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RIVER BANDITS CELTIC FESTIVAL DAY August 29 6 p.m.

As was advertised in the May Porridge Pot, the Celtic Games Committee is encouraging all baseball fans in the area to attend the River Bandits game on August 29. It is one of the fundraisers for the Games. The reduced price is \$5 and can be obtained from Darren Low 563-579-9225 or darren_low@yahoo.com. If there are reduced rate tickets remaining, there will be someone at the gate selling tickets specifically for our group. The committee hopes to sell 100 tickets. You are encouraged to wear your tartan sash or kilt or carry your Scottish flag to show the Quad-Cities our group is well-represented.

CELTIC FESTIVAL & HIGHLAND GAMES September 18 3-9 p.m. September 19 9 a.m.-9 p.m.

Centennial Park
along the river in downtown Davenport
Check the website celtichighlandgames.org for details and schedules of activities. Entry is free. Parking is easy. The event is even listed on BBC America! In addition to the multiple classifications of Highland games, there are eight musical groups on the schedule (see listings on the website) as well as Colleen's School of Clogging & Celtic Dance, Darren Raleigh (harpist & Celtic Bard), Bonnie Knees & Celtic Princess Contests, Highland Dance Competition, Beornoe Belegarth Medieval Combat Society, vendors, clan tents, and much more. Wear your kilt or tartan sash (unique outfits are not the exception) or just show up for a day of fun and celebration of the Celtic heritage.



GENEALOGY WORKSHOP Saturday, October 17 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Community Christ Church
4221 N. Brady St., Davenport
The workshop will be presented by staff from the Family History Center of the Davenport LDS Church. It is designed to be an introduction to

genealogy and family history and is a perfect opportunity for anyone who has had interest in researching their family's past to learn how to get started. The presentation will be based on the familysearch.org web site and how it can be used as a tool for research, recordkeeping, and archiving. There is no fee nor is there a pre-registration required; just a desire to get started down a road that can lead to remarkable family history discoveries. Participants are encouraged to bring note pads, pens/pencils, and if available but not required, some very basic information about a generation or two of family lineage information to get started. If you have questions, e-mail Jim Dougherty at captainjim70@gmail.com or call 563-659-3734.



SAMHAIN POTLUCK Friday, October 23 6:00 p.m.

Home of Bill & Judy
Hawthorne
4404 Royal Oaks Dr.,
Davenport

The culinary practice of enjoying good food continues as SAS ushers in the 2015 Samhain, the end of the harvest season and beginning of the "darker half" of the year. The main course, table service, and lemonade/iced tea will be provided by the Society. Just bring a dish to share and your adult beverage of choice. Last year Bill provided the group with a short history about the season. This year - who knows?!!



ST ANDREW'S DAY DINNER Monday, November 30th

Mark your calendars. Details to follow as the date gets closer.

CHRISTMAS PARTY Wednesday, December 2

The Manor
1103 Kimberly Rd., Bettendorf
More details and reservation form will be included in the November newsletter, but be sure to put it on your calendar so you don't get overbooked!



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FORWARDING SERVICE REQUESTED

2015 UPCOMING EVENTS

August 29 - River Bandits
September 18 & 19 - Celtic Festival/Highland Games
October 17- Genalogy Workshop
October 23 - Samhain Potluck
November 30 - St. Andrew's Day
December 2nd - Christmas Party

BELTANE PICNIC

The annual SAS of the Quad-Cities celebration of Beltane, the ancient celebration of the arrival of summer which was halfway between Vernal (spring) equinox and the midsummer (Summer Solstice), occurred this year on May 19th at Duck Creek Park. The recognition of tradition mixed with present day friendships and the usual, delicious potluck gave members and friends a chance to enjoy an outing that didn't require a winter coat or a stocking cap.



JOHN DEERE CLASSIC

As is the case every year, SAS was represented on the final day of the golf tournament with a ceremonial presentation of flags led by the pipes. After Jordan Spieth's exciting win, Derek Grant marched down the 18th fairway with Jim Scott, Darren Low, and Kyle Hans carrying the flags of Scotland and the U.S.A. to top off a day not soon to be forgotten.

ZACH JOHNSON WINS BRITISH OPEN

Even for the non-golfers in the state and in the Quad-Cities, there was a great deal of Iowa pride when Zach Johnson, a Cedar Rapids native and long-time John Deere Classic favorite, won the British Open Tournament at St. Andrews Golf Course in Scotland.

