



Emma Velasco,
President

A Letter from the Detroit Scots' President

Dear Fellow Society Members,

Our Games are underway as you read this edition of the Fling! I never cease to be awed by the volunteer effort of our Detroit Scots community. We can certainly come together to make things happen. These efforts will be a benefit to those who attend to celebrate our Scottish culture as well as for those who will receive scholarship awards from the proceeds. Thank you so much, Cathy Hasse, Jerry Beasley, and Glen Milligan, for your year-round efforts, and to ALL the volunteers who make this big show happen!

If you've stopped by the Kilgour Centre recently you've seen the results of our landscaping project. There are a few more holes to dig but these pictures show the general idea. (Now we must work on the sides of the building!)

It's my wish that you all have a safe and enjoyable month – August in Michigan is a slice of heaven. I'll see you all at our next membership meeting on September 9th.

Yours Aye,

Emma Velasco, President

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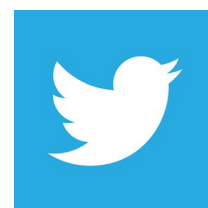
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Our New Landscaping looks great!



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St. Andrew's Society of Detroit 2019 Calendar

Date	Event	Food	Charity	50/50	Benevolence
August 2019					
No membership meeting No Trustees meeting, No House Committee meeting					
8/2	Highland Games – Ceilidh				
8/3	Highland Games – Games Day				
8/4	Games Clean-up				
8/8	Open Library Hours 10:30 am – 2:30 pm				
8/13	Executive Committee Meeting 6:00 pm				
8/15	Communications Team Mtg. 6:30 pm				
8/17	Open Library Hours 10:30 am – 2:30 pm				
8/22	Open Library Hours 10:30 am-2:30 pm				
September 2019					
Date	Event	Food	Charity	50/50	Benevolence
9/9	Membership Meeting	Dessert	Troy - Morse Elementary	Gaelic College Nova Scotia	Walsh College Student Hardship
9/11	Executive Committee Meeting 6:00 pm SPECIAL DATE				
9/12	Open Library Hours 10:30 am-2:30 pm				
9/17	House Committee Mtg. 5:00 pm Trustees Meeting 6:30 pm				
9/19	Communications Team Mtg. 6:30 pm				
9/21	Open Library Hours 10:30 am-2:30 pm				
9/26	Open Library Hours 10:30 am-2:30 pm				
October 2019					
10/5	NEW Member Meeting – 10:30 am @ Kilgour Centre				
10/4- 6	Scottish North American Leadership Conference				
10/7	Membership Mtg & Initiation	TBD	Baldwin Center	FSPC – Homeless Shltr	Salvation Army B&B
10/9	Executive Committee Meeting 6:00 pm SPECIAL DATE				
10/10	Open Library Hours 10:30 am – 3:00 pm				
10/15	House Committee Mtg. 5:00 pm Trustees Meeting 6:30 pm				
10/17	Communications Team Mtg. 6:30 pm				
10/19	Open Library Hours 10:30 am – 2:30 pm				
10/24	Open Library Hours 10:30 am – 2:30 pm				



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We would like to welcome our newest members, sworn in at the June 2019 membership meeting:



In alphabetic order:

- Ann Brown
- William Henry Brown
- Robert Crawford
- Leslie Palmitier Dalrymple
- Eric Hunter

- James R. Maier Sr.
- Allan James Rutter
- Debra Walls
- Glenna Washburn
- Grant Rotila Washburn

Honour Guard in Photo:

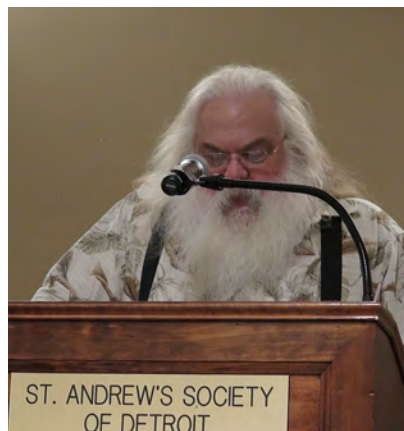
- Stuart Kennedy
- Billy Merrifield



**Here is
A Thank You from OSAS.
Our Scholarships
at work!**

Photos from our June Membership Meeting

A big THANK YOU to TARA
and to our photographers Rod Harris & Van Rohrl!



IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS



During a Time like this we realize how much our friends and relatives really mean to us . . .

Your expression of sympathy will always be remembered.

Ladies & Gentlemen of the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit, Thank you so much for the beautiful plant, provision of a bagpiper, and all of the support you have shown to Ben Hodge's family during this time of grief and loss.

Love,
Mrs. Amber Hodge & Sons



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of the President of the St. Andrew's Royal Scottish Honour Guard, Bill Merrifield. Bill passed away after a lengthy illness. Please keep Bill and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

<https://www.santeiufuneralhome.com/obituary/billy-merrifield>



Holly Mair Evans, the sister of our fellow member, Cori Hall, passed away on July 7, 2019. Holly was also the daughter of Bob and Lou Mair, long-time former members at our St. Andrew's Society. Holly had been undergoing Chemo treatments for her kidney cancer.

Please keep Cori and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

<https://www.casterlinefuneralhome.com/obituary/holly-evans>

It is with great sadness that I inform you of the passing of yet another member. Beatrice Irene (Fowler) Zemenick passed away on Monday, 07/29/19, at the age of 88 years. Her daughter, Mary Ann Kirsbaum, and Beatrice joined the St. Andrew's Society in February of 2018. A memorial service is planned in the near future.

<https://dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/clinton-township-mi/beatrice-zemenick-8793330>

Please keep Mary Ann and her family in your thoughts and prayers at this most difficult time.

RAFFLE SALES ARE BONNY!

We are on the road to exceeding our goal this year. Thanks to all who have supported the raffle and our Scottish Arts Scholarships.

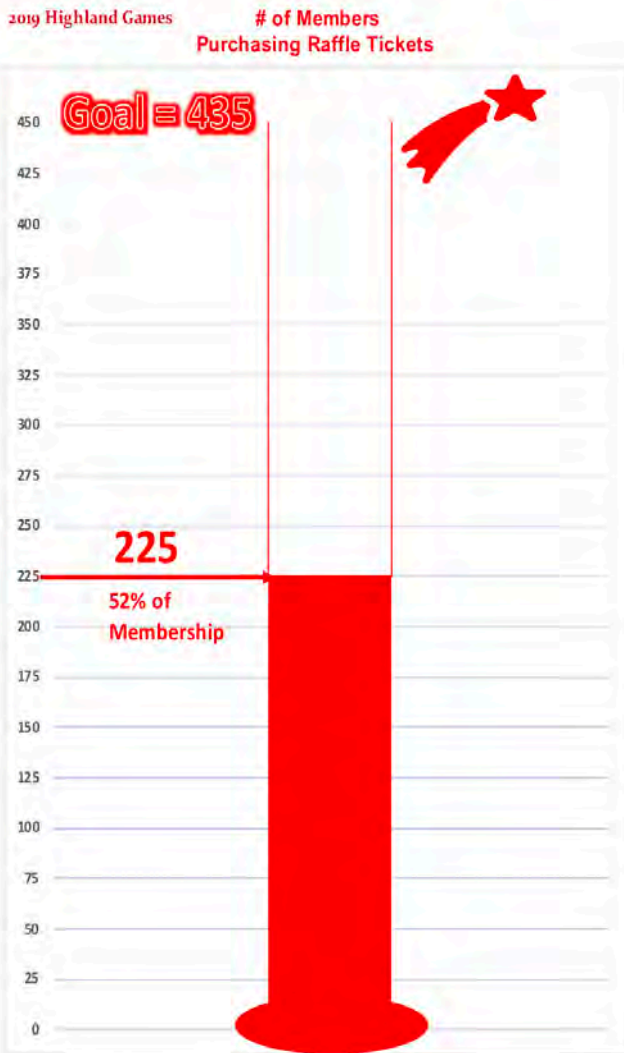
You can still buy more tickets or turn in your raffle tickets :

- Friday at the Ceilidh...we have a table and roving sellers (Dick Fromm, again)
- Saturday at the Raffle tent ...near the Patrons area/across from the Heavy Games

We have already exceeded the 2018 member total by \$500 and I anticipate at least another \$1000 to be turned in by our members at Greenmead!

Wouldn't it be something if all three winners were St. Andrew's members? With the number of tickets purchased - it could happen!

Danice Chisholm, Member Raffle Sales danice@comcast.net





SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

HEAVY ATHLETICS 1

8:30am	Amateur Athletes - 18 lb. Stone Put
9:10am	Amateur Athletes - 28 lb. Weight Throw
9:50am	Amateur Athletes - 22 lb. Hammer Throw
10:30am	Amateur Athletes - Caber Toss
11:10am	Amateur Athletes - 56 lb. Weight for Height & Pro Athletes - 18 lb. Stone Put
11:55am	Pro Athletes - 28 lb. Hammer Throw
12:40pm	Pro Athletes - 22 lb. Hammer Throw
1:25pm	Pro Athletes - Caber Toss
2:10pm	Pro Athletes - Pro Challenge Caber
2:45pm	Photo Opportunity with Athletes
3:00pm	Pro Athletes - 56 lb. Weight for Height
4:00pm	Pro Athletes - Farmer's Walk (open)
4:30pm	Haggis Hurl (open)

PIPE AND DRUMS 4

8:30am	Individual Piping and Drumming Competition
11:30am	WELCOMING CEREMONIES including Parade of Clans followed by Massed Bands on Main featuring "Amazing Grace"
2:00pm	Pipe Band Competition, Grade 3, 4 & 5 on Main Field
5:30pm	CLOSING CEREMONIES including Massed Band, Individual Piping and Drumming & Band Trophy Presentation on Main Field

ENTERTAINMENT TENT 15

10:00am	Prydein
11:00am	Albannach
12:30pm	Stone Clover
1:30pm	MudMen
2:15pm	Prydein
3:00pm	Albannach
4:00pm	Stone Clover
5:00pm	MudMen

WEE BAIRNS 18

9:00am - 3:30pm Various activities for children

HIGHLAND DANCE 2

8:30am	Pre-Premier Dance Registration
9:00am	Pre-Premier Dance Competition
10:30am	Choreography Dance Competition
11:30am	Pre-Premier and Choreography Dance Awards
1:00pm	Intermediate and Premier Dance Competition followed by Intermediate and Premier Dance Awards including Dancer of the Day and Best Sword Dancer of the Day Dance-off
3:00pm	All events have ended in this area

MAIN FIELD 3

11:30am	WELCOMING CEREMONIES including Parade of Clans followed by Massed Bands featuring "Amazing Grace"
12:45pm	Tug O' War
2:00pm	Pipe Band Competition, Grade 3, 4 & 5
5:30pm	CLOSING CEREMONIES including Massed Bands, Individual Piping and Drumming & Band Trophy Presentation, Raffle Drawing

CLAN CULTURAL CENTER 6

9:00am	Judging of the Nesbitt Cup Begins
10:30am	Honored Guest and Clan Award followed by Blessing of the Tartans
11:15am	Parade of Clans Line Up
11:30am	Parade of Clans on Main Field

MINI HIGHLAND TEA 8

(inside the Simmons House)

NOON - 3:00pm Highland Tea. *Tickets are needed.*

WHISKY TASTING 10

(inside the Alexander Blue House)

1:00pm	Whisky Tasting. <i>Tickets are needed.</i>
3:00pm	Whisky Tasting. <i>Tickets are needed.</i>



Off the Shelf... News about the Charles S. Low Memorial Library

Update: The Library is going thru a major inventory project and is approximately 75% complete. This project will ensure that books are in the right location on the shelves, that spine labels and book plates are correct and placed on the books, that the database is correct and finally we are pulling duplicate books from the shelves. During the month of August and September the staff will be updating the Library's Operation Document with policies for accepting books, material and artifacts.

A major effort has taken place prior to and at the Highland Games to expand the number of Clans that are participating with the Library. The Clan Collection will benefit from the donation of books, material and artifacts being donated by the Clans. This material will be on display in the Library to assist members and those wanting to research their family history.

On November 2nd, the Low Library along with the Friends of the Troy Library will be hosting a Game of Thrones night to help raise funds for the operation of both Libraries. This will also allow members of the community to come and see our building and possibly join the Society

Library open during the summer:

The 3rd Saturday of every month from 10:30am to 2:30pm

The 2nd and 4th Thursdays every month 10:30am to 2:30pm

Membership meeting night beginning at 5PM.

Also, by appointment. **Email:** library@detroitscots.com

Library Staff:

Julie Bartoy, Ann Brown, Maryann Clark, Marge Cowan, Sharon Cross, Nan Fromm, Irene Hall, Stuart Kennedy, Cathy McCullough Les, Malcolm McKinnon, Nancy Waters, Dennis Clements (Chair)

Honorary Members: Dick Fromm **Contributors:** Linda Davenport and Elliot MacFarlane



Our Final Oral History Interview

We hope that you have enjoyed listening to a few of our members sharing their memories of the St. Andrew's Society. This is the last in the series. We would like to thank the 14 members who participated in this important program.

[CLICK HERE TO LISTEN TO DENNIS CLEMENTS, CHAIRMAN OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE, TELL HIS STORY ABOUT THE ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY OF DETROIT.](#)



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August Birthdays

Fling Editor, Contacts				Aug 2019 (Eastern Time - New York)			
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
28	29	30	31	1	2	3	
				Glen Milligan Jr. Maryann Clark		Bruce Beach	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Douglas Keyes Gail Kniffel	Daniel Chisholm		Jean Schramm	Betty Moore	Dennis Clements	Angela Glasscock Anthony Cartagena	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
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Membership Secretary at 2363 Rochester Rd, Troy, Michigan 48083.

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Address _____ City, State ZIP _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Preferred email address _____

Place of birth _____ Clan Affiliation (if known) _____

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Emergency Contact: Name _____ Phone _____

General Membership meetings are held on the first Monday of each month except for July & August or on the second Monday when the first Monday is a National holiday.

ANNUAL EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

- January – Burns' Night
- April – Tartan Day – April 6
- August – Highland Games & Ceilidh
- December - St. Andrew's Day Holiday
- Annual Tartan Ball

PLEASE CIRCLE YOUR AREAS OF INTEREST

- Games Genealogy Social Events
- Benevolence Library Cultural Activities
- Other _____

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APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE _____ **DATE** _____

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