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# The Caledonian

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## *Scottish Heroes II* *Saturday, November 14, 2020 @ 5:00 pm*

On October 17<sup>th</sup>, we met four interesting Scottish heroes thanks to four Society members who introduced them online.

1. Brian Bellah introduced Flora MacDonald, who helped Prince Charles Edward Stuart escape "Over the Sea to Skye" after the Battle of Culloden in 1746.
2. David Jeffrey, who spoke from California, introduced Eric Liddell, the 1924 Christian Olympic runner who was portrayed in the movie *Chariots of Fire*.
3. Susan Anderson introduced Sue Black, contemporary forensic anthropologist who innovates ways to identify victims of crimes, wars, and natural disasters.
4. Kristin Laitila introduced Josephine Tey, the penname of Elizabeth MacKintosh, who wrote plays and crime novels which were very popular especially just after WWII.

On Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup> starting at 5:00 pm, four members will introduce four more Scottish heroes online. **To register for the November 14<sup>th</sup> *Scottish Heroes II* email Kevin Bogan at [kevin.bogan@gmail.com](mailto:kevin.bogan@gmail.com).**

1. Kevin Campbell Bogan will introduce the novelist Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
2. Hardy Spoehr will introduce local waterman George Douglas Freeth, Jr.
3. Brian Richardson will introduce botanist and explorer David Douglas.
4. Lisa Gomes will introduce composer and fiddler Neil Gow.



*George Douglas Freeth, Jr.*

**Save December 12<sup>th</sup> for Scottish Heroes III**, via Zoom. Details about the December 12<sup>th</sup> meeting are still being finalized. If you would like to volunteer to tell us about a Scottish Heroes please contact Chieftain McEwan at [bemacewan@gmail.com](mailto:bemacewan@gmail.com). Take a look at our website [www.scotsinhawaii.org](http://www.scotsinhawaii.org) to find a list of Scottish heroes.

### **Brown Bag Biography Discussion of Life Writing by & for Town & Gown**

**Brian Richardson**, Librarian at UH, will reprise his talk on *James Macrae and the Voyage of HMS Brown*, **Thursday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at noon to 1:15**, via Zoom. Co-sponsored by the Departments of History and Political Science, and Hamilton Library, the presentation will focus on *The Journal of James Macrae, Botanist at the Sandwich Islands, 1825*. For more information, please contact the Center for Biographical Research at 808-956-3774 or [gabiog@hawaii.edu](mailto:gabiog@hawaii.edu). Meeting ID: 920 6909 2145; Password: VYh10D

## Chieftain's Column: From the Craig



Our first Scottish Heroes virtual event went smoothly and the attendees were treated with some quality educational information on Scots from different historical periods. We do need presenters for our December event and encourage our members to take advantage of the participation opportunity. Don't be shy. This is the best way to learn and support the Society. A list of "heroes" is available online at [www.scotsinhawaii.org](http://www.scotsinhawaii.org). Call me at 538-7707 to volunteer.

I would be remiss if I didn't put in a plug for the virtual Burns Day celebration, which is covered in this edition. We believe it will be an experience not to be missed. The Burns Committee has been especially creative this year to meet our members' needs to make our annual event something to remember. Slàinte, Bruce

### Member News

#### November Birthdays

Mary Jill Ackerman, George Allen, Pamela Asbury-Smith, Athlyn Bruce, Chris Carr, Lillian Cunningham, Leanne Davis, Bonnie Judd, Elspeth Kerr, Adrienne King, Don Laird, Linda McKenzie Karen Thompson, Helen Wynn and Jim Redmond.

#### December Birthdays

Jeanne Ferrier, Catherine Johnson, Robert Lormand, Keene Rees, Andrea Snyder, Susan MacKinnon, Aric Harris, Reiko Harris, Larry Phillips and Jane Redmond.

**Note:** If your birthday is in November or December and you don't see your name listed here, we probably don't have it in our database. We want to celebrate your special month too, so please contact Kevin Campbell Bogan at 778-4697 or by email at [kevin.bogan@email.com](mailto:kevin.bogan@email.com)

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*Robert Burns  
Online with the Bard*

**Jan. 23, 2021  
starting at 12:30pm**

Online program PLUS an optional Haggis Bag to supplement your meal.  
The traditional Burns program will begin at 1:00pm with Scottish musician Bill Mullen, our headliner and emcee, joining us from Florida.

Members \$10 per person • Non-members \$20 per person  
Optional Burnsday Haggis and Toasting Bag for \$30 per household of 2 people. Non-members may become members for the year of 2021 for \$20, dues to be paid with the Burns reservations.

## 2021 Burns Celebration: Online with the Bard

Yes, the Society plans to honor Robert Burns at a celebration in January. BUT like most other experiences this year, it promises to be astonishingly AB-NORMAL (though fun).

Below is a list of expected Ab-Normalities for the Bard's birthday party in 2021.

AB-NORMALITIES	COMMENTS
<p>It will be held online via Zoom <b>Saturday, January 23, 2021. Start time to be determined, but it will be noonish.</b></p>	<p>Online because of the unpredictability of quarantine regulations in January.</p>
<p><b>“Burns Day”</b> not “Burns Night.” Lunch rather than dinner. Same format with the pipers, dancers, toasts and poetry and more!</p>	<p>Time change to a luncheon because our lead entertainer will join us live from Florida, five hours away.</p>
<p>Prepare and serve your own meal. Menu of your own choice. Have your own choice of whisky if desired.</p>	<p>No venue for a large group is available under current rules.</p>
<p>Includes haggis from a tin. Order a “Haggis &amp; Toasting Bag” for \$30 for 2 people. Bag contains 1 tin of Caledonian Kitchen Highland Beef haggis, 2 miniature bottles of single malt whisky, &amp; 4 shortbread cookies plus a paper program.</p>	<p>Be your own chef to honor Burns or order an optional pre-ordered bag. Canned haggis is surprisingly tasty. Pre-ordered bag will be delivered a day or two ahead by a kilted delivery man and a bagpiper.</p>
<p>Bill Mullen, who will lead our program, is a professional Scottish musician renowned in Scotland and the US. He will be assisted by talented local musicians and Caledonian members.</p>	<p>Bill charmed everyone with his songs of Scottish history at our AGM in 2019, and he promised to return for Burns 2021. Don't miss our own Stuart Donachie address the <i>canned</i> haggis!</p>
<p>Traditional toasts, music &amp; poems viewed close-up from the comfort of home.</p>	<p>Choose your own chair or move around. No travel time required. No night driving.</p>
<p>Maintain tradition despite COVID-19. Honor Burns &amp; Scottish heritage as we do every year.</p>	<p>Good cheer overwhelms the virus. Help with Zoom can be arranged if needed.</p>
<p>Absolutely affordable afternoon fun.</p>	<p><b>Basic Zoom Cost:</b> \$10 per member; \$20 per non- member; <b>Extra:</b> \$30 for a pre-ordered bag. <b>NOTE:</b> become a member for \$20 when ordering and pay the member price.</p>

To make a reservation, go to [www.scotsinhawaii.org](http://www.scotsinhawaii.org) and pay with SquareUp. Or if you prefer to write a check, please send your payment to: The Caledonian Society, PO Box 4164, Honolulu, HI 96812-4164.

***ROBERT BURNS: ONLINE WITH THE BARD***  
**Saturday, January 23, 2021**  
**A virtual experience via Zoom**  
**Luncheon with traditional Burns Supper program**

**Member Name(s)** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$10 ea**

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**Non-Member Name(s)** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$20 ea**

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**Become a Member (until June 30, 2021)** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$20 ea**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Pre-Ordered Haggis Bag** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$30**

Includes one can Caledonian Kitchen Highland Beef Haggis, two mini bottles of whisky, four Big Island cookies, and a paper program. All delivered by a kilted delivery person and a piper. **Must be paid by Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>.**

**Donations Greatly Appreciated** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$**

**Total ordered** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$**

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone No.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

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