



AUTUMN NEWSLETTER 2011

This year marked the 55th Anniversary of the founding of the American-Scottish Foundation® by Lord Malcolm Douglas-Hamilton as a bridge between the United States and Scotland.

ASF is dedicated both to bringing the two countries closer together and to helping foster and develop closer cultural, educational, business and charitable ties through its extensive platform of programs and partnerships, both reinforcing and building on Lord Malcolm's mission. This year has seen many new initiatives and partnerships introduced with other programs expanded upon. This autumn ASF undertook a most extensive program of activities culminating in the Foundation's **55th Anniversary Wallace Award® Gala Dinner**.

Public Catalogue Foundation Brings to Light Rare Scottish Oil Paintings

The American-Scottish Foundation® has partnered with the **Public Catalogue Foundation (PCF)** who are undertaking the cataloging of over 300,000 publicly owned paintings in Britain, of which 30,000 are located within Scotland.



As an introduction to this important project, ASF joined with **Christie's** and with sponsor, **ICAP**, to host a lecture and reception, which took guests on a fascinating journey illustrating how the project is progressing in Scotland. The recording of public art is taking place not only in museums, galleries and universities but also in hospitals, fire stations and even lighthouses. The following evening ASF and **Living Legacy of Scotland** hosted a similar event in Washington DC. What began as wonderful hardcover books by area is now an interactive online catalog with the BBC - the next stage in this project's exciting development.

'The Future of Energy in America and Scotland - The Challenges of Today and Tomorrow'

**Who Will Pay for the Green Economy?
New York Talks to Scotland on Energy Challenges**



*Alexander 'Pete' Grannis, Alan Capper, David Bragdon
Seth Taube, Rt. Hon. The Lord Smith of Kelvin*

The American-Scottish Foundation® brought together senior energy decision-makers and thought leaders at the SUNY Global Center on Monday, October 31, for the first **ASF Energy Forum**.

The day began with remarks from David Bragdon, Director of Mayor Bloomberg's sustainability agenda for New York City, which laid the framework for an extensive day of panel discussions culminating in a Town Hall style debate with audience and all panelists involved.

Panelists on the role of environmental advocacy included leading industrialists Lord Smith of Kelvin, Chairman, Scottish and Southern Energy and The Weir Group; Alexander 'Pete' Grannis, First Deputy Comptroller, New York State and former New York State DEC Commissioner, and Carl Arnold of the Sierra Club, New York.

Scottish Government Director of Energy David Wilson, together with Andy McDonald, Senior Director, Scottish Enterprise and Richard Bellingham, University of Strathclyde, expanded upon Scotland's role as a renewable energy leader of Europe.

Khalil Shalabi, New York Power Authority (NYPA) spoke to the delivering of cleaner power across the State with Ernest Tollerson of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) focusing on the greening of transportation in New York City.

Baker Botts leading attorneys Bill Bumpers and Dan Steinway, together with Olivia Fussell, Chairman of Carbon Credit Capital, gave insight into the ongoing challenges and spoke of alternative financing mechanisms.

The forum was moderated by Alan Capper, President, Foreign Press Association, together with Ed Crooks, US Energy and Industry Editor, Financial Times, and Ann Kayman, CEO of New York Grant Company. Plans are underway for the second annual ASF Energy Forum in October 2012.

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The Wallace Award® Honors Outstanding Contributions to American Scottish Relations

ASF's **55th Anniversary Wallace Award® Gala Dinner** took place on November 1 at the University Club as the culminating event of the Foundation's 55th Anniversary year. **The Wallace Award®** was awarded to Duncan A. Bruce, noted historian, author and former long term board member of ASF, and to Rt. Hon. The Lord Smith of Kelvin, Chairman of Weir Industries and Scottish and Southern Energy, for their important contribution to Scottish American relationships.



Rt. Hon. The Lord Smith of Kelvin, Duncan A. Bruce

Past recipients include Sir Sean Connery, Lord Robertson of Port Ellen and Senator Trent Lott. ASF was delighted that Euan Baird and Robert Douglass, both former recipients of the Wallace Award®, were in the room.



Robin Naysmith, Scottish Government Counsellor, North America

Remarks were delivered by Robin Naysmith, Scottish Government Counsellor, North America; HM Consul General Danny Lopez; His Excellency Sir Mark Lyall Grant, KCMG, British Permanent Representative to the United Nations, and Alfred A Bissett, Past President of the St. Andrew's Society of the State of New York.



Euan Baird, HM Consul General Danny Lopez

The University Club sparkled as guests began the evening with a whisky tasting of Glenfiddich offered by **William Grant, Inc.** and placed bids on the silent auction.

The auction offered such varied items as a ladies sporrans bag of black fur, cashmere throws from **Johnstons of Elgin** and **Holland Sherry**, and many trips both within the US and in Scotland - such as a weekend at the **Carlyle Hotel**, and a stay at **Hotel du Vin**, Edinburgh.

During dinner, guests enjoyed a showcase performance by noted contemporary harpist **Phamie Gow**, which was followed by a live auction conducted by Master of Ceremonies Alasdair Hutton, OBE - the voice of the Edinburgh Tattoo. The auction offered such unique opportunities as a week's stay at Lord Smith's house on the Isle of Bute; the Foundation's Patron, the Duke of Hamilton, welcoming the



Rt. Hon. Edwina Sandys MBE, Richard Kaplan, Heather L. Bain (ASF Chairman)

winner to his home at Lennoxlove for a personal tour and luncheon, and Gala Co-Chair Tom Ward hosting a long weekend stay in Edinburgh during the Festival with an inside perspective on all that offers.



Elizabeth DeForest Scott, Tom Ward



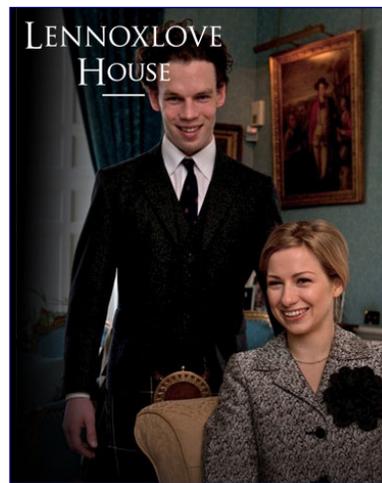
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Phamie Gow

The dinner was co-chaired by long term board member Elizabeth DeForest Scott and Tom Ward, Chairman of the **Scottish Community Foundation** of which Lord Smith is Patron. The evening benefited the ongoing work of ASF and the Scottish Community Foundation.

His Grace The Duke of Hamilton is ASF Patron



The Duke and Duchess of Hamilton

The Board of the American-Scottish Foundation® is honored to announce that Alexander Douglas-Hamilton, 16th Duke of Hamilton and 13th Duke of Brandon, has become Patron of the Foundation.

His Grace is the great nephew of the Foundation's founder Lord Malcolm Douglas-Hamilton. He was educated at Keil School, Dumbarton and Gordonstoun in Scotland.

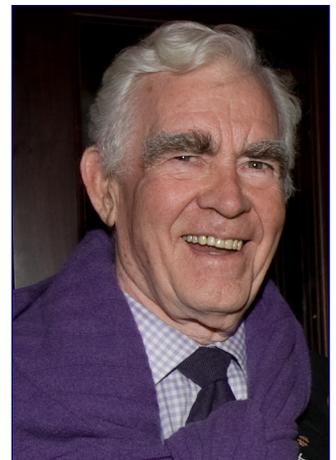
The Duke is Hereditary Keeper of the Palace of Holyroodhouse.

Alan Bain honored at Scottish Leadership Awards

At the recent **Scottish Leadership Awards** held at the National Museum, Edinburgh, Alan Bain, ASF President Emeritus, was awarded the **International Services to Scotland Leadership Award**, which is "awarded to a Scot based outside their home country who has made an outstanding contribution to the current and future prosperity of Scotland".

Recently, in his role as an ambassador for British Airways, he managed to get a delegation from Saks 5th Avenue to visit Scotland and learn of textile products and possibilities Scotland had to offer.

That visit resulted in a tartan being developed and produced for Saks and an estimated 3.5 million dollars of initial orders for various Scottish manufacturers within the textile field.



Alan L. Bain

Burns Night Dinner

On Friday January 20, 2012, ASF will hold its **17th Annual Burns Night Celebration** in association with the University Club.

The evening celebrates in words and music the immortal memory of Roberts Burns and Scotland's heritage. ASF Director Dougal Munro will once again address the Haggis with Maureen McMullan leading the musical program. The evening will begin with a whisky tasting from Glenfiddich by **William Grant, Inc.** and will see the drawing of the **Winter Raffle & Ryder Cup Raffle** which are currently underway.



To reserve Burns Night tickets or raffle tickets please contact the ASF office on 212-605 0338 Ext. 4 or visit the web site to buy online.

Alexander Hamilton - Lineage and Legacy

In conjunction with the **Museum of American Finance (MoAF)**, ASF co-sponsored the **Alexander Hamilton Lineage and Legacy** exhibit during 2011. The exhibit celebrated Hamilton's life and accomplishments as one of the Founding Fathers of America, First Secretary of Treasury and economist.



Alexander Hamilton is related through the second Duke of Hamilton to ASF's Founder Lord Malcolm Douglas-Hamilton of the Ducal House. At the opening night reception in the Museum's historic Wall Street rotunda, ASF and MoAF brought together the Scottish and American Hamilton family descendants for the first time in over 600 years.

A private visit was also arranged for the families to visit Alexander Hamilton's historic home, **Hamilton Grange**, while in the final stages of restoration.

Hamilton Grange

ASF was honored to be present when **Hamilton Grange**, now in St. Nicholas Park, was officially reopened to the public recently. The Grange has undergone extensive renovation by the National Parks Service after its recent move to its new location.

ASF is taking a leading role in the establishment of the **Hamilton Garden** and is working with the New York City Parks Department on the Scottish inspired plantings that will adjoin the property. **The Daughters of the American Revolution** recently donated monies for a tree to be planted as part of the project.



To discuss ways to be involved and help with the development of the garden, please contact the ASF office on 212-605 0338 Ext. 4.



The ARCHIE Foundation

The ARCHIE Foundation is a vibrant charity supporting the healthcare of over 100,000 sick children each year in the North of Scotland and the Islands; who need medical care in the Royal Aberdeen Children's Hospital, in children's wards in Inverness and Elgin or in their own community.

ASF welcomed over 50 Scots to Manhattan for the New York Marathon, all running for the ARCHIE Foundation. All completed the race and raised over \$320,000 (£206,000). As one of ASF's partner charities, ASF will be helping in the raising of funds for ARCHIE Foundation projects to improve sick children's healthcare in many of the most remote communities in Scotland.





ASF has partnered with **Nordoff Robbins** Scotland and **Creative Scotland** in a competition to find the Best New Scottish Band and to then bring the winner to New York for **Tartan Week 2012**.

Glasgow band '**Song of Return**' stormed through to win and were presented with the **Big Apple Clef Award** at the **Nordoff Robbins Tartan Clef Awards** - Scotland's leading music awards - on November 19, where they were also invited to perform.



"Huge stadium sized sound.. moody and intense.. extremely accomplished" - Vic Galloway, *BBC Radio Scotland*

Bands submitted over the summer, with semi finalists performing at the Garage, Glasgow in front of leading members of the music industry.

In the past eighteen months since 'Song of Return' formed in 2010 they have achieved wide acclaim for their live shows and have recorded an album, *Limits*, which is receiving great reviews and will be followed by an EP. 'Song of Return' will travel to New York in April for Tartan Week where they will play various showcases. **Save The Date** for April 10, 2012 - **ASF Nordoff Robbins Creative Night**.

Tartan Week 2012 - April 6-15

Plans are underway for **Tartan Week 2012** which heralds a week-long celebration of Scottish culture each year in April, centering around April 6, **National Tartan Day**. The week (ten days in 2012!) provides a platform for American Scots to tell their story to their fellow Americans, and to showcase both contemporary and historic Scotland for all Americans - with a particular focus on "Creative Scotland" in 2012.

ASF celebrated its 55th Anniversary in 2011 with a number of events, and 2012 will again see a variety of activities during the week, from forums to turning Lower Manhattan's Stone Street into a piece of Scotland, showcasing Scottish music, food and drink, and presenting community concerts.

The ASF calendar of events for Tartan Week 2012 will be announced shortly and will conclude with the **Tartan Day Parade** taking place on Saturday, April 14. All members are welcome to march behind the ASF banner.

ASF is a lead organizer of the parade, having been involved in spearheading the first parade in 1997.

A Selection of Upcoming Events in 2012

Friday, January 20, 2012

17th Annual Burns Night Celebration

A night to honor Scotland's national bard, Robert Burns

April 6-15, 2012

Tartan Week 2012

Tuesday, April 10, 2012

ASF Nordoff Robbins Creative Night

Saturday, April 14, 2012

New York Tartan Day Parade

PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS NOW FOR THE WINTER and RYDER CUP RAFFLES

BUY ONLINE OR BY MAIL. WINNING TICKETS WILL BE DRAWN AT THE BURNS NIGHT DINNER ON JANUARY 20, 2012.

You need not be present to win. See our web site for further details of exciting prizes!

