

The Highland Eling

April 2026



Chris MacKenzie, President

Fellow Scots,

As we move into April, I want to take a moment to celebrate the incredible energy we've seen at our recent Friday Fish Fries. To everyone who has volunteered in the kitchen, served our guests, or simply brought their family down to share a meal—thank you. The atmosphere in the hall has been electric. Seeing the Society filled with life, laughter, and the drone of the pipes is a reminder of why we do what we do. These events are the heartbeat of our community, and their success is a direct result of your dedication. We have even had news organizations doing live coverage of the events twice this season! However, as we clear the tables from Lent, our sights are firmly set on the horizon: The Highland Games.

If the Fish Fry is our heartbeat, the Highland Games are our greatest roar. They are the centerpiece of our year and the primary way we share our Scottish heritage with the wider Detroit community and beyond. But to ensure our 2026 Games reach their full potential, we must address a critical need: Corporate and Local Sponsorship.

To put it plainly, we need to look at the success of our "cousins" at the Motor City Irish Fest. Year after year, they set a high bar for sponsorship, successfully branding their event as a premier cultural investment. Their local businesses and corporate partners don't just see a festival; they see a massive opportunity for local engagement.

The reality is this: Our Highland Games are every bit as vibrant, historic, and well-attended as any Celtic festival in the region.... even more so. It is time our sponsorship levels reflected that prestige.

Without the Society, there are no Highland Games—and without a structurally sound, fiscally healthy Society, we cannot provide the platform our heritage deserves. Just as you've shown up for the Fish Fries, I am asking you to help us show up for the Games.

How you can help this month:

- Business Referrals: If you own a business or work for a company that values community and heritage, let's talk.

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2026 SASD CALENDAR

April 2026

Date	Event	Food	Charity	50/50	Benevolence
4/3	Friday Fish Fry, Kilgour, 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.				
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, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.				
4/9	Pub Night with McSpillin, Kilgour, 7:00 p.m.				
4/11	Tartan Day Ceilidh, Kilgour, Dinner & Entertainment, 6:00 p.m.				
4/13	Charles Low Library Book Club, 5:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
4/14	Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
4/16	Panera Bread Fundraiser, Panera Bread, 5569 Crooks Road, Troy, 4:00 to 8:00 p.m.				
4/16	177th Highland Games Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
4/17	Spring Trivia League, Kilgour, 7:00 p.m.				
4/18	Library Committee Business Meeting, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Open Library Hours, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 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, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.				

May 2026

Date	Event	Food	Charity	50/50	Benevolence
5/4	Membership Meeting, Kilgour, Social Hour 6:00 p.m., Potluck 6:30 p.m., Business Meeting 7:00 p.m.				
	Membership Meeting	Potluck	Children's Hospital of Michigan Clothes Closet	Hope for HIE	Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs
5/7	177th Highland Games Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
5/9	Spring Whisky Tasting, Kilgour, 6:00 p.m. Dinner by Mission BBQ				
5/12	Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
5/14	Open Library Hours, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.				

2026 SASD CALENDAR

May 2026 (cont'd)

5/15 & 16	Spring Clean Up of the Kilgour Gardens, Kilgour, 9:00 a.m. to Noon, Refreshments provided
5/15	Spring Trivia League, Kilgour, 7:00 p.m.
5/16	Library Committee Business Meeting, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Open Library Hours, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
5/18	Cultural Activities Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)
5/19	House Committee Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Zoom) Trustees Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)
5/21	177th Highland Games Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)
5/27	Membership Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)
5/28	Open Library Hours, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

June 2026

Date	Event	Food	Charity	50/50	Benevolence
6/1	Membership Meeting, Kilgour, Social Hour 6:00 p.m., Potluck 6:30 p.m., Business Meeting 7:15 p.m.				
	New Member Initiation	Potluck with Shepherd's Pie	Redford Interfaith Relief	Oakland County Foster Closet	St. Andrew's Pipe Band
6/4	177th Highland Games Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
6/8	Charles Low Library Book Club, 5:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
6/9	Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
6/11	Open Library Hours, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.				
6/15	Cultural Activities Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
6/16	House Committee Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Zoom) Trustees Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
6/18	177th Highland Games Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
6/19	Spring Trivia League, Kilgour, 7:00 p.m.				
6/20	Library Committee Business Meeting, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Open Library Hours, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.				
6/24	Membership Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)				
6/25	Open Library Hours, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.				
CALENDAR SUBJECT TO CHANGE					



[Click Here to see our
March 2026 Photo Album](#)



Beth Frahm
Benevolence Chair

OUR BENEVOLENCES

Happy Spring! It will be nice to have milder weather after what seemed like a very long winter. Maybe that will inspire you to clear out some gently used items and clothing that can be donated to our benevolence on April 6th. I am always amazed at the amount of goods we can collectively gather each month to go to people less fortunate than ourselves. Keep up the good work and thank you!



April we will be supporting [Zaman International](#). They located in Inkster with 30 years of on-the-ground experience in empowering women and children to break the cycle of extreme poverty. Since 2010 they have helped over 480,000 of our neighbors in southeast Michigan, while serving more than 4.7 million around the world.

Zaman believes we are all stewards of our collective human family and have a role to play in creating a world where all humankind can pursue sustainable, healthy lives. They support marginalized women and children facing extreme poverty in the Detroit region and around the world by proving hope and ways to meet the essential needs common to all humankind. Their programs empower women to achieve the skills and training needed to pursue sustainable careers and employment opportunities.

Zaman provides training in literacy, vocational school programs, culinary arts, and professional seamstress training along with career development to break the cycle of poverty.

New items needed - toiletries, cleaning items and products

Items that can be new or gently used- clothing, household items, kitchen items, small appliances, linen, and home décor.

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 that month's Charity in the memo line.



Our 50/50 recipient is [Lighthouse in Pontiac](#). With over 80 years of experience, Lighthouse aims to be a Beacon of Hope to our neighbors who need them the most. Families turn to them seeking support for the most basic of needs such as food or shelter.

Benevolences

We are awarding two benevolence checks in April at \$500 each. One for Morse Elementary, here in the neighborhood. Principal Mr. Keen will attend our meeting to let us know about the good things happening at Morse!

The other recipient is the Redford High School Football Team. As many of you know the young men in the program have been helping us with Games set-up for a few years. They devote many hours and do lots of heavy lifting for us in the August heat.



Emily Bissell
Cultural Events Chair

CULTURAL EVENTS

In mony a neuk the primrose lies hid frae stranger een,
An' the broom on the knowes is wavin' wi' its cludin o' gowd and green;
Ower the first green sprigs o' heather, the muir-fowl faulds his wing, And
there's nought but joy in my ain land at the comin' o' the Spring!~ Lady

John Scott

Our next General Membership Meeting is on April 6, 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 front desk during our meetings.

Upcoming events:

Tartan Day Ceilidh April 11th, 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Tickets sales closed Friday, March 27th

Enjoy the musical stylings of three bands and bagpipes, and watch Highland dancers and Scottish country dancers perform!

Bands include:

- TARA
- Jolly Gabbers
- Black Murray

Shepherd's Pie Dinner provided by Elwin's Bakery.
Dessert by Ackroyd's Scottish Bakery

Spring Trivia League April 17th, May 15th, and June 19th, 7:00 p.m.

[Sign up](#) for a team and come to all three sessions for \$24! Or drop in for \$10/session and join an existing team for the night or bring your own team. Teams must be a maximum of 8 people each. The last day to sign up is Monday, April 6th. If we do not have enough participants signed up to cover our hall costs, we will not run this program.

Scottish Heritage Night with the Detroit City Football Club Saturday, July 25th, 7:00 p.m.

Come show your Scottish spirit at the Detroit City Football Club game against the Las Vegas Lights. More information to follow.

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 [SignUp 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 culturalevents@detroitscots.com.

Do you want to discover if the Cultural Activities Committee is for you? Come check out our next committee on April 20th at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom.

[Link to Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 878 6259 4600

Passcode: 723223



The Kilgour Centre Fund Drive

Saving our Kilgour Scottish Centre

Thank you to everyone who has already donated. Your generosity is making a real difference. As of this April's Fling, we've raised \$32,164.84 bringing us to 54% of our \$60,000 goal. The St. Andrew's Society of Detroit has 468 members. So far, about 80 members, that's (16%) of membership have made donations. Our hats off to our donors!

Since 2024, the "Society" has had over \$172,000 in unscheduled, non-budgeted, repairs to the hall... ranging from a new roof to a new back flow control valve mandated by the city, to frozen water pipes, etc. In just the past month, we've faced further challenges—a fallen tree, a much-needed heating and cooling unit installed in the office, and ongoing efforts to finally bring heat to the bathrooms, all essential to keeping our Kilgour Centre functional, and more welcoming for members, the community and rentals.

Thank you again to our donors! Every donation matters. Whether it's \$40 a month, now through August 31st, 2026, \$100 quarterly, now through August 31st, a one-time \$200 gift, **or any amount you can manage**—you are helping protect and preserve our home the Scottish Kilgour Centre.

Donations may 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** (the green card) located at the front desk inside the Kilgour. Prefer to donate by check? Please make checks payable to **St. Andrew's Society of Detroit**, write **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

Join the fun at our **Spring Hobby & Craft Fair** on Saturday, April 18, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and take advantage of the **Panera Bread** and **Kroger fundraising programs**.

Do not allow yourself to miss out on being a part of this growing excitement and success! The Kilgour Scottish Centre depends on all of us.

Don Hiruo & Van Rohr

Kilgour Fund Development Committee

Give a Dram for the Kilgour

As of
3/23/2026
\$32,164.84



The Kilgour Centre Fund Drive

In Our Thoughts & Prayers



Please keep the following members in your healing Thoughts & Prayers

- Scott Cameron and Family
- Marcia Hiruo
- Ian Hunter
- Suzanne Sherwood
- Emma Velasco

- From member Beverly Patchett: Please request prayers for my daughter She has been in and out of hospital since December 16th and still is not doing well. Beverly asks for information where they could get assistance for her daughter in Hazel Park.

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- The "Irish Connection": If you know a sponsor who supports the Irish Fest, help us bridge the gap. Show them that the Scottish Games offer a unique and powerful audience.
- Direct Support: We have sponsorship tiers for every level, from individual "Friend of the Games" to major Title Partners.

Let's carry the momentum from our successful spring events right onto the field this summer. Our ancestors built this Society to last; let's ensure the 2026 Games are the biggest Detroit has ever seen.

Please reach out to me or Julie Palmer to receive your sponsorship packet today.



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



ANNUAL HIGHLAND GAMES

Julie Palmer
Highland Games Chair

Dear ones. I didn't realize until yesterday that we have a secret weapon. This is truly what it feels like to me, and here's exactly what that means:

When a team connects with clarity, and focuses on the single goal in front of us, we are destined to succeed.

When each chair stands in their brilliance and owns their niche of responsibility, they are surrounded by support and are destined to succeed.

When a team understands their mission and can connect each step and task within a monumental timeline to that mission, they are destined to succeed.

When a society from whom our team manifests, understands that they are also powerful allies in a shared cause, we are destined to succeed.

When sponsor partners understand our vision, our story and our values, they want to help, and we are destined to succeed.

When we all understand that we are keepers of an incredible legacy, we are destined to succeed.

When we give one another grace, stand in integrity, and recognize that each volunteer is a divine gift with a whole life outside of the Games, we are destined to succeed.

That, my dear St. Andrew's Family, is our secret weapon. I am in awe of our team and I look forward to sharing an inside look at how we're managing every bit of the Games effort during April's meeting.

Humbly yours,

Julie Palmer

177 YEARS

Celebrating Scottish Heritage



SPONSORSHIP PROPOSAL

July 31 - Aug. 1, 2026



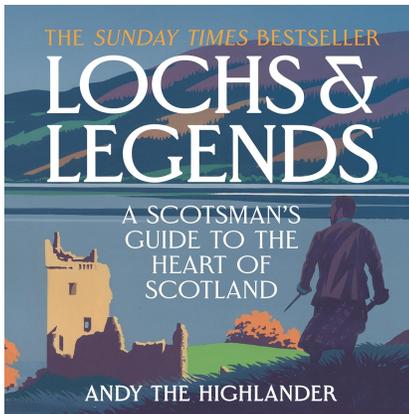
GREENMEAD HISTORICAL PARK
LIVONIA, MI

highlandgames.com



Charles S. Low Book Club

The Low Library Book Club will meet on Monday, April 13th at 5:30 p.m. to discuss:
Lochs and Legends: a Scotsman's Guide to the Heart of Scotland by Andy McAlindon (the Highlander) (320 p.) TRAVEL



From the majestic beauty of the wild Scottish landscape to the hidden traces of its history waiting to be uncovered in every town and village, Andrew McAlindon is enthralled by the country he is lucky enough to call home. As one of Scotland's busiest tour guides in real life and on-line, Andy travels around the country to ancient sites such as castles, cemeteries, burial chambers, and prisons, celebrating the history, folklore, superstitions, and the fascinating people that make Scotland so unique.

Lochs and Legends is Andy's love letter to Scotland, a love that began when he landed a part on the worldwide phenomenon *Outlander*, and led to him dedicating his life to learning more about the true star of the show – Scotland. A social media sensation as Andy the Highlander, his first book opens up Scotland's secrets to anyone, even if they can only explore it from the comfort of their armchair. It invites you to time travel with Andy, walking in the footsteps of kings and queens, lairds and ladies, murderers, farmers, poets, invading armies, and everyday folks like himself. It is Scotland as you've never seen it before.

The meeting will be on Zoom. Contact Cathy McCullough Les at library@detroitscots.com to get the Zoom invitation or if you have any questions.



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

Free Scottish Genealogy Resources - Quality Research on Any Budget

While ScotlandsPeople and subscription sites like Ancestry offer tremendous resources, beginning your Scottish genealogy research doesn't require a large budget. Numerous free, high-quality resources can help you make significant discoveries without spending a penny. Knowing where to look and how to maximize these free tools is essential for researchers at any level.

FamilySearch (www.familysearch.org) stands as the most valuable free resource for Scottish research. Run by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, this completely free website offers millions of Scottish records, including parish registers, census images, statutory registers, and more. Unlike ScotlandsPeople, viewing records on FamilySearch costs nothing. The catch? Their collection isn't quite as comprehensive, and some records are only viewable at Family History Centers (local LDS libraries open to everyone, also free to use). However, you can accomplish substantial research without leaving home.

FamilySearch's Scottish collections include Old Parish Registers from many parishes, with new additions regularly. Their Scotland census collection covers 1841-1901, with searchable indexes and viewable images. They also host extensive Catholic parish registers, kirk session records, and sasine registers (land records). The search interface takes practice, but tutorial videos on their website help beginners navigate effectively.

The National Records of Scotland website (www.nrscotland.gov.uk) provides free access to certain resources and invaluable research guides. While you can't view actual records without visiting Edinburgh or using ScotlandsPeople, their website offers parish listings, research advice, and historical context. Their downloadable research guides on topics like valuation rolls, wills, and military records are exceptionally helpful for understanding what records exist and how to access them.

Scotland's National Library (www.nls.uk) has digitized thousands of maps, including detailed Ordnance Survey maps showing individual buildings in Scottish towns and villages. Seeing where your ancestors lived adds incredible context to your research. Their digital gallery also includes photographs, postcards, and historical documents about Scottish life, all freely accessible online.

The Statistical Accounts of Scotland, available free through several websites, describe every Scottish parish in remarkable detail during different time periods (1790s and 1840s primarily). These accounts explain local industries, geography, population, schools, and churches—providing rich context for understanding your ancestors' lives. Simply search for "Statistical Accounts of Scotland" plus your parish name.

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Local Scottish archives increasingly digitize their collections. Aberdeen, Glasgow, Edinburgh, and Highland archives each maintain online catalogs describing their holdings, with some materials viewable online. Even if you can't visit Scotland, you can identify relevant records and sometimes hire local researchers to access specific documents affordably.

Free newspaper archives offer another rich resource. The British Newspaper Archive requires subscription for most content, but many local Scottish libraries provide free access to their patrons. Google News Archive includes some Scottish newspapers. Searching for your ancestor's name might reveal obituaries, marriage notices, legal notices, or mentions in local news—information unavailable anywhere else.

For organizing and storing your research, consider free genealogy software. Legacy Family Tree offers a robust free version, as does Gramps. Both allow you to build comprehensive family trees, attach documents and photos, and generate reports. Online options like FamilySearch's free family tree or WikiTree (collaborative, free, and advertisement-free) help you connect with other researchers while storing your findings.

The key to successful free research is patience and thoroughness. Without paying for convenience, you'll need to invest more time searching multiple databases and trying different strategies. However, this approach often makes you a better researcher—you'll learn the records more deeply and develop stronger analytical skills. Many experienced genealogists still rely heavily on free resources even when they can afford paid sites, because the quality and depth of free collections like FamilySearch rival or exceed commercial alternatives.

Start with FamilySearch, explore your ancestors' parishes using free maps and Statistical Accounts, and gradually build your research skills. You might eventually decide to purchase ScotlandsPeople credits or subscribe to Ancestry for specific research questions, but you can accomplish remarkable discoveries using only free resources and determination.

Library Hours

3rd Saturday of every month - 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

2nd and 4th Thursday every month - 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

During Social hour prior to the monthly meeting. Also, by appointment.

Email: library@detroitscots.com

[Web Page : https://detroitscots.com/library/](https://detroitscots.com/library/)

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS Initiated on March 2, 2026



1. Adam Derington
2. Allan Dunlap
3. Heather Eurich Barry
4. Linda Eurich-Murphy
5. Dawn Evoe Danowski
6. Amanda Feaganes
7. Lisa Ferguson
8. Russell Frahm
9. Vanessa Green
10. Cheryl Greenshields
11. Mary Beth Henry
12. Jennifer Larke
13. Sharon MacDonell
14. Charles Mayo
15. Latrice Nicholson
16. Amanda Shaune
17. Delpha (DJ) Svacha
18. John Tuohey
19. Michelle Williams
20. Daniel (Bubba) Wilson
21. Linda Young-Sheiko



SASD Membership

April Membership Potluck



SASD Sign-Ups



Contact

SUGGESTED LAST NAME ALPHA SPLIT

A-H MAIN DISHES

I-P SALADS AND SIDE DISHES

Q-Z DESSERTS



Date 04/06/2026 (Mon.)



Time 6:00PM - 6:30PM EST

[**SIGN UP BY CLICKING HERE**](#)



SASD Membership

2026 Monthly Membership Meetings--Many Hands Make Light Work

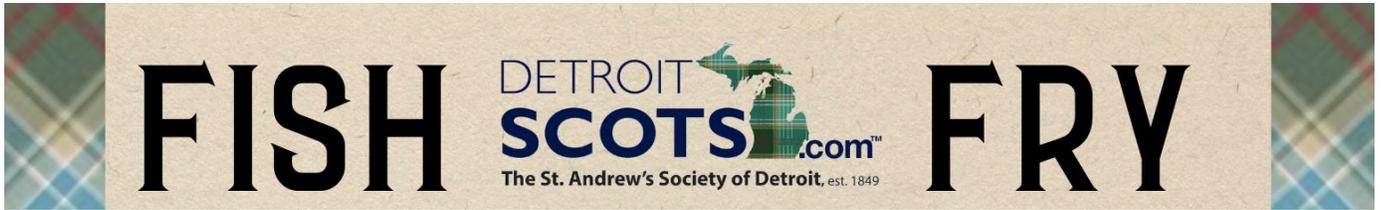


Social Chair



Contact

[**SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER TO HELP AT OUR MONTHLY MEETINGS**](#)



As of publication date, the Fish Fry will have one last night on April 3rd. Thank you to all of our great volunteers who made this year's Fish Fry a huge success!

A graphic with a white background and a large, light blue, stylized 'X' shape. At the top center is a decorative flourish of green leaves and a purple thistle. Below this, the word "MERCHANDISE" is written in a blue, serif, all-caps font. Underneath that, the text "April Membership Meeting" is written in a black, italicized, serif font, followed by "Spring Mark-Down Sale" in a large, bold, black, sans-serif font. At the bottom center is a photograph of two purple thistles with green leaves. Below the photograph is another decorative flourish of green leaves and a purple thistle, mirroring the one at the top.

McSpillins

**PUB NIGHT
APRIL 9**

**SPONSORED BY
EVE & GLEN MILLIGAN**

KILGOUR SCOTTISH CENTRE

DOORS OPEN 6:30, BAND 7:00 PM - \$10 COVER CHARGE AT THE DOOR
Cash Bar
Snacks will be available but please feel free to bring whatever you would like to eat

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Ceilidh**

The Jolly Gabbers | TARA | Black Murray
Member & Guest Early Bird \$40 thru 3/6 | Public Price \$50
Includes Dinner. For more information, visit detroitscots.com

APRIL 11TH, 2026 6PM

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Spring 2026

TRIVIA LEAGUE



April 17
May 15
June 19

\$10/session
or
\$24/all three



The Kilgour Scottish Centre
2363 Rochester Rd. Troy, MI.

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[REGISTER YOURSELF OR YOUR ENTIRE TEAM](#)



THE ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY OF DETROIT'S

SPRING HOBBY AND CRAFT FAIR



Call for Artisans and Crafters

The Kilgour Scottish Centre
2363 Rochester Rd
Troy, MI 48083

Register Here



<https://bit.ly/4rghrMV>

Saturday
April 18, 2026
10 am-3 pm

Indoor vendor spaces
and food truck spaces available

<https://detroitscots.com>
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THE ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY OF DETROIT'S Spring Hobby and Craft Fair

The Kilgour Scottish Center
Saturday, April 18th 2026

10 am-3 pm

2363 Rochester Rd., Troy, MI 48083

Our Spring Hobby and Craft Fair committee plans to bring together a talented array of artisans and small businesses in a friendly environment offering the public the opportunity to purchase homemade goods, discover new craftspeople, and enjoy a community atmosphere.

A Scotsman will be on hand for photos.

<https://detroitscots.com>

Hosted by The St. Andrew's Society of Detroit
a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.



Fund Development for the Kilgour

Spring Craft Fair



SASD Sign-Ups

Contact

Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up. Thank you!

VOLUNTEER NOW
TO HELP AT THE SPRING HOBBY & CRAFT FAIR



RAISE SOME DOUGH

Help support us!

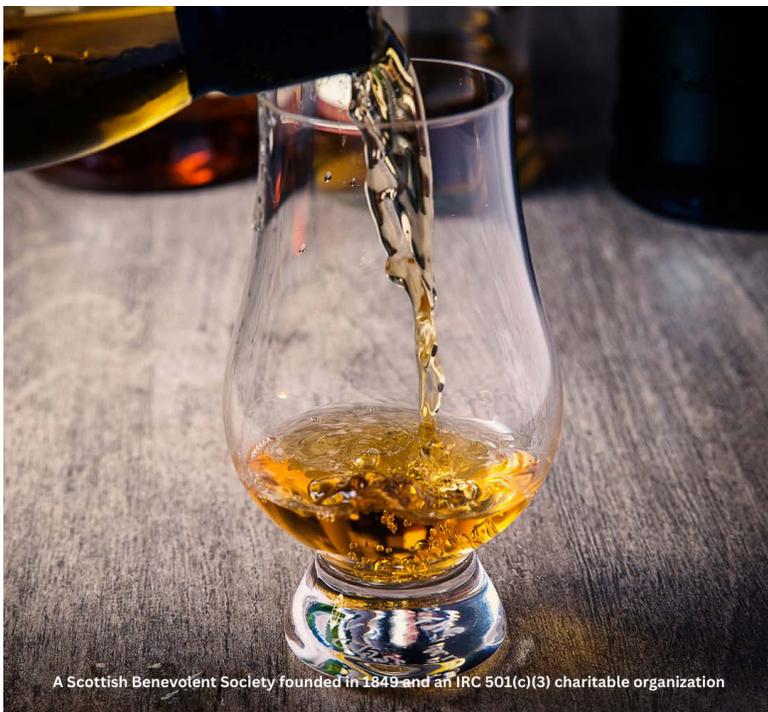
25% of sales will benefit
THE ST ANDREWS SOCIETY OF DETROIT

April 16, 2026
4:00 pm to 8:00 pm
5569 Crooks Rd
Troy, MI

In Cafe • Drive-Thru • Pick-Up • Delivery
 Enter promo code FUND4U at online checkout.

Panera
FUNDRAISING

Tickets Go on Sale at Midnight April 6th



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Spring Whisky Tasting

Saturday, May 9, 2026, 6pm

Tickets \$100
 On Sale Monday, April 6th
 Dinner by Mission BBQ

 **The Kilgour**
Scottish Centre
 2363 Rochester Rd. Troy, MI.

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 2026 Executive Officers & Trustees

Executive Officers	Email Address	Board of Trustees	
2026-2027 Chris MacKenzie	president@detroitscots.com	Elliot MacFarlane, Chair	2025-2027
2026-2028 Bruce Gray	firstvp@detroitscots.com	Kent Richards, Co-Vice Chair	2024-2026
2026-2027 Jean Wingblad	secondvp@detroitscots.com	Bob Richardson, Co-Vice Chair	2024-2026
2026-2028 Alison Coates	societysecretary@detroitscots.com	Beth Frahm, Benevolence Chair	2026-2028
2026-2027 Julie Bartoy	membership@detroitscots.com	Clifford Les, Secretary	2026-2028
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