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AMERICANS JOIN FIGHT TO SAVE SCOTISH LITERARY HISTORY

A trio of Scottish heritage organizations are asking American supporters for help to save some of the United Kingdom's most important literary artifacts.

The Honresfield Library, a privately owned collection of manuscripts, letters, and first editions by British luminaries from Austen to Tennyson, was put up for public auction in London earlier this year.

The collection, which had been unseen by the public for almost a century, also includes Robert Burns' earliest surviving poems in his *First Commonplace Book* and Sir Walter Scott's handwritten manuscript for *Rob Roy*.

With the real possibility that these culturally priceless artifacts could be lost to private collectors or dispersed overseas, a consortium consisting of eight leading British libraries and museums, including Oxford's

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Clan Graham wins Best Tent at 2021 GMHG

In the first GMHG since 2019, the Clan Graham

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*With Every
Good Wish
for
Thanksgiving
from
Beth,
Tom and
Alastair*

A letter from your editor

True housekeeping confessions from Beth



When I was growing up, I was very, very busy at school. We had band practice each morning at 8 AM during football season plus instrument practice for at least an hour and usually more every day. I played french horn in the concert band and tenor saxophone in the marching band. Sometimes, I played cymbals!

I also took dancing when I was a youngster and was very sure I would grow up tall and willowy and the perfect physical specimen for a ballet dancer. I had a homemade ballet barre in my bedroom. That meant I had more than an hour or two every day work there.

During those years I played every sport available with a bunch of friends and that meant practice time and then games and games and games.

There was school work too. I graduated 18th out of 600, so didn't do so badly. I'll admit I didn't work very hard either. I did have great fun.

My grandmother often said to me, "Dah'lin, you just do well in school and don't worry about house-keeping or cooking or things like that. I know you will learn those things when you need to know them."

I'll never forget when I made mashed potatoes for the very first time how amazed I was that you put MILK in potatoes." I did learn to cook from cookbooks with only a few things I remember from my granny.

I still think if you can read, you can cook!

I did not grow up tall and willowy. My work with ballet only came in handy when I rode bareback broncs in the rodeo - as boy, can I toe-out on that first buck!

All my life I have considered myself a good house-keeper. I am very neat and keep surfaces pretty well

dusted and keep up with laundry, etc.

About six weeks ago. All that "good housekeeper" opinion came to a screaming halt.

My friend, Martha (Marti now) couldn't go somewhere because she had to clean her baseboards. I had to ask, "What are baseboards?"

It's all Harry's fault. He is our cat. He decided to get lost inside our house. I spent a couple of hours looking for him, downstairs and upstairs. I couldn't find hide nor hair of him. I was getting frightened that he had gone off somewhere and died.

Tom was already ordered to bed with his pressure ulcer, so he could be our cheerleader, but that was all!

I called Steve, Tom's since-grammar-school-friend who also loves cats. He said he would drive the 80 miles round trip from Seneca, SC, and back to help me search for Harry. Steve is such a good



friend!

He brought a BIG flashlight. I had a BIG flashlight too. We crawled around - my crawling days are limited, but I can do a little bit. Steve can still crawl! We both shone those flashlights under everything.

DUST! DUST BUNNIES! DUST ELEPHANTS! DUST everywhere! No Harry.

Steve did not mention the dust.

We came upstairs and started shining those BIG flashlights under everything upstairs.

DUST! DUST BUNNIES! DUST ALLIGATORS! DUST everywhere! No Harry.

Steve still did not mention the dust.

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Clan Graham's newest baby

Lora Graham- Greenland, Clan Graham Vice President, Michigan

I am a grandma! My first grandchild Lily Ann Eggleston was born July 25, 2021, to parents, Mercedes and Kyle, in Grand Rapids, Michigan. The picture below is of my son Graham (Lily's uncle) and my daughter Mercedes (Lily's mom). We are all so in love with her! As you can see, Lily has her Clan Graham onesie on and laying inside her Graham plaid kilt, while attending The Sparta Celtic Festival.



I am hopeful that 2022 will be full of "in-person" festivals and Clan gatherings where we can celebrate friends and Clan Graham Society together. Until then, Slainte!

Scottish - American Military Society

General Elijah Clark Post #60



If you are a veteran of Celtic heritage, you can join the Scottish - American Military Society.

You can visit our webpage for more information. The webpage is <<http://www.s-a-m-s.org/>>

Our meeting times, dates and places are to be announced as soon as it is possible.

In the meantime, please contact Rick Conn, Adjutant, General Elijah Clark Post #60. Call 1-676-873-3491 or visit his email at <rickconn@bellsouth.net>

When the Scottish Games start again, visit a games and look for the SAMS unit, which usually acts as the flagbearers for the event. Any of them will be glad to talk to you.



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• **St. Andrew's Day Dinner**
- November 20, 2021 - 6:30
Capital City Country Club

• **Burns Night Supper** -
January 22, 2022, 6:30 Golden
Eagle Country Club

• **Culinary Ceilidh** - February 26, 2022, Publix Apron's Cooking "Visit to Edinburgh & Lothians"

• **Covered Dish Dinner**
March 8, 2022 - 6:30pm, Fellowship, Presbyterian Church, 3158 Shamrock Street South

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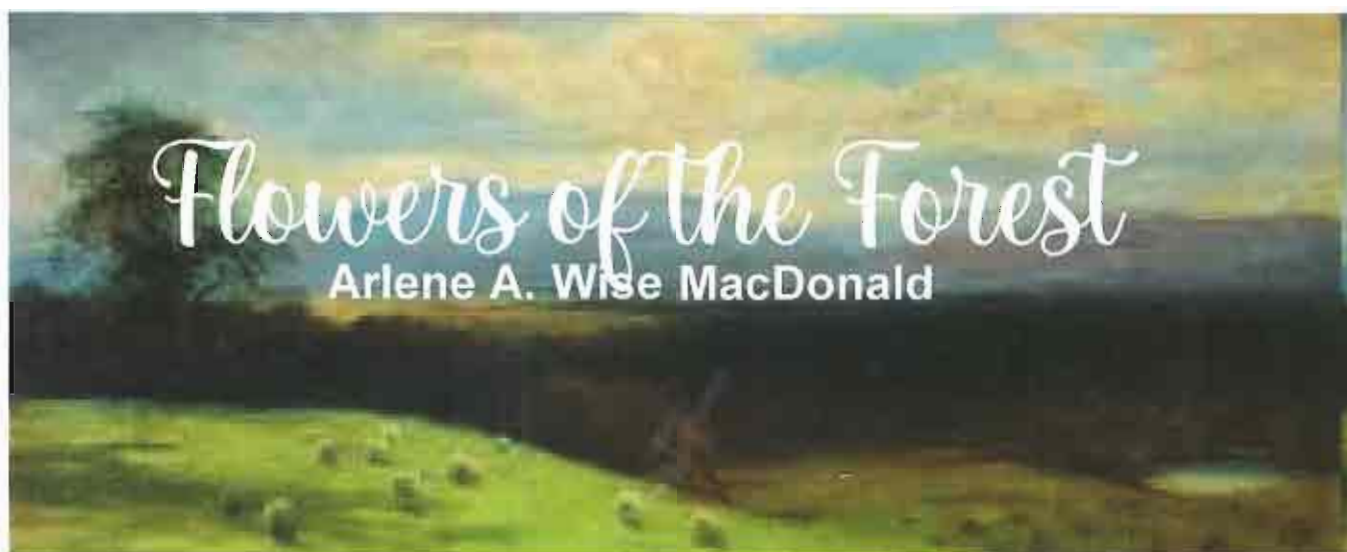
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CHELMSFORD MA- **Joan E. (Hardman) Zaher**, 89, passed away peacefully on Sunday, May 31, 2020, at Lowell General Hospital. She was the beloved wife of Mederick Zaher of Chelmsford with whom she shared 66 years of marriage.

She was born in Lowell on July 7, 1930, and was the daughter of the late William and Florence (Thompson) Hardman.

Joan was raised in Lowell and was a graduate of Lowell High School. She worked as an office administrator at Comfed Savings and Mortgage in Lowell. Joan also worked at Raytheon in Waltham. Joan was past president of the American Legion Auxiliary Post 437 and was the Middlesex County District 5 Director of the American Legion.

She was an active member of the Friends of Jimmy Fund, having formal dinners to raise money for the Ronald McDonald House.

Joan was a parishioner of St. Mary Parish in Chelmsford.

Joan was a Lifetime Member of Clan MacTavish. She was dedicated to her Scottish heritage inherited through her mother.

In 2008 Joan spearheaded a project of collecting Scottish recipes and was Editor of the first *Clan MacTavish Cookbook*. Many of the recipes contained therein came from her Grannie and were accompanied by affectionate stories connected to

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

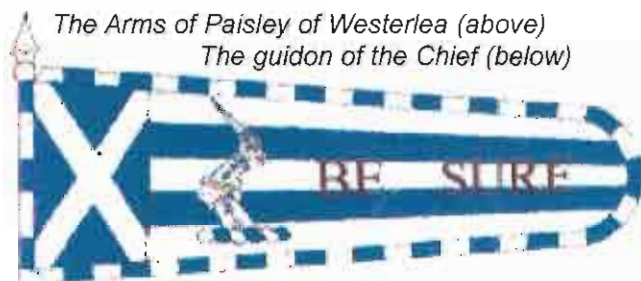


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Paisley Family Society USA Branch, FaceBook account can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/Paisley-Family-Society-USA-branch-195070730565352/>



*The Arms of Paisley of Westerlea (above)
The guidon of the Chief (below)*



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For the Paisley DNA Project, visit
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Check out the
Clan Paisley Society webpage at
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to see what's happening with us this
year. Contact **Diane Langston** at
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Beth's housekeeping confessions, *continued from page 3*

We spent at least two hours searching everywhere upstairs for Harold Reginald Cat Freeman - and could not find even a trace of him.

All we found was DUST. Chair legs were dusty, chair parts were dusty. Nobody ever told me you had to dust anything but the tops of things. Under the bed made me sooooo embarrassed. DUST CITIES under the bed! I had never even looked there before.

No wonder I could "clean house" so fast.

Nobody had ever told me there were so many things that collect dust.

"Grannie, I'm so sorry I never learned about cleaning the house properly!"

We searched and searched and only found more dust. No Harry.

Steve had to be somewhere else in an hour or so, so he had to leave.

No Harry.

Lots of DUST!

When Steve had to go, I just sat down at the kitchen counter and started to cry.

I love little Harry and I was so upset that he had disappeared.

As I sat there crying, I saw movement out of the corner of my eye.

IT WAS HARRY! He was sauntering, yes, sauntering down the upstairs hallway. He did have dust bits clinging to him.

Harry was found although we still have no idea where he was hiding. At the time I wondered, should I choke him or should I hug him? I ended up hugging him.

Nowadays, Harry wears a collar with a keyring finder thingie hanging from it. (We don't have a fancy phone.) I can punch a little yellow button and it makes quite a racket.

I have purchased Swiffer equipment and there are NO DUST or DUST BUNNIES under anything in our bedroom.

There are plans to de-dust the upstairs too.

Oh, there's more to my confession.

Our library is downstairs and I normally don't have all the lights on in there. I have a bunch of stained glass lamps that usually illuminate the library and den with a very soft light.

I used to dust the tops of everything pretty often - never turning on the bright lights.

When we turned on the bright lights searching for young Harry, I about fainted. There was mold and mildew on all the furniture. I didn't know you could have mold and mildew in the house.

I really did not know that.

I promise, I have scrubbed every piece of furniture, chair legs, and parts and EVERYTHING downstairs in the den - with the bright light on.

Steve, yes, the same Steve, is on the hunt for a dehumidifier for our very large basement.

We are so very fortunate to have Steve and his wife, Debbie, as our friends!

Steve has still not mentioned the dust, nor the mold and mildew.

My grandmother died many, many years ago, believing that I would learn about having a clean house when

I needed to know-how.

Grandmother, I think I am finally learning just a little bit about having a clean house.

Please, if you know of anything else that might be lurking in our house to make me embarrassed, write to me and let me know!

If you know of a housekeeping school, please let me know.

If you know of any DUST COMPETITIONS in the Olympics or anywhere else, perhaps, I might win it!

Thank you, Steve!

Harry is doing well. He takes care of Tom as he is downstairs and I have to come upstairs to work on my computer. Harry is also a medical consultant when the folks come to change the dressing on Tom's Wound Vacuum!





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Clan Graham Society wins Best Tent,

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Society was awarded the "Best Tent" at the revived Grandfather Mountain Highland Games.

Shown in the photo on page 1 are Tommy Thornton, Susan Reeves, Matthew and Janice Vanatta, Kathleen Wheelless and Rick Rortenberry.

If you wish more information or if you wish to join the Clan Graham Society, contact Ruth Stoney, CGS c/o ECS Data Systems, PO Box 784, Linville, NC 29486 -0784, USA.

If you would like to email, just use <ecsdatasystems@gmail.com>

Congratulations



Americans join fight, *continued from page 1*

Bodleian Library, the Brontë Parsonage Museum, and the British Library, was swiftly convened by The Friends of the National Libraries.

The collection's current owners agreed to delay the auction and have given the consortium until the end of October to raise the \$21 million (£15 million) needed to commit to the purchase. To date, the group has secured \$10.5 million (£7.5 million).

The Scottish members of the consortium - Abbotsford, the National Library of Scotland and the National Trust for Scotland - have worked together to support the UK-wide appeal and have drawn up plans to bring collection items linked to Burns and Scott back to Scotland.

Now, the American Patrons of the National Library and Galleries of Scotland and The National Trust for Scotland Foundation USA (NTSUSA) are urging Americans who love Scotland to get involved.

If the money can be raised in time, the three Scottish consortium members will take joint care of the 40 items associated with Scotland in the collection, which have a combined value of \$4 million (£2.75 million).

The pieces will be conserved so that they may be put on public display and made available for research. Plans for in-person and virtual programs, as well as loans to local venues in addition to regular and permanent ex-

hibitions at the partners' main locations, are underway.

Kirstin Bridier, executive director of NTSUSA, said: "Not only do we have the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to help secure a remarkable collection of literary treasures for Scotland - we have the chance to make them public for the first time. The works of Burns and Scott are deeply significant to Scottish history and culture, and the impact of these writers is still felt around the world today. We are delighted to join this international effort to bring Burns and Scott home to Scotland."

Peter Drummond-Hay, chair of the American Patrons of the National Library and Galleries of Scotland, said: "It is so rare for a literary treasure trove such as this to come to light and we cannot miss the opportunity to bring it into public ownership in Scotland. It is testament to the extraordinary importance of these items to Scottish culture and heritage that the three institutions have come together to launch this urgent international appeal and we are proud to support it."

Time is running out to raise the funds needed. To learn more about the Honresfield Library appeal or to make a tax-deductible donation, visit <https://ntsusa.org/protect/honresfield-library/> or <https://www.americanpatrons.org/>

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Findlay is growing and growing... and look at that bushy tail!



Hi All

Thank you so much for all your recent support for our ongoing efforts to stop the Clashindarroch windfarm. We are very pleased with the progress and will update you on timescales for the Public inquiry and things to look out for, next week.

So many of you have contacted us about the Findlay, and apologies for the gap in the news. We have been flat out, but here is the latest news about him.

Findlay was found as an orphan last October at only 3 weeks old. After a very nerve-wracking few months of intensive care and rearing, he survived.

Thanks to your generosity we built him a huge, naturalistic enclosure, where he could learn the skills he needed to survive. He has been in that enclosure since late March. The aim has always been and still is to return him to the wild at the earliest opportunity.

Initially, we had hoped to release him this summer, but with hindsight, that was just too ambitious. Of course,

we could have taken a chance and let him go, but in our heart of hearts, we knew he wouldn't survive. It was just too soon for him. He has had to catch up on his lost growth, develop all the skills needed to survive in the wild, and learn to be a wildcat.

For any release to work, we would have had to get him out in early summer so that he could acclimatize before winter.

As you all know, the Scottish summer is brief and winter comes quickly. Findlay just wasn't ready in June/July and it would have been reckless of us to try.

Because that window was missed, there is no other choice but to release him next year. For obvious reasons, it would be foolish to release him during this autumn and winter.

It is worth noting that Findlay is still not yet a year old, his birthday will be soon. For all the reasons above we have decided to release him in springtime next year.

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Eisenhower Suite, Culzean Castle



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Family Search Access Clarification

Bryan L. Mulcahy, MLS

Good Afternoon: Here is the promised update concerning Family Search, the completion of the digitization project, and the availability of records from home.

Family Search deserves a great deal of credit for achieving the milestone of digitizing their complete archive of microfilmed information on almost 12 billion people. This was a massive project and in spite of delays caused by COVID, it was completed in a timely manner.

This archive is now, with some caveats, available to the public via the Family Search website from home, affiliate libraries such as Fort Myers Regional Library and Family History Centers.

Family History Centers are back in operation for the most part. The Naples Family History Center is still in the process of renovations but expects to be reopened sometime in mid-to late October.

I will notify everyone as soon as I hear an official date. The three caveats are listed below:

1. Over 80% of the digitized information is available for public viewing.
2. Some records and information will continue to have varying degrees of access limitations governed by contractual agreements or other restraints.
3. There are also some digital collections that are not currently available.

While this is an unfortunate set of circumstances, it is not the fault of anyone connected to Family Search.

The issue stems from the original legal agreements that Family Search made with the various organizations and entities that own the records.

Most of the original agreements were for preservation purposes as in taking these old paper records packed away in a variety of storage places and microfilming the records.

Microfilmed copies would be distributed as needed based on stipulations agreed to in contractual agreements.

When Family Search began digitizing the microfilm, they had to re-negotiate the legal agreements. The good news is that most of the organizations and entities have been open to entering into new and user friendly agreements.

The flip side is that some organizations or entities whose records were being digitized were not comfortable with having all the records online for anyone to access from home.

Here is a scenario that would be possible with these new digitized materials.

Some could theoretically download a copy of the entire record, document, microfilm series, etc., and then upload a whole new copy elsewhere.

Until those new agreements are in place, patrons will encounter records that will be restricted to Family History Centers and to Affiliate Libraries.

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OH, CANADA!



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The story of a Scot's Badge Medallion

Garry Gianotti

This is the story just as it was presented on <electricscotland.com> I'll bet we hear more about this!

The symbology is a early Scot Clan member with an important badge. The chain links are with the hand shake symbol at bottom. Represents the odd fellows

Family Search Clarification,

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A few will be limited to viewing at the Family History Library only. There will be some, a very small percentage, that Family Search will have copies of but there is no public access available as of now.

Researchers have one other option that has proven to be successful in most cases.

They can send off a request to the Family History Library for a look up at the following link <<https://www.familysearch.org/family-history-library/family-history-library-records-look-up-service>>

If the requested record isn't under a major contract lockdown, the turnaround time is usually three to five business days.

If the record is restricted, the citations found on the website will always contain the name of the entity that owns the record. This information will allow the patron to contact the record owner directly.

Feel free to contact me with any questions.

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history! Specifically this clan Scot badge is specific, it's the broken or split order of Odd fellows in London where one side favored King William of Orange and then the Split group of odd fellows became the Ancient Order of Odd fellows who only favored The Stuarts!

Then to the lady Liberty pole with Liberty cap! That's The symbology of the Scot clan ancient order of odd fellow member supporting Charles Edward Stuart specifically! Amazing and it's time line of this relic is 1730s to 1786!

Cheers, Gary Gianotti



PS - I'm learning that this medal is a Scott badge medal emblem that translates as a Scott clan member who is a magistrate representative Loyal to the house of Stuart, who is an Odd Fellow. Specifically the medal was in a torched building by the British in 1777.

Writings and artifacts from the Scottish House of Stuart from 1745-1777 (Ancient Order of Odd Fellows) is their specific name. Next to nothing exists that I can find, so little documents exist on their origins and

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'Highest honour' Canadian regiment served as Queen's Guard in London in October



THE  INDEPENDENT

The Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery Duties Contingent has formally been invited by Her Majesty to serve as the Queen's Guard, Royal Central reports. The Queen issued the invite to honour the regiment's 150th anniversary.

The Manitoba-based regiment has fought in multiple conflicts since their creation, including in the First and Second World War.

It has been reported that a group of 90 troops crossed the Atlantic to protect the royal residences of Buckingham Palace, St James's Palace, Windsor Castle and the Tower of London.

They served at the Firm's London and Berkshire homes between October 4 and October 22.

The Canadian troops took part in the commemorative Changing of the Guard parade.

The Changing of the Guard, which marks the handover between regiments protecting the sovereign's residences, takes place at Buckingham Palace, St James's and the nearby Wellington Barracks.

According to reports in Canada, the regiment's Master Warrant Officer, Sergeant Major Jason Power, responded to the news by saying: "Our soldiers have worked extremely hard over the last two months to be prepared to conduct public duties.

"As far as ceremonial duties go, being part of the Queen's Guard is the highest honour a soldier of the

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ever
thought about
how
broccoli
might not
like you,
either?**

The Scots badge, *continued from page 19*

I can't find any artifacts existing. Until after 1810 when they established new lodges.

PPS - Remember how I proved the Stars and Stripes origins to the house of Stuart? This medal has Lady Liberty and the medal could have been made many years and decades into or to 1745. The shield shows 13 stripes and is hard evidence, direct evidence the origins is direct to the Bonnie and house of Stuart.

Amazing.

PPPS - I'm blown away here, I just found 1708 land sales records of East NJ to this area of the medal. 1500 acres was sold to a one George Scot of Pitlochrie! This has to be Robert Scot's grandfather! The records I found of his will to George his son the baker-clock maker who found the Scot's Lodge during the '45 in Edinburgh.

Wow, this is going to be a wild ride with this project.

PPPPS - Correction, the piece had to be made before 1745. It would have belonged to George of Pitlochrie, a brother to Robert Scot's dad, George.

Joan Hardman Zaher, *continued from page 9*



(Left to Right) Jay Mason, Maine Commissioner, Joan Zaher, Sherry Thompson Crane, Region 01 Commissioner at the Western Massachusetts games in 2007.

the recipe.

Joan was active for many years, always accompanied by her daughter, Lynne Belanger, until her health prevented attendance at games after 2008.

A Graveside Service and Memorial will be held at a later date. Memorial donations may be made in Joan's name to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute/Jimmy Fund, P.O. Box 84916

Canadian regiment served in London,

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Canadian Armed Forces can have, and with it comes a great sense of responsibility and pride."

When the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery marked their centenary celebrations in 1970, the Queen made a visit to their base in Manitoba alongside her late husband the Duke of Edinburgh and two eldest children, Prince Charles and Princess Anne.

The last time a group of Canadian soldiers were appointed as the Queen's Guards came in the Autumn of 2018 when the Royal Canadian Regiment and Royal Canadian Artillery Band were called upon.

Regiments from other Commonwealth nations, including Australia and Jamaica, are also said to have performed the important duties.



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



SCOTLANDS UNESCO TRAIL



The world's first ever UNESCO trail, bringing together some of Scotland's most iconic, diverse and culturally significant sites, was launched Friday, 15 October 2021.

Scotland's UNESCO Trail brings the country's 13 place-based UNESCO designations, including World Heritage Sites, Biospheres, Global Geoparks and Creative Cities together to form a dedicated digital trail. It aims to take visitors on a cultural journey across the country experiencing everything from history to science, music, design and literature to nature and cityscapes.

Designed specifically to support ambitions to make Scotland a world-leading responsible tourism destination, Scotland's UNESCO Trail encourages visitors to stay longer, visit all year round, make sustainable travel choices, explore more widely and at the right time of the year, and in turn, contribute to the sustainable quality of life of those communities surrounding the designated sites.

The digital trail, which is available on our consumer site VisitScotland.com, showcases the breadth of culturally astounding UNESCO designations on offer across Scotland, providing information and inspiration to visitors across the world. It also celebrates businesses and communities that are committed to responsible tourism business practices and promotes sustainable travel options.

Scotland is the first nation in the world to create such a pioneering initiative. Developed through a unique partnership between VisitScotland, the Scottish Government, the UK National Commission for UNESCO,

Historic Environment Scotland, NatureScot, the National Trust for Scotland and Scotland's 13 UNESCO designations, the project has received £360,000 funding from the Scottish Government to support the strategy for the sustainable recovery of Scottish tourism.

Tourism Minister, Ivan McKee, officially launched the trail today in Dundee, the UNESCO City of Design, by unveiling a specially commissioned design by illustrator and printmaker, Jagoda Sadowska. Jagoda is a graduate of the city's Duncan of Jordanstone College of Art. The design has been printed onto a door, which will be incorporated into the city's Open Close tour as a



permanent legacy of the trail.

Scotland has always been a pioneering nation and I'm pleased to see we're leading the way with the world's first UNESCO digital trail. Tourism is key to Scotland's economy and as we begin to recover from the pandemic, this collaboration between the Scottish Government, VisitScotland, NatureScot and UNESCO could not be more timely.

Supported by £360,000 of Scottish Government funding, the UNESCO Trail will help to attract and welcome both domestic and international visitors again, by showcasing Scotland's unique cultural heritage and many UNESCO sites. As we approach COP26, I'm pleased to see that the UNESCO trail has sustainability at its core and will help visitors make responsible and sustainable choices by highlighting green accredited businesses and promoting environmentally friendly travel.

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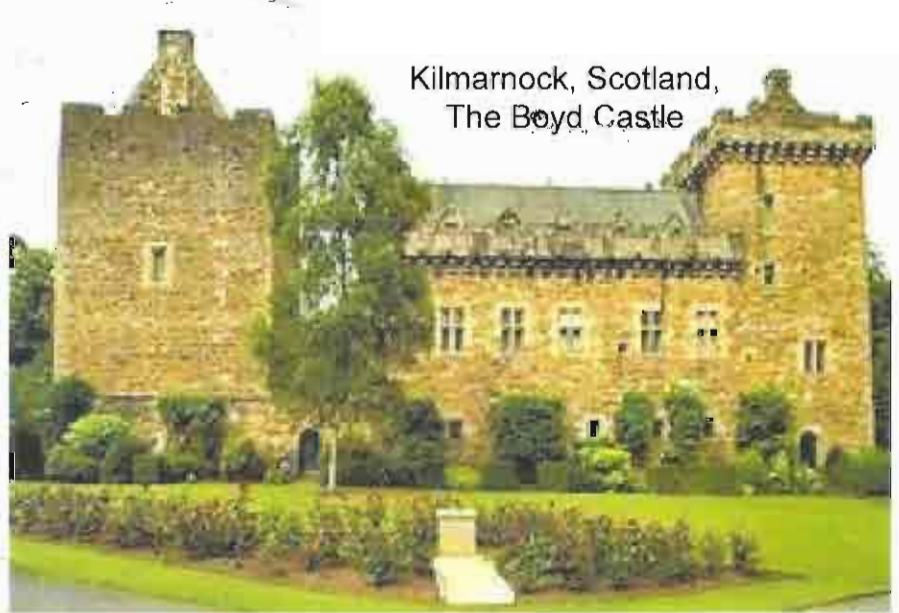


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Ivan McKee, Tourism Minister, says, "There is no other journey like Scotland's UNESCO Trail and we want to inspire visitors to take a once-in-a-lifetime experience across the country, delving into its history and heritage, experiencing the wonder of its natural assets and the magic that inspires art, music and literature.

The innovative trail not only showcases the breadth

of culturally astounding UNESCO designations we have across Scotland but also the exceptional visitor experiences this trail creates.

VisitScotland is focused on the recovery of the industry, building a destination and visitor experience which allows tourism and events to flourish now and in the future. We'll continue to work with, and support, businesses to ensure we rebuild this vital part of Scotland's economy.

Tourism is a force for good -- creating economic and social value in every corner of Scotland and enhancing the well-being of everyone who experiences it. Tourism makes Scotland richer, economically and socially, and without it Scotland would be a much poorer place."

Rob Dickson, Director of Industry and Destination Development at VisitScotland also says, "The Trail is a hugely exciting global first, inspiring visitors to Scotland to journey through its unique natural and cultural heritage. All the designations in the Trail have a distinctive story to tell and we hope that, whether people visit just one, or travel to all the sites, they will be wowed by what they see.

Responsible tourism and greener travel are at the heart of our ambitions for the UNESCO Trail. This will lead to a more sustainable economy and will help to create better places for people to live and visit in every corner of Scotland. This is so essential as we work to tackle the nature loss and climate change crises and prepare to host COP26."

Can you help Donald Strawcutter with his genealogy?

My name is **Donald Strawcutter** born in Meadville, PA in 1970. My mother is **ALICE FAYE COPELAND**, my grand mother's **MARY ELIZABETH SNYDER** her mother(my great-grandmother) was **MARY ELIZABETH MCAFEE** born 1896 in Ohio Her father my great great grandfather was **AURELIUS MCAFEE** 1858-1909, my great grandfather x3 was **SAMUEL WESLEY MCAFEE** 1825-1897, my great grandfather x4 was **MARK MCAFEE** 1798-1883, my great grandfather x5 **ANGUS MCAFEE** 1780-1832 I am still researching for my family tree. Any information is appreciated. My cell phone number is **814-246-8057** and email is **<dstrawcutter777@gmail.com>**



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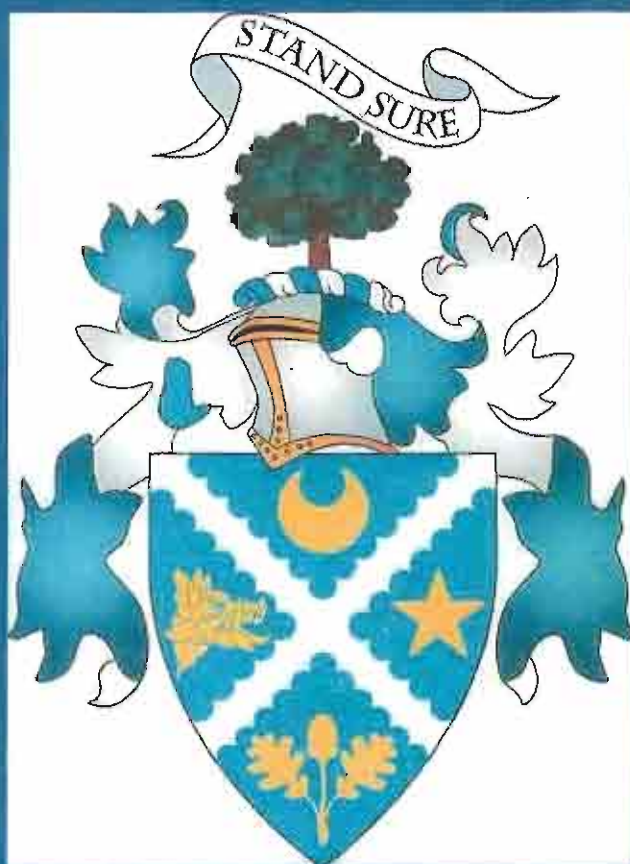
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The **Countess of Crawford & Balcarres** has died aged 96

The Countess of Crawford & Balcarres, who died 2 October 2021, aged 96, was the wife of the 29th Earl of Crawford [and 12th Earl] of Balcarres, KT, GCVO, PC, DL [born 5 March 1927].

Her husband is 29th Earl of Crawford (Scotland, let. pat. 21 Apr 1398), 12th Earl of Balcarres (Scotland, let. pat. 9 Jan 1650/51), 37th Lord Lindsay of Crawford (Scotland, let. pat. before. 1143), 13th Lord Lindsay of Balcarres (Scotland, let. pat. 27 Jun 1633), 12th Lord Balniel (Scotland, let. pat. 9 Jan 1650/51), 5th Baron Wigan, of Haigh Hall in the County of Lancaster, (the United Kingdom, let. pat. 5 Jul 1826), Baron Balniel, of Pitcorthie in the County of Fife (United Kingdom Life Peerage, let. pat. 24 Jan 1975), and Head of the House of Lindsay, Premier Earl of Scotland on Union Roll.

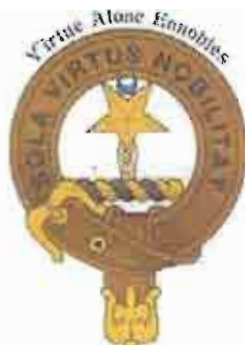
The earl was created, 24 Jan 1975, Baron Balniel, of Pitcorthie in the County of Fife (Life Peer).

Lord Crawford and Balcarres was Lieut, Grenadier Guards 1945-49; Deputy Lieutenant of Fifeshire 1953; Member of Parliament (Conservative) for Hertford 1955-74 and for Welwyn and Hatfield 1974; Parliamentary Private Secretary to Financial Secretary of the Treasury 1955-57 and to Minister for Housing and Local Government 1957-60; Minister of State, Ministry of Defence 1970-72 and Foreign and Commonwealth Office 1972-74;



Privy Councillor 1972; First Crown Estate Commissioner 1980-85; Lord Chamberlain to HM The Queen Mother 1992-2002; Knight of the Thistle 1996; GCVO 2002.

She was the former Ruth Beatrice Meyer-Bechtler, daughter of Leo Meyer-Bechtler, of Zurich, and married the then Robert Lindsay, styled Lord Balniel, 27 December 1949, son of the 28th Earl of Crawford and Balcarres [1900-75], and his wife the former Mary Katherine Cavendish [died 1994], scion of the Dukes of Devonshire, by whom she had issue, two sons, Anthony, styled Lord Balniel [born 24 Nov, 1958], and the Hon Alexander Lindsay [born 18 Mar 1961], and two daughters, Lady Bettina Drummond-Hay [born 26 June 1950], and Lady Iona Mackworth-Young [born 10 August 1957].



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Findlay the Scottish Wildcat,

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This will allow him to reach his full size, continue the development of his hunting skills, and crucially, experience his first winter outdoors. He is doing fantastically well, and we are very excited to tell you that he has now started to successfully hunt in his enclosure. The enclosure is full of natural vegetation and the large mesh size allows birds and small mammals to easily pass through without impediment. We have found evidence of kills of a variety of different prey types which is incredibly encouraging. He is of course now more elusive and has settled into a behavior pattern of sleeping during the day and coming out at dusk.

This is exactly what we wanted to see. This also of course explains the lack of daytime videos and pictures and we have only managed to grab a few.

We have learned so much from Findlay and we remain committed to ensuring that he has the best chance when he returns to the wild. We were so tempted to release him, but we are very confident that we have made the right decision to delay until next year when he will be full size, winter hardened, and a more proficient hunter. We are sure that all these factors will hugely increase his chances of survival. We will only get one chance to get this right and we take that responsibility very seriously. He is so important to all of us and you, on a number of levels.

Here is the latest video we managed to take of Findlay, it is in the news section of our website. It is short but sweet. Just look at those lovely markings and the way he slinks away. He is wonderful. Go to: <<https://www.wildcathaven.com/news>>

More updates will follow. Very best wishes as always

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Dear Members and Friends of Clan Farquharson,

It is with immense sadness that I share the news with you of our Chief's passing. **Captain Alwyne Farquharson of Invercauld MC**, passed away this afternoon at his home in Norfolk.

He was 102 years old.

For seven decades, he was both Chief of Clan Farquharson and Chieftain of The Ballater Highland Games. Believed to be the oldest and longest-serving Clan Chief in Scottish history, he was, without doubt, one of the most dedicated to his role and touched many hearts.

I am sure you will join me in expressing our deepest sympathies and heartfelt condolences to Madam Farquharson and the wider family. Our thoughts are also with you all, as the Chief played an important part in all of our lives and he will be dearly missed.

Details will follow regarding funeral arrangements, however, we anticipate three separate celebrations of his life.

The first of these will be the funeral held in Norfolk to which anyone wishing to attend will be welcome. In several weeks' time, a Thanksgiving Service will be held in Crathie in Royal Deeside. Thirdly, we plan to hold a Clan Memorial during next year's Clan Farquharson Gathering (7-13 August 2022).

There are also plans for an online book of condolence.

More will be shared in the coming days, including details of his succession.

May he rest in peace.

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The sad passing of Ron Mac

On September 12, 2021, **Ronald R. MacDonald** passed away due to complications of diabetes, leaving a big void in the North Pacific Region of Clan Donald.

Ron joined Clan Donald at the Enumclaw Highland Games in Washington in 1988. He was very active and held the position of Washington Peninsula Convener until 1994.

In 2005 Ron was appointed Washington State Deputy Commissioner and then soon after he was given the office of State Commissioner.

In 2009, Ron was awarded the coveted State Commissioner of the Year award at the AGM in San Antonio, Texas. States Liaison was the last office Ron held. Ron had also served twenty-two years in the Navy as a Chief Petty Officer.

Everyone within our family of clans knew Ron Mac. He was always smiling and mingling and helping out where he could, whether at the Donald tent or even at the Campbell tent! Always with a smile, Ron was there to help. He will be missed by many.

He is survived by his son Skye MacDonald.



(Above) Clan Donald North Pacific Region at Kelso, Washington Scottish Games.
(Right) Douglas County Scottish Games, Roseburg, OR North Pacific Region CDUSA participation.



Clan Donald USA at the Scotland County Highland Games in Laurenborg, NC.



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Saturday November 6	9—5	Scottish Highland Games Riverfront Park, 1061 Everglades Ave
	2 -3:30 PM	General Meeting and Annual Report Special Events Tent.
	6PM	Madra Rua Irish Pub 1034 Montague Ave
Sunday November 7	8:45 & 11:15	Kirking of the Tartans 1st Presbyterian Church 53 Meeting Street

We are keeping this casual, for flexibility and to be inclusive for any new members or late-comers. Advance reservations are not necessary!

RSVP responses appreciated, so restaurant can be notified for number attending dinner. You may also stop by the Clan tent to sign up for dinner.

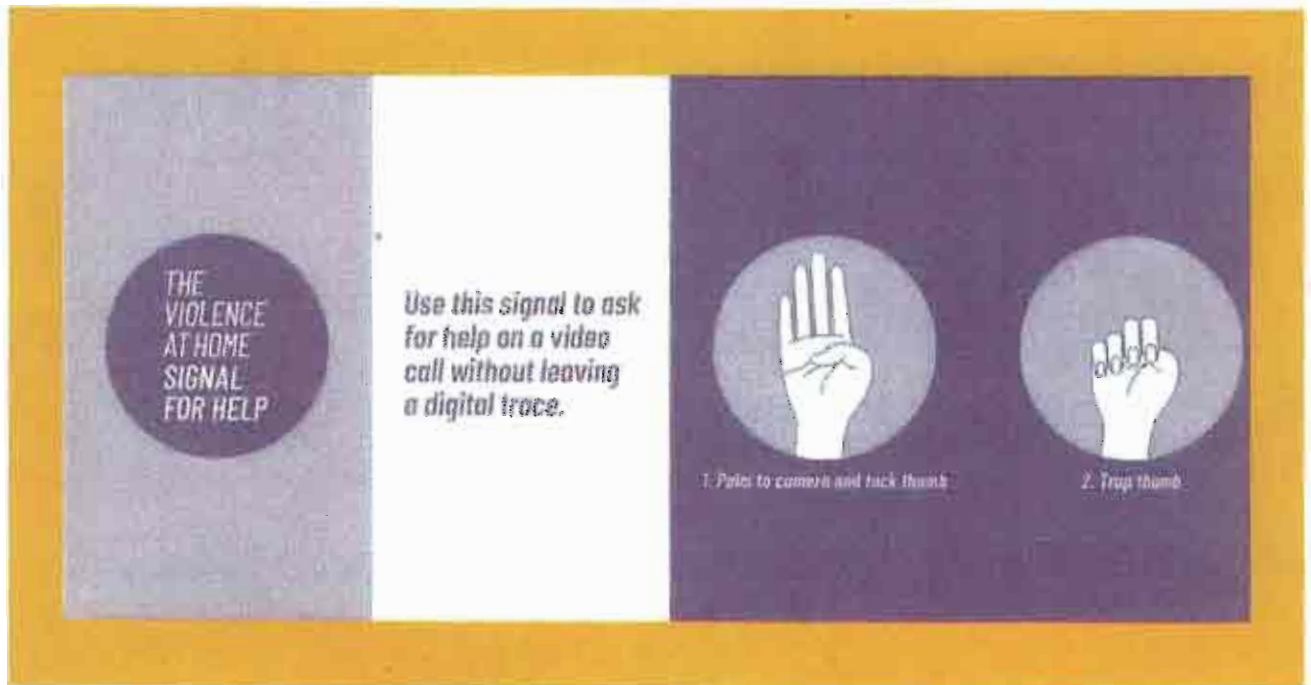
Contact Sue Leenders, RHC 3, leenders.sue@gmail.com for responses or any other questions.

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Contact: President Duane Stewart docstew@earthlink.net

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