marched in the first wave this year and it moved fairly quickly.

During our recent Stated Meeting dinner the program was presented by our own George Toole, Eric Liddell, "the Flying Scot" /Chariots of Fire. That evening we also tried something a bit out of the ordinary and permitted wives and family to attend since there was such interest in the topic George presented. This appeared to be well received and it may happen again if the Board of Managers feels it to be appropriate to continue this new happening for our stated meetings. We only ask that the women wear pants since most of the men are kilted. The next Stated Meeting will be in May, look for your notice in the mail and please call ahead for reservations. With a reservation we can assure a fairly accurate head count keeping our costs down.

Please look at the other articles for upcoming events, games and functions. This is your society, make the best of it, get your dues worth, come out and participate. I hope to see each and every member at some function as the year goes by.

Greg Scott
52nd President



The Almoner's Report

Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

The Friend of Patience is _

I assume, like me, there are times when patience is hard to come by. When I check out at a grocery store, the line in which I stand automatically becomes the longest one. If, in my impatience, I change lines, *that* line then becomes the one with the long delay.

Impatience erupts when we are eagerly awaiting the birth of a child or grandchild, the check in the mail, the end of another snow storm, or a speech that has already lost our interest. Most of all, however, is the impatience that accompanies illness or grief. Frequently the Psalmist says in anguish, "How long, O Lord, how long?" Immediately we know just how he feels. To us our recovery from illness is taking too long or our wading through grief seems endless.

What is "the friend of patience? What can help us in times like these? In addition to God's presence, it is the support of friends like us that can make the difference. With that in mind, I encourage you to lend support to those in need, especially H. Russell Wright, Jr., and Albert L. Bartlett, who are seriously ill. In addition, support for those mentioned in previous issues of the *Pibroch* and be a friend in their impatience

Yours aye,
George

John Kinnier's final resting place Arlington National Cemetery ...June 6th

On June 6th at 9:00 a.m. John Kinnier Sr. will be interred at his final resting place in Arlington National Cemetery. The family has requested and opened the service to members of the St. Andrew's Society of Baltimore and would be appreciative if we could attend. If you plan on attending please try to arrive at the main gate by 8:30 to be processed into the cemetery and come to the funeral visiting center. The service will begin promptly at 0900 hours with full military honors. If you should have any questions or need additional information do not hesitate to contact me, Greg Scott, 301-645-6278 or sporanman@aol.com.





Escort to the Colors

Otherwise known as the "E.T.C.," the Escort to the Colors is the unofficial "face" of the St. Andrew's Society of Baltimore.



Baltimore's St. Patrick's Day Parade

On Sunday, March 13, at the Emmanuel Episcopal Church at noon, about 25 SASB lads fueled their bodies and practiced the "left wheel" for the march in the St. Patrick's Day Parade. After gathering their flags and approaching the starting point, the lads marched on with Mike Betz at the command. (Al Schudel lost his voice earlier). The Parade stepped off at 2:00 p.m. at the Washington Monument, and continued to Pratt Street and Market Place. The lads marched proudly through the cloudy, cool afternoon, while spectators cheered them on.

On the parade's conclusion, the SASB lads returned to the church for Scottish bangers and ale. Some continued their retreat to a near by Irish pub. A great day for all as we celebrated with our Irish brothers.

"Erin o Bragh"

ETC Coming Events

Some of the events ETC proudly participates are church going as well as memorial events. They make up most of the members attending "Kirkins" throughout the year. This Spring "KIRKINS" are planned for, St. Patrick's Day Parade and kirkin – Basilica of the Assumption in March.

Details of all events * *insert*
"Men in Kilts Calendar of Events"

In order to have a smooth running parade or ceremony we ask that you show up on time when you sign up. If you find that you cannot attend call, Al Schudel immediately and cancel. Don't be a No Show. It only takes a few minutes to make a phone call. Thank you for you co-operation.



*St. Patrick's Day Parade
Sunday, March 13, 2011*



We welcome your joining us in the fun and camaraderie we share, so please contact Bud Howe (410-592-5349 / achowe@verizon.net), Don Kerr (410-879-6502/donkerr@kerrwoodworks.com), Al Schudel (410-828-6140 & 410-435-5200) to volunteer. Remember, whenever you find three or four Scots gathered, you're sure to find a Single Malt.



Hospitality

Wm. Hay Kommalan

Stated Meeting Thursday, May 12

As usual, the meeting begins with refreshments starting at 5:30 PM, with dinner being served by 6:30 PM and our program about 7:15 PM. I encourage you to make a reservation with Stuart Blair at (410) 665-6440 or e-mail him at thistleman@verison.net. I need everyone's understanding that in order for the caterer to prepare enough food for everyone, informing us of your attendance is a big help.



We will have a special guest from the St. Andrew's Society of Philadelphia, Edward Cattell. Ed is the Chair of the Monument Committee for erecting the monument to honor all immigrant Scots to America.

Many of you have contributed to the fund and this is the opportunity to hear a first hand account of the monument's unveiling in Philadelphia. The dedication ceremony is scheduled in late May and you may want to attend.

I want to thank George Toole for the first person presentation of Eric Liddell, The flying Scot, at our March Stated Meeting.

Come; participate in the fun and conviviality,
It's your Society
Aye, Bill Kommalan

Scottish Trivia Question

Name the Scottish Immigrant "Hall of Fame" jockey who had seven mounts in the Kentucky Derby with his best finish a third in 1937. He competed twice in the Preakness Stakes, finishing third on Snowflake in 1930 and second in 1932 on Tick On. He rode the colt Robert Morris to a win in the Peter Pan Stakes and ran second in the 1941 Belmont Stakes."

- a) Bobby B. Lindsay
- b) Alfred M. Robertson
- c) Johnny Bain
- d) Jock Ferguson

• *Answer on page 7*

The Scottish Memorial Monument

Members and friends of the St. Andrew's Society of Baltimore we thank you for your generous contributions to the St. Andrew's Society of Baltimore Foundation in the past two years to support the construction and perpetual maintenance of a national monument in Philadelphia, PA which will commemorate the thousands of immigrants from Scotland to the United States.

Contributions to the St. Andrew's Society of Baltimore Foundation were pooled together and, along with contributions from St. Andrew's Societies and Scots across America, were used to build and maintain The Scottish Memorial Monument, designed and sculpted by noted Philadelphia sculptor Terry Jones, a fellow Scot.

Throughout our nation, countless monuments have been erected to the many ethnic groups who have played important roles in United States history. To date, there is no such recognition of Scottish immigrants as a group, who, with their education and talents contributed so much to the foundation and growth of our great country.

Located in a professionally landscaped setting between Chestnut and Sansom Streets, Philadelphia, near the site of the Tun Tavern where the St. Andrew's Society of Philadelphia was founded in 1747, the Monument has been adjacent to the existing Irish monument. Designed by renowned landscape architect Laurie Dewar Olin, who is of Scottish decent, the setting includes Scottish plants together with standing stones and a cairn intended to reflect the ancient Celtic heritage of Scots and to acknowledge the many contributions made by the community of donors...

Again we thank you for the pledges and contributions to the "St. Andrew's Society of Baltimore Foundation" to help fund The Scottish Memorial Monument. With your participation you have made this a most successful campaign

Dedication of the Scottish Memorial Monument is scheduled for late May of this year...

Thank you for your participation in memory of our Scottish ancestors.



National Tartan Day

April 6

The National Holiday for All Scottish Americans

Americans of Scottish descent have played a vibrant and influential role in the development of this country. However not until 1997 was this influence recognized by a single-year U.S. Senate Resolution that appeared in the Congressional Record of April 7, 1997. In 1998 National Tartan Day was officially recognized on a permanent basis when the U.S. Senate passed Senate Resolution 155 recognizing April 6th as National Tartan Day. This was followed by companion bill House Resolution 41 which was passed by the U.S. House of Representatives on March 9, 2005.

That date commemorates the signing of the **Declaration of Arbroath** in 1320, which asserted Scotland's sovereignty over English territorial claims, and which was an influence on the American Declaration of Independence

Declaration of Arbroath

A Model for the American Declaration of Independence: Tartan Day Tribute to 1320 A.D. Declaration of Arbroath Scotland expelled the English armies under Edward II with its victory at Bannockburn in 1314 and with the recapture of Berwick in 1319. However, the English did not give up and mounted countless attacks into Robert the Bruce's Scotland. The Pope had not accepted Scottish independence, perhaps partially because Robert the Bruce had been excommunicated for killing John Comyn in a church in Dumfries in 1306.

Thus the Declaration of Arbroath was prepared as a formal Declaration of Independence. It was drawn up in Arbroath Abbey on the 6th April 1320, most likely by the Abbot, Bernard de Linton, who was also the Chancellor of Scotland. The Declaration urged the Pope to deny the English claim on Scotland.

In its mixture of defiance and supplication, nonsensical history and noble thought, two things make the Declaration of Arbroath the most important document in Scottish history.

Arbroath . . . Home of Scottish Freedom

Arbroath or Aberbrothock

Scottish Gaelic: *Obair Bhrothaig*

is a former royal burgh and the largest town in the council area of Angus in Scotland. It lies on the North Sea coast, SSW of Aberdeen.

While there is evidence for settlement of the area now occupied by the town that dates back to the Iron Age, Arbroath's history as a town begins in the High Middle Ages with the founding of Arbroath Abbey in 1178. Arbroath grew considerably during the Industrial Revolution owing to the expansion of firstly the flax and secondly the jute industries and the engineering sector...

The earliest recorded name for the town was 'Aberbrothock', a reference to the Brothock Burn which runs through the town, the prefix 'Aber' coming either from the Gaelic 'Obair', or the earlier Brythonic Pictish 'Aber' for 'river mouth'. The name 'Aberbrothock' can be found in numerous spelling variations. In the earliest manuscripts available, it is seen as 'Abirbrothoke'. In the Declaration of Arbroath, it is seen as 'Abirbrothoc'. Early maps show a number of variants including Aberbrothock, Aberbrothik, Aberbrothick, and Aberbrothwick.

The name 'Arbroath' became more common in the mid-19th century, with the older name being largely dispensed with by the time of the first edition of the Ordnance Survey Maps.^[14] However, variants of 'Arbroath' had been used since the 17th century, including 'Arbroth'^[15] and Aberbreth.

The first modern development in Arbroath was the Abbey, founded by King William the Lion in 1178 for monks of the Tironensian order from Kelso Abbey. It received consecration in 1197 with a dedication to Saint Thomas Becket. It was the King's only personal foundation, and he was buried within its precincts in 1214. The Abbey was not finally completed until 1233.

The Abbey relatively quickly fell into disuse and eventual disrepair after its dissolution at the Reformation, the lead from the roof rumoured to have been used in the 16th century civil wars and the stonework plundered for housebuilding throughout the town. The ruins were a popular site for travelers during the 17th and 18th centuries, and finally in 1815 the remains were taken into the care of the State for preservation. The remains are now administered by Historic Scotland.

On 6 April 1320 the Scottish Parliament met at Arbroath Abbey and addressed to the Pope the Declaration of Arbroath, drafted by the Abbot of the time, Bernard. This document detailed the services which their "lord and sovereign" Robert the Bruce had rendered to Scotland, and affirmed in eloquent terms the independence of the Scots



Scottish Immigrant

Alexander Wilson poet, ornithologist, naturalist

July 6, 1766 – August 23, 1813

Wilson was born in Paisley, Scotland, the son of an illiterate distiller. In 1779 he was apprenticed as a weaver. His main interest at this time was in writing poetry (Robert Burns was seven years older than Wilson). Some of Wilson's work - commenting on the unfair treatment of the weavers by their employers - got him into trouble with the authorities. The "golden age of Renfrewshire song" is embodied in the persons of Wilson and Robert Tannahill. Alexander Wilson was born near the Hammils, a broad if not steep waterfall in Paisley where the River Cart skirts Seedhill. It does indeed appear to be the case, as William Motherwell states, that a great amount of literary activity began in Paisley around this time.

In May 1794 Wilson left Scotland with his nephew to find a better life in America. Wilson obtained employment as a schoolteacher in Milestown, near Philadelphia. In 1801 he left Milestown and found a new teaching post in Gray's Ferry, Pennsylvania; Wilson took up residence in nearby Kingsessing. It was here that he met the famous naturalist William Bartram who developed Wilson's interest in ornithology. In 1802 Wilson decided to publish a book illustrating all the North American birds. With this in mind he traveled widely, watching and painting birds and collecting subscribers for his book. The result was the nine-volume *American Ornithology* (1808–1814), illustrating 268 species of birds, 26 of which had not previously been described. He died during the writing of the ninth volume, which was completed and published after his death by his friend George Ord. Wilson lies buried next to Ord at Gloria Dei Church cemetery in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Wilson is now regarded as the greatest American ornithologist prior to Audubon. It was his meeting with Audubon in Louisville, Kentucky in 1810 which probably inspired the younger man to produce a book of his own bird illustrations, though Audubon's reaction to Wilson was decidedly ambiguous.

Several species of bird were named for Wilson, including Wilson's Storm-petrel, Wilson's Plover, Wilson's Phalarope and Wilson's Warbler. The warbler genus *Wilsonia* was also named for him by C. L. Bonaparte.

Alexander Wilson died in 1813 in Philadelphia, where he is buried. He is honoured in his home town of Paisley with a memorial and a statue. The statue stands in the grounds of Paisley Abbey, and the memorial stands on the banks of the River Cart at the Hammills waterfall in Paisley. It is inscribed "Remember Alexander Wilson 1766-1813. Here was his boyhood playground."



An illustration from Wilson's American Ornithology published by subscription over a number of years, with the final volume completed after Wilson's death by his friend George Ord. Wilson's purpose was scientific, rather than aesthetic and his plates characteristically present a number of related species, accompanied by text, rather than focusing on one bird or pair of birds.



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The members of this venerable Society come from all areas and all walks of life... Membership is open to men who were born in Scotland or have at least one ancestor of Scottish blood. The cost of initial membership is \$95.00 which includes \$45.00 initiation fee plus \$50.00 for the first years' dues.

Before your relatives and friends apply for membership, we strongly recommend they visit us. Check our SASB Calendar and either visit us at one of the Highland Games or make arrangements to attend one of our four Stated Meetings.

SASB Brothers and Relatives Interred at Arlington National Cemetery ?

A study is being undertaken to collect all the names of past members and relatives of St. Andrew's Society of Baltimore members who are buried at Arlington National Military Cemetery. It is believed there is probably a higher percentage of SAS members and relatives than that in the general population buried there. Once the list is compiled, we may schedule an outing to Arlington Cemetery and to the DC war memorials. Kindly send any information to Dr. Jack Gordon (gordondoc@bigplanet.com), Chuck Aquilla (chuckaquilla@hotmail.com), or Herb Glasby (hglasby@comcast.net)

Celtic Festival of Southern Maryland

Although the ETC no longer participates in the opening ceremonies of these games the Society will still have a tent for our members to stop by and take a break or rest a bit if they choose. These games will be at Jefferson Patterson Park in Calvert County from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 30th. If you or your family is headed that way stop by the tent in the Clan area. For more information visit: www.cssm.org. This is an attend on your own event

Scottish Humor

Ode Tae a Bumble Bee by Stuart McLean

Wee hoverin', fleein' ferlie fello',
Wi' yer stripes o' black and yello',
Yer ever sae bonnie, so ye ur,
Like a spring lamb – only smaller and withoot fur,
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It is a goal of the new editor to have the *Pibroch* added to the Society's web-site, so keep checking <http://www.standrewsbaltimore.org> where you can also find more pictures of Society events.

Event Pictures On-Line

David Zimmerman and other photographers have been passing the photos of many events to the Society's webmaster, Jim Wallace, who has been putting them on our website: <http://standrewsbaltimore.org/>. You may find these photos under the "Photo Albums" section or by going directly to <http://standrewsbaltimore.org/photoalbum/index.html>. Each photo will enlarge if you click on it. Enjoy reliving fond moments.

Answer to Trivia Question:

Alfred M. Robertson



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Now Spring Has Clad The Grove In Green

Robert Burns

Now spring has clad the grove in green,
And strew'd the lea wi' flowers;
The furrow'd, waving corn is seen
Rejoice in fostering showers:
While ilka thing in nature join
Their sorrows to forego,
O why thus all alone are mine
The weary steps of woe?

The trout in yonder wimpling burn
That glides, a silver dart,
And safe beneath the shady thorn
Defies the angler's art --
My life was ance that careless stream,
That wanton trout was I;
But love, wi' unrelenting beam,
Has scorch'd my fountains dry.
The little flow'ret's peaceful lot,
In yonder cliff that grows,
Which, save the linnet's flight, I wot,
Nae ruder visit knows,

Was mine; till love has o'er me past,
And blighted a' my bloom,
And now beneath the with'ring blast
My youth and joy consume.

The waken'd lav'rock warbling springs,
And climbs the early sky,
Winnowing blythe her dewy wings
In morning's rosy eye:
As little reekt I sorrow's power,
Until the flowery snare
O' witching love, in luckless hour,
Made me the thrall o' care.

O had my fate been Greenland snows,
Or Afric's burning zone,
Wi' man and nature leagu'd my foes,
So Peggy ne'er I'd known!
The wretch whase doom is, "hope nae mair,"
What tongue his woes can tell!
Within whase bosom, save despair,
Nae kinder spirits dwell



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