



The Highland Eling

October 2024



Chris MacKenzie, President

Fellow Scots,

We have an initiation coming up. We all have been through many of those. But we must remember, myself included, that this is sometimes the initiates' first encounter with the Society as a whole. We need to put our best foot forward.

Our initiations go back a long time. I forget how long. Oh, wait. It was 175 YEARS! This is as important to them as it was to us our first time through those doors. Whether those actual doors were hanging at 413 E. Congress or at 2363 Rochester. The initiates are here to connect with their heritage which in some cases is just info about their DNA saying they are from Scotland. That is great. They are looking inside themselves and want to know more about who their ancestors were. I consider myself very lucky. My father was born in Scotland, I proudly wear my grandfather's kilt. But I am here now, like all of you, looking to connect with my past and with you all.

So, I ask of you, if you so imbibe, at the next meeting to mosey up to the Tartan Tavern and ask Kathleene for a wee dram from the region your people hail from. (You may have to do your own sleuthing.) Turn to your neighbor and cheers to their good health "Slainte mhath".

Christopher Robert Fraser MacKenzie
President, St. Andrew's Society of Detroit

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George Boyd's Memorial Service will be held at the Kilgour Scottish Centre, on Saturday, October 19, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. Highland attire will be appreciated.

Please call 586-751-6592 to leave a voicemail message of how many people are attending or send an email to acampbell@detroitscots.com.

2024 SASD CALENDAR

October 2024

Date	Event	Food	Charity	50/50	Benevolence
10/5	Kilgour Garden Cleanup, Kilgour, 9:00 a.m. – Noon, Bring tools & gloves				
10/5	Glenturret Distillery Whisky Tasting, Kilgour, 6:00 p.m.				
10/7	Membership Meeting, Kilgour, Social Hour 6:00 p.m., Dinner 6:30 p.m., Business Meeting 7:15 p.m.				
	Membership Meeting & New Mbr Initiation	Shepherd's Pie, Mac & Cheese, and Salad	Morse Elementary School	Fisher House Michigan	Penrickton Center for Blind Children
10/8	Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
10/10	Open Library Hours, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.				
10/12	175th Anniversary Scottish Tea Fundraiser, Kilgour, 1:00 p.m.				
10/14	175th Anniversary Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m., (Zoom)				
10/15	House Committee Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Zoom) Trustees Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
10/18	Tartan Tavern Trivia Night, Kilgour, 7:00 to 10:00 p.m., \$5 cover charge, Cash Bar				
10/19	Library Committee Business Meeting, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Open Library Hours, 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.				
10/19	George Boyd Memorial, Kilgour, 1:00 p.m., RSVP 586-799-3214				
10/21	Cultural Activities Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
10/23	Membership Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
10/24	Open Library Hours, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.				
10/25	Jim & Susie Malcolm Concert, Kilgour, 7:00 p.m.				

November 2024

Date	Event	Food	Charity	50/50	Benevolence
11/4	Membership Meeting, Kilgour, Social Hour 6:00 p.m., Potluck 6:30 p.m., Business Meeting 7:00 p.m.				
	Membership Meeting	A' Toirt Taing Potluck	Marine Toys for Tots	Vietnam Veterans Macomb	Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs
11/9	Decorate the Kilgour, Kilgour, 10:00 a.m. to Noon				
11/10	History of the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit, Low Library Lecture Series by Bruce Gray, Kilgour, 2:00 p.m.				
11/11	175th Anniversary Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m., (Zoom)				
11/11	Low Library Book Club Meeting, 5:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
11/12	Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
11/14	Open Library Hours, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.				
11/15	Tartan Tavern Trivia Night, Kilgour, 7:00 to 10:00 p.m., \$5 cover charge, Cash Bar				

2024 SASD CALENDAR

November 2024 (continued)

11/16	Library Committee Business Meeting, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Open Library Hours, 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
11/18	Cultural Activities Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)
11/19	House Committee Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Zoom) Trustees Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)
11/24	Kirkin' of the Tartans, Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, 10 a.m.
11/27	Membership Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)
11/28	Open Library Hours, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
11/30	St. Andrew's Day 175th Gala, Kilgour, Doors open for Dinner Guests at 5:00 p.m., Dinner served in the Burns Room at 5:30 p.m., Doors open for Entertainment guests at 6:30 p.m., Heritage program in the Great Hall begins at 7:30 p.m., Band begins at 8:30 p.m.

December 2024

Date	Event	Food	Charity	50/50	Benevolence
12/2	Membership Meeting, Kilgour, Social Hour 6:00 p.m., Potluck 6:30 p.m., Business Meeting 7:00 p.m.				
	Election of Officers/ Trustees & Vote on 2025 Budget	Potluck	Trees for Life - Scotland	COTS – Coalition on Temporary Shelter	National Trust for Scotland
12/10	Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
12/12	Open Library Hours, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.				
12/16	Cultural Activities Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
12/17	House Committee Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Zoom) Trustees Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
12/20	Tartan Tavern Trivia Night, Kilgour, 7:00 to 10:00 p.m., \$5 cover charge, Cash Bar				
12/21	Library Committee Business Meeting, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Open Library Hours, 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.				
12/25	Membership Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
12/26	Open Library Hours, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.				

CALENDAR SUBJECT TO CHANGE



[CLICK HERE](#)
[to see our photos of](#)
[September 2024 Events](#)



Lynette McLeod
Benevolence Chair

Our Benevolences

OCTOBER CHARITY

SPECIAL FINANCIAL FUNDRAISER FOR MORSE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Morse Mustangs HERD

“Honorable – Empowered – Resilient – Determined”



Morse Elementary School in the Troy School District is located a few blocks from the Kilgour Scottish Centre. Kilgour Scottish Centre serves as the community emergency shelter for the school.

- Morse Elementary School educates over 400 students in grades K - 5.
- Morse prides itself on diversity and inclusion. Both its students and staff come from a wide range of backgrounds and cultures.

When the Benevolence Committee asked whether the school is in need of something that the Society can help with, Morse Principal Scott Keen suggested that the school could use help with the cost of printing custom notebooks for a new initiative that includes all of the school's children. HERDs are small groups of children, comprised of a few from each class level, to do projects, tasks and communication skills together using their personal Notebooks. Each HERD stays together throughout its entire elementary career, adding in younger kids as others graduate. The idea is for children of varying grade levels to form mentoring relationships, to make connections, and to feel a part of a group.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

CASH: Bring cash contributions to the October 7 Membership meeting.

CHECK: Bring a check to the October 7 Membership meeting or mail it to Kilgour Scottish Centre. Make check payable to St. Andrew's Society of Detroit with MORSE in the Memo line.

PAYPAL: Go to detroitscots.com/Donate. Click on the **PayPal Donate Now** button.

MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS WILL BE MATCHED BY THE MIDDLEMAS MATCHING FUND.

OCTOBER BENEVOLENCE

Penrickton Center for Blind Children



Penrickton Center, located in Taylor, specializes in working with legally blind children ages 1 through 12 with at least one additional handicap such as deafness, cerebral palsy, brain damage, developmental delay, or seizures. The children at Penrickton Center strive towards independence through Active Learning. The Society is pleased to be able to make a contribution of \$1,000 to Penrickton Center.

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OCTOBER 50/50 RAFFLE

Fisher House Michigan



The Mission of Fisher House Michigan, a not-for-profit organization, is to improve the quality of life of our military members, retirees, Veterans, and their families and caregivers. In 1990, Mr. and Mrs. Fisher began the Fisher House program, dedicating money to the construction of comfort homes for families of hospitalized military personnel. Fisher House Michigan presently supports operations at the VA Ann Arbor Fisher House, and is raising capital and program funds for the future house at the John D. Dingell VA Medical Center in Detroit.

Remembering Our Past, Dreaming of Our Future



The St. Andrew's Society of Detroit had not had a membership hall since selling St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress St. in Detroit, in 1996. In 2005, the Estate of Helen Jane Alt Kilgour of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, bequeathed 1.8 million dollars to the Society in her Last Will and Testament in order to fund a new membership hall. It was done in honor of her late husband and Society member, Thomas Kilgour. Jane's daughter contested the will, but the court ruled in favor of the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit leading to the opening of the Kilgour Scottish Centre on Friday, October 8, 2010.



Emily Wigodski
Cultural Activities Director

Cultural Activities

But pleasures are like poppies spread,
You seize the flower, its bloom is shed;
Or like the snow falls in the river,
A moment white--then melts for ever;
Or like the borealis race,
That flit ere you can point their place;
Or like the rainbow's lovely form
Evanishing amid the storm.--
Nae man can tether time or tide;
— Robert Burns

As the days shorten and cooler weather is upon us, the Cultural Activities Committee invites you to share the warmth of our hearth and home by participating in a variety of entertainments!

For our October General Membership Meeting & Initiation, we plan to serve Shepherd's Pie, salad, and cookies family style at the tables. Seating will be available in both the Main Hall and the Burns Room, with our Communications Team coordinating video and audio to be broadcast into the Burns Room.

Dinner will be delivered to the tables by 6:30 p.m. Please contact me directly regarding any special dietary restrictions, i.e. gluten free or vegetarian items.

Due to an increase in attendance at our meetings, I have added several new slots to the SignUp Genius. Most notably, we need help with bussing tables during the meeting and washing dishes at the end of the night. Members can sign up for these and other volunteer opportunities on our [SignUpGenius](#) page to choose how you want to be involved.
[St. Andrew's Volunteer Signups](#)

Other upcoming events we'd like to highlight include:

Friday, 10/18/2024: Tartan Tavern Trivia hosted by Ron Fiorani. Teams limited to no more than 8 people. \$5 at the door.

Friday, 10/25/2024: Special Musical Guests Jim and Susie Malcolm. These troubadours from Scotland will delight us with their special brand of traditional Scottish music, history, culture, and comedy. Check out their [YouTube Channel here](#). Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door.

Saturday, 11/09/2024: Decorate the Kilgour for the Holidays! 10:00 a.m. to Noon. New members are invited to donate a Christmas Ornament that means something to them.

Saturday, 11/30/2024: St. Andrew's Day 175th Anniversary Gala.

Regular Entertainment Only Ticket \$40 / Early Bird \$30 Pricing through 10/15/24

- Cultural Heritage Program featuring Bagpipes, Highland Dancers, and Scottish Country Dancers.
- Performance by Bluewater Kings Band, specializing in high-energy music for weddings and parties. They infuse every event with energy and fun and pride themselves on filling dance floors. Check them out on their [YouTube Channel here](#).
- Champagne toast and cake.

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175th Gala Itinerary:

Doors open for dinner guests at 5 p.m.

Dinner served in the Burns Room at 5:30 p.m.

Doors open for entertainment guests at 6:30 p.m.

Heritage program in the Great Hall at 7:30 p.m.

Bluewater Kings take the stage from 8:30 to 11:00 p.m. (DJ break 9:40 to 10:00 p.m.)

EARLY ENTRY IS NOT PERMITTED

Dinner & Entertainment Tickets for this package have Sold Out!

More events are being added to our calendar all the time. Make sure to visit our [events page](#) to stay up to date on all our upcoming events!

Do you want to get involved in the Cultural Activities Committee? We are always welcoming new members! Our October meeting will be an in-person meeting at the Kilgour on the third Monday of the month, 10/21/24 at 6:30 p.m. Committee members are encouraged to bring a dish to pass and non-alcoholic beverages other than water if they so choose. Please contact me if you want to be added to the committee email list.

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.

Roof Advisor
Thanks you!

St. Andrew's Society of
Detroit-

We appreciate you
choosing and trusting us
to replace the roof on the
Kilgour!



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The St. Andrew's Society of Detroit, est. 1849

2025 Officer & Trustee Election

December Membership Meeting
Monday, December 2nd 7:00 pm

All Executive Officers &
3 Members of the Board of Trustees
are eligible for Election

**Consider
Running for
Office!**

Officers

Trustees

St. Andrew's Society Leadership

Our Society has two management groups:

- The Board of Trustees - 501(c)(3) fiduciary responsibilities and asset management, including Kilgour Hall and benevolence decisions
- The Executive Committee - plans and implements the annual membership and activities calendars, as well as the general office management

The officer and trustee election will take place at the December meeting. If you are interested in becoming more involved in your membership, please get in touch with Emma Velasco at emma.velasco@hotmail.com.

Job descriptions are published in this and upcoming Fling newsletters.

[An excerpt of the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit's Bylaws regarding the election can be found on Page 21.](#)



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

On Friday, October 8, 2010, the ribbon cutting ceremony was held for the Kilgour Scottish Centre, home of the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit. The Society had not had a membership hall since the sale of St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress St. in Detroit, in 1996. The purchase of the new building resulted from a \$1.8 million gift from the estate of Helen Jane Alt Kilgour of Bloomfield Hills. The bequest was made in 2005 in memory of Jane's husband, Thomas Kilgour, an engineer who joined the Society in 1983.

Following Thomas's death, Jane signed a Last Will and Testament on August 5, 1999. It contained the residuary bequest to the SASD for building a new educational and cultural center dedicated to promoting the Scottish experience in America with an emphasis on culture, history, and arts. Jane Kilgour died on May 4, 2005; however, there were several hurdles to overcome in order to secure the monies necessary to purchase the property and open the Kilgour Centre.

- ❖ Paraphrased from "Move to the Kilgour Centre—September 2010" by Julie Bartoy & R. Ian Hunter, two members without whom this supplementary history would not be possible.

From probate court battles, to the complicated process of establishing the Society as a 501(c)(3), to the renovation that converted a Mountain Jack's restaurant into the membership hall we know and love, the story of SASD's move to the Kilgour is just one of the nearly 20 new chapters that the Low Library Committee and other contributors have written to supplement Fred Wessell's History of the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit.

A comprehensive history of the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit from 1849 to present will be available in November in honor of the 175th Anniversary of the Society's founding. Look for the sign-up sheet to reserve your copy of this special 175th Anniversary edition at the October membership meeting. Or email library@detroitscots.com.

—Salaina Crumb, editor of *History of the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit, 1849-2024, 175th Anniversary Edition*

Library Hours

3rd Saturday of every month - 11:30 am to 3:30 pm.

2nd and 4th Thursday every month - 10:30 am to 3:30. During Social hour prior to the monthly meeting. Also, by appointment.

Email: library@detroitscots.com

Web Page: <https://detroitscots.com/library/>



Books for Sale!!

Did you know there are books for sale at the Charles Low Library? Check out the library before our monthly meeting and add to your home library.

Low Library Book Club

The Low Library Book Club met on September 16 and discussed *The Salt and the Flame* by Donald S. Murray.

The description:

April 21, 1923. The SS Metagama is inching out of Stornoway harbor, Scotland. On board are Finlay and Mairead, young and hopeful, destined for Canada and, eventually, Detroit.

A few years after they make Detroit their home, the Great Depression arrives. Prejudice and division are rife, and though they remain bound by a shared past, their lives soon diverge.


In an adopted country that is tense with both opportunity and loss, can Mairead and Finlay keep their promises to one another to look only forward, and resist the constant pull of home?

From the author of the prize-winning *As the Women Lay Dreaming* comes a poignant and deeply evocative novel of the 20th-century emigrant experience in the New World. With lyrical prose and masterful storytelling, Murray paints a vivid portrait of the resilient Hebrideans-in-exile who struggled between holding on and letting go.

Our review:

We enjoyed this novel, particularly the descriptions of life in Detroit. Several of our members had family who came from the Isle of Lewis/Harris and who met with similar experiences. It was fun “following” the characters around the Detroit area and its landmarks: the St. Andrew’s Hall, the Masonic Temple, Boblo Island, the Fisher Building, Belle Isle. Recommended to our members.

The next meeting will be held on Zoom on November 11 at 5:30 p.m. (EST). Everyone is welcome. Contact Cathy McCullough Les at library@detroitscots.com to get the Zoom invitation.



The St. Andrew’s Society of Detroit
 & the Charles S. Low Library


In celebration of our 175th Anniversary,
 we proudly present a 2024 Lecture Series

As the Final lecture in the series, Bruce Gray, 1st Vice President,
 St. Andrew’s Society of Detroit, will present:

**The History of the St Andrew’s
 Society of Detroit**

Sunday, November 10th, 2:00 to 4:00 pm
 Free Admission
 Kilgour Scottish Center
 2363 Rochester Road, Troy MI 48083
 (248) 525-1849

Doors open at 1:30 pm; light refreshments provided



RSVP Requested



Julie Bartoy
Membership Chair

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

It is a busy time of year for Society Membership. At the September business meeting our members elected 18 applicants. As we move into October, we have 26 elected members who are eligible for initiation at the October 7 meeting.

I'm unsure at this point how many of them will be able to attend the initiation, but it is sure to be a wonderful group of Scots, and I hope you can help me welcome them into our Society by attending the meeting. I want to give a special thanks to the Cultural Activities Committee led by Emily Wigodski for organizing a special Shepherd's Pie dinner in honor of our new members and their guests.

A special welcome back to Peggie Marple, Kira VanSteenkiste, and Jim Maier. It's wonderful that you have reactivated your membership, and I hope to see you soon.

As Fall arrives, I'm beginning to look toward 2025. All members, including Life Members, will receive an email in November requesting that your membership be renewed, and your 2025 annual dues are paid. Everyone needs to take a moment to review their membership profile and contact information. Life Members will not be charged any renewal dues but need to renew their membership and review their information. Anyone who is not a Life Member can pay through the membership system with a credit card.

There are two ways to become a Life Member:

1. Initiated into the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit on or before January 1, 2005 and have reached the age of 70 years.
2. Initiated into the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit on or before January 1, 2015, have reached the age of 50 years, and pay a one-time fee of \$650.

If you believe that you are eligible for Life Member status, please email me at membership@detroitscots.com. I hope to see you at our October initiation meeting.

DONATE TO THE FLOWER FUND



Fellow Scots,

As 2nd VP of the executive board one of my duties is to care for the Flower Fund. It was brought to the attention that many people do not carry cash and therefore cannot contribute to the Flower Fund at the monthly meetings. Our wonderful tech person has set up a QR code for those members to make a donation without using cash. The QR code will be on the Bible stand. The Flower Fund is an important part of our program, helping to recognize those fellow members in a time of loss or suffering. It is our way to let them know we all care for them. I hope this new option is beneficial to those who wish to utilize it.

Slàinte,

Jean MacLeod Wingblad
Second Vice President



Julie Palmer,
Highland Games Chair



176th Annual Highland Games

Happy Fall, St. Andrew's Members. Our team is busy with documentation and fully transitioning the Games Chair role from Cathy Hasse to myself. I want to publicly thank Doug Reith for his invaluable contribution to this effort.

Documentation will be a big theme throughout the next nine months. We'll also have digital copies of everything.

My biggest focus will continue to include fundraising and filling committee chair positions.

You can expect me to continue beating the drum of recruitment this Fall. Our success over the past 175 years is because we have a robust team of volunteers and committee chairs. We cannot exist without you.

Here is the current need:

Ways & Means Committee Member - are you passionate about keeping the games alive for another 25 years? Join a savvy team to brainstorm and find new sources of revenue.

Field Captain - the captain of an incredible crew. Keep people on track and understand the step-by-step process to set up Greenmead for the Games.

Food Vendors - works with existing and recruits new food trucks and food vendors. Finalize placement. Secure power and other needed resources. Coordinate with vendors and Games team.

Social Media Team - this is a new role for a team of three to create a strategy for broadcasting live on Games day and executing the final plan. Must be proficient in the use of mobile devices and live streaming.

Tents - Coordinate tent sign ups and live set up. Review documentation from the previous chair and plan to be present during key days when tents are being placed.

Genealogy - if this is a process (or a quest) that you love, consider stepping into a role that helps others at the beginning of their research.

Graphic Design - update existing materials and create new ones as needed. Sufficient experience required.

Online Ticket Sales - set up and monitor the online sales process. Communicate status and issues to Games chair and others, as needed.

Volunteer Catering (during set up week) - Our current volunteer will stay one more year to mentor a new volunteer. You can go solo as soon as you feel comfortable. Plan throughout the year, use your Games budget to purchase and store/freeze food based on coupons, deals and your own savvy process.

Games Meeting Scribe - are you nimble with your ears and fingers? Are you quick to capture and document meeting notes with many moving pieces? Able to participate in every planning meeting. Capture action items and track them to completion while keeping the Games chair updated.

Counting House Crew - do you have a general understanding of bookkeeping and can handle accounting for incoming cash in a fast-paced environment? Integrity and grit are the backbone of this role.

Stagehand at Opening Ceremonies - A great role that doesn't require a lot of time. Prior to Opening Ceremonies, communicate with and line up the Clans. Send them out at the right time for the ceremony.

This work will always be deeply meaningful. You will never be asked to figure it out yourself. The departing chair has documentation and will be available to train you.

Please reach out to ask questions and share feedback.

Always yours,

Julie



The St. Andrew's Society of Detroit

Celebrating Scottish Heritage.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

(New! All of our Sign-ups on one page! Click on the Tabs to see the individual Sign-ups)

[SASD Sign-ups to Volunteer](#)

Currently, we need volunteers for the following:

- October 5 - Kilgour Garden Cleanup
- Monthly Membership Meetings
- 2024 & 2025 Tartan Tavern Trivia Nights
- November 4 - Meeting Potluck
- November 9 - Deck the Kilgour
- November 29, 30, Dec 1 - St. Andrew's Day 175th Gala



Glenturret Distillery Whisky Tasting

Saturday, October 5, 2024
Kilgour Scottish Centre
2363 Rochester Road, Troy, MI

Tickets \$60/person
Dinner served at 6:00 pm
Tasting begins after Dinner

Hosted by Whisky Ambassador Elliot MacFarlane

Mission BBQ

DETROITSCOTS.COM/TICKETS

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

[BUY TICKETS HERE](#)



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

In celebration of The St. Andrew's Society of Detroit's 175th Anniversary

A SCOTTISH TEA

Saturday, October 12 at 1:00 p.m.

\$45 per person

Kilgour Scottish Centre
2363 Rochester Road
Troy, MI 48083
248.526.1849

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

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

The St. Andrew's Society of Detroit welcomes
Jim & Susie Malcolm
in concert at the Kilgour Scottish Centre
2363 Rochester Road, Troy, MI



Friday, October 25th, 7 pm

TICKETS IN ADVANCE \$20
AT THE DOOR \$25

DOORS & BAR OPEN
6 PM

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BUY TICKETS NOW



*For Auld Lang Syne: A St. Andrew's Day Celebration
Honoring 175 Years of Timeless Tradition*

175th Anniversary Gala

Featuring a variety of traditional Scottish Entertainments and the
Musical Stylings of the Bluewater Kings dance band.

Dinner & Entertainment Tickets
~~5pm Entrance
\$10 Regular price
\$20 Early Bird through 10/15~~

SOLD OUT

Entertainment Only Tickets
7pm Entrance
\$40 Regular price
\$30 Early Bird through 10/15



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2024

KILGOUR SCOTTISH CENTRE, TROY, MI

WWW.DETROITSCOTS.COM

Dinner Tickets are *sold out!* Please come celebrate with us during the Entertainment portion of the evening!!!

BUY TICKETS NOW



We Need Helpers!

Kilgour Scottish Centre Holiday Decoration Elves!

Decorate on Saturday, November 9th, 2024

10:00 a.m. to Noon

Take Down Saturday, January 4th, 2024

10:00 a.m. to Noon

BURNS NIGHT

Saturday, January 25th, 2025



Save the Date!



Have your Clan join the Wall!



Want your Clan plaque added to our Burns Room display?

Want to showcase your Scottish heritage at home or in your office?

Or perhaps you want to give someone a special gift.

If so, contact Carol Zagorowska at cazago@sbcglobal.net



Clan Crest Plaque Order Form

Name: _____

Email or text info: _____

Donate to Kilgour & verified Clan not displayed in Burns Room: yes []

Clan: _____

Tartan: _____

Price: \$85.00

Purchase for personal use:

Circle Size: Standard 7x8 (\$85.00) or Large 10x12 (\$130.00)

Clan: _____

Tartan: _____

Circle Wood color: Light or Dark



St. Andrew's Society of Detroit 2024 Executive Officers & Trustees

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

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 Email the Fling Editor at

flingeditor@detroitscots.com
 for an advertisement form!



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 hosting America's Oldest Continuous
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BYLAWS OF THE ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY OF DETROIT

ARTICLE XI – ELECTION OF TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS

Section 11.01 The Nominating Committee, consisting of three regular members appointed by the President, shall recommend a slate of officers at the October meeting each year. At that meeting and again at the November meeting, nominations for each elective office may be made from the floor. The election shall be held at the December meeting; installation shall take place at the January meeting.

Section 11.02 All trustees and elected officers may stand for re-election to their respective office. When, because of resignation, recall, or other vacation of office, a vacancy occurs on the Board of Trustees or among the elected officers of the Society, the Chairperson of the Board or the President, as appropriate, shall immediately appoint a replacement to serve until the elected successor takes office.

Section 11.03 A separate, secret, written ballot shall be taken for each elective office. In the event no one receives a majority, a run-off election between the two top ranking candidates shall be immediately held.

Section 11.04 A nominee who is absent on election night without prior notification to the President shall be ineligible to stand for election.

Section 11.05 All Trustees and Officers shall be elected by the members. Each member present, regardless of classification as a life, family, regular, non-resident or honorary, shall have one vote.

ARTICLE XII – QUALIFICATIONS FOR HOLDING OFFICE

Section 12.01 Nominees for all elected and appointed offices must be in good standing at the time of nomination and must have attended at least 6 of the previous 10 monthly general membership meetings. It shall be conclusively presumed that a nominee attended a meeting if such attendance:

12.01.1 Is reflected in the Secretary's attendance register.

12.01.2 If the Executive Committee excuses the absence for medical reasons or other exigent reason within 60 days of a missed meeting: or

12.01.3 If the Executive Committee corrects the attendance register based upon a nominee's affidavit certifying their attendance at a specific meeting.

No Trustee or Officer may be installed or appointed who is not in good standing at the time of such installation or appointment.

Section 12.02 To be eligible to serve as a Trustee, a member must have been in good standing throughout each of the immediately preceding 24 months.

Section 12.03 To be eligible to serve as President, a member must have been in good standing throughout each of the immediately preceding 24 months and be of Scottish descent.

Section 12.04 No member shall concurrently hold more than one elected position in the Society.

Section 12.05 At the time of election, the Chairperson of the Nominating Committee shall certify that the candidates for office meet the mandatory eligibility requirements enumerated in Sections 12.01 through 12.04.

Section 12.06 It is desired, but not required, that each of the following officers or committee members possess the qualifications indicated:

- a. Auditing Committee members: Accounting training or experience.
 - b. Chaplain: A clergyman or lay minister.
 - c. Finance Committee members: Accounting training or experience.
 - d. House Committee members: Property management experience.
 - e. Investment Committee members: Investment training or experience.
- Parliamentarian: Knowledge of parliamentary procedure and the rules of debate.

ARTICLE XIII – DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Section 13.01 The Board of Trustees shall:

- a. Hold title to the name, property, and resources of the Society and shall manage its corporate activities. The Board shall also ensure that the Society is appropriately incorporated with the State of Michigan and recognized by federal officials as a non-profit, charitable, and educational association, and maintain all appropriate documentation thereof.
- b. Participate in the development and approval of the Society's budget in accordance with Article V of these Bylaws.
- c. Represent the Society in all legal proceedings.
- d. Develop a general description for each position of employment, establish lines of supervision and authority, and determine the appropriate compensation (salary and benefits) to be provided to each employee.
- e. Approve the employment of individuals by the Society on either a full- or part-time basis. Members of the Society are eligible for employment and, when equally qualified with other applicants, shall be given preference for such employment.

- f. Approve all grants and other aid provided by the Society. Temporary assistance, as distinguished from benevolence, may also be extended to members of the Society
- g. Develop a means by which gifts and bequests can be received and endowment funds established through which these funds can be invested and maintained for the good of the Society and from the interest on which the charitable and educational purposes of the Society can be drawn.
- h. Maintain a Scholarship Fund.
- i. Make regular reports on the decisions and activity of the Board at general membership meetings.
- j. Submit a written report, including the financial condition of the Society at the Annual General Meeting.

Section 13.02 The Chairperson shall be the presiding officer of the Board of Trustees and shall be of Scottish descent.

Section 13.03 The Vice-Chairperson shall, in the absence of the Chairperson, be the presiding officer of the Board of Trustees. Should the Chairperson resign, be recalled, or otherwise vacate the office, the Vice-Chairperson shall succeed to that office until such time as an election can be held. The Vice-Chairperson shall also chair the House Committee.

Section 13.04 The Secretary shall:

- a. Prepare and maintain an accurate record of each meeting of the Board of Trustees, recording all motions and the vote thereon.
- b. Retain as part of the record copy of those minutes all documents and other materials that are pertinent.
- c. Be responsible for all correspondence concerning gifts and bequests to the Society.
- d. File the annual “Michigan Annual Report – Non-Profit Corporation” and all other reports as required by law.

ARTICLE XIV – DUTIES OF ELECTED OFFICERS

Section 14.01 In addition to such duties as may be established in the Constitution, elsewhere in these Bylaws, Governance Guidelines and Operating Procedures Manual, or in the Book of Rituals of the Society, elected officers of the Society shall be responsible for the following duties.

Section 14.02 The President shall:

- a. Implement the policies and programs of the Society as established by the Bylaws, Constitution, and membership.

- b. Ensure that no activity of the Society conflicts with or jeopardizes its accreditation as a non-profit, charitable, and educational association.
- c. Preside at all general membership meetings of the Society, conducting the business of the Society in an orderly and efficient manner and maintaining order and decorum.
- d. Serve as an ex officio member of all committees.

Section 14.03 The First Vice-President shall:

- a. In the absence or disability of the President perform the duties and exercise the powers of the President.
- b. Serve as President following the resignation, recall, or other vacation of the office by the President until the next regularly scheduled election.
- c. Assist the President in the conduct of all meetings and in the maintenance of good order and discipline.
- d. Chair the Membership Committee.
- e. Read the objectives of the Society at a minimum of two general membership meetings each year.
- f. Perform such other duties as may be assigned by the President.

Section 14.04 The Second Vice-President shall:

- a. Assist the President and First Vice-President in the conduct of all meetings and in the maintenance of good order and discipline.
- b. Preside, in the absence of the President and First Vice-President, over all meetings.
- c. Chair the Auditing Committee and utilize the Society's Financial Audit Program.
- d. Perform such other duties as may be assigned by the President.
- e. Manage the Flower Fund of the Society or assign a member to do so.

Section 14.05 The Secretary shall:

- a. Prepare and maintain a sign-in record of those attending each Society meeting, including the Trustees, elected, and appointed officers.
- b. Prepare and maintain an accurate record of each general membership meeting of the Society, recording all motions and the votes of the membership thereon.
- c. Retain, as a part of the record, a copy of those minutes all documents and other attachments that are pertinent.
- d. Receive all correspondence concerning the Society, forwarding it to the appropriate Society officer or committee.
- e. Prepare and cause to be distributed notices of all meetings of the Society.
- f. Conduct such secret ballots as may be required
- g. Serve on the Membership Committee.

- h. Perform such other duties as may be assigned by the President.

Section 14.06 The Membership Secretary shall:

- a. Prepare and distribute to all members requests for payment of annual dues and such other special assessments as may be approved.
- b. Maintain the membership records of the Society, ensuring that application fees and dues are promptly collected and properly credited.
- c. Record and subsequently transmit in a timely and efficient manner to the Treasurer all monies received.
- d. Notify any member when in arrears in dues or special assessments.
- e. Receive and act upon all requests for recognition as a life member or designation as an associate or honorary member.
- f. Serve on the Membership Committee.
- g. Supervise, prepare and maintain a digital mailing list and provide a copy of it to members and committees as requested. This mailing list shall not be distributed outside the Society unless approved by the Executive Committee.
- h. Perform such other duties as may be assigned by the President.

Section 14.07 The Treasurer shall:

- a. Have custody of all funds and investments of the Society and shall keep full and accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements in a manner approved by the Auditing Committee.
- b. Receive and deposit all funds in a timely manner in such depositories as are duly authorized.
- c. Retain on hand in the operating accounts of the Society sufficient funds to meet the operating expenses of the Society.
- d. Pay all bills in a timely manner. Checks of less than \$1000.00 must be signed by the Treasurer or his/her designee. Checks of \$1000.00 or more must be co-signed by the President, Chairperson or Vice Chairperson of the Board of Trustees, as appropriate.
- e. At least quarterly, provide a written report of all financial transactions of the Society at general membership meetings, Executive Committee, and Board of Trustees meetings, providing a copy of this report to the Secretaries of the Executive Committee and Board of Trustees for retention with the meeting's minutes.
- f. Secure, maintain, and provide for use as necessary the tax identification number of the Society, ensuring that all uses of this identification number are legitimate and proper.
- g. Chair the Finance Committee.
- h. Perform such other duties as may be assigned by the President.

Section 14.08 The Piper shall:

- a. Be responsible for meeting or planning for the ceremonial piping requirements of the Society.
- b. Pipe at all meetings and at other affairs of the Society as may be requested.
- c. Be the liaison between the Society and the St. Andrew's Pipe Band.
- d. Perform such other duties as may be assigned by the President.

Section 14.09 The Cultural Activities Director shall:

- a. Be responsible for the selection of the facilities, the programs, the arrangements, and the refreshments as are deemed appropriate for initiations, installations, the Robert Burns Dinner, the St. Andrew's Dinner, and other meetings of the Society.
- b. Serve as Chairperson of the Cultural Activities Committee.

Section 14.10 The Communications and IT Director shall:

- a. Be Editor of the Society newsletter and be responsible for preparation and distribution of the Society newsletter.
- b. Oversee all media placement, including print, banners, flyers, and/or promotional pieces as deemed necessary by the Executive Committee and the Trustees regarding all Kilgour Centre media.
- c. Prepare and distribute e-blasts to members when directed by the Executive Committee and the Trustees.
- d. Maintain and update the Society websites.
- e. Ensure that the technology programs support the Society's business objectives and strategies and provide for appropriate data security and data privacy.
- f. Advise the Board of Trustees and the Executive Committee on technology-related matters.

ARTICLE XV – DUTIES OF APPOINTED OFFICERS

Section 15.01 The appointed officers of the Society shall be responsible for duties as follows:

Section 15.02 The Bard shall:

- a. Be responsible for informing the members of cultural developments in the Scottish world.
- b. Be responsible for preparing and presenting at a minimum of two general membership meetings a program on Scottish arts, customs, folklore, etc.

Section 15.03 The Chaplain shall:

- a. Offer a prayer at the beginning of each meeting and special event.
- b. Visit or arrange to have visited members and their families who are hospitalized or in special need.
- c. Be responsible for sending appropriate remembrances to members of the Society and their families.

Section 15.04 The Color Sergeant shall:

- a. Assist the President in the initiation and installation ceremonies of the Society as prescribed in the Book of Rituals.
- b. Act as liaison between the President and the St. Andrew's Royal Scottish Honor Guard.

Section 15.05 The Genealogist shall assist interested members in beginning genealogical research and overcoming obstacles.

Section 15.06 The Parliamentarian shall advise the President and all bodies of the Society on appropriate points of parliamentary procedures.

Section 15.07 The Sergeant-at-Arms shall:

- a. When requested by the President, ensure that only eligible members of the Society are permitted entry during general membership meetings and shall announce immediately after the call to order whether a quorum is present and, should attendance fall below a quorum at any time, immediately call this fact to the attention of the President.
- b. Maintain order and discipline at all meetings of the Society.