

The Highland Fling

February 2026



Chris MacKenzie, President

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It is that time of year again. Time for Chris to lecture the membership on what the Society means. Ok, maybe lecture is a strong word but it is important that we do not forget who we are, what we do, and why we do it. We are the oldest benevolent organization in Michigan. Originally founded by a group of Scots to help fellow Scots who needed it, we have expanded our reach to helping any and all who may need it. Including children, veterans, and even our furry friends.

In the past I have tended to think of the Society as a social club. We are not a social club. We are not a Scottish library. We are not a whisky bar. We are not a trivia/games house. We are a benevolent organization with a few perks to bring our members closer while we do our work. We must never forget why we have come together.

Each of you have taken an oath to do your part to help the unfortunate and to not wrong a fellow Scot. Something we should think about more often. At the end of each meeting, we gather around and sing Burns' most famous work, Auld Lang Syne. It is a heartfelt song about remembering shared experiences and rekindling bonds. Those cannot be just words. It gets harder and harder these days to act human to one another but we must try.

And now, the Uni-Corner!

Who was responsible for the cancellation of the trivia nights last year?

- A. The Cultural Activities Director
- B. The Executive Board
- C. The Trustees
- D. B and C

It seems that some members believe that A is the answer, but in fact it was D. The boards made some decisions that resulted in cancellation of the trivia nights.

Last year after a few trivia nights in a row with poor attendance, the Exec Board and Trustees set a certain threshold that should be met for any member event. The trivia nights did project to cross that threshold based on a number of evenings with poor attendance, so they were cancelled for the time being, with the possibility of being resurrected in the future. Well, the future is now. We have realized that the threshold may have been a little too restrictive and now planning of such events is a little easier. Stay tuned to Emily for upcoming events.

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

2026 SASD CALENDAR

February 2026

Date	Event	Food	Charity	50/50	Benevolence
2/2	Membership Meeting, Kilgour, Social Hour 6:00 p.m., Potluck 6:30 p.m., Business Meeting 7:00 p.m.				
	Officers & Trustees Installation	Potluck	Capuchin Soup Kitchen & Shelter	Genesis House II	St. Andrew's Society Honour Guard
2/5	Panera Bread Fundraiser, 390 W. 14 Mile Road, Troy, 4:00 to 8:00 p.m.				
2/7	Celts, Cups, & Canvases, Kilgour, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.				
2/9	Charles Low Library Book Club, 5:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
2/10	Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
2/12	Pub Night with McLaughlin's Alley, Kilgour, 7:00 p.m., \$10 Cash Door Cover				
2/12	Open Library Hours, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.				
2/16	Cultural Activities Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
2/17	House Committee Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Zoom) Board of Trustees Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
2/19	177th Highland Games Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
2/20	Friday Fish Fry, Kilgour, 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.				
2/21	Library Committee Business Meeting, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Open Library Hours, 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.				
2/25	Membership Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
2/26	Open Library Hours, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.				
2/27	Friday Fish Fry, Kilgour, 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.				

March 2026

Date	Event	Food	Charity	50/50	Benevolence
3/2	Membership Meeting, Kilgour, Social Hour 6:00 p.m., Potluck 6:30 p.m., Business Meeting 7:15 p.m.				
	New Member Initiation	Potluck	Turning Point / Secondhand Rose	Haven	Seedlings Braille Books
3/6	Friday Fish Fry, Kilgour, 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.				
3/10	Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
3/12	Open Library Hours, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.				
3/13	Friday Fish Fry, Kilgour, 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.				
3/16	Cultural Activities Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
3/17	House Committee Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Zoom) Trustees Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
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2026 SASD CALENDAR

March 2026 (continued)

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3/21	Library Committee Business Meeting, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Open Library Hours, 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
3/25	Membership Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)
3/26	Open Library Hours, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
3/27	Friday Fish Fry, Kilgour, 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

April 2026

4/3	Friday Fish Fry, Kilgour, 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.				
Date	Event	Food	Charity	50/50	Benevolence
4/6	Membership Meeting, Kilgour, Social Hour 6:00 p.m., Potluck 6:30 p.m., Business Meeting 7:00 p.m.				
	Membership Meeting	Potluck	Zaman International	Lighthouse	Redford Union Football Team & Morse Elementary
4/9	Open Library Hours, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.				
4/11	Tartan Day Ceilidh & Tentative Whisky Tasting, Kilgour, More Info Soon!				
4/14	Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
4/16	177th Highland Games Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
4/17	Tentative Trivia Spring League, Kilgour, More Info Soon!				
4/18	Library Committee Business Meeting, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Open Library Hours, 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.				
4/18	Spring Hobby & Craft Fair, Kilgour, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.				
4/20	Cultural Activities Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
4/21	House Committee Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Zoom) Trustees Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
4/22	Membership Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
4/23	Open Library Hours, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.				
	CALENDAR SUBJECT TO CHANGE				



[CLICK HERE for](#)
[our January](#)
[2026 Photo](#)
[Album](#)

REMINDER: At an SASD event? Take photos! Send them to
[**flingeditor@detroitscots.com!**](mailto:flingeditor@detroitscots.com)



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2026 Fish Fry

Sit down and enjoy a delicious traditional fish & chips supper while the bagpipes play.

Adult dinner: Beer-battered fried fish or baked fish (gluten free), french fries, coleslaw, & coffee, hot/iced tea.

Kids' meal: Fish or Mac & Cheese, french fries, applesauce, & Capri sun



3-Piece Dinner	\$17
2-Piece Dinner	\$15
Extra piece of fish	\$5
Kid's Meal (under age 12)	\$7
<u>Available Sides:</u>	
Mac n' Cheese	\$5
Clam Chowder Soup	\$6
Dinner Salad	\$5
Applesauce	\$2
Shortbread Snack Pack	\$2 or 2 for \$3

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Beth Frahm
Benevolence Chair

OUR BENEVOLENCES

It may seem a bit repetitive to support another shelter in February. However, this is the time of year that so many are very much in need of items to be donated. I am sure all of you are sitting in the comfort of your home as you read this newsletter. Please take time to pause and think about those less fortunate that need warm clothing and a warm meal. If, you have run out of gently used items to donate ask family members and friends for their used items!

Our February charity is [The Capuchin Services Center in Detroit.](#) They provide, meals, clothing, tutoring, spiritual care, along with teaching skills at their urban farm and bakery. They have experienced a twenty percent increase in people needing meals in the past year. They are now serving 1000 meals per day in two facilities. One third of the guests are under 12 years old.

The Capuchin Services Center is facing an acute need for clean, gently used men's and children's clothing items. All seasons, all sizes. Additional items in need are:

- Clothing accessories such as belts, hats, and shoes.
- New men's and women's underwear, socks, and hygiene items especially for their shower program
- Used or new shoes and boots especially for men and children
- Winter gear
- Bed and bath linens.
- Baby and adult diapers.

If you prefer a monetary donation for the charity of the month, we can accept credit cards online at detroitscots.com/donate. You must ask for it to be matched if you would like to do so. Checks and cash are always collected at all monthly meetings. Checks are to be made payable to the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit with the name of the Charity in the memo line.

Our 50/50 recipient for February is [Genesis House II.](#) They worked in collaboration with Motor City Mitten Mission to get assistance for a Red Roof Inn guest that took refuge on our property last year.

Looking ahead on the calendar we will be supporting these groups in the coming months.

March - [Turning Point/Secondhand Rose.](#) They are a resale shop in need of household goods and gently used clothing to sell and allow women to shop at no charge. They help women and girls that are abused and trafficked. They provide safe shelter, clothing and household needs.

April - [Zaman International.](#) New goods needed – toiletries & cleaning items. Items that can be new or gently used- clothing, household items, kitchen items, small appliances, linen, and home décor. Zaman provides vocational school training to break the cycle of poverty.

May - [Children's Hospital of Michigan Clothes Closet.](#) New clothing for newborn through teenage sizes. They provide an outfit for children that have been brought to the hospital in an urgent situation and don't have anything to wear when they are discharged.



Emily Bissell
Cultural Events Chair

CULTURAL EVENTS

I love you because you love Harris tweed,
How it's several times slumped into bankruptcy,
Business plans hauled back from the dead,
Only to find itself again
Slyly prized, mixed with moorlands
Honeymooners have mooned on, sheep
Trotted deftly across. I love you
Because you hug its sparkle and dourness,
Dyed-in-the-wool strength, sphagnum-moss green,
peaty reds.
To wear tweed is to put on the planet,
Checked or unchecked, islands, hard seas, air
threads
Woven from the world's greatest democracy,
The disunited states of Harris.

I love you more than the Golden Road
(So called for the cost it cost to lay)
To the south, to Rodel, a tweed route great
As the silk roads of Marco Polo
And now, when flood-tides of haute couture
Sweep in on catwalks, new-wave fashionistas
Mocking thravn fruits of the looms
Of Tarbert or Luskentyre,
I love you because even here tonight,
Among matt, arty party jackets
And smart-assed, drab bankers' suits
You still say you love Harris tweed.

Robert Crawford

Thanks to everyone who helped out with our Annual Frank Hasse Chili Cookoff! Special congratulations to our winners, Shelby Rohr (Judges' Choice) and Roger & Stella Isaacson (People's Choice).

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at our General Membership Meeting on February 2nd, 2026. [Sign up to bring a potluck dish for the meeting here](#). Can't bring a dish but still want to contribute? Please consider donating to our general fund! Even a dollar or two will help defray the cost of paper goods, coffee, tea, etc. There is a collection box at the hostess station during our meetings.

January 10th Curling at the Detroit Curling Club, 7-10 PM

Curling was a fun and successful event. Those who attended had a lot of fun on and off the ice! Special thanks to Kellie Evans for setting us up with the curling club.

January 24th 2026 Burns Supper

Our Society hosted a traditional Burns Supper in honor of Robert Burns, the bard of Scotland. Attendees were treated to a family style Scottish supper and a program of poetry and music to celebrate the Bard of Scotland.

February 7th 2026 Cups, Celts, & Canvases

Registration closed 1/24/2026. Participants will each paint their own Highland Cow! We will have an instructor walk us through painting our own portrait of a Wee Coo to take home and display. Food will not be offered, but guests are free to bring their own snacks. Canvas and paint provided. Please bring a container for water to rinse your brushes and an old shirt to paint in.

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! Find volunteer opportunities at our [Sign Up Genius landing page](#).

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 and questions to culturevents@detroitscots.com.

Do you want to discover if the Cultural Activities Committee is for you? Come check out our next committee on September 15th via Zoom.

[Link to Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 878 6259 4600

Passcode: 723223



Membership News

Julie Bartoy
Membership Secretary

I hope all our members are enjoying their Michigan winter. I'm one of those crazy people who love the beauty of winter, even though it can make it challenging to get out and about. I hope you have been able to be safe as we navigate the season.

At our January meeting, we elected seven applicants for membership. That brings us to a current total of 25 elected members pending initiation on March 2. The St. Andrew's Society of Detroit is also in the renewal phase. If you have not yet renewed your membership and would like to, please do so ASAP. In February, I will be sending out letters through the USPS to those who have not renewed. As of today (1/18) there are 134 members whose renewal is outstanding. As a reminder, Life members do not pay annual dues, however, they must renew their membership. As the Membership Secretary, I am responsible for maintaining the current membership list. Our membership numbers are reported to oversight agencies and for other Society Business. If you are a Life Member, you can send an email to membership@detroitscots.com and I'll get your membership renewed for 2026.

It has been brought to my attention that some of our members are not familiar with the various committees and who to contact if interested in joining the committee. I thought I would list the committees with the respective committee chairs.

Committee	Reporting Structure	Chairperson	Contact Info
Communications & Technology	Executive Committee	Shelby Rohr	Communications@detroitscots.com
Cultural Activities	Executive Committee	Emily Bissell	Culturalevents@detroitscots.com
Highland Games	Executive Committee	Julie Palmer	Highlandgameschair@detroitscots.com
House	Board of Trustees	Kent Richards	krichards@detroitscots.com
Library	Executive Committee	Dennis Clements	library@detroitscots.com
Membership	Executive Committee	Julie Bartoy	membership@detroitscots.com

Please let me know if you have any questions about the committees or about membership. I hope you have a safe and happy February.

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

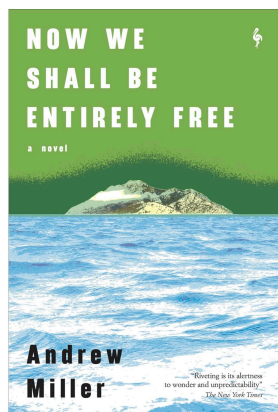


- William Dunlop IV, son of Past President Peg Dunlop, died unexpectedly on Tuesday, December 23, 2025. He succumbed to pneumonia, kidney and liver failure in his home in Arizona. Bill was a past member of the SASD. Memorial Service for Bill Dunlop was held on Saturday, January 24, at 11 a.m. at Celtic Cross Presbyterian Church on 10 Mile in Center Line.
- Member Karen Wood is recovering from Surgery.
- Member Joe Cardosi is recovering from a broken arm.
- Member Rod Harris is recovering from a hospital stay.



Charles S. Low Book Club

The Low Library Book Club's choice for our February meeting is *Now We Shall Be Entirely Free* by Andrew Miller. Here is a description of the story:



Now We Shall Be Entirely Free by Andrew Miller (421 p.) FIC

A stunning historical novel with the grip of a thriller, written in richly evocative, luminous prose. One rain-swept February night in 1809, an unconscious man is carried into a house in Somerset. He is Captain John Lacroix, home from Britain's disastrous campaign against Napoleon's forces in Spain. Gradually Lacroix recovers his health, but not his peace of mind - he cannot talk about the war or face the memory of what happened in a village on the gruelling retreat to Corunna. After the command comes to return to his regiment, he sets out instead for the Hebrides, with the vague intent of reviving his musical interests and collecting local folksongs. Lacroix sails north incognito, unaware that he has far worse to fear than being dragged back to the army: a vicious English corporal and a Spanish officer are on his trail, with orders to kill. The haven he finds on a remote island with a family of free-thinkers and the sister he falls for are not safe, at all. Winner of the Highland Book Prize, 2018.

Our discussion will take place on February 9, 2026, at 5:30 pm (EST) via Zoom. All are welcome. Email Cathy McCullough Les at library@detroitscots.com for the Zoom invitation or if you have any questions.



The Kilgour Centre Fund Drive

Saving our Kilgour Scottish Centre

Heartfelt thanks to our generous donors! In just five months, we have raised \$24,694.73 toward our \$60,000 goal. As of this publication, we have reached 41% of that goal.

To continue building momentum, a phone call campaign is being planned to connect with members who may have missed the Fling or have not attended recent meetings. If you are willing to make a few calls in February, please email Don Hiruo at dhiruo@comcast.net or Van Rohr at vanrohr@gmail.com. To make participation easy, volunteers will be provided with a simple calling script.

Every member is encouraged to support the Kilgour Fund Drive. Donation options include \$16.67 per month, \$50 quarterly, or a one-time gift of \$200. If these levels are not feasible currently, please know that gifts of any amount are sincerely appreciated.

Donations can be made by logging into Wild Apricot and visiting the Members' Only homepage, or by using the QR code on the Kilgour Fund business cards available at the front desk inside the Kilgour. Prefer to donate by check? Please make checks payable to St. Andrew's Society of Detroit, include Account #40507 in the memo line, and mail to:

St. Andrew's Society of Detroit
c/o Kilgour Fund Drive
2363 Rochester Rd.
Troy, MI 48083

Following the financial success of December's Winter Holiday Craft Fair, plans are underway for a Spring Hobby & Craft Fair on Saturday, April 18th. In addition, fundraising partnerships with Panera Bread and Kroger have continued to contribute to the success of the Kilgour Fund Drive.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

Don Hiruo & Van Rohr
Kilgour Fund Development Committee

As of
01/19/2026
\$24,694.73

Give a Dram for the Kilgour



The Kilgour Centre Fund Drive

Kim's Korner - The Legacy Society

Feb 2026

Topic: QCDs and RMDs....how being charitable can avoid IRA taxes.

As we start thinking about tax season, many of our members that own Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) are very familiar with the mandatory distribution rules that are required after the tender age of 70 1/2. Or 72. Or 73 as it stands today. But are you familiar with how to take those distributions tax-free?

The Lowdown: Required Minimum Distributions (RMD) is a mandatory distribution of retirement dollars that have not yet been taxed, along with the gains they earned after years (or decades) of tax deferral for certain IRA holders. This IRS rule triggers taxation to the IRA holder but can be avoided if given directly to a qualified charity via a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). And guess what? St. Andrew's Society of Detroit is one of those lucky qualified charities!

Fun Fact: It's not just traditional IRAs that qualify for QCD's, but also Beneficiary Traditional IRA's and inactive SEP & SIMPLE IRA retirement accounts.

In Short: If you are taking RMD's, you can direct those distributions be given directly to SASD thus avoiding taxation while meeting your RMD requirements. A neat trick for anyone that isn't dependent on their RMD income.

The Disclaimer: Before making financial decisions, please consult with your tax advisor to ensure these general guidelines apply to your specific situation.

Best,
Kimberly Enders
kimenders@yahoo.com





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

Now Available: Search Our Entire Book Library Online

We're excited to share a new and convenient way for members to explore everything our library has to offer. You can now search our entire book collection online—anytime, from anywhere.

The new online catalog allows members to quickly find books by title, author, subject, or keyword. Whether you're looking for a specific book, browsing a favorite genre, or checking availability before your visit, the online search makes it easier than ever.

With just a few clicks, you can:

- See what books are currently in our collection
- Check whether an item is available or checked out
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This new tool is part of our ongoing effort to make library services more accessible and convenient for our membership. We encourage everyone to try it out and explore the full range of resources available.

To begin searching the Library Collection follow these steps.

Click on this icon from the Detroit Scots Web page.



CHARLES S. LOW MEMORIAL LIBRARY

You will be directed to the library home webpage



Click on this icon and you will be directed to the search screen.

Library Collection

Type what you're looking for in the Search box at the top of the page, then press Enter on your keyboard-- or click on the Q to the right of the Search space. Your results will be displayed. Select items for more information. Close this page to return to the library home page.

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THANK YOU and enjoy searching for that special book in the Low library.



ANNUAL HIGHLAND GAMES

Julie Palmer
Highland Games Chair

Happy February, members. Despite the deep cold, we're halfway to Spring! Imagine life stirring underground, preparing to emerge as soon as the sun warms the earth again.

We're in a similar state as we prepare for our first Games team meeting of 2026. I am warmed by the positive momentum we're experiencing. New team members are getting comfortable in their roles. I'm excited to witness our team bond as we work together towards planning and executing our 177th Games. I hope to see camaraderie build and to use our lessons learned from last year to create an even better guest and volunteer experience.

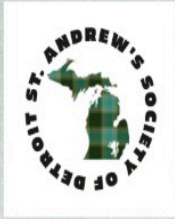
I am also very pleased with our work to move our data to the Eventeny platform. It is going very well. We're about to perform our largest migration of volunteer positions, sign-up dates and time slots. After this, we'll work on our dancer and band sign up details. Our tech team plans to engage some team members to help us test the site so we can ensure its smooth operation later this year.

One role that we did not expect to fill is that of Linda Sugars' volunteer food preparation role. I suspected that none could fill Linda's shoes. I shall remain ever grateful for her years of hard work and delicious food prep. Thanks to a great suggestion, we're implementing a new idea: enroll local restaurants to donate food for the volunteers and enjoy sponsor benefits as a result.

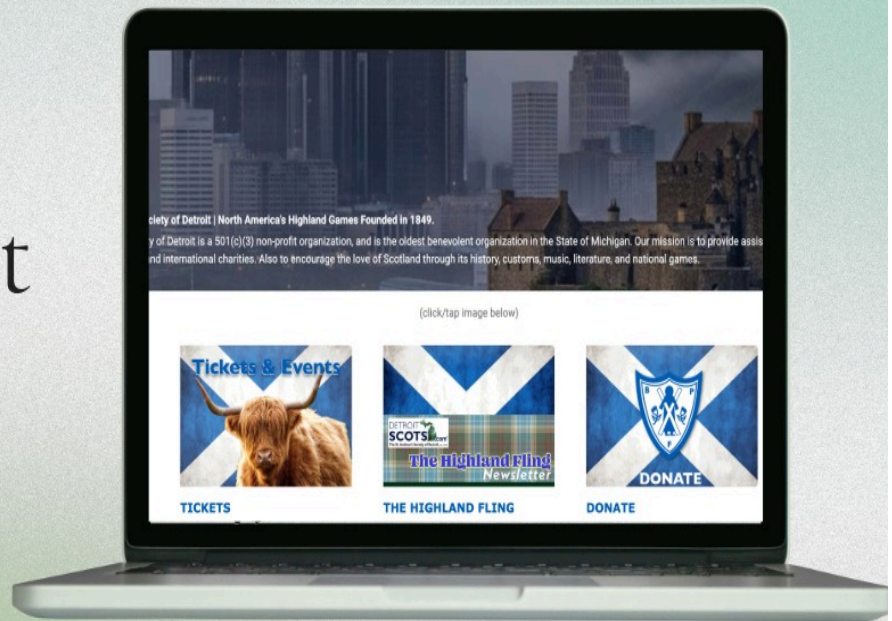
If you know any restaurant owners in the Livonia, Plymouth, Novi, Westland, or Farmington Hills area, please reach out to them about this opportunity and let me know if they're interested. I'm excited about the relationships we'll build and the positive impact this will have on our volunteer team.

If anyone has any other new ideas or suggestions for improvements, I am open and interested to hear from you.

Julie Palmer
Games Chair
Annual Highland Games
St. Andrew's Society of Detroit



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SASD Membership

2026 Monthly Membership Meetings--Many Hands Make Light Work



Social Chair



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SASD Membership

February Membership Potluck

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Cash Bar
Snacks will be available but please feel free to bring whatever you would like to eat

A SCOTTISH BENEVOLENT SOCIETY FOUNDED IN 1849 AND AN IRC 501(C)(3) CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION

Celts, Cups, & Canvases

Come paint your own Highland Cow!
February 7th, 2026
 Members \$30
 Public \$40
 cash bar
 Preregister online by 1/24/2026
 Canvas and paint provided
 Please bring a container for water to rinse your brushes and an old shirt to paint in.
 Kilgour Scottish Centre
 2363 Rochester Rd. Troy, MI




TICKET SALES ARE CLOSED



Returning in 2026!

The Detroit Scots' Friday Fish Fry

Beginning Friday, February 20 through Friday, April 3
4:30 pm until 7:30 pm

Kilgour Scottish Centre
2363 Rochester Road, Troy, Michigan
248-526-1849

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

It is because we have many dedicated members that continue to volunteer each week that makes it a success. There is room to bring more volunteers on board. It takes more than 30 volunteers each week to ensure we can host a memorable evening for the community.

Fish Fries start February 20th and run for seven weeks ending April 2nd.

We need volunteers 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for set-up and prep. And 3:45 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. each Friday night. Please use the Signup Genius link below. Thank You!

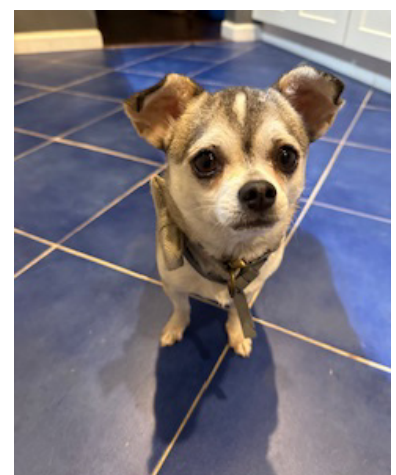
[SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER TO HELP AT THE FISH FRY](#)

Update: New Homes are needed for three ridiculously adorable Chihuahuas. We are willing to split the dogs up and give to separate families.

Polly (7 yrs), Little Man (6 yrs), and Kingsley (8 mo) are looking for someone to open their hearts and homes to them. As some of you may be aware, last September we had a young homeless woman and her dogs living in a tent in our parking lot. We were able to get her placed in a homeless shelter and the dogs are temporarily with Ofelia (one of our bartenders here at the Kilgour). Polly and Little man are fixed, and Kingsley will be neutered in a couple of weeks. Unfortunately, Ofelia's chihuahua is particularly jealous of Little Man and goes after him often. It's become unsafe for him.

We are now willing to split up the dogs and give them to separate homes. Maybe you know someone who just lost a pet or who has said that they would love to have a dog in their lives? The payoff is the loving company and appreciation from an incredibly sweet and loving fur baby.

Call Kathleene Thomson at the Kilgour office (248) 526-1849 if interested or have any questions.



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: _____

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