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Scots Celebrate America's Birthday Independence Day Parade

July 4, 2011

Submitted by: Bud Howe

The day dawned clear and warming up with increasing humidity. Believe it or not the parade marshals placed us exactly where we were last year. We were in the first wave the fourth unit. We finished the drop outs making their way to the Towson American Legion and were at the hotdogs, beer and ice cream provided by our hosts the Towson American Legion by 11:30am. We started marching at about 11am.

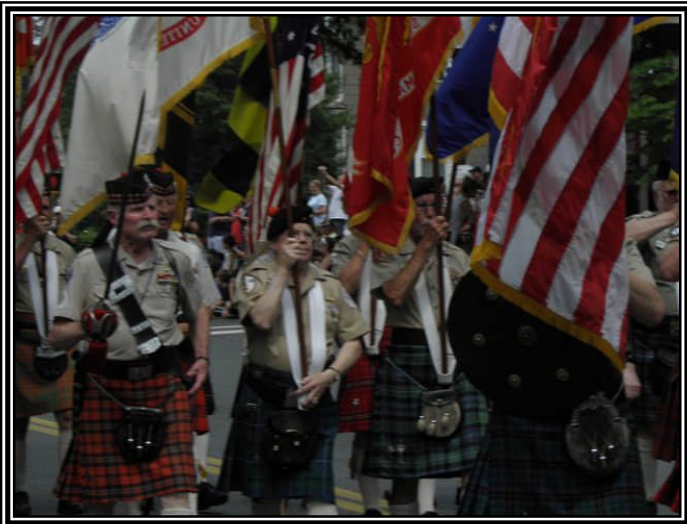
The turnout by the members was great we had 23 men including our youngest marcher Scott Hinson's son Tommy. Also with the ETC this year were a large number of first time and younger society member marchers. The old guys really appreciate the new & younger marchers. These people know who they are. Also among the marchers were banner carriers Sargie Woodward (Joe Woodward's wife), Angelia Hinson and Heather Hinson (Scott Hinson's wife and daughter respectively), and Kathy Schudel (Mike Schudel's daughter and Al Schudel's granddaughter). We cannot thank these ladies enough for their participation. They really do a great job.

Prior to the parade Colonel Schudel put us through six practice sessions of right wheels even though we only had to perform three in the parade.

All in all it was a good day and the marchers did a great job. We even got the three right wheels right in the parade. Unfortunately there were 3 drop outs in the parade Chuck Aquilla, John Weis, & yours truly due to the heat & perhaps on the part of one drop out too much party at Mike Betts party the day before.

By the way Mike Betts stayed home to recover from his party. Smart move Mike!

We again offer our thanks to the Towson American Legion for the party and the pipe bands for the concert after the parade. The Legion does a great service to the marchers and their families.





SASB ETC remembers our fallen heroes

Memorial Day May 30, 2011

Submitted by: Bud Howe

The show up time was originally 1 PM but was changed to 10am for the troops for the 11am ceremonies; the weather was clear and not too hot. We were in the khaki shirt uniform and only a few marchers were not in complete uniform. I don't think that any of the audience noticed. However, the Colonel did. It just goes to show you "don't try to fool the Colonel".

We had 18 men show up and they really did a good job according to Colonel Al Schudel. Thank the higher power that the main speaker was very short in his address. By the time that he got his chance to speak the temperature and humidity had gotten into a less than bearable level. After we finished at the Korean War Memorial we then paraded over to the memorial service for the USMC 11th Engineers Reserve Battalion remembrance of their members that were lost in the Korean War.

After the ceremonies were over we marched off at the trail to Al Schudel's car to put the flags, guns and sword in the Al's vehicle. We then were treated to a repast of much needed refreshment in the form of cold beer.

Our piper Ed McFarland got us on & off of the ceremonial areas with his excellent piping. Believe it or not we started out with minimum practice. Al must be slipping or somewhat understanding that we old guys were starting to melt due to the heat.

Hopefully next year this program will also start in the morning around 10 AM before the sun reaches its zenith. I am sure that the politicians can get there earlier.

Unfortunately some of the ETC do not read their email & showed up at 1pm. I will mention no names but they know who they are!



President's Wee Word

Fellow Members

We have hit the "dog days of summer" where the Maryland summers where not considered when someone once said that "only mad dogs and Englishmen go out in the mid day sun. Whoever made that statement oh so long ago was not familiar with the St. Andrew's Society of Baltimore.



If they had been they would know we love going out in the "mid-day sun" in August. We enjoy this as we honor William Wallace at the William Wallace Memorial Ceremony on August 21st in Druid Hill Park. We do this in remembrance of the historic Scottish figure that instilled the sense and desire for freedom in all folks of Scottish decent, regardless of where they live. This is a wonderful event. If you have not participated or attended in the past this may be an opportunity to come out and join as we celebrate the gift of Freedom, the memory of William Wallace, the freedom fighter, enjoy the company of other members and have a great time.

Following the William Wallace Memorial ceremony we will move to the Nisbet Cemetery to honor the final resting place of one of our Society founders. Additionally this is where the Society formally remembers those members of our Society and their family members that have left us. We do this in the tradition of our ancestors by placing a stone in remembrance of our loved ones that have gone on to their final calling. If you have not shared in the experience of remembering and celebrating the life of those that have gone on, you should attend. If you have family members or someone you have cared for, bring a stone to be placed upon the memorial in their memory.

Some may consider the St. Andrew's Society of Baltimore must be madder than mad dogs and Englishmen especially going out in the mid day sun wrapped in our wool and our heads covered with dark bonnets. But they do not know the joy of these celebrations far offsets what minor irritation of a warm summer day when we celebrate the love of freedom and the lives that have touched all of us. Come out and experience this joy for yourself.

I look forward to seeing all of you at some event in the future. Read the articles; look at the calendar of upcoming events. I am sure you will find something of interest to you and your family.

In your service,

Greg Scott
52nd President





The Almoner's Report

Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

Flowers of the Forest

A Reminder on Independence Day

On Independence Day weekend I was reading some thoughts people have had about the nature of freedom. One of them was **"Freedom is not the right to do as you please, but the liberty to do as you ought."** That was not only a helpful reminder about the nature of freedom. It was also a reminder of how good it feels "to do as we ought".



As members of the St. Andrew's Society of Baltimore we extend our support and caring to one another during life's times of difficulty and our times of celebration. A bonus comes when we find it produces good feelings with us. There is a justifiable satisfaction when we have done something that we know is good for others and also feels good to us.

This issue of the *Pibroch* offers us the opportunity to show our concern for those who have encountered discouraging circumstances. We have members who continue to suffer with persistent health problems and battle them daily. Keep them in mind. Keep in your prayers Jacqueline Ferguson, wife of Ian Ferguson, Also let us offer our sympathy and support to Ronald N. Esler, whose wife, Phyllis, died recently. A note to Elizabeth Pratt, whose husband J. Michael Pratt, who died recently, would bring her comfort. [1434 Glenville Road, Havre de Grace, MD 21078]

While we are at it, let's give thanks to God for those who have experienced haling and recovery.

It's good when doing what we ought to do also pleases us!

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. was interred at his final resting place in Arlington National Cemetery. The St. Andrew's Society of Baltimore joined the Kinnier Family for this special service given by Rev. Ernest Smart along with the U S Navy. The service began promptly at 0900 hours with full military honors.

As Rev. Smart provided meaningful words for the memorial, a Navy regiment honored the ceremony in their dress whites along with a full band in their whites. Escorted by Navy Color Guard, a hearse (open top) was drawn by six beautiful white horses, as they led us from the chapel to the grave site.

The closure of the service included taps and a twenty one gun salute. Ed McFarland along with another (Scottish Rite) piper played Amazing Grace and Highland Cathedral.



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.



SASB Ladies . . .

A meaningful part of the ETC

We wish to thank our ladies who have been outstanding marching in from of the men carrying the flags. The ladies carry our Banner and shepherd the young kids who want to march. Sargie Woodward, Angela Hinson, Meg Schudel, Heather Hinson, we thank you. Also we thank MaryJane Pennell and Carol Issac who get the Hot Dogs, Drinks and other eats ready fro us after the event. We also appreciate our Ladies who join us at various Kirkins of the Tartans. Please keep it up, you mean a lot to us. We hope some more ladies will join us. You are more than welcome.



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.

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

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

The Kiltie Band of York and the ETC . . .

A team of Scots march on

In 1947, the Kiltie Band of York, Pennsylvania, had become the official bagpipe band of the St. Andrew's Society of Baltimore. The band was founded in 1928 by Col. Richard F. Yost, a piping instructor from Philadelphia. Through the 1960's, the Society regularly contributed to the equipment fund of the band. Additionally, the Society helped with transportation expenses to send the band members each summer to the Grandfather's Mountain Highland Games in North Carolina.

On July 9, 1966, the band sustained a loss with the death of its founder and spiritual leader, Colonel Yost. At the meeting of the Society's Board of Managers on July 14, "a moment of silence" was held in his memory. A resolution was passed to remember that his "contributions to the Society, both personally and trough his founding and leadership of the Kiltie Band of York, have brought joy, color and pride to all of our members on occasions too numerous to mention..." Charles A. Conklin 3rd (31st president 1967-1969) reported on the recent Grandfather Mountain Highland Games, and he noted, "The news of Col. Yost's death late Saturday dampened everyone's spirits, but the Band's performance was excellent and thoroughly appreciated. Pipe Major Wailes expressed his deep thanks for the financial assistance of the Society and its members.



Mark your calendar for the Anniversary Dinner

It will be here before you know it. This year it is Thursday December 1, 2011 at the Crowne Plaza in Timonium. Bring along some friends they will have a great time.



*Anniversary Dinner * December 2010*

Anniversary Dinner Raffle Donations

For several years now the Anniversary Dinner has had a raffle of various items, from canoe rides, to whiskey, sweaters, cigars, flint lock pistols, concert tickets and what not's. What we need are donations for the next 206th Anniversary Dinner.

Can you offer us something that is a bit unique, a mountain cottage or condo weekend at the beach?

If you have something of good value that will enhance the raffle, we would love to hear about it.

Understand the proceeds are to benefit the Society and all its programs and events. The raffle in the past has made a significant contribution to the success of the Anniversary Dinners and we want to get a head start on it for this year's dinner. We also want to offer something a bit different than the usual items, so if you have a suggestion as well as an item to contribute, we want to hear from you.

Please contact us directly at (410) 382-0130.

Thanks & Aye,

Debbie & Bill Kommalan

School of Piping

So you have always wanted to play the Bag Pipes or become a Drummer

Now is your opportunity....The Saint Andrew's Society of Baltimore School of Piping and Drumming is the place where you can make your longing for this goal come true. Last month a proposal was put before and accepted by the Board of managers to reach out to the membership and community and offer to beginners of all ages the chance to learn to play the bagpipes and accompanying drum corps. Classes are scheduled to begin in the spring of 2012 and will be held once per week at a site to be determined in the Towson area.

Utilizing the current piping and drumming community within the society a curriculum will be put in place to accommodate the needs of the students registered to attend. We need a minimum of 6 (six) piping and 4 drumming students to get started. Please look for upcoming announcements and notifications to take advantage of this opportunity. This is your chance to fulfill that calling and learn Scotland's National Instrument. Any age, man or women, boy or girl will be accepted, and within a short time can be playing the pipes or drums. For more information please call Roderick Alexander 410-692-0612.

Scottish Trivia Question

Andrew Moray was a prominent military leader of patriotic forces during the Scottish Wars of Independence. He led the rising in northern Scotland against the occupation by the King of England, successfully regaining control of the area for King John of Scotland. He merged his forces with those of another patriot to victory at the

- a) Battle of Falkirk
- b) Battle of Culloden
- c) Battle of Dupplin Moor
- d) Battle of Stirling Bridge

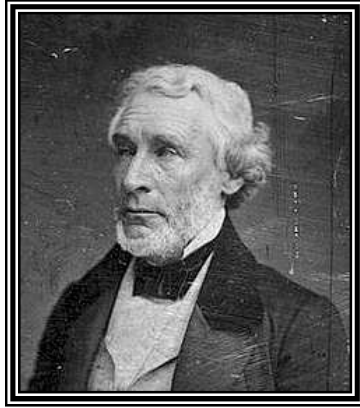
Answer on page 7



Scottish Immigrant

James Gordon Bennett, Sr.

1 September 1795 – 1 June 1872 was the founder, editor and publisher of the *New York Herald* and a major figure in the history of American newspapers.



Born to a prosperous Catholic family in Newmill, Banffshire, Scotland, at 15 Bennett entered the Catholic seminary in Aberdeen, where he remained for four years.

After leaving the seminary he read voraciously on his own and traveled throughout Scotland. In 1819 he joined a friend who was sailing to North America. After four weeks they landed in Halifax, Nova Scotia, where Bennett briefly worked as a schoolmaster till he had enough money to sail to Portland, Maine, where he again taught school in the village of Addison, moving on to Boston by New Year's 1820.^[1] He worked as a proofreader and bookseller before the *Charleston Courier* hired him to translate Spanish news reports. He moved to New York City in 1823 where he worked as a freelance paper writer and, then, assistant editor of the *New York Courier and Enquirer*.

In May 1835, Bennett began the *Herald* after years of failing to start a paper. In April 1836, it shocked readers with front-page coverage of the murder of prostitute Helen Jewett; Bennett conducted the first-ever newspaper interview for it. The *Herald* initiated a cash-in-advance policy for advertisers, which became the industry standard. Bennett was also at the forefront of using the latest technology to gather and report the news, and added illustrations produced from woodcuts. In 1839, Bennett was granted the first ever exclusive interview to a United States President, Martin Van Buren.

By the time Bennett turned control of the *Herald* over to his son James Gordon Bennett Jr. in 1866, it had the highest circulation in America. However, under the younger Bennett's stewardship, the paper declined, and, after his death, it was merged with its arch-rival, the *New York Tribune*.

On 6 June 1840 he had married Henrietta Agnes Crean in New York. They had three children including James Gordon Bennett and Jeanette Gordon Bennett, who married Isaac Bell, Jr.

The phrase "Gordon Bennett" which denotes exasperation or shock derives from the son, or amongst the FDNY where it is highest medal a New York City Firefighter can earn (compared to the Medal of Honor for the US Military), "That meal was so good, it should win the Gordon Bennett!"

He also has a street named for him from West 181st to Hillside Ave in Northern Manhattan a.k.a. Washington Heights, a park named in his honor is also along Fort Washington Ave.

Bennett's account of the Helen Jewett murder in the *Herald* was selected by The Library of America for inclusion in the 2008 anthology *True Crime*



*New York Herald Building * Late 1800's*



“Ceud Mile Failte” A Hundred Thousand Welcomes

"Our Society was founded in 1806, in the city of Baltimore, not long after the American Revolution. The purpose was to raise and keep money available to help Scottish immigrants, seamen and descendants of Scots in times of need; and to maintain Scottish heritage and traditions. Our Society has upheld that purpose by contributing to community activities, offering assistance to Scots and by displaying our Scottish traditions and heritage in many forms throughout Maryland and the neighboring states.

This is our Society, and we're proud of it. So come, join us. And if you do, you'll see that while we work hard, we play hard and have a lot of fun in the process."

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.

Scottish Humor

A Glaswegian stops before a graveyard in a Gorbals cemetery, and notices a carved tombstone declaring,

"Here lies a lawyer and an honest man..."

*"Ach, who'd ever think..." he murmured,
"there'd be enough room fer two men in that
one wee grave..."*

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Pibroch On-Line

It is a goal of the 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:

Battle of Stirling Bridge



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Who is Charles Edward Louis John Casimir Sylvester Maria ?

Born in Rome, Italy, was the second Jacobite pretender to the thrones of England, Scotland, and Ireland. This claim was as the eldest son of James Francis Edward, and grandson of James II and VII. Charles is perhaps best known as the instigator of the unsuccessful Jacobite uprising of 1745, in which he led an insurrection which ended in defeat at the Battle of Culloden that effectively ended the Jacobite cause. Charles's flight from Scotland after the uprising has rendered him a romantic figure of heroic failure in later representations.

This historic Scot was commonly known as **Bonnie Prince Charlie**



AUGUST

Event: **Board of Managers Meeting**
Date: Tuesday, August 2
Time: 8:00 p.m.
Place: St. Andrew's Christian Community Church

Event: **William Wallace Memorial Ceremony**

* See Promo to right ➤

Event: **Nisbet Cemetery Ceremony**

* See Promo to right ➤

SEPTEMBER

Event: **Board of Managers Meeting**
Date: Tuesday, September 6
Time: 8:00 p.m.
Place: St. Andrew's Christian Community Church

Event: **Virginia Scottish Games**
(attend on your own)

Date: Saturday & Sunday, September 3 & 4
Time: 9am to 6pm both days
Place: Great Meadows, The Plains, VA
Contact: vascottishgames.org (703-912-1943)

Event: **Annual Picnic**
Date (TBA)

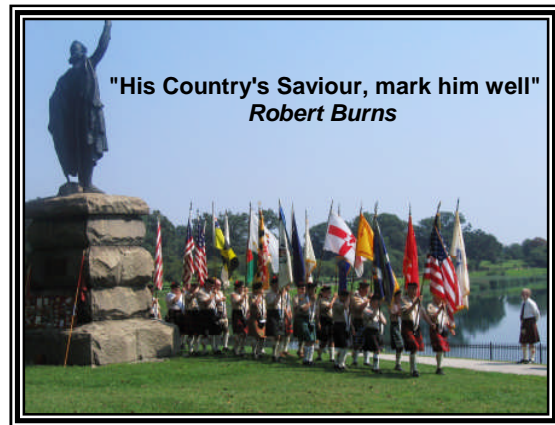
OCTOBER

Event: **Board of Managers Meeting**
Date: Tuesday, October 4
Time: 8:00 p.m.
Place: St. Andrew's Christian Community Church

Event: **Stated Meeting**
Date: Thursday, October 13
Time: Bar opens @ 5:30 p.m.;
Dinner starts @ 6:30 p.m.
Place: Towson American Legion Hall

Event: **Kirkin' -**
Date: Sunday, October 16
Time: **Show-Up @ 8:30 a.m.;**
Service begins @ 9:00 am
Place: St. Andrew's Christian Community Church –
5802 Roland Ave.
Attire: Day Wear or Coat & Tie

William Wallace Memorial Ceremony



Sunday, August 21
Show-Up @ 10:30 a.m.;
Ceremony @ 11:00 a.m.
Druid Hill Park, Baltimore
Attire: Khaki Shirt

Nisbet Cemetery Ceremony



"Place a stone . . . for the experience of remembering and celebrating the life of those that have gone on . . ." Greg Scott

Sunday, August 21
Show-Up @ 12:00 noon
* following Wallace Ceremony
Nisbet Cemetery, Galloway Ave., Padonia
Khaki Shirt
Note: To restaurant near cemetery