

The Possidge Pot



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SCOTTISH-CASTLES & ISLES April 20 - May 5, 2018

Informational Meetings August 10 at 10:00 a.m. at CASI, 1035 W. Kimberly Rd., Davenport or September 19 7:15 p.m. at The Manor, **Bettendorf**

There will be a beautiful presentation of the places included on this custom tour. Refreshments included. These are definitely not for "members only" so please let anyone know who you think might enjoy learning more about this fantastic trip. If you would like to post the dates for these meetings i.e. church, an organization you belong to, etc. let Gale Hoff know so she can send you fliers.

CELTIC FESTIVAL & HIGHLAND GAMES September 15 & 16

Centennial Park on Davenport Riverfront

Help is always needed for setup, clean-up, and serving as a host for our SAS tent. The Festival will be open on Friday 11 a.m. -9:00 p.m. and Saturday 9:00 a.m.- 9:00 p.m. The SAS tent will be closing down Saturday at 5:00 p.m. Plans are not finalized for Friday. Contact any Board member if you can help. Highland Dance competition will be returning this year. To learn more about the schedule, and the numerous musical groups who will be performing, you can sign on to the website www.celtichighlandgames.org



SAMHAIN 2017 October 24

6:30 p.m. at The Manor 1104 Kimberly Rd., Bettendorf How does a good old

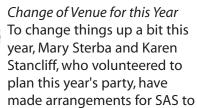
Scottish movie sound to you? For something different we will celebrate Samhain with a movie called "Local Hero" which stars Burt

Lancaster and is directed by Bill Forsyth. It's about a small Scottish town and its encounter with a giant oil company. We're told it has plenty of touches of comedy with a few very touching moments. Popcorn, lemonade and water will be provided. It won't be the IMAX but should be fun!

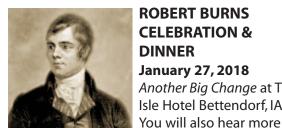


ST. ANDREW'S DAY **November 30** SAVE THE DATE **DETAILS TO FOLLOW**

CHRISTMAS PARTY December 13



celebrate the holidays at The Blackhawk Hotel in downtown Davenport. It will be a plated dinner and you can choose between two entrees with a dessert bar also included. There will be a cash bar. SAS will subsidize member's dinner. A few details have yet to be worked out and will be included with the reservation form in the Porridge Pot to be sent out the first week in November.



ROBERT BURNS CELEBRATION & DINNER January 27, 2018 Another Big Change at The Isle Hotel Bettendorf, IA

about this, our biggest event of the year, in the November newsletter, but be sure to add it to your calendar. There will be a December mailing with details about the evening and will include the reservation form. In order for the reservations to be turned in a timely manner, there will be a discount for meeting the deadline (or preferably sending in the reservations early)!

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FORWARDING SERVICE REQUESTED

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 15th & 16th - Celtic Festival/Highland Games October 24th - Samhain/Movie Night November 30th - St. Andrew's Dinner December 13th - Christmas Party January 27th - Robert Burns Celebration & Dinner

BELTANE PICNIC

Mother Nature wasn't very kind to us for our annual picnic on May 23rd, so the Board decided to make a quick change of venue. The Hoffs kindly made arrangements for SAS to meet at The Manor for an "indoor picnic." Bill Hawthorne encouraged everyone present to circle the room following candle bearers and were asked to throw a 'non-burning' piece of wood in a pile while declaring their clan(s) (since we didn't think The Manor would appreciate a bonfire in their dining room like we did last year when outside)! Ty Thomson provided and served her purple-colored cake in memory of her and Chick's anniversary - as is her annual tradition both before he passed and after.

SCOTTISH GOLF TOURNAMENT

Darren Low worked hard on providing leadership for another successful golf tournament on June 4th at Highland Springs Golf Course this year. There were 22 teams who competed for a variety of prizes in multiple categories and who enjoyed a meal and a few adult beverages together. Watch future newsletters for next year's date.

JOHN DEERE GOLF TOURNAMENT

On July 16th our three color guard members, Jim Scott, Darren Low, and Bill Hawthorne followed piper, Derek Grant down the 18th fairway at 6:30 a.m. to provide an impressive beginning of the day for many of the JDC volunteers. This short religious and memorial service for volunteers, who passed since last year, has been an annual part of the last day of the tournament for many years (Jim has been in the color guard for 17 years). They closed out the day again marching down the same fairway. They were told by several of the volunteers that this was of their favorite part of the tournament. Thanks to Ty Thomson for all the work she does in making the arrangements each year.







