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CELTIC DANCE LESSONS AT STUDIO A

Lessons for students interested in learning both Scottish and Irish dance began Sept. 14. The Board is investigating how SAS can be of assistance in promoting this program as a means of keeping the tradition alive. If you know of students between the 7 yrs-teens interested in this type of dance, you can contact Studio A at 563-323-0484. Some of the students will be performing at the Burns Celebration on January 25.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

November 17 at 2:00 p.m.
 The Manor, 1103 Kimberly Rd., Davenport
 All members are invited to attend.



CELEBRATION OF THE SAINTS (ANDREW/ NICHOLAS) AND ANNUAL MEETING

December 3 at 6:00 p.m.
 The Putnam Museum - upper level, all members, prospective members, and guests are invited to join together for an evening of fun, music, and great food. Per request, we will be serving a variety of heavy appetizers (pate on pita bread, steak tips, chicken wings, meatballs, stuffed mushrooms, shrimp cocktail, bacon wrapped chicken, vegetable and cheese trays). There will be a cash bar. The cost is only \$16 per adult and \$8 per child (12 yrs. or younger) and reservations with payment are needed by November 23rd. The contact information is included on the attached reservation form. There will be a short annual meeting with election of officers.

HAGGIS PREP TIME

January 18 at 9:30 a.m.
 The Manor, 1103 Kimberly Rd., Davenport

Anyone who is interested in how the famous "SAS Special Haggis" is made is encouraged to join the "cooks." Ty Thomson provides her leadership, through her many years of experience, in preparing the haggis which will be shared at the Burns Celebration the following week. Haggis stirrers, taste-testers, and encouragers are all welcome!



FORTY-THIRD ANNUAL ROBERT BURNS CELEBRATION & DINNER

January 25, 2020
 The Isle, Bettendorf, IA
 Informational letters and reservation forms will be in

your mailboxes and on the website by mid-December. Reservations will have a deadline. Please be sure to meet the deadline. If you know of any non-members who might be interested in attending, be sure to make a copy and/or let Judy Hawthorne know so she can send them the information. Kait Meeker will be chairperson for the event and reservations are to be sent to her this year. The opening ceremonies are being adjusted in order to not take quite so much time while still maintaining the pageantry that attendees seem to enjoy. In addition to the Blackhawk Pipes & Drums, other entertainment will include Scottish dancers from Studio A and The Barley House Band. There will be a photo booth (offering 4X6 pictures this year) and vendors will include Rampant Lion and Cousin Dave's Silversmith. Instead of a silent auction, there will be a raffle. Donations are needed. Please notify (or give your donations to) Gale Hoff or Kait Meeker before Jan. 25.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME

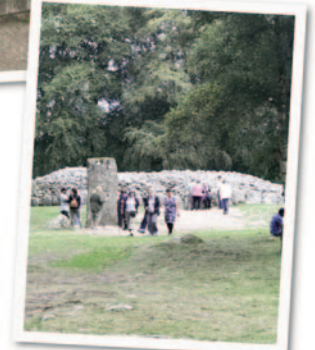
Your membership needs to be renewed by January 1st. Send in the attached renewal form and be sure to update any changes in phone number, email address, etc.

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Included in this issue are pictures from the August 22-September 1 trip enjoyed by a few SAS members, a few who were a part of last year's trip, and some who had never been to Scotland before. There were many glowing reports of what was a jam-packed adventure. One of the main highlights (of which there were many) was the

Military Tattoo which takes place annually on the Edinburgh Castle grounds. The group learned about more Scottish history when they traveled to the Orkney Isles. And, of course, there were several castle and distillery tours. As was the case last year, many thanks to Gale Hoff and Picture Perfect Travel for all their work in making this trip an unforgettable experience!



DANCE COMPETITION IN LIEU OF HIGHLAND GAMES

Two of the yellow signs on this display were dedicated to Chick Thomson and Bill Gillies.



QC IRISH RUGBY

SAS was on hand with a check presentation on September 14th. Derek Grant pipes the players onto the pitch.



SAMHAIN POTLUCK CELEBRATION

If you weren't able to attend this year's October 24th Samhain event, it may have been a mistake on your part! We may have outdone ourselves this year on the potluck - delish. Bill Hawthorne gave a short presentation about the history of Samhain which included a relationship to Halloween. Gale Hoff then shared a travelogue about the Scenic Scotland & Military Tattoo trip. Several were present who had been part of the traveling group.



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FORWARDING SERVICE REQUESTED

UPCOMING EVENTS

Celebration of the Saints/

Annual Meeting - Dec. 3

Haggis Prep - Jan. 18

Burns Celebration/Dinner - Jan. 25

• CELEBRATION OF THE SAINTS (Andrew/Nicholas) & ANNUAL MEETING •

Number_____ Amount enclosed_____

\$16 per adult \$8 per child 12 yrs. or younger

Your phone number and/or email address_____

Return reservation slip with payment no later than Nov. 23

to Karen Stancliff, PO Box 158, Andover, IL 61233. \$16 per person.

If you have any questions, 309-521-8000.

Please make checks payable to SASQC

• SAS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL for 2020 •

Name(s)_____

Address_____

Phone_____ E-mail_____

Single (\$10)_____ Family/Couple (\$20) _____

Send form & check (made out to SASQC) by January 1

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