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Patricia Bell and her Irish Wolfhound Grainne - on Grainne's 16th month birthday!



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# A letter from your editor Resolutions anyone?

Ah well, I think my years of trying to make a list of things I am going either to do or stop doing - because they are either good for me or bad for me - are over.

I am set in my ways. I will always love chocolate, strawberry anything and lemon merangue pie. So there.

I have realized that no matter what I do, I am never going to be skinny. No matter how hard I try, I will never be able to sing. No matter how many times I try and how long I work at it, I am not going to have curly hair. I will never be able to do more than simple math (My father taught chemistry and physics...somehow my mother had a calculator in her head. The numbers genetic thingie skipped me entirely.). I will never be a gourmet cook. I will never be a pilot nor an Olympic Equestrian nor a Prima Ballerina.

I am sad about the pilot, Olympic Equestrian and Prima Ballerina. However, the knowledge I do have of these things makes me be in utter awe of those who can fly - be it in an airplane, on a horse or their own two pointed-toe feet.

So, this year, my resolutions will be kinder and gentler and will simply be things that I need in my life because they make me happy.

I resolve to be a better friend - not letting work or sleepiness overcome my need to write a note or a letter or make a phone call to tell a friend to see how they are weathering the series of crisis' that sometimes are just life...and to tell them how much they mean to me and how much I love them.

I resolve to get back to painting and the art I love so much - whether I am any good or not.

I'd like to have time to write - not for work - but for me (sort of like this). I resolve to finish the book I started so many years ago...and maybe write another one or two or three...

I resolve to get back to gardening and the joys of working amongst green and growing things and to have my hands scratched and the fingernails ragged and filled with rich soil. Section B of this resolution is to grow rose bushes - yellows and whites and reds and pinks and old fashioned ones - until I am able to once again cut bucketfuls and give them away until



folks lock their cars in fear of coming back and finding a bucket o'yellow roses in the backseat!

I resolve to once again know the joy and wonder of the gentleness and intelligence of Newfoundland dogs. Ruthie, Chuckie and Walter are gone, but never forgotten. There are Newfys who need homes and there is a Newfy Rescue group near where I now live.. Babies, I'm coming as soon as I can!

I resolve to take the time to get back to astronomy so that I may go out each starry night and recognize old friends in the sky. (Did you SEE Venus and Saturn close to the crescent moon the other night? Oh my...wonder!)

Iresolve to begin my quest to become "The World's Oldest Barrel Racer!" Yah! Hah! This one I<u>can</u> do - and with gusto! Iresolve to go back to riding every day enjoying this paradise that is the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains - from the back of a good horse!

I resolve to gently enjoy each day that is filled with love and laughter with the kindest, sweetest man in the world not even worrying that I would ever take him for granted - for I could not ever do that.

Please wish me well.

I challenge you to make a list like this - of things that are missing - or that you love in your life now, but that all make your life happier, richer and more joyous.

Good luck with your list and good luck with our brand new year.

Love....beth

# Turnbulls and Beyond... a tour of the Scottish Borders next summer. Come!

Editor's note: This tour begins with the Turning of the Bull monument unveiling at the Hawick Heritage Hub in Hawick, Scotland, 18 July 2009 and ends with The Gathering in Edinburgh. Hawick is located in the center of historic Turnbull territory in the Borders of Scotland.

The tour director (and founder of Smeddum Ltd.), Alastair Cranston has considerable knowledge of the Borders, Scottish history and Turnbull landmarks. This tour is a chance to walk among the fields once occupied by your ancestors and discover what makes today's Borders so enchanting. Space is limited and Alastair is asking that you let him know by 20 January 2009 if you are interested in participating.

The cost of the tour will be determined by Smeddum Ltd., based upon the number of interested participants. (Transportation is a major expense. Cost for the Coach travel depends upon the size of Coach required.) This cost will be published in the February 2009 *Bullseye* as well as communicated to those who have expressed an interest.

Participants interested in being part of the TCA Tour can request Smeddum Ltd to assist in arranging accommodation covering all or part of period from Friday night 17 July 2009 through Thursday morning 23 July 2009 (or any part thereof). This accommodation will be in the Borders and will either be in/near Hawick - or in/near Melrose where recommended choices are Burts, Townhouse (Melrose) and Dryburgh Abbey, Buccleuch Arms (St Boswells).

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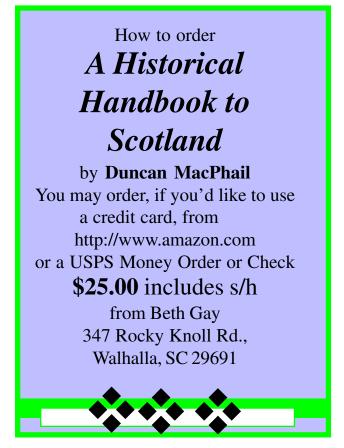
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A Smeddum Tour Liason will be on coach and with party during all day time activities and selectively in the evenings.

If you are interested in this tour, please respond Continued on page 8



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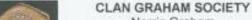




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# Missing McPersons!

Anyone looking for their ancestors will know that a common name like **CRAWFORD** isn't easy to research. I began looking for the family of "JAMES CRAWFORD" my husband's great grandfather last year, and probing the family in New Zealand gave me very little to "go on." Our JAMES CRAWFORD was a plumber born in Scotland. He came to New Zealand with his stepbrother - a BUCHANAN. He married MARGARET MILLAR at Knox Church, Dunedin, NZ, on 11 Jul 1873. He died at Dunedin on 16 Dec 1927 aged 90 - therefore he was born circa 1837. So where do you start? His death certificate seemed a good idea and while revealing nothing that we didn't already know, it did tell us that he was a native of Glasgow and came to NZ 62 years previous. Excellent - Born in Glasgow and left Scotland around 1865. The marriage certificate revealed even less, apart from the name of the witness: - **DUNCAN** BUCHANAN - perhaps he was the stepbrother? So where do you go from there? JAMES CRAWFORD, born in Glasgow circa 1837 - Look up the computer websites? And yes - there are heaps of them. Stalmate!! And then one day I happened to find the Free Census website for the UK. Wow! A website that allows you all the searching you require and it's FREE. Quite a few JAMES CRAWFORD'S and only 3-4 that fitted, but wait - the website isn't yet complete and not all the parishes are there – bother! So, I wrote to Margaret Singleton, the coordinator for the Glasgow area, gave her all the details I had and asked if she could perhaps tell me where to go from there. I didn't expect a great response but desperate folks grasp at straws! In an instant she found me a family that fitted: **JAMES CRAWFORD** – son of JAMES CRAWFORD and MAXWELL (nee ANDERSON) living in Sydney Street in the parish of St. Johns Glasgow in 1841. In 1851 MAX-

WELL was living with her second husband RONALD BUCHANAN with the children from her first marriage. And in 1861 they was living with children from both marriages including a son - DUNCAN BUCHANAN. At the same time Margaret suggested that I look for the death of the mother in New Zealand, as after 1861 she was no longer noted on any further census. It was a long shot but it paid off. Yes, a MAXWELL BUCHANAN CRAWFORD died in Dunedin on 6 March 1833 - a male! It seemed too much of a co-incidence not to follow up, so I wrote to the Dunedin City Council and asked if they would check the details of the death of one MAXWELL BUCHANAN **CRAWFORD** – and of course the answer came back - female. So now we have found our family – thanks to the efforts of Margaret in the UK. Being of Scottish origins myself, I was always brought up to believe that one good turn deserves another, and I am presently helping the Free census folks with the transcribing of the 1841 census for St. Johns Parish Glasgow where our family was found. The UK Free Census Project aims to provide an online searchable database of the UK nineteenth century census returns with no charge for viewing. Volunteers are required to transcribe the census returns. To volunteer all you need is access to a computer with a spreadsheet program and CD drive. UK webpage http://www.freecen.org.uk/ Scotland Webpage http://www.freewebs.com/ mmjeffery/index.htm

If you are interested in the Lanarkshire area the coordinator is **Margaret Singleton. Margaret** is also willing to help with queries within her a r e a . h t t p : / / freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~margsing/ If anyone thinks they might be related to our family—I would love to hear from them.

# Missing McPersons!

Was GEORGE STREIBEL (1785-1871) a member of St. John German Church, Baltimore, MD? Burial – Old Cathedral Cemetery. Actress – "Dorothy Phillips." Reverend PRESTER BESCHTLER? Spouse MARY FILLINGER (1793-1862). Have picture SUZIE STRIBLE WEBER (1887-1907) and her mother. Contact: Richard Morrissey, 28656 Murrieta, Sun City, CA 92586.

My name is **Denise Mills** and I am looking for my birth mother. I was separated from her at 4 months of age. I was told she was deceased but have reason to believe she is still living. I am requesting any information that may be able to help. I am trying to find date of birth, social security number, death certificate marriage license or divorce documents, to help find members of the family I know I have. Father's name PAUL ARTHOR JOHNSON, date of birth 1-27-1925 in Richmond or Alexandria, Virginia. Mother's name PEGGY JEAN **JOHNSON** (maiden name **BRAGG**), birth year 1927, date of death if deceased 8-1967 or any time thereafter. Denise Michelle Mills Johnson, 759 Stevens St., Lowell, MA 01851,978-458-3775.

Searching for information on the parents of WILLIAM STEWART, SR. born January 5, 1756 in Botetourt County, Virginia who was married to MARY (last name not confirmed, but possibly - MONTGOMERY) in Virginia where they lived until late 1700s when they migrated to Tennessee, Davidson County and later, Hickman County. He died December 12, 1833 in Madison County, Tennessee. WILLIAM enlisted at the very beginning of the Revolutionary War in Capt. Thomas Posey's company and sent northward to join Col. Daniel Morgan's regiment of riflemen. In 1777 he took part in the battles of White Plains and Saratoga and the

taking of Gen. Burgoyne. Contact Jeanette West at bjw806@monticello.net.

# 2009 NGS Conference in the States set for Raleigh in May

Have you made plans to attend the 2009 NGS Conference in the States to be held at the new Raleigh Convention Center from May 13 through 16?

The North Carolina Genealogical Society is proud to be the local host of this national conference. More information about the conference can be found on the internet at <a href="http://www.ngsgenealogy.org">http://www.ngsgenealogy.org</a> and <a href="http://www.ngsgenealogy.org">http://www.ngsgenealogy.org</a> and <a href="http://www.ncgenealogy.org/">http://www.ncgenealogy.org/</a>. This is your chance to attend a national conference right here in North Carolina! There will be speakers, book dealers, genealogy product vendors, networking opportunities and much, much more for every level of genealogical experience.

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# JGS invites you to interesting January session!

The Jacksonville Genealogical Society will begin the new year on January 17, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. at the Webb-Wesconnett Library, 6889 103rd street, Jacksonville, Fl.

We are pleased to have as our speaker the societies historian, Mr. Dick Cardell. Mr. Cardell's topic, "When Was That Picture Taken," will include discussion on types of cameras, care of equipment, tips for taking good photos, and how to date old photos from clothing and hair styles of the subjects.

Members and guests are encouraged to bring their ancestral photos.

For additional information, Mary Chauncey can be reached at (904) 781-9300.



to editor@turnbullclan.com or alastair@borders.demon.co.uk before 20 January 2009. While interest in the tour is in no way an obligation, participants for the limited number of places will be selected based on first come first serve. It is recommended that you place your name on the list if you

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are interested at this time.

# Coastal Georgia Genealogical Society invites you to join them January 11!

The next meeting of the Coastal Georgia Genealogical Society will be held on Sunday, 11 January 2009, at 2:00 p.m. at the Brunswick-Glynn County Library, Brunswick, Georgia. Plans are being made for a visiting expert, possibly from the Georgia Historical Society, to speak to the Society. Please mark your calendar.

Many have paid their dues. If you have not, please send your dues for the fiscal year 2008 – 2009 at your earliest opportunity. Membership dues are Single \$10.00; Couple \$15.00; Sustaining \$20.00; Honorary NONE.

Please make check payable to the "Coastal Georgia Genealogical Society" and send it to Ms. Barbara Baethke, Treasurer, Coastal Georgia Genealogical Society, 119 Bay Berry Circle, Saint Simons Island, Georgia 31522.

The book and CD recommended by Jane Wroton, Listening is an Act of Love by Dave Isay, were given to the Saint Simons Island Library as a memorial for our former Charter and Honorary members, Frances and Jim Wroton. Take to time to look for this memorial gift when you visit the Library. Perhaps you will be inspired to start your own family oral history project.

Your Society is now an Affiliate Chapter of the Georgia Historical Society of Savannah. This makes CGGS part of a network of nearly 200 organizations across Georgia and beyond, including historical and genealogical societies, museums, archives, preservation groups, and patriotic organizations dedicated to preserving Georgia history. The affiliation will allow CGGS to have speakers from the Georgia Historical Society staff share their expertise with us.

Charles Bagwell has donated one of his books to the Society to be given to a local library. The handsome book of *Dodge County Georgia Cemeteries* compiled and edited by June Selph Adams will be added to the Genealogical Collection of the Saint Simons Island Library for use by the public. Thanks for thinking of others, Charles!

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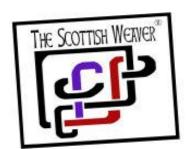
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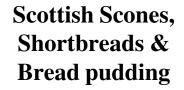
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#### Genealogy and Self:

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by Joanne Crawford, Ph.D. Kevan Crawford, Ph.D.

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# Applications of DNA Projects to Surname Genealogy

When the Crawford surname DNA Project was launched three years ago participation was random. With few analyses to correlate, the overall picture of the lineages was nothing more than a few unrelated brush stokes at the bottom of a canvas. With 73 participants now, we have seen a group of 17 participants emerge as a distinct lineage. Seven additional smaller groups made up of 2-5 participants each can be distinguished among the remaining par-

ticipants. It should be noted at this point that the number of participants in a group does not indicate the dominance of the line in the world's population. It merely means that in a random selection of individuals, those who choose to participate, that one line has distinctly more participants.

But the correlation of DNA results does not assist in surname genealogy unless the results can be placed into the framework of lineages and linkages proven by documentary research. This is particularly true of a surname whose members are numerous, highly mobile, widely dispersed, isolated, and independent. A connection based simply on DNA similarities means very little to sorting out the overall picture.

At present we have three participants with a proven connection in one group and two participants with a proven connection in another group. Both groups





belong to the most highly represented lineage I. Examining the documented relationships demonstrates the reliability of

the DNA method. At the same time it shows the ability of genes to mutate.

Of the group with three cousins, the relationships are of 5th cousins. Thirty-seven markers were analyzed (FTDNA). One marker has been identified as a unique mutation to this branch of Lineage I and obviously occurred before their documentation but after the lineage was formed. Only one of the cousins exhibits an additional mutation.

Of the group with two cousins, the relationship is of 2nd cousins. Thirty-seven markers were analyzed (FTDNA). One marker has been identified as a unique mutation to this branch of Lineage I. One of the two has two marker mutations from the other.

The earliest documented ancestor of several of



# How does Jim Schmeltzer follow Honored Clan and the Gathering at Williamsburg Games?

#### He wins best tent display!

Team (Jim) Schmeltzer won the Lord Dunmore award for Best Clan Display for 2008 at the Williamsburg Scottish Games. The Team was made up of Wayne and Cathy Jones, Jim "Bowie" Wallace, Lloyd Wallace, Mary Anne Whiteside and Garret Whiteside. The award winning display was a full team effort. Jim led his team providing encouragement and inspiration to all. He also supplied great Scotch. The Wallace Tent had over 150 visitors, of which 24 completed the information page and took membership information. Many also took information on how to order the *Book of Wallace*.

It was an outstandingly productive effort on the part of the team. Cathy and Wayne Jones provided a beautiful Tent display, Jim "Bowie" made sure the replica of the Wallace Sword and its partner sword were present. Mary Anne and Garret provided the "monkey work" as Mary Anne put it. They delivered, set up, manned the tent and tore down.

Lloyd worked the tent and was a HUGE help on



the money brigade. Not saying they had such a good time they looked like happy little monkeys.

Team Schmeltzer thought you might like to see the awarding tent.

Our thanks go to Jim for providing the motivation and inspiration to do a tent of this quality to represent the Wallace Clan. Thanks also to Wayne Jones for not only mentoring a couple of upstarts like Garret and Mary Anne but also providing everything needed for an award winning display.



#### TURNBULL/PARR WEDDING

On the 18th of July 2008 at St. Wilfrid's Church, Mobberley, Cheshire U.K, John Andrew Bruce Turnbull married Joanne Parr. Above: John with his wife Jo, to his right his father Ian, sisters Heather Turner and Hilary Preston and his mother, Olive, and to his left his brother Stewart Turnbull and sister Jeanette Silvester.

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# Carolyn (Carey) Wallace-Johnson honored at ball

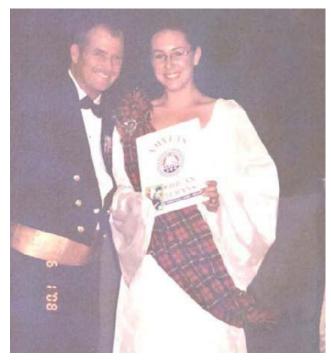
North Carolina Clan Wallace Convenor Nina Wallace

My niece, Carolyn (Carey) Wallace-Johnson, attended her annual Military Ball in January, 2008, where she received a special award for loyalty to God and Country. She was also promoted to ensign in her NJROTC Navy unit, one of 6 officers over 130+ students. In an unexpected departure from the usual formal wear required for this annual evening event, she asked me to design and sew her a gown that would show off her Wallace plaid drape. She stated that she wanted to feature her Wallace plaid as an important statement of her heritage and history.

I was pleased to make her gown, and very pleased that she was so interested in representing Clan Wallace in this manner.

Carey is shown with Chief Richardson, of the AM Vets of Ramona, California, presenting her the Loyalty to God and Country award.

Carey's gown is made of white on white embossed satin. Her Clan Wallace Plaid is made from Wallace 100% cotton, with her Clan Wallace pin in



Carey Wallace-Johnson promoted to Ensign in her NJROTC unit and Honors Clan Wallace in design of her gown

the center of the Rosette.

The representation of Clan Wallace in this manner was very well received at the Naval Military ball. Carey is the daughter of Carolyn Wallace, of Ramona, California, and the niece of Nina and David Wallace, Clan Wallace conveners in North Carolina

### Happy Birthday!

Here's the 80th BIRTHDAY 25th September 2008 of Clan Turnbull member Ian Stewart Turnbull from Wilmslow Cheshire UK. Ian was born in Calcutta, India to Ian Stewart Christie Turnbull and Kathleen Boucher and moved with his parents and siblings to UK in 1947.

He is married to Olive and they have two sons Stewart and John and three daughters Jeanette, Heather and Hilary. Ian celebrated his birthday with his wife and their children, grand-children and great grandchildren at their their home in Wilmslow Cheshire.



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No matter where you live, you can enjoy The Ludlow Porch Show on your computer! Just visit <a href="http://www.funseekers.net">http://www.funseekers.net</a> and follow the prompts. You'll not only find the program, but you'll find the toll-free phone numbers for outside Atlanta, GA that will allow YOU to become part of the show! It's just fun.

Georgia Radio Hall of Fame member, Ludlow Porch, is a pioneer in talk-radio. His humor and wisdom and wit has been on the airwaves for more than thirty years...and it is as fresh today as it has always been! You're in for a treat if you haven't heard Ludlow before...and you'll welcome him back if you have not heard him in awhile.

Visit <a href="http://www.amazon.com">http://www.amazon.com</a> and type in "Ludlow Porch" in the author's box and you'll see a list of Ludlow's books that will make you laugh and laugh and laugh and laugh.



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

Lineage I was born circa 1745 in North Carolina. The undocumented connection between the existing correlated participants in Lineage I occurred before 1745. Generally speaking, the majority of Lineage I participants differ by only two 7 mutations out of 37 analyzed. Thus it is pretty safe to say that they likely share a common ancestor within the last 200 to 300 years, likely somewhere in the late 1600s or very early 1700s.

We then observe that the occurrence of one or two mutations of 37 markers between 3rd-5th cousins is not unusual. It is also not unusual to have one or two additional mutations between 6th-8th cousins. The

observations are merely generalized observations. The mutation rate of each marker has been determined and there is much more science than can be conveyed here. However, generally speaking, the more distant the relationship, the more mutations are likely to occur.

Therefore, 6th-8th cousins average around three to four mutations. And when eight or nine mutations appear in 37 markers, then we estimate the most likely branching occurred perhaps 400-600 years ago. When 12-14 mutations occur, then we likely are looking back to close to a thousand years when the branching took place. These are simply rough estimates. Closer estimates look at

the mutation rate of each marker. And even the best science cannot tell individuals exactly when the branching occurred. That must be ascertained through documentation.

How can we, with the Crawford surname, make best use of the DNA method? The obvious answer is to increase the number of participants. But rather than take a random approach, we should focus our efforts on recruiting participation from those who have documented lineages further back in time. This is our best hope for identifying lineages and associating them with specific Crawford cadet lines.

Of great interest is the recent identification of two Crawford cadet lines with substantial certainty, the Ardmillan and Fedderate cadets. The Ardmillan line currently has five identified members. In this case, we have a participant with known genealogical documentation which permits us to identify the DNA sequence for this line with considerable certainty. The other four members show three or less mutations, suggesting a common ancestor within the last few hundred years. Family history permits us to hypothesize (at this point conjectural) that this common ancestor is likely to have been James Crawfurd of Ardmillan. The oral histories

preserved by each family permit a reconstruction suggesting that the project participants may descend from his sons. This permits a focus in our search for confirmatory documentation in a particular county of Northern Ireland (Donegal). We also have an approximate date of migration for several of James' sons to Northern Ireland (c1690).

A third lineage (#2) shows greater genetic distance, but still is close enough to suggest a common ancestor since the advent of surnames with the so far identified cadet lines (Ardmillan and Fedderate). We think with these three lineages may represent the direct Crawford male line of descent from the earliest

Crawford ancestors who took their surname from the Barony of Crawford. We await further confirmation by documentation and the identification of other participants with known lineages. 8

Various genealogical sources identify lines back more than 400 years. Some are fortunate enough to go back to nearly the advent of surnames. By using various criteria we can sort out those with dubious pedigrees. An example of a credible pedigree would be of those descending through the holders of Craufurdland Castle. Another cadet that is proving



# A Simple Kindness - from Orkney

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Like many of her friends, my grandmother, Johina, was a herdie-girl. From the age of seven she spent the summer days up in the hills above Dounby, herding the cows.

Before the days of barbed wire, when only the cultivated ground near the farmhouse was enclosed, this was common practice all over Orkney.

Her cousin, Jimmy, who lived near Stromness, was only five when he was told that he would spend the next summer herding cows for the neighbouring farm of Clouster. He was quite happy with this, feeling he would soon be a working man. He was even happier when told that he would be invited to the New Year dinner at Clouster.

In the early years of the 20th century in Orkney, the biggest celebrations were at New Year rather than Christmas.

As the daily diet was very simple, with a lot of oatmeal and kale and very little meat, the New Year dinner was something to be looked forward to for weeks, and Jimmy could hardly contain his excitement.

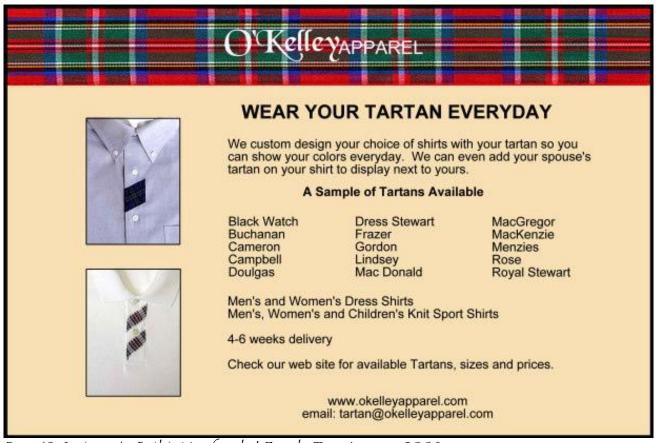
His disappointment was just as intense, when he looked out of the window on the first day of the new year and found that it had snowed heavily in the night and was still snowing. The snow was far too deep for a small boy to wade through.

He spent the morning watching the snow drift and thinking of the meal he was going to miss, half a mile away down the hill. Then he saw a man walking up the hill through the snow and realised he was heading for the house. As he came closer, Jimmy recognised him as one of the servant-men at Clouster.

He had walked up through the snow to carry Jimmy down to the farm, so that he wouldn't miss his dinner.

My father is 81 and Jimmy told him the story when my father was a boy and Jimmy was a very old man. My father still remembers the tears that came to the old man's eyes as he told the story and thought of the kindness shown him so long ago.

May you enjoy some of the same simple pleasure in 2009.



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### Military Research & Genealogy

#### Bryan L. Mulcahy

Serving in the military has always played an important role in the lives of many ancestors. This is especially true for male children of immigrant ancestors, males, other than the first born, who were raised on farms. Wars and military conflicts have been part of American history from

the Colonial Period to the present. Many male ancestors will be found in records created as a result of military service or by application for veterans' benefits. Proof of military service was mandatory for the ancestor or his widow to qualify for benefits or bounty land grants. This process was cumbersome and generated paperwork which can be valuable for researchers today.

Before beginning your research, there are some basic factors that can help you limit your search. First, did any

military conflicts occur during the period when your male ancestor was between the ages of 16 and 60? Focus your search on any military service and benefit records that cover this period in their lives. Many veterans served in several conflicts, so check ALL records for these years. There were many veterans who served in both the Civil War and the Mexican War, in spite of

the large gap in time between the conflicts. Secondly, did your ancestor serve at the State, Federal, or both during a particular conflict? If the unit or militia in which he served was never called into federal service, his

military records will likely be at the state archives rather than at the National Archives.

Finally, you must also determine whose side your ancestor fought on. For instance, your Revolutionary War ancestor may have actually fought for the British (Loyalists). None of these records are held by the National Archives. If he fought for the Confederate forces, most of these records are only available at the state archives where the unit was located. There are some confederate records at the National Archives but in a separate series and they are not complete.



Clues to your ancestor's service, the conflict he fought in, which side he was on, and the name of the military unit in which he fought may be found in a variety of places, such as old family records, letters, souvenirs, obituaries, tombstone inscriptions, and local histories.

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# Lee County Library wins "Libby Award"

The Lee County Library System, Fort Myers, Florida, was among the various genealogy libraries throughout the county who won a "Libby Award" mention from *Family Tree Magazine* in July or August of 2008 for quality service.

Bryan Mulcahy, who is the Reference Librarian in Lee County - and who writes each issue for *BNFT*, says, "Our recognition was for being a "long-distance champ" as in our ability to respond to queries nation and worldwide in a consistent and prompt manner. We were cited as being one of the fastest and provided the most detailed service."

Congratulations Bryan and all of the staff who worked so hard to make this award possible!!

# 1869-1930 Orphans to Canada records have been extracted - information available!

Children taken from workhouses and orphanages in the British Isles between 1869 and 1930 were sent to Canada, many losing all connection with their families.

Now these ships' passenger lists at the Ottawa National Archives in Canada have been extracted by the British Isles Family History Society of Greater Ottawa and released through the Department of Human Resources.

For information, write BIFHSGO, PO Box 38026, Ottawa, ON K2C 1NO, Canada.





How Records Interweave to Provide Family History Clues



## 10 a.m. Saturdays

This series will focus on how to Family Tree locate valuable family history clues using the most common genealogical record types.

**January 3**: Using census records to establish an ancestor's place of residence.

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fruitful is the Ardmillan cadet. This line has documented lineage, arms registrations, though it also appears to have at least one lineage anomaly, which may relate it to a different cadet line though still within the main Crawford YDNA sequences. Others would be those of the reasonably well-documented Kilbirnie cadet. There is also a recent registration of arms by the Auchenames chiefly line, though we have still not been able to locate a living male descendant of that line.

More distinct anomalies are found in two of the cadets. In the case of the Craufurdland cadet we find

the paternal lineage is diverted from Crawford genetics to Howieson (Houison) genetics as late as 200 years ago. This is not an impossible hurdle to overcome. We simply need to find the paternal descendants of the last genetic Crawford of the landholders of Craufurdland Castle. Without having started this task, it may be easier said than done. In the case of the Kilbirnie cadet, the paternal line shifts from a Crawford genetic line to a Lindsay genetic line through the marriage of the heiress to a Lindsay who subsequently changed his name to Crawford as previously mentioned.

This occurred 250 years ago and is solved with the same approach. Some of the paternal descendants of the last genetic Crawford holding the Kilbirnie lands migrated first to Ireland, and then to America. If some of them join the project, and we are able to associate them to this lineage, we will then be able to identify the original Kilbirnie cadet line Y-DNA sequence.

An intriguing finding is that looking to identify the descent line for Patrick Crawford Lindsay within the Crawford surname, we compared Crawford lineages to Lindsay ones. We did not find a match that would suggest a common ancestor within the last 300 years, but did find one that suggests a common ancestor over 1000 years ago, that is before the advent of surnames. Lindsay Group 9, known as the Albermarle Lindseys, and Crawford Lineage II show a significant number of common marker values. The differences were not supportive of a 200 to 300 years separation from a common ancestor, but do suggested a common ancestor sometime before the advent of surnames. This raises the question as to who that common ancestor might have been, and the circumstances of the bifurcation of the lineage whereby one line of descent may have taken the Crawford surname and the other the Lindsay one.

Another one of our Crawford lineages (Lineage VI) shows significant similarities to one of the other Lindsay lineages, but the distance is too great to have

> occurred earlier than within the last 500 to 600 years and certainly way antedates the Patrick Lindsay infusion. At present we have no idea who that common ancestor might have been, nor even if the similarities are due to other than coincidence because of parallel or convergent evolution.

> Implementing the technique of identifying well-documented ancient lines, we begin to review the notable peerage publications and the registrations of arms in the Lyon Court to help us in the 9 identification of lines. However, we are still left with the problem of connecting living descendants with these lines. And finally, in most cases we still

have to locate living descendants.

Of particular interest to the surname is the identification of the closest living descendants of the senior line, otherwise known as the Chief's line, those who occupied the lands known as Auchinames near the town of Johnstone in Renfrewshire. We will use arms registrations to assist in documenting this line, which terminated during the last century in Canada. Also, we have obtained the registration records for the Auchinames lands from the public land records office in Scotland. We wanted a copy of the provenance, but so far have not been able to obtain it. The current occupants of the Auchinames Manor House informed us that any papers they might have were held by their lawyer. Thus, so far, our aim of obtaining the provenance for Auchenames has been frustrated. A further

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source would be earlier records that may be held in the Scottish National Archive, an option still to be explored. We were able to pay a visit to the estate and to establish a meaningful discussion with the current owners, the Burns family, but were unable to obtain the provenance. With this approach and anticipated information we hope to discover a descendancy that might permit us to find a living descendant of the Auchinames line, though our efforts in this regard have so far been frustrated.

#### **Uses and Misuses of Genealogy**

One phenomenon that has, maybe inevitably, grown out of the pressures to identify genealogies, is

the creation of fictional lineages. This is an especially acute problem when narcissistic gratification is sought in the ties to mythical ancestral figures and noble houses. Several of our own trace their descent from the early Crawford nobles, without firm documentary evidence. To avoid the proliferation of this practice, we are establishing clear criteria for the documentation of presented lineages, as we establish a Crawford lineage archive.

An extreme example of the creation of fictional lineages — which we found humorous when we discovered it — is the tracing on-line by Ancestry.com of lineages actually

back to Biblical times! Out of curiosity, we followed back the ascendants of a Virginia family that had shown some possibility of being related to the earliest identified ancestor of one of us. (In this case, also, DNA testing with a documented member of the line, has confirmed that we belong to different lineages, thus are not related at least in the male line.) We followed the Virginia ancestry back through all the Crawford ancestors, including a supposed progenitor of the noble house of Crawford, identified as a son of an earl of Richmond (a lineage, likely fictitious, put forth in the 18th Century [Anderson, 1863; Pomeroy, 19121]),

through various European kings and nobles.

1 Pomeroy based his conclusions (in view of below, appears to have been plagiarized) on similarities between "the Arms of Stephen, 3rd Earl of Richmond (gules a bend ermine) and the Coat of the Craufurds" from an "illuminated manuscript at the British Museum, in the Cotton Collection", and "other corroborative circumstances" [which he does not describe]. Neither does he cite his source. I subsequently have found that William Anderson in his *A Scottish Nation* (1863) puts forth this same thesis, only attributing origins to the 4th earl of Richmond. Anderson references *Burke's History of the Commoners*, Vol

II, as the source of his opinion. The conclusions were also based on armorial similarities. 10 -right back to Priam of Troy! My curiosity peaked even more when a couple of generations further back, we came across a king of Dardania (Dardanus) who was cited as having been born and died in Egypt (c1400 BC)! Going further, the line evolves through the various biblical patriarchs, until it reaches — you may have guessed it —Adam. Interestingly, the lineage continues beyond Adam through several alternate Adams of composite names, and at that point the pathway returns to Adam. Now, when one understands that Ancestry.com is a source of genealogical information for many Americans, this is of concern.

When theology influences genealogy, it pretty inevitably leads to false lineages. The connection to biblical figures would probably only be enticing for believers, but the middle levels of lineages, back through the middle ages to the early Christian centuries might readily draw in the inexperienced.

It is important to recognize that many societies historically have sanctioned the construction of false lineages. They served a social function. In some ways it is an extension of the common practice of using marriages for the purpose of fomenting political alliances.



Examples are the nomadic Beduin and the Australian aborigines who used false lineages to foment alliances. For the Beduin it was equivalent to adopting a lineage group into the tribe. For the Australian aborigines is provided an alliance that permitted groups to avoid physical conflict by defining each other as kin. In this sense, it was a search for a commonality that allowed for peaceful social intercourse in circumstances that would otherwise have dictated confrontation.

It must be recognized that the social forces that foster fictional lineages can be powerful. Thus caution

is urged. Here we would like to differentiate between Ancestry.com, which is a private business, from Family Search (www.FamilyServices.com), the genealogical service of The Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-day Saints, who maintain high standards of professionalism, thus avoid making claims of this nature, even though their theology would affirms the above formulation. Access to the Mormon library and database is free. They provide universal access as a public service since it is funded by charitable donations. Several research locations around the country provide for easy access to their resources, including having books sent

from the Salt Lake City facility for consultation in the local research centers.

Most genealogical databases do include errorridden homespun research. Even the US census has errors and holes that must be navigated with caution. The Mormon Genealogical Library provides an abundance of primary source documents from American and Europe, such as government and local church records. The strength of it lies in the mass of data they have compiled. Much, if not most of the basic data found in their archives can be accepted as accurate. They provide the major database for genealogical investigations in the US, and probably Canada. The data from the US Census, from immigration and other sources is monumental. However, the family trees are largely undocumented, and are submitted by individu-

als with no check on reliability.

Ancestry.com, a corporation, is an independent enterprise. However, the management is 11 Mormon in it's beliefs and the superimposed universal genealogical blueprint clearly reflects this. Thus though providing an extensive database, considerable good judgment must be used in utilizing their services. They claim they are entering some one million bits of information daily. This is impressive. Thus, if one uses common sense, what they provide on-line can greatly facilitate genealogical research, especially initial efforts. They

now tie into European archives and records which is of tremendous assistance in tracing genealogical lines back to the British Isles and the Continent.

The Mormon (officially known as The Church of the Latter-day Saints) genealogical records are the largest collection of documents related to genealogy in the U. S. The Library of the Daughters of the American Revolution, in Washington DC, is also a basic source of genealogical data. Their archive is extensive, considered the third largest in the US. The second largest is the National Archives. Many state and county archives also hold sizable records, especially land and vital reg-

istries. So there are currently many excellent sources.

Less easy to access, but providing much interesting information and a glimpse into the life of the times, are church records, including minutes of meetings. We were quite amused by admonishment of our own ancestors in minutes from meetings (1804, 1805 & 1807) of the membership of the Clear Fork Baptist Church in Kentucky, one for drunken behavior and the other for not attending church.

#### The Past in the Future

We'd like to end with a further anecdote, which provides a pertinent statement on the meaning of genealogy. Recently watching the Spielberg movie "Amistad," we were impressed by a brief conversa-

tion between the protagonist "Cinque," a captive of the African slave trade, and the former US President John Quincy Adams. The Amistad trials of 1839-40 were instrumental in energizing what was then a fledgling abolitionist movement. This amazing story of revolt and self-affirmation has a place in the history of fights for freedom. We would place it alongside a quote we Crawfords are more acquainted with, that of our ancestor Sir Reginald Crawford who is said to have inspired his then very young nephew William Wallace with the statement: Dico tibi verum, libertas optima

rerum: Nunquam Sanville sub nexu vivito, fili. Freedom is best, I tell you true, of all things to be won: Then never live within the bond of slavery, my son.

Wallace, being under the influence of his uncle Reginald Crawford, Sheriff of Ayrshire, for many years after the death of his father is said to have frequently repeated this phrase as Protector of Scotland and leader in the fight for freedom (Fergusson, 1995: 8-9). This statement captures the soul of the Scottish cause of freedom, a legacy previously addressed in this paper, which was very influential in the development of

the American concept of liberty, and the principles of 12 democracy. This statement actually was probably the creation of Blind Harry, the popular Scottish minstrel who first provided an integrated though novelized version of the life of Wallace (c. 1490). What is undisputed, is that Wallace's mother was a Crawford, as was the progenitris of the line of the Earls of Crawford. Returning to the conversation between John Quincy Adams and Cinque. It was held a few evenings before the Supreme Court hearing of the Amistad case. They were preparing for their appearance before the US Supreme Court. In some ways, it is a dialogue of the deaf, since each is on a very different

wavelength, with contrasting conceptualizations of what inspires them in the defense of their common cause.

John Quincy Adams affirms: "The task ahead of us is an exceptionally difficult one...."

Cinque responds: "We won't be going in there alone."

John Quincy Adams interjects: "... Yes, we have 'right' at our side. We have righteousness on our side."

Cinque then continues: "I meant my ancestors. I will call into the past — far back to the beginning of

time, and beg them to come and help me at the judgment [referring to the upcoming Supreme Court trial]. I will reach back and draw them into me. And they must come for at this moment I am the whole reason they have existed at all."

A rather unique perspective! This is likewise a fictitious dialogue created by a screen writer — but through this scene we encounter a meeting of the Scottish ideal of freedom with the African ideal of personal identity as evolving from the ancestors.

This articulate statement captures the essence of the energy that knowing our past can infuse into us. It consolidates an image of ourselves as someone with a heritage that goes back to the dawn of history, and beyond, into prehistory. DNA provides the physical evidence of the route

of our evolution. This is, I think, the magic and the meaning of searching for ones ancestry. This motivation is particularly meaningful when our very beings are challenged, when our identity is diffused by too much mobility and by ruptures in the continuity of family life

#### Myth vs. Fact

It is important, however, to differentiate myth from fact. Myths inspire, thus the ancient Crawford motto is a source of pride. Tutum Te Robore Reddam: In my/our strength you will find safety. This is a protective motto, equally relevant today as in the past Continued on page 28

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when it was first used by our ancestor Gregan Crawford. Sir Gregan (in 1127) is reported to have intervened to save King David I from being gored by a stag. This act led the grateful ruler to found the Abbey of Holyrood, a well known event in Scottish history. Sir Gregan and the Crawfords in perpetuity 13 were granted a crest

with a stag head in the center and the above motto. Even today the crest is that of the Crawford Clan, and by right can be used by all those bearing that surname.

However, what contributes to the development of identity is a knowledge of the facts, both the positive and the negative. Thus accuracy is important in genealogical research. Whether one is descended of nobles or peasants, tracing ones ancestry and the route of ones family's migration gives one a perspective on life and community that is very meaningful to the sense of self.

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## Canadian Crawford Vet home safely

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I am a retired Ontario Provincial Police Officer. Our youngest son Shawn is a vet having some 26 years in the Canadian Military. He returned from his second tour in Afghanistan where he served on the front lines with the Strathcona Horse Guards and was with the tank corp. They were visited by the Primeminister while at the front.

Shawn Crawford (4th from left) with Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper in Afghanistan

Primeminister Stephen Harper has the blue shirt on and our son Warrant Officer Shawn Allan Crawford is the second soldier to his right. This is the group he was in charge of when he was at the front in Afghanistan. He returned last September. He was initially posted to Edmonton, Alberta but was posted to Kingston, Ontario in February. He bought a new home and is moving his family there as I write.

Needless to say we are very happy that they are moving back to Ontario. Shawn has been assigned a teaching position, and I expect he will remain there until his retirement within the next couple of years.

As you can see the Crawfords still have their share of Warriors.

# Thank you!

The wonderful medieval clip art used in Joanne Crawford's article preceding pages...was from a very useful and original web site

historymedren.about.com/library

/weekly/aa061898

### Religions: The when, where & how?

When were and how did the present day major religions form?

- Judaism was in the Middle East in approximately 2300 B.C. and was founded by Abraham.
- The Islamic religion was founded by Mohammed around 600 C.E. in Saudi Arabia.
- The Hindu religion was founded in 1500 B.C. in India.
- The Buddhist's were also founded in India in 500 B.C. by Prince Siddhartha Gautama and it was a split from Hinduism.
- The Roman Catholic religion was formed by Jesus Christ in the Middle East at about 33 C.E.
- The Eastern Orthodox Church was formed about 1000 C.E. and was a split from the Roman Catholic Church.
- The Lutheran Church was founded by Martin Luther in 1517 in Germany.
- The Church of England was formed in England in 1534 by King Henry VIII.
- The Congregationalist church was also formed in England in the 1660s C.E. Congregationalism is a

split from Purtitanism.

- The Methodist religion was founded by John and Charles Wesley in 1744 C.E. also in England.
- The Salvation Army was founded by William Booth in London, England in 1865 C.E.
- The Presbyterian religion was found in Scotland by John Knox who was spreading the teaching of John Calvin in 1560.
- John Smyth form Amsterdam, Holland founded the Baptist religion in 1607.
- The Episcopalian religion was founded in England and the Colonies in 1798 by Samuel Seabury.
- Joseph Smith founded the Latter Day Saints, also known as Mormons, in Palmyra, New York in 1830.
- The Christian Scientist Church was founded in the United States in 1879 by Mary Baker Eddy.
- Charles Taze Russell founded the Jehovah's Witness in Pennsylvania in the 1870s.
- And the in the United States the Pentecostal religion began in 1901.

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### A few Scottish trades/occupations

Here are a few old names for Scottish trades/occupations:

- $\sqrt{\text{collier}}$  coal miner, coal merchant, or one who works on coal barges
- $\sqrt{}$  couper one who buys and sells; could also be cooper or cuper a barrel maker
- $\sqrt{\text{cutler} \text{knife seller or sharpener}}$
- √ fermourer farmer
- √ litster dyer
- √ maltman brewer
- $\sqrt{\text{scheirsmyth}}$  shearsmith: maker of shears or scissors
- √ wobster weaver

Also, I have sometimes see whitesmith (tinsmith) written as whiteironsmith or whyteironsmith Thanks to Loretta Layman, 20 Persimmon Trail, Carroll Valley, PA.

## Did you know?

True or false? The New York Yankees baseball team were originally known as the Highlanders. Answer: True. Hilltop Park, their first stadium, was built on one of *Manhattan's* highest points. Thanks to *The Palmetto and Thistle*, PO Box 3325, Melbourne, FL 32902-3325.

### Eleven days that disappeared

In 1752, everyone in the British Empire (including the colonies that would soon become the United States) went to bed on September 2nd and woke up on September 14th. September 2, 1752 was the day the British government set to change the calendar that had been wrong since the time of Julius Caesar.

In 46 B.C., Caesar's chief astronomer determined that there were exactly 365 1/4 days each year. Caesar then devised a calendar of 12 months totaling 365 days and, to take care of the 1/4 day, he invented the leap year which added an extra day every four years. The problem was that the earth does not take exactly 365.25 days to orbit the sun but rather

365.2422 days. After several centuries, the calendar was seriously out of whack. Pope Gregory XIII devised a correction in 1582 that solved the problem for most Catholic countries, but the British refused to adopt the Gregorian calendar for another 170 years by which time the deviation amounted to 11 days.

Those 11 days vanished when the British Calendar Act decreed that September 2, 1752 would be followed by September 14, 1752. It appears there was rioting in the streets by those who felt they had been cheated of 11 days. But the earth continued orbiting around the sun just the same.

Happy New Year!

DUNCAN MUNROE, born in Scotland, May 1786, died in Talladega County, Alabama April 1855. I'm searching for DUNCAN MUNROE'S parents and/or siblings. Contact DeAnn Monroe Steely, 1405 Southwood Drive, Huntsville, TX 77340. dsteely@yahoo.com.

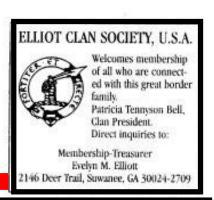
Seek birthplace of MALCOM MORRISON b. 1772 Scotland, d. 1852 Alabama. Was he born on the Isle of Skye? Was his father NORMAN MORRISON? Ms. Claire Dixon, 120 Oakridge Dr., Warner Robins, GA 31093-2143.

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David Dobson 1986)?? Dobson States he was naturalized 20 September 1813 Richmond Co.

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