

Tartan Press

Newsletter of The Manitoba Highland Dancers Association

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online? To see a "GO Room" and get the conference rate click the link below:

<http://www.harrah.com/CheckGroupAvailability.do?propCode=FLV&groupCode=SFWH11>

If the Flamingo doesn't work for you, we suggest you consider any of these other quality hotel/resorts: Caesar's Palace, Paris Las Vegas, Bally's, Planet Hollywood or the Planet Hollywood Towers by Westgate, Harrah's Las Vegas, Imperial Palace or the Rio.

This conference is unlike any other because we offer something for everyone no matter what your role in Highland dancing happens to be: teacher, judge, dancer, parent or organizer, we have something for all. Anyone who has attended this conference in the past will be able to tell you that it really is worth the time and effort to be there if you want an unrivaled selection of workshops, educational sessions and social events. We are also planning on hosting the SOBHD Judge's Exam (subject to approval) in conjunction with the start of the Conference on Thursday and Friday, October 6th and 7th.

This year we are celebrating "The Evolution of Highland Dancing". Among the special features will be classes for Premier dancers, a Welcome Reception Friday evening and a Caribbean Night Reception at the pool Saturday immediately following the last session. There will be plenty of exciting sessions, some familiar and some new, packed into these 3 days, something of value for everyone including sessions for teachers, judges, dancers, parents and organizers taught by world-renowned teachers and judges and other professionals from all over the world.

ONLINE REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN BY VISITING www.whdc.us. Early bird savings available by registering on or before July 1st.

Anyone wanting more information can go to our website at www.whdc.us or contact Bill Weaver at weave1wt@cmich.edu or Bill Troock at btroock@telus.net

We hope to see you there.

Bill and Bill



Tartan Press Submissions

Items to be published in the Tartan Press will be accepted up to two weeks prior to every M.H.D.A. competition.

Items may be sent by email to: Laureen Wreggitt

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World Highland Dancing Conference Returns in 2011

Mark your calendar for this unique and popular international event - Oct 7, 8 and 9, 2011. Conference directors Bill Troock and Bill Weaver have taken on the task of putting together yet another even bigger and better Conference, which will offer a variety of sessions you won't want to miss.

The event will again be held at the newly renovated Flamingo Las Vegas Hotel, which is offering GO Rooms for \$129 US per night based on single/double occupancy, additional \$30/person/night for triple/quad - max. 4. These rates are guaranteed only until August 15th, 2011. (Taxes not included - currently 12%.) This is a GREAT deal for a quality hotel in Las Vegas. For reservations, call the Flamingo at 1-888-373-9855 and mention the "World Highland Dancing Conference" or meeting code SFWH11 to get the special room rate. Want to book your reservation



Dance Outs

Local Highland Dancers have been busy not only in attending classes, practising and competing but also attending “dance outs”. On January 22, 2011 MHDA dancers were invited to perform at a Robbie Burns Social held by the Khartum Shrine Pipes and Drums. There was a large turn out with dancers representing all levels of dance. The dancers were fortunate to be accompanied by Adam Tinkskow on the bagpipes. If you or your dancer missed that opportunity no need to fret, as there are a number of opportunities to showcase your talents in the upcoming months. On April 30th 2011, MHDA has been asked to perform at Culturama 2011 in Steinbach as well as the Annual Teddy Bear’s Picnic on May 29th 2011 to be held at Assiniboine Park. Please watch your e-mail for details on upcoming dance outs.

Jillian Taylor-Mancusi
MHDA Dance Out Coordinator



SFU MEDIA RELEASE

6 time World Champion Simon Fraser University Pipe Band plays Winnipeg - April 1st to 3rd!

Come out and see our local players who have made it to the top!

Schedule of Events:

- Friday - April 1st - Meet the Band 7-10 p.m. CanadInns Destination Center Polo Park
- Saturday - April 2 Workshops for all levels of Piping and Drumming, Beginner to Professional - 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. - CanadInns Destination Center Polo Park
- Saturday Evening - April 2 - It's Party Time! Ceilidh from 7:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m. CanadInns Destination Center Polo Park
- Sunday – April 3 – The Concert of the Season! 2:00 p.m. 'SFU Live in Winnipeg' Pantages Playhouse Theatre

Tickets for all events on sale now
Visit the website at www.sfuinwinnipeg.com today!

Live Outside Winnipeg? Book your stay at a special SFU discount rate at CanadInns Destination Center Polo Park

Quote from SFU Pipe Sergeant Jack Lee:

'We are delighted to get an opportunity to perform for the first time in our home province. Terry and I have led the SFU pipe band for 30 years and it's a big thrill to come back and perform for family and friends'

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