

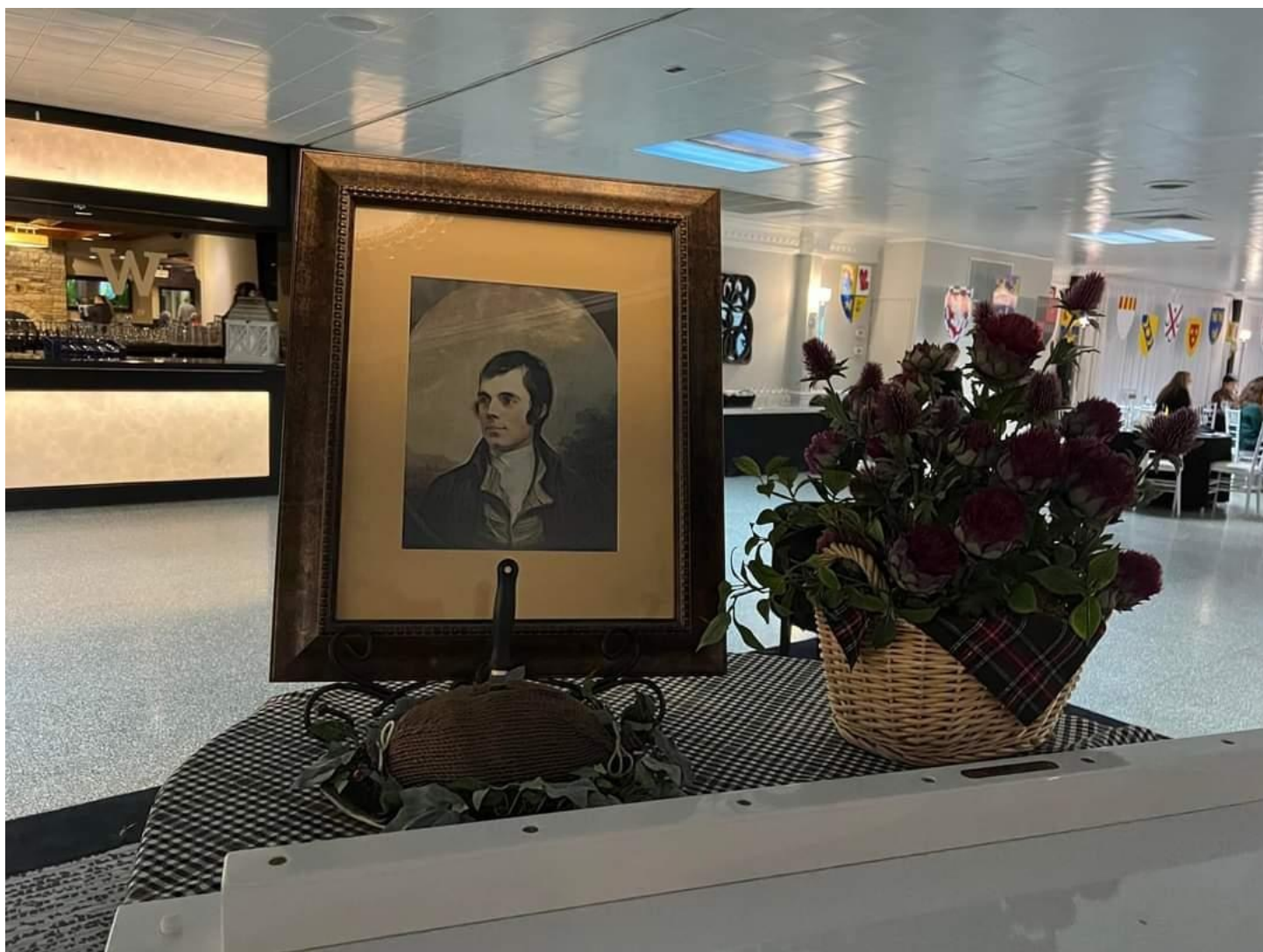


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Burns' Night at the Woodford Country Club

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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.





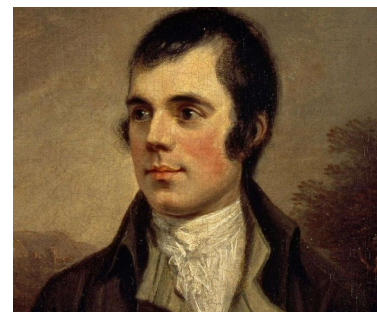
President's Message

After having to postpone due to a major winter storm, Burns Night 2026 ended up being a huge success! We are so thankful to all who participated in and helped put together a wonderful night of Scottish celebration! Thank you to those of you who ventured out in the cold to celebrate Robert Burns with us. We are happy to share our enthusiasm for Burns and Scotland with so many others.

Hopefully the weather will cooperate for our monthly membership meeting on February 24th. It's been a long winter without an SSL meeting. I would like to challenge our members to bring a friend along to hear Mindy's discussion about the Lockenbooth rings seen in Outlander.

Another way you can support the Society is to refer your friends to our Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube accounts so they can stay up to date on all the Scottish Society of Louisville news and events.

Hope to see you soon,
Cheri



Member Reminders

1. Check out our Facebook page for any information about upcoming events.
2. Name of the SSL Facebook group "The Scottish Society of Louisville"
3. Our website can be found at scotsoflou.com.
4. To submit an announcement, article, etc. to the newsletter, please email to our newsletter editor, Linda Wilson, at tomatoladyone@yahoo.com. All articles, pictures, etc. should be sent to the editor by the 1st of the month. The newsletter is published about the 5th of the month.
5. Dues are due on the anniversary of your acceptance as a member.

Individual - \$25

Family - \$40



The Scottish Society of Louisville Burns' Night Gala

Though we had to postpone our Burns' celebration by a week due to the weather, we still had a good turnout. Included here are photos of our celebration at Woodhaven Country Club!



Janet Bailey and Marla Jo Cameron at our check-in table.



Cindy Atchison, ready to bring in the Haggis!

Steve Shetter, Jr. as our Master
of Ceremonies



Robbin Goodin & Arthur
Elliott on drums, & Karen
Brumley on bagpipes during
the Recognition of the Clans



Leading the Clan Flag Procession are former presidents
Gary Schweitzer and Bruce Wilson



Some of our Clan Flag bearers-
Former presidents Marla Jo Cameron, John Dickson, and Jeff Forbes on the left,
Jack Bowling on the right



SSL President Cheri Eskridge received her President's flag from prior President Gary Schweitzer



John & Dot Scott during the Toast to the Lads & Lassies



Some of our Scottish Society ladies; Pat Schweitzer, Janice Beatty, Jenny Dickson, Marla Jo Cameron, Karen Brumley with the Haggis, & Cheri Eskridge



Chip & Cheri Eskridge on the left; Robbin Goodin, Cheri, & Pat Schweitzer on the right





Mindy McIntosh & Dot Scott making announcement of raffle winners



Mindy McIntosh-Shetter & Bruce Wilson during one of the sing-a-longs



Members Marye & Greg Mathews



Socializing before dinner



Guilderoy Byrne's Band performing; Danette Rhoads on fiddle & bodhran Brenna O'Hara Hohmann on vocals & percussion, & Greg Byrne on vocals & guitar

2026 SSL Educational Programs, Mindy McIntosh Shetter

January- Discover Scotland's Most Celebrated Man-Robert Burns (YouTube presentation by Ruth Aisling)
cancelled due to weather

February- Talk on Luckenbooth Brooch and Trade Rings and The Story of Marion Braidfate-Maiden of Lanark and William Wallace (YouTube)



March- Dinner and a Movie-Robert the Bruce: The Outlaw King

April- TBA

May- Ancient Legacies: 10 Castles held by the Original Clans (YouTube)

June- Love Scotland Stories of Scotland's History: Violet Jacob: A Singular Life (Podcast)

July- What did Mary, Queen of Scots look like? Facial Reconstructions from Death Mask & History (YouTube)

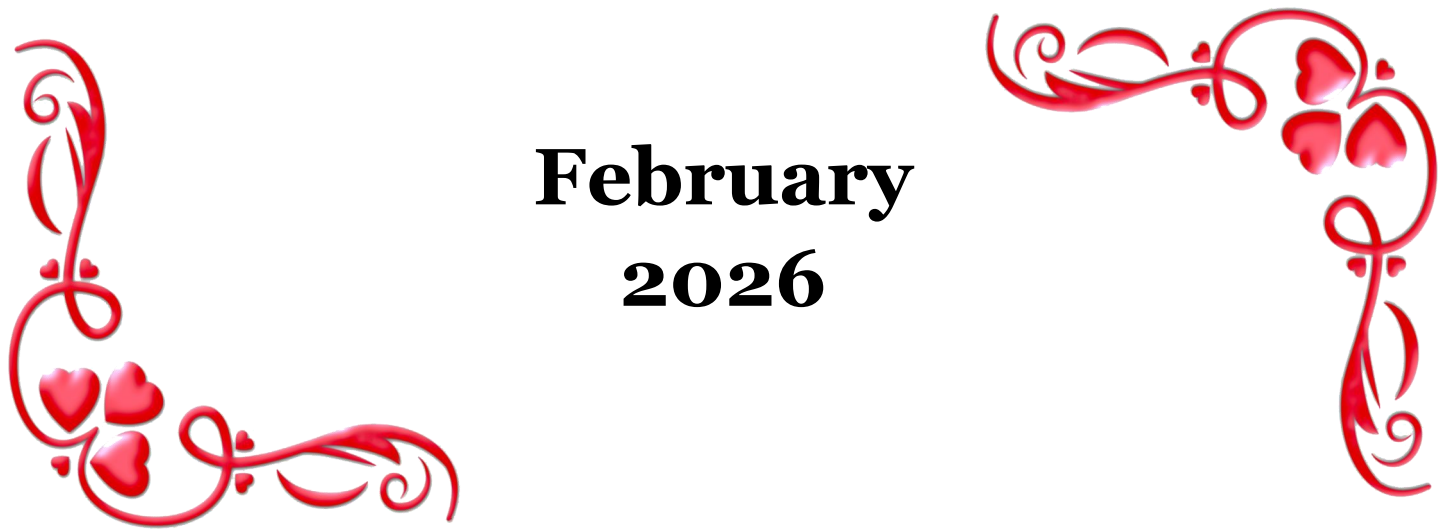
August- The Medieval Afterlife of the Declaration of Arbroath (University of Glasgow) (YouTube)

September- The Scottish Society of Louisville First Bake Off and Program

October- The Royal Society of Edinburgh's Festival of Knowledge-A Scottish Murder: Unravelling the Ardlamont Case (YouTube) or Friday Focus-Remembering the Scottish Witch Trials (Hunterian Glasgow) (YouTube)

November- Heritage Auction/No Meeting





December- Holiday Season/No Meeting








February

2026

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

1	2 Groundhog Day	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 SSL Board Meeting 	11	12	13	14 
15 	16 <i>Happy Presidents Day</i>	17	18 Lent Begins	19	20	21
22	23	24 SSL Member Meeting 	25	26	27	28

March 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 	9	10 SSL Board Meeting 	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 	18	19	20 Spring Equinox 	21
22	23	24 SSL Member Meeting 	25	26	27	28
29	30	31 FUNdraiser Dinner at				