

Volume VII Issue 4 Beth's Newfangled Family Tree Section B September 2013

# Ashcraft Participates in Normandy beach Statue Unveiling honoring Piper Bill Millin

In early March, 2013, I got an e-mail from Pipefest, a massed pipe bands organizer for different events (cancer fund raising, or Homecoming 2014, etc.) Included in the list of upcoming events was "D-Day Piper Bill Millin - Statue Unveiling Ceremony 8 June". I knew this was a chance to take part in a once-in-a-lifetime event and started planning.

As a kid in the early 1960s I saw the movie *The Longest Day* three or four times and remember many of the references and dialogue from the movie. (I was inspired to learn Morse code because "V", for Victory, in Morse is "...\_" and was referenced in this movie as Beethoven's 5th signature phrase.) Karen, my wife, and I made itinerary plans and we bought our flight tickets.

Through a website called AirBNB we located an apartment to rent in Caen. Arriving there on Thursday, 6 June (the actual D-Day and the 69th Anniversary) we rented a car and on Friday I was at the Sword Beach statue site rehearsing the tune list. Nearby, English RV campers, who had ferried over the channel for the celebrations, came over to talk and informed me of an actual rehearsal in a few hours. I dropped Karen off back in Caen



Joe Ashcraft, piper from Tallahassee, Florida at the Piper Bill Millin statue at Normandy.

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#### Joe Ashcraft, continued from page 1

at William the Conqueror's Castle and returned to have a great time rehearsing with pipers from Scotland and Brittany.

WFSU FM radio host Tom Flanigan and I had conspired to record interviews of attendees and their reasons for attending the statue dedication and I began asking questions, finding this an easy way to make friends. By assembly time on Saturday morning I was among approximately 500 pipers and drummers and had talked with participants from Italy, France, England, Scotland, U.S.A., Argentina, Switzerland, Denmark, and Canada. Family connections and memories of WWII were strong and their gratitude for the liberation often expressed. The few surviving Veterans attending were easy to spot: most in wheel-chairs or leaning on canes, lots of medals on their chests.

The strong coastal winds interfered with much of my recorded interviews but the sentiment shared by all was admiration for Bill Millin's courage and humility. Informed of the statue before he died, Millin was not in favor of the it, but had two stipulations: it had to be lifelike and the inscription had to be dedicated to the fallen. The photos bear these wishes were honored.

The unveiling ceremony included the national anthems of participating countries, a concert-level trumpeter's "Amazing Grace", and a fly-over by a restored British Spitfire. In a reception tent, drinks of all 'octane' levels were available, handshakes with Veterans, and an impromptu bagpipe ceilidh that lasted a long time.

Karen and I spent the rest of the weekend touring the bunkers, Pont Du Hoc Ranger museum and shoreline memorial, Omaha Beach, and Bayeux's D-Day and Tapestry museums.

The rest of our France trip I call 'Karen's part' and would fill quite a few more pages. Two bits of parting trivia: France doesn't have peanut butter on the shelves, and bakers disdain or are unfamiliar with cinnamon ('cannelle').

With many thanks to Eric King, editor of the Tallahassee, FL St. Andrews Society newsletter and to old friend, Joe Ashcraft. Article by Joe Ashcraft.



The statue of Piper Bill Millen at Normandy.

Full Results and
Qualification
Information
About the
World Pipe
Band Championships
August 17-18, 2013
on the RSPBA website

# Field Marshal Montgomery make it three in a row in a thrilling climax to the final day of competion

Full results and qualification information can be found on the RSPBA website.

Field Marshal Montgomery Pipe Band have been crowned World Pipe Band Champions at Glasgow Green this afternoon. It is their third victory in a row. The event which has been staged over two days for the first time in Glasgow attracted more than 30,000 people on Saturday and Sunday. The runners up were Boghall and Bathgate Caledonia with third place going to Scottish Power. The event, which has been associated with Glasgow for more than 60 years, drew people from all over the world to see 8,000 of the very best pipers and drummers compete.

This year 225 bands were due at Glasgow Green for the World Pipe Band Championships. Performances started early yesterday with the newly crowned World Champions being announced after two days of fierce competition.

The Worlds ended with the amazing spectacle of the thousands of pipers and drummers who had been competing throughout the day taking part in a march past before the world champions were crowned in front of thousands of people. Glasgow Green also played host to some of the strongest men and women in the world in a Highland Games. Kristy Scott from the USA broke her own world record for the 28lb weight over the bar by clearing 21 feet. Followers of pipe bands who couldn't make the journey to Glasgow watched the competition streamed live on both days.

The Chieftain of the World Pipe Band Championships and Executive Member for the Commonwealth Games, Councillor Archie Graham, said: "The Worlds is a cornerstone of our cultural calendar that Glaswegians look forward to every year. I've always believed that Glasgow Green is never better than when the bands are here competing and we've enjoyed some sensational performances. Next year the event will be held just after the Commonwealth Games which will generate even more global interest."

Ian Embelton Chief Executive of the Royal Scottish Pipe Band Association said: "Every year the standard of competition is so high but this year we have seen something extra special. The two day event allows us to drive the already very high standard to new heights and we'll look forward to welcoming bands back to Glasgow Green next year for another unforgettable experience."

Paul Bush OBE, Chief Operating Officer for EventScotland said: "2013 has been another hugely successful year for Piping Live! and The World Pipe Band Championships, with Glasgow attracting thousands of visitors from around the world. Scotland is the perfect stage for events and following this wonderful celebration of piping, thoughts will already be turning towards 2014 when Scotland will welcome the world once again."



Scott Taylor, Chief Executive of Glasgow City Marketing Bureau (GCMB), said: "Last week certainly reinforced Glasgow's position as the epicentre of global piping every August. The sound of the pipes rung out across the city culminating with another spectacular celebration of The Worlds over the weekend. Once again Glasgow Green provided an ideal backdrop to the action, with enthusiastic crowds of thousands, and pipers and drummers from hundreds of bands, creating a thrilling spectacle over the two days of competition. Glasgow enjoys an enviable reputation for attracting and staging world-class events, and given the success of this year's World Pipe Band Championships, it's easy to see why event organisers choose to return here time and again. The sights and sounds of The Worlds live long in the memory and I'm already looking forward to an unforgettable event in 2014 when all eyes will be on the city."

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# Clan Graham Society

If you are a Graham or Sept of Graham, you are cordially invited to share in a proud and noble heritage. For application, write: **Clan Graham Society** 

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www.clan-graham-society.org

### Clan Oavidson Society, USA, Inc.

www.clandavidsonusa.com



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

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Clan Davidson Society, USA invites all Davidson's and Septs of the clan to membership: Davey, Davie, Davis, Davison, Davisson, Daw, Dawson, Day, Dea(s), Dean, Deane, Deason, Dee, Desson, Devette, Dewis, Dey, Dow, Dye, Kay, Keay, Key, Keys, MacAdie, MacDavid, MacDavid, MacCavitt, MacKay, Slora, Slorach.

### Forever Scottish We Will Be

By Jerry A. "Jay" McAfee

\*Dedicated to all Scotsmen and those scattered by the Highland Clearances

To the beautiful flower of the thistle And the laddies who like to whistle Running down the greenest glens And back up again to the bens.

Scotland's flag of sky blue With the white cross of St. Andrew May it fly above the trees Always waving in the breeze.

From the Lowlands to the Highlands To the Hebrides beautiful islands To Edinburgh and the Firth of Forth To Glasgow and all points North.

The bagpipes sweetly sing their tune In the sunlight and with the moon Tartans displayed everywhere Scotsman's kilts we always bear.

To the lochs and ocean sands Whiskey made by our hands Smoke the casks with the twig Flavor for a Scottish swig.

Bravehearts, Bravehearts everywhere Handsome lads so stop and stare. Lassies, Lassies over there Beautiful eyes and flowing hair. Our claymore swords sharp and broad Like a Scotsman's lightning rod One strike from it and you will see A shocking death it will be.

We sing of Scotland and unite the clans We give warm greetings and shake our hands.

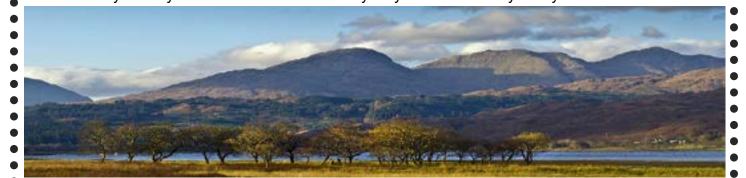
We tell old stories of days gone by We laugh and joke and we cry.

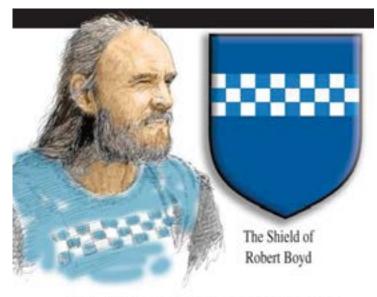
Memories we hold dear and true Loved ones gone and loved ones new. Scattered to the ends of earth To future Scotsmen we give birth.

Oh, Scotland, Scotland, in our blood A red sea of Scoti, like a flood. Wherever we travel on land or sea Forever Scottish, we will be.

Alba, Alba, we remember you Alba, Alba, proud and true. Scotland, Scotland, we endeavor Scotland, Scotland, forever, forever!

Written August 18th, 2013. Jerry A. "Jay" McAfee, P.O. Box 68, Hannibal, Missouri 63401
United States of America
Jerry A. "Jay" McAfee is the son of Jerry Ray McAfee & Mary Evelyn Glascock





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

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

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How about some "Dumb Laws" for today?

In Kentucky, it's against the law to throw eggs at a public speaker.

In Michigan, it's still illegal for a woman to cut her own hair without her husband's permission.

In Jefferson City, Missouri, it is against the law to anchor your boat to the train tracks.



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# Clan Grant Society Announcement Director Positions Open

Dear Clan Grant Society members and kin,

It is now past the time for soliciting for people to run for Board Positions with the Clan Grant Society. However, the Nominating Committee was not able to come up with a full slate of officers for the ballot this year and we have not received any nominations from the members. On the off chance that nominations were misplaced, I'd like to give everyone one more chance to put their name on the ballot.

We have the following open positions: Vice-President, Treasurer, and Member-at-Large. If you are interested in one of these positions, or competing for any of the

other positions, please let us know before close of the day on August 23. In order to remain on schedule for announcing the new Board at the AGM in October, we need to have your name ASAP. Please send your name and contact information to Rand Allan, rballan@san.rr.com. Requirements for the positions can be found in the by-laws at http://clangrant-us.org.

In order for this society to survive, we need to have dedicated members who are willing to participate in the running of the Clan Grant Society. Without your help, the society will eventually grind to a halt due to lack of sufficient interest.

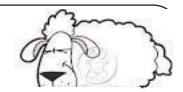
If you have considered helping but were waiting for an officer to contact you to inquire about your interest in helping out, consider this your contact. NOW is the time. We need your help, please.

Stand Fast!
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# Site Seeing



http://devour.com/video/miniatur-wunderland/

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WEPBQGu74oo&feature=youtu.be



# Town of Langholm, Scotland, honors Neil Armstrong

#### **Laura Jean Marquis**

I made my second trip to Langholm in June 2013. I knew the town would be honoring Neil Armstrong, and the Clan Armstrong Trust would be participating. I thought it would be a nice time to go. The experience was beyond my expectations.

To me, Langholm is magical. Though only my second trip, it felt like going home for a visit with old friends.

What I didn't anticipate was the level of enthusiasm the town had for the celebration of Neil Armstrong. The irony didn't escape me that I was going to Langholm to learn more about a fellow American, who had also gone to Langholm to experience his ancestral home.

Neil Armstrong set foot on the moon in 1969. Langholm reached out to him, and in 1972 he came to the town to accept the honor of first, and only, Freeman of Langholm.

The shop windows all displayed something from either his moon walk, or his Langholm visit. The town center had a wonderful educational exhibit that school children were experiencing, right down to a spacesuit and dehydrated "astronaut" food.

Friday evening there was a lovely service at Langholm Parish Church, which Neil Armstrong attended in 1972. This was followed by a banquet and ceremonies at Buccleuch Centre.

Many residents who had been in Langholm in 1972 shared their experience and memories. The choir sang. Children were presented awards for their "moon" projects. I was very moved by the reverence and respect Langholm felt for this man, and how proud Langholm is that he had acknowledged Langholm as his ancestral home.

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#### Langholm celebrates Neil Armstrong's Life, continued from page 8

Over and over I heard what a humble and gracious man Neil Armstrong was. In attendance were Council members, astrophysicists, a contributor to the "Apollo Journal / NASA", and of course many, many Armstrongs.

Saturday afternoon we returned to Buccleuch for a lec ture by Dr. Stuart Clark, Astrophysicist and author of a book about what the astronauts left on the moon and why.

Saturday evening was a wonderful dinner with fellow Armstrongs and members of the Clan Armstrong Trust. We went "across the border" (fitting) to the March Bank. It was a lovely meal with lively company and conversation.

### Please, a favor from your editor:

Forgive me, friends. I see the notifications when you write to me on LinkedIn or Facebook. It is very nice for you to do that... I would answer and fiddle with those things if I had another 15 hours in the day and knew how to make those sites work properly if I could get to them. I thank you for writing. If you have a message, I am delighted to get an email from you at any time. I can work email pretty well, so far. My email address is: bethscribble@aol.com

World Pipe Band Competition, con't from page 3

The World Pipe Band Championships is organised by Glasgow Life on behalf of The Royal Scottish Pipe Band Association and Glasgow City Council and is supported by Glasgow City Marketing Bureau and EventScotland.

I stayed at the Eskdale Hotel in Langholm. I loved it. The room was spacious, the food wonderful, and I was treated royally by John Noonan and staff. I enjoyed having walking access to Langholm. I happened to be there for the official opening of a lovely new shop Blue Moon.

I came and went from Edinburgh. The X95 bus is a lovely ride to and from Langholm. It continues on to Carlisle if one wants to go there to tour Carlisle Castle or Hadrian's Wall.

I need to take this opportunity to express concern for the Armstrong Museum in Langholm. The Trust rents the building. Not only does it lack some basic facilities, but it is deteriorating. The Trust has been diligently working on a plan to secure the future of the Museum. Moving to another location in Langholm is the most logical.

Anyone wanting to contribute to this important project, please contact the Armstrong Clan Society via the ACS website at http://www.armstrong.org Your contribution may be USA income tax deductible.

I personally feel like the Museum is the first point of contact for those of us making our pilgrimage to Armstrong Country. I made contact before my first trip there. Much of the work there is being done by volunteers, and I hope we can support them in their effort to continue the Armstrong legacy.

I love Langholm and the people I have been meeting there. The visits, and the people, have enriched my life. I look forward to my next visit.

Great opportunnities to help others seldom come to us.

Small opportunities to help others surround us every single day.

# Clan Sinclair Association, Inc., (USA)



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

## Clan Sinclair Association, Inc. (U.S.A.)



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# Flowers of the Forest



Jeanne Elliott Lipsitt

Jeanne Elliott Lipsitt of Atlanta passed away on July 19, 2013. She was the daughter of Russell Elliott (a founding member of the Elliot Clan Society USA, now deceased) and Evelyn Elliott (ECS Treasurer and Membership Chair for fifteen years).

Jeanne joined the ECS in 1980 and was editor of the clan's *Signal Tower* newsletter for over fifteen years. She was also the keeper of the USA's original Hermitage Castle scale model. Jeanne was very athletic: she ran marathons, directed aerobic classes and was an accomplished horseback rider in several disciplines. She was a career nurse by training and married her husband, cardiologist Dr. Michael Lipsitt, in 1988.

Jeanne served as president of the Medical Association of Georgia Alliance, CEO of the Georgia Clean Air Coalition, and was instrumental in legislation that has banned smoking from all public places in Georgia.

A tireless humanitarian, she performed many medical missions to Belarus, the Ukraine, and Africa. She and Michael received much television coverage for a 2012 project bringing an Ethiopian man to Atlanta for lifesaving surgery and his subsequent recuperation at their home.

Jeanne Lipsitt leaves behind her husband, mother, five siblings, two daughters and two granddaughters to remember her. Plus a host of Elliots who met her at Highland Games or read the Elliot newsletters.

"Winnie" Wherrett, Clan Armstrong Trust Treasurer, wife of Frank Wherrett, Clan Armstrong Trust Director and Company Secretary has passed away.

Winnie and Frank recently celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary on their "Honeymoon Island" in the Irish Sea,

We were saddened to hear that **Alma Kate Shelton-McAfee** died June 6th 2012, she was wife of Clyde Oren McAfee and mother of James Oren McAfee, Rebecca McAfee and Paul B. McAfee. Mrs. Shelton-McAfee was a member of The Clan Macfie Society of Amer-



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Bill Caudill writes: We look forward to welcoming our Honored Clan (Clan Donald) and honored guest, David MacDonald - 17th of Castlecamus, Lieutenant of Sleat to the 2013 SCHG!

For those familiar with the legend and lore of the famed Flora MacDonald, who resided in nearby Montgomery County for a short period before and during the American Revolution - David is the 4th-Great Grandson of Flora and Allan MacDonald of Kingsburgh. Welcome Clan Donald!

Spread the word about the Scotland County Highland Games! Visit www.schgnc.org

For the Rolls-Royce drivers amongst us:

When Sir Henry Royce died in 1933, the "RR" Rolls-Royce monogram was changed from red to black.



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

Find out more about the epic story at....

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### MacDuffee Clan Society of America, Inc. Of Clan MacFie

Organized July 1962

Registrar: Marty Rosser 336-275-8619 martyrosser50@aol.com Annual General Meeting each year in July at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games

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Treasurer: David Nathan McDuffie 678-557-9215 dnmcduffie@hotmail.com



# Reader delighted as Scots notes worth more than 'British' counterpart.

Alastair McIntyre writes: This was one of the headlines in the Newsnet Scotland online newspaper...

Scottish banknotes have resulted in a pleasant surprise for one reader of Newsnet Scotland who found they were worth more than their Bank of England counterparts.

The reader, Derek Logan, who lives and works in Dubai, explained to Newsnet Scotland how his eldest son received thirty pounds as a birthday present one Bank of England £20 note and one Clydesdale Bank £10 note.

"We went to a local Foreign Exchange outlet, there are many here." He told Newsnet Scotland.

The gentlemen behind the counter looked at the notes, looked again and moved off to his supervisor. The supervisor came over to me, asked 'Is this Scottish?" I replied, "Yes."

He spoke to the teller who then sat back at his computer and typed away. We then received the Dirhams in exchange for both notes and receipt. The value of AED was 5.51 to the Pound. The value of Scotland Pound was 5.70

The reader kindly supplied Newsnet Scotland with a receipt of the exchange, clearly showing the Scottish pound with the higher value.



### Dr. Jennifer Orr at Georgia Southern University on 9 September '13

In Ireland, these who were Scots-Irish people (who I count among my maternal forebears) are known as the Ulster-Scots, while on this continent they're referred to as either the Scots-Irish or the Scotch-Irish. In Ireland, they gave us the likes of Francis Hutcheson, the political philosopher who pioneered such notions as "unalienable rights" and the doctrine of social happiness.

At 7:00 PM on Monday 9 September, we're delighted to be able to host on the Georgia Southern campus a leading scholar of the Ulster Scots and the poetic tradition they created as the 1700s ended and the new century began.

Dr. Jennifer Orr of the University of Oxford will be with us. She'll discuss that community, which strongly identified with Robert Burns, in a free, public lecture entitled "Where Scotland Met Ireland: Ulster Poetry of the Romantic Period."

Whenever I organize events of this kind, I have you specifically in mind, so please do come and enjoy a world-class researcher (with a PhD from the University of Glasgow) who's also a delightful person and a compelling speaker.

Full details of the event are on a dedicated page on the Irish Studies website: https://class.georgiasouthern.edu/irish/jennifer-orr/ or via the link at the top of the main Irish studies webpage:www.georgiasouthern.edu/irish



# Clan Bell North America





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

Declared "unruly" by the Scottish Parliament, many of the Clan emi-

grated to the Ulster Plantation after 1610.

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

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

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

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

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Attention: McDuffies/McAfees Here's information on the Y-DNA

male Participant Tests

Everyone (McDuffees and McAfees) are encouraged to test their Y-DNA male participant for matching DNA at the Project. Those who have tested previously at a lower level of Y-DNA are encouraged to transfer their kits to FTDNA and upgrade their kits to a higher level like Y-DNA111 or Y-DNA67.

Testing for haplogroups by taking the Geno 2.0 test is also an advantage in tracing your ancestors by DNA.

# Information on the McDuffie Clan (includes McAfee) Surname Project.

Family Tree DNA (FTDNA) are the ones who are now doing the most testing.

Links to the new and old McDuffie Surname Project.

New:http://www.familytreedna.com/public/

McDuff:http://www.familytreed-na.com/public/McDuff/default.aspx?section=yresults

http://www.familytreedna.com/public/ McDuff/default.aspx?section=ycolorized http://www.familytreedna.com/public/ McDuff/default.aspx?section=ysnp

Old data on first McDuffie Surname Project:

h t t p://web.archive.org/web/20120207084903/http://www.McDuffiedna.com

For Haplogroup testing and subclades

along with autosomal testing the Geno 2.0 test is available as part of the Genographic Project at National Geographic. Their link: http://www.genographic.com/

Clan Donald USA

Annual

General Meeting

September 25 - September 29, 2013 Williamsburg, Virginia

For information, visit

http://mid-east.
clan-donald-usa.org/agm2013.
html



# Clan Leslie Society Infernational

Septs: Abernethy, Bartholomew, Carnie, Laing, and More (Moore) and other spelling variations

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The Honourable Alexander Leslie, Chief of Clan Leslie





# Clan Grant to hold AGM at Seaside Highland Games

This year, the Clan Grant Society Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held the weekend of October 12-13, 2013 at the Seaside Highland Games, Ventura County Fairgrounds in Ventura, California.

The timeline for elections, therefore, is as follows:

- □ Nominating Committee formed: April 12
- □ Nominating Committee to present nominations to the Membership Secretary (Secretary position currently vacant): July 15
- ☐ Deadline for general active membership to submit nominations to Membership Secretary: July 30
- ☐ Ballots mailed to active members: August 14
- ☐ Deadline to send completed ballots to the Membership Secretary: August 30
- $\square$  Results presented to the President: September 13
- $\Box$  Candidates notified of election results: September 18
- ☐ Officers presented to the general membership at the AGM: October 12

# Three generations of Ramsay ladies at Pleas-anton for lottsa fun



Here are three generations of Ramsay ladies: Mary Alice Faltings, her daughters, Gillian and Hillary and granddaughters Haley, Katelyn and Kamryn.

The group went on the Tartan Train Ride that Pleasanton-Fergus, Ontario, Canada sponsors each spring.

The trains are restored antiques that run thru Niles Canyon near Pleasanton.

The group had four pipers in their train car - piping from Sunol to Niles and back.

With thanks to the Clan Ramsay Newsletter.

Speaking of trips: Did you hear about the bus trip on a tour around the mountains near Denver, Colorado?

The bus stopped on a road near the site of some dinosaur tracks just up the hill.

One of the group, said, "I'm really surprised that they came this close to the road."

Your editor did NOT make that up. It's true.



# Flowers of the Forest

**Sue Anne Waller**, 60, of Charlotte, passed away on June 26, 2013.

She was born on November 29, 1952 in New Bern, North Carolina to the late James Arthur Waller and Sue Sandalin Waller.

She married Leon "Frank" Randall, Jr. on June 14, 1980 in Raleigh, NC. They have resided in the Charlotte area since 1980.

Sue Anne has been a member of Clan Wallace Society of America and Clan Douglas Society of North America.

A few of Sue Anne's passions included attending the Scottish Highland Games in North and South Carolina and competing in various contests at the games as well as completing the Waller's, Randall's and Sullivan family histories in America on Ancestry.com.

She had been the historian and librarian at Robinson Presbyterian Church for many years.

Sue Anne is survived by her loving husband Leon "Frank" Randall, her brother and sister in law, Jerry A. and Ruth Waller of Springfield, VA, a niece, Marjorie Southard of Springfield, VA, nephews; Jeff Waller of Raleigh, NC and Dave Waller of Houston, TX and mother in law, Rebecca S. Randall, Aunt in law Hope Wallace, and Sara Sullivan.

Cousin in laws, Stan Faires and Wife Debbie, Steve Faires and Wife Suzon, Tim Wallace, Sam Wallace and Cornelia Wallace Goodman.

The family received friends at McEwen Mint Hill Chapel 7428 Matthews Mint Hill Rd. Charlotte, NC 28227 on Saturday, June 29, 2013. Graveside services followed at Robinson Presbyterian Church 9424 Harrisburg Rd. Charlotte, NC 28215.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested memorials be sent to Presbyterian Hospice & Palliative Care, P.O. Box 33549, Charlotte, NC 28233-3549.

## Clan Colquhoun Society Of NA

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Colquhoun/Calhoun, Cowan, MacClintock, MacManus. Applications available online at <a href="http://www.geocities.com/clancolquhoun">http://www.geocities.com/clancolquhoun</a> na/home.html



# Clan Macneil **Association** of America

If you are a Macneil or any of the following "Sept names, then you have found the clan you are looking for!

- Macneil
- MacNeil
- Macniel
- MacNiel
- Macneill
- **MacNeill**
- MacNeillie
- Macneal
- MacNeal
- Macneale
- MacNeale
- MacNeilage
- Macneilage
- MacNelly
- Macnelly
- MacNeally
- Macneally
- Mcneil
- **McNeil**
- Mcniel

- McNiel
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- Mcneal
- McNeal
- Mcneale
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# Congratulations to Myles & Loretta Goddard!





# Clan Donald Midwest Great Plains Region Honors their Great Plains Historian

Carol Magill writes: The following article honors Myles Goddard, our Midwest Great Plains historian for Clan Donald.

Myles and his wife Loretta were honored at Ballydoyle Pub in Downers Grove, IL on July 20 to thank him for his tireless years of service to the clan.

Myles is gifted with the art of making history a storytelling event. He has worked every tent at our Illinois games until recent health issues have made it difficult and his wife has had to rein him in!

Myles has written songs about Clan Donald and plays many musical instruments.

His knowledge of Scotland is boundless, when a potential member approaches our tent, Myles can tell them where they are from and where their ancestors are buried.

He also speaks Gaelic fluently and often serves to do translations.

We all had a wonderful time and I hope you can use some of the following photographs.

Carol Magill



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# The Armstrong Clan Society

Dedicated to the Armstrongs, Crosiers, Fairbairns, Grosiers, Nixons and those interested in these surnames

The Armstrong Clan Society was organized on October 8, 1981 and is incorporated in the state of Georgia, USA. The Society is recognized as a Section 501 (c) (3) not for profit organization and exempt from U.S. federal income tax.

On September 24, 1984, the Lord Lyon King of Arms in Scotland granted warrant to the Lyon Clerk to matriculate in the Public Register of All Arms and Bearings in Scotland in the name of the Armstrong Clan Society, Inc., the Coat of Arms in the upper left on this page. Our motto "SEMPER INV1CTUS" can be translated as "Always Unconquered".

#### Objectives of the Armstrong Clan Society:

- 1. To seek friendship and unity among all Armstrongs, its septs and associated families.
- 2. To provide for the preservation of Armstrong artifacts unique to the family.
- 3. To serve as a genealogical and historical resource for the membership and the general public.
- 4. To provide news, Armstrong history, items of general interest, and genealogy via our newsletter *The Armstrong Chronicles*.
- 5. To establish worldwide geographic membership representation.

#### Membership

All Armstrongs, Croziers, Fairbairns, Groziers and Nixons (regardless of the spelling) and their descendants, are eligible for full membership in The Armstrong Clan Society. In the United States and Canada, dues are \$25 per year or \$45 for 2 years. All memberships are family memberships which includes two adults and all minor children. In all other countries, dues are \$35 per year. All dues are payable in US funds.

For a membership application email Peter Armstrong at <u>peter.armstrong1.3@gmail.com</u> or download from <u>http://www.armstrong.org/membership.htm</u>. Note: "spouse" on the application includes: spouse; domestic partner; or any other adult living at the same address.

# Genealogical Research using Federal Bureau of Investigation files by Bryan Mulcahy



The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) has maintained files on millions of Americans over the decades. Official records cover the period from 1908 to the present. FBI files initiated since 1956 have been computerized. Files for the time period prior to 1956 are in manual format. Some materials exist prior to 1908 but they are incomplete and significant gaps exist. While these files are considered public records, the FBI has imposed stringent rules concerning guidelines for access to files due to security measures in response to the post 9/11 era, coupled with the dramatic rise in identity theft. All requests for FBI records must be submitted using the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

If you have reason to believe that one of your ancestors may have been the subject of an FBI profile, researchers are advised to visit the following links to obtain the most current guidelines, fees, and protocol for obtaining copies of records. The request letter link includes specific instructions and what types of information are mandatory for processing all requests.

http://www.fbi.gov/foia/requesting-fbi-records

http://www.fbi.gov/foia/sample-fbi-foia-request-letter

In general, all requests for information must include the following:

- 1. Full name or names of the person whose file you wish to receive
  - 2. Date and place of birth
  - 3. Date and place of death
- 4. Photocopy of the death certificate or some other certified legal proof of death

- 5. Your full name and current address
- 6. Reason for wanting this information

Proof of death is a mandatory requirement for anyone initiating requests for information other than the person whose file is sought. Proof can be established using any of the following:

- 1. Newspaper obituary or death announcement showing the newspaper name, date, page number.
  - 2. Citation from Who Was Who in America
  - 3. Death Certificate
- 4. Biographical reference showing the title page of the source, name of person, date, place of death.
- 5. Encyclopedia or magazine article on the person which includes details, date, place of death.
- 6. Declaration that the person was born over 110 years ago.

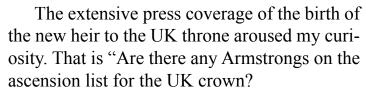
Proof of death is not required if the person was born over 110 years ago, and you can document that fact, because they assume anyone over the age of 110 is probably deceased. However, you must be able to provide some evidence to document your claim including the exact birth date. If the file in question originated prior to 1956, you must inform them of this fact and specify that a manual search is required. You should follow the same correspondence procedures for both manual and computerized (post 1956) files.

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# Are Armstrongs in the United Kingdom Royal Ascension Order?

### Bill Armstrong,

Editor of *The Armstrong Clan Society Chronicles*Write ACS, Chronicles@gmail.com



To find the answer, I began with the Royal Family tree in a recent newspaper. Well, there's hope for an Armstrong crown! They are Princess Margaret and Anthony Armstrong-Jones' children.

In review, Anthony Armstrong-Jones married Queen Elizabeth II's younger sister, Princess Margaret. They are no longer married. They had two children: a daughter Lady Sarah Chatto and an older son, David Armstrong-Jones (Viscount Linley) who is 16th in line for the throne.

David Armstrong-Jones (Viscount Linley) has one son, Charles Armstrong-Jones, who is 17th in line for the throne and a daughter. Margarita Armstrong-Jones. who is 18th in line for the throne.

Well look at that, there are three Armstrongs, of Royal blood, in line for the UK throne. We reivers sure have come a long way since our last clan chief was executed in Edinburgh over 400 years ago.

So I continued to find what I could, before publication deadline, of these Armstrong-Jones



relatives. One Ronald Armstrong-Jones, who was a barrister (lawyer), was the father of Antony Armstrong-Jones. Sir Robert Armstrong-Jones, CBE, was the father of Ronald Armstrong-Jones. He was a Welsh physician and psychiatrist who specialized in mental illness.

For us Americans; CBE is Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, an order of chivalry established on 4 June 1917 by King George V and a very high honor.

I wondered if this Welshman had any Scottish roots. Then, to my dismay, I read on and discovered that Sir Robert Armstrong-Jones was born Robert Jones. He assumed the second surname, Armstrong, in 1913. (One source stated his name changed, by deed poll, in 1914.) I haven't discovered as to why he added the surname Armstrong. In 1893 he married Margaret Roberts, the elder daughter of Sir Owen Roberts. I was hoping that she was born an Armstrong.

But I still wonder; who was the Armstrong that influenced his life so much that he added it ahead of his birth name? If any of our UK friends has any information on this, I would greatly appreciate it.

Sadly, at this time, the answer to the question above seems to be NO!

# Make Plans Now to Visit Atlanta

#### Sylvia Elliott Georgia Commissioner, Elliot Clan USA

Experience Southern hospitality and the pleasure of meeting the Elliot Clan Chief in person! Chief Margaret Eliott will attend the 41st Stone Mountain Highland Games in Atlanta, Georgia from October 18-20, 2013. Atlanta is a city with many activities for the entire family, and the Stone Mountain Games (SMHG) are one of the USA's biggest Scottish events.

#### CHIEF MARGARET ELIOTT'S ATTENDANCE

With great pleasure, Clan Elliot announces their 29th Clan Chief, Margaret Eliott, has accepted the invitation to attend the Games as Guest of Honor. She'll be accompanied by her husband Christopher. The fact that the Elliot Clan USA was founded at Stone Mountain in 1977, when her father (the late Sir Arthur Eliott) was the Honored Guest, adds a sense of history to this occasion. Chief Eliott has official speaking duties on Friday night and at all weekend ceremonies on the Games field.

As the Honored Clan, the Elliots have the privilege of occupying a huge tent and private viewing area at the head of the parade field. This will give them splendid views (and sounds) of the 500+ member Massed Band, the Parade of Tartans, band competitions, and the falconry &herding demonstrations.

#### **LOCATION**

Atlanta is easily reached by plane or car, and has an AMTRAK station. October is the driest month of their year and the Games typically enjoy 60-70 F weather. Atlanta is home to CNN, Coca Cola, Olympic Park, the world's largest aquarium, and a zoo with five pandas, to mention just a few tourist attractions.

Stone Mountain is a Georgia state park about 20 miles northeast of downtown Atlanta. In addition to the world's largest carved bas-relief mountainside, it contains theme/water park attractions, golf courses, a large lake, carillon, and other entertainment. It's renowned for a laser show, the hike (or tram ride) to the mountaintop, and its numerous walkers, joggers, and



Chief Margaret Eliott

cyclists. Bagpipe echoes waft eerily through the park on a SMHG weekend.

The Stone Mountain Games, nicknamed "The Friendly Games" or "Scots On The Rock", normally hosts around 30,000 visitors. There are meadows for athletic events and vendors, and wooded locations for entertainment stages and 100+ clan tents. There are few permanent buildings but paths are mostly wide and level with Tartan Taxi golf cart rides for those with mobility problems. Free parking is in an adjacent paved lot but arrive early to secure a spot.

#### **GAMES SCHEDULE**

Though SMHG lasts for 3 days, there are different arrangements each day plus ongoing activities. Plan a schedule to catch your favorite events or you WILL get sidetracked. The official schedule isn't online yet but 2013 events should be similar to previous times/discount prices:

Friday at the Hilton: genealogical (Beth Gay - Freeman at 11 AM and 1 PM) and tartan seminars (various times, free), Whiskey Tasting (2:30pm, \$20), Music

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Recital (6pm, \$10), Patrons/Sponsors Receptions (7 & 8pm, by invitation only), Scottish Country Dance Gala (8pm, \$20)

Saturday at the park (9am-5:30pm, \$15): opening ceremony at noon, possible afternoon clan walkabout escorted by Elliot-tartan-wearing City of Dunedin Band, awards/closing ceremony 5pm; Elliot Clan banquet (contact Clan for details), laser show (8pm, free), ceilidh @ Hilton (8pm, \$10), Tartan Ball @ Hilton (8pm, \$20)

Sunday at the park (9am-5pm, \$13): kirking, kilted race, Parade of Tartans at noon, herding and falconry demos, closing ceremony (4:30pm)

Tickets for Games, required state park Car Entry Passes, and events at the Hilton can all be ordered online in

advance (discount ends mid-September), or at full price at the event/park. They can sell out, so book early.

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

Whatever accommodation you select, reserve promptly since SMHG usually fills all nearby hotels.

The Hilton Atlanta Northeast is the official Host Hotel of SMHG. It's located in Norcross, 15 miles from the state park (a 30-45 minute drive, don't believe GoogleMaps) and is the site of all Friday events and some evening events listed above. The reservation number is (770) 447-4747.

Those who don't care for big city driving may prefer the Marriott Stone Mountain Inn hotel. It's located inside the state park almost adjacent to the SMHG field and literally across the street from the mountain carving. There is another hotel inside the state park, the large Marriott Evergreen Resort. The reservation number for both Marriotts is: 1(800) 228-9290

Outside the state park there are several chain hotels in the nearby suburb of Stone Mountain.

Inside the state park there are over 400 excellent campsites for tents and RVs, many are lakeside. Numerous Scottish campfires are found here!

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This Elliot gathering will be on Saturday afternoon, in a reserved pavilion or tent in the Clan Forest and all Elliot members are invited to participate in the clan's governance. Officer elections will take place.

#### **BANQUET**

The Elliots will have a clan banquet on Saturday evening immediately after the Games. The "Down Home Southern Buffet" menu will feature Southern foods with accents such as pecans, peaches, bourbon sauce and hush puppies.

Following the meal, the famous Stone Mountain laser show will take place about 8pm. Lasting around 40 minutes, this free music/lights/fireworks spectacular uses the mountain carving as a massive animation screen for those watching from below. A truly memorable outdoor event but it requires a short walk after a long day and big dinner.

#### REFERENCE WEBSITES

Stone Mountain Games http://www.smhg.org
http://www.atlantanortheast.hilton.com
Marriott hotel http://www.marriott.
com/hotels/travel/atlsi-stone-mountain-inn
Stone Mountain Park http://www.stonemoun

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# Clan Sutherland 2014 Highland Gathering set for Inverness

Clan Sutherland will hold its International Gathering at Inverness during September 2014.

Inverness is the capital of the Highlands and is a vibrant expanding city at the head of the river Ness and is a wonderful place to visit.

There are a multitude of accommodation choices and one place to start is the internet for information and guidance in matching your needs to what is available.

At the AGM it was recommended that members planning to come to Scotland for the Gathering make arrangements for accommodation in Inverness for 3 nights, arriving Thursday 11th and staying to Sunday 14th then moving on to Golspie for the nights of Sunday and Monday for the activities at Dunrobin Castle on Monday 15th September.

The planned day at Dunrobin Castle shall include:

- \* Registration 9 AM to 10:30.
- \* AGM in the Clan Room.
- \* Lunch in the Fire Engine Room.
- \* Falconry display in the gardens.
- \*Genealogy talk/discussion alternated with a tour of the castle in groups.
  - \* Break at 5 PM.
- \* Evening entertainment at 7:30 PM in the castle with finger buffet.

The cost of the days activities at the castle is yet to be determined.

Inverness has several hotels ranging from the standard to the boutique niche market. The Inverness Hoteliers Assosiation website can be found at (www.inverness-highlands.com) and offers an excellant overview of hotel choices. The site covers a total of 22 hotels up to 4 star



Clan Sutherland's Dunrobin Castle

providing a wide range of comfort and services.

For those who would prefer a more homely touch by staying at a guest house should investigate (www.in-vernessguesthouseassociation. co.uk) for an excellant choice of home from home accommodation.

A further website to visit if you are simply looking for homely bed and breakfast is (www. invernessbedandbreakfast.co.uk) for a wide choice of city located B&B's.

Gold is the only metal that doesn't rust, even if it's buried in the ground for thousands of years.



# The sweetly sad story of Greyfriars Bobby

Constable John Gray's beat included Upper Cowgate, Grassmarket, Greyfriars Kirkyard, Candlemaker Row, Heriot Hospital grounds and the Cattle Market. This part of the Old Town of Edinburgh was one of the busiest where robbery, drunkenness and disorder were constant.

The constable had plenty of work to do. John Gray as Constable No 90 was obliged to have a watch dog and was assigned a dog upon joining the Edinburgh Scotland Police Force. No one knows what breed it was or what happened to it.

Obliged to keep to the regulations Officer Gray was ordered to find another watch dog. He chose a 6 month old Skye terrier. What was the young puppy to be called?

He was called 'Bobby' after all, he was a police dog!

It did not take long for Bobby to become an integral part of John Gray's life. Bobby had shaggy hair hanging over his eyes and a stump of a tail that wagged continually.

Bobby was tenacious in character, distrustful of strangers but devoted to family and friends, he was courageous but not aggressive

No other sort of dog has more gritty tenacity, cockiness or sparkle than a Skye terrier and this one had another noted quality – loyalty, aptly depicted in the records of Bobby's life.

Bobby and Constable Gray made many friends at the weekly cattle mar-

ket. Bobby kept close to his master's heels at the markets, because of the often unruly cattle.

Taking a break from nightly rounds Constable Gray and Bobby would take a leisurely walk to Greyfriars Place, to a coffee house owned by William Ramsey and his wife. They had a favorite seat and enjoyed watching Mrs.Ramsey coming in and out of the back room where she did the cooking.

Night duty at the Cattle market was not very pleasant. The Constable and his Bobby, in all kinds of weather, had to keep on the move around the cattle pens to prevent theft.

In October 1857, the nights were extremely cold and wet and Constable Gray developed a nasty cough which worried his wife and son John.

Later in the year the cough had gotten much worse and Constable Gray reported to Doctor Henry Littlejohn, the Police surgeon. The prognosis was not good.

The constable had developed tuberculosis. In November 1857 Doctor Littlejohn reexamined John Gray and informed him "I'll report that you are unable for duty until further notice, but I'll do my best to get you back on duty," he remarked.

The doctor then turned to Mrs. Gray and said, "Give him plenty of good food and keep him warm".

Over the Christmas season John became much weaker and by 8th February 1858 he was unable to rise from his bed. Bobby lay at his feet.

That evening John Gray died. He had served nearly five years as a Police Constable, making him one of the longest serving Constables of his time.

James Brown the keeper and gardener of the burial ground remembered John Gray's funeral and he said the Skye terrier was one of the most conspicuous of the mourners.

The grave was closed and the next morning James Brown found the Skye terrier lying on the newly made mound of earth. Old James could not permit this, for there was an order at the gate stating that dogs were not admitted into the Kirkyard. Accordingly, Bobby was driven out.

Next morning the same thing happened again, Bobby was lying on the grave. The third morning was wet and cold; James Brown took pity on the faithful animal and gave him some food.

Bobby made the Kirkyard his home. Often in very bad weather, attempts were made to encourage him indoors, but he was not having any of that. But punctually at the sound of the One O'clock time gun, Bobby would appear at the coffee house for his dinner. From May 1862, John Traill, the new owner of the coffee house,



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#### **Greyfriars Bobby,** continued from page 28

gave Bobby his dinner.

At almost any time during the day, he would be seen in or around the Kirkyard.

John Gray's faithful dog, Bobby, mourned his master for 14 years, until his own death on January 14, 1872.

According to records Bobby died in the home of John Traill.

John and friends buried Bobby in a triangular flower bed beneath the tree in front of the old Greyfriars Kirk, in unconsecrated ground.

They marked the spot with a stone but it was later removed.

Earlier Baroness Angela Georgia Burdett-Coutts commissioned a granite fountain with the statue of Bobby placed on top. The bronze was sculptured from from life by Wm Brodie.

In 1870, following Bobby's death, it was sited on the pavement near the Kirkyard at the top of Candlemaker

Row as a lasting memory of Bobby, the little Skye terrier that had become a legend by that time.

Donated to the city of Edinburgh, the fountain and statue were unveiled, without ceremony, on Saturday

morning, 15th November 1873.

The original sculpture, together with an engraved collar from the Lord Provost Sir William Chambers, Bobby's dinner dish from John Traill and photographs can be seen in The Museum of Edinburgh..

The inscription which can still be seen, reads: "A tribute to the affectionate fidelity of Greyfriars Bobby. In 1858 this faithful dog followed the remains of his master to Greyfriars Churchyard and lingered near the spot until his death in 1872, with permission erected by Baroness Burdett-Coutts."



#### Look How Many People It Took To Make You!

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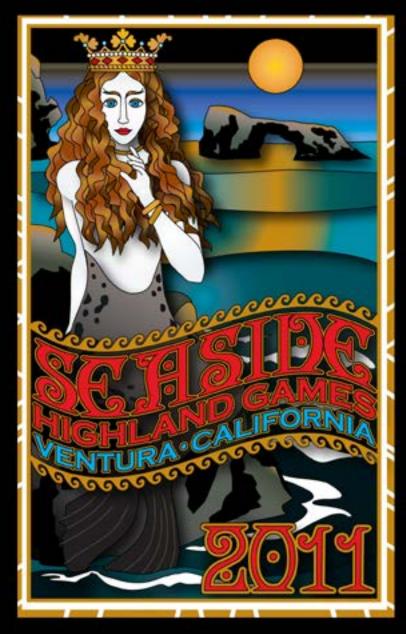
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