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Volunteers from the SSL and the Brotherhood for the blessing of the tartans are, front row, drummer Rick McKenzie, piper Karen Brumley; second row flag bearers (not in order) Dianne Holland, Judy Stubbs, Edyth Wheeler, James Wheeler, Jenny Dickson, John Dickson, Becky Johnson, Rob Snyder, Bob LaMontagne, Greg McFall, John Ridoux, and Clay Ackiss; back row The Rev. Mark Feather and The Rev. Canon Jason Lewis.





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THE SCOTTISH SOCIETY OF LOUISVILLE

Established in 1993 as a nonprofit organization to enrich the cultural lives of members in the Kentuckiana area.

The Society offers exposure to Scottish heritage and

preserves, enhances and fosters pride in our Scottish ancestry.

The Society sponsors local and regional activities and is a nonsectarian organization with no religious or political affiliation.



Front Page



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President Wilson's Remarks, December 31, 2022

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

I sure hope everyone had a great holiday this year. Although it was really cold weather, we finally got to enjoy Christmas with family. Happy Hogmanay!

Now, as you know, the Burns' Night Gala will be held on January 28th. I have no idea how ticket sales are going, but I hope to see as many of our members as can attend. It has been too long since we could be together.

Come this March, the officers are up for election. President, vice president, treasurer and secretary are all up for nomination and election. I will not run for re-election this year, two terms are enough. So please consider stepping forward and throwing your hat in the ring. Remember, it is up to all of us to keep the Scottish Society going.

Until we are together again, take care and be safe.

Bruce Wilson, President



The Scottish Society of Louisville Burns' Night Gala



Burns' Night is coming! Please join us on January 28th, 2023 at 6:00pm at Woodhaven Country Club, 7200 Woodhaven Rd, Louisville, KY 40291.

Tickets are \$55 for members and \$60 for non-members, and are available on the SSL website, <u>http://scotsoflou.com</u>.

We are looking forward to enjoying this wonderful evening of Scottish tradition, fun, music, good food and fine Scotch with fellow members and friends!

*NOTICE: WE NEED DONATIONS FOR THE "SPIRIT RAFFLE" THAT WE HOLD ON BURN'S NIGHT. ANY SINGLE-MALT SCOTCH OR INTERESTING SPIRIT IS WELCOME! DONATIONS MAY BE GIVEN TO ANY BOARD MEMBER OR BROUGHT TO BURNS' NIGHT. THANK YOU!

SSL Elections

Secretary Linda Wilson wants to remind everyone that the election of officers is coming up at the March 2023 membership meeting. Those officers are president, vice president, treasurer, and secretary. Their term of office is 2 years, the same as the commissioners, who were elected in March of 2022.

Anyone who has been a member for at least one year may run for office. The Nominating Committee includes John Dickson, Linda Wilson, and Dianne Holland. *MEMBERS OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE MAY BE CONTACTED AT A GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING OR BY EMAIL AT* <u>SCOTSOFLOU@GMAIL.COM</u>.

Please show up to nominate a member for office, and to vote. Participation is everything to a group like ours.



EDITOR'S NOTE: HELP NEEDED!

For several years we have had more and more trouble finding people willing and able to put in the effort to keep the SSL running. We currently have two board members doing two jobs a piece because no one stepped up to fill these positions when those who held them were unable to continue. We truly need volunteers to step up to help fill open positions. Mr. Wilson is stepping down as president, he says two terms are enough. Other officers are uncertain if they can continue in their positions as well.

At this time, Social Media Commissioner Holley Holland picked up Membership when it became vacant, and she would like to do just Social Media. Secretary Linda Wilson picked up Newsletter Editor when it became clear no one was going to be able to do it. As a result, we went without a newsletter for several months. All of these jobs are time consuming and require some computer skills, but they can be done a little at a time. Board meetings are held at 7:00pm on the second Tuesday of the month, and are always virtual.

If you can help out, please let a board member know. We need more board members to carry on the work.



Programs and Education Commissioner Robbin Goodin

And Happy Hogmanay to you all!!



I trust you had a good celebration and are looking forward to a grand New Year! I am.

We have a wonderful program planned for our January in-person meeting at Christ Church United Methodist Church, 7:00 pm. Carol Jarboe and husband Frank return to present another interesting and informative program for us. Those of you who were at their last presentation, "Out of ye Ground & Sold Away", remember how much fun we had learning about the "medical" side of body snatching in the early 1800's.

Get ready this month to learn about Dowager Baroness, Lady Caroline Linnington, from England, as she has graciously consented to instruct us in the proper way in which mourning and funerals were done here in the colonies. Be sure and see the program description and the bio of the presenters in this month's News-letter.

Then I do hope to see lots of you at our Robert Burns Night Gala at Woodhaven Country Club. Saturday, January 28th. Doors open at 5:30. It is sure to be a time of renewal, good food, fun and a grand KILT raffle and give away, as well as other surprises.

Next month our February presentation will be VIRTUALLY ONLY at 6:00 pm, as we welcome back our friend Alan Hay from Aberdeenshire in Scotland. His presentation will be about Princess Diana and family ties.

Peace to you all, Robbin Goodin



Biographical Information — Frank and Carol Jarboe

Carol Jarboe and her husband, Frank, are from Woodburn, Ky, and are avid Living Historians that study and portray the time periods from 1750-1835. As retired teachers, they are passionate about showing the interesting sides of History that are passed over in the usual history books. They present numerous historical presentations and demonstrations at historical reenactment events as well as at libraries, civic meetings, and historic sites. They travel continually, covering 15 states, appearing at 18th century and early 19th century Living History events as multiple characters from all walks of life. Both are featured on Townsend's Living History YouTube channel and have well over a million views.

January Program — The Dowager Baroness, Lady Caroline Linnington

Teach Us to Number Our Days: The Art of Funerals and Mourning from 1760-1820

Although the Dowager Baroness, Lady Caroline Linnington, is from England, she has graciously consented to instruct us in the proper way in which mourning and funerals were done here in the colonies. Do you contact an undertaker, a funeral furnisher, or a feather furnisher? Whom do you invite to the funeral? What funeral gifts should you purchase and for whom? What are some of the superstitious traditions that followed the immigrants across the pond? Would it be advantageous to join a Burial or Friendly Society? Her Ladyship will also explain the bier vs. the hearse, the proper pall, the arvil bread, the funeral cake or cookies, the mutes, the underbearers, and more. She will also address the proper mourning clothing and jewelry you should be wearing and the length of time you should wear it. At the conclusion of the program, everyone present should be able to lay out an elegant and proper send-off for their dearly beloved.

Editor's Note:

Programs and Education Commissioner Robbin Goodin has set up a wonderful series of programs for us this year. It is well worth coming to meetings for the programs, as well as a chance to meet and mingle with your fellow members. As we are all painfully aware, nothing is guaranteed, and it is a pleasure to get to see each and every one of you.

Please come to meetings if you can, for what will certainly be an enjoyable time!

SSL Programs 2023 by Robbin Goodin

* Updated program

January 24– Carol Jarboe - The Art of Funerals and Mourning from 1760- 1820

February 28 – Alan Hay – Princess Diana and family ties. VIRTUAL meeting only. 6:00 pm

March 28 - Elections AND Lee Pennington – The Case for Prince Madoc and King Arthur in America

- April 25– Installation of officers Strathmoor Presby. Church
- May 23– Jim and Arch Scottish Trivia
- June 27– Janet Abel Scotland travelogue
- July 25– Lorna Bolton
- August 22 Mindy McIntosh
- September 26 Pat Schweitzer Seven Nations
- October 24- Theatre Students doing a performance (AHS or Bellarmine)
- November 28 Dinner/Auction Strathmoor
- December NO general meeting Happy Holidays to all!

Scottish Society member North America resident Presenter from Scotland



The Kirking Service of The Brotherhood of St. Andrew at St. Luke's Episcopal

The Kirking service held on November 30, 2022 by The Rev. Mark Feather, Rector, and The Rev. Canon Jason Lewis' leadership in the Liturgy in the Kirking service of The Brotherhood of St. Andrew at St. Luke's Episcopal Church was very much appreciated.

The following members of The Scottish Society of Louisville attended this meaningful Kirking worship service about St. Andrew: Vice-President Dianne Holland; Past-President John Dickson; Past-President Jenny Dickson; Society's Piper, Dan Johnson; Member of The Brotherhood of St. Andrew and The Scottish Society Clay Ackiss; and Kirking Organizer Judy Stubbs.

The following members of The Brotherhood were also flag bearers: Mr. Rob Snyder; Bob LaMontagne; Greg McFall, and John Ridoux. We also want to recognize leaders of The Brotherhood: Chapter Director St. Luke, Doug Sanders; Mr. Bill Receveur from St. Francis in the Fields, Mr. Larry Williams, and President-Emeritus, Mr. Jeff Butcher.

We welcomed our involvement in this service and appreciate two outstanding musicians for joining in: Ms. Karen Brumley-Piper and Mr. Rick McKenzie-drummer who let us in. We thank Canon Lewis for a significant sermon about St. Andrew, his calling and ministry with Jesus Christ, the spread of Christianity and the founding of The Brotherhood; and thank The Rev. Feather for his Blessings on the tartans! Ms. Judy Stubbs announced each Society member's Clan, during her Introduction and Blessing.

Much gratitude for a delicious assortment of Christmas cookies and other delights, as well a serving the "water of life" in the church's expanded and remodeled reception Hall. It was a joy to engage in conversations with our brothers and sisters in Christ once again! We look forward to next year with The Brotherhood of St. Andrew!

Sincerely,

Judy Stubbs-Kirking Organizer for The Scottish Society of Louisville



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Happy New year	2	3 SSL Burns' Meeting	4	5	6	7
8 English Country Dance	9	10 SSL Board Meeting	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 English Country Dance and Potluck	23	24 SSL Member Meeting	25	26	27	28 Burns' Night
29	30	31				

January Birthdays:

Jean Hughes 11th, Angie Bowling 12th, Lynn Cole 17th, Heather Baxter 18th, Larry Savill 18th, Jesse Andrews 20th, Jim Hughes 24th, Charla Periz 24th, Karen Robinson 30th





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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 SSL Board Meeting	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 SSL Member Meeting				

February Birthdays: Shannon Fauver 1st, Jack Shacklett 2nd, Danny McElhannon 2nd, Steve Pollock 2nd, Susan Lucas 4th, John Ulmer 5th, Marla Jo Cameron 12th, Donald Samuels 19th, Ben Colvin 25th

Celtic Organizations in our Area

Ancient Order of Hibernians	Indy's Irish Fest	Louisville Pipe Band
www.louisvilleirish.com/	www.indyirishfest.com	www.louisvillepipeband.org
The Caledonian Society of	Irish Society of Kentuckiana	McClanahan School of Irish Dance
Cincinnati	www.irishkyana.org	www.Mcclahanirishdance.com
www.caledoniansociety.org		
Columbus Scottish Festival	KY Highland Renaissance Festival	Ohio Valley Celtic Society
www.scottishfestival.org/	www.kyrenfaire.com	Steve Thomas
		208 East Second St.
KY United Pipes & Drums (KUPD)	English Speaking Union	Madison, IN 47250

Contact our Cheer Person

If you are aware of an illness, family death, or any other such situation a member is facing, please contact our Cheer person, **Jean Hughes**, by calling her at (502)438-9811.

Ongoing Events

The Louisville Pipe Band meets from 2-5 on Sundays at St. Andrew Episcopal Church, 2233 Woodbourne Ave, Louisville, KY 40205. Contact the band at <u>info@louisvillepipeband.org</u> or visit www.louisvillepipeband.org.

The Louisville Fire & Rescue Pipes & Drums meet from 6-8pm on Tuesday evenings at the Frazier International History Museum, 829 West Main St. in Louisville. Contact Carolyn Cook at (502)551-2732, or visit www.lfrbgpipes.org.

Change of Address and other Information

Help us keep our records updated! Changes to your address, telephone, and so on, should be sent to the Scottish Society of Louisville, Commissioner of Member Services, PO Box 32248, Louisville, KY 40232 or email Holley Holland at scotsoflou@gmail.com.

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Information For Our New Members

Welcome to our new members. Coming into a new group can be a little scary, but know that if you have any questions, just ask. The people in the SSL are some of the friendliest you would ever want to meet. Here is a little bit of information to get you started:

- Read the newsletter and the website. All upcoming events will be listed both places. If you want more information, you can contact any of the board members.
- All meetings will have a business meeting, some time to socialize, and a program.
- January/February brings our Burns' Night Dinner. You won't want to miss this! There will be food, drink, raffles, entertainment, and an all-around good time.
- May starts our "Event" season. The Society sets up a booth at many local and state Scottish and Celtic events, and even a couple of out-of-state events. Don't be afraid, jump on in and help us in our booth. It's not hard, and every-one will help. It is a great way to get to know some of the members and recruit new members.
- November is a really fun meeting. We have a dinner and an auction. Members will be informed of what type of
 dish to bring according to their last name. The auction is so much fun. Everyone is asked to bring at least one item
 to donate. Now, you will find that a lot of the items are things you would love to have, but some are "White Elephants" that circulate among the members. Proceeds benefit the Heritage Fund, which helps promote Celtic relat-

Heritage Fund

The Heritage Fund Committee is accepting applications for the dispersal of scholarship funds. The Fund helps support the efforts of SSL members to pursue studies of the many different aspects of Celtic culture, which may include music (piping, drumming, fiddling, etc.), art (dancing, weaving, etc.) language (Gaelic) and athletics (Highland Games). This fund can also support a person's interest in an educational program or project that furthers the understanding of Scottish culture and history.

Scottish Society members in good standing can apply for funds or can sponsor non-members for scholarships.

The application form and guidelines can be picked up at the monthly SSL meetings from the Heritage Fund Committee Chairperson, Dianne Holland, or by email at <u>scotsoflou@gmail.com</u>.

Find us on the Internet

Webpage: <u>http://scotsoflou.com/</u>

Twitter: https://twitter.com/ScotsofLou

Facebook: <u>www/facebook.com/The Scottish Society of</u> Louisville

On our Facebook page, you are welcome to add pictures from Society events, to post/share some Scottish history or information, or just say "Hi".

Life Membership

Our Society offers a Life Membership Program. You can attain this status by paying a one-time membership fee of 10 times the current dues rate. At this time, a single life membership is \$240, and a family life membership is \$360.

Please see the Membership Commissioner, Holley Holland, or for more details email her at <u>scotsoflou@gmail.com</u>. All new life members are acknowledged at the Burns' Night Gala.