



# The Clan Macneil Association of America

If you are a Macneil or any of the following "Sept Names" then you have found the clan you have been searching for.



" O'n D'thainig thu."  
Remember the men from whom  
you have come.

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## Warmup to Rio Olympics sailing event director is Scottish Mark Turnbull, OAM (Order of Australia)

International Sailing Federation - Sailing World Cup – Melbourne, Australia event director Mark Turnbull, OAM (Order of Australia), says “The warmup regatta contained all the components athletes needed for a true test event prior to competition and offered our international sailors some valuable time getting to know Port Phillip’s sea-state and typical summertime breezes before battling it out in the Sailing World Cup to qualify for this year’s Rio Games.”

Countries including the Cook Islands and Papua New Guinea aren’t subject to the capped quota, as the world’s governing body, International Sailing Federation, guarantees them at least one place. Additionally, it gives some of the younger and local sailors who may be competing in other classes a chance to size up against some of the best sailors in the world.

## British Army war diaries 1914-1922 Available now

### What are these records?

These records are the unit war diaries of the British Army in the First World War. They are not personal diaries (try the Imperial War Museum for those). They are part of a large series of records, WO 95, which contains many more diaries scheduled for digitisation. We are now conserving, sorting, digitising and itemising thousands more diaries from the WO 95 series as part of our First World War 100 programme.

### What information do the records contain?

Some diaries record little more than daily losses and map references whilst others are much more descriptive, with daily reports on operations, intelligence summaries and other material. The digitised diaries cover activity in France and Belgium.

The diaries sometimes contain information about particular people but they are unit diaries, not personal diaries. A few contain details about awards of the Military Medal and the Meritorious Service Medal.

Many maps and plans were included in the original diaries but some confidential material was removed before the files were made available. This accounts for the absence of some appendices referred to on the covers of many diaries.

You can take part in our crowdsourcing project Operation War Diary, which aims to unearth the de-

tails from within the diaries, including names, places and events.

Snapshots from unit war diaries have been used to create our @unitwardiaries twitter feed. This is a great way to see the variety of information the diaries contain.

### How do I search the records?

You can search the records in Discovery, our catalogue, by filling in the form below.

Please note, your results will show all instances of the term(s) you searched for within the record descriptions, as this is currently a keyword search.

If you search only by regiment, your search results will include all the battalions in that regiment.

You do not need to include the word ‘regiment’,

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**British War Diaries**, *Continued from page 3* — ‘battalion’ or ‘brigade’. For example, to search for a battalion in the Northumberland Fusiliers, you need only search using the word ‘Northumberland’.

**Searching is free, but there may be a charge to download documents.**

**What do the records look like?**

With each download, you will typically see a unit diary that may cover a period of several years. This may be divided into several PDF files, which you can save to your computer. You can then scroll through the PDF files to locate the battalion and dates that you are interested in. You can also use the image viewer in Discovery to preview the pages of the diary.

Many of the war diaries were scribbled hastily in pencil and use obscure abbreviations, whilst some are the second carbon copy of the original, so they may be difficult to read.

**Why can't I find what I'm looking for?**

Not all the unit war diaries held by The National Archives have been digitised yet. More digitised diaries will be published online as part of First World War 100, our centenary programme.

The war diaries for Gallipoli and the Dardanelles campaign are available via Ancestry (£).

Those diaries that haven't been digitised are available to view in their original form at The National Archives in Kew. They are in record series WO 95.

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For access to the records, visit: <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/help-with-your-research/research-guides/british-army-war-diaries-1914-1922/>

## Do you know this mountain?

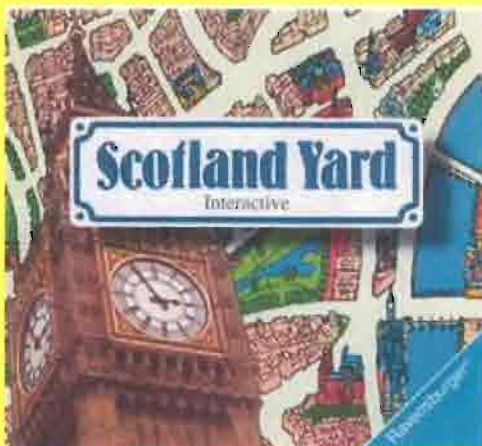


Did you know that there is a Mount Turnbull in Antarctica? Mount Turnbull is 1,980 meters high and is located in the northwest portion of the Prince Charles Mountains.

It was named by the Antarctic Names Committee of Australia for W. L. Turnbull, a radio supervisor stationed at Mawson Station in 1965.

Mawson Research Station provides a base for scientific research programs including an underground cosmic ray detector and for the breeding ground for emperor and Adélie penguins.

*(We are looking for more information about W. L. Turnbull. If you know more about him or Mt. Turnbull, please email [editor@turnbullclan.com](mailto:editor@turnbullclan.com))*



## What is Scotland Yard?

Scotland Yard is neither in Scotland or a yard? It refers to the Metropolitan Police Service of the British capital, London. The original headquarters was at 4 Whitehall Place, London which had a rear entrance on a street called Great Scotland Yard.

The Metropolitan Police was formed in 1829 by Sir Robert Peel. One of its duties is to protect the Queen. Two nicknames for the British police are “bobbies” and “peelers”!



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**Mar 5 ? \* Check Site Wheeling Celtic  
Celebration** Artisan Center, 1400 Main Street,  
Wheeling, WV  
[www.westvirginiafairsandfestivals.com](http://www.westvirginiafairsandfestivals.com)

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**Mar 5 \* Scottish Festival and Highland Games**  
Plantation Heritage Park, 1100 S. Fig Tree Lane,  
Plantation, FL [www.sassf.org](http://www.sassf.org)

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**Mar 5 \* Panama City Highland Games &  
Scottish Festival** Gulf Coast State College, Panama  
City, FL [www.panamacityhighlandgames.com](http://www.panamacityhighlandgames.com)

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**Mar 11-13 \* 29th Sonora Celtic Faire** Mother  
Lode Fairgrounds, Sonora, California, Sonora, CA  
[www.sonoracelticfaire.com](http://www.sonoracelticfaire.com)

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**Mar 12 \* 134th Atlanta Georgia St. Patrick's  
Day Parade** Noon - 1:30 PM, Midtown, Atlanta,  
GA [www.atlantastpats.com](http://www.atlantastpats.com)

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**Mar 12-13 \* 3rd Latta Plantation Celtic Festival**  
Latta Plantation, 5225 Sample Road, Huntersville, NC  
(North of Charlotte) [www.lattaplantation.org](http://www.lattaplantation.org)

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**Mar 12 \* 13th Annual Celtic Festival 2016**  
Hjemkomst Center, 202 1st Ave, Moorhead, MN  
[www.fargoparks.com/event-detail/celtic-festival](http://www.fargoparks.com/event-detail/celtic-festival)

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**Mar 12-13 \* Midland Scottish-Irish Faire**  
Horseshoe Arena, Midland, TX [www.chspb.org](http://www.chspb.org)

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**Mar 15 \* St. Patrick's Celebration at The Villages**  
Lake Sumter Landing Market Square, FL  
[www.celticheritageproductions.com/events.htm](http://www.celticheritageproductions.com/events.htm)

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**Mar 16 \* 16th Annual Peace River Celtic  
Festival** Celtic Ray Public House, 145 Marion Ave,  
Punta Gorda, FL  
[www.celticheritageproductions.com/events.htm](http://www.celticheritageproductions.com/events.htm)

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**Mar 16 \* Irish Nite Live! At the Centers** Lake  
Sumter Landing Market Square, Bonita Springs, FL  
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**Mar 17 \* St. Patrick's Celebration** The Villages  
(Spanish Springs Town Square), FL  
[www.celticheritageproductions.com/events.htm](http://www.celticheritageproductions.com/events.htm)

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**Mar 18-19 \* Myrtle Beach Highland Games**  
Grand Park at Market Commons, Myrtle Beach, SC  
[www.myrtlebeachhighlandgames.com](http://www.myrtlebeachhighlandgames.com)

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**Mar 19 \* 1st Annual Southeast Alabama  
Highland Games and Scottish Heritage Festival**  
Houston County Farm Center, 1701 East  
Cottonwood Road, Dothan, AL  
[www.wiregrasshighlandgames.com](http://www.wiregrasshighlandgames.com)

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**Mar 19-20 \* 52nd Annual Arizona Scottish  
Gathering and Highland Games** Steele Indian  
School Park, 300 Indian School Road, Phoenix, AZ  
[www.arizonascots.com](http://www.arizonascots.com)

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**Mar 26 \* Highland Tea and Hat Contest with  
Diana Gabaldon** The Kilted Cat, 2600 Kiltie Lane,  
Flagstaff, AZ [www.nachs.info](http://www.nachs.info)

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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](mailto: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.



# Indentured Servants can help Genealogists

Bryan L. Mulcahy, MLS

Anyone researching ancestors who immigrated to North America in the 1600s-early 1800s is bound to encounter the likelihood that they came as indentured servants. These were immigrants who voluntarily sold their labor in exchange for ship's passage primarily to America but some also went to Canada. In some cases individuals, including children, were forced using a variety of threats or kidnapping, etc and were sold under the indenture system.

Contracts of indenture usually ranged from 4-7 years under normal circumstances. Some contracts were for longer periods of time depending on a variety of issues. The contract was transferrable, saleable, and was passed on to heirs if the master died. Issues that may have caused contacts to be extended for longer periods included:

1. Failing to perform the required services at an acceptable standard.
2. Attempted escapes or other perceived behavioral or criminal issues.
3. Sustained injuries or illnesses which interfered with their ability to perform the work.
4. Taking extended time off for family illness.
5. Asking for the right to marry sons or daughters of within some wealthy families.

Immigrants forced to go the Indentured Servitude route often dealt with agents at the various ports of departure. "Agents" may have included ship's captains, but were usually merchants and wealthy land owners or their designated representatives. Emigrants known as "Redemptioners" were those who negotiated their indenture contact upon arrival, with little bargaining power.

Indentured servitude is also listed in some his-

torical and genealogical sources as "assisted immigration". The terms are interchangeable. Indentured servitude figured in the headright system in America: a way of obtaining land in exchange for ship's passage for oneself or another. The term "assisted immigration," was also used to describe the forced emigration of convicts to America and Australia. Some researchers initially cringe when they discover ancestors labeled as convicts. One should note that the many crimes that these "convicts" were arrested for would be considered ridiculous by today's standards.

During the Colonial Era, at one time or another, as many as 75% of the population of some

colonies were classified as indentured servants. Children were also indentured servants from the family they traveled with. The conditions of these indentured families were very harsh. Due to horrendous health related conditions on many of the ships, many indentured servants died on the voyage which can complicate the research process.

Once they reached the new world, conditions were not much better. Instead of working in their accustomed trade, most were forced to work manual labor jobs or as field hands in conditions almost as horrendous as what many black slaves worked under in the South. If they did not perform their duties to their master's satisfaction, their contract time/fee was extended to longer times/fines.

Many men would escape for their freedom. Escapes became so common in some areas that colonies such as Virginia came up with a system using Identification Cards for documenting these servants and required these ID cards for travel. This made it more difficult for escape as his master would keep his ID

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# CLAN BUCHANAN SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL, INC.

If you have the name "Buchanan" in your family or any of the allied family/sept names below, you are invited to join your cousins and Buchanan kin. Just send an email for a membership form and/or information to

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| Dewar      | Lennie        | Mackibb              |
| Donleavy   | Lenny         | Mackibbon            |
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The CBSI was formed in 1970 as the Clan Buchanan Society in America. It was founded at the Grandfather Mountain Games in North Carolina. The name was later changed to the Clan Buchanan Society International Inc., to reflect our society's expanded purpose and membership.



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# Great Scots!

With thanks to *Celtic Seasons - from the Streams of Celtic Consciousness* -  
To receive: [Celtichighlander@msn.com](mailto:Celtichighlander@msn.com)

Even those who have worked in the Scottish community for a long time may not know about the impact that Scots and Scots-Irish played, not only in their native land, but in the world as well.

You may recognize some of the names, but we think you will see many names for the very first time.

You will be surprised by how many folks involved in the founding of the United States were either Scots or Scots-Irish.

This series was originally written by Dr. Phyllis Burnes Parker.

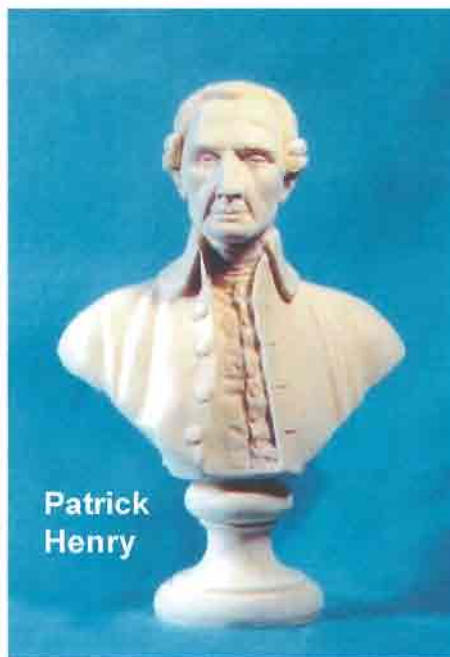
The Loch Ness Monster and Sir Walter Scott are not the only Scots to impact our world. The Scottish influence has been felt in this country from the first battle for independence to the present. Scots and

Scots-Irish played a very active role in molding America.

Although many remained loyal to the crown (Many had signed an oath giving their word they would never do battle against the King.), it is estimated that somewhere between one third and one half of the Revolutionary fighting force were of Scots or Scots Irish descent.

It was then that John Paul Jones, the leading naval hero of the Revolutionary War, said, "I have not yet begun to fight."

Patrick Henry, another fiery patriot and the most outspoken of all colonial Americans, coined his most famous words, "Give me liberty or give me death."



Robert Morris helped finance the war.

Alexander Hamilton, who served valiantly in combat, was chief author of the *Federalist Essays* and became the first United States Secretary of the Treasury. He has remained one of the most influential Scottish-Americans in history. He was truly a great Scot.

Scottish-Americans proved their courage repeatedly during the colonial wars. Only a few fought with the patriots, but many of those who did were dynamic leaders.

Colonel (Later Brigadier General) John Stark took part in Washington's New Jersey campaign in 1776-1777 and fought at Bunker Hill. Also in that famous battle was General Henry Knox, who later became Secretary of War in the nation's first cabinet.

General "Mad" Anthony Wayne was famous for storming the troops at Stony Point on the Hudson

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card. It also made the indentured servant more like property, so they were traded or sold using this card system.

Records pertaining to situations such as these would be found in a variety of places. The most common are:

1. Court records for the jurisdiction showing indentured contracts
2. Probated estate settlements
3. Land, personal property, and tax records
4. Church registers
5. Manuscript collections of wealthy merchants or landowners
6. Newspapers

# Clan Davidson Society USA



Davidson Clansmen dominate the Parade of Tartans at the International Gathering of Clan Davidson sponsored by the Clan Davidson Society USA. The event was held June, 2011, in conjunction with the Kansas City Highland Games.



Is your name listed here? If so, then you may be interested in membership in the **Clan Davidson Society USA!**

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Davie	Davy	Dean	Desson	Dow	Key	MacDagnie	MacDavitt
Davidson	Daw	Deane	Devette	Dye	Keys	MacDagny	MacDhai
Davis	Dawson	Deas	Dewis	Dyson	Keys	MacDaid	MacKay
Davison	Day	Deason	Dey	Kay	MacAdie	MacDavett	McKeddie

The **Clan Davidson Society USA** is an all-volunteer, not-for-profit corporation recognized by the US IRS as a 501 c (3) Educational and Charitable organization. We are dedicated to the preservation of our rich Scottish and Clan Heritage. CDA-USA publishes an award-winning, electronic, full color newsmagazine of 40 to 60 pages twice a year, packed with informative articles and photos of interest both to Davidson Clansmen as well as anyone interested in the history and culture of Scotland.

The Society's On-Staff Genealogist is the Founder of the Davidson/Davison DNA Project and is available at no charge to assist the membership with their own genealogical excavations.

For more information, check out our website at [[www.clandavidsonusa.com](http://www.clandavidsonusa.com)] or contact the Society's Membership Registrar at [[sennachie@earthlink.net](mailto:sennachie@earthlink.net)].



# Weaving an 18<sup>th</sup> Century Grant Tartan



With permission of the author, Clan Grant Historian - **James Grant** from *Craigellachie*, newsletter of the Clan Grant [standfast@charter.net](mailto:standfast@charter.net)  
For membership information: *Dr. William Grant, academicdad@yahoo.com*

Last year, someone asked if I was doing anything special for National Tartan Day on April 6th. Quite frankly, I had not given it much thought, but since I was already involved in the planning of a weaving project it seemed logical to set a goal to finish the weaving by Tartan Day.

I am a hand-loom tartan weaver who specializes in old, obscure Clan Grant tartans.

When my family and I were in Scotland in September 2012, we were fortunate to see two old 18th century plaids from Rothiemurchus in Strathspey. (Remember, a plaid is a tartan garment, not a pattern. It is a long expanse of

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River. And the leader of one of the most decisive victories of the war, King's Mountain, was Colonel William Campbell.

Figuring in the victory at the Battle of Cowpens, South Carolina, was David Morgan, a Presbyterian Elder. The American forces leader was Major Joseph McDowell.

Colonel (Later General) George Rogers Clark (commissioned by another Scot, Virginia's Governor Patrick Henry), although a Revolutionary hero unto himself, is best remembered as the elder brother of William - of the famous team of Lewis and Clark. What a terrific trio of Scots.

Many of our Founding Fathers, who were signers of the *Declaration of Independence*, were no strangers to the kilt. This is phenomenal when you consider that only about 6% of the colonial population was of Scottish ancestry.

James Wilson, present at the Constitutional Convention and later a Justice in the first Supreme Court and Dr. John Witherspoon, president of Princeton University, were born in Scotland. James Smith, Matthew Thornton and George Taylor were born in Ulster, Northern Ireland.

Both Thomas McKean, Pennsylvania's first governor, and John Hancock, the celebrated first signer of the Constitution were American-born Scots.

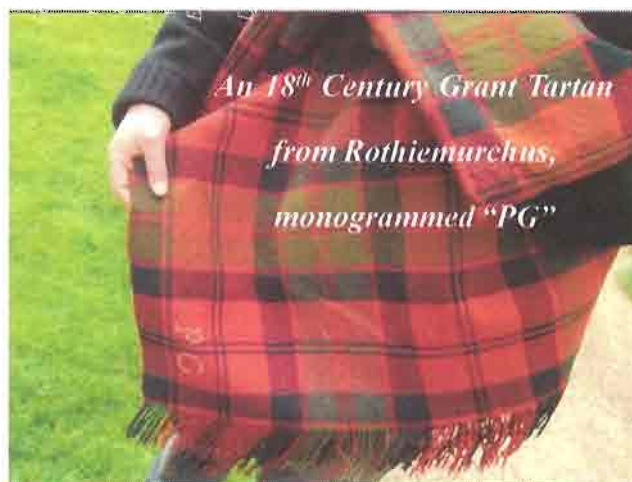
Much of what the United States is today is owed to these people. They were all truly great Scots.

fabric – usually about 42-48" wide by 8-10 feet in length and fringed on each end. Hand-woven plaids are frequently made of two-half widths approximately 21-24" wide, joined and stitched at a common selvedge down the middle.)

During our visit to the Doune of Rothiemurchus, the Earl of Dysart, John Peter "Johnnie" Grant, 17<sup>th</sup> Laird of Rothiemurchus, DL, allowed us to photograph and document the two old tartans which have been in his family since the 18<sup>th</sup> century.

Both plaids were almost certainly woven on his family's estate. Both featured wide blue and green stripes on a field of scarlet.

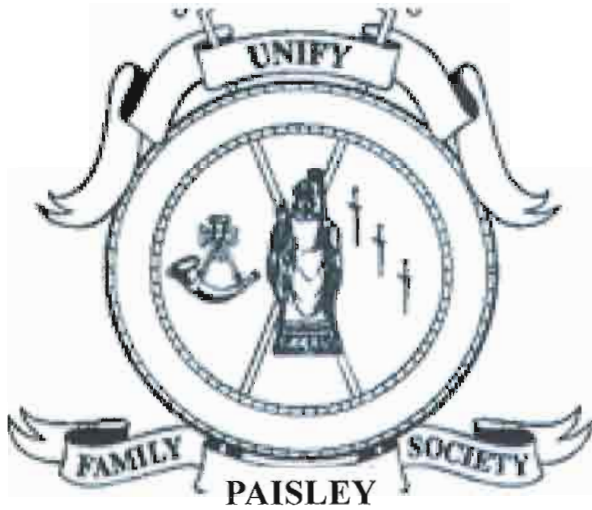
One was a symmetric sett (pattern); the other



*Courtesy of the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Dysart*  
was unbalanced (repeating, but not symmetrical).

My wife, our daughter, and I photographed the

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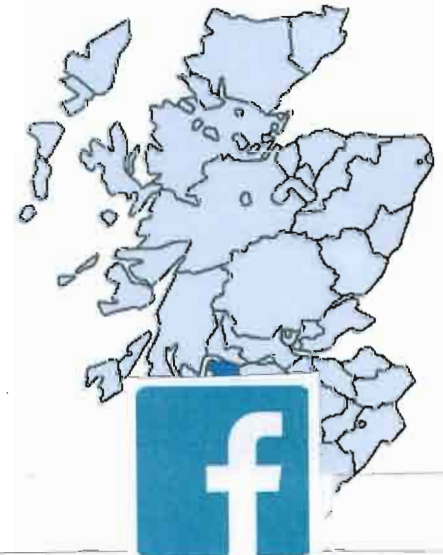


The Chiefly Arms of Paisley of Westerlea

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

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

Separate and quite distinct branches of the family had already developed at Lochwinnoch and Paisley and in the Roxburgshire barony of Hawick before the end of King David Bruce's reign in 1371 and the beginnings of others are found in records for Edinburgh and the three Lothians from 1389 onwards and at Dunrod near Borgue (Kirkcudbrightshire) in still Gaelic speaking Galloway from 1585.



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

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



AGM & Spring Gathering 2015 at Ardtalla, Scotland

## 18th Century Grant Tartan,

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Likewise, my patterns are never the same. Although scaled to match the original tartan, the actual repeat of the sett can vary from one project to another. (After all, I am 6'4" tall and the average height of a highlander at the battle of Culloden Moor in 1746



was 5'7".) Each color bar is scaled exactly according to the original old tartan, but only occasionally will I weave a tartan the same size.

For any hand-weavers out there, here are my specifications. I use a four-harness LeClerc loom, set up for a twill weave (1-2, 2-3, 3-4, 1-4). My yarn is 20/2 worsted wool, warped and woven at 36 yarn ends per inch.

My colors are custom-dyed using combinations of standard RIT dyes. For example, my tartan scarlet is mixed one-half RIT color Scarlet and one-half color Sunshine Orange. The subtlety or intensity of the color is determined by the amount of water used and the length of time in the dye bath. Tartan green is a combination of Kelly Green and Lemon Yellow, etc.

My yarn supplier already has an exact off-the-shelf purplish-blue which is ideal for the dark blue in Grant tartans.

The two photographic images below illustrate the original 18th century Grant tartan from Rothiemurchus, monogrammed "PG" for Patrick Grant, compared with my reproduction woven in the spring of 2014. If you look closely, you will see where my plaid is joined and stitched at the center. But don't look too closely!

Over the years, I have developed a personal philosophy on tartans. I do not believe it is possible for anyone to truly understand tartan until they have known the frustrations of warping a loom and the joys of throwing a shuttle.



## Attention Scottish Clans & Societies!

Registration is coming to a close for the much anticipated inaugural Myrtle Beach Highland Games set for March 18 & 19, 2016.

The response has been amazing and we want you to reserve your booth space before we sell out!

Since this is our first year, we want to extend a warm welcome to our Clan & Society friends.

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Tables and chairs are additional and be sure to reserve your 20# bag of ice when you register.

Get your application now by visiting <http://myrtlebeachhighlandgames.com/clans-societies>

But hurry. We have several clans that have already registered!

See you in Myrtle Beach!!!

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## An Airean Ceann Cinnidh

bloodlines evolving from the regions of Caithness, Fordell, Glencoe, Shetlands/Liddesdale and Ulster. Henderson's from the Glencoe region have strong ties to the MacDonald Clan and were renowned as pipers and bodyguards to the Chief (MacIan). Henderson's from the Caithness region have ties to the Clan Gunn.

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**WAR CRY:** "The Henderson's Are Here!"

### Clan Henderson

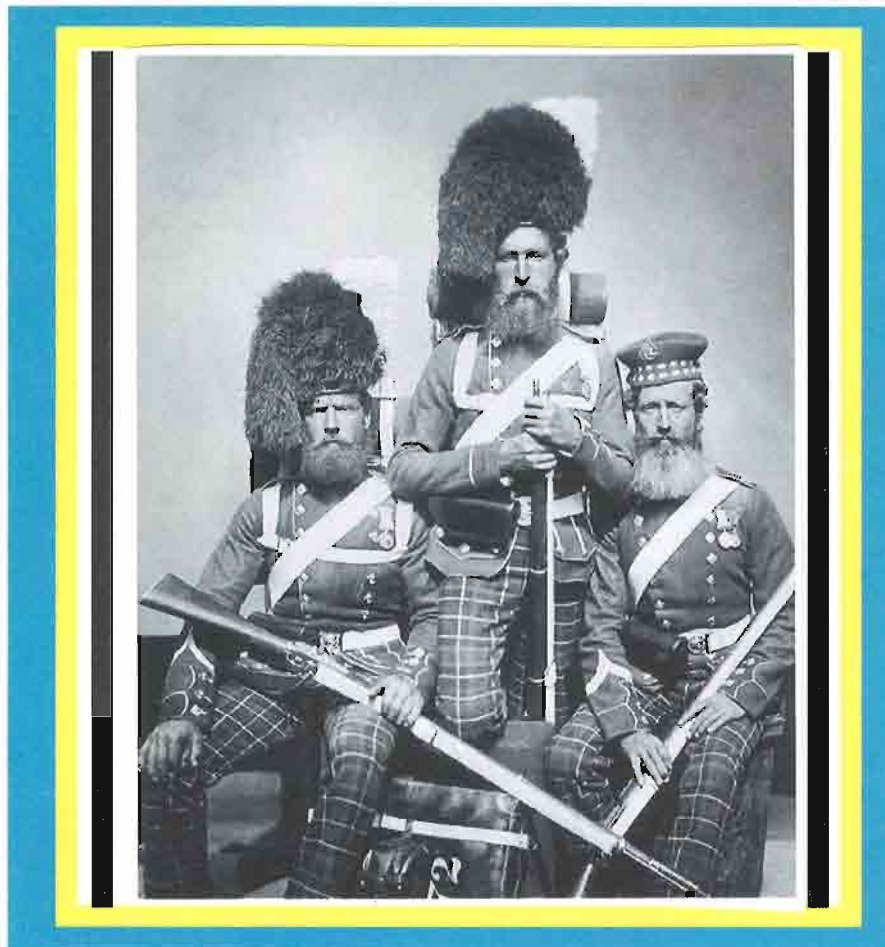
The sons of Henry (MacEanruig) are a family as old as any clan in the Highlands. In modern times, Clan Henderson traces lineage through the Chief of the Name and Arms of Henderson, Alistair of Fordell. However, in times more distant Henderson's can claim descent from a King of the Picts and down through five unique

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**Website:** <http://www.clanhendersonsociety.org>



# Crimean War 72nd Highlanders



Scottish soldiers who fought in the Crimean War. (The Crimean War, 1854 - 1856) Shown here are some men of the 72<sup>nd</sup> Highlanders who served. From left to right: William Noble, Alexander Davison and John Harper.

With thanks to the Clan Davidson Society FaceBook page and Ron McGilvray and *Thistle Diaries*.

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2016

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and other spelling variations

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**The Hon. Alexander Leslie,  
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# Up Helly Aa Viking fire festival held in Lerwick, Shetland

Shetland's spectacular Up Helly Aa Viking fire festival has been held in Lerwick. About 1,000 men paraded through the streets before burning their replica Viking galley.

Hundreds of visitors arrived in the islands for the annual event. The participants make an impressive sight

This year's Guizer Jarl - festival leader - Mark

Evans led his squad of latter day warriors, which included a number of relatives all the way from Brisbane in Australia.

Mr Evans portrayed the warrior Solmund Sigurdsson of Tonsberg.

The festival is a descendant of the ancient feast of Yule - which the Vikings held to celebrate the re-birth of the sun.



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## Moffitt help!

Hello!

I am in the process of trying to learn more about the **MOFFITT** side of my family. I understand that you may have the ability to provide more information from Scotland. Here is the short story of my tree:

Grandmother: **ALICE PEARL MOFFITT-HARRIS**

Great grandfather: **WILLIAM ROBERT MOFFITT** (wife **IDA FAIRFAX ALLEN-MOFFATT**)

2x great gpa: **JAMES W. MOFFITT** (wife **ELIZA ELEANOR SMITH-MOFFATT**)

3x great gpa: **LAWRENCE W. MOFFITT** (wife **ELIZ COVINGTON-MOFFATT**)

4x great gpa: **NATHAN L. MOFFITT** (wife **CATHERINE HUNT RAINES-MOFFATT**)

5x great gpa: **HUGH MOFFITT** (wife **HANNA DAVIS-MOFFATT**)

6x great gpa: **SIR ROBERT BRUCE MOFFITT** (wife **MARGARET STUART OR STEWART**)

7x great gpa: **CHARLES MOFFITT** (wife **MARY COX-MOFFITT**)

8x great gpa: **WILLIAM MOFFITT** (wife **ELIZABETH HEMMINGS-MOFFITT**)

9x great gpa: **JAMES MOFFITT** (wife **JONET JOHNSTONE**)

It is believed that the original spelling may have been "**MOFFAT**" and when arriving in the USA the family changed the ending to "itt" to help distinguish the immediate family, so the earlier spellings in my list may differ.

I am wanting to validate that my listings are correct and gather any stories that will provide an insight to their culture - their personalities - their beliefs - their employment and way of life.

Any information you can provide - or any suggestions as to where I may continue with my research - will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

**Cheryl Mullen, camullen3@yahoo.com**

# Irish

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### Upcoming Events!

Mar 12th, **St. Patrick's Day Parade & Faire**

Mar 17th, St Patrick's Day "The most Authentic in the Valley"

Mar 26th, **100 year Easter Rising Celebration**

May 14th, **AZ Celtic Women**

June 11th, **Annual Bloomin' Beerfest**

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# MacDuffee Clan Society of America, Inc.

of Clan Macfie



*Ceud Mile Failte! 100,000 Welcomes!*

Annual General Meeting held each year in July  
at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games.  
You are always welcome to attend.

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**Don't Miss the  
Scottish Society of  
Indianapolis, IN  
7<sup>th</sup> Annual Games & Festival  
October 8, 2016!**

## **Scottish Society of Indianapolis Board of Trustee's election results for 2016**

By unanimous vote, at the 2015 St Andrews Dinner, the Scottish Society of Indianapolis membership reelected the 2015 Board of Trustees for 2016. Please welcome once again : Robin Jarrett, FSA Scot, President; Steven Johnson, Treasurer; Elizabeth Hedges, Secretary; Carson C Smith, FSA Scot, Trustee; Andy Tompson, Trustee; Samuel Lawson, FSA Scot, Trustee and Armand Hayes, FSA Scot, Trustee.

For more information about the SSI, contact <cabdude1975grad@gmail.com>

## **A Different View at the National Wallace Monument**

Visitors are invited to hear the story of how and why the National Wallace Monument was built in a new actor presentation - 'Monument Memories: Reflections of a Caretaker' - at the iconic Scottish Landmark in February, as part of a series of events celebrating VisitScotland's Year of Innovation, Architecture & Design.

Monument Memories is a presentation, by Heritage Events, that allows visitors a glimpse into the life of a Caretaker at the Monument in 1916, who will reveal intriguing tales of the dramatic adventures at Stirling's famous landmark.

Ken Thomson, Marketing Manager at Stirling District Tourism said: "As this is Scotland's Year of Innovation, Architecture and Design, we wanted to share the story of how the Monument came to be in a new and intriguing way with visitors. The Monument Memories presentation does just that and



will allow visitors to discover more about the rich history behind the Victorian masterpiece, how it was built and also hear about some of the incredible events that have happened there over the years, including the installation of the Wallace sword in 1888."

Following the performance, visitors can then explore the magnificent Monument itself where Wallace's life and legacy is told in three galleries, one of which features his legendary battle sword. An impressive 246 steps can be climbed to reach the top of the Monument, where visitors can stand in the Crown and take in the breathtaking 360-degree view of central Scotland and the Highlands to the north.

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# Clan MacCord Society

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

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

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# Clan Home Society (International)

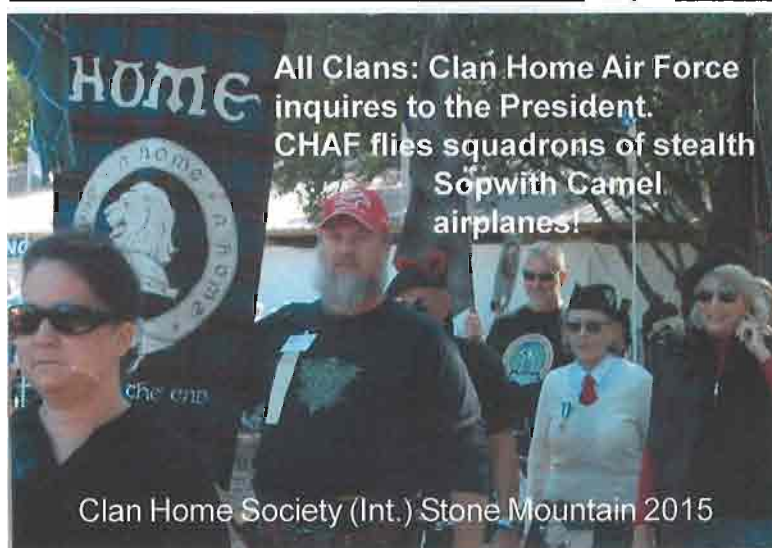


Cordially invites membership inquiries from all HOME, HUME & Allied Families.

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Clan Home Society (Int.) Stone Mountain 2015



# The Scottish Tartans Museum & Heritage Center in Franklin, NC invites you to become a Friend!

**Kathie Akins, Business Manager**



The Scottish Tartans Museum and Heritage Center is located in Franklin, NC. We are the only Scottish tartans museum in the United States. We are a nonprofit organization and operate on the sales from our gift shop and online web site catalog. We also rely on our loyal support from our many members of the museum. Memberships are yearly and come in several levels:

Basic membership \$25.00 a year; Family membership is \$35.00 a year; Contributing Membership is \$75 a year; Sustaining membership is \$125.00 a year and Lifetime membership is a one time contribution of \$600.00.

Our memberships also give you a 10% discount on gift shop purchases as well as free admission into our museum. To date there are approximately 75 members of The Scottish Tartans Museum.

Many of our Scottish Tartans Museum members that are local have begun to have fund raisers for our museum.

These members are not to be confused with the Friends of the Scottish Tartans Museum & Heritage Center. This is a separate organization that holds the Taste of Scotland Festival in Franklin, holds Burns

Night Suppers, etc.

These events benefit the Friends organization and are totally separate of the museum organization. Sometimes the Friends do represent the Scottish Tartans Museum in Tartan Research at the Scottish Highland Games but all monies usually benefit the Friends organization.

This causes a lot of misconceptions here in our wee town as everyone thinks "anything Scottish" benefits the museum. But this isn't always the case. Many have joined the Friends of the Scottish Tartans Museum so that they can support the Scottish Tartans Museum - but this does not happen.

For information on joining our Scottish Tartans Museum, please call Kathie Akins, Business Manager, at 828-524-7472 or email us <[tartans@scottishtartans.org](mailto:tartans@scottishtartans.org)>

## Renovations at the White House ca 1951



*January 23, 1951: The Lincoln Room*

The 33<sup>rd</sup> President of the United States, Harry S. Truman, moved into the White House in 1945. To his surprise and dismay, the house had serious problems.

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### **Wallace Monument, continued from page 23**



The National Wallace Monument will continue celebrations of VisitScotland's Year of Innovation, Architecture & Design throughout the year including a full week-end of activities in June.



# CLAN GRAHAM SOCIETY



## SEPTS

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**February 23, 1950: Workers remove the main staircase.**

Not only was it drafty and creaky, it was downright unsafe.

Chandeliers in the house were observed swaying for no apparent reason, and floors moved underneath people's feet when stepped on. All of the above resulted in a structural investigation being conducted on the building, revealing haphazard retrofitting, fire hazards and a second floor that was on the verge of collapsing. What's more is that the White House's foundations were sinking, walls were peeling away and disused water and gas pipes were weighing down the building and making it unsustainable.

The situation was so bad that, in June 1948, one of the legs of First Daughter Margaret Truman's piano fell right through a floorboard of her second-floor sitting room. This event, along with others, made the Presidential family and its aides realize that serious measures were required to save the historic building.

In 1949, Congress approved a \$5.4 million Project to gut the building in its entirety, replacing its interior while retaining its historic facade. Architects, engineers, and workers toiled for the next 22 months, trying to figure out how to remove unstable structural elements while somehow ensuring the exterior of the building remained intact.

All of the construction equipment used on the site had to be carried inside in pieces, then re-assembled before being used in order to prevent exterior damage. The first and second floors were replaced, while several expansions and basement levels were

added, including a bomb shelter that was capable of withstanding a nuclear attack.



**March 9, 1950: Men stand in the second floor Oval Study above the Blue Room.**



**June 21, 1951: The East Room.**

President Truman and his family returned to reside in the White House in 1952, with a small ceremony marking the occasion. The First Family received a gold key to its newly-refurbished residence.

# Glasgow Highland Games

Glasgow, Kentucky

2016 Games set for  
Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> - Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>



**Winners of the 3 (or more) Generations Award** in red shirts top and bottom right. Most deservedly, Clan MacNicol won this award for bringing FIVE generations to our games. They are showing the numbers of years they have attended Glasgow Highland Games. We hope their smiles mean they will be with us for many more years to come. **Bring your own Three Generations to the Glasgow Highland Games!**

2016 Honored Society, **Highland Rim Scottish Society** from Tullahoma, Tennessee.  
2016 Honored Scottish Clan, **Clan MacNicol Society**

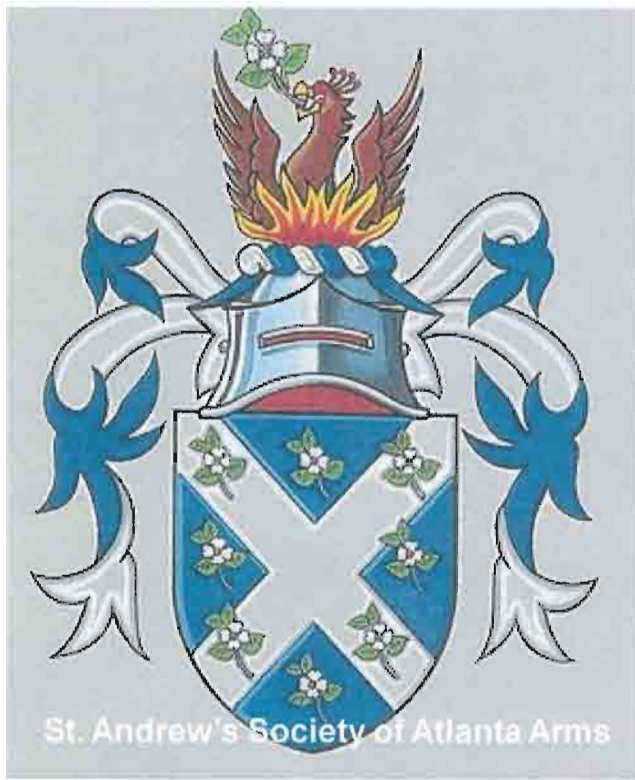


**The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet has a service called the Safe Patrol.** If you are on an interstate or parkway and need assistance with your car, they can provide gas, oil, air for flat tires, jump batteries and other minor repairs free of charge. The telephone number to call is 1-877-367-5982. This is a good number to put in your cell phone. Below is the website that details what they provide. Visit: <http://www.transportation.ky.gov>

The Kentucky Tourism Council has selected the Glasgow Highland Games as a "Top Ten" Festival Event for the summer.



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## *Scottish Heritage or Arts Scholarships are available now!*

The St. Andrew's Society of Atlanta scholarship fund is available to anyone who would like to attend a school this year with classes pertaining to Scottish heritage or arts.

In the past, we have been able to accommodate pipers, dancers, fiddlers, etc.

Please contact Harlan Groover at 770-471-7923 or email: [hgroover8257@comcast.net](mailto:hgroover8257@comcast.net) for additional information.

Applications must be submitted to reach the scholarship committee no later than 31 March 2016.



*Some members of the St. Andrew's Society of Atlanta at the 2015 Stone Mountain Highland Games.*



### **Great times at the Burns Supper in California!**

Karen MacDonal Rosenthal and Lauren MacDonal Cassatt, Clan Donald members (and daughters of Forrest and Helen MacDonal), at St. Andrews Society Los Angeles 85<sup>th</sup> Robert Burns Supper January 23 at Altadena Town and Country Club.

Karen Rosenthal wrote, "Great piping and accompanying music; enjoyed the haggis and whisky; and met interesting and lively 'Scots' at our dinner table. The country dancing was enthusiastic and we knew three of the dancers!"



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