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**Statue of
Liberty,
New York
Harbor**

Photo taken September 14, 2018
By John W. Moffett

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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*



*RECORDING SECRETARY
Linda Wilson*

Hopefully, this message finds you all in good health. Linda and I are doing pretty well, all considered.

We just came back from Kingfish in Jeffersonville (June 29th), where we dined. We had an agreement with the restaurant that they would give 25% of our Scottish Society members' bills to the SSL at both the Louisville and Jeffersonville locations. Janie Blome set this up for us, and we all had a good time. [See KingFish-Louisville Photos on Page 4.](#)

We also participated in the celebration of the battle of Bannockburn put on by the Louisville Scottish Rite on June 24th. They put on a good dinner for us and their members, and we paraded our tartan flags during the celebration.

Okay, the latest good news! We will be back to in-person meetings starting in AUGUST. We will meet at Christ Church United Methodist, at 7:00 PM, in the same room we used before. I can't wait to see everyone again! If you have not yet been vaccinated, please do so before August. The church requires that everyone who enters the building must be vaccinated.

The July meeting will be virtual at 6:00 PM, July 27th, since our presenter is in Scotland. Hope to see you there.

Until then, have a safe 4th of July Celebration.

President Bruce Wilson

SSL Virtual Membership Meeting Minutes

June 22, 2021

Mr. Wilson swore in Archie Cunningham at 6:10 PM. He introduced our presenters for the night, Archie Cunningham and Jim Hughes on Scottish Trivia. Jim read the questions and gave us the answers and Archie read the rules and keep the scores. As in past Trivia Games, we wrote our answers on a piece of paper. Marla Jo Cameron and John Dickson tied with 50 points, and Jenny Dickson won with 55 points. We all applauded them. [See Scottish Trivia Q&A on Page 5.](#)

Jim reminded us that we will meet in-person in August, September, and October. Plans are not yet finalized for the November dinner and auction. We will meet virtually in July, as our presenter lives in Scotland.

General Meeting

After the Trivia Game was over, Mr. Wilson started the general meeting. There were 21 members present. He asked for a motion to accept the May minutes. Sarah Colglazier made a motion to accept the May membership minutes, and Dianne Holland seconded. The motion was passed by the members present.

Absent & No Reports

Communication Commissioner John Moffett, Treasurer Cheri Eskridge, Hospitality Commissioner Anne Lewis, and Programs and Education Commissioner Robbin Goodin were unable to attend the meeting and had no reports. Damien Burns got the meeting set up, but had to leave early. He had nothing new to report.

Heritage Report

Vice President Dianne Holland had nothing new for the Heritage Committee.

Secretary's Report

- ◆ *Secretary Linda Wilson read the July birthdays- Jenny Dickson 7th, David Rankin 8th, Robbin Goodin*

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11th, Steve Goodin 14th, Clay Ackiss 15th, John Dickson 17th, Joan Hale 24th, Timmy Sorrow 30th, and Linda Forbes 31th.

- ◆ Both President Wilson and Secretary Linda Wilson signed the signature paperwork at PNC Bank. All officers have now signed.

Regional Celtic Commissioner Report

- ◆ Regional Celtic Commissioner Janie Blome reminded us that the Scottish Rite celebration of Bannockburn will be at the Temple on Gray Street in Louisville on June 24th. Sixteen people have signed up for this and Janie will check to see if people can be added to the list. Dinner will be at 6:30 PM, parking will be in the parking garage next to the Temple. Bring your parking ticket with you and the Masons will pay for it. Mr. Wilson will bring flags and stands from storage. If you want to bring your own flag, please feel free to do so.
- ◆ We will have a fundraiser at Kingfish in Jeffersonville, IN, and Louisville, KY on Tuesday, June 29th. Kingfish will give us 25% of the cost of meals for SSL members and friends. You need the flyer that Damien e-mailed to us to get the 25%. No reservations, just check with friends to find out when they want to meet there.
- ◆ The Columbus Highland Games have been canceled, as there was no major sponsor available.
- ◆ The Celtic Weekend will be held in Eminence, KY July 17-18th.

Report of Auction Preparations

Member at Large Pat Schweitzer said the auction could be at Strathmoor in November, but she kept breaking up, and Jenny spoke to her by phone to get the rest of her information. We can use their kitchen and the gym, as we have in the past.

KET Program on Scottish Castles

Jane Seelig said that there is a program on KET on Sunday about Scottish castles.

Membership Report

- ◆ Marla Jo Cameron reported: Individual members-44, Family-78, Life-32, and Honorary-6, giving us a total of 160 members.
- ◆ She is sending out an email this week to remind those who have not renewed. Pat suggested we could also call these members to remind them, and Mr. Wilson asked Marla Jo to send the Board members a list of those who have not renewed. They can each take a few names, and call to find out if they are still interested in membership. [Let Mr. Wilson know which names you want to call so that he can coordinate and there will not be overlapping calls or members left out.]

Mr. Wilson reminded us to dress up for the Bannockburn event; kilts and sashes would be appropriate. Also, the next meeting will be virtual and meet at 6:00 PM. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Linda Wilson Recording Secretary

Some participants at KingFish Fundraiser. Photos by Robbin Goodin.





Scottish Trivia

by James Hughes and Arch Cunningham



1	<p>Q: What color hose do pipe band members wear? A: white</p>
2	<p>Q: Who was the successor to Robert Bruce as King of Scotland? A: His son, David II</p>
3	<p>Q: Spell the dirk a Scotsman wears in his hose? A: skean dhu</p>
4	<p>Q: Which 2 significant buildings are joined by the Royal Mile? A: Edinburgh Castle and Holyrood Palace.</p>
5	<p>Q: Which fish is served in a traditional Scottish fish supper? A: Haddock</p>
6	<p>Q: On which shoulder does a lady wear her sash? (excluding royalty and the wealthy) A: right</p>
7	<p>Q: Which church was important in The DaVinci Code? A: Rosslyn Chapel</p>
8	<p>Q: Glasgow Rangers & Glasgow Celtic are main rivals in soccer. What are their Edinburgh equivalents? A: Hearts & Hibs (Hibernian)</p>
9	<p>Q: What is Prince William's Scottish title? A: Earl of Strathearn</p>
10	<p>Q: Who defeated Bonnie Prince Charlie at Culloden? A: Duke of Cumberland</p>
11	<p>Q: Who or What is the Minch? A: Strait of water separating the Hebrides and the Isle of Lewis & Harris.</p>

All Questions 10 points value except for question 11 which has a variable 25 points chosen by contestant.

Jenny Dickson won with 55 points, Marla Jo Cameron and John Dickson tied with 50 points. Congrats to All!



Regional Celtic Commissioner

Janie Blome

Hello, fellow Scots! It's hard to believe it's July already. Thanks to everyone who came out to Kingfish for our fundraiser ([See Pictures on page 5](#)) and to everyone who participated in the Battle of Bannockburn feast at the Scottish Rite Temple. The Scottish Society of Louisville was well represented at both events.

We received the disappointing news that the Columbus, IN Highland Games scheduled for September has been canceled. The organizers decided to cancel this year to focus their efforts on fundraising and sponsorships for next year and they plan to bring the games back in 2022. Several other summer games have been canceled as well, so let's hope things will be better in the fall.

Don't forget that the [Kentucky Renaissance Fair](#) continues, weekends only, through July 18th in Eminence, KY. Their Celtic weekend happens July 17 – 18. Tickets are available for purchase at their website. The event is located at 955 Elm St (Hwy 22) in Eminence, Kentucky.

The Berea Celtic Festival is being held from August 20 – 22. The best source of information I've found is on their [Facebook page](#). Hotels in the area are selling out quickly, so check their [Facebook page](#) if you're looking for lodging.

Other upcoming regional events include:

- ◆ [Cincinnati Celtic Festival](#) (July 23 – 25)
- ◆ [Indianapolis Highland Games](#) (Saturday, October 9, 2021)

See [Schedule of Scottish Games](#) within 500 miles of Louisville on [Page 8](#).

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

Janie Blome



Programs and Education Commissioner

Robbin Goodin

We are now into the second half of the year! WOOHOO!! I am very excited about our next and final program from Scotland. Alan Hay will be presenting on the farming communities in NE Scotland, his stomping grounds. He would love to know if you have specific questions about this topic or area so he can best tailor his presentation. Please let me know if you do. This will be our final Scottish presenter and will be through WebEx and [begins at 6:00 PM](#).

I am equally excited about the fact that we will begin our in-person meetings in August back at [CCUM](#) (Christ Church United Methodist on 4614 Brownsboro Rd, Louisville, KY 40207). Use the [HYPERLINK](#) above for a map and directions. Remember to use the side entrance, Our August presenter is none other than our very own Pat Schweitzer. Her presentation is on the Kentucky Tartan that she helped create. We have been waiting for this for over a year, so bring it on, Pat—we are ready! Hoping that you bring Angus with you too.

July's Members' Night Out theme: Favorite Birthday memories on Thursday, July 15th. Hope to see you there. Zoom link will be sent that week.

Please check the calendar for the next presentations. We are so excited to be able to meet in-person again and taking precautions where necessary and helping keep each other safe. If you or others in your group are feeling ill, please plan to visit at another time.

I am beginning my planning for next year and have some good ideas, but I need to know what you want to hear about next year. Please send me your wish list and I will do my best. Thank you in advance for your input. That helps and makes it better for everyone.

Finally, we are looking at where to have our dinner auction in November. It will be scaled back to help maintain safety and ease time commitments. We are

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making it a simple potluck and sticking with just a live auction. We will hold off planning the silent auction until next year. There will be more details in the upcoming newsletters and our website. Be sure to put November 23rd on your calendar for the Dinner and Auction and a rousing good evening with friends.

And now a public service announcement: Please remember to reach out to friends who you know are members and have NOT been coming to the meetings. Let them know we miss them and see if they might need help with the technology end with virtual meetings. See joining a Webex Meeting. We did our best during the pandemic, but would love to see more attendance at the meetings, whether they be virtual or in-person!

See you online at 6:00 PM on WebEx July 27th for Farming Communities of NE Scotland with Alan Hay (see BIO in this newsletter). And then on August 24th, we will be live and in-person at [CCUM](#) (Christ Church United Methodist Church on 4614 Brownsboro Rd, Louisville, KY 40207) at 7:00 PM for the Kentucky Tartan with Pat Schweitzer. Use the [HYPERLINK](#) above for a map and directions.

**Stay cool!
Peace to all,
Robbin Goodin**

Alan Hay July Presenter

Alan Hay was born on a farm on the Aberdeenshire coast, in the rural North East of Scotland. He is the descendant of many generations of farmers and crofters from that part of the country. He was educated at the universities of Aberdeen and Stirling. He has been writing, speaking, and thinking about Scotland's history and topography for the best part of 40 years. He is Archivist of Clan Hay, and a Fellow of both the Royal Society of Arts and of the Society of Antiquaries. He is Chairman of The Royal Celtic Society, an Edinburgh-based organization that is dedicated to preserving and promoting the languages, literature, music, and culture of Scotland. It was founded more than 200 years ago.

Alan's particular interest is in social history: what people's lives were actually like. That's a big subject for a 45 minutes talk, so here he will look mainly at life in the rural communities of Lowland Scotland, a background from which so many of our ancestors stemmed. What was their context and the nature of the local social structure? What were their work, their recreations, and their customs? He will look at their religious belief (together with the ancient folklore - superstition, if you will - that went hand in glove with it), their education, and the everyday matters of the houses they lived in, the food they ate, and where it came from. And ultimately, what caused them to go to the USA.

MEMBERS' NITE OUT

**Typically the 3rd week of each month.
Date and theme TBD.**

Host	Date	Time
Robbin Goodin	July 15	7:00 PM
Linda Wilson	August	TBD
Pat Schweitzer	September	TBD
Cheri Eskridge	October	TBD
Sarah Colglazier	November	TBD

Help Us Stay Financially Sound

Renew your dues. As you may know because of health concerns two fundraising events, the November Dinner & Auction 2020 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 and instruction. Please help us rebuild these heritage events. You are encouraged to pay your dues and if you can afford it, consider donating to the Heritage Fund or the General Fund. Either one will be helpful.

Schedule of Highland Games and Celtic Festivals

Janie Blome Regional Celtic Commissioner

<i>Date</i>	<i>Games or Festival and Website</i>	<i>City, State and milage from Louisville, KY</i>
<i>June 5 – July 18, 2021 (Sat/Sun only)</i>	<i>Kentucky Highland Renaissance Festival Website: www.kyrenfaire.com TICKETS NOW ON SALE</i>	<i>Eminence, KY 37.8 miles</i>
<i>July 8-11,2021</i>	<i>Grandfather Mountain Highland Games Website: www.gmhq.org TICKETS NOW ON SALE</i>	<i>Linville, NC 390 miles</i>
<i>July 17 – 18, 2021</i>	<i>Kentucky Highland Renaissance Festival Celtic Weekend Website: www.kyrenfaire.com TICKETS NOW ON SALE</i>	<i>Eminence, KY 37.8 miles</i>
<i>July 23 – 25, 2021</i>	<i>Cincinnati Celtic Festival Website: www.cincycelticfest.com</i>	<i>Cincinnati, OH 99 miles</i>
<i>July 30 - August 1, 2021</i>	<i>Celtic Festival, Dayton Website: http://www.daytoncelticfestival.com/</i>	<i>Dayton, OH 152 miles</i>
<i>August 6-7, 2021</i>	<i>Saint Andrew's Society of Detroit - Highland Games Website: www.highlandgames.com</i>	<i>Livonia, MI 394 miles</i>
<i>August 13-14, 2021</i>	<i>Sparta Celtic Festival Website: http://www.spartacelticfest.org/</i>	<i>Sparta Village, MI 370 miles</i>
<i>August 20-22, 2021</i>	<i>Berea Celtic Festival Website: http://www.berea-celtic.com/</i>	<i>Berea, KY 113 miles</i>
<i>September 10-11, 2021</i>	<i>Southwest Missouri Celtic Heritage Festival & Games Website: https://buffaloareachamber.org/celticfestival</i>	<i>Buffalo, MO 502 miles</i>
<i>September 11, 2021</i>	<i>Middle Tennessee Highland Games and Celtic Festival Website: https://www.midtengames.com/</i>	<i>Nashville, TN 174 miles</i>
<i>September 11-12, 2021 CANCELED</i>	<i>Columbus Scottish Festival Website: www.scottishfestival.org</i>	<i>Columbus, IN 73 miles</i>
<i>September 18, 2021</i>	<i>Ligonier Highland Games Website: www.ligonierhighlandgames.org</i>	<i>Ligonier, PA 424 miles</i>
<i>September 24 – 26, 2021</i>	<i>Annual Ohio Celtic Festival Website: http://www.ohiocelticintfest.com/</i>	<i>Mentor, OH 368 miles</i>
<i>September 25, 2021</i>	<i>Dandridge Scots-Irish Festival Website: https://www.scotsirishfestival.com/</i>	<i>Dandridge, TN 276 miles</i>
<i>October 2, 2021</i>	<i>Scotland County Highland Games Website: www.schgnc.org</i>	<i>Laurinburg, NC 571 miles</i>
<i>October 9, 2021</i>	<i>Indianapolis Scottish Highland Games & Festival Website: www.indyscotgamesandfest.com</i>	<i>Indianapolis, IN 107 miles</i>
<i>October 15 – 17, 2021</i>	<i>Stone Mountain Highland Games & Scottish Festival Website: www.smhq.org</i>	<i>Stone Mountain, GA 472 miles</i>

2021 Schedule

Starting Times (in red) for Programs Originating From Scotland— Early Start

July 15, 2021	7:00 PM	Thursday	MEMBERS' NITE OUT HOSTED BY ROBBIN GOODIN THEME FAVORITE BIRTHDAY MEMORY	ZOOM	Online Video
July 27, 2021	6:00 PM	Tuesday	SSL General Meeting Speaker: Alan Hay (Scotland) FARMING COMMUNITIES OF NE SCOTLAND	WEBEX	Online video
August ??, 2021	7:00 PM	??	MEMBERS' NITE OUT HOSTED BY LINDA WILSON	ZOOM	Online Video
August 24, 2021	7:00 PM	Tuesday	SSL General Meeting Speaker: Pat Schweitzer KENTUCKY TARTAN	CCUM	IN-PERSON
September ??, 2021	7:00 PM	??	MEMBERS' NITE OUT HOSTED BY PAT SCHWEITZER	ZOOM	Online Video
September 28, 2021	7:00 PM	Tuesday	SSL General Meeting Tom Hay Bauer (USA) House of Scotland Beret Dernbach (USA) Highland Dancing	CCUM	IN-PERSON
October ??, 2021	7:00 PM	??	MEMBERS' NITE OUT HOSTED BY CHERI ESKRIDGE	ZOOM	Online Video
October 26, 2021	7:00 PM	Tuesday	SSL General Meeting Speaker: MEGAN BURNETT (USA) Scottish Ghost Stories	CCUM	IN-PERSON
November ??, 2021	7:00 PM	??	MEMBERS' NITE OUT HOSTED BY SARAH COLGLAZEIER	ZOOM	Online Video
November 23, 2021	7:00 PM	Tuesday	Heritage Dinner & Auction	TBA	TBA
December No Meeting			<i>MERRY CHRISTMAS</i>		

**Regular Board Meetings on the 2nd Tuesday every Month at 7:00 PM.
Regular Membership Meetings the 4th Tuesday every month Time as Listed.
Board Meetings are via WEBEX Video Conferences.**



Previous SSL Presentations By Damien Burns



*The videos have edited and trimmed-down to make them a little more professional and easier to follow.
I hope you enjoy the presentations.*

When you click on the hyperlinks in the right column it will take you to an authentication page where it will prompt you for a password, enter SSL2021 then click the OK button to continue.

Presentation	Presented By	TIME (HH:MM:SS)	Link To Presentation
JUNE	James Hughes & Archie Cunningham	00:37:44	Scottish Trivia
MAY	Pamela Rotheroe-Hay	01:18:01	Scottish Dress
APRIL	Stephen Hay	01:28:25	Scottish Castles
MARCH	Mel Hankla	01:02:45	Scottish Icons of Kentucky
FEBRUARY	Jeff Forbes & John Dickson	00:41:49	Bourbon vs. Scotch
JANUARY	David Purdie & SSL Tribute to Robert Burns	02:14:58	Robert Burns
NOVEMBER	Peggy French	00:47:35	From Knox to Weatherspoon
OCTOBER	Mandy Dick	00:43:45	Scary Stories
SEPTEMBER	James Hughes & Archie Cunningham	00:34:36	Scottish Trivia
AUGUST	Tom Cunningham & Kate Sanders	00:49:06	Scottish & Irish Music
JULY	Cheri Eskridge	00:35:12	Clan Baird
JUNE	Mark Johnson	00:36:16	M. J. Downing Series Sherlock Holmes



Thanks to Robbin Goodin for making contact and scheduling the presenters. Having international presenters was a first and a great idea. Thanks to each of the presenters who enlighten us on their subjects and took the time to teach us. Thanks to Damien Burns for working with each presenter to provide the technical assistance needed to make each presentation meaningful and efficient. Lastly thanks for recording each of the programs and providing edited videos which were packaged with a professional flair. Thanks to all involved for broadening our view and expanding our understanding.

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 July 1, 2021

	Membership
6	Honorary
32	Lifetime Memberships
44	Individual Memberships
78	Family Memberships
160	Members Paid



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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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BEGINNER LEVEL

American Seamen Impressment Records

For researchers tracing missing seamen ancestors in the New England area during the 1789-1815 era, one relatively hidden and somewhat obscure resource may be useful. The National Archives house a collection of records called the American Seamen Impressment Records. The links listed below from the National Archives and Family Search discuss this topic and steps implemented to stop this practice.

- ◆ [Military Achieves Impressed Seamen](#)
- ◆ [Naturalization Impressed Seamen](#)
- ◆ [Family Search New England Seamen Cards](#)

From the end of the Revolutionary War to the War of 1812, the British Royal Navy forcibly boarded American merchant ships to seize English-speaking seamen and press them into service on British vessels. To a lesser extent, the French and Spanish navies also impressed American sailors. To stop this practice, the United States Congress passed acts in 1796 and 1799 to issue identification papers and keep detailed records on seaman who served at ports in the region. Ship captains on all American ships and merchant marine vessels were required to file reports to U.S customs officials immediately upon return to port when impressment activities occurred that involved their ships and crew. Reports were sent to the Secretary

of State, who then submitted an annual statement on impressments to Congress.

Impressment dramatically affected the lives of ordinary New Englanders, perhaps more than any event since the American Revolution. From 1796 to 1815, the United States government attempted to counter impressments by enacting measures to identify and repatriate seamen detained by the British, and to provide protective documentation for sailors traveling abroad. The data collected through these efforts contain important personal information about these seamen and their experiences. Federal records of the Department of State and the U.S. Federal records of the Department of State and the U.S. Customs Service relating to impressed American seamen are thus a useful source for family history.

Impressment constituted a longstanding maritime tradition in Great Britain. Britain viewed impressments as a legitimate recruiting tool for the Royal Navy during periods of war or national crisis. When deemed necessary, naval authorities organized impressments rendezvous in British ports under the guise of the "impress service." Officially targeting Royal Navy deserters and British citizens skilled in seafaring trades, the "press gangs" as they were called, combed the surrounding countryside for recruits, receiving travel expenses and a fee for each conscript. In the aftermath of the American Revolution, American ships became prime targets as the practice was expanded to boarding foreign ships at sea. The British regarded this practice as a legitimate maritime right.

Today, many of these records are also available on through Ancestry, Family Search, Find My Past, My Heritage. They tend to be part of collections labeled New England Seamen's Historical Identification Cards. Feel free to contact me with any questions.

Bryan L. Mulcahy

Intermediate and Advanced Article**Family Reunions and Genealogical Research**

Family reunions can be beneficial for genealogists and historians. Some families hold annual reunions on the same date and at the same location. Those who follow this pattern often choose a location that has some symbolic connection to the family or an important event that impacted the family. Others vary their dates and locations to attract the widest possible number of participants. While many reunions are held during the summer months, these events can occur at any time during the year.

Reunions can have a variety of themes. From a historical perspective, a typical reunion invitation list may include grandparents and great-grandparents, as well as parents, siblings, and cousins. Many family reunions are sponsored by family organizations or associations. The primary goal under these circumstances is to encourage discussion and pride in the history and achievements of family members, both past and present. Members of the older generations share their memories and stories. These memories and stories often answer many questions concerning deceased family members and the events that impacted their lives. Successful reunions of this nature not only encourage interaction among all age groups, but educating the younger generation about family history.

Pre-reunion planning for activities is of utmost importance. The most successful reunions, from a historical and/or genealogical perspective, are those that allow family members to spend as much time as possible with each other while they are together. In the 21st century, it is a rare occasion when all members of a family gather in

the same venue for any length of time. The event planner should design activities that necessitate having family members do things together, but give participants opportunities to talk quietly among themselves, rather than over planning the activities.

There are numerous books and Internet sites devoted to family reunions. They cover every aspect of the planning process and most include a listing of activities that are specifically designed to ensure maximum levels of personal interaction. Both book and Internet sources will provide greater detail for each of the options, and usually feature illustrations, instructions, and other information.

INTERNET SOURCES OF TO HELP YOU PLAN YOUR REUNION

[Family Reunion Planning Information](#) – Family Reunion Planning Apps and Books

[Family Search Wiki – Family Reunions](#)

Maydem, Janet - [Family History Daily](#) – Plan a Family Reunion in Just 7 days With This Simple Guide

Meleen, Michelle – Love to Know.com – [Family Reunion Planning Tips and Checklist](#)

Rodriguez, Campbell - Checklist.com – [Family Reunion Checklist](#)

Snyder, Mary – Family Tree Magazine – [10 Steps For How to Organize a family Reunion With Success](#)

For more information on this topic, feel free to contact me with any questions. A more detailed study guide is also available free upon request.

Bryan L. Mulcahy

July 2021


Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 Independence Day 	5	6	7 Jenny Dickson	8 David Rankin	9	10
11 Adam Dhamer Robbin Goodin Todd Mason	12	13 SSL 7:00 PM WebEx Board Meeting	14 Steve Goodin <u>Bastille Day (France)</u>	15 Clay Ackiss 7:00 PM Members' Nite Out ZOOM. Robbin Goodin Favorite Birthday Memory	16	17 John Dickson
18	19	20 Early Time 	21	22	23	24 Joan Hale Full Moon 
25	26	27 6:00 PM WebEx General Mtg "FARMING COMMUNITIES OF NE SCOTLAND", Speaker Alan Hay (Scotland)	28	29	30 Timmy Sorrow	31 Linda Forbes

JULY BIRTHDAYS

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

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

August 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 <i>Robert Harrison</i>	2 <i>Victoria Snelling</i>	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 <i>Pat Schweitzer</i> SSL 7:00 PM <i>WEBEX Board Meeting</i>	11 <i>Jane Seelig</i>	12 <i>Sarah Colglazier</i>	13	14
15 <i>Jerry Colvin</i>	16 <i>Amy Johnson</i>	17 <i>Laura Doll</i>	18	19	20	21 <i>Jeff Forbes</i> <i>Holley Holland</i>
22 <i>Full Moon</i> 	23	24 7:00 PM CCUM "KENTUCKY TARTAN", Speaker: <i>Pat Schweitzer</i> IN-PERSON	25	26	27	28 <i>Marleen Bailie</i> <i>Anne S. Moore</i> <i>Moncie Rose</i>
29	30 <i>Margaret McRae</i>	31				

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

1- <i>Robert Harrison</i>	12- <i>Sarah Colglazier</i>	17- <i>Laura Doll</i>	28- <i>Anne Stokes Moore</i>
2- <i>Victoria Snelling</i>	13- <i>Leland Mason</i>	21- <i>Jeff Forbes</i>	28- <i>Moncie Rose</i>
10- <i>Pat Schweitzer</i>	15- <i>Jerry Colvin</i>	21- <i>Holley Holland</i>	30- <i>Margaret McRae</i>
11- <i>Jane Seelig</i>	16- <i>Amy Johnson</i>	28- <i>Marleen Bailie</i>	

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



**Blythe Ann Hockensmith
1955-2021**

Blythe Ann Hockensmith

Blythe Ann Hockensmith passed away June 14, 2021 after battling cancer for 18 months. She leaves behind her husband, Bill Hockensmith, a daughter Mary Bett Stahl and two Grandchildren.

Blythe along with Alex Rose incorporated the Scottish Society of Louisville in 1993. She was immensely proud of her Scottish heritage and was highly active in the SSL until they moved to Bowling Green. Blythe was instrumental in me joining the SSL and helped me navigate my first experience organizing the Societies Burns Night. She was an avid seamstress working for Disney World and could make magic come to life.

Thank you, Blythe Ann, for showing me the ropes and being my friend.

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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.

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, 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.

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

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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 about our memberships. Remember, every *new* life member is acknowledged at the Burns Night Gala!

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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 or visit 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.

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