

A LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Hello everyone! The fall season is here and the holidays are around the corner. The end of the year is upon us and there has been so many changes - great things are to come to wrap up the year and even starting for 2023. Nothing but dinners and holiday fun to finish up the next two months. It has been an ever-changing year and hopefully nothing but good things will come for this organization.

It is that time of year where elections for the 2023 SSI Board of Trustees will take place. We will also making a change to the by-laws for the organization that will be voted on in November at the St. Andrew's Dinner. If you are attending the dinner, there will be a chance for open floor nominations during that time.

Here is the current slate of nominees we have currently that are running for the 2023 SSI Board of Trustees:

President: Carter Keith

Trustees: Sarah Rae, Paula Hardesty, Kathy Hohman, Greg Bowers, Dan Patton, Andy Thompson, Armand Hayes, Varis Grapis

Reach out to our board if you have any questions or if you want your ideas heard. Thank you for the support and staying with this organization during these hard times. Stay healthy, stay safe. Slainte!

~ Sarah Rae

2022 SSI President, Newsletter Editor

PLEASE WELCOME NEW SSI MEMBERS:

- Caroline Podvin
- Adam Campbell



MEETING DETAILS: Keep in mind the monthly meeting will be the ST. ANDREWS DINNER. This is a special meeting - if you did not pay for the dinner, we will see you all in December in-person or virtually. There is no Wednesday meeting this month.

After careful review and unanimous vote by the board, the DECEMBER 2022 meeting will be an IN-PERSON MEETING. We will ask if you are a member to please do the donation of \$5.00 and guests will be \$7.00. First time guests do not need to pay - after your first visit, you will need to pay the guest fee. If you have not paid your dues, please make sure you do so in person or at the

We are bringing back THE BUFFET. We already have someone bringing in the meat dish. More details on the food schedule of who is to bring what will be given in next month's newsletter.

We will have the technology for you to view the meeting at home if you still do not feel comfortable to be at the in-person meetings. We will have a Zoom link available. Check out the link in the newsletter to view.

The monthly meetings take place every 2nd Wednesday of the month. **Special events for the year will be on a Saturday.

- Brandon Beckham
- Joshua Wilkinson
- Chris Werth
- Janet Foley
- John Stuart

All updates in regards to monthly meetings will be announced each month in the newsletter and on our social media sites.

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****PLEASE READ IF YOU ARE ATTENDING ST. ANDREW'S DINNER 2022****

Thank you to all who will be attending the SSI St. Andrews Dinner this year. The event is on Saturday, November 12, 2022. The location will be at Murat Shiners in downtown Indianapolis - this location is next to the Old National Center. Your parking pass should have been mailed out to you once the forms were received. If you did not receive one, please notify Paula Hardesty (zigsamdog@me.com) and she will make sure you are sent one. Please make sure you have that pass up in your car the day of the event because it is needed to park on the property. **Social hour will begin at 5:00pm with a cash bar and appetizers in the Tunisian Room.** The board members will be there to direct everyone to the room as well as other important areas of the building. Dinner will follow after the social hour once everyone arrives. **Keep this in mind: There is a sold-out comedy event that evening so please ensure to arrive early or on-time for parking purposes.** If you have any questions or concerns before then, please email indyscot@gmail.com.

Note: We are not accepting anymore RSVP forms or money for this event. The official numbers were given to the venue at the beginning of the month per their request.

Thanks!

NOTICES
FROM THE
BOARD



****MEMBERSHIP
REVIEW -
UPDATE****

The board for 2022 has announced that we will be reinstating the renewal of the yearly dues for SSI memberships. We agreed that the time to come together in-person will be coming soon and this will be a driving focus to get all of us back together again. The renewal of the membership will also help keep this organization thriving with new interest and continuation. You can pay for your yearly membership online through the website or payments can be made in person with a form at our in-person meetings - we will have forms available to complete. Please make sure you pay your dues!

****INDY ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY
DANCING****

We have some new updates with our Scottish country dancing group. Please read all if interested in their news.

1) Indy Scottish Country Dancers are pleased to announce that Bernadette Land has joined our group. Bernadette has participated in our Monday night sessions off and on for the past few years. She is now permanently relocated to the Indianapolis area. Bernadette is a Certified Scottish Country Dance instructor. She completed her certification at St. Andrews in Scotland and has danced with the Little Rock Arkansas Scottish country dancers before joining us. As you know we dance for fun, but we also want to do our best when it comes to footwork and dance patterns. Welcome Bernadette! 2) Indy Scottish County Dances continue to meet most Mondays. We are still requiring full vaccinations, boosters and proof of vaccination to dance. If you would like more information or have any additional questions, please email Jane Patton at IndyRSCD@gmail.com.

**INTERESTED
IN HELPING
WITH 2023
SCOTTISH
GAMES &**



FESTIVAL?

If anyone is interested in volunteering, heading up a committee or wanting to put your thoughts to this event for next year, please reach out to SSI board member and games chairman Greg Bowers (ogunquit@gmail.com) for more information. Meetings are currently being set up and if you would like to be on the email list, please reach out to Greg. Thank you!



SSI SURVEY FOR THE ORGANIZATION

The board has release a Survey Monkey with questions that we would like you to give your opinions on. It will help us figure out plans and how to proceed with this organization in 2023. If you did not get an email about the survey, please reach out to Dan Patton at indyscot.treasurer@gmail.com.



NEW UPDATES - MEETING

REQUIREMENTS **PLEASE READ**

In-person meetings are taking place now. The board has received several suggestions and we have decided to implement new changes for the rest of the in-person meetings moving forward for the remainder of 2022.

- We will no longer be requiring proof of vaccination cards or marks. Feel free to wear a mask if you would like. If you as an individual are under the weather of any sort or are feeling or currently sick - we are requesting that you do not attend the meeting. Please stay at home and get better.
- The buffet is coming back! The board has unanimously voted that the food buffet will be coming back!. We will be having the buffet back in December for our holiday party. A meat dish is set and the board will be sending out the list of dishes members can bring in the next newsletter issue.
- There will be hand sanitizer available and there will be masks for sale if needed. They will be provided at the welcome table and the buffet table (coming in December).



OCTOBER '22 IN-PERSON MEETING RECAP: Scottish

Enlightenment

The attendees at the October meeting got to hear an off-the cuff topic presented by SSI member Mark Lawson who talked about the Scottish Enlightenment. From those who attended, it was a great presentation and great topic to hear. The board would like to thank Mark Lawson for presenting this evening - it was very well done.



Next Meeting - SSI December Holiday Celebration with Celtic Rain

If you are not attending the St. Andrew's Dinner this November - get ready to end the year right with the SSI. It will be nothing but fun times and holiday cheer as we celebrate the holidays with the amazing musical act of Celtic Rain. They always bring great music when they perform and from what we have been told, the full group will be ringing in the holiday as we have the last meeting of the year with music, conversation and good food with the buffet returning to the front line. Please come and join us to end 2022 with the SSI.

Meeting will be at the Latvian Center. Social hour will be before 7:00pm with announcements following shortly after. Information about what to bring for the buffet will be provided in the next newsletter. Presentation will start around 8:00pm or earlier if needed. The board will announce any changes prior to the slated meeting.

**If you are not attending the in-person meeting, but would like to watch the presentation or join the action - please click [here](#) or [here](#) for the Zoom meeting.

HOW TO JOIN AN ONLINE ZOOM MEETING - PLEASE READ ALL NOTED!

**Option 1: ZOOM ~ You do not have to a Zoom account to participate/attend a meeting. You will be prompted to download the software after you click on the meeting link. To fully participate, you will need a computer with a camera and a microphone. You can also join by using a smartphone app or calling in to the telephone number in the invitation. If you are needing more information about joining a meeting of any kind on Zoom, [click here](#) to check out detailed instructions.

**Option 2: SOCIAL MEDIA / FACEBOOK ~ The meeting will be live in broadcast on the new Facebook group just for members of the Scottish Society of Indianapolis. You can watch it while the

meeting is going on or watch it after the meeting is over.

SSI 2022 MEETINGS - WHAT IS COMING UP?

Note: Subjects/Topics are subject to change.

- November 2022: St. Andrews Dinner at Murat Shiners Indianapolis
- December 2022: Holiday Party with Celtic Rain

We will advise if the meeting will be online or in-person each month - so the topic could change at the last minute. Thank you!

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