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# Rob Piland honored by Early American Life

You'll see R.E. Piland Goldsmith's at many Eastern Seaboard highland games. If you haven't seen his beautiful jewelry or met

this charming family, just look for the Clan Home tartan on the front of his booth.

Rob Piland's work was recently chosen by *Early American Life* magazine to be included in their 2009 Directory of Traditional American Crafts. Also, several pieces of his jewelry were photographed for a layout in the August 2009 issue which should be available now in Barnes & Noble stores. The photos were taken at Gunston Hall Plantation (<a href="www.gunstonhall.org">www.gunstonhall.org</a>) and it was very exciting to see Rob's work in such a beautiful, historical setting. Please consider picking up a copy if you see one!

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# A letter from your editor... A way to help our country that doesn't cost anything...

If you are old enough to have lived through "down times" or "sagging economies" you might have noticed that at the beginning of one of these crises the television reporters, the radio reporters, the magazines and the newspapers all have one thing in common. They tell us all that "bad times they are a'coming."

If folks read and hear these things often enough, they start to believe it and decide to wait on that new car or having the house remodeled or replacing old appliances or any of a bazillion or two of things that, had they not been frightened by the doom and gloom they have read or heard about.

I'm just a regular old redneck girl...nothing fancy. I'm more at home on the back of a good Quarter Horse than sitting here at the computer. However, I do have a brain that every once in awhile, thinks.

Why don't we try something? It's easy, it's free and takes almost no time.

Here are some good things about our economy that I know today: \* Attendance at Highland Games is UP. Way back the first of the year, the folks at the Northeast Florida Highland Games held in Green Cove Springs, Florida had to turn away over 1500 cars because the parking lots were full!

\* Attendance was up at Loch Norman in North Carolina, The Glasgow Highland Games in Lucas, Kentucky, The San Diego Highland Games on the left coast...Grandfather Mountain Highland Games and The Greenville (SC) Highland Games...games where I saw for myself. Friends report that games attendance is up all over the country.

\* Vendors, who are almost never happy, are happy. Clans report sign-ups for new memberships are on the rise.

\* My friend, who lives in Chattanooga, Tennessee reports that her husband - a pattern maker at an aluminum plant - is working on Saturdays and Sundays on overtime.

\* My real estate lady who is handling the sale of my house, tells me that in the past few months, her business is booming. Lots of folks listing houses, lots of folks buying houses.

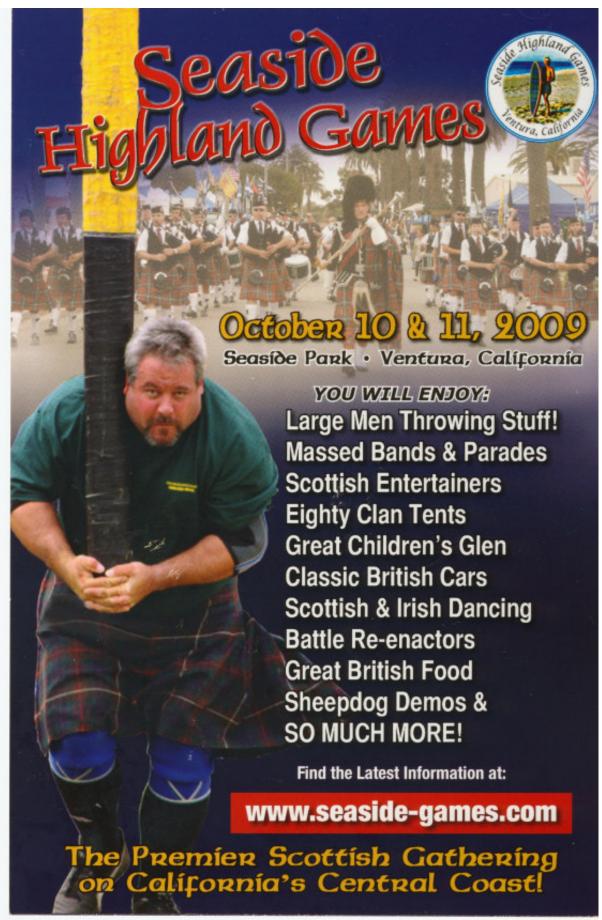
\* Everytime we go to one of the larger cities around Walhalla - Greenville, Anderson, Seneca - and down into Atlanta and further afield, we see the parking lots at malls and restaurants and stores filled to the brim. In restaurants, folks are filling every table. In stores, folks are leaving with shopping bags filled to the brim.

I remember my mother and grandmother telling stories of The Great Depression in the 1920s and 1930s. Folks, we don't have anything like that today.

So, what was my idea to help things along? It's pretty simple.

Make your own list of good things you see out and about. Add my list to your list...and maybe email that list to a few friends and ask them to add good things they know about....and if enough of us do that, some of the fear will subside and we can go

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## Scots love California's Central Coast

October has become a favorite month for people of many Celtic persuasions to "gather beside the seaside" at Seaside Park in Ventura. The Seaside High-

land Games will return for a seventh year to the Ventura County Fairgrounds this October 10th and 11th 2009 for another rousing Festival of all things Scottish. Many favorite Celtic/Irish/Scottish entertainers including Eric Rigler & Bad Haggis, Alex Beaton, the Wicked Tinkers, Highland Way and America's favorite Celtic Spring will be there! Ventura's own Claddagh Dance Company will take the stage periodically over the weekend.

The pageantry will be nonstop from Saturday noon's Grand Parade and Opening Ceremonies to a final Massed Band Farewell at Games Closing on Sunday night. Your youngsters will want to spend all day in the very entertaining Children's Glen and you will find plenty of shopping bargains among the forty-plus Celtic Vendors! Eighty clans with several new ones this year.

If there is dance, there must

be music and, in addition to the three stages for our star-quality entertainers will be bagpipers and bagpipe bands, the Ventura British Brass (as fine a brass band as you will find anywhere), the Scottish Fiddlers of Los Angeles and the Celtic Arts Center Gaelic Choir. Gaelic Language classes, Genealogy seminars with Beth Gay and a study of the art of Scotch Malt Whisky with samples! Saturday will end in a blaze of glory with a FREE CELTIC ROCK CONCERT featuring Bad Haggis, the Tinkers and Highland Way from five until about eight pm. BE THERE!!

The giants—the SAAA Highland Heavies—will amaze you with their physical feats of strength and

agility; sheep-herding dog demos; Scottish military recreators Bydand Forever who will march to black powder precision military maneuvers from a storied



past; the Highlander Warriors of an earlier and romantic age where edged weapons were king-and expertly demonstrate their use: and, forward to today, a huge **Darts Tournament** staged by the Ventura County Dart Association.

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ment.

Rounding out your day, don't forget to view the beautiful British car collection and please help our Yellow Ribbon America & The America's Heroes Foundation by contributing in any way you can. We are dedicated to supporting our country through this worthy organization even as peace is being sought on many fronts. Come to the Seaside Games for some happy hours at a bargain fare (\$12 to \$18 adults, \$10 to \$17 senior & military, \$3 children).

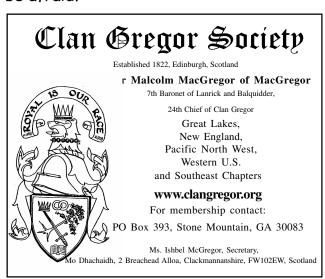
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ahead with plans we've been afraid to bring to fruition. When that happens, things will get markedly better.

We live in the greatest nation on earth, The United States of America. How can we be afraid?



My friend in Australia has a marvelous motto on her coat-of-arms, "Trust and Go Forward." My own Arms have my motto, "Shirk Not the Impossible Task." My friend and I use each other's mottos all the time. You can use these too...and they do help!

Just look about your own world and you'll see some good things. Make a note of all the things you see that indicate that our economy is coming back and thriving once again.

I'll bet you'll be surprised at the number of good things, positive things you'll find in your own city and neighborhood.

Don't be shy about sharing those good things with your family and your friends. Ask them to look about and note the encouraging signs and good things they see.

See? It's not hard at all.

Think positively. Tell others your positive thoughts.

### Tread Lightly

Scotland has always been a country that opens its arms to the world and The Year of Homecoming is another shining example. Us Scots are also a travelling race and, as many of you can testify, have settled in all parts of the world.

It was so exciting that so many of you made the pilgrimage home for The Gathering and, once again, experienced the joys of 'my lands hills'.

Those of you arriving later in the year will find Scotland in healthy state yet she is not without her ills. Our history of heavy industry built by fossil fuels is catching up with us and like the rest of the world we need to take drastic actions to prevent irreversible climate change.

Never being a country to shirk responsibility the Scottish Government has just passed the Climate Change Bill introducing the most stringent climate targets in the world! If ever in history we deserve a pat on the back it is now – all we need to do now is meet them!

So please tread lightly on our treasured shores and make your footprint a positive one. Better still mark your legacy by planting some trees in Teaghlach Wood.

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# "The Henderson's are on the Field"

The phrase has reverberated throughout history on many continents. Not as boastful braggarts but as a proud and determined lot standing tall to do their duty. Nothing is more truthful than this past weekend at Grandfather Mountain Highland Games.

Clan of Excellence Award 2009 ...... Clan Henderson!

Our contingent may have been light in numbers but strong in Henderson Pride and Presence. Anonymous judges evaluated Clans as they passed before

the review stand during the Parade of Tartans. COSCA President. Christie Harrison, was a judge and voluntarily visited our tent later in the day. She reported that judges conferred during the event but when ClanHenderson passed in Review the benchmark for the day was established. Christie stated that one of the judges with 17 years experience stated that the bar has been raised and a new level of standard established. Pageantry, Appearance, Proper Attire, Accessories, Cohesion, Attitude were typical items looked for in the award. She also advised that every member, youth or senior, was vibrant with

"Proud to be a Scot" attitude and the military precision and discipline which we demonstrated while





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# Site Seeing!

Genealogywise is a new site.

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passing in review will be a measure for future generations at Grandfather.

More to come in *An Canach*.

Special thanks go to Rev. Kyle Henderson & Tommy Potter for excellent job as Conveners.

Yours, Aye

David "The Lesser" Henderson Head of North Carolina Bodyguard

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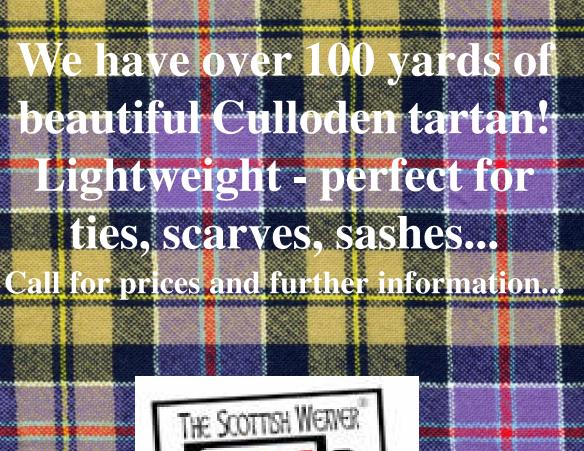
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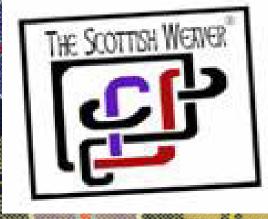
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# Can someone help with Wills family?

I am seeking descendants of JUDGE DAVID WILLS of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. Born 3 Feb. 1831, Menallen Township, Adams County, Pennsylvania. Died 27 October 1894. Son of RUTH WILSON, born 7 Jan. 1804 in Adams County, died 3 June 1836 in Gettysburg and JAMES J. WILLS, a farmer, born about 1802 in Pennsylvania. DAVID's siblings: RUTH who married WM. WALHAY of Benderville, Pennsylvania and JOHN. DAVID's children: MARY E. WILLS, married JOHN S. BRIDGES; CATHERINE S. WILLS; ANNELL (ANNIE M.) WILLS, married JOHN M. MCCURDY; JANE

(JENNIE) W. WILLS; EMMA R. WILLS, married EDWARD MCCAMMON; DAVID WILLS; JAMES D. WILLS. I am trying to document the link between my great great grandfather SAMUEL JAMES MCKENRICK, also of Menallen Township, born 26 July, 1847, died 6 March 1941, a cousin of either DAVID WILLS or his children. Thank you, Shirlee McKenrick Hickey, 1650 E. Clark Ave., Space 293, Santa Maria, CA 93455.

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Royce Neil McNeill of Charlotte, North Carolina, is the recipient of the National Tartan Day Award for 2009.

Mc McNeill is a current Trustee of COSCA, the Council of Scottish Clans & Associations, and was a founding member of COSCA. The award was presented by Robert W. Murdoch, National Tartan Day Chairman, at a reception and dinner on the evening of July 10, 2009 at the Broyhill Center in Boone, NC, as part of the celebration of the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games that took place that weekend in nearby Linville, NC.

Mr. McNeill is a well-known figure in the Scottish community in the United States and has been recognized on numerous occasions for his dedication and commitment to Scottish causes.

In 1994 he received the Service Award of the Scottish Heritage Center of St. Andrews Presbyterian College. In 2000 he received the Ellis Island Medal of Honor as an outstanding American of Scottish descent.

He is a native son of North Carolina, where his ancestors settled in 1735. He is a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries in Edinburgh, Scotland. In 1987 and again in 1997 he led the worldwide gathering of Clan MacNeil at its home seat of Kismul Castle on the Isle of Barra.

He served for many years as president of the Clan MacNeil Association of America and he and his late wife, the former Doris Byrd, were responsible for starting several Scottish Games.

Royce McNeill retired in 1992 from the Duke Power Company in Charlotte, where he was a public relations executive. Upon his retirement the national media noted his unprec-



edented attendance records throughout his life. He never missed a day of elementary school, high school, college, or military service in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He has attended the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games every year since they started in 1955.

He continues to serve in volunteer positions in many areas, working with numerous charitable organizations at the local, national and international level.

The National Tartan Day Award is presented annually by The Scottish Coalition USA, a consortium of seven organizations serving the Scottish community at the national level. Members of the Coalition are the American-Scottish Foundation, Inc., Association of Scottish Games & Festivals, Caledonian Foundation USA, Inc., Council of Scottish Clans and Associations, The Living Legacy of Scotland, Inc., Scottish Heritage USA, Inc., and Scottish Tartans Authority USA.

For information: Robert McWilliam, President The Scottish Coalition USA rmcwilliam@wi.rr.com

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## Help needed on Patterson's, Bolan's, Marion's

My Mom is 95... we have been looking for statistics on our **WILLIAM PATTERSON** of Richmond Hill, etc. for a long time. We have many stories of Duels (Duels and Duelists) and plantations (Diary of John Anderson, neighbor) and of the War (oldest son and namesake died at Gettysburg) as well as social interaction (See

The Blue in the Grey... or is it The Grey in the Blue?) But we don't have statistics of birth and death or point of origin in Scotland... or life in and around Beaufort or the extended family to which he was probably sent, being only about 16 and his birthday somewhere around 1810... After maturity, he married



MARION BOLAN (have census records) and probably marriage date. **MARION BOLAN** was the daughter of JAMES BOLAN (built the Episcopal Church, St. Lukes, in Grahamville, So. Carolina... which is still functioning as a church plus four others, including the bell of the Church in Barnwell.) GLOVERS, etc. also married into the family of five well educated daughters (educated at some school from the time they were five to avoid swamp fever, somewhere in New York City.) I think the census records of our PATTERSONS began with the 1850 at Ways Station, i.e. Richmond Hill. He was probably a Mason. We believe he died of facial cancer in Savannah, cared for by previous household slaves; he lived and died in his attic to avoid shocking the people he'd known. We think about 1870 plus or minus. There was a newspaper account of his son being returned to Savannah around that time for re-burial. It is strange to me that so much research is available on so many surnames... and while PATTERSON is the 2nd most common name in Scotland... very little is ever mentioned. don't know how to get enough knowledge to give my mother his origin. My husband and I even went to Scotland and spent three futile days studying records. Time is getting short. He had money. He came over (perhaps with his brother, possible twin; they were not the eldest sons, i.e. who would have inherited) with a bag or gold

coins (not steerage) and a antique pen given him by his father before embarking. He married MARION BOLAN... who later disappeared while on her way to find her son in Atlanta... she had been misinformed that WILLIE had been evacuated and was only wounded. She was in a carriage alone with her mammy and elderly driver.

All disappeared between Ways Station and Atlanta. There may have been PATTERSONS involved in shipping in Charlestown. Before his marriage he'd become a cotton and rice speculator in Savannah. According to oral history, there was an epidemic and he lost most of what he had gained... became a planter on the plantation which had been given himself and his wife for a wedding present. This is a short version of a long tale... any help? We spent much time at the Savannah Genealogy building... it is hard for Mom to travel now... she'd like to know WILLIAM's birthplace and origins in Scotland before encountering him in her afterlife! Wondered if there could have been an earlier connection to the Scottish settlement in Georgia which failed primarily due to loss of funding and political sabotage. But which may have left extended family connections? Very hard to backtrack ghost steps... Iralyn Marion (6th generation of Marions named originally after the Swamp Fox...) Snyder My email is dollsetc@comcast.net



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These names have individual surname projects, most of which include spelling variations of the name: Abbott, Abernathy, Adair, Adams, Adamson, Addison, Adkins/Atkins, Agnew, Alexander, Allan/Allen, Allison (Ellison), Ambrose, Anderson, Andrews, Ansley, Anthony, Archer, Armstrong, Arnold, Arnett, Atkinson, Arthur, Austin-Austen, Baillie, Bain/Bayne (Baines), Baird, Balfour, Banks, Barber (Barbour), Barclay, Barden-Bardeen, Barker, Barnes, Barron, Barrs, Bartholomew, Bartlett, Barton, Baxter, Beatty, Beck, Bell, Bennett, Berry (Barry), Berwick, Best, Bishop, Blackadder, Blackburn, Blair, Blake, Bligh-Bly-Blythe, Blue, Bogle, Bolt, Bolton, Bone(s), Bonner, Booth, Bortan-Borden-Burden, Boswell, Bourland, Bowden, Bowers, Bowie, Bowman, Boyce, Boyd, Boyle, Bradley, Braidwood, Brewer, Brewster, Briggs, Broach, Brock, Brooks, Brown (Broun), Bruce, Bryson, Buchanan, Bullock, Bunch, Bunting-Bunton, Bunyan/ Bunyon, Burgess, Burnes/Byrne/Burns, Burnett, Burrell, Burt, Butler, Byrd (Bird), Byres, Caddell, Caldwell, Callen, Calvert, Cameron, Campbell,

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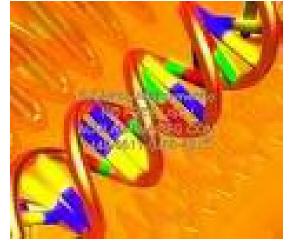
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Spaulding, Spears-Speer, Speed, Spence. Spotswood, Squires, Stanford, Stanley, Stark, Steele, Steen, Stein, Stephens, Stevenson-Stephenson, Stewart, Still, Stirling/Starling, Stoddard, Stone, Story, Stout, Strachan (Strange), Stratton, Strother, Summers, Sutherland, Swann, Swanson, Swift, Swinton, Symes, Taggart/MacTaggart, Tate, Taylor, Templeton, Thom, Thomas, Thompson/Thomson, Thornton, Todd, Torrey, Trotter, Tullis, Tully, Turnbull, Turner, Urquhart,

Valentine, Vickers-Vickery, Waddell, Waite, Wake, Walker, Wall, Wallace, Walsh, Walters, Wanless, Ward/Wardle/Warden, Wardlaw (Law), Ware, Warren, Warwick, Waters, Watson, Watts, Wauchope, Weatherhead, Weaver, Webster, Weir, Welch, Wells,

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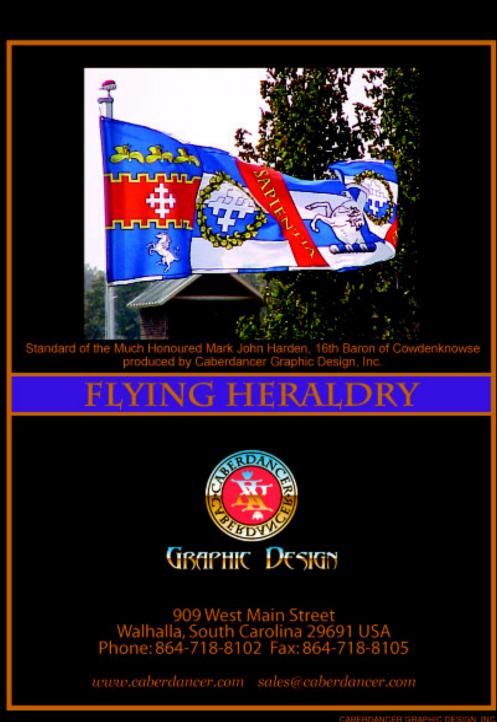
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# Clan Grant marks 500th anniversary with a grove of trees at Dundreggan!

Members of the United Kingdom Clan Grant Society are helping award-winning conservation charity Trees for Life save Scotland's Caledonian Forest by setting up a Quincentennial Grove to mark the 500th anniversary of the Clan Grant obtaining a barony from King James IV.

Following a donation of over £1000, The Clan Grant Grove of over 200 trees will be within the 10,000 acre Dundreggan Estate on the north side of Glen Moriston, to the west of Loch Ness. Sir James Grant of Grant, Lord Strathspey, the Chief of Clan Grant, marked the anniversary by planting the first tree on 3rd March this year.

Alan Watson Featherstone, Trees for Life Executive Director, said, "It's great news for Scotland that Clan Grant, with its rich and fascinating history, is marking its quincentenary celebrations by looking to the future. Today, only one percent of the Caledonian Forest survives, but every new tree and grove is helping to bring it back."

"This sort of support will help us restore the Dundreggan Estate to a wild landscape of diverse natural forest cover, with the eventual return of species including red squirrel, capercallie, golden eagle, European beaver and wild boar."

The Dundreggan Estate, purchased by Trees for Life last August in a £1.65 million deal, is one of the largest areas of land in the UK bought for forest restoration. It contains areas of ancient woodland, including one of Scotland's best areas of juniper, but following overgrazing by sheep and deer, much is open,

treeless ground.

The Clan Grant Grove is also a boost for Trees for Life Quarter of a Million Trees Appeal. The charity has set for itself the target of planting a quarter of a million trees by the end of 2009 as part of the United Nations' Billion Trees Campaign, which is encouraging people to tackle climate change by planting seven billion trees worldwide.

Trees for Life is keen to hear from potential volunteers, whether individuals or companies, who can help with the restoration of the Dundreggan Estate. In 2009, 51 Conservation Volunteer Weeks, each involving 10 volunteers, will be held. Some of these will be based at Dundreggan.

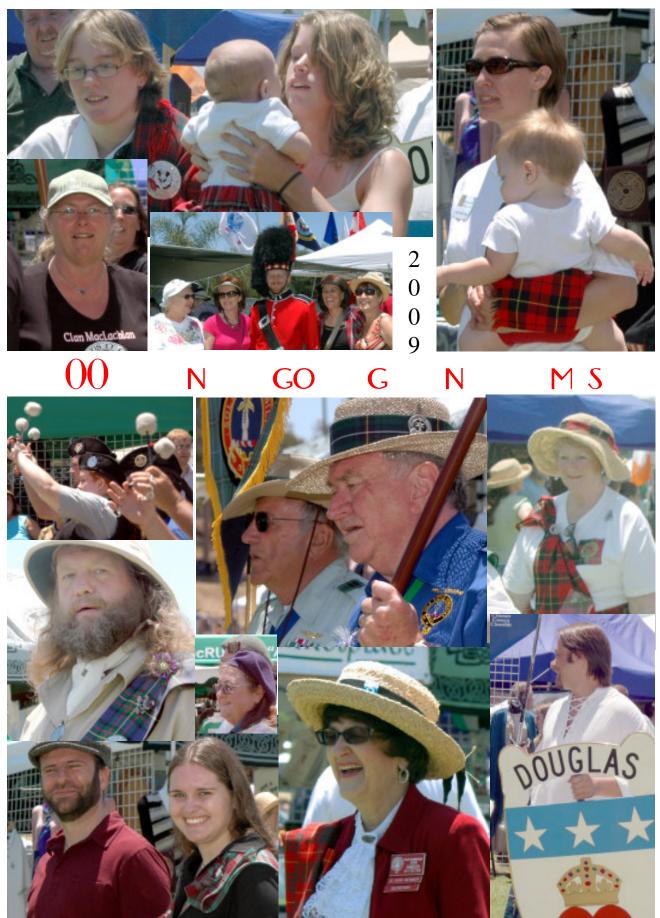
People can also support Trees for Life's work through tree dedications and groves to celebrate special occasions. If you would like more information on Trees for Life, call 0845 458 3506 or email trees@findhorn.org or visit www.treesfor life.org.uk

Clan Grant has a rich history stretching back to Viking times. In the sixteenth century, King James IV called upon the Grants to bring peace and order to the wilds of the west Highlands, making them Royal Chamberlains in Glen Urquhart and Glen Moriston. In 1509, this service was recognized when their lands were turned into Free Baronies.

Today, the Clan Grant Society works to promote comradeship and members of the Clan Grant and others with historic links to the Clan and its lands, as well as celebrating their rich heritage. For more information, visit www.clangrant.org.



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# Here are your families...and how to contact them!

## Clan MacCord Society



Invites for membership all spelling variations and descendants of: McCord(a)(e)(y), McCourt, McChord, McCoard, Cord(e), McCart, McCort, Cort(e)(s), Flynn, McFettridge and Kane. Contact:

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## How Organized Are You?

## Bryan L. Mulcahy, Reference Librarian, Fort Myers - Lee County Library (FL)

The ultimate goal of most genealogists is to locate as much information as possible about their ancestors. The research process generates paperwork. Your long term success will depend on organizing this accumulated information into a readily

accessible format. At one of the seminars I attended given by Sharon DeBartolo Carmack, who is regarded as one of the foremost authorities on the topic of organization, she stated that if it takes you more than one minute to find a specific document or source, you methods need improvement.

The following questions listed below may help you determine the effectiveness or your organizational abilities:

- 1. Do you know exactly what information you have for each ancestor?
- 2. Do you have a complete list of information you are missing for each ancestor?
- 3. Do you know exactly what resources you've checked, and what results you found?
- 4. Do you know every book you've ever searched?
- 5. Do you remember whom you've contacted and what response you received?
- 6. Can you locate specific piece of information in your files in one minute or less?

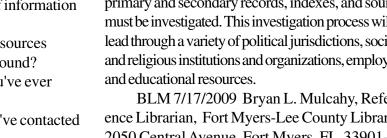
If you answered yes to the questions above, consider yourself above average. If you are with the majority of genealogists who feel their information is all over the place take comfort from the fact that you are in good company. To be successful in

> genealogical research, one must have the ability to plan each research step and organize the information you find. Taking the time to organize the results of your research allows you to focus on specific research goals. Organized results allow you to evaluate and analyze information quicker and more thoroughly, freeing your time for more research.

As the research process expands from home sources, the

amount of accumulated information you must analyze will also increase. Clues found in multiple types of primary and secondary records, indexes, and sources must be investigated. This investigation process will lead through a variety of political jurisdictions, social and religious institutions and organizations, employers,

BLM 7/17/2009 Bryan L. Mulcahy, Reference Librarian, Fort Myers-Lee County Library, 2050 Central Avenue, Fort Myers, FL 33901-3917. Tel: (239) 533-4626, Fax: (239) 485-1160, E-Mail: bmulcahy@leegov.com



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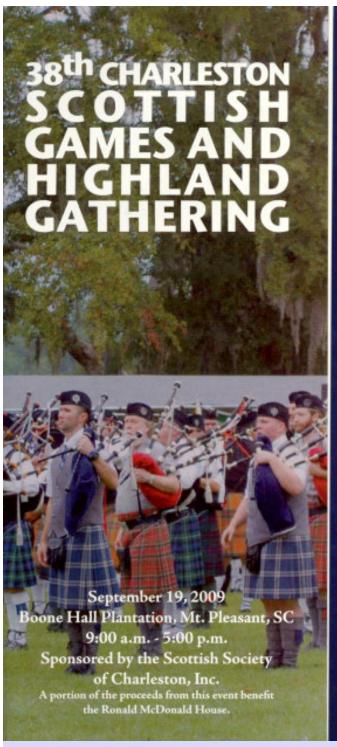
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## SCHEDULE OF **EVENTS**

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

7:00 p.m. - Sponsor and Special Guest Formal Reception at the Holiday Inn, Mt. Pleasant

See charlestonscots.org for directions.

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Heavy Scottish Athletic Competitions Piping and Drumming Competitions Highland Dancing competition Scottish Country Dancing Wrestling Entertainment

Genealogy and Clan Tents Border Collie Demonstrations Children's Games Scottish Merchandise and Food

See charlestonscots.org for details.

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Kirkin' o' the Tartan - 8:45 & 11:15 First (Scots) Presbyterian Church 54 Meeting St., Charleston



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# Flowers of the Forest

Lt. Col. (Ret.) Marvin Howard Massey, 71, died unexpectedly on Tuesday, July 28, 2009, at his residence.

Funeral services for Lt. Col Massey were conducted Saturday at 11:00 A.M. at Pleasant Heights Baptist Church with Rev. Bob Adair and Rev. Rick Elsey officiating. Burial followed in Polk Memorial Gardens. Military honors were provided by the U.S. Army and the Tennessee State Guard.

The family visited with friends on Friday from 4:00 – 8:00 P.M. at Williams Funeral Home in Columbia and on Saturday one hour prior to the service at the church.

Born in Columbia on August 11, 1937 to the late Marvin Howard Massey, Sr., and Mary Elizabeth Roebuck Massey, he spent most of his youth in Winchester but graduated from Columbia Central High School in 1955. He was the husband of Audrey Derryberry Massey, whom he married on August 28, 1959, after receiving his B.A. Degree from Ouachita College.

Lt. Col. Massey served 25 years in the U.S. Army, retiring in 1984 at

Redstone Arsenal, AL. His last assignment was U.S. Army Advisor to the Alabama Army National Guard. During his career as a Signal Officer, he served in U.S. Army Pacific, U.S. Army Hawaii, Army Pictorial Facility Long Island, NY; Ft. Monmouth, NJ; Ft. Lee, VA; Darmstadt, Germany; Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD; Ft. Bragg, NC; and 5th and 6th Special Forces Groups, with two combat tours in Vietnam.

Among his many military decorations is the Soldier's Medal, the Army's highest decoration for heroism not under direct fire, for rescuing a downed pilot in Vietnam. His name and medal are honored in the Madison County, AL Hall of Heroes.

After retiring from the U.S. Army, he served honorably as Major General for the Tennessee State Guard. His service was recognized with an Award of Merit, State of Tennessee House of Representatives Resolution and the adjutant General's Distinguished

Patriot Award. Lt. Col. Massey spent the last five years of his life speaking on patriotism to school children and organizations throughout Middle Tennessee.

He was knighted in the Sovereign Military Order of the Knights of Jerusalem, Knights Templar, was Mid-South Commissioner Emeritus of Clan Donald, USA, and co-founder of the Tennessee Valley Scottish Society.

He was a widely-known artist of wildlife and Civil

War subjects and was chosen Ducks Unlimited Artist-of-the-Year 1988. His paintings hang in many private collections, including the Mutual of Omaha Museum in Omaha, NE.

Survivors besides his wife include three daughters: Melanie (Robert) Sherrow, Athens, AL, Mikala "Mikki" (Steve) Howard, Columbia; Merri Beth Massey, Huntsville, AL; one son: Michael Howard Massey of Huntsville; ten grandchildren: Bobby and Bonnie Sherrow of Huntsville; Jay and Will Howard of Columbia; Bryan Gregory of Huntsville; Kala Massey of Huntsville; Caity, Michael and Matthew Massey of Healdton, OK and

Christopher Jones of Huntsville; two sisters: Pamela Hardison and Joan (Ronald Edward) Lovell, both of Columbia; and a brother, Tom (Lynda) Massey of Manning, SC; several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Pallbearers will be soldiers of the U.S. Army. Honorary pallbearers are CHS Class of 1955, Ouachita University Class of 1959, staff and members of the Tennessee State Guard, military comrades, Dr. John Maloof, staff of Maury Regional Medical Center, golfing buddies and special friends.

Memorials may be made to Wounded Warriors, 7020 A.C. Skinner Parkway, Suite 100, Jacksonville, FL 32256.

Your editor is very proud to be among Howard Massey's long-time friends. Howard was one of those rare people - a loyal, kind and loving friend who loved life to the fullest and shared that joy with all who knew him.



# Sycamore Shoals Celtic Festival

## Elizabethton, Tennessee

Presented by The Upper East Tennessee Celtic Society

# September 11-13, 2009

Come join us September for the Ninth Annual Celtic Festival at Sycamore Shoals Historic Park in Elizabethton, Tennessee! Due to the state of the economy this year we are having an

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Day admission per person: \$5.00 Weekend pass

(which includes both days and the Ceilidh): \$15.00

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## "Calling of the Clans Torch Light Ceremony" Friday Night, Sept. 11th!

The public gathering will begin at 6:30pm and the

ceremony will begin at dusk(approximately 7:30-8:00pm)

Pets allowed with prior permission and signed waiver by owner. All pets must be kept on a leash or off the ground (in owner's arms) and secure while in festival areas. Owner will be held responsible for pet conduct and clean up.

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## **FESTIVAL NEWS**

Costume Contest to be held with winners crowned King & Queen of Ceilidh, Prince & Princess of the Festival for the Day!

Calling All Men In Kilts! The Upper East Tennessee Celtic Society is honored to present the annual Best Legs In A Kilt contest at the Sycamore Shoals Celtic Festival on September 12, 2009. We are calling on all men who proudly wear a kilt and would be interested in participating in this fun event.

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