

### 2018 Activities

- ✓ 1. Robert Burns Gala - January
- 2. Social Gathering at the castle of the Exchequer, Joe Harden - May
- 3. Two Board Meetings – March and July
- ✓ 4. Completed By laws - July
- 3. Letter to Gov Mc Master Re: monument protection legislation - October
- 4. Letter to Heritage Society re becoming a member of that Organization – October???
- 5. Charleston Games Gathering – October
- ✓ 6. Annual Business Meeting - November

### New Business – ideas for 2019 activities

- ✓ 1. Robert Burns dinner formal gala, wives, members and wives/dates/etc - January
- ✓ 2. Social gathering members and wives/dates/etc – April/May??
- ✓ 3. Savannah Scottish Games – members and wives – May 4??
- 4. Charleston Scottish Games and Highland Gathering – members and wives (Nov. 2)
- ✓ 5. Kirkin of the Tartans – Members and wives?? (OLD SHELDON/MCPHERSONVILLE) - WAYNE COWDER
  - MATT AS PIPER
  - FRANK DATE
- 6. Annual Business meeting Nov 30<sup>th</sup>, St. Andrews Day – members only
- ✓ 7. New Members
- ✓ 8. Banner for games, etc. PHIL CROMER BANNER / MARK HEWITSON BADGE
- ✓ 9. Dues
- ✓ 10. By laws
- ✓ 10. Member and Ancestor book

### Committees:

- 1. By laws ad hoc committee – Secretary and two members volunteers;
  - Review and revise as needed (Meeting schedule/times, New member process, et al)
- 2. Committee on Letters (Membership Committee)– Chair and his appointees and volunteers (BOD?)



Mailed ✓  
Saint Andrew's Society  
of  
Lowcountry South Carolina  
Beaufort, South Carolina

The Honorable Henry McMaster  
State House  
1100 Gervais Street  
Columbia, S.C. 29201

23 Oct 2018

RE: Reinforcement of Monument Protections in the Palmetto State

Dear Governor:

As a hereditary society in South Carolina, we request your support to ensure that proactive steps are taken to protect historical monuments in the Palmetto State. South Carolinians remember and study their history, we honor our forefathers, and over the years we have erected and placed monuments and markers across the state to commemorate significant events, and significant people, in order to educate our citizens and visitors about all aspects of our state's long and honorable history.

The vandalism and illegal destruction of historical monuments and statues in other areas of the country has been largely unabated. Lawlessness must not be rewarded nor tolerated. Legislation requiring local governments to immediately repair and restore illegally removed monuments would motivate local officials to protect the monuments and encourage them to deter unruly, misguided, and malicious protestors. This type of policy appeals not only to a majority of South Carolinians, but also to most Americans. Polls conducted by Rasmussen Reports have shown support for historical monuments ranging from 69 to 88 percent over the past two years. There are very few policy issues with such widespread support.

Monuments in cities such as Charleston provide understanding and context to the history that is a direct link to the founding of our nation. The preservation of our history through these monuments, many of which are works of art, is key to educating all people about our history and is pivotal to maintaining a remembrance of the foundation on which the state and the country were built, and for which so many of South Carolina's citizens risked all they had to build and preserve for us.

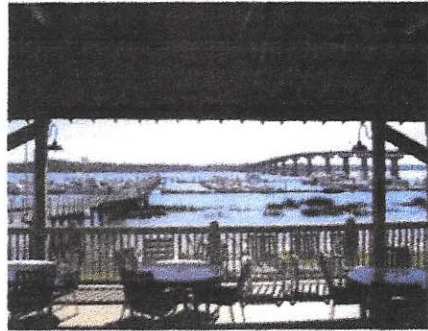
On behalf of our membership, I respectfully request that you take the necessary actions to preserve our state's history and to honor and remember our ancestors who risked all for the state, country, and freedoms we now enjoy.

In Memory of our Ancestors,

Thomas E Wilson III, President



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Nolan Tarrance, President  
The Heritage Society of Beaufort  
304 Cottage Farm Drive  
Beaufort, SC 29902

Re: St. Andrew's Society

Nolan,

As president of St. Andrew's Society of Lowcountry South Carolina, I am writing this letter to determine how our Society might become a member of the Heritage Society of Beaufort.

As a member of St. Andrew's Society yourself, you know that we are in our second year of existence, and have twenty members currently. The objectives of St. Andrew's Society are to 1.) promote social and fraternal intercourse among members and their families; 2.) to perpetuate Scottish traditions and culture; 3.) to assist in documenting Scottish genealogy; 4.) to dispense charitable and educational assistance to Scotsmen, their lineal descendants, and others; and 5.) to have and exercise all the powers conferred by the laws of South Carolina upon our tax exempt organization.

Members of St. Andrew's Society Lowcountry are males, who were born in Scotland, or are lineally descended from one or more natives of Scotland.

Our Society is financially sound, and we would be happy to entertain a year or two of membership in the Heritage Society during which we would not participate in the distribution of any proceeds from their various fundraising efforts.

Please let me know how we should best proceed, in order to become a member of the Heritage Society. I look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Thomas E. Wilson, III  
President, St. Andrews Society of Lowcountry South Carolina



## meeting recollections March 6 2018

Tom Wilson

Fri 3/9/2018 8:39 AM

To: Carroll Crowther <crowthercarroll@gmail.com>; cousar@hargray.com <cousar@hargray.com>; Mark Henderson <hendo@islc.net>; harden@hargray.com <harden@hargray.com>; Frank Gibson <fgibson1@icloud.com>;

**Gents: Meeting items as I remember. Please let me know what needs correcting and/or what I left out**

1. Joe Harden will work on our becoming a 501c3
2. Tom Wilson will talk with a select few about serving as chaplain for the Society
3. Joe Harden will develop the members only cocktail part for May, along with who ever he wants to assist. Mark Henderson and Tom Wilson will suggest a date.
4. Joe Harden will work on trip to Charleston Games in September
5. Mark Henderson has volunteered to compose the bylaws, rules, etc
6. Membership is private and only by invitation from the membership committee.
7. Carroll provided copies of membership application form and statement of bloodline descent to committee members

There being no further business, we left.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tom Wilson, President

p.s. We did not talk about another Robert Burns dinner, but suggest that we begin to plan one, and ask Frank if he would take that on again, due to the success of the initial RBD

## St. Andrews update 6 April 2018

Tom Wilson

Fri 4/6/2018 9:04 AM

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Gents,

Looking back at our initial meeting, there are some action items that bear some updating.

1. 501c3 - Joe, Any progress there?
2. Out of the select few suited to serve as Chaplain of our Society, and our first choice, Brother Tom Burnett has answered the call. Thank you Dr. Burnett.
3. Mark Henderson and Tom Wilson do not have a date to suggest for a May social, and nor for a June social. (My much better half and I will be out of town in the RV most of April, all of May, and most of June. Mark is traveling extensively in May and the first half of June. So neither of us are in a position to pick a date, (impeachment proceedings are being contemplated)) and hereby turn that task back over to the "Fluid" committee. Member in good standing Tom Moody has suggested that at that or some future event, members make a short presentation on who they are and something about their Scottish Ancestor(s). I think its a good idea, and perhaps we should keep a book or folder with that information in it. Your thoughts please. Mark will support the social as secretary with mailings and other secretarial functions and would attend if possible, and provide whatever other support might be needed.
4. Joe Harden, the workhorse of the group, is working on September trip to Charleston Games. Also, trying to generate interest in bus trip to Savannah Games. Anything to report Joe?
5. Mark Henderson waiting on comments from all committee members on proposed by laws, rules, etc. Please forward your responses to Mark as soon as possible, including "no comment" replies, so Mark can conclude is work.
6. To my knowledge, no new members have been solicited, and we should all be looking.
7. I feel sure that brother Gibson will accept the request of the committee to chair the Robert Burns dinner once again, due to the success of the initial event. Others of the Society would I feel sure volunteer to play significant support roles.

Thanks for any input (positive input is suggested)

In the service of our Ancestors,  
Tom Wilson

The Minutes  
Of  
A Meeting of the Officers and Founding Members  
St. Andrews Society of the Lowcountry

A Meeting of the St. Officers and Founding members of Saint Andrews Society of the Lowcountry was held on July 10, 2018, at Port Royal Landing Marina. The following Scottish Descendants were present:

Tom Wilson, President

Frank Gibson, Chair Ad Hoc Committee for Robert Burns celebration

Joe Harden, Exchequer

Tom Burnett, Chaplain

Carroll Crowther, Founding member and Advisor

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Wilson at somewhere near 5:00 pm.

1. Tax Status – Exchequer Harden presented a thicbage of forms that he is in the process of filling out so as to provide the legal tax status for SALC. The Exchequer voiced his intent on several of the questions remaining on the forms, receiving the committee’s appreciation for his work thus far, and approval of his plan going forward. The Exchequer will complete the forms and provide a copy to members of the committee prior to sending to the IRS.
2. Exchequer Harden also discussed evolving plans relative to the Scottish Games in Charleston and how SALC might encourage attendance by all members. The date of the games is November the third, and all members should note the date, and plan to attend with The Society. Preliminary plans are to travel in one or more vehicles and spend two hours (plus or minus) enjoying the festivities, learning more about the games and Scottish culture in general, and taking advantage of the opportunities for purchasing Scottish related clothing, food, and other refreshments. Further and more specific details will be submitted to the membership at a later date.
3. Frank Gibson reported on the Society’s Robert Burns dinner, scheduled for 26 January, 2019, again at Dataw Island. Plans are well along, and Frank is and will be ably assisted by Col. St. Clair.
4. Carroll Crowther reported that (in co ordination with Founding Member/Advisor Wayne Cousar) we are moving ahead with our plans for a “Kirkin of the Tartans” service, partnering with St. Helena’s Anglican Church. The planned location is Old Sheldon Church. The group is working on a date which, when determined, will be provided to the membership.

NOTE: In this service, and in other gatherings of the descendants of the clans, it is appropriate, and strongly encouraged, for members to wear the Scottish garb of their clans, and/or to obtain and display their clan’s colors in a Tartan banner. According to Wayne Cousar’s March 25, 2018 memo to the membership, the flag or Banner should match your clan tartan, and should be a 3 X 5 flag with a fringed



edge on the bottom, and a sleeve that will accommodate a 1 1/8" (one and one eighth inch) pole. (SALC has the poles already)

Two sources for the flags/banners, or for the tartan cloth if you wish to buy the material and have the flag made are:

- a. The Scottish Trading Company; Jenny, at 1-877-224-8299, or [www.scottishtradingcompany.com](http://www.scottishtradingcompany.com)
- b. Sottish Tartans Museum, 86 E Main St, Franklin, NC 28734; or [www.scottishtartans.org](http://www.scottishtartans.org); 1-828-524-7472.

There are other sources as well and as yet untried. It was duly noted that if your tartan does not match your clan tartan, it is a near certainty that there would be no repercussions, and more likely that no one would notice.

5. It was reported by the Exchequer that there is at least one new potential member in the pipeline.

6. It was agreed by those present that a means of recording and preserving the biographical information of our members and their ancestors will be undertaken going forward, thus honoring and preserving our ancestors memories, and enhancing the familiarity of all members with each other.

7. The fourth and final version of the Society by laws have been completed after considerable effort by Secretary Henderson, and approved by the committee. A copy is attached. Everyone is encouraged to review the bylaws, and to provide the committee, thru Secretary Henderson, any concerns or suggested changes. If no concerns or suggestions are received within a reasonable time, (ten days from the receipt of these minutes), then the by laws will be considered approved.

There being no further business, and it being time for rest and refreshments, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm, approx..

Humbly submitted, in the absence of the Secretary, by

Tom Wilson, President

7/13/2013