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Auction items from the November 2023 auction. Lovely Christmas ornaments, a lamp, and a super cool wooden castle with handmade people, knights and horses.

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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.





## ***SSL President's Message***

### ***November Peanut Butter Reminder!***

This is also our annual peanut butter drive for the Portland Area Community Trust.

We donate one-lb. jars of peanut butter, small jars of jelly, and crackers to PACT to aid in their family assistance programs.

One more way to support our Louisville community.

2023 peanut butter drive



## ***Member Reminders***

1. Check out our Facebook page, "The Scottish Society of Louisville", for information about upcoming events.
2. Our website can be found at [scotsoflou.com](http://scotsoflou.com). Dues may be paid on the website, or mailed to Scottish Society of Louisville, PO Box 34758, Louisville, KY 40323.

***Individual - \$25***

***Family - \$40***

3. To submit an announcement, article, etc. to the newsletter, please email to our news letter editor, Linda Wilson, at [tomatoladyone@yahoo.com](mailto: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.



## ***August Membership Meeting by Judy Stubbs***

President Cheri's Opening Statement: "This Month in Scottish History" "In honor of Woman's Equality Day today: On the 16<sup>th</sup> of August 1864 Scottish suffragette, Elsie Inglis, was born at Naini Tai hill station in India. Inglis was a rare female medical graduate battling prejudice all the way. She founded a maternity hospital in Edinburgh, affectionately known as 'Elsie's'. However, she was not only a reformer in the field of medicine. In 1906, she founded the Scottish Women's Suffrage Federation. During the First World War this Suffragette Federation organized medical teams to go to France, Serbia and Salonica as well as Russia. Inglis went to Serbia herself, where her efforts to improve hygiene reduced the typhus and other epidemics which had been raging there. In 1915 she was captured and then repatriated, but returned to work in Russia. The climate and long hours she imposed on herself led to a break down in her health and she was forced to return home to recuperate, unfortunately she was to die the day after landing at Newcastle. However, 'Elsie's' stayed open as a hospital until 1988." There were about 30 people present.

Vice-President-Marla Jo: Heritage Fund: "We have one submission for the Heritage Fund. That will be voted on in October by the committee."

Vice-President-Marla Jo: Dinner and Auction: "She has the letters for our members to start soliciting for donations. She would like for us to get a head start." "She announced that Janice Beatty will be the Silent Auction Coordinator."

Secretary-Judy: No Report.

Kirking Director-Judy: "She reported that we have been invited to attend a Kirkin' O' The Tartans at Okolona Presbyterian Church, on Sunday, October 26, 2025. Their address is: 8015 Shepherdsville Road, Louisville, KY 40219-4049. The Pastor is The Rev. Dave Bush. Please let me know if you plan to attend either by carrying your own Clan Tartan, or that you wish to carry the Society's Tartan, or if you prefer to sit with us in the congregation. Please let me know your Clan name for the Roll Call of Clans. Please plan to arrive by 10:15 am as the service begins at 10:45 am. We are asked to join with the congregation for an annual potluck lunch and to bring a dish. Please take your dish to the kitchen for the cooks to arrange the table."

Regional Celtic Commissioner-Steve: "The remaining Celtic events are: September 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> Central KY Games, and October 17<sup>th</sup> through 19<sup>th</sup> Stone Mountain Highland Games, Georgia."

Programs & Education Commissioner-Mindy: "She introduced this evening's Presenter Kerry Overfelt. His bio: Kerry Overfelt, also known by friends as KO is the owner of Darkside Athletics in Bardstown, KY. Kerry is aged 54, and has been competing in the games since 1998. He turned Pro in the games in 2003 and competed until 2019. He is the current AD (Athletic Director) for Southern KY Highland Games, Middle Tennessee Games, and Central KY Games (home of the Masters National Championship, and Indianapolis Highland Games."

Social Media Commissioner: Open-No Report.

Newsletter Editor Commissioner-Linda: No Report.

Membership Commissioner-Kim: No Report.

Hospitality Commissioner-Anne: No Report.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy

## Updated 2025 SSL Meeting Programs

September

Speaker-Cindy McNary-Atchison

Topic: Flora McDonald



Bio: Cindy is a retired teacher/librarian. She loves to travel, especially to Scotland and enjoys reading, gardening, and watching Outlander.

October

Podcast: Stories Fireside Folklore: Nuckelavee, Scotland's Scariest Demon



We journey to the cold waters of the North Sea for Jenny to tell the famed story of the Nuckelavee as captured by farmer and folklorist Walter Trail Dennison. The nuckelavee is a skinless horse who haunts Orkney's coasts, terrifying travelers. He also brings blight and plague to crops, livestock and even humans with his terrible toxic breath. Meanwhile, Annie will do anything to avoid the nuckelavee, including summoning the ancient Sea Mither to ensure the nuckelavee is trapped for summer.

November

Pitch-in Dinner & Auction Fundraiser for our Heritage Fund

This event will be held at Strathmoor Presbyterian Church, 2201 Hawthorne Avenue, Louisville, KY. Don't miss this fun occasion! Bring your covered dish to share and auction items.



December—No member meeting



## Auction Donations for November

We are seeking donations for the silent auction at our November meeting. Anyone who needs the donation forms for businesses can get them from Marla Jo Cameron, our Vice President. Contact her at [scottiegirl74@yahoo.com](mailto:scottiegirl74@yahoo.com), and put 'SSL Donations' in the Subject line of your email.

Remember that any items donated by members need to be clean and in good repair. Bring them to Strathmoor when you come in November, or give to a Board member or friend who is going to be there. If you cannot make it.

We always have a good time at the dinner and auction, and all proceeds go to the Heritage Fund so we can continue to support our Scottish community as much as possible.

Looking forward to seeing you there!



2023 Auction  
Photos





## ***2025 Upcoming Celtic & Other Events by Regional Celtic Commissioner Steve Shetter Jr.***

- September 13th-14th      Columbus, IN Highland Games, Bartholomew County Fairgrounds, 750 W 200 S, Columbus, IN 47201. Children 4 and under free. Other information available online at [scottishfestival.org](http://scottishfestival.org).
- September 20th-21st      Central Kentucky Highland Games. 955 Elm Street, HWY 22, Eminence, KY, children under 5 free. Other information at [kyrenfaire.com](http://kyrenfaire.com).
- October 11th-12th      Ohio Renaissance Fair and Highland Games; 10542 OH 73, Waynesville, OH 45068. Support animals allowed, no pets. Date-specific tickets, must be ordered online at [renfestival.com](http://renfestival.com).
- October 17-19th      Stone Mountain Highland Games and Scottish Festival, at Stone Mountain State Park, Georgia. For detailed information check online at [smhg.org](http://smhg.org).

More detailed information about service dogs, ticket prices, parking fees, early registration, gate fees, camping fees, area hotels, special events, maps and so on is available at the included web sites.



Athletics at the 2025 Southern KY Highland Games

## 2025 Event Reminders

**Save the dates!!! SSL FUNdraisers are coming back!!!**

Come join us for our 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday SSL FUNdraisers. We will gather at a local restaurant, visit and eat together.

A portion of the proceeds will come back to the SSL so we can plan some more fun events in 2025.

We will meet on **September 30<sup>th</sup>**, **December 30<sup>th</sup>**.

Restaurant details to follow. Be sure to check the calendar in the upcoming newsletters.

Hope to see you there!



### ***SSL FUNdraiser Update from Robbin Goodin***







*At our last event, there were 13 members and guests at Panera Bread on Veteran's Parkway, Clarksville, IN. Free money for the SSL, and a fun time to boot. That's awesome. Thanks to all of you who helped us raise money. Let's do it again! All we have to do is show up and eat!*

*In fact, put **Tuesday, September 30th** on your calendar for our next fun dinner out. We have not chosen a restaurant yet, so keep an eye out for the announcement in the newsletter soon.*





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14 Columbus, IN Highland Games	15	16	17	18	19 National POW/MIA Day 	20 Central KY Highland Games
21 Central KY Highland Games	22 Fall Equinox 	23 SSL Member Meeting 	24	25	26	27
28	29	30 SSL FUNdraiser To Be Announced				

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<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>SSL Member Meeting</p> 	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>  <p>Happy Halloween</p>	