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### BELTANE PICNIC POTLUCK

May 19, 5:30 p.m.  
Meal at 6:00 p.m.

Note the change of location from the past few years. East shelter off of Old River Drive in Moline. Easiest route is to turn left at the stop light at 55th St (border with East Moline) and follow the street to the shelter. There is a big parking lot to use. There will be blue and white balloons tied to the shelter and a sign by the traffic light. Bring your own table service and beverages (non-alcohol), lawn chairs, and a dish to share. Ty Thomsen will, as usual, be providing a cake celebrating her and her late husband, Chick's, anniversary. If you have any questions, contact Sandi Barnes 563-650-1935.

### CELTIC NIGHT OUT JULY 11

We're excited to reveal that this year's Celtic Night Out features The Celtic Rovers. Many of you may have heard Martin Doyle play before as part of Stephen's Green. Now, he and Paul McHugh are performing as The Celtic Rovers, performing "Irish Music at its best." Read through the details on the enclosed flier and, as usual, you are encouraged to send in your reservation early so the committee knows how to plan. Cost is \$30 if paid by June 30 and \$35 after that date. \$10 for children 12 and under.

**A Gathering of Celts**  
Join us for the 4th annual potluck of all local Scottish societies.  
Saturday, August 29th, 2026, 12pm  
Whip-Poor-Will Shelter, Kent Park  
2048 US-6 NW, Oxford, IA  
BYOB, and table service  
HA.G.G.I.S Members -  
Please bring a main dish  
SASQC Members -  
Please bring a side dish  
SHSI Members -  
Please bring a dessert  
R.S.V.P. to [president@haggis-iowa.com](mailto:president@haggis-iowa.com)

### BIRDIES FOR CHARITY

We are again participating in this opportunity to contribute to local charities sponsored by the John Deere Classic. You can just donate a flat amount (or combine your donation with a guess for how many birdies there will be for the tournament which would entitle you to a chance in a drawing for a two year lease of a Lexus - not a requirement to donate). Either way, your donation will be returned totally to SAS along with an additional 5% or more which will be used to support our organization and its efforts to provide quality educational/cultural experiences and donate to local community needs. Your donation also helps cover SAS operational costs. Your donation is due by no later than July 1. You can donate online <https://birdiesforcharity.com/donate#/charities> or complete the enclosed flier. Our specific Birdies number is 2179 and is preprinted on the enclosed form. In order for your gift to be designated for SAS, it is necessary that the number be included with your donation.

### SAS NEEDS BOARD MEMBERS-AT-LARGE

If you are interested in being part of a great group of people who supports SAS and has lots of fun doing so, consider joining the SAS Board. Meetings are held monthly on Saturday mornings usually at the Butterworth Center in Moline.

### SAD NEWS ABOUT AN SAS BOARD MEMBER

It is with a heavy heart that we share that one of the SAS Board members, Judy Redlinger, died as the result of an auto accident on March 29. Judy was very much responsible for organizing the raffles for the Burns Dinners and was always willing to volunteer for so many of the projects that helped promote our organization. Several SAS members attended her funeral in Aledo, IL and wore Scottish garb in her honor. Mary Gloeckner-Bouljon and Lisa Lockheart shared a few words about how much Judy meant to all of us. A donation was made to FurEver Friends in her name.



## 2026 BURNS CELEBRATION & DINNER

In addition to their usual Burns performance, the Blackhawk Pipes and Drums members provided a few musical vignettes during the evening. As has been the case for the past few years, entertainment for the evening included Scottish Dance lessons taught by Kait Meeker. Many attendees took advantage of having their picture taken by the professional photographer, Wezz de la Rosa, who donated his services for gratuities only. The pipe band and the vendor, Candles & Coffee, had tables where attendees could shop. Many thanks to Ty Thomsen for designing and crafting

her beautiful decorations, to Judy Redlinger for the many hours she devoted to making our raffle such a success, to Jill Tuck for handling the reservations and many of the other duties related to the evening, to Lisa Lockheart and Ron Stuart for their work on publicity, to Derek Grant for doing the best Address to the Haggis ever, Minuteman Press for their excellent work related to all the printing of our programs and other related materials, and all the other Board members in making the Burns and enjoyable event. Every year the Committee welcomes any help and ideas you can provide.



## 40TH GRAND PARADE

SAS again participated on March 14 in the only bi-state parade in the country. For the second year, Jim Meldrum from TDR Carriage LLC (Triple Diamond Ranch) provided SAS with their wagon and truck so we could join our Celtic Cousins in the parade and make our presence known in the QC community. If you need a birthday, wedding, anniversary,

or any other special carriage ride, Jim and Cindy can help make your special occasion even more special. Lisa Lockheart, Rich & Agnes Stewart, Judy Redlinger, Mary Gloeckner-Bouljon, Judy Hawthorne, and Jim rode the float and served as your representatives waving to the very large crowd on both sides of the river.



## TARTAN DAY AT KAVANAUGH'S HILLTOP BAR & GRILL

It was a little on the rainy side but several members still turned out for Tartan Day on April 12th. Derek Grant provided bagpipe music while the group enjoyed their meals. Lisa

Lockheart shared some information about the history of Tartan Day and how it originated. Thanks again to Ron Stuart for organizing the evening.

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FORWARDING SERVICE REQUESTED

**2026 UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Beltane May 19
- Birdies for Charity - see flier for deadlines
- Celtic Night Out July 11
- All Scots Picnic August 29
- Samhain October 10
- Celebration of the Saints/St. Andrews Day-  
Christmas Party December TBA
- Robert Burns Celebration & Dinner February 6, 2027

**EDUCATION AND OUTREACH:**

To date we have not received any applications for the \$1000 scholarship SAS is offering to freshmen, sophomores, and juniors at several local colleges/universities - Augustana, Western Illinois, Knox College, Monmouth College, and St. Ambrose. This is a new venture for SAS and if you know of a student at those schools who could use some help in paying for their educations, please ask them to apply. They can contact their Advancement, Financial Aid, or Scholarship Offices or contact Judy Hawthorne, 563-370-4078 thornebj67@gmail.com for an application form. The committee will reevaluate how to proceed with the scholarship depending on the response we receive, possibly offering it to high school students instead, or in addition to, college students.



**RSVP NOW! SASQC**

 **CELTIC**   
**NIGHT OUT!**

**SATURDAY, JULY 11**

**STARTS: 6PM**

**RIVERFRONT GRILLE**

4619 34th St, Rock Island

**Black Hawk Pipes & Drums  
& The Celtic Rovers**

Hors d'oeuvres & Haggis, too!

**\$30** reserved & paid no later than June 30

**\$35** at door, cash or credit

*Children 12 & under with adult admitted for \$10  
Open to all - SASQC membership not required!*

**Yes! I want to enjoy a night of music & fun with the Scottish American Society!**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Ph: \_\_\_\_\_ # in group: \_\_\_\_\_

**Return form by June 30 with check to SASQC,  
PO Box 132, Moline, IL 61266**

Pay online fees apply: [www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com)




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