

St Andrews Society of NW Michigan

Northern Thistle

March 2018



Upcoming: **Sunday, April 8th at Ruby Tuesday.** Gather at 5, order from the menu at 5:30. Live Celtic music, Scottish book sale, and special guest, Laird Donald Kinloch, will discuss Scotland's infamous Darien scheme.

SAS booth at the Grand Traverse Pipes & Drums Concert on the Lawn at the Pavilions - Thursday, June 21, 7pm Free.

Annual Picnic – Sunday, August 26, 1-4pm, Silver Lake Recreation Area, E Silver Lake Rd, Traverse City.

Annual Membership Dinner Meeting – Sunday, October 7

Reformation Sunday – October 28

St Andrews Day Dinner – 1st weekend in December

These are available to SAS members and can be Emailed upon request: SAS Bylaws, a brief history of tartan, the story of Saint Andrew, information on proper Highland dress, and a recipe for haggis.

National Tartan Day is April 6th! Have anything planned that promotes Scotland (and the SAS)? Let us know so we can share with others.

Getting To Know Allan and Sara Scott by Glad Remaly

Another delightful couple recently joined our northwestern family. Sara and Allan Scott first met in 1951. They attended kindergarten together. It was love at first sight, but of course they had to wait a wee bit before getting married at the First Congregational Church on Old Mission in 1963. Fun loving and full of enthusiasm, they are a terrific couple.

They have two kids and four grandchildren. Son Robert lives in Wayne, Michigan, and daughter Tina lives in Conifer, Colorado.

Allan was born in Traverse City and is a Michigander through and through. His parents were Homer Scott, born 1918 in Lagro, Indiana, and Thora Scott (maiden name Scott), born in 1921, in Maple City, Michigan.

His dad was an auto mechanic, welder and machinist. His mother was what we now call a stay at home mom (God bless all those stay at home moms!).

Allan retired as a Corporate Manager of Human Resources at Consumers Power. But he certainly stays busy with his many talents and hobbies. He enjoys hunting, fishing, fly tying, woodworking, motorcycles, silver-smithing, competitive shooting, ham radio, **and** Robert Burns Poetry! He can trace his family history back to the original 1620 Mayflower: his 11th great-grandfather. Sara's family can be traced to Pocahontas and the Revolutionary War.

Sara is also a Michigander, born in Pontiac. Her maiden name Bannen is Irish. Her parents were Eldon (Jack) Bannen, born in 1913 in Michigan, and Elizabeth (Betty) Diffley, born 1925 in Pontiac. Her Dad was a carpenter and tax preparer, and her mother worked at Menema Music in Traverse City. Sara is retired as a Corporate Controller at CMS AR Services. She enjoys jewelry making, genealogy and knitting. The couple resides in Fife Lake.

Allan and Sara have traveled extensively throughout North America and spent 10 days in Scotland and 10 days in Ireland in 1998. They belong to the Scott Clan. They joined our group in 2017, and we are pleased to have them with us.



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St Andrews Society of NW Michigan Membership Form

The SASNM is a non-profit organization founded in 1997. Annual dues are \$20 per household. Please send checks to SASNM, PO Box 2303, TC 49685.

Name(s) _____ Clan, if any _____

Home Phone # _____ Cell _____

Address if new _____

Email address (if new) _____

We look forward to your participation. Renewing? A big thank you as well. Hope to see you at a gathering. We'll alert you of events through our newsletter & Emails. Donations above annual dues are welcomed. Dues & donations are our only means of support.

President Mills guarding the SAS treasury:

