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President's Message

We had a great time at our Burns Dinner on January 21. I would like to thank all those who participated in the toasts and Irene Thomson for the sausage rolls. The pipers were - Felicity Carrol, Andrew Hahn, Cameron Hamnquist, Connor Hamnquist, Ian Hamnquist, Hayden Norris, Reilly Norris and Kyle Radwanski. This event could not happen without the help of all these people.

Casino Night will be March 31. If you picked up a flyer at the Burns Dinner, please note the date change. Information on Casino Night is in this newsletter.

Also, in this newsletter is information on Tartan Day in Balboa Park on April 7. Save the date and come on down for some Scottish fun!

Mike Hamnquist

Famous Scots

- Alexander Graham Bell (1847-1922)

Bell was born on 3 March 1847 in Edinburgh. His father and grandfather had both been involved in elocution and improving systems of communication for the deaf and deaf mutes so it was hardly surprising that he followed in their footsteps.

In 1870, after attending universities in Edinburgh and London, he emigrated to Canada before moving on to be Professor of Vocal Physiology at Boston. His invention of the telephone was in pursuit of a device to help the deaf. He patented his early telephone in February 1876 - only days ahead of other rivals. But it was not until 10 March 1876 that the famous words "Mr Watson, come here; I want you" were transmitted by telephone. He formed the Bell Telephone company in 1877 and became rich as a result. But he continued to teach (Helen Keller the blind and deaf woman who is famous for her work with the handicapped, was one of his pupils) and work on inventions including a universal phonetic language, a phonograph and hydrofoils. He was also involved in genetics and invented a new method of sheep breeding. But he never liked his most famous invention, saying "I never use the beast" and stuffing the bell on his phone with newspapers. He moved to Nova Scotia and died there in 1922.

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Dedicated to all things Scottish

The stated goal of the North County Scots, as a non-profit organization, is to sponsor Scottish oriented youth activities and find pleasure in activities with other Scottish Associations and friends.

*Year lists term of officer.

Tartan of the Month

- Taylor



From the French word "tailler" which means "to cut," a tailor was originally a cutter of cloth. As such, the name came into use early in Scotland's history - Alexander le Taillur was a valet to King Alexander III in the last quarter of the 13th century. There were six landowners with the name Taylor who were of sufficient stature to be required to sign the "Ragman Roll" of King Edward in August 1296. Their lands ranged in places across Southern and Central Scotland such as Roxburghshire in the Borders, Edinburgh and Lanark, to as far north as the county of Angus.

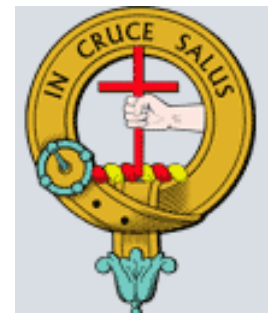
In the early days, the name was often rendered in the Latin form "cissor" (from which the English word scissor is derived) and around 1137, Walter Cissor was granted land by King David II and William Cissor held a tenement in Edinburgh in 1392. Scissor and Cissor were recorded in Inverness and Perth in the 15th century. But, unlike the name Taylor which became prolific, the Cissor variant died out - possibly with some of the holders changing to Taylor.

The name spread into the Gaelic-speaking Highlands and became Macantaillear and Macintaylor but did not become widespread. However, "Taillear dubh na tuaighe" (Black Taylor of the battle-axe) was a legendary follower of Cameron of Lochiel. A number of Macintaileours were fined for providing shelter to members of the outlawed clan Macgregor in 1613.

James Taylor was involved with William Symington in building the first practical steam-powered ship in 1788. It sailed on Dalswinton Loch and a second vessel, powered by a larger engine, plied the Forth and Clyde canal.

In the first half of the 19th century, Dr John Taylor championed causes of political liberty including the movement for Greek independence from Turkey. At a time when trade unions were frowned on, he became the editor of "Liberator" which advocated the extension of voting rights, by revolution or republicanism if necessary. He was regarded as an extremist in his day, fighting for measures which we take for granted now.

The Taylor clan motto is "In cruce salus" which means "Salvation from the Cross".





San Diego Tartan Day

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Traditional Scottish Recipes

- French Onion Turkey Shepherd's Pie

Ingredients:

1 lb. medium potatoes, peeled and cubed	2 Tbsp. all-purpose flour
2 large onions, peeled, halved, and thinly sliced	2 Tbsp. brandy or additional reduced-sodium beef broth
½ tsp. salt, divided	1 Tbsp. stone-ground mustard
1 Tbsp. canola oil	1 Tbsp. Worcestershire sauce
2 ¼ c. reduced-sodium beef broth, divided	1 c. frozen peas
¼ tsp. pepper	1/3 c. shredded Gruyere or Swiss cheese
1 lb. extra-lean ground turkey	

Method:

1. Place potatoes in a large saucepan and cover with water. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cover and cook for 10-15 minutes or until tender.
2. Meanwhile, in a large skillet, sauté onions and ¼ tsp. salt in oil until softened. Reduce heat to medium-low; cook, stirring occasionally, for 30 minutes or until deep golden brown.
3. Drain potatoes. Mash with ¼ c. broth and pepper; set aside and keep warm.
4. In a non-stick skillet, cook turkey over medium heat until no longer pink; drain. Add the flour, brandy, mustard, Worcestershire sauce and remaining broth and salt. Cook and stir for 5-7 minutes or until thickened. Stir in peas and onion mixture.
5. Transfer to a 1 ½ quart baking dish coated with cooking spray; spread with potato mixture. Bake, covered, at 375° for 20 minutes. Sprinkle with cheese. Bake, uncovered, 10-15 minutes longer or until golden brown.



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Casino Night

March 31, 2011 ~ 7 pm – 11 pm

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761 Eucalyptus Ave., Vista, CA 92084

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