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Scottish News in Minnesota



AUGUST 2013

EVENTS

AUGUST

Dear Friends,

Just a reminder that Sherry Ladig's various bands will be pretty busy the next several weeks. Here are a few things we are doing this summer:

B Is For Battle Cry Reading at Red Balloon Bookshop Sat. Aug.3rd, 10:30 a.m. Ever see those colorfully decorated pianos around St Paul in the summer? Ever wonder if anyone plays them? Wonder no more! Bring yourself and your kids (or grandkids) for a fun program at Red Balloon; listen to Pat Bauer and Dave Geister read from their Civil War kids' alphabet book, *B Is For Battle Cry*, as Don and Sherry play Civil War-era music. Performers in Civil War costume. Free and fun for all ages.

*** Mondays August 5th (Como Lake Pavilion), August 12 (Centennial Lakes) and August 19th (Lake Harriet Band Shell) at 7 p.m. each, the Minnesota Mandolin Orchestra plays Sherry's new composition, The Lilacs Suite**, in their annual summer series. Sherry is composer-in-residence for the MMO and writes a new piece for them every year. See Sherry's website below for all the details.

*** MN Irish Fair--Saturday August 10, 11 a.m. Workshop Tent on Harriet Island, St Paul**---admission FREE; check out www.mnirishfair.com for all events. Dunquin, with John Wenstrom singing and playing mandolin, will present "How Irish Music Got An American Accent". Listen to how Irish tunes and songs were adapted to American style with new words when Irish immigrants crossed the pond. The trio also appears in the Tearoom at 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. (Dunquin has Saturday only appearances; the Fair goes from Friday night through Sunday).

*** MN Irish Fair, Sat. August 10th 4:30 p.m.** Paddy O'Brien's big Irish ceili band, O'Rourke's Feast, plays the Heritage Stage. (Sherry is the pianist in this band). Hear wonderful variations and versions of beloved old and new Irish tunes as played by world-renowned Co. Offaly accordionist Paddy O'Brien. Admission to the Fair is free.

*** Franciscan Brothers Annual BBQ Block Party Sat. August 17th**

Dunquin plays 4:30-6:30 p.m. as the Brothers in Brown cook up tasty BBQ with all the sides. If we're lucky, Brother Conrad will join us for a star turn on Irish whistle! Dunquin will play both Scottish and Irish tunes. Free, but donations always welcome. 1289 Lafond Ave, St. Paul

***Sunday August 25th * 6:30 p.m. on the lawn of the Historic LeDuc House**

1629 Vermillion St Hastings (right on Highway 61) The greatly expanded (five of us!) present Lost Music Found in the LeDuc Archives: a free one-hour concert of some of the great music I found in the LeDuc archives over the past two years, including TWO songs written by General William LeDuc (probably not heard in the last 130 years!) Hear the New Pearl Button's presentations of these and other great mid-19th century music found in the house. Lots of Scottish songs and dance tunes in this concert. Bring a picnic and a lawn chair or blanket. Admission to the grounds of the house and the concert are free. Optional: small charge to tour the house at 5:30 p.m., if you wish.

Additional future events: we are really busy late summer and early autumn! Hope to see you at one or more of these. For full details and directions, and more about Sherry Ladig's bands and activities, check out www.sherryladig.com.

Stay Cool,
Sherry

AUGUST-SEPTEMBER
Renaissance Festival

Come and see (and dance with) the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society Twin Cities Branch at the

Minnesota Renaissance Festival! The Festival runs weekends August 17th through September 29th and we will be doing 4 performances a day every except Labor Day weekend. Each performance includes a chance for audience members to join us for a bit of dancing.

Minnesota Renaissance Festival | 3525 145th St W | Shakopee, MN

AUGUST 9 - AUGUST 11

Minnesota Irish Fair

The Irish Fair of Minnesota, the nation's largest free celebration of Irish culture will take place Friday, August 9 - Sunday, August 11. The unique once a year celebration offers attendees an opportunity to celebrate authentic Irish Heritage through a multitude of activities.

<http://www.irishfair.com>

Harriet Island | St. Paul

Brian Boru Irish Pipe Band at the Minnesota Irish Fair

Brian Boru Irish Pipe Band will be performing at the Minnesota Irish Fair

Saturday August 10th 4 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Croagh Park Field

Saturday August 10th 5:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. Croagh Park Field

The band will have their Official Boru Merchandise Table in the Community Area from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. on both Saturday and Sunday

More info at www.brianborupipeband.com

Harriet Island | St. Paul

AUGUST 16

St Andrews Pub Night

The St Andrews Pub Night will be held on Friday, August 16 at 6:30 pm Stouts Pub in Falcon Heights.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS A CHANGED DATE! We had originally scheduled this event for August 23, without realizing that a little event starts across the street the day before...called the Minnesota State Fair. So we are moving our Pub Night up a week. Please join us for a fun evening at Stouts. This is a great little pub that we have not been to before, so come try it out with us! Here is their website with more information and

directions: <http://www.stoutspub.com/>

Stouts Pub | 1611 Larpenteur Ave W | Falcon Heights, MN

AUGUST 22

"Traditional Wind-Powered Music" concert

Laura MacKenzie with Gary Rue

Thursday, August 22

Christ Episcopal Church: Bayfield, Wisconsin ([MAP](#))

"Traditional Wind-Powered Music" concert, from 5 - 6:15 pm. Free, donations gladly accepted.

<http://www.bayfieldsummermusic.org>

Christ Episcopal Church | Bayfield, Wisconsin

AUGUST 24

Laura in concert with Gary Rue

Laura MacKenzie with Gary Rue

Saturday, August 24 at 7:30 pm

Town Hall: Hovland, MN ([MAP](#))

Laura in concert with Gary Rue, at one of our very favorite halls!

contact Laura for details - laura@lauramackenzie.com

Hovland Town Hall | 4957 East Hwy. 61 | Hovland, Minnesota

AUGUST 25 - AUGUST 31

Writing Our Family Stories

Dear Friend of Genealogy,

I would like to let everyone in your Genealogy Group know about the upcoming class at the Danish American Center in Minneapolis, "Writing Our Family Stories," taught by Pat Samples. The class is part of the Danebo Folk School, August 25 - 31, "A Taste of Denmark." There is an option to come for the class alone or part of a week if you can't make it for the whole week. The four day class is \$100, or \$25 per day. If there are at least three people from your Genealogy group who want to take the class, we will give them a 25% discount.

Please forward this email to the group, and please reply to this email if you are interested. Details about the school and the classes can be found on our website: www.danebofolkschool.org.

Eunice Collette
Danebo Folk School Director
612-298-6374

Writing Your Family Stories (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday)

Instructor: Pat Sample

Description

Recall and record on paper the family stories that are meaningful to you. Leave a legacy to help others remember or learn for the first time about your treasured experiences. Guided by fun and easy prompts, you'll write in ways that surprise and delight you. You'll find there's even more to your stories than you thought. On Tuesday, Carol Bisek will share her self-published family stories.

About the Instructor

Pat Samples, MFA, MA, speaks, teaches, and writes on creative aging and body wisdom. She is the author of eight books, including her memoir *Body Odyssey: Lessons from the Bones and Belly* and three books on family caregiving.

Pat has delivered more than 500 keynote speeches and workshops. She has taught memoir writing for more than 15 years, and is a writing coach and editor for many authors.

Pat is also one of the founders of ARTSAGE, a non-profit organization which champions creative expression by older adults through the arts across Minnesota.

Danish American Center | 3030 W River Pkwy | Minneapolis

SEPTEMBER 22 - SEPTEMBER 23

Northeastern South Dakota Celtic Faire and Games

The Northeastern South Dakota Celtic Faire and Games will once again be held at the Brown County Fairgrounds in Aberdeen, SD on September 21 and 22. The Faire, in it's 6th year, will feature entertainment from The Tim Malloys, Two Tap Trio; Brian Boru Irish Pipe Band; Rince Na Chroi; Guthrie School of Highland Dance, The ARCC Cloggers and The Long Nines. Highland Games will begin at 8 a.m. and Entertainment begins at 10 a.m. For more information, please visit our website at <http://nesdcelticfaire.com>.

The Northeast South Dakota Celtic Faire and Games in Aberdeen, SD is still looking for Clan

Representatives to have a booth at the Faire on September 12 and 22. There is no booth fee, and all booths are indoors (no fighting the weather!). One table will be provided for each clan, and the booth area is 10 x10.

Clans and informational organizations confirmed so far are:

Clan Buchanan

Clan McFarlane

Clan Ramsay

The Presentation Sisters

and the South Dakota Historical Society

We welcome all Clans and Celtic Informational Organizations. For a Clan and Society registration form, or to reserve your spot, please email Lois Beckner at vivandiere57@yahoo.com or call 605-290-5117; or Gale Buchanan at galebuchanan@midco.net or call Gale at 605-380-4089.

[Brown County Fairgrounds | Aberdeen, South Dakota](#)

NEWS

Rock and Scots for Shaun

The Rock and Scots for Shaun event on June 30th went off quite well. A goodly sum was raised, and a good time was had by all.

Some thanks are in order.

Thank you to the Scottish American Center for their sponsorship; this would not have been possible otherwise. Thank you to the planning committee-Eva McClellan, Lori Connery, Nydia Osweiler, and Sharon Hamilton. A special thank you to all of the performers-Minnesota Police Pipe Band, TC Royal Scottish Dance Society, Rince Na Chroi Dancers; and to the stage performers- Ross Sutter, Laura Mackenzie, and Charlie Lakotas.

I would also like to thank my band mates in Horizontal Hero for hosting, and a special thank you to all of the guest vocalists, who came up and sang some very difficult material without the benefit of a rehearsal-Bob Arndt, Leisha Gust, Mike Triplett, Wendy Miller, Felicia Mitchell, Jeff McKoskey, and Paul McDonald.

And finally, to all who came out to support Shaun in his battle, thank you most of all.

Yours Aye,
Mark Hamilton
Clan Hamilton Commissioner and event coordinator

SNIM
Sorry the SNIM was late this month folks! Life got away from me.

The September SNIM will be coming out a week early as the editor of the SNIM will be across the pond for a few weeks. Please send any info, events and news you would like included in the SNIM by August 17th.

Thank you!

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Thank you!
Tiffany Esau-McCracken
Scottish American Center

