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**Happy Birthday to BNFT! With this issue, we're beginning our THIRD year!**





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## Beth and who?

*Rummaging through pictures, I found this and thought you all might get a kick out of it...It was taken not that long ago at a Highland Games in New York...The first Celebration of the Celts if I remember correctly.*

*I did see the owner of the Heeland Coo a few years later and asked how he was...."Hamburger," said the man.*

*Oh my. He was a gentle critter and a great attraction at the games.*





Letter from your editor:

# ***We never know what the future holds, do we?***

## **Something unbelievable....**

Life holds many surprises. I've had my share of unhappy ones - and a few wonderful ones...I'd like to tell you about the happiest one ever!

Tom and I were married 28 May 2009 with my dear friend, Jeri Martin, officiating. The ceremony was held at Jeri's house in Lebanon, Tennessee - on our way to the Glasgow Highland Games near Glasgow, Kentucky.

Jeri's family attended - Drysdale and James Wheaton, Susan and Alex Partyka along a few friends and us.

We were Handfasted June 1 two years ago in what we think was a beautiful, sweet, loving service at the Glasgow Highland Games. We thought we simply could not do anything for this legal ceremony that would compare with that magical day - so, simplicity seemed best.

Tom is Thomas Reginald Freeman, Jr., from Walhalla, South Carolina. To my notion, he is the finest graphic designer and artist anywhere. He is also a marvelous heraldic artist and the kindest, most considerate, sweetest man - a true "gentle-man."

We've been good friends forever...with absolutely no clue that we'd ever be more to each other.

I still have trouble saying m-m-a-a-r-.....but am very, very happy to become Mrs. Tom Freeman!

Speaking of names. I've been Beth Gay since 1972 and that's the way most of my friends and those in the Scottish community know me. So, just to make the transition easier, I'll be Beth Gay-Freeman for a year or so...and then will just drop the middle part.

We'll remain in the Walhalla area. Our plans are to build a new house in the mountains at Long Creek, South Carolina and "Live Happily Ever After."

I'll tell you more about the house as things develop.



*Beth & Tom at their Handfasting in June 1, 2007, Glastow Highland Games.*

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Why didn't someone tell me years ago how happy life could be?

## **Something to think about....**

Rumors can do great harm. If you hear one, please don't repeat it. If you hear one, please ask the person spreading it to stop. Sometimes, rumors simply go out of control and cause great stress and pain and can damage a person's reputation beyond redemption - even though they did nothing.

If you are the target of someone spreading lies and rumors, there's very little you can do except to hold your head high and keep on doing the best you can...all the while, trying to ignore those who are unkind. It's a helpless feeling to know that someone is doing something so reprehensible - and there's nothing more you can do.

If you are one that spreads rumors - think about the serious harm you can do to yourself. Remember that thinking people will eventually figure out that you were spreading tales - and your own reputation will be greatly harmed. You really and truly damage yourself more than anyone else when you perpetuate rumors about others.

## **Something to make a note about...**

Because we're going to build a house, I've put my own house on the market. My new address will be: 102 Lakeside Dr., Walhalla, SC 29691. (It's fine to use the new address now.) My cell phone is the same 864-903-1392 and my email remains bethscribble@aol.com

The cats - Narra The Wonder Cat, Peggie Hairry,

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## Canadian Leslie's be sure and read this!

My branch of the LESLIE family has lived in Nova Scotia for the last 250+ years. In the late 1800s one of the family moved to southern Saskatchewan leaving a few adult children there, continued on to British Columbia. Descendants of this fellow and his children migrated into the American Pacific states. If you by chance are descended from Leslie's from Canada, can you help me add on to the family tree? Thanks for any help you can give. Contact Peter J. Leslie, Halifax, Nova Scotia at pleslie@justice.gc.ca

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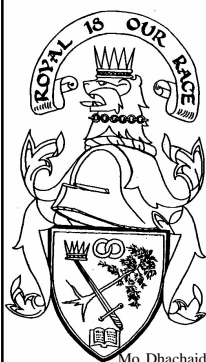
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### Letter from your editor, continued from page 3

Sylvester Highway and Bicket - are already in residence at Tom's. Ruby Lou Begonia (my mare) has been at my friend, Jeff Marcingill's, house since my hip surgery. The outside cats will be corralled shortly and will make the move to luxurious "apartments" upstairs in the concrete floored and enclosed garage. So, we're all happy as can be as we begin a wonderful, happy and joyous time in our lives.



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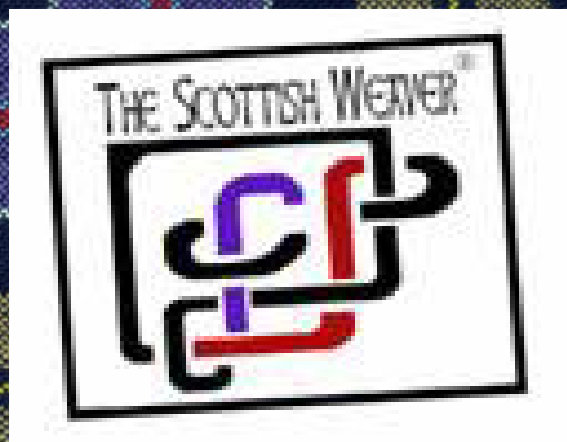


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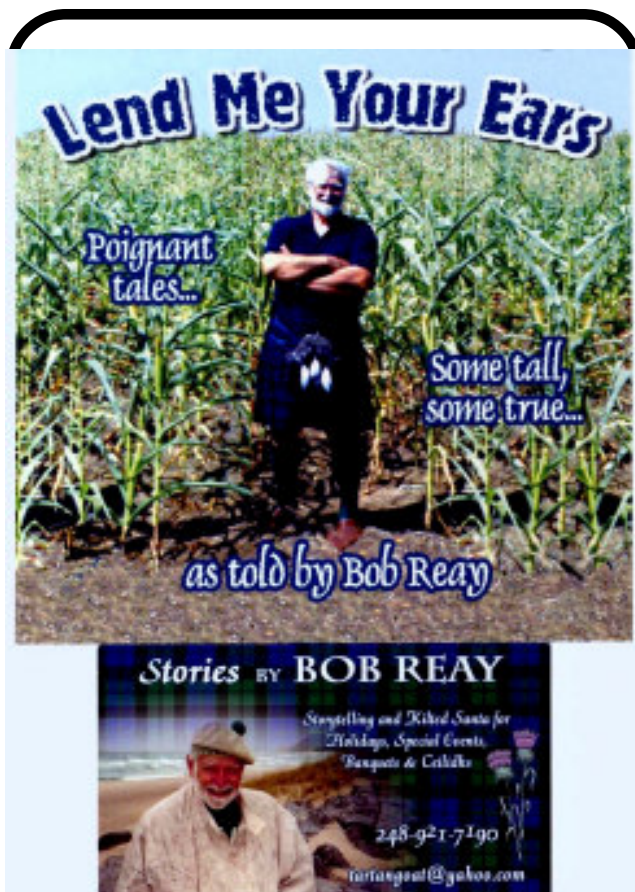
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Bryan Mulcahy - Ft. Myers - Lee County (FL) Reference Librarian

Genealogical research attracts people for a wide variety of reasons. While most become involved as a hobby, others become involved due to legal, medical, professional, or occupational issues.

Regardless of the reason, genealogical research often proves to be a stimulating and addictive pursuit even when roadblocks or brick walls appear.

If you have ever had the fantasy or wish to become a detective, genealogical research will fill the void.

Having said all of this, roadblocks and brick walls are inevitable in all research unless you were fortunate enough to have had wealthy ancestors.

Our ancestors lived in a world where legalisms were minimal in comparison with modern times. Early

record keeping procedures were spotty at best.

One of the best ways to overcome these issues is to join the local genealogical society in your place of residence.

Seasoned and professional genealogists also advise joining the local genealogical society in any locality or jurisdiction where you are actively searching for an ancestor. Many people totally underestimate the

value of these societies until they have spent considerable amounts of time and money trying to do it themselves.

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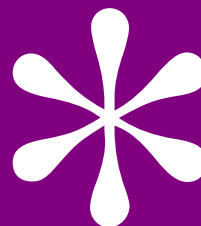
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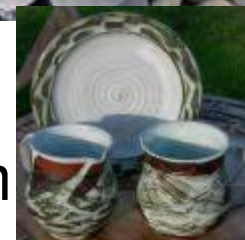
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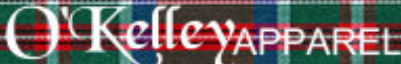


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# Ed Freeman



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Then, over the machine gun noise, you faintly hear that sound of a helicopter, and you look up to see an un-armed Huey, but it doesn't seem real, because no MedEvac markings are on it.

Ed Freeman is coming for you. He's not MedEvac, so it's not his job, but he's flying his Huey down into the machine gun fire, after the Medi-Vacs were ordered not to come.

He's coming anyway. And he drops it in, and sits there in the machine gun fire, as they load 2 or 3 of you on board.

Then he flies you up and out through the gunfire, to the Doctors and Nurses.

And, he kept coming back.... 13 more times..... And took about 30 of you and your buddies out, who would never have gotten out.

Medal of Honor Recipient, Ed Freeman, died last Wednesday at the age of 80, in Boise , ID. May God rest his soul.....Medal of Honor Winner Ed Freeman.

With thanks to my friend, Gene Shy of Glasgow, Kentucky.

## Things it's just fun to know!

Coca-Cola was originally green.

Every day more money is printed for Monopoly than the U.S. Treasury.

Hershey's Kisses are called that because the machine that makes them looks like it's kissing the conveyor belt.

The state with the highest percentage of people who walk to work: Alaska.

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The most commonly used password on computer systems is "password."



## Going to The Gathering this summer?

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## *The birth of Hillbilly Music*

A direct descendant of the traveling tent show was the early hillbilly string band and the musical groups that fell into that category were destined to make the 1920s and 1930s known as "The Golden Age of Hillbilly Music."

Hillbilly records catered specifically to the rural southern whites of Appalachia and the Ozarks during the first few decades of the 20th century. Remember, early hillbilly music consisted of two traditions: that of the semiprofessional string bands and minstrel singers, and that of music created strictly in the home.

It was this latter influence that helped to preserve many of the traditional Scottish and English ballads. The guitar, five-string banjo and the fiddle were the most commonly used instruments in the early records - although mandolin, autoharp and Hawaiian steel guitar were also occasionally employed.

Two forms of hillbilly music evolved during the formative years of the recording industry - country and mountain.

Country stressed individual singing, used more nontraditional instruments and was influenced by both popular and Afro-American music.

The mountain strain relied more on traditional songs and tunes for its repertoire and the material tended to be performed in the customary high-nasal harmony style. Its sound was best characterized by the Carter family, show repertoire included traditional Elizabethan ballads, gospel songs, cowboy ballads, railroad songs, hobo songs, topical songs and sentimental parlor songs.

## *The music called "Bluegrass"*

Probably no aspect of country music is as close to its Celtic roots as bluegrass. Originally confined to the mountain areas of Tennessee, North Carolina, Virginia and Kentucky, bluegrass has reached every corner of the country with new bluegrass bands seemingly forming every day and

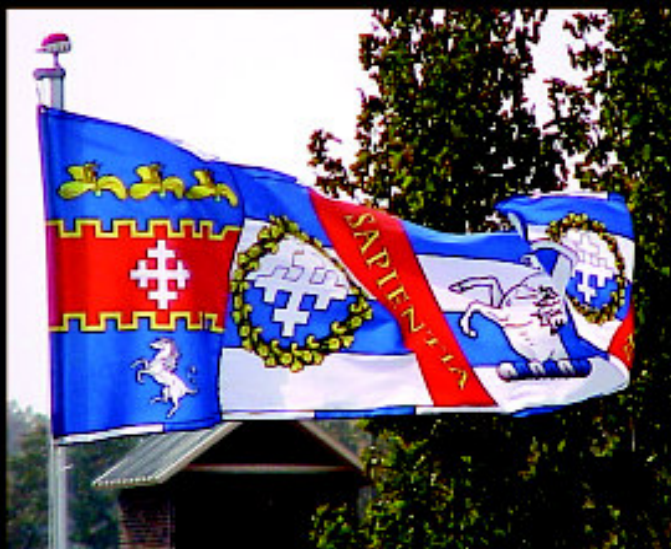
with bluegrass festivals attracting some of the most loyal and devoted fans anywhere. Bluegrass echoes death, tragic love, family and religion. It enjoyed its peak of popularity in the 1950s. Urban professionals and political activists in the 1960s embraced it as the perfect example of authentic American music.

Bluegrass reintroduced a reverence for ancient country styles, songs and tunes. Bluegrass also resur-



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rected the five-string banjo and dobro steel guitar and brought the fiddle back into the limelight at a time when other country musicians seemingly were abandoning it.

Bluegrass has its roots in the mountain string-band sound. Although it emerged in the 1940s - around the same time as honky-tonk - bluegrass was everything that honky-tonk was not. Where honky-tonk celebrated modern living (the rowdier the better), bluegrass looked inward, turning the clock back to a simpler time.

Originally, bluegrass didn't have a name; the term simply referred to the music of one man - Bill Monroe - and to the three-finger banjo style of Earl Scruggs. Monroe's band was known as "The Bluegrass Boys."

William Smith Monroe was born near Rosine in central Kentucky, the eighth and final child of James Buchanan and Melissa Vandiver Monroe. His father owned a 600-acre farm and his family, of Scots heritage, had been a part of the great migration into Appalachia that began in the 18th century.

So Bill, with his frontiersman background - bold, individualistic and hardy - grew up in a tight knit Kentucky community where neighbors knew one another and everyone seemed to be somebody else's cousin!

Because of poor eyesight, young Bill did not participate in typical outdoor boyhood pastimes. Some historians, in fact, believe that this physical impairment helped in the development of his musical ability.

Like the Irish and Scottish harpers of old, many of whom were blind or had other physical ailments, such as Turlough O'Carolan, Monroe turned his handi-

cap into an advantage and developed an acute sense of hearing. He had to learn "by ear," for example, the harmony parts in church music, and soon developed an impeccable knack of knowing what sounded right.

Monroe's original compositions employ much of the mythical framework that is found in the old Scottish and Irish ballads - an infectious melody, simple lyrics, well-structured narrative form, magical or vaguely supernatural events and universal emotions.

Bluegrass also has its roots in traditional palm singing; its links with Gaelic psalm and shape-note singing are particularly strong. The singing is done in a tense, high-pitched style that often turns into a falsetto and songs and frequently shouted and ornamented with rising and falling notes - as well as with grace notes.

In theme alone, bluegrass evokes a peculiarly Celtic feeling in its tone, as if the singer is pining for some childhood dream of paradise. "It is," says bluegrass historian, Robert Cantwell, "close to the religion and culture of the original Scots-Irish who began to settle in America early in the 18th century."

He particularly points to an emotional link with Gaelic psalm singing from the Hebridean island of Harris and Lewis.

Isn't this amazing! I'm not the only person to see this link. No less an authority than the Czech composer, Anton Dvorak, commented in 1895 that he found that the so-called plantation melodies of the South, with their unusual and subtle harmonies, bore a striking resemblance to the indigenous music of Scotland and Ireland.



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# Report on the McDuffie DNA Surname Project - dated 17th January 2009

The McDuffie DNA Surname Project applies the new and accurate Male Y-Chromosome DNA Test in order to establish the Clan's genetic roots and determine which members with the same surname share a common male ancestor. In some cases this may link up with family tree data.

Thanks to many Clanfolk with a fascination with family history and origins, the McDuffie DNA Surname Project has gathered 131 participants and it is now possible to publish some findings. Readers should bear in mind that these conclusions are made on a balance of probability and where there is no positive conclusion is does not prove a negative.

Surnames became more stable around 1000 years ago and in parts of Europe pass unaltered from father to son. Remarkably, the same applies to the Y-chromosome. This useful parallel allows DNA and genetics to be extremely useful to genealogists. A more detailed explanation follows.

Humans have 23 pairs of chromosomes. These contain the "pattern" which determines the physical characteristics of the individual. Half of the chromosome material originates from the mother, and the other half from the father. The exception is in the sex chromosomes. Females have XX chromosome pairs and males have XY.

The consequence of this is extremely useful to genealogists. As only males carry the Y chromosome, it passes almost unchanged from grandfather to father to son all down the generations. However the key word here is "almost". Over very long periods of time, occasional random mutations occur in the Y chromo-

some.

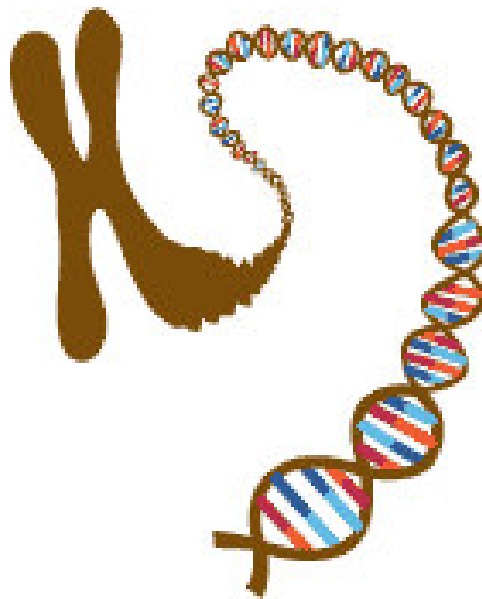
This means that the degree of relatedness of males can be determined by examining the Y-chromosome. The chromosomes have "markers" represented by a series of numbers which can be sampled and measured by taking a simple cheek swab test. When the

series of numbers are available they can be compared with others who have taken the test, and if they are similar it can be determined that they have a common male ancestor and according to the similarity, the distance in time to that common male ancestor can be estimated. The test results allow individuals to be placed within groups, each member of which has a common ancestor within the last 1000 years. The different groups probably don't have a common ancestor within the last 10,000 years. So in common language that translates to separate bloodlines. The reasons for the

existence of different bloodlines with the same surname are given later. As well as the DNA data the project gathers the current spelling of the surname. Furthermore, some participants have provided extensively researched paper genealogy, which lists the male line back through many generations. All this information taken together combines to form a very valuable genealogical research tool.

The DNA markers can be plotted on a kind of "map" called a Network Diagram, where the different members are represented by dots on the chart. Where members have markers that are very similar, the dots lie close together, where they differ greatly, they lie far apart. Where they are identical the size of the dot is increased. Looking at the pattern of dots, it is possible

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## McDuffie DNA Project, *continued from page 18*

to say that some will have “radiated” from a common ancestor and form a group or bloodline. Also if the number of different members in a group is large and they have “radiated” over a range of distances, then the group is probably quite ancient. The distance corresponds approximately to ticks on the genetic clock, with one marker change happening, on average, every 200/250 years. The project Network Diagram is attached. Only members who have gone for 25 or more markers appear on it, since the resolution with 12 is insufficient.

Another clear indicator of the oldness of a group, is the diversity of surname spellings or styles. Combining the DNA with the surname diversity gives a very firm indicator of a group having had the surname for a long time.

### **Main Bloodline**

#### **Group 1**

This is the dominant bloodline, or MacFie “haplotype” containing a total of 33 members. Fascinatingly, it contains all main surname spelling variants, namely: McDuffie, McDuffee, McAfee, McPhee, McPhie, McFee and McFie and all the Mac of variants thereof, thus absolutely and conclusively proving that all were once the same name. Just recently, one Duffie and three Catheys have matched Group 1. This follows a number of non-matches. At the moment, no matches have been logged with Coffey, Coffee, McHaffey, Fee etc, although that is not to say this will not happen in the future.

This Group 1 bloodline is that of the immediate past Clan Commander, Sandy MacPhie who has so encouraged this project. It is also the bloodline of the new Clan Commander Iain Morris McFie. Additionally, it contains the line of the last McPhee on Colonsay, the ancestral home of the McDuffies. There are also

those in this line, descended from ancestors on Mull and on Skye, thus confirming the history that MacPhies were dispersed all over the Inner Hebrides. The history linking McDuffies with Antrim is also confirmed, as there are those in Group 1 who can trace their ancestry to Londonderry. Several in Group 1 have descendants who migrated to the USA or Canada. One of the lines on Prince Edward Island is in this line. Clearly they would have come from the Inner Hebrides originally.

Finally in group 1 (and in others) the spelling McAfee is invariably connected with clan members who are Scots Irish who arrived in the New World from Ireland where the name McDuffie took on the spelling McAfee. By the same token MacDonald is

rendered as McDonnell in Ireland. In earlier times movement back and forth between the Inner Hebrides and Antrim was commonplace. The McDuffie common ancestor in Group 1 may go back as much as 1000 years to the advent of surnames. It seems likely that the clan chiefs would have been of this line.

### **Other blood-**

#### **lines**

Now in common with all other DNA Surname projects, it transpires that there are many different bloodlines bearing the family name. This can arise for many different reasons. At the time of origin of the surname around 1000 years ago, the surname would be a mark of affiliation to a group or clan of families living in close proximity and with a perceived shared destiny. There would be a clan chief and a number of other males in the group. Not all these males would

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# The Scot and Canada

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Although it is not until towards the end of the eighteenth century that the Scot begins to play an important role on the Canadian stage, his connection with the Dominion is far older. The Scots have always been wanderers, but until the Union of 1707 they went mostly to the Continent of Europe. The reason for this was that the colonies across the Atlantic were English settlements and the Scot was not permitted to go there. He was an alien in the eyes of the English law. Navigation Acts, ever since the time of Cromwell, had been passed for the fostering of English and the crippling of Scottish trade. The English Navy enforced these decrees. The result was that the Continent was literally filled with Scottish soldiers of fortune. As Scott puts it in the Introduction to *A Legend of Montrose*:

‘The contempt of commerce entertained by young men having some pretence to gentility, the poverty of the country of Scotland, the natural disposition to . . . adventure, all conduced to lead the Scots abroad into the military service of countries which were at war with each other.’

In France, particularly, the Scots acquired an immense influence. In fact, they were destined to prove “the nerve of the French army at a time when the people were sunk in wretchedness, dispirited by defeats of no ordinary character, and had lost all hope of self-helpfulness.”

Poland was another happy hunting-ground for the Scots. They went to that country in various capacities — as pedlars of tinware and knives and scissors, as colporteurs, as soldiers, as statesmen. Fynes Morison, writing in 1598, tells us that

‘The Scots flock in great numbers into Poland,



abounding in all things for food and yielding many commodities. And in these kingdoms they lived at this time in great multitudes, rather for the poverty of their own kingdom than for any great traffic they exercised there.’

Many of the Scots who went to Poland grew rich, and Stephen Batory, who was King in Poland from 1576 until 1586, gave them a special district in Cracow to live in. That amazing peripatetic, William Lithgow, who wrote *The Totall Discourse of the Rare Adventures and Painfull Peregrinations of Long Nineteene Yeares*, asserts that there were thirty thousand Scots in the country in 1625. The tie between the Poles and the Scots was strengthened, if that is the correct word in this connection, when James Stuart, the Old Pretender, married Clementina, the daughter of John Sobieski. They were the parents of “Bonnie” Prince Charles who, according to his admirers, was a

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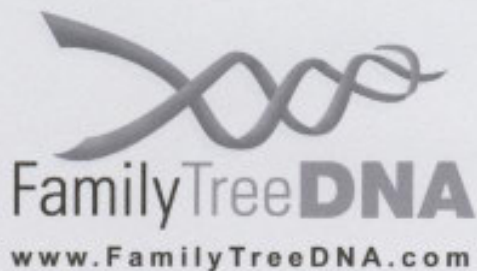
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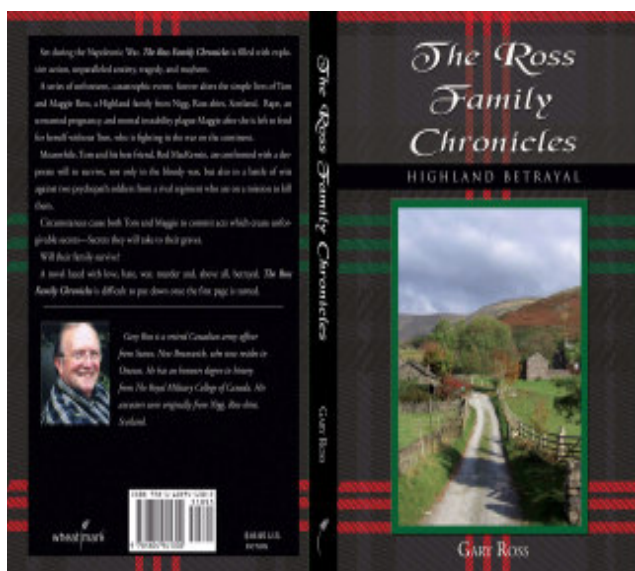
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# GENEALOGY

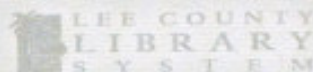
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## Cathey Reunion, continued from page 1

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We are still working on the program. Topics probably included will be: DNA Project; The Great Wagon Road; and other topics.

We are working on an Auto Tour of the Salisbury Area. Stops would include The Cathey Buggy Works, 210 E. Innes (Owned by Joseph Pinkney Cathey, Grandfather of Elizabeth Dole)

and his house at 722 S. Fulton Street (featured in the 2007 *Kith & Kin*), also Mary Cathey Hanford (Mother of Elizabeth Dole) as an adult lived several doors down at 712 S. Fulton St. and the Thyatira Presbyterian Church At Mill Bridge (Originally called The Cathey Meeting House, and original home of the Cathey Reunion).

The Salisbury area was the home of the Cathey (Irish) Settlement from 1747-49. It was the home of Alexander Cathey, Andrew Cathey, George Cathey, George Cathey, Jr. and James Cathey.

There are many other activities in the Salisbury area. To find more information about the area go to the

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presentable young man, but according to the ladies of Glasgow, who were Whigs, the very reverse. Ivor Brown, the versatile editor of *The Observer*, goes so far as to assert that “the various strangely dissimilar portraits (of Ascanius) are a greater tribute to Highland finery than to the Stuart facade.”

A typical Scots soldier of fortune was Sir James Turner, (1615-1686), a son of the minister of Borthwick. Turner is the original of Dugald Dalgetty. His *Memoirs* make fascinating reading.

‘I was not seventeen years old when I left the schooles, where I had lightlie passed through that course of philosophie which is ordinarlie taught in the Universities of Scotland ... I stayed a yeare after with my father at Dalkeith, applying myself to the study of humane letters and historic, in both which I always tooke delight . . . But before I attained to the eighteenth yeare of my age, a restless desire entered my mind to be, if not an actor, at least a spectator of these warrs which at that time made so much a noyse over all the world, and were managed against the Roman Emperor and the Catholicke League in Germanie, under the auspicious conduct of the thrice famous Gustavus Adolphus, King of Sweden. Sir James Lumsdaine was then levieing a regiment for that service; with him (my neer-est friends consenting to it) I engaged to go over ensigney to his brother Robert Lumsdaine, eldest Capitaine.’

Turner was an unprincipled gun-man, a bullying, hard-drinking thug; but he was not the “butcher” Defoe

makes him out to have been. Andrew Lang’s opinion that Turner was “infinitely more of a Christian than the Saints of the Covenant” is preposterous. It is the sort of thing we would expect Lang to say. Turner spent the latter years of his life at his place in Ayrshire writing his *Memoirs* and his *Pallas Armata*, a series of essay jottings on the art of war.

Another fascinating autobiography is that of

Patrick Gordon of Cruden (1635-1699), extracts from which were edited by Joseph Robertson in 1859. Under the year 1651 Gordon writes:

‘Having thus, by the most loveing care of my dear parents attained to as much learning as the ordinary country schools affoord, and being unwilling, because of my dissenting in religion, to go to the University in Scotland, I resolved . . . to go to some foreigne country, not careing much on what pretence, or to what country I should go, seeing I had no knowne friend in any foreigne place.’

Gordon had a chance to take service under the King of Poland but decided not to



do so for this reason:

‘If I take service in Poland there are the ordinary risks of the soldier’s life, the ordinary chances of promotion; if, however, I take service under the Czar, the risks are greater, but the chances of promotion likewise greater.’

So Patrick went to Muscovy and became Commander-in-Chief of the armies of Peter the Great.



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## *Long Distance Genealogical Research*

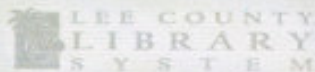


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necessarily have shared the same male ancestor at the time of surname adoption. Clans often absorbed other non-genetically linked groups as they expanded. Adoption of orphaned offspring of a sister was common, and if there was no heir it may also occur. Infidelity was probably a fact of life then as it is now. Over the years this leads to many genetically separate lines with a common surname. This can be seen in all other projects including the Campbell and McGregor DNA Projects. Consequently, different bloodline does not mean “not of the MacFie Clan”.

Some of the other Groups have clear evidence that they have had the MacFie name for many hundreds of years. Having more than one member, “Genetic radiation” and surname spelling diversity points to this. In particular, Groups 3, 4, 5, 5a, 9, 10, 14, 20 and 24 show this.

Group 9 is interesting, as these are the “Glen Urquart McFees”. This group of 14 members have almost identical DNA and all hail from Lochaber, Glen Urquhart and in some cases can trace ancestors back to the early 1700s. In all probability all these members have a common ancestor within the last 400 years. This is supported by less spelling diversity, being confined to McPhee with two McPhies.

In Group 10 one common ancestor is confirmed, James McPhee b1758 in Scotland.

Groups 7 and 12 may not really each have two members, as the surnames are so different and the DNA match is quite distant. Hence they may be incorrectly grouped.

Group 15 has probably mistakenly been separated from Group 1 and will be incorporated into this.

Group 3 has McPhees and McAfees in it indicating that one group were Scots Irish at one point. The McDuffie DNA Surname Project applies the new and accurate Male Y-Chromosome DNA Test in order to establish the Clan’s genetic roots and determine which members with the same surname share a

common male ancestor. In some cases this may link up with family tree data.

Group 4 has two Fees of Ulster origin.

Group 5 contains most of the McDuffs and Duffs. This is the Clan MacDuff Haplotype. There is now sufficient data to show quite clearly that McDuffs and McDuffies are not the same bloodline. Earle Douglas MacPhie asserted this in his genealogies and has proved

to be quite correct. McDuff Group 5 is a very “old” line too, again radiating from a common ancestor. The origins in Scotland of this line seem to be in the county of Perth and adjoining areas. A 100% match between MacDuffs who now live overseas and a family who are still living in the area that their ancestors lived in, has supported this theory. Both Duff and McDuff surnames appear in this group and there is significant genetic spread, evidence which supports the antiquity of this line. Also it is interesting to note that there is a line of Stewarts which matches the Macduffs. There were many Stewarts married to Macduffs

in Perthshire so perhaps an adoption of orphans occurred.

Group 5a should be entirely independent from Group 5 as this group contains McAfees, a Duffy and a McDuffey.

Group 14 has three Duffs, two of whom are outside the project.

Group 15 contains McFee and McAfee surnames.

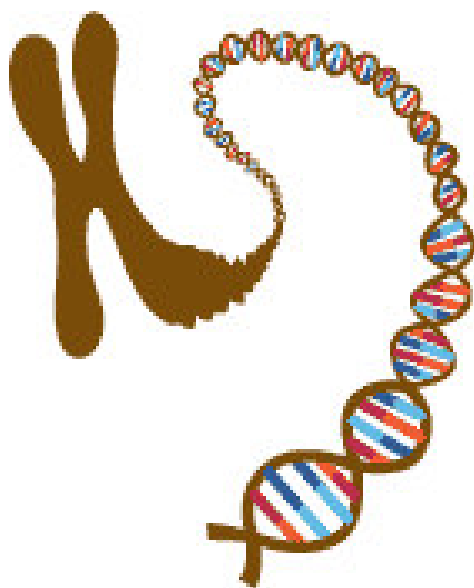
Group 20 has four McAfees whose descendents are all in USA

Group 24 has two McAfees.

### ***Celtic and Viking Origins***

Of the 40 separate bloodlines most are R1b Haplogroup, which in layman’s terms means Celtic origin. They would have come over from Ireland to Scotland between 1000 and 1500 years ago and prior to the last Ice Age which was 10,000 years ago, would have occupied the Basque area of what is now Spain.

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One McDuff or McDuffe is of R1a Haplogroup which can be termed Norse Origin. They would have come from Northern Scandinavia around 1,200 years ago. As the glacial ice sheet receded 11,000 years ago, they moved up from an area between the Black and Caspian Seas into Scandinavia. Other McPhees of I Haplogroup which inhabited the area which is now Croatia around 11,000 years ago and also migrated up through Scandinavia as the ice receded. Two McPhees are of J2a, and one Duffy is of J2 Haplogroup which was found in the Middle East until about 8,000 years ago when they moved in several directions including into Continental Europe.

### *The future*

Remarkably, the McDuffie DNA project has been able to answer all the questions it posed at the foundation. We can now quite clearly see the origins of the clan, the changing of the style of name and the different groups that make up the clan. We can see the Hebridean origins, the Ulster connection and the connection with the new Clan Commander and the former Clan Commander. We can also see the separate origin of the McDuffs in Perthshire. The pattern of groups and "singletons" is very similar to other DNA surname projects such as Campbell and McGregor and this give further weight to the conclusions.

There are probably now fewer findings to be uncovered, however there are 1000s of McFies and McDuffies and McDuffs still out there who do not know their origins! Having this database available now allows them to do so at relatively little cost.

There may be some usefulness in the future of separating the McDuffs and Duffs from the data set, however at present there is no pressing need.

This venture has been most exciting for me personally as I have seen so many puzzles solved and so many people across the seas reunited. Thank you one and all McDuffies and McDuffs.

Rod Macduff <rodmac @ digisurf.com.au>



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many to initially ignore societies.

Here are three common examples of statements I hear on a regular basis: "Societies are irrelevant since everything is on the Internet," "Societies offer nothing in the ways of technological expertise," or my favorite, "I'm interested in facts not social tea parties." "The Internet is faster and more accurate."

While genealogical societies vary in their services, here is sampling of what the local Lee County Genealogical Society offers. This list would be indicative of the benefits your local society might offer as well:

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- ◆ Beginners research groups and classes taught by experienced researchers.
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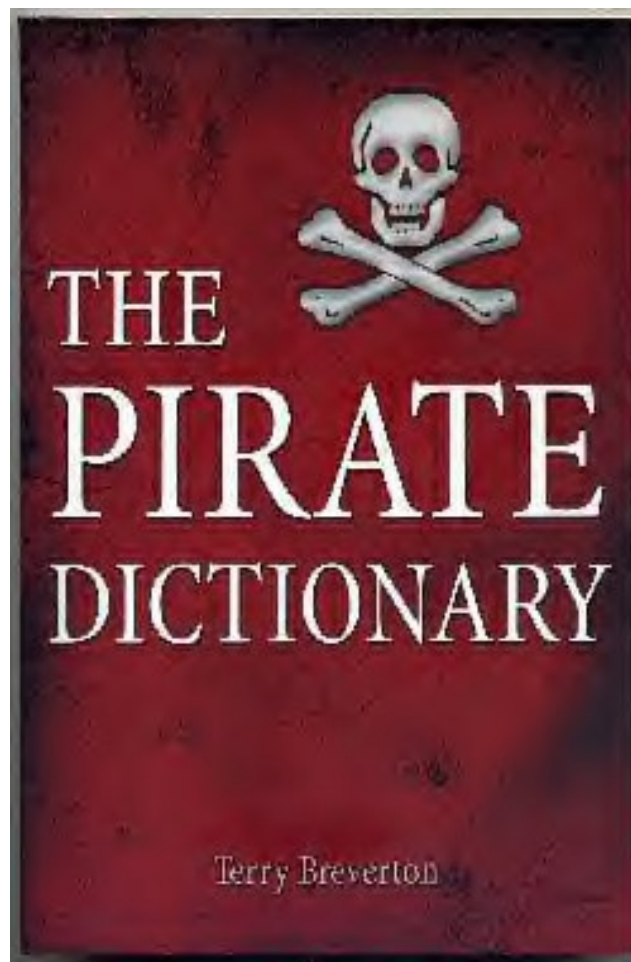
# Want to know what culverin, kill grief, and rumfustian really mean?

We hear the terms *steer clear of*, *hit the deck*, *don't rock the boat*, and to *harbor a grudge* and give little thought to their origin. Left together on ships for months, and often for years, pirate crews developed expressions that made their way into common usage. Terms for things related to life at sea became idioms used by *land lubbers*, a term derived from the holes in the platforms surrounding the mast that allowed sailors to avoid climbing the rigging around the platforms. A *lubber* was someone who was very clumsy, so a *land lubber* is someone who knows nothing about sailing and rigging.

Terry Breverton has written a delightful book titled *The Pirate Dictionary* that tells you the origin of these little quips and many other words. Reading through these words and phrases is an abbreviated trip through history, with lists of major naval mutinies, a summary of the slave trade, and even jokes. This dictionary is written to be entertaining as well as informative, to give a flavor of the interesting times from the 15<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> centuries when pirates controlled many sea lanes. It also contains a treasure trove of factual information about life aboard the ship, important pirate haunts, and technical terms.

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Pat Carby, 7285 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Crystal, Minnesota 55427 (email: [User770295@aol.com](mailto:User770295@aol.com)) is seeking information on a **WILLIAM CALHOUN** that was born in 1773 in East Pennsboro, Pennsylvania to **SAMUEL CALHOUN** (b.1721 d.1773) and **MARY CLENDENNIN/CLENDENNING?** **SAMUEL** was the son of **HUGH CALHOUN** (b.1692 d.1753) and **AGNES JANE McCLEARY?** They are descendents of **ADAM CALHOUN** 9b.1601 d.1634) and **LADY CHRISTIAN LINDSEY**. The information appears in **ORVAL CALHOUN's** books. **ORVAL** has written quite a bit of information about most all of the other children of **SAMUAL** and **MARY CALHOUN**, but it only shows a birth year of 1773 for their son **WILLIAM**.