

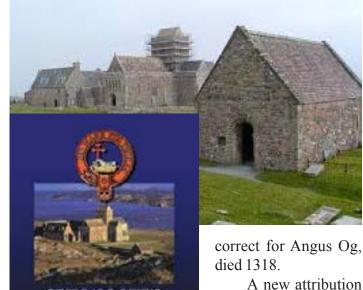
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#### Lord Angus Og Macdonald, died 1318, monument restored at Iona, Scotland

Ian Macdonnell has worked for seven years on what became the presentation to the Iona Research Conference in April of 2012. In that presentation, although Ian Macdonnell could not attend, thanks to the Clan Donald High Council of Chiefs, a representative for Clan Donald International attended the conference. The conference coordinator, Mark Watson assisted Clan Donald's input and ensured that the 40 participants, and other Historic Scotland staff, were provided with a copy of the Clan Donald submission, *Clan Donald & Iona Abbey 1200-1500* (1st Ed., unpublished).

The information contained in the Clan Donald submission told the group that Angus Og MacDonald's Iona graveslab has been proven authentic. This is the first officially attributed Lord of the Isles monument out of six. The Angus Og MacDonald's graveslab and epitaph had been, for 36 years in "wrongful reassignment" which effectively consigned it to a perpetual purgatory of anonymity. Now, thanks to Ian Macdonnell's work, it is restored.

Of the graveslab, Macdonnell wrote seven reasons the slab was correct and true: 1. Everything supports the slab as early 14th century - a match for the death of Angus Og. 2. Everything supports Angus Mor having a son, Augus (Og). 3. Everything supports Angus Mor being a genuine "de Yle" (The slab's father). 4. Everything supports Angus Og's right and timing of burial in St. Oran's Chapel. 5. Everything supports Lombardic script matching the slab making time for Angus Og. 6. Everything of the period detail of the slab's making matches Angus Og's time of death. 7. The inscription, at best hypothesis, is approximately 98%



A new attribution will be placed in St. Oran's Chapel which says, "A memorial to Angus Og ("Young Angus") who died in 1318. He was renowned as the

leader of the Islesmen force which played a vital role in the Battle of Bannockburn in support of Robert Bruce."

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Mr. Macdonnell's book says, "From 1207-1493, the early Clan Donald and its Lords of the Isles were entirely central to Iona Abbey's whole medieval existence, development and politics. This enduring phase also equals the 300 year period of Columban monasticism. It is paramount in

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These four lovely kitties have been to our free buffet for a year or more. They are all sweet and beautiful and would love a home of their own. They are gentle and love to eat. 1. **Feather Duster** is the "smiling cat." He is a he. 2. The all-color cat is **Marley Faux Fang**...as this one has a little white spot that looks the world like a huge fang. The jury is out on whether MFF is a he or she. 3. This is Clawed. Well, I thought Clawed was a boy...but, she is the mother of all the rest...so, her name is **Clawedette**. 4. The little short haired guy is the shyest of the bunch and is **Marmalade**. If you wish to have one or all of these sweet cats, just email me at bethscribble@aol.com You will have to come and get your new friend/s. I'll loan you a crate.

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## A letter from your editor..... Thoughts at the New Year or, how did it get to be 2014? Already? Nah...

It seems like yesterday when I was in school, having a great time with my friends. Martha and I met in seventh grade and have been best friends ever since. In all the time we've been out of school (and there were dinosaurs grazing in the pasture outside the window during our school days) ...in all that time, we've never been out of touch. I hope everyone has a friend like Martha. We've been through everything together, the good and the bad. Sometimes it was hard because life is hard.

As the only girl in my class in the brass section (French horn) of the band/orchestra, I have, gee, at least half a dozen or more - "brothers from band." I love them all, but not in the romantic way. We never dated, we were always friends...and, still are. I hope everyone has friends like Dave and Mike and Paul and Eugene...and George and Billy, Jerry and lots more.

There was a group of us "girls" who played softball, basketball and anything else that came along and who went to the Murray Hill Park where we'd ride on the merry go round and swing in the swings. Betty Daniel was the Park Director and hero to us all.

Sally and Linda and Audrey and Jane and Mary are just those I can think of now. Some of these friends are "lost" in that I don't know where they are or what they are doing. I love them still anyway.

Audrey lived one street away. I'd walk her home and then she'd walk me home. Sometimes we'd sit under a tree halfway between our houses and just talk for hours. We played catch with our gloves and softball for hours and hours. (That did pay off. Years and years later, a coyote showed up in my horse pasture and my mare was expecting a foal. I picked up half a brick and whopped that coyote in the side of the head. He yelped, ran...and was never seen there again.)

Mary's little brother graduated from West Point and their father gave him a new and beautiful sports car. Butch wrecked it the first night and himself. Sad, sad, to lose such a talented, sweet and smart guy at the beginning of his life.

Sally married her sweetheart before we were out of school and they bought a duplex in Jacksonville. I hope they are wealthy real estate magnates today.

Of course, there is the group of "kids" from high school who have met at least every month since we graduated from

Robert E. Lee in Jacksonville. I'm a member, but have only been able to attend two events in all these years. Doesn't matter, they are all like family. There's Nancy Ann and Barbara and Sandy and Dottie. I hear from them quite often, sadly these days it's most often when someone is ill and in the hospital. Yes, I love them all.

There are friends whom I have met along life's way...Jackie, June, Carol and Jeri come to mind as beloved friends of very long duration. Jeri is my real family for sure.

Jackie and I kept our horses together for years with never a cross word. I remember the day we left to ride in sunshine and before we could get back home we were caught in a horrific lightning storm. Hollering, we both decided we couldn't get off and leave our horses to be struck. We both were scared, but stayed where we were on those beloved horses. Thankfully, all four of us survived.

The ticks were bad in the land where we kept the horses and we both would have a jar of alcohol and we both would just sit Indian style under our unhaltered horses and pick ticks and drop them in the jar. The horses loved it and never moved a muscle. Eventually, we did decimate the tick population on that twenty acres. We'd talk about everything under the sun.

It's impossible to write about all the friends in the Scottish community. It makes me cry to think about all of the absolutely irreplaceable folks who have died by now. I've learned an important lesson and that is never, never take a friend for granted. I've learned to tell those I love that I do. There might never be another chance.

I feel sorry for those who are not a part of this magical Scottish family. If you have not joined your clan and participated in the Scottish community, you are missing a most wonderful thing in your life.

It seems as if the time has just flown by. I can never believe I am as old as I am. This seems to be true with all of my old friends. We end up laughing about it, but it is hard to believe.

There's not nearly enough room to write about all of my very special friends in the Scottish community or elsewhere.

I read somewhere that if you have ONE true friend in your life, you are fortunate. I may not be wealthy in money, but I am a bazillionaire in friends whom I love.



#### Angus Og Macdonald, continued from page 1



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providing the sole witness to Iona's extant architecture and is a principal witness to the surviving monuments. Iona Abbey Church as it stands today (restored 20th century) is due to the benefaction and building of the Clan Donald Chief, Lord of the Isles, "Johis de Ylle Comis Rossie Domini Insularum," ca 1450-1480, assisted

by his first cousin, Angus MacDonald II, Bishop of the Isles (son of Angus MacDonald, Bishop, son of Donald of Harlaw.)

It was rightly their Clan Donald Cathedral of the Isles, Iona. If you would like to order Ian Macdonnell's book, just visit his website. Ordering information is all there along with a way to order your book. Use the URL below:

http://www.ionaabbeyandclandonald.com/contact—buy-book.html

More on Angus Og and Ian Macdonnell's work:

See page 29 for: CD High Council Tour June 2014 and the Angus Og project See page 26-27 for: Angus Og Monument ID and the 2014 Bannockburn Celebration

## What was happening in the USA in 1913?

"Time loves to be wasted," Henry Ford had philosophized. On the new moving assembly lines of the Ford Motor Company, the "Speed Up King" of the American automo-



bile industry did not intend to give it much of a chance.

The Ford plant had been moving towards increased worker specialization over the years, but with the new assembly line this concept took a great leap forward.

Since 1912, Ford devised a system to pull magneto coil frames past workers by rope as they added parts along the way. It cut magneto production time from 20 minutes to 13 minutes.

By summer, the entire Model T chassis was pulled by a windlass past workers along a 250 stretch of the factory. The process reduced car assembly time from 13 hours to six hours.

The innovation produced dividends. Model T sales this year doubled to 182,809 while the priced dropped to





The Ohio river overflowed in March 1913, causing one of the worst floods in US history. After five days, 467 people had died and there were 200,000 homeless. Damage was estimated at \$180,000.

Ohio and Indiana had been devastated with Dayton hit the hardest. Half of that city was under 20 feet of water and people on rooftops tried to escape by sliding along telegraph lines.

Houses floating away became a common sight. The National Guard was called in and guard commanders an-

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grily denounced published reports that guardsmen were executing looters.

Julius Rosenwald, president of Sears, Roebuck, set up a fund to provide scholarships for Negroes.

Woodrow Wilson became, in April, the first President since John Adams to deliver the State of the Union address to the Congress

in person.

For the first time since 1902, an American tennis team defeated the British to win the Davis Cup.

In Philadelphia in May, speaking in sign language, Miss



Helen Killer told reporters, "I am a militant suffragette because I believe suffrage will lead to socialism, and to me, socialism is the real cause."

An active member of the Socialist Party, Miss Keller alienated some Americans by her political statements but everyone respected her for her accomplishments.

Born healthy in 1880 she developed a fever at 19 months of age that left her both deaf and blind. She later wrote a book, knew five languages and graduated from Radcliffe College cum laude.

Deaths in 1913 included Harriet Tubman, who had been a fugitive slave and an abolitionist. She died in New York on 10 March.

John Pierpoint Morgan, international financier, died in Rome, Italy on 31 March.

The Keokuk Dam, at that time, the world's largest, was inaugurated. It is situated at the mouth of the Des Moines river, Iowa.

Bowing to the President's threat to keep

them in session through the Christmas season, Congress



voted to pass the Federal Reserve Bank Act. The new measure, drafted by Representative Carter Glass of Virginia provide a major restructuring of the nation's monetary and banking system.

Under the Act, the country was divided into 12 districts, each with its own Federal Reserve Bank. The banks were privately owned corporations and were authorized to issue banknotes backed by commercial paper.

They would not deal with the public, but were to be the central banks for each districts - in other words, "banker's banks." The system would be overseen by a Federal Reserve Board of seven members, each appointed by the President for fourteen years.

All national banks were required to join the system and state banks could also join if they qualified.

President Wilson was a strong advocate of the new system.

With the idea of "promoting the well being of mankind throughout the world" John D. Rockefeller initiated a new foundation. The industrialist, oil businessman and philan-

thropist set up a fund in New York to distribute his money on a world wide basis.

Among the areas about which Rockefeller and his foundation were concerned were hunger, health care, education, resolution of international conflicts and cultural development.

The name of Rockefeller, who was born in 1839, was synonymous with Standard Oil and the petroleum industry in general.

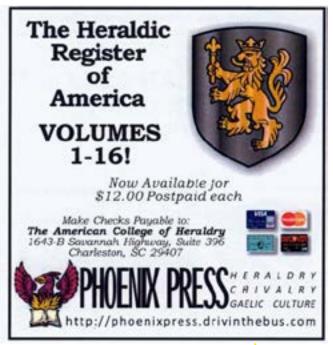


Though he had been a philanthropist most of his life, this was his first international effort.

In Los Angeles, California, on 21 June, Miss Georgia, "Tiny" Broadwick, aged 18, became the first woman to make a successful parachute jump.

In June, in Washington, DC, the Department of Labor mediated the first strike settlement. It resolved a dispute between railway clerks and the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad.

With many thanks to the most excellent *Family Notes* newsletter from The P\*rr\*tt Society. You may contact them a psocjournal@aol.com or http://www.p-rr-tt.org.uk



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Reading the usually serious newsletter from The P\*rr\*tt Society over in the United Kingdom, I looked at their Christmas cover and saw a very youthful Mrs. Santa Claus. Wait! The face on the Mrs. Santa body was obviously one of those that does/did not belong there, but turned out to be a lovely young lady from California.

Huh?

Come to find out, you, too, can put your own, your kidlets or your spouses face on any one of a LOT of funny, funny places.

I did not find anywhere that mentioned a cost...so, I assume it is free. If not, please let me know.

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#### Flowers of the Forest

**Brownlee Reagan** - age 87 of Gatlinburg, Tennessee, passed away Tuesday, December 3, 2013. He was a well-known self-made businessman, as well as an active member of the community.

He had an untiring love and dedication to Gatlinburg that has helped make it what it is today. He served in the Gatlinburg Chamber of Commerce as director and president. He also served in the Sevier County Commission and City of Gatlinburg commission as vice mayor. He was a proud co-founder of Tennessee State Bank and the Scottish High-

land Games. Mr. Reagan was a Tennessee Highway Patrolman, one of THP's first motor officers, Gatlinburg Chief of Police, and proudly served his country in the Navy during World War II in the South Pacific, seeing action in the Invasion of the Aleutian Islands and other campaigns operating LCAs.

A true University of Tennessee athletics fan, no one doubted his blood ran orange, missing very few UT football games. Mr. Reagan was a big supporter of the University of Tennessee.

He is preceded in death by his wife E. Kelley Reagan and children, Mary B. Reagan and John Reagan. Survivors include his son and daughterin-law, Lee and Lori Reagan; granddaughters, Mickella, Godiva, Alyvia, and Tyra; sister, Gertrude Bales; sister-inlaw, Dottie Reagan; and many loving nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be given to Friends of the Smokies, P.O. Box 1660, Kodak, TN 37764, or Alzheimer's Tennessee, Inc., 2270 Sutherland Ave., Suite 202, Knoxville, TN 37919.

**Richard C. "Caveman" Bell,** 82, of Bellevue, Colorado died March 20, 2011. He died at his home. He was born November 5, 1928 in Cleveland, OH to the late Don and Fannie Mae (Price) Bell.

Mr. Bell graduated from Bellevue High School in 1946 and Colorardo College with a degree in geological engineering.

He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II.

He was the owner of Seneca Caverns in Bellevue.

He was a member of the First united Methodist Church in Bellevue near Denver, Colorado. He was a member of the Bellevue Rotary Club, Sanduisky Sailing Club, a founding member of the National Cave Association where he served as president. He was a member of the American Cave and Conservation Association where he was a board member and a former board member of the Marion Cadets. He was president of the Ohio Travel Association and the Tustin, Texas Power Squadron.

He was one of the founders of the Cherry Festival in Bellevue. Along with his wife, he founded the Cherries Jubilee Brass, Drum and Bugle Corps. He was a member of the Clan Bell North America.

Richard had been knighted in Edinburgh, Scotland for his genealogy work.

On June 8, 1984, he married Denise (Dick) Bell and she survives.

Also surviving are his children: Jeffery Marc Bell and Robin Leigh Bell, both of Austin, Texas.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his siblings Pat Wing, Norman Stewart and Dorothy Bolton.

**James Edward Bell, Jr.**, of White Marsh, Maryland, died January 20, 2012. He had been a Clan Bell of North America member since 2001. He was born August 5, 1937.

Frances Elizabeth (Betty) Alexander of Riverside, California, age 87, passed away last June 28.

Born in Portland, Oregon, Betty moved to Riverside in 1935. She was married for 30 years to Charles Alexander. She was the beloved mother of five children: Judy Bengtson (Bill), Faye McDermott (Michael), Mark (Karen), Janet and Brian (Natalie). She had five grandchildren and two great grandchildren. She joined Clan Bell of North America in 2011.







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#### Clan Shaw Society honors Gary Shaw, Donald C. Shaw and John Andrew Shaw

Each year, the Clan Shaw Society selects from amongst their membership persons to be honored for their work on behalf of Clan Shaw and the society.

The designation as Clansman of the Year is Clan Shaw's baseline award. This year, the recipient is **Gary Shaw**, new Clan Shaw convener for the State of Georgia.

Very soon after becoming a member, Gary volunteered to fill the vacancy as convener for his state. He put together the tent, materials and display to represent the Clan Shaw Society at the games and festivals in Georgia. Gary has been sent his pin to wear as visible evidence of his Clansman of the Year honor.

Being named to the Order of the Dagger is the honor given to persons who have been named Clansman of the Year and who have continued to serve well for at least an additional five years. Named Order of the Dagger recipient this year is **Donald C. Shaw**, convener for California. He was Clansman of the Year for 2008. In evidence of his 2013 honor, he has been sent a clan crest sgian dubh.

Being named to the Order of the Dirk is the honor given to the person who has previously been named Clansman of the Year and Order of the Dagger. That person has continued to serve the society well for at least another five years. Named this year is **John Andrew Shaw**, Vice-President, Quartermaster and convener for the State of Maryland. He was named to the Order of the Dagger for 2009. He has consistently stepped in to fill positions for which Clan Shaw was having difficulty finding candidates. He has always performed those duties well.

For more information on the Clan Shaw Society, please contact Meredith Linwood Shaw, 3031 Appomattox Avenue, #102, Olney, MD 20832.





#### Missing McPersons - this time it's Alpheus Ellis Shaw. Can you help?

Is there anyone who might help us find my 2-great grandfather? He was **ALPHEUS** (sp?) **ELLIS SHAW**. His son was **CLYDE DEWEY SHAW** born in Nebraska and died in Cushman, Arkansas. HIs son, my father, is **CLYDE ALPHEUS SHAW** who lives in Blanchard, Michigan near my brother, Daniel Lawrence Shaw. If you have any information, please contact **Alan Shaw at alanbshaw@yahoo.com** 

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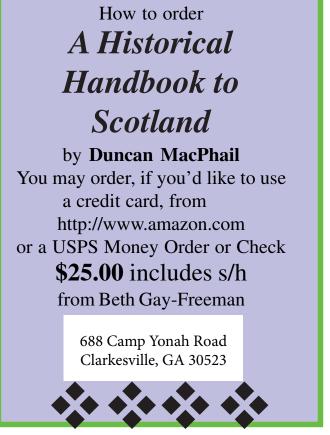
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### Dale R. Hilding named Turnbull Clan Association Worldwide Clan Member of the Year winner for 2013 at Richmond

One of the best parts of the Annual General Meeting of the Turnbull Clan Association Worldwide, is the presentation of the Clan Member of the Year Award.

"In recognition of his outstanding service and dedication to the Turnbull Clan Association Worldwide and its membership, it is my honor and privilege to present this years' Clan Member of the Year Award to Dale R. Hilding," Wally Turnbull, President.

Dale and his wife Mary Kay Hilding have been Turnbull Clan tent hosts and supporting TCA since 2000. Dale is best known for the 100 lbs. of chain mail armor that he sports during the games. These games very often take place in hot and humid weather.

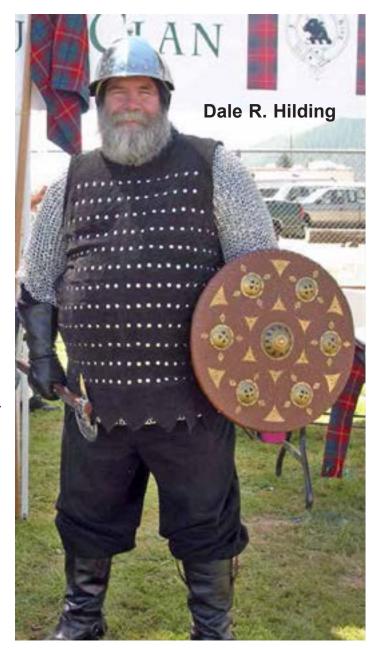
As friend and Turnbull Clan Vice President of Events William C. Trimble said, "It is fitting that Dale receive this award, after all, who else walks around wearing 110 pounds of armor in 110 degree weather representing his clan."

In addition to representing Turnbull Clan Association Worldwide and sharing the Turnbull heritage so well, Dale is well respected outside of Turnbull Clan Association Worldwide. He volunteers his services to many organizations and can always be counted on to lend a hand.

Congratulations and thank you to Dale R. Hilding, Turnbull Clan Association Worldwide Clan Member of the Year. (Dale and Mary Kay were not able to attend the Richmond games. William C. Trimble presented them with the award at their home.)

Dale says, "My mother, Roma, was a Turnbull. Her grandfather and his bride came west by covered wagon on the Oregon Trail in the 1870s. I grew up in the mountains of northern Idaho (we lived in lots of small logging towns)."

He continued, "My wife Mary Kay and I met on a blind date at the Black Angus Restaurant in Spokane WA and were married in 1978. We have three children and two granddaughters. I am a retired federal employee. My hobbies include volunteering; I am active in Boy Scouts, Helping Hand (a local community action agency), National Association of Retired



Federal Employees, Choir, and am Treasurer for our local Episcopal Church."

About his famous chain mail, he said, "I started collecting the armor and chain mail for display at our clan booth, but soon started wearing it for the Parades (just to be different from everyone else wearing kilts!) The entire outfit (helmet, chain mail, leather jack, boots, weapons, shield, etc) weighs just over 100 lbs. They are all reproductions based on what a Border Reiver from the 1500s would have worn. Only thing missing is a horse!"

My advice to others: "The greatest gift you can give your children and grandchildren is the story of your family...who you are and where you came from. WRITE it down and pass it on"



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AGM - Hawick, Scotland

The 2014 Turnbull Clan Association Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held in and around Hawick, Scotland 18-22 July. This area of the Borders is ground zero for the Turnbull Clan. What a wonderful opportunity to see the lands of your ancestors and walk in their footsteps. This is a one-of-a-kind opportunity to share this experience with family and extended family in a guided setting, with enough free time to explore specific areas on your own. This is a wonderful chance to learn about Turnbull Clan history and your heritage.

If you plan to add time to your trip before or after Hawick, consider a day or two in Glasgow and Bishop Turnbull founded Glasgow University, or Edinburgh and the world famous Tattoo, or a trip to the Highlands.

Below is a preliminary schedule of events (times of actual events may change) but the dates will remain the same.

**Friday, 18 July** - Arrival, settled in hotel, recovery from jet lag, visit town you are in or do a little research at the Hawick Heritage Center.

**Saturday 19 July** 1:00 pm - Facebook meet-up group (others welcome) at Turnbulls in Hawick. (Dutch treat for anything at Turnbulls) Chance to meet our worldwide extended family.

2:30 pm - Walk up High Street from Turnbulls to *Turning of the Bull Monument* and "rededication."

6:00 pm - AGM and banquet Hawick Town Hall - cost to be determined

**Sunday 20 July** 10:00 am - Service at the Bedrule Kirk with Minister Douglas Nichol and Wally Turnbull, TCA President

11:30 am - Dedication of the Turnbull Cairn in the Bedrule Kirk yard

12:30 pm - Buffet lunch in the Bedrule Village Hall provided by members of the church

Monday 21 July 8:00 am - Tour departs for day trip to Stirling to include Stirling Castle and Bannockburn Heritage Center. Lunch not included. Return evening to hotel. (Minimum 15 persons required, cost to be determined and dependant upon number of persons interested)

**Tuesday 22 July** 8:00 am - Tour departs for trip to Fatlips Castle (walking and some hiking required), lunch (Dutch treat) in Denholm, and drive to Carter Bar - Scottish/English Border (minimum 15 persons required, cost to be determined and dependant upon number of persons in-



terested)

**Possible Accommodations:** Each person is responsible for his/her lodging. It is recommended that you stay in or near Melrose, Jedburgh or Hawick, especially if you do not have your own transportation. We are trying to arrange a shuttle between these towns and again on Sunday for Bedrule. This will depend upon how much interest and demand there is for such.

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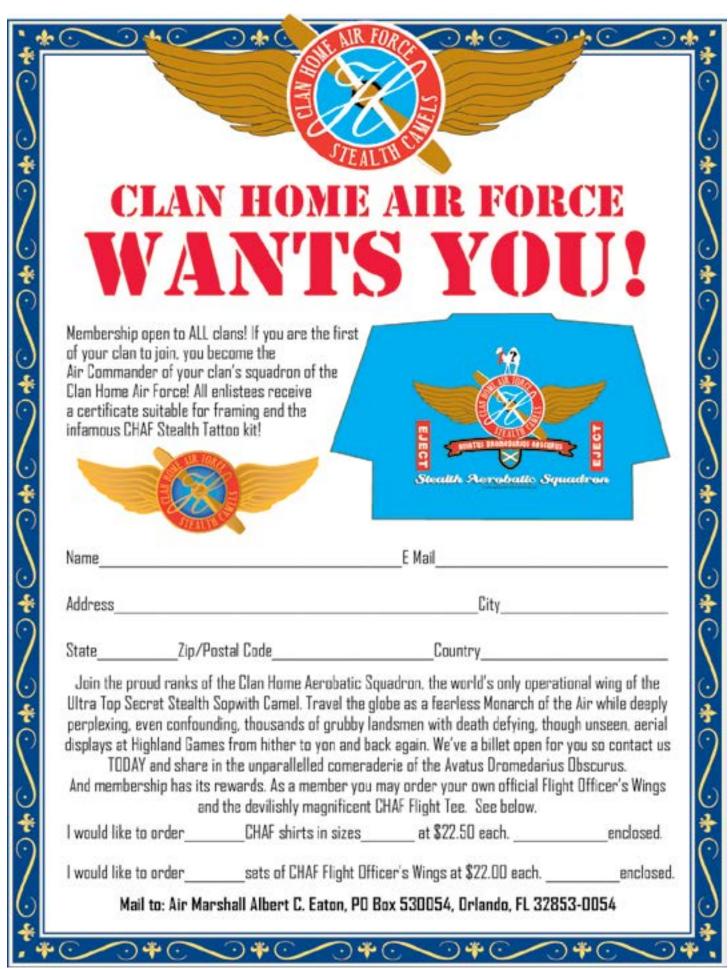
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More information from TCAW, 5216 Tahoe Drive, Durham, NC 27713.





A Veteran's Day Tribute: John and Bradley Trimble play for The St. Andrews Legion Pipe and Drums out of Richmond, Virginia. The group played a number of events on Veterans Day like the Virginia War Memorial to honor all of the fallen Veterans from the State of Virginia.

This picture was taken at a special event at Douglas Southhall Freeman High School in Henrico, Va. The school was honoring the graduates of the High School who were killed in combat. Both John and Bradley are graduates of this high school and Veterans themselves so they were honored to be part of the event.

Both of the pipers are members of the Turnbull Clan Association Worldwide.

Would you like to see news from <u>your</u> Scottish Clan organization, St. Andrews Society or Burns Club - in fact - ANY genealogical or Scottish group, here in the pages of *Beth's Newfangled Family Tree?* 

It's easy. It's free. Simply have your group newsletter sent via email to bethscribble@aol.com That's it.

Deadlines are the 15th of the month preceding publication, but send the newsletters anytime, Remember, if you're having a dated event, the deadline is important.



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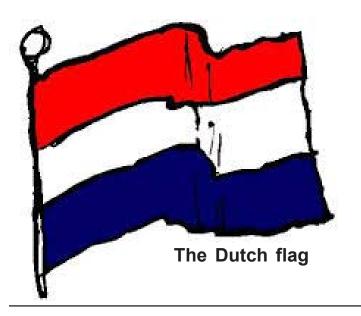
#### Do not miss this one! TAPS - The Last Post

A few years ago, a friend visited the Netherlands American Cemetery and Memorial in the village of Margraten, about six miles from Maastricht. There lie buried 8,301 American soldiers killed in the battles to liberate Holland in the fall and winter of 1944-1995.

Sgt. Bill Dukeman, 101st Airborne Division, 506th Parachute Infantry Regiment, Second Battalion, Company C (of "Band of Brothers fame) is buried there. He was killed in the battle of "The Crossroads" in northern Holland.

The Dutch hold an annual memorial concert every September at the above cemetery to remember and honor the Americans who died to free them in Operation Market Garden and subsequent efforts to eject the German army from





Holland. Sgt. Dukeman, like many other fallen GIs, was "adopted" by a Dutch family. Dukeman's family in the States was contacted and hosted in Holland, and his grave site decorated each year by his Dutch "family." They keep his portrait in their home, displayed in a place of honor. Fathers pass this obligation down to their sons in Holland. This version of the original "taps" music is played by a 13 year old Dutch girl named Melissa Venema. The conductor of the orchestra is Andre Rieu from Holland.

Many of you may never have heard taps played in its entirety. The original version of Taps was called Last Post, and was written by Daniel Butterfield in 1801. It was rather lengthy and formal, as you will hear in this clip, so in 1862 it was shortened to 24 notes and re-named Taps.

Melissa Venema is playing it on a trumpet whereby the original was played on a bugle.

Watch at this site, and go full screen.

http://www.flixxy.com/trumpet-solo-melissa-venema.htm

#### Jefferson Davis Pie is sooooooooo good!

Just made this today and thought others might enjoy it as well. I found the recipe in *Minnie Pearl's Music City Cookbook* which is amazingly still available on Amazon.com

You will need: 1/2 cup butter of margarine (I used real butter.)

2 cups brown sugar

4 egg yolks

2 teaspoons all purpose flour

1/2 cup chopped pecans

1 large 9 or 10 inch unbaked pastry shell

1 teaspoon cinnamon

1 teaspoon ground nutmeg

1/2 teaspoon ground allspice

1 cup light cream

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#### Clan Elliot Society, USA

Any person of Scottish ancestry bearing the name Elliot in any of its various spellings, including the spouse or descendant of such person, or any person who would like to be a friend of the Elliot Clan is welcome to join the group.

Please contact the treasurer for a membership form or visit http:// www.elliotclanusa.com/ for a form. The Clan Elliot Society, USA

Treasurer: Patricia Tennyson Bell 2984 Siskiyou Boulevard Medford, OR 97504

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Great Lakes, New England, Pacific North West, Western U.S. and Southeast Chapters

#### www.clangregor.org



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#### Visit the Clan Macfie FaceBook page

Glen Cathey has recently put up The Official Clan Macfie FaceBook page and it is ready for you to join and participate. You can see some Youtube of the Clan Parliament at Nethybridge. This is the link: http://www.facebook.com/pages/ The-Official-Clan-Macfie-Page/177565770680

#### Clan Crawford Association

Incorporated to serve our members worldwide to preserve our legacy. Our Associates can assist you with surname related activities including events, DNA genealogy, heraldry, surname history and more.

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#### Flowers of the Forest

Daughter of the late Col. Jack McDonald, USA, ret. and former High Commissioner to Clan Donald, USA, **Kathleen McDonald Kent** entered into the Church Eternal on 1 June 2013. She died peacefully at home with her husband holding her hand.

She was born at Fort Belvoir, Virginia to Jack and Maryalice McDonald in February, 1954. During her

father's Army career Kathleen lived in multiple locations throughout the United States and also in Ecuador. She graduated from Arundel High School in Gambrills, Maryland before entering the University of Florida where she graduated with a BN in nursing. Kathleen then entered the U.S. Navy and served in the San Diego and Portsmouth Naval hospitals as well as doing a tour as a medical programs recruiter based in Dallas, Texas. After that she was stationed at the Naval Hospital in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba where she met her future husband, Harold Kent, who was also a Naval Officer and Chief of Surgery at the Naval Hospital. After her

overseas tour, Kathleen moved to Arlington, Texas where she spent two years and obtained a Master of Science degree in Nursing from the University of Texas at Arlington. While at UTA Kathleen was inducted into Sigma Theta Tau Nursing Honor Society. She and Dr. Kent were married in 1989 and settled in St. Simons Island. Kathleen became a second mother and role model for her husband's two young daughters as well as being a wife and Naval Officer. Kathleen spent four years at the Naval Hospital in Jacksonville, Florida where she functioned as a clinical nurse specialist and rewrote and updated the nursing policy and procedure manual (as one of her several collateral duties). She finished her Navy career at the Kings Bay Submarine Base where she was the Director of Nursing Services at the clinic. She retired as a Navy Commander. During that tour she gave birth to her beloved daughter Kaitlin. Kathleen's awards included a Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Commendation Medal (two), a Navy Achievement Medal, National Defense Medal, Overseas Service Ribbon and Navy Recruiting Service Ribbon.

After retiring from the Navy, Kathleen spent the next years of her life by teaching part time in the nursing

program at the College in Brunswick, Georgia and raising her daughter. Kathleen was the first school nurse at Oglethorpe Point Elementary School starting when Kaitlin entered first grade. Kathleen was also a troop leader of Kaitlin's Girl Scout troop. After five years at OPES, Kathleen continued to work part time to cover for various school nurses throughout the Glynn County school sys-

tem. Over a period of ten years Kathleen spent at least two weeks every summer serving as the camp nurse at Keystone Camp in Brevard, N.C. where she enjoyed being with all the girls and where she watched her daughter grow from a junior camper to a full fledged camp counselor.

Kathleen also served as the President of the Glynn County Medical Alliance 1998-1999 and served as the Medical Association of Georgia Medical Alliance Legislative Chair and a member of the state Nominating Committee from 2006—2008. During this time she was involved in orchestrating a local campaign for tort reform in

Georgia which resulted in the County Medical Alliance winning the AMA Alliance Legislative Education and Awareness Promotion Award, a prestigious national award given to only state, one county and one RP/MSS Alliance annually at the Annual AMA Alliance meeting in Chicago.

In 2010 Kathleen went to work in her husband's surgical practice where she functioned as the practice manager and bariatric coordinator. Kathleen was instrumental in helping to recertify the practice, the program and the hospital as a Bariatric Surgery Center of Excellence. She streamlined practice functions and oversaw every detail of the practice. In 2012 she was recognized at the YMCA's Tribute to Women Leaders.

Kathleen was a loving wife, mother, stepmother, daughter, aunt, friend and step-grandmother. Everyone who knew her loved her sense of humor, sunny disposition and her ability to brighten any situation with her presence. She was active in her community as a member of St. Simons Presbyterian Church where she married her husband and where Kaitlin was baptized. She was also a charter member of Chapter BH of PEO, a charter member of the Geor-

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## Clan Forrester Society

#### Come - Join the Forresters!

Membership is available for all spelling variations of Forrester: Forrester, Forester, Forrister, Forister, Forest, Forrest, Foster, Carstarphen,



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#### FOSTER SURNAME DNA Project

Genealogy Research on Foster / Forster / Forrester / Fonester / Foerster / Forestier / Forister / Forrister / Vorster / Voster Familie: gia State Cameo Society NSDAR and the Fort Frederica Chapter of the DAR, a member of Gamma Iota chapter of the Zeta Tau Alpha sorority and was a life member of Clan Donald USA and the Military Officers Association of America. Kathleen enjoyed traveling, reading, spending time with her family, having a girls night out with her bunco group, reunions with her ZTA roommates from college, and scuba diving. She was rated as an advanced open water diver by the Professional Association of Diving Instructors and had made hundreds of open water dives.

She is survived by her husband of 24 years Dr. Harold Kent, her mother Maryalice McDonald, her daughter Kaitlin, her brother Jeff McDonald (Ernelee) of Dublin, Ohio, her brother Douglas McDonald (Robin) of Dallas, Texas, her stepdaughters Ashleigh Kent (Kyle Johnson) of Atlanta, Georgia and Gabrielle Derby (Billy) of Columbia, Missouri, her nephews Ian, Brian and Colin McDonald, and Granddaughter Kaileigh Jane Derby. She

was preceded in death by her father, Colonel Jack McDonald, USA-retired.

Internment of cremains was at Christ Church Frederica. A memorial service was held at St. Simons Presbyterian Church on July 6th 2013 with the Reverend Bob Brearley officiating. A reception was held in the fellowship hall after the service. The family requests donations to the M. Gage Ochsner Institute for Injury Prevention and Research at Memorial Hospital in Savannah or the St. Simons Presbyterian Church in lieu of flowers.

Kathleen's family and friends would like to thank her physicians, Dr. Scott Purinton, Dr. Abraham Cheong, Dr. Tim Jamieson, and Dr. Kevin Brooks and their practices for rendering care to Kathleen in the last months of her life. Also appreciated were the services of Intrepid Health Care, the nursing staff of the hospital, the radiation therapy and nursing staff at the Cancer Center of SGHS and the staff of the Hospice of the Golden Isles.



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#### **Elliot Clan Society, USA Membership Information 2012**

The Elliot Clan Society is a worldwide organization, with active branches in Australia, Canada, New Zealand and the United States. In accordance with Scottish Clan Law, Clan membership includes all Elliots, Elliots, Elliots, those of whose mother or grandmother was so named and their spouses. This also applies to Elliots of known Scottish descent.

If you are a person of Scottish ancestry bearing the name Elliot, Elliott or Eliott (Including the spouse or descendant of such person) and wish to join the Elliot Clan Society, please fill out the membership form. Those forms may be found on the "Official ECS Website" at:

#### www.elliotclan.com

For US residents, please make sure that you send your completed ECS USA membership forms to the Membership/Treasurer. Once you join the Society, you will receive periodic newsletters from the ECS USA and our Parent Society in Scotland. The newsletters will inform you of Scottish festivals in your area and other announcements of importance to our Clan. Membership allows you to meet other Elliots with similar interests who share our Scottish heritage.

Contact Patricia Tennyson Bell Email: dublincollen@sbcglobal.net

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(Fortiter Et Recte) **Boldly and Rightly** 



#### Advices on Entering a New Year

Alastair McIntyre writes, "This is an old text written in 1863 but I think still has much relevance. It was written by Norman MacLeod who was chaplain to Queen Victoria."

- 1. Let a short portion of time be spent each day this year in private prayer, in reading God's Word, and, if possible, some devotional book.
- 2. Let it be the great work of the year to become better acquainted personally with Jesus Christ as the living and ever-present Friend, Brother, and Saviour.
- 3. Endeavour to concentrate your efforts to do good upon some definite unselfish work in your family or out of it, which may help others, as it certainly must help yourself.
- 4. In all things try to live more towards God, seeking His approval of your inner and outer life. The less you talk about yourself or your doings before men, the better for yourself and for them.
- 5. Aim this year at being a peacemaker between professing Christians; to allay disputes, and to heal breaches among friends and relations; and to make men respect and esteem each other more.
- 6. Do not leave behind you in the old year guilt unpardoned, but believe in Jesus for the remission of sins; nor enter a new year with sin loved and cherished, but accept of and rely upon His Spirit to sanctify you. Begin the year without enmity to any man on earth, "forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, even so do ye."
- 7. If you are the head of the house, resolve to read a portion of God's Word once a-day at least to the family; and either read or offer up, always with them, a short but hearty prayer.
- 8. Endeavour to keep an account of your income and expenditure, that you may be able to live justly and generously. Give what you can to assist poor relatives, and poor Christians, and the Church of Christ. Try this one year to tax



yourself ten per cent, on your free income for such purposes.

Learn to do these things, and many more will the Lord teach thee to know and do; and may the God of love and peace be with thee!

The above came from his book Parish Papers which you can read at:

http://www.electricscotland.com/history/macleod/index.htm

**Jeff Davis Pie**, continued from page 19

1/2 cup raisins

1/2 cup chopped dates

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Cream butter and add sugar, creaming until light and fluffy. Add egg yolks and mix well. Combine the flour and the spices. Add to creamed mixture. Stir in remaining ingredients. Pour into

Really good Jefferson Davis Pie unbaked pastry shell and bake 35 to 40 minutes or until set.



Cool. Top with whipped cream of ice cream. Makes 8 - 10 servings.

#### ANGUS OG and CLAN DONALD:

#### Monument identification and 'prominence' in the 2014 Celebrations.

Those of you who attended the June 2011 CDUSA Chief's tour or the 2012 CDUSA San Francisco AGM are aware that a member of the Finlaggan Council, Ian



MacDonnell has spent the last 7 years researching, documenting and pursuing the rightful recognition of the IONA Grave Slab No. 150 as that of Angus Og of Islay and to ensure that the significant and pivotal role by the "renowned and prominent" Angus Og of Islay and his 5000 Islesmen men (includes early Clann Dòmhnaill) will be permanently addressed in the

Bannockburn Centre and included in the events of the SCOT-LAND 2014 Homecoming. He has championed these facts and through detailed documents and unwavering tenacity both with the National Trust of Scotland and Historic Scotland organizations has been completely successful on both counts.

#### Angus Og and the Battle of Bannockburn.

Immediately following is the quote sent by the National Trust of Scotland to Ian Macdonnell on 19 April of this year.

"I am writing to reassure you that the "prominent' part which Angus Og MacDonald took at the Battle of Bannockburn will be given the appropriate relative emphasis".

When the new Bannockburn Centre opens next year this will be the very first time Angus Og and his vital role in support of Robert Bruce's 1314 victory has been promoted in their interpretations.

Angus Og's Grave Slab. Ian advised Historic Scotland of the Trust's positive response and below is the key quote from them sent just days later on 26 April 2013 to acknowledge Ian's May 2011 attribution was correct.

Historic Scotland: "Iona Graveslab 150 has been identified as a memorial to Angus Og who died in 1314-18. He was renowned as the leader of the Islesmen force which played a vital role in the Battle of Bannockburn in support of Robert Bruce." They agreed to move Angus' slab from the abbey cloister back to the MacDonald Lord's chantry chapel, St Oran's, 'sometime in the future' and label the attribution when funds allowed. Ian had suggested this easy on-site move {a simple swap in fact} and the low cost labelling might be beneficial to occur before Bannockburn celebrations a year in the future.

This is the first officially attributed MacDonald Lord of the Isles burial monument. Ian's 2006 proposition and emphatic May 2011 submission had successfully overturned the 1977 Royal Commission's decision that it was "inconceivable" to be Angus Og's [described as a technicality of the inscription 'formula']. In 2001, Historic Scotland used that 1977 ruling to permanently consign Angus' slab to the anonymity of the cloister, simply treated as unknown. This is precisely where it would have languished, unattributed, except and only for Ian's determination and elevation of the facts to those organizations whose ascent was critical to recognition.

This crusade for recognition has on its own resembled that of a battle. Some of the issues have been the subject of controversy over the years and required a great deal of strategy and planning to come to the statements listed above. Ian Macdonnell's success is a success for all the descendants of Clan Donald and will serve to help future generations appreciate their clan's monumental historical contributions.

#### The Process to identification

Ian Macdonnell began his research and his digging into the IONA and Clan Donald history starting in 1992. In the mid 90's Ian travelled for many weeks to Scotland, Ireland and Great Britain. Researching and researching many aspects of Clan Donald. This pattern of weeks at a time visiting multiple countries and reading hundreds of books continued.

In 2006 things got very specific on the IONA issue. Ian visited Iona looking for the 700 year old graveslab of Angus Og. All his research to this point led him there to see this 700 year old Lord Of the Isles grave slab. He fully ex-

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pected to find this slab in St. Oran's Chapel. The Chapel where the early Lords of the Isles were buried. It was not there. When he did locate it, sitting in the cloister, it had no signage or indications of who it belonged to. Ian had to know why. It is here in 2006 that his formal push began to overturn the 1977 determination by the Royal Commission that the slab was **not** Angus Og's.

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Ian is a man of details and he got down to the fine points. He overlooked nothing in order to document and push the information through the acceptable channels to have this error corrected during 2011-2012. He had a sense of the urgency with the 2014 Homecoming and could only hope at this point that they would objectively evaluate the compilation of his research to provide the identification to Angus Og.

This task was neither small nor simple. As most of you know once things are "officially" determined by an empowered person or panel it is very hard to have that changed. The only momentum and possible lever on the official side at this point was the Bannockburn Battle 2014 and Ian knew he had to move hard and fast to get this done. Historic Scotland finally took on the task of using Ian's data and using their commissioned expert, verified his attribution in writing to him in April 2013. There was no disagreement with Ian's analysis of the inscription which is the sole identifier of the slab's owner. The result is the letter quoted previously in this article.

#### **Attribution and Recognition**

This is part of Historic Scotland's reply to Ian of 29 Aug 2013 on behalf of, The First Minister, Mr Alex Salmond: "We do not acknowledge the contribution of the vast majority of scholars who inform the understanding of our Properties in Care. Should it be possible to complete the redisplay of these graveslabs we will of course be pleased to acknowledge the pivotal role of your research, in highlighting the association of slab 150 with Angus 0g, in the site guidebook as previously offered."

#### **READ MORE**

This article serves to announce the good news for Clan Donald but there is not enough room here to cover how it was done. The research and documentation is quite staggering in its detail and breadth. Ian has established a website

that provides all the specifics. It contains some wonderful reading as it pertains to the grand history of Clann Dòmhnaill.

Ian continues to pursue validation of several other meaningful issues concerning the historically relevant contributions of Clan Donald - eg, "Iona Abbey and Cathedral are the legacy of Clan Donald". These details and much more can be found at:-

http://www.ionaabbeyandclandonald.com/

The monument pictured here is remarkable for bearing the embryonic clan name of today's MacDonalds and Macdonnells, etc:

MAC DOMNILL - beautifully inscribed in stone, 700 years old.

This article by

Louise McDonald,

CDUSA Mid-East Genealogist

Order Ian Macdonnell's book at his website:

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## Clan Donald's High Council Tour Bannockburn Battle June 23 - 30, 2014!

We will go to Armadale Castle, Isle of Skye, The Royal Highland Show, etc, and attend Bannockburn Live, commemorating the 700th Anniversary of one of Scotland's most significant battles, the Battle of Bannockburn!

Bannockburn 2014 is NOT just any Scottish battle reenactment, NOT just another "independence" centenary, NOT just another promotion of Robert The Bruce.

In 2014 for the very first time, the Bannockburn Battle Centenary is highly significant for the worldwide Clan Donald, of every branch, with permanent and due recognition for Lord Angus Og Macdonald and his Islemen forces.

"Angus Og MacDonald, renowned as the leader of the Islesmen force which played a prominent and vital role in the Battle of Bannockburn in support of Robert Bruce".

In the Bannockburn Battle "Clans Big Tent", Clan Donald will have a stall throughout the three days. You might wish to visit the website below:

http://www.ionaabbeyandclandonald.com/angus-ogs-graveslab-no-150—savior-of-the-bruce.html

For complete information, including detailed itinerary and how to register for the High Council Tour, please visit <a href="http://www.highcouncilofclandonald.org/">http://www.highcouncilofclandonald.org/</a>
Tour2014.html

#### **About Ian Macdonnell's Angus Og Macdonald project at Iona**

The book has been six years in the making and started with a trip to see *Angus Og's* graveslab. (One of six trips I have made to Scotland, Ireland, London). I just wanted to see the embryonic clan name **MAC • DOMNILL •** incised in stone.... 700 years old. And of course to experience the internationally famous island of *Hi....* "A gem in the ocean.... the light of the western world".

The slab wasn't in St Oran's Chapel (rightfully with the others) and it couldn't be located by signage. It was not attributed to anyone. I had to know why.

#### I had no preconceived ideas or views about *Iona Abbey and Clan Donald*.

They slowly developed as I made further research into Graveslab No. 150. Doreen Grove, Head of Cultural Services and past Principal Inspector of Ancient Monuments, Historic Scotland has been most helpful. She, and Lisa Graham, advised me that the Royal Commission (RCAHMS) had decided slab No. 150 did not belong to Angus Og - but a nebulous non-entity, a postulated Angus, son of Angus Master of The Isles (200 years after Angus Og). RCAHMS and Historic Scotland are now merging.

The research was later assembled into a Tour Guide for a Clan Donald High Chief's Tour in June 2011, which I led. A service was held in the Michael Chapel, most kindly arranged and led by Murdoch MacKenzie (The Iona Community leader, Reverend Peter MacDonald was on leave). The Iona Abbey site manager, Jane Martin of Historic Scotland, has always been of great assistance.

The guide then had to develop fairly quickly for a Clan Donald submission to the Historic Scotland and Iona Community Research Conference (*Interpretation of Iona*) in April 2012.

The book's main messages are also being delivered at Clan Donald AGM's and conferences around the world. USA led the way with Louise Coughlin McDonald making a well received presentation at the San Francisco AGM in September 2012. The Australia and New Zealand ["ANZAC"] conference in Auckland is the next venue for a major presentation in Feb 2013. Smaller meetings have had the issues explained and discussed.

This site derives from the book which has the main body complete. Five chapters, out of nine, on extra detail of individual Kings/Lords of Isles still in draft. However, they are well covered throughout where necessary in the main body.



Here's another of our vintage posters from World War II. The response to these has been marvelous. Want more?

#### Flowers of the Forest

**Cecelia P. Weir-Weisenberger,** wife of Frank Weisenberger, age 72, passed away on Monday, October 7, 2013 at Scott County Hospital in Scott City, Kansas.

She was born March 27, 1941 in Armagh, Northern Ireland, the daughter of Robert James and Mary Theresa Hagan Weir. She grew up in Belfast, Northern Ireland and after World War II moved to Edinburgh, Scotland where she finished her schooling.

She was a United States Army Veteran serving from 1969 - 1971 with the rank of SP-4.

A resident of Scott City, Kansas since 1997, She had been a cook for the Scott County Hospital and Park Lane Nursing Home in Scott City, Kansas. She was a member of the Clan Stewart Society in America.

Cecelia was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Cathedral in Armagh, Northern Ireland. On January 16, 1997, she married Frank S. Weisenberger in Garden City, Kansas. She is survived by Mr. Weisenberger.

**Stewart S. Tjentland Stewart-Cramer**, a life member of the Clan Stewart Society in America, was born November 7, 1930 in Cleveland, Ohio. He died on September 30, 2013 at the age of 82 in Mariposa, California.

Stewart was retired from the armed forces.

As a member of the Clan Stewart Society in America, he participated in many Highland games and gatherings, helping host clan tents with Al Stewart.

Remembering **Alicia Turnbull**, 44, daughter of Billy and Lynn. Sister to Dawn and Angie and brother Sean.

Her beautiful dimpled smile brighten all of her family, friends and strangers. She loved art using such as pencils, ink or water colors. We loved her much and will be missed so much!

Our sympathies and prayers to the family for their loss. Alicia was a member of the Turnbull Clan Association Worldwide.

"Her character, contribution and determination will not be forgotten." Longtime Manx patriot and Celtic League activist **Deidre Moffatt** passed away in May.

Born in Douglas in 1952, she trained as a teacher and spent most of her career on Mannin working for the Department of Education.

Committed to promoting native Manx culture, she joined Banglane Twoaie (the northern branch of the Manx Gaelic Society, Yn Cheshaght Ghailckagh) and with a par-

ticular interest in traditional Manx dances, she also became active in a number of Manx dance organizations.

An active member of both the Celtic League and Mec Vannin (the Manx nationalist party), in the 1980s she was part of the Isle of Man Peace Group opposing the deployment of cruise missiles in Germany and Britain and partici-



pated in the Celtic League and Anti-Militarist Alliance's campaign against the expansion of NATO's Jurby Sea-Bombing Range.

A committed feminist, she supported the Manx feminist group EVE, and for many years helped organize the annual school's arts and crafts exhibition at the Manx national festival Yn Chruinnaght.

"Dee will be sorely missed by all who knew her," said her husband, Bernard Moffatt, director of information for the Celtic League. "Her character, contribution and determination will not be forgotten," he said.

Kay Matheson, a key figure in the epic 1950 heist of Scotland's Stone of Destiny from Westminster Abbey, passed away last July at the age of 84. Part of a team of Scottish nationalists that included Ian Hamilton, Gavin Vernon and Alan Stuart, Kay took the wheel and drove the stone from London to Scotland, where it was eventually left in the ruins of Arbroath Abbey. The coronation stone upon which Scotland's Gaelic kings were traditionally crowned, the Stone of Destiny was taken as a trophy of war by England's King Edward I in 1296 and deposited in Westminster Abbey.

The daring Christmas Day 1950 heist of the Stone was a symbolic act that helped revivify the Scottish nationalist movement. Kay remained an important activist in the SNP and a noted Gaelic scholar until her death in July at Loch Ewe.



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Official website of The Clan Keith Society USA, Inc.



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#### Abbotsford House open again to visitors



Abbotsford House, the historic home of Sir Walter Scott, was reopened this last summer following a two year renovation.

The historic high-Victorian home has been a popular destination for literary pilgrims almost from the date of Sir Walter's death (one of the first visitors was Queen Victoria, a particular admirer of Scott's poetry.).

Fully restored and sporting a modern new visitors' center, the house also contains Scott's immense and unique collection of Scottish historical relics ranging from such things as a lock of Mary Queen or Scots hair to an arsenal of hundreds of medieval and early modern weapons, along with the author's own library of some 9,000 volumes.

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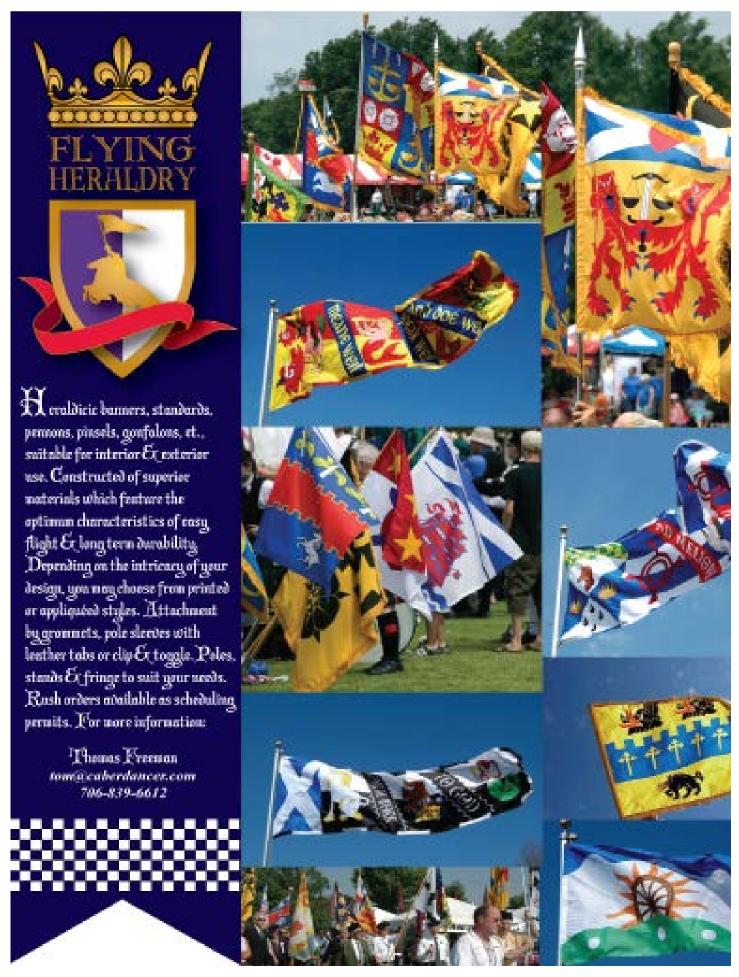
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