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## St. Andrew's Society of Baltimore 205<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner



The 205<sup>th</sup> St. Andrew's Society Anniversary Dinner (2 December 2011) was a great success! We had a full house of members with guest societies and friends. Our lads imitated the evening with the partaking of ale, single malt, and fellowship. With the presentation of past presidents, Address to the Haggis, award presentation and the excellent cuisine, a superb evening was enjoyed by all. We even finished a bit early.

Kudos to the committee and volunteers who helped. A special thanks goes out to Herb Glasby for assisting me in my first attempt in this endeavor

"Alba go Brath"  
Ed McFarland  
Anniversary Dinner Chairman





## President's Wee Word

Fellow Members

I hope all of you had a happy Hogmanay and the good fortune and opportunities of a New Year continue with you throughout.



What is Hogmanay?

Hogmanay is celebrated on New Year's Eve, every year; usually in a most exuberant fashion in Scotland as hundreds of thousands of revelers take to the streets to see in the New Year. In the cities of Glasgow and Edinburgh it has become a huge ticketed festival. Celebrations start in the early evening and reach a crescendo by midnight. Minutes before the start of New Year, a lone piper plays and bells chime at the turn of midnight, lots of kissing, and everyone sings Auld Lang Syne. And then there is more kissing. Elsewhere in Scotland, particularly in more remote parts, customary first footing and Scottish dances, or ceilidhs, take place. For centuries, fire ceremonies -- torch light processions, fireball swinging and lighting of New Year fires -- played an important part in the Hogmanay celebrations. And they still do.

Did you have a First Footing? What is a First Footing? Traditionally, it has been held that your new year will be a prosperous one if, at the stroke of midnight, a "tall, dark stranger" appears at your door with a lump of coal for the fire, or a cake or coin. In exchange, you offered him/her food, wine or a wee dram of whisky, or the traditional Het Pint, which is a combination of ale, nutmeg and whisky. It's been suggested that the fear associated with blond strangers arose from the memory of blond-haired Viking's invasions and pillaging Scotland circa 4th to 12th centuries. What's more likely to happen these days is that groups of friends or family get together and do a tour of each others' houses. Each year, a household takes it in turn to provide a meal for the group. In many parts of Scotland gifts or "Hogmananys" are exchanged after the turn of midnight.

We as a Society have been blessed with a new year that brings opportunities for all to participate.

We have the Burns Night Dinner on January 22 at a new location with an excellent program planned for the evening. The co-chairs Rod Alexander and Fred Dickson along with the committee have assured me it will be something in its new location.

We have stated meetings in March and May under the new chair Bill Kommalan. The Tartan Ball in April Nick McIntosh assures me will be an affair, as always, to remember. Several Kirkin's are on the schedule along with several Scottish games and parades.

Speaking of games and parades, Bud Howe and Al Schudel continue to do a marvelous job in organizing these for the Society. We have the St. Patrick's Day Parade (ETC event) in March, the Colonial Highland Games (ETC event) in May and a return to the Southern Maryland Celtic Festival (no ETC-tent only) in April. It takes a lot of preparation and planning for the ETC to participate in these events, if you have signed up and find you cannot attend on the day of the event or you did not sign up and find you can attend please give Bud or Al a call and let them know, this helps in having the proper equipment available the day of the event. For a complete listing of events and days check the calendar and articles in the newsletter or visit the Societies web site. <http://standrewsbaltimore.org>

I look forward to seeing each and every member as the event filled year unfolds, come out and have some fun with your fellow Scots'. A happy Hogmanay to all.

Greg Scott  
52<sup>nd</sup> President





# The Almoner's Report

Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

## The Short List

How life has changed! Over The holidays I received greetings on my cell phone from a son living in Germany and a daughter living in China! All of their children excitedly told of electronic Christmas gifts while I pretended to understand what they were describing. Changes continue to astound all of us. "Does anything remain the same?", I asked myself.



Here's my *short list* of things that haven't changed: God's love for us, the love for family and friends, and the love of our country. A short list, but a satisfying one.

The friends mentioned above include those of the St. Andrew's Society of Baltimore, both near and far. We especially focus upon those who have encountered health problems or grief. They include Jack Gourlay, who has had recent surgeries, the Rev. Dr. Tom Culbertson, who has had eye surgery, and the death of Faye Jones, the wife of Brooks Jones and the mother of Mike and Bill. We also extend our condolences to Robert C. Kennick on the death of his son, David, and also to the family of Capt. John W. Kinnier, a strong leader in the Society. In addition, we continue to give encouragement to those who endure chronic illness or prolonged recoveries. I ask you to contact them and remind them of our caring and support. **It** is something that doesn't change!

Yours aye,  
George

## A Scot's Farewell

If tears could build a stairway  
and memories were a lane,  
We would walk all the way to Heaven,  
to bring you home again  
No farewell words were spoken,  
no time to say good-bye  
You were gone before we knew it,  
and only God knows why  
Our hearts ache in sadness,  
and secret tears will flow  
What is meant to lose you,  
no one will ever know

# Flowers of the Forest

**John W. Kinnier, Sr.** died on 16 January 2010. It is with profound sadness that we report the passing of our beloved member and friend, John W. Kinnier, Sr., Captain, United States Navy, Retired, of the Clans MacFarlane, Chisholm and U.S. Navy. Born on July 16, 1937, John was 73 years young.

John joined the Society on 04 November 2000, four months after his friend Malcolm A. Dutterer, Jr., and had been proactive in promoting the Society, its members and programs, since day one. At the time of his death, John was a Foundation Trustee and Foundation Benevolence Committee member, and had served as a member of the Board of Managers; Chairman of the Hospitality Committee; and Chairman of the Society's 2006 Bicentennial Committee. He was awarded the Society's "*Spirit Award*" at the annual Anniversary Dinner in December 2008 for exemplary service by a member with less than ten years of membership tenure. Unless precluded by his teaching assignments or Masonic activities, John was a regular attendee and participant at the monthly Board of Managers meetings even after his term on the Board had been completed. John's son, Society member John W. Kinnier, II, survives his father. Pictures of John receiving the Spirit Award and from more recent Society events are attached.

Arrangements for John's services are pending at this time. More information will follow as soon as it becomes available.

John had extraordinary management skills and insights, honed over the years of his career of professional service to the United States Navy, and was a known as a true friend to every member of the Society. He will be missed by all. Our prayers of thanksgiving for the life of this dynamic man, and of deepest sympathy to John and his father's entire family, are offered on this sudden loss of our close friend and companion.

*"When death's dark stream I ferry o're, a time that surely shall come,  
in Heav'n itself I'll ask no more, than just a Hieland welcome."*

- Robert Burns, Poet Laureate of Scotland (1759-1796)



## 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.



## Alexandria Christmas Walk Parade

On Saturday, December 4, 2010 the St. Andrew ETC marched again. We finally got moved up to some degree, into the third wave. There was a bit of a screw up on the part of the organizers. In the initial line up of units they had the ETC at one location & the Kiltie Band of York at another even though

I had noted in our registration form that we march with & in front of the band. I guess some people cannot read. Thanks to David Mckenzie he got us together with the band in the line up. There always seems to be something that tries to go wrong for the parade & us.

We had a list of marchers that were to show up. Twenty three to be exact & I only got one cancellation before I went to Alexandria on Friday & seven of you were "no shows". Please don't sign up unless you will attend & if you find that you cannot make it to a function call me or Al Schudel a couple of days in advance. Thanks to the men of the Sons of the Confederate Soldiers marchers we were able to fill out our ranks.

We stopped at the statue of the Confederate Soldier at Duke Street & saluted while in the parade. We got a lot of applause from the people at Duke Street. Also thanks to the Hinson family, Jim Smith's daughter, & deceased past-president John I. Young's wife & her sisters who also marched with us & distributed candy canes. The society banner was carried by the Hinson family & Jim Smith's daughter. They all did a great job! Thanks again to all who participated.

After the parade a lot of us adjourned to the Fish Market on King Street for lunch. The restaurant was packed & Gregg Scott My wife & I ate together at the bar area. Wow was the town full of people celebrating the season.

We welcome your joining us in the fun and camaraderie we share, so please contact Bud Howe (410-592-5349 / [achowe@verizon.net](mailto:achowe@verizon.net)), Don Kerr (410-879-6502 / [donkerr@kerrwoodworks.com](mailto:donkerr@kerrwoodworks.com)), or 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.

## Remember Pearl Harbor Ceremony

Tuesday, December 7, 2010 the ETC participated in the Pearl Harbor Ceremony on the USCGC TANEY. Below is a Thank You letter from the Historic Ships Museum Board for the SASB ETC participation.

January 5, 2011

Dear Mr. Schudel:

*On behalf of the Board of Directors, the staff and volunteers at Historic Ships in Baltimore, I would like to personally thank you for supporting the annual Pearl Harbor Memorial Ceremony on board the USCGC TANEY in December. Over 200 people representing every generation were in attendance to remember Pearl Harbor including students from Baltimore City Community College, Hampstead Hill Academy and the Baltimore Leadership School for Young Women. It was a cold day, but all in attendance appreciated the ceremony and words spoken by our guests.*

*.1  
7 December of this year will be the 70 anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor. It will also mark the 25\* anniversary of TANEY's decommissioning. We are pleased to announce that a delegation from the World Ship Trust will be on hand that day to present USCGC TANEY with a special award of recognition. This is indeed a great honor as TANEY will now be listed in the company of HMS VICTORY, USS CONSTITUTION and the clipper ship Cutty Sark, to name but a few of the important historical vessels still in existence around the world today that have received this recognition. Once again, thank you very much for supporting our event and we hope to see you on board USCGC TANEY and at Historic Ships in Baltimore again very soon.*

*Christopher Rowsom  
Executive Director*

## 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.



## Hospitality

Wm. Hay Kommalan



### Stated Meeting

Our first Stated Meeting of 2011 will be on Thursday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at the American Legion Hall, Towson, MD. The doors will open at 5:30 PM for early refreshments, with opening ceremonies at 6:15 and dinner to follow. The evening's program will start at 7:15 & should end about 8:30 PM. Allow me to say that recent meetings have been lightly attended, however if we are to maintain a break even price of \$20.00 per person, we are encouraging more members to attend. In an attempt to encourage early sign up for the dinner, we experimented with a two-tier price, however if attendance increases & remains stable, such pricing will not be necessary. So please make a timely reservation. The announcement notices should be in the mail by early February. If you do not receive it, please let me know.

The March Stated Meeting will have a special guest: Mr. Eric Liddell, the Flying Scot, whose true-life story became the basis for the film "Chariots of Fire. Eric's achievements in the Paris Olympics and missionary work will be presented in the first person by our member George Toole. If you have not observed George recount the life of historic personalities in the first person before, this is your chance.

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



**Eric Liddell**  
**"Flying Scot"**

**Chariots of Fire**

## 2011 Past Presidents' Heritage Scholarships

The Saint Andrew's Society Foundation and the Benevolence Committee of the Society announce that, for qualified high school seniors of Scottish descent planning to attend a four-year college or university starting in the fall of 2011, three scholarship awards will be available: \$2,500 for the first place winner, \$1,500 for the second place winner; and \$1,000 for the third place winner. Each award will be divided into two equal installments payable for the first and second semester of each winners' freshman year only. Completed **Scholarship Applications** must be **postmarked by March 15, 2011**. For additional information and to download an **Application**, please see the Society Website ([www.standrewsbaltimore.org/Scholarship Information](http://www.standrewsbaltimore.org/ScholarshipInformation)).

## Scottish Trivia Question

This phrase is from a poem written by one of the well known Scottish Poets below, Identify the correct author.

*"Lovely art thou, O stranger!" she said, for her trembling soul arose. "Fair art thou in thy battles, friend of the fallen Cormac! Why dost thou rush on in thy valor, youth of the ruddy look? Few are thy hands in fight against the dark-brown Cairbar! O that I might be freed from his love, that I might rejoice in the presence of . . ."*

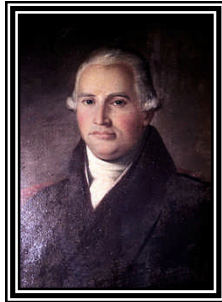
- a) Thomas Atkinson  
1801 - 1833.
- b) Robert Burns  
1759 - 1796
- c) James Macpherson  
1736 - 1796
- d) Sir Walter Scott  
1771 - 1832

\* Answer on page 11



## Scottish Immigrant

**William Dunbar** 1750 – 1810  
*Scots American merchant,  
naturalist, astronomer, explorer.*



William Dunbar was born in Duffus House, Duffus Parish near Elgin, Scotland. His family's roots can be traced back to at least the tenth century. His father, Sir Archibald Dunbar, 4th baronet of Northfield and Duffus, married his cousin Helen Dunbar, with whom he had at least one girl and three boys – Archibald, Robert and Alexander. Helen died in 1748 and in 1750 Anne Bayne became Archibald's second wife. They had three children – William, Thomas and Peggy. William's father thought him a sissy and worried about his health, because he was quiet and serious-minded unlike his half-brothers who hunted, fished, and drank. Archibald did not recognise William's brilliance.

William entered King's College in Aberdeen in the autumn of 1763, and graduated with a Master of Arts degree on March 30, 1767. After his return to Elgin, William continued his study and research in the natural sciences. The deaths in 1762 of his two eldest half-brothers, Archibald and Robert, brought William from fourth to second in line to inherit the family estates, but William's father Archibald died in 1769, leaving him only about 500 pounds. His remaining half-brother, Alexander, as the oldest surviving male, inherited the full rights to all of the estates – he became Sir Alexander Dunbar, 5th baronet of Northfield and Duffus. William probably could have expected assistance from his father in making his way in Britain, but not from a half-brother with whom he had never really been close.

In the spring of 1771, William Dunbar sailed from London to Philadelphia to try his luck in America. He initially became a merchant in Philadelphia, transporting goods he brought with him from London in an effort to enter the Indian trade. In 1773 he formed a partnership with John Ross, another Scottish merchant from Philadelphia, in the British province of West Florida. He then went to Pensacola and obtained a grant of land near Baton Rouge, which was at the time called Fort New Richmond, from the British governor. In 1784 he established, together with Ross, a plantation near Natchez, Mississippi called The Forest, where he cultivated indigo and cotton. After Ross' death in 1800, he bought out his interest from Ross' heirs. In 1785 he married Dinah Clark from Whitehaven, England, with whom he had nine children. By 1803 Dunbar owned some 4,000 acres (16 km<sup>2</sup>) - he also owned "The Grange" and other lots within Natchez given him for his service to the Spanish Government as surveyor. William Dunbar died in The Forest on October 16, 1810.

## “Ceud Mile Failte” A Hundred Thousand Welcomes

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Clan: Morrison/Fraser  
*Engineer*

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.



## Accessing Early Society Documents through the Maryland State Archives

On Friday morning, 17 December 2010, Second Vice President Herb Glasby and I went to the Hall of Records at the Maryland State Archives (“MSA”) in Annapolis. Among other reasons, we made the trip to: (1) physically examine the three original books of Society Minutes on deposit at the MSA; and, (2) to renew the ten (10) year contract between the Society and the MSA for the safekeeping of these documents on the Society’s behalf. I am pleased to report that these records are intact and well-maintained by the Maryland State Archives.

There are presently three volumes of Society Minutes books in the MSA depository collection:

- Minutes, St. Andrew’s Society of Baltimore, 1806–1864
- Minutes, St. Andrew’s Society of Baltimore, 1891–1904
- Minutes, St. Andrew’s Society of Baltimore, 1903–1915

The original 1806 Minutes book is in the best physical condition. There are two primary reasons for this: (1) the paper which the minutes were written on is of a significantly superior quality in terms of its composition, and (2) the leather cover and binding of the book itself are also of a significantly superior quality. The 1891–1904 and 1903–1915 Minutes books are both in relatively good condition; however, there are loose pages in both due to bindings which were not as tightly woven as the 1806 book. A complete examination of all pages in each book was not made due to time constraints during this visit. Thirty-five years of Society Minutes, from 1865–1890, which have not been located to date, are not in the MSA collection; presently presumed to have been lost or destroyed at some point in the Society’s past.

As one component of the first term arrangements between the Society and the MSA, the Archives microfilmed each of the pages in the three volumes. The microfilm for these three volumes has now been digitized (the MSA no longer microfilms records as all original documents are now recorded (“scanned”) on a digital medium basis.) As a result, the good news is that **viewing these documents is now available to all Society members**, and the general public, via the MSA website, as follows:

### To Access the Maryland State Archives Website Database:

- Go to <http://mdsa.net>
- Click on “What We Have” link on left side of page. A new page will appear.
- Click on “Special Collections Catalog” link in middle of page. A new page will appear.
- Scroll down. Insert “5181” in box on left side under “Enter Collection No. Only.” Click on “Go!”
- Click on “Microfilm Inventory” on Inventories: line (last line).
- Click on “Minutes, St. Andrew’s Society...” under Description box.
- Insert Researcher Name “aaco” and Password “aaco#” in the pop-up box; both in the public domain.
- The original handwritten text by the Society’s Secretary begins on page 15.
- Click on “Enlarge and print image” on a page-by-page basis to see a single page on the screen.
- Warning: This is a very large file. It will take time to download a single page onto most computers.
- As an early MSA deposit, zoom capability is limited on this e-book. MSA is exploring enhancement.
- Close screen to exit. Exit browser to log-out.

Computer accessibility to the microfilm inventory means the Society’s original, and most significant, documents are more secure and will be preserved for a longer period of time, because they do not have to be physically handled in order to be seen and studied. The physical handling of ancient documents can be a major factor contributing to the increased acceleration of the deterioration process for paper and leather inventories. Additionally the protective covenants in place have been made more restrictive to prevent the removal of these significant Society’s records from the MSA by any unauthorized parties.

Beginning in 2011, the Society’s Library and Archives Committee will begin a very long process of reviewing, analyzing, sorting and cataloging all of the loose Society records presently in secure storage in the Society’s archives storage locker, which is temperature controlled. Shelving for this project has been graciously located and donated by Member Richard G. Anderson. On-going dialog with the MSA’s Special Collections department may result in additional deposits of critical Society documents for digital recording and safe-keeping in Annapolis as identification and research on these records and original source materials commences.

Rob Catlin, Secretary & Parliamentarian  
Member, Library & Archives Committee  
\* Chuck Phippen, Chairman



## 2011 COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Approved by unanimous vote at the January 2011 Board of Managers' meeting were the following:

### Standing Committees

|                                    |  |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Anniversary Dinner Committee:      | P/M Edward C. McFarland                            |
| Annual Picnic Committee:           | T. Scott Hinson                                    |
| Communications Committee:          | Stuart P. Blair                                    |
| Benevolence Committee:             | Kenneth E. Pennell                                 |
| Burns Night Supper Committee:      | P/M Roderick O'H. Alexander & Fred D. Dickson, Jr. |
| Bylaws & Standing Rules Committee: | Charles V. Pippen, Jr.                             |
| Escort to the Colors Committee:    | Alfred E. Schudel, Jr.                             |
| House Committee:                   | Michael S. Betts                                   |
| Membership Committee:              | Angus McPhee Burton                                |
| Risk Management Committee:         | Robert I. Catlin, II                               |
| Scottish Heritage Committee:       | Allen C. Howe, II                                  |
| Tartan Ball Committee:             | Nicholas J. McIntosh                               |

### Ad Hoc Committees

|                                |                                       |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Budget Committee:              | Donald C. Kerr, Jr. (per SR 8.5.4)    |
| Finance Committee:             | Herbert S. Glasby, III (per SR 8.5.1) |
| Golf Committee:                | Daniel F. McQueen                     |
| Hospitality Committee:         | William H. Kommalan                   |
| Library & Archives Committee:  | Charles V. Pippen, Jr.                |
| Nisbet & Cemeteries Committee: | Russell M. Tagg                       |
| Nominating Committee:          | Robert L. Cullison (per SR 8.5.5)     |

**If you want to volunteer to participate on a particular committee in the Society, please contact the appropriate committee chairman directly.**

Robert I. Catlin, II  
Secretary & Parliamentarian



## **2011 HONORARY & ADVISORY POSITION HOLDERS**

Approved by unanimous vote at the January 2011 Board of Managers' meeting were the following:

### **Chaplains:**

Cardinal William H. Keeler  
The Rev. Dr. Thomas L. Culbertson  
The Rev. Richardson A. Libby

The Rev. Ronald E. Martin-Minnich  
The Rev. Ernest R. D. Smart  
The Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

### **Physicians:**

John C. Gordon, M.D.  
Alan G. Scott, M.D.  
H. Russell Wright, Jr., M.D.

### **Counselors:**

William H. Buchanan, III, Esquire  
Marshall V. Grier, Esquire  
J. Marks Moore, III, Esquire

William N. White, Esquire  
Christian B. Wilson, Esquire  
Colin Bell, Esquire

### **Investment Advisors:**

Angus McPhee Burton (House Investment Fund)  
Scott B. Ensor (Foundation Endowment Fund)

### **Almoner:**

The Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

### **Co-Almoner:**

The Rev. Ernest R. D. Smart

### **Quartermaster:**

Stuart P. Blair

### **Historian:**

Rodney K. McCaslin

### **Parliamentarian:**

Robert I. Catlin, II

### **Co-Parliamentarian:**

Charles V. Pippen, Jr.

### **Convener:**

– Vacant –

### **Photographer:**

J. David Zimmerman

### **Webmaster:**

James J. Wallace

### **President's Piper:**

Pipe Major Edward C. McFarland

### **Assistant President's Piper:**

Pipe Major Roderick O'Hagan Alexander

### **Resident Agent:**

William R. Ross, MBA, CPA

If you need assistance from the Society in a particular area, please contact one of the appropriate Honorary & Advisory Position Holders.



## NEW MANAGERS FOR THE BOARD OF MANAGERS

Elected by unanimous vote of the Society's membership at the 11 November 2011 Annual Meeting of the Corporation were the following new Managers for the Class of 2010 – 2013:

- Robert C. Kennick
- Pipe Major Ed Kitlowski
- Russell M. Tagg

They join the incumbent Managers, including:

Class of 2008 – 2011

- Thomas W. Harroll, Sr.
- Charles V. Pippen, Jr.
- Pipe Major Edward C. McFarland

Class of 2009 – 201

- Charles A. Aquilla
- Scott B. Ensor
- T. Scott Hinson

### INSURANCE PROFESSIONAL WANTED

**The Risk Management Committee is looking for a Society member who is also an insurance professional to join the committee.**

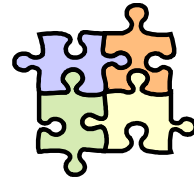
**The Committee meets one or two times per year to review the Society and Foundation's insurance needs, and, as needed, to review any potential or possible risks to the Society's operations, management and well-being.**

**The Committee is well-defined with several active members, but we need a Society member to join us who has an insurance background.**

**If you are interested, please contact:**

**Rob Catlin  
(current) Risk Management Chairman  
([rcatlin8@comcast.net](mailto:rcatlin8@comcast.net))**

### PLEASE HELP US SOLVE THIS PUZZLE!



**The Risk Management Committee is looking for the following items of Society property:**

- (3) hand trucks
- (20) sterling silver plates
- (12) sterling silver plaid brooches

**If you have any knowledge as to the possible location of any of these items, please contact:**

**Mike Betts, House Committee Chairman  
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**Chuck Pippen, Library & Archives Chairman  
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**or**

**Rob Catlin, Risk Management Chairman  
([rcatlin8@comcast.net](mailto:rcatlin8@comcast.net))**



## Scottish Humor

### *A Golfer's Dilemma*

In My Hand I Hold a Ball  
White and Dimpled, Rather Small.  
Oh, How Bland It Does Appear,  
This Harmless Looking Little Sphere.

By Its Size I Could Not Guess,  
The Awesome Strength It Does Possess.  
But Since I Fell Beneath Its Spell,  
I've Wandered Through The Fires Of Hell.

My Life Has Not Been Quite The Same  
Since I Chose To Play This Stupid Game.  
It Rules My Mind For Hours On End.  
A Fortune It Has Made Me Spend.

It Has Made Me Yell, Curse and Cry.  
I Hate Myself And Want To Die.  
It Promises A Thing Called Par  
If I Can Hit It Straight And Far.

To Master Such A Tiny Ball  
Should Not Be Very Hard At All.  
But My Desires the Ball Refuses  
And Does Exactly As It Chooses.

It Hooks And Slices, Dribbles And Dies  
And Even Disappears Before My Eyes.  
Often It Will Have A Whim  
To Hit A Tree! Or Take A Swim!

With Miles Of Grass On Which To Land,  
It Finds A Tiny Patch Of Sand.  
Then Has Me Offering Up My Soul,  
If Only It Would Find The Hole.

It's Made Me Whimper Like A Pup  
And Swear That I Will Give It Up.  
And Take To Drink To Ease My Sorrow.  
But The Ball Knows ... I'll Be Back Tomorrow.

\* Answer to trivia question:

James Macpherson  
1736 - 1796.

Poem Title: "Der - Thula"

Macpherson is remembered for one of the most spectacular literary hoaxes of all time; the epic of Ossian. (Ancient piety from the Scotland Highlands)

## Quartermaster's Locker

Stuart Blair 410-665-6440 or email:  
[thistleman@verizon.net](mailto:thistleman@verizon.net)

### Do you have these items? If not, we do!

|                |                            |
|----------------|----------------------------|
| Shoulder patch | SASB Flashes               |
| Badge          | BB Cap (choice of colors)  |
| Lapel pins     | Golf Shirt                 |
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### **Pibroch On-Line**

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.



# The Pibroch

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## What is a Ben Nevis ?

**Ben Nevis** (Scottish Gaelic: *Beinn Nibheis*, pronounced [peˈnʲivəʃ]) is the highest mountain in Scotland. It is located at the western end of the Grampian Mountains in the Lochaber area of the Scottish Highlands, close to the town of Fort William.

As is common for many Scottish mountains, it is known both to locals and visitors as simply **the Ben**.<sup>[1][2]</sup> It attracts an estimated 100,000 ascents a year,<sup>[3]</sup> around three-quarters of which<sup>[4]</sup> are made using the well-constructed Pony Track from Glen Nevis on the south side of the mountain. For climbers and mountaineers the main attraction lies in the 700-metre (2,300 ft) high cliffs of the north face; among the highest cliffs in the United Kingdom, they harbour some classic scrambles and rock climbs of all difficulties, and are one of the principal locations in the UK for ice climbing.

The summit, at 1,344 metres (4,409 ft) above sea level, features the ruins of an observatory, which was permanently staffed between 1883 and 1904. The meteorological data collected during this period are still important for understanding Scottish mountain weather. C. T. R. Wilson was inspired to invent the cloud chamber after a period spent working at the observatory.

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# 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Tartan Ball      April 2      Boumi Temple

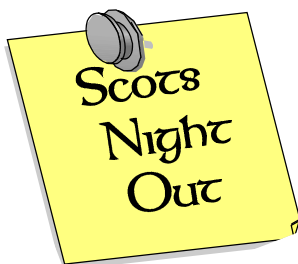
Come and join in the celebration of Tartan Day at our society's 58th annual Tartan Ball on April 2, 2011. Once again we are combining our Tartan Ball with the Boumi Highlanders' Queens Birthday Ball, held at the Boumi Temple near White Marsh.

Our black tie event includes open bar, hors d'oeuvres, and dinner selections of fillet, orange roughly, or vegetarian. For your entertainment, we will have bagpipe music from the Boumi Highlanders, the Address to the Haggis, the pomp and circumstance of the Grand March, and a live band for dancing. **All this for \$62 per person.** So mark your calendars now.

For further information, contact Tartan Ball chairman Nick McIntosh at (301) 343-4668 or [nick.mcintosh.sr@gmail.com](mailto:nick.mcintosh.sr@gmail.com).

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## Scottish Tartan Day Concert Maryland Hall for Creative Arts Annapolis April 8, 2011

In celebration of Tartan Day, a concert of Scottish music will be held on Friday evening, April 8, 2011 at the Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts in Annapolis, Maryland. Concert will begin 8:00 pm.

The featured performers will be the Blue Ridge Brass and Montreat Scottish Pipes and Drums. Also featured will be Ed Miller.

The 30 members of the Blue Ridge Brass and Montreat Scottish Pipes and Drums play traditional Scottish music by blending the mellow sound of brass instruments with the haunting sound of bagpipes and the stirring sound of drums. It produces a very unique and ethereal sound to tunes that are rooted in Scottish heritage.



*The Blue Ridge Brass  
Montreat Pipes and Drums*



The Blue Ridge Brass and Montreat Scottish Pipes and Drums is a non-profit organization from North Carolina that was organized to promote the musical arts and preservation of Celtic heritage through performance of Scottish music. The group's concert tour is funded, in part, by Scottish Heritage USA and the St. Andrew's Society of North Carolina.

**Ed Miller is a well known Scottish balladeer.** Ed is originally from Edinburgh and has been hailed as "one of the finest singers to come out of the Scottish Folksong Revival." He is featured on the web site [www.songsofscotland.com](http://www.songsofscotland.com). Tickets for the concert are \$25 and may be purchased through the Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts web site or by phoning Maryland Hall. The web site is [www.marylandhall.org](http://www.marylandhall.org); and the phone numbers are 1-866-438-3808 (toll free) or 410-280-5640 (local).

Further information may also be obtained from the concert coordinator, Tom Campbell Smith of Annapolis. His contact information is phone: (410) 268-0130 and E-Mail: [tom.c.smith@verizon.net](mailto:tom.c.smith@verizon.net).

SASB Board of Managers fully support (by encouraging your participation) the upcoming Scottish Tartan Day Concert. Our own Mr. "Scots Nicht Out", Mike Betts, will coordinate this *Scots Nicht Out* event for the group. Please contact Mike directly at 410.795.5067 or [tiltnkilt@comcast.net](mailto:tiltnkilt@comcast.net) for additional details and further information