

The Whistle

The Scottish Society of Indianapolis

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INDIANAPOLIS HIGHLAND GAMES AND FESTIVAL SPECIAL EDITION!

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From the Desk of the President

As we enter the fourth quarter, we find ourselves busier than ever within the Scottish Society. We are about to host our Inaugural Indianapolis Highland Games and Festival. Many thanks in advance to all the volunteers, athletes, vendors, guests and the many sponsors who all share the dream of a successful Games. The Games Committee has spent many hours planning this event and they should be congratulated for their exhausting efforts. I hope everyone can attend this event and as you walk around, look around and enjoy realize that the dreams of many for many years have finally come true.

During the year we have had many other accomplishments including some firsts in the Society. We gave our first scholarships ever during our last Founders Day Dinner in honor of our longtime member and friend George McMath. We enjoyed a Burn's Night, Scotch Tasting, a Ceilidh, Genealogy, Curling, Music with Scottish History and many other monthly programs as well as kilt nights. Our youth program continues to grow, which is the life and breathe of the Society's future. We have another special night planned for our Annual Founders Day Dinner with local Scottish Folk Musician Ken McGee as well as our piper Jeff Renfro to pipe us in at George's once again. Come and share the night in your best dress or Prince Charlie as we celebrate yet another year of success.

I had every intention of making this my last year as President but from discussions with longtime members, past presidents, and the Board of Trustees I have rethought that decision and would love to serve you for one more term. During the next year I will be grooming one or two board members throughout the year so that they are ready to take over the reins in 2012. So if I am re-elected you might see a different face or two at times holding the monthly dinner meetings as they prepare themselves. As long as I am President, I promise to serve you fully to the best of my abilities and to pass on to the younger blood my passion for the success of the Society.

Even though 2010 brought us some difficult times with the bad economy, our Society continued to grow by numbers of people and we were very frugal in the handling of the Societies funds. It is our hope the new year will bring new beginnings to some and prosperity to all as well as good health as we do in our annual toasts.

May God continue to Bless us all.

Slàinte Mhath (to your good health)

Gary Davidson
President



October 9th is the Inaugural Indianapolis Scottish Highland Games and Festival!

The First Annual Scottish Highland Games and Festival will be held at the Latvian Center 1008 W. 64th St, Indianapolis on October 9th, 2010. The games will include Scottish heavy athletic competition, bagpipes, Celtic bands, roving minstrels and entertainers, authentic food, drink, a youth area, and appropriate vendors. See Program on pages 3-4.

Volunteer to Help at the Games

We believe we have enough volunteers as of this writing but we are still accepting applications for BACKUP volunteers.

Download the form from the web site:

<http://www.indyscot.org/Volunteer%20Info%20Sheet.doc> or see Rebekah Lawson to volunteer.

Get Your Tickets On-Line In Advance and SAVE!

You can now buy tickets ON-LINE to the Inaugural Indianapolis Scottish Highland Games and Festival. All you have to do is go to the website at www.indyscot.org and go to the games page. You can buy tickets to the festival as well as tickets to the Céilidh afterwards. (Thanks Rebekah Lawson for getting this done.)

November Founders Dinner

The 26th Annual Founders Day Dinner and Elections will be held November 13th at Georges Neighborhood Grill, 6935 Lake Plaza Drive, Indianapolis. There will be chicken, salmon and steak entrées ranging from \$29-\$31, which also includes a beverage, cup of Cockaleeey soup, house salad, baked potato, vegetable of the day and strawberry-drizzled cheese cake for desert. **Dinners must be paid in advance and received before October 31st.**

Articles Needed for the Thistle

Anyone attending Scottish, Clan or related events is encouraged to write a brief article describing the event and to enclose a photo or two. Feature Articles are also needed, 3/4 page (600 to 700 words) plus a graphic or photo. These can be about any Scottish social, historic or cultural topic. We are also happy to include favorite Scottish recipes. Send to matthew@douglassmarketing.biz.

Lost and Found

Lost items will be posted here and if not claimed after a time sold for whiskey money. (Late claimants are entitled to a dram of said whiskey if we haven't drunk it already.)

Blue/gray compact umbrella, see Matt Douglass.

Local Scottish Events

July 14th Dinner Meeting

SSI member and guitar master Samuel Lawson presented "Scottish Fingerprints on World Music." He entertained all ages with slides, narration, and musical excerpts. He gave musical examples with classical guitar, lute and voice.

August 11th Dinner Meeting

As is traditional for August, we had the Calling of the Clans Cookout. We did in fact cookout, but we ate indoors due to the very high temperatures outside. The high was 98 degrees at 3:35pm, and it remained in the 90's throughout the evening. We discussed the meaning, symbolism and history of our clan badges.

Kilt Night August 13th with Hogeye Navy

Kilt night was a great success again, this time at the 96th Street Claddagh Precedent location. Hogeye Navy played traditional Scottish ballads and pub songs. Robin Jarrett won the "Bonny Knees" contest and had so much fun he joined The Society on the spot. The Claddagh management was very agreeable to getting the band we requested and the venue is very good for our needs, with plenty of tables and seating near the band and both "bar" and "restaurant" areas viewing the stage which permits our under 21 members to attend.

September 8th Dinner Meeting

For the September dinner meeting, Trustee Ken "Morgan" Morgan presented a piece of history still controversial after hundreds of years, the Massacre at Glencoe, with music and slides. The Youth Program featured St. Finnian of Clonard.

Columbus Games September 11th-12th

We had great weather for the weekend, with some periods of strong winds. Ron Elliot and Steven Johnson setup the booth. Greg Bowers and Ron worked the whole weekend, aided by various other members at times promoting both the society and our Highland Games. Hogeye Navy, Highland Reign, and the Grimes girls were there this year as well as the Indiana Caledonia Pipe Band and other marching pipe bands. The Céilidh was great with lots of music, pipes and dancing. Clan Moffat Society was the winner of the best clan tent award at Columbus this year.

Indy's Irish Fest September 17th-19th

The weather was perfect, clear and balmy and the bands were excellent as usual for Irish Fest this year. SSI used two tents again to better display the similarities of the Irish and the Scottish. Both Gordon Inglis and Mark Cornelius were in rare story-telling form, each drawing crowds of interested listeners as they spoke at intervals throughout the event. Maybe next year we can help our speakers compete with the sound of three nearby performance stages with a small PA system.

Appleworks Scottish Highlander Festival

Highland Reign got us a free booth at the Appleworks Highland Festival in Trafalgar, IN on September 25th-26th. Trustee Greg Bowers set up and manned the display both days with some help from Matt and Logan Douglass, Steven Johnson and Rick Blackledge to promote the upcoming Games. Booth traffic was heavy and interest good in the Society and the Games. This is a lovely little festival on the park-like grounds of the Appleworks orchards. The festival includes several re-enactors groups, 5 or 6 Celtic bands, Scottish foods, and vendors. For children there was a two story slide, a small train, a petting zoo, a giant bamboo maze, and other amusements.

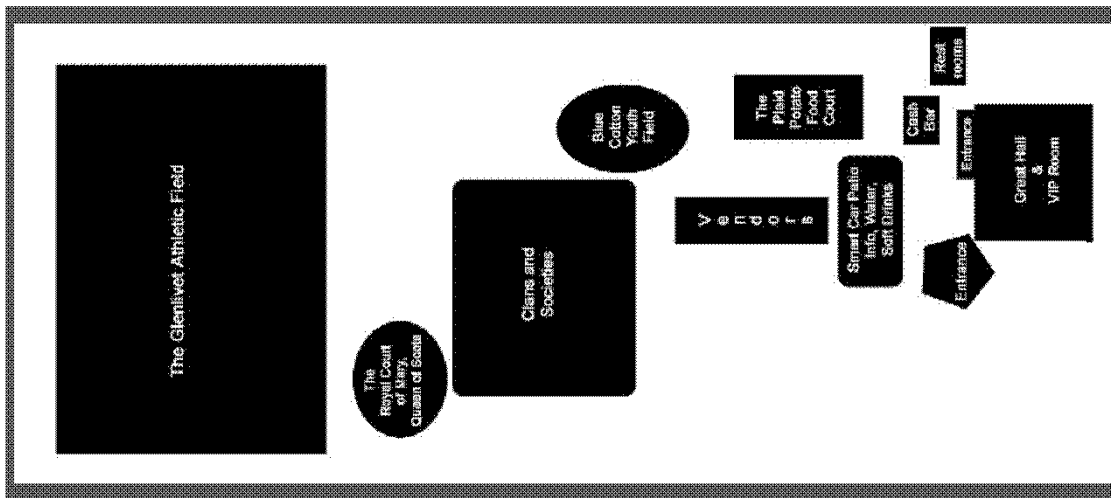
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VENDOR ALLEY**

Merchandise Vendors

- o Amazing Faces
- o By George
- o Carol Catlin Photography
- o Circle City Curling Club
- o Dr. Darrell Cowan
- o Chiropractic Center
- o Harvey Hildebrand Artwork
- o The Heelan' Hound
- o Kilts 'n' More
- o Madam Lady Josephine's
- o Twisted Beaded Baubles
- o Genealogical Society of Marion County
- o Middle David's Candles
- o Public Against Impaired Driving (P.A.I.D.)
- o Quantum Silver
- o The Scotland Yard
- o Scottish Leather
- o Westfork Forge Weaponry

Food Vendors

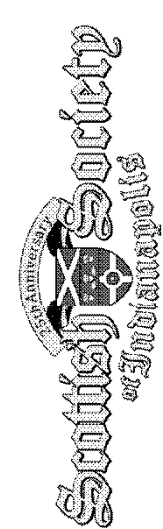
- o Aristocrat Pub & Restaurant
- o Baskin Robbins Ice Cream
- o Homefront Kettle Corn
- o House of Douglas Bakery
- o Morgan Family Enterprises
 - Tenderloins, Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, & more
- o The UK Market - The Infamous Welsh Cookie Company and The Scottish Tinker
- o Timmy's BBQ



Céilidh (Scottish gathering)
 6:00 – 9:00 pm in the Great Hall, Clon Douglas, Hosts
Keep the fun going into the night with music and dancing at our evening céilidh!
 Tickets: \$5 at the door.



Presented by
THE GLENLIVET.



Saturday, October 9, 2010
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
 Tickets: \$10 at the gate.

On the grounds of the
 Latvian Community Center of Indianapolis
 1008 West 64th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46260

Smoking is prohibited at the festival.
 Designated smoking area is east of the Great Hall.
Pets are prohibited at the festival.
 Exhibition animals with prior authorization and service animals are permitted.
Weapons must be peace-tied.

SPECIAL THANKS
TO OUR SPONSORS

- ❖ The Scottish Society of Indianapolis
- ❖ 3'D Trophy A-Mayes-Ing, Inc.
- ❖ Aaron's, Inc.
- ❖ Boy Scout Troops 240 & 729
- ❖ Braun's Fun Time Campers
- ❖ Celtic Corner
- ❖ Circle K Shell
- ❖ Clan MacTavish
- ❖ Gary & Julie Davidson
- ❖ Fairview Presbyterian Church of Indianapolis
- ❖ The Glenlivet
- ❖ Go Print
- ❖ Gregory Bowers
- ❖ Hamilton Beverage
- ❖ Hampton Inn Hotels & Suites
- ❖ In Memory of George McMath
- ❖ Indianapolis Latvian Community
- ❖ MacAllister Machinery/Caterpillar
- ❖ MTD Investments/ATM Providers
- ❖ Pendleton Heights H.S. Girls
- ❖ Cross Country
- ❖ The Orchard School
- ❖ The Scottish American Club of Indiana
- ❖ Smart Center of Indianapolis
- ❖ Smoke Free Indy
- ❖ Steven Cole Johnson & Rick Blackledge
- ❖ Sycamore School
- ❖ Walter Lienert

MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

Join the Scottish Society of Indianapolis in welcoming
Mayor Greg Ballard
for a Mayoral Proclamation on
The Glenlivet Athletic Field.

3 pm



OPENING CEREMONIES

12:00 noon on *The Glenlivet Athletic Field*

Join Mary, Queen of Scots and her Royal Court for a parading of the clans with music provided by the Fountain Trust Pipe Band, the U.S. and Canadian anthems being sung by Ginny Spillman, and Flower of Scotland performed by Hogeeye Navy.

ENTERTAINMENT

In the Great Hall

- Scottish Country Dancing 9:30 am
- Ken McGee 11:00 am
- Hogeeye Navy 12:30 pm, 3:15 pm
- Isaiah's Cry 2:30 pm
- Highland Reign 1:30 pm, 4:15 pm
- Scotch whisky tasting, by The Glenlivet 12:30 – 5:00 pm
With packaged whisky sales by Hamilton Beverage

HIGHLAND ATHLETICS

On The Glenlivet Athletic Field

- Visit Mary, Queen of Scots to seek a royal pardon.**
- Competition 9:00 am – 5:00 pm
- Awards Presented by Mary, Queen of Scots 5:00 pm

HIGHLAND BAGPIPE BANDS

Various areas

- Photos with the Drum Major at 1pm at Carol Catlin Photography.**
- Indiana Caledonia Pipe Band 10:30 am, 1 pm
- Jeff Renfro, Solo Piper 11:00 am
- Opening Ceremonies 12:00 pm
- Fountain Trust Pipe Band 2:00 pm, 3:30 pm
- The Gordon Pipers 2:45 pm, 5:00 pm

PARTICIPATING

CLANS & SOCIETIES

- Crawford
- Davidson, *games host*
- Douglas, *céilidh host*
- Elliott
- Hay
- Kerr
- Lamont
- MacDuff
- MacLachlan
- MacLaren
- MacLeod
- MacNaughton/MacLean
- MacTavish
- Ramsey
- Shaw
- Sinclair
- Stewart
- Thompson
- Scottish Society of Greater Bloomington
- Scottish Society of Indianapolis
- Tudor Rose Players
- Viking Re-enactors
- World War II Re-enactors



Clan MacEwen

Motto: *"I grow strong again"*

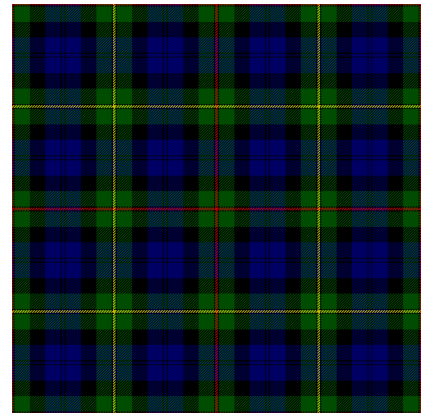
Clan MacEwen does not have a chief recognized by Lord Lyon King of Arms and as such the clan can be considered an Armigerous clan. The principle clan with the name MacEwen was Clan MacEwen of Otter that was centred on the shores of Loch Fyne in Argyll. The MacEwens of Otter's traditional ancestry is entwined with several local clans such as Clan Lamont, Clan Maclachlan, Clan MacNeil of Barra, and the MacSweens, all claim descent from Anrothan O'Neill, who left Ireland for Kintyre in the 11th century. All of these clans can claim a further descent from the legendary Niall Noigíallach, High King of Ireland, who lived from the mid 4th century to early 5th century. In the 15th century the MacEwens of Otter lost their lands to the Campbells, and since then the line of chiefs has been untraced. The MacEwens were then known as a broken clan (landless) and followed Clan Campbell.

Clan MacEwen of Otter

Clan MacEwen of Otter claims a descent from Donnsléibhe, who was said to be a descendant of an Irish prince of the O'Neill dynasty named Ánrothán Ua Néill, who left Ireland for Kintyre in the 11th century. He was a son of Áed, son of Flaithbertach Ua Néill, King of Ailech and Cenél nEógain, died 1036. There are several other Argyll clans which claim a descent from this prince—Clan Lamont, Clan Maclachlan, Clan MacNeil of Barra, and also the MacSweens who left Scotland to settled in Ireland in the 14th century. From this descent, these clans claim a further decent from the legendary Niall Noigíallach, High King of Ireland, who lived from the mid 4th century to early 5th century.

History

The chiefs of the clan lived at Otter, on Loch Fyne. Their castle was located on the rocky shore of the loch, near Kilfinan. In 1431–2, during the reign of James I of Scotland, Sween MacEwen of Otter resigned the destination of the Barony of Otter to the heir of the chief of Clan Campbell, after which on Sweens death the barony passed into the hands of the Campbells. From that time on with the loss of their land the MacEwens as a broken clan were dependants on Clan Campbell. Since the death of Sween the line of chiefs of the MacEwens of Otter have been untraced. In an Act of Parliament of 1602 the MacEwens are listed beside the MacLachlans and McNeils, as vassals of the Earl of Argyll and answerable to him for their behaviour.



According to the 19th century historian James Logan, in General Wade's statement of the Highland forces engaged in the Jacobite Rebellion of 1715, the Mac Ewens of the Isle of Skye were recorded with 150 men.

Source: Excerpted entirely from Wikipedia, 2010: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Clan_MacEwen

Join Us for Scottish Country Dancing!

Like to dance? Want to learn? Just want to get some exercise? Join some of the Society members most Mondays for traditional Scottish country dancing. Society Trustee Ken Morgan leads beginner and experienced dancers in a relaxed and fun atmosphere. You'll be having too much fun to feel self-conscious.



New Location:
Northwood Christian Church
4550 Central Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46205
7:30 - 8:00 PM Beginning Dance lessons
8:00 - 9:00 PM Social dancing
9:00 - 9:30 PM Advanced dancing

All are welcome. No partner needed. Call Ken Morgan at 317-260-1828 for more information. It's a good idea to call ahead to make sure we are dancing.

Scottish Recipe

Coygimwch Dell Patagonia (Prawn Patagonia)

Ingredients

570ml (1 pint) Thick Béchamel Sauce
450g (1lb) Creamed Potatoes
225g (8oz) Peeled Prawns
1 Small Cauliflower
110ml (4fl oz) Double Cream
110g (4oz) Caerphilly Cheese
1 tbsp Tomato Ketchup
1 tsp Garlic Salt
1 tsp Celery Salt
1 tsp Ground Bay Leaf
1 tsp Turmeric
1 tsp Mustard Powder

Cooking Directions

Prepare the cauliflower and divide into florets.
Cook until soft, but still firm.
Divide and place into eight individual dishes or an oven proof dish.
Keep warm.
Combine the cream, tomato ketchup, garlic salt, celery salt, ground bay leaf, turmeric, mustard powder and a little freshly ground pepper.
Add to Béchamel sauce, mixing thoroughly.
Add the peeled prawns and the crumbled Caerphilly cheese and heat gently, do not boil.
Pour the mixture over the cauliflower and grill until golden brown.
Pipe creamed potatoes around the serving dish.
Servings: 8

Welcome New Members

President Gary Davidson wishes a hearty: "Failte Chun Ar Cumann!" or "Welcome to our Society!" Please join us in giving our new members a warm welcome and please introduce yourselves when you see them:

Roger L. and Virginia Merkel, clan Ross
Pat Tussing, clan Carrolls of Ireland
Robin and Deneice Jarrett, clans Wallace & Dunbar
Andrew Kaffaber
Andrew Pike
Charlie Pike

R. Sean and Abbie McNabb, clans McNabb-Killin
James Green and Madlyn Green-Taylor
James and Rose Brown, clan Lamont
Marty Brown, clan Lamont
Mark and Carol Stephenson, Clan MacTavish

Upcoming Events Calendar

Note that Scottish Society of Indianapolis (SSI) sponsored events are indicated in **bold**.

October

October 2nd Western Kentucky Highland Festival, in Murray City Park, Murray, KY www.wkyhighlandfestival.com.

October 2nd-3rd The 43rd Annual Feast of the Hunter's Moon at Historic Fort Ouiatenon Park near West Lafayette, Indiana. www.tcha.mus.in.us/feast.htm.

October 9th The Inaugural Indianapolis Scottish Highland Games and Festival at The Latvian Center located at 1008 W. 64th Street, Indianapolis, IN. Tickets \$10 at the gate or \$8 in advance, at www.indyscot.org and click on "Games". Games and Festival 9am-5:30pm, Céilidh 6-9pm.

October 13th SSI Dinner Meeting: Program by Mark Lawson on the Ulster-Scots. Social time at 6:30PM and dinner at 7.

November

November 13th Annual Founders Day Dinner and Meeting at George's Neighborhood Grill located at 6935 Lake Plaza Drive, Indianapolis, IN. Drinks at 6PM, dinner served at 7PM. Tickets available now, contact Ronald Elliott 317-577-2966 or elliott12632@sbcglobal.net. Music by Ken McGee.

November 18th-21st Indianapolis International Festival at the Indiana State Fairgrounds located at 1202 E. 38th Street, Indianapolis, IN, 317-236-6515 or www.indyinternationalfestival.org for more information.

December

December 8th SSI Dinner Meeting, Program on Toasts of the Scots/Hogmanay.

December 31st New Years Eve Party at the Latvian Center.



2011 Membership Renewal Form

Please renew my membership in the Scottish Society of Indianapolis, Inc. as indicated:

Life \$250 Family \$35.00/yr Individual \$25.00/yr Student \$10.00/yr
 Senior Family \$29.75/yr Senior Individual \$21.25/yr

I wish to make a donation to the George McMath Scholarship fund:

I wish to make a donation to the Indpls Scottish Highland Games and Festival:

Membership: \$ _____

Scholarship: \$ _____

Games: \$ _____

Name(s): _____

Please list your name(s) as you would like postal mail addressed to you.

E-mail Addresses: _____

E-mail is used to send the SSI newsletter four times each year, as well as occasional announcements about SSI events. We do not sell or share e-mail with any party, and we prohibit any party from using this e-mail for any other purpose. __Do not send the newsletter via my e-mail. __Do not send SSI event information via my e-mail. __Please send my newsletter via US postal mail.

Facebook Usernames: _____

Address: _____

Address information is used to send your membership renewal, will be used to send your newsletter to if you request it, but is not shared with any third party, sold, shared or rented.

Phone: _____ (home) _____ (cell) _____ (cell)

Note if you are a *new member*, your membership dues will be pro-rated for the number of months left in the year. Starting in October, new memberships are for the upcoming year and the balance of the current year is free. If you are a past member, you have the option of renewing your membership at the annual rate any time during the year or attending as a guest for \$7/person as often as you like. Please make your check out to *The Scottish Society of Indianapolis* and mail it along with this form to: Gary Davidson, 7043 S 150W, Pendleton, IN 46064 or bring it to the next meeting.

SSI Meeting and Side Dish Schedule

	October	November	December
Date:	October 13th	November 13th	December 8th
Meat Dish:	Andy and Mary Thompson	Georges Neighborhood Grill	TBA
Program:	The Uster-Scots and the Scottish Migration by Mark Lawson	Annual Founders Day Dinner Celebration, Elections, and Entertainment by Ken McGee	Annual Scottish Toasts Meeting, bring your favorite Celtic toasts.
Youth Program:	Youth Program: Costume Party.	No youth program for Founder's Dinner	Youth Program: Christmas Party
Side Dish to Bring:	A-F—Veggie/Casserole	Don't bring food to this one.	A-F—Dessert
	G-McC—Salad		G-McC —Veggie/Casserole
	McD-Z—Dessert		McD-Z—Salad
<p>Bring a side-dish based on the first letter of your last name. Please bring at least 3 large servings per attending family member. Example: a couple would bring at least 6 large servings.</p> <p>If you invite guests, please bring their portions as well.</p> <p>Meeting Costs: Members \$4, Returning Guests \$7, First-Time Guests are free.</p>			

Meeting Agenda:

6:30pm—Social Time

7:00pm—Dinner

8:00pm—Program

**Except the November meeting, which is the Annual Founders Dinner, held at Georges Neighborhood Grill this year.*

Location:

Meetings take place

at the Latvian Center

1008 West 64th Street*

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