



Emma Velasco,  
President

## A Letter from the Detroit Scots' President

Dear Fellow Society Members,

Even though we've had a dark and cold spring, our May membership meeting was very well attended. Veteran Paula Lupi lead the Pledge of Allegiance and Rev. Hunter brought our thoughts together with an opening prayer. We appreciate the pomp and circumstance of the Honor Guard and our Society Piper as we gather for our monthly meetings – it sets the tone for our new member inductions as well. In May, we inducted 8 new members: Christine Doby, John Whitworth (his mother was a long-time member), Alexander Banks, Bruce Banks (a father/son team), Kathy Paul, Julie Bartoy, Jodi Samp, and James Turnbull. We welcome one and all!

Our May benevolence was Alma College; Ann Campbell, representing the Benevolence Committee, will make a formal presentation at the opening of the Alma Games over the Memorial Day weekend. The 50/50 proceeds went to the National Trust of Scotland, and Elliot MacFarlane, the winner of the drawing, also donated his winnings to double the amount!

The Shower of Love charity for Children's Hospital filled the stage with items for babies and new moms. Keeping with tradition, Heather and Sue Remo made a couple hundred pairs of hand-crocheted booties and other items so that the families can experience the personal touch of a caring gift. Cathy Hasse introduced us to Kate Kesner who gratefully accepted the goods and money donations.

Elliot told us about his trip to Scotland and shared great pictures – maybe Shelby Rohr will include them in the terrific video

presentation that she developed to run on our screens during the social hour.

When we talk about our Society as one of benevolence, members most often think of the checks we present publicly for scholarships, community organizations, and schools. Indeed, these things are part of who we are – a benevolent organization that supports the greater community. You should know that our support of our brother and sister Scots often goes much deeper; this past month the Society was able to provide a sum of money to a family member who needed a very serious transplant operation. The hospital required the family to show a certain amount of savings to ensure that they would be able to provide the critical follow-up care; the Detroit Scots made a life-changing difference to this person, who is now recovering from the successful surgery. And that, my fellow members, is why we meet in fellowship and work together to raise money. Please help make this happen by volunteering for the Highland Games, coming up in just a couple of months! We need "all hands-on deck" to continue to make a difference.

Our next membership meeting will be June 4th – it's a potluck, my favorite! Our charity is Michigan Animal Rescue League, the 50/50 is Habitat for Humanity Oakland, and the benevolence goes toward the Kincaid Scholarship Fund.

There is no meeting in July or August – See you at the Games!

Yours Aye,

Emma Velasco, President

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by Ann Campbell,  
Benevolence Chair

## Your Donations

Our May Charity was ***Shower of Love***. We were pleased to have Kate Kesner from Children's Hospital of Michigan Foundation join us and tell us how our gifts are used and showing her appreciation. As usual, our members were most generous, not only by bringing in much needed items, but also personally knitting and crocheting them at an estimated cost of \$1,625. We also received \$1,140 in cash and checks, which we matched for a grand total of \$2,280.

Our 50/50 went to ***National Trust for Scotland*** - \$158.00, which we matched for a total of \$316.00. Our 50/50 winner was Elliot MacFarlane who donated it to the National Trust for Scotland. They will receive a grand total of \$474.00. Thank you Elliot.

Our Benevolence was for a \$5,000 scholarship to ***Alma College***. No representative from Alma was available to accept the check, therefore, it will be presented at the Alma Games Memorial Weekend to President Jeff Abernathy.

## May Meeting Pictures by Rod Harris & Van Rohr

### Entertainment by Tara



## June Membership Meeting, Monday, June 4th

### 6:00 Social Hour, 7:00 Business Meeting

Our June meeting will be a potluck supper. Please bring a dish to share and be sure to include a description of the ingredients for members who may have food allergies. Here is the list of major allergens: milk, eggs, fish, shellfish, nuts, peanuts, wheat, soybeans.

**Non-members are always welcome at our meetings to learn more about who we are and what we do.**

Our charity for June is ***Michigan Animal Rescue League (MARL)***.

Their Wish List is as follows:

- Wet dog food/all brands
- Wet cat food/all brands
- Dry cat food/Purina Cat Chow (blue bag)
- Dry dog food/Purina One
- Cat toys/all types
- Nylabones
- Clorox Disinfecting Wipes
- High efficiency laundry detergent
- Bleach
- Clay cat litter
- Dog Harnesses, leashes and collars/all sizes
- HP Ink/952 Black and 952 Color

Our 50/50 is ***Habitat for Humanity Oakland***.

Our benevolence is ***Kincaid Scholarships in the Scottish Arts***.

The St. Andrew's Society is very proud of its program of scholarships for students studying the Scottish Arts. We offer scholarship assistance to Highland dancers, pipers, drummers, and fiddlers. All recipients are recommended by their instructors. We have not turned down anyone who has been so recommended. No other program in the country can match our combination of number of grants, amounts of the grants, and length of time the program has been in effect. See our list of 2018 scholarship winners below.



Habitat for Humanity -  
Oakland

## 2018 Kincade Scholarships in the Scottish Arts Winners

### OSAS

Aittama, Morgan – Dance  
Babin, Kells - Dance  
Combs, Maddie – Dance  
Cummings, Sophia - Dance  
Dawson, Zoe – Dance  
Edwards, Alexander - Piping  
Enright, Maureen – Piping  
Goldie, Camerson – Dance  
Goldie, Quinn - Dance  
Haffner, Bella – Dance

Kilby, Brenna – Dance  
Lelli, Felicia - Drum  
MacNeil, Aidan – Fiddle  
MacNeil, Calum – Piping  
Matthews, Charles - Piping  
McKee – Carsyn – Dance  
Stefanko, Miranda – Dance  
Truckel, Eleanor – Dance  
Zakata-Dow, Melissa – Dance

### JINK & DIDDLE SCHOOL OF SCOTTISH FIDDLING

Beasley, Lily – Fiddle

## St. Andrew's Society of Detroit 2018 Calendar

June 2018					
6/4	Membership Meeting	Potluck	Mich. Animal Rescue League	Habitat for Humanity Oakland	Kincaid Scholarship Fund
6/11	Highland Games Meeting, 6:30 pm				
6/12	Executive Committee Meeting 6:00 pm				
6/15	Happy Hour with meat pies / Whisky Tasting 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm				
6/16	Open Library Hours 10:30 am-1:00 pm				
6/19	House Committee Mtg. 5:00 pm				
	Trustees Meeting 6:30 pm				
6/25	Highland Games Meeting, 6:30 pm				
July 2018					
No membership meeting					
No Executive Committee meeting					
No Trustees meeting					
No House Committee meeting					
7/9	Highland Games Meeting, 6:30 pm				
7/21	Open Library Hours 10:30 am-1:00 pm				
7/23	Highland Games Meeting, 6:30 pm				
August 2018					
No membership meeting					
No Executive Committee meeting					
No Trustees meeting					
No House Committee meeting					
8/1	Highland Games – Volunteers’ meeting at Greenmead				
8/3	Highland Games – Ceilidh				
8/4	Highland Games – Games’ Day				
8/5	Games clean-up				
8/14	Executive Committee Meeting 6:00 pm				
8/18	Open Library Hours 10:30 am-1:00pm				



### New Detroit Scots Welcome Corner

We would like to welcome our newest members, sworn in at the May 2018 membership meeting:

- |                   |                  |
|-------------------|------------------|
| ❖ Christine Doby  | ❖ Kathy Paul     |
| ❖ John Whitworth  | ❖ Julie Bartoy   |
| ❖ Alexander Banks | ❖ Jodi Samp      |
| ❖ Bruce Banks     | ❖ James Turnbull |





**June 15, 2018 at 6:00 pm**  
**By Reservation Only**

## **A WHISKY TASTING EXTRAORDINAIRE!**

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**(Dinner should be eaten before the 6:00 Whisky Tasting,  
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**Your host, Elliot MacFarlane, KCGP, Certified Whisky Ambassador,  
Single Maltarian, and Bard of the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit**



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# HAPPY HOUR

## Meat Pie Dinner



**ENTERTAINMENT  
WILL BE TARA**

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

All proceeds go toward supporting our local,  
national, and international charities.

**Date:** FRIDAY, June 15, 2018

**Time:** 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

**Location:**

Kilgour Scottish

Centre 2363

Rochester Road

Troy, MI 48083

**\$8 per meal**

**Choice of one -**

**Ackroyd's Famous Meat Pies**

**Bridies**

**Pasties**

**or Sausage Rolls**

**Comes with salad, baked beans,**

**coffee and tea service.**

**CASH BAR**



## 169th Annual Highland Games



The Games Committee thought we would provide a little check list for you!

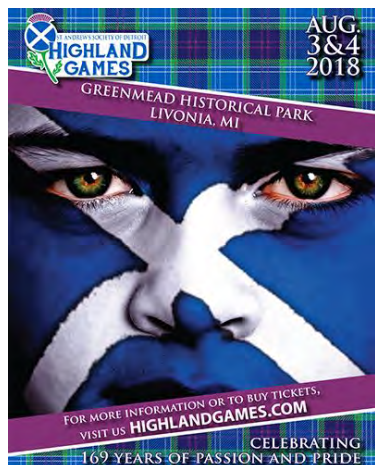
- ✓ Did I remember to order tickets for the 169th Annual Highland Games and the Ceilidh?
- ✓ Did I consider becoming a Patron for the Games – and being able to enjoy some time in the Patron's Tent? The Patron's Tent does have a few new surprise 'perks' this year!!
- ✓ Have I signed up to volunteer at the Games or Ceilidh or sometime during Games Week?
- ✓ Did I consider sponsoring a Tartan Taxi on Games Day? (only \$250.00 ) remembering that with the sign on it, it would be good advertisement for my family/business?
- ✓ Do I want my company logo on the Volunteer Shirts? Great exposure for the entire year for only \$500.00
- ✓ Did I purchase my four raffle tickets that Raffle Chair, Danice Chisholm sent to me? Did I buy some extra tickets for my family, favorite waitperson, nail tech, starter at the Golf Course, or neighbor who helps me out?
- ✓ Did I think about asking my favorite bar, bistro, or restaurant if they would like to advertise in the Games Program? Did I ask any business owners that I know if they would like to support the Games by placing an ad?
- ✓ Did I bring some brochures to work, other club meetings, church or other places that might like to come to not only the oldest Games around, but also the best?

It is not too late to sponsor a golf cart for the 169th Annual Highland Games. You can have your family name, Clan, business logo or personal message displayed on a Tartan Taxi or Golf Cart on games day. What a wonderful way to support the Games!

Please contact Cathy Hasse at [highlandgameschair@DetroitScots.com](mailto:highlandgameschair@DetroitScots.com) or call 248-760-9252.

## Games Raffle

You should have gotten your four Raffle tickets in the mail from our new Raffle Chair, Danice Chisholm. All members are asked to buy or sell these to help support the Highland Games Raffle. Remember that all of the proceeds from this Raffle go toward Scholarships. Our own William Kincaid Scottish Arts Scholarship Program is partially funded through the Raffle. If you have ever been to a membership meeting where the winners of the scholarships have performed for us, you know it is definitely something we all support. How wonderful to see and hear these young people carry on the Scottish Arts. Please do all you can to sell/buy at least these four tickets. Think about trying to sell even more than the four you are mailed. Danice will be happy to mail you more...very happy.



***Tickets are on sale Now!***  
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*Stone Clover*



*Albannach*



## *Off The Shelf... News about the Charles S. Low Memorial Library*

### **What's Happening:**

The Clan Collection continues to grow as we are already receiving material to be placed in the Library from Clans around the country. Several Clans are working with their Boards to make significant donation of material along with building a long term relationship that will include some funding to the Library. Nan Fromm is the lead person for the Clan Collection and is working with Malcolm McKinnon who was instrumental in helping the Library with material and funds to get this collection moving forward. We have identified space, how to present the material along with the recording and indexing for access by members and the community. The word is getting out about the Low Library not only for Clan material but for Genealogy, the preservation of books, archival and historical documents. We are so pleased that this is happening and will continue to grow these relationships and foster the trust others are putting into the Library.

Sharon Cross and Irene Hall continue to work on the Genealogy Collection in organizing of material, along with providing assistance to our members and to the community. They are meeting with those interested in receiving help with their Genealogy before membership meetings and when the Library is open on the 3rd Saturday.

The following information is from Irene:

- "The Pedigree Project, better known as our Six Degrees of separation project, is off to a good start with 40 pedigrees — long and short — now in our database. Counting all the siblings and children, we now total 1500+ individuals. The Six Degrees refers to the supposed 6 connections between various people. It's been said that most Brits may be related to each other as sixth cousins or closer.
- And if you don't know what we're talking about? Don't know anything more about genealogy than you've seen on the TV ads? That's what we're leading up to! Your Charles S. Low Library is here to help you, whether you just want to show us what you've researched already, need for us to give a hand to those who don't know how to get started, or have a brick wall you need to conquer. If you can at least give us some information about your parents (if you're older) or grandparents (if you're younger) we'll see if we can take it from there for you."

### **Wanted:**

The Library is always looking for books and any other Scottish material to be donated to the Library. We also accept Scottish items that can be sold to help raise funds for the on-going operation of the Library.

### **Reminder:**

- The Library is open at 5PM before every membership meeting for access to material and meeting with Irene and Sharon for assistance in Genealogy Research.
- Library Committee meets the 3rd Saturday of every month and invites you to drop in from 10:30am to 2:30pm or by appointment.

### **Library Staff:**

Maryann Clark  
Sharon Cross  
Linda Davenport  
Rob Forrest  
Nancy Fromm  
Irene Hall  
Stuart Kennedy  
Teri Mago  
Cathy McCullough Les  
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Dennis Clements (Chair)

### **Email:**

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## **ORAL HISTORY PROJECT:**

**This Month's interview is Cathy Hasse, current Co-Chair of the Highland Games.**

**[CLICK HERE TO LISTEN TO CATHY HASSE'S ORAL HISTORY](#)**

## From Our Benevolences



MacFarlane's Company working in Scotland. Thanks again to SASD for all your support.



Our work crew at the Gleaners Challenge



## Shower of Love

Once again the members of the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit have proven how generous they are! The beautiful clothing items that were donated filled so many of the shelves at the Clothes Closet at the Children's Hospital of Michigan. There were so many handmade items that represent hours of labor and love. The volunteers and the staff at the hospital are always in awe of the many items that are given. The members of the Society also donated OVER \$2,000 to this cause. Be proud of the work that St. Andrew's does. I am. Thank you all so much.

Cathy Hasse



## Going Green, June 2018 By Sharon Cross

This is a bit of a delicate subject. I guess that is your warning and my disclaimer!

If you have a dog or a cat, or both, or multiples of either, they have to be cleaned up after. And I don't mean vacuuming. For dogs, according to the EPA, the best way is to flush it; that's right, flush it. Why flush? When you throw it in the garbage, it ends up at the landfill where it creates landfill-methane gas, different than regular methane because it has other gasses mixed in. Anyway, how to get it from the backyard to the bathroom is a bit of a challenge, but I use those "special" dog bags, and there IS a way to CAREFULLY reuse them a few times before throwing them away. There are flushable bags, that are supposed to dissolve in water, but there is some debate as to whether or not they actually dissolve. Not dissolving can, of course, cause problems not only for your sewer system but also the water treatment facility, where they can get hung up on or caught in the machinery.

As for cats, NEVER flush due to *Toxoplasma gondii*, a parasite that can be carried by cats (supposedly mainly outdoor cats), and is harmful to pregnant women and people with weakened immune systems. *Toxoplasma gondii* can also be contracted from raw and undercooked meat (like medium-rare) and seafood. Next month I'll discuss cat litter.

As always, a search on the Internet will give you detailed info about any of the above.

I frequently go to SOCRRA, so if you want to bring in the following, I will be more than happy to recycle them. Just put them in the recycling containers. If they are too big, either give them to me or leave them on the stage at the end of the meeting.

- Hard-plastic bottle caps
- Styrofoam (no peanuts)
- Clean plastic bags from newspapers/dry cleaning/shopping/produce/bread
- Plastic wrapping from snack/beverage cases
- Wrappings from packages of napkins/paper towels/bathroom tissue/diapers
- Air "pillows" used for shipping
- (No frozen food bags or prewashed salad mix bags or degradable bags)

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## June Birthdays

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Jun 2018 (Eastern Time)

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27	28	29	30	31	1	2
					George Boyd Leon Pettigrew	Wilma Jackman
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Diana McClain Todd Reid Wendy Dessy	James McCarthy,	Chris Adamski	Elaine Harris Jerry Beasley Sandra Clark	James MacCallum John Filkins	Daniel Darnell William Baker	Jean Marnich (100)
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☐ November ☐ December

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