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2017 40th Annual

Robert Burns Celebration & Dinner

The Burns Committee worked hard to make this year's celebration extra special. Since this was the 40th year our SAS group has sponsored a Burns Dinner, there were a few additional features added to the evening: recognition of SAS's founding members and a few words about the history of our organization by our president, Bill Sterba, comments from our guest, Davenport's Mayor Klipsch, and presentation to all members present of an engraved medallion commemorating the evening. Founding members able to be with us for the evening were: Bill & Peggy Lee, Jan Coffenberry, Sheila Craig, Greg & Sharon Crawford. Not attending were: John McFedries, Jean McFedries, Jack McDade. Those no longer with us: John & Jane Tennant, Chic & Betty Thomson, Bill Coffenberry, Warren Johnson. There were 198 members and non-members who enjoyed a variety of entertainment which included the talented Blackhawk Pipes & Drums, dinner music by harpist, Laural Almquist, and a program provided by The Thistle & Heather Highland Dancers from the Chicago area and The Loch Peoria Highland Dancers. Rampant Lion from Elmhurst, IL sold their wares for the 39th time at our celebration, Bill Hawthorne displayed his art work, several nice door prizes were given to attendees, and the silent auction helped provide funding to help keep us stay as close to break even as possible. The committee tries to keep the price of attending as affordable as expenses allow. The traditional pageantry was again a part of the evening which included the various toasts and Derek Grant's rousing "Address to the Haggis." Something new this year was the reading of the clan names by our MC, Darren Low (as requested, many had included their clan name(s) on their reservation forms). This may become a new tradition since those attending really seemed to enjoy this recognition of their heritage (and maybe even finding out they have a relative in the group)! There was a moment of silence in memory of this past year's Flowers of the Forest, Bill Fisher and Jack McDonald. Thanks to the many volunteers who donated their time and effort to making this

year's Burns Celebration the success that it was. The Board is always open to suggestions for next year. If you have ideas, feel free to contact a Board member.

April 2018 SAS Trip to Scotland

March 3 Informational Meeting
You should have already received a postcard letting you know there will be an informational meeting March 3 at the Manor Condominiums Clubhouse, 1104 Kimberly Rd., Bettendorf at 6:30 p.m. about the upcoming trip in 2018. Light refreshments will be served. There is no obligation if you attend but do keep in mind there are only 30 spaces available. It sounds like a great trip. You don't have to be a member to sign up for the trip, so friends and family are also invited.

Walkers Needed

St. Patrick's Day Parade March 18 at 11:30 a.m. starting in Rock Island and crossing over to Davenport. Plans are being made to have an SAS walking unit in this year's parade. Members are encouraged to join in. If you'd like to help represent our organization in the parade (and have some fun while doing so), call or e-mail a Board member so you can be notified of the details.

Membership Renewals Due

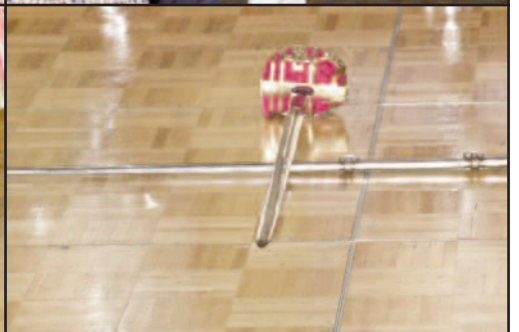
This will be the last newsletter you'll receive if you have not yet renewed your membership for 2017. If you have not already done so, please complete the attached membership form and send it to Jim & Natalie Dougherty right away.

Tartan Day

April 6
Save The Date - Details To Follow

Beltane Potluck Picnic

The annual Beltane potluck picnic will be held Tuesday, May 23 at 6:00 p.m. at Shelter 1 Duck Creek Park, Davenport. You are asked to bring a dish to share, your own table service, and beverage of choice (wine and beer are allowed). All members and friends are invited!







SAS Membership Renewal for 2017

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

☐ I/WE PREFER E-MAIL CORRESPONDENCE (Please include your current -email address)

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

Send form & check by January 1st, 2017 to:
Jim Dougherty, 1732 Springbrook Ct., DeWitt, IA 52742
(Make out check to SAS of QC)

The video from the Burns Night will be available soon.
We'll keep you posted on where and how to view and/or purchase.



SCOTTISH GOLF DAY

JUNE 4TH 2017
HIGHLAND SPRINGS GOLF COURSE

Tee-off at 13:00 PM
Check-Inn opens at 11:00 AM



PLAYER LIMIT: 4 per team - Shotgun Start – Best Ball format
FULL ENTRY FEE: \$260 - - - - OR DEPOSIT REQUIRED- \$150 PER TEAM DUE BY May 25th
KILT RULES: Kilts are not required, but encouraged

Fee includes; Gift Bag, Meal, Green fees, Cart, 1 hour free driving range, Entry to Hole in One, Longest Drive, Longest Putt.
Coolers are not allowed. Alcohol must be purchased on the golf course.

FORMAT: Kick of the day with a Shot of Scotch Tournament will be played in 4-person
Best/Better Ball, Shotgun start. If you don't have a team, you will be placed randomly.

More information.

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Email: Darren_low@yahoo.com

To Register,

Please make all checks payable to - SASQC

Send Check or Cash payment to

Darren Low –SGD 2017

1640 MARLO AVE, DAVENPORT, IOWA, 52803



Pay in Person with Credit card at Mint Green Boutique in the Village of East Davenport.

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FORWARDING SERVICE REQUESTED

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 3 - Info Meeting
March 18 - Grand Parade
April 6 - Tartan Day
May 23 - Beltane
June 4th - Scottish Golf Day
September 15 & 16 - Celtic Festival/Highland Games
October - Samhain Potluck TBD
December - Christmas Party TBD



Haggis Chefs

According to several comments at the Burns Dinner, this year's haggis was again met with approval. Several members (including some first-timers) showed up on the Saturday before the Burns Dinner to provide their services in what has become an annual preparation rite. Those present either blended ingredients, stirred the concoction, or provided moral support for those who were.

