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Historic Rural Hill To Host COSCA's 4th Annual Scottish Clan & Family Caucus in April 2015

As COSCA & Historic Rural Hill, Inc. continue to work toward establishing a new Scottish

Diaspora Center at Rural Hill, COSCA is delighted to bring the 4th Annual Scottish Clans & Families Caucus to Rural Hill on Friday, April 17, 2015 just prior to the Loch Norman Highland Games. A variety of Caucus workshops and seminars will also be held onsite



throughout the Games weekend.

The educational theme of the 2015 Scottish Clan & Family Caucus traces the impact upon Scotland of the dramatic interactions between Gaels and key 'outlander' cultures: Norse, English and American. A fantastic lineup of speakers and workshops will be announced soon.

The Council of Scottish Clans & Associations

(COSCA) and Historic Rural Hill, Inc. (HRH) are excited also to announce that our organizations are engaged in positive and exciting discussions aimed at reaching an agreement to allow COSCA and HRH to collaboratively establish a world class Scottish heritage center in accordance with the HRH Master Plan on the phenomenal site at Rural Hill outside of Huntersville, North Carolina.

The current Lord Lyon King of Arms, Dr. Joeseeph Morrow, will be a speaker at the meeting near Huntersville, North Carolina. (at left)

Dundee preacher and former city councillor Dr Joseph Morrow has recently been appointed Lord Lyon King of Arms.

Duties of the office, which is more than 600

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in the New Year 2015!*



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The Legend of the Heather

With thanks to the Scottish Society of Indianapolis,
via Alastair McIntyre, electricscotland.com

When God first made the world, He looked at the bare and barren hill sides and thought how nice it would be to cover them with some kind of beautiful tree or flower.

So he turned to the Giant Oak, the biggest and strongest of all of the trees he had made, and asked him if he would be willing to go up to the bare hills to help make them look more attractive.

But the oak explained that he needed a good depth of soil in order to grow and that the hillsides would be far too rocky for him to take root.

So God left the oak tree and turned to the honeysuckle with its lovely yellow flower and beautiful sweet fragrance. He asked the honeysuckle if she would care to grow on the hillsides and spread her beauty and fragrance amongst the barren slopes.

But the honeysuckle explained that she needed a wall or a fence or even another plant to grow against, and for that reason, it would be quite impossible for her to grow in the hills.

So God then turned to one of the sweetest and most beautiful of all the flowers -the rose. God asked the rose if she would care to grace the rugged highlands with her splendor.

But the rose explained that the wind and the rain and the cold on the hills would destroy her, and so she would not be able to grow on the hills.

Disappointed with the oak, the honeysuckle and the rose, God turned away.

At length, he came across a small, low lying, green shrub with a flower of tiny petals -some purple and some white. It was a heather.

God asked the heather the same question that he'd asked the others. "Will you go and grow upon the hillsides to make them more beautiful?"

The heather thought about the poor soil, the wind and the rain -and wasn't very sure that she could do a good job. But turning to God she replied that if he wanted her to do it, she would certainly give it a try.

God was very pleased. He was so pleased in fact that he decided to give the heather some gifts as a reward for her willingness to do as he had asked.

Firstly he gave her the strength of the oak tree - the bark of the heather is the strongest of any tree or shrub in the whole world.

Next he gave her the fragrance of the honeysuckle -a fragrance which is frequently used to gently perfume soaps and potpourris.

Finally he gave her the sweetness of the rose -

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Scottish Seed Cakes (Carwie)

Ingredients: 10 oz. flour
1/2 t. baking powder
1/2 t. cinnamon
1/4 t. nutmeg, 8 oz butter
8 oz. caster sugar 4 eggs beaten
1 Tsp caraway seeds

Method: Preheat oven to 325 degrees F., and grease and line an 8-inch cake tin. Sift flour with baking powder, cinnamon, and nutmeg. In a separate bowl, cream the butter and sugar together until pale and fluffy, then gradually mix in the eggs, adding a little flour with each addition. Fold in the rest of the flour and mix well. Re-

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The Clan Skene Association, Inc.

The Clan Skene Association, Inc., invites membership from SKENE and septs CARISON, CARNEY/CARNIE, CURREHILL, DYAS, DYCE, DYER, HALL, HALYARD/HALLYARD, MacGAILLARD, RENNIE & SKAINS.

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With thanks to *The Skene Scene*,
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on the vote for Scottish Independence

So we voted No. By quite a narrow margin – 55 to 45% — Scotland decided to remain part of the “United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland”, to give our strange multinational state its full title. Scotland will not, at this time, take its place in the parade of the world’s independent nations.

Those of us who voted Yes were naturally disappointed. That’s how it is when you lose a vote. But there is an indefinable sense of things having shifted. A battle has been narrowly lost, but a war is being won. The vote was turned in the last few days by a sudden sweeping offer of new powers of autonomy for Scotland, offered in panic after

opinion polls had hinted a Yes vote. An example is that the Scottish Government will now control our own rates of income tax and many other taxes. Somewhere around 5% of Scots seem to have switched their vote in response to such offers.



But what matters more than technicalities is the feeling in today’s Scotland. Like a butterfly emerging from a chrysalis that has done its job, Scotland is emerging into the light of a new self-confidence. I don’t know how many years it will take, but we will have our place in the sun, and already it is interesting to see how the Scottish debate about independence has triggered demands for serious political reform in England and Wales. The problem is not England, it is the remains of the old British imperialism that you guys had the sense to shake off a couple of centuries ago.

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years old, include granting armorial bearings and making judicial rulings on coats of arms.

Dr Morrow, who succeeds David Sellar, is an advocate with degrees in theology and law.

A student of heraldry for more than 30 years, his appointment was made by the Queen on the recommendation of First Minister Alex Salmond.

Dr Morrow is the president of the Mental Health Tribunal for Scotland, president of the Additional Support Needs Tribunals and a first-tier tribunal judge dealing with asylum and immigration issues.

He has held a number of posts including Dundee council convener of development, and membership of both Scottish Enterprise Tayside and Angus and Dundee Tourist boards.

He chairs the Dundee Waterfront Development Board and the Trustees of the Tayside Superannuation Fund, and is vice-chairman of the Court of the University of Abertay.

As Vice-Lord Lieutenant of Dundee, he has received members of the royal family to the city and is an Incumbent of the Chapel of Glamis Castle.

Legend of the Heather, *Continued from page 3*

so much so that heather is one of the bees favorite flowers.

And to this day, heather is renowned especially for these three God given gifts.

Scottish Seed Cakes, *continued from page 3*

serve a teaspoon of the caraway seeds to decorate the top of the cake and stir the rest into the mixture. Bake for approximately 1-1/2 hours, until pale gold in color and firm to the touch.

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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Luss sees opening of Clan Colquhoun Heritage and Visitor Centre

The Clan Museum – the Clan Colquhoun Heritage and Visitor Centre in Luss, has been officially opened by Sir Malcolm and Lady Colquhoun, above.

Guests from Friends of Loch Lomond, the National Trust for Scotland, Scottish Association of Visitor Attractions, Loch Lomond & Trossachs National Park and local businesses attended the ceremony which preceded a stroll through the village to witness the visitor experience of Luss.

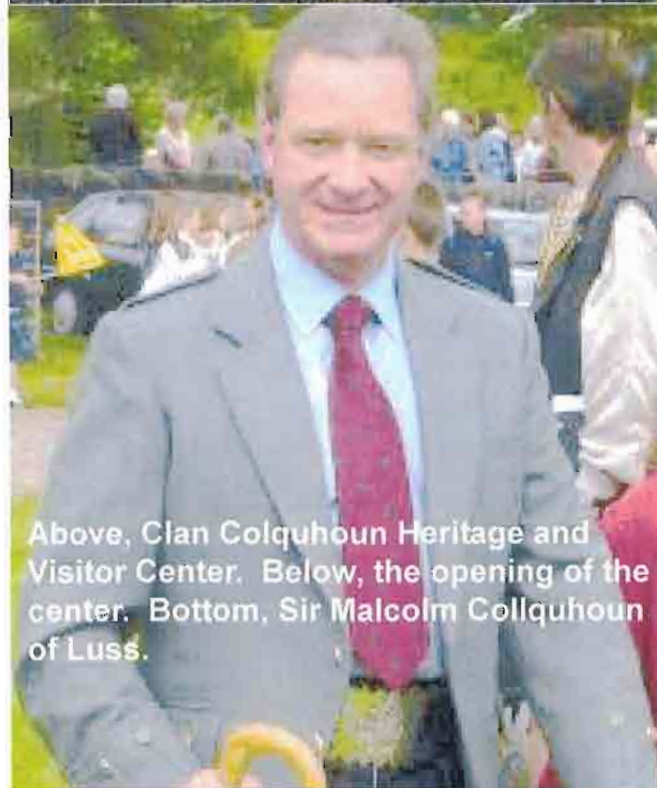
The Clan Museum is situated in Shore Cottage, the oldest cottage in Luss, thought to date back to the 17th century, in the shadow of Luss Parish Church and overlooking Loch Lomond. The museum is 'a museum in miniature' with items to interest all age groups. The centre tells the intertwined history of Luss, the Colquhouns and neighbouring clans.

James Pearson, Clan Historian and Curator, says: 'It is hoped the centre will provide visitors with an insight into what makes Luss, Loch Lomond and Scotland unique. It will also provide those with clan connections the opportunity to learn about their history.'

Sir Malcolm says: 'The new museum will greatly add to the visitor attractions in what is surely one of the loveliest and most visited places in Scotland, and I welcome that. The history of the clans and the history of Scotland are so closely intertwined as to be indistinguishable, and our aim is to increase visitors' awareness of that and of its relevance, not just to the past but to the future as well.'

A number of events, in addition to the Luss Highland Games, are proposed for 2015. They will include a re-enactment and living history group depicting 17th century Highland raids on the Lennox in April; and the Moor & Loch Pony Show in the autumn.

The museum will be open during weekends over winter – although other viewings can be arranged by calling 01436 860874. It will be open on a daily basis 10:00am – 5:00pm during the summer months.



Above, Clan Colquhoun Heritage and Visitor Center. Below, the opening of the center. Bottom, Sir Malcolm Collquhoun of Luss.



Elliot Clan Society, USA

Membership Information 2014

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, Elliotts, 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.

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Boldly and Rightly



Flowers of the Forest

Patricia Helene Huskey (Henderson) born March 03, 1955 – October 11, 2014 Loving daughter, sister, wife, and mother, Patricia Huskey passed away peacefully, surrounded by her family and pastor. Pat bravely fought nonspecific interstitial lung disease for 16 years, and while we were hoping for a lung transplant, God had other plans. We take solace in the knowledge that she is with her mother, father, brother, and beloved dogs in heaven, watching over us, finally able to truly breathe.

Pat was very proud of her Scottish heritage. As a Daughter of the American Revolution, she enjoyed participating in the Ventura, California Seaside Highland Games.

She loved the traditions, music, and friendship that the Highland Games brought to her life. Commissioner Joe Henderson always made us feel at home at his Clan Henderson booth.

She especially enjoyed watching the herding dogs, the sporting events, learning Scottish history, and the history of the Henderson Clan.

Pat loved her family, friends, and faith.

When she smiled, her smile would light up the room. As a wife she was always sincere, and as a mother her devotion was eternal.

She brought love and joy to the lives of those around her. She dreamed with her husband and they worked together toward their goals.

Before her illness took her ability to work, she taught preschool and bible school. Although she eventually had to stop teaching for a living, she never stopped teaching those in her life; and those who are

survived by her continue to learn from her love, even though she is no longer physically with us.

Pat is survived by her husband, son and his wife, daughter, brother, two sisters-in-law, and many nephews and nieces. She also has a grand-dog who misses her very much. Pat was funny, brave, honest, and strong. These qualities among many others made her a joy to be around. She is dearly missed.

Robert A. Trimble passed away June 26, 2014, losing his battle with cancer.

Robert was born in China, son of medical missionary parents. Robert would have been 99 in November.

Robert will be remembered as a pioneer in GPS development.

Sympathies are extended to William C. Trimble, Turnbull Clan Association Vice-President of Events, nephew and to the entire family.

PD James, novelist, died Friday 28 November 2014. She was born: August 3 1920.

Baroness James of Holland Park, in Central London, who has died aged 94, was best-known as the crime novelist PD James, but also enjoyed a successful career as a senior civil servant.

Phyllis James once described herself as an elderly grandmother who writes traditional English detective fiction, and was often placed in the tradition of great female detective novelists such as Dorothy L Sayers (her own favourite), Agatha Christie, and her near-contemporary and closest rival, Ruth

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Clan MacCord Society

Invites for membership all spelling variations and descendants of McCord (a)(e)(y).

Also McCourt, McChord, McCoard, Cord(e), McCart, McCort, Cort(e)(s) and Flynn, McFettridge and Kane.

Harlan D. McCord

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Lynda Turnbull Carries the Queen's Baton

The Queen's Commonwealth Baton began its most recent journey October 9th, 2013 at Buckingham Palace when Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II placed her message to the Commonwealth into the baton. When this journey is completed, the baton will have traveled over 118,000 miles, through 70 countries, to its final destination in Glasgow, Scotland, for the Opening Ceremonies of the XX Commonwealth Games on which began July 23, 2014.

Lynda Turnbull, Hawick, Scotland was among those to carry the Baton. She was selected because of a nomination from her daughter, Kerry Turnbull.

Kerry nominated her mother to carry out



this duty because of Lynda's over 40 year career as a teacher of children with learning difficulties.

She says, "As a daughter, I have never been more proud of you. You deserved this honour."

With many thanks to the Clan Turnbull publication, *The Bullseye*.

The Clan Colquhoun Society in North America
is now...

The Clan Colquhoun International Society

<http://www.clancolquhoun.com>



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Allied Families and Septs of

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Colquhoun, Calhoun, Cowan,
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Clan Blair Society

Memberships are cordially invited for Blair
descendants and other interested parties.



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The staff and friends of Rural Hill, Home of the Loch Norman Highland Games are excited to share the birth announcement of Davis Michael.

He is the son of our very own Event Director, Lauren Petervary and her husband, Chris.!

Davis Michael was born November 21, weighing 7.9 lbs and was 20.25".

Congratulations to Lauren and Chris, and welcome baby Davis!!



Happy New Year 2015

Here's to a bright New Year
And a fond farewell to the old;
Here's to the things that are yet to come
And to the memories that we hold!

With love from Alastair, John
and Tom and Beth

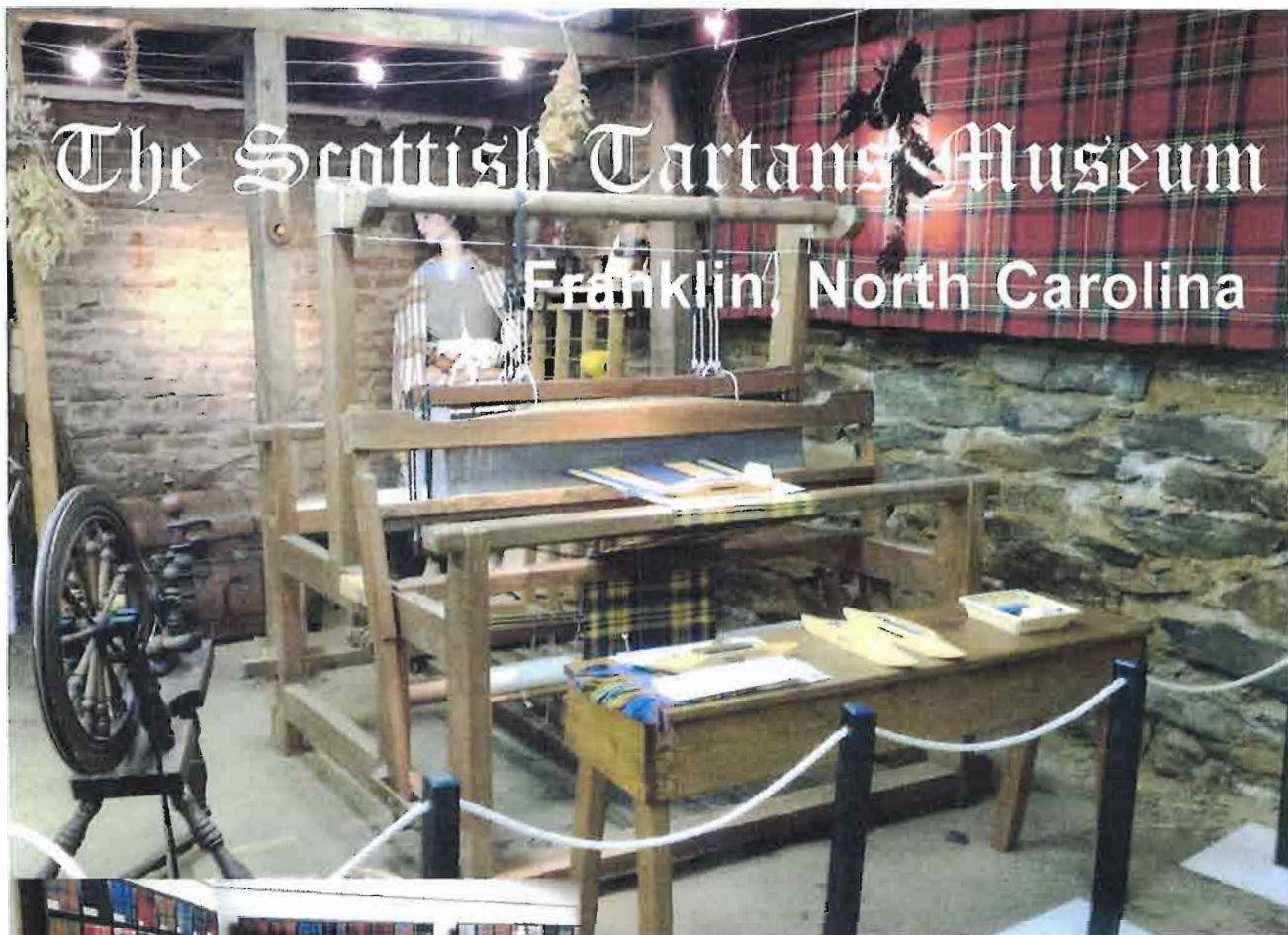
With many thanks to the St. Andrews Cross from the Tallahassee St. Andrews Society for the wonderful Scottish graphic above.

The new American College of Heraldry address is:

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Web: www.americancollegeofheraldry.org





The Scottish Tartans Museum & Heritage Center is located in downtown Franklin, North Carolina.

This tartans museum is a non profit organization operated by a Board of Directors and the only tartan museum in the United States.

Our museum is located downstairs which shows the evolution of the kilt and the history of tartan.

Our gift shop, which supports the operation of

our museum, is located upstairs and our volunteers are trained to look up surnames and provide customers with a bit of history and what tartan their family should wear.

We offer our gift shop online and brick and mortar. Here you can order custom made kilts, ladies kilted skirts, sashes, scarves, neckties, fabric by the swatch or by the yard, kilt hose and all quality accessories to accent your highland wear.

Admission is \$2.00 per adult and \$1.00 for Children 6-12.

We are open Monday through Saturday 10-5 pm (Winter hours are 11 AM until 4 PM) It is always a good idea to call first if you are planning a trip to our quaint wee mountain town because we might have snow and ice.

Visit our website and learn some history as well

www.scottishtartans.org

Telephone 828-524-7472 or email us tartans@scottishtartans.org

A word from The Scottish Tartans Museum, Franklin, North Carolina

“The museum needs help! Please.”

Jim and Kathie Akins

For those of us who are Scottish, the Scottish Tartans Museum is not a place we are unfamiliar with. Whether we have shopped online, in the store, or visited by phone - we know we can depend on this source for acquiring fine quality goods.

In the past year, lack of walk in traffic, reduction of online sales, made it nearly impossible to keep up with operational expenses.

The museum is supported only by the memberships we receive, the donations, and the sales from our gift shop.

We are a Non-profit and are run by a Board of Directors. Upon the advice of our board, we had to reduce our staff to volunteers only or close our doors.

In July of this year, Jim Akins, Board President and Kathie Akins (wife and former employee for the past ten years) volunteered to keep the gift shop and museum open daily, without pay.

The financial situation was dire at the time and many orders had not been able to be processed. Since Jim and Kathie have a deep passion for the museum and the heritage it provides to people all over the world, they took on the huge task of running the gift shop, ordering merchandise, paying bills, seeking grants, going before town boards, to save the museum.

Along with the help of former volunteer Daniel

Williamson, things began to look better. Daniel shares the same passion and is an encyclopedia of Scottish history at his young age.

Daniel's love of the Scottish artifacts is clearly evident. By his suggestion, all of our artifacts are being carefully re-evaluated and stored in proper containers and handled as museum artifacts should be handled.

Today we are happy to report that with the enthusiastic help of our special volunteers, Linda Morrow, Merrilee Bourdeaux, Nancy Deeks and Claire Suminski - two fund raisers have been successfully orchestrated bringing in much needed funds with new ideas continuously sprouting for future events.

Their dedication is another reason for our museum prospering in the future. Not only do they coordinate events, they volunteer their time at the museum to help with gift shop sales, research guidance, and any tasks that need to be done around the store.

With the generous gifts from several volunteers many items continue to appear that save us from buying the necessary items needed to clean as well as many of our office supplies.

The Friends of The Scottish Tartans Museum is an organization that many good folks belong to in Macon County. They are supportive of our situation

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Official website of The Clan Keith Society USA, Inc

If you have genealogical ties to the surname Keith (including alternate spellings such as Keeth) or any of Clan Keith's Sept family names, you were born into the Clan Keith!

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The Clan Keith Society would be delighted for you to join us as a member. For more information, please email membershipclankeith@mindspring.com or call 404-539-5222.



Dunnottar Castle, stronghold of the Keiths (near Stonehaven)

Please plan to attend your local Highland Games and, if you see our tent, please come by for a visit. The tent convener will have information about Clan Keith's fascinating history as well as membership information. Membership in the Clan is not expensive but one of the finest investments that you will every make. Hope to see you soon!

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and continue to offer their assistance, monitorial as well as their gifts of items to sell. Our struggle continues daily and now with the winter months ahead, lack of visitors, times will be even harder. Being a tourist town, most all of our visitors have made the museum a destination.

So when they stop traveling, our business is reduced to a few folks a day. With these kinds of sale days, it is

hard to make rent, and utilities and continue in our debt reduction. We continue to ask for your support in the way of donations to us. If you or your clan



would like to suggest ideas for fund raisers, grants, etc - any and all suggestions will be greatly appreciated.

Please support The Scottish Tartans Museum as we are the only one of its kind in the United States. We are not supported financially by Scotland even though we do send much business their way.

So it is to our dedicated supporters that we turn to for help. Your donations are always tax deductible and so very much appreciated.

Our future goals are to bring part of our museum upstairs, reduce the size of our gift shop, and to hire an employee that can relieve us of our daily commitment to the museum. Since July we have worked late, continued to work from home, so that we can provide the best customer service that we can. So many improvements have been made to the operation of the museum these past months as we try to survive but we still have a long road ahead of us.

Thanks again to all of you that have supported us and will continue to support us in the coming years.

Please contact Jim and/or Kathie Akins, The Scottish Tartans Museum, 86 East Main Street, Franklin, NC 28734. Telephone 828-524-7472. On the Internet, go to <tartans@scottishtartans.org>

FREE CLASS CONCERNING DNA & GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH FOR DUMMIES

Saturday, January 17, 2015

Speaker:

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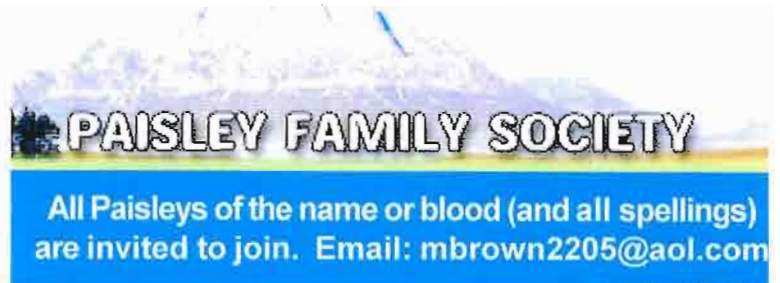
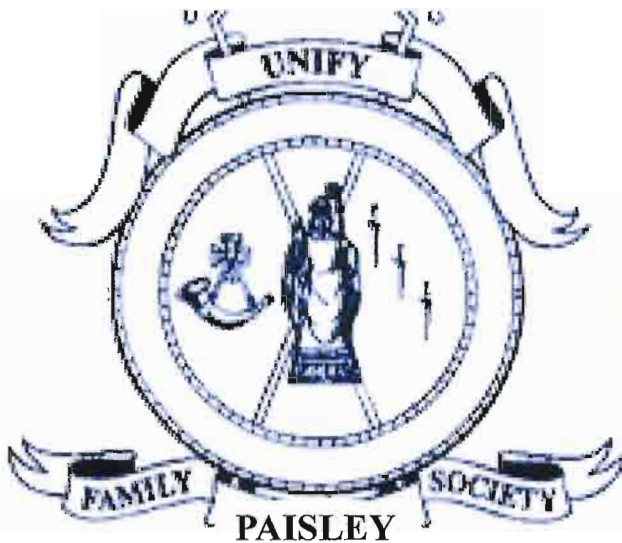
Fort Myers, Florida

**Time: 9:30-12:15pm; South
Building, 1651 Lee Street; Meeting
Rooms A & B**

Lecture is geared towards beginners who have never tested and want to learn the basics behind why DNA testing is becoming popular and accepted supplementary tool within the research process.

The number of people participating in the testing process has continues to increase. The increased participation has opened up many new options and scenarios that may impact personal research for many genealogists.

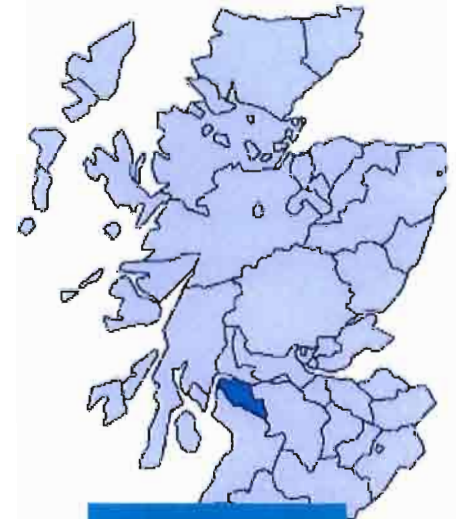
This seminar will prepare you for the more advanced classes taught by our local DNA genealogist, Ms. Kathleen Callanan at a later date.



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 Borgue (Kirkcudbrightshire) in still Gaelic speaking Galloway from 1585.



Check us out here, shown at Sterling in June of 2014!



Email **Martha Brown** at mbrown2205@aol.com for more information

Wanna join the Paisley Family DNA Project?
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The Chiefly Arms of Paisley of Westerlea



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

Are YOU a Henderson? Join Clan Henderson...and participate in all of the Henderson genealogy & lots more!

Steve Henderson, Clan Henderson Genealogist

This is the way that our Henderson genealogical files are set up for genealogy work and storage of our family trees. All the trees that were turned into Horace Lofton or James Henderson were recreated on Ancestry into one huge tree called Henderson Consolidated Family Tree. This tree is ever growing and is marked as private when you are in Ancestry. What does this mean? *This means that you may find the Name and other data matches your search data that you put in, but there will be nothing else but a message that says to contact Steve Henderson for more information.* This is where I have the opportunity to communicate with hopefully a future member.

The Henderson Consolidated Family Tree presently contains over 84,000 people, 134 photos, and 2331 records.

There are also over 43,000 hints and 1700 photo hints to go through. This keeps me fairly busy each day. This Consolidated Tree was sent out to a dedicated group of our members to then divide into single family trees. This resulted in an additional 470 trees being created. I have since added another 100 or so trees for new members and ones not in. What do I need from you? *I need an e-mail to ensure your family is in our Consolidated Tree and a single tree is made for just your family.* Please send e-mail to

hendersongen@bellsouth.net with the following information:

Your name and member number, your parents and grandparents that are Henderson related with when and where born/died. This will allow me to

check that they are in the tree and if not I'll have something to look for. In case that you have no e-mail, you can call me at (904)287-9990. Once your tree is checked or newly made, you should receive from Ancestry an e-mail giving you the link to your tree that I made. They will have you set-up a password for your access and explain how to use it. You should be able to look at all records that I attach and send me comments as to errors that you find. You can also add photos and print what I've put in. You will not be able to do research from

your tree unless you join Ancestry and I change the tree to allow it. I will usually allow you to see living persons on your tree, others looking at the same tree without your permission level will not see them.

For all inquiries please send them to: hendersongen@bellsouth.net with the subject filled in to make it easier on me.

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THE CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY

'S Rìoghal Mo Dhream!

Royal is my Race!

Fàilte! The Clan Gregor Society is a growing organisation with membership throughout the world. It's most active objectives are to extend the links of kinship and friendship between MacGregors, wherever they may be, and to provide a focal point for all members of the Clan and interested visitors who wish to learn more of our noble past.

Sir Malcolm MacGregor of MacGregor

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The Armstrong Clan Society was organized on October 8, 1981 and is incorporated in the State of Georgia, USA. The Society is recognized as a Section 501 (c) (3) not for profit organization and exempt from United States Federal Income Taxes. On September 24, 1984, the Lord Lyon, King of Arms in Scotland, granted warrant to the Lyon Clerk to matriculate in the Public Register of All Arms and Bearings in Scotland in the name of the Armstrong Clan Society, Inc., the Coat of Arms in the upper left corner of this page. Our motto "Semper Invictus" can be translated as "Always Unconquered."

Objectives of the Armstrong Clan Society

1. To seek friendship and unity among all Armstrongs, its septs and associated families.
2. To provide for the preservation of all Armstrong artifacts unique to the family.
3. To serve as a genealogical and historical resource for the membership and the general public.
4. To provide news, Armstrong history, items of general interest and genealogy via our newsletter, *The Armstrong Chronicles*.
5. To establish worldwide geographic membership representation.

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All Armstrongs, Croziers, Fairbairns, Grosiers and Nixons (regardless of the spelling and their descendants, are eligible for full membership in The Armstrong Clan Society. In the United States and Canada, dues are \$25 per year or \$45 for two years. All memberships are family memberships which includes two adults and all minor children. In all other countries, dues are \$35 per year. All dues are payable in US funds.

For a membership application, email Peter Armstrong at peter.armstrong1.3@gmail.com or download from <http://www.armstrong.org/membership.htm>. Note: "spouse" on the application includes: spouse, domestic partner or any other adult living at the same address.



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The Scotland-UN Committee was active from July 1979 till being wound up in mid 2007, a period of 28 years, with its peak activity leading up to the reconstitution of the Scottish Parliament and Government in 1999.

The Committee played a leading and very decisive role in the devolution process, since it was not only the source of some of the more revolutionary ideas on the Scottish political structure, but principally because its incisive international diplomatic campaign was what finally brought about action on the restoration of democratic government in Scotland, and also Wales.

In terms of results achieved Scotland-UN is unique in the history of the Scottish home rule movement over the past 300 years. It is not practicable to list the entire range of

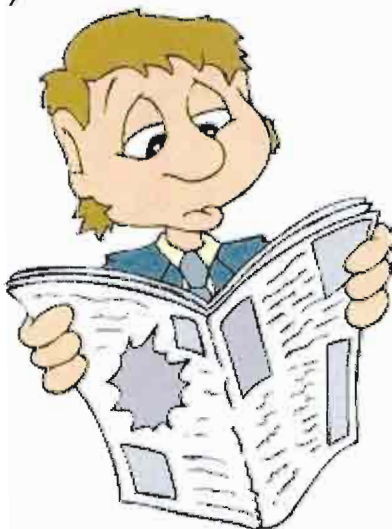
material covering the 18 years of its main activity, much of which is repetitive, and most of its verbal diplomatic negotiations are unrecorded, but the cross-section presented on this site gives a rounded picture of its activities, ideas, and contribution to the future government of Scotland.

See <http://www.electricscotland.com/independence/scotlandun.htm> for the complete story.

In particular the Introduction file at <http://www.electricscotland.com/independence/intro.pdf> could well be printed out in your publication.

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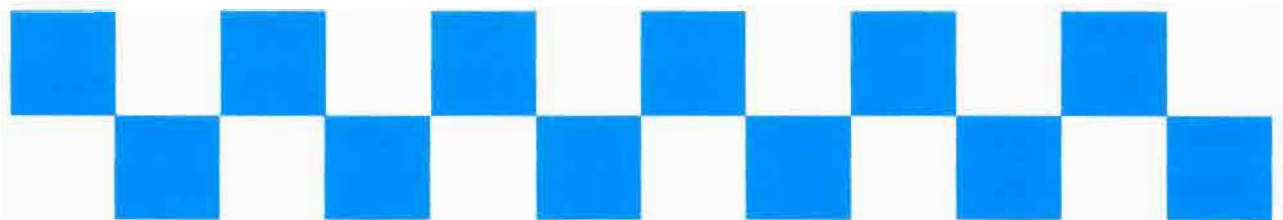
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Starz's *Outlander* has been renewed for season 2, the premium cabler says

The second season will comprise at least 13 episodes and will be based on *Dragonfly in Amber*, the second novel in Diana Gabaldon's sweeping, eight-book historical series.

The freshman drama has aired its initial 16-episode order so far. The premier then, garnered over 5 million views thanks to a multiplatform rollout.

"The overwhelming support *Outlander* has received from the fans, viewers and critics made the decision for us to go ahead with the second book a very easy one.

Diana Gabaldon has given us years of great drama. With an incredible artist such as Ronald D. Moore at the helm and a cast as spectacular as this, we look forward to continue this spell-binding journey with Claire, Jamie, Frank, Brianna, Roger and everybody over the centuries," said Starz CEO Chris Albrecht in a statement.

Creator Ron Moore said, "I'm thrilled at the prospect of doing another season of this show for Starz. This project has been a labor of love from the very beginning and it's incredibly gratifying to see it succeed with viewers and critics alike."

"Fans of the 'Outlander' books have waited a long time to see this incredible story brought to life on screen, and Ron and his team have delivered a show that exceeds expectations," said Zack Van Amburg, president of programming for Sony Pictures Television. "We look forward to our continued partnership with Starz to present the next



chapter of this epic tale to longtime fans and viewers who are just discovering the series."

Outlander was developed for television by Moore, who serves as executive producer for the series alongside Jim Kohlberg. *Outlander* is produced by Tall Ship Productions, Story Mining and Supply Co. and Left Bank Pictures in association with Sony Pictures Television.



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There was some truth in this characterisation; her novels played fair with the form, she insisted that a good story came first, she was interested in the contrast between middle-class respectability and the brutality of planned violence and her books were well-written, but largely conventional in form and style.

But she was not only a good crime writer. James's novels were also highly realistic (as the golden age novelists, such as Sayers and John Dickson Carr were not), contemporary, and did not shy away from ethical questions or the grief and emotions surrounding death; Kingsley Amis described *The Black Tower* (1975) as "almost Iris Murdoch with murder in it".

Her main protagonist, Adam Dalgliesh, was a professional detective with the Metropolitan Police, and she was at pains to deal with the techniques of real-life police work. Here, PD James had considerable expertise, for her career in the civil service included spells as a senior administrator in both the forensic science and criminal law departments of the Home Office.

Phyllis Dorothy James was born in Oxford, the eldest of the three children of Sidney, a tax inspector, and his wife Dorothy. The family moved to Ludlow on the Welsh border and then to Cambridge, where Phyllis James attended the High School for Girls. During her childhood, she had to cope with the remoteness of her father, and her mother's periods of mental instability. The necessity to grow up quickly was compounded by the need to leave school at 16 in order to earn a living.

She worked in a tax office, and then as an assistant stage manager at Cambridge Festival Theatre, where she met her husband (Ernest) Connor White, a doctor. They were married in 1941 and had two daughters. She was a Red Cross nurse during the Second World War, but her husband's mental health was shattered by his war service with the RAMC,

and he spent prolonged periods in psychiatric hospitals.

Compelled to earn a living, in 1949, Phyllis White moved to London and trained as a medical records administrator, working with psychiatric out-patients herself. She had always thought of herself as a novelist, but the pressure of bringing up her daughters and of forging a career and acquiring qualifications meant that there was little time to write.

At the age of 35, she decided to begin in earnest, rising at 6am to write for two hours before going to work. *Cover Her Face*, her first novel, which introduced Adam Dalgliesh, was published in 1962 and was followed the next year by *A Mind to Murder*.

Her husband died in 1964 and, in 1968, she transferred from the National Health Service to the Home Office's forensic science department. Thereafter, she lived a dual life, writing the Dalgliesh novels in the early morning and, as Mrs White, running the Police Department and, from 1972, the

Criminal Policy Department in Whitehall. After *Unnatural Causes* (1967), she achieved a solid measure of critical and commercial respectability with *Shroud for a Nightingale* (1971) and *An Unsuitable Job for a Woman* (1972), a non-Dalgliesh novel which introduced Cordelia Grey.

Her huge commercial breakthrough, however, came with *Innocent Blood* (1980), another non-series novel, about an adopted girl who discovers her birth parents' murderous background, and which brought PD James £380,000 for the paperback rights, and £145,000 for the film rights. It was more than she had earned at the Home Office in 10 years. "At the beginning of the week I was relatively poor, and at the end I wasn't," she later said.

In 1979, she retired from the civil service.

There then followed a steady stream of books, most of which were adapted for television during the 1980s and 1990s. Besides the 14 Dalgliesh books,

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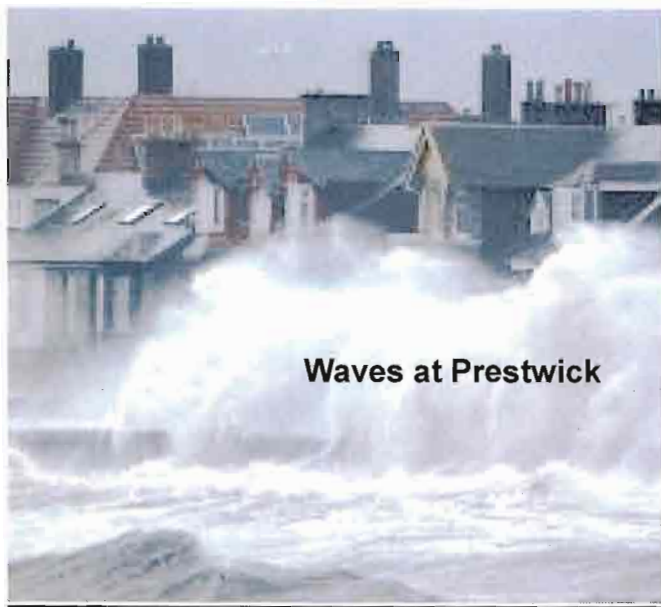
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Scotland suffers “weather bomb” which left thousands without electricity



Waves at Prestwick

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she produced another Cordelia Grey story, *The Skull Beneath the Skin* (1982) and *Death Comes to Pemberley* (2011), a continuation of Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice* with a murder mystery. She also produced an autobiography and a non-fiction analysis of the detective story.

She made one major foray out of crime fiction with *Children of Men* (1992), a near-future science fiction tale of a world in which infertility has become universal. It was not an especially original theme but the film adaptation, in 2006, was a triumph.

After the civil service, PD James had continuing public roles. She was an Associate Fellow at Downing College, Cambridge, in 1986 and a governor of the BBC from 1988 to 1993, and a member of its Council from 1987-88. She served on the Arts Council and the British Council and chaired the Booker Judges in 1987. She was chairman, and later president, of the Society of Authors, a Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature and the Royal Society of the Arts. In 1991, she was created a Tory peer as Baroness James of Holland Park. She received honorary degrees, including from Glasgow.

She is survived by the two daughters she had with her late husband.

Power has been restored to the vast majority of the 31,000 homes that had their supply cut as Scotland was hit by a storm dubbed the "weather bomb".

Energy firm SSE (Scottish energy company) said its engineers had reconnected 28,000 homes by Wednesday with most of the others reconnected overnight.

About 330 properties remain without power and some Cal Mac ferry services have been cancelled.

Snow, ice and flooding is affecting a number of roads across the country.

Snow gates are closed on the A93 between Braemar and Glenshee and also on the A939 between Tomintoul and Cock Bridge while drivers have been reporting "challenging" conditions on the M8 and M74.

Morvern Smith from SSE told BBC Radio's *Good Morning Scotland* programme: "We apologise to everybody that still has not got their power but we are doing everything possible to get them reconnected."

Much of western and northern Scotland was battered by wind and rain on Wednesday.

A wind speed of 144mph was recorded on the remote St Kilda islands, with gusts in excess of 80mph elsewhere.

Met Office amber "be prepared" warnings for the west coast and the Highlands and Islands were downgraded to yellow on Wednesday.

An RNLI crew man who helped rescue a trawler off the coast of Orkney says the waves are "as bad as we've seen it"

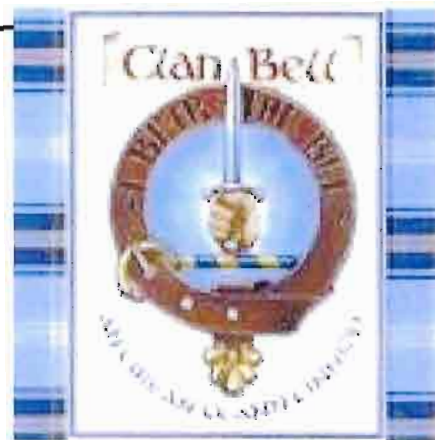
Comhairle nan Eilean Siar (Western Isles Council) said it expected all its offices and public facilities to be open as normal on Thursday, along with many schools which were shut on Wednesday because of the storm.

The Western Isles, Shetland, Orkney and parts of Argyll and Lochaber were among the worst areas affected on Wednesday, as heavy rain, strong winds and lightning strikes left homes without power.

But disruption in much of the rest of the country was not as bad as had been feared.

Clan Bell

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This old West Marche Riding Clan, one of the Border Clans from the early 1100s, were retainers of Clan Douglas and also allied with the best Border families through blood and friendship. Their land holdings were extensive. To survive on the often invaded Borders, they engaged in the "rieving" of the period and participated in many battles against the English.



Declared "unruly" by the Scottish Parliament, many of the Clan were "encouraged" to emigrate to the Ulster Plantation in Northern Ireland after 1610.

After William Bell, called "Redcloak" and Chief of the Clan died in 1627, the chiefship became dormant. Without leadership, the Bells ceased to exist as a viable clan.

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CBNA cordially invites membership inquiries from persons named Bell (all spellings), their descendants and friends. A quarterly newsletter is published. Tents are hosted at major Scottish festivals from coast to coast in the USA.

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