



British Officers Club Washington DC

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Poor Beasts

The horse and mule live 30 years
And nothing know of wines and beers.
The goat and sheep at 20 die
And never taste of Scotch or Rye.
The cow drinks water by the ton
And at 18 is mostly done.
The dog at 15 cashes in
Without the aid of rum of gin.
The cat in milk and water soaks

And then in 12 short years it croaks.
The modest, sober, bone-dry hen
Lays eggs for nogs, then dies at 10.
All animals are strictly dry;
They sinless live and swiftly die;
But sinful, ginful, rum-soaked men
Survive for three score years and ten.
And some of them, a very few,
Stay pickled till they're 92.

Anon

1. Trafalgar Night Dinner and Dance Tickets for Sale

Tickets are now available on the Club's website bocwashdc.org. They are set at \$145 if you pay by cheque or \$148 if you pay on line, the extra covering, in part, the credit card costs.

Where else are you going to get superb food, great camaraderie and a really cracking band, The Swinging Silver Tones, all for \$145? This price is due, in part to certain members of the Country Club of Fairfax, the location for the event.

There will be a cash bar prior to the dinner and wine at the table is included in the ticket price.

You will have a three course meal with a choice of three entrees – Beef tenderloin, Pan-seared halibut or Vegetable Wellington.

Following the tradition of previous years, the dessert will be a British pudding. In the past we have eaten Spotted Dick, Bakewell Tart. This year it will be Richmond Maids of Honour Tart, a pudding possibly devised by Ann Boleyn or even Henry VIII himself.

Dress – Black Tie or Mess Dress as befits the event. If the moths have pre-eaten your tux, then a business suit will do just fine.

This is an event to invite your friends to attend, so, please spread the word. Bring your youngsters and show them how to dance.

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Keep safe

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