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*A Bright  
Beginning for  
Spring*





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Spring in Scotland,  
Edinburgh 006

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Beautiful Gardens at Edinburgh.

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## We Are 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.





*FROM THE PRESIDENT  
Bruce Wilson*

*Good evening to everyone from Linda and me. We hope you are having a great spring. First of all, I want to thank the new members of the Board and our commissioners. You are very welcome to the Board.*

*To Jim Hughes, I would like to say thank you for all your hard work and diligence toward the Scottish Society of Louisville. Over the years you have done a marvelous job. Thank you, thank you, thank you for everything you have done.*

*Hopefully, by fall or sooner we will be meeting face to face, instead of virtually on the computer or phones. Until then, get on the computer and join us, you are always welcome. Thanks to Robbin Goodin, our programs just keep getting better and better and you shouldn't miss them. I cannot wait to see you on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month!*

*Bruce Wilson, President*



*RECORDING SECRETARY  
Linda Wilson*

**SSL Virtual Membership Meeting Minutes  
April 27, 2021**

*The meeting was called to order at 6:25 pm due to connection difficulties. Damien Burns, our Electronic Communications Commissioner, once again got our technical problems solved. Education and Program Commissioner Robbin Goodin introduced our*

*speaker, Stephen Hay, whose program covered many Scottish castles once owned by members of Clan Hay. Robbin and Mr. Hay were fortunate to have met during Robbin's trip to Scotland. Mr. Hay was her guide, and he was happy to put on a program about castles for us. He loves Scottish history and sharing it with others. He has recently written a book about Scottish castles; more information about his book is available in the newsletter.*

*Mr. Hay began his presentation by talking about castles that have belonged to the Hay Clan at different times. He explained that castles changed hands for a variety of reasons, but commonly this happened by marriage, inheritance, and violent overthrow.*

*He started with Abbot's Tower in New Abbey. It was built by monks. Clan Hay took it over in about 1620. This was a Tower House.*

**EDITOR'S NOTE:**

**MANY OF THE CASTLE NAMES CANNOT BE CHECKED FOR SPELLING AS THEY DO NOT APPEAR ON WIKIPEDIA. SO THEY APPEAR AS THEY WERE GIVEN TO ME.**

*Balbithan Castle in Inverurie, north of Aberdeen started as a tower house, and later many windows and other amenities were added.*

*Balcombe Castle in the Kingdom of Fife in Crail. This castle has been greatly changed over the years, with added wings and towers.*

*Clan Hays lived in Balhousie Castle in Perth until the early 1700s. The Black Watch uses it as a museum and headquarters now.*

*Belton Castle has been demolished, but once Hays lived there. It was given to the army for target practice.*

*Blackhall Castle in Banchory was demolished during*

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**WWII, and the stones were used to repair other structures.**

**Craignethan Castle at Lanark was part of the greatest concentration of castles along the border with England. There was much fertile land there, and the castle was needed to defend the border**

**Carribber Castle at Linlithgow was abandoned in 1760 and fell into ruin.**

**Castle of Park at Glenluce was a tower house in the southern part of Scotland. The Hays were put along the border to help police them. Seventy-six castles were under the control of Clan Hay at various times. The Landmark Trust completely refurbished this castle, which was in ruins at one time.**

**Motte of Errol is a fortification of wood and earth. Many castles started as mottes and were renovated over time into stone and wood structures.**

**Couthland Castle in Dalkeith was quite sizable but fell to Henry VIII in the 1600s.**

**Carfae Peel at Oxton had many defensive stone houses.**

**Pitfour Castle near Perth.**

**Ury House in Aberdeen near Stonehaven was taken from the Hays, who demolished it and built a new castle there.**

**Venlaw Castle (Smithfield Castle) near Peebles, which was a heavily fortified town.**

**Tullibole Castle at the Crook of Devon was home to the Hays from 1300 but went to other clans later.**

**A plot to assassinate Lord Donnelly, second husband of Mary Queen of Scots, was hatched at Wittinghame Castle in East Linton.**

**Pinkie House is now a well-known school.**

**Kilspindie Castle at Aberlady is a ruin now but was once part of a busy port city, which the castle defended. The Oliver Cromwell destroyed the castle.**

**Monkton House in Portobello stands on an earlier site.**

**Muchalls Castle at Stonehaven was sold to Clan Bennett in the 1600s.**

**Castle of Esselmont in Ellon, north of Aberdeen is now a ruin.**

**Crammalt Towers in Upper Tweeddale was an early castle, later inundated when the valley was flooded for a reservoir. It had strong towers but was a ruin when it was flooded.**

**Neidpath Castle in Peebles was a famous castle that passed by marriage to Clan Hays in 1312. This castle held out against Oliver Cromwell longer than any other Scottish castle.**

**Duns Castle in Duns was built in 1320 to protect the border with England and is still owned by a Hay.**

**Mounie Castle was built in 1641 in Oldmeldrum. It is now privately owned.**

**Tinnis Castle at Biggar is on the site of an ironworks. It is a very substantial castle.**

**Delgaty Castle near Inverness was saved from decay by the Hay Clan and is still in good condition. Mr. Hay included a newspaper article about Captain Jock Hay, which can be seen in the video.**

**Clan Hay lost Nunraw Castle in 1779, now privately owned.**

**The town of Peebles has twelve castles nearby, built to control and defend the border with England.**

**In the question-and-answer session, Mr. Hay said**

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he was only half done with his presentation due to time constraints, and we asked him to come back and finish it for us. He thought that was a good idea, and will talk to Robbin about it. He spoke about his efforts to document these castles before they are gone. He has included a great deal of information about the castles and clans who lived there in his book. He included pictures of the castles, tartans, coats of arms, historical information, and even directions to the castles.

Mr. Wilson and Robbin both thanked Mr. Hay for his presentation. He has a slide show of all the pictures in his book, and Damien said he could help him put it into a PowerPoint presentation. His book is being released in about 3-4 weeks through Amazon. It is called The Directory of Scotland's Castles, by Stephen Hay.

Mr. Hay answered a question about the spelling of Hay, which he said varies, but all are correct. Hay, Haye, Hays, Hayes are variations of the spelling.

A guest, Jean Coker, asked him if he could do a presentation for her group. He suggested she contact him through [stephen.hay123@btinternet.com](mailto:stephen.hay123@btinternet.com). Jean lives in Florida and was invited by a member to our meeting.

Mr. Wilson started the business meeting at 7:47 pm. He thanked our outgoing Vice President Jim Hughes for his many years of excellent service to the Scottish Society.

Jim then gave the Oath of Office to our elected officers, President Bruce Wilson, Vice President Dianne Holland, Treasurer Cherie Eskridge, and Secretary Linda Wilson. He also gave the Oath of Office to our new commissioners, Regional Celtic Commissioner Janie Blome, and Member at Large Commissioner Sarah Colglazier. Laura Doll and Archie Cunningham will be sworn in at another time, as they could not attend the meeting.

Mr. Wilson asked for a motion to approve the

March Minutes. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by the members present.

Vice President Dianne Holland thanked Jim for his help in getting ready for her office and asked if he will help her if she needs assistance, as she does not think she can fill his shoes. He thanked her, and said he will, and gladly. He said he has already turned over the key for the post office box to her. Dianne reported that there are no further requests for funds besides the two that were already made.

Treasurer Cheri Eskridge reported on the funds available in the General funds and Heritage funds.

Secretary Linda Wilson read the May birthdays:

2nd Ron Kemper  
9th Kay Glass  
12th Mark Robinson  
14th Christian Kreipke  
16th Kathy Kessinger  
17th Susan McAdam  
21st Annie Rivers  
22nd Doris Wyzard  
23rd Carrie Rankin  
31st Carlos Perez

Linda counted 23 members present for the meeting and presentation, including one guest, Jean Coker, and our presenter, Stephen Hay.

Membership Commissioner Marla Jo Cameron was unable to attend, and there was no report.

Newsletter Editor and Communications Commissioner John Moffett was unable to attend, and there was no report.

Electronic Commissioner Damien Burns said he had nothing new to report.

Regional Celtic Commissioner Janie Blome lost her connection, and there was no report on upcoming events.

Education and Program Commissioner Robbin

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*Goodin said the next program will be by the Secretary of the Clan Hay, on Scottish dress. She mends the Queen's clothing.*

*Hospitality Commissioner Anne Lewis was unable to attend, and there was no report.*

*Mr. Wilson thanked Damien for hosting us and adjourned the meeting at 8:05 pm.*

**Respectfully Submitted**  
**Linda Wilson Recording Secretary**

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## **Help Us Stay Financially Sound**

*It is time for dues renewal. As you may know because of health concerns two fund-raising events, the November Dinner & Auction and Burns Night Gala January 2021 were canceled. The Dinner & Auction proceeds are used to support the Heritage Fund. The Burns Night Gala is used to support the general operating fund. The Heritage Fund paid out \$1,050 for virtual lessons. You are encouraged to pay your dues and if you can afford it, consider donating to the Heritage Fund or the General Fund.*



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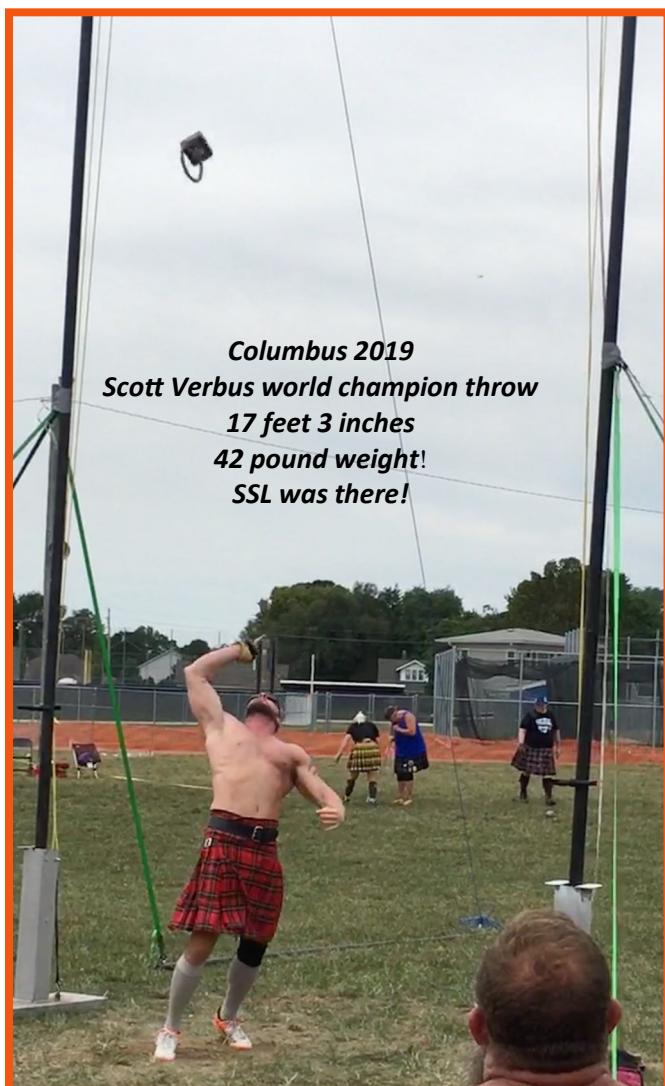


**Regional Celtic Commissioner**  
**Janie Blome**

# Celtic Connections

*Hello, fellow Scots! I hope your Spring is going well and that you are staying safe and healthy. Hopefully, we will soon begin to see more and more events opening up and opportunities for us to be together will continue to grow.*

*Members of the Scottish Society of Louisville have been invited by Gary Waggoner, Knight Commander of The Knights of Saint Andrew, to attend their June 24<sup>th</sup> performance of the Battle of Bannockburn on the evening of June 24<sup>th</sup>. The performance will take place at the Scottish Rite Temple, 200 E. Gray Street in Louisville. A light dinner will be served at 6:30 and the performance will begin at approximately 7:30. SSL members are invited to be their guests for dinner. There is no charge for the event, but reservations are required. Any SSL member in good standing can make a reservation by contacting me no later than June 15, 2021. You are welcome to call or text 502-523-5291 to make your reservations. COVID protocols will be in place (See Page 13).*



**Columbus 2019**  
**Scott Verbus world champion throw**  
**17 feet 3 inches**  
**42 pound weight!**  
**SSL was there!**

*The Cincinnati Celtic Festival will be an alive and in-person event. It begins at 5:00 pm on Friday, July 23, and runs through Sunday, July 25. The free event will be held in front of the Great American Ball Park on Freedom Way. More information is available at [Cincinnati Celtic Fest](#) (See Page 13).*

*The Columbus IN Scottish Festival is scheduled to take place September 11 -12, 2021 at the Bartholomew County Fairgrounds, 750 W 200 S. Additional information can be found on their website, <https://scottishfestival.org/> and their [Facebook Page](#).*

*The Indianapolis Highland Games will be held live and in person on Saturday, October 9, 2021. The day-long event will take place in German Park, located at 8600 Meridian Street. Ticket information is not yet available. The best source for additional information is their [Facebook Page](#).*

*At this point, there is still no information about the status of World Fest on the Belvedere.*

*Please let me know if you have questions, comments, or information about other events.*

# *Schedule of Highland Games and Celtic Festivals Near and Far*

**Janie Blome Regional Celtic Commissioner**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Games or Festival and Website</i>	<i>City, State and milage from Louisville, KY</i>
May 15-16, 2021	Smoky Mountain Scottish Festival and Games Website: <a href="http://www.smokymountaingames.org">http://www.smokymountaingames.org</a>	Maryville, TN 262 miles
June 5 – July 18, 2021 (Sat/Sun only)	Kentucky Highland Renaissance Festival Website: <a href="http://www.kyrenfaire.com">www.kyrenfaire.com</a> <b>TICKETS NOW ON SALE</b>	Eminence, KY 37.8 miles
June 18-20, 2021	Taste of Scotland and Celtic Festival Website: <a href="http://www.tasteofscotlandfestival.org/">http://www.tasteofscotlandfestival.org/</a>	Franklin, NC 380 miles
June 19, 2021	Celtic Fest Ohio Website: <a href="http://www.celtic-fest-ohio">http://www.celtic-fest-ohio</a>	Waynesville, OH 140 miles
June 25 – 27, 2021	Ohio Viking Festival Website: <a href="https://vikingfestohio.com/">https://vikingfestohio.com/</a>	Burton, OH 371 miles
July 8-11, 2021	Grandfather Mountain Highland Games Website: <a href="http://www.gmhq.org">www.gmhq.org</a> <b>TICKETS NOW ON SALE</b>	Linville, NC 390 miles
July 17 – 18, 2021	Kentucky Highland Renaissance Festival Celtic Weekend Website: <a href="http://www.kyrenfaire.com">www.kyrenfaire.com</a> <b>TICKETS NOW ON SALE</b>	Eminence, KY 37.8 miles
July 23 – 25, 2021	Cincinnati Celtic Festival Website: <a href="http://www.cincycelticfest.com">www.cincycelticfest.com</a>	Cincinnati, OH 99 miles
July 30 - August 1, 2021	Celtic Festival, Dayton Website: <a href="http://www.daytoncelticfestival.com/">http://www.daytoncelticfestival.com/</a>	Dayton, OH 152 miles
August 6-7, 2021	Saint Andrew's Society of Detroit - Highland Games Website: <a href="http://www.highlandgames.com">www.highlandgames.com</a>	Livonia, MI 394 miles
August 13-14, 2021	Sparta Celtic Festival Website: <a href="http://www.spartacelticfest.org/">http://www.spartacelticfest.org/</a>	Sparta Village, MI 370 miles
September 11-12, 2021	Columbus Scottish Festival Website: <a href="http://www.scottishfestival.org">www.scottishfestival.org</a>	Columbus, IN 73 miles
September 15, 2021	Dandridge Scots-Irish Festival Website: <a href="http://www.scots-irish.com">www.scots-irish.com</a>	Dandridge, TN 276 miles
September 18, 2021	Ligonier Highland Games Website: <a href="http://www.ligonierhighlandgames.org">www.ligonierhighlandgames.org</a>	Ligonier, PA 424 miles
September 24 – 26, 2021	Annual Ohio Celtic Festival Website: <a href="http://www.ohiocelticintfest.com/">http://www.ohiocelticintfest.com/</a>	Mentor, OH 368 miles
October 2, 2021	Scotland County Highland Games Website: <a href="http://www.schqnc.org">www.schqnc.org</a>	Laurinburg, NC 571 miles
October 9, 2021	Indianapolis Scottish Highland Games & Festival Website: <a href="http://www.indyscotgamesandfest.com">www.indyscotgamesandfest.com</a>	Indianapolis, IN 107 miles
October 15 – 17, 2021	Stone Mountain Highland Games & Scottish Festival Website: <a href="http://www.smhq.org">www.smhq.org</a>	Stone Mountain, GA 472 miles



## Programs and Education Report



**Welcome Spring!!!**

*Such a lovely time of the year.*

*And the upcoming programs will make you want to get out there and travel. On our last trip to Scotland, we had the wonderful opportunity to hire Stephen Hay as our guide for several days. He was delightful, courteous, clever and so-o-o knowledgeable. It was a dreamy 2 days, and we plan to book him again, hopefully, next summer. He is a Hay, my clan, so I reached out to him about doing a program for the SSL and he said YES! Stephen gave an excellent program on Scottish Castles for the April General Membership meeting. He kept us enthralled with the pictures and stories of Scottish castles, their history, and tales. He has written a book featuring 1000+ Scottish castles. It sounds wonderful!! It should be out later this spring. See Bio of Stephen Hay following this report.*

*In thinking about the programs for the 2021 year, I realized that my clan Hay has so many valuable resources and continued to reach out to some of the people I know in the clan in the US and abroad. I met our May presenter several years ago at a Clan Hay AGM. She is also delightful and has so many talents. In May she will be presenting on proper Scottish Dress. As you see from her bio which follows, she is well qualified. She is also a wonderful tour guide and was instrumental in planning the Clan Hay Tartan Ties Tour for many years. I was on one of her last tours. Several of our group saw the Motte of Errol that Stephen talked about in April with Pam on the tour. There was no way we could have found it without her. Driving down country lanes, hiking through farmer's fields, and into the woods, and up the hill. It was very hidden. I am sure her May program will be very good.*

*If you have any burning questions to ask her, Pam has asked that you send her an email in advance. It will help her tailor the presentation and address your questions. Contact information for Pam: [pam.rotheroe-hay@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:pam.rotheroe-hay@hotmail.co.uk)*

*See her full bio following this report.*

*That does it for me except to say thank you again to*

*John Moffett for doing such a wonderful job with this newsletter no matter what life throws at him!!*

*Also thank you to Linda Wilson for taking such good notes on our presentations.*

*Peace to all,  
Robbin Goodin*

### BIO FOR STEPHEN HAY APRIL 2021 PRESENTER

*Stephen Hay grew up near Glasgow when his parents left the military choosing to set up home in the industrial central belt of Scotland over their Highland roots. After leaving school Stephen joined the British army and spent 6 years as a Paratrooper.*

*After leaving the military he moved into hotel management but always had an interest in Scottish and Clan Hay history with an ever-growing collection of books on the subject. After two decades in hotel management, the need for a change was apparent. The tourism industry would allow Stephen to combine his two great passions, Scotland and history. After 8 years with an Edinburgh tour operator, Stephen made the leap of faith into self-employment in 2016 when he set up Targe Tours. He took the name from his hobby of Targe making which has since become a fully-fledged business in its own right. Stephen is one of only 3 professional Targe makers in Scotland and thus set up [Scottishshields.com](http://Scottishshields.com).*

*Stephen lives with his wife of 19 years, Dawn in Prestonpans, the site of the famous Battle of Prestonpans in 1745. He has spent the last 3 years working on a book, The Directory of Scotland's Castles. He has visited over 1000 Scottish Castles and listed each castle complete with photographs,*

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directions, a short history of each castle, hand-painted coats of arms and clan crests, and what3words location.

Contact information for Stephen:

Email: [stephen.hay123@btinternet.com](mailto:stephen.hay123@btinternet.com)

Website for Targes: [Scottishshields.com](http://Scottishshields.com)

### Scottish Targe

A Scottish Targe (pronounced tar-gee) is a round shield with loops on the back through which the arm was passed while on the other was grasped by the hand. Made of wood and covered with leather.

### BIO FOR PAM ROTHEROE-HAY MAY 2021 PRESENTER

*I made my first kilt about 10 years ago for my youngest son. There were lots of things to learn as I did so as it was quite different from anything I'd made before. As soon as it was finished, my eldest son wanted one so I went again!*

*One of these was entered into a Scottish crafts competition and much to my surprise, took first prize.*

*In the next few years, I made several kilts including one for Lord Erroll.*

*About 4 years ago I was asked to undertake alterations and repairs on Her Majesty's kilts. I agreed to do this and have continued to do so to date.*

*Living in Scotland and being involved in a wide range of events, it is important to know the correct dress to wear for the occasion and how to wear it.*

*It can be confusing and many people get it wrong but for most situations, it is not crucial but it is always good to feel confident so hopefully, I can give a little guidance to anybody interested.*

Contact information for Pam:

[pam.rotheroe-hay@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:pam.rotheroe-hay@hotmail.co.uk)

## Fund-Raiser Get-together Coming in June

Watch for more information in the Newsletter.



We can meet, greet, socialize, and share a meal together while raising money for our society. We can eat in or take out.

See you soon!



Photo By Bernd Hilgenberg  
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## 2021 Program Schedule

**Note Starting New Times (in red) for Programs Originating From Scotland**  
**By Robbin Goodin**

May 25, 2021	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Tuesday	SSL General Meeting Speaker: Pam Rotheroe-Hay (Scotland) SCOTTISH DRESS	WebEx	Online video
June 22, 2021	7:00 PM	Tuesday	SSL General Meeting Speakers: Jim Hughes & Arch Cunningham (SSL) SCOTTISH TRIVIA	WebEx	Online video
July 27, 2021	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Tuesday	SSL General Meeting Speaker: Alan Hay (Scotland) FARMING COMMUNITIES OF NE SCOTLAND	WebEx	Online video
August 24, 2021	7:00 PM	Tuesday	SSL General Meeting Speaker: Pat Schweitzer KENTUCKY TARTAN	WebEx	Online video
September 28, 2021	7:00 PM	Tuesday	SSL General Meeting Tom Hay Bauer (USA) House of Scotland Beret Dernbach (USA) Highland Dancing	WebEx	Online video
October 26, 2021	7:00 PM	Tuesday	SSL General Meeting Speaker: MEGAN BURNETT (USA) Scottish Ghost Stories	WebEx	Online video
November 23, 2021	7:00 PM	Tuesday	Heritage Dinner & Auction	TBA	TBA
December No Meeting			<b>MERRY CHRISTMAS</b>		

**Regular Board Meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday every Month at 7:00 PM.**  
**Regular Membership Meetings the 4th Tuesday every month Time as Listed.**  
**Until further notice the Meetings are via Webex or ZOOM Video Conferences.**



*Steve Goodin was winner of the basket of goodies from the McFritz Raffle.*



*Baroness inducting Jason Goodin into Clan McFritz!*

*The campsite is set-up and ready for lunch!*



*Jason, Steve, and Robbin Goodin ready for the Parade of Tartans.*





## Membership Update

### SSL RENEWAL DUES

Dues renewal notices will be going out VIA EMAIL. People can print off the form, fill them out & send with payment to:

**The Scottish Society of Louisville**  
P. O. Box 32248,  
Louisville, KY 40232-2248

**Renewal By April 1, 2021**

INDIVIDUAL - \$24, FAMILY - \$36

LIFE - INDIVIDUAL - \$240, FAMILY - \$360

[Marla Jo Cameron](#)  
[Membership Commissioner](#)

### PAY DUES RENEWAL ONLINE

Save the price of a stamp and the trouble of USPS as you can renew your membership and pay your dues Online by clicking the Link Below

[PAY DUES ONLINE](#)

### **NEW MEMBER APPLICATION**

If you need an application for a new member please download the membership brochure which has the information to join The Scottish Society of Louisville.

[CLICK HERE FOR THE BROCHURE](#)

*Members as of May 5, 2021*  
*Welcome Todd Early as a new member.*  
*Congratulations to Dave Wires and*  
*Donald A. Samuels for becoming Life*  
*Members!*

### Membership

6	Honorary
31	Lifetime Memberships
42	Individual Memberships
70	Family Memberships
149	Members Paid

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**Follow The Scottish Society  
of Louisville on Facebook**

Pat Schweitzer is updating the SSL  
page daily.

Remember when searching type  
"The Scottish Society of Louisville"

Enjoy and stay current with our Scottish  
Community Between Meetings.

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## FUTURE EVENT

# Members of the Scottish Society of Louisville Are invited to a Performance of the Battle of Bannockburn By Gary Waggoner, Knight Commander of the Knights of Saint Andrews.

**Make Your  
Reservation by  
June 15, 2021**

**When:** Thursday, June 24, 2021

**Where:** Scottish Rite Temple, 200 E. Gray Street, Louisville, KY

**6:30 PM** A light dinner will be served

**7:30 PM** Performance begins

***Mark your calendars today!***

SSL members in good standing are invited to be their guests for dinner and there is no charge for the event. However, reservations are required. Please make reservation by June 15, 2021 and contact Janie Blome, call or text 502-523-5291. COVID protocols will be in place.

*Join us for a wonderful event!*

June  
24<sup>th</sup>

## FUTURE EVENT

## Guinness Cincinnati Celtic Festival

Presented By  
FedEx

# Members of the Scottish Society of Louisville Are invited to the Cincinnati Celtic Festival

**When:** Friday, July 23-25, 2021

**Where:** Held in front of the Great American Ball Park on Freedom Way  
**Free Admission**

**For more information click on link to right:** [Cincinnati Celtic Fest](#)

**For more information please contact below:**

**eMail:** [kerryschall@gmail.com](mailto:kerryschall@gmail.com)

**Telephone:** 513-882-2951



# May 2021


Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Ronald Kemper	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 7:00 PM WebEx Board Meeting	12 Dr. Mark Robinson	13	14 Christian Kreipke	15
16 Kathryn Kessinger <i>Happy Mother's Day</i>	17	18	19	20	21 Annie Rivers	22 Doris Wyzard
23 Carrie Rankin	24	25 6:00 PM WebEx General Mtg "Scotland", Speaker: Pam Rotheroe-Hay Scotland	26 Full Moon 	27	28	29
30	31 					

## MAY BIRTHDAYS

2-Ronald Kemper	16-Kathryn Kessinger	23-Carrie Rankin
12-Dr. Mark Robinson	21-Annie Rivers	
14-Christian Kreipke	22-Doris Wyzard	

Is your name missing from our birthday list? Contact [Marla Jo Cameron](mailto:membership@scotsofrou.com) at [membership@scotsofrou.com](mailto:membership@scotsofrou.com) to have your date and name added.

# June 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 7:00 PM WebEx Board Meeting	9 Barbara Spaulding David Rummler	10	11	12 Carson Smith
13	14 	15 Todd Early Barbara Ford June Wallace Dave Wires	16	17 Shawn McLeod	18	19
20 Summer Solstice 	21	22 7:00 PM WebEx General Mtg "Scottish Trivia: Jim Hughes & Arcxh Cunningham SSL"	23 Roger Bain Peter Esch	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

9-David Rummler	15-Todd Early	15-Dave Wires	21-Peter Esch
9-Barbara Spaulding	15-Barbara Ford	17-Shawn McLeod	
12-Carson Smith	15-June Wallace	21-Roger Bain	

Is your name missing from our birthday list? Contact [Marla Jo Cameron](mailto:membership@scotsoflou.com) at [membership@scotsoflou.com](mailto:membership@scotsoflou.com) to have your date and name added.





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# Flowers of the Forest

**James T. Eiler**  
**November 13, 2918—May 4,**

## James T. Eiler

*New Albany - James T. Eiler, 72, passed away Tuesday, May 4, 2021 from natural causes. He was born in New Albany to Ernest and Ann Thornton Eiler. Jamie was a decent, caring, compassionate, enthusiastic, generous and dedicated man. His devotion to people, his work and hobbies that he loved, was ever off the charts. He loved working with people as a musician, singer and actor. He belonged to the following groups: Tale Talk and the Corn Island Storytelling Festival, Stories Behind the Stones, Locust Grove First Person Reenactors and Six Guns Entertainment. He served as a paralegal in a law office for 25 years and was also a life-long member of the Kiwanis Club.*

*Jamie is survived by his mother - Ann Thornton Eiler; brothers - Terry Eiler (Lyntha) and Joe Eiler (Deb); partner of 31 years - Janice Sidebottom; son Scott Eiler (Suzanne); step-daughter - Angela Lawhorn; step-son - Johnathon Sidebottom; grandchildren - Alex Snider, Lucian Eiler, Mercedes Eiler, Misti Sidebottom, William Sidebottom and Chris Lawhorn. He is preceded in death by his father, Ernest. Visitation will take place at the Market Street location of Naville & Seabrook Funeral Homes on Saturday, May 8, 2pm - 8pm and Sunday, May 9, 2pm - 7pm. The funeral service will be held at 11 am on Monday, May 10. The family requests that masks be worn if attending any services.*

*May everyone continue to summon up the happiest recollection of a man who infused all those around him with joy at his every opportunity.*

*James was an avid supporter of the SSL Burns Night Gala. He is well-known in the Society and will be missed.*

## 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. Their information is found on page 2 of this newsletter.
- ♦ 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 that. 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 everyone 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 last name. The auction is so much fun. Everyone is asked to bring at least one item, if they wish, to donate. Now, you will find that a lot of the items are things you would love to have, but some of them ... well, you just have to be there to appreciate it. Proceeds benefit the Heritage Fund, which helps promote the Celtic-related "studies" by individuals.
- ♦ In December, we do not have a meeting.

We hope that you will attend as many meetings as possible (hopefully all of them). We are so happy to have you as a part of the group.

## 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, etc.) 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 on the evening of the Society's monthly meeting from the Heritage Fund Committee Chairperson, [Dianne Holland](#), or by e-mail at [vicepresident@scotsoflou.com](mailto:vicepresident@scotsoflou.com), or by using the online form [here](#).

The deadlines for receipt of applications are March 31<sup>st</sup> and September 30<sup>th</sup>.

## Find us on the Internet

*You can find us on the internet in a couple of places.*

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

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/ScotsofLou>

Facebook:

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Scottish-Society-of-Louisville/326984024109?ref=ts>

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 life membership for a single person is \$240. A family life membership is \$360.**

**Please see the Commissioner of Member Services, Marla Jo Cameron, or for more details email her at [membership@scotsoflou.com](mailto:membership@scotsoflou.com) about our memberships. Remember, every *new* life member is acknowledged at the Burns Night Gala!**



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**Ancient Order of Hibernians**  
[www.louisvilleirish.com/](http://www.louisvilleirish.com/)

**The Caledonian Society of Cincinnati**  
[www.caledoniansociety.org](http://www.caledoniansociety.org)

**Columbus Scottish Festival**  
[www.scottishfestival.org/](http://www.scottishfestival.org/)

**Central Kentucky Heritage Society**  
[pthdvg@email.uky.edu](mailto:pthdvg@email.uky.edu)

**Evansville St. Andrew Society**  
 Rosemary and Deron Cowan

**English Speaking Union**  
<https://www.esuus.org/>

**Glasgow Highland Games**  
[www.glasgowhighlandgames.com](http://www.glasgowhighlandgames.com)

**Indy's Irish Fest**  
[www.indyirishfest.com](http://www.indyirishfest.com)

**Irish Society of Kentuckiana**  
[www.irishkyana.org](http://www.irishkyana.org)

**Kentucky Highland Renaissance Festival**  
[www.kyrenfaire.com](http://www.kyrenfaire.com)

**Kentucky United Pipes and Drums (KUPD)**  
[www.kentuckyunited.org](http://www.kentuckyunited.org)

**Louisville Fire and Rescue Pipe Band**  
[www.lfrbagpipes.org](http://www.lfrbagpipes.org)

**Louisville Pipe Band**  
[www.louisvillepipeband.org](http://www.louisvillepipeband.org)

**McClanahan School of Irish Dance**  
[www.Mcclanahanirishdance.com](http://www.Mcclanahanirishdance.com)

**Ohio Valley Celtic Society**  
 Steve Thomas  
 208 East Second St.  
 Madison, IN 47250  
[www.thomasfamilywinery.us](http://www.thomasfamilywinery.us)

**Scottish Society of Greater Bloomington**  
[www.bloomingtonscots.org/](http://www.bloomingtonscots.org/)

**Scottish Society of Indianapolis**  
[www.indyscot.org](http://www.indyscot.org)

### **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 PM - 5 PM on Sundays at St. Andrew Episcopal Church, 2233 Woodbourne Ave, Louisville, KY 40205. Contact the band at [info@louisvillepipeband.org](mailto:info@louisvillepipeband.org) or visit [www.louisvillepipeband.org](http://www.louisvillepipeband.org).

***The Louisville Fire & Rescue Pipes & Drums*** meet from 6 - 8 p.m. on Tuesday evenings at the Frazier International History Museum, 829 West Main Street in Louisville. Contact Carolyn Cook at (502) 551-2732, or visit [www.lfrbagpipes.org](http://www.lfrbagpipes.org)..

### **Change of Address, and other information**

Help us keep our records updated! Changes to your address, telephone, *et cetera*, should be sent to the Scottish Society of Louisville, Commissioner of Member Services, P.O. Box 32248, Louisville, KY 40232, or e-mail Marla Jo Cameron at [membership@scotsoflou.com](mailto:membership@scotsoflou.com)