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## CHURCHILL

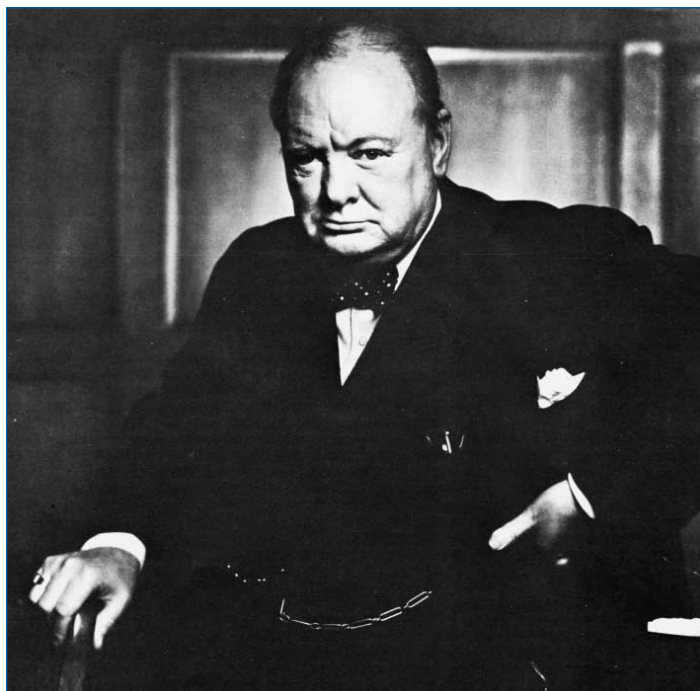
by Baxter Brown Watson  
St. Louis, MO

Sir Winston is descended from American Guthries. This linkage is established through his mother, Jennie Jerome Churchill, and her ancestors, John Guthrie and his wife, Abigail Coe, of early eighteenth century Connecticut Colony.

For at least sixty-nine years, many American Guthries have had access to this accomplished member of the Clan. Turn to page 592 of Clan Guthrie's treasured handbook, *American Guthries and Allied Families*; scan the page until your eyes spot a familiar name—Winston Leonard Churchill

For many Guthries this volume primarily has served to expand our understanding of our own ancestral and related families.

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Winston Leonard Spencer Churchill

## SACRAMENTO VALLEY SCOTTISH GAMES

by Jack Moore  
Concord, CA

Clan Guthrie was among the 40 clans represented at the 126th anniversary of the Sacramento Valley Scottish Games and Gathering in Woodland, CA. "The Friendly Games" as they are billed, were held April 27 and 28, 2002 at the Yolo County Fair Grounds in Woodland. The weather was mild and clear after a light shower on Friday night. Some wind on Saturday kept us scurrying for paper weights to put on the news letters and other handouts. Our tent location was adjacent to the solo pipers' competition area and we were entertained all morning by the skirl of the pipes.

The games have a great representation of vendors, Scottish games, food, drink and of course the bands and pipers. There were all kinds of competitions such as Fiddling, Drum Major, sheep herding and the like. Attendance for the event was excellent, but few Guthries were there.

Over 40 postcards had been sent out to people listed on the Clan membership as well as Guthries found in the telephone book. We were anticipating a good Guthrie turnout. However, by the time the opening ceremony parade began at noon on Saturday, we had not seen another Guthrie. My son Mike and I carried the banner in the parade and were feeling a bit lonely. But our spirits were lifted as we exited the parade ground and heard a cheer for "Guthries." Seated on the grass right next to the exit was Ruth Guthrie and her son from Southern California. They were visiting other relatives in the area and had a contingent of about 6 people cheering for us. They were surprised



Jack & Judie Moore, hosts

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# Graveyards in Scotland

from Jim Guthrie  
Scotland

I don't know about the rest of the world, but here in Scotland, some of our graveyards are in a bad way. Either through neglect or vandalism, or a combination of them, many headstones have been lost forever and a lot more are in danger of going the same way unless some effort is made to restore them.

Many of our graveyards have headstones from the 16th century and are not likely to have close relatives still tending to the grave. (Although, sometimes you can be surprised. On a recent visit to Dundee, I noticed some fresh flowers at a grave in the Howff, which has been closed for burials since sometime in the late 1800s.)

Perhaps, the next time you are hunting for your ancestors, as well as taking paper and crayons for the rubbings, you could take some small garden tools, just in case you find them.

## ANECDOTE OF THE REV. DR. GUTHRIE AND THE DUKE OF ARGYLL

Submitted by Don Hutton  
New Zealand

*Printed and Published by John B. Todd,  
at the Otago Witness Office, Princes  
Street, Dunedin, Otago, New Zealand,  
March 1851*

The following anecdote, which is current in Edinburgh, is highly characteristic of Dr. Guthrie:

Meeting with the Duke of Argyll, he is reported to have said, 'Does your Grace know when last a Guthrie met an Argyll?' On the Duke expressing some doubt as to the matter, 'It was,' said he, 'when an ancestor of mine, James Guthrie, met an ancestor of your Graces's, the good Earl Archibald, on his way to the scaffold, when he exclaimed he loved him so well he could die for him.' such a sentiment in such circumstances, coming from such a man as Guthrie, might be supposed to be irresistible, and accordingly the Duke is said to have been deeply affected.

## B AND B ACCOMMODATION IN GUTHRIE, ANGUS

from Susan Greaves

Your only chance to stay  
in the village of Guthrie.

Close to the gates of Guthrie Castle.  
We offer Bed and Breakfast in twin room,  
and the possibility of a single room also.

We live in a modern house which  
is comfortable and warm.  
South facing and sunny garden.

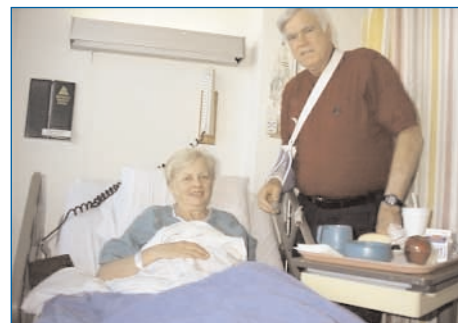
We welcome any members  
of the Guthrie Clan.

For more information and bookings  
please e-mail me or telephone.

E-mail: [susangreaves@tesco.net](mailto:susangreaves@tesco.net)

Phone number: 011-44-01241828450

## OUR FEARLESS LEADER AND HIS WIFE



Pat and Harry Guthrie, President of CG.  
Surgeries the week of May 15th.

Harry – Orthoscopic surgery on elbow  
from tennis.

Pat – Surgery on calf (is rollerblading next?).

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# DEDICATION OF REVOLUTIONARY WAR MARKER FOR ROBERT GUTTERY/GUTHRIE

November 11, 2000  
Nottingham Presbyterian  
Church Cemetery  
[now owned by Township Trustees]  
near Cadiz, Harrison County, Ohio

by Lolita Guthrie  
Bowling Green, OH

Book published:  
*Revolutionary War Patriots, Vol. 1*  
Published by Ebenezer Zane Chapter of  
the Sons of the American Revolution.

It was a very cold morning when Ohio descendants of Robert and Elizabeth Jane (Caldwell) Guttery convened to pay tribute to their ancestor, for his role in fighting to win the independence of our country. [Note the Guthrie tartan Lolita is wearing.] Two other veterans of the Revolutionary War were honored.

Clan member Stephen Guthrie of San Diego, California, took the first steps of contacting the S.A.R. and D.A.R. groups to



*Lolita (Thayer) Guthrie, at dedication*



*Jerry Wallace, direct descendant of Robert Guttery*



*Standing: Jerry Wallace—Robert's descendant. His wife Lenna is seated at table. Mearl seated to the right of Lenna Wallace. Standing (left to right): Helen Mandeville, Carol Thomas, DeeDee Culler (Robert's descendants), Lolita, Clan's genealogy coordinator.*

learn if they were interested in seeing that the burial site of his ancestor could be properly marked. Reaching out to the Clan—and the Clan's Genealogy Coordinator—living descendants of three of Robert and Jane's sixteen children were contacted and invited to the Dedication.

Making the trip from various parts of Ohio were Jerry [wife Lenna Tripp] Wallace, descends from Mary Guthrie who married Timothy Titus; Carol Thomas and first cousin DeeDee Culler, descends through Martha Guthrie who married James Long; and Helen Mandeville, descends from Sarah Guthrie who married William K. Kirkpatrick.

Husband, Mearl, and I took part to speak on behalf of the Guthrie surname and Clan.

Even though the cemetery is now owned and maintained by Township Trustees, members of the congregation held a much appreciated reception in the church following the service.

## IRISH GUTHRIES OR IRISH LAHIFFS?

by Larry Guthrie

Concerning the supposed change of the Guthrie name to Lahiff in Ireland. This sounds like a statement that has been passed along for so long that it has the ring of truth, when in fact it is made up out of thin air. Ever heard the statement "finer than a frog hair split down the middle?" Pretty thin.

The book mentioned, "Irish Pedigrees: The Origin and Stem of the Irish Nation" by John O'Hart, evidently states that the ancient name of Lahiff was modernized to Guthrie while the rumor states that the name Guthrie was changed to Lahiff when the Guthrie in question went to Ireland.

The name of Lahiff may be ancient but there are still a lot of folks using it. I searched for Lahiff using Google.com and found no

mention of the name Guthrie. Lots of variants but no Guthrie or anything close.

Does anyone have a record of either of the above actually happening?

To comment please contact Larry Guthrie at:

**lguthrie@brightok.net**

or Jerry Guthrie at:

**jerry@goldrush.com**

Larry Guthrie would like any information anyone might have about coastal Virginia Guthrie's prior to 1700. He has several study files on these folks and will send them to anyone that will read them and comment. Beware they are heavy reading, there are lots of twists and turns.

# SACRAMENTO VALLEY GAMES



Far right: Jack Moore (left) and son, Mike Moore (right), carrying banner in Parade of Clans



Right: Guests Howard and Dorene Guthrie

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to learn that they had a clan. They stopped by the tent later for a visit and left with newsletters, and other handouts and a great deal of enthusiasm about being Guthries.

Other visitors were Zoe Lynn Guthrie, Bob Goulding who's wife is a Guthrie, Ruth Nelle Hughes, who's great grandfather was Robert Landen Guthrie, Terry Gaither who's

mother is a Guthrie and Howard and Dorene Guthrie. Most of the guests had not heard about the Clan or knew of Guthrie Castle. All left with newsletters, copies of the "History of the Guthrie Tartan" and copies of the Guthrie Castle brochure. It was great fun to talk about Guthrie history and family with these people.

This was my first Clan Guthrie hosting experience. I want to thank my wife, Judie,

and son, Mike, for volunteering their time; Jim Guthrie, who hosted the Pleasanton, CA tent last year; and of course, Marjorie Cherry, Peggy Wink, and Harry Guthrie, who urged me to "have fun." Their encouragement and support, phone calls and shipping of materials helped me put my own kit together and made it an enjoyable experience. Moran taing a huile duine (many thanks everyone).

## QUICKIE GENEALOGY LESSON #1

by **Lolita Guthrie, Genealogy Coordinator**  
Bowling Gren, OH

Info needed for Data-entry

Want to improve your chances of a finding a link to others? Do your homework **before** submitting your chart.

### Build a trail...

President Harry gives an easy step-by-step method.

Dear submitter:

I suggest you capture on paper as much info as you can that builds a trail from yourself back to your earliest known Guthrie.

1. Your full name  
Date of birth: day-mth-year  
Place of birth: county & state\*  
Marriage: date & place
2. Full name of spouse
3. Your father's name  
Date of birth: day-mth-year  
Place of birth: county & state  
Marriage: date & place

4. Full name of spouse  
Date of birth: day-mth-year  
Place of birth: county & state
5. Your grandfather's name [Guthrie line]  
Date of birth: day-mth-year  
Place of birth: county and state  
Marriage: date & place
6. Your grandmother's name  
Date of birth: day-mth-year  
Place of birth: county and state
7. Gr-grandfather's name [Guthrie line]  
continue as above when facts you know.

It is a good idea to include the names and pertinent dates for siblings in each of the above family clusters. The information you provide will be entered into the Clan Genealogy Database. If it connects to an existing entry you will have a link - a distant cousin with whom to extend your genealogy research.

\*Records of birth, death, or marriage are recorded in the county and state in which each took place.

Send you family tree information to: Lolita Guthrie, Genealogy Coordinator, Clan Guthrie-U.S.A., Inc., 123 N. Grove St., Bowling Green, OH 43402.

### NEW MEMBERS

**Janet & Charles Lawson**  
Tryon, NC

**Robert & Jane Guthrie**  
Kingdom City, MO

**Rev Dr. William A Guthrie**  
W. Orange, NJ

**Rt Rev Fr Daniel Keller**  
Mesquite, TX

**Kathey & John Lee**  
Marshall, NC

**Denise Taylor**  
Macon, MS

**Paul Guthrie**  
Somerville, MA

**Charles & Alison Guthrie**  
Jetmore, KS

**Robert III & Monica Jayroe**  
Montgomery, AL

**Warren & Patricia Guthrie**  
Baden, PA

**Steve & Ann Tomasek**  
Millersville, MD

**John & Mary Guthrie**  
Baltimore, MD

### NEWLY UPGRADED TO LIFE MEMBERSHIP:

**Harriet Anderson**  
Atlantic Beach, FL

**Margie & John Austin**  
Naples, FL

# REPORT FROM 2002 ANNUAL OFFICERS' MEETING

by Harry Guthrie,  
President of Clan Guthrie  
Pittsfield, MA

## Clan Guthrie-USA, Inc. Balance Sheet Comparison 2001 vs. 2000

The Clan budget for 2002 was reviewed and approved on May 12 concluding a successful 2-day meeting of the Board of Directors. The 2002 budget anticipates a modest net income of roughly \$700 after experiencing a \$2,800 loss in 2001. This loss is reflected in the reduction in Equity from \$16,478 in 2000 to \$13,648 in 2001 – as shown on the respective year-end Balance Sheets.

Memberships are showing a positive rebound after suffering a decline following the events of 9/11/01. Also contributing to the poor showing for the year were several major non-recurring expenses. These included the purchase of a new traveling Games Kit, 10 Clan Guthrie tent banners, and reprinting 2,000 copies of the membership brochure.

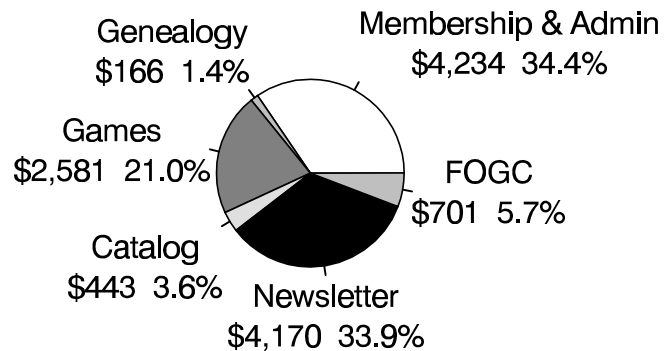
With the cost of postage being increased again on June 30, it is a challenge to maintain the high level of benefits and services we continue to strive for while keeping membership dues at the same level. Several actions are being taken to actually increase service to our membership while decreasing costs. Plans are being formulated to electronically distribute the Clan Guthrie News and a number of Fixed Location Games Kits are being created. Both of these actions will significantly reduce postage costs. Much of the Clan's communication with prospective members is also transitioning over to electronic mail.

The Clan is fortunate to have a dedicated cadre of volunteer assistance. Virtually all of the work being done for the Clan is without personal compensation. If you are a member taking advantage of any one of the services provided by the Clan, please remember to voice a compliment now and then to your Clan representative, your satisfaction is their only compensation.

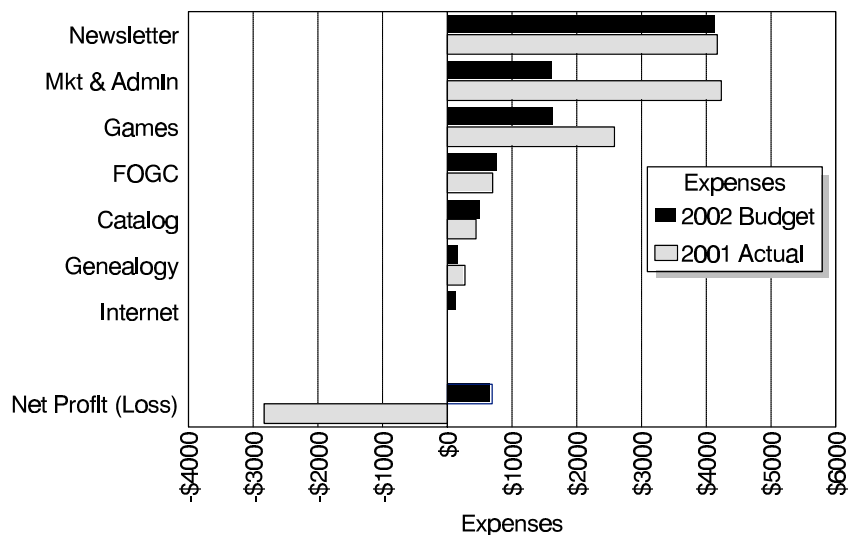


	2001	2000
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash & Bank Acct	\$10,238.58	\$13,114.85
Catalog Merchandise	5,409.59	5,209.13
Accounts Receivable	0.00	194.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$15,648.17</b>	<b>\$18,517.98</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>		
Royalties Payable	\$0.00	\$39.00
Matriculation Reserve	2,000.00	2,000.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>	<b>2,039.00</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>	<b>13,648.17</b>	<b>16,478.98</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>\$15,648.17</b>	<b>\$18,517.98</b>

## 2001 Expenses



## Projected 2002 vs. 2001 Cash Flow





# CHURCHILL

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Having pursued this area numerous times, the writer strayed into the “Allied Families”—and discovered this famous man, included as one of us! This is a joy that comes through reading.

Clan Guthrie – USA currently lists eight memberships that share, with Winston Churchill, this same couple, John and Abigail Coe Guthrie, as their earliest Guthrie progenitors. The Clan’s Genealogy Reference Code for theses Guthries, all cousins of Winston Churchill, is JG=AC-1691-S. (A listing of theses members appears following this article.)

Winston Churchill epitomizes the very best of England. HOWEVER, he is half American! “That Jerome blood” from which he realized his motivation, endurance and resilience was also Guthrie blood.

The ancestral lineage of Winston Churchill is shown on the attendant chart, which traces this relationship (in reverse order) from Churchill back to his third-generation great-grandparents, John Guthrie and his wife, Abigail Coe. John Guthrie, born in Scotland in 1691 arrived in the Colony of Connecticut when he was about twenty years old. He soon began a land and real estate business, which he parlayed into a very important asset. Abigail Coe descended from a family of English Puritans. Together, they lived in central Connecticut, parenting a family of ten surviving children; the six sons fathered forty-four sons of their own. Here, we may be getting a clue of the rapid growth of the American Guthries. Almost one hundred pages in American Guthries and Allied Families was required for the total of these family entries when it was published in 1933. Add to these the pages needed for a three-generation update, concentrate an effort to locate others of this family, and the scope of this venture could yield—not merely a longer entry—but a book,

entitled: *Winston Churchill’s American Cousins*.

It would appear unlikely for Winston Churchill to have known anything of his American family, with the exception of the Jeromes. Mother Jerome and her three daughters were well established in England; and father, Leonard, moved there after his financial base collapsed in New York City. Both Leonard and Clara Jerome died, and were buried, in England. The writer has found no mention of the Murray and Guthrie ancestors as being known to Winston Churchill. But, the Jeromes he knew, and very well.

The descendants of John and Abigail Coe Guthrie were vibrantly involved in the westward expansion of the fledgling United States of America, at least across the Hudson River in the vicinity of Syracuse, New York. This area became the home for their descendant, Leonard Jerome and his vivacious and enterprising wife, Clara Hall Jerome. Soon after being married, business opportunities for the dashing Leonard created reason for a move of residence to Brooklyn, NY. It was there that Jennie Jerome, Winston Churchill’s mother, was born.

Leonard Jerome’s income in New York City was sufficient for funding Clara’s elegant wardrobe, and making the rounds among the city’s and Newport’s high society. Meanwhile, their two little girls, Clarita and Jennie, were left in the charge of governesses and teachers. Jennie developed a major talent at the piano, and eventually had thoughts of becoming a concert artist. Mother, Clara, aided by her beauty and elegant costumes, had achieved the second rung (from the top) of the city’s social ladder.

When Jennie turned 13 years old, Clara told husband Leonard that she was moving to Paris and taking the girls. She had a plan for each; to move about with the sophisticated European society, meet and marry a rich, handsome, young man from one of the royal families. All the while, Clara would be creating a social position in France, one that would surpass that of the New York society queen, Mrs. August Belmont. Another reason for the move—Clara had reached a crisis with her husband’s womanizing activities. She advised Leonard that he could visit them—and should keep the money coming.



The Leonard Jerome family, without Leonard, were quickly living in Paris, and soon began to fit into the social life of the miscellaneous royals and nobles that hovered there. While her daughters continued their learning and training, with new emphasis on Europe, Clara swiftly and surely, paved the way for the girls’ introduction to society.

At the age of seventeen, Jennie was considered a total woman; beautiful, educated, sophisticated, interesting, sexy, and clever, too. At the age of twenty, Jennie met and married—not a royal, merely a noble, Lord Randolph Henry Spencer Churchill, younger son of the Duke of Marlborough—a handsome, ambitious young Englishman. Within the year, Jennie gave birth to Winston Leonard Spencer Churchill.

The Randolph Churchills continued with their involved social activities, plus increasing personal ventures. Young Winston was relegated to the care of nannies, and then, to boarding schools. Letters that this youngster wrote to his parents convey the longings, deep love and admiration that he felt for his busy mother and father. Jennie Jerome and son, at last, developed a very strong and meaningful bond as Winston began his career; the same could not be said for the boy’s relationship with his father, who could find very little about Winston that pleased him. Lord Randolph’s early and tragic death, when Winston was twenty-one, left that emptiness unresolved.

Winston Churchill completed his mid-teen years at Harrow; then it was on to Sandhurst, for military school. Upon graduating he was relegated to the cavalry, since his standing did not qualify him for placement in the infantry, his long-dreamed-for goal.



During his years at Sandhurst, Churchill could have become aware of the Guthrie surname; he had developed a strong bond with his first cousin, Leonie Leslie, who, like Winston, had as her mother, one of the three Jerome sisters. Leonie Leslie's cousin, Olive, in 1895, was married to Walter Murray Guthrie, a member of Parliament, and Scottish, like his bride. Murray Guthrie and Winston Churchill did meet in 1899 (details appear later in this story).

Winston Churchill finished military training at Sandhurst in 1895, was assigned to the cavalry, and decided to make every possible effort to avoid the monotonous life of a soldier in England. He obtained permission for an immediate leave of absence and also negotiated the first contract of his lifelong writing career. Churchill's literary "style" immediately caught fire, and he realized that this skill, and gift, was the vehicle that would produce his future income; and that would encompass almost seventy of Winston Churchill's ninety year life.

#### *Suggested Reading*

Through seven years that began in the mid-1950's Winston Churchill authored and published a definitive, five-volumes that are collectively entitled *A History of the English-Speaking Peoples*. In volume one Churchill has produced a magnificent story of the Danes in Britain—a tale that is familiar to many Guthries. This is the chronicle of Britain during the presence of one of the dominant invaders from Scandinavia, Guthrum. Due to the knowledge that abounded during the reign of his adversary—sometimes friend, Alfred the Great—the story of Guthrum is quite detailed. Churchill's presentation gives Guthrum a vitality that is exceeded only in the noble Alfred's story.

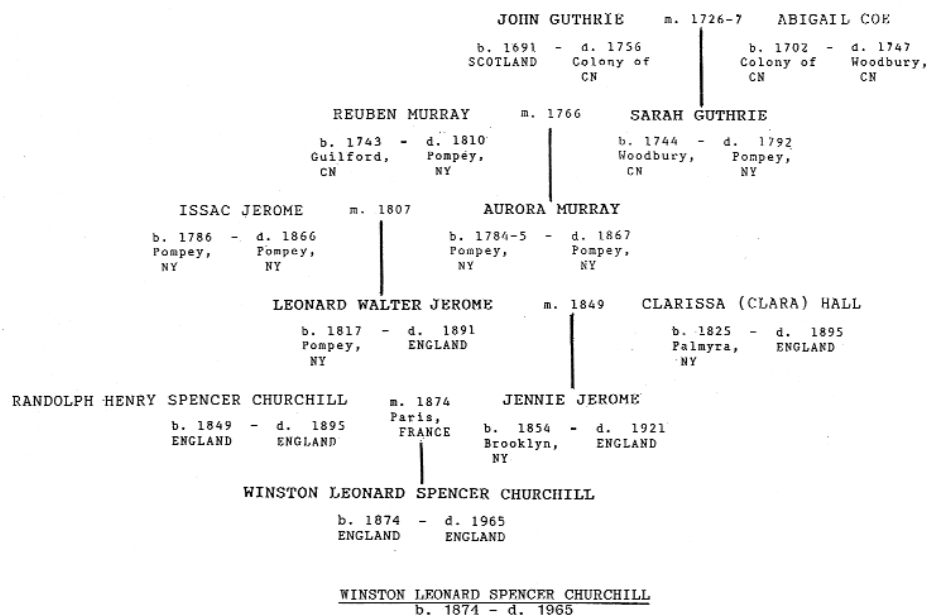
Open Volume I, specifically identified as "The Birth of Britain" to chapter six, "The Vikings" and continue on and into chapter seven, "Alfred the Great." Especially focus on the last fifteen pages; these deal with Guthrum and the island of Britain in the late eight hundreds and continuing into the nine hundreds.

Guthries who own this set of Churchill's writings realize the depth of understanding that it provides a large percentage of us, since among these generations in Britain are the roots for many of our ancestral lines. This is a treasure trove, often available in a used book store (the writer's complete set cost four dollars—and quite recently, from a charming purveyor of pre-owned volumes).

Why not get acquainted with a talented family member that almost everyone would like to claim—only the Guthries and a few select others have an exclusive privilege here.

While reading the Guthrum story you may stop and consider just how this story

## The LINEAGE of SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL'S AMERICAN GUTHRIE FAMILY



Parents	JENNIE JEROME b. 1854 - d. 1921	married	RANDOLPH HENRY SPENCER CHURCHILL b. 1849 - d. 1895
Grandparents	LEONARD WALTER JEROME b. 1817 - d. 1891	married	CLARISSA (CLARA) HALL —
Great Grandparents	AURORA MURRAY b. 1784 —	married	ISSAC JEROME —
Great, Great Grandparents	SARAH GUTHRIE b. 1744 - d. 1792	married	REUBEN MURRAY b. 1743 —
Great, Great, Great Grandparents	JOHN GUTHRIE — d. 1756	married	ABIGAIL COE b. 1702 - d. 1747

*The information above traces the Guthrie ancestry of Winston Churchill. It is taken from the "Green Book," American Guthrie and Allied Families\*, compiled by Laurence R. Guthrie, A.B., B.D.—originally printed at Chambersburg, PA, 1933 and reprinted by Gateway Press, Inc., Baltimore, MD, 1985 for Mabel Guthrie Lee.*

*\*see pages 590-2; also pages 79 and 80. (For further information—and various Guthrie family traditional concepts of this line, turn back to page 77 and the lower portion of the page that covers The Third Decade.*

might have been enhanced in the mind of Winston Churchill—had he only been aware of the Churchill-Guthrie linkage, thus enabling him to include Guthrum, possibly, into that connection. Other Guthries have found "Guthrum-Guthrie" to be plausible.

If only those Murray relatives had written their cousin Winston a note—plus a highlighted copy of *American Guthries and Allied Families*. Sir Winston Churchill undoubtedly knew a few times in history—or from his own experiences—where a little effort like this could have made a major contribution to our world. And Churchill could have owned and enjoyed this volume for more than thirty years before his histories. Oh, well...

Members of Clan Guthrie – USA, who are descendants of John Guthrie & Abigail Coe, Clan Guthrie Genealogical Code JG=AC-1691-S, and thereby linked as

cousins with the late Sir Winston Leonard Spencer Churchill\*:

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*\*As shown on Clan Guthrie Membership Roster as of April 6, 2002*

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# BOOKWORMS

## Scotland for the Young and Young-at-Heart

by Ron Guthrie  
Excelsior Springs, MO

Never underestimate the value of juvenile literature. A children's author is obliged to simplify and condense his or her subject matter in order to present its essence in a manner that engages active, young minds. For we who may be as unlearned as children on a given topic, juvenile literature is a wonderful source of basic knowledge upon which to build. For we who may be well versed, it affords an opportunity to recalibrate our grasp of a topic and to recover the wonder we felt when we first took an interest. Following are three books that address the Scotland of yesterday and today for both the young and young-at-heart.

*Scotland*, by MaryCate O'Sullivan. (Admit One series. Published 2002 by The Child's World. \$25.64. ISBN 1-56766-909-3.) Most books about Scotland, written with much older readers in mind, begin either with Scotland's topography or with its prehistoric human inhabitants. O'Sullivan instead narrows on Scotland from the lunar perspective in order to place it in the context of Earth's continents. She discusses history very briefly—which is appropriate for the intended audience—alighting upon prehistoric hunter-gatherers, Celts, Romans, and Scotland's relationship with England and within the United Kingdom in only two pages. Most of the book is designed to convey life in modern Scotland to the young reader's experience. O'Sullivan devotes about two pages each to such sub-topics as plants and animals, city and country living, schools and language, work and pastimes, and food. Transliterated pronunciation guides enhance this 32-page introduction to Scotland for young children, which is dominated by large color photographs of smiling, kilted Scotsmen. With a trivia page containing simple Gaelic terms and a list of recommended websites, *Scotland* is suitable for second grade through fourth grade readers.

*Scotland*, by Patricia Levy. (Cultures of the World series. Published 2001 by Marshall Cavendish. \$35.64. ISBN 0-7614-1159-3.) The bulk of juvenile non-fiction seems directed at upper elementary school children, so it will come as no surprise that there are several books about Scotland aimed at this audience. Levy's book is superior among them. She presents the material topically—addressing geography, history, government, economy, people,

lifestyle, religion, language, arts, leisure, festivals, and food—then discusses each chronologically and thoroughly. This may seem an obvious approach, but the haphazard presentation of other books is astonishing. By this method, Levy establishes both historical context and current meaning, for example the development of the legend of 17th Century cattle raider Rob Roy, including Sir Walter Scott's glamorized portrayal of Roy some 100 years later and the 1995 film starring Liam Neeson. Each sub-topic is further broken down into sections limited to within a page or pair of facing pages. Adding a varied assortment of colorful photographs and illustrations, the overall effect is a concise resource suitable for quick reference or in-depth study, ideal for the young student staring down an assignment due date.

Levy is more careful than other authors to avoid graphic descriptions, for example of William Wallace's execution and Queen Mary's extramarital affairs. Discussion of the custom of hinding—of farm hands hiring girls to bear them children in order to earn higher "family" wages—is one interesting exception. Her even-handed approach to political and religious matters excuses her few errors. (The Reformers did not "rewrite" the Bible, although they founded the tradition of individual interpretation.) The careful reader will appreciate Levy's comparison of tanistry with primogeniture, of the clan system with feudalism, of Gaelic with Scots linguistic dominance, and later of Catholic with Protestant traditions as Highland Celtic culture painfully, unwillingly yields to Lowland English-influenced society throughout the course of the book. Details of Clan MacGregor's originating of the practice of blackmail, mention of artist Sir James Guthrie of the Glasgow Boys, and descriptions of various pagan-rooted modern fire festivals will pique any thoughtful reader's interest. And one sidebar high-

lights the Stone of Destiny conspiracy. (Edward I, she suggests, stole a fake prepared by the Scots.) Though she fails to discuss Scotland's long relationship with North America or to present a comparative timeline of Scottish and World history—both excellent features in otherwise inferior books targeting the same demographic—Levy's 128-page *Scotland* is the superior juvenile selection for fifth grade through eighth grade readers.

*Scotland*, by William W. Lace. (Modern Nations of the World series. Published 2001 by Lucent Books. \$19.96. ISBN 1-56006-703-9.) Lace avoids discussion of 21st Century Scottish life that characterizes all other works on this topic directed toward children. Approaching his topic from a career in news and information, Lace covers Scottish history rather straightforwardly from the Mesolithic Era to the new Scottish Parliament, correctly noting at one point that "Scotland's independence endured despite having, time and again, an infant monarch fought over by factions of the nobility." In his discussion of the post-Jacobite Scottish Enlightenment, Lace draws together an impressive list of Scottish innovators and intellectuals from David Hume and Adam Smith to James Watt and Alexander Fleming. Inexplicably, he fails to include Robert Louis Stevenson alongside literary giants Robert Burns and Sir Walter Scott. Lace's final chapter abruptly leaps away from history into "Popular Culture," but it reads as though the author's only experiences with modern Scottish culture are attendance at an American Burns Supper followed by a visit to a Highland Games event. Neither the uninteresting black-and-white photographs and illustrations nor the lackluster timeline commend this volume. Although classified as juvenile literature, *Scotland* is really a 112-page primer on Scottish history for teens and adults reading at not less than the ninth grade level.

### TOROSAY CASTLE NEWS

A brief comment from Christopher Guthrie James:

There was a minor drama around the first of February when a tree, 200 years old, vast (?60 tons) blew down in a terrific storm. If the wind had been more northerly, it would have hit the house, but luckily it landed just near the front door. We had moved David, our son, (now 10 months) from that corner of the house, in his sleep, barely 5 minutes before the tree fell...

## Descendants Plan to Transfer Preservation of LAURENCE RAWLINS GUTHRIE COLLECTION TO CLAN GUTHRIE

by **Lolita Guthrie**  
Bowling Gren, OH

*Information continuing from the last newsletter.*

Before his death in the 1950s, Dr. Guthrie and family were careful to store in chests in the attic, all "workings" from his compilation of 1933 - *AMERICAN GUTHRIE and ALLIED FAMILIES*. In late 2000, Clan leaders learned of the existence of this Collection and that the family were interested in transferring them to the Clan. The boxes remained in the attic until March of 2002. At that time, Gwen Chamberlin, granddaughter and executor, oversaw the moving of the Collection to her home in Pennsylvania. As of this date, mid-May, Gwen is carefully



From Lawton, Oklahoma, June 1918

searching through for all papers that are personal to the family. No time-frame has been set for the transfer to Clan Guthrie for inventorying and completing a "Deed of Gift" to the family. There is much work to be done between receiving an unknown number of boxes of files, transferring to archival folders and boxes, and moving them to a facility [not another attic] where they can be accessed by researchers, yet protected from theft.

What will we find in these boxes? Venturing some guesses - and "dreaming of" - lots of old letters, completed questionnaires, and detailed references for Appendix.

We're "talkin' 1910s & 1920s!" - when Dr. Laurence Rawlins Guthrie was in full pursuit of family information. Looking backward, we try to re-construct his agenda. We know he sent out 2-page questionnaires by the dozens to Guthries who resided across the country. From these and the additional exchange of correspondence, here is one I'll be looking for: John M. Guthrie #00826 of Blue Rock, Ohio, recently submitted his ancestor charts.

Sleuthing for connections in my published "Index to AMERICAN GUTHRIE and ALLIED FAMILIES", took me to page 456 and the line of "James Guthrie of Fayette County, PA."

Notice the clue in this statement: "According to a descendant, Ira E. Guthrie, this James Guthrie was born in Scotland, and was the son of Samuel Guthrie of Scotland, who married Rebecca (unknown)."

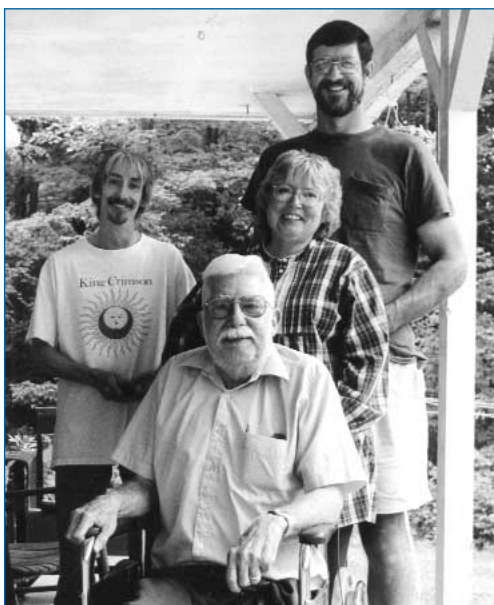


Poolesville, Maryland, about 1937. (left to right) Ovid Kingsley Guthrie (brother of Laurence), Mary Alice (Veatch) Guthrie, Else Ola (Guthrie) Seville, Lawrence Rawlins Guthrie.

Will we find the letter from Ira E. Guthrie received and reported in the book? Will it contain additional clues to help John M. and Rebecca Bromley and others who are descendants of "James Guthrie of Fayette County, PA"?

If you are an owner of *AMERICAN GUTHRIE and ALLIED FAMILIES*, we suggest you look for such clues, should you be so fortunate as to have had your line "discovered" by Dr. Guthrie.

Our genealogical research tools are being greatly enriched by gaining access to this Collection. I personally wish to thank Gwen Chamberlain and her husband, as well as all other members of their family, for their work in making this Clan dream become a reality.



Standing: George [tall one] and Gwen Chamberlin, K. C. Seville [left side; not aware of relationship].  
Sitting: James Guthrie [father of Gwen].



Christmas 1977. Back row (left to right): James, Leverne and Ron Guthrie, Dave Coban (Elsie's son), David Guthrie, Danny Guthrie (Ron and Leverne's son), Bob Hubbard (Bob is Sharon's husband), Sharon (kneeling in front of Bob). Front sitting: John, Martha and Becky Guthrie (Ron and Leverne's children), Gwen (holding Jeremy, son), Aunt Rosemary (holding Brady Anne, Gwen's daughter).

# MINNESOTA TARTAN

by Mark Osweiler  
St. Paul, MN



*The Minnesota Tartan design team, with Mark Osweiler, Clan Guthrie Regional Commissioner (center)*

The Minnesota State Senate approved the designs for the Minnesota Tartan and Dress Tartan on Feb. 4, 2002. The design was a gift to the people of Minnesota from the Minnesota Tartan Day Cooperative, a group of 14 Scottish Organizations in the State. The design team consisted of: Mark Osweiler, Designer; Mary Libhardt, Nydia Osweiler, Kelly Bray and Richard Cady, Design Team Members.

The colors represent the people, land and character of Minnesota. They are blue, for "water that reflects the sky" the meaning of the name Minnesota; green for the Norway Pine and conservation of forests and fields; pink for the Showy Lady Slipper and the heart of the people, black and white for the Loon; gold for fall colors and the golden opportunities found in Minnesota.

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## ANTHRAX: THE GAME

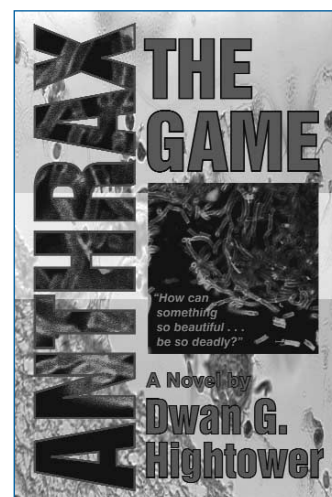
A Novel

by Dwan Guthrie Hightower

Set in Atlanta, Georgia today, Hightower's sophisticated first novel focuses on an expert team investigation of not one, but three deadly outbreaks in this country. Denise and her colleagues know they are in a race against time to save their country from a crazed terrorist group or a single mad-man who is set on destroying this country with the most virulent agent known to man... Anthrax.

Against these random acts of terror backdrop Denise realizes that Paul's possible involvement in these three outbreaks is very disturbing and questionable. Could he be involved in this sophisticated biological warfare?

The book will be out in late June and may be purchased at all major book stores including Borders, Barnes & Nobel and off Amazon.com or 1st Books.com.



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Make Checks Payable to: Clan Guthrie – U.S.A., Inc.  
Annual Membership: \$20 (U.S.A.) \$25 (Outside U.S.A.)  
Lifetime Membership: \$250

New Member's Name		Birthdate	Birthplace
Spouse's Name		Birthdate	Birthplace
Home Address ( )	City	State ( )	Zip
Phone (Home)		Phone (Work)	
Mailing Address (if different)			
E-mail Address			



# IN MEMORIAM

## Arnott "Arnie" Camp



Arnott "Arnie" Camp, 63, of Fort Smith died Saturday, March 2, 2002 in his home. He was born October 8, 1938, in Joplin, MO, the son of Benny and Billie Camp. He was a retired district sales manager for Shelter Insurance and a Certified Life Underwriter. He was an Army veteran, a member of the Kiwanis and he was active in the Boy Scouts and the Scottish Club of Fort Smith. Arnott was a Life member of Clan Guthrie. He often attended the Kansas City Games. He was preceded in death by a son Allan.

He is survived by his wife, Sharon; a daughter, Pam Camp of Greenwood; a son, Bryan Camp and his wife, Dawn of Atlanta; his mother Billie Camp of Joplin, MO; two brothers, Ron Camp and his wife Dulcie, of Greeley, CO and Jon Camp and his wife, Michelle, of Stewartville, MN; seven grandchildren, Jacob, Jenny, Hayden, Christian, Sabra, Chloe and Clayton Camp.

## Paul Raymond Guthrie (2-24-16 to 2-06-02)

*Editor's Note: Dr. Paul was an important, strong supporter of Friends of Guthrie Castle and CG. He encouraged and advised in the formation of FOGC.*

Born in Perris, CA to Emma Elizabeth Finley and Grover Cleveland Guthrie. Paul was a third generation Californian. He was named after his uncles, Paul Finley and Raymond Guthrie.

In 1939, Paul graduated youngest in his class from the University of California Dental School in San Francisco. After graduation, he set up his practice in Fresno, CA but closed his office to enlist in the army following the December 7, 1941 bombing of Pearl Harbor.

Paul's enlistment was delayed which allowed him to meet June Baker at the local ice rink. It was love at first sight for they met in April and were married one month later.

Paul was shipped off to Africa (one of the largest armadas to cross the Atlantic). He served as Corps and Division Dental officer in the 2nd Armored, both in Africa and European theaters including the Normandy, France landings. His duty as dental officer was performed at the front lines under enemy fire. After 2 years 8 months and 618 letters written to his wife, June, Paul came home in July 1945.

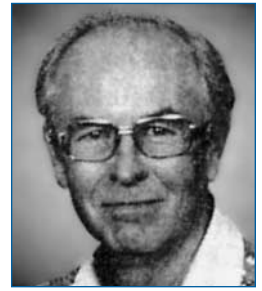
Santa Barbara was the place Paul chose to reopen his Dental Practice and raise his family; daughter Sandra and son Richard. He also found time to work with the Crippled Children's Society (Easter Seal Society) on the case committee and as President.

After 27 years Paul closed his dental practice. Retired, he found time to explore his many interests—surf fishing, bicycle touring

with his wife June, photography, and poetry writing which became paramount. One of the high points of Paul's life was having his poems published in *The Guthries—A Short History*, written by J.R. Dalgety of Forfar, Scotland.

Surviving Paul are his wife June, daughter Sandra Guthrie Elliott, son Richard, grandchildren, Heather Guthrie Elliott, Sean Andrew Elliott and Robert Anton Guthrie.

Burial was Monday, February 11, 2002 at Carpinteria Cemetery. Also contributing poems to her uncle Paul was niece Gail Guthrie Thomas of Sebastopol, CA. Original guitar music was performed by son Richard.



### Kilted Scot

*by Lavona Bunting (Feb. 2002)*

I am so truly glad—  
that I—even I—  
Had the opportunity  
To meet this Dr. Paul—Poet—  
Poet of the mighty Guthries—  
His vivid depiction  
Of all those bloody battles  
Fought for Honor—Family—  
Land—Protection—renewed  
Memories of Clan Guthrie—  
He painted picturesque poetry  
Scenes—with the unique  
Lines of a Scottish Scholar  
In his quiet way—  
He restored the pages  
Of historical events—  
So dear to the heart  
Of the Kilted Scot—

## Poems by Paul Guthrie

### Quietly

Quietly I am come  
to my valley where shadows  
linger long obtuse angles  
of my sunset.  
There to search simple harmonics  
which may call out an order of verses  
to rock me in a gentle comfort  
and give small assurances  
that it is not all a dance  
of vapors.  
And I may yet pillow my head in  
chemistries of peace  
touch notes with beyond and  
meld away old shadows  
in sweet carillon of evensong  
where all uncertain ghosts  
are out of tune  
and I  
am whole.

### Lone Piper

Calling from across the loch  
Singing reed-gull language  
He's put soaring in song lilt  
Spins tribal chants centuried in mystic verse  
Gains strength as we join his reflection off  
Lomand's banks  
He knows entrance to distant glens Leads us  
Finds us in heart search revealed  
Finds us in ancient hearth-myth  
Finds us in battle cry remembered  
Centuries linger his calling  
His calling

### Clan

Voice of our fathers  
Song lilt of distant glens  
Heart search for truth  
Revealed  
in written legacy  
in ancient hearth-myth  
in battle cry remembered  
Voice to strengthen the miracle of family and  
hold us close together

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Stone Mountain  
Oct. 18-20**

## 2002 GAMES SCHEDULE *by Marjory Guthrie Cherry, El Paso, TX*

To volunteer to host/hostess a Clan Guthrie tent, please contact Margie Guthrie Cherry at (915) 584-7385.

Date	Event	Place	Contact	Phone
June 1	Bonnie Brae Scottish Festival & Games	Liberty Corner, NJ	Patti Guthrie & Lew Larason	(215) 822-3987
June 1	Indian Springs Scottish Festival	Indian Springs, GA	Dwan Hightower	(404) 633-2777
June 8	Kansas City Scottish Highland Games & Ceilidh	Kansas City, KS/MO	Richard Guthrie	(913) 851-2272
June 20-22	The Ohio Scottish Games	Oberlin, Ohio	Brian Applegate	(330) 929-1535
June 22	Tacoma/Pierce County Highland Games	Graham, WA	Glennys Gehring	(360) 769-8013
July 26-28	Virginia Scottish Games	Alexandria, VA	Thomas Guthrie	(202) 493-6836 or (703) 863-8395
July 26-28	Pacific Northwest Scottish Highland Games	Enumclaw, WA	Glennys Gehring	(360) 874-0360
Aug. 30-Sep. 1	Scottish Highland Gathering & Games	Pleasanton, CA	Jack Moore	(925) 689-2966
Aug. 31-Sep. 1	Capital District Scottish Games	Altamont, NY	Richard Guthrie	(518) 756-9094
Sep. 21	Scottish Heritage Fair	Alexandria, VA	Thomas Guthrie	(202) 493-6836 or (703) 863-8395
Sep. 21-22	Oklahoma Scottish Games & Gathering	Tulsa, OK	Eric T. Guthrie	(918) 809-0658
Sep. 14-15	Renaissance Festival	Shakopee, MN	Mark & Nydia Osweiler	(651) 917-2053
Oct. 12	All Thing Scottish/Celtic Festival	Cedar Rapids, IA	Mark & Nydia Osweiler	(651) 917-2053
Oct. 11-12	St. Louis Scottish Games Cultural Festival	St. Louis, MO	Baxter Watson	(314) 966-8597
<b>Oct. 18-20</b>	<b>Stone Mountain Highland Games &amp; Scottish Festival</b>	<b>Stone Mountain, GA</b>	<b>Dwan Hightower</b>	<b>(404) 633-2777</b>
Oct. 26	Scottish Society of the Waxhaws Gathering of the Clans	Waxhaw, NC	Albert Kerstetter	(919) 416-5057
Oct. 26-27	Richmond Highland Games & Celtic Festival	Richmond, VA	Thomas Guthrie	(703) 863-8395
Dec. 7	Scottish Christmas Walk	Alexandria, VA	Andrew Guthrie	(703) 471-6769

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