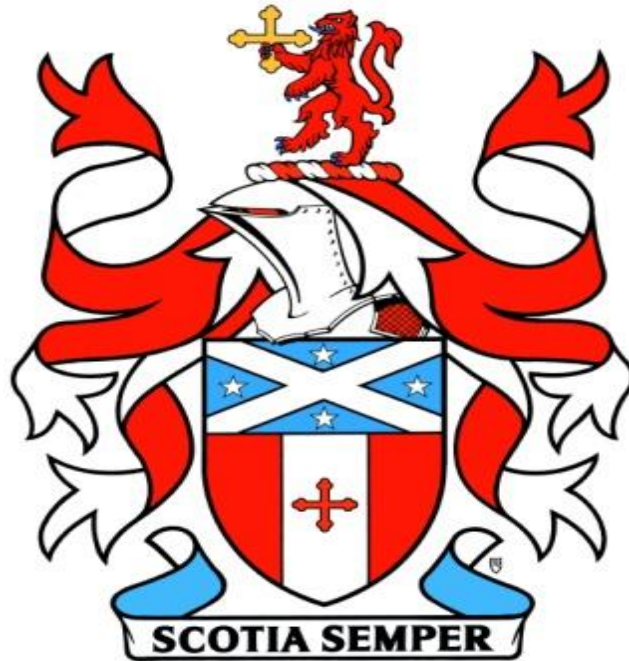


Saint Andrew's Society of Mid-Maryland, Inc.



Annual General Meeting
November 21, 2015
Masonic Lodge, Frederick, Maryland

Saint Andrew's Society of Mid-Maryland, Inc.
Annual Business Meeting

Officer Reports

President	Marianne Elliott
Vice-President	John Avery
Recording Secretary	Barbara Collins
Treasurer	Charles McFarland
Membership Secretary	Dana Cameron

Old Business

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Open Session for All Members

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Dorothy Penders

President's Report

Marianne Elliott

- “Who knew?” Part 2
- Organizational Changes
- Challenges
- Rewards



Vice-President's Report

John Avery

- VP's Perspective
- **First ever SASMM Audit – In Progress!**



Recording Secretary's Report

Barbara Collins

- Secretary's Perspective
- 2014 AGM Meeting Minutes
 - Copies on the tables
 - Will send electronic copy after meeting



Treasurer's Report

Charles MacFarland

- Treasurer's Perspective
- 1 July 2014- 30 June 2015 Financial Report
 - Copies on the tables
 - Will send electronic copy after meeting



Membership Secretary's Report

Dana Cameron*

- Membership Perspective: Read Dana's report and resignation as Membership Secretary and coordinating events due to personal reasons.
- There are 106 members
- New members and First time Attendees please stand!



*Could not attend the AGM, but handled the set-up.

Thank you!

Webmaster-Social Media Report

Bill Elliott

- Webmaster Perspective
- SASMM Website sasmm.com/
- Celtic Festival website
midmarylandcelticfestival.com/
- SASMM Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/standrews.midmaryland/?fref=ts>

OLD BUSINESS

2015 In Review

- SASMM and Other



- SASMM Operations



2015 In Review



Cancelled:
State
Declared
Snow
Emergency



Chair:
Katie Cameron

Burns Nicht Supper: February 21st
Urbana Volunteer Fire Department Hall

2015 In Review



SASMM Tent Team:

Bill Elliott

Marianne Elliott

Charly MacFarland

Ralph Wallace

National Tartan Day Festival: April 11th
Old Town Alexandria, VA

2015 In Review



Leader:
Celia Kirby

Spring Kirkin O' Tartan: April 19th
Frederick Presbyterian Church

2015 In Review



...and
it snowed!



SASMM Team:
Dorothy Penders
Cindy Wolfe
Harry Wolfe

Mount Airy Flea Market: April 25th
Mount Airy Fire Department Carnival
Grounds

2015 In Review



SASMM Tent Team:

Bill Elliott

Marianne Elliott

Toby Elliott (dog)

Charly MacFarland

Susan Thayer

Thanks to Susan and Dana
for the updated “look” to
our SASMM Traveling Tent!



Southern Maryland Celtic Festival: April 25th
Patterson Park and Museum

2015 In Review



Festival Sponsor-Patron Banquet: May 8th
FSK Holiday Inn, Frederick, MD

2015 In Review



Chair:
Joe Wiggington
Assisted by many
Festival Staff

15th Annual Frederic Celtic Festival: May 9th
Mount Airy Fire Department Carnival Grounds

2015 In Review



Presentation:
Marianne Elliott
Bill Elliott
Barbara Collins
with
Mark Little, W360
Chris Carlson, W360

Donation to Warrior 360 (W360) from SASMM
15th Annual Frederic Celtic Festival

2015 In Review



...before we got
rained out...again!

Leader:
Barbara Collins

Celtic Night at the Keys: June 1st
Harry Grove Stadium, Frederick, MD

2015 In Review



Frank Maurer who is a master stone carver of Tartan Stones has given stones to 28 of the states since the year 2000.

The efforts to get a national Tartan Day recognized and passed by Congress prompted Frank to this endeavor.

Maryland Tartan Stone Ceremony: July 25th

2015 In Review



Leader:
Barbara Collins

SASMM Family Baseball Game: August 23rd
Harry Grove Stadium, Frederick, MD

2015 In Review



SASMM Tent Team:

Barbara Collins

Bill Elliott

Marianne Elliott

Toby Elliott (dog)

Charly MacFarland

Susan Thayer

Virginia Scottish Games: September 5th and 6th
The Great Meadow, The Plains, VA

2015 In Review



....and it rained!!!

SASMM Tent Team:

Barbara Collins

Bill Elliott

Marianne Elliott

Celia Kirby

Sam Kirby

Charly MacFarland

In the Street: September 12th
Downtown Frederick, MD

2015 In Review



Leader:
Cindy Wolfe

Fall Kirkin O' Tartan: September 13th
Grace Episcopal Church, Brunswick, MD

2015 In Review



No SASMM Tent Team,
but several members
enjoyed the festival.

Chris (Wounded Warrior
division) got a FULL
rotation on the caber toss!

Central Virginia Celtic Festival & Highland Games
October 24th & 25th
Richmond, VA Raceway Complex

2015 In Review



SASMM Booth Team:

JoAnn Choate

Bill Elliott

Marianne Elliott

Marty Munroe

Ralph Wallace

Maryland Irish Festival: November 6th & 7th
Timonium, MD

2015 In Review: Operations



What we did:

- BOD Agenda and Meeting Minutes: NFP Accepted Standards
- Documenting Committee Responsibilities for Events
- Reinstatement of Maryland State Use and Tax Status
- Awarded one (1) Scholarship (High School Student for Scottish Country Dancing lessons
- Updated the SASMM website with calendar of events, grant/scholarship, awards, and other information
- Updated the SASMM Traveling Tent
- Realigned the festival organization
- Donation (first) to churches supporting our Kirkins
- Donation to Warrior 360 (festival charity)

2015 In Review: Operations



What we did not do:

- Restart the newsletter, however increased communication via email, Facebook , and websites
- Update the Bylaws; however we now have electronic files and some historical documents
- Resolve the IRS issue (filing penalty); no response from the IRS

2015 What remains?



- Happy Thanksgiving
 - Celebrate St. Andrew's Day: November 30th
 - Scottish Christmas Walk; December 5th
Old Town, Alexandria, VA, 10am
 - Lassie and Laddies Libation Event: December 11th
Ferguson Castle, 7pm
 - Wind up the old year at Hogmanay Party:
December 31st Right here, 8 p.m. till
- ***No December BOD or Festival meeting**

2016 Looking Forward



- January 10th: BOD meeting and MMCF meeting
- February 21st: Burns Nicht Supper
- March/April TBD: Spring Kirkin O' Tartan
- April 6th: National Tartan Day
- April 10th: National Tartan Day Festival
- April TBD: Mount Airy Flea Market
- April 30th: Southern Maryland Celtic Festival
- May 14th: Mid-Maryland Celtic Festival

2016 Looking Forward



Mid-Maryland Celtic Festival



- New name, new logo, same location
- Co-Chairs and Administrator/Treasurer
 - Marianne Elliott, Ralph Wallace, Denise Sayer
- Friday Night Open House - (Ceilidh—like) at Sponsor-Patron Hall. 6-8pm Come as you are!
- Charity Fundraising (no evening concert)
- Entertainment: Pub stage, Acoustic stage, Traditional (Harp and Fiddle) stage, Dancer's stage
- SASMM Patron Package

2016 Looking Forward-Operations

GOALS

- 2016 Calendar of Events-more participation
- 2016 Budget for each SASMM event/activity
- Resolve remaining IRS issues
- Finalize Audit and share with members
- Update Bylaws (need a group)
- Outreach and partnership with other organizations



SASMM Bylaws (November 2004)

The Objectives of the Society shall be:

1. To perpetuate Scottish traditions and culture through education and demonstration,
2. To promote the establishment and growth of Clan societies and Scottish organizations,
3. To encourage and support Scottish events,
4. To dispense such charitable or educational assistance as is deemed worthy, and
5. To help arrange, when and where possible, the presence of a piper at any event involving a Member in good standing.

SASMM Bylaws (November 2004)

- Several areas where Bylaws and current practice are different (to name a few)
 - Voting process (absentee ballot, voting at AGM)
 - BOD composition (and quorum)
 - Officer Duties and Standing Committees
 - And more...

Bottom line: Bylaws need revision to be in keeping with current practice (or change current practice), available to all SASMM members, and have flexibility.

Awards and Recognition

Spirit of Scotland
Honoring Dorothy J. Petrie
Penders
2015

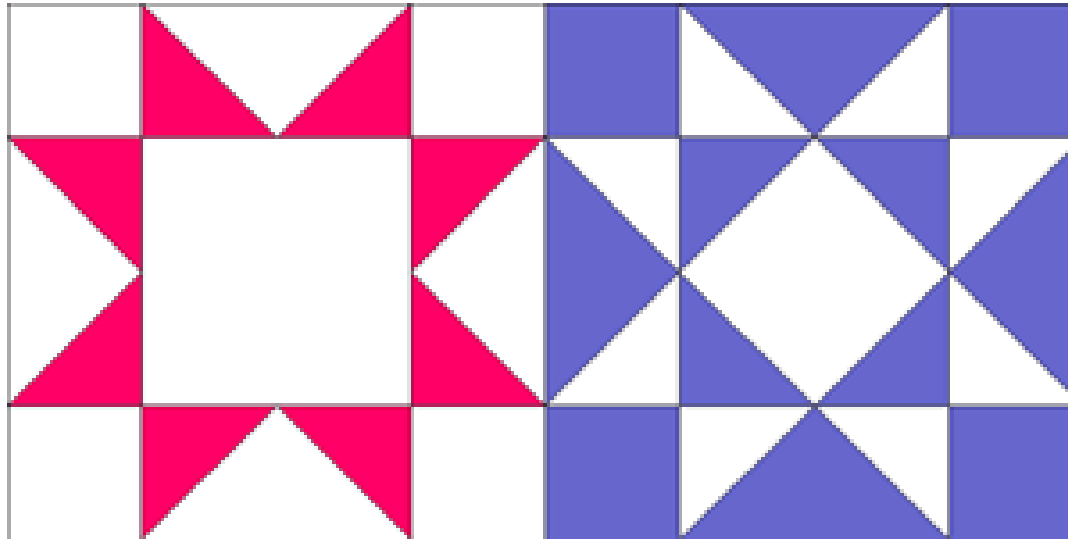


This honor is awarded to an individual whose contributions in education, culture, and other achievements promote the heritage of Scotland.

Spirit of Scotland Award Nomination Process

- Nominations will be accepted from SASMM members starting now and up until January 30, 2016
- Must be submitted in writing (name and reasons for the nomination).
- Review committee makes a recommendations to BOD.
- SASMM BOD will vote on final selection
- Announce at Burns' Nicht Supper and other events

Awards and Recognition



Quilt of Valor Award

To Harry Wolfe

To honor and comfort those touched by war

Awards and Recognition



John



Barbara



Charly

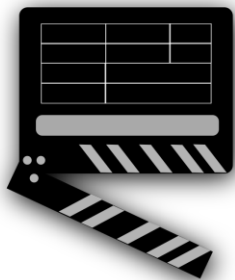


Dana



Joe

SASMM Board of Directors



Bill

Thank you!!!

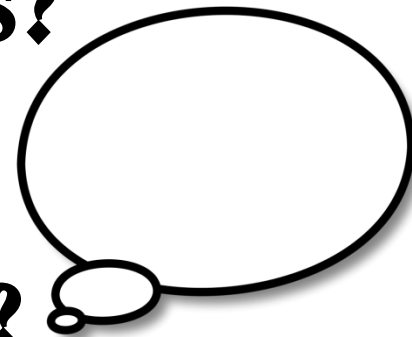
Open Session

Questions?



Comments?

Thoughts?



Installation of Elected Officers



Election Committee
Dorothy Penders, Chair

Celia Kirby
Cindy Wolfe

*** Due to a procedural irregularity found during the Audit of SASMM Bylaws compared to the actual practice over the past several years, it is requested that the SASMM members present concur with the ballot count.

NOTE: SASMM members (25 in attendance) concurred with the ballot count.

Installation of 2016 Elected Officers



President: Marianne Elliott

Vice President: Marty Munroe

Recording Secretary: Barbara Collins

Treasurer: Charly MacFarland

Membership Secretary: * Chris Spruill

* Due to resignation of only Membership Secretary nomination on the ballot, nomination was accepted from the floor and the membership voted unanimously to accept the nomination.



Chairs and Leaders of the 2015 Year-round Events

2016 Chairs and Leaders for Stepping up

Families of SASMM members

Adjournment



Thank you!!!