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Future schedule of Highland Games meetings on Thursdays on Zoom at 6:30 p.m. Eblasts will go out to the membership the day before with the Zoom link to join the meeting.

- May 1 & 15
- June & July Weekly Thursday meetings until setup week which begins on July 28th.

All Members are invited to join the meeting and discover what is planned and how they can pitch in!

# **2025 SASD CALENDAR**

			May 2025			
Date	Event	Food	Charity	50/50	Benevolence	
5/1	Highland Game	es Meeting, 6:3	30 p.m. ( <mark>Zoom)</mark>			
5/5 Membership Meeting, Kilgour, Social Hour 6:00 p.m., Potluck 6:30 p.m., Business Meeting 7:00 p.m.				:30 p.m.,		
	Membership Meeting	Potluck	Shower of Love Children's Hospital of MI Clothes Closet	Hope for HIE	Maggie's Center, Scotland	
5/8	Open Library H	lours, 10:30 a.	m. to 3:30 p.m.			
5/10	Ally the Piper B Concert 7:00 p		for Ehlers-Danlos S ow on Sale	Society, Kilgour, VI	P Event 5:00 p.m.,	
5/13	Executive Com	mittee Meeting	g, 6:30 p.m. <mark>(Zoom)</mark>			
5/15	Highland Game	es Meeting, 6:3	30 p.m. ( <mark>Zoom)</mark>			
5/17	Library Commit Open Library H		Meeting, 9:30 to 11: m. to 3:30 p.m.	30 a.m.		
5/19	Cultural Events Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)					
5/20		•	:00 p.m. (Zoom) :30 p.m. (Zoom)			
5/22	5/22 Open Library Hours, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.					
5/28	5/28 Membership Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)					
			June 2025			
Date	Event	Food	Charity	50/50	Benevolence	
6/2	Membership M Business Mee		ur, Social Hour 6:0	00 p.m., Dinner 6:3	30 p.m.,	
	Membership Meeting & New Mbr Initiation	Shepherd's Pie Potluck	Detroit Dog Rescue	Oakland County Foster Closet	N/A	
6/5	Highland Game	es Meeting, 6:3	30 p.m. ( <mark>Zoom)</mark>			
6/9	Low Library Bo	ok Club Meetii	ng, 5:30 p.m. (Zoom	1)		
6/10	Executive Com	mittee Meeting	g, 6:30 p.m. <mark>(Zoom)</mark>			
6/12	Open Library H	lours, 10:30 a.	m. to 3:30 p.m.			
6/12	Highland Games Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)					
6/16	Cultural Activities Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)					
6/17	House Committee Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Zoom) Board of Trustees Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)					
6/19	Highland Game	es Meeting, 6:3	80 p.m. (Zoom)			

## **2025 SASD CALENDAR**

		Ju	ne 2025 (cont'o	d)		
6/21	Library Commit Open Library H		Meeting, 9:30 to 11: m. to 3:30 p.m.	30 a.m.		
6/25	/25 Membership Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)					
6/26	Open Library Hours, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.					
6/26	6/26 Highland Games Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)					
			July 2025			
Date	Event Food Charity 50/50 Benevolence					
	There is no Membership Meeting in July					
7/3	Highland Game	es Meeting, 6:3	80 p.m. (Zoom)			
7/8	Executive Com	mittee Meeting	g, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)			
7/10 Open Library Hours, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.						
7/10 Highland Games Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)						
7/15	7/15 House Committee Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Zoom) Board of Trustees Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)					
7/17	Highland Games Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)					
7/19 Library Committee Business Meeting, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Open Library Hours, 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.						
7/21	Cultural Activiti	es Committee	Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	(Zoom)		
7/23	Membership Co	ommittee Meet	ting, 6:30 p.m. <mark>(Zoo</mark> i	n)		
7/24	Open Library H	ours, 10:30 a.ı	m. to 3:30 p.m.			
7/24	Highland Game	es Meeting, 6:3	30 p.m. (Zoom)			
7/26			oit City Football Club I <u>(Buy Tickets Here)</u>		m, 3201	
7/30	Highland Game	es Volunteers I	Meeting, Greenmea	d, Livonia, 6:00 p.n	n.	
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CLICK HERE
to see our photos of
March & April 2025 Events

REMINDER: At an SASD event? Take photos! Send them to flingeditor@detroitscots.com!



Beth Frahm Benevolence Chair

## **Our Benevolences**

Our Charity for the month is Children's Hospital of Michigan's Clothes Closet & The Shower of Love.

Twenty-five years ago, Cathy Hasse and three of her friends from childhood decided to give a 'Baby Shower' for needy children assuming it would be a one-time event. They chose the Clothes Closet of Children's Hospital of Michigan for many reasons. Babies and children in need of clean clothing are given items from the closet (room). Many of the patients are brought to the hospital in an urgent situation and do not have proper clothing to wear home.

The first year about 50 friends and family members were there to support the project. Guests were asked to bring an unwrapped item. As the guests left, they said, "see you next year" ... So here we are 25 years later! The volunteer staff at the Clothes Closet are extremely appreciative of the support over the many years.

Four years into the Annual Shower, Cathy invited a few fellow members of the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit. The members of the St. Andrew's Society were so impressed with the shower they asked if they could "piggyback" on to it and hold a mini-Shower of Love at a general membership meeting. Those members also asked the Trustees and the Benevolence Committee to provide matching funds to any member who made a cash donation. We have continued to do so for twenty years and continue to match any cash/check/PayPal donation from members up to \$100. Each year at the main Shower of Love event, the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit is recognized and honored. The attendance has grown to over 250 people. Both women and men enjoy the evening of dinner, cash bar, 50/50 raffle, and door prizes. This year the date of the event is May 19th at the Italian American Banquet Center, Livonia. Please reach out to Cathy Hasse at 248-760-9252 if you are interested in attending the 'Big' Shower of Love. See flyer on pages 6 & 7.

We will be collecting new clothing items from any season at the May 5th membership meeting. All sizes of children's clothing are suitable. Shop the clearance racks! Gift cards are accepted, too. These cards are not given to the families. The gift cards are used by staff to purchase items like formula, bottles, and diapers that take up too much space in the room.

You may donate through PayPal on the SASD Website. Please choose the Shower of Love in the Dropdown box. If you would like to send a check, please make your check out to the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit, c/o Beth Frahm, 2363 Rochester Road, Troy, MI 48083. Or bring a check to the May Membership meeting. Giving through the St. Andrew's Society can double your money. Please be sure to write "Shower of Love" in the memo line.

### May Benevolence to receive \$1000 USD- Maggie's Center, Scotland

Maggie was a writer, gardener, and designer. At 47, she was diagnosed with breast cancer and five years later, in May 1993, she was told that it had returned. After hearing this, Maggie and her husband Charles Jencks were moved to a windowless corridor where they were left to process the news. They discussed the need for somewhere 'better' for people with cancer to go, outside of but nearby to the hospital.

Maggie and Charles designed the blueprint for the centers together, enlisting the help of some of their friends from the architectural world. The first Maggie's opened in Edinburgh in 1996, and they now have centers across the UK and even some abroad.

### (Benevolences cont'd)

Maggie felt that her diagnosis and treatment was as hard on her family as it was on her, so she created a new type of support, a center that could make the experience of cancer more manageable for everyone.

Maggie also wanted to bring people together in a calm and friendly space that would help them to find comfort in the experiences of others.

Maggie died shortly before the first center opened but, with the support of Charles and her medical team, including her cancer nurse Laura Lee (now Maggie's CEO), her vision lives on.

### The May 50/50 Raffle to support Hope for HIE (Hypoxic Ischemic Encephalopathy)

HIE is a is a serious condition that occurs when the brain does not receive enough blood and oxygen, often affecting newborns during or shortly after birth. The condition can lead to brain injury, neurological challenges, and developmental delays, depending on the severity of the oxygen deprivation. Kent Richards has an amazing young grandson with HIE. When he was born in 2012 it was difficult for Kent's daughter, Betsy Pilson to find resources and groups about HIE. Out of that struggle she developed Hope for HIE, a premier global nonprofit dedicated to improving the quality of life for children and families impacted by neonatal and pediatric acquired HIE. Betsy is the Executive Director and has connected more than 7000 families, researchers, and clinicians through a comprehensive support network.



Julie (Reid) Bartoy Membership Secretary

# **MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

Now that the dust has settled from our 2025 membership renewal process. We have a total of 434 members and here is the breakdown.

- Regular members = 311
- Life members = 80
- Family members = 23
- Associate members = 13
- Honorary members = 7

At the May meeting, we will have the final election prior to our June initiation ceremony. We currently have 7 applicants who are in the process of application review prior to election. At our March meeting, we elected Patricia Holland-Soma and John Swift Vanderlaan, and at our April meeting we elected Jill Clissold, Pat Dearie, Chris Houghton, Catherine Mullins, and David Randall. I am hopeful that they will all be available to attend the final step in the new member process, participating in the initiation ceremony.

I always enjoy the initiation ceremony where I can reflect on my reasons for joining and to reinforce my commitment to the Society. I hope you will consider attending where you can meet and welcome our newest members.



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# 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\*

Infant Outfits
Booties/Booty Socks
Sweater and Hat Sets
Stretch Sleepers
Nightgowns
Undershirts/Onesies
Bath Towels and Washcloths

Sweat Tops\*\*
Sweat Bottoms\*\*
Socks\*\*
Underwear\*\*
Hat/Gloves/Mittens\*\*

\*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.

Name:	Reservations @ \$45 each:
Address:	Tables of 10 @ <sup>\$</sup> 450 each:
	(Additional) Donation:
Telephone Number:	Total amount enclosed:
If you are making reservations for please list all names so that we w	r multiple guests, vill know they are pre-paid when they check in at the door:
1	6
2	7
3	8
4	
5	
	ests, but would like to be seated with other attendees, Ve will make every effort to honor your request.
	of Love" and mail by May 2, 2025 to:
	Orchard Lake, MI 48323

# **CLICK ON THE IMAGE TO SIGN UP FOR THE MAY POTLUCK**



**SASD Membership** 

# **May Membership Potluck**



SASD Sign-Ups

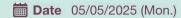


SUGGESTED LAST NAME ALPHA SPLIT

A-H MAIN DISHES

I-P SALADS & SIDE DISHES

Q-Z DESSERTS



(L) Time 6:15PM - 6:30PM EDT

Location Kilgour Scottish Centre 2363 Rochester Rd Troy, MI 48083



- Please send healing Thoughts & Prayers to Sue Boggs.
- Message from Member Anton Anderssen: "My younger brother died Monday afternoon 03/31, after a 2 hour breathing issue, caused by muscular dystrophy. Please keep our family in your prayers."

### **REPORT THOUGHTS & PRAYERS REQUESTS**





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

According to the St. Andrew's Society's Constitution, one of the Objectives of the Society is to "Foster and promote knowledge of Scottish history and the contribution Scots have made throughout the world." Artifacts contribute to fulfilling that goal. An artifact is an object made by a human being including such items as tools, clothing, art, maps, weapons or the remains of an article (broken pieces of pottery). Such items reflect the history and culture of a society and are immensely useful to scholars when researching a culture.

At the Kilgour center, The Charles Low Memorial Library has taken responsibility for collecting, cataloging, and preserving our remarkable artifacts collection. Many have been donated by St. Andrew's members and friends.



Hand Carved Tool



Antique Membership Pin



Scenario Depicting
Caledonian Picts Spearmen c 500 AD
Kingdom of Alba Archers c 1000 AD
Kingdom of Scotland c 1300 AD

As artifacts are acquired, several steps are taken to insure safe keeping. The item is first numbered and entered into the Artifacts Database. A Title for the item (Membership Pin), Type of item (Antique Lapel Pin), and **Description** of the artifact (Blue and Yellow St. Andrew's oval pin affixed to three tartan ribbons clasped together with a gold bar containing the name of the member). The item is **Labeled** using the Database number and the prescribed method for that particular type of artifact. The artifact is then **Photographed** for insertion into the Database, and the location of the artifact is noted.

We are endowed with a substantial number of artifacts of substance with some items rotated from display into storage. However many are too large to put on display and/or keep on display. Because of the preservation concern, proper storage of artifacts is an ongoing concern.

### **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 p.m.

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.



Click here to see All of our SignUp Genius Opportunities



# The St. Andrew's Society of Detroit Presents:



Kilgour Scottish Centre 2363 Rochester Road Troy, MI. 48083

(248) 526-1849 detroitscots.com

# Ally the Piper

A Benefit Concert for The Ehlers-Danlos Society

May 10th, 2025 7PM TICKETS ON SALE NOW!!!

Concert only tickets \$45 Doors @ 6pm

VIP Meet & Greet & Concert (limited to 50 guests) \$100 Doors @ 4:30

Cash Bar

**Basket Raffle** 

50/50







# **BUY TICKETS**



Ehlers-Danlos syndrome is a group of inherited disorders that affect your connective tissues — primarily your skin, joints and blood vessel walls. Connective tissue is a complex mixture of proteins and other substances that provide strength and elasticity to the underlying structures in your body.

People who have Ehlers-Danlos syndrome usually have overly flexible joints and stretchy, fragile skin. This can become a problem if you have a wound that requires stitches, because the skin often isn't strong enough to hold them.

# **MAKE A DONATION**





Saturday, 7/26/2025 SCOTTISH HERITAGE NIGHT at DETROIT CITY FOOTBALL CLUB

Come watch the DCFC take down the Westchester Soccer Club at the first ever Scottish Heritage Night!

Gates open at 5:30 PM, Game starts at 7 PM

Buy tickets to the game using the QR Code.

Those buying tickets through the link will get a
free commemorative tee shirt.



The next Highland Games meeting will be held on Zoom on Thursday, May 1st at 6:30 p.m.

All members are invited to join this meeting and find out where they may be able to help.

**HIGHLAND GAMES MEETING ZOOM LINK** 

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# **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				

Return form to Carol Zagorowska email: cazago@sbcglobal.net



# St. Andrew's Society of Detroit 2025 Executive Officers & Trustees

#### **Executive Officers**

Chris MacKenzie **Bruce Gray** Jean Wingblad **Alison Coates** Julie Bartoy Jill England (acting) **Emily Wigodski Shelby Rohr Dave Martin** Julie Palmer Elliot MacFarlane

Fr. Scott Hunter

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### **Board of Trustees**

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

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For \$20 you can place an ad in the Fling. See last page in this Fling or Email the Fling Editor at

> flingeditor@detroitscots.com for an advertisement form!



## Choose to support the SASD with your shopping at Kroger!

The St. Andrew's Society has been approved for the Kroger Community Rewards Program. When you select our Society as your chosen Non-Profit, and use your Kroger Plus account to shop, we will receive a donation!





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We're on the Web!

detroitscots.com

thekilgour.com

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Anton Anderssen	Mary Lou Duncan	John McClain	Clifford Scott
Dorothy A. Bade	James Findlay	Kathryn McClain	John J. Tuba
Jodie Beckley	Jonathan Gordon	Mary McClain-Horrigan	Dorothy E. Van Calbergh
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David Bohde	Rachel Holland		Michael West
Bonnie Brodie		Catherine Mullins	Cody Williams
Adam Burns	Christopher Houghten	William Douglas (Doug) Reith	Suzanne Blair Williams
Mary Ann Carmichael	Robert Jarski	Catherine (Kay) Renny	Suzanne Wilson
John Cherry	John Krause	Donald Kevin Ross	Karen Wood
David Mitchell Diana	Chris Mackenzie	Alan James Rutter	Alex York
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Note: Our Birthday Wishes are coming from our Membership System for those members who update their profile with their Month of Birth.



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