

Thistle Epistle

The Newsletter of the
St. Andrew Scottish Society of N.A.

Website: sassnm.org/

March 2018

Be sure to plan on joining us for the SASSNM
Annual General Membership and Elections Meeting and Potluck
(we encourage you to bring a dish to share)
at 11am on Saturday, March 24, 2018
(see pages 2, 4, or 12 for details)

SASSNM President's Message

So my friends,

Here it is March and with it a new board. I hope many of you will be able to make it to the annual meeting and vote for new members to sit on the board. We would love to see new people step up to the challenges of this year.

Remember that plenty of fun event is on the way at O'Neill's. They are having a fundraiser for the rest of this year to help High Desert Pipe and Drums go to Scotland so go to O'Neill's on Juan Tabo and order a Piper's ale and show your support (see page 5, near the bottom, for the details).

Till next time be safe and happy in all that you do.

Bruce

We encourage you to join us at the Irish American Society's St. Patrick's Day Party for a fun filled evening; lots of great entertainment and a fabulous meal prepared by the same chef who prepared their meal last year that was so highly complemented by many.



Come Join Us!

The Annual IAS St. Patrick's Day Party

Saturday, March 17th, 2018
6:00-10:00 PM

GAC Hall—4821 Menaul NE

\$10 Adults; \$2 Children 2 - 12 (under 2: free)

(The door admission charge pays for the hall rental and the entertainers.)

If you're not eating dinner, you can pay the admission fee at the door with cash.)

Featured Entertainment:

6:00 PM: *Celtic Band Saoirse*

7:00 PM: *Audience Participation Ceili Dancing with Norita*

7:30 PM: *Celtic Steps Irish Step Dancers*

8:15 PM: *NM Fire & Police Pipes & Drums*

9:00 PM: *Music by Jim Brauer and Derek Swinson*

MC: Ellen Dowling

Dinner (served from 6 to 8 PM):

Corned Beef and Cabbage (with potatoes, carrots, onions, roll and butter): \$10.00/plate

**DINNER TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED BY
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7th!**

You can purchase tickets online (for both dinner and door admission) at

www.irishamericansociety-nm.com

Parking Information:

You may park at the GAC, or any of the side streets (Monroe, Quincy, Manzano) or at McKesson's (across Menaul). Do NOT park at Samon's, or the typewriter store next to the GAC.

Door Prizes!!

Cash bar provided by
the German-American Club



Upcoming Events

REMEMBER: SASSNM is an associate organization of and has partnership benefits with the Irish American Society (IAS), the Edelweiss am Rio Grande German American Club (GAC), Hungarian-American Club (HAC), and Jazz Society, including dances and events! The GAC is located at 4821 Menaul NE, Albuquerque, NM 87110 (at the corner of Quincy Rd).

Roaring 20's Dance, 5:30PM, Saturday, March 3, 2018 at the GAC, Door Fee: Members \$10

Music by: Hit Squad From 7:00 'til 11:00; Meal Served from: 5:30PM to 6:45 PM MENU: Lasagna, Salad, Vegetables, Dessert, Meal: \$10 per person. Please make meal reservations by Thursday, March 1st by calling 505-888-4833 When club is open. Attire: Semi formal or costume

Hungarian 1848 Revolution Celebration at the GAC, 12:30pm, Sunday, March 11, 2018

The Hungarian Club will remember the 1848 Revolution with a special visit by the Consul-General from Los Angeles, small discussions, poem, socializing, music, and Gulyas as the main meal with Strudel dessert. \$10 for entry and meal on March 11 at 12:30 pm at the GAC building, 4821 Menaul Blvd. NE, Albuquerque. Call Steve at 265-7088 for more info.

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Dinner (served 6 to 8 pm): Corned Beef & Cabbage (with potatoes, carrots, onions, roll & butter) \$10.00

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You can purchase tickets online (for both dinner and admission) at www.irishamericansociety-nm.com or you can pay by cash or check at the Irish February 9th meeting at the GAC.

Jazz Sunday Dance, at the GAC, Sunday, March 18, 2018 from 2:00 PM to 5:30 PM

Join the Jazz Society for a Sunday Dance!

SASSNM Annual General Membership Meeting and Elections, 11am, Saturday, March 24, 2018, at the North Domingo Baca Multigenerational Center, 7521 Carmel Ave NE, Albuquerque, NM 87113

(while traveling north on Wyoming Blvd, go one traffic light past Paseo del Norte and turn left/west on Carmel Ave, then go to and turn right at the second driveway).

Western Night Dance at the GAC, 5:30pm on Saturday, March 24, 2018, Music by Street Scene; Members Door Fee \$10.00; Music by: Street Scene From 7:00 'til 11:00 pm; Meal served from 5:30 pm to 6:45 pm, MENU: Brisket, Smashed Potatoes, Greens, Salad, Dessert, All for only \$10.00; Make reservations by March 22nd by calling 505-888-4833 when club is open; Western Attire (YES, jeans are acceptable!)

Wednesday, March 28th and April 24th, 2018, from 5pm to 8pm, the Flying Star on the SE corner of Wyoming Blvd and Paseo del Norte is sponsoring a fundraiser on behalf of the RGV Celtic Festival

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Upcoming Events (continued from previous page)

Cigar Evening, Friday, March 30, 2018 at 4:00 PM at the GAC; If you like cigars, this is your night.

(Conversely, if you do NOT like cigars, this is NOT your night at the GAC)

Tartan Day Celebration, will be either April 6th or 7th, 2018. Venue to be determined. Watch for an email update when the details are firmed up.

Vienna Ball, April 14, 2018 at the GAC; dinner from 5:30 to 6:30pm, dancing from 7 to 11pm, music by Jim Brauer

Jazz Sunday Dance, at the GAC, Sunday, April 15, 2018 from 2:00 PM to 5:30 PM

Join the Jazz Society for a Sunday Dance!

Mayfest Dance, May 5, 2018 at the GAC, dinner from 5:30 to 6:30pm, dancing from 7 to 11pm, music by Swingshift

30th Annual Rio Grande Valley Celtic Festival and Highland Games, May 19th & 20th, 2018

Balloon Fiesta Park, 5000 Balloon Fiesta Parkway NE, Albuquerque, NM 87113

(entry from the north gate, only), More information to come

For more information, please visit <http://www.celtfestabq.com/>.

Fiesta Dance, May 19, 2018 at the GAC, dinner from 5:30 to 6:30pm, dancing from 7 to 11pm

Jazz Sunday Dance, at the GAC, Sunday, May 20, 2018 from 2:00 PM to 5:30 PM

Join the Jazz Society for a Sunday Dance!

Sock Hop, June 2, 2018 at the GAC, dinner from 5:30 to 6:30pm, dancing from 7 to 11pm, music by Hit Squad

Summerfest Dance, June 16, 2018 at the GAC, dinner from 5:30 to 6:30pm, dancing from 7 to 11pm, music by Street Scene

Jazz Sunday Dance, at the GAC, Sunday, June 17, 2018 from 2:00 PM to 5:30 PM

Join the Jazz Society for a Sunday Dance!

Luau Dance at the GAC, Saturday, July 7, 2018, dinner from 5:30 to 6:30pm, dancing from 7 to 11pm

Jazz Sunday Dance, at the GAC, Sunday, July 15, 2018 from 2:00 PM to 5:30 PM

Join the Jazz Society for a Sunday Dance!

Anniversary Ball at the GAC, Saturday, July 21, 2018, dinner from 5:30 to 6:30pm, dancing from 7 to 11pm

Pipers Launch: O'Neill's on Juan Tabo Blvd (slightly north of Candelaria Rd) is conducting a Pipers Launch fundraiser for the High Desert Pipes and Drums to help send the band to Scotland in celebration of their 20th anniversary of winning first place in Scotland competition, and being the only American band to win. The Bar is launching their new house beer called Pipers Pale Ale and is donating \$1.00 per Pint sold for the next year starting 2/24/18.

NOTE:

A message from the German-American Club (GAC): The Edelweiss Am Rio Grande GAC is a private club and, as such, cannot solicit, by advertising or otherwise, participation its events and activities to the general public. As the SASSNM is an associate organization of the GAC, listing events here does not constitute advertising but, rather, is a notice for associate members as to events that will occur.

Clan MacLeod

Clan MacLeod (/ˌklæn mɪˈklaʊd/; Scottish Gaelic: Clann MhicLeòid; [ˈkʰl̪ˠaun̪ˠ v̪içkʲˠ ˈl̪ˠoːht̪ˠ]) is a Highland Scottish clan associated with the Isle of Skye. There are two main branches of the clan: the MacLeods of Harris and Dunvegan, whose chief is MacLeod of MacLeod, are known in Gaelic as Siol Tormoid ("seed of Tormod"); the Clan MacLeod of Lewis and Raasay, whose chief is Macleod of The Lewes (Scottish Gaelic: Mac Ghille Chaluum), are known in Gaelic as Siol Torcaill ("seed of Torcall"). Both branches claim descent from Leòd, who lived in the 13th century.

Origins

The surname MacLeod means 'son of Leod'. The name Leod is an Anglicization of the Scottish Gaelic name Leòd, which is thought to have been derived from the Old Norse. *Clann* means family, while *mhic* is the genitive of *mac*, the Gaelic for son, and *Leòid* is the genitive of Leòd. The whole phrase therefore means *The family of the son of Leod*.

The Clan MacLeod of Lewis claims its descent from Leod, who according to MacLeod tradition was a younger son of Olaf the Black, King of Mann (r.1229–1237). However, articles have been published in the Clan MacLeod magazine which suggest an alternative genealogy for Leod, one in which he was not son of Olaf, but a 3rd cousin (some removed) from Magnus the last King of Mann. In these alternative genealogies, using the genealogy of Christina MacLeod, great granddaughter of Leod, who married Hector Reaganach (McLean/McLaine). These articles suggest that the relationship to the Kings of Mann was through a female line, that of Helga of the beautiful hair. The dating of Christina's genealogy and the ability to line it up with known historical facts lend a great deal of authenticity to the claims of the authors.

MacLeod tradition is that Leod, who had possession of Harris and part of Skye, married a daughter of the Norse senechal of Skye, MacArailt or Harold's son who held Dunvegan and much of Skye. Tradition stated that Leod's two sons, Tormod and Torquil, founded the two main branches of the Clan MacLeod, *Siol Tormod* and *Siol Torquil*. Torquil was actually a grandson of Tormod; Torquil's descendants held the lands of the Isle of Lewis until the early seventeenth century when the Mackenzies successfully overthrew the Lewismen, partly with the aid of the Morrisons, and the MacLeods of Harris (Siol Tormod). Younger branches of Siol Torquil held the mainland lands of Assynt and Cadboll longer, and the Isle of Raasay until 1846. Siol Tormod held Harris and Glenelg on the mainland, and also the lands of Dunvegan on the Isle of Skye.

Leod, according to tradition, died around 1280 and was buried on the holy island of Iona, where six successive chiefs of the clan found a last resting-place after him.

14th century

Tormod, son of Leod, does not appear in contemporary records; though according to MacLeod tradition preserved in the 19th century *Bannatyne manuscript*, he was a noted soldier of his era and was present at the Battle of Bannockburn. Tormod's son and successor, Malcolm, is the first of the clan to appear in contemporary record when both he and his kinsman, Torquil, are recorded as "Malcolme, son to Tormode M'Cloyde", and "Torkyll M'Cloyd", in a royal charter dating to about 1343, during the reign of David II (r. 1329–1371). Malcolm was succeeded by his eldest child, Iain Ciar, as fourth chief of the clan. R.C. MacLeod dated this event to about 1330. Iain Ciar appears in MacLeod tradition as the most tyrannical chief of the clan; his wife is also said to have been just as cruel as he. Clan tradition states that he was wounded in an ambush on Harris, and soon after died from these wounds at the church at Rodel. R.C. MacLeod dated his death to 1392. Tradition has it that the Lord of the Isles made another attack on Skye in 1395, but Iain's grandson

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Clan MacLeod

Clann MhicLeòid



Crest: A bull's head cabossed sable, horned Or, between two flags gules, staved at the first

Motto Hold fast

District Inner Hebrides, Outer Hebrides, Sutherland

Plant Badge Juniper

Chief: Hugh Magnus MacLeod of MacLeod (there is a rival claimant to chiefship)

Historic seat Dunvegan Castle

Clan branches: MacLeod of MacLeod (chiefs) Clan MacLeod of Lewis

Allied clans: Clan Maclean

Rival clans: Clan MacDonald of Sleat

Kindreds: MacCrimmon (piping family) Beaton medical kindred

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William MacLeod met the MacDonalds at Sligachan (Sligichen) and drove them back to Loch Eynort (Ainort). There they found that their galleys had been moved offshore by the MacAskills, and every invader was killed. The spoils were divided at Creag an Fheannaidh ('Rock of the Flaying') or Creggan ni feavigh ('Rock of the Spoil'), sometimes identified with the Bloody Stone in Harta Corrie.

15th-century clan conflicts

The Battle of Harlaw was fought in 1411 where the MacLeods fought as Highlanders in support of Domhnall of Islay, Lord of the Isles, chief of Clan Donald.

The Battle of Bloody Bay was fought in 1481 where the Clan MacLeod supported of John of Islay, Earl of Ross, chief of Clan Donald against his bastard son Angus Og Macdonald. William Dubh MacLeod, chief of Clan MacLeod was killed in the battle.

16th-century clan conflicts

During the 16th-century the Clan MacLeod feuded heavily with the Clan Macdonald of Sleat. In 1588 William MacLeod of Dunvegan, the 13th chief, bound himself and his heirs in a bond of manrent to *assist, maintain, and defend, and concur with Lachlan Mackintosh of Dunachton, Captain and Chief of the Clan Chattan, and his heirs.*"

17th century – peace among the clans and Civil War

The Battle of Coire Na Creiche in 1601 on Skye saw the MacLeods defeated by Clan MacDonald of Sleat on the northern slopes of the Cuillin hills. In 1608 after a century of feuding which included battles between the MacDonalds, Clan Mackenzie and Clan MacLean, all of the relevant Chiefs were called to a Lee Ir meeting with Lord Ochiltree who was the King's representative. Here they discussed the future Royal intentions for governing the Isles. The Chiefs did not agree with the King and were all thrown into prison. Donald the Chief of the Clan MacDonald of Sleat was incarcerated in the Blackness Castle. His release was granted when he at last submitted to the King. Donald died in 1616 and then Donald Gorm Org MacDonald, 9th Chief, 1st Baronet of Sleat, his nephew succeeded as the chief and became the first Baronet of Sleat. Clan MacDonald of Sleat continues to hold title to Trotternish and Sleat on Skye from that day until the present.

During the Civil War, after the Battle of Carbisdale in 1650 the defeated James Graham, 1st Marquess of Montrose surrendered himself to Neil MacLeod of Assynt at Ardvreck Castle. MacLeod's wife, Christine Munro, tricked Montrose into the castle dungeon and sent for troops of the Covenanter Government, and as a result Montrose was captured and executed. During the Civil War as many as 500 MacLeods fought as royalists at the Battle of Worcester in 1651.

18th century and Jacobite risings

During the Jacobite rising of 1745 the chief of the Clan MacLeod, Norman MacLeod of Dunvegan, did not support the Jacobites and instead raised several Independent Highland Companies in support of the Government forces. The chief led 500 men of the MacLeod Independent Highland Companies in support of the Government at the Battle of Inverurie, on 23 December 1745, where they were defeated.

The Macleods of Raasay, a branch of the MacLeods of Lewis, fought at the Battle of Culloden as part of the Glengarry Regiment, in retribution, the MacLeods of Dunvegan, under their chief, Norman MacLeod, burned and pillaged the Island of Raasay, harassing its inhabitants for many weeks in the late summer of 1746. As a result, Norman MacLeod became known as "The Wicked Man". In 1745, MacLeod of Dunvegan was said to have been able to "bring out" 700 men.

19th, 20th and 21st centuries

The eldest son of Norman MacLeod of MacLeod (1812–1895), Norman Magnus (1839–1929), succeeded as the 26th chief. The 26th chief died without male issue. Norman MacLeod of MacLeod's second eldest son, Torquil Olave (1841–1857) had earlier died without issue as well. Norman Magnus MacLeod of MacLeod was, therefore, succeeded by Norman MacLeod of MacLeod's third son, Sir Reginald MacLeod of MacLeod (1847–1935), as the 27th chief of Clan MacLeod. Sir Reginald MacLeod of MacLeod had no sons, but two daughters. Dame Flora MacLeod succeeded her father and was followed by her grandson John MacLeod. In 2007, Hugh Magnus MacLeod became the 30th Chief of the Clan MacLeod. For the following events see Chiefs of Clan MacLeod.

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Clan societies and parliament

There are ten clan societies affiliated with the Associated Clan MacLeod Societies (ACMS), based in Edinburgh, Scotland. The ACMS is international body which coordinates the ten affiliated national societies around the world. The national societies are Australia (established 1912; re-established 1951), Canada (est. 1936), England (est. 1937), France (est. 1981), Germany (est. 2003), Switzerland (est. 2013), New Zealand (est. 1954), Scotland (est. 1891), South Africa (est. 1960) and The United States of America (est. 1954). Membership to many of these societies are open to anyone who bears the surname Macleod; anyone who is descended from people bearing the surname MacLeod, connected by marriage; anyone who is a member of the septs of the clan; anyone with an interest in the affairs of the clan, whether or not they are related to the MacLeods. In some societies, memberships are available at a price; with yearly memberships to 15 year memberships (Scotland). Every four years members of the national societies gather together at a clan parliament. The last clan parliament was held at the end of July 2014 and took place at Dunvegan.

Castles associated with the clan

Dunvegan Castle, seat of the chiefs of the Clan MacLeod for over 700 years. Castles that have been owned by the Clan MacLeod have included amongst others:

Dunvegan Castle, a mile north of the village of Dunvegan on the Skye, dates from the fourteenth century and originally stood on an island. It is the seat of the chief of Clan MacLeod. The castle includes a massive keep or tower, as well as the famous Fairy Tower, as well as a hall block and many more later extensions.

Cadboll Castle, near Tain, Ross-shire is a now ruinous L-plan tower house. It was originally held by the Clyne family, then the MacLeods of Cadboll, but later passed to the Clan Sinclair.

Knock Castle (Isle of Skye), also known as Caisteal Camus and Casteal Chamius, was held by the MacLeods in the fifteenth century but later passed to the Clan MacDonald. In 1515, in an attempt to resurrect the Lordship of the Isles the castle was unsuccessfully besieged by Alastair Crotach MacLeod.

Casteal Mhicleod, near to Shiel Bridge in Lochaber, is a ruinous castle that was once held by Alastair Crotach MacLeod and was still in use in the sixteenth century.

Dunscraith Castle, also known as Dun Sgathaich, near Armadale, Sleat, Isle of Skye, is a now ruinous castle on a rock by the sea. It was originally held by the MacAskills (a sept of the MacLeods of Lewis), but passed to the MacLeods in the fourteenth century. The MacLeods managed to defend themselves against the MacDonald Lord of the Isles in 1395 and 1401, however the castle passed to the MacDonalds sometime during the fifteenth century.

Duntulm Castle, near Uig, Skye was built on the site of an Iron Age stronghold and was once held by the MacLeods. In 1540 the castle was visited by James V of Scotland but in the seventeenth century it passed to the MacDonalds.

Eilean Ghruidh, Loch Maree, near Kinlochewe, in Wester Ross, is the site of a castle on an island, that was originally held by the MacBeaths in the thirteenth century, but was held by the MacLeods from about 1430 to 1513.

Gunnery of MacLeod, near to Borve, on the Isle of Berneray, North Uist is the site of a castle once held by the MacLeods. Norman MacLeod of Berneray who was the laird of the island was born there. He was a famous scholar and fought at the Battle of Worcester in 1651.

Clan heirlooms



The Dunvegan Cup, Fairy Flag, and Sir Rory Mor's Horn

There are several notable heirlooms belonging to the chiefs of the clan and held at their seat of Dunvegan Castle. Possibly the most well known is the Fairy Flag which has numerous traditions attributed its origins and supposed magical powers. It was said to have had the power, when unfurled, to save the clan on three separate occasions. Another heirloom is a wooden and silver ceremonial cup, known as the Dunvegan Cup, which was made in Ireland and dates back to 1493. The cup is thought to have passed into the possession of the Macleods sometime in the 16th or 17th centuries, during which time the Macleods sent aid

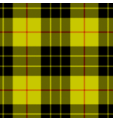
to certain Irish chieftains in their warring against English-backed forces. Another heirloom is Sir Rory Mor's Horn, named after the 15th chief of the clan. Clan tradition states that the male heir of the clan must quaff a drink from the horn in one instance.

Clan symbols



Members of Clan Macleod are entitled to wear a crest badge to show their allegiance to their clan chief. Macleod of Lewis Dress Tartan Kilt is selected a range of some of the most popular Macleod of Lewis Tartans, As it is usually available in variations in which ancient and modern are most popular. This crest badge contains the heraldic crest and heraldic motto of the clan chief. These elements, like the chief's coat of arms, are the heraldic property of the chief alone. The crest within the crest badge is blazoned a bull's head cabossed sable, horned Or, between two flags gules, staved at the first; and the motto is hold fast. Members of Clan Macleod of The Lewes are entitled to wear a different crest badge, derived from the arms of the chief of that clan. Members of Clan Macleod may also wear a sprig of juniper, as a clan badge. Clan badges are usually worn on a bonnet behind the crest badge, or attached at the shoulder of a lady's tartan sash.

Clan tartans



This is possibly the most instantly recognisable Macleod tartan. It is known as MacLeod of Lewis, MacLeod dress, and even "Loud MacLeod". It has no identifiable association with the Lewis Macleods though, and was originally associated with the Dunvegan family. The earliest published appearance of the tartan was in the *Vestiarium Scoticum* in 1842. The *Vestiarium*, composed and illustrated by the dubious 'Sobieski Stuarts', is the source for many of today's "clan tartans". The *Vestiarium* has also been proven to be a forgery and a Victorian hoax. The tartan was described by Sir Thomas Dick Lauder, in a letter to Sir Walter Scott in 1829: "MacLeod (of Dunvegan) has got a sketch of this splendid tartan, three black strypts upon ain yellow fylde". It is thought that the Macleod chief was a good friend of the Sobieski Stuarts who gave him the sketch of the tartan years before they published their forgery. One contemporary critic of the *Vestiarium* even likened the Macleod tartan to that of a horse blanket. Today, the tartan is registered with the Scottish Tartans Authority and the Scottish Tartans World Register (both under #1272).



This tartan is sometimes known as *MacLeod hunting* or *MacLeod of Harris*. It was published in several early collections of tartan such as Logan's *The Scottish Gael* (1831) and Smibert's (1851). The tartan is derived from the Mackenzie tartan used by John Mackenzie in 1771, when he raised the regiment known as "Lord Macleod's Highlanders". The Mackenzies claimed to be heirs to the chiefship of the Macleods of Lewis, after the death of Roderick in 1595. The tartan was approved by Norman Magnus, 26th chief of Clan Macleod. It was adopted by the clan society in 1910. Today, the tartan is registered with the Scottish Tartans Authority and the Scottish Tartans World Register (both under #1583).

Clan septs

Septs are clans or families who were under the protection of a more powerful clan or family. Scottish clans were largely collections of different families who held allegiance to a common chief. The following names, according to the Associated Clan MacLeod Societies, are attributed as septs of Clan Macleod (of Dunvegan and Harris); there are also a number of other septs attributed to Clan Macleod of The Lewes.

Beaton, Betha, Bethune (There is also an independent Clan Bethune), Beton, Harald, Haraldson, Harold, Harrell, Harrold, Herrald, MacHarold, MacRalte, MacRaid, Andie, MacAndie, McCaskill, MacHandie, MacKande, MacKandy, Makcandy, MacCaig, MacCoig, MacCowig, MacCrivag, MacCuaig, MacKaig, MacQuigg, MacAlear, MacClewer, McClure, MacClure, MacLeur, MacLewer, MacLewis, Lewis, MacLur, MacLure, Clure, Cluer, Clewer, Cremmon, Crimmon, Grimman, Grimmond, MacCrimmon, MacCrummen, MacGrimman, MacGrymmen, MacRimmon, MacKilliam, MacKullie, MacWilliam, MacWilliams, MacWillie, MacWylie, McCullie, Williamson, Norman, Normand, Norris, Norval, Norwell, Tormud

In fiction

The Clan MacLeod is featured prominently in the [Highlander franchise](#), with four major characters - Connor, Duncan, Colin and Quentin MacLeod - all being members.

More Celtic Influence!

Need more Celtic influence? Check out the following

Live Celtic Music, Sundays from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM

O’Niell’s Pub, 4310 Central Avenue, Albuquerque, NM
O’Niell’s Pub, 3301 Juan Tabo NE, Albuquerque, NM
For more information, visit: <http://oniells.com/>.

The Thistle and Shamrock Radio Program, Mondays at 6PM

New Mexico Public Radio, KANW 89.1 FM,
Visit: <http://kanw.com/> or listen on your FM radio.

Celtic and Beyond Radio Show, Mondays at 6:00 PM

Solar Radio, KTAOS 101.9 FM, Visit:
<http://ktao.com/SolarRadio> or listen on your FM radio.

Ceili Dance Classes | Wednesdays, 7:15 PM, \$3.00 per person

German-American Club, 4821 Menaul NE, Albuquerque, NM

Irish Music Session, Thursdays, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Joliesse Chocolates, 6855 Fourth Street NW, Los Ranchos de Albuquerque, NM Contact 505.379.3753 or visit <http://celticsteps.org/albuquerque/>.

Irish Book Club, Last Thursday of the Month

O’Niell’s Pub, 4310 Central Avenue, Albuquerque, NM
Contact Ellen at 505.307.1700

Coleman Academy of Dance, Saturdays 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

Lloyd Shaw Dance Center, 5506 Coal Avenue SE, Albuquerque, NM

Celtic Steps Arizona/New Mexico (formerly Tir Conaill)

Saturdays, at the McDermott Athletic Center, 801 Loma Colorado, Rio Rancho, NM. Contact 505-415-4390 or visit <http://celticsteps.org/albuquerque/>.

Local Scottish, Irish, and Celtic Musicians and Performers

Many of us wonder who among us in New Mexico are furthering our cultural background through music and other performances. Here is a list of locals we can support and who, in turn, help fuel our passion to connect with our roots.

Shenanigans, Celtic and American Folk with a twist using a variety of instruments and vocals
Contact Kathy Wimmer for more information: 505.249.7012 or kmillewimm@comcast.net.

Saoirse (“seer shih,” Irish for “freedom”)
Celtic music from Scotland, Ireland, Brittany, and Galicia, spiced with jazz and world beat.
Contact: Harlow Pinson at hpinson@indepthl.com or 994-2135.

The Anslovers, Teenage performers
Emily, John, and Jamie on violin, guitar, and upright bass
Contact John and Lorraine Anslower for more information: anslovernavy@comcast.net.

Carol Benson, Strolling café fiddler, vocalist, Suzuki teacher, and symphony violist
Contact Carol Benson for more information: 505.268.0906 or carlbens@gmail.com.

A Jug of Punch, Triple-Distilled Irish-American Fun featuring flutes, accordion, mandolin, violin, and guitar
Contact Cleve Sharp for more information: 505.507.9915 or clevelans@comcast.net.

Michele Buchanan and Shanachie Harpers
Contact Michele Buchanan for more information: 505.765.1288 or tmbuchs@gmail.com.

Rye Creek, Folk, Irish, Western, and good-old mountain music
For more information, contact Terry Ryan Axline (505.293.894 or neomexicana@hotmail.com), contact Tron Trellue (505.362.2551 or trellue@swcp.com), or visit www.myspace.com/ryecreeknm.

Celtic Coyotes, Traditional music from Scotland, Ireland, Wales, and Brittany
Contact Doug Cowan for more information: 505.710.0583 or celticcoyotes@yahoo.com.

Friends Forever, Michael Coy, Donna Coy, and Chris Nelson play Celtic, Folk, Cowboy, and Original music
Contact Michael Coy for more information: 505.296.2017, 505.250.4429, or mmcoy3@msn.com.

Eagle’s Whistle, Michael Coy, Donna Coy, Chris Nelson, and Andy Moss play Celtic, Folk, Cowboy, and Original music with the addition of whistle and concertina. Contact Michael Coy for more information: 505.296.2017, 505.250.4429, or mmcoy3@msn.com.

The Singing Coyote Sisters, Donna Coy and Michelle Palmer perform Celtic, Folk, and Gospel music as well as Sing-A-Longs
Contact Michael Coy for more information: 505.296.2017, 505.250.4429, or mmcoy3@msn.com

SASSNM Membership Application

Please (preferably) complete and mail this form, alternatively you may renew online at sassnm.org/.

Application Type (Please Circle)	First-Time	Renewal	Re-Registration (lapsed registration)	
Type of Membership	Student 18+:	(Annual \$10.00)		
(Please Circle Amount)	Adult Individual:	(Annual \$20.00)	(3 Years \$45.00)	(5 Years \$75.00)
	Family (specify below):	(Annual \$25.00)	(3 Years \$60.00)	(5 Years \$100.00)
Donation:	Annual	\$ _____	One-Time:	\$ _____

Household Mailing Address: _____ City: _____
 State: _____ Zip: _____

Member Name: _____ Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____ Cell: _____

Spouse/Partner Name: _____ Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____ Cell: _____

Family memberships are only available to those members living in the same household. Please only specify included family members below if they are 18+. (If additional same-household members are needed, please fill out another form and include with this one.)

Family Member #1: _____ Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____ Cell: _____

Relationship: _____

Family Member #2: _____ Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____ Cell: _____

Relationship: _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: ST. ANDREW SCOTTISH SOCIETY OF NM
MAIL CHECKS WITH COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:
 SASSNM MEMBERSHIP CHAIR, PO BOX 37288, ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87176-7288

Are You Able to Volunteer For (please circle the following, as applicable)...?

Hogmanay (New Years)	Yes	No	Contact Me	Facebook	Yes	No	Contact Me
Burns Night (January)	Yes	No	Contact Me	Managing the Website	Yes	No	Contact Me
Tartan Day (April)	Yes	No	Contact Me	Editor for the newsletter	Yes	No	Contact Me
Celtic Festival (May)	Yes	No	Contact Me	Writing for the newsletter	Yes	No	Contact Me
Celtic Picnic (September)	Yes	No	Contact Me	Serving on the Board	Yes	No	Contact Me
St. Andrew's Day (Nov)	Yes	No	Contact Me	Serving on a Committee	Yes	No	Contact Me
Membership Drive	Yes	No	Contact Me	Other: _____	Yes	No	Contact Me

SASSNM Annual General Membership and Elections Meeting This Month

Our SASSNM annual elections will take place during our annual General Membership and Elections Meeting at 11am on Saturday, March 24, 2018. This will be at the North Domingo Baca Multigenerational Center, which is located at 7521 Carmel Ave NE, Albuquerque, NM 87113 (while traveling north on Wyoming Blvd, go one traffic light past Paseo del Norte and turn left/west on Carmel Ave, then go to and turn right at the second driveway).

Please consider this opportunity for you to make a difference by running for a position on our Board. There are a number of positions for which you can run, including President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Director of Events, Director of Publicity, and a number of Director-at-Large positions.

Come on out to the monthly Board meetings to get a general idea of how things work and what the extent of your involvement might be.

Please contact President Bruce Green (BEGreen56@yahoo.com), or Vice President Jay Vandersloot (JayVandersloot@yahoo.com) if you have any questions or to let us know of your interest in joining the Board next year

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