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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.



## President's Message

The Feb. SSL general meeting was very exciting. Our speaker, Mr. Alan Hay, spoke to us direct from Scotland about the progression of castles.

Our Hospitality Commissioner brought not one, but two Cottage pies and we all feasted through the entire evening. Members enjoyed lots of fellowship and even though it was a longer meeting it seemed to go very fast. 32 people joined, so our numbers are going up.

March is upon us, and that means flowers and thinking about our yards and patios. It's also the SSL Election of Commissioners for the Society for the next 2 years. Come to our March meeting and let your voice be heard. This Society belongs to all of us.

We also have an informative program about Grand Father Mountain Games presented by our own Mindy McIntosh. If you only go to one Highland Games in your whole life this is the one not to miss. North Carolina is where it all started! Set aside March 26<sup>th</sup> 7:00 to have some fun and enjoy an evening of fellowship and entertainment.

Remember SSL teamwork makes the dream work.

Gary Schweitzer, President



### Editor's Note:

We have a new section this month on Scottish recipes. Please give us feedback on the Cauliflower Cheese, and send in your favorite Scottish recipes for the next newsletter!

### Editor's Reminder:

The SSL Board announces a slight increase in dues. A single membership will now be \$25, and family membership will be \$40, and a Lifetime membership will be ten times the Individual or Family prices beginning in **April 2024**.



# THE SCOTTISH SOCIETY OF LOUISVILLE

Celebrating the Scottish American

Heritage of Kentuckiana

Since 1993

Greetings Scottish Bràithrean agus Peathraichean (brothers and sisters),

I hope the past year found you with less troubles, more blessings, and nothing but health and happiness at your door.

I'm writing today to invite you to renew your membership in The Scottish Society of Louisville (SSL). Yearly membership in our society is very reasonable at \$25 per Individual, \$40 per Family and \$250 for individual Lifetime, or \$400 for Family Lifetime. Your continued membership helps bring programs and activities promoting Scottish and Celtic heritage to our community.

We have a great lineup of meeting presentations for 2024 with topics including:

Feb. Scottish Castles.

Mar. SSL Election & Grandfather Mountain Highland Games.

Apr. Installation & Horses of Scotland.

May. Weaponry.

Jun. To Be Determined.

Jul. Tea.

Aug. Samuel Seabury.

Sep. Female Poets.

Oct. Halloween.

Nov. Dinner Auction.

Dec. No Meeting.

We're really excited about these excellent programs but we need membership in order to continue. As such, I'm asking you to please renew your membership today. I've attached the renewal form for your convenience, or you may renew online at <https://scotsoflou.com/membership/>.

The Scottish Society of Louisville is a great group, and once again, we are so pleased that you've joined us. I look forward to meeting you, and please feel free to reach out if I can be of further assistance.

PS Don't forget to follow us on Facebook at [The Scottish Society of Louisville](#), or check [www.scotsoflou.com](http://www.scotsoflou.com) for additional information.

**John Dickson**

Interim Membership Commissioner

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## *February Membership Minutes by Judy Stubbs*

The Scottish Society of Louisville's General Membership (GM) Meeting began at 5:30pm with a dinner. Hospitality Commissioner, Anne Lewis, made Cottage Pie, and brought it in restaurant quality warming trays, placing them on two sides of the room. Other members brought appetizers, sides, desserts and treats.

The program presentation began on Zoom at 6:00pm. (The time in Scotland was 11:00pm.) The presentation was titled: "Scottish Castellated Architecture" by Alan Hay, FRSA, FSA Scot for the Caledonian Society of Louisville, 27 February, 2024.

Mr. Hay's presentation included descriptions of different forms of land and purpose, including the architecture of a variety of castles, from early Scotland into the Middle Ages. His full colored slides showed many different shapes of how castles were built and expanded over the years. We were enthralled by his presentation which included many details about their architecture, both of exterior and interior designs. Mr. Hay has presented on other topics in the past for us, and he did not disappoint this time either. We are thrilled by his attention to detail and outstanding knowledge. Mr. Alan Hay's presentations are well-worth your presence.

After a short break, our General Membership Meeting began about 7:30pm. Attendance:32.

President-Gary Schweitzer, introduced visitors-Charlotte Faucett, Lonna Heshelman, and Betsy Jones. The President called for a motion to accept the January GM Minutes which are in the Newsletter. The motion was accepted by Jack Bowling and seconded by Angie Bowling.

The President announced that next month will be the annual Election, and four of the Director's positions are open. The President asked the following members of the Nominating Committee to speak and give a short description of job duties: Jeff Forbes, Jenny Dickson, and Steve Goodin. The open positions on the Board are:

Regional Celtic Director- those duties are to keep the membership advised of Scottish and or Celtic events in our area, and coordinate those events with the Newsletter Editor and the Social Media Director. If the Society decides to participate at an event, this person would be responsible for coordinating our participation between administrators of that event, setting up the Society's booth, maintaining materials for said event and recruiting folks to staff our booth.

Membership Director- those duties are to keep the membership database (This is on Excel from Microsoft Office); work with the Treasurer for those members who sign-up online; see that new member packets are distributed at General Meetings. (All materials for this have already been created and anyone can pass this out); present new member's name to the membership to vote at GM; and conduct an annual membership renewal campaign in April each year. (Renewal letter for this has already been created.)

Programs & Education Director- those duties include scheduling speakers or coordinating programs for monthly meetings (This can be in-house or someone outside our membership); get a biography of said speaker so that he/she may be introduced for the Program; meet with presenter and provide any necessary assistance; keep records of who we have had in the past so as not to repeat in a two-year period; coordinate with Newsletter Editor and Social Media Director for advertisement of said programs; conduct follow-up communication and recognition (not to exceed \$50.00 for a non-member speaker), whereas

## *February Membership Minutes, cont,*

the Society gives a small token to a member presenting not to exceed \$10.00; let the Newsletter Editor and Social Media Director know what is coming up so that future programs can be presented in the Newsletter and on Social Media.

The remainder of the months of 2024 are filled, except June, so there's plenty of time to start recruiting for 2025.

Member-At-Large Director- those duties include assisting other Directors; any other duties agreed by the Board; assist in the recruitment of future Board Members; and schedule and coordinate fund raisers not listed in our Manual of Operations.

The President described why the Board Meeting is not held during the General Membership Meeting and how an Executive Board Meeting works. See the President for more information.

Vice-President- Gary Schweitzer: Heritage Fund. An announcement was made by a Board member, that the annual auction, for the Heritage Fund, would be held on November 12th.

Secretary-Judy Stubbs: Judy reported that she has received no relevant communication this month.

Kirkin' o' the Tartan Director- Judy Stubbs. Judy reported that we have been invited to participate in Ascension Lutheran Church's Celtic Sunday Service on St. Patrick's Day, March 17th. Their address is: 13725 Shelbyville Road, 40245. Wear your Scottish attire. We're to be in the sanctuary at 10:15am, be ready to carry a Tartan Flag in the Processional, and the Recessional at the end of the service. We'll sit together in the sanctuary. Please feel free to attend even if you don't want to carry a flag. All are welcome. Sign-up sheets were distributed. Please let Judy know if you would like to carry a flag.

Treasurer-Cheri Eskridge: No Report.

Programs and Education Director-Shannon Fauver: No Report.

Newsletter Editor-Linda Wilson: No Report.

Regional Celtic Director-Jack Bowling. Jack reported that our first event of 2024 will be the Southern Indiana Renaissance Fair. They have moved the dates to April 27 and April 28, and their new location is Swifty Farms in Seymour, IN.

Jack reported that he has received information that "Ed Meredith is the new Knight Commander of the Knights of St. Andrew of The Scottish Rite. The Battle of Bannockburn film will be held on Thursday, June 27. Dinner will be served at 6:30pm and the presentation starts at 7:30pm. Ed said that he would love to have our participation. Jack said he told Ed that he'd let him know ASAP."

The Columbus Scottish Festival in Columbus, IN will be September 7 and 8. When we get more information, Jack will let us know.

The Central KY Highland Games in Eminence, KY will be September 21 and 22. Jack will let everyone know when he gets more information.

## February Membership Minutes, cont.

Membership Director- John Dickson. John reported that we have 119 members and that annual dues need to be paid by April 1. Members can choose to pay annually or pay a "Lifetime" amount. Contact John for the Lifetime amount. John reported that of the 119 members, there is a 70/30 split between annual and lifetime member dues. Payment can be made through PayPal, or a check. John reported that new-member packets will not be mailed out, but given out at membership meetings, due to the postal costs.

John gave a description of job responsibilities as he's not going to run for election: next person to be elected needs to know how to use a computer, and have knowledge of the process of data entry of membership contact information.

Member Kimora Wilhite spoke about her work as a Membership Director for another group.

Member-At-Large Director- Pat Schweitzer. Pat reported that we could have a social event/party on Tartan Day, Saturday, April 6th, at the Raven Restaurant, at 6:00pm. More to come.

Electronics Director-Damien Burns. Damien reported on general IT information.

Hospitality Director-Anne Lewis. She was thanked for the Cottage Pie.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:15pm. Members stayed until 9:00pm to socialize.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Judy Stubbs-Secretary

### *Biography for Mindy McIntosh-Shetter and March Presentation*

Our March presenter is SSL member Mindy McIntosh-Shetter, an agricultural blogger, video blogger (vlog), speaker, and an international author of three historically-based (ethnobotany) gardening books. Her vast knowledge is an accumulation of life experiences and a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture Education, with a minor in biology from Purdue University, along with a Masters of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies from the University of Louisville. While at the University of Louisville she completed independent research on the acquisition of gardening knowledge, which has been used to aid in the success of community gardens.

She is also the author of three gardening books based on the Outlander series. This includes *The Unofficial Outlander Book of Herbs*, *The Unofficial Outlander Book of Herbs II*, and *The Unofficial Guide to Outlandishly Outlander Landscape Design*. Presently, she is working on her next herbal book inspired by the *Outlander* books and STARZ show.

When not writing or teaching, you can find her giving talks on herbs.

Her program will cover information about the Scottish Games at Grandfather Mountain.

## ***2024 SSL Programs***

Mar 26 Elections, and Mindy McIntosh presents on tips about Grandfather

Mountain's Highland Games

Apr 23 Install Officers, and Jill Baker presents on Horses in Scotland

May 28 Steve Shetter presents on Weapons

June 25 **OPEN**

July 23 Cheri Daniels presents on a Tea Presentation

Aug 27 Allan Wallace presents on The History of Connections Between

American Samuel Seabury and Scotland.

Sept 24 Megan Burnett presents on Female Poets

Oct 22 Lorna Bolton presents on Halloween

Nov 26 Dinner/Auction, this date is in question

Dec 24 No General Meeting



## ***Sweet Remembrances***

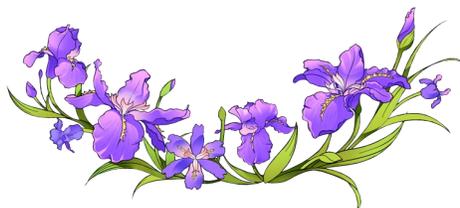
**Ted Nelson McGill**, 77, of Louisville, died on Friday, December 17, 2021.

He was a native of Bellevue in Campbell County and a descendant of several pioneer families. Beginning in 1979 he taught Theology at Bishop David High School, which merged and became a part of Holy Cross High School in 1984.

In 2006 he retired from teaching at Our Lady of Providence High School, Clarksville, Indiana. After teaching, Ted continued to work at Providence for six years as a cashier in the cafeteria.

Ted was an Oblate of St. Benedict of St. Meinrad Archabbey. He was a Scottish Armiger, a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries (Scotland), a Kentucky Colonel, and the published author of two books. For many years he enjoyed trips to the Isle of Iona, and working on his genealogy, especially family tree DNA.

There are no immediate survivors.



## *Sweet Remembrances, cont.*

**Katherine Claire (Adams, Rose) Corson**, 75, died on January 13, 2024 at Traditions at Hunter Station from complications of dementia. Shortly after her birth in Flint, Michigan on September 27, 1948 Edward and Florence Adams adopted her and named her Katherine Claire. She grew up in Lockport, NY where she graduated from Lockport High School in 1966. Life eventually took her to Louisville, KY where she married her second husband, Alex Rose, with whom she had Charles Alexander Rose and Sara Katherine Rose.

Katherine worked for 20 years at Second Presbyterian Weekday School, splitting her time between teacher's assistant in classes of 2 year olds and in the office. Once her children were in college, she attended Spalding University where she received a Bachelor of Arts degree, just one tenth of a grade point short of Cum Laude status.

Katherine's identity was as a dancer. She taught Tap Dance in several venues over the years. She was a dancer and an officer in the early days of the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society - Central Kentucky Branch, danced with the Angleterre Morris Side, the Louisville Scottish Country Dance Society, Louisville English Country Dancers, and the Sinclair's Thursday night International dance club. She was also a member of the Scottish Society of Louisville.

At an age when most people start downsizing their living quarters, Kathy and Don bought a large pre-1900 house near Mansion Row in New Albany, Indiana where she lived until dementia required that she move to a memory care unit.

Mourning her loss are husband Donald Corson, her son C. Alex Rose (Molly) of Prospect, KY, her daughter Sara Main of New Albany, and four wonderful grandchildren, Maxwell Main, Ava Main, Ian Rose, and Leo Rose and her best friend, Annie-the-Pug.

(Both obituaries from Legacy.com)





## CAULIFLOWER CHEESE

Recipe from The Scottish Kitchen: More than 100 Timeless Traditional & Contemporary Recipes from Scotland. Cookbook by Gary Maclean, National Chef of Scotland; © 2022, publisher: Appetite by Random House. [www.penguinrandomhouse.ca](http://www.penguinrandomhouse.ca)

From the author: "If you love it or hate it, cauliflower cheese is a staple not only in homes all across Scotland but also across the pond in North America. Cooked properly, this dish is a must, as is giving it a good blast under a very hot broiler, so that you get the cheese nice and golden."

Serves 4

Ingredients:

1 small onion

2 cloves

1 bay leaf

2 cups whole milk

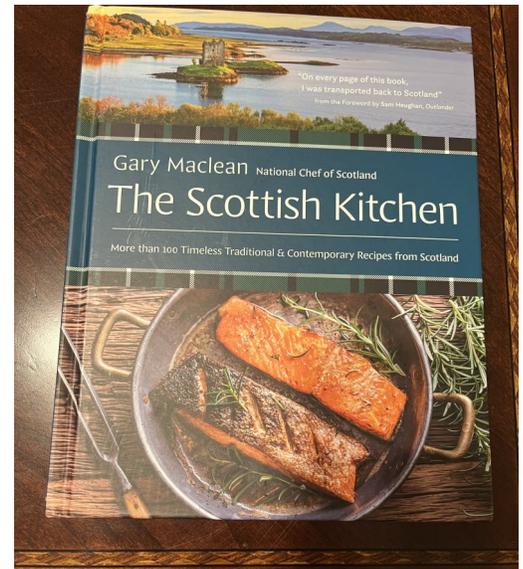
Scant ¼ cup of butter

1/3 cup of all-purpose flour

3 ½ oz. Cheddar cheese, grated

1 head of cauliflower, broken into florets

salt and pepper.



Make the white sauce. Peel your onion, then, using the cloves, pierce the bay leaf onto the onion.

Place into a small pot and cover with milk.

Slowly bring the milk up to a simmer, then turn off the heat and allow the studded onion to flavor the milk.

Melt the butter in another small pan, then add the flour and mix to form a roux.

Cook for 3 to 4 minutes, then slowly start to add the warm flavored milk. Stir continuously while the milk is added until you achieve a smooth sauce with the consistency of thick whipping cream. If you add the milk a little at a time, you will avoid making a lumpy sauce.

Cook this for 10 minutes over a very low heat to avoid burning the sauce, stirring every minute or so.

Add half of the grated cheese, and double-check the seasoning.

Remove from the heat and cover with plastic wrap or parchment paper to avoid it forming a skin.

Meanwhile, cook your cauliflower in salted boiling water until tender.

Once cooked, refresh and cool in cold water, then drain as much of the water out as possible.

Preheat your oven to 400° F.

Arrange the cauliflower into an ovenproof dish, top with the sauce and sprinkle on the remaining cheese. Pop into the oven until it's golden brown.

# *TARTAN DAY*

TARTAN DAY IN NORTH AMERICA IS CELEBRATED ON THE 6<sup>TH</sup> OF APRIL  
THIS IS THE DATE THE DECLARATION OF ARBROATH WAS SIGNED IN 1320

CELEBRATE TARTAN DAY WITH YOUR FRIENDS IN

[THE SCOTTISH SOCIETY OF LOUISVILLE](#)



AT THE RAVEN RESTAURANT

3900 SHELBYVILLE RD.

SATURDAY APRIL 6th

FOOD, MUSIC, BEVERAGES

CELTICA FAE

WILL BE PLAYING

7:00pm TILL 10:00pm

WEAR YOUR TARTAN CLOTHING AND SUPPORT

ONE OF OUR AUCTION DONORS!

# March 2024



**Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat**

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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 SSL Board Meeting 	13	14	15	16
17 SSL Kirking 	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26 SSL Member Meeting 	27	28	29	30
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March Birthdays: John Stuart 3rd, John Scott 5th, Erica Burns 15th, Janice Beatty 18th, Rose Schacklett 19th, & Anne Lewis 21st





# April 2024

**Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat**

March 31 Easter Sunday 	1	2	3	4	5	6 Tartan Day @ The Raven
7	8	9 SSL Board Meeting	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 SSL Member Meeting	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

April Birthdays: Christopher Rivers 3rd, Janice Sidebottom 4th,, Robert Glass 13th, Dorothy "Dot" Scott 19th, Archie Cunningham 21st, Scott Blome 24th, Damien Burns 25th, Patty Smith 25th, Kathleen Anderson 26th, Mark Johnson 27th, Marye Dillon Mathews 27th, & Janie Blome 28th

