



St. Andrew's Society of the Adirondacks



June 2009

Future Events

June 20th: Fort Ticonderoga will hold a Scottish Day. See details in a related article.

July 4th: The Lake Placid Fourth of July Parade will begin at the Olympic Arena at 5 pm. Line up is from 4:30 pm. Local members are requested to join in carrying flags. Piper Cameron Anderson will lead our group. A covered dish picnic will follow in back of the Bookstore Plus on Main Street. Food may be brought to the bookstore before the parade. A big thank you to Chris and Nancy Beattie who sponsor this gathering every year!

August 6th: The Saranac Lake Block Party will be held from 1-6 pm. SASA will have a display and sell raffle tickets. Members are needed to help for an hour or two. This raffle supports our Scotland in the Schools book and our scholarship program.

August 22nd: Quechee (Vt.) Scottish Festival sponsored by the St. Andrew's Society of Vermont at the Quechee Polo Field.

August 25th: Piper Tim Cummings and fiddler Pete Sutherland will be playing at the Community Center Pavilion in Keene. Watch the newspaper for the time or check the website www.eastbrancharts.org.

September 5th-6th: The Capital District Scottish Games will be held at the Altamont Fairgrounds. There will be a full weekend of pipe and dance competitions, athletic events, and massed band performances as well as clan and society tents, vendors, music and food. SASA will have a booth to sell raffle tickets on Saturday. Help is requested at the booth and you will have plenty of time to enjoy the activities as well. Check at any Price Chopper for discount tickets.

September 5th-6th: Scottish Highlander Encampment at Ft. Ontario State Historic Site. There will be a portrayal of the Jacobite uprising of 1745, living history demonstrations, battle reenactments and games. For further information check: <http://nysparks.state.ny.us/sites/info> Click on "state historic sites" then on "Ft. Ontario".

September 11-13: Battle of Plattsburgh Commemorative Weekend. Many events including a parade, re-enactments, children's activities, food, music. More information in the Sept. 1st issue of this newsletter or check www.battleofplattsburgh.org or call Kit Booth at 518-563-4375.

Sept. 18-20: New Hampshire Highland Games at Loon Mt Ski Resort. www.nhscot.org

Mission Statement:

- ◆ The Perpetuation of Scottish Heritage, Traditions, Culture, Education and Genealogy.

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Scottish Festival At Fort Ticonderoga

From the Fort Ticonderoga website:

Fort Ticonderoga, known by its French builders as Carillon, remembers the date of July 8, 1758 when the Black Watch regiment gallantly fought to drive the French forces from the heights of Carillon. Pressing forward through heavy musket fire the brave Scots came close to achieving their goal. Though the battle ended in defeat, the Black Watch gained great honor for its determined attack, and a reputation for tenacity in battle that lives to this day. In 1997 a cairn was erected on the Carillon Battlefield in honor of the Highland Regiment. Some of the stones came from ancestral lands in Scotland, sent by the clans to which men of the regiment belonged.

Building upon the moving Black Watch Memorial Ceremony that took place in 2008, the Fort is again welcoming the public to a Festival to celebrate Scottish Heritage. The date is Saturday, June 20th. There will be pipe bands, Scottish Dance, music, food, Black Watch re-enactors and more. The Festival has been sanctioned by the Eastern United States Pipe Band Association for Pipe Band and Drum Major Competition. Performing on site will be "Atlantic Crossing" and Celtic rock Band "Prydein".

Come and join in the music and fun at the Festival, and share the memorial to the Black Watch Regiment. Contact www.fort-ticonderoga.org or call 518-585-2821.



South Glens Falls Memorial Day Parade— from left to right: Marina Roy LaDuke, Don Moeller, Bill Burke, Garda Babcock, Peter Fish, Marjory Moeller, Jini Hood, and Al Hood

Flags and Pipes

Eight SASA members joined the Adirondack Pipes and Drums at the South Glens Falls Memorial Day parade. The tartan flags added nice color to go with the music and our participation was greatly appreciated. The Police Pipes of Plattsburgh would also like to have us join them at parades. When an appearance is planned, an e-mail will be sent to the membership in hopes that more members will join us.

In addition to parades the ADK Pipes and Drums has a competition band which will appear at the Central New York Games in Liverpool, NY, on August 8th. It will also appear at the Capital District Games in Altamont on Sept. 6th. On June 13th the band will open for the Regional Arts Festival at City Park in Glens Fall and in Warrensburg at the Sept. 11th Memorial. Their website is: www.adkpipes.org

The Police Pipes of Plattsburgh will be at the Battle of Plattsburgh Commemoration on Sept. 12th and 13th. For more information about their schedule contact the president Kim Matthews at 518-873-2114 or SASA member Robin Dunning at 518-962-8336.

Meet The New Director

Marina (nee Roy) LaDuke was born in Perth, Scotland. Later her family moved to Broughty Ferry, Dundee, where she enrolled in a photography apprenticeship program. Marina's love of travel brought her to Ottawa where she worked for the agency that supplied the news photos for the Ottawa Citizen. She was the first woman to win the prestigious Gaevart Trophy for the best Canadian news picture story of the year. She later worked for the Montreal Gazette where she was the first woman staff photographer in Canada. She has photographed many world famous people including members of the British Royal Family, Charles de Gaulle, the Shah of Iran, Golda Meir, Louis Armstrong, and Nat King Cole.

Mariana met her husband, Jack, while skiing at Whiteface. After their marriage she worked for WPTZ Channel Five as a news camera person. They spent 3 years in El Salvador while Jack taught educational television production for the U.S. State Dept. After returning to the U.S. she spent 24 years as A V Manager at Alton Jones Cell Science Center.

Many adventurous trips followed in Central America, Peru, Brazil, Columbia, Egypt and Europe. In 1978 Mariana was the photographer of the Lake Placid Olympic Committee for the Torch Lighting Ceremony in Adelpia, Greece. She and Jack flew to Greece on Air Force Two and were invited to the White House on their return.

The LaDukes live in Saranac Lake with two cats and a dog. They are members of GRROWLS, an organization that helps with the rescue of golden retrievers. Marina was an original charter member of SASA and is a valuable addition to its Board of Directors.

Scotland in the Schools

The notebooks of information on Scotland are being distributed to elementary schools in our membership area. SASA Board members have taken them to Keene Central, Petrova and St. Bernard's in Saranac Lake, Westport, Elizabethtown, Crandall Library in Glens Falls among other places. The principal at Westport was very enthusiastic and is recommending it to teachers in several grades.

Since the end of the school year is approaching, the project will be dormant for a few months. By early September more notebooks will be available. There is no cost or obligation for the schools. This is an excellent way to make the Society known throughout the area as well as encouraging the study of Scotland.

SASA members need to help with getting the notebooks into the educational systems. To get a copy for a school near you, call Jini at 523-1466 or contact her at a-al-hood-1@att.net.

Raffle

Once again SASA will hold a raffle, selling tickets at the Block Party and Scottish Games, with the drawing to be held at the Burns' Supper in January. Prizes will include a basket of bottles, biscuits and books, jams and jewelry, and many other items. Sarah Irving will coordinate the raffle. Both winners last January were at the Burns Supper. The profits will support the educational projects of scholarships and the school notebook. Donations for these projects will also be solicited with the membership renewal forms in September.

Homecoming Scotland

Unfortunately you have missed Whiskey Month which was May but no doubt there is a dram or two left in the country. There is still half a year to enjoy the festivities of this country-wide celebration.

According to their website The Gathering 2009 in Holyrood Park on July 25th-26th will be a not-to-be-missed occasion. The World Class Highland Games are a first for Scotland's capital city. Featured will be international athletes, outstanding pipers, and captivating highland dancers, plus a fantastic live music line-up and Scotland's finest food and drink. Hurry! If you buy tickets before June 10th there is a 10% discount. Visit www.thegathering2009.com for details.

For frequent updates on Homecoming events throughout Scotland, visit www.homecomingscotland2008.com or www.scotland.org.

Think You Know Scots? Quiz

The Chambers Dictionary in Edinburgh prides itself on its coverage of Scottish vocabulary. Throughout the year there will be a "word of the week" on their website www.homecomingscotland2009.com/quiz. It includes audio for pronunciation.

1. If you are "yaup", what are you?
Unhappy?
Thirsty?
Hungry?
2. If you ask for a "macallum", what will you get?
An ice cream with sauce?
Whiskey-based liqueur?
A five-pound note
3. What is a "jockteleg"?
A large knife?
A walking stick?
A foolish person?
4. What do you do if you "pook" something?
Pluck it? Kick it? Push it?
5. Is something is "nipperty-tipperty", what is it
Finical or fussy?
Likely to nip you?
Graceful?

Quiz Answers

The quiz at the bottom left of this page was a contest on the homecoming Scotland website so the answers were not given there. Research turned up a Dictionary of the Scots Language at www.dsl.ac.uk with the definitions.

Yaup = unhappy

Macallum = ice cream with sauce (specifically raspberry according to the dictionary)

Jockteleg = large knife

Pook—pluck

Nipperty-tipperty = likely to nip you

Tell us your favorite words.
More entries from SASA members will be included in future issues.

Your Newsletter

The SASA newsletter is published quarterly. Items of interest to our membership and comments are always welcome.

Send your family news, favorite stories, recipes, travel tales and Scottish humor. Photos will be returned.

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