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The world's longest embroidered tapestry tells the "story of Scotland" across 160 panels.

It was the brainchild of Scots author Alexander McCall Smith and Borders historian Alistair Moffat.

Scottish Borders Council is to discuss the case for a business plan to house the tapestry in the region at a meeting later this week.

It took 1,000 volunteers more than 50,000 hours to complete the work, which is 70m longer than the Bayeux

Tapestry.

It has been on tour around Scotland and further afield but is scheduled to return to the Scottish Parliament for display this summer.

Now Scottish Borders Council hopes to find a permanent home for the tapestry in the area.

A report to councillors states: "This is a unique opportunity for the Borders to obtain an exhibition of national significance with strong ties to the textile heritage and wider history of the region."

With thanks to the Internet.

Tune 5th is World Environment Day

Glasgow finally gives go-ahead to Wallace monument for victory at the Battle of the Bell o' Brea

After a four-year battle, Glasgow city council has finally approved the city's first monument to William Wallace.

The stone plinth with a medieval helmet will be placed in the garden of the city's oldest building to commemorate a famous victory over the English.

The Society of William Wallace has been trying to get a memorial to the Battle of the Bell o' Brea since 2010 and has had several previous designs rejected. Wallace is said to have routed an English force in the city in 1297.

The two meter-high sandstone monument is set to be in place now in the grounds of the 500-year old Provand's Lordship near Glasgow Cathedral.

Gary Stewart, of the Society of William Wallace, said: "We want to have some-thing that will be there for hundreds of years." "It's for a Scottish patriot and it needs to be done right."

The image of the helmet breaking out of the plinth symbolizes Wallace's struggle against oppression, and the plinth also has a sword like Wallace's carved into it.

Mr. Stewart said Glasgow schoolchildren could have the chance to leave their mark on the monument. He said: "We want to go around schools and have a poetry contest; the winning poem will be on the monument itself."

The latest design was created by artist Andy Hillhouse.

Wallace was said to have marched on Glasgow after becoming infuriated at Scottish nobles capitulating to the English army. Some have Wallace and his army surrounding and defeating a force of 1,000 English garrisoned in the town, slaying their leader Earl Percy.

The clash was said to have left Wallace in charge of Glasgow Castle, which was demolished in the 18th Century, and according to one account he "carried off all [the bishop's] furniture, arms and horses." Two months afterwards, Wallace led Scottish forces to a piv-otal victory at Stirling Bridge.

A Glasgow council spokesman confirmed permission had been granted. "This is for the site behind the garden at the Provand's Lordship, Glasgow's oldest building."

The last monument created in Scotland to Wallace was 17 years ago in the car park of the Wallace Monument, Stirling. Critics complained the statue looked like Mel Gibson from Braveheart.

Thanks to *The Guardian*, publication of the Clan Wallace Society World Wide.

Clan Wallace Society World Wide 2014 Annual Directors Meeting September 25 – 28, 2014 St. Augustine, Florida





Scottish elementary school children pose in kilts, welcoming the world, as part of Homecoming 2014. Clan Wallace will be there! Thanks to The Guardian, publication of the Clan Wallace Society World Wide

Best Clan Tent Award garnered by Clan Wallace at 2014 Loch Norman Games



Daphne Taylor (Head of Clans), and Helen Cathey (Games General Manager) presenting "Best Clan Tent Award" to Russ and Marica Harper at the 21st Loch Norman Games.

A Visit Home to Scotland With Friends

September 2 - 11, 2014

This is a trip you will never forget. It is quite a bit different from any other in that we will be lodged in beautiful Dumcrieff House Estate (http://www.clanandersoncottages.com/dumcrieff.php) and we will travel on a private bus small enough (Only 18 places are available on this tour.) to take us to interesting places. Our host and tour originator in Scotland is Hope-Vere Anderson. The tour is for all and covers places and events to be enjoyed by anyone of Scottish ancestry - no matter the clan affiliation.

Besides Hope-Vere, plans are for *Beth's Newfangled Family Tree* editor, Beth-Gay Freeman and Heraldic Artist Tom Freeman, Jr., to accompany the tour. Plans also include interesting and informative talks by both Beth and Tom. We'll have our own ceilidh the last evening. Be sure to bring your "party pieces" and plan to participate.

The price of the tour includes EVERYTHING except your air fares to and from Scotland. All three meals per day, accommodations, the private coach, entrance fees and tickets are all included.

With a small group, if everyone is not friends at the beginning, everyone will be your friend by the conclusion of this unique adventure. Please go with us to Visit Home to Scotland this September.

This trip is a small, special group tour and it is guranteed to take place regardless of how many people sign up. It will not be cancelled.

This is only one of the many benefits of this trip.

Tuesday, September 2, 2014 * Fly overnight to Glasgow, Scotland.

Wednesday, September 3, 2014 * We arrive early this morning in Glasgow where Hope-Vere will be waiting to meet us with our private coach for transport to Dumcrieff House Estate near Moffat. We'll unpack and refresh ourselves before lunch. *We'll visit Abbotsford, the historic home of Sir Walter Scott, near Kelso, which is less than an hour's drive from Dumcrieff. * We return to Dumcrieff House Estate for our Welcome Dinner.

Thursday, September 4, 2014 * Drive to Rosslyn Chapel for a private guided tour by a leading professor who has written the history of Rosslyn Chapel. "We will visit the National Galleries and meet with leading members of The Society of Antiquaries of Scotland (The FSA Scot Office) who will join us for lunch at the Galleries. *This afternoon, you will be at your leisure on your own for exploring or shopping in Edinburgh. *Dinner at The Royal Over Seas Club on Princess Street overlooking Edinburgh Castle and Princess Street Gardens.

Friday, September 5, 2014 * After a full Scottish breakfast, which will be available each morning at Dumcrieff, we will drive west to Ayrshire and Burns Country. We will arrive at Dumfries House for a private tour guided by the curator. * After lunch, we will visit the Robert Burns Center and Brig O'Doon at Alloway. * In the late afternoon, we will continue southwest to Culzean Castle, the jewel in the crown of the National Trust for Scotland where we

will tour the castle, including the **Eisenhower Suite.** We return to Moffat for dinner.

Saturday, September 6, 2014 *We have an early break fast today so that we can plan to leave Dumcrieff at 7:30 AM for the drive north to the Highlands to attend the Braemar Gathering. The Braemar Gathering is the premier Scottish Highland Games which is held on the first Saturday of September every year and has enjoyed Royal Patronage since Queen Victoria first attended in the mid 19th century. We will arrive as the Gathering opens for the day ahead of the Royal Party who attend in the afternoon at about 2 PM. After the games close at 5 PM, we will leave about that time, but not before the Royal Party depart the field for the short drive back to Balmoral. We will then drive back south to Dumcrieff and stop for dinner enroute.

Sunday, September 7, 2014 * Today, we will visit the City of Glasgow's Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum and then the Glasgow Botanic Gardens. *As we leave Glasgow, we will drive to Helensburgh to tour the Hill House and the private home of Charles Rennie MacIntosh. *This afternoon's drive via the hills of Argyle will lead us to Loch Lomond's Bonnie Banks. * We will dine this evening at the historic Drover's Inn at the far end of Loch Lomond.

Monday, September 8, 2014 * Visit Drumlanrig Castle with its famous art collection and also the Robert Burns Ellisland Farm

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and then drive to New Abbey to visit Sweet Heart Abbey, New Abbey Corn Mill and drive through this historic village with the majestic Criffel and Knockendoch Hills on the Barbeth Estate as a wonderful backdrop. * We will have Afternoon Tea at Barbeth, which is Hope-Vere's home at New Abbey, where he and his wife, Erika, live with their two children, Catherine Eve and Adrian Hope Vere.

Tuesday, September 9, 2014 * This morning we will drive to Stirlingshire to visit the newly refurbished Wallace Memorial and the new Bannockburn Visitor's Center and the Bannockburn Battlefield itself. If there is time, we can spend some time in the city of Stirling. * This evening, we'll drive to the Ancient Kingdom of Fife where we will visit Balgonie Castle as the guests of the Laird of Balgonie who will be happy to renew your wedding vows for a small fee. You will be presented a handsome certificate as a souvenir of your renewal of your marriage vows. * Hope-Vere will arrange to have a Banquet at Balgonie in the Great Hall. Balgonie and his family will join us as hosts for the banquet and they are pleased to regale us all with Scottish History and the his-

tory of their Castle of Balgonie.

Wednesday, September 10, 2014 * This morning we will drive to the Lake District of England and visit Lake Windemere National Park and the Beatrix Potter home. It's then back to the Scottish Borders to Bruce's Cave which is just two miles downstream from Wyseby at Kirtlebridge which is our next stop as guests of Hope's mother, Catherine, for Afternoon Tea at Wyseby House. In the 14th century Wyseby was originally built as one of the seven Peel Towers guarding the Kirtle Water and the Western Marches. The stone wall and entrances to the tower can still be seen within the interior of Wyseby House. The Battle of Kirtle took place on the Wyseby Estate lands in 1484 and is still marked today by an ancient Merkland Cross. *After Tea we will drive back to Dumcreiff for our Farewell Dinner and Ceilidh.

Thursday, September 11, 2014 * Transfer to Glasgow airport this morning for the flight back to the USA today.

\$3,950.00 per person

\$1,000 deposit per person

Plus Air Fare

All monies must be paid at least 60 days prior to departure or 5 July 2014

To make deposits/payments, contact **Beverly Barker**, Branch Manager Southern Community Bank, Murfreesboro, TN and Hope-Vere' Anderson's American Banking Manager. Call 615-225-6150. You may also email beverlybarker@mysoutherncommunitybank.com.

For a Trip Reservation Form by email, contact bethscribble@aol.com

Contact **Judy Thompson**, Uniglobe Five Star Travel, at **404-378-1080** or email <judy@judysctt.com> or <www.judysctt.com> for air fare information and reservations.

A valid passport is required for all Americans traveling in Europe.

Plan to dress casually and comfortably. Remember, there are laundry facilities at Dumcrieff House Estate. Layering clothing is a good idea. You may wish to bring Sunday School attire for the Banquet at Balgonie.

The weather in Scotland can be warm or cold in September.

Since everyone's needs are different, we have not included insurance in the tour price. Information will be sent to you and proper coverage is strongly suggested. You will need to advise of the coverage you select.

A Visit Home to Scotland with Friends

Reservations/Payments: A deposit of \$1000.00 per person is payable to **Hope Vere Anderson Scottish Tours** at the time of booking. Final payment must be received 60 days prior to departure. Tour reservations are not firm until deposit is received. Price is based on the exchange rate of \$1.65 to one British pound.

Cancellations/Refunds: Deposits are fully refundable if Hope Vere Anderson Scottish Tours receives your cancellation at least 90 days prior to departure. Cancellations received 60 days - 90 days prior to departure are subject to \$500 penalty.

Mail this form to Beth Gay-Freeman, Mo Leannon, 688 Camp Yonah Road, Clarkesville, GA 30523 (706-839-6612 or bethscribble@aol.com)

RESERVATION FORM First Name Name must be as it appears on your passport Passport Number Last Name Last Name _____ Passport Number_____ Name must be as it appears on your passport Nickname(s) for badge(s) Street Address City_____Zip____ Home Phone_____(Work phone)_____ Email Double/Twin room Sharing with: Tour - Land Only_____ My deposit check to **Hope Vere Anderson Scottish Tours** will be mailed by Beth to Beverly Barker, Branch Manager Southern Community Bank in Murfreesboro, TN. Please make check payable to Hope Vere Anderson Scottish Tours. I have read and agree to the terms and conditions pertaining to this tour. I understand I must obtain air transportation on my own and insurance on my own. Signatures _____



An oldie, but a real goodie...

The average Englishman, in his home he calls his castle, puts on his national costume - A shabby Raincoat patented by Charles MacIntosh of Glasgow, Scotland.

He drives a car fitted with tyres invented by John Boyd Dunlop of Dreghorn, Scotland.

At the office he receives his mail with adhesive stamps which, although they bear the queen of England's head, were invented by John Chambers of Dundee, Scotland.

During the day he uses the telephone, Invented by Alexander Graham Bell of Edinburgh, Scotland.

At home in the evening he watches his daughter ride her bicycle, invented by Kilpatrick MacMillan, A Blacksmith from Dumfries, Scotland.

He watches the news on television which was invented by John Logie Baird of Helensburough Scotland and hears an item about the U.S. Navy founded by John Paul Jones of Kirkbean, Scotland.

He has now been reminded too much of Scotland, and in desperation picks up the Bible, only to find that the first man mentioned in the good book is a Scot - King James VI - who authorised it's translation.

Nowhere can an Englishman turn to escape the ingenuity of the Scots, he could take to drink, but the Scots make the finest in the world, he could take a rifle, and end it all but the breechloading rifle was invented by Captain Patrick Ferguson of Pitfours, Scotland.

If he escaped death, he could find himself on an operating table, being injected with Penicillin, discovered by Alexander Flemming of Darvel, Scotland, and given an anesthetic, discovered by Sir James Young Simpson of Bathgate, Scotland.

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The Armstrong Clan Society

Dedicated to the Armstrongs, Crosiers, Fairbairns, Grosiers, Nixons and those interested in these surnames.

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

Objectives of the Armstrong Clan Society

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

Membership

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

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

Do you have the information I need?

I am THELMA MAE CHADWELL and my husband was RIXEY CARLTON CHADWELL. RIXEY "REX" passed away October 5. 2011. His mother was NELLIE ANNE SINCLAIR CHADWELL.

NELLIE'S father was CHARLES HENRY SINCLAIR. CHARLES'S father was JAMES ARCHIBALD SINCLAIR.

While **REX** was alive, I had started doing the research on his family. I am a member of Clan Sinclair (USA).

REX was drafted into the Army in August 1941 and retired after 20 years. He was in Europe during World War II, in Korea, in Newfoundland and stationed in six different US states. He was a private when drafted and a Lt. Col. when he passed away.

It would be very helpful if I could obtain any information on **NELLIE'S** family who lived in Fauquier County, Virginia. Her husband, **ELIAS BLACKWELL CHADWELL**, was the huntsman for a fox hunting club in



Virginia and moved to Millbrook, New York in 1929 where he was also the fox huntsman. The family had ten children of which three are still living.

Thanking you in advance for any assistance in obtaining additional information about the **NELLIE ANNE SINCLAIR'S** family.

Thelma M. Chadwell, 10665 Redwood Highway, Wilderville, OR 97543-9047 541-479-5362 rtmchadwell@earthlink.net

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Out of the anesthetic he would find no comfort in learning that he was as safe as the Bank Of England which was founded by William Patterson of Dumfries, Scotland.

Perhaps his only hope would be to get a transfusion of good SCOT-TISH blood.

...And, to join his clan.





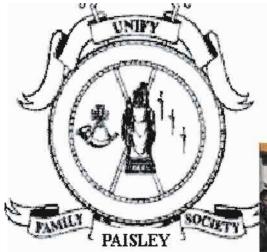








Dancing photos courtesy of Steven M. Sinclair, Oregon Commissioner, Clan Sinclair.



PAISLEY FAMILY SOCIETY

All Paisleys of the name or blood (and spellings) are invited to join. Email: mbrown 2205@aol.com

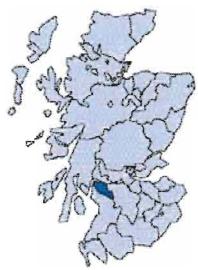


The Paisleys are a family of considerable antiquity, having been associated with Lochwinnoch and Paisley (parts of what later became Renfrewshire), with Cunningham and Kyle (North Ayrshire), Innerwick (East Lothian) and Roxburghshire, since the time of William I King of Scots 1165 - 1214.

William I Paisley (died ante 28 September

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.



The Chiefly Arms of Paisley
of Westerlea



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

The Paisley Family Society WILL be participating in the festivities at Bannockburn this summer. If you'd like to go...or would like to join The Paisley Family Society, please contact Martha Brown at mbrown2205@aol.com.

Flowers of the Forest

Mr. Lee Alexander Morrison, age 64, of Lansing, died Sunday, May 18, 2014 at his home. He was born April 6, 1950 in Hamlet, N.C. to William Hal Morrison, Sr. and Alvera S. Morrison. Lee was an avid nurseryman and horticulturist; a member of the New England Wildflower Society, the Garden Society of

North Carolina; a significant donor to the JC Ralston Arboretum in Raleigh and the NC Botanical Gardens in Chapel Hill; Member of Clan Morrison; Knights of Raknar (Earl Donar); and longtime athletic judge for Grandfather Mountain Highland Games. Mr. Morrison was preceded in death by his father.

Surviving are his mother, Alvera Morrison Henley Frauenheim; daughters, Lara Morrison Hambright and husband John, Molly Morrison and Richard Wright; their mother, Dorris Jeanne Kistler; grandchildren, Tera Colligan and husband Michael, Alexandra Hillen, Cody Evan Price, Ashleigh Hillen, Luke Price, Ginny Price, great grandchildren, Nathaniel, Josiah and Johnathon Colligan; brothers, Hal Morrison and wife Sherry, Warren Morrison and wife Pat, step sisters, Carolyn Carter, Betty Pollard and husband Bill, Laura Jean Perdue and husband Fred; many nephews, nieces and scores of friends.

A Celebration of the life of Lee A. Morrison was held at his residence Saturday, May 31, 2014.

In lieu of flowers, an account has been estab-

lished for those desiring to contribute to his final expenses, at State Employees Credit Union, account ending in 2545, c/o Molly Morrison, PO Box 790 West Jefferson, NC 28694.

Miller Funeral Service is in charge of the arrangements. Online condolences may be made to www.millerfuneralservice.com

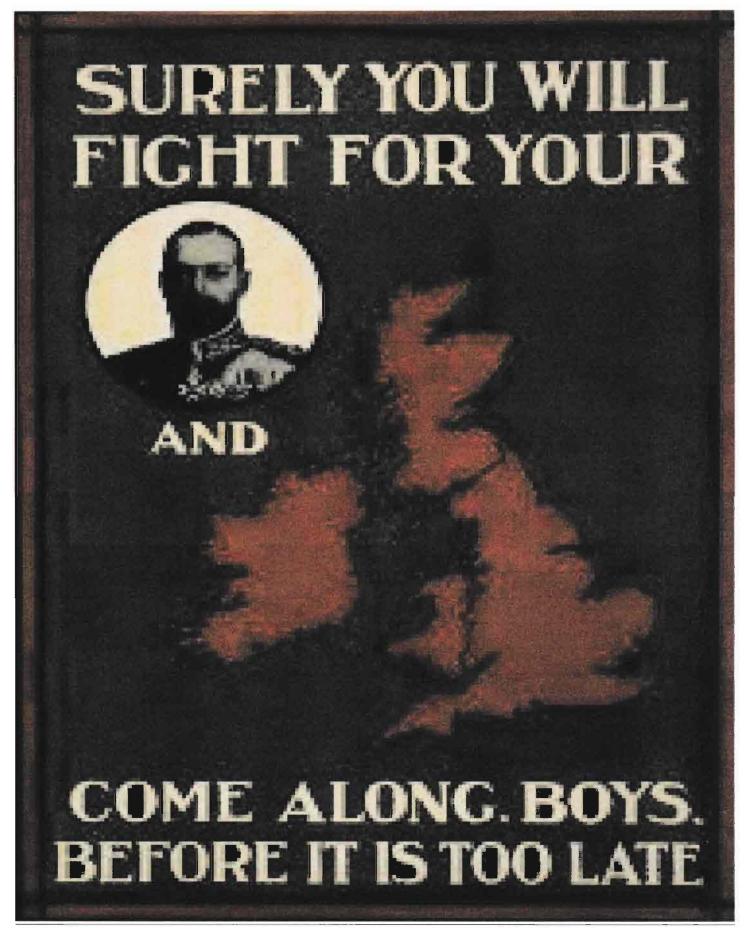


Paul Austin of Madison, Georgia, passed away May 9, 2014, at the age of 75. Mr. Austin enjoyed being outdoors and auto racing. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and son, and he will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him. Preceding him in death were his parents, Louis Edgar and

Mamie Rebecca (Atkinson) Austin; two sisters and two brothers.

Survivors include his wife of 50 years, Ellen (Barrow) Austin; son, Clan Keith USA president John Austin; daughter, Jeannie A. Mullis; grandchildren, Caroline and David Jones, Clair Mullis; sisters, Myrtle Warren, Lois Devane, Lorene Goodman, Polly Smith; brother, Louis Austin; several nieces and nephews.

A Memorial Service for Mr. Austin was held Sunday, May 18, 2014, 3:00 PM, at Brownwood Baptist Church, in Madison, with Rev. Ron Swann officiating. Donations may be made in his memory to Brownwood Baptist Church, 1521 Thankful Road, Madison, GA 30650.



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Our August 2014 Calendar unique

August, this year, will have 5 Fridays, 5 Saturdays and 5 Sundays. This happens only once every 823 years.

The Chinese call it lucky "Silver pockets full."

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2014 Clan Donald USA AGM set for October in Flagstaff, AZ

The 2014 Clan Donald AGM will be held in Flagstaff, AZ from Wednesday, October 2 to Sunday, October 5.

Day trips to Sedona and the Grand Canyon are planned.

For more information at this time, go to www.clandonaldrmr.com

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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.

Contact Patricia Tennyson Bell Email: dublincollen@sbcglobal.net or write 2984 Siskiyou Boulevard

Medford, OR 97504

(Fortiter Et Recte)
Boldly and Rightly

Flowers of the Forest

Foster Bradley Wardlaw Jr. died December 11, 2013. Born February 9, 1943, and raised in St. Matthews, South Carolina, Foster was a son of the late Ivey Steifle Wardlaw and Foster Bradley Wardlaw, Sr.

He worked in Clemson University's Food Science department.

Foster was an active member of Pendleton Presbyterian Church, and acting vice president of the International Scottish Clan Wardlaw.

Surviving are his wife of 47 years, Julie Betsill Wardlaw; his children, Foster Bradley Wardlaw, III (Cortney), Julian Paul Wardlaw, Jennifer Wardlaw Harmon (Jordan); and three grandchildren, Suzi, Ivey and Robert Harmon. Also surviving are three siblings, Jeanie Wardlaw Pressley (Kirk), Robert Steifle Wardlaw (Becky), William Wideman Wardlaw, and many nieces and nephews.

Graveside service were held at Pendleton Presbyterian Church on Saturday, December 14.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Clan Wardlaw Association through



Foster Bradley Wardlaw, Jr.

their website at www.clanwardlaw.com, or to Pendleton Presbyterian Church Cemetery Fund, P.O. Box 573, Pendleton, SC 29670. Condolences may be expressed online at www.robinsonfuneralhomes.com or at Duckett-Robinson Funeral Home which is assisting the family.

Please remember that Flowers of the Forest information in *Beth's New-fangled Family* Tree is published at absolutely no charge. Just send your information to bethscribble@aol.com That's it. Your loved one's obituary will be published in the next issue. Photos are fine. Please send photos as jpeg files.

Clan Forrester Society

Come - join the Forresters

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



Contact: **Ben Forrester,** Membership Chairman 1034 Blue Heron Drive Commerce, GA 30529 Phone: 706-335-7688

Email: benbf@windstream.net







FOSTER SURNAME DNA Project

Genealogy Research on Foster / Forster / Forrester / Forester /

Bicentennial Year of Sir Walter Scott's Waverley

Bill Graham, St. Andrew Society of Tallahassee Educator



The ballad collector, poet and man of letters, Sir Walter Scott published his first historical novel in 1814. This type of fiction, highly popular today, was unknown before Scott's *Waverley*. He wrote over two dozen more during the next seventeen years. Scott's historical fiction became

widely popular in a short period of time. As an avid reader of history, I was captured by Scott's stories long before finishing the first book.

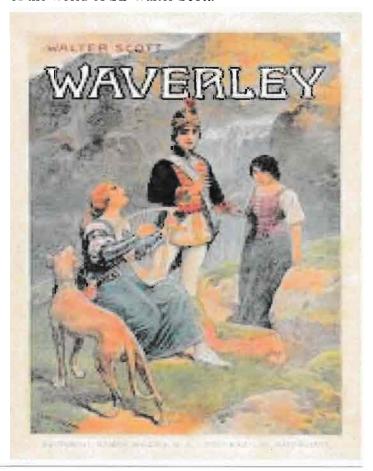
Sir Walter Scott was born in Edinburgh shortly before the American colonists began to exhibit feelings of resistance toward the British crown. He was formally educated at the widely acclaimed Edinburgh High School and subsequently earned a law degree just as his father had done before him. He married just before the turn of the century and within five years, published his first work, *The Minstrelsy of the Scottish Borders*, a fine collection of Scottish ballads. This work established Scott as a lover of both the history and the literature of his native Scotland.

Narrative poetry followed the ballad publications. Almost every student of highland literature is familiar with romance as presented in *The Lady of the Lake* and some have also read *Marmion*. I strongly believe that Scott is best known for his novels. After *Waverley* came *Rob Roy*, the "Robin Hood of Scotland", *Ivanhoe* and more. These two achieved such popularity that they were made into movies. *Waverley* and *Roby Roy* were set in the times of Jacobite rebellion. We St. Andrew Society members can readily identify clans and perhaps even ancestors who took part in the '15 or the '45 along with Bonnie Prince Charlie!

Scott became so popular that he was honored in his

native country, in America and around the world. The Walter Scott monument on Princes Street in Edinburgh is huge. Right here in our city of Tallahassee the subdivision called Waverly Hills has many of its streets named for Waverley novels including, of course, Ivanhoe Road.

During our first family trip to Scotland we were blessed to spend a comfortable and clear afternoon at Abbotsford. We were awed by the library and furnishings. But my favorite part of this visit was the stroll down a gently sloping pasture, already occupied by playful sheep, to the cool pristine waters of the Tweed River. The sounds of the water, steadily moving over smooth stones was, in itself, a form of "nature's music". How could a person not be inspired to write when engulfed by such serene surroundings? I definitely plan to return to Abbotsford and Edinburgh to see and experience more of the world of Sir Walter Scott.



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.

Sir Malcolm MacGregor of MacGregor

7th Baronet of Lanrick and Balquidder

24th Chief of Clan Gregor

Clan Gregor
has
Great Lakes,
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and
Southeast
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Join Clan Gregor today! www.clangregor.org

Personal Journals, Diaries and Old Letters



in Genealogical Research

Bryan Mulcahy, MLS, Reference Librarian, Fort Myers Regional Library, Fort Myers, Florida

Prior to the 20th century, the ability to read and write was not considered a top priority by our ancestors. Paper was also a very scarce and expensive commodity. If you are fortunate enough

to uncover a surviving journal or diary, this could greatly enhance your prospects for research success.

Journals, diaries, and old letters can serve many purposes for the genealogist. They may shed light on a number of genealogical research issues including:

- 1. Family relationships
- 2. Former places of residence
 - 3. Places of visitation
- 4. Major events in the life of an ancestor or family
- 5. Reasons for migration from one area to another
 - 6. Religious affiliation
- 7. Educational and economic status of the writer
- 8. Offer personal (the writer) observations which may be useful in helping the researcher understand the time period

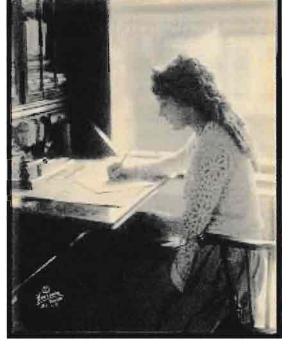
Journals, diaries, and old letters may be the closest option available if older family members are deceased. Writers may have jotted down facts and personal feelings that would have never been made public to the family or anyone else.

When examining these types of materials it

is wise to have a genealogical dictionary handy. The terminology used in wording will reflect the meanings relevant to that time period. Some professionals have also suggested having a handwriting style book handy as well. Reading penmanship from the 17th, 18th, and 19th centuries can be a challenge.

When the text refers to an individual or members of a family, it is also wise to determine what the relationship was between the writer and those names in the

source. This may help you determine the relevance and accuracy of the information.



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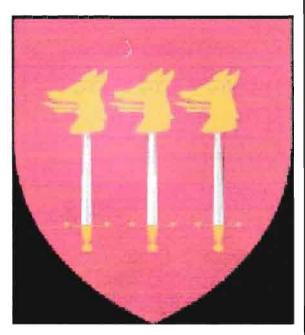


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Become a part of Clan Ramsey's DNA Project!

What is it? DNA testing is a new and exciting tool for genealogists. It enables people to get an idea of how closely they are related to those of the same last name. The Ramsey/Ramsay DNA Project focuses on testing males of the last name Ramsey or Ramsay. The results are compiled together with the results from other Ramsey/Ramsay males and we get an idea of who is related to whom, and ultimately we can link different lines together. But to do that, the project needs lots of people to participate.

The Clan Ramsay Genealogy Project

The Clan Ramsay Genealogy project's mission is to foster the spirit of kinship and pride existing among all who have Ramsay ancestry, regardless of spelling. Clan family names include: Ramsay, Ramsey, Dalhousie, Ramsay of Bamff, Ramsay of Balmain, Maule, Brecheen, and Brechin. The clan genealogy database was established in 1997 to provide a clearinghouse for Ramsay family data and history.

The Clan Ramsay genealogy database was created using The Master Genealogist, Wholly Genes, Inc.; 5144 Flowertuft Court, Columbia, Maryland 21044; 410-715-2260. http://www.whollygenes.com

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The real Captain William Bligh

Cliff Wolf

in Scorrybreac, the publication of the Clan MacNicol of North America

Cliff Wolf found a statue dedicated to Captain William Bligh located near the Rocks at Sydney Harbour in Australia...and copied the inscription on the statue.

William Bligh was born in Plymouth in 1754. He was 21 years old when he joined Captain James Cook as sailing master on HMS *Resolution* for Cook's third voyage.

In 1787, Bligh was chosen by Sir Joseph Banks to sail HMS *Bounty* to Tahiti to collect breadfruit plants. Many of his crew formed associations with Tahitian women and this caused reluctance to obey orders to return to England, leading to a mutiny in which Bligh was seized.

Bligh was placed in an open boat, 23 feet long. With 18 companions and meagre rations, he navigated the boat 3600 miles to Timor - a voyage which, for endurance and navigational skills, has never been bettered.

Bligh served with distinction in the Royal Navy. After the Battle of Copenhagen, during which/Bligh in HMS *Glatton*, captured the Danish admiral, he was thanked by Lord Nelson on Lord Nelson's quarterdeck.

In 1805, Bligh, who became a Fellow of the Royal Society, was offered the governorship of New South Wales, a post he assumed in 1806.

Bligh was determined to follow his instructions to stamp out the corruption and racketeering then rampant in Sydney. His measures were so successful that in 1808 a mass meeting of Sydney settlers thanked Bligh for his efforts.

Bligh had upset those he accused and suspected of corruption. As a result, the military which was involved in the corruption, moved against him, placing him under house arrest. He was eventually returned to England. The men who had instituted his arrest and displacement were charged and punished.

In his later years, Bligh was made a Rear Admiral of the White in 1812 and Vice Admiral of the Blue in 1814. He died in 1817 and is buried at St. Mary's Church, Lambeth.

Over the years, writers have built misleading legends about Bligh. He



was a severe disciplinarian, but never cruel. He was brave and honest, but unfortunate in his subordinates. This monument seeks to restore the proper image of a much maligned and gallant man.



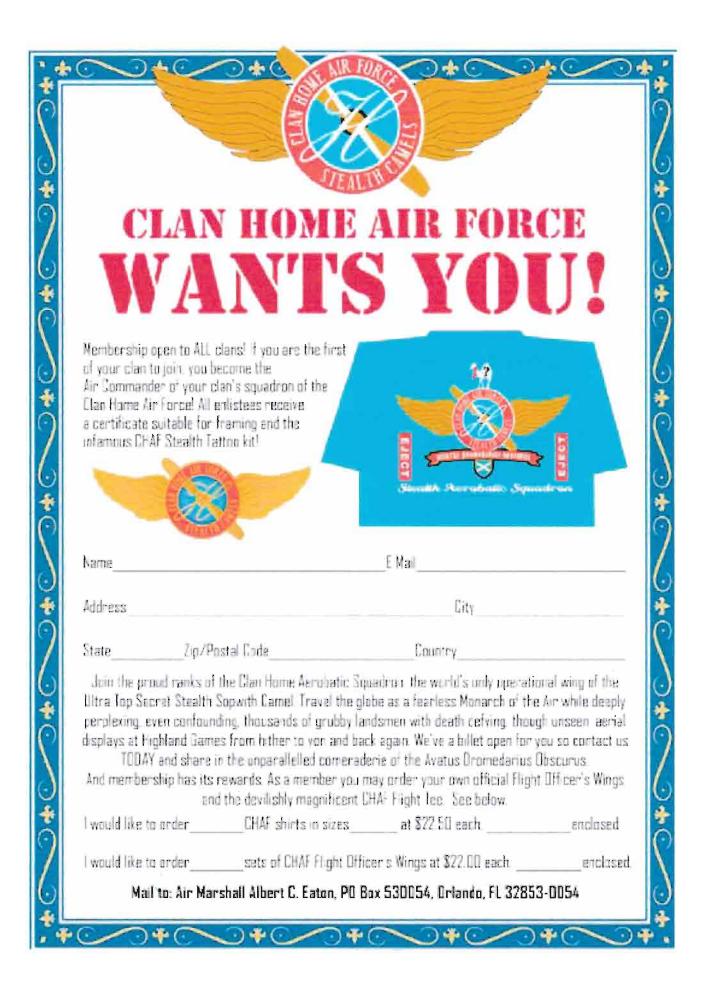








Athletic photos from Yours Aye, Clan Sinclair newsletter



Flower of the Forest

We are saddened to report the passing of Clan Keith Society Life Member, **Charles E. Austin**, 77, on Tuesday, January 21, 2014. Charles was a native of Norfolk and retired from Virginia Power as a safety supervisor and from the Army Reserves as a Brigade Command Sergeant Major with 35 years of service. He is survived by his wife, Susan Austin; son, Warren E. Austin; grandchildren, Jacob and Kendall Austin and other family members, Rick Byers and Stacy Surratt and their children Melissa and Taylor Surratt, Ricky and Rachel Byers and Logan Foley-Byers.

A graveside service was held January 25, 2014 in Bethlehem Christian Church Cemetery, Suffolk, Virginia.

Tartan found on Roman Statue

Remnants of a Roman statue in North Africa could be the "first ever depiction of tartan" according to a recent BBC Scotland documentary.

A piece of a bronze statue of the Emperor Caracalla contains the small figure of a Caledonian warrior wearing what appears to be tartan trews (trousers).

The third century Roman emperor Caracalla styled himself as the conqueror of the Caledonians. A statue marking this achievement stood in the Moroccan city of Volubilis. It stood above a great archway in the ancient city which lay in the southwest region of the Roman empire, 1500 miles from Caledonia - modern day Scotland.

A small piece of cloak from the monument still survives at the archaeological museum in Rabat in Morocco.

"It includes an early depiction of the great national stereotype - the long-haired Caledonian warrior," says Dr. Fraser Hunter, who presented the BBC Scotland program.

The warrior is wearing checked leggings which, according to Dr. Hunter, is "the first-ever depiction of tartan."

It is thought the Celts have been weaving plaid twills



for thousands of years and this is the earliest representation.

The doctor added, "The shield too is Celtic in style. You can see the warrior's head with the cloak over the shoulder. The arms are bound behind the back. This guy is a captive. He is a prisoner from the vicious campaigns of Severus and Caracalla."

Septimius Severus, Caracalla's father, led massive military campaigns into third century Scotland. The mighty Roman legions had conquered nearly every

tribe but they stuttered to a halt when they took on the tribes of Iron Age Scotland.

Caracalla carried on his father's fight, waging a brutal campaign.

"The prisoners were force-marched for months to other parts of the empire as living trophies of the emperor's success. Some might have been traded as slaves in the great markets. Other would have been even less fortunate, ending up in the amphitheatre and killed by wild animals as exotic entertainment for the locals," says Dr. Hunter.

With many thanks to Rich and Rita Shader, editors of *Celtic Seasons*. If you would like to subscribe just send any monetary donation to offset costs to: Rich Shader, 2593 Chapparal Drive, Melbourne, FL 32934.









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Historic Jamestown celebrates wedding anniversary of John Rolf and Pocahontas

The 400th wedding anniversary of John Rolf and Pocahontas was celebrated on April 5, 2014 as part of the World of Pocahontas Initiative at Historic Jamestowne. The Initiative is a series of public programs, lectures and an exhibit which will open on June 6 - all to highlight the 400th wedding anniversary of the couple.

The wedding commemoration took place on the site of the church where the couple actually married in 1614. The 1608 church site was uncovered in 2010 by Jamestown Rediscovery archaeologists.

Pocahontas and the Indian members of the wedding party were portrayed by members of the Pamunkey

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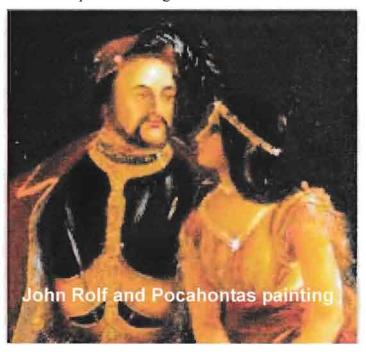
Nancy Shaw Tritt has requested help in finding her ancestor, JOSEPH SHAW, possibly born in County Antrim, Ireland in 1772. He arrived in America in 1792 and was married on 12 March 1801 to HANNAH RIPPET. The ceremony took place in the Presbyterian Church in Carlisle, Pennsylvania. JOSEPH died on 12 August 1838. His seven children were: JOHN F., born in 1803; ISABELLA, MARY ANN, JAMES R., born on 26 December 1808; ALEXANDER, JOSEPH P. (unmarried) and BENJAMIN. Contact Nancy at mtritt@pa.net

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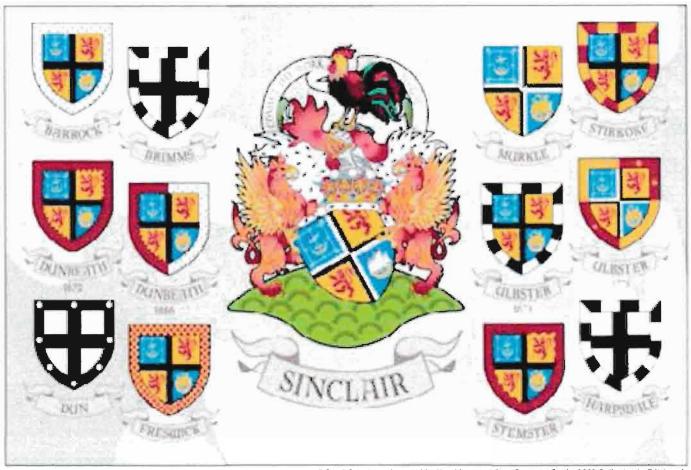


Tribe.

Seventy volunteers spent more than 1200 hours creating the bride's embroidered wedding jacket, inspired by "the Falkland Jacket" in London. It is a 17th century waistcoat in the Victoria and Albert Museum depicts flora and fauna specific to Virginia.



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