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Scottish Heritage Center
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The 31st Annual Scottish Heritage Weekend - St. Andrews University, Laurinburg, N.C.
Featuring the Charles Bascombe Shaw Memorial Scottish Heritage Symposium
March 20-22, 2020

**Celebrating 31 Years - Don't miss this event if you are interested in
Scotland and the Scots in the Carolinas!**

The 2020 Scottish Heritage Weekend - St. Andrews University Campus

Originally founded in 1989 as a celebration of the 250th Anniversary of the arrival of the first organized party of Highland Scots to North Carolina, this event has grown over the years to provide an unparalleled opportunity to learn more about our region's Scottish heritage through top scholars from Scotland and North America. **The Charles Bascombe Shaw Memorial Scottish Heritage Symposium** continues this tradition for study and interaction for anyone interested in Scottish history, culture, and traditions.

St. Andrews University and its **Scottish Heritage Center** are pleased to host this event along with the **North Carolina Scottish Heritage Society**, **The Scotland County Tourism Development Authority** and **Comfort Inn of Laurinburg**. The Award Winning Comfort Inn of Laurinburg (910-277-7788) is the host hotel for the event. For reservations, please contact (910) 277-7788 and ask for the special "Scottish Heritage Weekend" special rates.

Lodging in Laurinburg

Laurinburg and Scotland County offer a variety of lodging choices for every taste and budget. We invite you to visit the Scotland County Tourism Development Website at <http://www.visitnc-soul.com/> for a listing of local accommodations, as well as dining options.



St. Andrews Scottish Heritage Center Presents

The 31st Charles Bascombe Shaw Memorial Scottish Heritage Weekend



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*"The Gaeldom of the Carolinas"
by Daniel Caudill*

**With Assistance From:
The Charles Bascombe Shaw Scottish Heritage Endowment Fund
The North Carolina Scottish Heritage Society
Comfort Inn of Laurinburg**

Schedule of Events

All events held in Avinger Auditorium
unless otherwise noted.

Due to severe flooding damage caused by Hurricane Florence, several of our campus facilities are still under repair. Our food service options are limited due to the flooding of our student center and food service areas. However, symposium sessions will be taking place in a newly refurbished Avinger Auditorium that features a new sound system and amenities that are more conducive for these sessions. Outside of some reconstruction efforts which will be ongoing in various places on campus, this is the only impact which this disaster's effects will have on our event.

Friday, March 20

1:30 p.m. *Check-In*

2:00 p.m. Opening Remarks & Welcome

2:15- 3:15 p.m. "Songs and Stories of the Jacobite Times"

Dr. Bruce Durie

3:15- 3:30 p.m. *Break /Late Check-In*

3:30- 4:30 p.m. "'S cinnteach gun d' fhuair iad air aghart gu math ann an Carolina:" Reflections on the Carolinas and the South in the Gaelic Literary

Dr. Rob Dunbar

4:30 p.m. Close of Proceedings for Day 1

Dinner - On Your Own (visit <http://visitnc-soul.com/stay/eat.html> for local options)

Saturday, March 21

9:30 a.m. *Check-In*

10:00 a.m. "'S coigrich sinn us luchd cuairt'" ("We are strangers and travelers"): Scottish Gaelic Folk Hymnody and Nineteenth-Century Soundscapes in the North Carolina Gàidhealtachd

Dr. Tiber Falzett

11:00 a.m. Break

11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. "The Ties That Bind: The Curious Connections Between Islay Migrants in North Carolina and Ontario"

Dr. Rae Fleming

12:15- 1:15 p.m. Lunch buffet served

1:15- 2:15 p.m. "Scots and Indians: The Common Traditions That Joined A People"

Nancy Strickland Fields

2:15- 2:30 p.m. Break

2:30- 3:00 p.m. "Bringing Scottish Gaelic to Higher Education in North Carolina"

Bill Caudill, Members of Scottish Heritage USA, Dr. Tiber Falzett

3:00- 4:00 p.m. Open Question and Answer Session with Speakers

4:00 p.m. End of Sessions - Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Scottish Heritage Society

5:30 p.m. - Until

Reception - food, fellowship, and drink featuring the ribbon cutting for the James A. and Hester R. McDonald Reading and Clan Donald USA Foundation Archives and Reference Library - Scottish Heritage Center

Sunday, March 22

11:00 a.m. Kirkin of the Tartan Worship Service

Laurinburg Presbyterian Church 600 West Church Street - Downtown Laurinburg

All are welcome to join in this Scottish-American worship tradition-Lunch following service*
(advanced reservations required, please see registration form for details)

The 31st Charles Bascombe Shaw Memorial

About the Speakers

Dr. Bruce Durie is a scientist with an additional Doctorate in History. He is best known for his many books, articles, talks and courses on Genealogy, Local History, Scottish Documents and Heraldry. His "Scottish Genealogy", now in its 4th Edition, continues to be a best-seller. Previously Head of Genealogical Studies at Strathclyde University, Glasgow, Scotland he is now a Fellow at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland, where he teaches (occasionally) courses on Scottish Genealogy, Documents and Heraldry. He was recently elected Fellow of the Royal Society of Biology and Chartered Biologist for his work on the Public Understanding of Genetic Genealogy. He has Right of Audience at the Court of the Lord Lyon, Edinburgh, and regularly helps people (including Americans!) get a legal Coat of Arms in Scotland. In 2015-16 he was the Fulbright Senior Scottish Studies Scholar, spending 8 months researching Scottish Lowland immigration into early Colonial America. His presentation will present songs and melodies of the Jacobite Rebellions with musical illustrations.

Dr. Rob Dunbar is the Chair of Celtic Languages, Literatures, History and Antiquities at the University of Edinburgh. Prior to assuming that Chair he was Senior Research Professor at the University of the Highlands and Islands, and Research Director of the inter-university Soillse Research Project. He served previous positions as lecturer and senior lecturer at the University of Glasgow and Aberdeen. A native of Canada, he has been involved in Gaelic language development for almost twenty years, and has held numerous positions on Government and European agencies broadly relating to the maintenance and revitalization of minority languages and the protection of their speakers. This passage--"It's certain that they got ahead well in Carolina"--is from a report on the Gaels of Carolina which appeared in the Nova Scotia weekly all-Gaelic language newspaper *Mac-Talla* ('Echo') in the early 1890s. In this presentation, what Gaels from outside the Carolinas--principally Nova Scotian and Scottish Gaels--had to say about not only the Gaels of Carolina but Carolina and the South more generally will be explored, primarily in prose sources, and what this record may tell us of the Gaels of Carolina themselves and how other Gaelic speakers perceived them and their experiences.

Dr. Tiber Falzett is the inaugural Scottish Heritage USA Visiting Lecturer in Scottish Gaelic Studies at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. In 1826 William Hunter at the Telegraph Office in Fayetteville, published an edition of Pádraig Grand's *Nuadh Dháin Spioradail*, ("New Spiritual Songs") one of the earliest known publications in the language in North America and one of only two known in North Carolina. This presentation will explore a recently identified copy of this rare edition held at Duke University's Rubenstein Rare Book Collection. The edition sewn into a single-piece hide, serving as both binding and cover, with other English-language Evangelical works from the period along with loose leaves of handwritten English-language hymns appear to have been in the possession of one E.D. McKay. Signs of extreme wear are encouraging in demonstrating the object's utility in bilingual contexts in North Carolina's Gàidhealtachd during the second quarter of the nineteenth century. The everyday functions of this vernacular miscellany will be contextualized through both contemporary accounts of Scottish Gaelic linguistic, musical and religious expression in North Carolina's Cape Fear and Sandhills settlements and examples of oral performances of Scottish Gaelic folk hymnody. By listening to these various pieces of evidence in concert, we are invited to hear the historic and now silenced soundscape of these 'strangers and travelers'.

Dr. Rae Fleming is a local historian and widely published author from Argyll, Ontario. He will be addressing a very little known migration of mostly Islay emigrants to the Carolinas and then their interactions and travels back and forth between Richmond County, North Carolina and South Central Ontario - particularly around the township of Eldon, Ontario in the 19th century. When his pictorial history of Eldon Township, Victoria County (now City of Kawartha Lakes), Ontario, Canada, was published in 1975, it quickly became a local best seller in the township that until then had not much thought about its own history. Using photographs that date to the mid-19th century, as well as documents from the Ontario Archives, family stories and old maps, Fleming has reconstructed the lives of the pioneers of Eldon township, as well as the atmosphere of the early township. The book is an important document for genealogist today, especially those who can trace their roots back to this little township. Today, several generations removed from the Eldon pioneers, descendants return to the township, *Eldon Connections* in hand, to search for distant cousins, as well as for the piece of land, the remains of a log building and perhaps a stone fence that bear testament to their hard working ancestors. This is Dr. Fleming's first visit to the Carolinas.

Nancy Strickland Fields is a member of the Lumbee Tribe. Her family resides in and around the Pembroke area. She was raised in Charlotte with very close ties to her family in Robeson County. Her 18-year museum career has been focused in museum education and administration. She has worked at the Museum of Contemporary Native Art in Santa Fe, New Mexico; The National Museum of the American Indian, Washington, D.C.; and The American Indian Cultural Center and Museum in Oklahoma City. Her current role is Director and Curator of The Museum of the Southeast American Indian in Pembroke, North Carolina. She is the first Lumbee graduate of the Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe, New Mexico where she earned a BA in Museum Studies and earned a master's degree in History from the University of North Carolina at Wilmington. Nancy's area of research focuses on Southeastern Native peoples and the American colonial experience. Her presentation will address the connections between Highland Scots of the Upper Cape Fear, Lumber and PeeDee River regions and the native Lumbee Tribe who were previously settled on the land prior to their arrival -- a topic which has not been addressed in depth by scholars of either of these peoples.

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Registration Form

(Must be received no later than March 16, 2020)

PLEASE Register Early - Registration limited by space available. Please include the names of all individuals who will be attending.

Name(s) _____
(please print) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Daytime Phone _____

Email Address _____

Please indicate number attending in box below:

Scottish Heritage Weekend Symposium (\$100 per person)
(includes all presentations, lunch and reception on Saturday)

Kirkin' of the Tartans Lunch Sunday, March 22

Laurinburg Presbyterian Church will offer a delicious lunch following the Kirkin' of the Tartans Worship Service.

For reservations, please contact:

Laurinburg Presbyterian Church
at 910.276.0831 or
email: laurinburgpres@bizec.rr.com

Total Amount Enclosed: _____

(No refunds after March 16, 2020)

Method of Payment: Check or money order payable to:
Scottish Heritage Center

Mail to: Scottish Heritage Center, St. Andrews University
1700 Dogwood Mile, Laurinburg, NC 28352-5598

For questions regarding reservations call 910-277-5236 or email bagpipe@sa.edu indicating Scottish Heritage in the subject line.

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