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The St. Andrew-Caledonian Society of Calgary

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Annual General Meeting 2013

The Society's 129th Annual General meeting will be held 7:30pm Wednesday, 22 May 2013 at Fort Calgary, 740-9th Ave SE. The road entrance is closest to the Elbow River bridge and free parking is available at the front just off 9th Ave. SE. The meeting will be held in the Officers' Mess which is on the 2nd floor of the Barracks Building and is accessed by stairwell or elevator. The meeting will present the minutes of the 2012 AGM for review and approval, the audited financial statements of 2011 for review and approval, the Annual Report for 2011, and the slate of Directors for voting. Following the meeting there will be coffee, tea, a light buffet for all to enjoy, entertainment and Scottish Country Dancing.



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Board Member Openings

The Society's Board of Directors is looking for one or two members who would like to get involved with the operations of the Society's management, events and activities. The Board is the place for those who would like to make a difference in the Society. Board positions are elected for two year terms and meetings are held at the beginning of the month, usually the first Tuesday or Wednesday evening. A director would be expected to take on a project during their term to determine: 1. the funding required, 2. source of the funds, 3. the member participation and finally, 4. to bring the project to commencement and/or to completion. Interested members are asked to contact Robert Henderson at roberthenderson@yahoo.com or 403-245-5514.

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Membership Cards

Membership cards are in the process of being printed and distributed. From now on membership cards will not have a year printed on them and the new card you receive will be a permanent membership card without expiry. The cards are laminated to give a longer life and they will indicate your name and membership number. Membership will be controlled through a master database which will be used to inform organizations such as the Calgary United Scottish Games Association of your membership status to allow you to obtain the benefits of membership. The

various games organizers will be provided each year with a list of current members showing only their name and membership number and to gain admittance you will be required to present your membership card. Each year in December I will send an e mail to those members whose membership is expiring at the end of that year to remind them to renew (if I have your current e mail address). There will be no other form of reminders to members. If you do not receive an e mail from me in December, your membership fees are paid for at least one more year. I encourage you to keep your membership up to date and consider renewing for multiple years. *Malcolm Stewart, Membership Director*



TARTAN DAY

April 6th 2013

4:00pm to 8.00pm

Admission Free!!

Murdoch's Bar & Grill

1935 - 37 St SW Calgary

Special Dinner Menu

Come celebrate the date on which the Declaration of Arbroath, a Scottish Declaration of Independence, was signed in 1320

For info call Ann 403-912-8086 or
<http://standrewcaledonian.ca>



Scottish Country Dancing

Pipers

Whisky Tasting

Door Prizes

Trivia

Gaelic Choir

Highland Dancers

Society Casino 2013

The Society's Casino has been set for Friday, 9 August and Saturday, 10 August 2013 at the Cash Casino, 4040 Blackfoot Trail SE. This casino is noted for their restaurant and volunteer treatment. Ample parking is on the north side and they have night time escorts to the parking area. The Society truly appreciates the members and friends who have stepped up to support this major fund raising activity. The Society will be looking for volunteers to man 8 hour shifts (1030-1830hrs & 1830-0230hrs) with split shifts available if you have a sharing partner. We will be looking for a General Manager, Alternate General Manager, Bankers(3), Cashiers(8), Count Room Supervisor, Couriers(8) and Count Room Staff(10). Interested members should contact Robert Henderson at roberthenderson@yahoo.com or (403) 245-5514 and he will be calling as well. Please support Calgary's Scottish community activities.

Highland Games

The Society will be out at the highland games this year starting with Foothills Highland Games, 24 August 2013 at Foothills Composite High School in Okotoks—south side of the river on Woodhaven Drive. This will be followed a week later with the Calgary Highland Games, 31 August 2013 at the Springbank Park for all Seasons—beside Springbank Arena, just west of Calgary on No 1, take Springbank Road south and Canmore Highland Games will be held Sunday, 1 September 2013 at Canmore's Centennial Park. Please note, Members of The St. Andrew-Caledonian Society of Calgary have been granted free admission to the Foothills, Calgary and Canmore Highland Games when they show their current membership card at the admission gate. The Society will be looking for members to 'mind the tent' during these events and members who can commit to a two hour shift can contact Malcolm at 403-241-8021 to help out.

Calgary Tartan Presentation

The Society has been presenting Calgary Tartan ties and scarves to the new MLAs from last year's provincial election and while most presentations have been to individual representatives, the Society's President was able to hand out three ties and a scarf to Jason Luan, Sandra Jansen, Rick Fraser and Hon. Ric McIver at a Calgary Caucus meeting on Thursday, 28 February 2013 at the MacDougall Centre. MLAs Wayne Cao and Hon Ken Hughes added their support to the new members.



Calgary Heavy Weight Tartan

The Society has Calgary heavy weight tartan in stock that is available to members at a special reduced price. The heavy weight material cost for a man's kilt is under \$300 with construction being an added cost. This special rate is for members only and interested Society members can call the Society's Kiltmaker, David Hongisto, at 403-246-2610 to arrange purchase and or construction. Persons outside the Society may purchase the heavy weight material from the Scottish Highland Gift Shoppe up by COP or call 403-286-1932.

Bannockburn Bar-B-Que

The Society will be holding a Bar-B-Que to celebrate the 699th anniversary of the victory at Bannockburn in late June. Details will be determined by the next Saltire and this event will be an opportunity to mix with other members, hear performances by various Society groups, enjoy some great food, have a chance to look over volunteer opportunities with the various Calgary area highland games organizations and other festivals, and immerse yourself in Scottish culture.



Scotland 2014

Scotland will be hosting a series of events in 2014 that will celebrate its unique character and the Society has been approached by Collette Vacations as they would like to present group travel opportunities to the Society members. Basic information regarding flight, accommodation, ground transportation and special attraction costs will be available shortly and once the Visit Scotland agency has its calendar of events in order, Collette will make a special presentation to the Society, possibly at the Budget meeting. Opportunities for personalized travel arrangements will be accommodated.



Celebrating Scottish Culture in Calgary for over a century

Coming Events

The Society has a number of upcoming events in 2013 which include:

- 6 April—Tartan Day at Murdoch's
- 22 May—Annual General Meeting at Fort Calgary
- June—Bannockburn Bar-B-Que
- August—Society Golf Tournament
- 9-10 August—Casino
- 24 August—Foothills Highland Games, Okotoks
- 31 August—Calgary Highland Games, Springbank
- 1 September—Canmore Highland Games
- September—Budget Meeting

Member Benefits

Benefits of Society membership include:

- reduced rates for pipers at your function,
- 10% discount on purchases at the Highland Scottish Gift Shoppe,
- Free entry to the Foothills Highland Games,
- Free entry to the Calgary Highland Games,
- Free entry to the Canmore Highland Games.
- Free entry to the Foothills Highland Games,
- \$2.00 reduction in the regular adult admission to the Globe Theatre 617—8th Avenue SW.

Members should consider renewing for several years to avoid missing any activities or events.

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