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58th Annual Tartan Ball * April 2



Our 58th annual Tartan Ball, held April 2, was an outstanding success. The Boumi Shrine Highlanders Pipers and Drummers were in fine form, impressing the British Consulate guest at my table. Their renditions of the service songs for the Marines, Army, and Navy are always crowd pleasers. Our Wounded Warrior guest this year was from the Air Force, but we were unable to honor him with *Wild Blue Yonder*. Nevertheless we expressed, a warm outpour of appreciation for the sacrifices he has made for our country.

On a further musical note, Andy McCombe did his usual outstanding job of singing the three national anthems, *God Save the Queen*, *Flower of Scotland*, and *The Star Spangled Banner*.

A slight snafu in the proceedings occurred when our "Keeper of the Quaich" discovered he had a scheduling conflict and could not attend the ball. We didn't realize until an hour before Al Schudel was to deliver his famous *Address to the Haggis* that we had no vessel into which to pour the single malt. I rushed to the kitchen and began frantically searching for a substitute, when I came upon a coffee urn lid that bore a slight resemblance to a quaich. All went well, and Al did a superb job of addressing the haggis – as always. And honestly, did any of you even notice that our "Quaich" was a coffee urn top turned upside down? After a delicious meal, Al orchestrated the ever-popular Grand March, which led directly into dancing the night away. *Submitted by Nick McIntosh*



President's Wee Word

Fellow Members

It has been a great spring full of events. The Tartan Ball was a success, a huge thanks to Nick McIntosh for chairing this. Each year it gets better with him at the helm guiding this event for our Society.



Thomas Campbell Smith arranged for an evening out in Annapolis with a special concert in honor of Scottish National Tartan Day on April 8th. It featured the Blue Ridge Brass & Montreat Scottish Pipes & Drums from North Carolina. They are sponsored by our sister society in North Carolina. This specific concert was two hours of a wonderful mixture of brass instruments blended with the Pipes and drums accompanied by some wonderful vocals. The music was traditional Scottish tunes and some new works with a Scottish influence. About 400 people attended from all over Maryland, it was so good to see so many of our members supporting this event.

I attended the St. Georges Society annual dinner later in the month. It was rather surprising to see several of our members are also members of the St. Georges Society. Our own Shirley Alger was the outgoing president. In the near future you may be hearing from the St. Georges society with a special offer of membership to members of the St. Andrew's Society of Baltimore. Their membership is open to all that hail or whose ancestors hailed from the Islands, territories and lands of the United Kingdom.

We returned to the Southern Maryland Celtic Festival this year. Not formally as the ETC or as a formed Society. We convened a tent in the Clan area. Many members stopped by and rested for a bit. There was an interest from many attending the festival to learn more of our group, they took information and several took applications to be returned for membership in the future.

We have many more events coming in the near future; look for articles and the schedule elsewhere in this newsletter. If you have an interest or would like more information do not hesitate to call the chairperson or myself. We welcome your participation with open arms. WE have the Colonial highland Games at FairHill, several Kirkin's, the Korean War memorial on Memorial Day, the 4th of July Parade in Towson and many more upcoming events... Hope to see you there.

Yours Aye

Greg Scott
52nd President



2011 Past Presidents' Heritage Scholarship Awards

The Benevolence Committee is pleased to announce the 2011 – 2012 winners of scholarships from the Past Presidents' Heritage Scholarship Fund, as approved by the Board of Mangers at their May 3, 2011 meeting:

Cameron O. Alexander of White Hall, MD will receive **\$3,500** toward his freshman year tuition and fees at **Xavier University, Cincinnati, OH** where he plans to pursue a course of studies in German language and in history. Cameron is a 2011 graduate of Loyola-Blakefield in Towson, MD where he was a member of the National German Honor Society, he played varsity football and rugby, and he was Drum Major, Pipe Sergeant, and Pipe Major with the Guilford and Glencoe District Juvenile Pipe Band. His father, Roderick O. Alexander, and his grandfather Robert Alexander are members of the Society.

Carolyn A. Falvey of Millersville, MD will receive **\$1,500** toward her freshman year tuition and fees at **Cornell University, Ithaca, NY** where she plans to pursue a course of studies in Hotel Administration and Management. Carolyn is a 2011 graduate of Severna Park High School, Severna Park, MD where she was a member of the National Honor Society and she won first place in the State of Maryland DECA competition in "Hospitality Management." She is a varsity women's lacrosse player and she has won the Top Scholar Athlete Award in 2008 and 2010 with a GPA of 4.33 or higher during her athletic season. No family member is known to be a member of the Society. Her mother is an Armstrong family member.

Congratulations and best wishes to each of these recent high school graduates as they each work to attain their personal career goals.

To help the Foundation enrich our Past Presidents' Heritage Scholarship Fund to assist future high school graduates, all members and friends of the Society are encouraged to make tax-deductible charitable contributions to the St. Andrew's Society of Baltimore Foundation, earmarked for the Past Presidents' Heritage Scholarship Fund. Bequests and/or current gifts of cash, marketable securities, and other marketable assets are accepted and encouraged. Please contact Herbert S. Glasby, III, Treasurer, SASBF, for additional information: (410) 437-0848, or hglasby@comcast.net.



The Almoner's Report

Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

*Were nae sae
"Sooney-Sawney", If....*



I remember those pre-politically correct days when ethnic jokes and nicknames were plentiful. Granted, occasionally they were meant to be offensive, but more often they were all taken in good humor and were expected to be returned in kind. Various nationalities (like the frugal, "cheap" Scots) were assigned nicknames. They were as plentiful then as they are scarce now.

One of the derisive terms used by the English of the Scots during the 18th century was "sooney-sawney", which meant "simpleton" or "foolish".

My purpose in mentioning this is the reminder that we are only foolish **if** we do foolish things, like forgetting our fellow members in their times of need. So, by supporting one another through contact and prayers in times of need we're "nae sooney-sawney", no matter what the English might say about us.

Those we need to support at this time are Piper Robert Alexander, who is home recovering from knee surgery, and Pipe Major James Quigg, who continues his rehabilitation. Notes of friendship and support may be sent to Ian Johnstone, a founder of the Colonial Scottish Games at Fair Hill. Sympathy notes should be sent to the family of Allan Grant, who died in Arizona, and to James C. Davis, V, on the death of his wife, Sheila.

On a happier note, celebrate with *Pibroch* editor Stuart Blair and his wife, Bernadine, who recently renewed their marriage vows marking their 50th wedding anniversary! (I had the privilege of conducting the ceremony.)

Do you agree that we will respond and "nae be sooney-sawney" about these things? That's grand!

Yours aye,
George

Flowers of the Forest

A. Laurence Bartlett II * 1926 - 2011

A. LAURENCE "Larry" BARTLETT II, husband of 61 years to Agnes T. Bartlett (nee Thomason); father of Thomasine Bartlett, Albert L. Bartlett and his wife Marsha Bartlett; grandfather of Minka Stoyanova, Kiva Bartlett Baron and her husband Joshua Baron and Addison Bartlett; great-grandfather of Maxwell Bartlett Baron.

He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1944 to 1967.

Larry joined SASB on 11/6/84. He was a senior member of the Society when he passed away. A Memorial Service was held at St. Andrew's Christian Community Church on Friday, April 1 at 2:00 PM. In memory of Larry Bartlett, II, contributions may be made to St. Andrew's Christian Community, 5802 Roland Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21210 and or Shepherd's Clinic, 2800 Kirk Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21218.
www.ruckfuneralhomes.com

Allan F. Grant * 1929 - 2011

Allan F. Grant, 81, a 43-year resident of Pasadena, died April 30 at his residence. He was born June 23, 1929, in Warren, MI, to the late Russell A. and Catherine Grant. He was raised in Canada but later lived in various locations due to his military career. Mr. Grant was a Master Sergeant in the U.S. Army with 21 years active duty.

He was also a volunteer at the Anne Arundel County Police Department. He attended Harundale Presbyterian Church. Mr. Grant was a member of the Clan Grant Society, VVA, DAV, World War II Reunion Group, and he joined St. Andrews Society of Baltimore on March 3, 2009 and was a senior member of the Society.

His hobbies included riding his motorcycle, reading, listening to music, participating in Scottish games and traveling.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife of 47 years, Eiko Grant; brother, James Grant; and two sisters

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of the Chesapeake, Disabled American Veterans, or the American Cancer Society. For online condolences please visit www.stallingsfh.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.

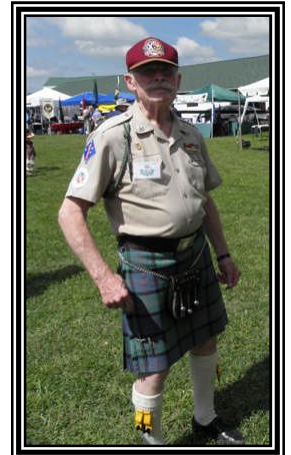
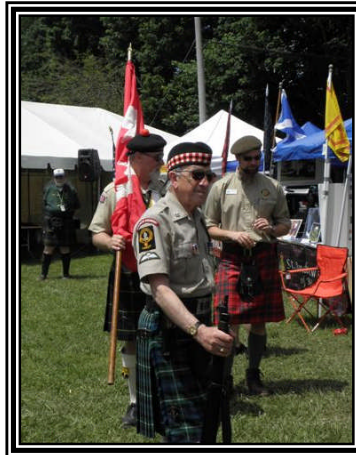


Colonial Highland Gathering Fair Hill * May 21

Upon opening of the 51st annual Colonial Highland Gathering Scots and participants alike were welcomed by the voice of Herb Glasby, inviting one and all to the many events for the day.

SASB lads arrived with eagerness to perform in the opening ceremony, preparing for the events of the gathering while food and refreshments were made available by the members and their lassies.

After a lengthy practice, the SASB lads led by the "Colonel", marched to the grand stand proudly carrying the colors, as the pipe bands marched across the presentation field.



With the return to the clan tent area, a presentation of "Address to the Haggis" was given by Al Schudel, the chef and the piper. As many observers enjoyed the ceremony, they anxiously waited to consume the tasty delicacy and were more than pleased with the added "Gravy."

A most enjoyable day for all was had with the weather, food, events and especially the companionship of our fellow Scots.



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.

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

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.





Scottish Tartan Day Concert Successful

Submitted by: Tom C. Smith

The support of the Saint Andrew's Society of Baltimore and other Scottish organizations in the Baltimore/Washington/Eastern Shore region helped ensure the success of the Friday, April 8, 2011 Scottish Tartan Day Concert held at Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts in Annapolis. The Concert raised

\$4500.00, all of which was provided to the Blue Ridge Brass and Montreat Scottish Pipes and Drums of North Carolina. This sum will be used to continue endeavors to promote appreciation for traditional Scottish music.

An abbreviated version of the Concert was held at the Kennedy Center Millennium Stage the following evening (Saturday, April 9). The Kennedy Center staff estimates that 2,000 persons attended this event. The Kennedy Center performance is available for viewing on the web at www.kennedy-center.org/programs/millennium. Place the words "Blue Ridge Brass" in the search box on the right side of the page under the heading "Archives" to view and listen to the one-hour performance.

Scottish Memorial Monument Stated Meeting Presentation Thursday, May 12

At our stated meeting, May 12, guest speaker, past president of the St. Andrew's Society of Philadelphia, John McDonald, presented an overview of the Scottish Memorial Monument construction. John 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 as John McDonald acknowledged the SASB generosity. The monument's unveiling and dedication ceremony in Philadelphia is scheduled for November 30, St. Andrew's birthday. You may want to attend.

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?

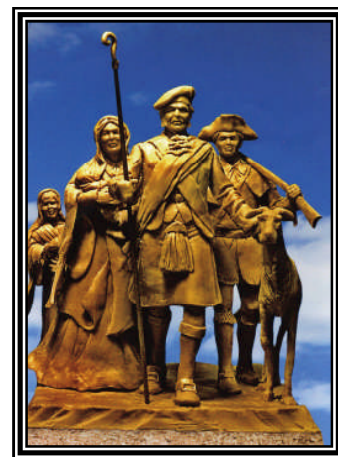
If you have something of good value that will enhance the raffle, we would love to hear about it.

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



Scottish Memorial

Scottish Trivia Question

Scottish civil engineer Sir William Fairbairn (1789-1874) created the FIRST;

- a) Practical Screw Propeller
- b) Iron-Built Steamship
- c) Patent Slip for Docking Vessels
- d) Fairbairn Cycle Gas Engine

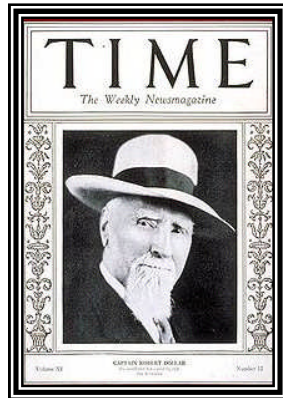
Answer on page 7



Scottish Immigrant Shipping Magnet * Lumber Baron

Captain Robert Dollar (1844—1932) was born in Falkirk, Scotland. The title "Captain" was honorary and he was called the "Grand Old Man of the Pacific". Both were bestowed after his entry into the shipping industry. Dollar became a lumber baron, shipping magnate, philanthropist; he was also a Freemason.

California Governor James Rolph, Jr. said at the time of his death, "Robert Dollar has done more in his lifetime to spread the American flag on the high seas than any man in this country." He made the cover of *Time* magazine on March 19, 1928, with several writings concerning his businesses, and was given a long obituary in the May 23, 1932, issue.



He was born on March 20, 1844, to William Dollar and Mary Melville. He was the oldest of three boys that included brothers John and James. His mother died in 1853, and Robert dropped out of school and worked in a machine shop and then as an errand boy for a lumber shipping company to help support the family. After the death of Robert's mother, his father married a servant girl named Mary Easton, and in 1857 they had a daughter. Robert began working at a lumber camp as a cook's helper when he was 14 years old.

In 1861, Robert held his first real job as a logger. He had the task of driving the logs down the river to the mill. There were no roads so all travel was by water. Logging took place some distance from the mill, so running the logs could take about three months. In 1866, Robert began to keep a diary, which he continued until 1918; thus, he was able to write his memoirs in later years and tell the vivid tales of logging in Canada. Dollar worked in logging camps in the forests of Canada and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

Robert met Margaret S. Proudfoot in a Presbyterian Church, and they were married in 1874.

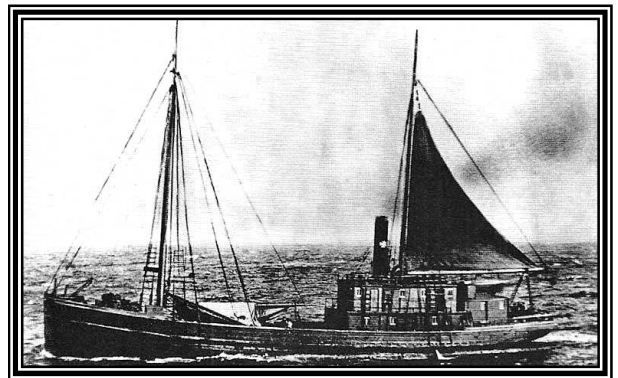
The Dollars had four children: Alexander Melville and Robert Stanley were born in Bracebridge. The timber was playing out, so in 1885 the family moved to Marquette, Michigan, where Mary Grace and John Harold were born.

History shows that Robert Dollar was a busy man. He not only built companies, bought companies, and traveled the world many times but also was involved in many other ventures. At times he was president of other companies, president of the Y.M.C.A., Ship Owner's Association, Theological Seminary, Merchant's Exchange, Douglas Fir Club, a director of Seaboard National Bank (his son took over), and then a director London Paris National Bank^[32]. He also served on the board of the San Rafael Park and Recreation Commission.

Robert Dollar gave to many causes, mostly involving religion, but some involved social and community endeavors.

Robert Dollar's last public appearance was at the Commencement Exercises at the Theological Seminary.

Robert Dollar developed bronchial pneumonia and died on May 16, 1932. Honorary pall bearers included the Governor of California and the Mayor of San Francisco. The U. S. Government sent a dirigible over the scene of the funeral, and flowers were dropped from the sky. Over 3,000 people were in attendance.



In 1895, Robert Dollar acquired his first vessel steam schooner „Newsboy“



“Ceud Mile Failte” A Hundred Thousand Welcomes

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),
Herb Glasby (hglasby@comcast.net)

Scottish Humor

A Scotsman was shipwrecked and finally washed ashore on a small island. As he regains consciousness on the beach, he sees a beautiful unclad woman standing over him. She asks, "Would you like some food."

The Scot hoarsely croaks, " Yes, please, I haven't eaten a bite of food for a week and I am very hungry"

She disappears into the woods and quickly comes back with a basket of food. When he has choked it down, she asks, "Would you like something to drink?"

" Oh, yes ! That food has made me very thirsty and I would very much like a drink!"

She goes off into the woods again and returns with a bottle of 75-year-old single-malt Scotch whiskey.

The Scotsman is beginning to think that he's in heaven when the unclad woman leans closer and says, "Would you like to play around?"

" Oh, you beautiful woman, don't tell me you've got a golf course here too!"

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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:

First Iron-Built Steamship





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Royal Standard of Scotland

The **Royal Standard of Scotland**, (Scottish Gaelic: *Bratach rioghail na h-Alba*, Scots: *Royal banner o Scotland*), also known as the **Banner of the King of Scots**, or more commonly the **Lion Rampant of Scotland**, is the Scottish Royal Banner of Arms. Used historically by the King of Scots, the Royal Standard of Scotland differs from Scotland's national flag, the Saltire, in that its correct use is restricted by an Act of the Parliament of Scotland to only a few Great Officers of State who officially represent the Sovereign in Scotland. It is also used in an official capacity at royal residences in Scotland when the Sovereign is not present.

The earliest recorded use of the Lion rampant as a royal emblem in Scotland was by Alexander II in 1222; with the additional embellishment of a double border set with lilies occurring during the reign of Alexander III (1249–1286). This emblem occupied the shield of the royal coat of arms of the ancient Kingdom of Scotland which, together with a royal banner displaying the same, was used by the King of Scots until the Union of the Crowns in 1603, when James VI acceded to the thrones of the Kingdom of England and Kingdom of Ireland. Since 1603, the Lion rampant of Scotland has been incorporated into both the royal arms and royal banners of successive Scottish then British monarchs in order to symbolise Scotland; as can be seen today in the Royal Standard of the United Kingdom. Although now officially restricted to use by representatives of the Sovereign and at royal residences, the Royal Standard of Scotland continues to be one of Scotland's most recognisable symbols.



JUNE

Event: **Board of Managers Meeting**
Date: Tuesday, June 7
Time: 8:00 p.m.
Place: St. Andrew's Christian Community Church

Event: **Joint Meetings of Societies (Host TBA)**
Date: Saturday, June TBA
Time: TBA
Place: **TBA**
Attire: TBA

Event: **Kirkin' - St. Anne's Episcopal Church, Annapolis**
Date: Sunday, June 12
Time: **Show-Up @ 9:00 a.m.;**
Service starts @ 10:00 a.m.
Place: Legislative Parking Lot, Rowe Boulevard
Attire: Khaki Shirt

Event: **New Members' Meeting**
Date: Tuesday, June TBA
Time: 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Place: St. Andrew's Christian Community Church

Event: **U.S. PIPING FOUNDATION CHAMPIONSHIP**
Date: Saturday, June 18
Time: (attend on your own)
Place: Univ. of Delaware, Music Center

JULY

Event: **Towson Fourth of July Parade**
Date: Monday, July 4
Time: **Show-Up @ 9:00 a.m.;**
Parade starts @ 9:30 a.m.
Place: Towson American Legion Hall
Attire: Khaki Shirt

Event: **Board of Managers Meeting**
Date: Tuesday, July 5
Time: 8:00 p.m.
Place: St. Andrew's Christian Community Church

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

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

The United States Piping Foundation Championships

Competitions are held annually, with events for both the best professionals and for rising amateur talent. The prizewinners in the Amateur event each year garner scholarship awards for further musical studies, with the top prize being airfare and tuition for two weeks of study at an approved venue in Scotland.

Amy du Pont Music Building,
University of Delaware, Newark, DE

Saturday, June 18, 2011
8:00 a.m. Tuning Rooms will open.
9:00 a.m. Amateur Piobaireachd will commence in Lecture Hall 207.
9:00 a.m. Amateur MS&R will commence in lower floor Practice Room.
9:00am Professional Piobaireachd Competitions will commence in Anthony J. Lewis Recital Hall.
2:00pm March, Strathspey and Reel will commence after lunch break.

The March, Strathspey and Reel Competition requires each contestant to submit four marches, four strathspeys and four reels. The contestant will be required to play one set.

*Need More Events Information
Contact Bud Howe * Heritage Committee Chairman
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