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# Scottish News in Minnesota



## SEPTEMBER 2013

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### EVENTS

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### AUGUST - SEPTEMBER

#### SEE/TRY SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING AT THE RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL

The Royal Scottish Country Dance Society will be performing at the Minnesota Renaissance Festival every weekend throughout the Month of September (except Labor Day weekend). Each performance includes an opportunity for the audience to do a bit of dancing as well. We typically do four performances a day -- check the daily schedule for exact times and locations. See <http://www.renaissancefest.com/>

Shakopee, MN

# 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](http://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 6**

### **Battlefield Band**

Battlefield Band is back over from Scotland for a USA fall tour and they will be playing at the Cedar Cultural Center in Minneapolis in September if anyone fancies a few tunes & a good night out.

Battlefield Band in Concert

6th Sept 2013 - Cedar Cultural Center, Minneapolis, MN

[www.thecedar.org/events/2013/09/06/battlefield-band](http://www.thecedar.org/events/2013/09/06/battlefield-band)

tel: 612 338 2674

Cedar Cultural Center | 416 Cedar Ave S | Minneapolis MN 55454

## **SEPTEMBER 7 - SEPTEMBER 8**

### **Highland Fling weekend at the MN Renaissance Festival**

Welcome to the 7th Annual World Amateur Highland Heavy Games Championships! The top ten amateurs from across the nation will be competing for the World Amateur Title and their opportunity to earn their professional status in the sport!

Be sure to stop by the Minnesota Scottish Fair & Highland Games booth too!

<http://www.renaissancefest.com/highlandfling.html>

Shakopee, MN

## **SEPTEMBER 16**

## Try Scottish Country Dancing | Bring a Friend Night!

Looking for a fun, activity that will provide good exercise along with mental and physical fitness opportunities? Interested in learning about the traditional ballroom dancing of Scotland? Or maybe you're just looking for an opportunity to wear more tartan. Whatever the motivation may be, come give Scottish country dancing a try. The Royal Scottish Country Dance Society's Bring a Friend Night is a free sampler evening with live music. Join us at 7:30pm at Tapestry Folkdance Center. Get a taste of what it's all about, and if you like it, consider joining us for our regular Monday night classes beginning the following week. The first six weeks are free for newcomers.

Tapestry Folkdance Center | 3748 Minnehaha Ave S | Minneapolis, MN

## 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](mailto:vivandiere57@yahoo.com) or call 605-290-5117; or Gale Buchanan at [galebuchanan@midco.net](mailto:galebuchanan@midco.net) or call Gale at 605-380-4089.

Brown County Fairgrounds | Aberdeen, South Dakota

## SEPTEMBER 25- OCTOBER 20

### Steerage Song (World Premier)

Produced by Theater Latte Da, staged at the Lab Theater, 700 N. 1st St., Minneapolis

"**Steerage Song**" is a "docu-musical", blending the songs of 20 countries of Old Europe and the rhythms of Tin Pan Alley into a moving, fully staged new musical. (Laura MacKenzie is in the stage band, on flutes, whistles, pipes and concertina - Ireland and Scotland are represented in the musical selections)

Information and tickets: <http://www.theaterlatteda.com/home/on-stage/steerage-song>

Lab Theater | 700 N. 1st St. | Minneapolis

## SEPTEMBER 27

### St. Andrew's Pub Night

Our final Pub Night of the season will be on Friday, September 27, at 6:30 pm at Merlin's Rest. Plan now to join us for this fun, summer ending pub event. You won't regret it; you will enjoy it!

Merlins Rest | 3601 E Lake St | Minneapolis, MN

## NOVEMBER 24

### St. Andrew's Day event

Plan to attend our St. Andrew's Day event. We are planning it for Sunday, November 24. It is a little ahead of the actual St. Andrew's Day on November 30, but the 30th falls in the middle of the Thanksgiving weekend, so we moved it up a little. The event will be lunch at the Town Hall Brewery at Seven Corners in Minneapolis, followed by attending the play at Theatre in the Round at 2 pm. The play is *Spider's Web* by Agatha Christie. Tickets for the play will be \$20 and lunch is paid for at the restaurant. Watch for details and instructions on how to make your reservations coming in future emails and SNIM.

Town Hall Brewery | 1430 Washington Ave | Minneapolis, Minnesota  
Theatre in the Round | 245 Cedar Ave | Minneapolis, MN

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Thank you!

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