

John Young, moonwalker and early shuttle commander, is dead at 87

Astronaut John Young, who walked on the moon and later commanded the first space shuttle flight, has died, NASA says. He was 87.

The space agency said Young died Friday night following complications from pneumonia. He died at his home in Houston.

Young was in NASA's second astronaut class, chosen in 1962, along with the likes of Neil Armstrong, Pete Conrad and James Lovell.

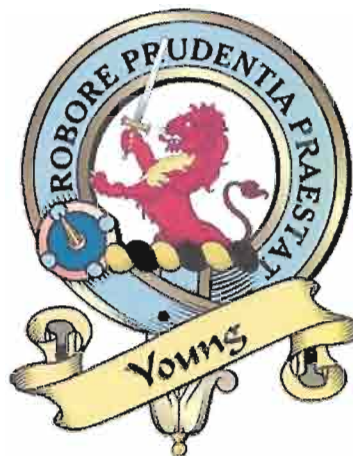
Young was the first of his group to fly in space: He and Mercury astronaut Gus Grissom made the first manned Gemini mission in 1965. Unknown to NASA, Young smuggled a corned beef sandwich on board, given to him by Mercury astronaut Wally Schirra. When it came time to test NASA's official space food, Young handed Grissom the sandwich as a joke.

The ensuing scandal over that corned beef on rye — two silly minutes of an otherwise triumphant five-hour flight — always amazed Young. Sandwiches already had flown in space, Young said in his book, but NASA brass and Congress considered this one a multi-million-dollar embarrassment and outlawed corned beef sandwiches in space forever after.

Two years later, with Gemini over and Apollo looming, Young asked Grissom why he didn't say something about the bad wiring in the new Apollo 1 spacecraft. Grissom feared doing so would get him fired, Young said.

A few weeks later, on Jan. 27, 1967, those wires contributed to the fire that killed Grissom, Edward White II and Roger Chaffee in a countdown practice on their Cape Canaveral launch pad.

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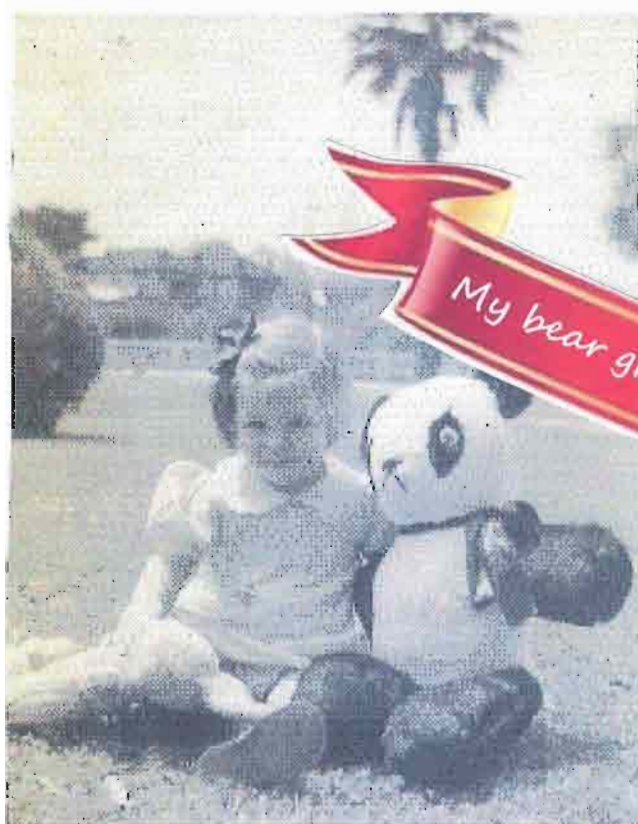
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The Rest of the “Bear Story”



My bear grew up too!

In the January issue of *Beth's Newfangled Family Tree*, on page 3 of Section A, was my *Letter from the Editor* column - featuring what I had always remembered as my “HUGE”, and beloved, bear from when I was about three years old.

My wonderful Tom, who proofreads this publication (and does a super-duper job), read the story and went to work.

He researched long and hard on the Internet and finally found a Panda bear that would still seem huge to me!

Right before Christmas, a very large box arrived at our house. When it was opened, I was surprised, speechless and overjoyed! Tom had found and gotten me my long-dreamed-for Panda!

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How one Scottish town revived a local tradition after 80 years!

The “Stromness Yule Log Pull” is officially back.

Eric Grundhauser writing in *Atlas Obscura* <info@atlasobscura.com>

While people around the world celebrated the beginning of 2018 with typical revelry, the town of Stromness in Scotland’s Orkney Islands did one better and revived a local tradition that hadn’t been observed for 80 years. All it took was a huge log and a willingness to indulge in some neighborly rivalry.

Stromness is the second-largest town of the Orkney Islands, and traditional culture is an important part of the local fabric.

The Hogmanay (a Scottish term for New Year’s Eve) of 2017 was especially significant as it marked the end of a year’s worth of “Per Mare” celebrations honoring the town’s bicentennial.

“Per Mare’ is our town’s motto. It means, ‘By the Sea.’ It’s a nod to our geographical location, as well as to how our town survives, which is through fishing and the ferry coming here and such,” says Kirsty Groundwater, who helped organize the year’s festivities.

“In Orkney there’s a real love of tradition and a real love of our culture, and a real want to protect that.”

To make the closing festivities even more special, the town revived the tradition of the yule log pull.

Likely originating sometime in the early 20th century, the original yule log pull was a sort of town-wide tug of war that took place on Christmas Eve, where a team from the north side of town (Northenders) and a team from the south side of town (Soothenders) would get together and try to pull a massive log over their finish line before the

other half of town.

Why hasn’t it been staged since the 1930s? Because some locals took things too far.

According to the BBC, in the early days of the contest the town’s youth were tasked with obtaining a suitable tree from which to make the yule log.

“It tended to be that boys and young men of the town used to cut down a tree in somebody’s garden,” says Groundwater.

Putting “the youth” up to any task that requires stealing from private property is rarely a good idea, and sure enough residents eventually began tiring of the tradition. It became such

an issue that people were said to be sleeping out with their trees to prevent them from being taken.

The town officially outlawed cutting down trees for the yule log in 1933, Groundwater says.

“After that, people used to just give the boys a log to play the game with,” she says. “But because that meant that kind of the most exciting part of the game for those boys had gone, they didn’t want to do it anymore.”

With that well-deserved wet blanket, the contest quickly lost steam and was last known to have taken place in 1937.

The idea to revive the yule log pull came from the head of the Orkney Islands Council, who is originally from Stromness.

“I thought it was kind of a crazy idea to be

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honest. But we just ran with it and we got a county committee together to help us," says Groundwater.

Thanks to a government grant from the Winter Festivals Fund, which gives monetary support to communities celebrating Scottish holidays, the yule log pull was a go.

To comply with the grant, the event was moved from the traditional Christmas Eve to Hogmanay, but it was all the better. "A lot of people come home to Orkney between Christmas and New Year, so it meant that we were kind of capturing a great crowd that way," says Groundwater.

During the 2017 revival of the log pull, which took place this past Sunday, around 2,000 people came to the event to watch the two teams muscle it out. Rather than steal the ceremonial log from a local garden, the log itself was brought in from a Scottish sawmill ("Orkney is sort of famously treeless," says Groundwater). About 80 men and women of all ages assembled on each side of the log, and began tugging.

As the event began, the teams struggled over the almost 12-foot-long log, which weighed over 880 pounds, tugging on the ropes attached to either end and not moving it much at all. After a couple of exhausting minutes, the Southenders managed to drag the yule log towards their goal. After that, the Northenders managed to stop them a couple of times, but in the end, the Southenders ran with their lead all the way to the finish line, winning the first Stromness yule log pull for the first time since any of them had been alive.

All said, the competition took only about seven minutes. "We either thought, it'll take ten minutes or it'll take two hours. And when it was finished it was less than 10 minutes," says Groundwater. Since the actual competition had been so short, it was suggested that they try for best of three, but Groundwater says that the assembled pullers were so exhausted by the one attempt, they all balked at the suggestion.

The Southenders might have taken the day, but Groundwater says that there were no hard feelings. "It was a rivalry, but it was a friendly rivalry,

and everyone shook hands and went to the pub afterwards."

Hopefully the yule log pull will become an annual tradition once again.

In the end, the newly revived Stromness Yule Log Pull was a short, but meaningful competition. Groundwater says that seconds after it ended people were asking if they can do it again next year, and she's confident that it will keep going. Some residents were even more moved by the event, seeing it as a link to their past, having



heard their parents or grandparents talk about it. "One guy said that his mom was feeling quite emotional about the whole thing because she could remember her parents speaking of it," says Groundwater.

No matter who wins the contest next year, if it happens at all, it will be a win for the town's cultural heritage, and Groundwater for one is excited for the custom's future. "It's hard to keep these things going, nevermind take it back again, so yeah, we're really chuffed."

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Canadian Parliament enacts law that removes restrictions on access to census

The following was first posted by Gail Dever on her blog, *Genealogy à La Carte*, then forwarded by the IAJGS Public Records Access Monitoring Committee: It was also published in *Richard Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter*.

The Canadian Parliament enacted legislation, C-36, amending the Statistics Act. It received Royal Assent on December 12, 2017, making it law.

Provisions that are of interest to genealogists include: Transfer of census records to the Library and Archives Canada 92 years from when the census was taken.

This will apply to all censuses conducted from 2021 onwards

For censuses taken in 2006, 2011, and 2016 and for the 2011 National Household Survey, the government will honor the rules set at the time and records will be released where consent has been given.

In 2005 the Statistics Act was amended to require Canadians to make the choice to decide whether they wanted their census records released after 92 years starting with the 2006 census, an "opt in" provision. If they answered "no" or left the question blank, (Considered a NO) then their personal information would remain confidential in perpetuity. The 2005 legislation also required a full review and study by a parliamentary committee to assess the impact of this consent-based approach on the research integrity of the census after the 2011 census and two years before that for 2016.

In 2006 only 55%; in 2011 66 % and in 2016 81% agreed to eventual access of their census information. That was recognized as a long-term damage to the census being used for a statistically valid record of the Canadian population.

Genealogists under took an email campaign opposing this amendment. Genealogists again showed they can "win" if they work together!

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Passports issued to individuals traveling through Indian lands

Bryan Mulcahy, M.L.S., Reference Librarian, Fort Myers, Florida, Regional Library

While working on a project with the Sarasota County Genealogical Society, I recently learned a piece of history that never appeared in any text books when I was in elementary, junior, or senior high school, nor in any college.

Upon further review, I have discovered that very few people appear to be aware of this historical fact, including many genealogists.

From 1785 through 1820, individuals from Georgia or traveling through Georgia from other states who desired to travel to or through Indian Territory were required to obtain a passport from the Governor of Georgia. Later on, around 1809 and 1810, this same practice impacted many citizens and spread to North and South Carolina.

Documents included in these records primarily impact the Mississippi Valley region and include all known travel documents for the period of 1770-1823. Each entry gives the names of the passport recipients, the official granting the passport, the date the passport was executed and other identifying particulars. In addition, the history of the passport process as it affected the various jurisdictions under consideration, is explained in detail.

Passports were issued to individuals, families and their slaves to go through the Indian Nations. The earliest ones found (1785) were recommendations for men to go into the Indian Nation to recover stolen horses, slaves or to collect debts. In 1809 and 1810 many passports were issued to citizens of North and South Carolina, who were passing through Georgia in large groups with their fami-

lies, their household goods, pack horses and slaves. Passports were necessary even for those whose goal was to migrate to the area with the ultimate intention of settlement.

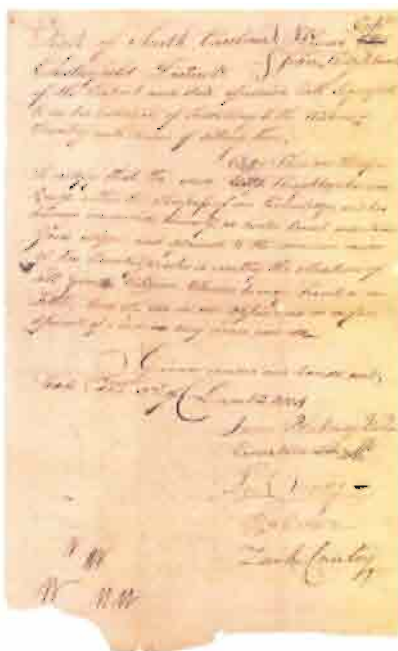
These passport documents include recommendations to the Governors to allow these people to travel through the area. These recommendations came from neighbors, friends, and Justices of the Peace, who vouched for the industry, sobriety, and good character of the persons applying for permission to travel through Indian lands.

There are many options for access to the information. Many libraries nationwide have the printed copy in their genealogy collections as is the case at Fort Myers Regional library in our Georgia Collection. Both the Georgia State Archives and the

National Archives have the complete set of passports in their respective collections. Family Search has the complete set on their website. All of these options are linked to the following two books originally published by Mary G. Bryan, former Director of the Georgia State Archives called *Passports Issued By Governors of Georgia 1785-1809* and *Passports Issued By Governors of Georgia, 1810 to 1812*.

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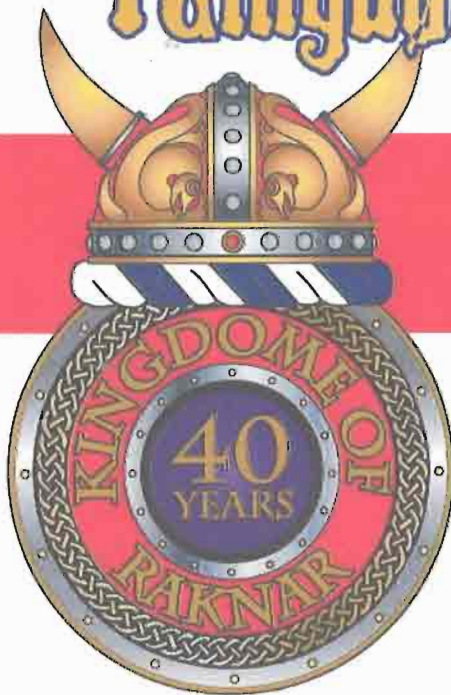
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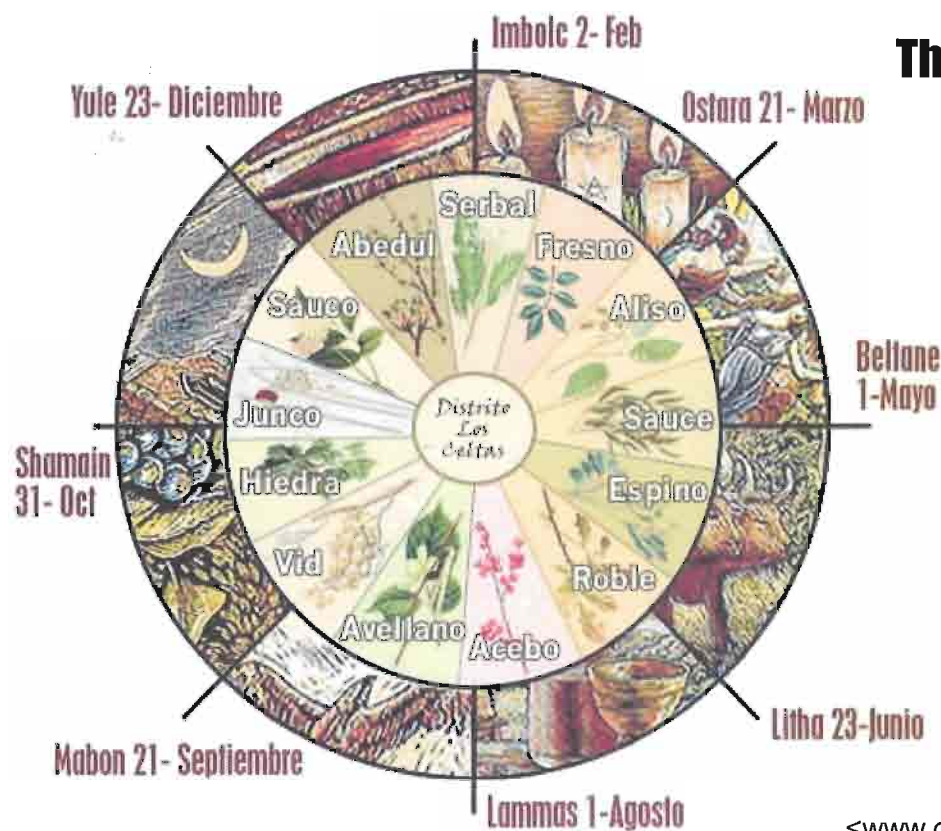


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The Celtic Calendar

The Celtic calendar is a compilation of pre-Christian Celtic systems of timekeeping, including the Gaulish Coligny calendar, used by Celtic countries to define the beginning and length of the day, the week, the month, the seasons, quarter days, and festivals.

The New Year begins on October 31.

Thanks to Clan Sutherland Society of North America.

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Thanks to Clan Home Society for this photograph of one of the gorgeous full moons we have all enjoyed this last fall.

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Have You Heard?

About the Anglo-Scottish Border

Issue Sixty-Seven

Gilnockie Tower

December 2017

Hello to our email news letter recipients world-wide from another cold, wet, snowy, frosty and miserable Anglo-Scottish Border. Lots and lots going on at the tower this last month but we will once again, with a sad heart deviate from the history of the repairs, what we have found, and how we can demonstrate through photos the high-quality work carried out by the local artisans until 2018.

We do promise that 2018 will bring you hot news from the front line!

This is a shortened version of HYH, because time limits and other resources have not been available, and we wanted to get a newsletter out before the Big Man arrives.

A specially grateful and sincere thanks to all those who have worked so diligently behind the scenes, correcting, editing and generally helping our cause, we promise it will be business as usual in January.

HYH Numbers: After an in-depth investigation from our world-wide friends we can confirm that our numbering system is solid, no need to alter the numbers in any way, and for that we are grateful for the HYH numbered copies sent to me as a positive trail to HYH67.

Thank you.

Gilnockie Tower: We are open for business so if you have any relatives or friends in Scotland at the moment, please tell them Gilnockie Tower is waiting to welcome them.

The work inside the tower is progressing as

of yesterday 17th December, with the early part of the year celebrating the opening of the cafe in the ground floor.

The Reiver Trail: This project remains a work in progress, but next year you will all be party to our development plans.

A Grave Situation:

The story about the Johnnie Armstrong Grave at Caerlanrig continues. It's Christmas so we will leave Part 2 of our letter to our Scottish Government until January 2018, when we publish the up to date information.

Owt Else?

Please, please, please remember if you or a friend are interested in our monthly newsletter update, then send an email to us at gilnockietower@gmail.com or Facebook, check us out at 'Gilnockie Tower Reiver Centre'.

The website is being worked on, and the tower opening-times are correct as of approximately eight minutes ago. Our new contact email address, landline phone, and mobile number now are available as advertised below.

For updates regarding the 'ongannings' in the Esk Valley, see www.gilnockietower.com and **Gilnockie Tower Visitor Centre** on Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube.

Now, before we sign off this month we have an advanced wee problem, and we need to expand on last month's HYH Mail Box story?

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Glencoe School of Scottish Highland Dance

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Mary Wilson Recknagel

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As reported in our last HYH we have recently installed a new post-box at the tower so that the UK Royal Mail delivery team could efficiently deliver our letters, and other correspondence. It was early after that installation that we discovered that we had a 'broken hearted and very lonely' post box. Before going on further, we thank the people who despatched postcards from all over the world, which partially helped smooth the situation. That said, we still need help, pleeeeeeeeease.

Speaking to the mail delivery man, he has informed us that the Royal Mail think the van he drives has come out in sympathy with the post box.

The only place on his entire daily journey that he cannot use the headlights on the van is coming down the lane towards Gilnockie Tower. The van is driven all over the Parish of Canonbie with no ill effects or problems. Tested in the Royal Mail garage to see if there is an electrical fault, and nothing could be found.

As a result the only theory we can come up with, and the motor engineer investigating the problem backs this up, is the post box, and the van are in collusion. We are also convinced that the towers resident 'yin leggit' ghost might also have something to do with what is going on.

That said, can we please please call on Armstrongs, and for that matter any other family throughout the world to help us solve this drastic

problem. Please send the Mail Box a post card, a really brightly coloured one so that it knows it is loved worldwide?

HYH newsletter recipients, can we ask you to take a moment, along with a friend, over this holiday period to please please send a postcard to make somebody's day. Send to: **The Post Box, Gilnockie Tower, Hollows, Canonbie, DG14 0XD, Dumfriesshire, Scotland.**

Please make our post-box happy, and we hope that will include the Royal Mail van!

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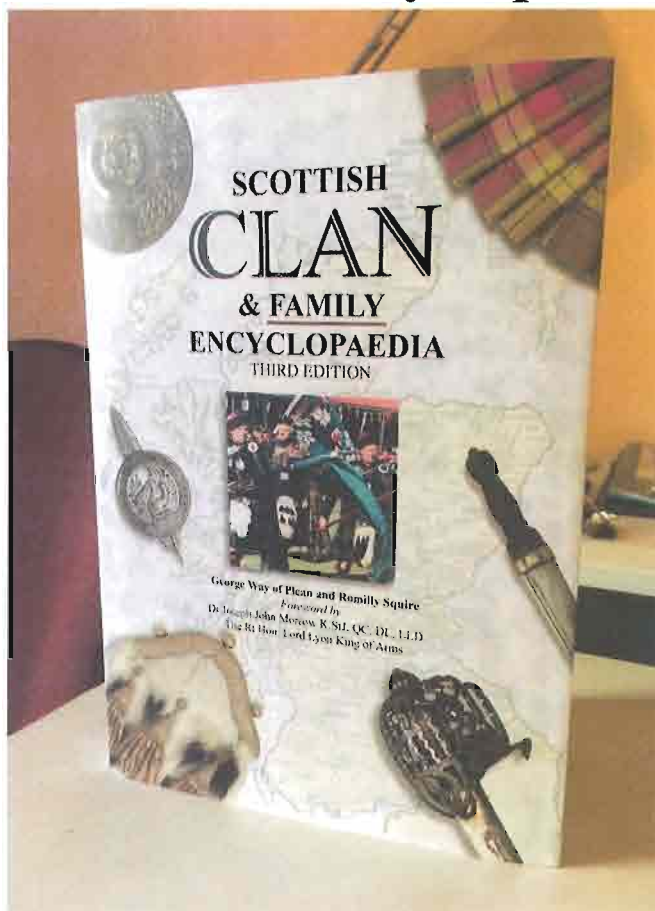
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MacDuffee Clan Society Woman places in Highland Wrestling

For the second year in a row MacDuffee women have earned a medal in the Highland Women's Wrestling on Grandfather Mountain.

Kayla Ingram, whose mother is our Clan Society Technical Officer, Staci Ingram, and the great granddaughter of Celia Mahaffey, is a 12th grader living in Alexander County, North Carolina.

Kayla loves to draw, build Lego creations, read, and celebrate her Celtic ancestry which is fairly obvious with her amazing red hair.

Kayla has been competing in the Children's Highland Wrestling event at Grandfather Mountain for the last 5 years. This past year was her first time to medal in competition.



She decided to take up Highland Wrestling after trying regular wrestling with her mother and then learning that there was a Highland version while watching the children's events at Grandfather Mountain.

Despite having autism, Kayla has been very successful in her school studies and this year **placed 2nd in Women's**

Highland Wrestling in her division proving that hard work pays off.

She is quoted as saying, "I love Clan MacDuffee. It is the best clan ever!"

With thanks to the MacDuffee Clan Society of America. Contact Clan MacDuffee at <tpmjim@aol.com>

John Young, *continued from page 1*

It was the safety measures put in place after the fire that got 12 men, Young included, safely to the surface of the moon and back.

"I can assure you if we had not had that fire and rebuilt the command module ... we could not have done the Apollo program successfully," Young said in 2007. "So we owe a lot to Gus, and Rog and Ed. They made it possible for the rest of us to do the almost impossible."

Young orbited the moon on Apollo 10 in May 1969 in preparation for the Apollo 11 moon landing that was to follow in a couple months. He commanded Apollo 16 three years later, the next-to-last manned lunar voyage, and walked on the moon.

Young hung on for the space shuttle, commanding Columbia's successful maiden voyage in 1981 with co-pilot Robert Crippen by his side.

It was a risky endeavor: Never before had NASA launched people on a rocket ship that had not first been tested in space. Young pumped his fists in jubilation after emerging from Columbia on the California runway, following the two-day flight.

Crippen called flying with Young "a real treat."

"Anybody who ever flew in space admired John," said Crippen, a close friend who last spoke to him a few months ago.

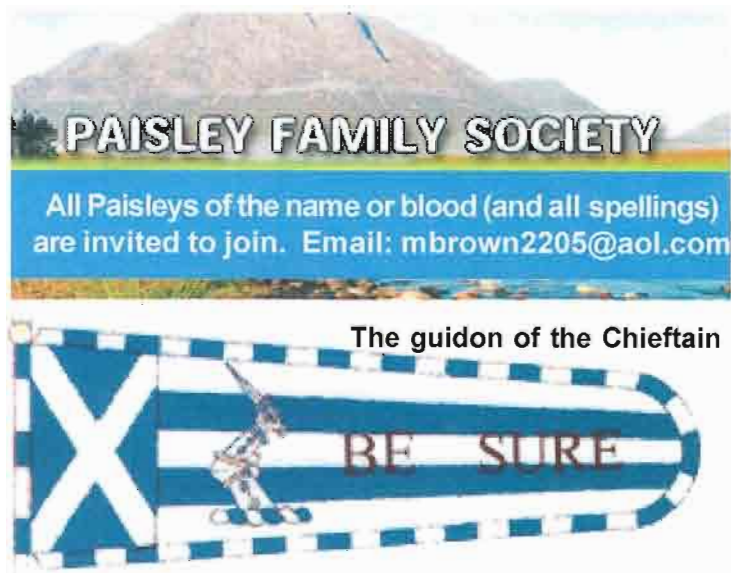
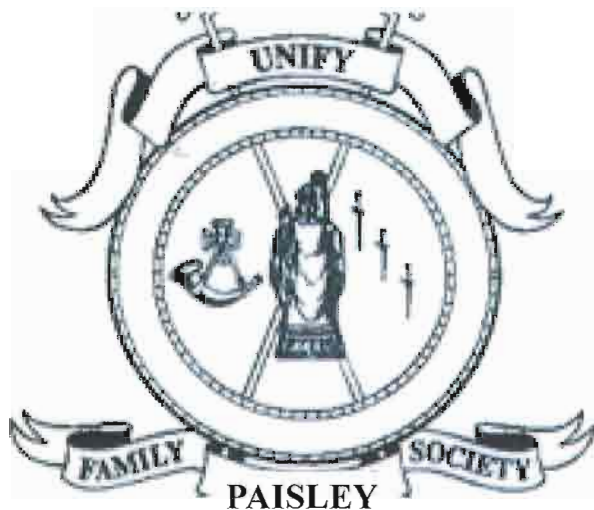
Young made his final trek into orbit aboard Columbia two years later, again as its skipper.

Young's reputation continued to grow, even after he stopped launching. He spoke out on safety measures, even before the Challenger debacle.

"By whatever management methods it takes, we must make Flight Safety first. If we do not consider Flight Safety first all the time at all levels of NASA, this machinery and this program will NOT make it," he warned colleagues.

As then chief of the astronaut corps, Young was flying a shuttle training aircraft high above Kennedy Space Center when Challenger ruptured. He took pictures of the nose-diving crew cabin. The seven Challenger astronauts never knew of all the dangerous O-ring seal trouble leading up to their flight. "If I had known these things, I would have made them aware, that's for damn sure," Young wrote in his book.

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The Chiefly Arms of Paisley
of Westerlea

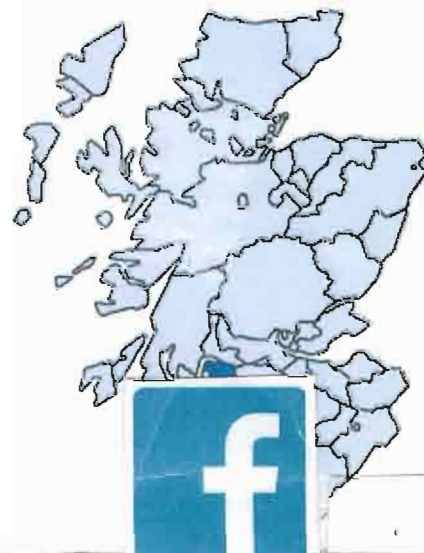


Duncan W. Paisley of Westerlea,
Chieftain of the Paisley Family

The Paisleys are a family of considerable antiquity, having been associated with Lochwinnoch and Paisley (parts of what later became Renfrewshire), with Cunningham and Kyle (North Ayrshire), Innerwick (East Lothian) and Roxburghshire, since the time of William I King of Scots 1165 - 1214.

William I Paisley (died ante 28 September 1171) and William II Paisley (killed in battle ante 1218) were prominent in the following of the first three hereditary stewards of Scotland, while William II Paisley is also noticed attending the itinerant court of the King of Scots during 1179 - 95.

Separate and quite distinct branches of the family had already developed at Lochwinnoch and Paisley and in the Roxburghshire barony of Hawick before the end of King David Bruce's reign in 1371 and the beginnings of others are found in records for Edinburgh and the three Lothians from 1389 onwards and at Dunrod near Borge (Kirkcudbrightshire) in still Gaelic speaking Galloway from 1585.

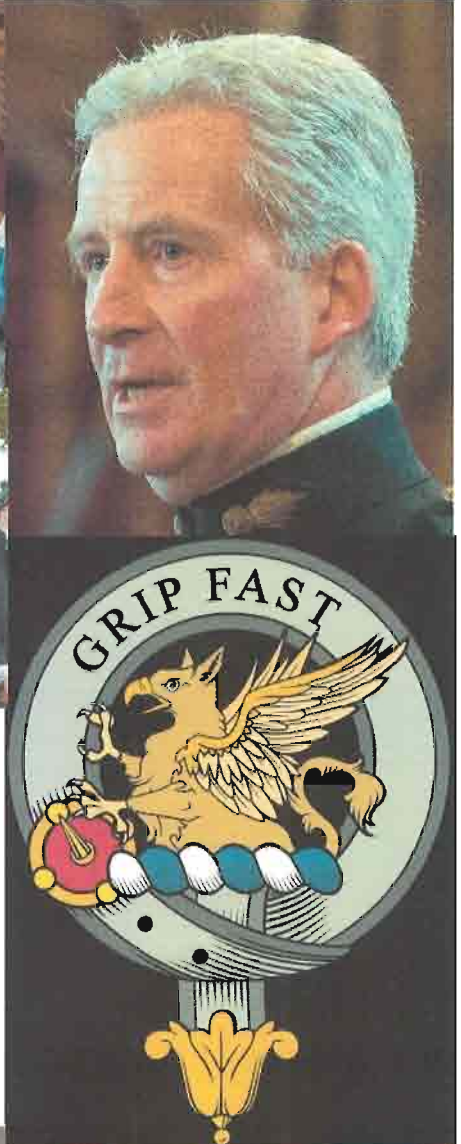


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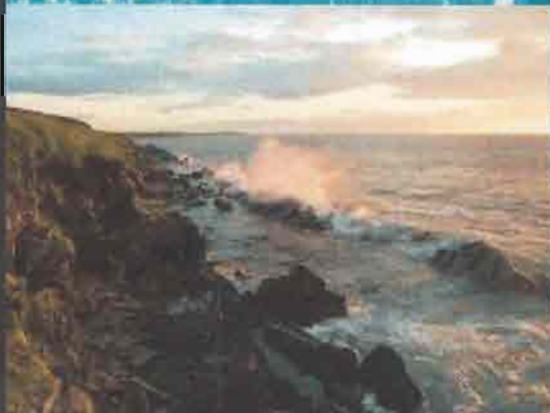




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Young noted that even his friends at NASA considered him "doom and gloom," and that a shuttle launch "always scared me more than it thrilled me."

He always thought the probability was there for a space shuttle accident, he observed in his autobiography, given that it was "such an incredibly complex machine."

"It wasn't pessimism. It was just being realistic," he wrote.

Yet Young maintained that NASA and the nation should accept an occasional spaceflight failure, saying it's worth the risk.

"I really believe we should be operating (the shuttle), flying it right now, because there's just not a lot we can do to make it any better," Young said in 2004, a year after the Columbia tragedy. Another year passed before shuttle flights resumed.

Throughout the 1990s and into the 2000s, Young maintained the United States should be doing two to three times the amount of space exploration that it was doing. NASA should be developing massive rockets to lift payloads to the moon to industrialize it, he said, and building space systems for detecting and deflecting comets or asteroids that could threaten Earth.

"The country needs it. The world needs it. Civilization needs it," Young said in 2000, adding with a chuckle, "I don't need it. I'm not going to be here that long."

In his book, Young noted that his "relentless" stream of memos about volcanic super-eruptions

and killer asteroids was aimed at scaring and educating at the same time. Humans need to start living off the planet in order to save the species, he stressed again and again, pointing to the moon. "Some folks surely regarded me as a crackpot," he wrote. "But that didn't stop me."

Young spent his last 17 years at NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston in management, focusing on safety issues. He retired at the end of 2004, seven months shy of NASA's return to space following the Columbia accident.

Young was born Sept. 24, 1930 and grew up in Orlando, Florida. He became interested early on in aviation, making model planes. He spent his last high school summer working on a surveying team. The job took him to Titusville due east of Orlando; he never imagined that one day he would be sitting on rockets across the Indian River, blasting off for the moon.

He earned an aeronautical engineering degree from Georgia Institute of Technology in 1952 and went on to join the Navy and serve in Korea as a gunnery officer. He eventually became a Navy fighter pilot and test pilot.

Young received more than 100 major accolades in his lifetime, including the prestigious Congressional Space Medal of Honor in 1981.

Even after leaving NASA, he worked to keep the space flame alive, noting in his official NASA biography that he was continuing to advocate the development of technologies "that will allow us to live and work on the moon and Mars."

"Those technologies over the long (or short) haul will save civilization on Earth," he warned in his NASA bio, almost as a parting shot.



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