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National Border Collie Sheepherding Championships to be held at Rural Hill November 8th & 9th

What better way to wrap up the fall season than with your canine pal and several hundred of their new best friends?

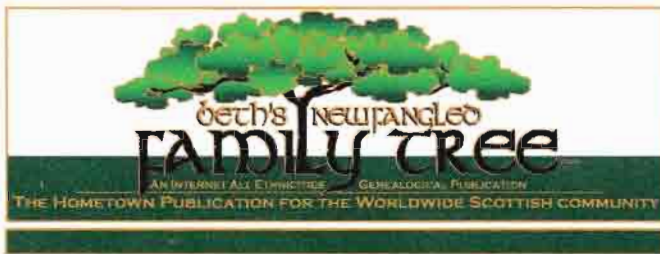
Bring your family, friends, and dog (or dogs) to the Rural Hill Sheepdog Trials and Dog Festival on November 8 & 9. The fun filled event features the United States Border Collie Handlers' Association, Carolina Dock Dogs, Laura Moretz of the Purina Incredible Dog Team, the Greater Charlotte Shetland Sheepdog Club, and more!

National Border Collie Sheepherding Championships will be held over the two day event, as well as many more great canine events and activities. Also on hand will be North Carolina beer and wine, heritage breed livestock, hay rides (\$3 per person), historic craft and cooking demos, food vendors, shopping, open trails, antique tractors, living history demonstrations in the 1760s cabin, pumpkin chunkin', corn launchin', and kid's activities.

Pets are welcome at the event and need to remain leashed and under their owner's control.

Gates open at 10 AM each day. Admission is \$11 per person ages 13+, \$7.50 for children ages 5-12, and children 4 and under are admitted free. Please visit us online for a complete schedule and ticket purchasing. Visit: <www.ruralhill.com>.





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A letter from your editor...

Since the last issue, I've had several people email, call or just talk to me at games about the problems we face in the Scottish Community today.

It made my heart glad to hear the comments made. Everyone, without fail, was sure that the community would overcome what problems there are and go on to preserve the "family" which we all enjoy today for years and years to come.

One old friend told me that he has a real problem with clans appointing or voting or otherwise deciding that the new member who joined six months ago would make a Jim-Dandy president. He had a valid point in that you can't know enough about the inner workings of a clan unless you've been around for several years and have worked hard in smaller offices first. My goodness, I've been rattling around this group of folks, really since about 1976 - but in a manner that has been more or less consistent since about 1989 (I changed jobs and was all of a sudden free of the almost-every-weekend-radio-remote-broadcast.)

Another said that no matter who your treasurer is - good friend, relative or what - that the clan books need to be checked on an annual basis by an accountant.

The most people told me how hard it is to find a really dependable and professional web site person. Other than someone in the clan going to school for this...and then assuming the responsibility, I don't know how the out of date, wrong information website can be overcome.

Does anyone have any ideas about how to find dependable folks who will manage your clan website? It is hard, with the limited budgets with which most clan groups operate, to hire "the best." Ideas, please.

On another subject: A friend of ours in Scotland told us on the phone the other day why Scotland's vote on independence ended up in the "no" category. Friend Clifford said that thousands upon thousands of English folk have moved north from England and now live in Scotland. He said that from what he knew, almost 100% of these English ex-patriots voted "no."

And, yet another subject: From what I have heard, many, many of our Scottish community just enjoyed the Starz presentation of Diana Gabaldon's *Out-*

Beth & Alastair
McIntyre of
electricsscotland.com
a long, long, long
time ago!



lander program that was on Starz recently. I've heard a few questions about the Mackenzie's riding modern sized horses in their kilts. I must agree those are details that bothered me as well. All of those wonderful prints that we see all over the place show the Scots of that time riding the small, shaggy Highland ponies...and NOT wearing kilts while doing so. As a lifelong horse person myself, I cannot begin to imagine how uncomfortable it would be to ride in a kilt...especially knowing what I think I know about what is worn beneath a kilt.

I admit to wondering how Claire was given lovely clothes to wear when she had no money nor was she known to anyone.

However, Tom and I have talked about these things and have reminded each other that the whole thing is fiction (Although, after having read all of Diana's books at least twice, I feel as if Claire, Jamie and the others, ARE real people!). The history, so far as I know, is pretty well truthful. The overall "tone" of the Scots at least feels right, at least to me.

The series is coming back after the first of the year...and I am looking forward to it, warts and all.

What a massive undertaking it is for the author to research all that must be known about a time and place no one today ever lived through.

Oh, yes, and another subject: I was building an advertisement for this publication and read, "We offer our gift shop on-line and brick and mortar."

This really computer stupid person said, "What? Huh? Tom, what in the world does that mean?"

Computer savy Tom told me that if you see something like that anywhere...it means that they have an online presence where you may purchase their items...but they also have a real store - as opposed to keeping all of their stock in their garage, attic or in boxes under their beds.

OK, it makes sense, maybe.

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Schedule of Events

Friday, March 6, 2015

5:00 – 6:30 PM - Scotch Whisky Tasting

Panama Country Club – Lynn Haven

ADVANCE PURCHASED TICKETS ONLY!

An industry expert will lead the tasting and discuss the making and distilling process which makes Scotch whiskies so unique. Enjoy this opportunity to taste and understand some of the most delightful Scotch whiskies available. Buy your tickets early – this event is sure to be a sell out!

6:45 – 9:00 PM – Sponsors' Reception

By Invitation Only

A very special evening designed to honor our VYP's Sponsors and Patrons. Dress will be Highland attire. Full Military dress or Formal.

Saturday, March 7, 2015

9:00 – 4:00

Scottish Festival & Highland Games!

Come prepared to enjoy a full day of a wide variety of entertainment and fun! Embrace a day of traditional Scottish & Irish, Music, Dance, Athletics and Foods. Merchandise vendors will bring treasures and trinkets from key chains to Kilts! Scottish and Irish Clans and Societies will decorate their tents with colorful family tartans, family crests, artwork, banners and weapons. Be sure to visit these Clan representatives who can provide valuable genealogy information. Don't miss the **HIGHLAND GAMES** – the athletic competitions where you can view

strong Scottish athletes compete in ancient tests of strength and endurance, wearing a kilt! The athletic competition will go on all day – breaking only during the time of our opening ceremony. **The OPENING CEREMONY will take place at 12:00**

Noon. This is a colorful and exciting production featuring bagpipe bands, A Parade of Tartans by the attending Clans and Societies, 601 Air Operations Center Color Guard from Tyndall AFB, Presentation of our Guests of Honor, a salute to our wonderful Nation and the celebrated countries of Scotland, Ireland, England, and Canada. Join us center field for this delightful event in front of the main stage. A variety of traditional Scottish & Irish musical entertainers will perform on several different stages throughout the day. Enjoy Irish Step Dancing performances – be sure to check your time schedule so you don't miss them. Panama City Pipes & Drums our HOST Pipe Band will play several performances during the day as well as being featured in the Opening Ceremony. Food vendors will offer traditional treats from the old world such as haggis, bridies, Shepard's pie, meat pies and fish & chips. More modern foods like hamburgers will also be available. **BEER** will be available, along with soft drinks and bottled water. Bring your folding chairs, and a hat -you won't want to leave early from this event! Seven hours of fun suitable for every one of all ages. Don't miss this exciting day of celebrating our Scottish & Irish heritage

Saturday, March 7, 2015

7:00 PM to ?? **THE CEILIDH** (Kay-lee)

ADMISSION - \$5.00 per person

Panama Country Club – Lynn Haven
100 Country Club Dr, Lynn Haven, FL 32444

After an exciting day at the Scottish Festival and Highland Games, come enjoy a casual evening of music and dance. The musical entertainers will be performing for you and usually end the evening with a **CELTIC JAM**. The evening will be filled with unleashed Celtic humor – jokes, stories, and song. While the day is very much "G Rated", the Ceilidh is for the adults and some jokes or stories may not be appropriate for the wee ones. Come prepared to laugh, dance, clap your hands and stop your feet. Laddie's wear your Kilts – there will be a **BONNIEST KNEES CONTEST!**

Sunday, March 8, 2015

Kirkin' of the Tartans – 10:30 AM

Grace Presbyterian Church

1415 Airport Road, Panama City, FL 32405

Please join us in your tartan gear for a very special church service called a Kirkin' O' Tartans. This is a Blessing of the Scottish Family Tartans we so proudly wear. Dr. Gary Cecil, our pastor, will be wearing his kilt and sharing with us a special service honoring our Celtic heritage. Arrive early and carry in one of our tartan banners while bagpiper Kathy McCurdy, member of the Panama City Pipes and Drums, and a member of Grace Presbyterian Church pipes in the tartan parade. Join us after the service for fellowship, music and lunch on the grounds. What a perfect ending to a Celtic weekend!



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.

Locating Civil War Union Soldiers

Bryan Mulcahy, MLS, Reference Librarian

Tracing your Civil War ancestors can present many challenges. For those seeking veterans who fought on the Union side of the conflict, the 1890 Special Census of Veterans can be very useful for documentation purposes. The information contained on the surviving schedules supplies personal information for the veteran and widow when applicable, and identifies the unit and/or regiment of service.

While most of the 1890 census was destroyed, the bulk of what survived is the veteran's information. Over 75,000 of these special schedules exists for 34 states alphabetically from Kentucky (about 50%) to Wyoming, plus part of the District of Columbia and select ships and naval yards. Unfortunately, the schedules of other states were destroyed.

The returned schedules showed a count of 1,099,668 Union survivors, and 163,176 widows. While these figures for the surviving states are impressive given the circumstances surrounding what happened to the rest of the census, many veterans who should have been listed were overlooked. If your ancestor was living and was counted, the schedules should provide enough information to locate his National Archives service and pension records.

The schedules provide the following information: 1. Veterans name and name of widow if applicable. 2. Length of service. 3. Rank. 4. Post office address. 5. Company, regiment or

vessel. 6. Nature of disability. 7. Dates of enlistment and discharge.

Census takers were instructed to list the widow's name above the name of the deceased veteran and fill out the record of his service, but list her present post office. The disability question was included because many veterans claimed disability pensions under an 1862 act. The General Remarks often provide anecdotal and meaningful information.

The NARA microfilm M123 Schedules Enumerating Union Veterans and Widows of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1890, 118 rolls, contain the extant schedules. There is no comprehensive index, but indexes for most states have been published. While most of this information is available on websites, such as Ancestry.com and Li-

brary Edition, Family Search, and Fold3, additional follow-up research might include the microfiche series *Civil War Unit Histories: Regimental Histories and Personal Narratives* published by University Publications of America. Parts 2-4 specifically cover Union units.

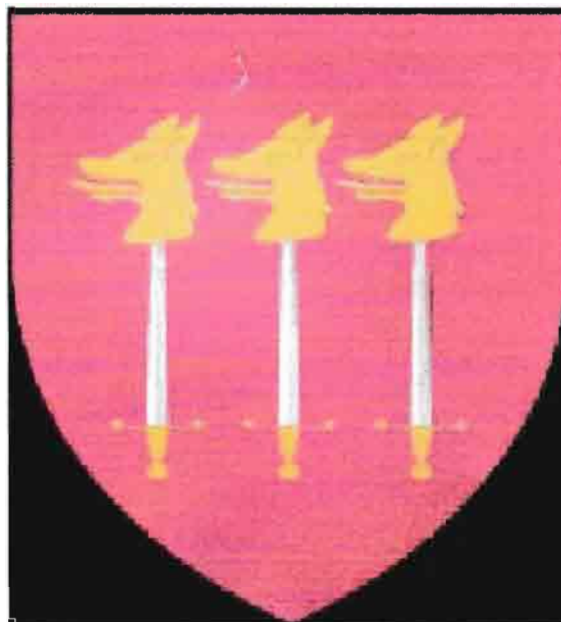
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Flowers of the Forest

Albert Cyril Eaton. Mr. Eaton was born in Toronto, Canada on December 30, 1933 and died on October 18, 2014.

His father was born in Malpas, England and his mother was born in Dunfermline, Scotland.

He and his family moved to Orlando, Florida in 1947, where he attended Orlando area schools, graduating from Orlando Senior High School in 1952. Mr. Eaton attended Orlando Junior College, now known as Valencia Community College, and received a B.S. Degree from Florida Southern College. He completed his formal education upon receiving a J.D. Degree from Nova University Law School.

He was a member of The Florida Bar and practiced law in Orlando. He was admitted to practice in all courts in Florida, the Federal District Court for the Middle District of Florida, Orlando, Florida, the United States Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit, Atlanta, Georgia, and the Supreme Court of the United States, Washington, D.C.

He was married to the former Joann Morgan for over fifty years. They had two sons, Douglas and Daniel, two daughters-in-law, Cindy and Krisann, a grandson, Colin, and a granddaughter, Shayna, all of whom live in the Orlando area.

Mr. Eaton was active in many Masonic bodies having served as Master of the Orlando Lodge No. 69 in 1976 and District Deputy Grand Master of the 16th, now 17th, Masonic District in 1986. He was a 33° Scottish Rite Mason; a member of all York Rite bodies in Orlando, Florida, the York Rite College; the Royal Order of Scotland; and was a member of Bahia Shrine Temple, where he served as Temple attorney for 15 years.

Mr. Eaton was the convenor and President of the Clan Home Society for more than twenty years. He received the authority, in 1979, to establish the Clan Home Society, which was the first ever formed, from the late Lord Home of Hirsell, Alexander Douglas Home, the then Chief of Clan Home and former Prime Minister of the United Kingdom.

He was the Vice President of the Orlando Scottish Heritage Group, Inc.

Being an active bagpipe player, he served as pipe major of the Orlando Pipes and Drums, for several years, and lastly, as Pipe Master of the Stirling Scottish Pipe Band, a grade III band. He was always active in piping circles and taught bagpiping.

He was a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, he served in the U.S. Army, was a Colonel in the Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels, and was a Licensed Commercial Pilot for over 50 years. He was the Air Marshall for the Clan

Home Air Force since its inception over 10 years ago.

A Memorial Service was held on Saturday, October 25, 2014 at Orlando Scottish Rite, Winter Park. Arrangements entrusted to Carey Hand Colonial Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Shriners Hospital for Children <http://www.shrinershospitalsforchildren.org/locations/tampa>

I cannot remember when Al and Judy Eaton were not among my dearest and most loved friends.

Through thick and much thin, they were loyal and kind to me. Al will be - and already is - so very much missed. Your ed.



We encourage everyone who is interested in the great Clan Ramsay to join the **Clan Ramsay Association of North America**. Contact David Ramsey: davidf.ramsey@verizon.net



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, Maulè, 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>

Sister Associations of Clan Ramsay in Australia, Nova Scotia and Finland!

Quarterly Newsletter - *The Ramsay Report*

is available to all members!

Clan Ramsay represented at Scottish Games & Events all over the country

Clan Ramsay is represented all over the United States at Scottish Games, Gatherings and Events. See us at The Loch Norman Highland Games in NC; Iron Thistle Scottish Heritage Festival and Highland Games in OK; AGM of the Clan Ramsay Association of

Carl Bailey the founder of Clan Ramsay Association of North America and Clan Chief James Hulbert Ramsay Lord Dalhousie.



Clan Ramsay needs YOU!

There are openings available in the state/region commissioners roster where you would be most welcome. Contact David Ramsey at davidf.ramsey@verizon.net for full information and details about The Clan Ramsay Association of North America.



Nova Scotia; Smoky Mountain Highland Games in TN; Gallabre - Greenville Scottish Games, SC; Glasgow Highland Games, KY; Chicago Highland Games, IL; Monterey Scottish Games, CA; Grandfather Mountain Highland Games, NC; Colorado Scottish Festival and Rocky Mountain Highland Games, CO; Virginia Scottish Games, VA; The Caledonian Club of San Francisco, Annual Scottish Highland Games, CA; Columbus Scottish Festival, IN; Charleston Scottish Games & Highland Gathering, SC; Ligonier Highland Games, PA; Scotland County Highland Games, NC; Indianapolis Scottish Highland Games and Festival, IN; Stone Mountain Highland Games, GA; and The Scottish Christmas Walk of the Clans, VA.





A Baby Girl!

Carter C. Keith, Founder and President Emeritus of the Scottish Society of Indianapolis, and proud member of the Sons of the American Revolution, is now a grandfather, and is pictured in the attached with **Elly**, daughter of Laura Keith and Russ Williams.

New McAfee - McDuffee Y-DNA Panel (R1b) at YSEQ DNA



http://www.yseq.net/product_info.php?products_id=5148

Clan Macfie Alert!

This panel is a combination of 6-SNPs and 6 STRs. It contains the following markers:

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| CT7030 | DYS464X |
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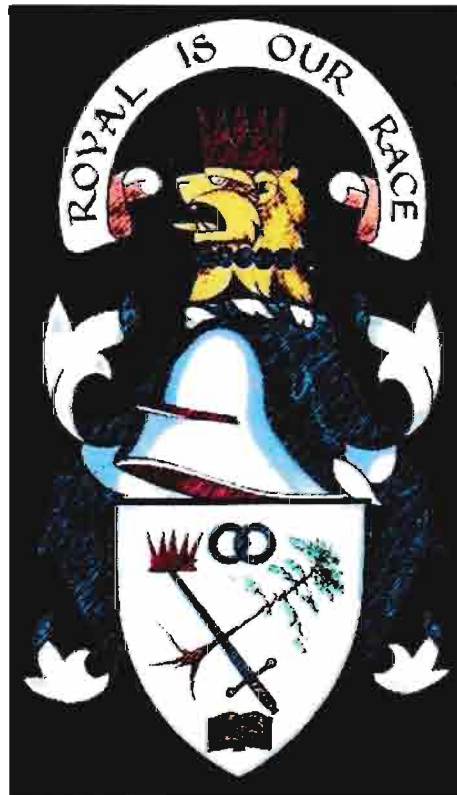
THE CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY

'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

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Genealogy Events

December 7 - 13, 2014:

Salt Lake City, Utah

<https://sites.google.com/site/saltlakechristmastour/>

January 31, 2015:

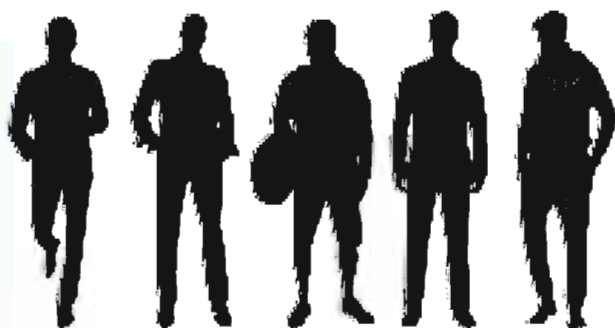
Whittier Genealogical Society
Annual Seminar, *Whittier, CA*

<http://www.cagenweb.com/kr/wags/seminar.html>

May 13 - 16, 2015:

National Genealogical Society
2015 Family History
Conference,
St Charles, MO

<http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/>



Human Mysteries

The Human Body is a treasure trove of mysteries, one that still confounds doctors and scientists about the details of its working. It's not an overstatement to say that every part of your body is a miracle. Here are fifty facts about your body.

1. It's possible for your body to survive without a surprisingly large fraction of its internal organs. Even if you lose your stomach, your spleen, 75% of your liver, 80% of your intestines, one kidney, one lung, and virtually every organ from your pelvic and groin area, you wouldn't be very healthy, but you would live.

2. During your lifetime, you will produce enough saliva to fill two swimming pools. Actually, Saliva is more important than you realize. If your saliva cannot dissolve something, you cannot taste it.

3. The largest cell in the human body is the female egg and the smallest is the male sperm. The egg is actually the only cell in the body that is visible by the naked eye.

4. The strongest muscle in the human body is the tongue and the hardest bone is the jawbone.

5. Human feet have 52 bones, accounting for one quarter of all the human body's bones.

6. Feet have 500,000 sweat glands and can produce more than a pint of sweat a day.

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AND PURCHASE A POPPY**



2014 Stone Mountain Highland Games



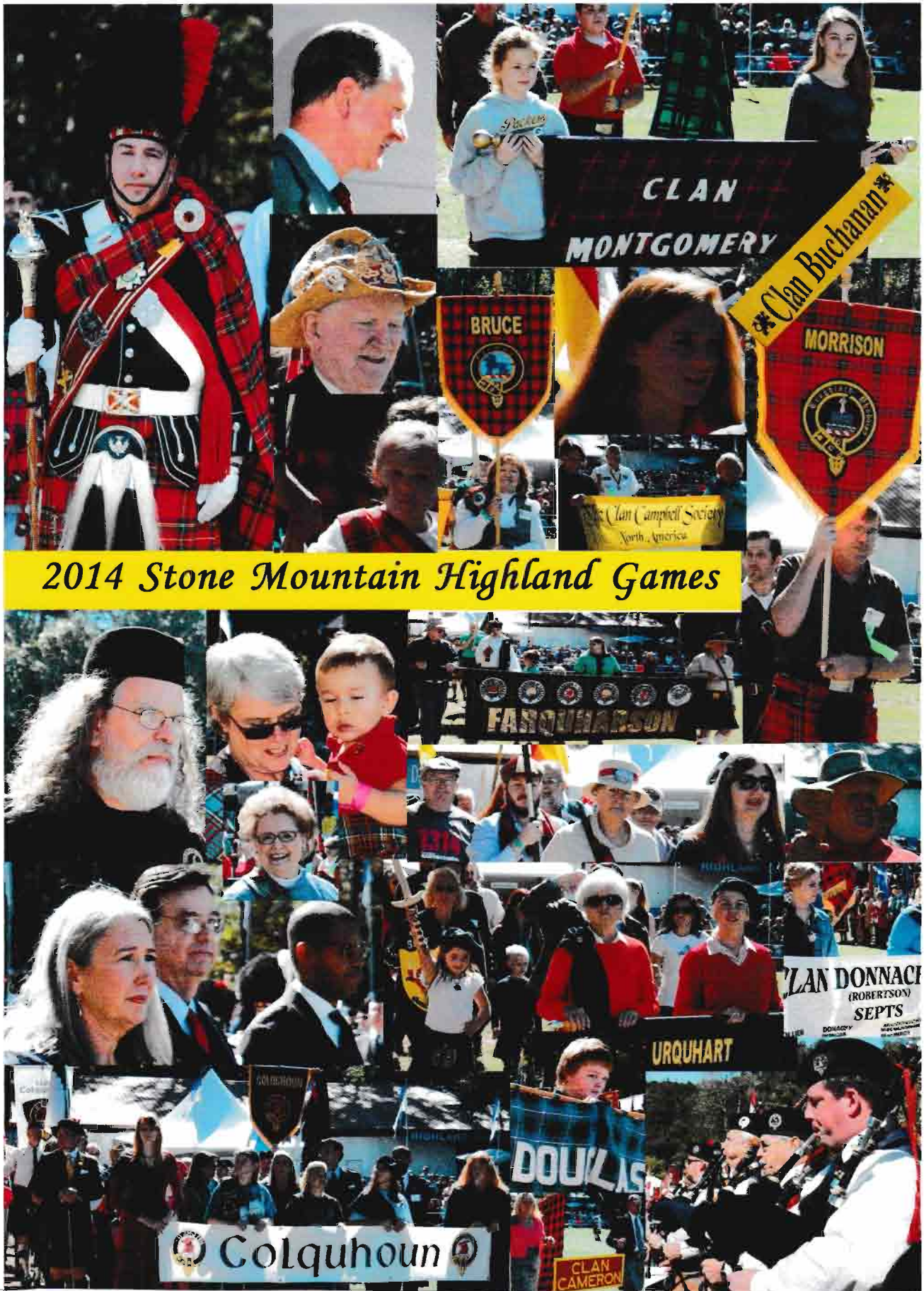


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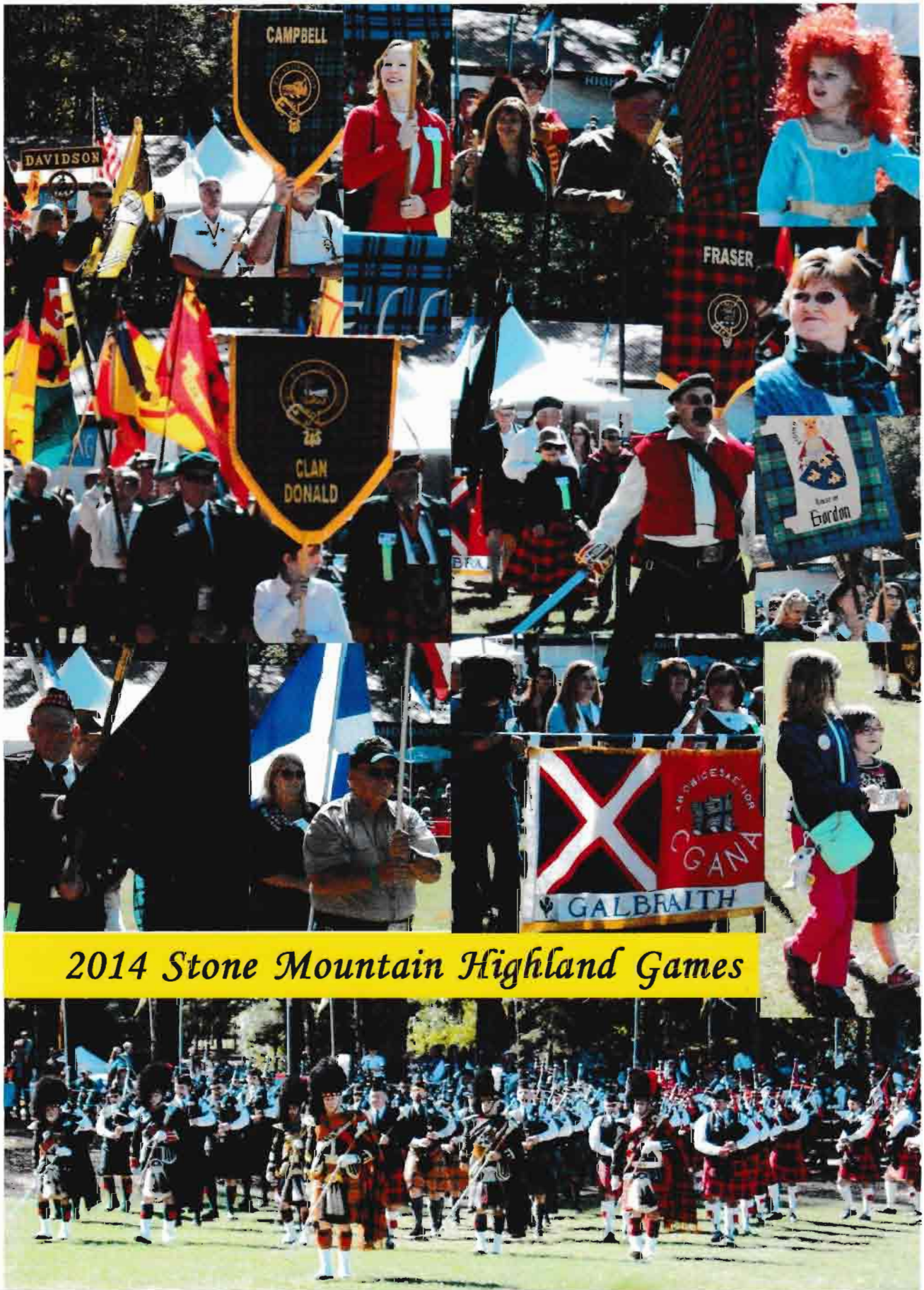


2014 Stone Mountain Highland Games





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Clan Elliot Society, USA

Membership information 2014

President Michael D. Elliott

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, Elliotts, those of whose mother or grandmother was so named and their spouses. This also applies to Elliotts 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.

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Boldly and Rightly





Good news about Alex Beaton!

Beth McPherson Arnold, dear friend of Alex and Linda Beaton, writes: "There were many times in the last two months that I never thought I'd ever post this message. (Oct. 28, 2014)

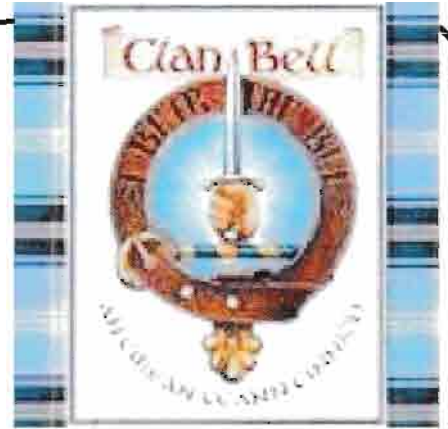
But, it is with a heart full of thanksgiving and joy that I report that Alex Beaton was discharged from Barnes Jewish Hospital this afternoon!

Linda has taken him home where they will continue to work to get his rehab arranged.

They are both very thankful for all of the love and support they received during this terribly difficult time."



Clan Bell North America, Inc.



This old West Marche Riding Clan, one of the Border Clans from the early 1100s, were retainers of Clan Douglas and also allied with the best Border families through blood and friendship. Their land holdings were extensive. To survive on the often invaded Borders, 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 were “encouraged” to emigrate to the Ulster Plantation in Northern Ireland after 1610.

After William Bell, called “Redcloak” and Chief of the Clan died in 1627, the chiefship became dormant. Without leadership, the Bells ceased to exist as a viable clan.

Clan Bell North America 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.

CBNA cordially invites membership inquiries from persons named Bell (all spellings), their descendants and friends. A quarterly newsletter is published. Tents are hosted at major Scottish festivals from coast to coast in the USA.

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7. The acid in your stomach is strong enough to dissolve razor blades. The reason it doesn't eat away at your stomach is that the cells of your stomach wall renew themselves so frequently that you get a new stomach lining every three to four days.

8. The human lungs contain approximately 2,400 kilometers (1,500 mi) of airways and 300 to 500 million hollow cavities, having a total surface area of about 70 square meters, roughly the same area as one side of a tennis court. Furthermore, if all of the capillaries that surround the lung cavities were unwound and laid end to end, they would extend for about 992 kilometers. Also, your left lung is smaller than your right lung to make room for your heart.

9. Sneezes regularly exceed 100 mph, while coughs clock in at about 60 mph.

10. Your body gives off enough heat in 30 minutes to bring half a gallon of water to a boil.

11. Your body has enough iron in it to make a nail 3 inches long.

12. Earwax production is necessary for good ear health. It protects the delicate inner ear from bacteria, fungus, dirt and even insects. It also cleans and lubricates the ear canal.

13. Everyone has a unique smell, except for identical twins, who smell the same.

14. Your teeth start growing 6 months before you are born. This is why one out of every 2,000 newborn infants has a tooth when they are born.

15. A baby's head is one-quarter of its total length, but by the age of 25 will only be one-eighth of its total length. This is because people's heads grow at a much slower rate than the rest of their bodies.

16. Babies are born with 300 bones, but by adulthood the number is reduced to 206. Some of the bones, like skull bones, get fused into each other, bringing down the total number.

17. It's not possible to tickle yourself. This is because when you attempt to tickle yourself you are

totally aware of the exact time and manner in which the tickling will occur, unlike when someone else tickles you.

18. Less than one third of the human race has 20-20 vision. This means that two out of three people cannot see perfectly.

19. Your nose can remember 50,000 different scents. But if you are a woman, you are a better smeller than men, and will remain a better smeller **throughout your life**.

20. The human body is estimated to have 60,000 miles of blood vessels.

21. The three things pregnant women dream most of during their first trimester are frogs, worms and potted plants. Scientists have no idea why this is so, but attribute it to the growing imbalance of hormones in the body during pregnancy.

22. The life span of a human hair is 3 to 7 years on average. Every day the average person loses 60-100 strands of hair. But don't worry, you must lose over 50% of your scalp hairs before it is apparent to anyone.

23. The human brain cell can hold 5 times as much information as an encyclopedia. Your brain uses 20% of the oxygen that enters your bloodstream, and is itself made up of 80% water. Though it interprets pain signals from the rest of the body, the brain itself cannot feel pain.

24. The tooth is the only part of the human body that can't repair itself.

25. Your eyes are always the same size from birth but your nose and ears never stop growing.

With many thanks to my friend, George Murdock from the Internet. We still have twenty-five more of these interesting things about us to go. Next issue if there's room!

My friend, Jackie Carty, from Ocala and I decided years and years ago that we only have lace and fairy dust and satin ribbons inside us!



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Official website of The Clan Keith Society USA, Inc

If you have genealogical ties to the surname Keith (including alternate spellings such as Keeth) or any of Clan Keith's Sept family names, you were born into the Clan Keith!

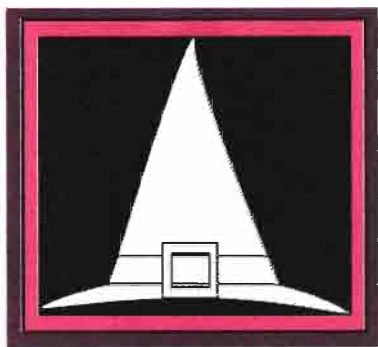
Septs and spellings include: Achindachy - Astine - Aston - Austen - Austin - Cate(s) - Dick - Dickson - Dicson - Dixon - Dixson - Falconer - Faulkner - Harvey - Harvie - Hackston - Haxton - Hervie - Hervey - Hurrie - Hurry - Keath - Keech - Keeth - Keith - Keyth - Kite - Lum - Lumgair - MacAustin - MacDick - MacDicken - MacDickie - MacDeetch - MacKeeth - MacKeitch - MacKeith - Marshall - Urie - Urry

The Clan Keith Society would be delighted for you to join us as a member. For more information, please email membershipclankeith@mindspring.com or call 404-539-5222.



Dunnottar Castle, stronghold of the Keiths (near Stonehaven)

Please plan to attend your local Highland Games and, if you see our tent, please come by for a visit. The tent convener will have information about Clan Keith's fascinating history as well as membership information. Membership in the Clan is not expensive but one of the finest investments that you will every make. Hope to see you soon!



The Pittenweem Witches

The fate of Janet Cornfoot

Murray Nicolson, from *Scorrybreac*,
Journal of the Clan MacNicol of North America

There's always been a family legend that there was a witch in the family. My family traces back to Pittenweem in Fife, one of the little fishing villages along the south shore of Fife, facing Edinburgh across the Firth of Forth. The region, known as the East Neuk of Fife, south of St. Andrews, includes the villages of Elie, St. Monance, Pittenweem, Anstruther and Crail.

My grandaunt Nellie Nicolson married Alexander Nicolson in 1891. Alexander's great-great grandfather was Nathaniel Cornfoot, born in 1738, close to the time of the events described here. Memories of the horrors visited on the family must have been all too raw throughout the 18th century.

From the 15th to the early 18th century, there was a fear of witches in the populations of Europe. Witches were sought out, tortured until they confessed, and then executed. Usually women, they were people who stood out, either because of a physical deformity or a cantankerous nature. Accused by someone with whom they had had a falling out that they were a witch, they were subjected to all manners of torture until in anguish they "confessed," often naming some others as also witches.

The tortures included "pricking," where long needles were poked all over their body in the theory that if there was some spot where they didn't cry out in pain, that proved they were a witch.

There were self-styled witch finders who would travel the country and be handsomely paid for torturing and so identifying witches.

Such a person in 1704 was poor Janet Cornfoot in Pittenweem, perhaps my distant relative. Accused with two other women, she was thrown into the jail of

the Tolbooth in Pittenweem, at the head of Cove Wynd, a little lane that leads down to the harbor. There she was deprived of sleep, beaten and pricked until finally she confessed to being a witch.

The window grill in Janet's cell was rusted and worn, and she was able to remove the grill and escape through the window. On a cold winter's night she made off across the fields to try to cover the ten miles to St. Andrews, where she had some relatives.

After several days, she sought refuge in the church at Leuchars, but the minister was afraid of her reputation. He betrayed her to the baillies of Pittenweem, who had her returned under guard.

A crowd gathered and subjected Janet to further tortures. She was trussed like a chicken and dipped repeatedly into the icy waters of the harbor. When she did not drown, she was pressed under a large door with stones placed on top of it until she died. Her broken body was cast on to the town rubbish tip in a place called Witches Corner. She was not allowed a Christian burial.

When I go back to Pittenweem, I reflect on the cruelty of the common people only 400 years ago, and wonder how only 100 years later, when my relatives lived there, they thought back on those days. They even lived in Cove Wynd House just down from the Tolbooth.

It's a wonder they didn't suffer nightmares.

Now, Pittenweem is a pretty little town where many people from Edinburgh have summer cottages, unaware of its violent past.

The full story of the witches in Pittenweem can be found in "The Weem Witch - the True Story of the Pittenweem Witches" by Leanoard Low, published by Steve Savage Publishers in London.



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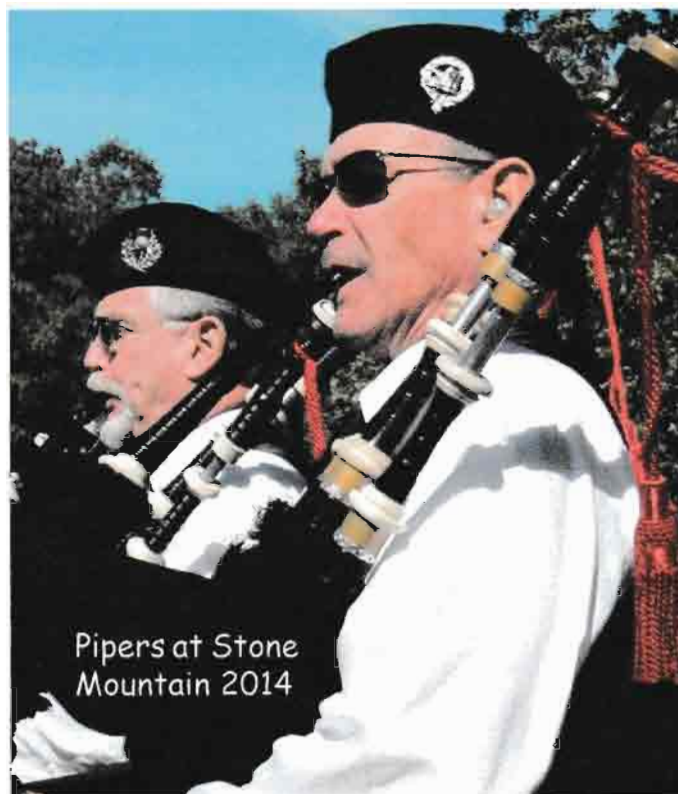
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...and the pipes were truly forbidden during the years of the Act of Proscription... Here are but a few reasons.



A piper in Lord M'Leod's regiment, seeing the British army giving way before superior numbers, played the well-known *Cogadh-na-Sith*, which filled the Highlanders with such spirit that, immediately rallying, they cut through their enemies. For this fortunate circumstance, Sir Eyre Coote, filled with admiration, and appreciating the value of such music, presented the regiment with fifty pounds to buy a stand of pipes.

At the battle of Quebec, in 1760, the troops were retreating in disorder, and the general complained to a field officer in Fraser's regiment of the bad conduct of his corps.

"Sir," said the officer, with some warmth, "you did very wrong in forbidding the pipers to play."

"Let them blow in God's name, then," said the general; and the order being given, the pipers with alacrity sounded, on which the Gaels formed in the rear, and bravely returned to the charge.

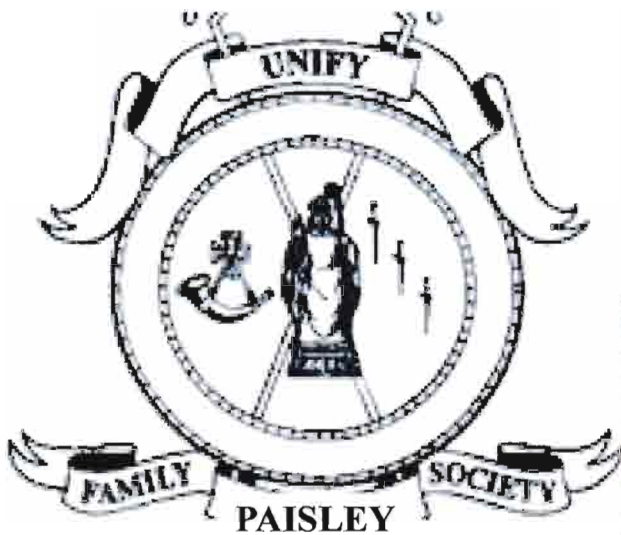
George Clark was piper to the 71st at the battle of Vimiera, where he was wounded in the leg by a ball as he advanced at the head of his regiment. Finding himself disabled he sat down, and putting his pipes in order, called out — "Weel, lads, I am sorry I can

go nae farther wi' you, but deil hae my saul if ye sall want music," and struck up a favourite pibroch with the utmost unconcern for anything but the delight of sending to battle his comrades with the animating sounds.

It is a popular tradition that the enemy anxiously levelled at the pipers, aware of the power of their music; and a story is related of a piper who, at the battle of Waterloo, received a shot in the bag before he had lime to make a fair beginning, which so roused his Highland blood, that, dashing his pipes to the ground, he drew his sword and attacked the foe with the fury of a lion, until his career was stopped by death, by a ball too surely aimed.

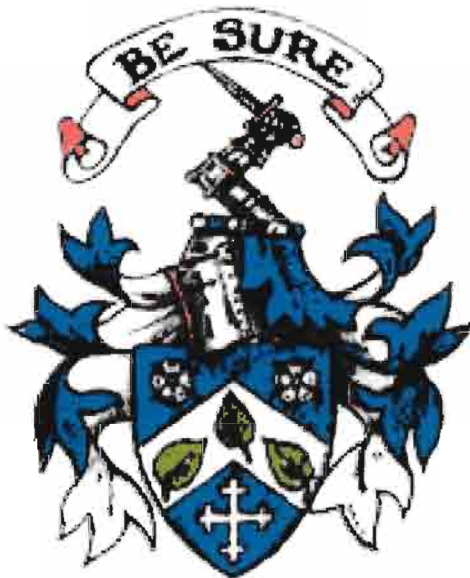
It is also related of the piper-major of the 92nd, that on the same occasion, he placed himself on an eminence where the shot was flying like hail, and, regardless of his danger, proudly sounded the battle air to animate his companions. And on one occasion during the Peninsular war, the same regiment came suddenly on the French army, and the intimation of their approach was so suddenly given by the pipers bursting out their "gathering," that the enemy fled and the Highlanders pursued.

With thanks to Clan MacDuffee *Clan Chatter*. Please contact <juliehall522@yahoo.com> for info.



PAISLEY FAMILY SOCIETY

All Paisleys of the name or blood (and all spellings) are invited to join. Email: mbrown2205@aol.com

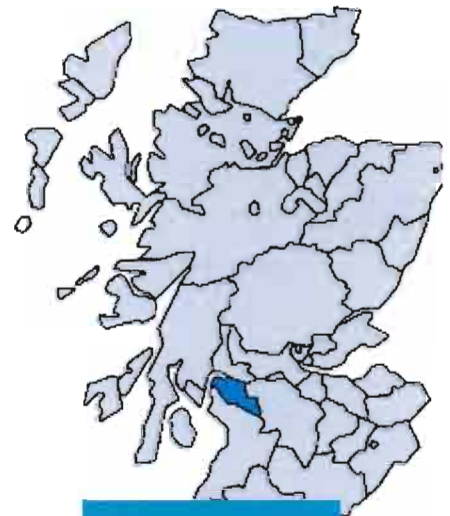


The Chiefly Arms of Paisley of Westerlea

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 Roxburghshire 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



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Wanna join the Paisley Family DNA Project?
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Flowers of the Forest



James Lester Lovelace, 74, Snellville, GA passed away Monday, October 13, 2014. He is survived by his wife, Sandy, daughters Cyndi Young & Leslie Lovelace and sister, JoNell Cline of Owensboro KY as well as six grandchildren, two great grandsons and two nieces. He is predeceased by his son, Brian, and sister, Carol Frank.

Jim had been an active member of various Presbyterian Churches in the Atlanta area and the St Andrews Society. He retired from the Walsh Group/Archer Western Contractors in Atlanta after many years of service.

A Celebration of Life service will be held November 8, 2014 at the Kellett Chapel of Peachtree Presbyterian Church, Atlanta GA at 11 am. Contributions in Jim's memory may be made to the St Andrews Society Piper Scholarship Fund, c/o Jim McIntire, SAS Treasurer, PO Box 215, Roswell, GA 30077.

Bruce McDuffie, of Chattanooga, TN passed away on September 12, 2014, at age ninety-three. Bruce was born on August 25, 1921 in Atlanta Georgia, the son of Dr. Harold Fritz McDuffie and Hattie Louise Ferguson McDuffie. Bruce attended Boys High School in Atlanta and Princeton University, where he earned a Bachelor's Degree and a PhD in Analytical Chemistry. He was predeceased by his parents and by one brother, Dr. Robert McDuffie.

Bruce is survived by his loving wife of sixty-four years, Winifred Groover McDuffie, as well as his three devoted children, Susan Ferguson McDuffie of Santa Fe, NM, John Groover McDuffie of Los Angeles, CA and Judie McDuffie Churchill of Durham NH (husband John Churchill), three grandsons, Robert, Sean, and Zachary Churchill and one great-grandchild, Wyatt Churchill. Other survivors include his brother Fritz McDuffie of Oak Ridge (wife Bette); Sister Mary Elizabeth McDuffie Allen of Los Angeles, CA, brother in law, Charles Groover of Rabun, GA (wife Jacquie)

and numerous nephews and nieces. He also leaves a half-brother in Jacksonville, FL.

Bruce taught analytical chemistry at Emory University, Washington and Jefferson College, and for many years at SUNY Binghamton. His students dubbed him "the smiling assassin" for his pleasant demeanor and strict grading policies. Bruce made international headlines in 1970 when, testing a can of tuna from Wini's kitchen, he discovered high levels of methyl mercury in tuna fish and, subsequently, in swordfish. He remained very active in environmental studies and chemistry until his retirement from teaching in 1988.

Bruce and Wini moved from Binghamton, NY to Chattanooga in 1990 to be close to Wini's aunt and uncle, George and Virginia Power, and other nearby family.

Bruce enjoyed many interests in his long and full life. He was active in the peace and civil rights movements and his family is proud that he participated in the 1963 March on Washington. He volunteered with voter registration and the Big Brothers program.

At age sixty Bruce rediscovered running and participated in numerous races and triathlons. He earned many medals, including a 1st place in his age group on his 75th birthday. Bruce played golf avidly and enjoyed music and singing throughout his life. He took up painting and leaves behind many beautiful paintings, and will also be remembered for his unique sense of humor.

Interested in his Scottish heritage, Bruce served several terms as President of the MacDuffee Clan Society of America. He remained devoted to his Alma Mater, and for many years volunteered as chairman of the annual giving campaigns for his Princeton class of 1942.

Bruce was a loving husband, father, and brother and will be sorely missed. The family extends their grateful thanks to Bruce's devoted caregivers and to Hospice of Chattanooga for making his transition comfortable and peaceful. A memorial service will be scheduled at a

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Clan Forrester

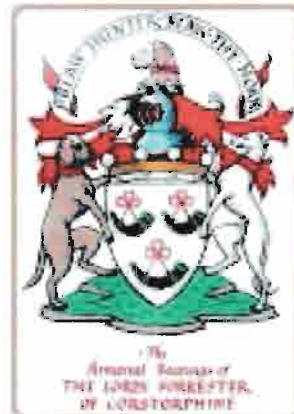
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Clan Davidson Society - Best Clan Tent at Stone Mountain Games 2014



Richard Hall Halliley, president of the Clan Davidson Society, writes: “What more can I say than thanks to all of the Davidson family who were present for the distinguished award of Best Clan Tent at the 42nd Annual Stone Mountain Highland Games. The honor of receiving such a reward in the name of the Clan Davidson, in front of 130 other

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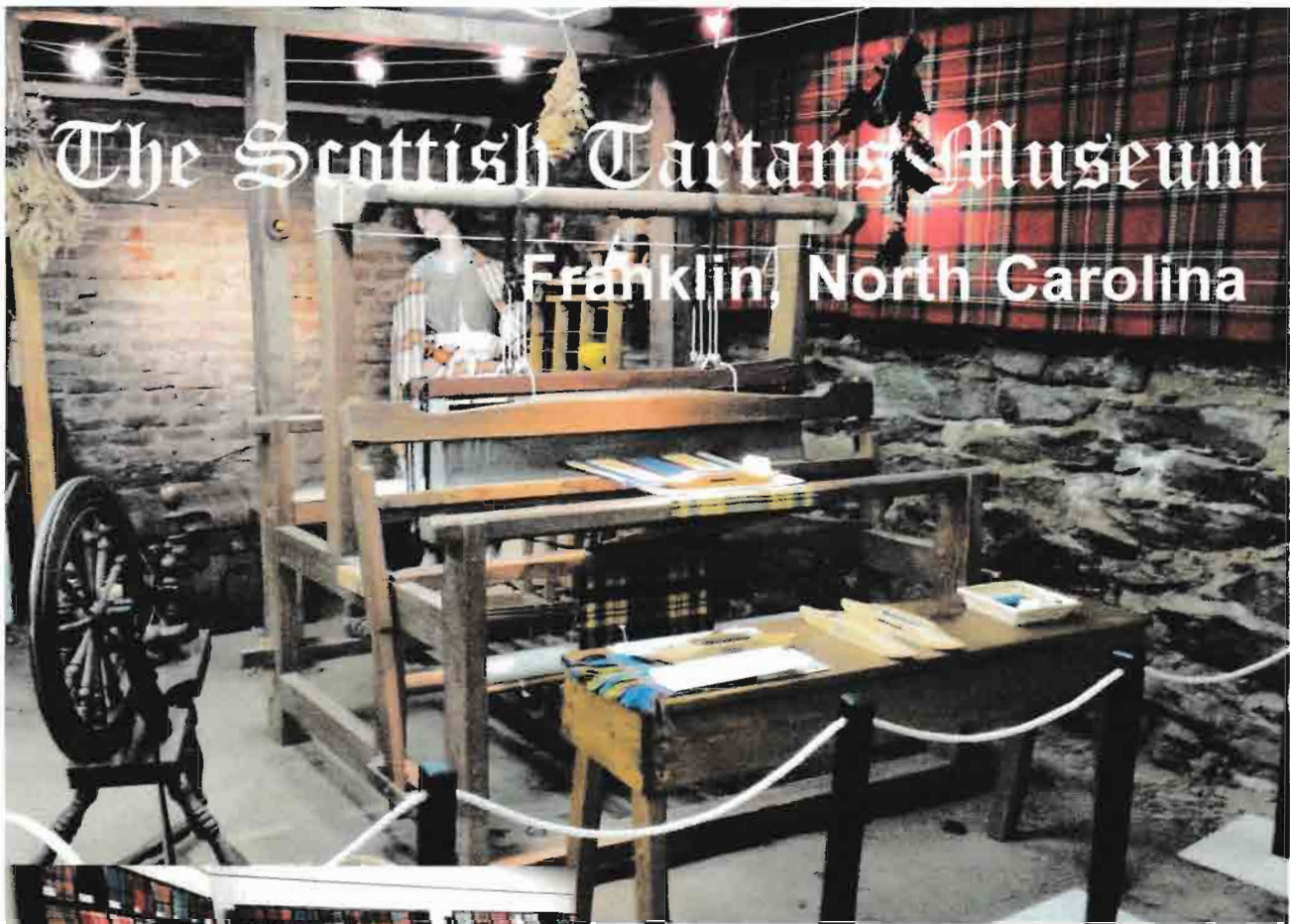
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later date. Donations in Bruce’s memory may be made to Princeton University, the American Friends Service Committee, or to Hospice of Chattanooga.

“A memorial service is scheduled for December 7, 2014 (time TBA possibly 2 PM or 3PM) at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 3224 Navajo Drive. Donations in Bruce’s memory may be made to Princeton University, the American Friends Service Committee or to Hospice of Chattanooga.”

deserving clans is something I will never forget...nor the dozen of us that dropped our jaws when the Davidson name was announced. I’ve been stunned since, but my heart tells me that it’s not about the looks...it’s all about the spirit of our clan. And to that end...we’ve been in first place for forty two years! - with Richard Davis Effe and Helen Davis.”



The Scottish Tartans Museum & Heritage Center is located in downtown Franklin, North Carolina.

This tartans museum is a non profit organization operated by a Board of Directors and the only tartan museum in the United States.

Our museum is located downstairs which shows the evolution of the kilt and the history of tartan.

Our gift shop, which supports the operation of our museum, is located upstairs and our volunteers are trained to look up surnames and provide customers with a bit of history and what tartan their family should wear.

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