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Rare Shakespeare book found hidden in Isle of Bute library

A copy of Shakespeare's *First Folio* - a book containing 36 of his plays published seven years after his death - has been discovered at a stately home on a Scottish Island. The book, which has languished in the library of Mount Stuart House on the Isle of Bute for more than 100 years, was confirmed as genuine by Emma Smith, Professor of Shakespeare Studies at Oxford University.

Published in 1623, the *First Folio* brought together the majority of Shakespeare's plays and without it there would be no copies of more than half of them, including *Macbeth* and *The Tempest*.

The confirmation brings the total known number of copies to 234 ahead of the 400th anniversary of the playwright's death on 23 April.

Mount Stuart House's copy belonged to Isaac Reed, a well-connected literary editor working in London in the 18th century, Prof Smith said.

A letter from Reed shows that he acquired the *Folio* in 1786 and further records indicate it was sold after Reed's death in 1807 to a "JW" for £38.

After this sale there are no public records of the *Folio* and it was not included in Sidney Lee's 1906 census of First Folios.

It was at some point between these two dates that



Mount Stuart House

acquired the *Folio* because it is mentioned in a catalogue of the Bute library in 1896.

The Mount Stuart edition is unusual because it was bound in three volumes with many blank pages which would have been used for illustrations.

Prof Smith said: "When we think of Shakespeare we usually think of his plays being performed on stage. But the written word and the *First Folio* is central to our understanding of Shakespeare."

The discovery will form the focal point for a new education programme and go on display from at Mount Stuart House as part of an exhibition that will run from now until 30 October.

Head of collections at Mount Stuart House, Alice Martin, said: "In terms of literary discoveries, they do not come much bigger than a new *First Folio*, and we are really excited this has happened on Bute."

Read more: http://www.scotsman.com/news/rare-shakespeare-book-found-hidden-in-isle-of-bute-library-1-4093199#ixzz45GWdb3OQ

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May 21 is National Armed Forces Day



Clan Grant is not just a historical society, it is a *living* clan whose members consider themselves extended family and kin and who keep their heritage alive through participation in many gatherings and events around the country. Your ancestors are calling you, honor them by joining the society today!

Membership in the Society is open to any person who is lineally descended from the surname "Grant", a recognized Clan Grant sept name, or anyone who is generally interested in or in sympathy with the purposes of the Clan Grant Society.

Membership includes the Quarterly newsletter, "Craigellachie", via email or regular mail. It is also available in the Members Only section of the website.

Visit our WEB page at http://www.clangrant-us.org or like us on Facebook at

https://www.facebook.com/clangrantusa/

Stand Fast, Craigellachie!

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





Henry Faulds was a Scot and a pioneer of the identification of people through



Henry Faulds was a Scottish doctor and missionary and a pioneer of the identification of people through their fingerprints.

Faulds was born on 1 June 1843 in Beith, North Ayrshire. He went to work in Glasgow as a clerk, and then decided to study medicine. He became a missionary and in 1873 he was sent to Japan where he founded and then became the surgeon superintendent of Tuskiji Hospital in Tokyo. He became fluent in Japanese, taught at the local university and was also responsible for founding the Tokyo Institute for the Blind.

In the late 1870s, Faulds became involved in archaeological digs in Japan and noticed on shards of ancient pottery the fingerprints of those who had made them. He began to study modern fingerprints and wrote to Charles Darwin with his ideas. Darwin forwarded them to a relation, Francis Galton. In 1880, Faulds published a paper in Nature magazine on fingerprints, observing that they could be used to catch criminals and suggesting how this could be done. Shortly afterwards Sir

William Herschel, a British civil servant working in India, published a letter in *Nature*, where he explained that he had been using fingerprints as a method of signature.

In 1886, Faulds returned to Britain and offered his fingerprinting system to Scotland Yard, who declined the offer. Two years later, however, Galton delivered a paper to the Royal Institution, stating that Herschel had suggested forensic usage before Faulds, under the erroneous impression that his article had been the earlier of the two. This prompted a battle of letters between Faulds and Herschel that would continue until 1917, when Herschel conceded that Faulds had been the first to suggest a forensic use for fingerprints.

After his return from Japan, Faulds worked in London and then as a police surgeon in Staffordshire. He died in March 1930, bitter at the lack of recognition he had received for his work.

With thanks to the Turnbull Clan Association for this idea!

The Clan Leslie Society, International has a brand new website!

You're invited to a look at our beautiful new CLSI website:

http://www.clanlesliesociety.org/

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Glasgow Highland Games

Glasgow, Kentucky

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2016 Games set for Friday, June 3rd - Sunday, June 5th



Winners of the 3 (or more) Generations Award in red shirts top and bottom right. Most deservedly, Clan MacNicol won this award for bringing FIVE generations to our games. They are showing the numbers of years they have attended Glasgow Highland Games. We hope their smiles mean they will be with us for many more years to come. Bring your own Three Generations to the Glasgow Highland Games!

2016 Honored Society, Highland Rim Scottish Society from Tullahoma, Tennessee. 2016 Honored Scottish Clan, Clan MacNicol Society



The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet has a service called the Safe Patrol. If you are on an interstate or parkway and need assistance with your car, they can provide gas, oil, air for flat tires, jump batteries and other minor repairs free of charge. The telephone number to call is 1-877-367-5982. This is a good number to put in your cell phone. Below is the website that details what they provide. Visit: http://www.transportation.ky.gov

The Kentucky Tourism Council has selected the Glasgow Highland Games as a "Top Ten" Festival Event for the summer.

Absolutely No Pets - No Refunds - No Provisions available for Pets



The Clan Leslie Society will be the Featured Clan at the Fergus Scottish Festival and Highland Games, where they will also hold their International Biennial Gathering.

Our Chief, The Honourable Alexander Leslie and Miranda Leslie, will be travelling from Scotland to celebrate with us.

The Occasion: 2016 Clan Leslie Society International Biennial Gathering.

Where: The 7th Fergus Scottish Festival and Highland Games, Fergus, Ontario, Canada

Host Hotel: Holiday Inn, 601 Scottsdale Dr., Guelph, Ontario, Canada.

When: Friday August 12 to Sunday August 14,2016.

Our Host Hotel: Holiday Inn & Conference Cen-

tre, 601 Scottsdale Dr., Guelph, Ontario, Canada, N1G3E7. <www.higuelph.ca>

Phone: 519-836-0231 Toll Free: 877-660-8550.

This hotel is a 25 minute drive from the Fergus Highland Games and has all the accommodations and facilities necessary for the 2016 Clan Leslie Gathering. We have made arrangements with the hotel for a block of 30 rooms for three nights, Thursday August 11 to Saturday, August 13, 2016, departing August 14th.

Depending on availability, the rooms will be made available for three days prior and three days after the event.

CALLING CLAN LESLIE. WE ARE GATHERING!



Reservations must be made by contacting the Holiday Inn using the contact information shown previously and using the group code CLN. Rooms in this block will only be held until July 11, 2016.



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prizes!



HES SIDDO

Drawing will be held the end of October 2016 - You need not be present to win Winners will be notified by telephone, mail or e-mail if available



Space Travelling (Scotch) Whisky

Bill Armstrong, ed from Scottish Life, Winter 2015 In 2011, several vials containing newly distilled Ardbeg (distillery) spirits and oak shards from Ardbeg casks were sent into space.

A barrier separated the spirits and the oak shards until they were in orbit.

They were flown to the International Space Station's U.S. National Laboratory. The barriers were removed on orbit and the vials remained on very low gravity orbit for three years maturation. They were then returned to earth for evaluation.

A second set of identical samples remained on earth as control samples.

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Lady Fiona Armstrong MacGregor appointed Lord Lieutenant of Dumfriesshire.

Fiona stated: "It's a huge honour to be representing the Queen here in the Scottish borderlands. It is very trusting to give the descendant of a Border Reiver such a responsible role! Seriously, as Lord Lieutenant, I will be the Queen's personal representative in Dumfriesshire.

It means that I will help with organising royal visits to the area, and will greet visiting members of the royal family when they arrive. It also means taking messages of congratulation, such as a 60th marriage anniversary card, or a 100th birthday card to people.

It involves being present at military funerals, if a member of the royal family cannot attend. There will be citizenship ceremonies to attend, folks who have been granted British citizenship. And there will be medals to give out for services to the community."

Fiona has around a dozen Deputy Lieutenants who will help with official occasions.

Congratulations Fiona!!

With thanks to the Clan Armstrong Society publication, *The Armstrong Chronicles*. <www.armstrong.org>

It's coming! The 2016 Clan Armstrong Trust Gathering in Langholm, Dumfriesshire, Scotland

From the Clan Armstrong Trust, by Frank Wherrett

The Clan Armstrong Trust Gathering 2016 will be held in Langholm, Dumfriesshire, over the weekend of Friday 5th – Sunday 7th August, 2016.



We hope that as many members as possible, from across the UK and from overseas, will want to take part and to meet up with other members of the Armstrong family.

An exciting program of events is already being put together and further details will continue to be announced in editions of our email newsletter, *Have You Heard*, as well as on the website.

The weekend will start with a reception on Friday evening, to be held in a local hotel.

On Saturday we have a real treat in store for our Gatherers. We'll be touring the "new" Annandale Distillery, some 20 miles from Langholm. We say "new" because in fact the Annandale Distillery was originally established in 1836, and is thus one of the oldest operational distilleries in Scotland, pre-dating Glenfiddich by 50 years. However, it ceased pro-

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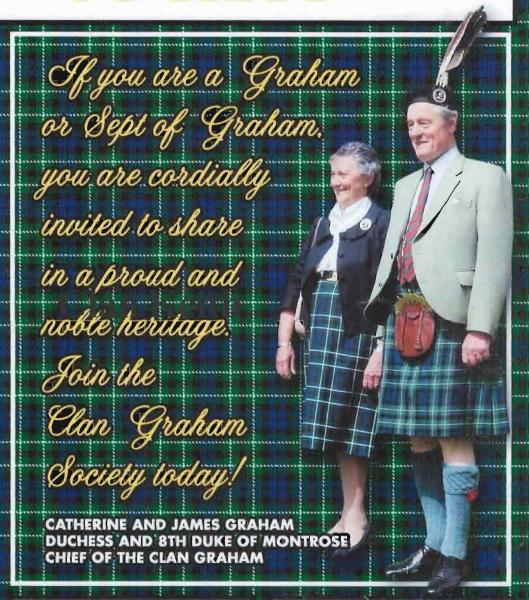


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duction as a former 'Johnnie Walker' distillery in 1918. Now, thanks to the vision and enthusiasm of a determined business team, it will have been officially re-opened on 10th September 2015 by HRH The Princess Royal.

Fine Single Malt Scotch whisky will once again be flowing from this corner of Dumfries & Galloway. The Distillery has a coffee shop, where a light lunch can be enjoyed.

From Annan we shall be going on to Caerlaverock Castle, which has been described by the Trust Archivist, Ian Martin, as "Breathtaking, The most stunning castle in Scotland!" This formidable medieval fortress was, for 400 years, the stronghold of the Maxwell Clan, and played its part in the turbulent history of this part of Scotland, including being besieged in July 1300 by King Edward I of England in person.

We shall be very fortunate that Ian will be on hand himself to give a commentary for our visit to Caerlaverock.

The formal Gathering Dinner will be held on Saturday evening in Langholm's Eskdale Hotel. The Trust has enjoyed the excellent hospitality of the Eskdale in the past and we know that the food and drink will once again be of the very highest standards. No doubt a witty speech or two will also enhance the evening.

There will be other events taking place over the weekend, including a General Meeting for Trust members, and we hope for a talk by Dr. Ken MacTaggart, a leading authority on the Apollo lunar explorations and editor of the Apollo 11 Flight Journal. Neil Armstrong commanded the Apollo 11 for his historic walk on the Moon.

As stated above, more details, including prices and booking arrangements, will follow on the website. Members who are already certain that they'd like to be present at the Gathering are encouraged to notify the Trust Secretary, Frank Wherrett, as soon as possible, on <frank.wherrett1@talktalk.net>.

As you will all appreciate, it will make our planning so much easier if we have an early indication of likely numbers.

The official Gathering program will run from August 5th to 7th, but if any visitors from far afield would wish to stay in the area for longer, please let us know, together with anything you'd particularly like to do or anywhere you'd like to go.



Space travelling whisky, continued from page 7 through gas chromatographical analysis, high pressure liquid chromatographical analyses, and gas chromatography-mass spectrometry analyses. (Sorry about these long terms; the real test follows-ed.) They were also tast tested by humans!

The overall intent of the experiment was to examine the effect of micro-gravity on terpenes, which are the building blocks of flavor and found in all foods.

The result of both human and chemical analyses was that the color developed in space was much more intense and had less wood extractives than the earth based control samples. The space samples had developed a whole new range of flavor characters. The full Ardbeg paper can be found at <www.ardbeg.com/ ardbeg/the-results>.

CHEERS Y'ALL!

An exquisitely beautiful lady from the past...

This is Vivian Virginia Lyon, circa 1920, from the pages of The Lyon's Tale, concerning the family name of Lyon/Lyons.

Visit: http://www.lyon- lyons-genealogy.org/>



Clan MacCord Society

Invites for membership all spelling variations and descendants of McCord (a)(e)(y).

Also McCourt, McChord, McCoard, Cord(e), McCart, McCort, Cort(e)(s) and Flynn, McFettridge and Kane.

Harlan D. McCord

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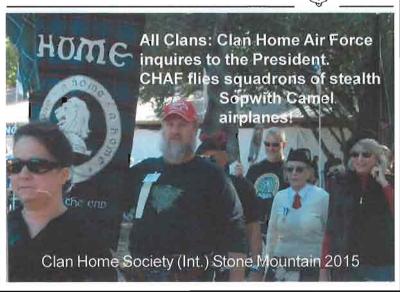
Clan Home Society (International)

Cordially invites membership inquiries from all HOME, HUME & Allied Families.

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From the Scottish Tartans Museum, Franklin, Korth Carolina

WORDS FROM OUR PAST - WALTER J. TAYLOR -

former Board of Trustees member and dedicated volunteer from the beginning days of the museum.

We continue to listen and learn from the past and the great folks who have made the Scottish Tartans Museum what it is to-day. Even though this was written in 1997 it applies to us today. Thank you Walter!



Personal Recollections by Walter J. Taylor

Taken from publication of TARTANS Commemorative Issue 1997

For the Scots, in their long history, the road has often been rocky, abounding with pitfalls, but their courage, perseverance, and tenacity have enable them to prevail resulting in the modern, vibrant nation of Scotland. The same can be said of the Scots in America

from their perilous beginnings on the American frontier down to the present. No people have contributed more than the Scots to the molding of the United States into the great nation it is to-day.

To one who has played a minor but richly rewarding role in the affairs of the American Scottish Tartans Museum since its inception

in Highlands in 1988, it should not have been surprising that things would not always go as smoothly as I would like.

I should have remembered what I had been taught; anything worth-while does not come easy.

That certainly applies to the Museum.

Fortunately for the many who have labored so diligently to create and sustain what has been officially designated a cultural treasure and recognized by HMS The Prince of Wales, those Scottish qualities alluded to came to the fore resulting in an attraction that any city or town would be proud to have.

As a tour guide I have conducted hundreds of people through the Museum and their comments have been overwhelmingly and often enthusiastically positive, not one negative. The number of repeat visitors has

been steadily increasing. Some, after learning of their rich heritage, have "adopted" the Museum as something of a spiritual home.

Much emphasis has been placed on children. Programs at schools, tours by school children, etc., have in effect made us an arm of the local school system. Kids make wonder-

tem. Kids make wonderful missionaries. They are exuberant and enthusiastic and can't wait to spread the message of this fascinating place they have visited.

Several months ago, I wrote to the Scottish Charities Board expressing my opinion that Scotland has exported many fine products but none more so than the Tartans Museum. Since then my opinion has only been re-enforced.

The corner has been turned and the future appears bright for the Museum. However, in the tradition of the Scots, the road will not always be smooth. This is to be expected and no cause for alarm.







of Clan Macfie

Ceud Mile Failte! 100,000 Welcomes!

Annual General Meeting held each year in July at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games. You are always welcome to attend.



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MacDuffee Clan Society of America



Celts Exhibition is a joint event with Society of Antiquaries of London/Edinburgh & set for 16th June

16th June 11.00 am is the date and time of this major National Museum of Scotland exhibition, organised in partnership with the British Museum, unravels the complex story of the different groups who have used or been given the name "Celts" through the extraordinary art objects they made and used. Join Dr Fraser Hunter for an introductory talk about the artefacts before touring the exhibition yourself.

This is a joint event with the Society of Antiquaries of London and Fellows of both Societies have reduced price entry to the exhibition. Call 0131 247 4133. The venu is: Auditorium National Museum Scotland (use Lothian Street doors) Chambers Street, Edinburgh, EH1 1JF United Kingdom





http://hopevereheritagetours.com/

The Dandridge, TN
Scots-Irish Festival is back on!

It is set for September 2016



If you have the name "Buchanan" in your family or any of the allied family/sept names below, you are invited to join your cousins and Buchanan kin. Just send an email for a membership form and/or information to

http://www.theclanbuchanan.com/html/contact.html



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





You're welcome to email the president Eric Bullard, goatherd@gmail.com

The Scotland Adventure Continues

Dr. Pete Hylton, Ed.D., Fellow of the Institution of Engineering and Technology, Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, Fulbright Scholar. 317-274-7192 and phylton@iupui.edu

The Scotland Adventure Continues

Those of you who received the newsletters sent out during my Fulbright Visiting Scholar Exchange, that sent us to the UK for eight months in 2015, will know how much we enjoyed our adventure, and how sad we were to leave the UK and return to Indiana. You will therefore not be surprised that when North Highland College (NHC) of the University of Highlands and Islands (UHI) in Scotland invited me to become their Curriculum Leader for Mechanical Engineering, developing a brand new engineering program, it was an easy choice to make. The only hard part was getting a visa. However, that was finally accomplished and on 7 March 2016 we returned to the UK, collected items we left behind in a storage unit in Lancaster last year, and headed north to our new home in Thurso, Caithness, Scotland.

less than Indiana. The terrain looks a lot like Wyoming, or eastern Montana. The cities are small, the residents are very friendly and welcoming, and the pace is much reduced. It sounds like the perfect place for folks our age to find a way to slow down from the hectic pace that we have been living for the past decade. I am still teaching for IUPUI on-line while on a leave of absence, but my main focus will be developing new classes for NHC/UHI. We are still trying to believe it has all come together, and we are excited at the chance to live in Scotland.

Wendy will be returning to Indiana to close on the sale of our Indiana house and try to sell our Bed & Breakfast and will return once things back in the USA are resolved. Meanwhile I am to get started in this new job, scope out long-term housing, make friends, check out pubs, etc. Tough job, but somebody has to do it. For the present, a small house in Thurso has been rented, as seen below.



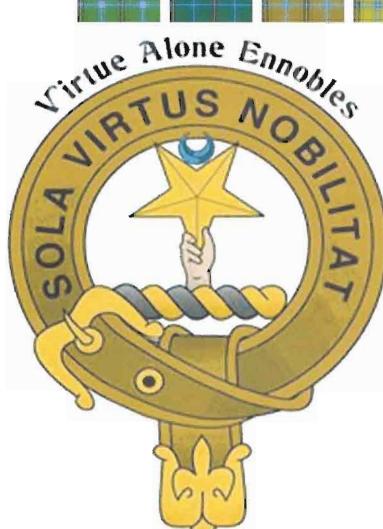
Thurso is at the very tip-top of the big island. It is actually further north than Anchorage, Alaska, but is far warmer than Indiana during winter. The trade winds and currents keep Thruso warm enough that the ground never freezes in winter. On the other hand, the highs in summer are only in the 70's. So the temperature swing is much



What fun! Thank you both for sharing!

From our front yard (in which Wendy is already planting flowers), you can look two blocks





An Cirean Ceann Cinnidh King of the Picts and down

MOTTO: Sola Virtus Nobilitat (Virtue Alone Enobles)

WAR CRY: "The Henderson's Are Here!"

Clan Henderson

The sons of Henry
(MacEanruig) are a family
as old as any clan in the
Highlands. In modern times,
Clan Henderson traces
lineage through the Chief of
the Name and Arms of
Henderson, Alistair of
Fordell. However, in times
more distant Henderson's
can claim descent from a
King of the Picts and down
through five unique

bloodlines evolving from the regions of Caithness, Fordell, Glencoe, Shetlands/Liddesdale and Ulster. Henderson's from the Glencoe region have strong ties to the MacDonald Clan and were renowned as pipers and bodyguards to the Chief (MacIan). Henderson's from the Caithness region have ties to the Clan Gunn.

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Website: http://www.clanhendersonsociety.org

down the street and see the ocean (actually the Pentland Firth)





and across the way on a clear day you can see the islands of Orkney.

The hardy souls of Scotland are already practicing for April's Scottish Surfing Championships held here in Thurso.



We made friends with several neighbors within the first weekend, and found a very active Church of Scotland congregation that was warm

and welcoming. The church building has a brand new interior which has been constructed within the original stone structure that dates back over 200 years.



During holy week they have services every evening, some of which are in partnership with two of the other churches in town, the United Reformed Church



and St. Peter and the Holy Rood Episcopal Church,



Clan Oavidson Society USA



Davidson Clansmen dominate the Parade of Tartans at the International Gathering of Clan Davidson sponsored by the Clan Davidson Society USA. The event was held June, 2011, in conjunction with the Kansas City Highland Games.



Is your name listed here? If so, then you may be interested in membership in the Clan Davidson Society USA!

Davey	Davisson	Dea	Dee	Dhai	Keay	MacDade	MacDavid
Davie	Davy	Dean	Desson	Dow	Key	MacDagnie	MacDavitt
Davidson	Daw	Deane	Devette	Dye	Keys	MacDagny	MacDhai
Davis	Dawson	Deas	Dewis	Dyson	Keys	MacDaid	MacKay
Davison	Day	Deason	Dey	Kay	MacAdie	MacDavett	McKeddie

The Clan Davidson Society USA is an all-volunteer, not-for-profit corporation recognized by the US IRS as a 501 c (3) Educational and Charitable organization. We are dedicated to the preservation of our rich Scottish and Clan Heritage. CDA-USA publishes an award-winning, electronic, full color newsmagazine of 40 to 60 pages twice a year, packed with informative articles and photos of interest both to Davidson Clansmen as well as anyone interested in the history and culture of Scotland.

The Society's On-Staff Genealogist is the Founder of the Davidson/Davison DNA Project and is available at no charge to assist the membership with their own genealogical excavations.

For more information, check out our website at [www.clandavidsonusa.com] or contact the Society's Membership Registrar at [sennachie@earthlink.net].



which also does Evensong services on selected weekends. We became quite fond of Evensong service while in England last year.

We have investigated the local Accordion and Fiddle Clubs. There is one in Thruso and another in neighboring Wick. Each of them has a monthly meeting with a guest performer as well as performance by local musicians. The first meeting that we made it to had a wide range of musicians, and again we were warmly welcomed. I also hope to connect with the local Masonic Lodges, like I did last year in Lancaster. The local lodge looks like a castle.



Speaking of Lancaster, while passing through to pick up our stuff from storage, I attended a monthly meeting of Lancaster City Lodge and Wendy joined for the Festive Board dinner and St. Patricks Day musical entertainment.

Everyone assumed that I would have to give up my motorsports activities when I came here. However, through the university I was invited to become involved in the STEM outreach program associated with the Bloodhound SSC project. Bloodhound aims to break the world land speed record (WLSR) of 763 mph using a vehicle which is propelled by an afterburning jet engine to reach 500 mph and then fires a hybrid fuel rocket to accelerate to world record speed. The UK government sees this project as a mechanism to attract young people to Science, Technology and Engineering careers. I think it is a great tool to do just that, and I am thrilled to get the opportunity to participate.



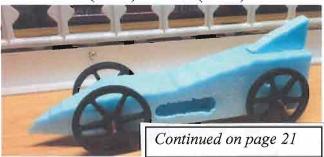
The Bloodhound STEM orientation occurred at an historic site, the Cameron Barracks, constructed by the Royal Engineers in 1876. The barracks were the home of the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders. During the First World War, they were used to process volunteer recruits. returning wounded, and demobilizing soldiers.



We learned how to conduct a STEM program for kids that involved turning a block of foam into a mini WLSR car and launching it down the parking lot using a model rocket engine.



before (above) and after (below)





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 United States Federal Income Taxes. 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 corner of this page. Our motto "Semper Invictus" 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 all 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, Grosiers 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 two 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 peter.armstrong1.3@gmail.com or download from http://www.armstrong.org/membership.htm. Note: "spouse" on the application includes: spouse, domestic partner or any other adult living at the same address.

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Kids from schools can compete within their class, or move up to more sophisticated nation-wide categories for under 16, over 16, and "unlimited." The current record is 533 mph for the unlimited class. These are NOT toys.

Good Friday was a university holiday, so I had the day to myself. When I awoke at 6:30 to stunning sunshine coming though my window, I jumped out of bed to take advantage of it. A quick drive to the coast between Wick and John O' Groats resulted in a great four hours before the weather moved in again. The next 11 pictures were all taken during that four hours. Caithness is so packed with scenic coastline, castles, cottages and cairns, that you stumble across them everywhere.









Kiess Castle, built around 1600 by the Earl of Caithness, is now a ruin, starkly hanging to the edge of the cliff overlooking the ocean. After the castle photos you will see a type of crofter cottage, literally built into the ground so as to survive the ferocious Caithness winds on this Oceanside cliff.



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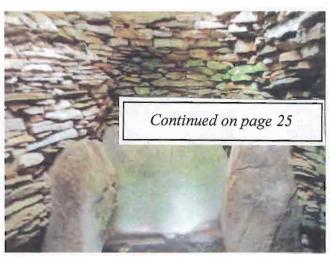




Caithness has more neolithic cairns, brochs and standing stones than any other part of Britain. Cairns were built roughly 5000 years ago and are believed to have been used as burial chambers and sites of worship. The one shown here, part of the Camster Cairns, is much larger than the norm. The doors that you see in the photo have iron gates, but the gates can be opened and I was able to enter the smaller one and crawl down the passage way to the interior camber without waking any Pictish ghosts.







The next picture is of Nybster Broch, dating back to 1000 BC. A broch was a neolithinc village, built from stone as one large structure. Given the



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wind and weather in this area, having the entire village in one structure kept you from having to go out into the elements. The channels cut in the ground in the picture are excavated hallways connecting the internal rooms. Most of the walls are gone, but you can get a feel for the size of the structure. The monument in the background dates from the 1700s when a local land owner decided to add his own touch to the site.



If any of you still wonder why we made the move to Caithness, check out this website which shows pictures from all 13 campuses which make up the University of the Highlands and Islands. http://www.buzzfeed.com/mocko500/25-reasons-why-the-university-of-the-highlands-and-1xw40

I will be regularly working with five of these campuses, in Thurso, Inverness, Perth, Elgin, and Stornaway. The next website shows a drive through Caithness, typical of what I will have to make to reach those campuses.

http://www.scotlandnow.dailyrecord.co.uk/lifestyle/ video-take-virtual-drive-through-5345362

If you still don't understand......then there is probably no explaining it to you. The Scottish Highlands is simply not like anyplace else.



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Council members of The Clan Forrester Society wish to express their sympathy to the following families upon the loss of their loved ones:

To the family of **Mr. Archie C. Burnham** who passed away on last July 15.

Mr. Burnham was the brother of council member, Laura Forrester.

He served in the Georgia Department of Transportation until his retirement in 1988.

He then established a professional consulting firm which provided traffic and safety consultation for over twenty-five years.

A faithful Christian, Mr. Burnham produced over 100 radio lessons, compiled a comprehensive Bible study guide and established Chisholm Ministries.

A very heartfelt, but, belated acknowledgement to Marcille Wallis on the death of her husband, **Greg McGrath**, business manager of Celtic Heritage Productions.

To the family and friends of

Joe A. Corrier, who passed away this past February 8. He was the father of Mrs. Will Foster (Joanna).

Will and Joanna are faithful helpers in the Clan tent at the Loch Norman Scottish Highland Games.

Donna Sue Armstrong, longtime wife of Milton Armstrong, of Central Florida, died several months ago.

They are long time supporters of the Armstrong Clan Society and Patrons of the Central Florida Scottish Games.

They have been friends of your editor for many years. So sorry, Mr. Armstrong.

A sad note for last year's Stone Mountain Highland Games was the recent death of **Bill (William K.) Armstrong in** Indiana, father of annual Armstrong Clan Society tent host (Wm K) Kerry Armstrong and a few weeks later the death of Kerry's mother in law in South Carolina.

Steven Ray Hendrick, 63 of Glasgow, Kentucky, passed away Saturday, March 26, 2016 at Hosparus of Louisville. The Warren County native was a son



of the late Marshall and

Neil Thompson Hendrick.

He was a contractor and a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and Knights of Columbus.

He was the beloved husband of Maureen Frazer Hendrick; loving father of Derrick Hendrick (Tifany) and Jason Hendrick (Lisa) and caring grandfather to his five grandchildren, Cadence Hendrick,

Knox Hendrick, Dawson Hendrick, Taylor Hendrick, Adelyn Hendrick; one brother, Charles Hendrick (June); four sisters, Shirley Whitley, Delores Donoho (Ralph), Jane Rector (Charles), Brenda Rector (Wayne); several nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life service was held at Hardy & Son Funeral Home, Bowling Green Chapel.

Cremation was chosen

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Bryan Mulcahy, MLS

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