



St Andrew's Society of Washington DC

The Color Guard

Formed October 2008

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To promote public awareness of the society by providing a professional working Color Guard at various events held within or on behalf of the society.

Mission

Provide assistance to the membership committee at public events for the recruitment of new society members. Support the society pipe band by providing the Color Guard relieving the band members of this duty

Goal

To serve as ambassadors for the society at all attended events by encouraging membership and fellowship within the society and the community. To taking our duties with a degree of seriousness and professionalism we will always strive to have fun within our own ranks and those around us. We are always ready to take on private events as Honor Guard for Weddings, Color Guard of other societies and Pipe bands.

Events

2008

St Andrew's Society of Washington DC Tartan Ball
Scottish Christmas Walk Alexandria VA

2009

St Andrew's Society of Washington DC 250th Celebration Burns Night
British Embassy Burn's Night Bolling AFB Washington DC
St Andrew's Legion Pipes and Drums Charity Fundraiser Amelia County High School Amelia County VA
Alexandria St Patrick's Day Parade Old Town Alexandria VA
Manassas St Patrick's Day Parade Manassas VA

2009 Up Coming Events

National Kirkin of the Tartan 04/18/09
Gold Cup Promotion Event The Plains Great Meadows VA 05/02/09
4TH July Parade The Plains Great Meadows
Virginia Scottish Game The Plains Great Meadows 09/5 – 09/06/09
St Andrew's Society of Washington DC Tartan Ball
Scottish Christmas Walk Alexandria VA

For more information please contact David Close 571 277 7357 or Email davidclose10@hotmail.com
If you are planning an event and think the Color Guard would enhance an event: then it probability would.

(Donations to the Color Guard uniform fund can be made through the society) Thank You

The Members



David Close (Color Sergeant / Drum Major)

David was born in Edinburgh Scotland. He immigrated to the U.S in 2002. David served with Grenadier Guards in London where he could often be found on guard duty at Buckingham Palace, St James's Palace Tower of London . David has been with the SAS since 2004 and recently formed the Color Guard to assist the Pipe band with the various parades and training as the Drum Major for the pipe band. Interests Golf, Whisky.



John Coyle (Drill Sergeant)

John was born in Glasgow, Scotland. He immigrated to the U.S. in 1971. Married an American in 1974, had 4 daughters, will be married 35 years on 2/16/09 and now have 2 granddaughters and 2 grandsons. John works for Fairfax County Library System. Interests are his family, his home in the mountains and his pets (3 dogs, 2 cats and a rabbit). John's hobbies are the Virginia Scottish Games, my new enrollment with SASCG and hunting



Bryan Wallace McEachern, M.D., F.A.A.P. (The Surgeon)

Member of SASDC since 2000. Has served three terms on the board of managers and is a member of the Corps of Stewards. A pediatrician in the Manassas area, enjoys soccer, scuba, golf and war gaming with miniatures. He is the regimental surgeon for the color guard. Real officer material. Supervises Shatner the Clumber Spaniel mascot for the Color Guard. He is also known to brew award-winning lagers and ales for consumption in his home pub. Proud son of the late Carleton Clark McEachern, long time member of SASDC



Mark Wardlaw (Cbee)

Married, (Rhonda), with 3 children Bryan, Natalie, & Valerie, (1) grand-daughter, (Cameron Olivia)
General Contractor & owner of B.N.V. Remodeling, L.L.C., (www.bnvhome.com)

One year with the SAS

Interests - biking around DC, touring historical sites, football & marching with the SAS color guard!



Adam Pressman, (The Admiral) , is a plank holder in the St. Andrews Colour Guards and a six year member of the St. Andrews Society of Washington D.C. In years past, Adam has been the managing editor of the “Whin & Thistle”, a newsletter the Society funded in flusher times, and a Co-Chair of the Annual Tartan Ball. When not killed Adam is cruising or racing either his sailboats or those of his friends on the Chesapeake Bay and the Potomac River.



Tom Wright (Rifleman) is a native of Norfolk, Virginia. He has lived in the Washington, DC area since 1995. He is currently employed as a Business Advisor with the consulting company BearingPoint within their Federal Law Enforcement Sector. He received his MBA from The George Washington University School of Business in 2002. He is currently serving as a member of the Board of Manager's for the St. Andrew's Society of Washington, DC and has been president of the Virginia Scottish Games Association since 2006. In his spare time he enjoys playing golf, traveling, home improvement, and hiking. He has been a member of the Society since 2004 and a member of the Color Guard since 2008



Stuart Turkelson (Long Arm) is an Army veteran who has lived in Washington, DC since 2003. He works in insurance with the G J Graham State Farm agency in Clarendon, and was a graduate of Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg, VA. Also a yoga instructor, he has taught at studios in the area since 2007. A member of the Saint Andrews Society since 2008, he was promptly recruited into the Color Guard and proudly carries flags



Jonathan Gordon (The Swordsman) is a native of Boston, MA. He has lived in the Washington, DC area since 2003. He is currently employed as the Federal IT Manager for NOAA's Office of National Marine Sanctuaries. He received much of his professional training as a Ballistic Submarine Missile Technician in the US Navy. He is currently serving as a member of the Board of Manager's for the St. Andrew's Society of Washington, DC and is the Society's Membership Co-Chairman. In his spare time he enjoys fencing, traveling, soccer, and is a student of Scottish history. He has been a member of the Society since 2007 and a member of the Color Guard since 2008



Carlisle Bean (High Lisle) as an Air Force brat born in California, Carlisle has lived all over the world but has resided in the Washington, DC area since 1985. A registered architect since 1981, he is employed in construction phase services by Torti Gallas and Partners of Silver Spring. He is a trained Stephen Minister at Grace Episcopal Church and an election official for the City of Alexandria. He is currently serving his first term as Secretary of the St. Andrew's Society of Washington, DC and is the Chair of its annual Angus Mac Duffer Golf Tournament. In his spare time he enjoys Scottish country dancing, golfing, traveling, home improvement, and kayaking. He has been a member of the Society since 2005 and a member of the Color Guard since 2008.



David Grimes (The Star)

Though his career as an actor and a singer has taken him around the world David Grimes still thinks of Alexandria, VA as home. Starting out on the stage of “Little Theatre of Alexandria” at fifteen, and later graduating from Hartt School of Music with a degree in Music Theatre Performance, he soon found himself on stage in such Broadway musicals as Phantom of the Opera, Miss Saigon, Beauty and the Beast, and Jekyll & Hyde. He came back to the Washington DC area in 1997 where he has been seen at Arena Stage, Signature Theatre, and the Kennedy Center with the Washington National Opera. He is an avid Revolutionary War and Scottish History Buff and Flag Chairman of the George Washington Chapter of The Sons of the American Revolution. He has been a member of SAS since 2007 and a Color Guard member since 2008