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MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

Memorial day has come and gone and that usually means it is the unofficial beginning of summer. However, the weather has not received that message ... YET! It's time to take in the Highland Games, including the Allegany County Celtic Festival in Belmont, and the Ithaca Celtic Festival (new name but familiar faces there.) We will also attend the Dundee festival this fall. We will have a presence at these three games, so would appreciate any and all help if you can drop by to provide breaks for those of us who are 'manning' the booth. Check our website for other games you might like to visit.

In July we will have our summer picnic at Mossy Bank park in Bath. I look forward to seeing everyone there as we will be awarding three scholarships this year. Two of those are our own and we assist the Stewart family in awarding the third to a worthy student. I am pleased to say that due the huge success of the Josh Condon concert a couple months back, we have raised sufficient funds to cover the cost of both the George Cunningham Scholarship and the Burns Scholarship this year. to give to deserving students.

I would like to let you know that a friend of mine by the name of **William MacCrea** of Alfred Station NY has written a novel by the title "*Now that We Have Met.*" It follows a group of Highlanders from the time of the clearances immigrating to North America and into Western and Central NY it ends in a post 9-11 America I found it to be a fun and thoughtful read. There is some Gaelic in the book as well. It can be purchased in print version or e-book through Amazon or Barnes and Nobles Bookstores.

Summer is a busy time and I hope that you can get out and enjoy it and maybe even get to a parade that the Caledonia Highland Pipes and Drums Band will be at. Ask a band member about their schedule. Also I would like to recognize a couple board members, **Jan Kostolansky** who has just become an octogenarian: please congratulate her when you see her. I would also like to thank **Gil Ferris** for standing in for me couple of time at public events when I my schedule would not permit me to be in two places at once Thank you Gil and Linda. I hope to see many of you soon at one of the summer outings.

Slaite, Your Chief,

Blake

TARTAN DAY 2015

We were well represented at both celebrations: at St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Bath, and at the Corning Presbyterian Church. Our concert with Josh Condon and friends was a good success, and netted us needed funds for this year's scholarships. Josh is looking forward to working with us again next spring, and so are we! Thanks go out to Linda Ferris, who provided tasty Scottish refreshments for the occasion.

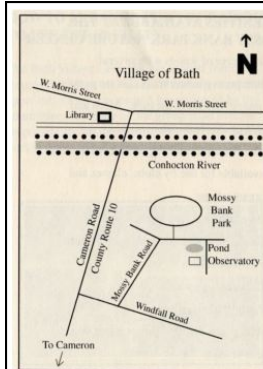


ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS RECOGNITION PICNIC

Will be held once again at Mossy Bank Park in Bath on July 18 with festivities beginning at noon. Bring a dish to pass & your table service: beverage and hamburgers/hotdogs will be provided. Gather at 11:30, eat at noon.

<http://mossybankpark.com/index.php>

DIRECTIONS TO MOSSY BANK PARK:



From Rte 86, exit 38, turn right at the first light, onto W. Morris St; go past Tops. Stay right at the fork; go past the library. Right on Cameron St. Over Cohocton River Continue about 1.6 mi. Watch for small Mossy Bank Park signs. Fork to the left onto Windfall Rd. Go about .4 mi. Left onto Mossy Bank Park Rd. Go 1.3 mi. to gate, marked with a small sign. Continue straight ahead until you pass between 2 large boulders into the park.

Please RSVP to Gil & Linda Ferris,
607-776-7101 or email lferris@yahoo.com.

AND THE 2015 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS ARE:

Once again, a fierce competition lent extra work to our intrepid judges. Here are the winners who survived the rigorous process: The **Robert Burns' Scholarship** will go to Kameron Kostolansky, a student at CCC who plans to attend the State University at Geneseo entering as a junior.

The **Bruce Stewart Memorial Scholarship** will be given to Micah Page, a student at Horseheads High School who plans to attend the Rochester Institute of Technology.

The **George Cunningham Scottish Essay Award** will be presented to George Cunningham III, a senior at West Genesee High School in Syracuse who has applied to Ithaca College, University of Buffalo, University at Albany, and SUNY Binghamton.

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Lassies: Fashion Statement!

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please be advised that if you are not current with your dues (Single \$10, Family \$15, Patron \$25, Benefactor \$50 or more, Life \$250) please remit them to Alistair Cormack straight away!

And for those of you who are hooked on the Outlander series, here is a great link for Scottish lads or lassies who enjoy cooking...

<http://outlanderkitchen.com/>

A WEE BIT OF HUMOR

With apologies for those that keep coming around in this publication...your editor must be fond of those particular stories. ('Spit eet oot 'and 'but he'll never be a father.' It turns out that those particular jokes have each been repeated in two different Caledonians. Seems the memory is the first thing to go...This one might be making its first appearance:

Jock walks into a bar one day and stammers, 'Does anyone here own that Doberman Pinscher outside?' 'Yeah, I do,' a tattooed biker says, standing up. 'What about it?' 'Well, I think my little Scottish Terrier just killed him.' 'What are you talkin' about?' the biker says, disbelievingly. 'How could your little runt kill my Doberman?' 'Well,' mumbled Jock, 'it appears that he got stuck in your dog's throat.'

SPEAKING OF BOOKS:

A search for Scottish sayings yielded this assortment of books that sound highly entertaining, judging by their titles...and they're all readily available at Amazon.com, of course...

By David Ross:

- Awa' an' Bile Yer Heid!

By Allan Morrison:

- Lies and Truths Ma Mother Telt Me!: Your Scottish Mother's Sayings
- Away An' Ask Your Mother!: Your Scottish

- Haud Your

- Ye Shore Granny
- Oor

Happy Fathers Day!!



Father's Favourite Sayings
Yer Wheesht!: Scottish Granny's Favourite Sayings
Canna Yer Aff a Bus!
Wee



Past Chiefs of the Scottish American Society of the Southern Tier, Inc.

<i>George Cunningham</i>	<i>December 1973 to December 1985</i>
<i>Don Campbell</i>	<i>December 1985 to December 1991</i>
<i>Doug Coburn</i>	<i>December 1991 to December 2000</i>
<i>Donald Flatt</i>	<i>December 2000 to December 2003</i>
<i>Tom McIntyre</i>	<i>December 2003 to December 2009</i>
<i>Blake Mayo</i>	<i>December 2009</i>



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DATES TO REMEMBER

June 6: Allegany Celtic Festival, Belmont: we'll be there!*

June 13: Ithaca Celtic Festival: we'll be there!*

July 18: Scholarship Awards Picnic, Mossy Bank Park, Bath

September 12: Dundee Scottish Festival: we'll be there!*

October 9: Dish to Pass Dinner

November 14: St. Andrews Dinner

January 30, 2016 Burns Dinner

THESE EVENTS AND MORE ON OUR WEBSITE <http://www.sasst.org/events.html>

***Stop and say hello!**

