

THE 42ND ROYAL HIGHLANDERS

In honor of the 253rd
anniversary of his birth,



XLII

are pleased to host the
29th annual Scottish
Supper honoring

Robert

Burns:

his poetry, wit, and
songs



Bagpipes, Fifes and Drums, Country Dancing,
and Other Entertainment

Saturday, January 28, 2012

The Trails

325 Burnett's Rd, West Lafayette, IN 47906

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Robert Burns

Robert Burns is considered by all to be Scotland's national poet and favorite son. In Scotland, he is more like an institution than an individual, with his face appearing on everything from whiskey to shortbread to the Clydesdale Bank five pound note. Born during a violent winter thunderstorm on January 25th, 1759, he was the eldest of William and Agnes Burns' seven children. At school he read avidly, devouring the works of poets already writing in the broad Scots dialect still used in the Ayrshire countryside. Inevitably, he followed his father to work on the land but the farms were seldom productive or profitable. He wrote his first poem at age fifteen when he fell in love with Nellie Kirkpatrick and discovered he could express his feelings best in verse. For his poems he chose subjects everyone could relate to - love of women, nature, family, and country.

Although he could use immaculate English when he so chose, he preferred the dialect and rhythms of his native Scottish tongue. Many belittled him as a man (saying he was a drunkard, a rebel, and a bore) as well as criticized his poetry. Before he died, he told his wife, "One hundred years hence they'll think mair (more) o' me than they do now." Since his death in 1796, he has been right.

His verse has been translated into all the major languages of the world and a recent paperback of Chinese translations of his poems went to a first edition of 100,000.

The tradition of the Burns Supper in recognition and celebration of the poet's life and work began shortly after his death. The first recorded supper occurred in Ayrshire in the summer of 1801. Held in Burns Cottage in Alloway (then an inn) the party consisted of nine of Burns' closest friends. Speeches of tribute were given and of course, haggis was served.

Auld Lang Syne

Chorus:

And for auld lang syne, my jo,
For auld lang syne,
We'll tak a cup o' kindness yet,
For auld lang syne

Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
And never brought to mind?
Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
And days o' auld lang syne?

And surely you'll be yer pint-stowp
And surely I'll be mine!
And we'll take a cup o' kindness yet
For auld lang syne,

We'll twa ha run about the braes
And pu'd the gowans fine:
But we've wander'd many a weary foot
sin auld lang syne.

We twa ha paidld i' the burn,
Frae mornin' sun till dine;
But seas between us braid hae roar'd
Sin auld lang syne.

And there's a hand, my trusty fiere!
And gie's a hand o' thine!
And we'll tak a right gude-willy waught!
For auld lang syne.

Let us Remember

When singing Auld Lang Syne, we are recalling past days and loved ones. Let us especially remember the friends and family we have lost in the past year as well as service men and women across the seas who fight for freedom throughout the world.

Program for the Evening

Jeff W. King, Master of Ceremonies

Cocktails Music by Traveler's Dream
Welcome Preston Smith
Anthems The 42nd Royal Highlanders

*"God Save the King" "Scot's Wha Hae"
"The Star-Spangled Banner"*

Invocation..... Rev. Stuart Robertson
Amazing Grace The 42nd Royal Highlanders
An "Historical" Commentary on the Haggis Jeff W. King

The Presentation of the Haggis

Haggis Bearer Marshall Zachariah
Piper..... Taylor Stirm
Trencherman Pete Corbin
Address to the Haggis Isobel Stuart Miller

- DINNER -

Music by Traveler's Dream

Scottish Country Dances..... The Whole Nine Yards
Friendship Waltz..... Led by the Whole Nine Yards

- INTERMISSION -

Flow Gently, Sweet Afton..... Fife Quartet
The Immortal Memory..... Christopher Layer
The Toast Tae the Lassies..... Scott Mandrell
The Reply Frae the Lassies..... Kathleen Hughes

Door prizes will be drawn

The Highland Fling Regimental Dancers
Tunes of Scotland The 42nd Royal Highlanders

The Gay Gordons..... Led by the Whole Nine Yards

- AULD LANG SYNE -

Menu

The Selkirk Grace

“Some hae meat an’ canna eat,
And some wad eat that want it.
But we hae meat an’ we can eat
And sae the Lord be thankit.”

Cock-a-Leekie Soup

The national soup of Scotland, traditionally served on a Burns’ Supper night. A hearty broth thought to have originated in Edinburgh and the Lothians, it contains chicken, leeks, onion, rice, parsley, and of course, prunes.

Haggis and Bashed Neeps

The “Great Chieftain o’ the Puddin-Race” and highlight of every Burns’ Supper is traditionally cooked in the stomach bag of a sheep. However, in North America, haggis is normally cooked and served in a regular sausage casing or a muslin bag. Normally, the contents are oatmeal, sheep’s liver and heart, chopped onion, stock, and suet. Neeps (boiled, buttered turnips or Swedes) are the traditional accompaniment.

Roast Lamb, Mint Sauce, and Rumbldethumps

Fresh, succulent, mouth-watering roast lamb with traditional mint sauce. Rumbledethumps, from the Borders of Scotland, is a delicious accompaniment made from mashed potatoes, cabbage, chopped onion, and grated cheese. Parsley is added for a dash of green to represent the hills of Burns’ beloved Ayrshire.

Queen Victoria’s Scones

A favorite when she visited Scotland’s Northeast, this is a light scone (biscuit) originated by a farmer’s wife in Ballater in the 19th century.

Dunvegan Trifle

A melt-in-your-mouth ending to this traditional Scottish dinner.

Coffe, Tea, and Table Wine

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The Whole 9 Yards Scottish Country Dancers

With Edwin Layer, Fiddler

Mary Campbell	Isobel Miller	Milo Mills
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To a Haggis

Read in Scottish dialect, English translation below

All hail your honest rounded face,
Great chieftain of the pudding race;
Above them all you take your place,
Beef, tripe, or lamb:
You're worthy of a grace
As long as my arm.

The groaning trencher there you fill,
Your sides are like a distant hill
Your pin would help to mend a mill,
In time of need,
While through your pores the dew's
distill,
Like amber bead.

His knife the rustic goodman wipes,
To cut you through with all his might,
Revealing your gushing entrails bright,
Like any ditch;
And then, what a glorious sight,
Warm, welcome, rich.

Then plate for plate they stretch and
strive,
Devil take the hindmost, on they drive,
Till all the bloated stomachs by and by,
Are tight as drums.
The rustic goodman with a sigh,
His thanks he hums.

Let them that o'er his French ragout,
Or hotchpotch fit only for a sow,
Or fricassee that'll make you spew,
And with no wonder;
Look down with sneering scornful view,
On such a dinner.

Poor devil, see him eat his trash,
As feckless as a withered rush,
His spindly legs and good whip-lash,
His little feet
Through floods or over fields to dash,
O how unfit.

But, mark the rustic, haggis-fed;
The trembling earth resounds his tread,
Grasp in his ample hands a flail
He'll make it whistle,
Stout legs and arms that never fail,
Proud as the thistle.

You powers that make mankind your
care,
And dish them out their bill of fare.
Old Scotland wants no stinking ware,
That slops in dishes;
But if you grant her grateful prayer,
Give her a haggis.

-- Robert Burns



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Tentative Schedule of Events, 2012

- January 28: Robert Burns Supper, Lafayette, IN
- February 18: Freezer Jam, St Charles, MO
- March 9: Lafayette Hoot Night, Lafayette Brewing Co.
- March 17: St. Patrick's Day, Local Pubs, Lafayette, IN
- April 14-15: Missouri Tartan Days, St Charles, MO
- May 19-20: Lewis and Clark Heritage Days, St Charles, MO
- June 2-3: Fort De Chartres, Prairie du Rocher, IL
- June 23: River Raisin Muster, Monroe, MI
- Sept 15-16: Trail of Courage, Rochester, IN
- Sept 17: Halfway to St Patrick's Day - O'Bryan's 9 Irish Brothers
- Sept 22-23: Feast of the Hunter's Moon, Lafayette, IN
- Oct 12-14: Mississinewa 1812, Marion, IN
- Oct 20-21: Fort Massac Encampment, Metropolis, IL
- Nov 2-4: Alabama Frontier Days, Wetumpka, AL

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The Thomas Griffin Endowment for the 42nd Royal Highlanders provides recurring operating support to the programs of the 42nd Royal Highlanders. Your tax-deductible contribution to the Thomas Griffin Endowment will ensure that Scottish music, history, and culture will continue to be presented and preserved in the Lafayette, Indiana area.

In addition to receiving updates about the activities of the 42nd, and invitations to Scottish cultural events, donors will be recognized in the newsletters and reports of the 42nd Royal Highlanders, and the Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette.

Information about supporting the endowment can be found at the registration table.

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