

St. Andrew's Society of Connecticut

The Caledonian

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From the Desk of the President:

It seems to me that many Scottish-Americans know that "Flowers of the Forest" refers to our beloved friends passed away, but do many know the words of the song "The Flowers of the Forest"?

I've heard them liltin' at the ewe milkin',
Lasses a-liltin' before dawn of day.
Now there's a-moanin' on ilka green loanin',
The Flowers of the Forest are a' wede away.
At bughts in the mornin', nae blithe lads are scornin',
Lasses are lanely, and dowie and wae;
Nae daffin', nae gabbin', but sighin' and sabbin';
Ilk ane lifts her leglin, and hies her away.

At e'en in the gloamin', nae swankies are roamin'
'Bout stacks wi' lasses at bogle to play;
But ilk maid sits drearie, lamentin' her dearie,
The Flowers of the Forest are a' wede away.
In har'st at the shearin', nae youths now are jeerin',
Bandsters are rankled and lyart and grey;
At fair or at preachin', nae woin', naw fleechin',
The Flowers of the Forest are a' wede away.

Dule for the order sent our lads to the Border,
The English for ance by guile wan the day,
The Flowers of the Forest that fought aye the foremost,
The prime of our land lie cauld in the clay.
We'll hae nae mair liltin' at the ewe milkin',
Women and bairns are heartless and wae;
Sighin' and moanin' on ilka green loanin',
The Flowers of the Forest are a' wede away.

We too have lost one of our finest: Robert Shand, member of the Board, Co-Director of Goshen Games, and Most Valuable Society Member of 2006, has passed on at the young age of 66. Our most heartfelt condolences go to Vicky, his wife. The Society remembers all of our Flowers of the Forest with great love and respect.

Ellen Coutts Waff, FSA Scot
President, SASCT





St. Andrew's Society of Connecticut 27th Annual Scottish Festival

Saturday, October 2, 2010 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Goshen Fairgrounds Route 63 Goshen Connecticut
RAIN or SHINE

Scottish Entertainers, Clan tents, Pipe Bands, Highland Dance,
Athletic Competition, Piping Competition, 42nd Regiment of Foote,
Sheepherding Demonstration, Scottish Breed Dog Show,
Weavers, Bonnie Knees Contest, Children's Games,
Connecticut Society of Genealogists, Scottish Imports and Scottish Food

The Festival Gears Up Once Again You can help.

Volunteering for two or three hours will allow the festival to continue for its 27th year.
One festival day each year funds the Society scholarship and benevolence awards.
Pitch in a few hours to set-up, work a booth and/or take down the festival.
Opportunities will arrive in a summer mailing. You can make the annual Festival a success.



2010 Education Scholarship Awards

Dancer Workshops: Alexandra Burke, Emily Crowther, Madelynne Cable, Kristyn McGee
Drumming Workshop: Daniel Pisowloski, Piper workshop: Raquel MacFarlane

Benevolence Committee

Forward suggestions for the December Benevolence Committee proposal to:
gerald_d_munro@sbcglobal.net pmunro@sbcglobal.net or telephone 860-859-1803
Funds are used between Scotland and Connecticut. Suggestions gladly researched.





Sunday, June 27, 2010
Annual Society Picnic
For Society families and friends
Sunday afternoon from 2 p.m.

At the home of Society Recording Secretary Mary Ehler
48 Deerfield Lane, Bethany, CT 06524

Bring your family and friends to enjoy the annual picnic.

St. Andrew's Society of Connecticut will supply:

- napkins, hot dogs, hamburgers, rolls, condiments and grill as well as soda and water.

Please bring:

- anything else your family may need including lawn chairs, plates, plastic ware,
- a salad or dessert to share

A short Society meeting will take place during the afternoon.

RSVP to Mary at 203-393-0326 or Ellen at ewaff@comcast.net

Directions to Mary's house: **Mary C. Ehrler 48 Deerfield Lane; Bethany, CT 203 393-0326**

From New Haven, Take Amity Rd. (Route 63) North for about 8 miles. You pass the St. State Police Troop 1 and the Old Bethany airport. On the right you will see the Country Diner... start to slow down. Directly across from the Bethany Vet. and a second dog place, take a left *onto Fairwood Rd. Green building is on the corner. ½ mile down this road is Deerfield Lane, Take a left. My house is the last on the right. A smoke colored house with blue shutters. My side is the door on the left as you face the house.*

From Waterbury, (2 ways) Route 8 to Route 63 in Naugatuck. Go South toward New Haven. After you pass Route 42 it is about 1 mile to Fairwood Rd. Turn right and ½ mile to Deerfield Lane, on left. See above.

Or, Route 84 to Hamilton St. Exit (where the Mall is) that is Route 69. Go South to Route 42 and turn right to the end on Rt. 42 about 1 mile to Route 63. Turn Left and about one mile down is the right turn into Fairwood Rd.

From Fairfield, Route 8 North to the Bank St. exit in Seymour (it's a very short exit ramp). At the bottom of the ramp, turn left and then right onto Route 67. Go all the way to the end and turn left on Route 63. See above but turn is about 4 miles from Rt.67



FLOWER OF THE FOREST

Longtime member Bob Shand
of Milford, Connecticut
March 26, 2010





Scottish Pride



RECORD EXPORTS OF SCOTTISH FOOD AND DRINK 20/05/2010

Scottish Development International (SDI) has today announced a record increase in Scottish food and drink exports with international sales reaching an all-time high of £4.06 billion during 2009. The news comes after an industry leadership group, Scotland Food and Drink, recently unveiled a new strategy aiming to grow exports to £5.1 billion by 2017. ...

Seafood exports led the way, with international sales in this sector increasing by 20 per cent to £555 million, assisted by burgeoning overseas demand for Scottish salmon, which enjoyed total export sales valued at £285 million (fresh, frozen and smoked).

Other notable figures are:

- The top three markets for Scottish food and drink were the USA, France and Spain, with total sales to the USA up by 6 per cent
- In the drinks category, Scotch whisky exports grew by 3 per cent in value to £3.13 billion. Continuing success was enjoyed in France (+13 per cent) and the US (+13 per cent), with Brazil (+44 per cent) and South Africa (+7 per cent)
- For Scottish food products, Europe was the main destination with France, Ireland and Spain listed as the top three export markets. Total export sales to France alone grew by 24 per cent
- Other exports markets which experienced a significant uplift in food sales include the Netherlands (up 41 per cent to £41 million) and Germany (up by 43 per cent to £56 million) supported by strong dairy exports and Russia (up by 24 per cent to £54million)

Rural Affairs Secretary Richard Lochhead said:

"It's clear that these impressive figures provide further evidence that Scotland is driving forward a food and drink revolution. ...

SDI is working with partner organisations such as Scotland Food & Drink, to help companies access new international markets and equip them with the skills and expertise needed to compete at a global level. ... In support of Scotland Food and Drink, SDI is working to ensure that companies have access to the international expertise, networks and events needed to enable them to exploit international opportunities. SDI has allocated extra resources to support the Scottish food and drink industry with approximately £2m being invested annually in international trade activities and promotions.

In February, SDI led a delegation of Scottish companies to Gulfood; one of the world's biggest food and drink trade shows held annually in Dubai. Scottish companies attending the event generated £260,000 in actual sales and an additional £1.7 million in projected sales, as a result of attending the trade show. www.scotland.gov.uk/News/Releases/2010/05/20084101

GAELIC SPOKEN IN EUROPE 11/05/2010

Cabinet Secretary for Education and Lifelong Learning Michael Russell made history today by speaking in Gaelic at a European Council meeting in Brussels. Mr Russell was attending the education and youth elements of the Education, Youth and Culture Council where he made a short speech on youth issues in Gaelic. An interpretation will be provided for Ministers and representatives from the other 26 member states. The move comes after Gaelic was given co-official status as a language of the European Union and the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between the UK Permanent Representation to the EU (UKRep) and the Scottish Government in October 2009. The Education Secretary said: "It is a great honour to be the first ever Minister to deliver a speech in Gaelic at Council.

The Scottish Government is committed a sustainable future for the Gaelic language. I can think of no better way to promote the language within Europe than at a Council meeting which, by definition, encourages and promotes multilingualism. "Gaelic is more than a language. It is an important part of Scotland's social, cultural and economic life. The economic benefits and potential of Gaelic are significant. I am looking forward to representing Scotland and the Gaelic language on Tuesday."

www.scotland.gov.uk/News/Releases/2010/05/12090248

From December Annual Meeting
SASCT 2010

OFFICERS

President	Ellen Waff	Vice President	Peg Limbacher
Rec Secretary	Mary Erhler	Corr Secretary	Ken McClen
Treasurer	Isabella Goldie	Asst Treasurer	Bill Waff

BOARD OF MANAGERS

Two Years: Maggie Carchrie, Robert Goldie, Angela Rowley
One Year: Bob Shand, Bud Wyllie, Gayle Wyllie

DUES REMINDER

If you have not paid the dues from the winter notice
please send them now.

Two adults in the home \$20, Single \$15

Donations to Scholarship or Benevolence are gladly accepted.

Mail to: M. L. Limbacher 99 Garfield Ave. North Haven, CT 06473



The Caledonian Newsletter Delivery Choice

Some members have noted a preference for receiving the Society newsletter via email. The emailed version is sent in Adobe PDF and so the file is not large. The E - edition has the benefits of color and active World Wide Web links.

If you are interested in having the emailed version come to you, it will save the Society more than a dollar each issue and give you the added benefits above..

Email this preference along with your name to: pmunro@sbcglobal.net



Other Events of Interest



June 12	RI Scottish Games	www.riscot.org
July 3	Round Hill Scottish Games	www.roundhill.org
July 17	Glasgow Lands Scottish Festival	www.glasgowlands.org
Cancelled	Cape Cod Scottish Festival	www.CapeCodScottishFestival.org
August 21	Maine Games	www.mainehighlandgames.org
August 28	Long Island Scottish Games	www.liscots.org
August 28	Quechee VT Festival	www.quecheescottishfestival.com
Sept. 17-19	NH Games	www.nhscot.org
Sept. 25	Pipes in the Valley Hartford, CT	www.pipesinthevalley.com

October 2, 2010 27th SASCT Scottish Festival Goshen, CT www.sasct.org

Two books may be of interest.

Highlander: The History of the Legendary Highland Soldier Tim Newark
The famed kilted regiments with their pipes and drums march forth in this appealing history.

For All the Tea in China Sarah Rose ... adventures of Robert Fortune
a nineteenth-century plant hunter, the reader learns a delicious brew of information on the history of tea cultivation and consumption...



Some Genealogy Links

www.cslib.org Connecticut State Library iConn and HeritageQuest with your library card.

www.ellisland.org immigrants arriving in NY with the name of the ship on which they came

www.csginc.org Connecticut Society of Genealogists

www.palam.org Palatines to America

british-history.ac.uk many printed sources from Medieval & modern history of the British Isles

www.cwgc.org Commonwealth War Graves

www.historyfromheadstones.com UK/Ireland

