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The Lady General's Message



My Dear Lady Godiva Family,

As we begin to get ready for our wonderful time in D.C., we must remember our ancestors who made all of this possible.

It was my honor to join at the beginning of Lady Godiva with Davine Roberts. Having just learned she has fallen and has a broken ankle and other health issues it saddens my

heart she will not be able to be with us this year. Please keep her in your prayers for a fast healing.

I look forward to seeing each of you for fun, fellowship and business.

Ann

See page 17
for information about
the Medieval Night in Washington, D. C.

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Prayers are requested for Founding Lady General Davine Roberts who has suffered a stroke.

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Queen Ealdgyth of Wales

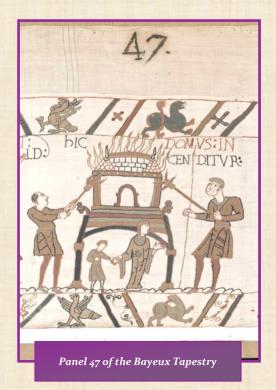
A Mystery Surrounding Lady Godiva's Granddaughter

Rich Owen

Firstly I would like to thank Davine Roberts, Founding Lady General of the Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva, for her invitation to contribute to the society newsletter, and we both believe this could be a hugely exciting opportunity to re-explore the bloodline of Lady Godiva.

To follow the story of a female figure from history is difficult as few historical chronicles are written by women, and only fragments mention women – so you have to look deeper – so I did. And although it took nearly 10 years - a fantastic story slowly pieced together.

Click here to watch a short film trailer which tells the story of our discovery far better than my ramblings ever could!



I knew very little about Lady Godiva, nor her granddaughter Queen Ealdgyth of Wales, nor her great-granddaughter Nest ten years ago. I do agree history shapes who we are today and what we can be tomorrow, however 'historical discovery' was the last thing on my mind. This all started over a pint in a pub, when I met up with my dear, now late friend, Sean Davies a Doctor of History and enthused author of his latest academic book 'The Last King of Wales.' The result was the discovery of how Queen Ealdgyth betrayed King Harold in 1066 and changed the course of British history.

To be honest, it was more than a year after meeting with Sean that I finally decided to explore his majestic tale further. I set off for North Wales in our old campervan, billowing black smoke, filming a little along the way. As I write this, I see from the diary I kept during that first road trip that 'on a cold early morning camping roadside with a hot brew, I witnessed sunrise over Yr Wyddfa and the mountains of Eryri on the mainland - and I felt truly blessed to be alive. There have been many trips since.

Beginning with a quest to find out more about the last true king of my homeland, King Gruffudd, I found myself becoming more and more fascinated with his Queen - Ealdgyth, granddaughter of Godiva. Her story very slowly emerged and it gradually became apparent that she was far, far more than an incidental female in the stories of the men who surrounded her. Her tale led me to one of the most famous battles in history and to one of the most famous historical chronicles ever to have been created - The Battle of Hastings, The Bayeux Tapestry and the time of the Norman conquest of Britain in 1066. Hidden within the tapestry is the story of a woman; the plot of her revenge and her final rescue by William the Conqueror, her ally. Unnoticed for a thousand years yet stitched in plain sight by the women who created this masterpiece, our discovery could change the narrative of 1066.

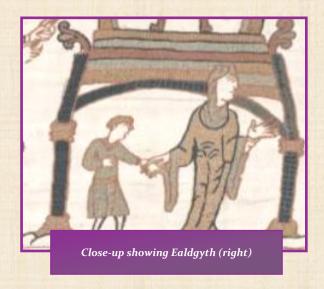
My journey of discovery has taken me from the mountains of North Wales to the rolling hills of Southern France where the evidence leads to Ealdgyth's possible final resting place. Along the way I have consulted with and shared ideas with academics, historians and authors worldwide, with

universities and archaeologists, along many hours spent with expert author and Fellow of the Royal Historical Society, Annie Whitehead. I thank them all.

Interest has gathered momentum and we are now looking to take this fascinating discovery forward, supported by a leading British TV production company with experience in this field and a respected University who are keen to pursue the archaeological opportunity we now must consider.

Richard Owen is a director of media company Red Shoes Ltd in Wales.

Senior Lecturer in Forensic Science at Wrexham Amy Rattenbury is scoping the proposed forensic exploration:



The quest to discover the final resting place of Lady Godiva's granddaughter Ealdgyth presents an intriguing archaeological and forensic challenge. It is a venture into the past that has yet to begin but holds the potential to unravel one of Wales' enduring mysteries. In the event of unearthing skeletal remains, a detailed forensic investigation would be pivotal. The cornerstone of this project would likely be in the application of bioarchæological techniques, particularly ancient DNA (aDNA) analysis. The focus could be on mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA), as it is maternally inherited and, being less prone than male DNA to genetic mixing over generations, makes it ideal for tracing lineage. This comparison could provide a genetic link, confirming the identity of 1000 year old skeletal remains to those descendants alive today, with significant accuracy thus making it crucial for establishing a verifiable link to Ealdgyth. The mtDNA extracted from the remains would be compared with genetic profiles from contemporary descendants or other historical figures from the same lineage. To provide context and precedent for such an ambitious project, it is helpful to look at similar successful ventures. The identification of Richard III's remains in Leicester, England, is a notable example.

Click here to see the video trailer.



It must be stressed that these sorts of projects are not a small-scale undertaking. They represent significant interdisciplinary ventures, requiring a substantial investment of time, specialised expertise across various domains, and dedicated resources and funding. However, it offers an unparalleled opportunity to contribute to our understanding of Welsh and British history and the capabilities of modern forensic and archæological sciences.

Finding partners and volunteers and friends who will support the next stages is vitally important and we would welcome any feedback and ideas from the Society and its members by email to Judith Isaac at PR@redshoesltd.com.

With thanks to Bayeux Museum for use of the tapestry image. If you would like to view the Tapestry in high resolution: www.bayeuxmuseum.com

Alternate video link https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fSZVMPppoaM

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Member News

Oklahoma Society of Descendants of **Lady Godiva** Christmas Party, December 9, 2023

Oklahoma Society members met in the home of Duchess Barbara Woodruff McMullin, Oklahoma City, on Saturday, December 9th at 12:00 noon for its Annual Christmas Luncheon. Members from Oklahoma attending were Cynthia Henderson (Edmond), Linda Fox (Arnett), Kathy Patterson (Hydro), and Barbara McMullin and Ellena Foard Womack (Elk City). Some of our members were unable to attend because of another Society Christmas party.

After lunch, we visited and it was "catch up time." We seldom see others as the miles separate us.





Seated: Cynthia Henderson

Society of the Descendants of Lady Godiva Dukes and Duchesses of the State Societies

B. Davine Roberts, Founding Lady General

Members, if you are interested in having fun get together meetings in your state, please contact the person listed below for your state. The member listed agreed to have annual meetings. If they are not interested in doing this, they should appoint someone else to take their place. Our bylaws state the following:

Section 18. A Duke or Duchess shall serve as the state leader in those states where there are twelve (12) or more members. Less than 12 is considered an organizing State Society, but they may have a Duke or Duchess. If you are interested in doing this, please let me know.

ARTICLE X – STATE SOCIETIES AND CHAPTERS

Section 1. A State Society of the Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva shall be allowed to organize when there are twelve (12) approved members in a state. The leader of the State Society will be referred to as the Duke or Duchess, and will initially be appointed by the Lady or Lord General. Afterwards, members of the state will decide their Duke or Duchess.

Section 2. A chapter in a state shall be allowed to organize when there are ten approved members in the state in which there is a state society.

Section 3. State Societies and Chapters within a state shall fall under the national Constitution and Bylaws of the Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva and shall support the purposes and causes of the National Society.

Section 4. State Societies may elect officers, if they choose to do so. The Duke or Duchess and members shall make this decision.

Section 5. State Societies shall make an annual report to the National Society; likewise, a chapter within a state will make an annual report to the State Society Duke or Duchess.

A Duke or Duchess shall serve as the state leader in those states where there are twelve (12) or more members. Less than 12 is considered an organizing State Society, but they may have a Duke or Duchess. If you are interested in continuing to do this, please let me know. If you wish to become a Duke or Duchess in other states not listed, please let me know.

Alabama: Suzanna Rawlins - shareyourstory@earthlink.net

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Oklahoma: Cynthia Henderson - <u>cindyhendersoni@cox.net</u> South Carolina: Lorraine Kish - <u>lorrainekish@gmail.com</u>

Texas: Diane Dyess - dianeadyess@gmail.com

Virginia: Open due to Charles Poland's recent passing. Is there a volunteer for a Duke or Duchess?

Scholarship Committee Report

January 2024

Your Scholarship Committee composed of B.J. Westby, M.E. "Beth" Wilson and this chairman received 3 applications and was able to award each of these applicants \$1,000 scholarships for the 2024 school year. Two of the applications were for Scholarship renewals and the third was a new applicant. For the second year, the recipients are not related to any of our members. Spreading the word and works of the Society outside of our membership should be instrumental in finding our applicants. Please share this good work of our Society with your friends and neighbors and encourage applications next fall.

These scholarships are awarded once per year with applications accepted through November 1st, with decisions being announced in early December.

The Scholarship Recipients for the 2024 Academic Year are:



Cayanna Davis

She is a second year SDLD Scholarships Recipient and writes:

I want to say thank you to the Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva for supporting my undergraduate studies. This past May, I graduated with an Associate of Science from Snow College in Ephraim, Utah. I have continued my education this fall semester at

Southern Utah University, studying Agriculture with an emphasis in Animal Science. I'm currently taking some interesting classes such as Soils, Horse Science and Industry, and Agriculture and Society. I have been enjoying what I have learned so far! I plan on graduating with a bachelor's degree in a couple of years and then jumping into the equine career field!



Annika Davis

She is a second year SDLG Scholarship Awardee and writes:

Summer 2023 has come and gone and I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to work at Bowery Haven Resort at Fish Lake. Even after some struggle to find and keep other employees in the kitchen, I enjoyed being the main cook for the season. In my opinion, I learned how to do my job quickly and efficiently in an impressive time frame. The position as line cook at the resort is one of my favorite jobs I have had in my life to date and would honestly consider returning for next season if I didn't already make other plans. I am still eagerly anticipating my volunteer work

in India this coming summer, but would highly recommend others to apply for a seasonal position at the resort for a good work experience.

For the most part, I can confidently say that I enjoy the classes I am taking this Fall semester. The content is interesting and engaging and I like my professors as well. I am taking 5 classes and a total of, I believe, 12-14 credits. Most of my grades are 90% or higher, and one is about an 84%. I must admit that I am taking one class that is video proctored, since the professor is actually located in Richfield, that I am

somewhat struggling with. I usually prefer in-person classes since I personally find it easier to follow along with the professors, and I forgot to realize that the class was a video conference when I added it to my schedule. At the beginning of the semester, there were about five or so students at Ephraim campus calling into the class, including me. However, after the first or second week, every other student dropped the class because it was a very difficult class to follow. The homework assignments didn't seem to match up with the material discussed, the textbook we were required to get didn't seem much help either, and the PowerPoints the professor used weren't very clear. In hindsight, it might have been more beneficial for me to drop the class as well, but I normally don't prefer to quit something once I've started it. Other than that one class though, I believe that I am doing quite well in my classes and I enjoy them. I am hoping to be able to finish up the credits necessary to graduate with my associates by the end of spring semester, but I am not positive if I will be able to yet.



Jatalia Hammond

She is a first time SDLG Scholarship recipient and writes:

It is an honor to be selected for the Society of the Descendants of Lady Godiva Scholarship. I appreciate the support of Organizations such as yours and I am profoundly grateful for the financial support. The scholarship will allow me to be able to work less and focus more on my studies as I enter my second semester at Indian River State College in Vero Beach, Florida, with a major in Nursing, and a goal of becoming a Pediatric Nurse.

After finishing High School one semester early, where I had also completed a Certified Nurses Assistant program while dual enrolled, I was able to gain more experience for my future career and to assist my mother with monthly household expenses prior to starting my nursing program last August. Dual enrollment during high school (31 credit hours) enabled me to get a head start in college, by completing most of the required core curriculum for the nursing program.

I thank you for your Scholarship, it is making a positive difference in my college career!

Ann Waggaman, Chairman ann.waggaman@gmail.com



Lady Godiva Scholarship Donations

We are a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt nonprofit society, and your donations are helping our Godiva Scholarship grow. We have scholarship donations at three levels.

Gold Level - \$500 and above

Silver Level - \$100-\$499

Purple Level - Up to \$99

With your generous donation, we are able to award scholarships. Interest from our two Certificates of Deposit and all profits from insignia sales also go toward our Lady Godiva Scholarship Fund.

Society of Descendants Lady Godiva

Slate provided by the Nominating Committee Chair, Mark E. Young, Sr.

Ye Royal Court 2024-2026

Lord General: Tim Mabee

Lady in Waiting: Catherine Denise Sopher

Lord in Waiting: Lord, Col. & Dr. Mark E. Young, Sr.

Second Lady in Waiting: Renee Willingham Hamilton

Second Lord in Waiting: Kenneth Duane Roach

Lady Marshal: Ann Warren Wilkerson

Count General: Sumner Hunnewell

Countess General: Lisa Berta

Earl General: Michael Scott Swisher

Baron General: Barry Christopher Howard

Baroness General: Susan Tull Byerly

Prelate General: Dr. Stephen "Sandy" Sandford Estes

Scribe General: Lorraine Leininger Samuelson

Chancellor General: Janice Beck

Chancellor of the Exchequer: Sonya Behling Eason

Genealogist General: Tracy Ashley Crocker

Corresponding Secretary: Leslie Suzanne Bass (served 4 years)

Historiographer General: Laura Clark Howell

Godiva Gazette Editor: Sumner Hunnewell

National Royal Alchemist General: Lord, Col. & Dr. Mark E. Young, Sr.

Webmaster: Lord, Col. & Dr. Mark E. Young, Sr.

Founding Lady General: B. Davine Moore Roberts – 2013-2020

Lady General Emeritus: Sharon Stine – 2020-2022

Lady General Emeritus: Ann Scott Garner – 2022-2024

Lord Marshal Emeritus: Horace Richard Jordan



Annual Chancellor of Exchequer Report

Report prepared by Sonya B. Eason, 27 January 2024



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| Certificat | te of Deposits | | | \$106,999.39 |
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| *679 | 2 | | | Current Balance |
| Business | Savings | | | \$6.24 |
| BUSINE | SS SAVINGS | | | \$6.24 |
| *329 | 1 | | | Available Balance |
| Business | Checking | | | \$3,247.62 |
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| *788 | 3 | | | Available Balance |
| CLUB C | HECKING | | | \$900.79 |
| *871 | 2 | | | Available Balance |

SDLG Account Balance 2024.01.27 - As of 1/27/2024 As of 1/27/2024

| Account | Balance |
|---------|-----------|
| | 1/27/2024 |

Bank Accounts

| TOTAL Bank Accounts | 110,258.25 |
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| Savings *3291 | 11.24 |
| MM Cking *7883 | 2,346.83 |
| Checking *8712 | 900.79 |
| CD *6792 2024.06.28 matures 2.67%, 3.35% | 106,999.39 |

BEGINNING BALANCE 2023.04.04 \$109,430.22

Inflows 2023.04.05-2024.01.27 \$7,918.94

Outflows 2023.04.05-2024.01.27 \$7,090.91

ENDING BALANCE 2024.01.27 \$110,258.25

SDLG Cash Flow 2023.04.05-2024.01.27

| 4/5/2023 through 1/27/2024 | | |
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| Category | 4/5/2023- 1/27/2024 | |
| INCOME | | |
| Insignia | | |
| Insignia Ribbon | 10.00 | |
| Insignia Shipping | 56.00 | |
| Large Insignia Pin | 80.00 | |
| Small Insignia Pin | 210.00 | |
| TOTAL Insignia | 356.00 | |
| Interest Inc Cking \$2.90, MM \$52.88, CD \$1,088.40 | 2,502.94 | |
| Membership & Supplementals | | |
| Application Fee | 1,680.00 | |
| Membership Lifetime Fee | 3,380.00 | |
| TOTAL Membership & Supplementals | 5,060.00 | |
| TOTAL INCOME | 7,918.94 | |
| EXPENSES | , i | |
| Annual General Meeting | ** | |
| 2023.04.14 SDLG Tea | 1,075.80 | |
| 2024.04.00 SDLG Tea | 250.00 | |
| TOTAL Annual General Meeting | 1,325.80 | |
| Application Approval Fee | 2,280.00 | |
| Education | | |
| SDLG Scholarship | 3,000.00 | |
| TOTAL Education | 3,000.00 | |
| Fees & Charges | | |
| IRS Wage Filing | 3.49 | |
| TOTAL Fees & Charges | 3.49 | |
| Postage | | |
| Insignia | 61.30 | |
| Registrar | 80.32 | |

TOTAL Postage

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TOTAL EXPENSES

Application Approval Fee

Membership lifetime fees

Refund

Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva

Tracy Ashley Crocker Genealogist General 14115 41st Avenue North Plymouth, MN 55446-3824 763-553-1122 ~ genealogist@tracycrocker.com

Genealogist General Report

January 14, 2024

To the Board:

From: Tracy A. Crocker- Genealogist and Registrar

The Society currently has 348 active members. 331 last year on 3-22-2022. (During the year we lose member through deaths and missing addresses.)

We added fourteen new members since March 23, 2023-

New Members:

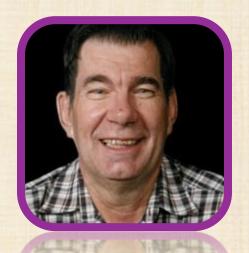
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| Number | Last Name | First Name | Gateway Ancestor | Date |
| 372 | Armstrong | Mary Charles | Owsley, Thomas | 3/24/2023 |
| 373 | Hamilton | Renee Marie Willingham | Yate, George | 4/16/2023 |
| 374 | Christopher | Paula Thompson | Boteler, Elizabeth | 4/16/2023 |
| 375 | Wark | Nancy McBride | Stoughton, Elizabeth | 5/29/2023 |
| 376 | Jutte | Carol Aileen | Worden, Peter | 8/27/2023 |
| 377 | Tuck | Joshua Alan | Rose Stoughton | 9/2/2023 |
| 378 | Schannep | Timothy M. | Isham, Henry | 9/14/2023 |
| 379 | Hofmeyer | Bonnie Gayle | Gascoigne, Thomas | 9/15/2023 |
| 380 | Giffin | Thomas Harold | Dudley, Thomas | 10/26/2023 |
| 381 | Ryan | Janet Claire Schindler | Cooke, Edward | 11/25/2023 |
| 382 | McLemore | Patricia Ann Love | Clopton, William | 12/16/2023 |
| 383 | Bedard | Jeanne Marie Santoro | Palgrave, Richard | 12/31/2023 |
| 384 | White | Claire Lorrie | Lowell, Persival | 1/6/2024 |
| 385 | Gilham, Jr. | Douglas James | Yale, Thomas | 1/7/2024 |

In Memoriam:

(Known deaths by the Registrar)

| Member Number | Last Name | First Name | Position | Death Date |
|------------------|-----------|----------------|----------------|------------|
| 35 | Grinnell | David Lawrence | Life Member | 4/18/2023 |
| 322 | Mouliere | James Moise | Life Member | 7/25/2023 |
| 185 | Poland | Charles Bryan | Charter Member | 11/15/2023 |
| 34 | Wilkinson | Ona Marlene | Councilor | 11/18/2023 |

Obituaries



James (Jim/Jimmy) Moise Mouliere passed from this life on July 25, 2023, at his residence in Alexandria, Rapides Parish, Louisiana. He was 80 years old, and born in Bunkie, Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana, on December 20, 1942, to Mary Leona Walker Mouliere and Davis Jules Mouliere. His family later settled in Alexandria, Rapides Parish, Louisiana, which Jim called home for most of his life.

After graduating from Bolton High School in Alexandria, he enlisted in the U.S. Army. When his tour was completed, he decided to enlist into the U.S. Navy. He served on the USS Sutherland, a destroyer DD743. He operated the ship's store and was a gunner's mate. His time in the Navy took him to the South

Pacific, Australia, the Philippines, and Vietnam, all in the Vietnam Era. As a civilian, he worked in the trucking industry.

On February 12, 1966, he married Peggy Sue Moreau and to this union were born three sons, James Keith Mouliere, Gary Wayne Mouliere and Billy Jason Mouliere. He raised his sons well and was incredibly proud and pleased that each of them earned college degrees and continued his legacy of service to others as law enforcement officers at the Alexandria Police Department.

His hobbies included collecting movies and coins, and making memories of special times with his family. His most favorite time of year was the annual event of the Walker Family Reunion where he treasured time with extended family. At those gatherings, he was frequently seen with a camera adding to his most prized collection of family memorabilia.

Jim also loved history and genealogy, walking through cemeteries, and scouring courthouse records to find bits of his family history. He held memberships in several genealogical societies recognizing his rich ancestral lineage. Those organizations include, Order of the Crown of Charlemagne in the United States, The Somerset Chapter of the Magna Charta Barons, The Friends of St. George's and Descendants of The Knights Of The Garter, Windsor Castle, Order of the Kings and Queens in the Holy Lands, The Jamestowne Society, Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva, and the National Huguenot Society.

Jim adored his five grandchildren and showered them with unconditional love and generous gifting at every opportunity. His family, extended family, and many friends share treasured memories of good times with him.

Jim was a believer in Christ for his eternal reconciliation with God. While he was able, he worshipped with his Christian family as a member of Calvary Baptist Church in Alexandria.

He was an avid reader of the Bible and committed student of the Word.

Ona Marlene Rathbun Wilkinson passed away in Westlake, Ohio, on November 18, 2023, following a long illness, and the recent loss of her husband, Captain Edward L. Wilkinson (USN Retired). Marlene was from Okmulgee, Oklahoma and graduated from Oklahoma State University where she earned her B.A. in Liberal Arts. After marrying Edward, Marlene supported him as a Navy wife during his 31-year career. She was a vital part of the Navy Relief Society, having served over 5,000 volunteer hours, fulfilling many roles, and receiving the Society's Meritorious Service Award. At Edwards's retirement, she was recognized for her service and support that enabled his contribution to the United States of America. Her post Navy activity included attending the University of Memphis where she earned her M.S. in Education, with a concentration in General Counseling. After completing her degree, she was the Director of the Millington Center of Shelby State Community



College. She was also a counselor for underprepared students at the Mid-Town and Gill campuses of Shelby State Community College.

Marlene was an active member of her community and was involved with numerous organizations, including Delta Zeta Sorority and the Saybrook Founders Colony. She was a former Board Member of the Ten-Ark-Miss Council of the Girl Scouts of America, as well as a former Board Member of the Frayser-Millington Mental Health Center.

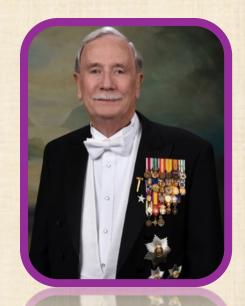
Marlene had a keen interest in genealogy and spent her post retirement years researching the Rathbun and Wilkinson families, among others, developing a rich and detailed lineage and family histories. She was a member of over 73 lineage groups and held offices at both the local and national levels. In 2001, Marlene received the Community Service Award from the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution for her years of service to her community. In 2015, she was inducted into the Hereditary Society Community of the United States of America ("HSC"), recognizing her society leadership, membership, service, tenure, personal character, and life-long accomplishments. For more information about her participation and contributions, please see her HSC profile.



CHARLES "CHUCK" BRYAN POLAND was born June 7, 1945, in San Diego, California, the son of Clarence Beauregard Poland III and Margaret Albertine White. He married Karen Iola Milner (née Ford) on September 10, 1965, in San Jose, California. They had one son, Carl.

He was a member of many genealogy lineage societies and held offices in many. He was the founder of the Order of Alba. Chuck was also Charter Member #185 in our Society, holding the title off Duke of Virginia at his death in the Fall of 2023.

SAMUEL PRATHER, Life member #273, passed away unexpectedly on July 9, 2022 while in St. George, Utah. An obituary will be included in the next newsletter.



Army Headquarters, Europe.

LTC CHARLES ROBERT ODOM, USA (RET.), KTJ

Charles Robert Odom, native of Durham, died August 11, 2023. He was born July 23, 1941, to Ennis Guilford and Effie Cacindy Nash Odom in Durham. His mother died days following his birth. His stepmother was Beulah Emma Hackney Poole Odom.

He was a graduate of Durham High School, Campbell College with a BS in Business Administration, Troy State University with a MBA, the US Army 's Command and General Staff College, having subsequently returned to Leavenworth as a guest lecturer, and courses at the US Army Logistics Management College where he also was assigned as Course Director. He had been assigned to command, staff and education assignments in the USA and the Republics of Vietnam, Thailand and the Federal Republic of Germany at the United States

Following military retirement Odom enjoyed careers at Computer Science Corporation, as Co-Partner of B&O Computers and as a GED Instructor. Over his lifetime he was an ordained deacon, church warden, singer, teacher, and lector. He was a member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church. The deceased had performed in solo, quartet and in choirs and choral societies in several countries. Honors and awards included the Family of the Year's Family Life Award. He had been invested on the deck of the *USS North Carolina* as a Knight Chevalier of the Priory of St. Thomas a' Becket of the Sovereign Military Order of the Temple of Jerusalem.

LTC Odom provided community service as a Rotarian, President of the Colonial Heights Club, a Paul Harris Fellow, and as Vice President of Crater Community Hospice. He was former President of the Fort Rucker School Association, member of the Board of Visitors for Mary Baldwin College, and Class Agent for Campbell University where he later was assigned to the ROTC Detachment and appointed to the Faculty Senate.

The deceased was a 2009 Inaugural Patron of the Hereditary Society Community, and named Honorary Member of the Class of 2018. LTC Odom held offices and memberships in about 50 lineage organizations; notably as the former national leader of the National Society Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims, National Society Sons and Daughters of Antebellum Planters, Sons and Daughters of the Colonial and Antebellum Bench and Bar, Descendants of Continental Colonial Officers, Descendants of Colonial Mothers, and Hereditary Order of Descendants of the Loyalists and Patriots of the American Revolution. He was former Treasurer of the National Gavel Society and member of Founders Fellowship. In North Carolina he had held offices in the General Society of Colonial Wars and Sons of the Revolution and membership in Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims, St. Andrew's Society and Order of Founders and Patriots of America.

At the time of LTC Odom's death he was serving as Inaugural Aide-de-Camp of the Order of Founders of the Granville District, Deputy Commander of Order of the Vietnam War, Adjunct Director of Swamp Fox Board and a founding member of the Umstead Pines Book Club. A <u>complete biography</u> may be found under his name with the Hereditary Society Community.

Charles Robert Odom was our very distinguished Honorary Member, and husband of Carla Odom, our Founding Countess General.



Dear Members of the Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva,

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Circle the items you want to purchase, and make your check

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Please send your order to

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Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva

Insignia Order Form

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|-----------------------|-------|--------|
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PEEPING TOM,

7 o Dramatis Perfones

COVENTRY.

A COMIC OPERA.

AS IT IS PERFORMED AT THE

THEATRE-ROYAL, SMOCK-ALLEY.

By JOHN O'KEEFE, Efq;

BELFAST:

Printed by James Magee, at the Bible and Crown, (N° 9) Bridge-street.

M, DCC, LXXXV.

This is part two of a 1785 play.

The play crossed the Atlantic and was performed here in parts of the United States.

Subtitles provided by the editor.



Dramatis Personæ.

MEN.

Tom, — Mr. RYDER,
Mayor, — Mr. O'REILLY,
Harold, — Mr. Wood,
Crazy, — Mr. Baker,
Earl, — Mr. SWINDAL,
Count, — Mr. M'CREADY.

WOMEN.

Maud, — Mrs. HITCHCOCK, Emma, — Mifs Romanzini, Mayoress — Mrs. Hannam.

The plot thus far:

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Sweet Emma spurns the love of the cowardly Count Lewis (a Frenchman from Normandy) as she is in love with the brave William. William, however, is really Harold, the son of the king's enemy, Earl Goodwin of Kent. The Goodwins are banished with a price on their heads.

Meanwhile, back at the ranch, the Mayor of Coventry is making moves on tailor Tom's wife, Maud. Goodwife Maud explains that she is married - 'not to worry' reminds the Mayor, so is he! The beadle, Crazy, conspires with the Mayor to keep Tom busy, while the Mayor continues his unchaste wooing...

SCENE changes to Tom's House.

aft ingene sit yo

noo black

Enter Maud.

Maud. There never was a must woman fo befet as I am by his worship — it I tell Tom, there's a quarrel—and then there's no staying for us in Coventry, the mayor has such a power of interest——I've a great mind to tell madam, his lady, now I will be quit with him one way or other, for his bad opinion of me, that I will; when people get up a little in the world—Lord, they think there's nothing but to use poor folks as they please—hang the town—how is my Tom altered since I came into it.

S O N G

Minds not may an Mand

What pleasure to think of the times we have seen, 'Dwas May-day I first saw my Tom on the green; So neat was I drest, and so sprightly a mein, A king was my love, and I was his queen.

The garland presented by Tommy, Tomas, I From the bands of my Tommy.

A fide look I stole at my lover by chance,
Which straight he return'd with so tender a glance;
My heart leapt with juy when I saw him advance,
And well did I guess twas to lead off the dance.

For none danc'd to neat as my Tommy.

In all things compleat was my Tommy.

Oh! here comes the wicked mayor.

make.

R

Rater

Maud in a tizzy with the Mayor's advances.

Time to break into song as she lovingly remembers how she first met Tom.

Enter Mayor, two countrymen and Hamper.

Mayor. Now, here, bring the hamper this way—bring it along—make haste—there now, get along with you. [drives the two men out.

Maud. What shall I do?

Mayor. Come along—come—there get along—now to bolt the door. [fastens the door. Enter Mayor, two Countrymen and Hamper.

Maud. I'm undone, no creature in the house but myself—he must not know that, or he may be unmodest indeed. (aside.)

Mayor. Egad here I am Maud, and Tom is abroad with the ringers, practifing his bells—here am I—but you little rogue, how nicely you gave me the flip just now!

Maud. I ask your pardon, but you know I must obey my husband—why would you bring me all this wine?

Mayor. All under the rose; you shall treat me with a glass; it will make your veins thrill, your cheeks glow, your bosom pant, your heart beat, your eyes sparkle with love and rapture.

Maud. Lord, fir, will wine bewitch a body fo?

Mayor. Yes, it will: do you know that Love
has summoned you before me, as a witch, and
by the virtue of my authority, I committee to
those arms!

Mayor. I am at this time as mad a magistrate as ever devoured a haunch of venifon.

Maud. Nay, now do not talk that way to me, now, do not now, (a great knocking at the deor.)

Tom. (from without.) Maud, Maud, why have you bolted the door?

Maud.

The Mayor arrives at Tom's house with a hamper of wine and lustful thoughts and Maud is alone! What to do? What ho? Is that Tom without?

PEPING TOM.

Maud. That's my Tom! Mayor. Where shall I go?

Maud. Oh, lord, if he fees you!

Mayor. I'll go up stairs.

Mand. You must not, indeed, he will go up

Mayor. What shall I do? oh my dear reputation, hide me, hide me, some where.

Maud. Suppose you hide in this hamper that

brought the wine?

Mayor. Oh, excellent! right woman, for in-

(Tom fill making a noise at the door.) Why don't you open the door, Maud?

Maud. I'm coming, I'm coming, Tom.

Tom pushes open the door.] Why the deuce did you bolt the door, Maud? now I've broke the bolt.

Maud. Because I was alone, and one can't tell what may happen to a body—but what brought you home, Tom?

Tom. Why grand news!

Maud. News

Tom. Yes, there's his lordship, the earl of Mercia, coming to our town—and there is the wedding liveries to be finished—and you are to pay your honours to the bride before the leaves the mayor's house, and goes back to the eastle—I have won the wager Maud, at the Guy of Warwick.

Maud. Have you?

Tom. I have won it, tolde rol—I'm come home half fuddled with joy—I'll now go and fee how the cloaths go on—What hamper's that Maud?

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Maud.

Store the wine as the Mayor goes into the hamper. Good news from Tom: The Earl of Mercia is on his way and Tom's commissioned to make the wedding clothes!

Maud. Oh that !—aye, that's a hamper of wine that the Mayor defires you to see left safe at home, and deliver'd to madam his lady.

Tom. Wine!—Oh! I'll carry it immediately, as I'm an officer, I should do the Mayor's business.

Maud. So you should Tom—for the Mayor is willing enough to do your business.

Tom. I'll see the hamper deliver'd to none but

Maud. (afide.) Egad you'll trim his worship

Maud. (afide.) Egad you'll trim his worthip neatly.

Tom. You are a happy wife to have so clever a husband as I am—such a rare husband, Maud!

Maud. And you have a rare wife of me, if you knew but all—Lord! what good spirits you're come home in Tom.

Tem. How loving good cheer makes a body.

SONG.

Tom

Egad we had a glorious feast,
So good in kind so nicely drest,
Our liquor too was of the best—I'll tell ye,
One leg of mutton, two fat geese,
With beans and bacon, ducks and pease,
In short we'd every thing to please—the belly.

The clock struck twelve in merry chime,
The priest said grace in Saxon rhime,
Says I to me this is no time—for playing.
The room was full when I came in,
But soon I napkin'd up my chin,
With knife and fork I now begin—to lay in.

The curate who at such a rate,
Of dues and tythe pigs us'd to prate,
In silence sat behind his plate——a peeping.
Most churchmen like the vicar too
A Shepherd

Maud turns the table on the Mayor: Tom is to deliver the Mayor-ensconced hamper to the Mayor's good lady as a gift! Tom sings of his marriage to dear Maud.

PEEPING TOM.

A fhepherd to his flock below, Like any wolf good nutton now—was deep in

We nodded health, for no one spoke,
The cloth roll'd off we crack'd a joke,
And drink the king, and sing and smoke—tobacco.
Our reck'ning out they call a whip.
I steals my hat and home I trip.
My pretty Maud your velvet sip—to smack-o

[Exeunt]

S C E N E, The Mayor's House.

Emma asleep. [Enter Harold]

Har. The people of this town are all running after news—Mobs and Proclamations—it is bold of me to venture here even into the Mayor's house, and a price set upon my head by command of the earl—Cruel sate! but I will see Emma again, tho' at the risk of my life—Ah! what, my lovely Emma sleeping—sweet emblem of innocence.

Enter Tom with the Hamper.

Tom. There leave the hamper of wine 'till I find out madam the Mayoress—where the plague are all the servants? Oh dear I ah! ah! there is young lady Emma taking a nap after dinner—egad these great solks eat so heartily of so many dishes—she looks so rosey and for all the world like a pretty picture—what a charming landscape—I fancy your great ladies never snore—even Mand does not snore much—perhaps she's dreaming—I dream't once, I should be exalted above the whole town, by the means of a great lady—may be this is my lucky minute; what if I—Oh dear, I have a great mind—Egad I will give her a kiss—I will [Harold advances and draws his sword, Tom falls on his kneet] I'm dead.

At the risk of his life, Harold goes to see his Emma, only to find her asleep. Enter Tom with hamper...perhaps <u>he</u> will steal a kiss from the sleeping Emma?

Har. Tom, you are the only person that has seen me enter here, betray me and here is instant death—assist me, and here is the means of living well. [Shews a purse.]

Tom. Sir, I always love to live well, because

-because-I am a good christian.

Har. Take your choice gold, or feel.

Tom. Gold is a pretty thing, I am out of conceit with steel, since last Monday, when I run the needle into my thumb.

Har. When she wakes give her this ring, and if she questions tell her the owner's at hand.

[Retires.

Tom. Yesfir, I'll tell her it's in the owner's hands.

Har. From thence I may form some idea of

my fuccess.

. TEX.

Tom. Madam, a handsome gentleman, (a-fide,) an ill-looking robber, with great civility—
(afide,) a fword to my throat—said fir, be so good to shew that lady this ring—(afide,) you villain—you dog—give her this.

Emma. That ring I gave to my benefactor, my dear my generous William. [Harold appear-

ing Heavens! what do I hear?

Tom. (going off and peeping) Oh, ho well I will go and carry the hamper to the Mayoress—Oh, ho!—I suppose so—oh well—what's that to Tom?—Aye, oh, aye!—oh, ho!—oh, ho!

Har. Madam, if I am so happy as to hold a place in your affections, whilst I acknowledge your condescension, permit me to say, it restects no dishonour on your choice, for in poor William the peasant, you behold Harold, son of Goodwin, earl of Kent, and happy only in being hated by the father of her he loves.

Emma.

Tom is confronted by Harold: steel or gold? Tom, no fool, chooses gold and his life, and starts his peeping career. Emma awakes to learn the true genealogy of her love.

Emma. Is it possible, are you Harold, for whose life the proclamation is out? Oh heavens! if you are discovered you are lost, and I miserable.

Har. Charming Emma, that tender anxiety. for my fafety, rewards a life of exile; but this evening is appointed for the celebration of your nuptials with the Count-This moment the equipage is on the road to convey you away to the castle.

Emma. Oh Heavens! doom'd to a wretch

despise.

Har. Trust to my honor madam, and I will instantly convey you to my father's court; thus you will avert the impending florm, and there in fafety you may determine the fate of him.

who adores you.

Emma. It would be ungrateful to distrust your fincerity-I refign myfelf entirely to your protection—free me from this odious match with count Lewis, and it will be a favour I shall ever acknowledge and efteem as a generous obligati-Exeunt.

S C E N E, A Room in the Mayor's boufe.

Enter Tom with the Hamper.

Tom. Yes, that poor fellow must be some rich man from the money he gave me-there is love—O yes, there is certainly love in the cafe -well, what's that to Tom? my bufiness is to deliver this wine to the Mayorels. I am in great favour-the fmiles upon me whenever the fees me, now if the should be the great lady who is to exalt me—who knows—here comes the Mayores herfelf. nor burter of there

Enter Mayorefs.

Mayoress. Not a servant in this house, all gone

Escape! Emma leaves with Harold to avoid the forced and unwanted marriage with the French count. Meanwhile, Tom goes on his way to deliver the hamper...

PEEPING TOM.

I suppose, to see the young lady Godiva, come into town—Oh! good Tom.

Tom. (afide.) She always calls me good Tom,

that's no bad fign.

Mayorefs. What's this Tom?

Tom. Madam, when I went home, I found my door locked, and burfting it open, my wife Mand got this hamper in care, which his worship the Mayor had told her—to tell me, to fetch it to your ladyship.

Mayoress. More nonsense of my blockhead of

a hosband.

Tom. It's no nonfense madam, because it's wine.

Mayoress. Oh, wine I suppose that he has purchased from the French Count.

Tom. It's no purchase, it's a present.

Mayorefs. Oh, a present from the French. Count I suppose—Well for this trouble Tom you shall have the first glass.

Tom. I long to drink your ladyship's health

-you are the tulip of Coventry.

Mayoress. You have a good tafte Tom.

Tom. Taste, Madam, I could drink a bottle when you are the toast;

Enter Maud.

Maud. Ay, and you will have a bottle well filled prefently,

Mayorefs. What brings you here?

Mond. I come to empty the hamper, madam.

Mayorefa, Your may which all the

house was last filled at my

Tom. So Maud you was toping, when you locked yourself in. (opens the hamper and difsevers the Mayor.) There madem!

Mayorefs. My husband!

Tem.

Where are the servants? To see the lady Godiva perhaps? But here is Tom with the hamper. French wine, perhaps? Enter Maud, who is about to spring the trap.

PERRINGTOM

Tom. Egad, this is indeed a big-bellied bottle!

Mayore s. What—you have been at your old tricks I suppose.

Tom. Well done Mand-Egad you have ham-

per'd his worship.

Mayoress. You are a right worthipful magifirate.

Mayor. (comes out of the hamper) So I am wife

Tom, remember I am the father of you all.

Tom. Yes! and you want to be father of my
children.

Mayor. Come here wife—come here—well Tom, as this was only a frolick, you'll fend home the wine.

Tom. Oh, is it at home now!

Mayor. Yes, but you'll fend it home to me.

Tom. Oh no—the devil a drop you get—

I'll keep it to drink my wife's virtue, and the like fuccess to your worship's intrigues.

Mayor. Dear wife, forgive this.

FINALE.

Maud. Who would destroy domestic joy,
Be ever sham'd like you Sir,
Then girls agree to do like me,
Out with each sly seducer.

The deuce may mend, and shame attend
Who thus with supple semper.
Then Master Mayer pray have a care,
Nor again get into a hamper.

Tom. Well pleased to find my wife so kind,
So cunning, and so clever,
The bells shall ring, her praise I'll sing,
For ever, and for eyer. The bells, &c.

END OF ACT I.

The Mayoress has seen this spousal behavior before. "Only a frolic" her husband begs. But what of the displaced wine at Tom's house? A grand prize for the faithful couple!

Will war break out between Kent and Mercia now that Emma has been spirited away by her Kentish love?

What of the spurned Count Lewis from Normandy fight for the hand of Emma or cut his losses?

Has the Mayor learned his lesson or will his wife keep him on a short leash or both?

Does Lady Godiva ever arrive on the scene?

Stay tuned!

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