



## The Saltyre

September 2021

### Message From The President

Hello,

I have exciting news, hopeful news, and old dreary news. Elections are over and Board is hard at work planning upcoming events. There's a new fall ceilidh in the works. Investiture plans are well underway. It looks like the Christmas party is on for this year. And if all goes well we will get to enjoy another Burns supper this coming January.

Labor Day weekend has passed and it looks like the Pleasanton games was a successful event. Pipers, bands, dancers, and athletes were able to compete live and in person for the first time in quite a while. Hopefully this is a sign that life is inching back towards normal.

It's been a while since I put out the last edition of the Saltyre. There's no small amount of effort in writing this and requests for help have gone unanswered. To make it possible for me to get back to doing this on a regular and frequent basis I am going to shorten the format of the newsletter.

Please don't forget the Society when you're shopping online. You can do this by signing up at **smile.amazon.com**. Pick Sacramento St Andrews Society as your charity of choice. One half of one percent of your purchase will be donated to the Society.

Here's to better days, all the best,

Bruce Locken





## What Is A Ceilidh

According to Webster's Dictionary a ceilidh (KayLee) a ceilidh is a party with music, dancing, and storytelling. According to scotlandinfo.eu, "Donald Mackenzie wrote in 1917 in his book Wonder tales from Scottish myth and legend about the Ceilidh: "On long, dark winter nights it is still the custom in small villages for friends to collect in a house and hold what they call a ceilidh. Young and old are entertained by the reciters of old poems and legendary stories which deal with ancient beliefs, the doings of traditional heroes and heroines, and so on. Some sing old and new songs set to old music or new music composed in the manner of the old."

It's been a while since the St Andrews Society held it fall ceilidh. This year the Society's Vice-President, Travis Chatters, is working on reviving this event. The new ceilidh will be held on October 16, at the VFW hall located at 8990 Kruitof Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628, from noon until about 3:00. This venue will give the Society and attendees the flexibility of indoor and out facilities, and there are a dog park and athletic fields nearby.

If you have questions for Travis about the ceilidh please go to the membership roster on our web page to get his contact info and reach out to him. He's going to need helpers, dancers, musicians, maybe a storyteller, and it would be great fun if someone experienced in ceilidh/country dancing could be there to instruct and call a dance or two for those of us who may not have tried it.

## 5 minutes with Scottish Gaelic

**Scots Gaelic language**, also called **Scottish Gaelic**, Scots Gaelic **Gàidhlig**, a member of the Goidelic group of Celtic languages, spoken along the northwest coast of Scotland and in the Hebrides islands. Australia, the United States, and Canada (particularly Nova Scotia) are also home to Scots Gaelic communities. Scots Gaelic is a recent offshoot of the old Irish language.

Introduced into Scotland about AD 500 (displacing an earlier Celtic language), it had developed into a distinct dialect of Gaelic by the 13th century. A common Gaelic literary language was used in Ireland and Scotland until the 17th century. By that time spoken Scots Gaelic had developed enough to be considered a separate language from Irish. Manuscripts in a definitively Scots form of Gaelic began to appear in the 16th century, but the first Gaelic book printed, John Carswell's *Foirm na n-Urrnuidheadh*, published in Edinburgh in 1567, still adhered to the Classical Modern Irish norm.



a h-aon – uh hoon – one

a dha – uh gah - two

a tri – uh tree - three

a ceithir – uh kay-her - four

a coig – uh koh-EEK - five

a sia – uh shee-uh - six

a seachd – uh shackhk - seven

a h-ochd – uh hockhk - eight

a naoidh – uh nuh-ee – nine

a deich – uh jaykh – ten

Q: De an uair a tha e ? – jay un oo-ur uh hah ay – what time is it ?

A: Tha e uair – hah ay oo-ur – it is one o'clock

A: da uair – dah oo-ur – it is two o'clock

Meahdhon latha – mee-yun lah - noon

Meadhon oidhche – mee-un oykh-uh - midnight

Sa mhadainn – suh vah-ting – in the morning

Feasgar – fess-kur - afternoon

Gu – goo - till

An deidh – un jay - after





### Flowers of the Forest

<b>Herman Chambers</b> .....	1930-2020	<b>Felix D. Othon</b>	1929-2007
<b>Clyde Le Roy Scott</b>	1938-2019	<b>William Arnold Butler</b>	1943-2006
<b>Malcolm MacClenaghan.</b>	1924-2019	<b>George Santrizos</b>	1914-2005
<b>Alex Doig</b>	1938-2019	<b>Daniel Stephens</b>	1911-2003
<b>Gordon Scott</b>	1946-2019	<b>David F. McGeary</b>	1940-2002
<b>Alasdair Harding.</b>	2018	<b>Leroy Coulter Pierson</b>	1913-1999
<b>Walter (Skip) W. Hastings</b>	1945-2018	<b>Rev. J.P. Edwards III</b>	1925-1997
<b>Calvert Lawton Crawford</b>	1933-2018	<b>Watson Burns</b>	1996
<b>William Leroy Wilson</b>	1929-2017	<b>James McCracken</b>	1920-1994
<b>Gary D. Stevenson</b>	1949-2017	<b>Alexander W. McTavish</b>	1906-1992
<b>David Mercer</b>	1935-2016	<b>Rev. Howard Perry</b>	1921-1989
<b>Charles Preston Thomson</b>	1940-2015	<b>Wallace Gibson Holt</b>	1919-1989
<b>Donald Calavan-MacRae</b>	1932-2013	<b>James C. C. Wallace.</b>	1926-1989
<b>Edison Alva McFarland II –</b>	1925-2012	<b>Angus Murray</b>	1984
<b>Moton Bryant Holt</b>	1929-2012	<b>Robert Jeffreys</b>	
<b>James C "Jim" Richey</b>	1931-2009	<b>Alec Cowan</b>	
<b>George W. Burns</b>	1925-2008	<b>Tom Ross</b>	
<b>George Eric Martin</b>	1921-2008	<b>Bob MacDonald</b>	
<b>BG Harry McIvor Nicolson</b>	1920-2008	<b>Larry Cameron</b>	
		<b>Shakey Johnson</b>	
		<b>Frank M. Clark</b>	
		<b>Richard Russo</b>	

The Society plants trees in Scotland on behalf of departed brothers of the Society. This is done as a remembrance and contributes to the replanting of the Great Caledonian Forest. Any time you wish you may donate via this link:

<https://treesforlife.org.uk/plant-trees/grove/5067/>



Charitable giving may help you minimize taxes while supporting the causes that are meaningful to you. Please consider making a donation to the Society when estate planning.



<u><b>Society Board</b></u>	<u><b>Calendar</b></u>	<u><b>Society Finances</b></u>
<u><b>President</b></u> <u>Bruce Locken</u> <u><b>Vice President</b></u> <u>Travis Chatters</u> <u><b>Treasurer</b></u> <u>Thomas Melton</u> <u><b>Secretary</b></u> <u>Chuck Jamison</u> <u><b>Directors of the Board</b></u> <u>Chuck Meng</u> <u>Doug Walters</u> <u>Ed Moore</u> <u>James Morgan</u>	<p>*****</p> <p><b>Fall Ceilidh October 16,</b>  <b>Noon to 3:00</b>  8990 Kruitof Way, Fair Oaks</p> <p><b>Investiture November 30</b>  Arden Hilton West</p> <p><b>Christmas Party December 11</b>  Chuck Meng's home Elk Grove</p> <p><b>Burns Supper Jan. 15, 2022</b>  North Ridge Country Club</p> <p><b>Spring Tea TBD</b>  <b>AGM TBD</b>  <b>½ Way To Burns Day TBD</b></p> <p>Board meetings are currently being held at the VFW post on Kruitoff Way, Fair Oaks. The Board meets between 5:30 &amp; 6:00 for dinner, RSVP required 5 days in advance.</p> <p>Third Monday of the month</p>	<p>Through July 31, 2021</p> <p>Checking - \$3,470.96  Savings - \$39,766.20  Scholarship - \$2,128.29</p> <p>Total - \$45,365.45</p>

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