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Help the Atlanta Pipe Band travel to the North American Pipe Band Championships in Ontario, Canada!

The Atlanta Pipe Band has recently celebrated its 45th anniversary as a strong competitive pipe band in the EUSPBA. We are planning this year to travel to Maxville, Ontario to compete in the North America Championships.

The Atlanta Pipe Band is a grade 3 pipe band that is in its 46th year of actively competing in the Scottish arts.

As one of the top bands in the EUSPBA, the APB is planning to compete this year in the North American Championships in Maxville, Ontario - the largest highland games in North America.

With a tradition of fostering education, the band is comprised of a number of young players that need financial assistance to make the journey. It is a tre-Continued on page 19



To help the APB, visit: http://fnd.us/f18TS2?ref=sh_85jST8



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A letter from your editor Newsletter Editor Seminars. Are they needed?

Just last month at Glasgow, Kentucky Highland Games, I did genealogical seminars for them - I think for at least the 23rd or 24th year year. We always have such a good time at these presentations and I always look forward to Glasgow.

This year, we did something a little bit different.

We put in the games program that I would be doing several Newsletter Editor Seminars for editors, prospective editors or for folks who would like to learn a bit about how you put together something such as a Scottish clan newsletter.

I had done seminars for editors many times at the Clan Donald USA Annual Meetings - as at that time, I was national editor of *By Sea By Land*, which was published twice each year.

Besides the national newsletter, at that time, CDUSA had thirteen regions...and each region had its own newsletter, of course, with its own editor, and those regional newsletters published four times each year.

Those seminars were great fun, with many really good questions and a time of creative thinking on everyone's part.

Years ago, I did newsletter editor seminars at Grandfather Mountain as part of The Council of Scottish Clans and Associations programs.

These were also great fun for me and I hope of value to the editors and interested persons who came to participate.

Quite often, I'll have someone write to me either

via email or USPS mail...asking if I can answer a question or if I have ever heard of doing a newsletter in a certain way.

So, the seminars at Glasgow were not new at all to me, but I thought necessary.

The numbers of people who came were

small...but those who did come had important questions to ask.

One lady had never, ever done anything such as a newsletter...and was starting from scratch.

Another gentleman is already working for his clan as editor - but needed advice about layout and headlines.

No matter how active a clan organization is, if they do not have a viable and dependable newsletter, they cannot

function to their full capacity. How can you go to a dinner or games or entertainment or anything if you do not know about it?

You can't.

The social media available today are really good...but, you'd be surprised at the numbers of people who do not participate. (Me, for one. There simply is not time in my life.)

To answer the original question above...Yes, help for newsletter editors is needed. Seminars are not always possible...so, if you have questions about editing and doing a clan publication, just contact me and I'll be happy to assist you. Just email

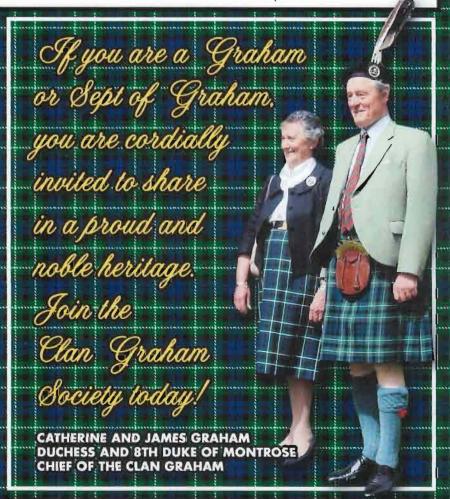
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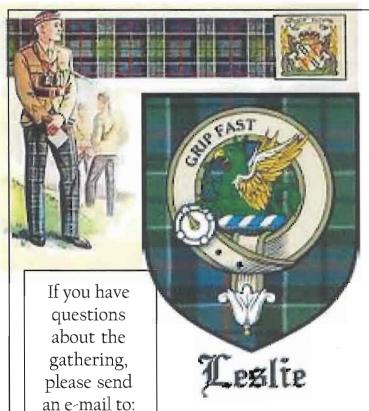
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Our 2016 CLSI Clan Leslie Gathering is fast approaching.

Are you still considering attending?

As of June 22, 133 have registered!

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We need to receive all registrations and payments no later than Friday, July 15th.

We need to know because: T-shirts need to be made, banquet meals at the hotel need to be ordered and prepaid, entrance wrist bands need to be purchased for the Fergus Games gate admission, etc. - so for all of this to be done, we need all registrations by July 15^{th.}

For registration forms and information about our events, please have a look under the events tab at our website http://www.clanlesliesociety.org/

While viewing the event information on the website, please click on "NEW GATHERING UPDATES AS OF JUNE 17, 2016". Many people and organizations are working with us to make this a very special event.

Please note that we are planning a Silent Auction, proceeds to be contributed to the CLSI Library Fund. Do you have Clan Leslie related items that you would like to re-home? If you do, please contact

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The Clan Stewart Society brings us some interesting tidbits from Scotland!

You're Scottish, Harry!

While the character of Harry Potter is certainly English, he was born in an Edinburgh café by author J.K. Rowling. During a period of hard

times in her life, Rowling lived with her sister and brother-in-law in Edinburgh. Her brother owned a café called Nicolson's on Nicolson Street, where she did some of her writing on *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone*. Her brother-in-law no longer owns the place and it is currently a restaurant called *Spoon*.

Smells like Smoke

Edinburgh's nickname, "Auld Reekie," means "Old Smoky". The nickname comes from a time when the buildings burned a lot of coal and wood to keep warm, producing a great amount of smoke that hung over the city.

Legendary Mistake

Famous fictional miser Ebenezer Scrooge was born after Charles Dickens misread the tombstone of Ebenezer Scroggie as saying "Meanman" in the Canongate Kirkyard. What it actually said was "Mealman", in recognition of Scroggie's success as a corn trader.

Thanks to the *Fesse Chequy*, quarterly newsletter of the Clan Stewart Society in America, Inc., Eric King, editor.

Paraprosdokians for this month!

The following are called paraprosdokians. A paraprosdokian is a figure of speech in which the latter part of a sentence is unexpected and oft times very humorous.

- If I had a dollar for every girl that found me unattractive, they'd eventually find me attractive.
- I find it ironic that the colors red, white, and blue stand for freedom, until they're flashing behind you.
- Today a man knocked on my door and asked for a small donation towards the local swimming pool, so I gave him a glass of water.
- Artificial intelligence is no match for natural stupidity.
- I'm great at multi-tasking—I can waste time, pany makes the game Monopoly? be unproductive, and procrastinate all at once.

- If you can smile when things go wrong, you have someone in mind to blame.
 - Take my advice I'm not using it.
- Hospitality is the art of making guests feel like they're at home when you wish they were.
- Behind every great man is a woman rolling her eyes.
 - Ever stop to think and forget to start again?
 - Women spend more time wondering what men are thinking than men spend thinking.
 - He who laughs last thinks slowest.
 - Is it wrong that only one com-

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

The Clan Colquhoun International Society

http://www.clancolquhoun.com



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Mary Jane Alice Sutherland McClellan, Clan Sutherland member, was born September 13, 1917 in Detroit, Michigan, and died June 10, 2016. She was 98 years old. She passed away in Port Charlotte, Florida, but was

from Punta Gorda, Florida.

Mary Jane is preceded in death by her beloved hus-band of 53 years, S. Griffin McClellan, Jr. They spent their early years in the Panama Canal Zone where she worked in security for the Canal Zone during the war years and was active as a Sunday school teacher and Brownie leader.

In 1951, the family moved to the states, settling in New York where she worked as a secretary for many years before retiring to Florida.

A lifelong member of Eastern Star, Mary Jane's family was everything to her and she loved keeping up with all of their adventures. Her grandchildren and great grandchildren loved to hear stories about her parents, siblings, extended family and ancestors.

After her family, came her love for the game of bridge.

She leaves behind two children, Kaye MacDonald and Griffin McClellan; 6 grandchildren, Heather and John MacDonald, Elaine Niemann, Leigh Weed, Mike McClellan and Linda Lane and 11 great-grandchildren.

http://obits.dignitymemorial.com/dignity-memorial/ obituary.aspx?n=Mary+Jane-McClellan&lc=7080&pid=180364980&mid=6974186



IN LOVING MEMORY OF JAMES STEWART MURRY GRAY April 7, 1923 - May 18, 2016

Jim Gray was laid to rest Saturday, June 11, 2016 at the Greenwood Cemetery in Orlando, Florida.

Grant Austin piped the *Flowers of the Forest*, and Mark Austin piped *Amazing Grace*.

Jim's memorial service was held directly after, at the beautiful

Parklake Presbyterian Church, officiated by Pastor David Jones. All of Jim's family and dear friends were in attendance and many of the Scottish community wore their various tartans.

Pastor Jones spoke eloquently and highly of Jim and included some great stories of his personal experiences with him.

Members of Jim's family spoke from their hearts and it was touching and emotional.

The service was beautiful and well done.

Directly after the service everyone gathered at a reception to celebrate Jim's life.

Everyone has a great story about Jim.

Jim was predeceased by his first wife, Eunice B. Gray. He is survived by his loving wife and helpmate, Valerie Austin Gray, the "Queen" of the Scottish community in central Florida in her own right; his children,

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ClanKeith-USA.org

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!

<u>Septs and spellings include:</u> Achindachy - Astine - Aston - Austen - Austin - Cate(s) - Dick - Dickson - Dicson - Dixson - Falconer - Faulkner - Harvey - Harvie - Hackston - Haxton - Hervie - Hervey - Hurrie - Hurry - Keath - Keech - Keeth - Keith - Keyth - Kite - Lum - Lumgair - MacAustin - MacDick - MacDicken - MacDickie - MacDeetch - MacKeeth - MacKeitch - MacKeith - Marshall - Urie - Urry

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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Carol Sorrie, John Gordon Gray, Murray Gray; stepsons, Mark and Grant Austin; 12 grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

Jim Gray was one of the last breed of very rare and stoic men. An inspiration and friend to everyone he ever met. He was a humble man - loving, generous forgiving, truly caring, kind hearted and helpful in every way.

He was a man of integrity and dignity, a mentor to so many and very patriotic. His heart was always with his amazing family and part of his heart always

belonged to Scotland. He was a knight in every sense of the word.

Jim was born in Canada to Scottish parents and was raised in Brecin, Scotland.

As a young man, he joined the Royal Air Force and became a member of the 617 Squadron, the famous "Dam Busters".

Later, Jim served under Louis Mountbatten and the renowned "Bill" Slim as a commando in Southeast Asia Burma Campaign.

After his return to Canada

he fought in Korea as a member of the 1st Bn. Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry (Airborne).

Jim later moved to the United States and served in the U. S. Army Reserve, retiring after 23 years.

Jim also worked for the Florida Department of Transportation and spent much of his personal time helping his charity, Habitat For Humanity.

He was dedicated to the Scottish community.

He was a charter member of the St. Andrew Society of Tallahassee.

Jim was the Resident Drum Major for the Orlando and Tallahassee games and Drum Major of the Day at most other games in the southeast.

Over 40 years ago, he and a few of his friends decided to create the Clan Stewart Society in America, Inc. Jim served as the first president, a position he held for five years. CSSA grew throughout the years

to become one of the largest and highly esteemed clan societies in America today.

In the Southeast we dubbed him "The Pride of the Stewarts"—and that he truly was.

Members who were proud of their Stewart tent set-ups always knew that the *best* tent "decoration" they could ever have was Jim Gray!

Jim volunteered at the Orlando Science Center - The History of Flight Exhibit and was a past president of the Scottish American Society.

Jim Gray was the Drum Major that everyone wanted their picture taken with.

To this day, I believe he was the most photographed drum major in America.

Only six years ago he led out the massed pipes and drums at the Tallahassee games. It was exciting and poignant. Jim has been on the cover or in every game program in the South and the East and even beyond.

Just this year he led out the Stewarts in the Parade of Clans at the Central Florida High-land Games.

Jim was famous for many things, but just to name a few—his rendi-

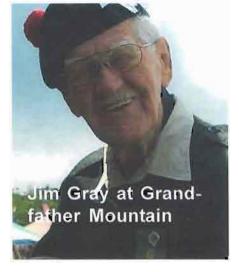
tion of Burns *Address to the Haggis* was so perfected and animated and excellent, it became the standard by which "Haggis Reciters" are rated today.

In an awe-inspiring "Calling of the Clans" ceremony the night before game day at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games in North Carolina, a representative from every clan enters McRae Meadow silently carrying a torch.

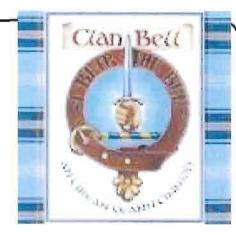
One by one in the darkness each clan representative adds his torch to a pile that combine to become a St. Andrew's Cross in the center of the field.

As each does so he announces his clan's participation in the weekend events. Electrifying is the only way to describe the way Jim Gray did it. Even though you could not see him — all knew who it was. First, in perfect Gaelic and then in English, he would announce

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Clan Bell North America, Inc.





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 Clandied in 1627, the chiefship became dormant. Without leadership, the Bells ceased to exist as a viable clan.

Clan Bell North America is a charitable organization of Scottish descendants and friends of Family/Clan Bell dedicated to the study of Bell Genealogy and Scottish history and the perpetuation of family tradition.

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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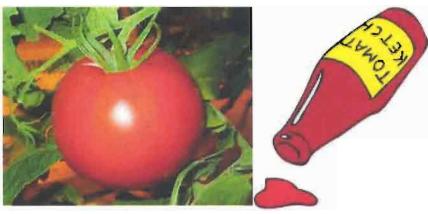
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- I was going to give him a nasty look, but he already had one.
- Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
- I was going to wear my camouflage shirt today, but I couldn't find it.
- If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you.
- If tomatoes are technically a fruit, is ketchup a smoothie?

A William Wallace Wedding at the National Wallace Monument

The National Wallace Monument, in Stirling, played host to a special ceremony this week - the marriage of William Wallace (55) and his wife Sue (51).

Humanist Society Scotland Registered Celebrant Mary Wallace conducted the humanist wedding ceremony to marry the namesake of the Scottish hero, which the National Wallace Monument commemorates, to his long-time love at the crown of the historic Scottish landmark.

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the Stewarts and then welcome all to the games. No one ever did it better!

Many years ago at the Tallahassee Scottish Games, on a beautiful plantation field, Jim Gray led out the massed bands, looking ten feet tall in his bear cap.

On this particular day it was decided that all the clans would parade in front of the massed bands. Everyone was pretty much spread out so it took quite a while for all the clans to march around in front of Jim Gray and his bands.

The clans march in alphabetical order, so the Stewarts are very near the end. Jim is still standing at perfect attention, never flinching, never even appearing to move his eyes right or left. A statue! Just as the

first Stewart passed before Jim however, he gave the most perfect military salute I have ever witnessed, and he held that salute until the very last Stewart passed by. The crowd applauded and loved it. The Stewarts were so proud and carried huge smiles all that day. Jim Gray saluting his clan - a wonderful memory!

CSSA has always been proud of Jim. We honor him, and are very thankful for all he has done throughout the years. We thank his dear family for sharing him with us and we are all honored to have known and shared time with him He will be greatly missed.

Jim's memory and legacy will live on in our hearts. He will not be forgotten.

Always, and today we SALUTE you — James Stewart Murry Gray!

(Submitted by Cathy Stewart Geiger, FSA Scot)



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, 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.

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Genealogy 101 US - Census 1790-1840

Ann McLeod, in Fesse Chequy, publication of the Clan Stewart Society

Exactly what is a census and why can it be of value to you in your search for your family's history? The census is a count and description of the population of a country, state, county, or city. The census lists are also called schedules. Taken every ten years, from 1790 to recently, it provides unique snapshots of the lives of our ancestors. The original records are still maintained by the National Archives and Records Administration and can be viewed at various locations.

including your local libraries as well as many web sites. In addition to the censuses conduct-ed by the federal government, many state censuses have been conducted and can provide additional information.

The name of your relative or ancestor and the state in which he or she lived will get you started searching Census records. You can access this information for the years 1790 through 1940, except for the 1890 census which was destroyed

in a Department of Commerce fire. It should be noted that the US government will not release personally identifiable information about an individual until 72 years after it was collected which explains why you cannot get access to the 1950—2010 Censuses.

What can you find in a census?

Depending upon the year of the census, you can find the following types information: names of family members, their ages at a certain point in time, their state or country of birth, their parents' birthplaces, the year they immigrated, street address, marriage status and years of marriage, occupations, value of their home and personal belongings and the crops that they grew. However, not all of this information is available in every census. Before the 1850 census, only a few of these details were recorded. From 1790-1840, only the name of the head of the household is listed and the number of household members in selected age groups.

Although the 1790 through 1840 Census documents contain less data than the later census docu-

ments, they still contain useful clues that should not be overlooked, such as: year of birth, military service, immigration and naturalization, occupation and economic data. These censuses generally named only the head of household but reported the age of each household member in specific age categories. While this does not give one an exact year of birth, it at least gives a "ballpark" figure that is useful for tracing the head of household from one census to the next and helps to

estimate the composition of the family.

The 1790 Census documented the name of the family head; free white males of 16 years and up; free white males under 16; free white females; slaves; and other free persons. The 1800 census gathered the names of the family head; if white, age and sex; race; and slaves.

In 1810, the Census Bureau gathered the name of the family

head; if white, age and sex; race; and number of slaves. The enumerators were also instructed to obtain information about manufacturing. However, since they were not given specific questions to ask, the information documented varied widely.

In 1820, the census recorded the name of the family head; age; sex; race; foreigners not naturalized; and slaves. They also collected information on the occupational categories of agriculture, commerce and manufacturing. These included the type of business, kinds and quantities of raw materials used, number of persons employed, number and type of machinery, expenditures for capital (equipment) and wages, types and quality of goods produced annually.

The 1820 census reported the number of "foreigners not naturalized" in each household while the 1830 census reported the number of "Aliens—Foreigners not naturalized" in each household. Although the 1830 census did not identify specifically which Continued on page 17



Family History

THE CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY

'S Rioghal Mo Dhream! Royal is my Race!

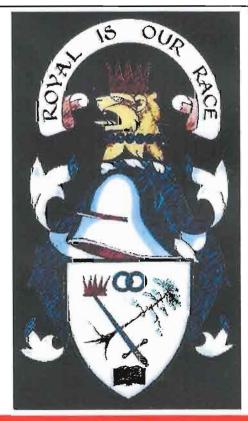
Fàilte! The Clan Gregor Society is a growing organisation with membership throughout the world. It's most active objectives are to extend the links of kinship and friendship between MacGregors, wherever they may be, and to provide a focal point for all members of the Clan and interested visitors who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

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24th Chief of Clan Gregor

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Since 1983, The Scottish Society of Indianapolis has been a place for people to celebrate Scottish heritage, history and culture. The Society is diverse and composed of genealogists, historians, musicians, artists, re-enactors, pipers, dancers and those who simply love and celebrate all things Scottish.



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person or persons in the household were aliens, it should lead us to search for known household members in immigration records, to be alert to clues in other records that point to the suspected immigrant's foreign origins, and to search for possible later naturalization records (although there are few ship passenger lists before January 1, 1820, when the US began requiring such lists to be presented to collectors of customs). The 1820 census also reported the number of persons in each household who were engaged in agriculture and commerce. If household members were engaged in agriculture, we should check for deeds and mortgages in the county recorder's office and for real or personal property tax records. Although not all farmers owned land or livestock it is always worthwhile to check all records for the place where a person is known to have lived.

The 1830 census reported the number of white, slave, and free colored inhabitants. They also gathered information on the deaf, dumb, and blind (segregated by white and black). The also gathered information on foreigners not naturalized.

The 1840 census documented the name of the family head; sex; race; slaves; number of deaf and dumb; number of blind; number of insane and idiotic and whether in public or private charge; number of persons in each family employed in each of six classes of industry and one of occupation; literacy; and the name and exact age of pensioners for Revolutionary or military service.



William, from Glasgow, and Sue, from Liverpool, met over 30 years ago but after going their separate ways they didn't embark on a relationship until the summer of 2012 when they reunited in Liverpool and they haven't looked back since. Now both living in Liverpool, the couple got engaged at the start of 2016, and their choice of the National Wallace Monument as their wedding venue was a natural one.

Speaking about the recent nuptials HSS Registered Celebrant Mary Wallace said: "When Susan and William first contacted me, I was delighted because I'm always very happy to conduct marriages for other members of the Wallace clan! Originally they were looking for a castle in central Scotland, but after exploring a few options, I suggested that there was only really one place to get married given William's name and that was The Wallace Monument in Stirling!

"It's been a real pleasure working with the couple to create a memorable and special day for them and I offer the new Mr. and Mrs. Wallace my warmest congratulations!"

With the setting of stunning views spanning central Scotland and the Highlands to the north The National Wallace Monument has been the chosen location for big romantic gestures such as proposals and intimate wedding ceremonies in the past. However, never before has there been a William Wallace married inside the Monument.

The Families of Clan MacTavish Welcome You to Discover Your Scottish Heritage!

Family names associated with Clan MacTavish:
Cash, Kash, MacCamish, MacCash, MacCavish,
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MacComie, MacComie, MacCosh, MacLaws,
MacElhose, MacLehose, MacTavish, McTavish,
Mactavish, Mactavis, M'Tavish, MacThomas,
Stephens, Stephenson, Stevens, Stevenson, Tavish,
Tawesson, Thom, Thomas, Thomason, Thomasson,
Thompson, Thomson, Tod, and Todd, and all variant
spellings.

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We Are Clan MacTavish!



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mendous opportunity to compete against and hear some of the best bands in North America.

The money raised from this campaign will go directly to offsetting travel costs for the band - primarily airline tickets and accommodations. Please consider making a donation of any size to make this trip a reality so we can continue our pursuit of musical excellence and playing our passion.

The Atlanta Pipe Band is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. Your contributions are tax deductible.

As of June 23, the band has raised \$2,230 or 56% of their goal.

In order to contribute, please visit: http://fnd.us/f18TS2?ref=sh_85jST8





Recollections from past St. Andrew's of Atlanta president, Richard Graham, concerning former St Andrew's Society member **Sandy Murray**, who passed away this past Saturday, June 4th:

Sandy was a member of both the Burns Club and The St. Andrews Society of Atlanta.

He was a proud American and had served as a US Marine.

I imagine he was around 80 years old when he died.

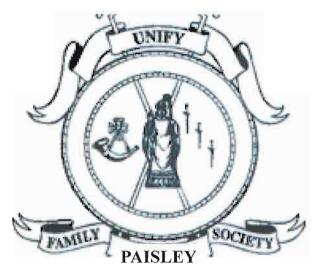
His wife Marie, from Peebles, Scotland, knew "To a Mouse" very well and loved to quote it as well as play the piano at our meetings.

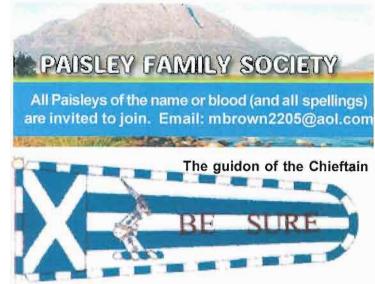
She has not been well for some years now. Sandy was looking after her so we were surprised to hear that he had passed away since we thought his health was good for his age.

When they moved to Scotland some years back [late 80's], Sandy fitted-in very well with the local Burns Club and he even started to learn the Gaelic as a hobby—I'm not sure how far he got with that but I heard that he was keen since some TV programs were spoken completely in the Gaelic language.

Sorry to hear of Sandy passing away and I'm sure he'll be greatly missed by all his friends and Marie's family in Scotland.

Condolences can be sent to Marie Murray at 10 March Street, Peebles, Scot-







The Chiefly Arms of Paisley of Westerlea

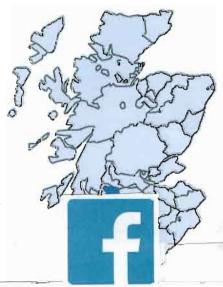
of Westerlea

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

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

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

Separate and quite distinct branches of the family had already developed at Lochwinnoch and Paisley and in the Roxburgshire 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.



WOW! NC's Triad Games, MD's Fairfield, Charleston, SC and Richmond, VA! The Paisley Family Society was busy in 2015. Check our webpage www.paisleyfamilysociety.org.uk to see what we're up to in 2016. Contact Martha Brown at: mbrown2205@aol.com. Paisley DNA project: dlangsto:@yahoo.com>





Zelma Murray McDaniel of Sheffield, AL passed away at Helen Keller Hospital Saturday, June 11, 2016.

Funeral services were held at Purpose Baptist Church in Opelika, Alabama, with burial following at Garden Hills Cemetery.

He was a member of Colbert Heights Baptist Church and his pastor, Rev Seth Hood officiated at his funeral.

Mr. McDaniel was born December 27,1938 in Opelika, AL.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Gaynelle, and his parents, Zelma and Wilma McDaniel, of Opelika.

He is survived by his daughter, Angel Wilson (Bill) of Toronto, Canada and son, Rev. Phillip McDaniel (Kim) of Columbia, MS., and his grandchildren Shona

Battles, Shelby and Patrick McDaniel and great grand-child Chloe Battles as well as his sister, Jean English of Opelika a niece, Dorothy Green Hine (Henry) Conyers, GA and nephew Terry Green (Alisa) Wetumpka.

Mr. McDaniel graduated from Opelika's Clift High School in 1957

and attended Auburn University.

He served in the US Army, ASA on Okinawa, Laos and elsewhere.

He was employed with Dairyland Farms in Opelika and Borden's in Meridian, Mississippi before his retirement from the State of Alabama.

He was very interested in family genealogy and had a great passion for Civil War history.

He was a member of the VFW, American Le-

gion. He was a very proud member of Clan Donald, USA Mid South Region. He belonged to many other organizations, as well.

Mr. McDaniel's children, grandchildren and great grandchild were the love of his life. He never met a stranger and loved people and was loved by many.

He will be greatly missed by his family and many friends.

Murray was a sweet friend of your editor's for many, many years. He and his beloved Great Dane, Beddie Boy, enjoyed life as few ever do. Beddie Boy passed away several years ago.

Mrs. Marietta Baird Forrester of Piney Flats, Tennessee, made her journey to the Great Beyond on Sunday, December 20, 2015.

She was born in Mountain City, Tennessee and was the daughter of the late Byron and Myra Buchanan Baird.

Among those left to cherish her memory are her husband, Bobby Forrester, and son, Jeff Forrester, Webmaster of the Clan Forrester Society.



The editor of the *Corstorphine Journal*, publication of the Clan Forrester Society, Betty Forrester, lost her cousin, **John Hunsley**, of Vandalia, Illinois, recently

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Are Vikings responsible for the Scottish red-hair gene?

Professor Donna Heddle is the director for both the University of the Highlands and Islands' Centre for Nordic Studies. She is a leading expert on the Norse and has reached the conclusion that Scotland's famous red hair is a vestige from the invading Vikings. If the compelling case which Heddle makes is true, it means the Vikings were very successful at spreading their DNA in this Northern kingdom.

Heddle explains that the perception that the invading Vikings were blond is a myth. The Vikings were likely red headed. Relatively few people in the world have red hair. Statistics are that only 0.6% of the population have that hair color. However, countries with the highest concentrations of red hair are all part of ancient Viking trading routes. Scandinavia, though long stereotyped for a high number of blonds, has a high concentration of red haired people.

"The perception that the Norse were blond is nothing more than a prevalent myth," she said. "Genetically speaking, the chances of them having blond hair weren't that likely. The chances are that they would have had red hair. Interestingly, if you look at Rilt D'
the Jfalls
August 27th, 2016

Kilt o' the Falls event is the first of its kind in Great Falls, Montana, featuring kilts, bagpipes and Highland Games.

Three local residents are spearheading a celtic heritage celebration in Great Falls this summer. Organizers Tim Stoddard, Paul Skinner and Nancy Knapp decided to bring a festival to Great Falls after participating in several similar events in other cities.

"We felt there was a need to have a festival in Great Falls," said Stoddard. "It is a central location and Montana has many people with Scottish or Irish heritage."

The Kilt o' the Falls Celtic Festival will be held Saturday, Aug. 27 at the Scottish Rite grounds (1304 13th Street South) in Great Falls. The free, one-day event will celebrate the culture of the Celtic nations with Highland games and other heritage displays.

The festival will feature a "black sheep" (unsanctioned) highland games including the caber toss, stone put, Scottish hammer throw, and sheaf toss. Additional entertainment will be announced at a later date.

The group held a traditional Burns night dinner Jan. 23th featuring traditional music and food. Approximately 200 people attended the event, raising more than \$700 to support the festival. Individuals interested in vending or volunteering should visit www.kiltothefalls.com for more information. The deadline to signup is July 16.

For additional information, contact Nikolas Asmussen at kiltothefalls@gmail.com or by phone at (406) 564-6005

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Clan Grant is not just a historical society, it is a living clan whose members consider themselves extended family and kin and who keep their heritage alive through participation in many gatherings and events around the country. Your ancestors are calling you, honor them by joining the society today!

Membership in the Society is open to any person who is lineally descended from the surname "Grant", a recognized Clan Grant sept name, or anyone who is generally interested in or in sympathy with the purposes of the Clan Grant Society.

Membership includes the Quarterly newsletter, "Craigellachie", via email or regular mail. It is also available in the Members Only section of the website.

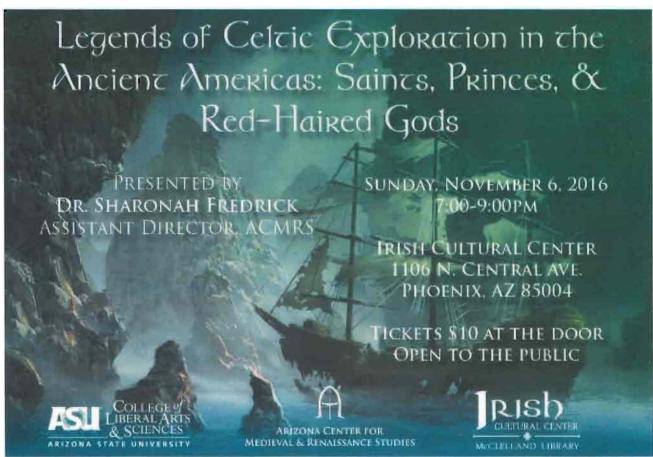
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Stand Fast, Craigellachie!

Craigellachie (pronounced Kra-GEL'-a-key) is Gaelic for "rock of alarm." The Clan Grant motto is "Stand Fast, Craigellachie!" Craigellachie is the hill or mountain behind the modern town of Aviemore. It is also the name of a village situated about thirty miles down the River Spey from Aviemore.





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where red hair occurs in the world you can almost map it to Viking trading routes."

Professor Heddle explains that in Ireland, the red hair concentrations are in the areas where the Vikings settled. She states that an observation of dispersal patterns shows a dark red spot in Scotland and a corresponding spot in Scandinavia. There is nothing similar to be found in Europe which lends further credence that the DNA gene for red hair had to have been imported from the Vikings and the Norse.

On The Web: Expert argues Vikings carried redhead gene to Scotland http://www.scotsman.com/ lifestyle/heritage/expert-argues-vikings-carried-redhead-gene-to-scotland-1-3200177>







Join your extended Turnbull family September 17th and 18th at this year's Annual General Meeting, in Olcott, New York at the Niagara Celtic Heritage Festival and Highland Games.

Our host Chris Nelson and her husband, Tim, welcome us to their beautiful corner of Northeastern USA. Olcott, located on the edge of Lake Ontario, is less than one hour from either Rochester, NY or Buffalo, NY.

In addition, Niagara Falls, NY is also less than an hour away.

The Turnbull Clan will be one of two host clans, sharing the title with Clan Gunn. Among the activities at the games are both a Celtic College and a Living

History section, where you can learn more about Scotland's history.

Other events include Highland Games competition, a Kid's Corner, and a 5K run.

The American Rogues, Kindred, Step in Time and Tom Callahan are among the many entertainers.

There will be many food vendors serving your Scottish favorites.

For more information and a list of places to stay, visit the website http://www.niagaraceltic.com

In addition to the AGM, Turnbull Clan will participate in the Clan Torch Opening Ceremonies, and gather together with an All Clan Dinner on the festival site.

Gowf's early beginnings in Scotland

Gowf, or golf was a game played on the eastern coast of Scotland in the Kingdom of Fife in the 15th century.

The game first used sticks to hit pebbles around natural sand dunes and rabbit runs.

By 1553 the clergy at St. Andrews Cathedral allowed the public to play the game around the grounds of the church.

Formal rules of the game were drafted around 1744 and by 1764 the eighteen hole course was constructed around St. Andrews.

By this time sticks and pebbles had changed to beechwood, apple wood, or iron club heads attached to ash or hazel wood shafts.



Balls were made from tightly pressed bundles of feathers wrapped in a stitched horse hide sack.





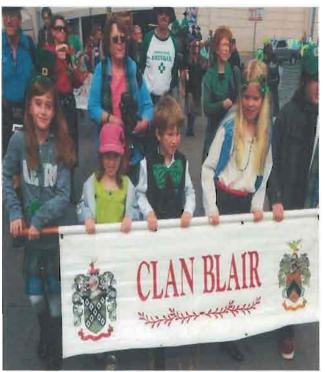




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Left to right: First row: Atia Blair, Cordylia Blair Shryack, Tiernan Blair Galligan, Saoirse Blair Galligan, Quinnlin Blair. Back: Jim Blair, Dyani Blair Galligan, Adoree Blair, Torin Blair, Nick Shryack, Karen Hart [Blair] after the Denver, Colorado St. Patrick's Day Parade.

The Clan Blair Society participates in theSt. Patrick's Parade in Denver, Colorado

Our numbers were smaller but our spirit was mighty as we showed up to march in the Denver St. Patrick's Day parade.

This has become an annual tradition for the Clan Blair Society in Colorado.

Denver has one of the largest St. Patrick's Day parades in the nation. Luckily, we usually are in the first half of the parade!

With thanks to the *Blair Bruidhinn*, publication of the Clan Blair Society. www.clanblair.org>

What about those colorful argyll socks?



Argyle socks have been worn in Scotland since at least the 17th century.

The argyle pattern came from the tartan of the Clan Campbell of Argyle, Scotland.

Argyle, or the pattern of diamonds arranged in a diagonal checkerboard is still a popular choice to wear today, especially among golfers



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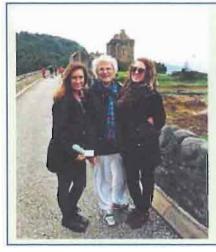
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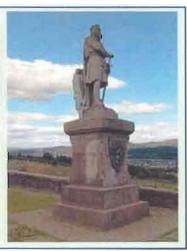
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