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St Andrew Society of Colorado

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Scottish Holiday Ceilidh Friday, December 4, 2015 ~ 6:30pm to 8:30pm (Joint event of SASC and RMHD) Please join us for a casual, festive evening of traditional Scottish music, fun, food, and dancing



Bring your favorite holiday treat (sweet or savory) Young bairns, bring a wrapped holiday ornament to exchange! **Location** St Timothy Episcopal Church 1401 Dry Creek Rd Littleton, CO 80122

Please RSVP to Jean Hess at celticjean@hotmail.com

Suggested donation \$5 individual / \$15 family of four

Hope You Enjoyed the Silent Auction at the Gala... Now for Burns Supper! (Sat, Jan 23)

JOIN THE FESTIVITIES!

Who doesn't love a great find?

We hold Silent Auctions to help raise funds for the Society. Besides the browsing and bidding fun on all the interesting (and often coveted) Scottish items, this is an important fundraiser for the SASC and helps the Society meet day-to-day costs of running our beloved organization.

EVERYONE WINS! Many people volunteer their time and effort to organize the events each year and it is all our wonderful members who attend the events, donate and bid on the Silent Auction who also benefit.



Get to know

your fellow members. Enjoy amazing food. Share a toast, laughter, dancing, music, and more!

For Additional Information... Please see our website at: <u>http://www.coloradoscots.com/</u> <u>events/</u>

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Submit items for next issue (Nov/Dec) by December 10, 2015. Send email to Highland Herald Editor **Heather Miller** at **editor@ColoradoScots.com** *"Whisky may not cure the common cold, but it fails more agreeably than most other things."*

-Anonymous

Heather Needs Help!! I do enjoy working with everyone to publish the Highland Herald. However. I have a new more demanding job and have less time. Please Help Me! Do you like writing articles, taking photos? I'll show you how to use MS Publisher! Stay in touch with fellow members! Call or email! 303-941-5081 or editor@coloradoscots.com

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The SASC Chieftain and Council (Gaelic: Ceannard agus Còmhairle)

Chieftain's Corner

Fàilte! It has been my privilege to preside over the many activities of the St Andrew Society of Colorado this past year... and there are indeed numerous wonderful events. I hope most members have enjoyed and participated in as many events as possible!

From Last year's St Andrew Ball, January and our Burns' Supper, Tartan Day fundraiser Tea's and Tartan Day in April, and the SASC unit in the Denver St Patrick's Day Parade, the magnificent Kirkin' o the Tartan at St John's Cathedral, the Spring Brunch at Mt Vernon Country Club, all leading up to our flagship event: the 52nd Annual Colorado Scottish Festival with the amazing move to Snowmass Village.

These are but a highlight of activities and members continue to astound and impress me with their dedication and hard work behind the scenes to promote our love of all things Scottish including other events by sister organizations and other groups: the Edgewater Celtic Harvest Festival, the annual Highland Fling performance by the Rocky Mountain Highland Dancers,



summertime Highland Happy Hours, Scottish Fiddle Club, all the Colorado festivals and games, and the thrill of performances of our Colorado pipe bands this year. Congratulations and sincere thanks to all who have contributed to these events throughout the year.

I have enjoyed serving as your Chieftain the past year. I am grateful to my Council for their amazing support and to the SASC members who elected me to this office.

I look forward to seeing you all at the St. Andrew Society Gala on November

SASC 2014-2015 Council

Elected Members

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For Council meeting times and locations, please call The Highland Herald Editor *at 303.941.5081*



ABOUT THE COUNCIL

SASC Council Meetings

The Society Council meets monthly to review and plan Society business. Location rotates between council member homes. Meetings are normally held on the second Monday at 7:00pm. The 2015/2016 schedule is below. The AGM in October is generally on a Friday.

- Nov 9, 2015
- Dec 14, 2015
- Jan 11,2016
- Feb 8, 2016
- Mar 14, 2016
- Apr 11, 2016
- May 9, 2016
- Jun 13, 2016
- Jul 11, 2016

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What's Happening With Members (Gaelic: Caraidean)



CEUD MILE FAILTE (Key-ut Meeluh Fawl-chuh) "100,000 Welcomes"

A hearty welcome to our new members, who have recently joined the St. Andrew Society of Colorado:

Brian Aigner (Clan: Ross) Centennial, CO Ann Foster (Clan: MacAlister/ Armstrong) Conifer, CO Robin Lincke Golden, CO Derek & Katharine Pickering Parker, CO

5 new members 165 renewals 189 Life Members 371 Currently Active

Denver & District Pipe Band

It's been a wonderful, busy year for the Denver & District Pipe Band. Last year, we were upgraded by the Western United States Pipe Band Association to Grade III from Grade IV. It's a big jump from IV to III. You have to learn a new set, upgrade the quality of sound, playing, and so forth. You'd think we'd be busy enough to just focus on that. But no, we decided that we needed to start a Grade IV band also!

There's good reason for it--we are a teaching band, and it is truly not a good idea to throw a newer piper or drummer into a Grade III band. They need experience in being in front of judges, figuring out how to calm nerves, and all the in's and out's of competition. Grade IV is the perfect place for that, and we had enough new people join the band that we could make that a reality. We knew it would be a challenge, but were pretty confident we could figure it out. I am happy to say that we did, and both bands were successful. But it was often exhausting, with double the

amount of work in a day for the leaders of the band. It was worth it, though. The band is stronger for it, and already looking forward to next year. We'll continue to tweak the process so that it isn't as exhausting for some people, but at least we won't be bored.

We enjoyed being in the new Snowmass location for the Colorado Scottish Festival, and were lucky enough to be the warm-up band for the Saturday night concert. Snowmass is gorgeous, and the weather was wonderful. I know that the festival will undergo some tweaking of its own--isn't that always the case--but it seems to be a good move. Especially when the other option was to discontinue the games entirely.

As always, we welcome new members to the band. And of course, audiences. Our schedule is at www.ddpb.org.

We look forward to seeing you and send wishes for a happy holiday season!

~ Lise Nelson, Pipe Major, DDPB

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Scottish Fiddle Club of Colorado Concert



We're at it again . . . And your presence is requested!

When: Sat, Nov 21, 2015 2:00pm

Door prizes will be awarded including a \$100 Gift Certificate to Trader Joe's! Refreshments will be served following the concert.

Where: The Kirk (Church) of Bonnie Brae

1201 South Steele St (Steele & Arizona) Denver, CO 80210

Parking is adjacent to the building and on the street in this lovely neighborhood. Please enter from the East (front) side of the building.

What: Free Admission

For more information about the Scottish Fiddle Club and Competition, please contact **Ken McIntosh** at **kenmcintosh@idcomm.com** or **303.234.0469**.

Visit <u>www.scotsfiddle.org/</u> for a free document about Scottish fiddling!

We look forward to seeing you there!!

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Society Finances (Gaelic: Airgead)

Fundraising status Notes from the Committee

Everyone can help! The Society is a group of real people interested in things Scottish. Please consider being active in your membership. We offer multiple avenues of participation. Help us help you!

What's your talent? Make a resolution to take action this year! It's no fun without the camaraderie and bonding of events and activities. Come to a ceilidh or meet us at other associate events. You never know what will come of it until you get there! Always a good time to be sure!

Renew Your Membership! Annual dues are fairly low at \$35 for a basic membership, \$15 for each household plus membership, and \$25 for those who are also members in our affiliated organizations (Rocky Mountain Highland Dancers, Colorado Scottish Country Dancers, and the Colorado Tartan Day Council.

Give the gift of SASC membership to a friend!!



Kind Regards Heather Miller Carl Andrews Sabrina Hattar

SAVE NESSIE!!!

The Nessie float may be history but the Society still needs your help! Donations of time and funds are appreciated. Call: **Heather Miller** at **303-941-5081**

Or email Editor@ColoradoScots.com



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HIGHLAND SINGLE MALT Scotch Whisky

SASC Needs Volunteers!!! YOU JOINED THE SOCIETY, NOW

ROLL UP YOUR SLEEVES!

The Society is working hard at many events for fundraising, membership development and fun activities. It takes a village! Please consider participating in the following activities. If you are pinched for time, let us know and we will work around your schedule. Many hands make the work light, right!!?

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- Newsletter Editor(s)
- Fundraising Chairperson
- o Raffle Organizing
- Games Committee
- Society Archivist
 - Council Meetings

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Scots in History (Gaelic: Eachdraidh)

Boxing Day 2015 Saturday, December 26

Season's Greetings!!

Boxing Day is always the day after Christmas. It traditionally occurs on December 26 but is not a fixed-date public holiday, meaning the holiday can be moved to the next weekday if the 26th is on a Saturday or Sunday. December 26th is also celebrated as Saint Stephen's Day.

Although Boxing Day is a public holiday, more and more shops trade on Boxing Day and it is fast becoming a day when post-Christmas sales begin, especially in the cities. In London, many attractions, museums and iceskating rinks are open.

Boxing Day has several origins, all of which have some validity. One is that Boxing Day relates to a Christmas Box that was carried on ships. A priest would pray over the box before it left and Mass would be held regularly on shore during the journey time of the ship. Sailors on board would add a coin to the box and if the ship returned safely the box of coins would be given to the church in thanks for their prayers.



Another story is that the Alms Boxes in churches were opened on Boxing Day and their contents distributed to the poor.

Today, the family meal on Boxing Day is usually a more relaxed version of Christmas Lunch and may include leftover ham and turkey, rehashed vegetables, fruit mince pies with brandy butter, and more of yesterday's Christmas cake.

Families use the day as a casual day of catching up, often visiting the people they had not been able to see on the day before.

Boxing Day is also a great reason for sport. Football and Rugby League matches are played around the country; the King George VI Chase is held in Surrey; and the biggest mounted hunts of the year are held – 'fox' hunts without foxes (scent trails are laid).

http://publicholidays.co.uk/boxing-day/







Colorado Scottish Country Dancers

Some dances will be walked through at 3:00pm. \$5.00 SCD members \$6.00 non-members Students through high school half price. Be thankful for music, dance, and friends. Bring refreshments to share with your fellow dancers, and, as always, bring your enthusiasm.

December Regional Dance: December 12, 2015 3:00pm Sodal Hall, The Avalon 6185 Arapahoe Rd, Boulder, CO

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Member Remembrances (Gaelic: Cuimhne)

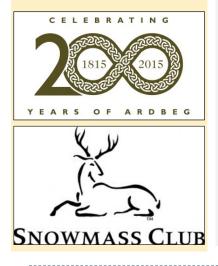
Famous Scots



John Stuart Mill (1806-1873)

Was a philosopher, a political economist, a Member of Parliament and an important figure in liberal political philosophy. He has been called "the most influential Englishspeaking philosopher of the nineteenth century". Mill was a proponent of utilitarianism, arguing that one must always act so as to produce the greatest aggregate happiness among all sentient beings, within reason. His view on liberty was that each individual has the right to act as he wants, so long as these actions do not harm others. Mill also set the premises of falsification as the key component in the scientific method.

http://www.eupedia.com/ scotland/ famous scottish people.shtml



It's hard to lose our loved ones. Sadly, the Society has learned of the deaths of the following members:

FLOWERS OF THE FOREST

James G. Osborne

SASC life member since 1980, we only recently confirmed that James passed away some years ago. We continued to have James and Lucy's membership on the roster until we learned that Lucy, also, had passed in September this year.

Lucille Baldwin Osborne

(1928 - Sep 17, 2015, age 87) James' wife, Lucille (Lucy) Baldwin Osborne of Lander, Wyoming, died Thursday, September 17, 2015 at the Westward Heights Care Center in Lander, Wyoming. A memorial mass was held 9/23/15 with inurnment at Mount Hope Cemetery. Lucy was born in Portland, Oregon to Florence Rees and Decatur Baldwin. The family moved to Hood River, OR where Lucy's parents operated an insurance business. After graduating high school, Lucy attended Oregon State University, where she studied home economics and was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority.

Lucy married James G Osborne in 1948. They lived in California, Utah, Colorado, and Oklahoma before settling in Lander in 1978. Lucy was employed by Lander Medical Clinic until her retirement in 1996.

Over the years, Lucy was an active member of Holy Rosary Catholic Church, Fremont Fiber Arts Guild, Lander Urban Forest Council, Fremont County Master Gardeners, PEO, and... SASC.

Lucy was an avid gardener, an accomplished knitter, and enthusiastic cook who enjoyed entertaining and sharing items she made and grew with friends.

She is survived by two daughters, Elizabeth and Anne. Memorials may be made to the PEO Fund for Continuing Education, Lander Memorial Tree Park (Parks and Recreation), or Holy Rosary Catholic Church in care of Davis Funeral Home, 2203 W. Main St., Riverton, WY 82501. On-line condolences for the family may be made at the DavisFuneralHome.com.

Ruth Silver

(Nov 1, 1930 – Jul 17, 2015, age 84)

SASC Life member since 1995, Ruth Stanlie Smith Silver was the oldest of seven children born to Joseph F. and Ruth Pingree Smith in Salt Lake City. At 16, Ruth attended Punahou School in Hawaii



where she graduated in 1948.

Ruth taught speech communications at the Church College of Hawaii (1957-60) and at BYU Provo (1961-64). While traveling in England in 1964, she met Harold F. Silver, an inventor. They married that year and moved to Denver residing in Colorado for 50 years. During this time, Ruth also taught at the Colorado Women's College and frequented the Iliff School of Theology.

Over the years, Ruth mothered many relatives, friends, students, artists, musicians, and scholars. She was a self-defined "theatre, opera and arts junkie" and enjoyed attending the symphony, ballet, opera, and theatre.

Funeral services were held July 24 at the LDS Crestmoor Ward on 740 Hudson Street in Denver. Ruth is buried next to her husband, Harold, in the Fairmount Cemetery in Denver.

To share condolences, please visit online at <u>www.Larkinmortuary.com</u>.

Roy and Mary Vogel

(Unconfirmed, in their 90s) The last two issues of the Highland Herald have been returned and we suspect that Roy and Mary are gone from us. The Vogel's were charter members of SASC in 1963. They moved to Henderson, NV in the early 1970s.

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Calendar *(Gaelic: Tarchatas)*

SAVE THE DATE!



ST ANDREW S?CIETY BURNS SUPPER

Jan 23, 2016 Marriott Denver Tech Ctr 4900 S Syracuse St Denver, CO 80237 Silent Auction Donations Requested coloradoscots.com/events

Colorado Tartan Day

New Location for Tartan Day Festival We are moving!! Where: Boulder County Fairgrounds, Longmont, CO When: Sat/Sun, Apr 9 & 10, 2016 9am-5pm Sat 9am-4pm Sun Follow on our website! www.coloradotartanday.com /events



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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NOVEMBER

Sun, Nov 21, 2015 2:00pm SCOTTISH FIDDLE CLUB OF COLORADO CONCERT The Kirk of Bonnie Brae 1201 S Steele St, Denver, CO

Mon, Nov 30, 2015 ST ANDREW'S DAY Traditional

DECEMBER _

Fri, Dec 4, 2015 6:30pm-8:30pm Scottish Holiday Ceilidh SASC and RMHD joint event Special Guests: Santa and Mrs MacClaus St Timothy Episcopal Church 1401 Dry Creek Rd Littleton, CO

Sun, Dec 6, 2016 1:00pm RMHD at the Georgetown Christmas Festival Georgetown, CO

Wed, Dec 9, 2016 7:30pm *RMHD at the Tartan Terrors Concert* Lone Tree Performing Arts Center 10075 Commons St, Lone Tree, CO

Mon, Dec 14, 2015 7:00pm SASC Council Meeting Larry Hay / Val Cunningham Home Highlands Ranch, CO

Mon, Dec 28, 2015 INTRODUCTION TO CURLING Denver Curling Club Golden, CO

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Sat, Dec 26, 2015 BOXING DAY (with Colorado Scottish Country Dancers) Denver, CO

_ JANUARY _____

Fri, Jan 22, 2016 CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL Burns Night (with Colorado Scottish Country Dancers) Denver, CO

Sat, Jan 23, 2016 SASC BURNS SUPPER Marriott Denver Tech Center Denver, CO

FEBRUARY

Thu, Feb 25, 2016 *MILE HIGH BONSPIEL* Denver Curling Club Golden, CO

___ MARCH ___

Sat/Sun, Mar 10 - 15, 2016 DURANGO CELTIC FESTIVAL Headliners: RUNA and DAIMH Durango, CO

___ APRIL __

Sat/Sun, Apr 9 & 10, 2016 COLORADO TARTAN DAY FESTIVAL Longmont, CO

____ AUGUST _____

Fri/Sat/Sun, Aug 5-7, 2016 53RD ANNUAL COLORADO SCOTTISH FESTIVAL Snowmass Village, CO

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After over 40 years as the primary Society point of contact, Jean Casson passes the baton...

It is with unsurpassed appreciation that we thank Jean Casson for the many, many years of communications support which she has happily performed in addition to a variety of other positions with the St Andrew Society Colorado.

Timm Herrod, our current Vice Chieftain, will be the new official address for mailings. Timm will be forwarding on communications and returns to the appropriate parties for speedy replies.

New Return Address

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Thank you, Jean and Timm!

Wishing all members and friends a happy and safe holiday season!! Hope to see more of you in the New Year... Here comes 2016!







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Give us a call for more information about our organization, events, and membership.

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