



The Highland Fling

May 2024



Chris MacKenzie, President

Fellow Scots,

I don't know about you, but this month feels slow. Don't get me wrong, after the Fish Fries, I am glad for a break. But it really leaves me at a loss about what to talk about in the Fling. I have really struggled to say something meaningful when my brain is already on the beach in Mexico. Ahhh, that's it! I've checked out. Right about the time Elliot is dazzling the attendees with the latest round of single malts at the Whisky Tasting on April 27th, I will be sipping an anejo, or maybe a cristalino deep in the Yucatan Peninsula.

But have no fear, while I may be slacking off, the rest of Executive Committee and the Trustees have been hard at work organizing and moving things forward.

We actually had four Society events this month, but it still seemed slow to me. We started the month with a great Tartan Day Cèilidh featuring the band Wakefire. It was a fantastic night of good food and music.

From what I heard, the Dungeons & Dragons event was a success. Unfortunately, due to the low numbers (necessary to keep the game more intimate) it could not be held at our hall but instead took place at a neighborhood bar in Ferndale. This could be a regular occurrence.

Bruce Gray upset a lot of people telling us that our traditions and tartans from our Clans are all made up and no more real than Outlander. Wait? That's not real? All kidding aside, he gave a great presentation detailing the rise, fall, and rise again of the great Clans.

Coming up in May we have the Patriotic Highland Tea on May 4th. Come on out in your blue work shirts and red bandanas to show your support.

That is all for now. See you at the meeting!

Christopher
MacKenzie, President

55th Alma Highland Festival

May 24 - 26, 2024

2024 SASD CALENDAR

May 2024

| Date | Event | Food | Charity | 50/50 | Benevolence |
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| 5/4 | Highland Tea with a Patriotic Twist, Kilgour, 1:00 p.m. | | | | |
| 5/6 | Membership Meeting, Kilgour, Social Hour 6:00 p.m., Business 7:00 p.m. | | | | |
| | General Meeting | Potluck Appetizers & Desserts | Children's Hospital Shower of Love | Ronald McDonald House Detroit | Maggie's Cancer Centre Scotland |
| 5/9 | Open Library Hours, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. | | | | |
| 5/11 | New Member Breakfast, Kilgour, 10:00 a.m. to Noon | | | | |
| 5/13 | 175th Anniversary Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom) | | | | |
| 5/14 | Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom) | | | | |
| 5/15 | Membership Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom) | | | | |
| 5/16 | 175th Highland Games Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom) | | | | |
| 5/17 | Tartan Tavern Trivia Night, Kilgour, 7:00 to 10:00 p.m., \$5 cover charge, Cash Bar | | | | |
| 5/18 | Library Committee Business Meeting, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Open Library Hours, 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. | | | | |
| 5/20 | Cultural Activities Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom) | | | | |
| 5/21 | House Committee Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Zoom) Trustees Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom) | | | | |
| 5/23 | Open Library Hours, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. | | | | |

June 2024

| Date | Event | Food | Charity | 50/50 | Benevolence |
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| 6/3 | Membership Meeting, Kilgour, Social Hour 6:00 p.m., Dinner served 6:30 p.m., Business Meeting 7:15 p.m. | | | | |
| | Membership Meeting & New Member Initiation | Shepherd's Pie Dinner | Michigan Animal Rescue League | Friends of Foster Kids Macomb | Kincaid Scholarship |
| 6/10 | 175th Anniversary Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom) | | | | |
| 6/10 | Low Library Book Club Meeting, 5:30 p.m. (Zoom) | | | | |
| 6/11 | Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom) | | | | |
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| 6/19 | Membership Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom) | | | | |
| 6/20 | 175th Highland Games Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom) | | | | |

2024 SASD CALENDAR

June 2024 (cont'd)

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| 6/21 | Tartan Tavern Trivia Night, Kilgour, 7:00 to 10:00 p.m., \$5 cover charge, Cash Bar |
| 6/27 | Open Library Hours, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. |

July 2024

| No Membership Meeting | |
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| 7/8 | 175th Anniversary Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom) |
| 7/9 | Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom) |
| 7/11 | Open Library Hours, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. |
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| 7/21 | Celebrate Our Scottish Heritage Event, Cass Park & St. Andrew's Hall, Detroit, (TBD) |
| 7/25 | Open Library Hours, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. |
| 7/31 | Highland Games Volunteer Meeting, Greenmead Blue House, Livonia, 6:00 p.m. |
| Calendar Subject to Change | |



[**CLICK HERE TO SEE
THE PHOTOS OF OUR
APRIL EVENTS**](#)



Lynette McLeod
Benevolence Chair

Our Benevolences

Charity



Children's Hospital of Michigan Shower of Love for the Clothes Closet. Please see Cathy Hasse's article about this wonderful annual event, and what you can do to donate. You also may donate on the Detroit Scots website under monthly charity donations, or give me a check at the May 6 meeting, or mail a check to Kilgour Scottish Centre. Make checks payable to St. Andrew's Society of Detroit MEMO Shower of Love.

Benevolence



Maggie's Centres, a Scottish charity, providing professional cancer support, bringing people together in a calm, friendly, uplifting space. Many centers have won awards for architecture and design. Maggie's is a home from home that's designed to feel nothing like a hospital. There are approximately 25 centers. The Society is making a \$1,000 donation to Maggie's Centres.

Raffle 50/50



Ronald McDonald House Detroit is celebrating its 45th year since opening doors to the families of ill or injured children.



ITEMS NEEDED FOR THE CLOTHES CLOSET

*Sizes: Newborn to size 8***

No gift-wrapping or hangers please

Matching sets should be safety-pinned together

*Gift Certificates for Kohls, Meijer or Target**

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| <p>Infant Outfits</p> <p>Booties/Booty Socks</p> <p>Sweater and Hat Sets</p> <p>Stretch Sleepers</p> <p>Nightgowns</p> <p>Undershirts/Onesies</p> <p>Bath Towels and Washcloths</p> | <p>Baby (receiving) Blankets</p> <p>Afghans</p> <p>Baby Bottle</p> <p>Children's Outfits**</p> <p>Pants/Slacks/Jeans**</p> <p>T-Shirts**</p> <p>Slippers**</p> | <p>Sweat Tops**</p> <p>Sweat Bottoms**</p> <p>Socks**</p> <p>Underwear**</p> <p>Hat/Gloves/Mittens**</p> |
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*Because of limited storage, gift certificates are much appreciated.

**Please note that the Clothes Closet has a need for clothing for children up to size 8.

*For reservations or to make a donation, please detach and return bottom portion of this sheet.
Should you need to cancel a reservation, please let us know as soon as possible
by calling 248-760-9252.*



Children's Hospital of Michigan's Clothes Closet And the Shower of Love

Twenty-four years ago, three ladies that I have been friends with since first grade and I decided to give a 'Baby Shower' for needy children. We searched around to see what the best way would be to do this one-time event. We chose to associate with the Clothes Closet of Children's Hospital of Michigan for many reasons. Every needy family with a baby who is being discharged from the hospital is given a complete layette to help them get started and older children are given new clothes to take home.

We started planning our event, The Shower of Love. The first year we had about 50 friends and family members there to support our project. We asked each guest to bring an unwrapped item for the babies we were helping. Many came that first year with more than one item from a list of suggested items that we sent them. As the guests left that evening, they all said, "see you next year", so our one-time event was now going to have a 2nd Annual! The volunteer staff at the Clothes Closet was delighted.

At the fourth Annual Shower of Love, I invited a few fellow members of the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit. By this time the attendance at the Shower was about 120. The members of the St. Andrew's Society were so impressed with our shower they asked the asked if they could 'piggyback' onto the shower and hold a mini-Shower of Love at a general membership meeting. Those members also petitioned the Trustees and the Benevolence Committee to provide matching funds from the Middlemas Matching Fund program to any member who made a cash/check donation. The St. Andrew's Society has held a mini-Shower of Love for the past eighteen years. Each year at the main Shower of Love the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit is recognized and honored. It makes me so proud to be a member of both groups.

The Clothes Closet is just that at the Children's Hospital of Michigan. It is a room (closet) filled with all kinds of clothes for children. There is everything from winter jackets to sweatshirts and sweatpants for older kids, underwear, outfits for newborn children, play clothes, sweaters, hats, mittens, dresses, slacks, and everything else that kids need. The medical staff on the floors with the kids assesses the needs of the kids and informs the Clothes Closet staff of what is needed and what sizes. Then the kids get the items, frequently with a teary-eyed parent watching.

If you would like to purchase items for this project, please know in advance how much they will be appreciated. Others of you may just want to make a cash donation. This is an easy task. Just go to the [SASD Website](#) and donate directly through the easy process that has been set up for you. If you would like to send a check, please make your check out to the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit, and send it to Lynette McLeod at 2363 Rochester Road, Troy, MI 48083 or bring it to the May Membership meeting on May 6th. Giving through the St. Andrew's Society can double your money. Please be sure to write "Shower of Love" in the memo line.

Thank you for your support and kindness.

Cathy Hasse (248-760-9252 - if you have any questions.)



Emily Wigodski Cultural
Activities Director

Cultural Activities

The wee white cluds in the blue lift are hurryin' light and free,
Their shadows fleein' on the hills, where I, too, fain wad be;
The wind frae the west is blawin', and wi' it seems to bear
The scent o' the thyme and gowan thro' a' the caller air.

~Lady John Scott

Welcome Spring! Our Society kicked off spring with the Tartan Day Ceilidh on Saturday, April 6th. The feedback our committee received was mostly positive, although we did identify some key areas where we can improve for our upcoming functions.

Dungeons & Dragons Pub Night was on Sunday, April 14th. Society member Moe Schoof was our Dungeon Master and developed a Scottish-themed Campaign for our players. The group that was there is committed to continuing quarterly, but we are in search of a more appropriate venue. The gamers' bar where we held the event was a little loud, and the Kilgour Centre is unsuitable due to alcohol restrictions. We are looking for somewhere with space for 10-12 people either with a bar, or with the ability to bring in our own food and beverages. If anyone has suggestions, please contact me!

As I look forward to summer, some of the most exciting things I'm looking forward to are hosting a booth at the Saline Celtic Festival on July 12th & 13th. I'll be camping with my smol doggo, Ruby, and invite anyone who is interested in camping or volunteering to contact me. We will also be setting up a booth at the Michigan Renaissance Festival on August 24th & 25th, and Cliff and Claudia Scott are hosting a pub night on Saturday, August 17th, featuring the Black Murray Band. Of course, the crowning jewel in August will be our own Highland Games at Greenmead in Livonia, and I encourage every society member to get involved in whatever way is comfortable for you!

We are firming up plans for our July 21st event. We will be revisiting our history by holding an event downtown to visit the statue of Robert Burns in Cass Park, which will be followed by a cocktail reception at St. Andrew's Hall, the original building of the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit. TM Catering will be providing a strolling appetizer meal. Tickets will be on sale by mid-May!

Saturday, September 7th (note the rescheduled date!) will be the Scot-urday Night Comedy Club and Basket Raffle. We are looking for donations for the Basket Raffle from individuals and businesses. We already have several items donated from local businesses.

Our St. Andrew's Day Celebration this year will be held on Saturday, November 30th, which is both St. Andrew's Day **AND** the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit's 175th anniversary. We are starting to firm up our plans, so get your suggestions into my inbox!

I want to welcome anyone and everyone who would like to help with our cultural activities to let me know you would like to volunteer for our team. Many hands make light work, and we can always use an extra pair! I will work with each individual to find the opportunities that interest them most.

Please visit our [events page here](#) for more information on these events and more!

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU! Got an idea for an event you'd like to see? Want to host an activity? Want to get involved and don't know where to start? Please email your ideas to ewigodski@detroitscots.com

Communications Corner



FREE
HELP
WANTED

Our 3 websites need to be updated later this year after the Games.

We are looking for any member with WordPress experience who would like to join the web team on this project and devote a couple of hours a week.

contact
webmaster@detroitscots.com

Keep your Membership Information up to date!

Here is how to update your Profile information:

1. Open the link detroitscots.com
2. In the menu bar at the far right, click on **Membership**. This will take you to the Home page.
3. Click on the silhouette icon to log in using your email address.
 - a) If you don't remember your password, click on **Forgot password**.
 - b) An email will be sent to your email mailbox with a link to reset your password.
4. Once logged in, you will be looking at the **Members Only Home** page.
 - a) Click on the green box **My Profile** on the left side.
5. After reviewing the Membership details, if there is an item that requires updating click on the orange box **Edit Profile**.
 - a) Make any corrections as needed.
 - b) Click on the orange box **Save**.

A good time to verify your information and update it, if necessary, is **when you renew your membership dues annually or especially whenever your personal information has changed**. This procedure will guarantee that we have the most correct information for all our members.



175th Annual Highland Games

The Games Committee is beginning to get very excited thinking about the 175th Annual Highland Games. To say this monumental event will be here before we know it is an understatement. We have done so much but there is so much yet to do.

Want to know a few things we have been working on? Well...some of our new members have really stepped up and are taking on new projects for the Games. These undertakings are still in the beginning stages, and we certainly will share them in more detail with you as the weeks and months progress. One new undertaking is a big tent that will be dedicated to the history of the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit and our Annual Highland Games. Plans are that it will be set up 'museum' style with all kinds of memorabilia from our past. SO If you have anything that you might like to contribute... old programs, flyers, photos, tickets, etc. that you will be willing to share, we'd love to put those items on display. Please bring them to our May or June meeting and we will use them. Now would be a good time to clean out that box of 'stuff' you have and see what you might be willing to part with. We would definitely appreciate you sharing your memories with us and our guests on August 2 & 3, 2024.

Another 'newbie' at the Games is having some of our Golf Carts decorated by sponsoring Clans or businesses or individuals. If those who sponsor a golf cart for a Tartan Taxi or a utility cart would like it to be in the Clan Parade on Main Field, it will certainly draw attention and be a crowd pleaser.

Trophy Chair, Kelly Hemmerling, tells us that donations for trophies are down considerably this year. Please consider sponsoring a trophy or medal(s) in memory or in honor of someone special. The trophy sponsor page is in this edition of the Fling – or you can always find it on the highlandgames.com website.

And, just when you think we have not mentioned enough ways to help support OUR Games, don't forget that at the May meeting, Raffle Chair Jean Wingblad will have your five (5) raffle tickets ready for you. If you can't make it to that meeting on May 6th, Jean will mail your tickets to your home address. Please remember you can (and are encouraged to) buy/sell more than five tickets. All you have to do is let Jean know and she will get them to you.

Ads of all shapes and sizes for our Games Program are available. Again, look for the form in this edition of the Fling or on our highlandgames.com website. Be creative in your thinking about who YOU can ask to advertise or who can put in a congratulatory message in this beautiful program. Maybe consider a family photo with 'Congratulations from the _____ Family on 175 years" or something fun like that. Just think – in twenty-five more years it will be a museum piece.

Please don't forget the sponsorships that we so desperately need. We don't have to tell you how prices of everything have gone up. We are doing our best to keep our costs down, but we do need your help.

Keep thinking how YOU can help Our Games, and do call or contact us if you have an idea or opinion that can help.

Slainte!!

Cathy Hasse

Glen Milligan



175TH
ANNIVERSARY
1849 - 2024

August 2 - 3, 2024
Greenmead Historical Park
Livonia, MI
highlandgames.com

SOUVENIR PROGRAM AD ORDER FORM

Please reserve space, as indicated, in the 2024 Souvenir Program and publish the attached camera-ready artwork, which I understand will be received subject to acceptability of size, contrast and completeness. **No placement is final without payment.**

DEADLINE FOR PAYMENT IS JUNE 15, 2024. ARTWORK MUST BE RECEIVED BY JUNE 30, 2024.

| Check Size Desired | Ad Specifications | Include Bleed Size | Actual (Trim) Ad Size | Rate |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|---------|
| | Outside or Inside Cover (full color) | Yes - full .125" | 8.5" x 11" | \$1,000 |
| | Full page (full color) | none | 7.5" x 10" | \$600 |
| | 1/2 Page (horizontal) (grayscale) | none | 7.5" x 4.75" | \$250 |
| | 1/2 Page (vertical) (grayscale) | none | 3.75" x 10" | \$250 |
| | 1/4 Page (grayscale) | none | 3.75" x 4.75" | \$130 |
| | Business Card (grayscale) | none | 3.5" x 2" | \$50 |

Artwork will be supplied via email Yes No
 Use artwork supplied from previous year Yes No

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| Name <i>(Please type or print legibly)</i> _____ Title _____ _____ Company Name _____ _____ Address _____ _____ City, State, Zip Code _____ _____ Phone _____ Email _____ _____ Website _____ _____ Authorized Signature _____ Date _____ | | <p>Mail completed form and check payable to "Annual Highland Games" to:</p> <p>Highland Games ATTN: Cathy Hasse Kilgour Scottish Centre 2363 Rochester Road Troy, MI 48083</p> <p>E-mail ad copy to: JulieZvochDesigns@gmail.com</p> <p>File Format Accepts: 300 dpi PDF or JPEG</p> |
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175th DETROIT HIGHLAND GAMES TROPHY ORDER FORM

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| First Name: | Last Name: |
| Street Address: | |
| City, State, Zip | |
| Phone | Email: |
| Name of Individual, Clan or Organization to be recognized* (if any): | |

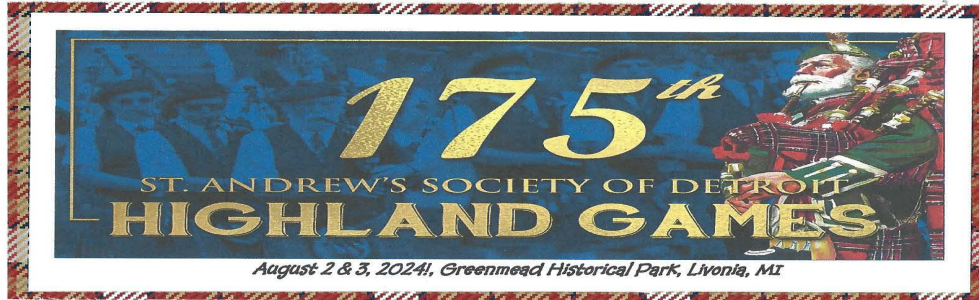
*All donations must be received by June 30, 2024, to be recognized in the Games program.

Please Indicate Your Donation Level:

| | Recipients of this trophy level. (Do not select) | Donation per Trophy | How many? | Total |
|------------------------------|--|---------------------------|-----------|-------|
| Large Trophy Sponsor | First Place Pipes and Drums, Heavy Athletics, Dance, Tug of War | \$100 | | |
| Medium Trophy Sponsor | First Place Clan and Shortbread, Second Place Pipes and Drums, Athletics, Dance | \$80 | | |
| Small Trophy Sponsor | Pipes and Drums, Dance | \$65 | | |
| Set of 3 Medallions Sponsor | Individual Pipes and Drums Competitors, All Dance Participants, | \$45 | | |
| Other Contribution | | | | |
| Total Amount Enclosed | | | | \$ |

Make checks payable to *Annual Highland Games*

Or fill out this form and make donation at <https://highlandgames.com/trophy/>.



FOR THE LOW PRICE OF \$250.00 YOU CAN DECORATE YOUR OWN 'TARTAN TAXI' GOLF CART!!! GET YOUR CLAN TOGETHER TO SPLIT THE COST AND DECORATE WITH TARTANS, SCOTTIE DOGS, CASTLES, NESSIE OR EVEN OUTLANDER! 'TAXIS' ARE USED AS SHUTTLES THROUGHOUT THE GAMES.



FUN, FUN, FUN IS THE IDEA! YOU DECORATE ON FRIDAY AND ARE IN THE OPENING CEREMONIES ON SATURDAY! AFTER CLOSING CEREMONIES OR SUNDAY MORNING YOU CAN REMOVE THE DECORATIONS. Contact chairs for more info or to share your ideas: Cindi Pyszk cjpyszk@ole.net Danice Chisholm danice@comcast.net

**'TARTAN TAXI' GOLF CART RESERVATION
AUGUST 2-3, 2024
GREENMEAD HISTORICAL PARK
20501 NEWBURG RD., LIVONIA 48152**

NAME/CLAN: _____, CONTACT NAME _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE/CELL: _____ EMAIL: _____

COST \$250.00 – MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO ANNUAL HIGHLAND GAMES

DO YOU NEED HELP DECORATING?: _____ YES _____ NO

TARTAN/THEME: _____

NOTE: 'TAXIS' will be at Greenmead on Wed., July 31st if you want to check them out. Decorate Friday, be in opening ceremony Saturday, and remove decorations Saturday after closing ceremony or Sunday morning. More info to follow on what you can/cannot use to attach your decorations. Time to get creative and have fun!!!

ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT:

CINDI PYSZK, cjpyszk@ole.net OR 586-946-3257

DANICE CHISHOLM, danice@comcast.net OR 248-506-9242

Do you need a new Member Name Badge?

New badges are available with magnetic connections or a pin closure. These badges cost \$15. Contact Julie Bartoy at membership@detroitscots.com

Trying to submit a reimbursement request? Looking for budgeting info for your committee? Just want to send a virtual hug (or adult beverage) to the Society Treasurer? Do yourself a favor and use the societytreasurer@detroitscots.com email address! As much as Amy would love to hear from you, if you use her personal email, your request may get lost! Thank you!

Amy Pennybacker

SASD Treasurer, 2024



In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Procedure: You can now contact our officers who need to learn of Thoughts & Prayer Requests on our [Membership Home page](#): Click the link "Report Thoughts & Prayers Needed" and it allows you to fill out a form for notifying the Second Vice President, who is in charge of determining what the Society should do: send flowers, send cards, or make a donation.

CHARITABLE TARTAN TIDBITS

- **Alma Highland Festival Saturday May 25.** If you will be attending the festival, meet up with the Detroit Scots and the Alma College Pipe & Drum Band to be included in a 175th Anniversary photo! Details will follow in an upcoming Eblast!
- **Scholarship students Nadia & Sophia DeMaagd** thank the Society for scholarships to the recent Marguerite Reid Memorial Highland Dance Workshop. Their thank you letter includes: "we performed our group choreography for the first time and won 4th Place. Sophia won 2nd Place in her solo choreography. We attended several classes and were able to learn from a lot of very good teachers."
- **Lighthouse** donations last month included 450 pounds of food and A LOT of household goods! Your generosity is really astounding.
- **Thank you, Diane Raymond**, for your help and for taking all of the Turning Point/Secondhand Rose donations to the facility – and Mary David for your help and involvement with Seedlings.
- **Walking Sticks** are helping support Society scholarships. They are beautifully handmade by Cliff Scott, who generously donates proceeds to our scholarship programs.
- **50/50 Thanks to Kim Martin** for selling tickets each meeting and to Dave Tait for helping Kim.
- **Missing check information.** If you wrote a \$25 check for Lighthouse at the March 6 meeting, please let me know for additional information. Email me at lmcleod@detroitscots.com



SCOTTISH TEA
WITH A PATRIOTIC TWIST

Saturday, May 4 at 1:00 p.m.

Benefits St. Andrew's Society of Detroit's Annual Highland Games

\$45 per person

Kilgour Scottish Centre
 2363 Rochester Road
 Troy, MI 48083
 248.526.1849

detroitscots.com/tickets

The History of the Willow Run B-24 Bomber Plant and the Legacy of Rosie the Riveter
 By Claire Dahl

A Scottish Benevolent Society founded in 1849 and an IRC 501(c)(3) charitable organization



The St. Andrew's Society of Detroit
175th Anniversary
 DetroitScots.com
 1849 - 2024

New Member Breakfast

Saturday, May 11, 2024

10:00 a.m.

Kilgour Scottish Centre
 2363 Rochester Road
 Troy, MI 48083



TARTAN TAVERN TRIVIA NIGHT

175th Anniversary
The St. Andrew's Society of Detroit
1849-2024

\$5 COVER CHARGE

**KILGOUR SCOTTISH CENTRE
2363 ROCHESTER ROAD, TROY
7:00 TO 10:00 PM**

CASH BAR

FRIDAY, MAY 17

HOSTS BETH + RUSS FRAHM

**BRING SNACKS, CHIPS FOR SALE AT THE BAR
OR ORDER FOOD TO BE DELIVERED!**

A Scottish Benevolent Society founded in 1849 and an IRC 501(c)(3) charitable organization

We need more volunteer Trivia Hosts for June & Beyond!

[VOLUNTEER HERE](#)



SAVE THE DATE!

CELEBRATE OUR SCOTTISH HERITAGE

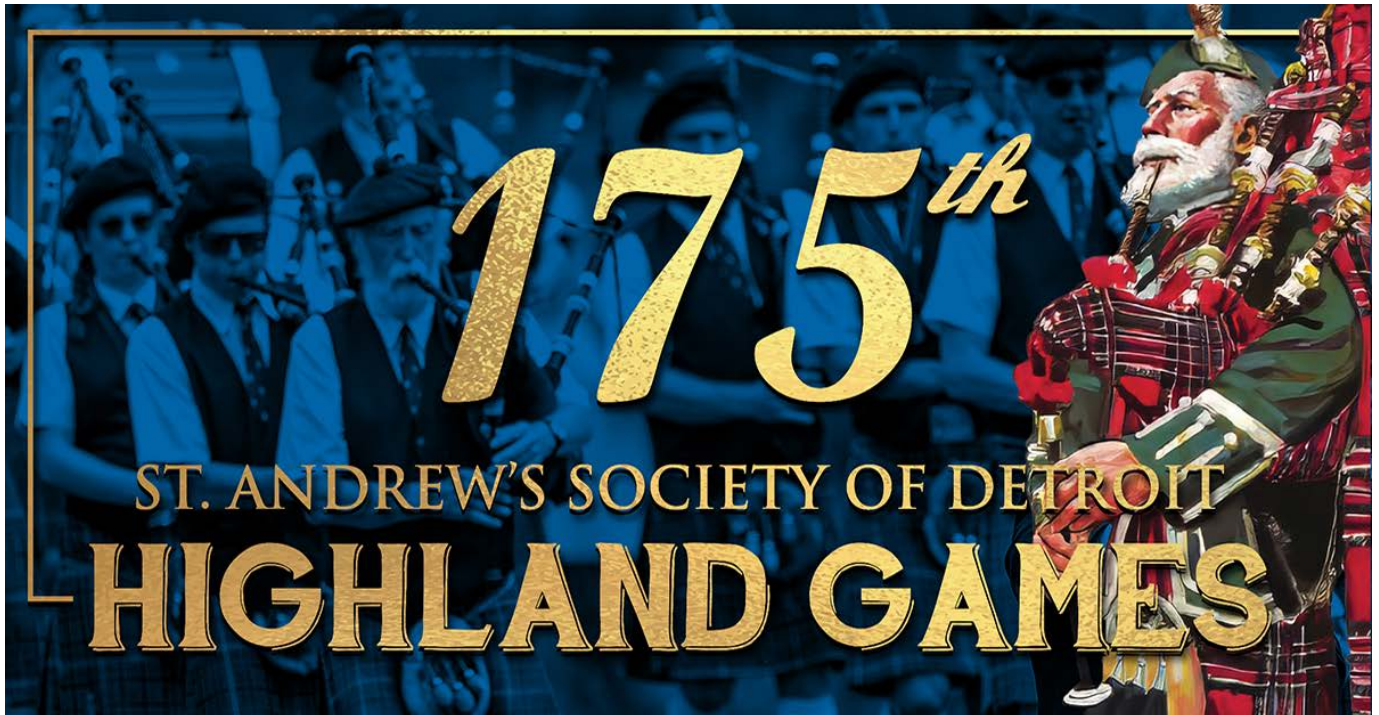
July 21, 2024

begins at Burns Statue
in Cass Park
(Temple & 2nd)
&
then join us at
St. Andrew's Hall
(431 E Congress St)

DETAILS COMING SOON

Nae man can tether time nor tide

The St. Andrew's Society of Detroit
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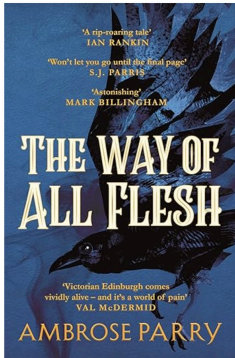
Sharp Dressed Man!

I thought I'd drop a line to say hello and show you a picture of my 3rd week in Washington, DC. Doing well, finally getting settled into DC, crazy traffic! I've met a lot of diverse people. Today I thought I'd wear my kilt and everyone loved it, so I thought I'd send you a copy. You can drop it into the Fling with my hellos and well wishes. I'll write soon.

Slainte,
Stuart Kennedy

Low Library Book Club

Six of us got together to talk about *The Way of All Flesh (Raven & Fisher, #1)* by Ambrose Parry (the husband and wife team of Chris Brookmyre and Dr. Marisa Haetzman).



Summary:

Edinburgh, 1847. The novel begins with a dead prostitute, for which the narrative makes an apology. Will Raven is distressed to discover Evie's body, but is quick to sneak away as he does not want to become involved in any possible investigation. He is already in trouble, having borrowed money to give to her with no immediate way of paying it back. He meets with violence very soon from the moneylender who is impatient for repayment. Raven has prospects which he is keen to take up as apprentice medical student to the well regarded Dr. Simpson, the famous "male-midwife," for both the rich ladies of Edinburgh and those who can not

afford to pay. Within hours of arriving at the house of this eminent man he is speeding through the streets to help with a difficult birth, hoping that his inexperience will not show. Meanwhile the reader is introduced to Sarah Fisher, able and intelligent housemaid who heartily wishes she had the opportunity to learn medicine. She helps at Dr. Simpson's clinic which is open to the poor of the city. Dr. Simpson's sister-in-law, Mina, demonstrates that even relatively well off women are still judged by their marriage prospects. As other deaths occur, Raven and Sarah eventually join forces to investigate just what is going on in the world of illicit medicine and controversial treatments. Details of medical procedures and childbirth and experiments with anesthesia occur throughout the story.

Review:

We all enjoyed the book. The characters are all well written and many of the characters in the book actually lived in Edinburgh at the time which adds interest to the story. The medical details and the misconceptions of some of the characters do make you glad not to be living in that time period however. The book ends with a lovely bit of humor. We decided that we wanted to continue our discussion of the story and the people in it and what happens to them, so we'll be reading the next book in the series (*The Art of Dying*) for our next meeting on June 10 at 5:30 pm on Zoom.

All are welcome to join. To get the Zoom invitation, email Cathy McCullough Les at library@detroitscots.com.



Off The Shelf... Celebrating the Charles S. Low Memorial Library

In 2024, the Charles Low Library has been celebrating the 175th anniversary of the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit by honoring the history of the society. By now you have heard of—and hopefully have been attending—Bruce Gray's lecture series, first on Macbeth's Scotland and most recently on the Highland Clans. We look forward to two more lectures in the series to come later in the year. Additionally, the library committee has set a goal of producing a History of the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit to be copied, bound, and available to any members or public interested. The history is based upon the exhaustive work of the late Fred Wessells, who researched and wrote a history of the society from 1849 to 1999. Other library committee members, led by Julie Bartoy, have expanded upon Fred's work in a second volume focusing on 2000 to 2019. Finally, a third volume will cover 2020 to present.

The library committee has created a list of topics we want to include in the history that still need to be researched and written about:

- Benevolence, 2000-present
- Fish Fries
- Investment committee
- Scottish arts videos
- Covid-19 pandemic
- Kilgour Centre flood
- "Lassies O!" play
- Wild Apricot—digitizing the membership directory

If you would be willing to assist with any of these topics, either by providing information, being interviewed if you have first-hand knowledge, or even writing a short paragraph on the topic yourself, please contact Salaina Crumb, who is now leading the history project, or any other library committee member who will put you in touch with the right people. Since this is the history of OUR society, we want to hear from as many members as possible. What better way to make your mark upon the 175th anniversary celebration of the society?

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