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Glasgow Highland Games offers a free tent to any clan having their AGM there!

If you have your AGM at the Glasgow Highland Games we will give you one free tent. In addition, every clan tent is given a free bag of ice on Saturday and Sunday, one free table and chairs.

You will also find special games ticket pricing for clans! You'll get two (2) FREE Sat. & Sun. Games admission tickets for Clan participating in the Raising of the Clans ceremony Friday, June 1st. This is a \$40.00 appreciation gift to thank you for your participation.

If you prefer, you may reserve your tent space and get two (2) Saturday and Sunday Games admission tickets and the 10 x 20 tent space for \$125.00 ó a savings of \$15.00! You still have the option of reserving just the tent space for \$100.00, but we wanted to offer an admission price discount to our Clans. Don't forget, we have added a Weekend Family Pass for only \$35.00!

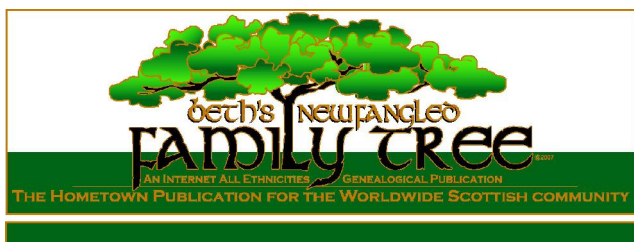
We are pleased to announce our 2012 Chief of the Games will be Richard Carmichael of Carmichael, Chief of Clan Carmichael. We have selected Clan



Sinclair as our Honored Clan and the Highland Rim
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2011 Charleston, SC Highland Games
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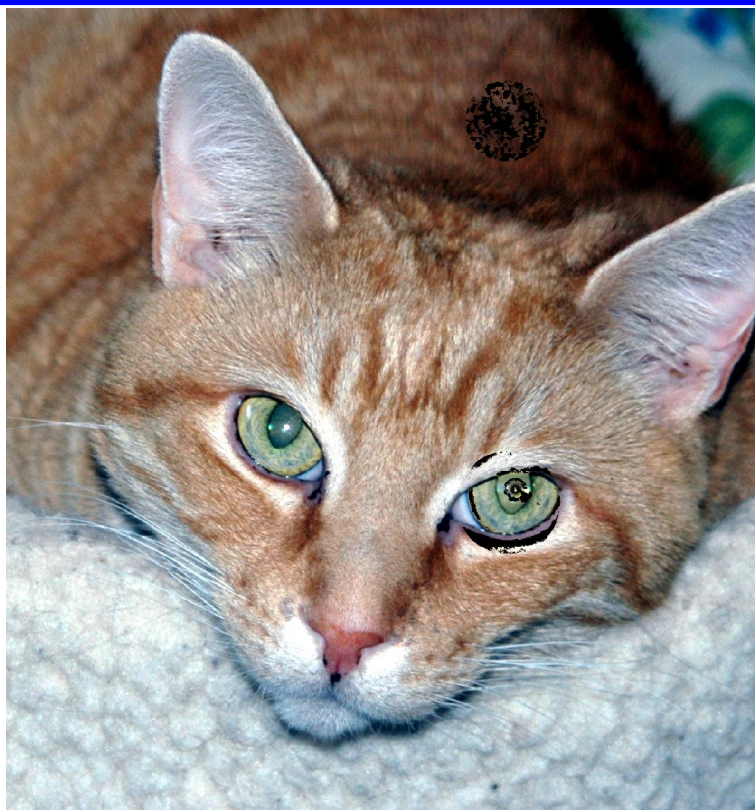
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**Happy
 Birthday**
**Peggie Hairy
 Cat Freeman**

Peggie Hairy is 14 on November 1.

Look closely and you will see his "Kirk Douglas" chin! Have you ever before seen a cat with a cleft chin?

Peggie Hairy is also affectionately known as "Milk Dud" as he waits patiently each morning for Tom to share a teaspoon of milk with him.

A letter from your editor

computer
Happy days
are here again!

Computer-wise, the last few months have not been good ones. Let me say I am pretty good using PageMaker - which is not the easiest program to learn, but once learned, it is great fun to use.

Let me also say, once something within the magical world of my computer goes awry, I am useless.

I have a feeling that most of us are amongst the group for whom all of the *ōDummiesö* books are written, me especially.

My thinking turns many times to *ōwhen the land sellsö* and we have our new house. I can see, in my head, myself unpacking the literally hundreds (if not more than a thousand) boxes of books which now live upstairs and take up half a house. I dreamt of this the other night and awakened laughing hard enough and loud enough for poor Tom to sleepily say, *ōDid someone get in here with us and tickle you?ö*

ōNo,ö I giggled, *ōI just realized that when all of my books are unpacked and organized and placed neatly on shelves in our new house... I will have an entire bookcase devoted to *Dummies* books.ö*

ōMmmmmphhhhhhh,ö said sweet Tom.

*PageMaker for Dummies, Cooking for Dummies, Windows 7 for Dummies, LOTS more and a dozen or so *ōfor Dummiesö* books that are now passe - like Windows XP Pro - but which just can't be discarded. *Horses for Dummies, Dogs for Dummies, Crochet for Dummies* - you get the idea.*

In any case, I am slowly making friends with my brand new and powerful business version of a new Windows 7 computer. It's sort of like becoming friends with a feral cat...slowly, slowly, carefully, carefully - all the while knowing that in the process you're gonna get scratched and maybe bitten a time or two.

Usually, doing this publication and the others that I produce, is fun for me. There's something about taking blank pages and filling them with interesting articles and nice photographs...and sending important information to others - that warms the cockles of my heart. The last two of these publications have been definitely NOT fun as I have struggled with unfamiliar everything. My heart cock-



les have not been warm at all.

Right at this moment, I am about half way through this section and find myself having fun again!

To warn you, when I installed my PageMaker 7.01, the dictionary did not load. Why? Even the *Dummies* books don't know.

To reach this good place re the computer I had to: Abandon the Windows XP Pro Virtual Computer that is in this computer somewhere. ABANDON it!

I had to purchase a copy of PageMaker 7.0 and load the .01 from the Internet. (And also purchase THREE books on the new PageMaker program.) My computer guy had to help me figure out how to make PageMaker 6.5 files talk with PageMaker 7.01 files and vice versa. We had to abandon good and faithful old *Picture It!* as it won't work on the Windows 7....and download the Picasa 3.0 program which then had to search for photos...and found a bazillion pictures I thought lost. And, a partridge in a pear tree.

It has taken a couple of weeks, nights spent figuring out the inner work-

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Flowers of the Forest

Craig Arthur Lee, 47. Craig was born on July 9, 1964 and passed away on August 7, 2011. This sad news was brought to our attention by his loving wife, Laura. They became Clan Bell International members in 2009.

Charter Member of the Clan Bell International, , **Hazel Grace Bell Parker** passes away at age 103. "She starts every day with a *smile*" was a frequently-repeated comment describing Hazel. Hazel passed in April of 2010. We are grateful to her son, Bruce Parker, for informing us.

Dorothy Blair, wife of deceased CBS founder Norman Blair, mother of John Blair of VA & mother of Larry Blair of PA, has died after a long debilitating illness. Condolences and prayers for the family.

Philip Arnold Blair died September 4, 2011 in Phoenix AZ after a valiant struggle with Myelodysplastic Syndrome. He was the oldest son of Oscar A & Dorothy. He was born in Phoenix AZ, received his BS in 1955 from CO A&M & Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine in 1959 from CO State University. He began his veterinary career in Broken Bow, NE. He partnered at the Casa Grande Animal Hospital in AZ from 1964-1977. He fulfilled one of his lifelong dreams and began farming in the San Luis Valley of southern CO for 10 yrs before returning to Phoenix, AZ to manage his family's business, The Arnold Pickle & Olive Company. In 1997 he became the Assistant State Veterinarian with the AZ Dept of Agriculture. .

Helen Louise Blair Summersgill of Sycamore, PA has died. She had been a member since 1988 until

we lost track of her in 2009. We just found out she had died but we were unable to get much information. She used to send little cards with her membership stating she always enjoyed all the articles in our newsletter.

Rev. Peter Arvedson, 1937-2011 The Association is saddened to learn about the recent death of Reverend Arvedson. Peter became a member of Clan Sinclair USA in 1989.

Excerpts from his obituary published in the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* on July 16, 2011 follow: Arvedson, Rev. Peter - Born April 15, 1937; Died July 14, 2011, at the age of 74.

Beloved husband of Joan. Loving father of Stephen (Tara) and Mark. Cherished grandfather of Matthew, Jonathan and Jason. Dear brother of Jane

(James) Hood. Survived by other relatives, friends and colleagues.

Peter received BS in Chemistry at University of Illinois and PhD in Inorganic Chemistry from UW Madison; Master of Divinity from General Theological Seminary, New York City.

He served as Episcopal priest in parishes in Effingham, IL, Okinawa, Japan, Madison, WI and Buffalo, NY, where he retired from St. Andrew's Church in 2002. He was a member of the Clan Sinclair Society.

He was active in the Society for Ordained Scientists. Since he and Joan moved to Elm Grove, he continued teaching and ministering in many ways at Trinity Church, Wauwatosa. He was a docent, researcher, and active supporter for restoration projects at the Pabst Mansion. The Association's heartfelt condolences are extended to Rev. Arvedson's family and friends.





Clan Elliot Society, USA

Any person of Scottish ancestry bearing the name Elliot in any of its various spellings, including the spouse or descendant of such person, or any person who would like to be a friend of the Elliot Clan is welcome to join the group.

Please contact the treasurer for a membership form or visit <http://www.elliotclanusa.com/> for a form.

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Clan Macfie FaceBook page is up!

Glen Cathey has recently put up
The Official Clan Macfie FaceBook page
and it is ready for you to join and participate.
You can see some Youtube of the Clan Parliament at Nethybridge.
This is the link: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Official-Clan-Macfie-Page/177565770680>

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Scottish yummys for your tummy!

Partan Bree

The Scottish word for crab is 'partan' and 'bree' means liquid. This soup has been a traditional favourite with the fishing folk of Scotland for centuries.

Ingredients:

- ◆ 1 large boiled crab
- ◆ 1 pint milk
- ◆ 3 oz. rice
- ◆ 1 pint white stock
- ◆ Salt & pepper
- ◆ Dash of anchovy essence
- ◆ ½ pint thin cream



Method: Remove the meat from the crab and keep aside the claw meat. Pour milk into a saucepan. Rinse the rice under cold running water in a strainer, then drain and add to the milk with a good pinch of salt. Bring to the boil. Cover with a lid and simmer until soft. Stir in the crab meat. Sieve or put into a liquidizer until smooth and creamy. Return to the pan and add the stock. Stir till boiling. Season with the salt

and pepper. Add the anchovy essence and the meat taken from the claws. Stir gently until hot, but do not allow to boil. Stir in the cream and serve.

With many thanks to the *North County Scots Newsletter*, San Diego, CA. Contact Ginger Kullman, Member Chair at 760-745-6633 for more information or visit: www.northcountyscots.com.

Clan Davidson Society, USA, Inc.

www.clandavidsonusa.com



COME JOIN US! The Clan Davidson Society, USA, Inc. will be sponsoring an *International Gathering of Clan Davidson* on the 2nd weekend of June (**June 10, 11 & 12**), 2011. The event will be held in conjunction with the Kansas City Scottish Highland Games.

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Clan Davidson Society, USA invites all Davidson's and Septs of the clan to membership:

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Clan Blair Society

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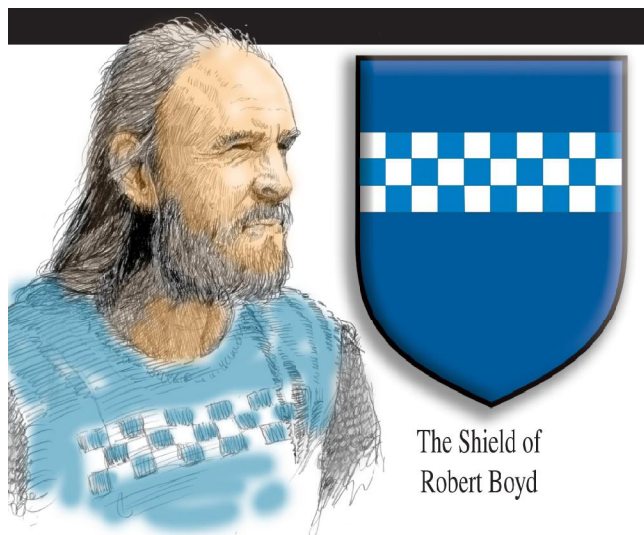
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The Shield of
Robert Boyd

A lifelong friend and close lieutenant to Robert the Bruce, Sir Robert Boyd heroically defended Castle Kildrummy and was an exemplar to all in the Scots' cause. He survived the years and faced harsh dangers in taking his country back from the English kings, and fought alongside his family's Stewart kinsmen at the Battle of Bannok Burn.

The epic story unfolds before you in the historical *Rebel King* novels. See them here:

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Happy Computer Days Are Here Again,

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ings of computery things...and much patience on the part of the computer guy.

I'm writing this so you won't despair next time something kills your own computer and you must delve into the eerie world of **The New Computer**.

In my moaning and groaning to friends via email or telephone, I have heard, "Oh my Lord. I had to move into a new computer a couple of months ago. I think I can get off Valium soon." "New computer? Bless your heart. Why don't you just come live with me!" "I've had my new computer for a year and am still trying to figure it out."

Not one person said, "Oh, how lovely! New computers are so much fun." Nope, not one.

But, dinna fash about me. I think in maybe another month or so, I will really enjoy this new contraption.

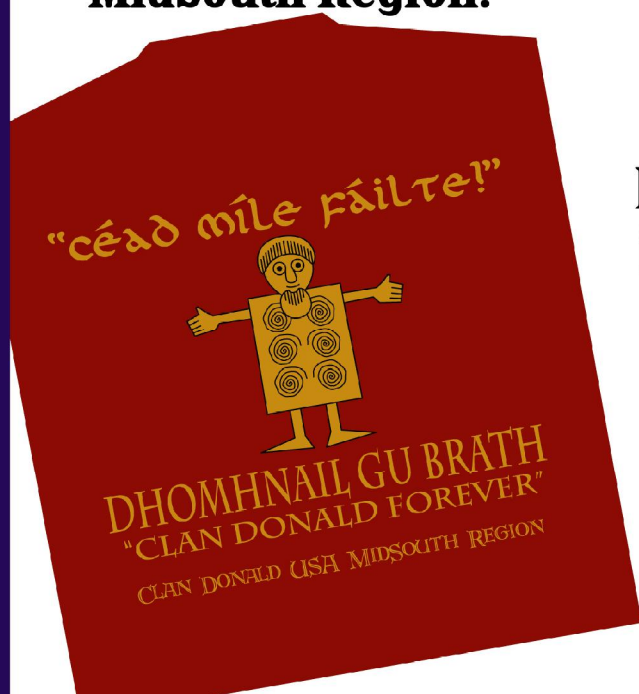
You know, don't you, that *Beth's Newfangled Family Tree* refers not only to Newfoundland Dogs who will one day help me carry stuff at Highland games - but also to the fact that this is done with complicated new technology - smoke and mirrors - the same thing as computers, pdf files, Internet stuff and the genius of Alastair McIntyre who understands everything about computers?

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but keep yer name out in front!

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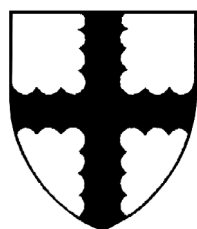
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Clan Sinclair Association, Inc., (USA)



7 ft. x 9 ft. tent panel created by Heraldic Artist, Tom Freeman, for the 2009 Gathering in Edinburgh.

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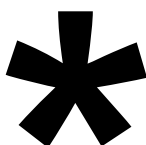
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Tax Records in genealogical research

Bryan Mulcahy

Whether the issue is trying to overcome brick walls, or providing details about our ancestors, tax records can be a beneficial genealogical research tool. The collection of taxes has been mandated by law since colonial times. Colonial taxes were usually administered and collected at the local level. In many cases the detailed local tax lists were forwarded to the state as supporting documentation for the money collected. This can be a tremendous asset for researchers working in counties that have gaps in surviving records.

Tax lists for a single year are often published as substitutes for missing censuses. It is best to search for a continuous run of tax lists so that you can follow your ancestral family over a long period of time. This means locating tax lists on microfilm, online, or at the county courthouse. The process through which the tax rolls were created and the assets recorded varied. The county court was usually responsible for assigning assessors and defining geographical districts when a county was too large for one collector to administer.

Lists are generally semi-alphabetical, arranged by the first letter of the last name. Occasionally, we find a list that is semi-alphabetical by first letter of first name. This arrangement may have made sense to the assessor but it can be challenging for researchers. Tax lists were often prepared in advance, based on the previous year. Names often appear in the same order from year to year, and new names are added to the end of the list for that letter of the alphabet. Sometimes the assessor went to the taxpayer; sometimes the taxpayer came to a central location; sometimes there was a combination of both.

Different localities organized their lists differently. For example, Virginia separated lists for real property (land) from those for personal property. Pennsylvania had the unique structure of dividing the list into three sub-lists: one for property owners, one for married renters, and one for single men. Many lists have separate sections for delinquents, nonresident property owners, town dwellers, businesses, or special items such as business licenses. Entries for nonresidents may appear in the regular list under their name or the name of an overseer (no poll or tithe is counted for the owner). Technically, there were assessment lists and collection lists, but rarely do both survive.

Assessments were posted for taxpayers to review, and there was usually an appeal process. Appeals may be found in county court records. Neighbors often turned one another into authorities if they did not feel they were assessed their fair share in taxes which often lead to some lively court proceedings.

Tax records indicate that a person owned land or taxable personal property in a particular place or jurisdiction. They can provide clues such as:

1. Financial standing of the person or family.
2. Time period person resided in the area.
3. Description of land or personal property owned.
4. Fluxuations in a person's finances as they either acquired or disposed of holdings.

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The Mirror

From the bold sounds of the pipes and drums, and the harmonious blending of brass, strings and percussion, to the poetic and lyrical words that complement them, all filling the beautiful Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, *The Pipes Of Christmas* is a festival for the soul. Presented by the Clan Currie Society, the concert features the music of Christmas accompanied by a selection of readings taken from the Celtic literature of Scotland, Ireland, and Wales.

Featured performers include Andrew Weir from the film *Braveheart*, Scottish Country Dance trio Local Hero (Paul Woodiel/fiddle, Christopher Layer/uilleann pipes and Susie Petrov/keyboards), the Solid Brass ensemble, Scottish harpist Jennifer Port and the Kevin Ray Blandford Memorial Pipe Band of Redlands, CA.

Proceeds from the concerts fund a growing number of music scholarships bestowed annually by the Clan Currie Society. The Alex Currie Memorial Scholarship for Bagpipe was created in honor of the famed Canadian piper and is administered by the Gaelic College in Nova Scotia. The Pipe Major Kevin Ray Blandford Scholarship - is awarded annually by the National Piping Centre in Glasgow, Scotland. The Col. William McMurdo Currie Memorial Scholarship for the Clarsach (Scottish harp) is administered by the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland (formerly the Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama) in Glasgow. The newly-created Private Bill Millin Memorial Piping Scholarship is bestowed annually to Lyon College in Batesville, Arkansas.

The Pipes of Christmas is made possible through the generous support of OBAN Single Malt Whisky, the Grand Summit Hotel, the Hat Tavern and Walkers Shortbread. Complete details at www.PipesOfChristmas.com

LIVE preview performance on Sunday, December 4, 2011 at 1:00 PM at the Miracle on Madison fundraiser for the Children's Aid Society of NY, Madison Avenue at 61st Street.

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v=YnBF6bv4Oe4](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YnBF6bv4Oe4)



The Shield of
Thomas Randolph
as Earl of Moray



Captured at Methven in the debacle that all but ended the reign of Robert the Bruce, the king's nephew Thomas Randolph was forced by his captors to track his king and the Army of Bruce. His heart still yearned for Scotland to be free, and at Loudoun Plain, he calmly turned his back to the English and rode across the battlefield to rejoin the Scots and stand against Edward's army.
Find out more about the epic story at...

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Do you see Scottish bits on American TV?

As we watch TV, occasionally we see things Scottish on American television.

Here's one that we see over and over again. On HGTV there is a program called *Property Brothers* starring brothers Jonathan and Drew Scott.

One brother is a realtor and the other is a designer/contractor. The realtor brother is often seen wearing a tie of Culloden tartan!

If you see a tartan or someone Scottish in a program - send me a few lines describing what you saw or heard so everyone can see too! Just send your Scottish TV find to bethscribble@aol.com.



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Coastal Georgia Genealogical Society invites you to their November meeting

Our next meeting will be Sunday, November 13th at 2:00 at the St. Simons Firestation Meeting Room. Our topic will be "Visiting A Genealogy Library" with a speaker from the Huxford-Spear Genealogy Library in Homerville. They have re-

cently added thousands of new books and other materials from Elmer Spear's extensive collection.

For further information on the Coastal Georgia Genealogical Society, email BackRiver@comcast.net.

Scottish History Course online

We would be grateful if you could pass details of our new Modern Scottish History course (distance learning), which you or your members may be interested in pursuing.



The programme is headed by Professor Catriona MacDonald, who recently won the 2010 Saltire Society Scottish History Book of the Year Award at the Saltire Society Awards in Edinburgh on the 29th November, for her book "Whaur Extremes Meet" (2009).

Visit <http://www.saltiresociety.org.uk/4153> for complete information.

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Site Seeing!

Don't miss any of these. Made me cry, made me cheer and made me proud! One of them was just interesting as all get out...

<http://www.tv.com/video/10540313/sunday-morning—the-marble-of-our-heroes-headstones>

<http://projects.nytimes.com/census/2010/map?nl=todaysheadlines&emc=thab1>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p00k07by>

Clan Bell International



This old West Marche Clan, one of Border clans since the early 1100s, were retainers of the Great House of Douglas and also allied with the best border families through blood and friendship. Their land holdings were extensive, and to survive, they engaged in the “rieving” of the period and participated in many battles against the English.

Declared “unruly” by the Scottish Parliament, many of the Clan emigrated to the Ulster Plantation after 1610.

After William Bell, called *Redcloak* and Chief of the Clan died in 1628, the chiefship became dormant, and without leadership, the Bells ceased to exist as a viable clan.

Clan Bell International (CBI) in the United States represents Clan Bell world-wide with a coordinated network of 20 International Representatives, each representing the Clan in their own country.

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

CBI cordially invites membership inquiries from persons Named Bell (all spellings), their descendants and friends. Quarterly newsletter published. Tents hosted at major Scottish festivals from coast to coast.

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Clan Bell: One of the thirteen Riding Clans that made up the De'il's Dozen in Scotland of Olde

Thanks to the Clan Bell newsletter, *Nabelich*.

Ray Bell

Centuries ago, Clan Bell was considered a prominent riding family (or clan) of the Scottish-Anglo border. Clan Bell, located primarily on the Western Scottish-Anglo border, owned hundreds of horses. The reason and need for owning so many horses was that Bells were very active reivers.

In your well-research reading, you've probably noted that Scotland's King, on more than one occasion, instructed the reiver Bells to cease their troublemaking behavior. In those days, Clan Bell's only real claim to fame was their fighting skills.

Isn't it comforting to know that in the centuries that followed, many Bells redirected negative energy and their fighting spirit to accomplish positive things like invent telephone, distill Scotch and often become giants in many facets of the modern world. Nevertheless, our roots, are what they are.

The Wee Horse Led Me

In the last issue of *Nabelich*, The Clan Bell Newsletter, we featured a Clan Bell recruitment advertisement, that our CBI Membership Secretary, AJ Ginn, put together with the Publisher of the Scottish

newsletter in which the ad ran (*BNFT*).

I became very intrigued with the photo of a Reiver re-

enactor mounted on a small horse that appeared to be very similar to the diminutive type of horse used by the ancient border reivers.

I wanted to learn more about the horse that



the Bells owned in large numbers, so I started searching. I was drawn to the article entitled, *The Border Reivers and The Battle of Sollomoss* which is featured on the Electric Scotland website.

On my search to find information on the pony type horse that was key to the Bells' earning the reputation as a major riding clan, I discovered, in writing, a term I had heard in discussions with other border descendants.

I was stopped cold, and I wanted to know more. The Devil's Dozen: More Discovered Infamy heaped upon the Reiver Bells of Old.

The following paragraph was received almost verbatim from the Electric Scotland website.

The Devil's Dozen (Devil's Dozen) is a nickname given to the thirteen most powerful and active West March Riding families. These thirteen families

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The Whisky Corner

Ray Pearson, Anaheim, CA
The Whiskymeister

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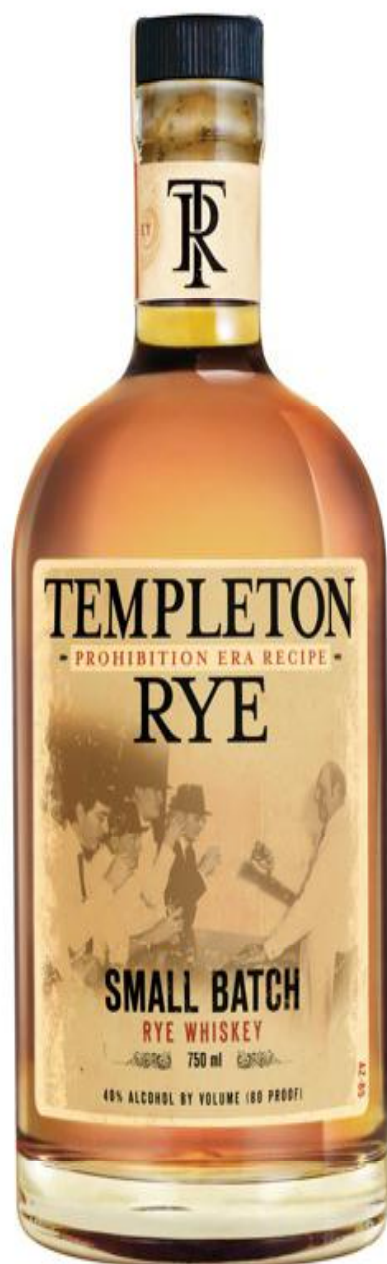


Born during the doomed noble experiment known as Prohibition, Templeton Rye whiskey was one of the tastiest forbidden fruits of the day. This liquid gold reflected the excesses of early 1920s America, with its recipe consisting of over 90% rye grain, while the legal minimum was a mere 51%. Aged five years, much longer than others of the day, it's no wonder Templeton Rye has always been referred to as "the good stuff", and why it was a clear favorite of Al Capone.

TR is distilled at Lawrenceburg Distillers, Lawrenceburg, Indiana, using an original Prohibition era recipe. It is a Small Batch Whiskey, meaning fewer than 20 53-gallon barrels are married together and bottled at one time. These barrels are taken from various levels in the rick house (aging warehouse) to ensure overall consistency, from batch to batch. After maturing in charred, new American white oak barrels, sourced in Missouri, the whiskey is shipped to the Templeton, Iowa facility for bottling, packing and shipping.

Currently, Templeton Rye is distributed in four states - Iowa, Illinois, California, and New York, but is getting nation-wide attention, thanks to HBO's *Boardwalk Empire*, and its depiction of Prohibition era Atlantic City, NJ. Mayor Enoch "Nucky" Thompson, played by actor Steve Buscemi, enjoys on-screen cocktails using Templeton Rye. Authentic glimpses into 1920s cuisine also include finger sandwiches, made popular by the invention of sliced bread, and fruit cocktail cups, due to the availability of grapes, because of a decline in wine

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The Nucky

(Developed by Eric Hay, Wirtz Beverage, Illinois)

1 and 1/2 ounce Templeton Rye Whiskey

1 ounce Cherry Herring Liqueur

1/2 ounce Compari

3/4 ounce fresh lemon juice

1/4 ounce fresh orange juice

1 dash Angostura Bitters

Garnish: 2 Luxardo cherries, skewered

Build all ingredients in a shaker, add ice and shake hard for 8-10 seconds. Double strain into a double old fashioned glass with fresh ice.



production. The Caesar salad was also created in 1924 by restaurateur Caesar Cardini, in Tijuana, Mexico.

Templeton Rye's aroma and taste begin as luscious punches of spice & cloves

& cinnamon take the lead & balanced with beautiful wood notes. The delicious flavors finish long and with hints of caramel. Bottling is at 40% ABV (alcohol by volume), or 80 proof.

FREE Clan Tent, continued from page 1

Scottish Society to be our Honored Society.

The Glasgow Highland Games has continued to strive to place Clans first and will continue to do so in the future. For example, all Clans receive complimentary ice. Also, the GHG charges Clans the same charge it must pay the tent company (\$100.00 per tent) and this includes a table and chairs. Furthermore, we provide a 10 x 20 tent and a 5' space between the tent and competition field for better viewing.

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We are always glad to receive your comments and are dedicated to vigorously continuing our policy of giving first priority to Clans and Societies. We thank the Clans for their positive attitudes, which helps make the Glasgow Highland Games a successful event of meaningful competition, pageantry and social togetherness.

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Roman artefacts found at Tesco site, Falkirk, Scotland



Archaeologists have uncovered evidence of at least two Roman forts at a supermarket construction site near Falkirk.

Artefacts including bones, jewellery and coins were discovered at the development in Camelon. Contractors Barr Construction, who are currently building a Tesco store on the site, are to put the excavated items on public display.

Experts believe the forts date back to the first and second centuries AD. Two other excavations at the site, one in the 1900s and the other in the 1970s also found evidence of Roman occupation.

Strategic location

Leather shoes, ceramics and ovens were found in this latest dig. Martin Cook, chief archaeologist at the site, said the fort was at the north-west frontier of the Roman empire and would have had a significant strategic role, as well as being one of the most heavily populated areas of Scotland in Roman times.

“The Roman fort at Camelon would have been one of the most important forts in Scotland,” he said. “It had a port and was a central location in Scotland.”

Mr Cook said his team had dug “less than 5%” of the fort, with plenty more artefacts to be found by future generations of archaeologists. Project manager Craig Nairn, from Barr Construction, said witnessing the archaeologists’ discoveries had “captured the imagination” of the teams involved in the Tesco project.

“We hope the history hut created by Barr with help from AOC Archaeologists, Falkirk Council and Tesco Stores Limited will give people a real chance to get a glimpse of life here in Roman times,” he said.



Reivers, continued from page 17

were responsible for more Reiving activity than the rest of the Border Families put together. They instigated the greatest raids; were involved in the most legendary exploits; and consisted of most of the more infamous and legendary Reivers across the three centuries of the Reiver period. In alphabetical order the family/clan names are: Armstrong, Bell, Carleton, Dacre, Elliot, Graham, Johnstone, Kerr, Maxwell, Musgrave, Nixon, Scott and Storey.

There is definitely, more and I think you would find the information interesting. I urge you to visit: www.selectricscotland.com and click on: *The Border Reivers and the Battle of Sollomoss*. My email is: raybellprint@msn.com

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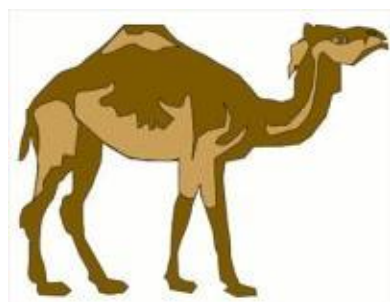
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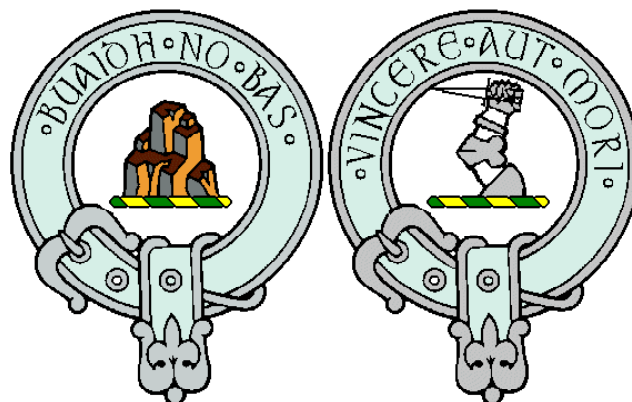
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Sanctioned by the United States Border Collies Handlers Association, the Rural Hill Sheepdog Trials are open to any herding breeds, but the majority of entries are Border Collies. The Trials are based on tasks that a working dog is asked to do on the farm. Points are earned for each phase of work. The dog and handler team is awarded points for demonstrating precision in the time allowed. One of 13 dog breeds that developed in Scotland, the Border Collie first appeared in the Border country of Scotland in the 1700's.

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New Kristin Tualla Novel Features Bell Lassie in Scotland Following Europe's Plague

Kristin Tualla, Clan Bell International member and author, "Norway the New Scotland" announced that another novel was just released...in time for Christmas shopping.

Back in September of 2010, when Kristin's first novel was released, she promised this: I'm working on a novel set on the Scots-Anglo border in 1354 immediately following the Black Death. My heroine takes the "Bell" name as she steps into the role of Lady of the estate, and raises the plague-orphaned Bell heir. The hero is a Scottish knight from whom she is keeping her true identity (English-bastard-servant) a secret.

Kris has a very attractive website. Visit it for purchase information: www.KrisTualla.com



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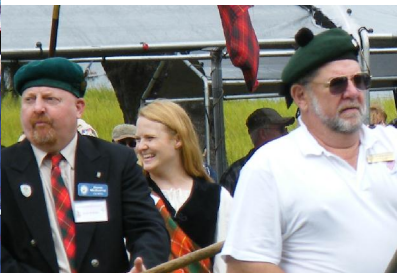
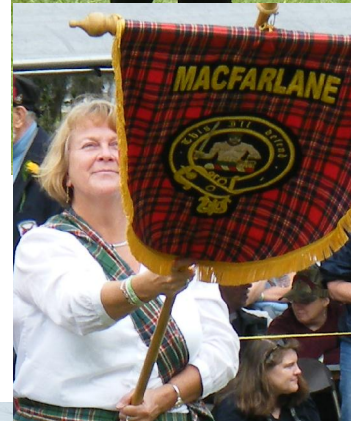


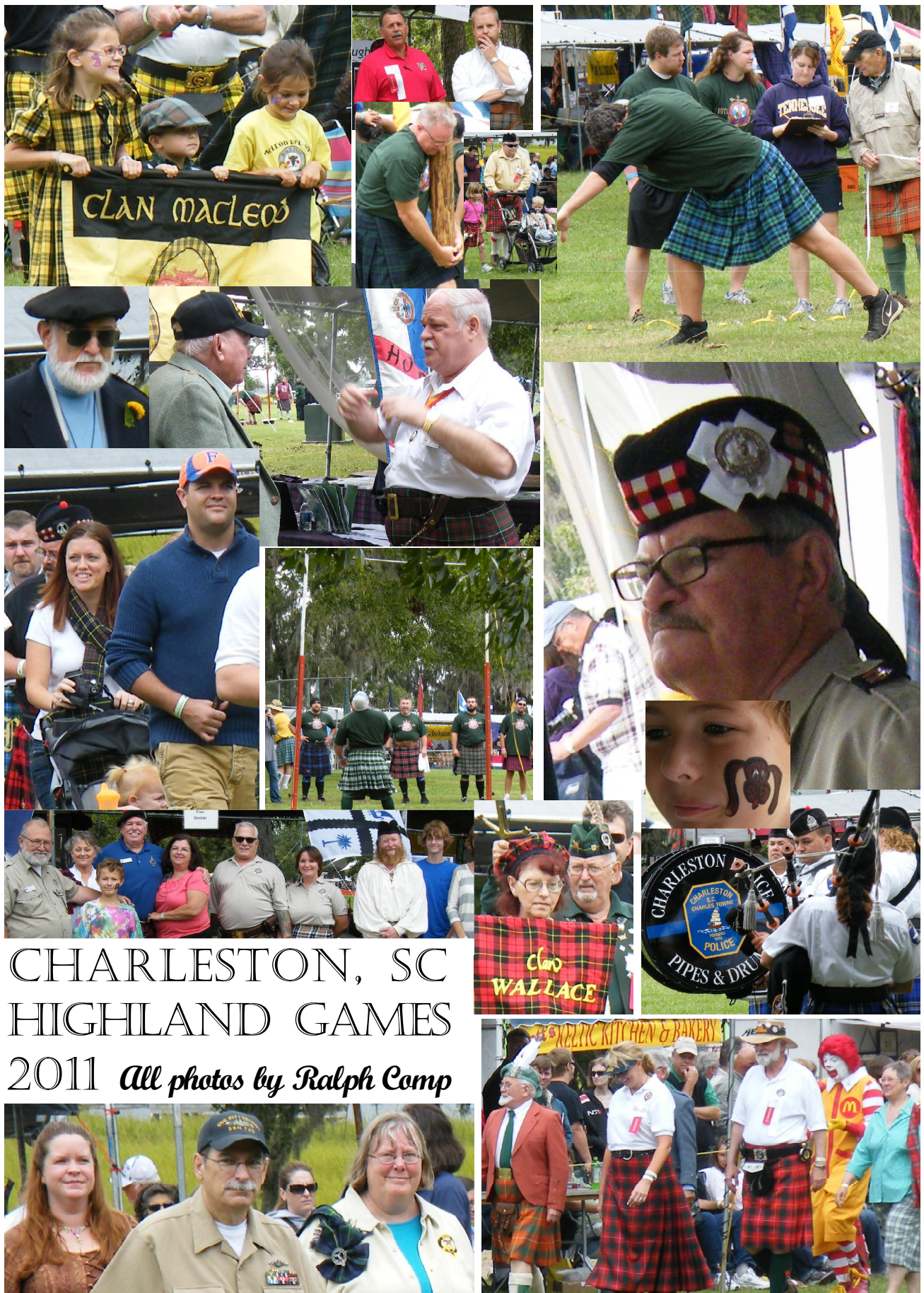
Above, just a taste of the wonderful photographs Jennifer Blair of Tucson, AZ has sent us! These photos are of Glasgow Cathedral. Look for more in Section B of this publication.

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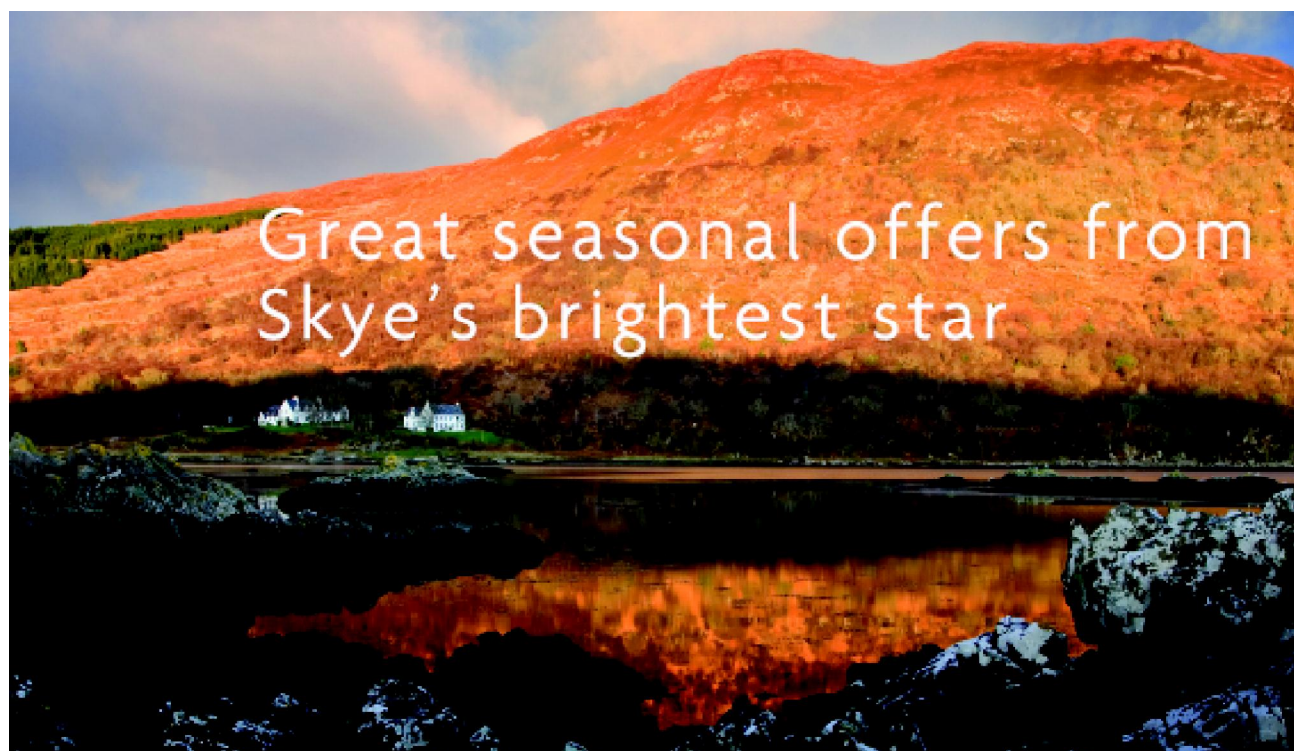
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In Section B of this issue we'll feature new Scottish photos by Jennifer Blair as well as pictures of the 2011 Stone Mountain (GA) Highland Games! Don't miss them!



One of the really great things to me about my new computer is that it found about a bazillion photos I thought had been long eaten by the Computer Monster. This photo, if I remember correctly, is near Beaulieu, Scotland. There was a wire protective door over the window you could look through and it was DARK inside. I remember being fascinated by this tomb...I think it is one of the Mackenzies - but am not really sure. I just stood and marveled at the beautiful carving and the lovely setting in the ancient church.

I looked down to fiddle with my camera, hoping to suddenly find a long range flash there somewhere...nope...just a useless in this situation regular flash. I only looked at my camera for maybe 30 seconds, but when I looked back at the tomb...THE SUN HAD FOUND A WAY THROUGH ONE OF THE SLIT WINDOWS and was highlighting the head and face of the figure.

I about hurt myself getting my camera through the wire so that I could take the photo. I was so upset that I had thought it was gone...but here it is.