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Edinburgh Scotland View from Edinburgh Castle



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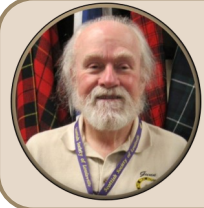
We Are The Scottish Society of Louisville...

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 affiliation.





**FROM THE PRESIDENT
Bruce Wilson**

Thanks to those who tuned in to this month's virtual membership meeting. I wish there could have been more of you. Special thanks to Damien Burns for setting it all up and keeping the meeting running more or less smoothly. If you didn't get involved in the meeting, you are really missing out! Our presenter, Mark Johnson, did a wonderful author's presentation for us, and we cannot thank him, and his wife and cameraperson Amy, enough .

We will probably have to do this again in July because the church is still not having any in-person activities. We will keep you posted.

As far as we know, very few events are taking place. The Society isn't going to several events because of the health dangers associated with COVID-19. We will try to keep up with events in the newsletter.

Please stay safe and we will, too. Take care, fellow inmates! I hope to see you at the next meeting on July 28th , 2020 at 7:00 PM

President Bruce Wilson



**RECORDING SECRETARY
Linda Wilson**

**VIRTUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 23, 2020**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM. Mr. Wilson introduced our presenter, Mark Johnson, author of "Sherlock Holmes and the Case of the

Undead Client". Mark writes under the nom de plume of M.J. Downing. His newest book, which will be released in November, is "Sherlock Holmes and the Werewolves of Edinburgh".

Mark told us that ... the Undead Client has been nominated for an award, the Killer Nashville Silver Falchion Award, which will be awarded in late August. His third book in this Sherlock Holmes trilogy has tentatively titled The Ghost of Savannah. His book deal was to write the books including supernatural characters, hence the zombies, werewolves, and ghosts.

Mark told us that he is often asked why he made John Watson the main character of these books, and why he put Watson into the kinds of situations he did. He told us that Watson has always been one of his favorite literary characters, and he wanted to do something different with him. He did not feel that he could make changes to Sherlock Holmes' character, as he needed to stay the quintessential Holmes in all the stories about him.

But Watson was another matter, and he wanted to treat this character so that he could change and grow. Mark changed his story arc to make these changes to Watson's character. The situations he encountered forced Watson to make difficult decisions that served to change him as a person and allow him to show more of his abilities as a doctor and soldier, and an intelligent man. For those who have not read the book, he declined to be specific about the particular situations and how Watson handled them. (Note from the Secretary: I recommend this book; it was a good read, and I enjoyed watching Watson's character development throughout. I can't wait for the next book to become available!)

Mark talked a little about his second book, explaining that he had chosen Edinburgh for the setting because there is a statue of Sherlock Holmes in Edinburgh that has paw prints all over the base. He felt that this led naturally to the werewolves in this book.

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Mark went on to tell of future changes for Watson; he will become an agent for a secret organization called the Logres Society and will work in Dept. Zed with Mycroft Holmes. He hopes to continue to develop this story arc, and write more books about Watson so that his character can change and mature over time.

There was a question and answer session, and Robbin Goodin and John Moffett both asked Mark for a picture of him with his first book. He also gave us contact information; he can be reached at mjdowningplace.com and [mjdowning on Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/mjdowning). There is also a website for his short stories under Burns and Lee Media. He told us he sometimes smokes a pipe to get in the mood, but mostly he just puts in the work, every day, writing and thinking.

Mr. Wilson started the business meeting and thanked Mark for his presentation, which we enjoyed. He also thanked all the members who attended our membership meeting. He thanked our former board members, Jane Seelig, Melissa Ingram, and Annie Rivers for all their hard work, and welcomed our incoming board members, Pat Schweitzer, Anne Lewis, and Marla Jo Cameron.

Mr. Wilson called for a motion to approve the February minutes; this was our last membership meeting before lockdown. Carol Moffett made the motion to approve the February minutes, and Damien Burns seconded. The minutes were approved by the members present.

Mr. Wilson introduced Gary Schweitzer and asked him to share the information he gathered at the walk-through they both attended on the site of the Shepherdsville Celtic Games. Gary said the place was very rough last year when he saw it, and he wanted to see how the site had improved since then. Mr. Wilson stated that the Scottish Society would not be attending the event, and Gary stated that neither would Clan McFritz. There had been very little improvement made to the site; the grass

was waist-high, although there had been some gravel laid down on the roads. The lack of improvements and danger from the Coronavirus convinced the Board to vote against our attendance as a group. Mr. Wilson said that the Board voted against attending the Games in Eminence, KY for the same reason. Any members who wish to attend may do so, of course, and we hope they use proper measures to stay safe if they do. Robbin Goodin said she had received an email from Sanford Berenberg, and he understands our reasoning, though he is disappointed that we will not be attending the Active Heroes event this year, which has not been canceled.

Vice-President Jim Hughes gave a Heritage Committee update. He was informed that an application was made for funds by Phyllis Mills, but the committee did not receive her letter. She may apply again. The next deadline is September 30th. A total sum of \$500 was given to three applicants for piping lessons from Caroline Cook. Alicia Doligale declined the \$500 we offered her, as she did not wish to take virtual lessons. She will apply again when in-person lessons become available.

Treasurer Cheri Eskridge came in late, unfortunately missing the presentation. Hopefully, she will be able to see it at a later time, as Damien is planning on making these available on our website. No report was available for this meeting.

Secretary Linda Wilson and Robbin Goodin kept track of members in attendance, and are happy to say that we had 27 members participating in our virtual meeting.

Linda has attempted to reach Dianne Holland several times, as she has not been attending our virtual meetings, and we were concerned about her. Jim Hughes said he would try reaching her, too. I am glad to say that Jim was able to do so, and she says she is all right and will try to make the next virtual Board meeting.

If you know someone who cannot get out because

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of the Coronavirus, please call and see how they are doing. Many of us are bored and lonely and could stand a little communication from our friends.

Mr. Wilson read off June Birthdays; Barbara Spaulding 9th, David Rummler 9th, Carson Smith 12th, Barbara Ford 15th, June Wallace 21st, Roger Bain 21st, Cathy Gray-Connor 24th, and Janet Abell 28th. If your birthday was not included, please contact Marla Jo Cameron at 502-468-9390 or her email, scottiegirl74@yahoo.com.

Anne Lewis is our new Hospitality Commissioner. We look forward to in-person meetings in the future when she will be able to perform her duties.

Marla Jo Cameron is our new Membership Commissioner. There have been no new members and due to communication problems we cannot provide accurate membership numbers..

Damien Burns gave the Electronic Commissioner's report. He says we need to update the membership spreadsheet, as he has found that many of the emails are incorrect, which he found out when he tried to inform the members of this meeting. We also need a better system for emails.

He feels that Webex is working pretty well for the virtual meetings we have had so far; the Board meetings have all been virtual since March, and this membership meeting seems to have gone quite well. He has had no time to work on the website, very understandably, since he has been setting up and running our virtual meetings for us.

Robbin Goodin gave the Program and Education Report. Our July program will be a presentation on Clan Baird's history, by Cheri Eskridge. The presentations that we missed this year will be rolled over to the same months next year.

There is no Regional Celtic Commissioner at this time, but Robbin talked about the awards that we give at Celtic games, such as the Piper of the Day

Award in Eminence. We give awards for drumming and dancing, and she suggested we think of other awards we might give to increase interest in the games. She pointed out that we need to give an award at the Active Heroes games, hopefully, next year.

When we can attend Celtic games and festivals again, we will need a Regional Celtic Commissioner. Please consider how you may help the Scottish Society; Robbin has stated many times that she will help whoever takes this responsibility on, but that she does not have the time or energy to continue both positions as she has done in the past. If you are interested, please contact Robbin at 502-894-8863 for more information or Mr. Wilson at 812-948-9324.

John Moffett reminded us that he needs more memories for the newsletter. He puts them in when he gets them, and the pictures and articles have been well received. He thanked Robbin for this idea, which generates more interest and member participation in the newsletter.

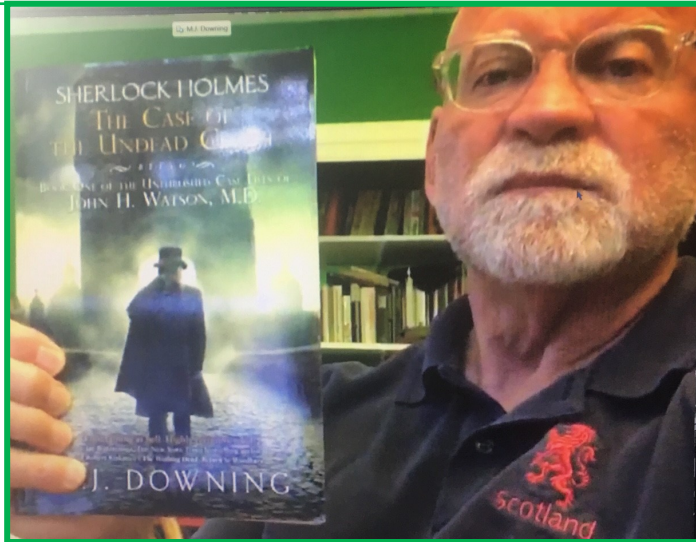
Pat Schweitzer spoke for Clan McFritz. She said nothing is going on. However, the German-American Club has established a drive-through, at which they sell bratwurst, pretzels, and beer growlers. You can bring your growler, or get one from them. She said they sold out of beer the last two weekends, so it seems to be very popular.

Pat is also our new At Large Member, along with Dianne Holland. She had no report for this meeting.

Mr. Wilson called for the meeting to be adjourned at 8:43 PM.

*Respectfully submitted by
Secretary, Linda Wilson*





Snap Shot

M. J. Downing aka Mark Johnson

By John Moffett

—June 23, 2020: The SSL Meeting featured Mark Johnson who provided insight and the understanding behind the development of the characters and novels. The different conflicts the main character (Dr. Watson) faces challenges to his original character sheds light on a new one. Dr. Watson will evolve. Mark indicates that there was a character arc for Dr. Watson of the Holmes series over three novels. In his first book, Mark introduces many problems for the character (Dr. Watson) to grow and manage. The book is titled, “Sherlock Holmes and the Case of the Undead Client: Being Book One of the Unpublished Case Files of John H. Watson, MD. and is a thrilling start for the series. The author facilitates changes over the next two books. So, Dr. Watson will be developed in the next two books, differently as he is faced with new challenges and responds. You could call it evolutionary as Watson character changes and meets new challenges and develops into a remarkable novel series.

Best wishes Mark, we enjoyed your presentation and can’t wait for the next book to be published!

Website: [M. J. Downing Place](http://M.J.DowningPlace)



Programs and Education Commissioner

....Reminder....

Our Next Meeting will be July 28, 2020 and will be an online Webex video conference and starts at 7:00 PM. Cheri Eskridge will share the history and stories of the Clan Baird. Here is just a wee taste.

There is an ancient prophesy of Thomas (Erceldoune) the Rhymer (1220?-1298?): “There shall be an eagle in the craig while there is a Baird in Auchmedden”. His prophesy has held true, according to local legend. There were “a pair of eagles that had regularly nested on the crags near Auchmedden that left the area when the estates of Auchmedden passed into the hands of the Earls of Aberdeen.” When the younger daughter of William Baird of Newbyth married Lord Haddow, eldest son of the Earl of Aberdeen and Bairds returned to the land, so did the eagles.

See you on the 28th!

**Peace,
Robbin Goodin**



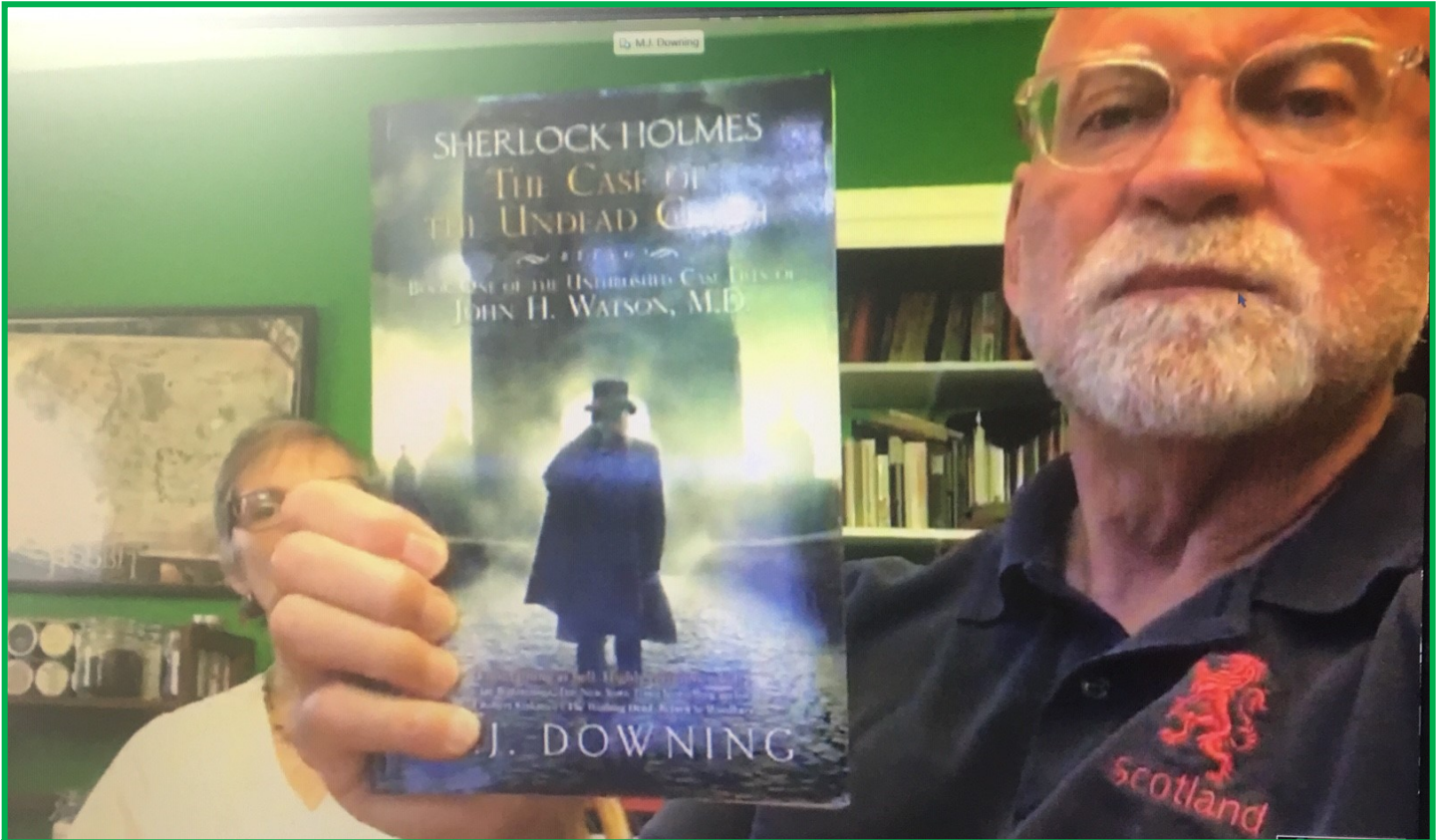
Scottish Words

Wabbit—run down, lacking in energy.
I think I need to have a rest; I’m feeling really wabbit.

Slàinte Mhath (SLANjevah)—a Gaelic toast used mostly when drinking whisky; often shortened to slàinte!



SSL ONLINE VIDEO CONFERENCE

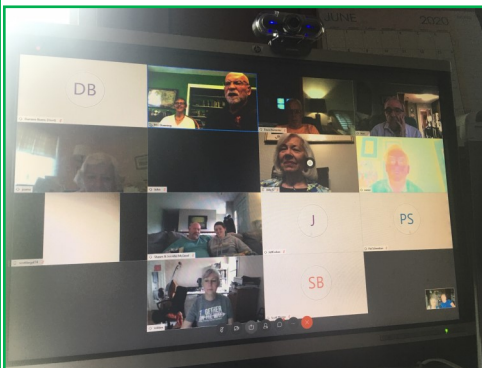


Mark Johnson, (aka) *M. J. Downing* showing his book during his presentation at the June 23rd SSL Video Conference Meeting

By John Moffett

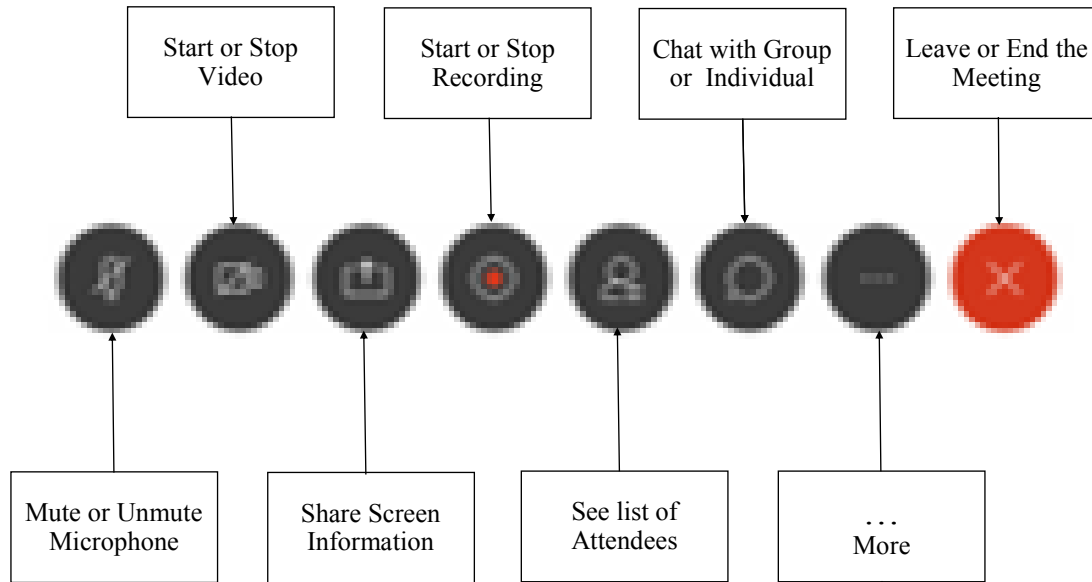
The first Online Video Conference using Webex to get the Scottish Society of Louisville together despite the Pandemic lockdown took place on June 23, 2020. Damien Burns, the Electronic Services Commissioner, hosted the first-ever online conference for our organization. A total of 27 members attended the virtual debut. We were able to get together without having to drive while being safe at home to instantly see faces and hear voices we have not heard in months was amazing. We didn't have to dress up either and you can have a wee dram without worry.

Our next Webex video conference is set for July 28th from 7-9 pm, when Cheri Eskridge will present on Clan Baird. Those on the SSL emailing list should receive an invitation email within the next week with details. If you do not receive our monthly email, please email our webmaster@scotsoflou.com to ensure we have accurate contact information. No registration is required for this monthly meeting so mark your calendars and plan to attend and join in the fun. The order of the meeting is a little different. We start with the pre-senter speaking on the topic. During this time, all other video is disabled, and audio is muted by the host and the entire screen is available for the presenter. Following the presentation, all microphones are unmuted for members to ask questions. The last part is our business meeting the video is enabled. Come and enjoy each other and take part in the conversation.



Using Webex Meeting Control Bar

Webex Meeting Control Bar



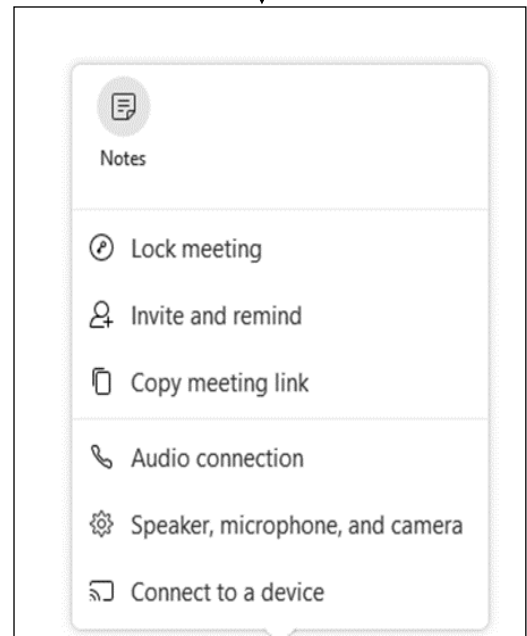
See Video Below on How to Join a meeting

Click this link to play a short video from Webex that will walk you through joining a Webex meeting. It's very easy and you shouldn't have any trouble. [2:35]



Or type

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ru85544RveA>



The meeting control bar (8 circle buttons at the bottom of the screen) automatically hides if they are not being used. To bring them back just hover the cursor over the bottom of the screen and they will reappear.

Sage Advice



By Jim Hughes

Knowledge is knowing that a tomato is a fruit; wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.



RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Until the health crisis is over, we should not meet in person. The church has closed for the foreseeable future, and we can't gather together except through email or video conferencing. The Board continues to meet monthly through online video conference. We just had our first general meeting using video conferencing.

Be smart! Be safe!

**Bruce Wilson
President
The Scottish Society of Louisville**



Membership Update

SSL DUES RENEWAL

Dues renewal notices have already gone out VIA EMAIL. People can print off the form, fill them out & send the payment to

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

**INDIVIDUAL - \$24, FAMILY - \$36
LIFE - INDIVIDUAL - \$240, FAMILY - \$360**

Or you can renew your membership and pay your dues Online by clicking on Pay Dues Online below.

[PAY DUES ONLINE](#)

For those who joined in January and February –your membership renewal is due April 1, 2021.

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

You are welcome to download the membership brochure which has the information to join.

[CLICK HERE FOR THE BROCHURE](#)

48	Family Memberships
22	Individual Memberships
31	Lifetime Memberships
101	Members Paid





Directions

In a 9X13 pan, melt the stick of butter

In a mixing bowl combine all ingredients except fruit filling.

Mix until incorporated

*Pour fruit filling into pan with butter
 Pour batter over the top of the fruit.*

Bake in a 350° degree oven until golden brown.

Ingredients

1 Stick of unsalted butter

1 Cup All Purpose Flour

1 Cup Milk

1 Cup Granulated Sugar

1 tsp Baking Powder

1 Cup Fruit filling



Celtic Connections



2019 Eminence Scottish Festival

Dear friends,
 The position of Regional Celtic Commissioner is currently VACANT and needs to be filled. Please know that Robbin Goodin is available to help ease you into the position. It is a fun one.

Hopefully you will enjoy the pictures of events past. We all look forward to an in person get together as soon as it is safe.



2018 Glasgow, Will Oakes Wins William Wallace Drummer of the Day Award

SSL Memories of the Past



2016 Joyce Deddens Dancer Award to Adeline Byrnes (Center) Presentation by Robbin Goodin (L) and Jim Hughes (R).



Will Oakes and Jeff Forbes, SSL President

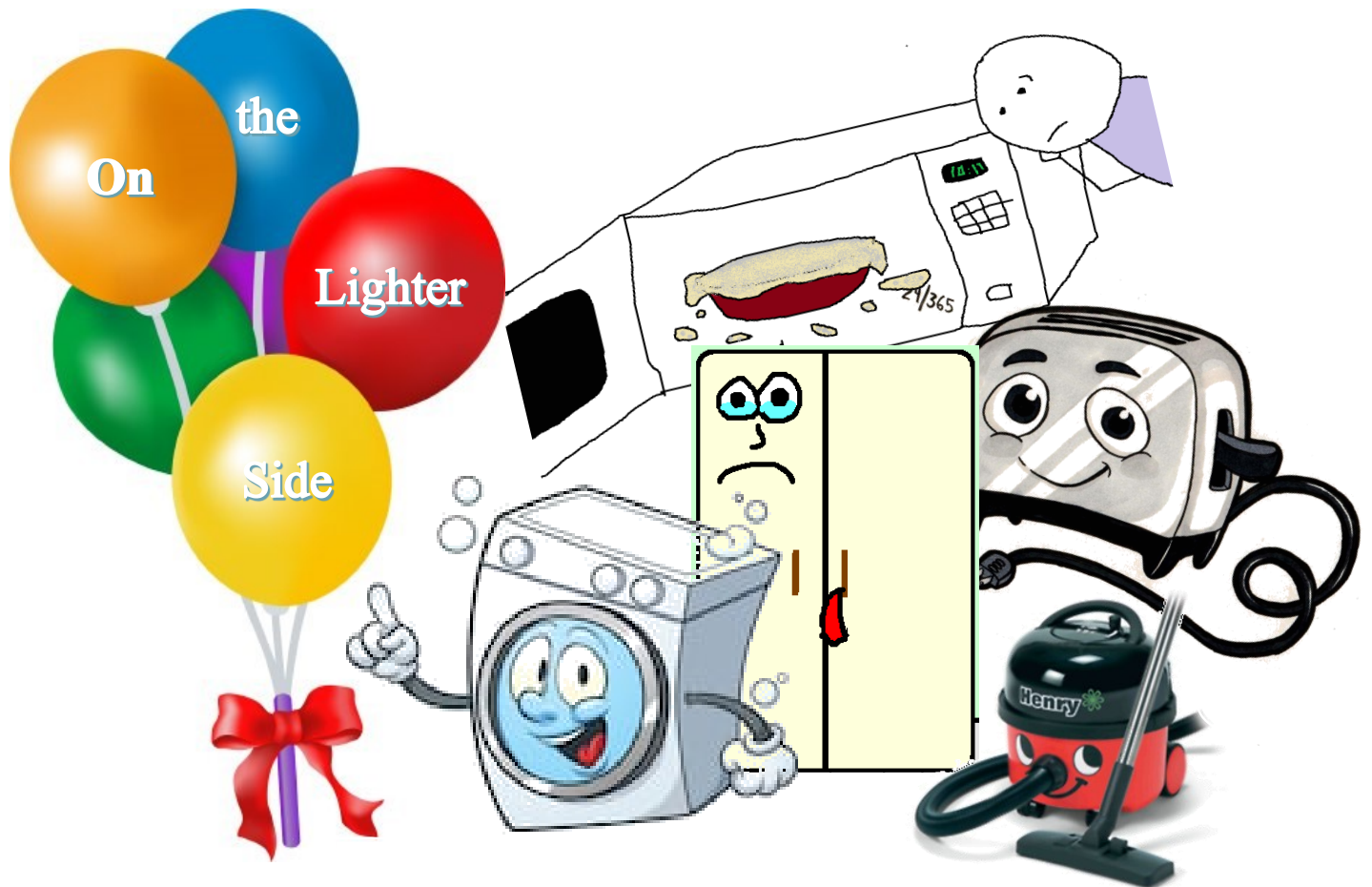


Louisville Pipe Band Performing at the 2019 Eminence Scottish Festival



World Fest 2017





Submitted By Jim Hughes

Just be careful during this lockdown as people are going crazy from being isolated. I've actually been talking about this with the microwave and toaster who were having a heated discussion with the oven and all of us agreed that things are getting bad. I didn't mention

it to the washing machine as it puts a different spin on everything and certainly not to the fridge as it acts cold and distant. The vacuum just believes that we all need to suck it up but the lamp throws a different light on things. In the end the iron straight-

ened me out and said that everything will be fine as no situation is too pressing! It's just as well that the car is in the garage or it would have driven us all round the bend.



Lockdown doesn't mean we can't still enjoy life and discover new things

Edinburgh

Take a tour of Edinburgh, Scotland without leaving your home with the Rick Steve's Europe Series [25:05].



<https://www.ricksteves.com/watch-read-listen/video/tv-show/edinburgh>

In this program we explore the cultural heart of Scotland. After rambling through Edinburgh Castle, we experience Scottish literature and Scotch whisky, savor the new Scottish cuisine with a local friend, stow away on Her Majesty's yacht, Britannia, and check out the groundbreaking Scottish Parliament.

Glasgow

Take a tour of Glasgow, Scotland without leaving your home with the Rick Steve's Europe Series [25:01].



<https://www.ricksteves.com/watch-read-listen/video/tv-show/glasgow>

Glasgow, once an industrial powerhouse, offers a fun look at Scotland's vibrantly gritty urban side — full of edgy street art, trendy dining, and the striking architecture of Charles Rennie Mackintosh. Leaving town, we'll tap into Scottish passions as we tour historic Stirling Castle and nearby battlefields, sample a dram at the land's most beloved distilleries on the Speyside Whisky Trail, watch a sheepdog demonstration, and struggle to lift the Manhood Stone at a Highland Games.

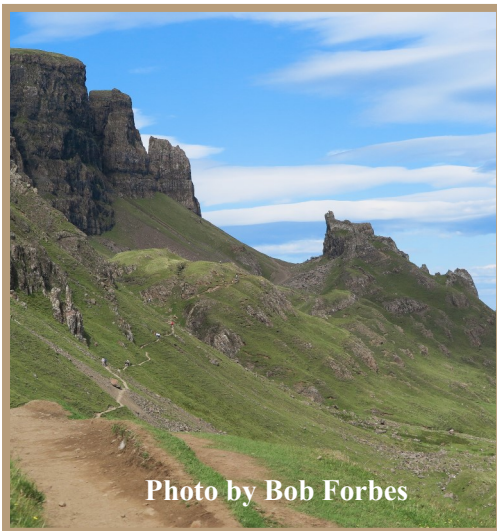


Photo by Bob Forbes

The Isle of Skye

Take a short tour of Skye [1:58].



<https://www.scottishtours.co.uk/scotland/isle-of-skye/>

2020 SSL Events Schedule					
Date	Time	Day of Week	Event	Venue	Address
June 30, 2020	?????	Tuesday	SSL FUNraiser	Canceled	TBA
July 21,2020	7:0 PM	Tuesday	Ladies Night Out	VIA ZOOM	
August 18, 2020	7:00 PM	Tuesday	Ladies Night Out	VIA ZOOM	
September 5, 2020	????	Saturday	WorldFest	Canceled	
September 19, 2020	9:00-6:00	Saturday	Central Kentucky Highland Games	SSL is NOT Participating	
October 3, 2020		Saturday	Celtic Weekend at Active Hero's	SSL is NOT PARTICIPATING	
Jan. 30, 2021	6:00 PM	Saturday	SSL Burn's Night Gala	Woodhaven Country Club	Louisville, KY
Feb. 6, 2021	6:00 PM	Saturday	Bloomington Burn's Supper	Bloomington Free Methodist Church	Bloomington, IN

2020 SSL Meeting Schedule	
7/28/2020	7:00 PM SSL General Meeting Webex Video Conference , "CLAN BAIRD HISTORY", Cheri Eskridge
8/25/2020	7:00 PM SSL General Meeting Webex Video Conference , "CELTIC MUSIC", Tom Cunningham and Kate Sanders
9/27/2020	7:00 PM SSL General Meeting, TBA (Pat Schweitzer on KY Tartan rolling to next year)
10/27/2020	7:00 PM SSL General Meeting, "HALLOWEEN STORIES", Mandy Dick
11/24/2020	7:00 PM SSL General Meeting, "DINNER AND AUCTIONS"
- - - - -	No Meetings in December
1/26/2021	7:00 PM SSL General Meeting, TBA
<p>Regular Board Meetings on the 2nd Tuesday every Month at 7:00 PM. Regular Membership Meetings the 4th Tuesday every month at 7:00 PM. Until further notice the Meetings are via Webex Video Conferences.</p>	

July 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5 <i>Full Moon</i>  Lunar Eclipse	6	7 Jenny Dickson	8 Melissa Ingram	9	10	11 Robbin Goodin
12	13	14 Steve Goodin 7:00 PM SSL Video Conference Board Mtg.	15 Clay Ackiss	16	17 John Dickson	18 Joan Hale
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 7:00 PM SSL Video Conference Meeting "CLAN BAIRD" Cheri Eskridge	29	30 Timmy Sorrow	31 Linda Forbes	

JULY BIRTHDAYS

7-Jenny Dickson	14-Steve Goodin	30-Timmy Sorrow
8-Melissa Ingram	15- Clay Ackiss	31-Linda Forbes
8-David Rankin	17-John Dickson	
11-Robbin Goodin	24-Joan Hale	

Is your name missing from our birthday list? Contact Anne Rivers at membership@scotsoflou.com to have your date and name added.

August 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<i>1</i> <i>Robert Harrison</i>
<i>2</i> <i>Victoria Snelling</i>	<i>3</i> <i>Full Moon</i> 	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>9</i>	<i>10</i> <i>Pat Schweitzer</i>	<i>11</i> <i>Jane Brown Seelig</i> <i>7:00 PM</i> <i>SSL Board Mtg</i> <i>Video Conference</i>	<i>12</i> <i>Sarah Colglazier</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i> <i>Jerry Colvin</i>
<i>16</i> <i>Amy Johnson</i>	<i>17</i> <i>Laura Doll</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>21</i> <i>Jeff Forbes</i> <i>Holley Holland</i>	<i>22</i>
<i>23</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i> <i>7:00 PM SSL Video</i> <i>Conference Meeting</i> <i>"CELTIC MUSIC"</i> <i>Tom Cunningham &</i> <i>Kate Sanders</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>28</i> <i>Anne Moore</i> <i>Moncie Rose</i> <i>Dan Bailie</i>	<i>29</i>
<i>30</i> <i>Margaret McRae</i>	<i>31</i>					

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

<i>1-Robert Harrison</i>	<i>12-Sarah Colglazier</i>	<i>21-Jeff Forbes</i>	<i>28-Dan Bailie</i>
<i>2-Victoria Snelling</i>	<i>15-Jerry Colvin</i>	<i>21-Holley Holland</i>	<i>30-Margaret McRae</i>
<i>10-Pat Schweitzer</i>	<i>16-Amy Johnson</i>	<i>28-Anne Stokes Moore</i>	
<i>11-Jane Brown Seelig</i>	<i>17-Laura Doll</i>	<i>28-Moncie Rose</i>	

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Carol French Casper
June 19, 2020, Age 83



Carol French Casper, 83 of Louisville, passed away peacefully on June 19, 2020 in Louisville, KY. She was a retired JCPS school bus driver.

She is preceded in death by granddaughter Sara Casper; Parents Francis French and Elsa Trauth; Sisters, Eleanor Elder, Annette O'Connell, and Sue Gilkey.

Carol is survived by her loving husband of 67 years, Thomas E. Casper; her children Richard "Dickie" Casper (Margaret), Samuel Casper (Belinda), Beth Casper (Kristen), Ruth Ray (Greg). Five grandchildren Jill Outland (Jay), Brittany Wooley (Matt), Oliver Ray (Julia), Christopher Casper (Crystal), Andrew Ray (Cora). Two great grandchildren Bradley Outland and Katie Outland. Brother F. Leonard French, and sisters Rev. Peggy French, Donna Alcorn, and Linda Raymer.

Owen Funeral Home, 5317 Dixie Highway, Louisville, KY 40216 entrusted in her arrangements.

Expressions of sympathy may be made in the form of donations to Special Olympics and Hosparus of Louisville.



Rev. Peggy French (Sister to Carol), please accept our sincere condolences from the Scottish Society of Louisville.



THANK YOU



This thank you note was sent by Alicia Doligale who was awarded a scholarship through the Heritage Fund to OSAS but didn't go because it was offered only online. If you wish to read the hand written note I suggest zooming in on it.



SAVE THE DATE

The Scottish Society of Louisville
 Invites You To Attend
Burns Gala



Saturday
January 30, 2021
6:00 PM

Woodhaven Country Club
 7200 Woodhaven Road
 Louisville, KY 40291





Bryan Mulcahy, M.L.S.
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BEGINNER LEVEL

The Most Important and Useful Genealogical Charts and Forms

Family history forms help to organize family history work, reducing duplication of effort and making research quicker and more useful. There is a variety of free family history forms available to download via many genealogical websites such as Ancestry, Cyndi's List, Family Search, Find My Past, Heritage Quest, and My Heritage. The most common and popular forms are listed below:

***Ancestor/Pedigree Chart:** Known by both names, this chart is used to record the ancestors from whom you directly descend--those for whom you intend to compile a complete and correct family unit. It shows at a glance the progress you have made toward this goal and what remains to be done. Most patrons begin the research process by filling out this chart as completely as possible. The chart begins with you and branches back in time, displaying the line of your direct ancestors. Most charts cover four generations, including space for names plus dates and places of birth, marriage, and death for each individual.*

***Correspondence Log:** This includes the name and address of the person you have written to, what you requested, the date the request was sent and the outcome. Remembering every letter written is impossible. Follow up if you don't get an answer within a month.*

***Family Group Sheet:** Identifies a couple and their*

children. Each piece of information concerning a direct ancestor and his/her family is placed on a worksheet. Since the end result of your research efforts will be to compile complete, connected families, the use of family group sheets from the beginning will make the compilation much easier.

***Research Calendar/Log:** Known by both names, this form gives an account of every record source you have searched and serves as a reminder of where you have found pertinent information. Be VERY specific with your information quoting authors, titles, pages, publishers, etc.*

***Research Extract:** Use the research extract sheets to summarize information which cannot be photocopied, for which there is no document in your possession, or for records such as deeds, which may be time-consuming or difficult to reread quickly when you need information from the copy you have.*

***Source Summary:** It is helpful to be able to refer quickly to information you have found for a particular family and the sources of that information. Keep a separate source summary of information found for each family group.*

***Timeline:** Begins with your ancestor's birth and is filled in with various occurrences in his life. Continue to add to this as information becomes available to provide a picture of your ancestor's life.*

***US Census (Blank) Worksheets:** Enable you to read column headings and record information from the US Census. These are particularly useful for the censuses taken prior to 1850. Each census taken from 1790 through 1940 has its own worksheet.*

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Genealogy Links for Forms

Cyndi's List <https://www.cyndislist.com/charts/general/>



INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED LEVEL

Searching for Ancestral Records in Cities, Towns, and Rural Areas

Locating ancestors' places of residence can be both exciting and challenging for genealogists. Being able to locate and visit the areas often provides a closer connection to your ancestors and a deeper understanding of what their lives were like. The following record types and the information listed in each will enhance your ability to identify places of residence in a more efficient manner.

Cemetery records and tombstone inscriptions can be excellent sources of information for genealogical research. Many older tombstones often contain mini-biographies of the deceased. Cemetery records may contain significant tidbits of information that may or may not appear in the more common record types. Cemeteries fall into a number of categories:

- 1. **City and County:** Some of these began about 1850, but most of them around 1900, or at the time of state registration.*
- 2. **Federal:** Usually associated with war veterans. You will have to depend upon the sexton's records to find the plots here, because many cemeteries are too large to attempt searching without help.*
- 3. **Private:** These usually begin in the 1900s. You must obtain permission from the landowner to gain access.*
- 4. **Church:** These are the most common, both in America and in European countries. The records that are classified as Sexton's records are the burial registers, which may not have survived. If there is no stone now, there likely is no record.*
- 5. **Family:** These are numerous in the Eastern and Southern states of the U.S. and some of them exist in foreign countries. You must obtain permission from the landowner to gain access. Often the only record, other than the tombstones, may be the record in a family Bible.*
- 6. **Fraternal Organizations:** Organizations in this category usually have their own private cemeteries or a special section within a larger*

cemetery. The burial records may or may not be accessible to the public. In some cases, researchers can obtain a copy of the standard death certificate; an official burial record must be obtained from the organization.

Church records may include births, christenings, marriages, deaths and burials. Check with the church for cemetery records, as well as the sexton and local funeral directors, especially those who have historically handled church burials for that specific church or denomination. Visit the cemetery and take a picture of the tombstone. Check the obituaries in that period. Be sure you have the correct church/religious denomination. If you're not sure, search the churches closest to the ancestor's home first and then broaden your search in ever-widening circles.

City or Rural Directories were published extensively in most cities and towns from the mid-1800s to the early 1900s. The information compiled typically lists adults in a city or town, including the occupation and address. Most of the time, wives were listed along with their husbands, though once in a while you will find an instance when only the husband is listed. Rural directories serve the same purpose for many small town and rural areas. Churches, cemeteries, and major landmarks are often identified on maps that appear in these directories. Some historical directories include brief histories and major industries, thus providing a basic economic profile of the area. Access to city directories is available through local archives, some local public libraries, city halls, and online at databases such as Ancestry, Fold 3, Family Search, Find My Past, Heritage Quest, and My Heritage.

Death Certificates: If the person died at home their address should be listed on the death certificate. If they died elsewhere, but the funeral was held at the home or at a local funeral home, the name and sometimes address may be listed in the obituary. Both records usually name the funeral home that handled final arrangements.

Funeral Home Records: Most funeral homes

maintain files that include family related information not found in most death certificates or obituaries. This file may contain a register of friends and family members who visited the deceased prior to the funeral. Official copies of death certificates from the state are issued to the funeral home for distribution to the family.

Libraries: Local history collections for a given area may include old settler files, vertical files containing historical sketches and newspaper clippings of major events and people in the area, family history files, published county histories, city or rural directories, and historical maps. The library may also have a listing of local researchers who can assist with research.

Maps, Atlases, and Gazetteers may provide useful clues in the search for places of residence. Some examples include political and historical facts, regional ethnic and religious demographics, important local geographical details that influenced

life decisions and migrations, location of bordering towns and rivers, and boundary changes. Be sure the county of residence existed at the time your ancestor resided in the area.

Newspapers: While death notices and obituaries are the primary items of interest to genealogists, there are other types of information that can be useful for research purposes. Some of the most useful items for research include birth announcements, baptisms/christenings, weddings, pre-nuptial events (e.g., engagements, bridal showers, etc.), birthday celebrations, anniversaries, etc. Don't forget ethnic or parish/congregational newspapers or bulletins. When searching newspapers, if you don't find them in the locality where they resided, be sure to check newspapers in nearby communities.

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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. 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.



Jim Hughes
Chairperson

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, James Hughes, or by e-mail at vicepresident@scotsoflou.com, or by using the online form [here](#).

The deadlines for receipt of applications are March 31st and September 30th.

Find us on the Internet

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

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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.

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pthdvg@email.uky.edu

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www.glasgowhighlandgames.com

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www.indyirishfest.com

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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