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Thieves steal Tudor treasures from Arundel Castle

Thieves have broken into Arundel Castle in southern England, and have stolen gold and silver items worth more than £1 million.

Sussex Police released information about the burglary, which took place on Friday, May 21st. An alarm was sounded at 10.30pm that evening, and within minutes the police arrived on the scene, but the culprit or culprits had gotten away after smashing into a display cabinet and stealing several items.

Some of the stolen goods have great historical significance. These include the Gold Rosary Beads carried by Mary Queen of Scots at her execution in 1587, several coronation cups

given by the Sovereign to the Earl Marshal of the day, and other gold and silver treasures. The rosary is of little intrinsic value as metal, but as piece of the Howard family history and English heritage it is irreplaceable.



“The stolen items have significant monetary value, but as unique artefacts of the Duke of Norfolk’s collection have immeasurably greater and priceless historical importance,” said spokesman for Arundel Castle Trustees. “We therefore urge anyone with information to come forward

to the police to assist them in returning these treasures back where they belong.”

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If you do genealogy - no matter the ethnicity - here are a couple of things you really do need to know!

TAKE CARE OF YOUR GENEALOGY WHEN YOU ARE GONE

During the years I worked for a library in South Georgia, there was not a month that went by that I did not get a phone call from a realtor or someone involved in the disbursement of someone's property. The calls were always about the genealogical materials, papers, books, notebooks, etc., of the person who had passed away.

Most of the time the person calling would say something like, "Mrs./Mr. Jones did not leave anything in their Will about their genealogical materials and their children say to "just throw it away." They are not interested.

I would say, "Our library will take everything. What you have is precious and needs to be saved for other researchers."

Most of the time, the person who called the library would load their car or truck with those genealogical materials and drive them to our library at their own expense.

Whether you are new to genealogy or have worked on your own family history for many years, here is something for you to think about right now. It is important that you discuss what happens to all of your books and materials and your family tree charts when you are no longer here with your attorney.

This is something that you may have to make changes to fit your particular needs, but, this is a very good beginning.

Here is an example you may wish to use: A Genealogical Codicil to my Last Will & Testament: To my spouse, children or guardian: Upon my demise it is requested that you DO NOT dispose of any or all of my genealogical records, books, files, notebooks or

computer programs for a period of two years.

During this time period, please attempt to identify one or more persons who would be willing to take custody of the said materials and the responsibility of maintaining and continuing the family histories.

In the event you do not find anyone to accept these materials, please contact the various genealogical organizations that I have been a member of and determine if they will accept some parts or all of my genealogical materials.

There are several libraries in the United States who you may contact to see if they would like my books and materials and my research work.

The Allen County Library in Fort Wayne, Indiana is a very good place to start.

Please remember that my genealogical endeavors consumed a great deal of money, time, travel and work.

Signed and dated by: Witnessed and dated by:
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HOW TO SUBMIT A GENEALOGICAL QUERY

A query is a little ad you place everywhere you can think of where genealogists will read it.

How you write the query determines what results you will get from it.

1. Who and what information are you looking for? Are you looking for burial information, where they lived or were born, the names of children or name/s of spouses, etc. Be specific.

2. Approximate dates, if available, are helpful in

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT FOR **CLAN DOUGLAS MEMBERS**

The 2021 General Members Meeting has been postponed until 2022. CDSNA still needs all of us to VOTE to approve the Election/Appointment of the Officer slate for the 2021-2024 term.

As reported in the last newsletter, the Board decided to postpone the face-to-face General Members Meeting (GMM) until the July 2022 Portland Games. However, CDSNA Officers' terms are only 3-year terms per CDSNA By-laws and CDSNA must elect/appoint new Officers for the 2021-2024 term.

Pending an Election/Appointment Approval Vote, our CDSNA Board has submitted these candidates as our CDSNA Officers for the 2021-2024 term*:

President: Tim Tyler
Vice-President: Joe Blaylock
Secretary: Carol Morton-Bianchini
Treasurer: Tom Douglas

*Any Regular Member or Voting Affiliate Member may nominate an alternative candidate for any office. The candidate(s) name(s) must be provided in writing to the Secretary by June 25, 2021 (45 days prior to August 9, 2021).

The Secretary will contact the candidate to verify their agreement to be nominated and certify they are eligible to hold office. Alternative candidates will be pro-

vided in writing to all members by July 9th (30 days prior to August 8th) via an email notice (similar to our newsletter notice and link).

- The VOTING WINDOW WILL OPEN August 8th, 2021 and the WINDOW WILL CLOSE August 14th, 2021.

The voting process will be open to ALL ELIGIBLE CDSNA VOTERS.

- ELIGIBLE VOTERS will receive voting instructions via an email notice (similar to our newsletter notice and link) by August 7th.

- ELIGIBLE CDSNA VOTERS are LIFE Members and ALL ACTIVE (dues paid) REGULAR Members and VOTING AFFILIATE Members of CDSNA.

After the Voting Window has closed, the Secretary will verify that votes have been sent by Eligible Voters of CDSNA. If a voting quorum is met (a total number of votes greater than or equal to 25 verified voting members), the voting results will be determined and published in the SEPTEMBER 2021 issue of *Dubh Ghlase*, the publication of the CDSNA.

If you have any questions or comments, please address them via email to

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Clan Douglas is back at the Games! April 30 - May 2, 2021 in Decatur, Texas!

Matthew Douglas,
Texas Clan Douglas Regent

Aaaand, we're back! After missing 2020, like just about everyone else, the Texas Scottish Festival and Highland Games returned for its 34th annual festival in 2021.

It was a beautiful weekend with some great 'Scottish' weather (cool and slightly rainy).

There were some changes to this year's event, but for the most part we were back to business as usual. By my count, we had 23 clans in attendance, along with a few other organizations, like the Scottish American Military Society.

One of the changes made this year was to the calling of the clans/opening ceremony of the games. Traditionally, it has been done on Friday night, but this year it was moved to 11am on Saturday and done in the middle of the clan village.

I think it was a good change, as it gave many more people a chance to see the clans parading with their tartans and banners. We had the Wise County Veteran's association in attendance, and they brought a working cannon with them. That definitely added some 'loud' to the opening of the festival.

We had plenty of vendors selling all manner of wares, from kilts to clan t-shirts to jewelry, and two stages for music from bands like *Cleghorn*, *The Selkie Girls*, *North Texas Caledonian Pipes and Drums* and many others. And of course, there were Heavy Athletics. Many a caber was tossed this weekend.

All in all, this was a great weekend, and great to get back to having festivals again.



Next year's festival has already been confirmed and will be May 6th-8th, 2022. We will hope to see you there! Matthew Douglas – Texas Regent



If you would like to join Clan Douglas, just contact their secretary, Jim Morton at <DouglasSecretary@cocast.net>



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Clan Douglas Flowers of the Forest

Don Patricio Miguel Kirkpatrick y Mendaro

Arthur Walter (Jay) Campbell

Randall Lee Bartle

Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh

Don Patricio Miguel Kirkpatrick y Mendaro died 4 February 2021. Don (Sir) Patricio Miguel Kirkpatrick y Mendaro, was a Knight of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta and Baron/Laird of Closeburn.

He died peacefully on 4th February 2021. Patricio was the second son of Don Luis Kirkpatrick y O'Donnell and Blanca Mendaro y Romero. He will be sadly missed by his loving wife Maria Jesus de Sepulveda, his step-daughter Maria, his son-in-law Joseph, and by grandchildren Pepe, Sara and Maria. Patricio's ashes will be interred in the family enclosure at Closeburn Churchyard.

[Editor's Note: The lands and castle of Closeburn were sold out of the Kirkpatrick family in 1783. The castle and lands were returned to a Kirkpatrick family when Luis Kirkpatrick y O'Donnell purchased the lands and castle in 1981.]

Arthur Walter (Jay) Campbell, December 16, 1937 - May 6, 2021, passed away peacefully on Thursday May 6, after a long and courageous battle with multiple myeloma. He was surrounded at the end by his family who loved him dearly.

One of six children, Jay was born on December 16, 1937 in Knoxville, TN. He is preceded in death by his parents Estral and Dorothy Clemons, his brothers Darryl Clemons and George Clemons, and his sister Sallie Park.

Jay was married for 49 years to the love of his

life, Mary Ann Campbell. Mary Ann was a single mom with two children when they met, but Jay always loved the boys as his own and they built a life together.

When Mary Ann became ill and had to be placed in long term care, Jay never left her side. Mary Ann's caregivers called him "old faithful" as he stayed with her every day until her passing.

It has often been said that if you couldn't get along with Jay, you couldn't get along with anybody. He was humble, caring, and adventurous, but also rebellious at times. He was a man of many talents, having been offered a band and baseball scholarship to attend college.

Not wanting to leave home and family, he declined both and was drafted into the Army months later, where he served with distinction in both Germany and Korea.

He was passionate in his support of his beloved Tennessee Volunteers, and was an avid golfer, having played both St. Andrews and Pebble Beach. He and Mary Ann also enjoyed participating in many Scottish Games as a member of the Clan Douglas.

Jay is survived by many who loved him, including his sons Scott Tillman and wife Terri, Michael Altman and his wife Cheryl, grandchildren Emily and Joey Tillman, Jeremy and Justin Altman, his brother Lucky Clemons, his sister Nancy Clemons, and a host of nieces and nephews.

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IMPORTANT

This has become known as a signal for “help me” in any situation.



**Please alert your children
and teach them to do this.
Please alert everyone.**

Visit this YouTube video at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ozb1ty5KivE>

With many thanks to Steve Kelley.

Genealogical "Must Knows,"

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narrowing the search - birth, death, marriage, also, last known to be living in or near? Example: Born 1848 in NY, married Sarah Webster 1869. He lived in Grant County 1880. He was not listed as a survivor in his daughter's obituary in 1892.

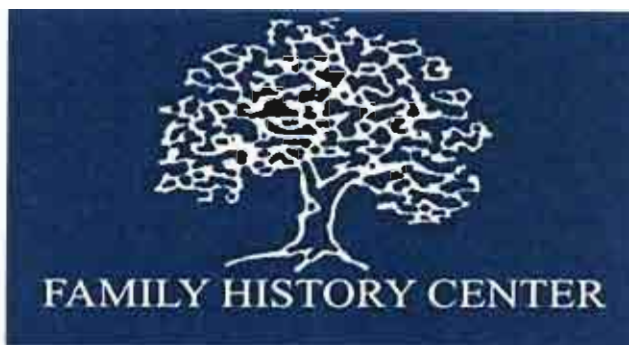
4. Occupation and religion, if known.

5. ALWAYS include a SASE (Self Addressed Stamped envelope) if you are mailing your query. Don't expect a reply without one if you are sending to another individual.

6. Always include information in your query on how you may be located. Include email and phone numbers if you wish. The more information you include, the more likely you are to be successful in learning information on your own lost relative.

If you would like your query printed in these pages, simply send your query to <bethscribble@aol.com> and it will be included in the next *BNFT* publication. There is no charge and no strings. Queries are FREE. Here is an example:

Searching for any information on **JOHN McDONALD**, born 30 October 1774 Edinburgh Parish, Edinburgh, Midlothian, Scotland. He died 1840 in Jefferson County, GA and was buried on the Ogeechee River there. His wife was **MARY "POLLY" ALLIN/ALLEN** 1781 - 1830. His son, (my ancestor) was **JAMES MADISON McDONALD** born August 25 1816 in Jefferson County, GA. He married **MARY CANNON**. Their family settled in Madison, Madison County, Florida. Any information is appreciated. I have quite a bit on this family and am glad to share. **Thank you, bethscribble@aol.com**



Family History Centers to temporarily close

For all Patrons, Temple and Family History Consultants in charge of family history centers:

As you prepare to return to your local family history center, please be aware that limited access collections and partner websites accessible through the Family History Center Portal will be temporarily unavailable because of critical maintenance and updates.

We apologize for this inconvenience and appreciate your patience and understanding. We will let you know when access is reestablished. The Family History Library staff in Salt Lake City, Utah, will have the ability to search limited access collections during this period and can offer patron assistance.

To learn more about this option, patrons should explore the free virtual consultations and free records look-up services.

Please remember that in spite of these temporary closures, the staff at the Family History Library have introduced free virtual consultations and free records look up services. Secondly, the Fort Myers Regional Library is a Family Search Library Affiliate.

This means the patrons who come to our branch and log into Family Search from the link on our genealogy homepage <https://www.leegov.com/library/adults/genealogy>. Feel free to contact Amy Wolfe or myself with any questions.

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Clan Douglas Flowers of the Forest,

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The family would like to especially thank the staff at the Oaks of Towne Lake and Agape Hospice for their genuine love and care of Jay in his final days.

Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh (born Prince Philip of Greece and Denmark), the husband of British monarch Queen Elizabeth II, died 9 April 2021 at the age of 99. The Duke -- who married then-Princess Elizabeth in 1947 - was the longest-serving consort in British history.

Prince Phillip was also a Douglas descendant.

He will be remembered for his charitable work, his dedication to public service and, of course, his mischievous and controversial sense of humor.

Randall Lee Bartle, born 1 June 1947 and died 15 March 2021 was born in Michigan. Randy, son of Leonard and Enola Bartle, died of natural causes in Brunswick, Georgia and went home to be with the Lord on Monday, March 15, 2021, at the age of 73.

He is survived by his wife Jeanette, daughter Tonya, sons Joseph, Darren, and Randy, step-sons Glen and Eric, brother Ed Bartle and sister Cassie Bartle-LaLonde, eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

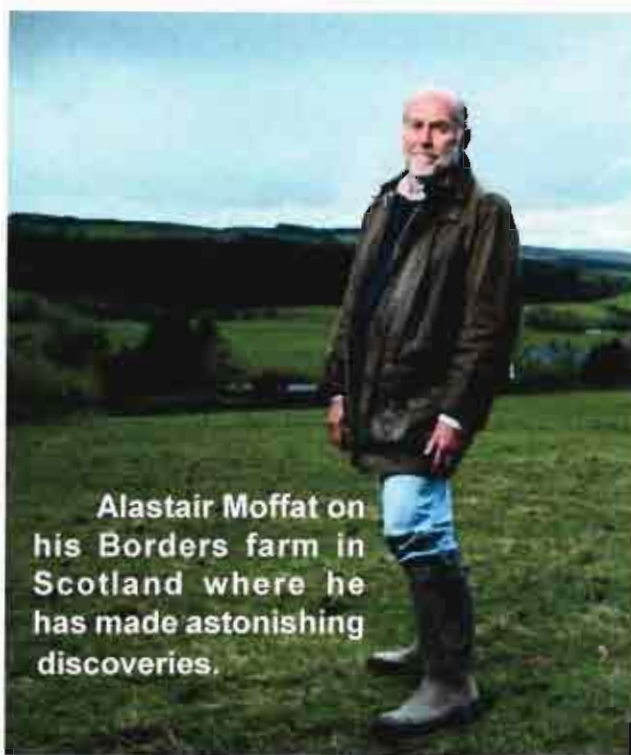
Randy spent most of his young life in Apopka and will be remembered as a great man, brother, husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, uncle and great-uncle.

An adventurer, a creator of wooden treasures, a stranger to no man or woman, he always was willing to help anyone who needed him.

Randy was an Army veteran who served in Vietnam and a former police officer.

He was always ready and willing to serve those in need.

Proud of his children, respected in the Scottish Clan Douglas Society, where he served as Eastern Georgia Regent, Randy was truly loved and will be forever missed.



A world beneath as Borders farmer uncovers treasure trove of ancient artefacts and fascinating, forgotten stories under his doorstep

Sally McDonald

It seemed a road to nowhere but home for Alistair Moffat and his family but beneath their feet lay a highway into the past.

The Long Track on his Borders farm was once a busy medieval thoroughfare travelled by pilgrims, peas-

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ants and soldiers, and the former arts chief turned author has spent years excavating the lives of those who went before him by finding what they left behind.

To the former STV director of programmes and Edinburgh Fringe boss, the track is a "highway for our history, and a route to memory". The award-winning

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A little late, but a Father's Day article from Bryan which has many beautiful ideas of ways to honor your father

Bryan L. Mucahy, MLS

Traditionally, Father's Day usually plays a secondary role to the celebration of Mother's day. For a variety of reasons, fathers have not had the same sentimental appeal that mothers normally have.

The first Father's Day was celebrated on June 19, 1910 in the state of Washington. The official celebration took place in Spokane, Washington at the YMCA and was hosted by Sonora Smart Dodd.

Mrs. Dodd was motivated by the memories of her father William Jackson Smart, a Civil War veteran from Arkansas, who was a single parent and raised his six children there.

The initial reaction to the celebration was marginal at best but support began to manifest itself over the next 58 years. Finally, in June of 1972, Father's Day was designated as a nationwide holiday on the third Sunday in June throughout the United States.

Over the years I have heard many people, both male and female, say in retrospect that it was their father that often built the framework for family life. Fathers often served the role of disciplinarian, the voice of reason, or the problem solver. Their influence often provided a complimentary balance to their mothers. In many cases, the father/child bond was often not recognized or ap-

preciated as they were growing up, but it most certainly has become important now that they have reached adulthood and reminisce.

I am sure most of us can think back to happy recollections and stories from the past that involved your father. Ask yourself how many of these apply in your memories?

1. How about those days and nights when you were playing sports such as baseball, softball, or football and your father worked with you to help with techniques such as throwing a ball or swinging the bat.

2. Think back to when he helped you learn how to ride a bike and was holding onto the back so you would not fall.

3. How about those summer and/or holiday trips to Disney World, or other tourist attractions that were appealing to kids and the entire family.

4. How about those trips to the beach or out in the water where he taught you how

to swim or to the bay where you went fishing and he told you stories about the big one that got away.

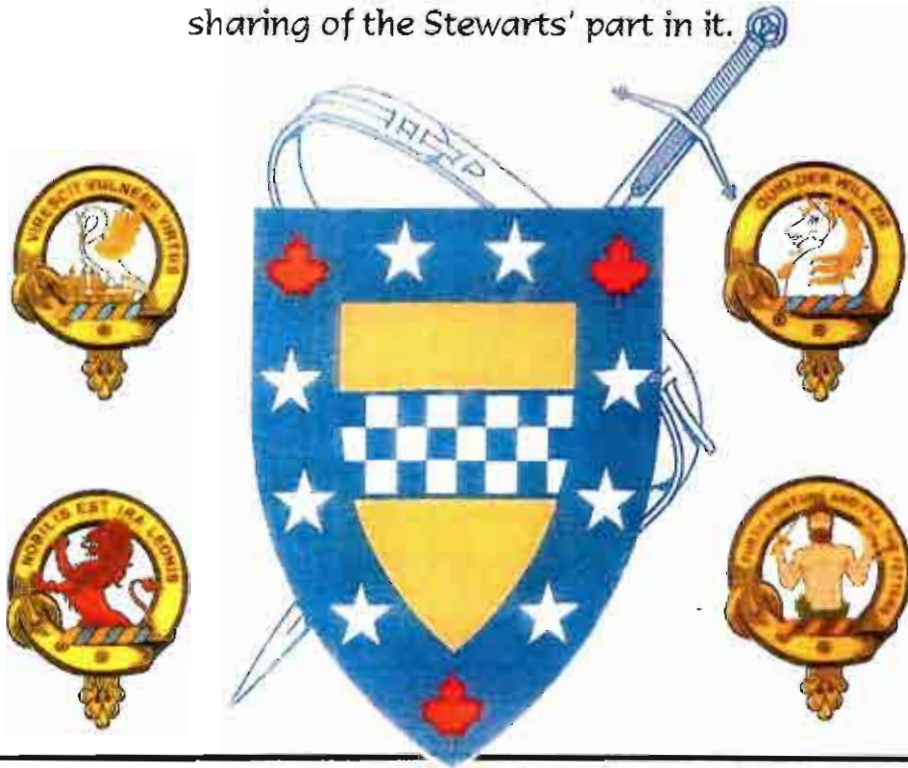
5. How about as you got older? Think back to your dad walking you down the aisle at your wed-

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Clan Stewart Society in America, Inc.

501(c)(3) Not For Profit Organization dedicated to the preservation of Scottish Heritage and History and the sharing of the Stewarts' part in it.



The Stewart dynasty descended from King Robert I's daughter and her husband, Walter the Steward. Despite early unrest and weak government caused by several Stewart kings succeeding as minors, the dynasty flourished for over three centuries.

During this time, Scotland moved forward to become a modern and prosperous nation. Stewart monarchs such as King James IV and VI were Renaissance patrons of artistic, scientific, commercial, religious and political endeavour, sponsoring figures including the poet, Robert Henryson, and humanist, George Buchanan.

Also of significance was the arrival in the mid-sixteenth century of the Reformation movement, bringing about the replacement of Catholic Mary Queen of Scots by her son King James VI.

It was through the Stewart dynasty that the two thrones of England and Scotland - and later the governments - came to be united.

The 'Marriage of the Thistle and the Rose' took place at Stirling Castle in 1503 between King James IV and Princess Margaret Tudor, daughter of King Henry VII of England.

This union of the Scottish and English Royal families eventually led in 1603 to the succession of a Stewart (now with a change of spelling) to the throne of England.

CSSA is represented at approximately 40 Scottish/Celtic events around the country each year. We are always looking for folks with our passion to volunteer to start more.

We also have a presence on the Internet with a website, <clansstewart.org> (official) and a Facebook page listed as *Clan Stewart Society in America* (unofficial).

Though we have maintained our low annual \$25 membership, we are still able to sponsor trophies for dance, drums and pipes and establish scholarships for institutions providing cultural Scottish curriculums and we also sponsor the competition of a record-holding female athlete.

For CSSA membership information: <clansstewart.org> (You may pay your dues at that site, too.)



A 5000 year old arrowhead found on Alastair's farm.

writer and historian, a former rector of St Andrews University, moved to the farm from the capital in 1994, at that point not realising the seams of history running beneath his feet.

Its land has been occupied since prehistoric times but it wasn't until a dozen years after

he arrived that Moffat stumbled on his first ancient relic – a carved stone dating back 1,500 years. Later, after teaming up with detectorist Rory Low and Walter Elliot, 86 and a font of local knowledge, he began to unearth more treasures, finds that have led him to publish an eye-opening journal. *The Secret History Of Here* takes in a year in the life of the holding and all the years and all the lives that were there before.

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Bryan L. Mulcahy, *continued from page 15*

ding, helping you buy your first car, or supporting you financially and/or emotionally when purchasing your first house or holding their grandchildren.

I hope all of you will try to take some time and honor your father in some way this year. Even if he is deceased, there are ways you can help celebrate his memory. I have listed some brief ideas below.

1. Send them a card and call them if you are unable to visit them in person.

2. Order a nice framed picture of your father. This picture could feature any of the following themes:

- a. As a youngster or graduating from high school or college or both
- b. With his children and grandchildren
- c. Accepting a prestigious award

3. If he was a home movie buff, have those old films digitized and present them as a gift.

4. If your father is proud of his military service and/or has an interest in history, consider purchasing a coffee table book or well-illustrated historical book on a topic of interest.

5. If you are involved in genealogical research, consider putting together some of the items you have found in a nice album or have the items digitized onto a CD, DVD, or Blue Ray disc. Items of this nature could include:

- a. Copies of official documents or certificates
- b. Pictures of family members
- c. Timelines of major events in family history
- d. Wedding or school photographs

If your father is deceased, here are some proven activities that will provide comfort and honor his memory. If some tears occur on your part, that is nothing to be ashamed about.

1. Write a letter. Talk about your emotions, memories of your father, things you would like to say to him if you were given one final chance for a few minutes or an hour.

2. Visit his grave. Plan a visit and bring something to commemorate the occasion. Examples would include, flowers, copy of a memorable photograph, stuffed animal, written letter, etc.

3. Ceremonial tribute. Was there anything your father loved to do? This might include volunteering, fishing, golfing, running marathons or other events for charity, or joining and/or contributing to an organization that was near and dear to his heart. If any of these suggestions are applicable, consider them as a form of tribute.

4. Visit other dads. Just as you are mourning the loss of your father, there are many others going through the same emotional sadness of losing a child or spouse. Plan a visit to a neighbor or facility and spend time with fathers that might otherwise celebrate the day by themselves in isolation.

5. Offer support to children that have lost their fathers. While we as adults may have a better understanding of the inevitable process, children may not have the ability to cope with this trauma. Help them talk through their memories, help them with photograph albums, and listen to their stories and grief. Listening can often make a big difference in their lives.

The man in the picture was my father Lawrence Robert Mulcahy. He was a very underappreciated man. Feel free to contact me with any comments or questions.

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MacArthur, McArthur or similar
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We welcome new members who are of "Arthur" decent or those interested in our clan who are prepared to be loyal to our Chief. Membership includes a quarterly magazine which is full of stories about the Clan around the world, articles on current events, ancestry & history. Members also receive ongoing newsletters & updates on local happenings within their community.

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Chief John Alexander MacArthur of that Ilk

Reliving how his search for “the ghosts of the past” began, Kelso-born Moffat said: “The first discovery was the stone, about the size of a square football. I hadn’t noticed it before. I picked it up and I immediately knew what it was; it was a million-to-one chance that it would be somebody who would recognise it.”

The stone was the top of a pillar on part of which the historian recognised two letters in the Old Irish language of Ogham. He contacted an academic at Glasgow University who immediately drove to the farm to validate his find which now sits in the National Museum of Scotland.

Moffat, the former chairman of STV who as director of the Fringe helped make it one of the most successful arts festivals in the world, revealed: “The Ogham stone is 5th or 6th Century, about 1,500 years old. You find them in Galloway, the Hebrides, in Ireland and some in Wales, but one had never been found as far east as this. At that moment, I thought ‘this place is old’.”

Despite the significance of his discovery, he went back to his busy routine of fixing fences, fertilising fields and chopping wood. However, everything was to change with the arrival in 2016 of his West Highland Terrier Maidie at the farmstead Moffat shares with his horse-breeder wife Lindsay, son Adam, daughter-in-law Kim, and their daughter Grace, five, sister to baby Hannah whom the family tragically lost to stillbirth in 2015.

Moffat, who also has two grown-up daughters, Helen and Beth, said: “It wasn’t until I got my little Maidie that I started walking and looking around properly.”

His interest was further piqued when he joined forces with detectorist Rory. Moffat said: “He began finding things that amazed me. In the introduction to the book I write about Edward I’s army marching up the track, which is a fact because he paid his men at Selkirk Castle in July 1301.”

Into the writing Moffat weaved an imaginary Crusader knight. He said: “Rory found a sword pommel, which was attached to the butt end of a crusader’s sword.”

Evidence suggests the owner of the sword was Edward’s companion De Grandison from Savoy in northern Italy.

“It was almost certainly this man whose sword broke and he lost the pommel and 700 years later Rory found it,” said Moffat. Further finds included silver coins from the same period which, he says, “shows the men had been paid. Soldiers played gambling games, probably in the darkness around campfires and they lost them”.

Moffat began to trace a “chronological pattern”. He explained: “By the time we get to the 1500s people start to come on record.” Walter, his friend, was executor and heir to long-deceased Selkirk bakers Walter and Bruce Mason. They had been self-taught historians and archaeologists who had made their own finds on local farms, including the Moffats’, as well as collecting documents.

These were passed to the author who revealed: “Gibbie Hatly was a nearby farmer who left a detailed will in 1547 found by the Mason brothers. In it he leaves a pair of shoes and his best horn-handled stick to somebody called Andrew Fisher because Andrew helped him out of a burn he had fallen into when he was drunk. Stuff like that is just gold.”

And the discoveries just keep on coming. Of the most recent finds, Moffat revealed: “A big part of the farm is the deer park, which was a medieval deer park. The remains of Selkirk Castle are at one end but not on our land although the farm reaches almost right up to the ditch around the castle.

“Rory has been metal detecting for the past few weeks and has found some quite remarkable things. He found a metal tube made out of steel with hand-made pins for pinning up ladies’ dresses inside. On the bottom of the tube is a seal – the woman who owned it would have used it to plunge into wax to seal things.

“One of his best finds was an American Zippo-

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Silver coins from the time of King Edward I. Both of these are from about 1301.



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Arundel Castle theft, continued from page 1

Police are examining a few leads that might be connected to the burglary. Detective Constable Molly O'Malley of Chichester CID said; "If you were in Arundel on Friday evening and saw any suspicious activity around the area of the Castle, please contact us either online or by calling 101, quoting Operation Deuce.

"In addition, the castle only re-opened to visitors on Tuesday 18 May so if you were visiting during the past few days do you on reflection recall anyone behaving at all suspiciously? If you are offered or hear of anyone offering for sale any of the items stolen, we would also like to hear from you."

Arundel Castle was first built in the eleventh century and has been upgraded and changed several times in the Middle Ages and later periods. It is now a major tourist site.

Alastair Moffat, continued from page 19



type cigarette lighter. It was lost in one of the fields and it has the inscription on it 'To Rita from Edek'. On the other side is the Polish army insignia. So this Polish soldier, Edek, gave the lighter to a local

girl, Rita, and she lost it. The Polish Armoured Brigade were stationed in the Borders but went off when Europe was invaded, so did Edek leave Rita forever? We think he did because we tried to find Rita and him and we couldn't."

The author, who has been approached for the film and television rights to his book, muses: "What I discovered fired my imagination and made the small world I inhabit enormous, a place from where I could reach back through time, across millennia, so that I could take the hand of those who lived where we live 8,000 years ago. They saw the same skies I see. They were once me and I am them."



Some of the items were stolen from this display case. Photo courtesy: Sussex Police

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The Atholl Highlanders!

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At the end of every May, Blair Castle in Highland Perthshire plays host to a truly unique event; when the regiment of the Atholl Highlanders parades
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Atholl Brose whisky liqueur recipe!

Ingredients:

- One bottle of Scotch whisky (A decent blend will do)
- (Optional) 1/2 Pint of double cream
- 450g of clear Scottish honey
- One handful of fine ground oatmeal

Pick whichever whisky takes your fancy but a decent blend will work just as well as a good malt. We recommend that you perhaps don't use a peaty whisky as this can detract from the sweet flavour.

Atholl Brose also works well as a dessert just add raspberries and drizzle over a nice ice cream.

Step 1: Combine the oatmeal and whisky in a shallow container. Cover with linen and leave in a cool place for several hours or overnight.

Step 2: Remove the liquids from your oatmeal and whisky mixture. Use linen or a spoon and strainer to squeeze every last drop of whisky out of the oatmeal solids. Discard the oats.

Step 3: This step is optional, some more traditional recipes don't use cream, while others even recommend mixing the cream with egg whites. This step can be used or left out as per your preference. Add cream and stir.

Step 4: Gently whisk in honey, until dissolved.

Step 5: Stir the final mixture well (according to tradition, this should be done with a silver spoon). Pour the brose into a bottle for storage.

Step 6: Store bottle in the fridge for up to a week, Atholl Brose is at its best when given a few days to mature, however it tastes great freshly made too.

Step 7: Serve chilled from the fridge or over ice. Enjoy!

With many thanks to Fesse Chequy, the publication of the Clan Stewart Society!



The Atholl Highlanders, *continued from page 21*

and is reviewed by their colonel, the Duke of Atholl.

This is no ordinary regiment however, as it has the distinction of being the only private regiment in Europe. Bedecked in kilts and plaid of the Murray of Atholl tartan and bearing Lee-Metford rifles, the officers, rank and pipe band gather in front of the 700 year old castle and take the salute from the duke.

It is a simple gesture, but one that takes us back hundreds of years and a continuity in the relationship between the great chief and the men of Athol.

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This cat was not found by our team, but instead was caught on camera by a local family, Dave Smith and his daughter, Erin Smith.

They both have a very keen interest in the wildcat and have been camera trapping on their local patch.

We of course won't reveal where this is for obvious reasons. Dave tells us that he positions the camera and his daughter Erin, lays the mackerel filet bait, so it's a real team effort.

What an incredible result? Dave and Erin now have more cameras and are going to try and get a glimpse of any other wildcats in the area.

That is hugely important work.

This is why we have so much hope that we can save the wildcat in the wild where it belongs, because we can work closely with local people like Dave and Erin and build up a picture of wildcat distribution.

We can only protect them when we know where they are, so this is an incredibly important find in a new area for us.

Remember, according to the Scottish Government, the best way forward would be to capture and cage this cat, rather than protect it in the wild. They are currently spending 5 million pounds on a captive



breeding programme and the really sad thing is, that the captive population by their own admission, is heavily hybridised. They have nothing in their programmes that looks anything like as impressive as the cat here. Finds like this prove that the Scottish wildcat is still out there in the wild and we will continue our work with the help of people like Dave and Erin, to make sure that they remain so.

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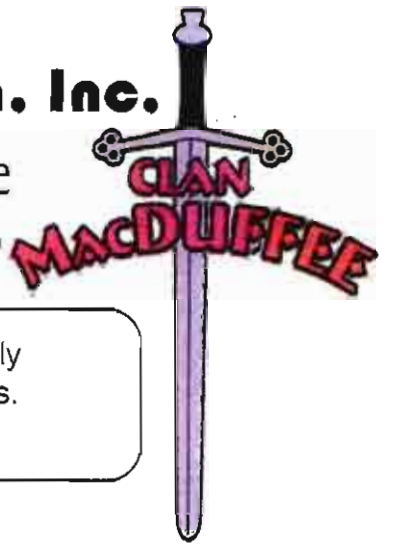
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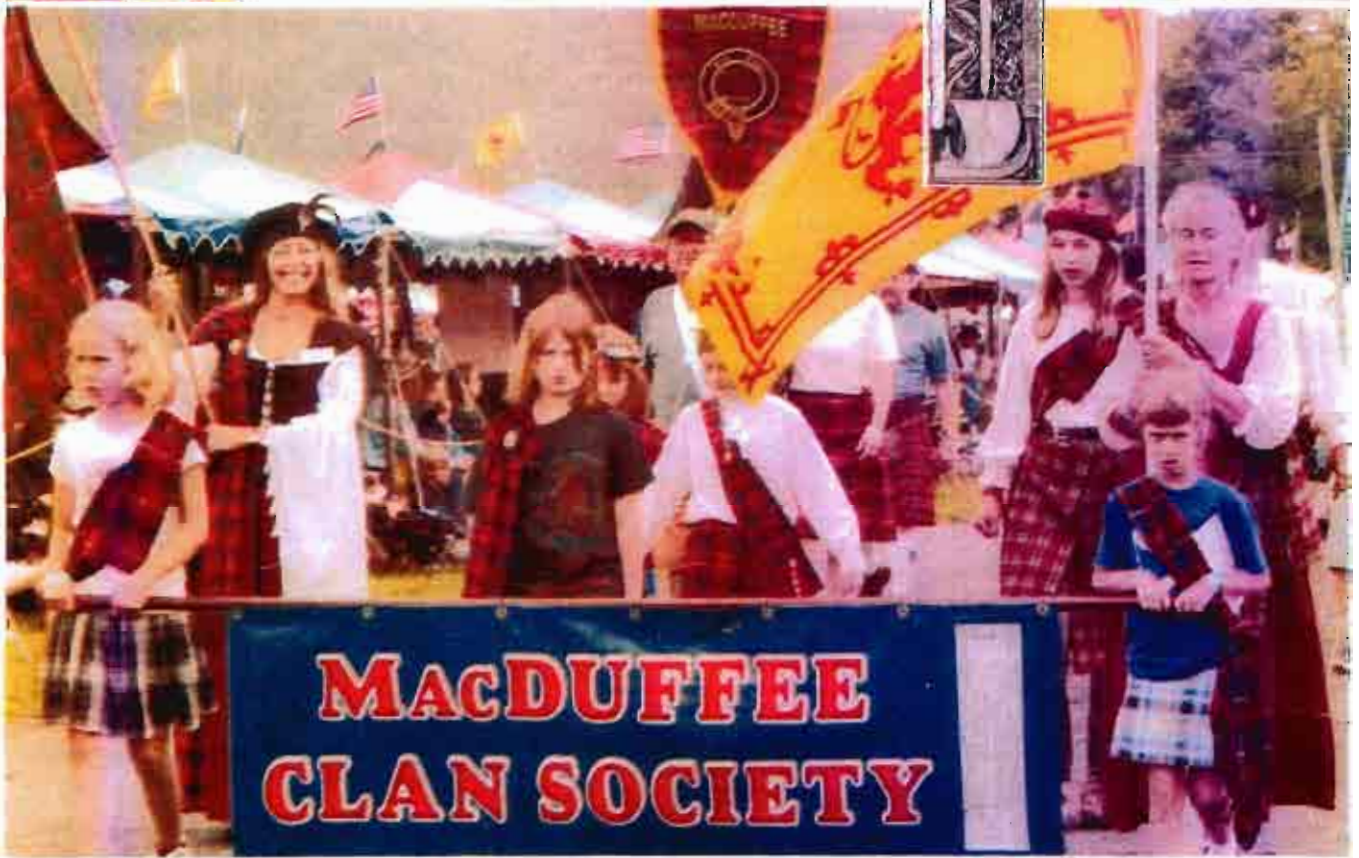
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1. Where there's a will, I want to be in it.
2. Since light travels faster than sound, some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
3. If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.
4. War does not determine who is right - only who is left.
5. Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
6. They begin the evening news with 'Good Evening,' then proceed to tell you why it isn't.
7. To steal ideas from someone is plagiarism. To steal from many is called research.
8. In filling in an application, where it says, 'In case of emergency' - notify: I put 'DOCTOR.'
9. I didn't say it was your fault, I said I was blaming you.
10. Women will never be equal to men until they can walk down the street with a bald head and a beer gut, and still think they look sexy.
11. Behind every successful man is his woman. Behind the fall of a successful man is usually another woman.
12. A clear conscience is the sign of a bad memory.
13. I used to be indecisive. Now I'm not so sure.
14. Nostalgia isn't what it used to be. Nor is there any future in it.
15. Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
16. Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than standing in your garage makes you a car.
17. I am not arguing with you, I am explaining why you are wrong.
18. Finally: I'm supposed to respect my elders, but it's getting harder and harder for me to find one now.



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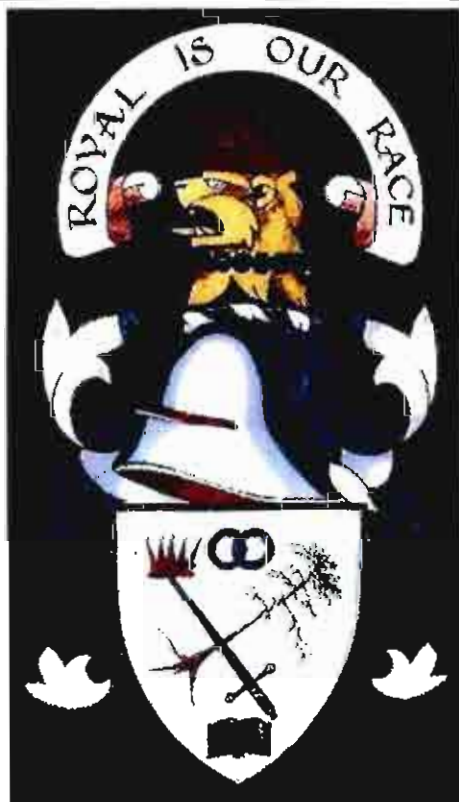
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The 2019-2020 Fulbright-National Library of Scotland Scholar

Dana Van Kooy is Associate Professor of Transnational Literature, Literary Theory and Culture in the Humanities Department at Michigan Technological University.

Dana's research interests include 18th and 19th-century British and American literature, Romantic-period drama, and circum-Atlantic studies.

Her current book project is 'Atlantic Configurations and the Aesthetics of Disappearance'. This project traces the cultural construction and circulation of specific configurations throughout the Atlantic World during this period of European colonial empires and plantation slavery. One of the purposes of this work is to explore the emer-



gence of modern sensibilities about the relationships between land and people. A particular area of interest relates to the represented conditions of freedom and its loss.

She is also concerned with Scottish writers including Henrietta Liston and James Grainger and the mapmaker, James Robertson. Each of these people travelled to the West Indies, offering personal commentary and literary depictions of Caribbean society, plantations, and colonial geography.

Dana's publications include *Shelley's Radical Stages: Performance and Cultural Memory in the Post-Napoleonic Era* (Routledge 2016). She has also written articles published in *Studies in Romanticism*, *Theatre Journal*, and *The Keats-Shelley Review*.

The 2018-2019 Fulbright-National Library of Scotland Scholar

Dr Gregory Baldi is Associate Professor of Political Science at Western Illinois University.

Greg's research focuses on the development of political and social institutions in Western Europe especially the United Kingdom and Germany. His interest in Britain was sparked by a variety of sources, including a youthful exposure to Elizabethan literature, Victorian history, and the first Clash album.

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Greg will be working with Library collections on a project examining the history of the Scottish National Party.

He will also be involved in outreach activities including a public lecture in November on German-US-UK relations at the time of the fall of the Berlin Wall.

The 2016-2017 Fulbright-National Library of Scotland Scholar

Dr Juliet Shields is an Associate Professor in the Department of English at the University of Washington in Seattle.

Juliet specialises in 18th- and 19th-century British and American literature, the history of the novel, transatlanticism, women's writing, and diaspora studies.

Juliet is working on a book tentatively titled *The romance of everyday life: Scottish women's writing, 1815-1939*.

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The 2015-2016 Fulbright-National Library of Scotland Scholar

Dr Kirk McAuley is an Associate Professor in the Department of English at Washington State University at Pullman. Kirk is currently working on a book,

tentatively titled *Invasive species: The economy and ecology of British empire writing*, which aims to increase our understanding of the historical legacy of contemporary ecological crises.



Kirk's research is particularly concerned with texts composed by Scottish authors residing in the Caribbean, Africa, and the south Pacific.

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To contact the Armstrong Clan Society president, **Chris Armstrong** at <chrisarmys@gmail.com>. Ceud Mile Failte (100,000 welcomes) to you!

Glaswegian words, continued from page 35

A less used word these days, which means to push in confidently or dive in recklessly.

14. Yous

A plural form of you, this is often used in Glasgow when speaking to more than one person and is used in place of 'You lot'. "Yous coming over to mine the morra?"

15. Thingmy(jig)

Usually used when someone is struggling to remember the name of a person or thing. "Did I tell you who I saw this morning? Big Thingmy, aw what's his name again."

16. Scratcher

Another name for your bed.

17. Out on the Randan

Usually refers to a big night out, with lots of drinking involved.

18. A poke

This is a Glaswegian word for a paper bag. "You want a wee poke for your chips?"

19. Wee nyaff

A small person or thing that is overly annoying.

20. nae-user



Someone who is no good at any given task.

"I hope I'm no working wae that nae user the night"

21. I was Knotting myself

This means to laugh uproariously at something or someone.

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