



The Virginia Highlander

Newsletter of the Saint Andrew's Society

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Tartan Ball will be held on April 24

It has been announced that the date for our Tartan Ball is Saturday, April 24th. This will be close to the anniversary of the founding of the St. Andrews' Society of Williamsburg on May 8th.

The previous Balls of our society have been held in the late fall when the weather is often disagreeable, and conceivably a snow fall at that time could turn a scheduled dance into a complete disaster.

April in Williamsburg is so beautiful. The early flowers are at their best, and with the red buds and dogwoods in bloom our area becomes a place of great charm. Why not invite those good friends from out of town to Williamsburg for the Tartan Ball. More precise plans have not been formulated yet, but will be sent out later.

Burns Nicht is great affair

The Burns Nicht Dinner which was held on Saturday, January the 30th at the Williamsburg Hilton Inn, was attended by 120 persons, many of them guests. It was a time of good fellowship, and a real joy to see so many of our friends come to celebrate the birthday of the great Scots poet, Robbie Burns.

The steaming Haggis was dramatically skirled in by Dr. Forrester and Col. Matheson. We wish to say that the Haggis was just as good as ever, especially when well seasoned with "uisge beatha." In fact, we have heard--just a rumor, now--that a certain well-known individual returned for seconds!!

Many thanks to Dr. Forrester and Col. Matheson for the grand piping and fine showmanship, and to Jim Whyte and his committee for a successful Scottish Saturday Nicht.

The St. Andrew's Society Pipe Band

Not so long ago, we thought we would be happy if we had a piper - a lone, solitary piper. Now you will be proud to know that we have the beginnings of our own pipe band. The key men are Rev. Dr. Jim Forrester and Col. Alex Matheson, both fine pipers with backgrounds which make them capable of imparting their knowledge to others. What an opportunity, and what a challenge to you who are young, or just young in spirit. If you feel that you have the zeal and self-discipline necessary to be a piper, or are interested in piping and drumming lessons, get in touch with Dr. Forrester. He and

Col. Matheson are holding classes at First Presbyterian Church in downtown Newport News. We have had the pleasure of hearing one of the training sessions and we thought they were great! Give Dr. Forrester a call. "You'll be glad you did".

This is an old Scottish weather rhyme:-

*"Rainie, rainie, rattle-stanes
Dinna rain on me:
Rain on Johnny Groat's hoose
Far across the sea."*

CEUD MÌLTE FÀILTE

(One Hundred Thousand Welcomes)
To Our New Members!!!!

WEIR, Robert Weir-Mitchell
The Colony
Williamsburg, Virginia 23185

Colonel, U S A (Retired)
Manager Still Photography Section
Colonial Williamsburg Foundation

RUFFIN, William N., Jr.
Box 171
Mobjack, Virginia 23118

Chemical Engineer
Bow-Badische Company
Williamsburg, Virginia

BURR, Horace L.
"Carsgrove", Stribling Avenue
Charlottesville, Virginia 22902

Professor and Director of Drama
Department of Speech and Drama
Madison College, Harrisonburg, Virginia

MODYS, Robert Duncan
2227 Bashford Manor Lane
Louisville, Kentucky 40206

Entered by his grandfather,
Robert A. Duncan, as eligible on
his 19th birthday - November 21, 1971

*These forms may be cut out
and inserted in your loose-leaf
roster of members*

DICK, David W.
2104 Academy Lane
Newport News, Virginia 23602

Teacher, Hampton Roads Academy
Newport News, Virginia

PARKER, Madison Alexander
503-B Hamilton Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

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Robert A. Duncan, as eligible
on his 18th birthday - June 6, 1973

MILLER, Walter F.
104 Charles Avenue
Highland Park
Portsmouth, Virginia 23705

Freight Rate Specialist
Naval Base, Norfolk, Virginia

HARKNESS, Charles H.
1311 79th Street, Apartment 1
Newport News, Virginia 23605

Sergeant, U S A F
Langley Field, Virginia

HARDIN, Charles William
1120 Brandon Road
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23451

Musician, Colonial Williamsburg
Foundation

WILSON, Joseph Gray, Jr.
18 Ambrose Lane
Newport News, Virginia 23363

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Which is the most complicated tartan? The Ogilvie. It has in a set of less than 12 inches 19 different widths of six colors--red, white, blue, yellow, purple and green.

THE KILT PIN

(As told by William J. Monro)

Prior to the reign of Queen Victoria, the kilt was worn without the kilt pin to secure the flap over on the right hand side, and as a result, some embarrassing moments were experienced by the wearers in a high wind, as nothing in the nature of an undergarment was worn with the kilt.

The story of the confusion of a young member of the Gordon Highlanders is well known to that military organization when Queen Victoria reviewed it on one of her trips to Balmoral Castle.

A stiff breeze was blowing and the soldier at rigid attention was unable to control the flapping of his kilt and to avoid exposure on such an important occasion.

Queen Victoria, seeing his embarrassment, removed from her dress a pin, and leaning over, pinned the overlap of his kilt.

This was the origin of the kilt pin - without which no kilted Scot is properly dressed today.

SCOTCH POWER ! ! !

The Census Department says that there are 22 million Americans of Scottish descent living in this country. A "minority-majority" greater than that of any other country. But, please, we are not encouraging some demagogue to rise up and make political stock of this. In fact, their political opinions would range all the way from Galbraith to Dr. MacIntyre.

Any capable rabble-rouser would probably go on to make it CELTIC POWER and include our Celtic cousins; the Welshmen, the Irishmen, the Cornishmen, the Bretons, and of course, the Manxmen.



Scottish Country Dancing

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ticknor have reinstituted their Scottish dancing classes and those interested can reach them at 133-A, North Mount Vernon Avenue, Williamsburg.
Telephone: 229-7588

FORRESTER, Rev. Dr. James
804 Country Club Road
Newport News, Virginia 23606

Associate Minister
First Presbyterian Church
Newport News, Virginia

MODYS, Peter Bacon
2227 Bashford Manor Lane
Louisville, Kentucky 40206

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HARRIS, James Malcom Hart, Jr.
New Kent, Virginia 23124

Vice President
Synthe-Tex Corporation

"Renfrewshire"
New Kent, Virginia 23124

MOVES TO SOUTH CAROLINA

We have had our first resignation, William A. MacIntosh, of West Point, Virginia, having transferred from Chesapeake Corporation to Summerville, South Carolina, in a similar position as chemical engineer. We all wish him the best of everything.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR SCHOLARSHIP

Last year our Society offered a scholarship to any member's son or daughter who wanted to attend the School of Scottish Arts at Lees-MacRae College in Banner Elk, N. C. There were no takers. It will be held again this year from Sunday June 27 ending on July 10 at the beginning of the celebration of the Games at the Mountain. Highland dancing will be taught by Miss Jessie Stewart and her sister of the Stewart School of Dancing of Alexandria, Dunbartonshire, Scotland, and Pipe Major Angus J. MacRae of the Ontario School of Piping will have charge of instruction on bagpipes. Robert Duncan Modys, of Lousiville will be an assistant instructor of piping. His father, Bob Modys, is Treasurer of the School and inquiries should be addressed to him, care of Kentucky Trust Company, Lousiville, Kentucky, 40201.

Scottish Rules for a Happy Marriage

- (1) *Always put your husband first.*
 - (2) *Pull your weight - don't chuck it around.*
 - (3) *Don't be afraid to admit when you are wrong.*
 - (4) *Share household chores.*
 - (5) *Bear and Forbear.*
 - (6) *Keep your troubles to yourself, don't take them to your neighbor.*
 - (7) *To his virtues be kind - to his faults a little blind.*
 - (8) *Keeps your eyes open before marriage and half shut afterwards.*
 - (9) *Be a good listener to your husband.*
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DONALD McCONKEY IS NOW AT MADISON COLLEGE

Donald McConkey, formerly at William and Mary is now Head of the Department of Speech and Drama at Madison College in Harrisonburg. His home address is now 75 Laurel Street, Harrisonburg, Virginia 22801.

BEST WISHES, DOUG

A post card arrived a few days ago from Doug Reed in Vietnam. It bore the message "I don't wish you were here", but that he expected to be back in June and would be entering William and Mary for graduate work.

Scotland Yard received its name from the residence there of the Kings of Scotland when they stayed in London.

St. Bede, the Anglo-Saxon scholar, writing in the eighth century gives an interesting account of the three divisions of the Celtic race:

"This island at the present time contains five nations, the Angles, Britons, Scots, Picts, and Latins, each in its own dialect cultivating one and the same sublime study of divine truth.....The Latin tongue by the study of the Scriptures has become common to all the rest. At first this island had no other inhabitants but the Britons, from whom it derived its name, and who, carried over into Britain, as is reported, from Armorica, possessed themselves of the southern parts. When they had made themselves masters of the greatest part of the island, beginning at the south, the Picts from Scythia, as is reported, putting to sea in a few long ships, were driven by the winds beyond the shores of Britain, and arrived on the northern coast of Ireland, where, finding the nation of the Scots, they begged to be allowed to settle among them, but could not succeed in obtaining their request. The Scots answered that the island could not contain them both, but 'we can give you good advice what to do: we know there is another island not far from ours, to the east, which we often see at a distance, when the days are clear. If you go thither you will obtain a settlement; or, if any should oppose, you shall have our aid.' The Picts accordingly, sailing over into Britain, began to inhabit the northern part of the island. In process of time Britain, after the Britons and Picts, received a third nation, the Scots, who, migrating from Ireland under their leader Renda, either by fair means or force secured those settlements amongst the Picts which they still possess."

"There is," he says in another passage, "a very large estuary of the sea which formerly divided the nation of the Picts from the Britons, which gulf runs from the west far into the land, where to this day stands the strong city of the Britons called Alclyth. The Scots arriving on the north side of the estuary settled themselves there as in their own country."

WHO WERE THE PICTS ??

Pict or Caledonian were Latin names for the early tribes of Northern Briton - The Highlands. They called themselves Cruthné. Pict, or "the painted," was from their custom of painting their bodies with woad, a blue dye, in the forms of animals to make themselves look ferocious in battle. They wore scanty clothing and no helmet or armor, their weapons were a sword, a spear and a small shield. (targe?). Their language was Celtic, but different from that of the Gaels, or Scots, who started emigrating from Ireland in the Sixth Century, A. D. It was close enough to the Gaelic that St. Columba was able to preach to them, with the occasional use of an interpreter.

These early inhabitants of Scotland were described by the Roman, Tacitus as having red hair and large limbs. Agricola described them as "the Britons with the longest legs." He tells of the battle of Mons Grapius (The Grampians) - "At the opening of the battle the fighting began with exchanges of missiles, and the Britons (Caledonians) showed both courage and skill in parrying our shots with their great swords (claymores?) or catching them on their small shields while they rained volleys on us."

Agricola was finally able to repel them by bringing in four cohorts of Batavi and two of the Tungri to close in on them. Their unweildy swords without thrusting points and small shields were unsuited to close fighting.

Agricola claimed to have defeated them, but he later retreated to his camp between the Forth and the Clyde, and then returned to Rome.

A number of the Highland clans trace their descent from these stout warriors. A chart of these clans is shown on the next page.

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TABLE OF THE DESCENDANTS OF THE HIGHLAND CLANS

Name of Tribe according to Ptolemy	Name of the Maorship or Earldom	Name of the Great Clans	Name of the Small Clans	Name of the Chief
Dicaledones Cruthne or Northern Picts	Kaledonioid	The Gallgael	Siol Cuinn ———— Siol Gillevray ———— Siol Eachern ———— Clan Lamond	Macrory Macdonell Macdugald Macneill MacLachlan Macewen Campbell of Craignish Lamond
	Kanteai	Moray	Clan Donnachie Clan Farlane Clan Chattan Clan Cameron Clan Nachtan Clan Gilleon Siol O'Cain ———— Clan Anrias Clan Kenneth Clan Mathan	Robertson Macfarlane Macpherson Cameron Macnachtan Maclean Monro Macmillan Ross Mackenzie Mathieson
	Karnones	Ross	Clan Gregor Clan Grant Clan Fingon Clan Anaba Clan Duffie Clan Quarrie Clan Aulay	Macgregor Grant Mackinnon Macnab Macphie Macquarrie Macaulay Macloed Campbell Mackay Macnicol
	Kreones	Garmoran	Clan Leod Clan Campbell Clan Morgan Clan Nical	
	Kournaovioi	Caithness		
	Kairinoi	Ness		

Many thanks to Mrs. Anna Richardson, Miss Stephanie Burns and Mrs. Margaret Waite for the help in getting out this (late) Winter edition 1971. And also to that good Scottish publication: - The Encyclopedia Britannica - (early) edition, for information on the Picts and Scots.

Gerald P. Finn, Editor

We are presenting more biographical sketches of our officers. They are hard to get.

- DIRECTOR HOWARD TOPP

Howard Topp was born in South Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on October 31, 1938. His mother was a Sutherland, his grandfather having been born in Elgin, Scotland. His father was of the Von Topp-Siegle family of East Prussia.

He received his B.A. degree from the University of Michigan and his Masters degree from the College of William and Mary. He is now working toward his doctorate in Education Administration. He has been a high school teacher in both Michigan and Virginia and is now an instructor at the U.S. Army Transportation School at Fort Eustis.

He has just been released from active duty as a captain in the Army Reserve, where he completed the Air Transportability Planning Course and the Transportation Officers Advanced Course and has attended the Harbor Craft Company Officers Course. He has been an enthusiastic member of our Society from the beginning, and is now Chairman of the Committee planning for the Tartan Ball held at the Williamsburg Colony, Saturday, October 14, 1972.

He is married to the former Carolyn Ann Gill of Beaumont, Texas, and lives at 360 Beechmont Drive, Newport News, Virginia.

- DIRECTOR TOM MAGRUDER

Thomas Garland Magruder, Jr., with his wife Katherine Duncan Magruder, founded and operated Scotland House in Alexandria, Virginia, from 1959 to 1970. For the past two years they have operated Scotland House, Ltd., a British import shop in Merchant's Square, Williamsburg. Mr. Magruder was born in Front Royal, Virginia, attended high school in Cumberland, Maryland, and West Virginia University and George Washington University. He was a member of Delta Tau Delta national fraternity. As a newspaperman, he worked on the Richmond Times Dispatch, The Baltimore Sunpapers, Miami Journal, Louisville Courier-Journal, Philadelphia Evening Ledger, New York Graphic and in Washington, D.C., he was with the United Press, Wall Street Journal, Times-Herald, the United States Daily. He was White House and State Department correspondent for the Foreign Affairs News Service.

He is descended in direct line from Margery Bruce, daughter of Robert the Bruce, and from Alexander McGruder who came to Maryland from Perthshire, Scotland, in 1648. He is a grandson of Charles "Fent" Hesser of the 12th Virginia Cavalry, Confederate States of America. Other Scottish lines of descent include Burns, Campbell, Stewart, Drummond, and Hay.

His son, Thomas Garland Magruder III, is a physician in Omaha, Nebraska. His daughter, Ruth, is the wife of Dr. Lyle E. Hanson, a professor at the University of Illinois; and another daughter Jane Garland is now Mrs. Robert W. McCartney of Osceola, Arkansas.

He is past Chieftan of the American Clan Gregor Society and a member of the Scottish Historical Society, Scottish Genealogical Society, Scottish Record Society, Clan Gregor Society of Scotland, and the Maryland Historical Society. He formerly was a member of the Washington, D.C. St. Andrews Society but became a member of the Williamsburg Society in 1971.

DIRECTOR RAY MACGILLIVRAY

Raynor Victor MacGillivray

Born: 26 February, 1919

Education: Boston Parochial and Public Schools

U.S. Army Transportation Corps Officer Candidate School, 1943

The Airborne School, 1947

Transportation Officer Advance Course, 1956

Department of Defense Advanced Traffic Management Course, 1969

Served twenty years in U.S. Army. Retired 1965. Service in WW II and Korean War in U.S., Europe and Far East. Currently Instructor, U.S. Army Transportation School, in the Fields of Railway Planning and Operations, Motor Transport Planning and Operations, and Military Traffic management. In June 1972 appointed by U.S. Secretary of Transportation John A. Volpe to membership in National Defense Executive Reserve, U.S. Department of Transportation.

Charter member Saint Andrew's Society of Williamsburg.

Married to Edna Bland Hall of Newport News, 1950. One son, Roderick, student at William & Mary and also a member of Saint Andrew's Society



Scottish country dances are being led by Lee and Gail Ticknor again this year. The schedule is the first and third Saturday of each month at 8 p.m.

Programs are planned to help beginners during the first part of the evening.

The Ticknors are also teaching ENGLISH country dances on the second Friday of each month. These are excellent background for their Scottish counterparts; some beginners prefer to do the English dances first.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
Call the TICKNORS at 229-7588