

St. Andrews University Scottish Heritage Center Presents

The Charles Bascombe Shaw Memorial Scottish Heritage Symposium



and the
Twenty-Third Annual Scottish Heritage Awards Banquet
March 16 - 18, 2012



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Schedule of Events

All events held at Avinger Auditorium unless otherwise noted.

Friday, March 16

10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Scottish Heritage Center Open for Visitors

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Registration at Avinger Auditorium

2:00 - 2:15 p.m.

Opening Remarks and Welcome

2:15 - 3:15 p.m.

"Life in 18th Century Argyll"

A general look at the economic, social, spiritual, legal and political life of Argyll in the 18th Century with particular reference to North Argyll and the Argyll Islands.

Brigadier John MacFarlane, Taynuilt, Argyll, Scotland

Break

3:15 - 3:30 p.m.

"Scottish Kinship, Political, and Mercantile Networks of the Atlantic World, ca. 1720 - 1776"

3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

An examination of the social, political and economic backgrounds of the "Argyll Colony" as well as other Argyll-related links to North America in the 18th century.

Dr. John Hutton, Aberdeen, Scotland

6:00 p.m.

Reception* Sponsored by the North Carolina Scottish Heritage Society

William Henry Belk College Center

7:00 p.m.

Scottish Heritage Awards Banquet*

(Highland dress or business attire)

William Henry Belk College Center

* All Symposium registrants are automatically included for the reception and banquet. For those NOT registered for all Symposium events, you may purchase admission for these two events separately.

Saturday, March 17

9:00 - 9:30 a.m.

Late Registration/Check In

9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

"Gaelic Place Names, Folktales, and Folk Sayings of Upper Lorn"

A presentation which traces the history of the parish of Muckairn in Upper Lorn, Argyll and its environs through place names and associated folk tales, proverbs and folk sayings.

Brigadier John MacFarlane

10:30 - 10:45 a.m.

Break

10:45 - 11:45 a.m.

"'The World Is Not Empty Without Reason': The Music and Poetry of The Highland Clearances"

A discussion of the music and poetry which has been written about or inspired by the Highland clearances from the late 18th century through the mid-19th century.

June Skinner Sawyers, Chicago, Illinois

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Lunch

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

"From Appin to Carolina - The Emigrant Experience"

A presentation on the McColls and related families from Lismor and Appin, the background of their emigration to the Carolinas and their regional contributions.

Dr. Suzanne Cameron Linder Hurley, Davidson, North Carolina

2:15 - 3:30 p.m.

"The Minor Elites of the Southwest Highlands including the Campbells, MacAllisters and the MacNeills"

A survey of some prominent families of Argyll and the Argyll Islands with relation to North Carolina.

Dr. John Hutton

3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Panel Discussion and Questions

A moderated forum for final questions and discussions with speakers

4:30 p.m.

Closing Remarks

7:00 p.m.

"Young Scottish Performers of the Carolinas" Concert

A recital performance featuring young performers from the Carolinas (most under 21) who are pursuing Highland music and dance -- featuring piping, fiddling and Highland dance.

Sunday, March 28

11:00 a.m.

Kirkin' of the Tartans Worship Service

At Laurinburg Presbyterian Church

* Lunch following service -- advance reservation required

About the Speakers

Brigadier John MacFarlane is a native of Tobermory, Isle of Mull where his first language was – and still is– Gaelic. A highly-regarded local historian and folklorist, graduated with a degree in Modern Languages from Glasgow University prior to serving for over 30 years in the British Army; spending much of his time in language and intelligence related posts in the U.K. as well as on active duty overseas. He retired as Ministry of Defense Director of Education and Training Services for the Army and has held posts in the Arab world prior to returning to Argyll. He enjoys a third career now in Gaelic broadcasting in TV and radio. He is very active in the Tainuill community, singing bass in the local Gaelic Choir as well as serving as an active member of the St. Johns Episcopal Cathedral in Oban. His latest project is the completion of a book on the Legends, Place Names, and Folklore of Mid-Lorn.

Dr. John Hutton comes to us via recommendation of Dr. Alex Murdoch, former North Carolina Colonial Records Project (Scotland) researcher. Dr. Hutton received his M.Litt in Celtic Studies from the University of Aberdeen and has recently completed a Ph.D. in Scottish and Diasporic Studies through the Research Institute for Irish and Scottish Studies at the University of Aberdeen. He has recently presented details of his scholarship at presentations at the Universities of Aberdeen, Dundee, St. Andrews, Edinburgh, London and Queens (Belfast). His dissertation, *The Campbells of Argyll in 18th Century Scotland and America* is the most recent scholarship with relevance to North Carolina's "Argyll Colony." ****Those with interests in the 1739 Argyll Colony are especially encouraged to attend – this may be the last presentation for some time particularly addressing the North Carolina Argyll Colony.**

June Skinner Sawyers is a native of Glasgow, Scotland who has resided for many years in the Chicago area. She has written extensively about music, popular culture, and particularly Celtic culture and music. Her numerous titles have explored topics and artists as diverse as Bob Dylan and Roseanne Cash's connections to Celtic musical traditions to the impact of The Beatles and Bruce Springsteen. Her work *Celtic Music – A Complete Guide* has served for many years as the text for the Celtic music and culture course offered here at St. Andrews University. She has taught at the Newberry Library and the School of Continuing and Professional Studies at Loyola University, both in Chicago. Her most recent research and writing interests relate to a forthcoming book, *Bearing the People Away: The Portable Highland Clearances Companion* to be published by Cape Breton University Press.

Dr. Suzanne Cameron Linder Hurley is a native of Bennettsville, South Carolina and grew up in Raeford, North Carolina. She is a graduate of Converse College, received the M.A. Degree in History from Wake Forest University, and the Ph.D from the University of South Carolina. She also received an honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from her alma mater – Converse College for her many outstanding talents and contributions. She is the author of ten books, the most recent release being *From the Highlands to High Finance – The Carolina McColls*. Previous works which include *A River in Time*, and *A Historical Atlas of the Rice Plantations of Georgetown County and the Santee River* bear testimony to her voluminous knowledge of the history, traditions, and culture of the greater Pee Dee River valley and beyond.

Award Recipients

Beacham McDougald will receive the Scottish Heritage Center Service Award. For 20 years, McDougald has been the driving force behind the ongoing student exchange program between the students of Oban High School in Argyll, Scotland and Scotland High School in Laurinburg. Since its inception in 1992 the Laurinburg-Oban Student Exchange Program has allowed over 400 students to experience an extended visit in either Oban or Laurinburg, and has fostered the rebuilding of links between those two regions which had not existed for 200 years. We honor his work in this 20th Anniversary of the Laurinburg-Oban Exchange program which is perhaps the most significant of its kind in the nation and which has fostered strong links between the youth of Scotland County and their peers in Argyll.

Pat Johnston will receive the Flora MacDonald Award for her contributions to the arts. For most of the last 30 years Mrs. Johnston has worked diligently in the promotion of Scottish dance here in the Carolinas. She has served as a mentor and teacher for literally hundreds of young Scottish dancers, and has also served as an organizer and official at various Highland Games dance competitions throughout the Southeast. In addition to her work with Highland dance, she has also been quite active in her clan organization alongside her late husband, Steve, and has also encouraged interest in Scottish Country Dance here in the eastern part of North Carolina.

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Registration Form (Must be received by March 12, 2012)

Please include the names of all individuals who will be attending

Name(s) _____
(please print)

(please print)

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Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Daytime phone _____

Email address _____

Symposium, Banquet, Concert (\$100 per person)

Includes all symposium lectures on Friday and Saturday, the Scottish Heritage Awards Reception and Banquet on Friday night for one person, Saturday lunch for one person, Saturday evening concert.

Scottish Heritage Awards Banquet Only (\$30 per person)

Includes reception with single malt whisky samples or wine, buffet dinner and the awards presentation ceremony.
***This is for those NOT REGISTERED for ALL EVENTS above.**

Kirkin' of the Tartans Lunch, Sunday March 18

Laurinburg Presbyterian Church (\$7 per person)

***If not attending Symposium events at St. Andrews, please make your reservations directly with Laurinburg Presbyterian Church (910-276-0831) or laurinburgpresby@bellsouth.net**

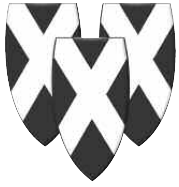
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***No refunds after March 14**

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St. Andrews University
1700 Dogwood Mile
Laurinburg, NC 28352-5598

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The 2012 Scottish Heritage Weekend - Symposium, Concert and Awards Banquet
Celebrating 23 Years - THIS YEAR FEATURING THE LATEST NEW
SCHOLARSHIP on Scots in North Carolina - A Don't Miss Event!
Come Join Us and Tell Your Friends!

The 2012 Scottish Heritage Weekend - St. Andrews University

Originally founded in 1989 as a celebration of the 250th anniversary of the coming of the first group of Highland Scots to North Carolina, the "Our Scottish Heritage" Symposium provides an unparalleled opportunity for persons interested in Scottish and Scottish-American history and culture to learn from top scholars in their fields. **The Charles Bascombe Shaw Memorial Scottish Heritage Symposium** continues this forum for study and interaction for anyone interested in Scottish history, culture, and tradition.

St. Andrews University is pleased to sponsor and host this event. The University's annual **Scottish Heritage Awards Banquet** will be a featured part of the festivities. This prestigious event will feature the presentation of two awards: **The Scottish Heritage Center Service Award**, given for outstanding contributions to the preservation and perpetuation of Scottish history, culture, or traditions, and **The Flora MacDonald Award**, given to a woman of Scottish descent who has made an outstanding contribution either to Scottish affairs, or to the human community. The 2012 recipients are **Mr. Beacham McDougald** and **Mrs. Pat Johnston**.

Special low Symposium rates are offered by our host hotel **Comfort Inn of Laurinburg** - North Carolina's ONLY Gold Award winner, locally owned and operated. For reservations, call (910) 277-7788. You must mention the Scottish Heritage Weekend at St. Andrews University to receive the specially discounted rates. Attendees can also enjoy a Saturday meal or drinks at the adjoining Woolly McDuff's restaurant.

We encourage you to make your reservations for these events as soon as possible. For any questions, please contact us at 910-277-5236 or email rsvp@sapc.edu, making sure to indicate Scottish Heritage in the subject line. We look forward to seeing you!