



This month's Minnesota Scottish news and events.



Scottish News in Minnesota



November 2016

EVENTS

November | Events for Dunquin and Sherry Ladig

Dear Friends,

It's getting cold outside; time to come in and warm up with great tunes! Here's what we're up to in November:

November 5th, 10 AM - 5 PM

Taylor's Falls Art Show

Community Center (old train depot)

Sherry and Don from Dunquin play tunes from Ireland, Scotland, Brittany and America, as you shop for beautiful handmade items made by some of the St Croix Valley's finest artisans.

Treat yourself or do some early Christmas shopping; this is a high quality show; one of the best of the season. Complimentary refreshments and a lovely drive to Taylors Falls (north of Stillwater, up the road a few miles. See my website for directions). No admission charged.

November 13th, 2:30 PM

The Wind Gave Birth to Me: Songs of Yiddish Poet

Mount Zion synagogue, 1300 Summit Avenue in Saint Paul

I am honored to be one of the four composers selected to set a Yiddish poem of the early 20th century; the whole cycle is quite remarkable and brings together seven musicians, four composers, a narrator, two native Yiddish speakers and a whole lot of Jewish history. Modest admission charged at the door.

November 18th, 6-8 PM (dinner hour)

Dunquin plays a rare Friday night at Trotters Café

All tips go to the Merriam Park Food Shelf. Eat well, enjoy Celtic tunes, and do good! Near corner of Marshall and Cleveland Avenues in Saint Paul.

For directions, visit my website:www.sherryladig.com. Hope to see you!

November 5 | McCracken/Fields 2016 Guy Fawkes

Saturday, November 5 at 6:30 PM - midnight

Fields Farm | 15983 Ibson Ave | Nerstrand, Minnesota 55053

Our [10th annual Guy Fawkes party!](#) The shindig will once again be hosted by the Fields Family near Northfield, MN. The format is the same as in the past. Bring a dish to share, a lawn chair, and your favorite libation. We will provide lemonade and coffee. Donations of fireworks are welcome. Dancing and singing encouraged! Come dressed for the weather!

November 5 | BRASS LASSIE in Concert

Music starts at 7:30 PM, doors open at 7:00 PM

The Celtic Junction Arts Center | 836 Prior Ave North | St. Paul, Minnesota

Tickets: \$16 advance, \$20 at the door

Tickets online:www.vitalculture.com/events/detail/3229

Tickets by phone: 612-874-8892

Opening set by Dáithí Sproule (of the renowned Irish super group Altan) with Mary Vanorny (Upper Midwest's premier Irish fiddler) & Laura MacKenzie (multi-instrumentalist and leader of BRASS LASSIE)

BRASS LASSIE is a new 10-piece ensemble performing extraordinary settings of Scottish, Irish and French music augmented by a 4-piece horn section and some wonderful step dancing. Their horn arrangements are by top-notch arranger Peter Enblom, and their repertoire also includes some fantastic ensemble arrangements from Dr. David Milne. This new and absolutely unique ensemble has been forming in Laura MacKenzie's mind for several years, and it came to life this past season with a triumphant debut. (Our foundation is mainly Scottish and Scots Gaelic!)

BRASS LASSIE is:

Laura MacKenzie: flutes, whistles, pipes and voice

Danielle Enblom: fiddle and step dance

Mary Vanorny: fiddle

Kate DeVoe Schumann: trumpet and flugelhorn

Tricia Lerohl: French horn

Lauren Husting: trombone

Brooklynne Audette: bass trombone

Patrice Pakiz: piano and oboe

Billy Oehrlein: percussion

Enrique Toussaint: bass

Debut video: <https://youtu.be/PGPKVOluF4A>

More information at: lauramackenzie.com

IN CONCERT



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2016

7:30 PM (DOORS OPEN 7:00)

OPENING SET BY DÁITHÍ SPROULE, MARY VANORNY & LAURA MACKENZIE

THE CELTIC JUNCTION ARTS CENTER

836 Prior Ave North, St. Paul, Minnesota

Flutes, whistles, pipes, voice: Laura MacKenzie
Fiddle, step dance: Danielle Enblom
Fiddle: Mary Vanorny
Trumpet, flugelhorn: Kate DeVoe Schumann
French horn: Tricia Lerohl

Trombone: Lauren Husting
Bass Trombone: Brooklynne Audette
Piano, oboe: Patrice Pakiz
Percussion: Billy Oehrlein
Bass: Enrique Toussaint

TICKETS: \$16 ADVANCE/\$20 AT THE DOOR

ADVANCE TICKETS ONLINE AT VITALCULTURE.COM OR BY PHONE: 612-874-8892

CASH BAR

LAURAMACKENZIE.COM

November 19 | "Season of Thanksgiving" Concert

Willow Brae (Andrea Stern, Celtic harp & Laura MacKenzie, winds and voice)

7:30 PM, \$18 at the door

Hobgoblin Music Loft | 920 Highway 19 Blvd | Red Wing, MN

Please call to let us know if you can attend: 651-388-8400 or 877-866-3936

Or email us at: stoney@stoneyend.com

December 3 | RSCDS Twin Cities 20th Annual Fàilte Ball

"Fàilte" means welcome in Gaelic, and all Scottish dancers, beginners and experienced, are most welcome*!

The Fàilte Ball is intended to be a gentle introduction to the ball scene for newer dancers, and a fun event for all. Enjoy a light refreshments, live music by Thistledown band, and dancing. New afternoon time and location (Howe School in south Minneapolis) this year. Details and registration at <http://www.rscds-twincities.org/failte.html>

*PLEASE NOTE: Although we consider this event to be "beginner-friendly," we do strongly recommend that dancers have some previous exposure to Scottish country dancing (a few classes at least) and familiarity with the terminology. Please contact us at info [at] rscds-twincities [dot] org if you have any questions about your ability to participate.

December 10 | 2016 St. Andrew's Day Event

Saturday, December 10, 2016, Noon

American Swedish Institute | 2600 Park Avenue | Minneapolis <http://www.asimn.org>

As you know, St. Andrew's Day is celebrated in the Christian church on November 30 and the St. Andrew' Society of Minnesota has traditionally held a social event around that time to commemorate this important day for our patron saint who of course is also the patron saint of Scotland.

This year is no different. We have planned a cross-cultural event that we hope you will find appealing and want to attend. The date is Saturday, December 10. The event is a noon luncheon at the American Swedish Institute, followed by a tour of the holiday themed and decorated mansion that houses the Institute. We did this several years ago and it proved to be a very popular event and we hope you will join us for it once again. The cost is \$36 per person, and that includes lunch and the tour.

Reserve your place by sending a check payable to St. Andrew's Society. Please indicate the names of the attendees and the total amount sent. Checks and the information should be sent to:

St. Andrew's Society of Minnesota
c/o Barry ZeVan, President
P. O. Box 27447
Minneapolis MN 55427

Reservations checks and forms must be received no later than Tuesday, November 22, 2016 so that we can get the number to the Institute.



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