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***Serving the Celtic Communities of: Wales, Isle of Man, Cornwall
(England), Galicia (Spain), Brittany (France), Scotland and Ireland***



Mark those calendars

Upcoming Events

- Hogamany January 4th Knight's House 6pm. See the President's Letter for more information.
- Burn's Dinner Jan. 25th. Hotel Alex Johnson.
- Feb. 5th Board Meeting.



President Bill Knight

GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT-

Ho! Ho! Ho!

Let me start off by wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! With the holidays fast approaching that means Hogmanay and the Burns Dinner is right around the corner. The Hogmanay will be on January 4th at the Knight's house. We decided to have the Hogmanay a bit later or after the usual New Year's Eve on or near the 31st. This allows many of our members to attend other parties on the 31st. The Hogmanay will start at 6pm and go



until whenever and I'm sure the first footing will be before midnight as has been the case in years past. So bring your favorite food and beverage and Celtic attire and prepare to have a good time of fellowship, food, fun and frolic. See you at Hogmanay. Sally will send out directions to our house along with our phone number in case anyone gets lost!

Soon after Hogmanay will be our Burns Dinner which will be held on or near January 25th. The reason I say on or near is because as of this writing we have not secured a venue yet to hold the event. Our usual, the Chop House is completely booked on Saturdays for the entire month of January. However Carmen did say that Saturday Feb. 1st is still open or most Friday's in January are still open. By moving it back to Feb. 1st would bump us up against the Stock Show maybe affecting our attendance to the dinner. Also I am talking with the Alex Johnson and the 25th of January is available but there are some concerns with the contract that have yet to be clarified. I have a call in to them but have not received a call back as of yet. Either way a decision has to and will be made by Tuesday December 17th or we have the risk of not securing either location. My initial inclination is to go with the Chop House as they have done us very well in the past without a questionable contract even though the Stock Show will be in town then. Unless anyone has a suggestion or another venue in mind the Burns Dinner will be at one of these two venues.

On another note Sally and I have been working on getting the logo finalized etc. so that we may have at least some patches and a banner ready by the Burns Dinner. Sally did email everyone the logo and she has received back many good comments and some suggestions. With this info

in hand I'm confident the logo will be done and printed very soon in time for the dinner!

Going in another direction besides having our usual board and business meetings and events it would be nice to get out and about in the community by attending some of the fun events throughout our community. Such as some of the events at Main Street Square or let's say a night out at the Wobbly Bobby dressed in our kilts etc. That would be a great time and it would make us very visible. So if you have any suggestions, thoughts or ideas on this let us know and let's go have some fun! See ya at Hogmanay!

Thank-you

Bill Knight

President BHCS

Board Minutes

December 3 2013
Dunn Brothers coffee house

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm. Last month's minutes were read. No corrections.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer was unable to make in. No report given.

Old Business:

Bill or Sally will contact Marilyn at Masters Awards to check on the progress.

Hogmanay:

Will be on January 4 so that members are able to attend events with their friends and

family over New Year's Eve. Bill and Sally Knight will host the event at their home. The time will be at 6:00, BYOB, potluck. Directions will be sent out. Celtic attire is encouraged. Mickey Hartnett plans to bring a slide show of Hogmanay in Edinburgh.

Burns Dinner:

Will be on January 25. Bill, Sally, Gary, and Mickey, and Mike have offered to be on the committee. Bill will check with the Alex Johnson and the Chop House. Mike will check with the VFW. Gary checked for events downtown that might interfere with our event. Sally proposed that Mike LeMay perform for the Burns dinner for the requested fee of \$400. Marlene Wilcox seconded. All in favor.

New Business:

Laura Beall asked if BHCS could volunteer their time for a cultural event with the Girl Scouts. It runs from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Bill Knight proposed that we participate. Sally Knight seconded. All in favor.

Bill had a radio interview with KQFR about our group and Hogmanay. It will air on December 28 at 5:15 am, 7:15 am, 1:15 pm, 5:15 pm on 89.9 FM.

Program Ideas:

We will be looking for fun things that are going on downtown and see in members would like to join in, especially Celtic related events.

Mickey also mentioned a British car show this September 2014. The group could dress in Celtic attire and meet at the Wobbly Bobby.

Program adjourned at 8:00 pm.
Sally Knight, secretary.

According to Sally

I just read that in Wales Santa is not given milk and cookies, but mince pies and a bottle of Guinness.

I bet he goes there first!



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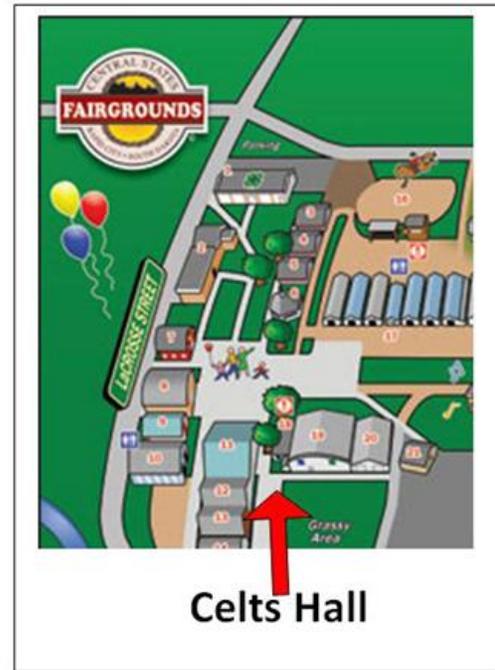
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