



This month's Minnesota Scottish news and events.



Scottish News in Minnesota



March 2019

TARTAN WEEK EVENTS

Tartan Week runs from April 6th through April 11th this year with an advance event held on April 1st. The full schedule of events is listed below.

Monday: April 1 - 6:30pm

Merlin's Rest

3601 East Lake Street

Minneapolis, MN 55406

Because of some scheduling conflicts, we will be at Merlin's for the 4th annual pub sing. The sing will start at 6:30pm. The entire set of songs will be Scottish and all you need is your voice.

April 6: Saturday - TARTAN DAY

State Capitol

St. Paul, MN

CALLING ALL CLANS!

Tartan day is on Saturday this year and it is the 21st year of celebration in Minnesota. Therefore, we are going back to the Capitol and are asking all Clans to gather in the parking lot in front of the State Capitol for parade up to the steps of the Capitol for the celebration. We will be gathering on the sidewalk at 1:00pm. The program is similar to the past years at the Capitol and we are asking all Clans to bring their flags and members to join us. We will be done by 3:00pm.

Sunday: April 7 - 10:00am

NEW LOCATION! - NEW TIME!

Gethsemane Episcopal Church

904 South 4th Street

Minneapolis, MN 55404

The Kirkin' will be held at Gethsemane Church in downtown Minneapolis this year. Gethsemane is the "Mother Church" for the State of Minnesota and will be hosting us at their regular 10:00 service. Organ music, Pipe band music and a unique service focused on the blessing of the Tartans based on the original Kirkin' held at the National Cathedral 21 years ago. This has turned into a wonderful event and should be well attended. Bring a piece of your tartan to be blessed as a part of the service and join us for shortbread after the service!

Sunday: April 7 - 3:00pm-4:00pm

Macalester College Pipe Band Concert

Macalester College

St. Paul, MN

The Macalester College Pipe Band spring concert will be held on Sunday, April 7th at 3:00pm. Admission is \$5.00 for adults and children and free with a Macalester ID.

April 10th: Wednesday - 7:00pm

Stephanie Claussen and Friends – Celtic Harp Music for Tartan Week.

The Summit Center

1524 Summit Avenue

St. Paul, MN

St. Paul, Minnesota-based harpist and 2018 US National Scottish Harp Champion, Stephanie Claussen is a performer, teacher and arranger, with interests that span the Celtic and classical worlds, she performs her own mixture of Scottish tunes, J.S. Bach, Debussy, and anything that sounds medieval or French. She will be joined by two of her students as we celebrate Tartan Week in Minnesota. FREE to the public, donations encouraged. Doors open at 6:30 PM.

Thursday: April 11 - 6:30pm

Scotch Tasting

vomFASS

Mall of America, Level 3 North (N345)

Minneapolis, MN

Our Scotch Tastings are now hosted in conjunction with vomFASS. These tastings are unique in that the blender for vomFASS has unparalleled access to rare scotches which are not normally available to anyone else. The most recent tasting provided several different single malts that are not sold as single malts. The entire distillery product is used in the blending process so we are able to taste truly rare scotches. Each of the scotches are accompanied by a small bite that is developed using vomFASS products. vomFASS, at Mall of America, is a proud purveyor of rare spirits, specialty liqueurs, fine wines, as well as premium olive oils, vinegars and spices.

vomFASS is located at Mall of America, Level 3, North (N345) Check-in begins at 6:15pm. Tasting begins at 6:30. Cost is \$60.00 per person and the seating is limited to the first 45 people who register. Half of the cost of the registration goes to the Minnesota Scottish American Center and is used to fund all events and costs of the Center throughout the year.

CALL (954) 426-3222 to register and prepay. Registration fees are not refundable but may

be transferred to another person. Call vomFASS to change registration name. They can best serve you on the phone Monday-Friday, 9:00am-5:00pm. Must be 21+ and be prepared to show state issued photo ID to attend this event. This event is not eligible for any discounts or coupons.

MARCH EVENTS

March 1 – 30, 2019 [Exhibit of six Scottish Artists](#) at the Bloomington Center for the Arts, 1800 W Old Shakopee Rd, Bloomington. The exhibition, “Urban Parallel, a celebration of the history and legacy of ceramics in Glasgow, Scotland” brings together the work of six Scottish-based acclaimed contemporary sculptural makers in clay: Andrea Walsh, Dawn Youll, James Rigler, Susan O’Byrne, Livia Marin and Jonathan. Artists Reception: Thursday, March 28, 5:00 – 9:00 P.M. There is also a Ceramic Master Workshop on March 25 - 26, 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Contact ArtistryMN.org for more information or call 952-563-8575.

March 14: Thursday - 6:00pm-8:00pm

Laura MacKenzie

Summit Brewery Ratskeller

910 Montreal Circle

St. Paul, MN

Summit Brewery hosts the MMC (Minnesota Music Coalition) NoVox Instrumental Music Series - and this is MacKenzie's month to perform. Free.

March 15: Friday - 7:00pm

Willow Brae

Lake City Area Arts Center

220 Chestnut Street

Lakeville, MN

Laura MacKenzie and Andrea Stern (Celtic Harp) in concert at the Lake City Area Arts Center.

Saturday: March 16 - 10:30am

A Celtic Breeze

Milaca Community Library

234 1st East

Milaca, MN

Traditional Wind-Powered Music of Celtic Traditions, presented by Laura on her array of instruments and voice. Free and open to all.

Sunday: March 17 - 2:00pm-5:00pm

The Martin McHugh Ceili Band

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

1710 East Superior Street

Duluth, MN

The Annual St Patrick's Day Ceili in Duluth, Minnesota - an annual benefit for Loaves & Fishes of Duluth. Music provided by the Martin McHugh Ceili Band, featuring Martin plus Barry Foy, Pete Tritz, Daithi Sproule and Laura MacKenzie, with Terrence Smith calling the dances. We love ceilis in Duluth!

March 16th: Saturday - 1:30pm-2:10pm

Dunquin

Landmark Center, Courtroom 317

75 West Fifth Street

St. Paul, MN

Dunquin plays Landmark Center, courtroom 317 (The Tearoom) for IMDA's all day St Patrick's Weekend Celebration. Amidst the bustle of the day, come in for the quiet side of Irish music and a scone and some tea.

March 16: Saturday - 6:00pm-8:00pm

Dunquin

Tillie's Café

Cleveland and Marshall Avenues

St. Paul, MN

Dunquin celebrates with rollocking jigs and reels and quiet airs during the dinner hour. Great

food and friendliness! If we're lucky, maybe Sister Bridget (aka "Sister Twinkletoes") might dance a jig for us!

March 17th: Sunday - 4:00pm

Bynrie

St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church

2323 Como Avenue

St. Paul, MN 55108

BYNRIE, a mandolin-based group, performs an all-Irish traditional music concert, playing several of my musical arrangements for mandolin-mandola-guitar-bass and flute. (Ask the band what BYNRIE means!)

Hope to see you at one or more of these events! Happy St Patrick's Day.

March 24th: Sunday - 7:30pm

Red Hot Chili Pipers

Ordway Center

345 Washington Street

St. Paul, MN 55102

The Ordway has asked us to announce the Red Hot Chili Pipers in Concert. They will be at the Ordway on Sunday March 25th. The link below takes you to the ticket office. Tickets run from \$48.00 to \$79.00.

The link for additional information about the concert and to order tickets is as follows:

<https://ordway.org/event/red-hot-chilli-piper>

NEWS:

Laura MacKenzie has developed some new programs, including one on the Outlander Series - visit the Programs page of her website for a quick look:

www.lauramackenzie.com/community-schools. If you have a special interest group, school, college, library or community center that might be interested in hosting a performance program, let Laura know at: laura@lauramackenzie.com

MacKenzie is also planning to host some workshops, classes and sessions for Scottish music and song beginning in the spring. Let her know if you are interested at:
laura@lauramackenzie.com.



Please verify details before attending events.

The SNIM is sponsored by the Scottish American Center. We welcome news from all variety of Celts. Please send news, announcements, questions and concerns to scottishnewsinmn@gmail.com. Please note, editorial pieces may be subject to approval by the Scottish American Center board before posting.

Thank you!
Scottish American Center

Copyright © 2019 Scottish American Center, All rights reserved.
You are receiving this email because you opted in.

Our mailing address is:
Scottish American Center
3030 West River Parkway South
Minneapolis, MN 55406-2396