



# scottish society of louisville, inc NEWSLETTER

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## The Bluegrass Highlanders

This Lexington group continues with its events. For more information call Bill Gordon, president at 606 276-2674, e-mail: WHG1225@aol.com, or write the Bluegrass Highlanders, PO Box 22772, Henry Clay Station, Lexington, KY 40522.

## Burns Night Celebration 2000

The location of our Burns night celebration has been changed from the Nicholas Room at Masterson's Restaurant on 4<sup>th</sup> Street to a new location. We will be celebrating the occasion at the Olmstead Hall on the grounds of the Masonic Home.

This grand scale accommodation will seat up to 600 guests instead of the limited seating of 250 at the old location on 4th Street.

Masterson's Restaurant has graciously made the new hall available to us for the night. The date has tentatively been set as January 29, 2000.

Mark your calendar for a gala evening. More information on our biggest social evening will follow in the newsletters and flyers.

## Paducah Festival

The Paducah festival will be held September the 11, 1999 at Carson Park, Joe Clifton Drive, Paducah, KY from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. There will be a Ceilidh on Friday evening starting at 7:30 p.m., tickets are \$7.00 per adult. The Festival on Saturday tickets are \$6.00 for adults. Entertainment includes Colin Grant-Adams and Ian Bruce, presenting the music of Scotland. Rupert Ferguson will be representing Clan Furgerson and will also have SSL literature including a map, to distribute.

## National Tartan Day Resolution

There will be a formal presentation of the original document, Senate Resolution No 155, establishing Tartan Day as a national day of observance.

It will be presented to The College of William and Mary for placement in the archives of the Earl Gregg Swem Library of the College. The ceremony will take place On September 25th.

## Yard Sale Wrap Up

Were you at the yard sale? It was held on Saturday, August 7, 1999 The Society took in over \$300.00 from sales. Although the sun was bright and it was on the warm side, the sale went well; although the final figure was down a bit from last year's sale. Many folks came early and bought. Our Burns Night Celebration is funded in part from the proceeds of this sale.

Thanks to Gary Schweitzer for organizing it; Art and Reba Stead, June Wallace, Jack Bowling and Hardin Gregg for volunteering to help out.

## 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Heart of Tennessee Games

The fourth Annual Heart of Tennessee Games will be held on Oct. 2 and 3rd. They are held at Middle Tennessee State University-Murfreesboro. For more information, contact Pat Schweitzer at 423-0699.

## Shelia Stewart Storyteller

Sheila Stewart, from Scotland, a storyteller, will be having a storytelling at Falls of the Ohio. Tickets, available ahead of time only, will be \$10. There will be a party at Connie's afterwards and we hope that Sheila will attend. Also there is hope that she will take part in the Corn Island program. Call Pat Schweitzer at 423-0699 for more information.

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## September Birthdays

Happy birthday to Kathy Shaklette, Jackie Wofford, Orison MacNaughton, Laurie Ryan, Robert Caudill, Jack Maple, Dayle L. Hall, Brenna J. Williams, Eugenia A. Aldi, Sandra M. Greenwell, Gregory McCammon, Judith R. Stubbs, Gerald P. Robertson and Elaine Belcher.

## Meet Our Newest Members

Welcome to Michael Shumway and Jan Jones who recently joined our Society.

Let's all give them a Scottish welcome!  
Failte!

## 2001 International Games at Glasgow, KY

The 2001 International Games, to be held in Glasgow, KY continue to grow in momentum. Brochures are already available and it is advisable to make lodging reservations now. Don't miss this one! It will be the game of games for us in this area.

Area accommodations can be found by inquiring at the Louisville Auto Club on Broadway or on the internet by logging onto our web cite at ScotsofLou.org and clicking on the accommodations icon.

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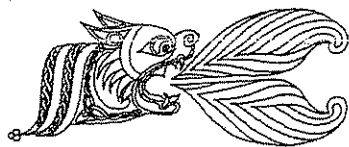
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## Famous Scottish Battles

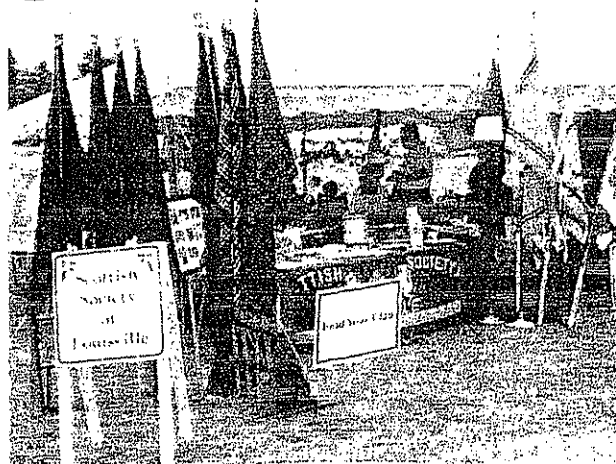
### Bannockburn 24 June 1314

After Wallace's death in 1305, the English thought they would have no further trouble from the Scots. But Robert Bruce had other ideas for them. He set upon raiding and marauded through the northern English countryside. This action provoked Edward II, son of Edward "longshanks" into mounting a reprisal against Bruce. Edward II drove his army northward into Scotland, in an effort to put down the Scot rebellion. They pushed into a region of Scotland called Bannock, which was along the edge of the river Forth. (There never was a town called Bannock) This river was a tidal river and flooded the adjacent countryside with the normal tides. The English were not aware of this. The Scots drew back on an old Roman road toward the river's margins luring the English army forward. The heavy English cavalry surged forward and were at once impaled on the Scot pikemen's long spears. The charge was repelled and the English withdrew hastily. Edward knew he was not going to be successful at this and retired in haste toward Stirling castle. It was nearing night and the English withdrew to a safe distance. In the gray morning, the English charged again but were beaten back on the slippery, treacherous, unknown ground. Bruce pressed against them, smashing the remnants of the army. The English fled. Many were drowned in the Forth; others hopelessly and desperately put up a last fight before being massacred. Few escaped. The aftermath of the battle was inevitable. The Scots acquired huge quantities of plunder and gained a national identity. Soon they were raiding England again. Edward was now face with so many problems nearer home that he did nothing to stop the Scots foraging. This battle was known in England as the 'White Battle' and by the Scots as 'The Chapter of Mytton'.



## Scottish Games at Glasgow, KY 1999

The Scottish Society of Louisville tent at the Glasgow Games. Our staff ready to greet our visitors, look up clan and tartan information for them. This is our regular function at all the Highland Games throughout the year as well as many local events in and around Louisville.



## Tour of Scotland Planned

A tour of Scotland is planned for Louisville Scottish Society members in the summer of the year 2000. Our own Annie Bolger has put together a grand tour for us from June 10 to June 19.

The tour features 8 nights in good quality hotels, a tour of Glasgow, the Ballachulish area, Nairn, Perth, and Edinburgh.

We will cruise Loch Lomond, visit Eilean Donan Castle, Hector Russell Kiltmaker, Balmoral Castle Scone Palace, Glenlivet Distillery, St. Andrews castle and Cathedral, and Edinburgh Castle.

Our ground guides will help us understand the history and features of each stop we will visit.

Cost of the trip will be about \$1900.00, and includes all airfare (except for Louisville to Baltimore), breakfasts and dinners, accommodations, baggage transfers and entrances to the several sites we will visit. Lunches are ours, and tipping of our guides is recommended. There will be time to shop.

A valid passport is required. For more information, call Annie at 1-800-747-2522. Don't miss out! Send your deposit today!

## The Kentucky Tartan

A design and the colors have been chosen for the Kentucky Tartan and Barbara Pierpont is in the process of weaving us a sample. If no changes are necessary we should be ready to go with the proclamation for the January meeting of the State Legislature. A formal letter requesting that all lend their support to this by patrician effort will be forthcoming. Thanks to Carolyn Cook for all her efforts on the design.

## Hospitality Needs Help!

Laura Doll needs your help with the hospitality in the kitchen at our meetings. She will not be with us for the remainder of the year while she is taking classes. If you have culinary skills and would like to help out, call Laura or Susie at 585-3199 or email ladoll77@hotmail.com. Can you help?

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# CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 1999

Monday, September 6 -- Book Club at Liz Copeland's, 123 Fenley Ave 7:00 p.m.  
Saturday, September 11 -- Western Kentucky Highland Festival, Carson Park, Paducah, KY  
Tuesday, September 14 -- SSL Board Meeting, Strathmoor Presbyterian Church 7:30 p.m.  
Friday, September 17 -- Corn Island Festival, call Pat Schweitzer at 423-0699 for details.  
Tuesday, September 28 -- SSL Monthly Meeting - 7:30 p.m. Program: "Call of the Blood: Ladies from Hell, Part II" presented in July by Frank Beavin.  
Monday, October 4 -- Book Club at Liz Copeland's, 123 Fenley Ave 7:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, October 12 -- SSL Board Meeting, Strathmoor Presbyterian Church 7:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, October 26 -- SSL Monthly Meeting - 7:30 p.m. Program: "Scottish Ghost Stories" presented by Mark Johnson & Frank Beavin.  
Sunday October 31 -- Kirkin' 'o The Tartan, Strathmoor Presbyterian Church 3:00 p.m.

## PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

In another part of this newsletter are recommended changes to the ByLaws and Manual of Operations. It is not easy to change the ByLaws; the changes must be read at two consecutive member meetings, and they must be mailed to all members. They may be acted on after the second reading. The Manual of Operations requires only that changes be mailed before a member meeting and then acted upon.

Why do we need to take all this effort just after revising the ByLaws last spring? Because we have the fortunate situation of becoming better known in the area. We are a part of Louisville's World Communities group, along with several other ethnic and heritage organizations. Within that group, some of the corporations that conduct business overseas have an interest in supporting the diversity of the city. A few corporations inquired about a membership in the Scottish Society of Louisville. Our Board realized that we did not consider such a possibility when revising the ByLaws a few months ago. The Board also realized that corporate memberships could help the SSL accomplish its purposes of public recognition and education of Scottish culture. Therefore the Board prepared the two recommendations.

I ask that you read the recommendations and consider the advantages. If you have questions or comments, please do not hesitate to call me at 228-2966. And remember, members are always welcome to meet with the Board on the second Tuesday of the month, 7:30 p.m., at Strathmoor Presbyterian Church.

## RECOMMENDED CHANGES OF MEMBERSHIP

The Board of Directors took action at its August 10 meeting to recommend the following to the members of the Society:

1. That the ByLaws, Article IV, Section 2 be amended by the addition of the following section:

(E) CORPORATE MEMBERSHIPS Private, commercial, and public organizations who wish to support the goals and purposes of the Society may be granted membership as Corporate Members. The Board of Directors shall set the dues and define the benefits of such member-

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ship. Each corporate membership shall be accorded two (2) voting members of the Society. The Board further recommends the following

2. That the Manual of Operations, Section VIII.1, Dues, be amended to read as follows: Membership dues shall be \$20 for single membership, \$30 for family memberships, and \$300 for corporate memberships. Life memberships for single and family members shall be set at 10 times the annual dues.

ByLaw amendments take effect upon the second reading. The first reading of these amendments took place on August 24. The second reading will be heard on September 28, and voted upon then. If there are questions or comments, please contact one of the members of the Board.

## Cincinnati Celtic Music and Cultural Festival

The eighth annual Cincinnati Celtic Music and Cultural Festival is Oct 2 and 3. It is being sponsored by the Cincinnati Folk Life and will be held at historic Coney Island. Don't miss this event, for a great time, enjoying music and art. For more information contact Pat Schweitzer at 423-0699.

## Christmas Ornaments

Connie Fry announced at the August 24th Society meeting that she needs volunteers to help make the Christmas Ornaments for Lighting up Louisville. The program will be held in November before Thanksgiving. Need to get an early start on the ornaments.

Opening night ceremony will be the week before Thanksgiving at Convention Center.

## A thought for the day

"Man without doubt is the most interesting fool there is"  
-Mark Twain-

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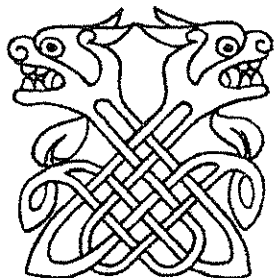
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Frank Beavin, secretary

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### Minutes of August 28th Meeting

President David McCreath opened meeting at 7:35 p.m. Secretary's Report: A proposed change to the Constitution adding corporate memberships was passed out to all members present. Secretary read proposed change. It will be voted upon at the next general meeting. Treasurer's Report: Balance 7/20/99=\$8595.46, Income=\$1874.13, Expenses = \$377.19, Balance 8/24/99=\$10092.40; SSL has a \$5000 CD. Gary Schweitzer-Yard Sale made \$301.13. Member Services: Great time at State Fair with LPB. Birthdays & members now printed in newsletter. Now have about 190 members. 27 members attended Scottish Ale Tasting at Rich O's in New Albany. External Affairs: Paducah Games will be September 11. Sheila Stewart will be storytelling at Falls of the Ohio. Tickets are \$10, available ahead of time only. There will be a party at Connie's afterwards. Programs: September is "The Call of the Blood". October Program is Ghost Stories. Connie Fry-Christmas ornaments volunteers needed to make the ornaments for Lighting up Louisville; for November before Thanksgiving at Convention Center. Annie - Trip to Scotland 24-25 committed. Trip will be 6/10-6/19, 2000. Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM for refreshments..