

**St. Andrews Society of NW Michigan**  
***“Northern Thistle”***  
**August 2015**



**Sunday, August 23 – Annual Picnic & Family Highland Games,  
Silver Lake Recreation Area; 1-4 pm**

**Are These Events On Your Calendar?**

**Sunday, October 11 – SAS Annual Dinner Meeting @ The Cottage**

**Sunday, November 29 – St. Andrews Day Dinner – The Episcopal  
Church, Traverse City**

Street signs at the Cherry Festival now honor SAS charter member Mel Gee at the site where he provided parade commentaries for many years. Mel attended SAS events where members enjoyed his singing and personality. In addition, he founded Traverse City’s pipe band.



A new piper! Margaret Sarna's nephew (Randy Innes) took up piping at age 49, and joined the Marine Corps League and Cabar Feidh Pipe Bands in Oakland County. He studies with Andrew Duncan, director of the Alma College Pipe Band. Randy *will* play for the SAS some day. 😊



**From the Lyman Williams Collection:** What does a bagpiper wear under his kilt? Shoes and socks. And this gem: Why do they call it a kilt? Because a lot of people got kilt when they called it a skirt.

**GRAND TRAVERSE PIPES & DRUMS SCHEDULE:**

Saturday, Aug 22 – TC Microbrew & Music Festival

Monday, Sep 7 – Manton Harvest Festival Parade & Concert

In 20 months the SAS will host its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary party. If attending is a priority, start saving up! It will be in an elegant venue with a view and room to move about, not a burger joint.

**Members** sometimes need to contact other SASers, so those in good standing may pick up a roster at the picnic.

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