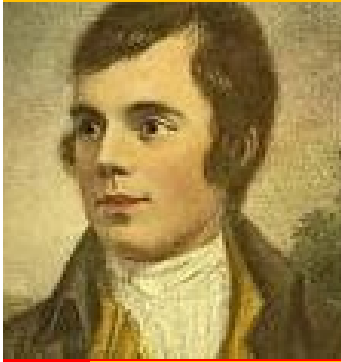


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Robert Burns Society of the Midlands

The Rampant Lion

WHAT YOU MISSED

For those of you who didn't attend the October 6th Kirkin at Saxe Gotha Presbyterian Church in Columbia, you missed a wonderful opportunity to show your Scottish spirit. Thanks to Marty & Cam Koblisch, Ned Wallace, and Drew Macaulay for representing RBSM.

Again on October 27th members of RBSM introduced a Kirkin for the first time at Cherokee Presbyterian Church in Gilbert. A special thank you to Elizabeth Fager, piper and Andrew Russell, drummer along with Terry Burnett, Drew Macaulay, Marty & Cam Koblisch, Julie Smoak, Ned & Ann Wallace and Christine Burnette along with members of the congregation who showed the Scottish Spirit was alive and well.

November 3rd saw our most recent Kirkin at Lake Murray Presbyterian Church in Chapin. Thanks to Christine Burnette, Julie Smoak, Ned Wallace and Marty & Cam Koblisch who represented our group.

SAVE THE DATES



December 13th - Samhain Holiday Gathering at the British Bulldog Pub starting at 6:00 PM. Scottish attire is optional but encouraged. Order from the menu and enjoy friendship and laughs & perhaps a little entertainment. Please let Marty know if you are planning on attending. 973-214-4246/mkoblisch@earthlink.net

January 25th, 2025 - Robert Burns Dinner at Seawell's

More details to follow by email

March 1st, 2025 - Irish Fest Camden-Kershaw County near Camden Military Academy

April 4th, 2025 - Tartan Day South-Old Columbia speedway



Did You Know.....

Halloween is rooted in the ancient festival of Samhain. This marked the end of the harvest season and the beginning of winter

NEWS FROM THE BOARD

Elaine Twedt has resigned from the Board and President, Terry Burnett has appointed Christine Burnette to fill Elaine's remaining term which ends on December 31st, 2024.

Elections were held via email this year for the first time and the responses were unanimous for the candidates running for office. They are as follows:

President, Drew Macaulay

Vice President, Ned Wallace

Treasurer, Danny Skinner

Secretary, Marty Koblish

Members at Large, Christine Burnette, Tom Elmore, & Tony Hurson



They assume their positions as of January 1st, 2025 and will be introduced at the Burns Dinner

Check out

www.Rootstech.org

If you are interested in Scottish genealogy research and associated free classes on line.

Check out the following web site for a interesting Scottish Project by Les Taylor of Aberdeenshire



www.OldRuggedKirks.com

"The Church of Scotland has claimed that it will have to close 400 to 700 churches in the next few years. The magnificent interiors of these fine old churches will be stripped-out for redevelopment. My aim is to visit, survey & photograph the interiors and features of as many of these under-threat churches as possible."

The pictures on his web site are amazing , especially the stained glass windows and organs that will be lost to redevelopment

Send news and or information for the newsletter to:

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Newsletter frequency will be determined by how much news there is fit to print!



Looking forward to seeing you all soon.

*Terry, Drew, Danny, Marty, Tom,
Christine & Ned*

Your RBSM Board

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Anyone wishing to order their clan Tartan Banners may do so by contacting Danny Skinner at: 100kilts@gmail.com

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