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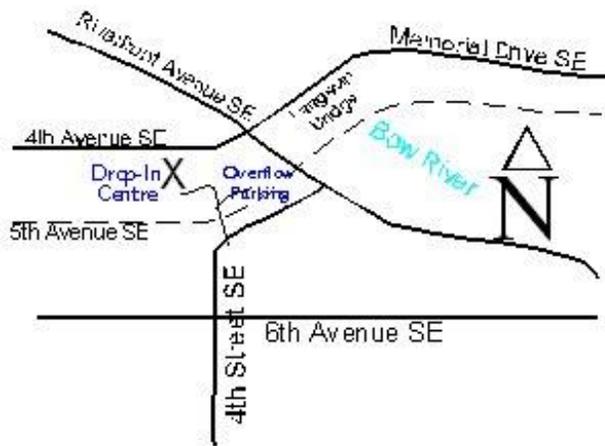
## Burns Dinner for the Homeless 2018



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Another Society's Annual Burns Dinner for the Homeless will take place on Sunday, 21 January 2018 at the Calgary Drop-In and Rehabilitation Centre, 423 – 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue S.E. Thank-you very much for donating your time for this worthy cause. Kitchen staff is a priority position, aprons will be provided and you can bring your own head wear. Please wear tartan or plaid. Car pooling is suggested and a map is attached. Volunteers should arrive at 10:30 a.m. and proceed to the 6<sup>th</sup> floor to get settled into work groups. We require people to kitchen serve and table serve. The DI staff will direct the kitchen serving. This is a Funday, we begin the morning's activities with the kitchen helpers going down to set up the kitchen. Then the entertainers go down to start the Robbie Burns Show at 11:30 a.m. The show consists of piping, singing, highland dancing, poetry reading and the Address to the Haggis. Once the address is finished, the entertainers are piped to the kitchen and the serving begins. It takes about 40 minutes and we

serve 900 plus people depending on the weather and the 110lbs of haggis the Society supplies is eagerly anticipated by many of the clients. When all the dinners have been served; please stay for dinner upstairs. The dinner we provide is one of the most anticipated dinners of the year and the clients "mark" it on their calendar! Thank-you in advance: *Margot Aftergood margotaftergood@shaw.ca*



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## Mobile Burns 2018

The Society is looking for drivers, bards, singers and pipers for the 2018 Mobile Burns teams that will be entertaining seniors and shut-ins on Thursday, 25 January 2018. At present, we are considering four show teams and one Scottish Country dance team to perform for over 1000 seniors. The performances included an Address to the Haggis, Burns songs and poems, highland dancing, & piping. The performances were much appreciated by the seniors and staff at the various venues. The Society's Scottish Country Dancers perform at facilities where space permits. It's both fun and rewarding. If you'd like to join one of the teams for 2018, please contact Robert Henderson at [roberthenderson@yahoo.com](mailto:roberthenderson@yahoo.com) or 403-245-5514.

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# BURNS NIGHT 2018



Tickets \$60 at

[www.standrewcaledonian.ca](http://www.standrewcaledonian.ca)

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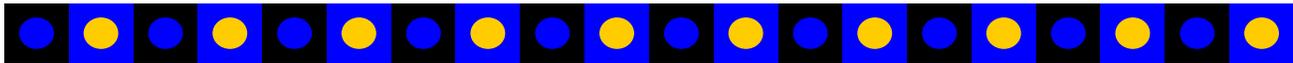
[annvanderwal@shaw.ca](mailto:annvanderwal@shaw.ca)

**Saturday, January 27**  
Polish-Canadian Cultural Centre  
(3015 15 St NE)

**Cocktails at 5:30 pm**  
**Program 6 pm sharp**

Dance Practices Saturdays 7 pm

Airdrie UC Hall (212 1<sup>st</sup> Ave, Airdrie) Jan 6, 13 & 20



# Casino 2018

The Society's Casino has been set for Sunday, 1 April and Monday, 2 April 2018 at Cowboys Casino, 421—12th Avenue SE. This casino has free parking in the parkade off 12th Avenue between MacLeod Trail and 3rd Street East on the P2 level and they have night time escorts to the parking area. The Society truly appreciates the members and friends who have stepped up to support this major fund raising activity. The Society is looking for Count Room Staff (2230-0330hrs) for both days, and Bankers, Cashiers and Chip Runners for all shifts. Interested members should contact Robert Henderson at [roberthenderson@yahoo.com](mailto:roberthenderson@yahoo.com) or (403) 245-5514 and he will be calling as well. Your participation helps Calgary's Scottish community activities and is greatly appreciated. *Robert Henderson*



## Kirkin' 2017

The Society participated in a community Kirkin' of the Tartan on Sunday, 11 June, at Knox United Church with several hundred members of the congregation and Calgary's Scottish community. Tartans were called, presented while the pipers played, and then blessed by Margot Aftergood, Director of the Society. Hymns were sung, and the choir and pipers performed. The service was followed by a reception with refreshments, and good fellowship, in the church hall.

## Budget Meeting 2017

This year's Budget Meeting was well attended with 35 members present. The Society's Budget was passed unanimously and gratitude was expressed by several members for the flowers which had been sent to them through the Benevolent Fund during their illness or bereavement. The meeting was followed by a buffet with hot hors d'oeuvres and other finger foods, and GlenMorin's dance music was enthusiastically received by the dancers. *Ann Vanderwal*

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## Scots Gathering 2017

This year's Gathering drew participants from as far away as England, New Zealand, Illinois, California, as well as several provinces. The Society, in partnership with the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society—Calgary Branch, offered 41 subjects presented by 18 instructors. Ninety-four participants registered for 472 classes with the lectures proving to be quite popular this year. Classes were held at: St. Michael's Anglican Church Hall, Royal Canadian Legion #3, Arts Place, Elevation Place, Canmore seniors' Centre, Canmore Opera House and the Canmore Coast Hotel. The Three Sisters Ceilidh and Wild Rose Ball were well attended with music by the Alberta Scottish Dance Orchestra inspiring the dancers with great sound. The Society wishes to thank: Ken Blackwood, Fiona Carnie, Andrew Dunn, Alix Esterhuizen, Donna Gillespie, Jeanie Hawes, Debby Henderson, Patricia Houghton, Ron Krug, Paul Millar, Judi Nicolson, Evelyn Nixon, Grace & Lloyd Northcott, Jim Osborne, Dennis Orr, Morin Orr, Bill Partridge, Glenn Potter, Mary Ross, Lisa Scott & Ann Vanderwal for supplying their talents to this showcase of the Scottish community. The Society also wishes to thank the volunteers who really make the whole weekend enjoyable for so many people: Carol Johnson, Andrew Joo, and Nonie Sundstrom. Lastly, the Society would also like to thank our sponsors: Alberta Foundation for the Arts, Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission, Town of Canmore, All in the Wild Gallery, Scottish Shoppe, Bothy Wine & Whisky Bar, Café Books, Canmore Museum & Geoscience Centre, Canmore Wine Merchants, Fallen Leaf Gallery, Gold Medal Marketing, Highland Scottish Gift Shoppe, and, Grizzly Paw Brewery Company. All participants are encouraged to send suggestions for future Gatherings to [Information@calgaryscots.org](mailto:Information@calgaryscots.org). *Robert Henderson*

## Calgary Tartan Sales

The Society has a number of items in the Calgary Tartan available to members and non-members, including: Brushed wool scarves, Brushed wool lady's wraps, and heavy weight & light weight Calgary Tartan material yardage. The Society has added to our selection of Calgary Tartan items with the addition of: Bow Ties, Long Ties, and Cummerbunds. Items will soon be available on the Society website, Society events, and the highland games.



## RSCDS Hogmanay

The Royal Scottish Country Dance Society—Calgary Branch will be holding a Hogmanay celebration on Sunday, 31 December 2017 at Confederation Park 55+ Activity Centre, 2212—13th Street NW. The event will feature a roast beef dinner by Yes Chef Cuisine and Prosecco to toast the new year—participants will be going home in 2018. Full details can be found at [rscdscalgary.org](http://rscdscalgary.org). Tickets are \$50 for members and \$55 for non-members.



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## Cnapan

Native Welsh football and bat/ball games share a Celtic heritage with similar sports in Scotland, Cornwall and Ireland. Cnapan, a traditional form of football similar to today's Gaelic Football, was played in Wales until 1995. The Welsh team sport of Bando, related to today's Hurling, was first recorded in Wales in the 18th century. These types of ancient games, already a 40 year tradition in Calgary, are still in weekly play. Check out the Fianna ([www.facebook.com/calgaryirishfootball](http://www.facebook.com/calgaryirishfootball)) in south Calgary or ([www.calgarychieftains.com](http://www.calgarychieftains.com)) in north Calgary. All are welcome - youths or adults. Dewch i gael hwyl!

## Member Benefits

Benefits of Society membership include:

- reduced rates for pipers at your function,
- 10% discount on purchases at the Highland Scottish Gift Shoppe,
- Free entry to the Foothills Highland Games,
- Free entry to the Calgary Highland Games,
- Free entry to the Canmore Highland Games.
- Special room rate (SAB13) at the Clarion Hotel & Conference Centre Calgary

Members should consider renewing for several years to avoid missing any activities or events.

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