

# THE 42ND ROYAL HIGHLANDERS

In honor of the 258th  
anniversary of his birth,



XLII

are pleased to host the  
34th annual Scottish  
Supper honoring

## Robert

## Burns:

his poetry, wit, and  
songs



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

## Saturday, January 28, 2017

The Trails

325 Burnett's Rd, West Lafayette, IN 47906

# 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:

Should old acquaintance be forgot  
And never brought to mind  
Should old acquaintance be forgot  
and days of old lang syne

## CHORUS

For old lang syne, my dear  
For old lang syne  
We'll take a cup of kindness yet  
For old lang syne

And here's a hand my trusty friend  
And put your hand in mine  
We'll take a right good willy-waught  
For old lang syne

## CHORUS

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We'll take a cup of kindness yet  
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## *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 .....  
Welcome ..... Preston Smith  
Anthems ..... The 42nd Royal Highlanders

*“God Save the King” “Scot’s Wha Hae”  
“The Star-Spangled Banner”*

Invocation..... Rev. Stuart Dunbar Robertson  
*Amazing Grace* ..... Pipers of the 42nd

## **The Presentation of the Haggis**

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

- DINNER -

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

- INTERMISSION -

The Highland Fling ..... Alexandra (Campbell)  
Nitzschke  
The Immortal Memory..... Preston Smith  
The Toast Tae the Lassies..... Scott Mandrell  
The Reply Frae the Lassies..... Claire Stirm

*Door prizes will be drawn*

Tunes of Scotland ..... The 42nd Royal Highlanders

The Gay Gordons..... Led by the Whole Nine Yards  
Auld Lang Syne ..... Led by Isobel Miller

# 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.

**Coffee, Tea, and Table Wine**

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## 2016 BAND ROSTER

### BAGPIPERS

Taylor Stirm, P/M  
Malcolm Baird  
Chris Collins  
Brandon Hughes  
Chad Hughes  
Isaac Miller  
Benjamin Pearcy  
Chris Spreen  
Douglas Weaver

### DRUM MAJOR

Preston Smith

### ANNOUNCER

Jeff King

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Matt Hughes, Cpl  
Scott Mandrell  
Joshua Rose  
Dave Taylor

### ESCORT TO THE COLORS

Pete Corbin, Sgt  
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Greg Cunningham  
Marshall Zachariah

### REGIMENTAL DANCER

Isaac Miller

### DRUMMERS

Brandon Cunningham, Cpl  
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Jon Hillery  
Roy Lowery  
BJ McAllister  
Schuyler Toth  
Anthony Wettschurack

### LLOYD WEAVER

Lloyd Weaver

Joshua Wood

Ian Kaminsky

### The Whole 9 Yards Scottish Country Dancers

Hannah Brelage	John Mills
Mary Campbell	Karen Mills
Patty Jones	Milo Mills
Denise Laussade	Ria Mills
Isobel Miller	Barrett Robinson
Brynne Mills	Janet Robinson

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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



# Special Thanks

To our Door Prize Donors and Supporters



- The Whole 9 Yards
- Jeff W. King
- Isobel Miller
- Tara Raber
- Pat Short

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## Tentative Schedule of Events, 2017

- January 28: Robert Burns Supper, Lafayette, IN
- March 17: St. Patrick's Day, Local Pubs, Lafayette, IN
- April 29: 50th Feast/Indiana 300 performance, Lafayette, IN
- June 4-5: Fort De Chartres, Prairie du Rocher, IL
- June 17-18: Ohio Celtic Fest, Waynesville, OH
- Summer date TBD: Golf Outing Fundraiser
- Sept 16-17: Kohkohmah and Foster, Russiaville, IN
- Sept 30-Oct 1: Feast of the Hunter's Moon, Lafayette, IN
- Oct 14-15: Mississinewa 1812
- Oct 21-22: Fort Massac Encampment, Metropolis, IL
- Nov 25-26: Birmingham International Tattoo, Birmingham, UK

## THE THOMAS GRIFFIN ENDOWMENT

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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