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Clan MacBubba 8th reunion at Charleston!



Just some of the members of the 1000+ member Clan MacBubba gathered recently at the Charleston, (SC) Highland Games to celebrate another year of fun and fellowship, marking the 8th anniversary of the founding of the group.

Clan MacBubba is the Clan for everyone. Amongst the Clan MacBubba membership you will

find folks from most of the organized Clans - many Clan officers and Games organizers, those who love things Scottish but who have no known Scottish ancestry, a former Lord Lyon, Armigers and more.

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Jacobite ring sells for £12,000

A ring used by Jacobite agents to identify themselves while carrying secret messages from Bonnie Prince Charlie has been sold at auction for £12,000.

The ring, set with an emerald, was estimated before the auction at a value of £3,000.

The ring bears a concealed inscription, "CRIII 1766" which proved the allegiance of its wearer to the Jacobite cause.

Anyone caught with documents signed by the prince after his defeat at Culloden in 1746 faced execution, so proof of authenticity was provided instead by the ring.

1766 was the year that Prince Charles' father, James, died, leaving the Young Pretender to consider himself the rightful king.

With thanks to the St. Andrew's Society of Evansville, Indiana and the Tri-State. Contact them at 5201 Stringtown Road, Evansville, IN 47711.

Ed note: *Did you know that the "Kingship of the United States" was offered to Bonnie Prince Charlie? He refused, saying that Scotland was his only homeland.*


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Bagpipes to encircle the world in 2010!

In 1995, a 3,500 strong parade along Princes Street in Edinburgh led to the Pipefest event being replicated and expanded not only there, but also in other locations around the world, raising considerable sums for charity in the process.

Now, the same organizers have unveiled plans for an ambitious 24-hour global celebration.

The idea is to have concerts and parades held at 20-minute intervals in at least 70 towns and cities around the world on 31 July 2010. A worldwide TV audience of 100 million viewers is targeted for this 2010 Pipefest, dubbed "Around the World in 24 Hours."

Places likely to take part include New York, Toronto, Chicago, Los Angeles, Dunedin, Perth, Osaka, Hong Kong, New Delhi, Islamabad, Cape Town Reykjavik, Belfast and Dublin.

The organizers hope that the concerts and parades will be staged at "iconic locations" in participating cities and that more money will be raised for charity.

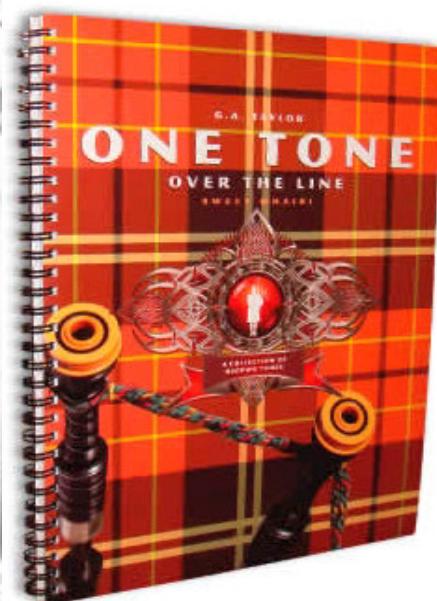
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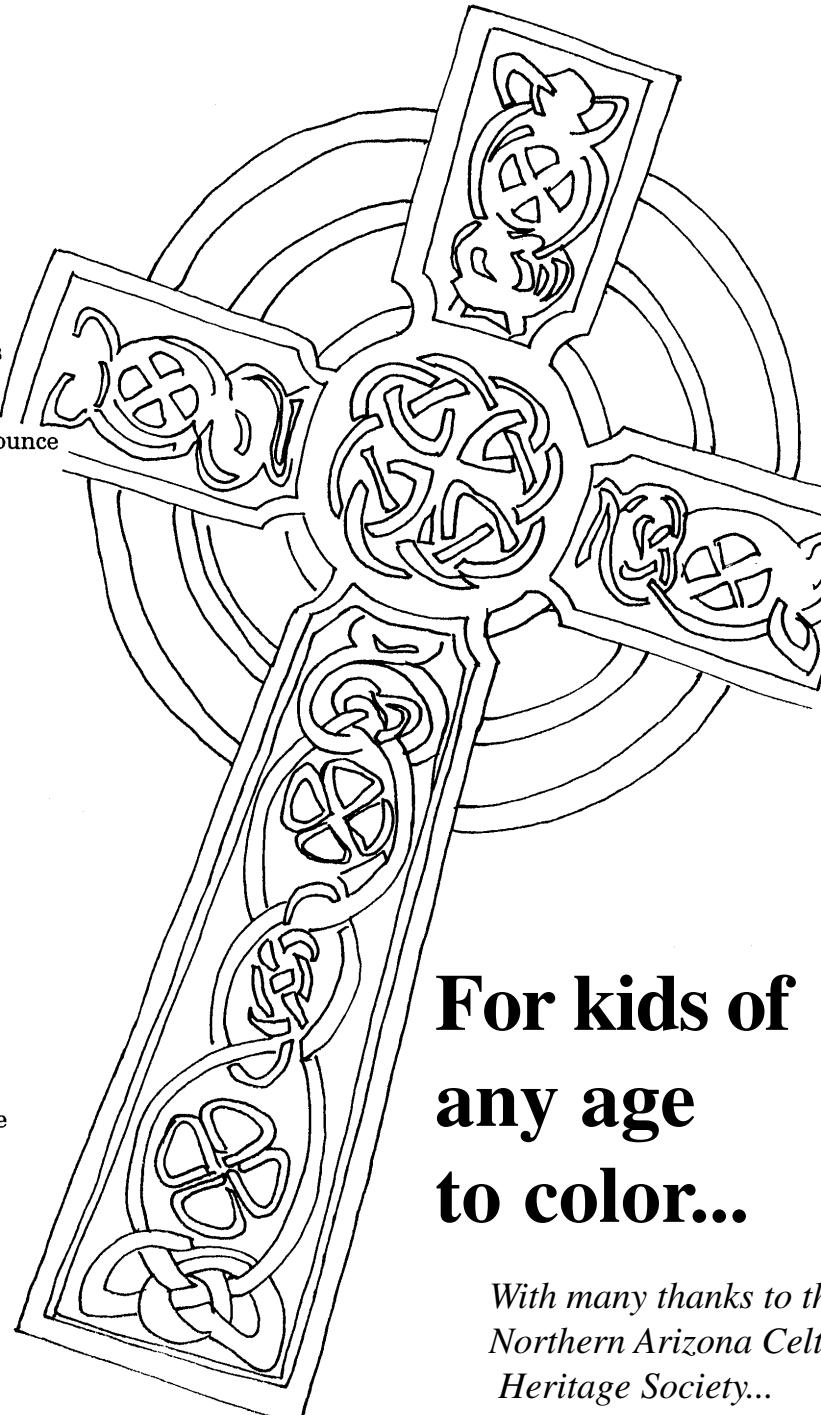
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Annie Moore Memorial now a reality

Memorial Dedication Event Set for Irish-American Immigration Icon “Ellis Island” Annie Moore for October 11 in New York City Effort led by great-granddaughters (Phoenix, AZ residents), Phoenix’s Irish Cultural and Learning Foundation and Arizona Philanthropists — The memorial dedication ceremony for the unmarked gravesite of Irish-American historic icon Annie Moore, the first immigrant through Ellis Island in 1892, has been set for Saturday, October 11, 2008 at 2 p.m. at Calvary Cemetery in Queens, New York. Great-granddaughter and spokesperson for the Annie Moore Memorial Project, Phoenix resident Julia Devous, announced that the event will be free and open to the public.

The unmarked gravesite of historic figure “Ellis Island” Annie Moore was discovered in 2006 when noted genealogists corrected history by unveiling her true identity and story.

Devous states, “We are planning a special event to properly honor Annie as both a simple, humble woman of Irish heritage from the Lower East Side, and as an Irish-American historic icon. We understand that Annie holds a special place in the hearts and minds of Irish-American immigrants and their families here in America and Ireland. There has been such interest in Annie and the discovery of the real story of her life as a New Yorker that we expect this event to be fairly high profile and well attended by the public - especially the New York Irish community.”

She continues, “All are welcome to join the family and project supporters. We hope to honor Annie as well as celebrate her place in history with this special dedication ceremony.”

Commissioner of Records for New York City Brian Andersson, who’s genealogical detective work helped uncover the true identity of Annie as

a New Yorker, and Ireland’s Consul General Niall Burgess will both serve as advisors to and participants in the dedication.

The steering committee has also extended invitations to genealogist Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak, who unveiled the Annie Moore mystery in September 2006, and to Cardinal Edward Egan or a representative of the Archdiocese of New York to preside over the ceremony.

“We plan to incorporate both cultural and liturgical aspects into the dedication, which we think are both fitting and appropriate to the occasion,” Devous says.

Government officials, dignitaries, project supporters, descendant family members and representatives of the Irish-American community will also be involved.

The monument, carved from Irish Blue Limestone, is currently under production in County Clare, Ireland by master carver Francis Mc Cormack of Irish Natural Stone Products, Ltd., and will be imported by their Boston affiliate, Irish Natural Stone, Inc.

Cardinal Egan granted a special waiver for the use of Irish Blue Limestone for the monument in Calvary Cemetery due to the historic nature of the project.

The monument is a simple but elegant Celtic cross with elements that represent both her Irish and American heritage, and her connection to the “Ellis Island” story.

Funding for the Annie Moore Memorial Project - for the monument and dedication - has been realized through a national/international effort through the Irish Cultural and Learning Foundation in Phoenix, Arizona. Launched on St. Patrick’s Day 2007, the project met and surpassed its goal earlier this spring with major support com-

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ing from Phoenix, New York City and Ireland through the “Ante Up for Annie” campaign.

Arizona philanthropists Norman McClelland (Chairman, Shamrock Foods) and Bill O’Brien (President, Wm. Howard O’Brien Companies, LC) provided lead gifts of \$5,000 each. New York’s nonprofit The Kelly Gang, Inc., named the project as a beneficiary of their annual St. Patrick’s Day benefit with a gift of \$15,000, and New York business owner Tommy Ryan (Annie Moore’s Pub and Restaurant, Manhattan) made the initial \$1,000 project gift. Ireland’s Cobh Heritage Centre in Cork (which boasts a bronze statue of Annie) and an anonymous Irish donor have both made \$1,000 contributions. Boston’s Irish Natural Stone, Inc. has provided an in-kind gift of \$2,000.

In addition, the project received an unexpected grant of \$5,000 from the Government of Ireland through the office of the Minister of Foreign Affairs with the support of Consul Generals Emer Deane (west coast) and Niall Burgess (east coast).

Devous states, “The support from around the country and Ireland has really been amazing. We are so touched by the generosity of all of our donors, and are so grateful.”

PROJECT BACKGROUND: On January 1, 1892, Annie Moore, a teenage girl from County Cork, Ireland, made headlines as the first immigrant to be processed at Ellis Island. Her image will forever represent the millions who passed through Ellis Island in pursuit of the American dream, and is a symbol for immigrants of all nations that have contributed to the rich fabric of the United States.

On September 15, 2006 noted genealogists revealed the true identity and story of Annie and her descendants. At that time it was also discovered that Annie Moore’s remains lie in an unmarked grave in Calvary Cemetery, Queens, New York, along with five of her children. Led by descendant family members and supporters, the Annie Moore Memorial Project, established through the Irish Cultural and Learning Foundation of Phoenix, Arizona, was created to raise funds



for a monument for her unmarked gravesite.

Dedication of Annie Moore Memorial will be held Saturday, October 11, 2008 at 2 p.m. at the

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Isabel McDuff
Isabel McDuff, Countess of Buchan, was nineteen when she took her aged husband's best war horses and hied for Scone to crown The Bruce king of Scots in right of her younger brother, the earl of Fife. Under the "protection" of Longshanks, the boy could not fulfill the duty his family had held for many generations. She paid a dear price. The *Rebel King* series of books tells the epic story.

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Calvary Cemetery, Queens, New York - 4902 Laurel Hill Blvd, Woodside, NY 11377 Admission is free and open to the public. For more information visit www.anniemoore.net Contact:

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The Oak - in Gaelic

Betcha' didn't know that "An Darach," the name of the Clan Hamilton Society newsletter, is Gaelic for "the Oak" - a tree which figures prominently in the Clan Hamilton crest and clan history! It's true!

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There will be an "Afterglow" following at Lily's Seafood Restaurant at 410 South Washington Avenue in Royal Oak, Michigan.

The Guests of Honour at the Afterglow will be Ron and Helen Brisson.

Costs are \$7.00 for one game of mini-golf or one medium bucket of balls. Please make checks payable to The Royal Oak Golf Center. The prices includes tent rental.)

There will be prizes awarded for "Best Dressed Highland Lad," Best Dressed Highland Lass, Best Dressed Duffer, Champion Putter in the Putt-Off Competition and Champion "mountain Style" Miniature Golfer.

The Queen will be in attendance, rain or shine.

A Free-Will contribution to benefit the National Arbor Day Foundation will be taken.

If you would like tickets, please contact Jean Dohanyos at 248-399-0536 no later than Wednesday, October 8. Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Heh! Heh!

A Scotsman visited London for his annual holiday and stayed at a large hotel. However, he didnae feel that the natives were friendly.

"At four o'clock every morning," he told a friend, "they hammered on my bedroom door, on the walls and even on the floor and ceiling. Heck, sometimes they hammered so loud, I could hardly hear myself playing the bagpipes!"

With thanks to *Fesse Chequy* the newsletter of the Clan Stewart Society.

Queries! Queries! Queries!

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Searching for information about **ALPHONSO MACDONALD**. Please contact **Robert W. Macdonald, 2026 North Cascade Avenue, Colorado Springs, CO 80907.**

ROBERTSON, ROBERT: Where in North Carolina might the **ROBERTSON** Families coming early from Scotland, I believe from Argyll, have settled? I believe our **ROBERTSON** Families came early to North Carolina, settling on the eastern coast area. I believe as early as 1715 or 1745. Might this be the area the Families settled? My grandfather **ROBERT ROBERTSON**, one of the youngest, if not the youngest, was born c.1833. No other member of this large family is known. Apparently **ROBERT**, one of a large family of boys, was orphaned at an early age. According to census records **ROBERT**'s parents too were born in North Carolina. **ROBERT** and **CATHERINE A. GARBER** married September 3, 1859, Douglas County, Illinois. One son was born in Illinois, five more sons were born in Indiana before the family settled in southeastern Colorado where **ROBERT** died April 8, 1905. Any help would be very much appreciated. **Mabel I. Robison, 2235 Juntura Ct. S., Salem, OR 97302-2222.**

I have the following lines: **BARNWELL, BYRD, STRICKLAND, RUSSELL, WHITE, WATKINS** and **WEAVER**. I believe that **RUSSELL** and **STRICKLAND** might possibly be Scottish. Am I correct? I am quite interested in the **RUSSELL** Family, since my great-grandfather married in Hall County, Georgia, in 1824 to **MARTHA RUSSELL** and his brother



married a **MARY RUSSELL**. I think they came to Georgia from South Carolina. I would love to hear from anyone who could help me with information about them. **Ms. Marion E. Watkins, 1434 Hawthorne Way, East Point, GA 30344-1749.**

There was a woman born probably late 1880's - 1900, name of **VERTA MAY TROGDON**. She was a midget and, as such, worked in the circus. I am thinking she was born down Missouri way though not positive. I do not know what circus she worked for. I have seen a picture of the circus barn which promotes "May, the Midget." She eventually married a fellow named **HAROLD SMITH**. My question: Anything available on circus(es) and which (names) circuses she worked with? If you have any information, please let me hear from you. **Kenneth R. Johnson, CDC #K05791, Bldg. 481L - RM 64, P. O. Box 3481 - 8800, 4001 King Avenue, Corcoran, CA 93212-8309.**

I am looking for information on surname **JOPLIN** and **BUTALA**, along with **HUNTS** of Wyoming County, West Virginia; **COLES**, Raleigh County, West Virginia; **FARLEY**,

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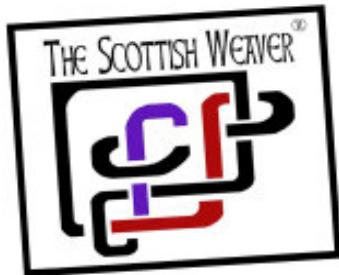
Miranda Leigh & Hannah Claire Peterson win!

The winners of the 2008 N. Joann MacKinnon Osborne Scholarship are Miranda Leigh Peterson and Hannah Claire Peterson. The scholarships will help them continue their Highland Dancing.

Jen Webberson of Clan MacKinnon announced the winners recently. Joann MacKinnon Osborne was the first President of the Clan MacKinnon. Mrs. Osborne passed away several years ago, but is honored each year by the awarding of these scholarships in her name.

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Monroe County and Raleigh County, West Virginia; **QUESENBERRYS** of West Virginia; **CREMEANS** and **CAZAD**, Huntington and Barboursville, West Virginia; **LEWIS** and **STEWART DOLTON**, Chicago, Illinois. If any information, please contact **Hal Lewis, 124 Cumberland, Buffalo, NY 14220**.

Seeking any information on surname **THEDRAWER** in Scotland: locations, occupations, early 18th century. Need Scottish castle guard with surname **THEDRAWER**, who with other guards accompanied castle's princess to Germany for her marriage there. Please contact <ccornils@t-online.de>.

Are the **WALLACES** of West Virginia Scotch-Irish? What was the family's ancestry? I also would like to know about the **CREMEANS** of Cabell, County, West Virginia and origin of name, as well as about **STEWART** Family of Dalton, Illinois, suburb of Chicago. **LEWIS** Family of Marshall County, Tennessee. Also would like info on **FARLEY**'s of Raleigh County, West Virginia and **FARLEY HILL** in Winding Gulf, West Virginia. **SAMUEL WESLEY**, Raleigh County, West Virginia. **CAROLINA HUNT**, Wyoming County, West Virginia, daughter, married **BENJAMIN FRANKLIN WALLACE**. **J. L. FARLEY**, his parents **THOMAS WALLACE**, mother **MARY QUESENBERRY** or **DUSENBERRY**. **SAMUEL WESLEY FARLEY** of Kansas. **JOHN HENRY FARLEY** born 1882, Monroe County, Virginia, related to Lees, Virginia? **BENJAMIN FRANKLIN & ELIZA WALLACE**, daughter **FLO BELLE WALLACE**, husband **CARL RAYMOND CREMEANS**. Folks **JOHN THOMAS CREMEANS & ALTA CAZAD**. Parents **WILLIAM RICHARD CAZAD & ELLEN BELLE HUGHES** or **RICHARD CAZAD & MARGERT McGILL**. If any information on the above, please contact **Hal Lewis, 124 Cumberland, Buffalo, NY 14220**.

Be careful what you throw away!

**Bryan L. Mulcahy, Reference Librarian -
Fort Myers, Lee County, Florida Library**

One of our genealogy patrons recently discussed a situation she heard about at a yard sale up north. I have eliminated names and specific references to places in the interest of privacy issues. I think the circumstances and its implications for everyone, especially those interested in genealogy, speaks for itself.

The yard sale was like most common sales. Items for sale included decorative plates, light fixtures, Christmas lights, old clothes, tools, and a variety of computer and automotive parts. As her friend was browsing, she noticed a slim, colored leather book, its border framed in gold. This was clearly something personal in nature that was likely discarded either by accident or by a family member cleaning up a home or apartment after the death of an elderly family member. This unfortunate occurrence often happens when the significance of an old treasure is not apparent to the person who is getting the house or apartment ready for a sale or new occupant.

The frontispiece read: "In Memoriam." It was a funeral book for a gentlemen who was born, according to the information typed on the next page, on 1 March 1856 in Buffalo, New York, and passed away on 30 October 1943 in Peoria, Illinois. Other information in the book included the name of the woman who played the organ at the funeral, the name and address of the Presbyterian Church where the funeral was held, detailed descriptions of the various flower arrangements, and a register containing the signatures of the mourners that attended.

The book also contained a variety of other important personal documents. Carefully folded inside the front section of the book were two copies of the deceased individual's death certificate. There was a letter dated 1881 from an employee of the Western Electric Company recommending that the deceased be admitted to Rutgers Univer-

sity. Other items included old photographs from a company-sponsored event on New Year's Day in 1930, a customs declaration for one of his sons, and a newspaper clipping for an award received by a daughter. The back section of the book held a folder containing a variety of personal correspondence and legal papers showing specific dates and places of residence, employment, churches and schools attended, and other family information.

The gentlemen conducting the yard sale had no idea of how, when, or where the book had come from. Our shopper was just starting to get involved in genealogy. She was in the early stages of learning how to gather family information, organize data, and learning the importance of old documents. She appreciated how grateful she would have been to stumble across this type of information in her own research. The classes at the local genealogical society made her determined to try and find out as many clues as possible to find someone in the family and return the book to them. Using the skills developed in genealogy classes, and advice from the local genealogy society, our shopper searched online phone directories, census records for the state and counties mentioned, Googled the family names, posted messages on various message boards, and any other strategy she could think of. The process is now going on five years and counting.

This story should make you think about all the items of genealogical value that may be sitting around your home or the home of a sibling who had no idea of their importance. The items could include: report cards, family heirlooms, class photos, old legal papers, yearbooks, diaries, tax returns, or various insurance papers. Thirty years from now someone might find these items interesting. Others may think they are trash and dispose of them without a second thought.

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Ellis Island Marriages

Bryan L. Mulcahy

Marriages took place at the Ellis Island Reception Center. This fact recently caught one of our patrons and me by surprise when we located one of his ancestors arriving in 1907. In theoretical legal terms, these ceremonies should have been reported to the New York City, Borough of Manhattan Health Department.

Ellis Island was legally part of Manhattan at that time. In many cases, these marriages were tools of necessity for convenience and were dissolved shortly afterwards. This arrangement was important to the parties involved due to legal consequences in existence at the time.

Unaccompanied women, regardless of whether they were married or not, were prohibited from leaving the Ellis Island Reception Center without an adult male accompanying her.

My uncle served in the New York City Police Department for almost 30 years. He made a comment in passing many years ago, before I had any experience in genealogy, that one fear the New York authorities had about single women coming in at Ellis Island was prostitution. If they had no family or friends waiting for them, criminal elements were always

looking for unsuspecting immigrants to recruit. His comment never made an impact on me until this search.

However, it was quite possible that singles would have met on board ship. Some of these marriages were sincere in nature and lasted. This is another of example of why I always caution patrons about judging the actions of their ancestors by todays standards. The legal environment is totally different. Unaccompanied women and minor children can be found on the "List of Detained Aliens" that accompanies the passenger list. It may be at the front

or back of the list. This procedure was apparently in place until 1937.

Further investigation by the patron showed that clergy from various prominent denominations were assigned to Ellis Island. These marriages could be civil or

religious, depending on the circumstances. If the couple chose a religious ceremony, the church record of the ceremony would be in the possession of the diocese (Roman Catholic) or congregation (Protestant) of the presiding minister.

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Beth's visit to Flagstaff, Arizona was made possible by Ludlow and Nancy and AirTran Airlines.

Flowers of the Forest

The Celtic Community has lost a very special friend with the passing of **Kathy Wood**. She and her husband Len have been part of the Irish Cultural Center in Phoenix, Arizona, from the very beginning. It was always a special occasion when the couple, members of the Phoenix Pipe Band, played their pipes for a Center Function.

Anita “Kathleen” Wood, loving wife, friend, sister and daughter passed away at home on August 20th. Kathy was born on February 26, 1951 in Escondido, CA. She is survived by her parents; Betty and Roger Shappee, sister and brother-in-law; Candace and Greg Parton, brother and sister-in-law; Curtis Shappee and Penny Babel and husband Leonard Wood.

A fourth generation native of Escondido, Kathy attended schools there, graduating from Escondido HS in 1968 and entered UC, San Diego with honors. She graduated from UC, Riverside with a double major in Psychology & Linguistics. Kathy married Leonard Wood in Riverside, CA on July 21, 1973 and lived in the Southeast for most of the next 27 years. She sold professional television equipment in Atlanta, GA and moved to Phoenix in 1998 to be close to family. Kathy toured Ireland several times by bicycle with her husband, Len. They met through playing bagpipes and continued playing pipes throughout her life time. She was a co founder of the Savannah Celtic Pipe Band and played in bands in the Southeast, Mesa and Phoenix.

Kathy served on the Board of Trustees for the Irish Cultural and Learning Foundation. Taking advantage of the classes offered by the Center’s Academy of Irish & Celtic Studies, she became an Irish speaker. Kathy volunteered for countless events through the years; serving as vendor chair for the St. Patrick’s Day Parade and Faire as well at the Arizona Irish Festival, of which she was one of the Founders. She loved checking out garage

sales and antique shop for Irish items that could be used at one of the Silent Auction fundraisers for the ICLF. Readers of the Desert Shamrock enjoyed Kathy’s articles and book reviews; and she helped edit the newspaper as well. In 2006, Kathy and friend Janice Bryson founded the non-profit Irish Arizona Project, dedicated to studying the Irish or those of Irish ancestry who settled in Arizona. As a historian, Kathy took great pleasure in researching the stories and images of Irish pioneers and is co-author of “The Irish in Arizona,” to be published in February, 2009. Kathy had a heart full of love and will be missed by many. Memorial services will beheld at a later date. Our sincerest sympathy to Len on the loss of
Kathy



Conor James Costello passed away suddenly on August 21, 2008. Conor was born on January 14, 1984 in Phoenix, Arizona and attended Pima Elementary, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Saint Mary’s and Saguaro High Schools.

He is survived by his Mother and Father, Bridget and Alan Costello, his sisters Tara and Kaileigh, his Grandparents, James and Judy Cunningham and Jeannette Costello. Conor is also survived by numerous uncles, aunts and cousins and many other extended members of the Cunningham, Costello and Hurley families. He is preceded in death by his Grandfather, Raymond Costello.

Our loving son and brother will be remembered for his exuberant and generous spirit, his sense of adventure, his sense of humor, his love of sports, and his fondness and tenderness towards animals. Conor loved his family, was a dedicated friend and will be dearly missed. Our beloved son and brother now rest peacefully in the Father’s Kingdom.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Arizona Humane Society in Conor’s memory.



Scottish epitaphs? They're wonderful!

During the period from about 1600 to about 1850, no self-respecting Scot would allow death to overtake him without first having immortalized himself with a proper epitaph. If circumstances did not permit, the local vicar of some such dignitary would take a stab at it. Basically, the epitaph was meant to give details on the life of the person buried below, but the wit of the Scot made it much more.

From an Aberdeen Churchyard: Here lie the bones of Elizabeth Charlotte, Born a virgin, died a harlot. She was aye a virgin at seventeen, A remarkable thing in Aberdeen.

From a churchyard near Greenock: Here lies, alas! Poor Roger Norton, whose sudden death was oddly brought on! Trying one day his corns to mow off, The razor slipped and cut his toe off! The toe, or rather what it grew to, The part then took to mortifying. Which was the cause of Roger's dying.

From a churchyard in Deer, Aberdeenshire: Here lies an old woman wrapt in her linen, Mother

to James and Thomas Binnen; Who for want of a coffin was buried in a girnal. The earth got the shell, and the De'il got the girnal. (A girnal is a meat chest.)

From Lochtyside: As I was riding along the road, Not kennin' whit was comin' An Auld grey bull a' horny cam' After me a runnin'; He wi' his horny heid struck me He being sore offended I from ma horse was forced to fa' And so, my days were ended.

From Dumfries: Here lies Andrew MacPherson, Who was a peculiar person. He stood six foot two Without his shoe, And he was slew, At Waterloo.

From a churchyard in Torryburn, Fife: In this churchyard lies Eppie Coutts, Either here, or hereabouts; But where it is, none can tell til Eppie rise and tell herself.

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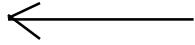
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Phoenix, Arizona Irish Center invites you on Halloween!



On Friday, October 31, 2008, The Phoenix, Arizona Irish Center will be presenting the first annual Halloween dinner and dance.

Join them at 7:00 pm for dinner, music and games.

Festivities include a traditional costume contest for individuals and couples. Of course costumes are optional.

Live music by our own Pat McCrossan. Tickets are only \$35. RSVPs are required before October 24.

Please contact Michael or Anna O'Hara at 480-345-9517 or irishfamilyaz@hotmail.com



Elvis' folks found in Scotland

Villagers in Lonmay near Aberdeen are excited to find that Elvis Presley's ancestors lived there in this quiet corner of northeastern Scotland. Scots author, Allan Morrison, in his *The Presley Prophecy*, has traced Presley's ancestry back 250 years using local records and the files of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

Morrison found that eight generations before Elvis took to the stage, his ancestor Andrew Presley married Elspeth Leg in 1713 in Lonmay. Their son, Andrew, became a blacksmith and was the first Presley to leave Scotland, emigrating to the American Colonies in 1745.

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Here's a little bit about Scottish Halloween - known as "Samhuinn" in Gaelic

The word "Samhain" or "Samhuinn" means very literally "the end of summer" or "summer's end." Both Scotland and Ireland call Halloween *Oiche Shamhna*.

When Christianity came to Scotland and Ireland, Samhain was changed to "Hallowmas" or "All Saints Day." This commemorates the souls of the dead who had been canonized that year. Over time, the night became known amongst the people as Halloween or All Hallows Eve or even Hollantide.

About the same time, November 2nd was named as All Souls Day. On that day, prayers were to be offered to the souls of all who had died and for those waiting in Purgatory for entry into Heaven.

Just a little research will reveal that throughout time, pagan and Christian beliefs mingle into many celebrations from the end of March through the first week of November.

Traditionally the Scottish "turnip" our rutabaga would be carved and hollowed to form a lantern. A pumpkin is much easier to carve!

Real rules to live by...

- * Throw out nonessential numbers which include age, weight and height. Let your doctor worry about those.
 - * Keep only cheerful and real friends. The gourches and mean people pull you down.
 - * Keep learning. Learn about the computer, crafts, gardening, whatever. NEVER let your brain be idle. (Genealogy is great brain exercise!)
 - * An idle mind is the devil's workshop. The devil's name is Alzheimer's.
 - * Enjoy the simple things.
 - * Laugh often, long and loud. Laugh until you gasp for breath. Laugh so much that you can be tracked in the store by your distinctive laughter.
 - * Tears happen. Endure, grieve and move on.
 - * Surround yourself with what you love. Family, pets, keepsakes, music, plants, hobbies, books whatever. Your home is your refuge.
 - * Don't take guilt trips.
- And, maybe the most important rule of all:
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