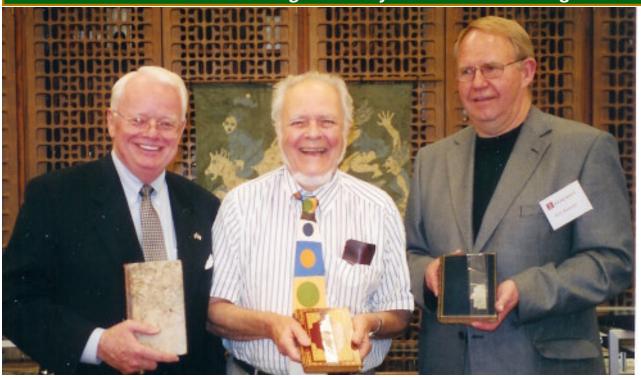


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Not one, not two, but three Kilmarnocks held by the owners, Frank Shaw, Professor Ross Roy and D. K. Kennedy. It is rumored that four Kilmarnocks will be at the April conference in Columbia. This will be more Kilmarnocks on one place since the 1896 Conference in Glasgow!

#### **Robert Burns Lives!**

#### Edited by Frank R. Shaw, FSA Scot Dawsonville, GA, USA Email: jurascot@earthlink.net

It is with great joy that I bring you the announcement below regarding a Robert Burns Conference to be held in Columbia, South Carolina, to celebrate the 250th birthday of our Scottish National Poet. With major celebrations planned around the globe, and particularly in Scotland, this conference is expected to be the major Burns event

in North America. A word to the wise, make your hotel reservations now. Do not be left out in the cold. All the information you need is contained in this announcement by Dr. Patrick Scott, the conference coordinator.

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# A letter from your editor... Auld Acquaintances n'ere forgot...even in August

We enjoyed a "Raid" last Sunday evening after the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games. Raids are the good times had by all in the Kingdome of Raknar. Usually, they are filled with much laughter to the point of crying and holding your tummy...usually they are filled with joy and happiness with not much of a serious nature.

Last Sunday evening was different in that three of the members of the Kingdome are gravely ill. Along with promises to remember our fellow Raknarians in our thoughts and prayers, we shared memories of good times, funny times, hilarious times with those friends...and also simply good times and happy times with all manner of friends in the Scottish community.

On the way home, I was thinking about how many friends have been lost over the past few years. I was thinking that our close-knit community of friends - although spread out all over the world - will never be the same again because of the loss of men and women who were simply not replaceable.

My grannie used to tell me, "Now Missy, you get to feeling so big for your britches, you put your hand in a bucket of water. The size of the hole your hand leaves will show you just how big you are."

I'm embarrassed to admit how many times I used to try to get that bucket of water to leave a hole when I pulled out my arm and hand.

In spite of that, there are those who leave big holes in the lives of their friends when they leave this world.

I guess what I am trying to say is that I'm going to try and remember how precious my friends are - and how I should never, ever take them for granted. It's a good lesson for all of us.

I can think of half a dozen "treasures" to the Scottish community who are of an age to suddenly - or slowly - disappear from our lives. I hope I



have told all of them how much I love them and how much I value their friendships.

Of course, we don't have a guarantee of any kind for tomorrow - or the next minute or even the next second.

Have I told all of my friends how much I love them and how much I value their friendships? I hope so.

Have I remembered to tell Tom how much I appreciate his kindnesses and sweetness? Have I remembered to tell him how much I love him - not on special occasions, but each and every day? I hope so. I think so. I will.

We never know what illness will strike us or our family and friends. Lives can change in one heartbeat...or with one moment of inattention in the car...or by being in the wrong place at the wrong time.

I'm not much of a philosopher, but I do know that my friends are my family. I love them and I want them to know it.

How important is it to have friends whom you love? How important is it to cherish those people who mean the most to you?

To me, there's not much in this world more important.

So, just remember to let those you love know it. Love,

beth

#### Flowers of the Forest from Scotland

**George MacMillan,** 91, passed away recently. He was a farm worker who spent his life and retirement working for the same family.

Always proud to have been an Ayrshireman, George lived to see five generations of the Barr family, at Hobsland, near Ayr. He worked there since being fee'd at the age of 14 by the current Tom Barr's grandfather, Thomas. He retired in his 70s, but was still doing the garden at Hobsland until two years ago. His first wage was 11 shillings for six months work, paid retrospectively.

H e married Margaret in 1946.

The Barr family had more to thank him for than most. George be-



came the rare recipient of the Carnegie Medal for bravery, when he risked his life to pull Thomas Barr to safety after he had been gored by a bull. Unfortunately, Mr. Barr died within two days of the accident, but his bravery lived on, not least in the minds of the Barr family.

At Hobsland, George turned his hand to every task, but was remembered for winning three championship ploughing medals from the FHAS. He also started a highly successful milk run, in Prestwick, for milk from the Barrs' Ayrshires.

He received his 45-year medal from the RHAS in 1975, when 500 people attended a barn dance to witness the late Sir William Young present him with it.

George was a great stalwart of livestock showing and his favorite events in the farming calendar were attending the Border Leicester sale at Lanark and his "local" event, Ayr Show.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret, son Alistair and daughters, Eileen and Alison.

Clark Cuthbertson, of Thornhill, collapsed and died suddenly at the Lazonby sheepdog trial in the North of England and was buried at Penpoint Church. Born in 1937, Clark had a history of heart trouble in later years, but was in good form on the day of the trial was nearing the end of a good run when he died on the trial field.

A great stocksman who regularly topped Thornhill eve lamb sale, Clark was a traditional shepherd, who spent his whole life around Nithsdale.

The son of a "herd," he was born at Durisdeer and on leaving school, worked for a time in

forestry then went back to the sheep, working first at Dalpeddar Farm, then Burnfoot, before going to work at Hallscaur for Robert Dalglish in 1967 and was still working for the Dalglish family when he retired in 2003.

In 1963, Clark married Mary McCrindle, a niece of the 1970 International winner, Jock Murray, of Sanquhar, who encouraged Clark to take up trialling. Clark and Mary formed a close knit family with daughters Janet, Hazel and Fiona, son Clark, Jr., and nine grandchildren, until Mary's death in 1996.

Since retirement, Clark kept an interest and exercised his dogs by helping his son and sons in law who herd and farm locally.

Fellow handlers remember him for his sense of humour and mischievous spirit, but he was a respected judge in the UK and overseas and had judged the TV trial, "One man and his dog." He was in the Scottish team on a number of occasions.

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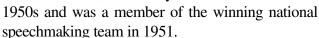
**George Marr**, stalwart of the Udny and Ellon farming community died recently while helping his son, Alfie, tend to his sheep.

Mr. Marr, who was 80, started farming on his own account in 1951 at Monkshill, Udny, which he continued to farm after moving to Fortree, Ellon, in 1970.

He was the oldest surviving member of the Udny Young Farmers' Club and last year had the honor of cutting the birthday cake at the club's 80th anniversary dinner.

Mr. Marr had a life-long interest in the young farmers movement and was secretary of the club for

four years from 1946 until 1949, chairman for two years and president in 1969. He was a member of the Scottish team which won the stockjudging at the Balmoral Show, in Belfast, in the early



He was an active member of NFU Scotland throughout his farming career - except for one year when he resigned over a disagreement on policy and donated his subscription to charity - and former president of the Aberdeen branch.

He enjoyed his weekly visit to the mart at Thainstone - he was there on both Friday and Saturday of the week before he died - and revelled in the weekly banter as a member of the informal "House of Lords" group of retired farmers who meet for lunch at the mart.

A church elder for 52 years, firstly at Udny and latterly at Ellon, Mr. Marr was also a member of the Ellon Probus Club.

In his eulogy, Brian Pack, chief executive of ANM, and a friend for 40 years, recalled his immense but quiet contribution to the community.

"I am sure everyone here today can recall examples of George's generosity and kindness," said Mr. Pack. "If a neighbour or friend was unwell, George would be amongst the first to visit and would maintain regular contact."

He is survived by his wife, Elspeth, son Alfie, daughter Kathryn and five grandchildren.

**Netta MacDougall,** secretary of Mull and Morvern sheepdog trial, died suddenly, aged 69, after a period of ill health.

An immensely popular and well-known figure on Mull and in the wider dog trailling fraternity, Netta had been involved with the Mull trial for most of her life.

Starting off by selling raffles, she graduated to the gate to sell programmes when old enough, eventually becoming secretary, a post she held for life.

The arrival of three children filed to hinder her trial duties, and one year she organized the August

event with her May-born son in her arms. A fortnight before her death, Netta was arranging this year's trial, and regulars fear it may not survive her passing.

Beyond the dog world, Netta had a busy life at home

and in the community, alongside the responsibility of caring for her invalid husband, Willie. A keen supporter of the SWRI, Netta was, at the time of her death, President of Tobermory institute and a former office holder at Federation level.

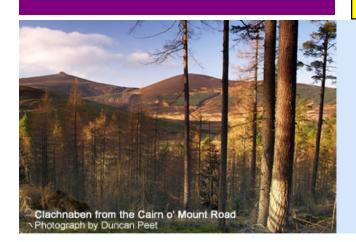
She was a familiar figure at Scottish Nationals and Internationals - as far away as Wales and Ireland - despite a dislike for driving on the mainland, a deficit she made good by her renowned ability "to find a man to drive." For many years she relied on her late and beloved brother, Bobby, a fellow trialling fanatic, as chauffeur.

Netta is survived by Willie, sons Robert and William, daughter Janet and eight grandchildren.

With many thanks to a March 2008 issue of *The Scottish Farmer*, which arrived in my hands by a set of very unusual circumstances. I was fascinated and honored to read of these four lives and the wondrous things that they accomplished with quiet and steadfast service. I thought you might like to read about them too...and that, like me, you will be proud to share our Scottish heritage with such as these men and Mrs. MacDougall.

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To celebrate the 250th Anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns (1759-1796), the University of South Carolina is hosting "Robert Burns: Contemporaries, Contexts & Cultural Forms," a multi-disciplinary international conference now scheduled for Thursday, April 2 – Saturday, April 4, 2009. We expect this to be the major event in North America for the Burns 250th Anniversary, and we hope it will prove a landmark in the development of Scottish literary studies in the United States. The conference aims to bring together Burnsians and Burns scholars of different generations, from North America, Scotland, and elsewhere, to provide fresh perspectives on Burns's work and that of his contemporaries, in the context of his times and culture.

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The two are Professor Ross Roy from the University of South Carolina and his wife Lucie at the conference celebrating his 80th birthday a few years back. Dr. Roy is probably the world's foremost Burns expert. The three Kilmarnock's were on display at his birthday conference.

Collection of Robert Burns & Scottish Poetry, one of the world's premiere Burns collections. As recently reported in the *Burns Chronicle* (Spring, 2008), Dr. and Mrs. Roy recently transferred to the library their collection of Burns manuscripts and memorabilia, which will be on public display during conference for the first time since the transfer.

The conference schedule is now firming up, with participation planned by well-known overseas Burnsians, including Robert Burns World Federation President Bill Dawson, and the legendary singer Jean Redpath. There has also been good early interest from Burnsians in the United States, including from the Burns Club of Atlanta. In addition to a full program of panels and other gatherings, plans for the conference include:

- \* Opening keynote lecture by Edward J. Cowan, University of Glasgow (Thursday, 4 p.m.);
- \* Welcome reception and exhibit opening, with remarks by Prof. G. Ross Roy;
- \* Plenary talks by major Burns scholars including Carol McGuirk, R. D. S. Jack, Kenneth Simpson, Gerard Carruthers, and others;
- \* Special sessions on Burns in relation to his contemporaries, on Burns collecting, on the Burns manuscripts in the Roy Collection, and on some of the characteristic cultural forms of Burns's time, such as chapbooks, newspaper poetry, periodical essays, letters, poetical epistles, engraved music collections, etc.;
- \* Burns concert by Jean Redpath (Friday evening);
  - \* Public program on Burns at the South Caro-Continued on page 14



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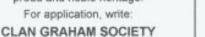


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The official Ensigns Armorial has now been completed and appears in the bound book of the Public Register of All Arms and Bearings in Scotland maintained in the office of the Lord Lyon. The above document has been presented to TCA and is an official notification and duplicate of the entry in the Public Register. This is the final stage that took many years to bring into reality what was once only a dream. The Turnbull Coat of Arms will forever more be a permanent part of the Public Register of All Arms and Bearings, appearing on the 39th page of the 81st Volume. Below is an

excerpt from the above Letters Patent which was used in rendering the drawing to the left.

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#### Flowers of the Forest

Ellen Lisle Turnbull Lynch, formerly of Glencoe and Tiverton, R.I., died March 22, 2008 in Newport, R.I. She was 97. Born in Towson on Oct. 9, 1910, she was the daughter of Henry Rutherford Turnbull and Elizabeth Risteau (Grason) Turnbull. After graduating in 1929 from Towson High School, she attended the Maryland Institute College of Art. She then worked for the Black and Decker tool com-

pany in Towson, eventually leaving to open a mimeograph business.

Mrs. Lynch's first husband was F. William New. In 1959 she married Kenneth W. Lynch.

In 1953, she became secretary to Daniel B. Brewster, of the law firm of Turnbull and Brewster in Towson. She was his executive

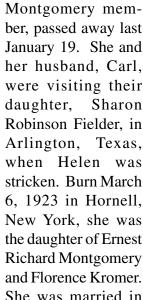
secretary during his terms in the House of Representatives and U.S. Senate. Upon his retirement, she became secretary to her brother, Judge John Grason Turnbull, of the Circuit Court in Baltimore County, until she retired in 1975.

Mrs. Lynch was interested in animals, her Scottish heritage, her native state and poetry, and was honored by Gov. William Donald Shaefer for her poem "Baltimore." She loved travel and entertaining with her husband.

Mrs. Lynch is survived by her children, Elizabeth Grason Cohen, of Newport, R.I.; Kenneth R. Lynch, of West St Petersburg, Fla., and Roanoke, Va., and Richard W. Lynch, of Owings Mills; by her stepdaughters, Mary Anne (New) Hjalmarson, of Arroyo Grande, Calif., and Genevieve (New) Chaffee of Ellicott City; five grandchildren and three greatgrandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her brothers, Henry R. Turnbull II, John Grason Turnbull and Mark Turnbull; sisters Virginia Risteau Offutt, Ida MaeTillman, and Sally Ridgely Pindell; her husbands; and a grandson, Jonathan Lisle Cohen.

#### Helen Ruth Montgomery Robinson, Clan



Robinson Fielder, in Arlington, Texas, when Helen was stricken. Burn March 6, 1923 in Hornell, New York, she was the daughter of Ernest Richard Montgomery and Florence Kromer. She was married in

1944 to Carl Robinson, who survives.

In addition to her daughter, she also leaves three sons: Michael Carl, Mark Eric and Matthew Dean Robinson of New York and New Jersey.

She was a loving grandmother to Melinda, Jeremy, Steven, Kirk, Amanda and Philip Robinson and great grandmother to Erin Rose and Loralei Marie.

She is also survived by two sisters, Florence Evelyn (R. Carl) Fronk and Lois Ann (Howard) Chapman. She was predeceased by two brothers, James C. and Richard E. Montgomery.

She was a stout supporter of Clan Montgomery and encouraged all of her family to take part in various clan and family celebrations. She has sponsored several of her family with memberships in CMSI. She will be missed by all those who knew and loved her.



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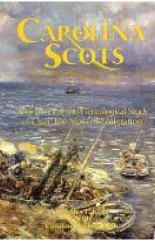
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of institutional and other support, we expect to hold the registration fee to \$100, including the opening reception, the Redpath concert, Saturday reception, and the conference dinner.

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(1) Seeking parents of WILLIAM ELI GRA-HAM born 12 August 1869. Married KATIE ESABELL BAZZELL, Autauga County, AL. (2) parents of DEBBIE BLACKMAN, born? She married 25 March 1885 to SAMUAL FRANKLIN LOCKE, Autauga County Al., who died before January, 1896. Please write Mrs. Doris B. Taylor, 3070 Kiplling Drive, Powder Springs, GA 30127.

Seeking information on **HENRY MERRIWEATHER HOOD** born ca 1800 a and died January 1865 in Washington County, Texas. He lived in Montgomery/Lowndes, AL.

#### **Robert Burns Conference**,

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the proposer's name, the paper title, a 1-2 page abstract, a 2-3 line bio note, and contact information.

The conference is on the University of South Carolina's flagship campus, in Columbia, the state capital. Columbia is at the intersection of I-20, I-77, and I-26, and Columbia Metropolitan Airport has direct flights from many major cities, as well as connections through Charlotte and Atlanta. A block of rooms has been reserved at the recently-renovated Courtyard by Marriott, 630 Assembly Street, Columbia, SC 29201, close by the library. To get the conference hotel rate, book before March 1, 2009, and say you are attending the Robert Burns Conference (www.marriott.com/caecd or tel: 1-803-799-7800).

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His wife was MARY. Please contact Beth Merriwether, 3948 Singleleaf, Ft. Worth, TX 76133.

Seeking information on parents/ancestors/family of **JOSEPH NEWELL STUART**, born ca 1778 in VA. Lived in Surry County, NC. Need names/dates/places/anecdotes. **D. Stewart**, **PO Box 643**, **Oregon City**, **OR 97045**.

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#### **Homecoming Launch**

The programme for Homecoming Scotland 2009 was revealed by the First Minister, Alex Salmond MSP at Edinburgh Castle on Monday 16 June. The Gathering 2009 team was at the launch of next year's nationwide celebration of Scotland's contribution to the world.

#### Homecoming Scotland 2009 begins on

Burns Night (January 25th) and ends on St Andrew's Day (November 30th) with The Gathering 2009 as one of the key

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#### Gathering Speed for the Anthony Nolan Trust in Scotland

Bryony Hope from The Gathering 2009 team recently completed a bike ride from the English Scottish Border up to the North of Scotland to raise funds for the Anthony Nolan Trust.

To read about Bryony's bike ride and find out more about the Anthony Nolan Trust please click on the link

#### http://www.clangathering.org/news/view/24 On the Road Again

July is a busy month for Lord Sempill on the road, having been given the honour of Chieftain of the day at the Aberdeen Highland Games in New South Wales in Australia on Saturday 5 July. He will then fly to the USA for the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games in North Carolina between

Thursday 10 to Sunday 13, and return to Scotland in time for the

Inverness Highland Games on 19 and 20 July.

Meanwhile Lucy-Rose enjoyed meeting so many people at the San Diego Scottish Highland Games in California at the end of June. Members of The Gathering 2009 team will also be attending the

Glenarm Games in Northern Ireland on 14 and 15 July – please come along and say hello.

#### Staying in Edinburgh

Edinburgh still has plenty of beds available at prices to suit all pockets. If you are looking for a good package deal check out our 5 selected travel providers who are offering competitive prices to those coming to The Gathering 2009 at http://www.clangathering.org/content/passport-ticket-

packages.html

#### **Calling All Film Stars!**

A big 'Thank you' to all those who have already submitted video clips. We would still love you to send your clips to The Gathering 2009, although they may be too late for inclusion in the next Gathering 2009 promotional film or in the vouchers draw, we still want to hear what you have to say. For a reminder of what sort of things we'd like to hear about you, please click on <a href="http://www.clangathering.org/news/view/23">http://www.clangathering.org/news/view/23</a>

You can still take advantage of the generous discount being offered by Hebridean Jewellery, although be quick as you only have until the end of July. For further details of this offer, please

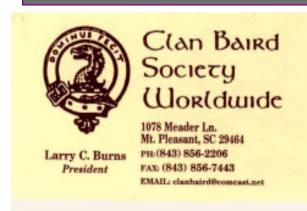
click on the same link, http://www.clangathering.org/news/view/23

#### **Highland Games Tickets**

The Highland Games Tickets will be going on sale in late summer. You will be able to purchase a one-day, two-day or family ticket for the weekend. Concessions will also be available. These tickets will admit you to Holyrood Park to experience the World Highland Games Heavy Events Championship 2009, Highland dancing, piping, traditional and contemporary Scottish music,

fabulous Scottish produce, the clan tents, and much, much more.

#### Tell your friends about Beth's Newfangled Family Tree!



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#### **TCA Member Request:**

Dorothy Turnbull of Red Deer, Alberta, Canada asks: My cousin's randson is traveling (entire class from Delburne High School, Delburne, Alberta, about 30 miles east of Red Deer, Alberta) to Ortona, Italy November 19 to 29, 2008. They have to research individuals from Canada who fought over in Italy.

Kyle has decided to research three brothers – Bill – 18 years who enlisted October 1940, Gordon – 20 or 21 years of age who enlisted October 23rd, 1940 and Joe – 25 years of age. They were known as the "3 River Tanks" and were crewmen on Sherman N Tank and were in the 12th Canadian Armored Regiment.

I was wondering if any of your readers would have more information regarding these three individuals that I could pass on to Kyle for his research project?" Email dmturnbull@shaw.ca



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#### **DNA Testing and Native American Ancestry**

#### Dr. John La Coste and Bryan Mulcahy



John LaCoste is our Wednesday afternoon volunteer at Fort Myers-Lee County Library.

Dr. LaCoste is considered our local expert on DNA testing and has first hand experience with the most current battery of tests. His knowledge of these tests also extends to helping patrons interpret their results.

DNA testing for Native American Ancestry (NA) is one of the

fastest growing areas of interest nationwide.

This article was in response to a recent patron query.

Feedback or questions may be forwarded to Dr. Lacoste at his e-mail address: Drellsworth@wmconnect.com.

Based on your answers to various questions, Dr. Lacoste may be able to provide some recommendations on what test, or tests, to have conducted, and what companies offer such tests.

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have conducted which may prove your Native American ancestry.

The first would be the Y-DNA test, which tests your ancestry from your father's lineage. If you believe that you inherited your Native American ancestry through your father, or your father's father, ancestry going back on your paternal line can be tested from the Y-DNA test.

The second test would be the MtDNA test. You inherit your MtDNA from your mother; thus, if you believe that your mother brought the NA into your family, you may want to have this test conducted. The MtDNA test shows your maternal ancestry only, from your mother or her mother.

Both of these tests limit the number of ancestors, the Y for male ancestors only, and the MtDNA for female ancestors.

The third type of test is the Autosomal DNA test. This test tests your Genome for all ancestors within a modern ancestral context. Your results could indicate Native American ancestry.

If your NA ancestry came into your lineage through any of your distant ancestors who married into your Y-DNA lineage, or who married into your MtDNA ancestry, the Autosomal DNA test could bring this out.

In my case, I knew the Great-Grandparent who had my NA influence on my lineage, and after having the Y, and MtDNA tests conducted, these tests showed no NA ancestry.

However, my Autosomal DNA results did show 14% NA ancestry within the last 1000 years or so.

Although this test could not tell me which

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#### **TOURIST, TRAVELER, TOURON**



A couple of months ago I fell on my kneecap and broke it in half and although I'm down to one crutch now, it is still difficult to get around. This started me to thinking about those with more serious or permanent disabilities who want to travel.

Accessible Got Wheels? Journeys (disabilitytravel.com) has been in business over 20 years, a pretty enduring record for a specialty tour operator. Since they work with travel agents you can make all of your travel arrangements through your local IATA, ARC or CLIA agency. CLIA is an organization of certified agencies dealing with cruises, also organized by Accessible Journeys. AJ will also arrange independent travel if you prefer not to be with a group or they don't have a group tour to your preferred destination. While you can find other tour operators by searching the web just be sure they will give you some references (hopefully not their grandmother).

Since you are reading BNFT I assume your travel interest revolve around Scotland so lets look at options if you decide you'd rather do this on your own. While using public transportation can be a challenge it is possible though will require precise planning. See www.disaboom.com, go to Living and click on Travel & Disability. There is a lot of good general information and links to www.megabus and www.megatrain.com where you can find a list of cities linked by accessible public transportation.

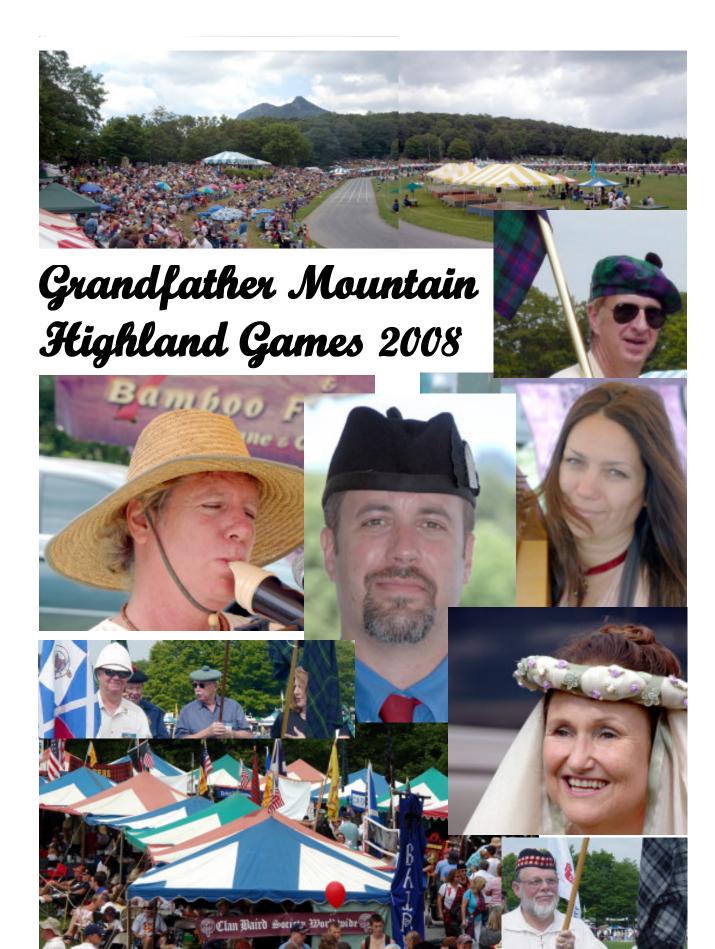
I believe the preferable and most comfortable way for independent travel is to enlist the aid of a family member or companion who will be a sport and learn to drive on the left hand side of the road.

Your itinerary should be scheduled so you can use accessible rest room facilities and a facility for dialysis if that is a requirement; many small towns have neither. Once again, I refer you to www.visitscotland.com where you can go to the site map and click on a link to "Where to Stay" and then to accessible Scotland and further information on the accessible categories. There are 3 categories as determined by the tourist board being wheelchair access without assistance, wheelchair access with assistance and access for those with mobility impairment. There are further links to hotels with one or more rooms meeting those criteria.

For wheels four go www.rampantsscotland.com for a complete list of car rental companies. Www.arnoldclarkrental.com is a large company with wagons and vans, you will need to contact them if you need a lift, no pun intended. With good planning, your dream of traveling to Scotland is possible so do your research and book that trip. If you have questions or suggestions please contact Marti Van Horne at mvanhorne@maupintravel.com or martiinnc@aol.com.



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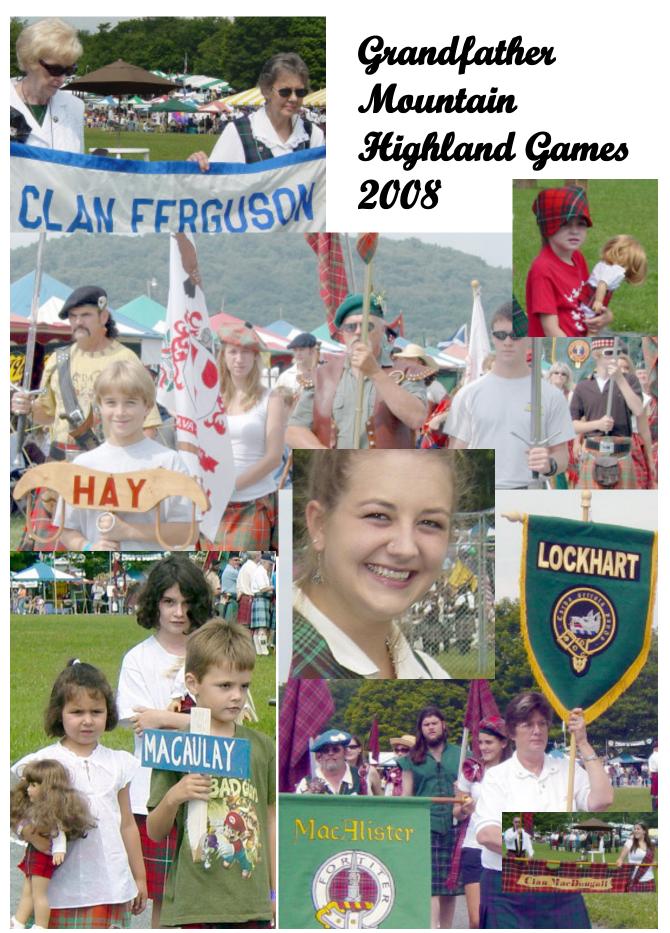
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#### Flowers of the Forest

**Elizabeth "Liz" Nettles**, 65, of Summerville, wife of James P. Nettles, Jr., died Monday, July 7, 2008 at her home in Berkeley County after a courageous 6 year battle with cancer.

Funeral Mass was held Thursday, July 10, 2008 at St. Theresa's Catholic Church, Summerville. A luncheon followed the funeral mass. Rite of Committal with final commendation followed in St. Lawrence Catholic Cemetery in Sumter. Presiding will be Fr. Guerric Heckel, Fr.

Kevin Walsh and **Abbott** Stan Gumula. Pallbearers will be Donald Nettles, Jason Prince. Mark Shirley, Stephen Nix and George Winkle. Honorary pallbearers will be Dr. Frank Brescia, Dr. Joseph Ewens and their staffs, Scottish Society of Charleston and the Knights of Colum-

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Mepkin Abbey, 1098 Mepkin Abbey Road, Moncks Corner, SC 29461 or a charity of one's choice.

Mrs. Nettles was born August 6, 1942 in Anderson, SC; she was the only child of the late Ellie DuRant Brunson and Mamie Rothrock Brunson.

She attended Sumter County, SC public schools, graduated from Edmunds (Sumter) High, attended Furman University and graduated from the University of South Carolina.

She was Past President of Sumter Jayceeettes, Past President of Evening Pilot Club of Sumter and Docent at Mepkin Abbey.

She traveled and worked with her husband in the Knights of Columbus, Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree and Ancient Order of Hibernians.

She was former Secretary and member of the Board of the Charleston Scottish Society and a working member of the Charleston Scottish Games.

She was owner of Knot Just Celtic embroidery and sewing and a retired teacher.

She taught high school English, starting in Batesburg-Leesville, followed by Mayewood, Hillcrest, Furman and Chapin. She also taught in the technical college systems in Sumter, Columbia and Ocala, Florida, as well as Charleston and Moncks Corner.

She is a member of St. Theresa's Catholic Church, Summerville.

Survivors including her husband of 43 years are: one son: James P. Nettles, III of Charlotte, NC and his fiance' Adrianne McDonald, one daughter: Ruth Marie Suehle and her husband Scott of Durham, NC and one granddaughter: Hannah Elizabeth Suehle, her inspiration in her long battle with cancer.

A memorial message may be written to the family by visiting our website at www.jamesadyal.com

Cards and notes may be sent to James P Nettles, Jr., 204 Loch Lomond Street, Summerville, SC 29483.

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tribe, it did prove that the family stories were correct, and it proved that I did have NA ancestry.

Based on your knowledge, or lack of knowledge about the probable origin of your NA ancestry, you may have to take all the tests to determine your chances and percentage of NA.

These tests will help determine the answers to the following questions. Was it on your father, or mother's side of the family? Was it your mother's mother, or father that may have brought it into your line, or was it your father's father, or possibly his mother?

You may have to conduct the Autosomal DNA test to determine the amount of NA admixture in your DNA. This test will indicate the chances and percentage of NA.

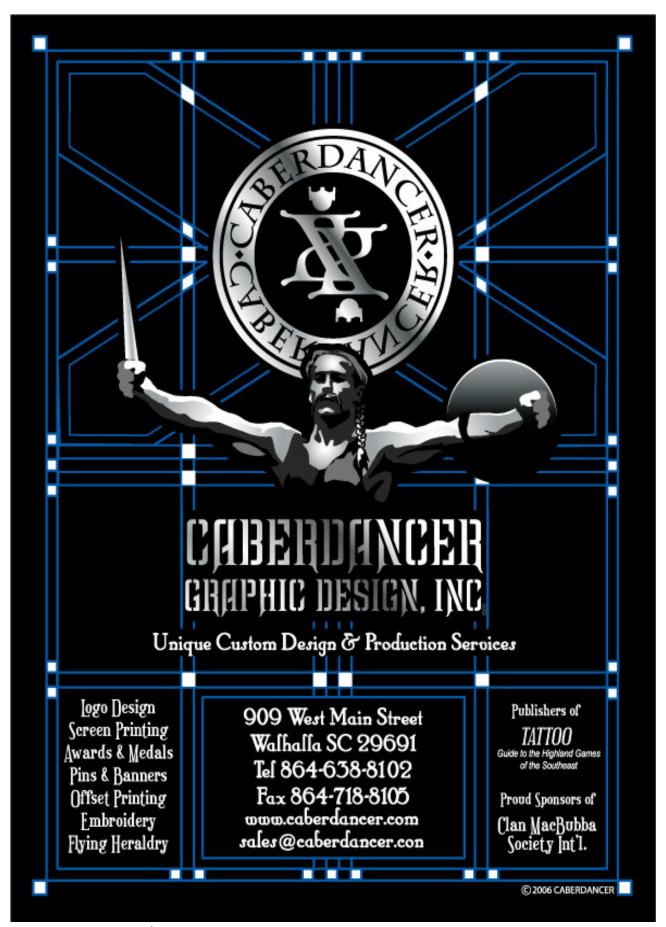
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David Byrne FSA Scot, Clan Buchanan New England Commissioner holding the trophy awarded for Best Clan Tent at the Round Hill Highland Games held on July 5, 2008 at Norwalk, CT.

# Clan Buchanan Wins Best Tent at Round Hills Highland Games!

The Clan Buchanan scored Best Clan Tent in the Clachan (Clan Village) at the 85th Annual Round Hill Highland Games in Norwalk, Connecticut on July 5. This was the clan's first visit in recent times to these historic games and David Byrne, Region 1 Commissioner, proudly accepted the award for the Clan at the closing ceremonies. The Round Hill Games are the third oldest highland games held in the United States.



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#### **Electric Scotland offers more services!**

Alastair McIntyre of Electric Scotland.com announces that the website will offer two more services for us all. The services are: 1. The Electric Scotland Article Service and 2. The Electric Scotland Aois Celtic Community

1. The Electric Scotland Article Service is

a service where people can put their own articles up on Electric Scotland. Once they have the first article up they have their own url which they can then quote on a web site or in an email.

People that go to that url will get a list of all the articles that an author puts up. With this service you can put as large an article up as you wish and if there is a picture on the web you want to include you just click on a button to include it. Should you wish to add a picture that is on your local hard disk then when you save the article you can then go to the edit link and there you get the opportunity to "upload a picture" from your local hard disk

While the Article Service is on a Scottish site you can actually post up articles on any subject you wish.

Genealogy organisations could also make use of this service and if they wish to use it on a regular basis then if they contact me I could create a category just for their articles.

The Article Service is at http://www.electricscotland.com/article

2. The Electric Scotland Aois Celtic Community is what is known as a Social Networking site. Here when you join you get your own personal space with your own private message forum.

There are many ways of using this service but for example we could post up a "Public" forum for *Beth's Newfangled Family Tree*. This would be public and can be viewed by everyone be they a member or guest of the service.

With your own Private section you get to post up photo albums which you can designate as public or private. The thing about the Private forum is that you could charge to gain access to it if you

wished. All that needs to happen is that the person join the service, which is free, and they then send you their username. You then add them to your "Friends" list. Having done that they get to join your personal forum where they can read anything you wish to post up and also view your private pictures.

We're actually going to greatly expand this service over the coming months but already we have some 300 arcade games and radio and tv for you to view and listen to as well as a horroscope section.

Here I was thinking that you could use the public forum to post up your pdf files. I might add that you also get your own private calendar which means you could list the events you are going to and that way folk will

know where they might meet you when you go to them. This way you can also put up a list of Highland Games. Overall this private area would be where you'd post up lots more pictures from your various events and perhaps longer and more detailed articles than the ones you put up in the pdf files. This service can be viewed at http://www.scotchat.org/vbull

If you like, contact Alastair McIntyre KCTJ, FSA Scot at Electric Scotland<a href="http://www.electricscotland.com">http://www.electricscotland.com</a> Try our New Electric Scotland Aois Community at http://www.scotchat.org



# 36TH ANNIVERSARY 2008



October 18th & 19th, 2008 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Stone Mountain Park Meadow

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Beth will be presenting talks on things Scottish - genealogical and otherwise - on Friday morning and afternoon at the host hotel. See the poster in the lobby for details! FREE.

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