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Jacobites, Clearance & Scots! Field School, June 10th to 24th 2017

HARP (Heritage and Archaeological Research Practice) will be returning to the Scottish Highlands to continue our field school investigating the 18th Century of Highland Scotland.

The project will focus on the changing social and cultural landscapes of Scotland at this time, and aims to record the historical and archaeological sites dating to this period. The location of the project is inspired by a series of historical 'Grand Tours' that were being undertaken in Scotland at that time by a number of individuals including Thomas Pennant's tours of the Highlands, Joseph Bank's tour to Staffa and Johnson and Boswell's tour to the Hebrides.

The Tours were often facilitated by the construction of new military roads in Scotland, which were built in an attempt to 'open up' the Highlands following the Jacobite uprisings. These new roads were constructed by the likes of General Wade, and new mapping projects and surveys were undertaken by the likes of William Roy.

The project aims to follow the routes of these tours and military surveys to identify the changing landscape of the 18th Century, from the Jacobite uprisings, through to the coming of sheep and the start of the Highland Clearances. Our survey will identify and compare what was seen by the tourists and surveyors of the time compared to what can still be seen today.

The 2017 project will focus on sections of the routes undertaken by Pococke in 1760 (Blair Castle to Crieff via General Wade's Military Road), and De Saint-Fond in 1784 (Kenmore to Dunkeld via Aberfeldy).



Pococke visited Blair Castle, and both of these tours visited Taymouth Castle and its grounds, where the Earls of Breadalbane were significant figures in this

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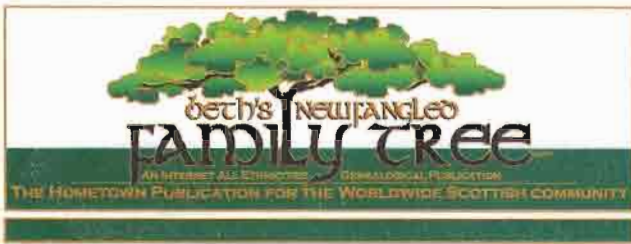
Great news for Clan Skene!

Clan Skene has been invited to march in the Edinburgh Tattoo on Thursday, August 17, 2017.

Clan Skene will be able to reserve up to 150 tickets for that evenings performance.

Please message our new treasurer, Doma Comp, at dkc1027@hotmail.com or Al McGailliard, new president, at alsrx95@gmail.com if you have any interest in this opportunity.

FOUR PAGES of photos from 2016 Stone Mountain Highland Games, pages 33, 34, 35 & 36 of this section! Email <bethscribble@aol.com> if you want photos for your Clan newsletter. (No charge.) I took many more pix than I had room to use.



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How to properly pronounce Clan MacKay!

When members of the Clan MacKay march in the Parades of Tartans at various Scottish Highland Games across our country...they are ready for the games announcer here and there who calls them "Clan MacKAY."

Clan members march with signs such as shown here carried at the recent Stone Mountain Highland Games...and these signs are flourished, along with clansmen shouting out the proper pronunciation..."Clan MacEYE!"



Letter from your editor...

Just a “Jeri Story” I think you will enjoy

My long time and much beloved friend, Jeri Daniel Martin, died October third this year after about a four years' long valiant battle with the MERSA virus.

She was an extraordinary person in many ways. She did so many good things for so many people and always listened and understood. She also loved to laugh!

I wrote when she died that “I could write a book about Jeri.” I could. However, I will just write here of an experience in her life that was amazing.

Jeri attended a church in Lebanon, Tennessee and was a faithful Sunday School participant for as long as she was physically able. I think this particular incident happened a little over ten years ago.

The class was asked by their teacher to individually pray for something that would be good for the world.

Not surprisingly, the first classmate asked for World Peace. The next asked for An End to Hunger. The next wanted An End to Childhood Disease...and so forth until it came to Jeri.

Jeri said, “Father in Heaven, I need a Lexus.”

There was a group gasp. “Gasp!”

Jeri continued, “Lord, my current car has over 300,000 miles on its speedometer and the seats and everything are just falling apart. I truly need a new car.”

There were mutterings from the other class members. “Mumble, mumble, mumble,” they said.

“Lord,” Jeri continued, “I’ve been to all kinds of car dealers and tried them all out. The one that is the most comfortable for me is the Lexus. Please, arrange for me to be able to have one of those.”

The Sunday School teacher harummphed and in general took Jeri to task for asking for something for herself. The class was just agast and looked at her accusingly.

“This is not unusual for me,” Jeri said. “I simply have always asked my Father in Heaven for what I truly needed and he has never, ever let me down.”

Talk about having faith!



Fast forward to the next day.

Jeri had been in Nashville, Tennessee that Monday, doing errands and visiting with some friends. She did not arrive back home until almost dark.

She stopped at her rural mailbox to get the mail and was astonished to find a letter from Social Security addressed to her.

When she opened the letter, she was speechless as there was a check enclosed for about \$10,000.

The letter also enclosed informed her that this was Social Security to which she was eligible because when her husband of many years had passed away she was entitled to a percentage of his Social Security check. The check that day was the back amount owed to Jeri as her husband had been gone for a few years.

The letter also said that she would receive an additional amount each month. This amount was very adequate for payments on an automobile.

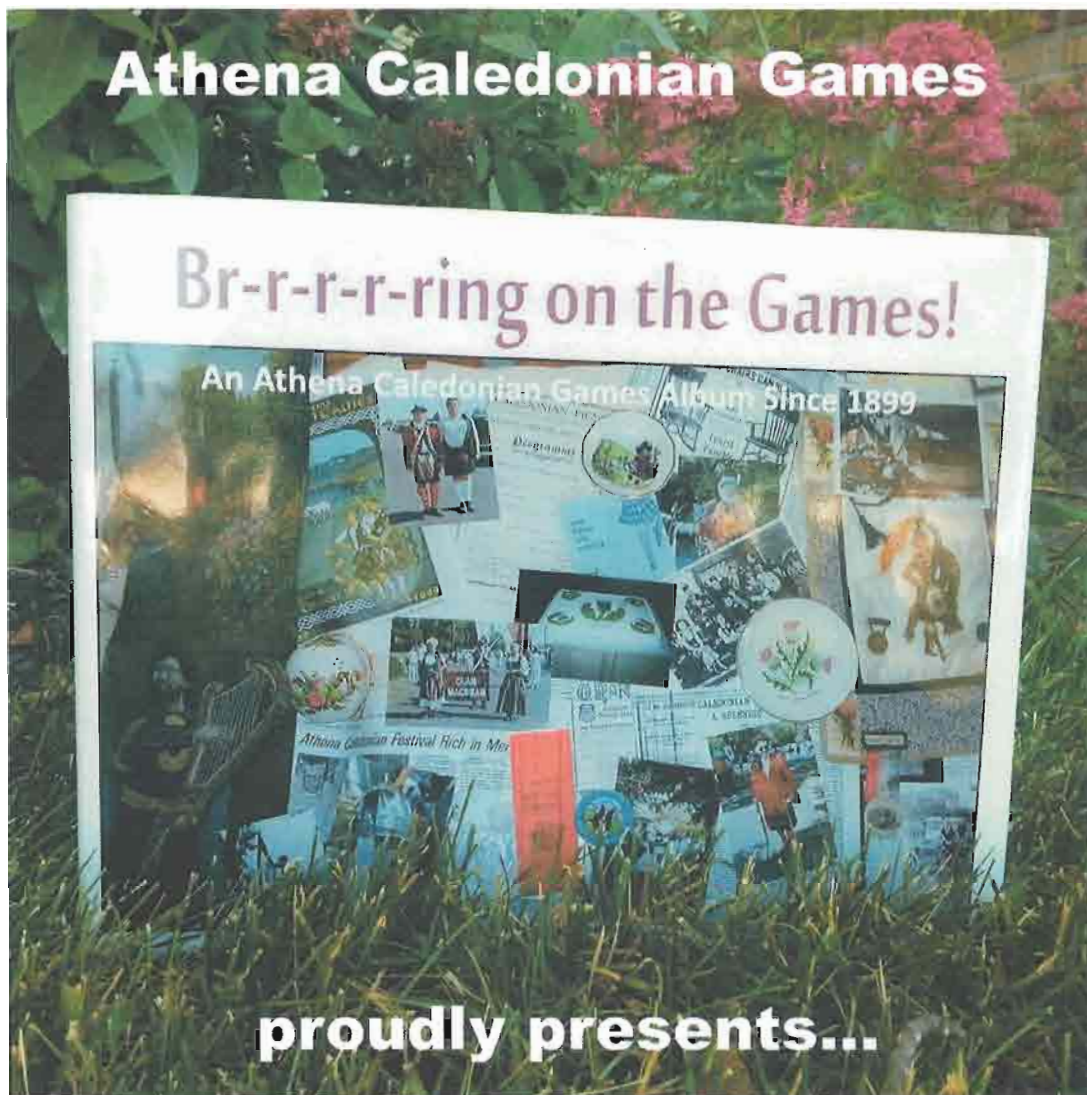
Imagine the amazement of her Sunday School Class when Jeri parked her Lexus in the church parking lot the next Sunday.

Of course, the big SS check had gone to the down payment and the additional amount would take care of the monthly payments for her on her comfortable vehicle!

Five years later...she was able to purchase a pearl white, brand spanking new Lexus convertible!

She looked quite elegant driving her new car...and said it was the most comfortable auto she had ever owned!

She would wink at me and say, “Thank you, Lord!”



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Gaelic Surnames



2016

Philip D. Smith, Jr., PhD, GTS, FSA Scot

In 1981 the preliminaries to the Gaelic Mod were held in Oban. My wife and I were in town that day and stopped by the little Mod Shop. As we entered, the man behind the counter rose to meet us. I recognized him as Angus MacNichol, one of the première Gaelic poets of the day. I had attended his reading at Haverford College, near Philadelphia where we had spoken Gaelic to each other along with Dr. Nancy Dorian, his hostess. He began to introduce himself, "I'm Angus MacNic...", then recognizing me, instantly changed to Gaelic, "**S mise Aonghas MacNéacail**" pronouncing himself /SMEE-shuh AHN-goos MAHK - ree kuhkl/.

I was amazed at his ability to "code switch" in linguistic terms from "MacNichol" to "MacRickle", in mid-sentence. I was even more amazed that he followed the Gael rule than an **n** following a **k** changes to an **r**. We linguists call this change "homorganic" meaning that it is impossible for a human being to pronounce some sounds in rapid speech. For example, try English "butter" in a sentence like, "Pass me the butter, please" and you will hear yourself say "butter" as "bud-der." Even if you say it slowly and carefully you will still hear "butter" as "but-ter" with a little silence between the two -t-s.

This inability to pronounce strange sounds is not unusual as every person who has studied a foreign language well knows. After attending a church service in Lisbon a young man told me that I spoke Portuguese very well but with a terrible Brazilian accent. I had learned Portuguese as Director of Peace Corps language training for Brazil. Celtic languages have no sound equivalent to the English /j/ nor for the French /j/ pronounced as /zh/, omitting it or substituting **s**. "John" is "Ian" in Scotland but "Shawn" in Ireland

(from French, *Jean*), and "Owen" in Wales.

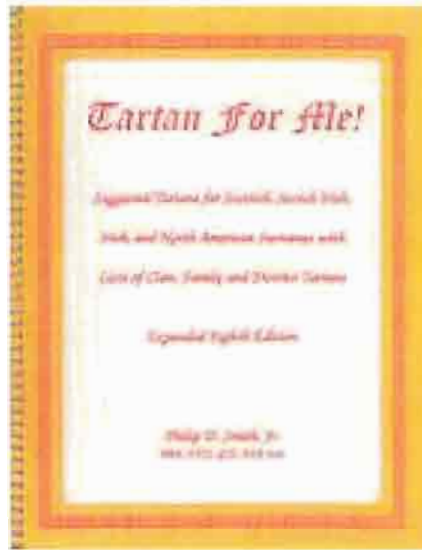
Gaelic speakers in general did not use surnames unless they were landowners or had some other reason to resort to writing. They were, and still are, known by a physical attribute, a profession, their parentage, or some other characterization. I was once asked in Inverness if I knew "Donny Large", **Domhnuill Mor**. I knew of him but not personally. I lived in Pennsylvania; "Donny Large" (Donald MacDonald) had moved to Southern California.

My wife's ancestor in Glenquhart was entered in the Parish Record book one time as "John Miller", "John Bain" or "MacBain" or even "John MacAllan/MacCallan". Actually his "English" name was "John Grant".

All this leads me to show readers some problems with Gaelic to English name equivalents. The first has to do with "Creeping C". After "Mac" it is usual for the final **-c** of "Mac" to attach itself to the following surname if it begins with a vowel, **l**, **n**, or **r**.

An example of "creeping C" is "MacRae" In Gaelic it is **MacRath**. However, consonant groups in

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Day 1: Tuesday, July 11, International Flight

Fly into Edinburgh International Airport on overnight flight of your choice. (See note on flights at end of itinerary.)

Day 2: Wednesday, July 12, Arrive Edinburgh

Welcome Dinner at the Royal Naval Overseas Club on Princes Street, with a stunning view of the Castle.

Day 3: Thursday, July 13: Edinburgh

City tour including the Royal Mile, Holyrood Palace, St. Giles Cathedral and the New Town.

The remainder of the day is on your own, including lunch. You will have time to visit the Royal Mile again and the many shops found there. Dinner and a "Scottish Evening" musical review will be at Prestonfield House.



Day 4: Friday, July 14: The Scottish Borders

After breakfast we will leave Edinburgh for the Borders, where we will have a guided tour of Abbotsford, home of Sir Walter Scott; the

Border Town of Melrose with the stunning Melrose Abbey; then to Dumcrieff, the 18th century Manor House where we will stay for several days while we tour the Borders. Lunch on our own at Abbotsford and dinner to be determined.



Day 5: Saturday, July 15: Hadrian's Wall & Carlisle

After breakfast at Dumcrieff House, we will head to the English market town of Brampton, then Birdoswald Fort, part of Hadrian's Wall. We'll tour the Tullie House Museum in Carlisle and Carlisle Castle. Overnight again at Dumcrieff House.

Day 6: Sunday, July 16: Burns Museum and Drumlanrig

After breakfast at Dumcrieff House, we will drive west to Ayrshire and the stunning Robert Burns Museum and Visitor Center. Then it's off to 17th c. Drumlanrig Castle, overlooking Nith Valley and, time permitting the John Paul Jones' Cottage, where the founder of the American Navy was born.



Day 7: Monday, July 17: Ireland & the Ulster-Scots

After an early breakfast at Dumcrieff House we will load the bus and depart for the drive along the west coast to board the ferry for Ireland. At Belfast we'll stop at the Ulster Scots Centre for an overview of the history of the Ulster-Scots migration to the American Colonies. We'll then check in to our Belfast hotel.



Day 8: Tuesday, July 18: Coast of Antrim & Giant's Causeway

After breakfast at the hotel, we'll drive through the center of Northern Ireland to arrive at the extraordinary Giant's Causeway. If there is time, we'll stop at Bush-

mill's Distillery. Then it's up the coast to the picturesque ruins of Dunluce Castle perched on the sea, and a beautiful drive back to Belfast via the Glens and Coast of Antrim. Dinner on our own at Cushendun, a National Trust village.

Day 9: Wednesday, July 19: Londonderry Breakfast at hotel, then departure north again for Derry (or, Londonderry). Here we will have a city tour of the site of the famous Siege of Derry of 1689 when the Protestants held out against the Jacobite forces. We'll visit the Guildhall Museum for an overview. Lunch on own at Guildhall Cafe. We'll hear a talk by noted genealogist, Brian Mitchell. Dinner back in Belfast.



Cannon on the Walls of Derry

Day 10: Thursday, July 20: Ulster American Folk Park

Breakfast at the hotel, followed by a drive to the Ulster American Folk Park at Omagh, in County Tyrone, for a docent-led tour. The Folk Park is an outdoor museum of over 40 cottages and buildings, arranged to tell the story of migration from Northern Ireland to the American Colonies. We'll also visit the Center of Migration Studies, located there. Lunch at the cafe in the Park. Dinner back in Belfast.



Ulster-American Folk Park, House Interior

Day 11: Friday, July 21: Lisburn & Hillsborough Castle

After breakfast at the hotel we'll drive to Lisburn to visit the Irish Linen Center and Lisburn Museum, to learn how the all-important Irish linen was made. Lunch will be on our own either in Lisburn or our next destination, Hillsborough. At Hillsborough Castle, residence of the Royal Family, we'll meet for a guided tour and a visit to the Gardens. Dinner will be at the Hillside Cafe.



Hillsborough Castle

Day 12: Saturday, July 22: Farewell to All

Breakfast at hotel (time permitting).

This morning we will transfer to the airport for the return flight to the States.

Travellers will fly in to Edinburgh. They will fly out of Belfast.

Please try NOT to schedule flights very early in the morning. Remember we will need to arrive at the airport two hours before departure.

Please be aware that there are two airports in Belfast. It is suggested that flights out of Belfast International Airport be scheduled if at all possible, to enable a single transfer from the hotel.

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THANK YOU. ~ Martha

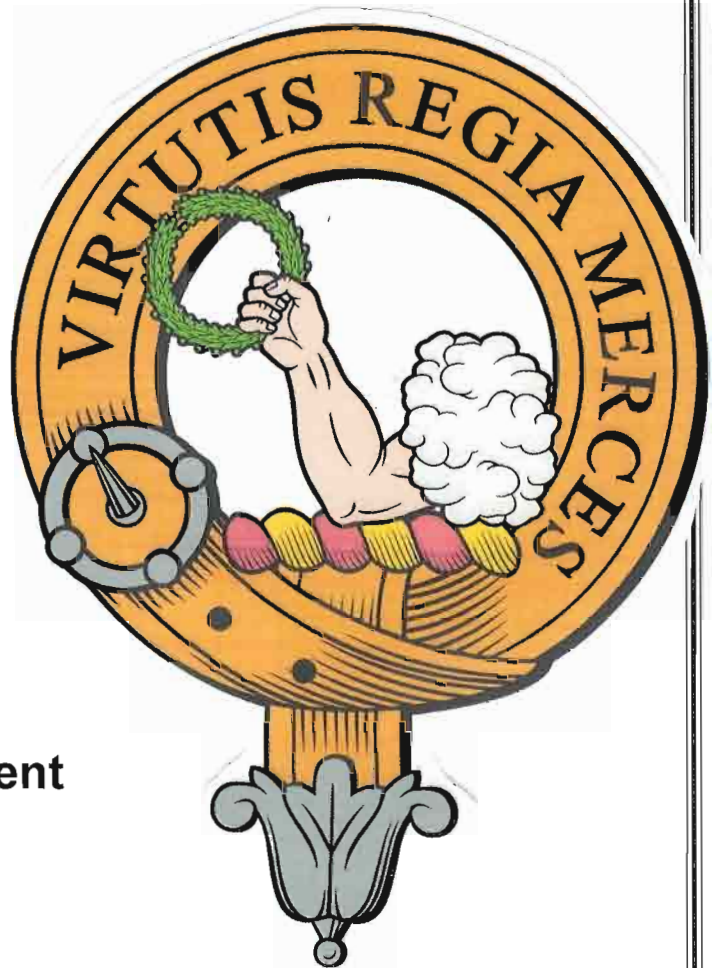


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Clan Skene elects Al McGailliard pres



(Left-Right) The McGailliard family at the Skene tent, Stone Mountain, Georgia 2016: Al, Evan, Regina, and Lillian McGailliard.



Clan Skene Association held its annual business meeting on Oct 15, 2016 during the 2016 Stone Mountain Highland Games. The highlight of the meeting was the election of officers.

The new officers for Clan Skene are the following: President - Al McGailliard, Vice President - Tammy Skeen, Secretary - Ralph Comp, Treasurer - Dorna Comp, and Quartermaster - Larry Skeen.

Al McGailliard is a pharmacist in Gray, Georgia and began tracing his family genealogy about 12 years ago. In 2012 he discovered the MacGalliard surname is a sept of Clan Skene. He joined the association and became actively involved in the group. He has sponsored several Highland Games tents in Georgia and Florida in addition to serving as Treasurer for the last two years.

Al also had the privilege of traveling to Edinburgh in September to attend the memorial service for the late Chief Danus Skene of Skene.

He is currently working with Dr. Bruce Durie in obtaining qualified shennachie recognition. The classes are online through the University of Strathclyde in Scotland. He is now working on the genetic DNA class and the heraldry class. Basic genealogy will begin in January.

For membership in Clan Skene, please contact Al McGailliard, 273 Amy Clegg Drive, Gray, GA 31032 or email <alsrx95@gmail.com>.

Upcoming 2016 Celtic Festivals & Scottish Highland Games

November 4 - 6: Tuscon Celtic Festival and Highland Games, Tucson, AZ <<http://tucsoncelticfestival.org/>>

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Gaelic Surnames, *continued from page 5*

Gaelic are either “syllable separators” or “silent”, as **MacRath** is pronounced /MAHK-raw/. This leads to more than twenty spelling variants from “McRaw” to “McCraw”, from “McCrew” to “McCraith”. “MacAllan” can become “MacCallun” and so on. Sometimes there is a double progression as **MacNachtan** became “MacRachten” to “MacCracken”. This sound change can easily be seen in Gaelic words like **cno** “nut” pronounced /kroh/ or **cnoc** “hill” pronounced “krock”.

There is also no truth to the myth that “Mc” is Irish and “Mac” is Scottish. “Mc” is always an abbreviation of “Mac”, both in Scotland and Ireland, but mostly in the United States where early census takers usually abbreviated “Mac” to “Mc”.

In other times Gaelic will insert either an unseen sound in place of an English sound unknown in Gaelic. This gives us names such as “MacArthur” as **MacArtair**/mac ARSH-tur/ and “Martin” as /Marsh-ten/. The definite article “the” is also problematic. English speakers can delete the Gaelic *a/* or *an* as in **Mac a’ Ghobhainn**/MAHK uh GOW-uhn/ then becomes “MacGowan”, “Son of the Smith” or “Smith”. The article “the” can have many forms in Gaelic, including the form *an t-* preceding an *S-* where the *S-* becomes “silent.” This produces **Macan t-Saor** /MAHK un toor/, “MacIntire” or “Son of the Carpenter” and **Mac an t-Sagairt**/MAHK un tahkert/, “MacTaggart” or “Son of the Priest”. Priests were allowed to marry in the Celtic church giving us in addition to the “MacTaggart” names such as “MacVicar, MacAbbott, MacNab” (Son of the Abbot) and MacPhearson”.

Sometimes Gaels will insert a sound that’s not written. This again is “homorganic”; in rapid speech it is impossible to go from an *l* to a **b**, **m**, or **p** without a little /uh/ slipping in. It is wrong to pronounce the Gaelic

name for Scotland, **Alba**, as */ALL-buh/. The correct Gaelic is something like /All-uh-puh/. This same feature gives us **MacColm** as “MacCollum.”

Often Gaelic speakers took the name of “Son of the Servant of (Saint) “So and So”. The ‘servant’ is **Gille**, usually abbreviated as **‘Ille** due to the preceding **k** sound of **Mac**. Sometimes **‘Ille** became “El” when transferred into English.

Mac ‘ille Eathainn/MAHK-eel-ay-heen/ is “MacLean” while **Mac ‘ille moir**/MAHK eel mor/ “Servant of The Great One” has become “MacElmore”.

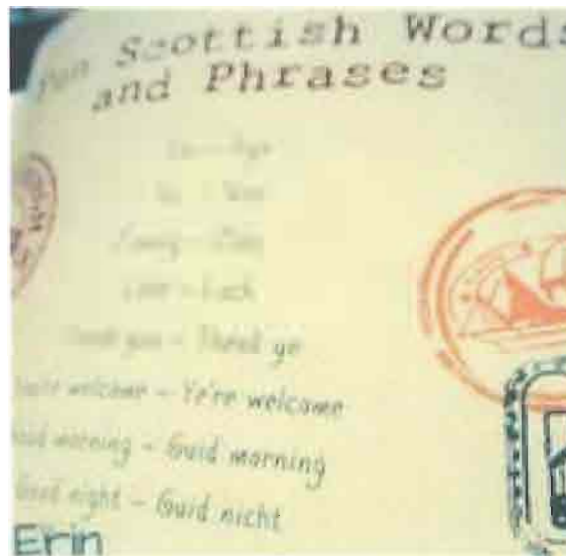
This last, “MacElmore” /mahk EL-mor/ also illustrates the tendency of English to shift the “stress”, or loudness, of a syllable. Gaelic stresses the first syllable of a word. It views all words as having only two syllables although there are sometimes three with that little /uh/ as shown above. Gaelic speakers view the pronunciation cited above in “Alba” as merely a repetition of the first syllable although in speech it is always /uh/. Longer words are

viewed as “compound words, made up of two words together or with prefixes or suffixes. Gaelic speakers will say /MAHK-el-mor/

English, on the other hand wants to stress, make louder, the syllable toward the very front of a word. Say aloud “Constitution” and “President” and hear yourself. We view “Elmore” as two syllables, counting “Mac” as a prefix and put the stress on “el-”. So we say /mahk-ELL-mor/ whereas a Gael says /MAHK-eel-mor/.

Sometimes the name in Gaelic is completely different from the English name. The “Munros” are known as **Rothach**/ROH-hahk/ and the Robertsons as **MacDhonnachaidh**/MAHK-gown-uh-hee/,

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Clan Donald USA Annual General Meeting Honored Guest Dr. Joe McDonald of the Salish and Kootenai Confederated Tribes of Montana.

The honored guests at the 2016 Clan Donald USA Annual General Meeting were the Native American descendants of Angus and Catherine McDonald, including Dr. Joe McDonald, founder and President *Emeritus* of Montana's Salish Kootenai College, and a national leader for the education of Native peoples.

Angus McDonald was a Scottish émigré who settled in Montana, building the fur trading post at Fort Connah for the Hudson Bay Company in 1847.

Angus was married to Catherine, a relative of Nez Perce tribal chiefs.

Lake McDonald, the largest lake within Glacier National Park is named for their son, Duncan, who worked to protect the Nez Perce in their conflict with the United States in 1877.

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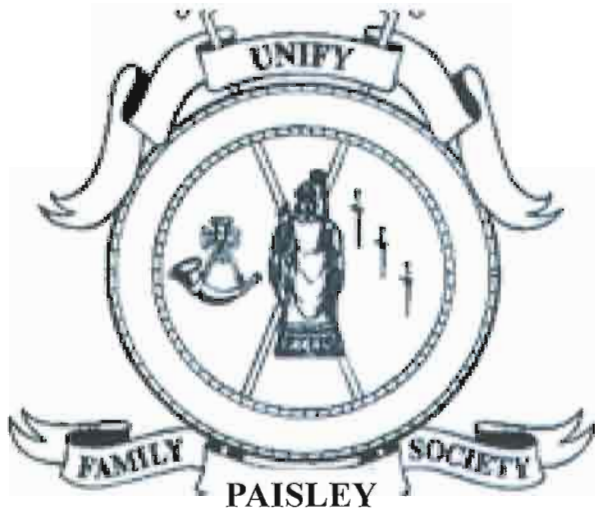
Things to think about....

"I am not young enough to know everything." Unkn.

"All political parties die at last of swallowing their own lies."

Dr. John Arbuthnot (1667-1735): Physician to Queen Anne, Scholar and Satirist

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The Chiefly Arms of Paisley of Westerlea

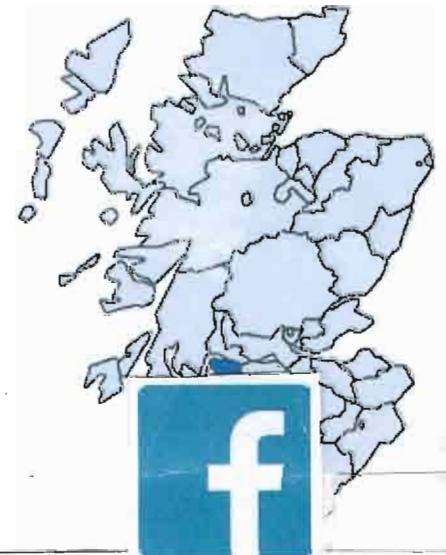


Duncan W. Paisley of Westerlea, Chieftain of the Paisley Family

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.



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.paisleyfamilyociety.org.uk> to see what we're up to in 2016. Contact Martha Brown at: mbrown2205@aol.com. Paisley DNA project: <dlangsto@yahoo.com>



AGM & Spring Gathering 2015 at Ardfalla, Scotland

Flowers of the Forest



Josephine P. Bambusch Teare, age 89 of Inver Grove Heights passed away peacefully on Oct. 9, 2016, after a short battle with cancer.

She was born and raised in St. Paul and was a graduate of Washington High School.

Jo lived in Inver Grove Heights for 61 years in the home she had built and served on the Inver Grove Heights City Council from 1972 -1981.

She retired from Sperry/Unisys.

She had been a long time member of the Clan Sutherland Society.

Survived by loving son Randall (Randy) Teare; sisters, Beverly, Engell, California and Anita (Wes) Miller, Minnesota; many nieces and nephews and close friends.

Preceded in death by her husband, William Teare; parents, Joseph and Rosina Bambusch; sisters Phyllis Jones, Mary Rangier, Virginia Roed, Sherry Osborne; brothers-in-law and nephew.

Memorials preferred to the Minnesota Historical Society.

In memory of **Mary Ann McRae**, November 23, 1934 - February 25, 2016, who was the wife of John E. Meyer.

She was born on November 23, 1934 at Ranger, Texas to Hamilton E. McRae, Jr. and Adrian Hagaman McRae.

Her family moved to Midland, Texas in 1936. In 1993, she began a relationship with John Edward Meyer who had moved to Midland with his parents from Wichita, Kansas, where he was born.

They married at the MacRae Castle, Eileen Donan at Dornie by Kyle, Scotland on August 8, 2000, where

her ancestors had been christened and married for hundreds of years, attended by two of her MacRae family who now own the castle.

She is survived by her husband, John Edward Meyer; her son, Thomas McRae Sloan, and his wife, Shirley Sutton Sloan and their children Regan Spence, Cavan Spence, Thomas Sloan, Joshua Mims; her daughter Katie Sloan Goggans, her husband Chris Goggans and their children Christopher Cherryhomes, Sarah Cherryhomes, and Cody Goggans and two great grandchildren, Luke and Rose. Her brother Hamilton E. McRae III and his wife, Betty Hawkins McRae and their children Beth McRae and husband Bill Doherty, Stephanie and Todd Campbell and their children, Cole and Lauren, and Scott McRae and his children, Alex, Chris and Bradley

Francis “Frank” Donaldson, born July 12, 1921 and died on September 20, 2015.

He was a native Scot, born in W. Kilbride, Ayrshire, Scotland.

He served with the United States military in World War II, and was a contributor and Life Member of the North Pacific Region of Clan Donald USA.



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Is it? Of course!



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Gaelic Surnames, continued from page 11 —

“MacDonalds” have two possibilities - they can either be *MacDhonnghnail*/MAHK-own-uhl or *Domhnallach*/DOWN-uhl-ahk/, “Donald’s People.” The first of these lends itself to English “McGonnell” and the second to “Donaldson.”

My co-author of *District Tartans*, the late Dr. Gordon Teall, was chiding me for not footnoting every spelling variant that I included in my book *Tartan For Me!* At the time we were standing in front of a hotel in Pitlochery, Perthshire, where we had met for lunch. At that very moment a truck drove up with an unusual spelling of “MacGregor” on the side. My answer was, “So you would have me note, ‘Seen on a beer delivery truck in Pitlochery, Scotland?’” Dr. Teall got the point.

The study of family names is fascinating - and endless as I find more and more spelling variants from the Gaelic originals. Gaelic names were “frozen” in Scotland with the census of 1840 but not in the former colonies, including the United States nor those names Anglicized prior to the census. So, note the spelling on the back of football players’ jerseys, construction firm trucks, or even advertisements for financial firms. You will soon see a new and often phonetic version of a Scottish Gaelic or Irish surname.



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A letter to read in the Scots Language

Hi Beth sounds braw tae me an thanks for getting in touch.

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Gin that wir nae enough; we also hae ae screivin competition, (writers competition), ‘Sangschaw’, o trei categories wi prizes o £100 for ilk ane. Ilk winner will be published in *Lallans* as will ony ither entries the eiditors think worthy o including. Ilk entrant will receive ae critic o thair wark..

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Yours wi thanks, George T Watt
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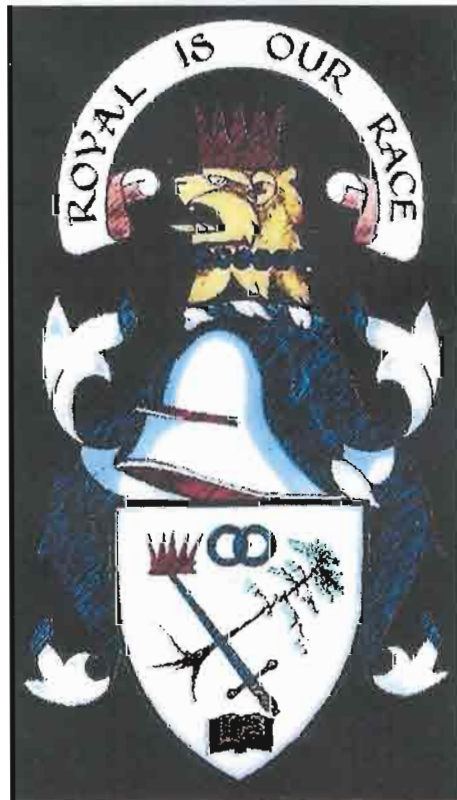
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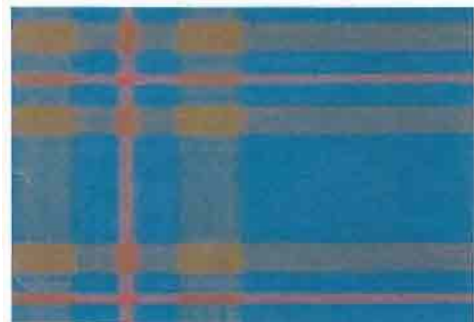
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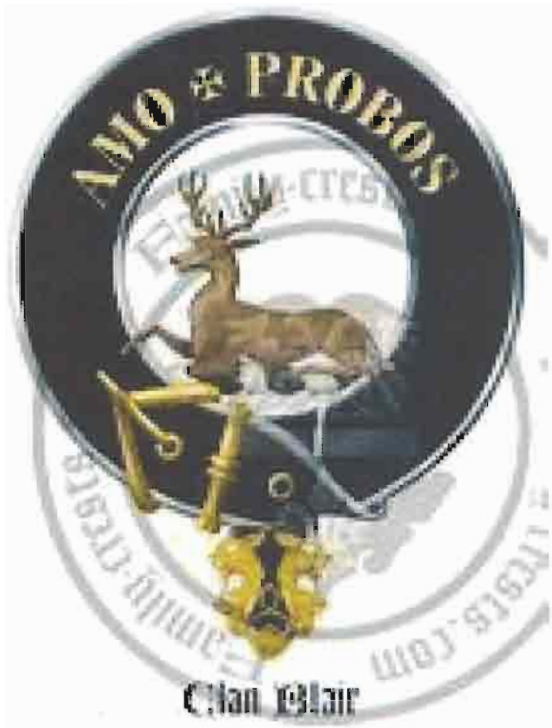
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Clan Blair Society Annual General Meeting reset for November 5, 2016

Fellow Clan Blair Society members – We have rescheduled the Annual General Meeting for Saturday Nov. 5 – 10 am MST. The meeting will be conducted via a web-cast and is scheduled for 1 hour in length. The agenda for the meeting includes:

1. Presentation of “The Battle of Stirling Bridge”, by Whit Young of Utah. Whit and his family have prepared a wonderful video and discussion.
2. Annual report from the Board of Directors.
3. Introduction of our 2 new State Commissioners: - Russell and Elena McCrary – No. California and Maggie Blair - So. Carolina

More information will be coming from webmaster Shawn Blair. Please plan on joining for the Annual Cyber-General Meeting.

Many thanks and Sláinte!

Jim Blair, President Clan Blair Society, 303-795-9754 (office) 303-886-8450 (cell phone) <president@clanblair.org>

Carolina Caledonian Fest cancelled but rescheduled

The coast of North Carolina was hit by high winds and large amounts of rain recently. Unfortunately, the resulting floods have taken their toll on the low lying area where our venue for the Carolina Caledonian Fest, Lu Mil Vineyard is located.

It's infrastructure, particularly access roads and electrical systems have been damaged heavily. With our festival's date less than three weeks away, it is going to be impossible to get it all repaired to accommodate the event. Therefore, we are forced to re-schedule it.

At this time, we are looking towards a late April, early May date in 2017. We welcome any and all feedback you might have.



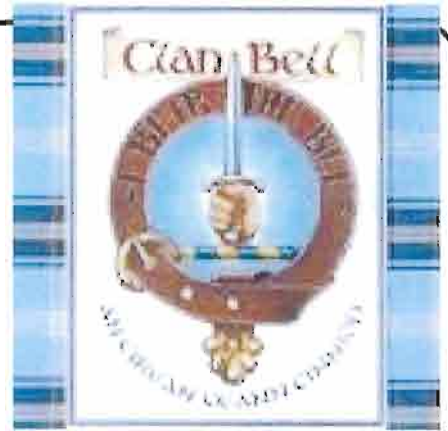
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A 600-Year-Old Money Pit in the Scottish Highlands

Anyone who has despaired over home improvement should spare a thought for Sir Lachlan Hector Charles Maclean of Duart and Morvern.

The Scottish lord has been repairing his home since he inherited it from his father in 1990, with no end in sight.

His is no ordinary house. Rather, it is a crumbling 14th-century castle — with a dungeon — that has collapsed ceilings and rainwater seeping through its 16-foot-thick walls pretty much all of the time — even during summer, which can be exceedingly wet and blustery in Scotland.

The cost of repairs? So far, 1.5 million pounds, or \$1.94 million, and counting.

Located on the Isle of Mull, off the western coast of Scotland, his home, Duart Castle, is the ancestral seat of the Macleans, one of the oldest clans in the Scottish Highlands. The 74-year-old chatelain's ancestors have been involved in centuries of battles pitting Catholics against Protestants and the Scottish against the English in rivalries that still resonate.

“What does one do with a property like this?” Sir Lachlan, the 28th chief of the clan, asked rhetorically one recent afternoon as he sipped tea in his living room, probably one of the snugger parts of the castle where he and his wife, Rosie, have retreated, though it was still mildly damp with a whiff of stale curry.

Strong rains lashed against the windows, and the constant buzz of drilling forced him to speak up. The Macleans' private living room was cluttered with modern bric-a-brac while, just below, tourists tramped about in the stately banquet hall looking at clan paraphernalia and trying to locate a public toilet. There are, in fact, two toilets, but they are both unusable — one put in nearly a century ago, and another 600 years ago.

“A lot of people wouldn't want to live here,” Sir Lachlan said, before proceeding to list, like an overly



candid real estate agent, the property's shortcomings. “It's cold, it's never really warm. It's very windy and it's very wet — and that's not a very good combination. Some people must be thinking, ‘What a silly old fool living there.’”

Perched on a craggy cliff on an island slightly bigger than New York City, the castle has, at various stages in its history, been invaded, attacked and demolished by rival clans loyal to Scottish kings or by troops fighting on behalf of Oliver Cromwell, the antimonarchist revolutionary.

At one point, the castle's dungeon held Spanish prisoners after a failed attempt to invade England in the 16th century. The clan had lands on the Isles of Mull, Coll, Tiree and Jura — all also along the west coast of Scotland.

In modern times, however, Duart Castle has been under assault primarily by Scotland's relentlessly bad weather.

Befitting a modern-day clan chief, whose complete title is Sir Lachlan Hector Charles Maclean of Duart and Morvern, 12th Baronet, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Deputy Lieutenant and Eighth Lord Maclean (he goes by Sir Lachlan), his primary job is to defend the castle from decay and, more important, from oblivion.

There are 283 days of rainfall on average per year on the Isle of Mull. When winds are particularly strong, he said, the only way to leave the castle, which is surrounded on three sides by water, is by crawling on his hands and knees down the steps of the main entrance.

Duart, which means black point in Gaelic, a nod to the black volcanic rock where the castle stands, is

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one of the last surviving clan castles still privately owned.

Maintaining it is a moral responsibility, Sir Lachlan said. "It is a sort of focal point for the clan," he added, as he carefully descended a narrow staircase that was designed in 1360 to be just wide enough to allow one man wielding a sword. (A sign nonetheless read: "We apologize for any congestion on the stairs.")

The castle receives about 25,000 visitors a year, some of them part of the Maclean diaspora living in the United States, Canada and Australia. The name Maclean can be spelled in at least 15 ways.

People are increasingly searching for their heritage and their identity, Sir Lachlan said, leading some to visit Duart Castle.

In a globalized world, "people are becoming less sure about themselves," he said. "And they want to find home."

He recalled meeting one visitor, a Maclean from Australia, who had promised his family back home that he would visit Duart Castle. As the visitor was leaving, he turned to Sir Lachlan and said, "Thank you for looking out for us." A young woman in Florida, another Maclean, sends monthly donations from her supermarket wages.

But Sir Lachlan is worried that he will be unable to finance repairs to the castle after 2017.

In 2013, four ceilings crumbled when water came through the chimneys. Water has also washed away some of the mortar between the stones of the castle's walls.

A year earlier, Sir Lachlan had convened a clan congress, announcing then that the family was no longer able to afford the repairs undertaken at the castle over the past century.

Repairs are paid in part by Historic Scotland, a government agency that looks after important monuments. There is the revenue from tourists' entrance fees, a small cafe and a shop on the castle grounds.

But work done in the 1990s by builders advised by the Scottish government turned out to be shoddy, Sir Lachlan said, forcing a new round of repairs. The builders went bankrupt soon after.

Now, work on the castle is increasingly dependent on donations from the public. "I really would like to redo the whole thing," he said. "But is one able to raise that amount of money?"

The castle was founded in the 14th century and was well maintained until the 1600s when the Macleans aligned themselves with the House of Stuart, a losing cause, leaving them poor and eventually landless.

Duart was seized and sacked by the rival Campbell clan in 1688 and was garrisoned by government troops until 1751.

The Macleans were monarchists who summoned

clan members from France to participate in the Jacobite risings of 1715 and 1745 on the side of the Stuart family against government forces. That culminated in the 1746 Battle of Culloden near Inverness in the Highlands, when the Jacobites were defeated and the Stuart pretender to the throne, Bonnie Prince Charlie, escaped into exile.

Duart was restored in 1911 when Sir Lachlan's great-grandfather, Sir Fitzroy Maclean, bought back the castle, which had been left in ruins for 150 years.

The clan animosity with the Campbells is deeply ingrained, possibly the fruit of family disputes, including the failed attempt by the 11th chief of the Macleans, Lachlan Cattanach, to murder his wife, Elizabeth, a Campbell, because she had failed to produce an heir.

According to the castle's history, she was marooned on a rock in seas off Duart Castle and left to drown when the tides rose. She was rescued by fishermen and returned to her family, but not before her husband, thinking she had died, offered his condo-

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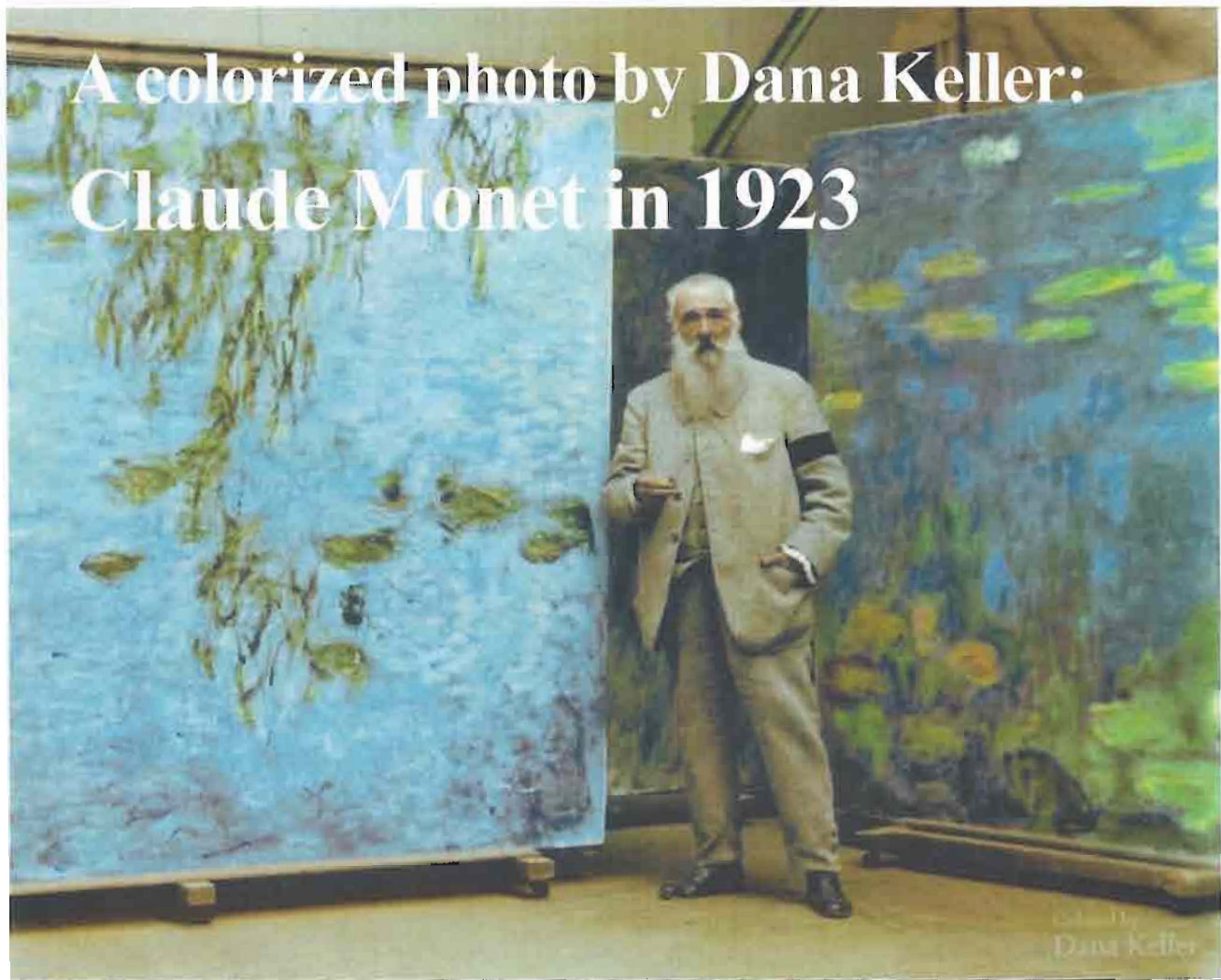
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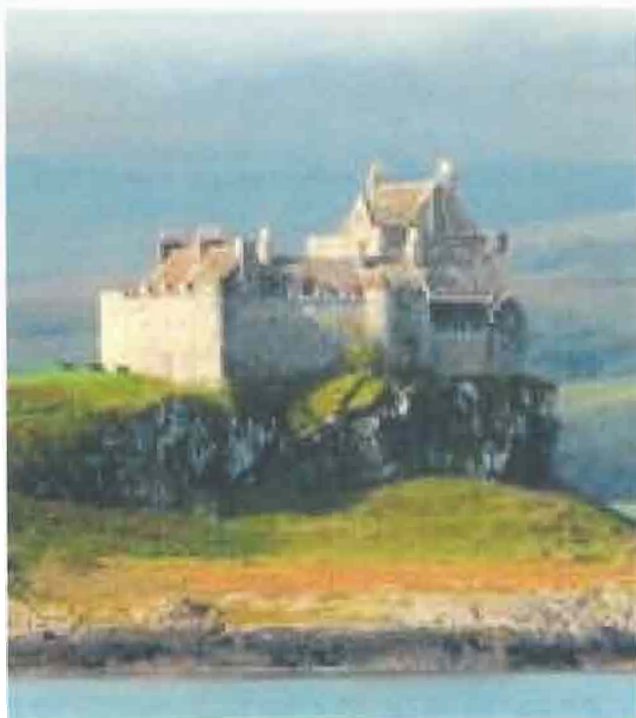
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lences to her father, the Earl of Argyll.

In a twist worthy of a telenovela, the earl invited him to dinner at the Campbell castle, where, to the Maclean chief's astonishment, she was found sitting at the table. He later married twice more, but was eventually murdered by a Campbell around 1523.

That rivalry is long gone now, though Sir Lachlan has vowed never to wear a kilt with the Campbell pattern.

There is a greater, more urgent matter at hand. "Scotland cannot let this building fall into disrepair because it's too important for history," he said.

Another uncertainty is whether his eldest son, Malcolm, 43, will move into the castle when he inherits it.

"I was brought up here. I love living here," Sir Lachlan said thoughtfully. "It's an old building that I'm very fond of."

With many thanks to *The New York Times*.



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Craigellachie (pronounced Kra-GEL'-a-key) is Gaelic for "rock of alarm." The Clan Grant motto is "**Stand Fast, Craigellachie!**" *Craigellachie* is the hill or mountain behind the modern town of Aviemore. It is also the name of a village situated about thirty miles down the River Spey from Aviemore.



Write your own obituary?

Have you ever thought about what is going to appear in YOUR own death notice?

A reading of obituaries in most any newspaper will show some of the usual problems - and they were just as bad in the early history of our country.

Many of the old and new obituaries are of scant use to future generations of genealogical researchers.

Times have not really changed and here are a few of the important facts frequently omitted:

1. The woman's maiden name, if she is married.
2. No title to show she was not married.
3. Age is frequently given in years only. Date of birth is too often not mentioned - nor exact date of death.
4. No summary of where the deceased lived throughout his/her life.
5. Parents named are not mentioned - and seldom is her mother's maiden name cited.
6. Deceased siblings are not mentioned - and where they were when they died.
7. Interests sometimes are mentioned if they sound good to the person inserting and writing the obituary. Otherwise, they are just left out altogether.

8. Groups to which the deceased participated in or spent time with.

Is there something that can be done to insure a genealogist's obituary will be useful?

Yes.

Write your own. Keep it up to date. Newspapers do this for celebrities, so, we can do it for ourselves.

Set aside the funds for the insertion of the obituary. It might be a good idea to call the newspapers where you would publish your obituary and get an idea of the costs involved as the cost for obituaries in newspapers has skyrocketed.

Make a list of those places and leave it so that your family will be able to find your obituary and where you wish it published.

Be sure to include instructions about sending a copy of your obituary to all of the organizations to which you belong.



Does anyone know about the Welsh Black Cattle on Ynys Enlli?

In working on this issue of *Beth's Newfangled Family Tree*, I ran across an article about the herd of Welsh Black Cattle which was boated over to the island about ten years ago.

The island, reputedly the last resting place of 20,000 saints, lies two miles across the treacherous sound from Aberdaron, Wales. Because of the stormy weather, the cattle had to wait for nearly a month before winds dropped sufficiently for them to be transported two by two by a small boat.

The first to arrive was a seven-year-old cow named Lleyl Eirian, with her six-week-old heifer calf. They were followed by another cow, Alwena and her calf.

The cattle were introduced to the island to improve the nature of the turf and grassland. The importation of the cattle will also be a conservation exercise, proving that farming and green issues can coexist happily.

The cows took to their boat trip without any fuss since they had been bred on the Llyn Peninsula where they were quite used to being handled. They were to be looked after by resident farmer, Tim Tyne and his wife, Dot.

As often happens, your editor tried to research on the Internet what happened to the herd...to no avail. If anyone knows, please email <bethscribble@aol.com>.



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Society of Antiquaries of Scotland Programs set for November 2016 in Edinburgh & Glasgow

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The Anniversary Meeting 30th November 4.30 pm - 7.00 pm - Comprising the *Annual General Meeting and drinks reception* in the Auditorium, National Museums Scotland, Edinburgh. Held as per Law of the Society on St Andrews Day. Papers for the meeting will be available in due course. The short lecture at the end of the formal business will be presented by Dr Brendan O'Connor FSA Scot, entitled *80 Years On: Pedro Bosch Gimpera's Unpublished Rhind Lectures of 1936*. Dr O'Connor has produced a transcript of the *Prehistoric Archaeology of Iberian Peninsula* Rhind lectures by Professor P. Bosch Gimpera, available on the Society website here: <http://www.socantscot.org/event/anniversary-meeting-2016/> Please register in advance www.socantscot.org/events or call 0131 247 4133.

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new discovery of Franklin's ship, *HMS Terror*. The conference will take place at the University of Glasgow's Western Infirmary Lecture Theatre Suite, Glasgow, G11 6NT on the weekend of 5-6 November 2016, with an excursion to the Scottish Maritime Museum in Irvine, just outside Glasgow, on Monday 7 November. All details and tickets available from Eventbrite here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nas-and-scape-conference-2016-from-land-to-sea-tickets-26407788406?aff=eprofsaved>

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RSA Scotland Tribute Lecture - Tuesday 15 November (18:00 - 20:00), Edinburgh - *Culture and Heritage: National Essentials*, lecture by Dr Loyd Grossman CBE FRSA FSA Scot (RSA Fellow and NADFAS President and Heritage Alliance Chairperson) in memory of the late Mary Bryden, formerly of NMS and former RSA Scotland Committee Member, and former director of Public Programmes, National Museums of Scotland (NMS). Booking and

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Our survey will trace and record by historical research, photography, technical drawing, building recording and GIS, the visible remains of these routes including sections of Wade's Road and its bridges.

It will also record a selection of contemporary settlements and architecture.

Amongst other sites, the survey will visit the site of the Battle of Killiecrankie and will take in the remains of Ruthven Barracks, a significant military position during the Jacobite Uprisings. We will be surveying sections of the military road that still survive to this day, as well as surveying a number of the bridges built as part of the road construction scheme.

We will visit and survey drover's inns that were an integral part of an 18th Century Tourist itinerary, and will assess, survey and record the changing settlement patterns that were taking place at this time as a result of social change and enforced agricultural and economic change following the Jacobite uprisings.

Along with visiting the historical remains of an integral part of Scotland's history, participants of the field school will receive training in historical research, historic map analysis, archaeological field survey, monument recording, GIS training, Photographic survey and Historic Building survey.

Participants will have the opportunity to complete a course book during the field school to build a portfolio, along with full training and copies of software, used during the course, that they can take away with them at the end.

For participants who are completing an Archaeological Skills Passport all relevant sections will be signed off.

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The field school will be based in the Perthshire and Tayside region of the Central Highlands, and accommodation will be based near Blair Atholl. Accommodation will be provided in a traditional, luxury, hunting lodge on the Atholl Estate (http://www.athollestateslodges.co.uk/lodges_forestlodge.cfm), a great opportunity to experience the Scottish Highlands. Participants will have



full access to the Lodge facilities, which includes wifi, entertainment facilities, payphone, and beautiful grounds. Twin shared rooms will be provided, and the lodge has full catering facilities where we will prepare our meals.

All meals will be provided on workdays of the project. The middle weekend of the fortnight will be free time allowing participants to explore the surrounding area at their leisure. Local highlights include the estate grounds at Blair Atholl, Blair Castle, The Blair Atholl Distillery etc.

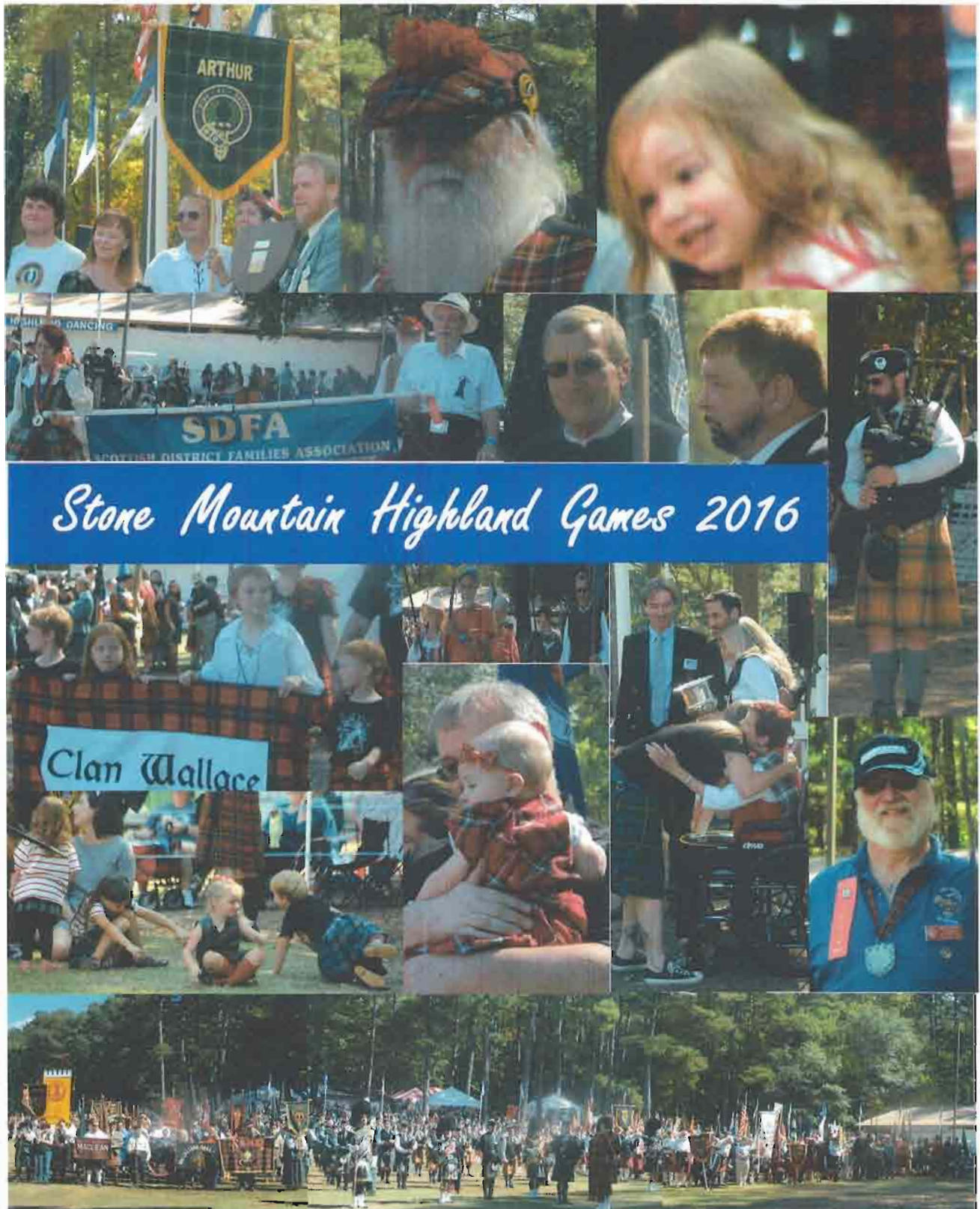
The total cost for the field school is £750 (GBP) per person and includes accommodation, all meals on workdays, transport on all workdays and site visits. A £25 discount will be applied to all bookings made before 31st December 2016.

Transport to and from the field school is not included but free pick-ups will be arranged between Blair Atholl and the field school accommodation. A limited number of transfers to/from Edinburgh will be available for an extra fee and information on this will be provided on request.

For more information or to apply for a place please email Ian at [<ian.harparchaeology@gmail.com>](mailto:ian.harparchaeology@gmail.com)

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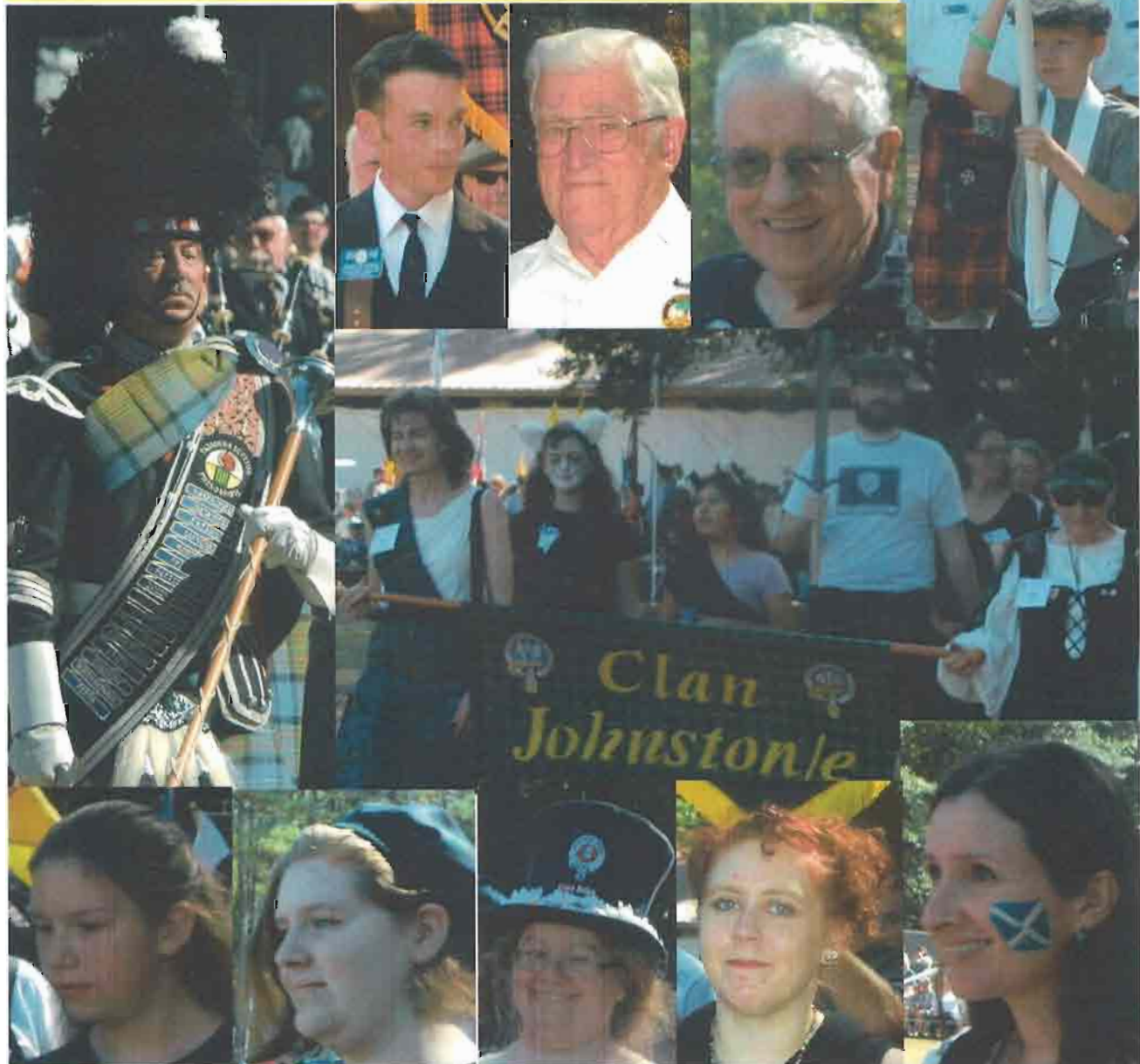
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My very first attempt at a panoramic view above! (Three photos crochet together. Was fun!) Bet you will find friends and folks you know in the next four pages! If you'd like photos of your clan, write me at bethscribble@aol.com and I'll send them to you. If you were there and don't see your clan...write me and I'll send you any photos I have that didn't get on these pages. I took almost 300 photos and just do not have space to use them all here.



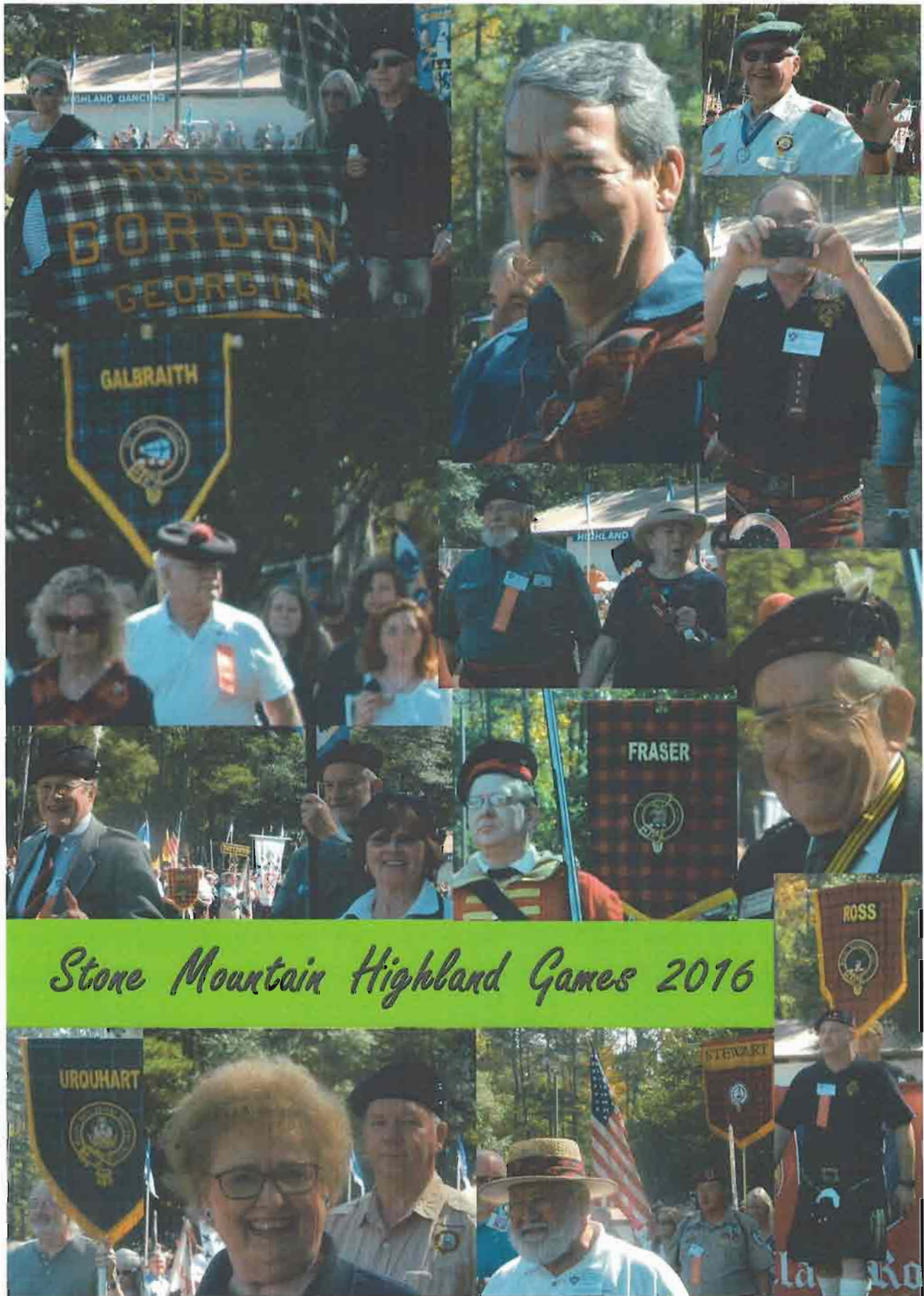
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