

The Whistle

The Scottish Society of Indianapolis

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From the Desk of the President

The year 2009 was a good year for the Scottish Society and I report to you that the Scottish Society of Indianapolis is sound and healthy. When I and the Trustees took office we set three goals for the year; first, we wanted to be better organized as a Society, secondly we wanted to better the communication with our members and lastly we wanted to increase our membership. I am happy to report to you that we have made many strides in all of those areas.

The year has brought us many new memories as well as grieving the passing of three members. We salute our three members, Anna Gale Dortch, an original founder member; as well as Michael Miller a new member this year and George McMath a longtime member and great friend to us all. Their memories will forever be etched in the Societies history.

During the year we had many wonderful programs; a ceilidh, a calling of the clans, a midsummer solstice festival, and presentations on traveling Scotland, The Battle of Culloden, Scotch tasting, Robert the Bruce and Robert Burns. The Youth gave a program on Famous Scots. We also began something new sponsoring three kilt nights at Fionn MacCool's. We continued our Society's involvement at the Fort Wayne Games, The Columbus Games, Irish Fest as well as the International Festival and St Patrick's Day Parade. Our educational materials about the Scottish culture have been seen as outstanding by people visiting our booths.

I would like to personally thank this years Board of Trustee's for their dedication and hard work in making the Society a better and stronger organization. It is my hope that we can continue to build upon their efforts in the years to come. I also welcome in the three new Trustees: Gregory Bowers, Secretary, Ronald Elliott, Treasurer and Mark Lawson. I am sure their input and work will make the Society even better.

During 2009 we added 28 new members to the Society. Our Treasurer reports that our Society is solvent and that all monies are secure and duly accounted for.

As the Scottish Society of Indianapolis celebrates its 25th Anniversary, realize it was one man's idea which began it all. It is with great Scottish pride that we salute our Founders and Past Presidents for the Society we enjoy today.

In 2010, I hope, with the help of our Trustees, to continue to make the Scottish Society even stronger and more visible to all. On October 9, 2010 we will host the Inaugural Indianapolis Scottish Highland Games and Festival and we are seeking those who wish to volunteer their time and help with the planning and execution. It is going to take all of our members to help in various ways to make it successful and our work begins now. Help us to make the games a shining moment for the Society for years to come. I wish everyone a healthy and prosperous new year.

Slainté,

Gary Davidson,
President



Bulletins

First Annual Indianapolis Scottish Highland Games and Festival

The Indianapolis Scottish Society will hold Scottish Highland games at the Latvian Center on October 9th, 2010. The games will include Scottish athletic competition, bagpipes, Celtic bands, authentic food, drink, and appropriate vendors. See Gary Davidson to volunteer, we will be needing lots of help.

More Food Needed

Many SSI members are hearty eaters, which is why we request that members bring at least 3 large servings (or 3 cups) of side dish per attending family member. However, we sometimes run a bit low on side dishes. Please review the following chart and be sure to bring enough side dish for yourself and your group. Another way to think of it is to bring at least enough quantity to feed you and your group if your food, plus a meat dish, was all you ate.

ATTENDEES IN YOUR GROUP	LARGE SERVINGS OF SIDE DISH TO BRING	APPROXIMATE EQUIVALENT IN CUPS
1	3	3 cups
2	6	6 cups
3	9	9 cups
4	12	12 cups
5	15	15 cups

Win a Bottle of Scotch!

All members in good standing who are of legal drinking age and who have paid their dues PRIOR to January 13th are eligible to win a drawing for nice bottle of single-malt. **Payments much reach Gary Davidson by January 12th to be eligible.**

Articles Needed for the Thistle

The editor wishes to thank to everyone who is contributing articles for the SSI Newsletter. The Feature Article, Clan Spotlight, and most of the short articles and notices are contributed each quarter by our members. The Editor wishes to thank Gary Davidson and Ken Morgan in particular.

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; so far Gary has submitted ALL of them. Send to matthew@douglassmarketing.biz.

Hidebrand Scottish Art Raffle

Raffle tickets will soon be available for a chance to win a lovely H. Harvey Hildebrand original pen and ink illustration; proceeds go to the George McMath Scholarship supporting education in the Scottish arts. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Donations are also being accepted; make checks payable to the Scottish Society of Indianapolis, Attn: McMath Scholarship Fund.

Hildebrand, an artist and historic re-enactor, creates pen and ink art depicting Scottish subjects with great historic accuracy and detail. Hildebrand's art can be seen and purchased at <http://hiltandbrandink.com>.

Scotland Tour July 2010

Julie Davidson is putting together a trip to Scotland to leave July 9th through July 19th for Scottish Society members. Places of interest where we will go are Glasgow, Isle of Skye, Stirling, Inverness, Dunottar Castle near Aberdeen and Edinburgh. Estimated costs are looking to be \$2500-\$3000 per person. If you are interested please contact Julie Davidson - (765)778-0736.

New Name Tags Available

New engraved plastic name tags are available for purchase featuring the Society's redesigned coat of arms. The name tags have magnetic fasteners and cost \$4.00 each. Contact Treasurer Steven Johnson to order a new tag. Free paper name badges will continue to be available at the door.

New Guest Policy in Effect

Recently, the board addressed a gap in policy that permitted first-time guests to attend dinner meetings for free, and members to attend for \$4, but did not provide for returning guests. This made it awkward for friends to visit a second time, or for family to join us on an occasional basis. The board approved a new policy inviting any guests to return as often as they like for \$7 per person per meeting, or \$3 more than members.

Fionn MacCools Closes it's Doors

Sadly, Fionn MacCools in Fishers has ceased operations; a casualty of the tough economic times. SSI sponsored three kilt nights there this past year, each one bigger and more fun than the last. Manager Bill Pemberton was very accommodating with the society, reserving at times nearly the entire restaurant section of the pub for our use, bringing in the bands we requested, dressing himself and his staff in kilts, and even adding Scottish entrées to his menu. We wish Bill and his staff good fortune and we hope we can join them again in jubilation soon.

Local Scottish Events

October Dinner Meeting

The SSI Youth Program, assisted by program Chairperson Rebekah Lawson, presented "Famous Scots" and discussed what they have learned about these historical figures during the Youth Program meetings. Jack Davidson gave us our annual pep-talk about our participation in the upcoming International Festival.

November Dinner Meeting – The 25th Annual Founders Day Dinner

We had a wonderful time at our 25th Anniversary Founders Day Dinner, which we celebrated in festive fashion honoring our Founders, Past Presidents and memorializing those we have lost in

2009. The Tommy Thompson Award for 2009 was presented to Bennett Lynch for his unselfish work and dedication to service for the Society. The first two George McMath Scholarships of \$200.00 each were presented by George Ann McMath and Society President Gary Davison to two outstanding young pipers, Shelby Pritt and Shelbie Boldman, both of Anderson Highland High School. The pipers also played for those attending. We were entertained with music by Hogeys Navy, Burns poem readings by Samuel Lawson and a photo history of the Society by Rebekah Lawson. Gary Davidson gave a State of the Society Report. Gary announced the formation of a planning committee and discussed the hard work already happening to make the Inaugural Indianapolis Scottish Highland Games on October 9, 2010 a reality. Anyone interested in joining the planning committee would

be welcomed, please contact Gary Davidson as soon as possible as we have now shifted into high gear and the clock is ticking.

Results of Annual Elections

Annual Elections Results for 2010 as reported by Trustee Alexandra Douglass (Elections Chairperson)
President Gary L. Davidson
Vice President Matthew Douglass (Newsletter Editor)
Secretary Greg Bowers
Treasurer Ronald Elliott
Trustee Mark Lawson
Trustee Rebekah Lawson (Youth Program/Website)
Trustee Ken Morgan

Per the Society Constitution President Davidson appointed the Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer as well as Newsletter Editor, Youth Program Director and Website Manager.

Please join Gary in congratulating our new officers for 2010 and saying thank you to those officers leaving the Board, Judith Bastin, Alexandra Douglass and Steven Johnson for all the hard work and effort throughout 2009.

December Dinner Meeting

A snowy winter day reduced attendance but not spirits at December's meeting. Former President Gordon Inglis gave an entertaining presentation on traditional Scottish toasts and the Hogmanay year-end celebration. A fair bit of scotch was consumed in the toasting.

International Festival

SSI won 2nd place for quality at International Fest in November with a three-booth display. This year, we featured Hamish the Scottish Highland cow, a new creation by Jack Davidson, Events Chairman. The 1/3 scale replica of the Highland cow helps interest children and adults and start conversations about Scotland.

Indianapolis Highland Games Committee Meeting

The Indianapolis Highland Games committee has been formed to plan the upcoming games to be held at the Latvian Center on October 9th, 2010. The committee consists of Gary Davidson, Glenn McClain, Gregory Bowers, Jack Davidson, Julie Davidson, Rebekah Lawson, Andris Verzins and Steven Johnson. The first meeting of the committee was held December 12th. If you want to volunteer, contact Gary Davidson.

Latvian Center New Year's Eve Party

This year Baltic and Nordic groups joined the Latvians at their annual New Year's party with appetizers, Champaign and live music. SSI member Scott Clarkson represented the Society at the New Year's Party.

Travel

Military Tattoo; the Highlight of Trip

By Steven Johnson

Attending a performance of the Edinburgh Military Tattoo was the highlight of our trip to Scotland and England. Almost a year ago, I suggested to my partner Rick and to my mother Lois that we should go to Scotland to see the Tattoo. We then spent countless hours planning a sight-seeing adventure that would include the Tattoo. Mom worked tirelessly (for which I am truly grateful) securing plane tickets, a car rental, and accommodations for our 14-day vacation.



Flying overnight, we arrived in London early

in the morning. We walked for hours, especially enjoying touring Buckingham Palace. Early the next morning, we left for Stratford-upon-Avon. We then had lunch and tea across from Anne Hathaway's (William Shakespeare's wife) cottage, and drove on to York, England to spend the night. We loved York and got to spend several hours the next day seeing York, including the Minster (church). Edinburgh was calling, so Rick, Mom, and I piled into the car again in anticipation of that night's performance of the Tattoo.

Seeing and driving through the highlands was awe-inspiring. Rick and Mom took pictures whenever I slowed down to let them. Finally, we arrived in Edinburgh, checked into the guest house, and then rode our first double-decker bus into the city center. We looked in a lot of the shops along the Royal Mile before having dinner then got in line for the Tattoo. Even though it was very cold that night, we were lucky that it did not rain. We were among the 8,000 people seeing the final performance of the 2009 Tattoo. The performers entered the arena from Edinburgh Castle. Pipe and drum bands from around the world performed throughout the evening. The evening started with the bands performing together, and then later the massed bands' performance of Amazing Grace brought tears to my eyes. Fireworks off the castle followed the performance.



We were back on The Royal Mile the

next day shopping and sight-seeing, and got to tour Edinburgh Castle, walking through the same gate that the performers had used the night before.

As our vacation progressed, we got better about knowing sooner when we had taken a wrong turn. More than once we made a full lap of the roundabout before deciding which exit to take. We left Edinburgh with high hopes of not getting lost on the way to Stirling. We were looking forward especially to being in one place for six nights, as we would use our vacation rental cottage as home base for our day trips.

Each day we would head off in a new direction in search of castles to explore. Some were easier to get into than others. For example, we drove within a hundred yards of Douglas Castle, or at least the lone tower remaining of it. Gaining entry was only a matter of stepping through the gaping hole. However, we could not get to Threave Castle, which sits on an island in a river, because the river had overflowed its banks. We visited many other castles, several with links to Clan Douglas before having to leave Scotland.



More than once we got funny looks when we told people we were driving from Stirling, Scotland to Stonehenge, England, a distance of over 400 miles, in one day. The end of our vacation was approaching, but we had to stop at Gretna Green as the English border drew nearer.

We got to see Stonehenge at sunset, and then we were among the first few visitors to arrive the next morning. Stopping at Windsor Castle next, we then returned to London. Our last full day of vacation was spent seeing London by double-decker bus and water taxi, all of which have tour guides or recorded tour information.

Following dinner with a friend who lives outside of London, we reluctantly turned in for the night. Exhausted by all we had done, Rick, Mom, and I now need another vacation to recover from this one. If you have a few hours to spare, ask to see our pictures!





"Wisely if sincerely"

Clan Davidson

Provided by Gary Davidson
From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Clan crest: A stag's head erased, proper - a stag on a silver field, one foot lifted, with an argent, silver arrow through the neck. The stag usually is natural colored with gold horns.

Clan badge: Red whortleberry.

Clan pipe music: Tulloch Castle.

Clan Davidson is a Highland Scottish clan. The clan was also part of the Chattan Confederation.

History

When the power of the Comyns began to wane in Badenoch, Donald Dubh of Invernahaven, Chief of Davidsons, having married the daughter of Angus, 6th of MacKintosh, sought the protection of William, 7th of MacKintosh, before 1350, and Clan Davidson became associated with the Chattan Confederation.

In the 18th century we find important families like the Davidsons of Cantray and the Davidsons of Tulloch. The latter family came into possession of the lands and castle of Tulloch, near Dingwall, in 1762, when Henry Davidson purchased the estate from his cousin Kenneth Bayne.

Clan wars

The Battle of Invernahoven 1370 or 1387. The Clan Cameron numbering approximately 400 men were returning home with the booty they had acquired after a raid at Badenoch. They were overtaken at Invernahaven by a body of Clan Chattan Confederation led by Lachlan, Laird of Macintosh. The Clan Chattan forces consisted of the MacKintoshes, Davidsons and Macphersons. As a result of a disagreement as to whether the Davidsons or Macphersons would occupy the right wing which was the post of honour, the Macphersons withdrew in disgust from the army. The combined numbers of the Clan Chattan confederation had outnumbered the Camerons but with the loss of the Macphersons the Camerons now had a greater number. The battle resulted in a defeat for the Clan Chattan Confederation (Mackintosh and Davidson). It is said that an ally of Cameron known as Charles MacGilony led the clan into battle and is believed to have changed the outcome of the day with his uncanny ability as an archer. At this point, possibly the next morning the Macphersons changed their minds and decided to rejoin the Chattan confederation attacking the Camerons with such vigor that they changed the victory into defeat, and put the Camerons "to flight" towards Drumouchter, skirting the end of Loch Ericht, and then westwards in the direction of the River Treig. The MacKintoshes later claimed that the Macphersons were coaxed into the battle by a man from clan Mackintosh who turned up at Macphersons camp pretending to be from Clan Cameron and calling the Macphersons cowards. The Macphersons then attacked the Camerons camp making a dreadful slaughter of them, even killing the Cameron's uncanny archer Charles MacGilony at a

place now called Charles's Valley, or in Gailic Coire Thearlaich.

The Clan Davidson were led by Chief Sir Robert Davidson at the Battle of Harlaw in 1411 where he was slain.

Jacobite uprisings

During the 1715 and 1745 Jacobite Uprisings, Many members of the Clan Chattan Confederation supported the House of Stewart and rallied the Chattan Confederation to the Jacobite cause, of which many Davidson's took part.

Notable members of the Clan Chattan Confederation including many Davidson's were convicted and transported to the North American colonies.[2]

American Revolutionary War

Many of these Jacobite convicts upon gaining their freedom settled in the Piedmont Mountains of North Carolina and raised families, leading the English by the time of the American Revolution to declare the area a Hornet's Nest of rebels.

Notable amongst the many Davidsons fighting the American Revolutionary War was Brigadier General William Lee Davidson (1746–1781), a North Carolina militia general during the American Revolutionary War who was killed in action at the battle of Cowan's Ford. [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]

Clan Seat

Until Duncan Davidson VI of Tulloch died in 1917 the seat of the chief of Clan Davidson was at Tulloch Castle. This was originally the seat of the Clan MacBain but the Davidsons took over the castle after they claimed the lands.[citation needed]

Clan Chiefs

Alister Davidson of Davidston, New Zealand, 1998-

Duncan Davidson of Davidston, New Zealand, 1997-1997
1917-1997 Vacant and disputed.

Duncan VI of Tulloch,
Deceased 1917.

Clan Septs

Davis, Davey, Davie,
Davison, Dawson, Day,
Dea, Dean, Deans [8], Deason, Dey, Dow, Kay, Key(s),
MacDade, MacDaibhidh, MacDaid, McDavis, MacDavid,
Slora and Slorach are the family names, or septs, traditionally associated with the Clan Davidson.



Davidson. A Victorian depiction of the clan painted by [R. R. McLan](#).



For the complete text and citations, go to:
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Clan_Davidson

The Scottish Woodlands: Real or Myth?

By Mark Lawson

There is no modern ecological history of the Scottish Highlands but a great many people have a set of beliefs as to how the highlands have changed over the last two thousand years. The Scottish reforestation projects of the *Forestry Commission of Great Britain* and *Trees for Life* a private conservation group base their goals on the ecological publication of Frank Fraser Darling *Natural History in the Highlands and Islands (1947)* and the Green Party Manifesto which states the following:

“The Great Wood of Caledon existed between the last Great Ice Age and 1000 years ago. It extended across the Highlands to the outer isles. Neolithic settlements began the destruction of the forest and the Viking made a second major impact by burning large areas in warfare. In the 17th and 18th centuries the great wood was cleared to fuel iron smelting in the west to provide timber and make way for cattle, deer and sheep.”

The question today, in light of modern archaeological and historical scholarship, is “how real was the Great Wood of Caledon”? Archaeological study tells us forest did cover the Highlands from edge to edge, with the exception of the high mountain tops, at the end of the last Ice age. The cover was primarily birch and hazel as pine and oak did not grow on the islands and the Flow country of the north. Even so there is no evidence that 2000 years ago in Roman times the post ice age forest still existed. The first published reference to the Caledonian Forest was 2000 years ago in 77 A.D by the elder Pliny. His *Natural History* was written 30 years after the Roman invasion of Britain in 43 A.D. Agricola recorded leading troops across the Forth into Caledonia in 82 A.D. The Roman records are not exact and are plagued by exaggeration. Then, as now, promotion depends on the perception of performance. Ptolemy and Tacitus got their information from Agricola. The accumulated evidence does not exactly fit together. Scholars today believe the referenced Caledonii was a tribe that may have been the larger group of a confederacy of tribes and thus gave their name to an area. Ptolemy records the Caledonian Forest lay “beyond” the Caledonii, beyond meaning “west of”. However a translation error could make it mean “below” as well. It may have west and north of the Great Glen or it may have covered the Grampian and Monadhliath mountains. Statius wrote a governor of Britain won great victory on the “Caledonian Plains” which does not sound like a forest. However we know the Romans did not penetrate Caledonia within 100 miles of Caledonia. It appears the “Caledonian” references in Roman writing may be merely references to a “far away land”. Herodian, in the third century A.D. , wrote most of Britain is marshland but Tacitus recorded Caledonians used chariots-a useless conveyance in a marsh if ever there was one.

There is ample evidence that forest existed in greater abundance than at present in Scotland. However Roman descriptions do not provide anything like exact locations or how much area was really forested. Since the Antonine Wall was constructed of turf in the 140's it is unlikely there was much in the way of forest available in the central Highlands at that time. Climate change and human activity between the Mesolithic and Roman period encouraged the formation of blanket peat. Carbon dating of Scots pine from bogs and loch sides show few to be younger than 4000 years old. How much of the original forest had vanished by the time of Christ is hard to be precise about but likely more than half. Deforestation of islands like Lewis and the lowland counties of Fife and neighboring counties had occurred by the end of the Iron Age. One of the most striking discoveries of modern archaeology is the population of Britain by the time the Romans arrived in Scotland was about 5 million. Traces of human occupation in the Highlands suggest the region was as developed as any other. Published science in 1977 considered the northwest Scottish pine forest had been replaced by blanket-bogs before any large scaled impact by man. However the human activity in the eastern Highlands was the main destructive agent between 1700 BC to 1000AD. One reason is the need for fuel because of the climate. Margret Leigh in her book “Spade Among the Rushes”, an account of life on a croft in the western Highlands during WWII, comments on the importance of fuel for warmth in a climate that is cold and damp the year 'round. The Vikings are reputed to have set fire to wide areas of natural forest in their campaigns to lay waste to the country. Even if such tactics were part of their strategy it is doubtful medieval man had the ability to inflict permanent environmental damage via a casual military campaign. Forest fires set naturally by lightning are followed by natural regeneration unless there is a dense population of animals to graze the emerging seedlings. The underlying cause of deforestation would have to have been farming and climate change.

Primary reference: “Scottish Woodland History” by Prof Chris Smout



Caledonian Forrest in the Mist
<http://treeleafidentification.blogspot.com/2007/10/tree-leaf-identification-caledonian.html>

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.

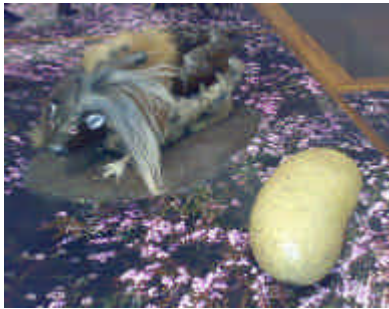


New Location:
Northwood Christian Church
4550 Central Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46205
7:30 - 8:00 PM Beginning Dance lessons
8:00 - 9:00 PM Social dancing
9:00 - 9:30 PM Advanced dancing

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

The (Bagless) Haggis



Photos of wild haggis, Haggis scoticus, next to a prepared specimen, as displayed at the [Glasgow Kelvingrove Gallery](#).

Many are familiar with the favorite Scottish dish, but few are familiar with the actual animal, the now rare Scottish Haggis (Haggis scoticus), a relative of the common snipe. Photo and recipe from Wikipedia.com.

Ingredients:
1/2 lb. beef liver
2 lamb kidneys
3/4 lb. lamb shoulder
1/4 lb beef suet
2 onions, minced
1 c. oatmeal
1 c. stock
salt and pepper

Cooking Directions:
Boil the meats for an hour. Cool. Grate the liver. Chop the others fine. Chop the suet. Toast the oatmeal in a shallow pan in the oven, shaking occasionally. Mix the meats, suet, onions and oatmeal together with a cup of the stock in which liver and meats were cooked. Add salt and plenty of pepper to taste. Turn into greased Pyrex bowl. Cover with 2 or 3 layers of foil. Steam on a rack in a pan of boiling water for 2 hours, adding more boiling water as it boils away. Serves 6.

Welcome New Members

President Gary Davidson wishes to say a hearty: "Failte Chun Ar Cumann!" or "Welcome to our Society!" Please join us in giving our new members a warm greeting and in getting to know them:

Melina Fox and Robert White
Ryan Hilger
Earl Salisbury

Lila Koertge, McIntyre Clan
Armand & Sue Hayes, Hay & Douglas Clans

Upcoming Events Calendar

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

January

13th: SSI Robert Burns Supper "Lite" and Program by Ken Morgan, 6:30PM. Note this is our usual monthly meeting and it is still a pitch-in, so refer to the side dish chart on the last page as usual. \$4 members, \$7 returning guests.

23rd: Burns Supper-- Caledonian Society of Cincinnati- Burns Night at Fort Thomas Armory – No further details available at this time.

23rd: Burns Supper-- Scottish Society of Greater Bloomington—IU Memorial Union, Tudor Room, Bloomington, IN—\$48/ticket—Doors open at 5:30 p.m.—Dinner 6-9 p.m. Featuring Highland Reign. Contact Robert Pate 5348 N. Westfall Ct. Bloomington, IN 47404 (812-876-3406).

30th: Burns Supper-- Scottish American Club of Indiana—Ritz Charles, Carmel, IN—tickets \$55/ adult, \$35 for teens and \$15 for under 12. Evening starts at 6 PM with complimentary whiskey tasting and gourmet dinner. Music by Indiana Caledonia Pipe band; songs of Burns by Fiddle Player Emily Thompson and the Guest Speaker will be Gus Noble of the Illinois St Andrews Society. Contact Marguerite Hendrie (317-872-8179) hendriem@comcast.net. Reservations must be made by January 24, 2009

30th: Burns Supper-- The 42nd Royal Highlanders—Judy Painter's Place, Lafayette, IN--\$30/person. Cocktails 5:30 p.m. (cash bar)—Supper 6:30 p.m. Contact Preston Smith (765-497-2467) P.O. Box 2412, West Lafayette, IN 47996-2412. email psmith@42RHR.org or website—<http://www.42ndRHR.org>

February

6th: Burns Supper-- Scottish Society of Louisville—Masterson's Restaurant, Louisville, KY--\$40.00/person. Evening begins at 6:30 P.M. For tickets: Burn's Night Tickets, PO Box 32248, Louisville, KY 40232-2248. For more information call (502) 533-9336. reservations should be submitted by January 16, 2010.

10th: SSI Dinner and Program- Scotch Tasting, 6:30PM. \$4 members, \$7 returning guests.

March

17th: St. Patrick's Day Parade/Pub Crawl, downtown Indy, to start at 11:30 AM, probably assemble in front of the Elbow Room Pub, details to be announced.

10th, SSI Dinner and Program—A Ceilidh, (informal party with singing and dancing), 6:30pm. \$4 members, \$7 returning guests.



2010 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

Name(s): _____

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.

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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. 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: January—March 2010

	January	February	March
Date:	Wednesday, January 13th	Wednesday, November 6th	Wednesday, March 10th
Meat Dish:	Ron Elliott: roasted bone/skinless marinated chicken breasts	Steven Johnson & Rick Blacklidge: beef dish	TBA
Program:	An informal Burns Supper with program hosted by Ken Morgan	Annual Tasting 'O the Mist (scotch tasting) meeting hosted by Matt Douglass	Ceilidh, or traditional informal party with singing and dancing, with Samuel and Rebekah Lawson, Ken Morgan, and more.
Youth Program:	St. Kentigern	St. Brigit	St. Patrick
Side Dish to Bring:	A-F—Veggie/Casserole	A-F— Salad	A-F—Dessert
	G-McC—Salad	G-McC— Dessert	G-McC —Veggie/Casserole
	McD-Z—Dessert	McD-Z— Veggie/Casserole	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 Hour
 7:00pm—Dinner
 8:00pm—Program

Location:

All meetings take place at the Latvian Center
 1008 West 64th Street

For More Information

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