

## The Order of MacEanruig created by The Clan Henderson Society



**Mark Henderson, Clan Henderson Society Vice President of Members**

At the Oct 2020 Clan Henderson Society AGM (held virtually) the Executive Board submitted and membership approved Resolution #2020-4 AWARDS that, in part, established The Order of MacEanruig. On Dec 6, 2020, the CHS President, Leon Hicks, signed the Resolution into effect.

The words of the Resolution pertaining to this new Order read: The Order of MacEanruig Award. This is an exclusive award to Society members who have had such a positive impact on the Society through sustained contributions and leadership that they are deserving of membership in The Order of

MacEanruig.

Holders of the Chief's Prize are automatically members of The Order of MacEanruig by reason of their having received the Chief's Prize. Other individuals may be awarded membership by approval of a majority of the members of the Order.

Candidates must be an active member of the Clan Henderson Society at the time of appointment. Honorary members of the Clan Henderson Society are not eligible for membership in the Order. Posthumous awards may be made, provided the

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\* Henderson \* Henryson \* Hennsoun \* Henders \* McHenry \* Hendrie \* Hendron \* dHendresson  
 \* Eanrig \* Eanruig \* Enderson \* Endherson \* Endirsone \* MacCanrig \* MacCanrik \* McKendrick  
 \*MacKendry \* McKendree \* Kendric and other versions of MacEanruit which means "Son of Henry"



PATRICIA LITTLE MADDOX  
DOD NOV. 11, 2017  
#003

REX ARL MADDOX  
DOD OCT. 13, 2017  
#010

## *My family and Clan Henderson always*

Christi Maddox Heston

The Maddox family has been involved in Clan Henderson since my father and mother decided to attend their first Alexandria, Virginia Scottish Festival one year at the Episcopal School. As they walked around the grounds my mother noticed the Clan Henderson tent. "Rex! You have a Henderson ancestor!" They stopped at the tent and there they met Claude and Russell Henderson.....and the single malt never stopped flowing!

From there on it was always Grandfather Mountain, NC, Stone Mountain, GA, San Francisco, CA, Florida, Texas, Colorado, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Maryland, Virginia, Fergus, Canada, Scotland and Australia. I can't begin to name all the games we attended and count all the scotch eggs and sausage rolls we have eaten!

Pat and Rex Maddox would travel the U.S. and would convene any games other Henderson convenors could not attend. They traveled with a full kit to include tent, chairs, tables, suitcases full of books, membership forms and *An Canachs* to give to those interested.

They sold hat's, scarves, ties and badges. I honestly do not believe there was one single game they didn't get a new member for Clan Henderson. Pat also made sure that, if there was no Henderson in a person's background, she would search her books until she found a clan or a district for that person. Those people went away from the tent

thrilled that they, too could be dressed in a Kilt.

Rex made sure that his family was well outfitted in the correct attire. Even making sure they participated in the events, whether it was to join the bodyguard or, in one case, the executive board. My father bribed me with a Henderson Kilt skirt if I took on the Treasurer's job.

I was honored to serve and was thrilled with the successful application for tax exempt status with the Internal Revenue Service based on our scholarships for children and young adults.

Rex and Pat Maddox were dedicated to doing anything Scottish but, most importantly, Clan Henderson. Rex, as many are aware, established and organized the bodyguard and all the rules that he believed went along with it to many a guard's



chagrin.

Later on he became President, and as with the bodyguard, his rules were sometimes hard to swallow.

Pat, a self-made Genealogist, took on Clan Little to help when their Genealogist could no longer do the job. She worked on this for years before she was no longer capable to do the job herself. It was difficult for her to give this up.

My parents both were dedicated beyond belief. I am sure many miss them.





# President's Quarterly Message

**Leon Hicks**

*Clan Henderson Society  
President*

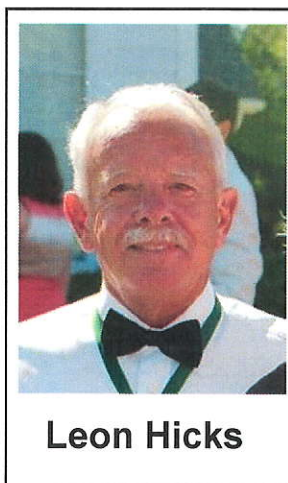
The Executive Board and key advisors of Clan Henderson Society have been very busy during the last several weeks. We have made considerable progress on several key projects.

Our principal financial advisor, Isabella Brunk, working diligently with Carol Martin, the Society's Treasurer, and Louis Russell, Director of Corporate Outreach, have identified financial instruments best suited to achieve our long term financial goals and objectives. The Executive Board met and approved the plan they presented. We will be pleased to provide more detailed information to anyone interested. As stated before in previous communications, the long-term objective of the program is to generate sufficient financial resources to permit funding scholarships, financial gifts, and other projects without drawing down on the principal. The funds are being invested in a manner that will maintain a separation between the funds donated for specific purposes such as scholarships and genealogy/DNA. I want to reemphasize the long term nature of this effort and desire to establish a strong financial backing for the Society in the future.

Related to the program referenced above, we are also exploring options for acquiring Directors and Officers (D&O) insurance for the Society. We have engaged an independent broker to explore the options available to us. The Executive Board will be meeting soon to consider these options. We will provide the details as soon as they are available.

I want to offer my sincere congratulations and appreciations to Mark Henderson, Vice President Members, for his foresight and leadership in establishing

the Order of MacEanruig. This Order recognizes those who have played a vital role in the establishment and/or sustainment of the Society. It was a great effort – thank you Mark! If you are interested in finding out more about MacEanruig, there is information to be found on the internet.



**Leon Hicks**

I also want to acknowledge the Genealogy/DNA team for their great work in promoting the Society's genealogy research effort. LaRhee Henderson, Vice President of Genealogy/DNA, Ronald Henderson, David Henderson and James Henderson have done a wonderful job. If you are interested in supporting these activities volunteers for this activity, as well as the History Program, are still needed.

Regarding this year's Annual General Meeting (AGM), please stay tuned for more details. Many venues that were considered in the past are still in "shut-down mode". As soon as we have a final plan we will post them on our website, and

also get the word out via email.

Please check out our Clan Henderson Society YouTube channel. New programs are routinely being added. You will find these programs very interesting.

Finally, let us all hope and pray that the worse is behind us with regards to the pandemic. I know that many in our Society have suffered through this illness – please accept our prayers and best wishes. Independent of the pandemic, these past few months have seen the passing of several beloved members of our Society. One of the key goals of the Clan Henderson Society is to pay honour to, and preserve the memory of our family and loved ones. Please visit our website's "About Us" tab to review details.





Stumbling onto the Clan Henderson *YouTube Channel* and the updated online website was like a visitation from the Ghost of Christmas Future.

Back in 2009, I was the Clan Henderson Genealogist and Clan DNA Administrator. My name is James E. Henderson.

Looking into the future from my 2009 bedroom, the Christmas ghost showed me the Henderson Society of the year 2021.

To my amazement, the Henderson Society had grown not only in numbers but in quality. Someone of high merit had assumed lead-

ership of the clan, someone who understands the importance of online marketing and dynamic vision.

The Clan's website graphics improved to a professional level. The content became interesting and challenging.

To my relief, the Henderson Society did not collapse under its own weight as I had feared it would. Instead, the CLAN seems healthy and thriving.

Are the various regions of the society just as healthy? That's my wish for all in those regions who claim the name.

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Clan Henderson Society

## FLOWER OF THE FOREST

Horace G. Loftin, Jr.

**Horace G. Loftin, Jr.**, age 93, died at Vidant Hospital in Greenville, North Carolina, on January 23, 2021. He was preceded in death by his wife, Janice, and his daughter, Laura.

Horace was born in Beaufort, North Carolina, to Sadie Lee Henderson Loftin and Horace G. Loftin, Sr. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science from Duke University. He earned a Master's Degree in Journalism, a Master's Degree in Biology and a Doctorate in Biology from Florida State University. He was a veteran of the United States Army.

In 1955, he married his soul mate, Janice Keller Loftin, in Duke University Chapel. They had three children, Rex, Laura and Tomas. In 1961, the family moved to the Panama Canal Zone where Horace taught classes in the Florida State University branch campus. He also worked in administration for the Panama Canal Company as an environmental specialist. The family returned to the United States in 1977. He worked various jobs as an environmental advisor for North Carolina, and the United States Department of Health and Urban Development. He finished his public service with the Department of the Navy in Panama City, Florida. He retired from civil service in 1993.

In 2003, Horace moved back to his hometown of Beaufort, North Carolina. In 2014, he moved to Cypress Glen Retirement Community in Greenville, North Carolina. He maintained his Beaufort home for monthly visits.

Horace was a renowned ornithologist, specializing in the birds of Panama and Central America. He was a founding member of the Panama Audubon Society and the Panama Anthropological Society. He had many adventures in the jungles of Panama. He continued his lifelong passion for birding by travelling to six continents on many

birdwatching expeditions during his retirement. His Life List of birds seen put him in the top five percent of birders in the world.

Another passion Horace enjoyed was celebrating his Scottish heritage. He helped to found the Clan Henderson Society. He was the Clan genealogist for many years. He served one term as Society President.

His greatest interest during his retirement was genealogy, especially for Carteret County and eastern North Carolina. While living in Beaufort in retirement, he became very active with The History Place Museum in Morehead City, North Carolina. He spent thousands of hours in the genealogical library of the Museum helping others trace their family history in the area.

Horace loved to travel. In his later years, he enjoyed small ship cruising. He said he could sit in the bow of the ship with binoculars in one hand and a "wee dram" in the other and watch the world go by!

Horace is survived by his son, Rex Loftin, and wife, Karen; and son Tomas Loftin; grandchildren Richard Wilkins, and wife, Gina; Jeanette Connor, and husband James; Ashley Hyman, and husband, Nat; Daniel Wilkins, and wife, Kristen; Kevin Loftin; Shawn Wilkins; and Kyle Wilkins. Four great grandchildren. Cousin, Billy Evans and wife Lil. Cousin Tom Halvosa, and wife, Reina.

In accordance with Horace's wishes there will be no public funeral or memorial service. The family will gather at the appropriate time. Also in accordance with Horace's wishes, the family requests no flowers. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the The History Place Museum or Clan Henderson Society.

Cards may be sent to Rex Loftin, PO Box 504, Galax, VA 24333.



# Clan Henderson Society is pleased to announce The Horace Loftin Genealogy Scholarship



Applicants will apply for funding to conduct research and/or develop skills that will benefit numbers of Clan Henderson Society members. This might include onsite traditional research and/or training in current genetic genealogy techniques. Funding requests should not exceed \$1000. Applicants should be college age or older and have appropriate skills to conduct their proposed project. Awardees will be expected to apply their discoveries and skills by working with the Clan Henderson Society genealogy team for 1 year, build a video to be posted on the Clan Henderson Society YouTube channel and write an article in *An Canach* to share their discoveries. Applications will be submitted by May 1 (see attached form) to be reviewed by Clan Henderson Society genealogy team. Their recommendations will be submitted to Clan Henderson Society executive board for approval. No more than two awards will be made annually.

## Application for The Horace Loftin Genealogy Scholarship

### Personal information

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_  
email \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

**Summary of proposed work** (about 500 words)

**Proposal** (1 page)

**Your Background** (Show that you are equipped to conduct the project)

### Budget

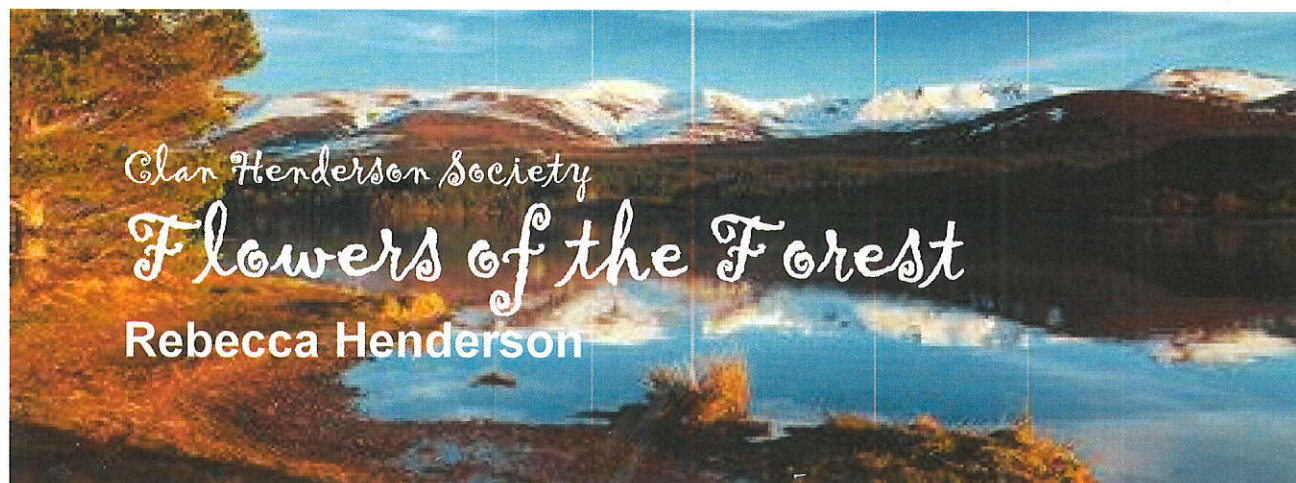
Itemized expenses  
Total budget  
Amount requested

**Submit to LaRhee Henderson, CHS VP Genealogy, DNA: [LaRhee.henderson@drake.edu](mailto:LaRhee.henderson@drake.edu) by May 1**

**Questions:** Contact LaRhee Henderson via email: [LaRhee.henderson@drake.edu](mailto:LaRhee.henderson@drake.edu)







**Rebecca Henderson**, the wife of Mark Henderson of Charleston, South Carolina, was recovering from a month long battle with Covid-19 when things suddenly took a turn for the worse.

Mark writes, "On Friday, January 8th, 2021, Rebecca went into cardiac arrest and passed away at home, in my arms. I know that she's at home with the Lord now, with no suffering or pain. The

family and I are crushed. Rebecca was such a dear, sweet, loving wife, mother, daughter, and sister. Rebecca's relatively young age of 63. We all miss her so much."



*The memory of a loved one is never lost.*

**Ask me about**

**Clan  
Henderson  
Society's**



**Scholarship  
Program**



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Shopping Amazon any other way is just throwing money away. Every penny helps.

Staci Simpson





# *Colonial Virginia Heritage Dinner*

## *With Clan Henderson Society*



*March 27, 6.00 Eastern*

Contact: <LaRhee.Henderson@drake.edu> for more information

### *Menu*

#### *Appetizers*

Fried Asparagus

#### *Soup Course*

Peanut Soup

#### *Main Course*

Country Ham, Cornbread or  
Bruswick Stew

with

Hot Spicy Cabbage Slaw  
Thomas Jefferson's  
Sweet Potato Biscuits

#### *Dessert Course*

Apple Tansey

Virginia colony became a center of European settlement as the Great Migration ended in the North. In 1642, only 8,000 colo-



nists lived in Virginia. About three-quarters of the new arrivals in Virginia during the middle to late 1600s came as indentured servants. By 1660, Virginia's population was about 30,000. Among those were progenitors of the early Tidewater Hendersons arriving in 1665. Others came later to Virginia from the north via the Great Wagon Road (including 'Eastern Shore Hendersons')

Colonial Virginia inhabitants sowed the roots for Southern cuisine. Iconic Southern dishes like cornbread and gumbo were borrowed directly from the Indians and Africans, respectively. A distinctive method of curing ham was also of Indian origin ('Virginia Hams.')



# Céad Míle Fáilte

Mark Henderson, CHS Vice President of members is delighted to present the list of brand new Henderson cousins.

**International** new members include Donna Henderson of Oshawa, Ontario, Canada; Dale Andrew Hoyt, who has an APO AE address; and Adrienne Henderson of London, United Kingdom.

From the **Central Region of CHS** is Laurel Taylor of Kansas City, Missouri. Welcome!

**The Far South Region of CHS** has William Taylor, of Colleyville, J.D. Pepper of Amarillo; Francis Brooks of Dallas, James Miller of Corpus Christi and Wesley Woods of Greenville - all in Texas. Sandra Bell of Coweta, Oklahoma is also a Far South new member.

**Great Lakes Region** is proud to announce their new members for this issue of *An Canach*: from Illinois are Elisabeth Dalle of St. Charles, Eric Henderson Foster of Rockford, Daniel Scott Henderson of Morris and Greg Lamberson of Mt. Vernon! Daniel Henderson of Portage, Wisconsin; David Chris Henderson of Tallmadge, Ohio round out new Great Lakes Region folks for this time!

**The Mid East Region of CHS** includes from Pennsylvania, Valerie Henderson Cifuni of Lancaster and Kathy Cox of Haverford, both from Pennsylvania. Amanda Sikes Kennedy of Dover, Delaware, Steven K. Henderson of White Hall, Maryland and Logan Hendrson of Lyndhurst Virginia. We're so glad to have you all!



**CHS Mid South Region** welcomes Mychal Alan Hoyt of Clarksville, Tennessee; Jotham Magocsi of Orange Beach, Alabama and Steve Henderson of Glendale and Russ Maney of Louisville, both in Kentucky. Beth Ann Beretta of Geneva, Kristen Cass of Geneva, both from New York; Mary Kitses of Acton, Massachusetts.

**The North Pacific Region** welcomes Bill Haskett, from Lacey and Christina Ruffing from Bremerton, New York. They also welcome Beverly Henderson Gerig of Albany, Oregon; and Daniel Anderson of Kalispell, Montana!

**CHS' South East Region** says howdy to Travis Henderson of Cartersville, Steven Noel Sikes, Sr., of Covington and Steven Noel Sikes, Jr. of McDonough, Georgia. From South Carolina comes new member Mary Elizabeth Henderson

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**New Members!** When you get your new kilt or kilted skirt in one of the Henderson tartans, don't forget to have it "christened" at the Henderson Clan tent at the next Highland Games you attend. Your garment will simply be annointed with a bit of the "water of life."

**The Clan Henderson Society, Inc., EIN 64-181635B. CHS IS a 501(c)3 tax exempt organization within that meaning of the Internal Revenue Service**



# Congratulations

## Member Recognition

### *pins this time!*

The Clan Henderson Society, Inc., offers awards to long time members. They are: a 5 Year Recognition Pin, a 15-Year Recognition Pin and a 25-Year Recognition Pin. Mark Henderson, CHS Vice President of Members, is delighted to recognize all of these loyal and faithful CHS members!

**5-Year Member Recognition Pins** are given to Melody Borger of Azle, Texas; Teri Garety of Enon, Ohio; Chip Henderson of Longwood, Florida; David Henderson of Gig Harbor, Washington; Georgia Henderson of Woodford, Queensland, Australia; Jean H. Henderson of Cranberry Township, Pennsylvania; Lyle Henderson of Huntington, West Virginia; Thomas

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#### **CHS New Members**, *continued from page 10*

McKinney of Greenville, South Carolina and Stephen Lee Ernst of Winston-Salem, and Kathy Helms of Flat Rock - both in North Carolina.

**The South Pacific CHS Region** welcomes George Michael Henderson, Jr., of Rancho Cucamonga, California!

From the **South West Region of CHS** comes Robert A. Finger of Tucson, Arizona!



Henderson of Woodford, Queensland, Australia; Thomas H. Henderson of Goose Creek, South Carolina; Joe Hendrix of Austin, Texas; Jordan Mahnke of Columbia, California; Teresa Thornton of Cornelius, North Carolina; and Tracy Vinson of Oneonta, Alabama!

**15-Year Member Recognition Pins** are awarded to Scott M. Brown of Meridian, Idaho; Dr. Michael Edwin Henderson of Chesnee, South Carolina; Ann Lane Hicks of Southport, North Carolina and Leon Hicks of Southport, North Carolina.

**25-Year Member Recognition Pins** are given to Cheryl E. Henderson of Sterling Heights, Michigan; Arthur F. Hendereson of Lake Oswego, Oregon, Dolores Perkins of West, Texas; and Alexander H. Webb of Peterborough, New Hampshire!





**Masked and unmasked!  
It's the Bossart Family  
complete with Henderson  
Haut de Couture  
accessories!**

**Bruce Bossart**

In both pictures you'll find the Bossart family: front row kneeling, l to r, Bruce (me), Bryan (son), Jane (daughter-in-law), Bruce, Jr (son), and my wife, Jo (Clan Henderson #4481). Back row: Nathan (grandson), Leah (granddaughter-in-law) holding our first great granddaughter, Ada Jo, Jami (daughter-in-law), Oscar (grandson), Kylee (granddaughter-in-law), Austin (grandson), and Jackson (grandson).

I'll let you in on a little secret: Nathan, Leah, and Ada Jo were photoshopped into both pictures. They actually live in Seattle but sent us their pictures to here in Southern Illinois to add to ours. Better living through chemistry (or photography).

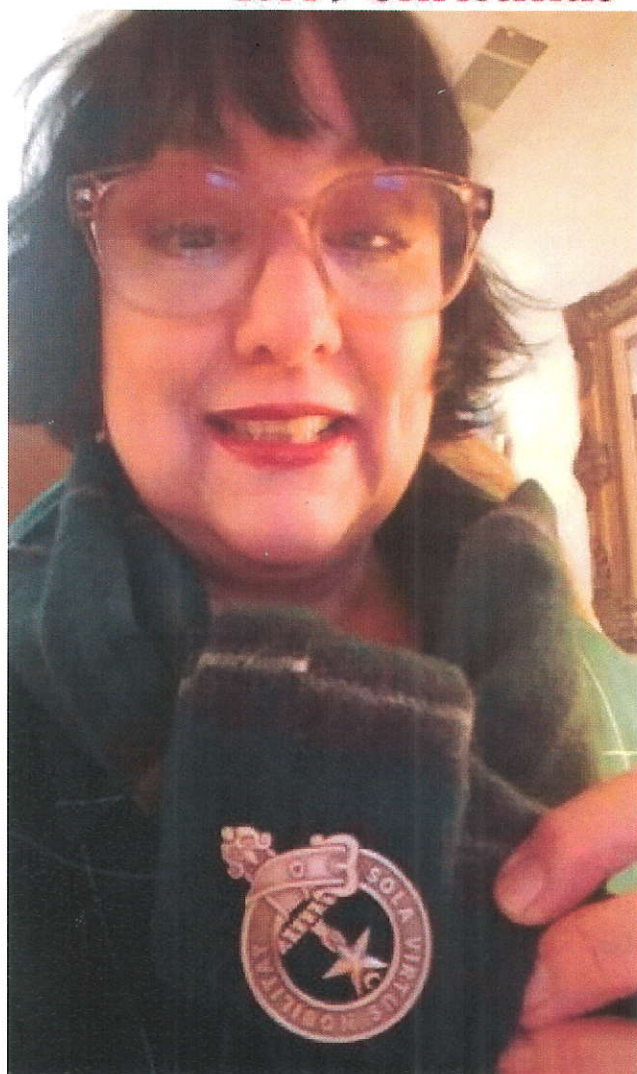
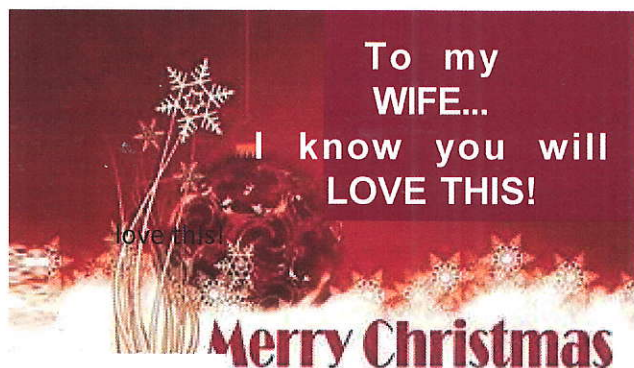
The family Bossart is constructed thus; Jo and I are the old folks, son Bruce Jr is married to Jane and they have two sons, Nathan (married to Leah)

and their daughter Ada Jo, and Austin (married to Kylee). Our other son, Bryan, is married to Jami and they have two sons, Oscar and Jackson. You can't tell the player without a program!

**Day 18 of lockdown.  
Filled the dog with helium.**







*New Member, Sherri Hurst, Hemet, California, shows off her Clan Henderson Badge which was a gift for Christmas from husband Raymond.*



## *Santa Claus Steve!*



The gift of Heritage is alive and well in Clan Henderson.

Steve Henderson, Waynesboro, Pennsylvania, played Santa for CHS this year.

Specifically, he pledged to fund any gift members starting on December 7<sup>th</sup> and ending on December 21<sup>st</sup> (the Winter Solstice). Because of his generosity, 24 active members had gifted a friend or relative with a one-year membership in the Clan Henderson Society when the "flash" program ended.

The spirit of Christmas truly resides within Steve. Thanks to him for his generosity.

*Mark Henderson, FSA Scot, Vice President Members CHS.*



**So, if  
a cow**

**doesn't produce milk,  
is she a milk dud or  
an udder failure?**



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member was in active status in the Society at the time of death.

The total number of members in the Order is limited to a number of ACTIVE members equal to the number of years (commencing in 1988) the Clan Henderson Society has been organized. Therefore, the number of members will expand in size by no more than one awardee annually. Editors note: In 2021 that number cannot exceed Badge #39

The President of the Clan Henderson Society will announce the names of awardees at the next Annual General Meeting of the Clan Henderson Society after the approval of the candidate wardee as a member to The Order of MacEanruig.

**Recognition.** Awardees of membership in The Order of MacEanruig are authorized to wear an identification badge, round, two inches in diameter, displaying components of the Clan Henderson crest. The badge will be sequentially numbered for each awardee. It is worn on the left pocket or similar area.

Current members of the Order are Janiel Henderson, Knoxville, MD, Badge#002; Pat Maddox, deceased, Badge #003; Ann Henderson,

Newport, NC, Badge #004; Ann Fletcher, deceased, Badge #005; Russell Henderson, deceased, Badge #006; Christi A. Heston, Wellington, CO, Badge #007; Harry J. Keifer, Lilburn, GA, Badge#008; Dr. Horace Loftin, deceased, Badge #009; ; Rex Maddox, deceased, Badge #010; Mike Henderson, Annapolis, MD, Badge #011; Mary Louis Nixon, deceased, Badge #012; Laura Henderson, Linden, VA, Badge #013; Loulie Henderson, New Bern, NC, Badge #014; Lori Henderson, Valley Falls, KS, Badge #015; Margaret "Peggy" Sandford, Statesville, NC, Badge #016d; Mark Henderson, Waynesboro, VA, Badge #017; Carol Martin, Clarksburg, MA, Badge #018; Beth Gay-Freeman, Clarksville, GA, Badge #019; J. Steven Henderson, Waynesboro, PA, Badge #020; Joseph Henderson, Long Beach, CA, Badge #021; David S. Henderson, Badge #022; George Henderson, Badge #023; Doug Henderson, Badge #024; Kari Henderson, Badge #025; Dottie Henderson, Badge #026; Ann Hicks, Badge #027; Leon Hicks, Badge #028; 2021 Chief Prize Awardee, name TBA, Badge #029



CHS DNA Project Administrsor, **David E. Henderson**, painted this lovely study of a Scottish Castle! We are very wealthy with artistic talent in The Clan Henderson Society, aren't we!





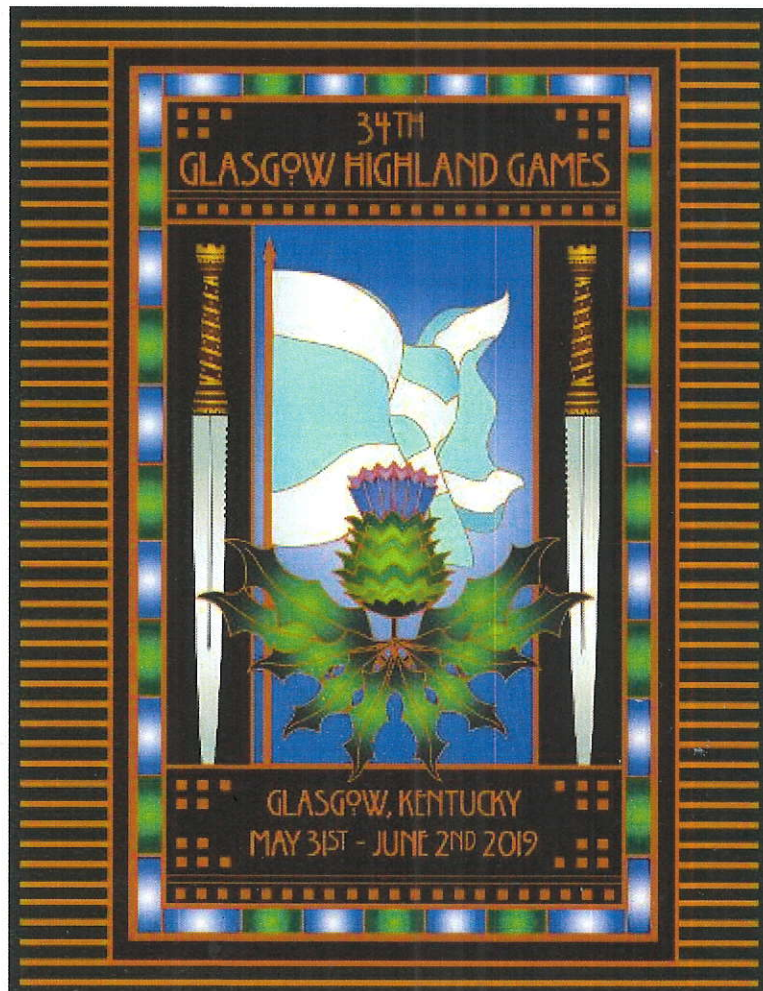
# Showcasing our own CHS artists...

I have to show you the kinds of things my dah'lin Tom does!

He does art for Scottish games everywhere as well as Heraldic Art for armigerous folk and regular businesses.

Recently, before the pandemic, he did Arms and banners for people with Grants of Arms from Lion Court.

He designed this for the programs, and a similar design for the shirts (which sold out the first day) and the Games Pins as well. *Beth*



## Learn Gaelic

MG ALBA announces new initiative offering the most comprehensive approach to learning Gaelic in a generation.

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### Why Learn Gaelic?

Gaelic is a Celtic language native to Scotland. We believe that Gaelic is an integral part of Scottish identity and should be nurtured and encouraged.



# Scottish Dress for Ladies

Beth Gay Freeman, FSA Scot

Just the other day, I received an email from an old friend asking if I would please write something about proper dress for ladies who wish to wear Scottish attire.

My first thought was, "Me?"

Then, I realized I have learned a few things along the Scottish Gypsy Trail where I have trod now for over 30 years.

Scottish attire is not a costume nor a uniform. It is regular clothing worn in an appropriate manner for the weather and for the occasion.

Speaking of weather, "There is no inappropriate weather for a Scottish Games. There is only improper clothing."

The same is true for ladies and for gentlemen.

Ladies do not wear kilts unless they are members of a pipe band. Nor do they wear sporrans unless they are members of a pipe band. They also do not wear skian dubhs. In a pipe band everyone wears the gentlemen's attire so that all band members are alike.

Ladies wear "kilted skirts." The pleats go in the back and the basting threads that come in the pleats when you get your garment from the tailor, are immediately taken out. If not, you walk funny.

A kilted skirt should fit nicely and not be pulled too tight across the front so that the tartan pattern is "whompy jawed."

Kilted skirts may be worn for any occasion, formal or informal, and in the hottest summer and in the coldest winter.

I've worn the same kilted skirt to a

very formal reception with a lacy white blouse, velvet jacket, dress flat shoes and the sash (Properly worn on the right shoulder.)

The next morning, I donned my sneakers and the Games t-shirt and was off to the fun.

You may wear the sash on your left shoulder if you are a Scottish Country Dancer or the wife of a Scottish Chief or a high ranking military man.

The kilted skirt is a complete wardrobe on a hangar!

Always, your shoes should be simple and not white, unless your're informal your sneakers are white. Plain pumps are perfect for everything else.

Strappy high heels are not proper with a kilted skirt, nor or glittery sandals.

Be sure to wear hose to formal events.

If you are fortunate enough to have a "hostess length" kilted skirt (that's a long skirt) you may dress that up with the lacy blouse, velvet jacket and sash. You may wear your award pins and tasteful Scottish jewelry and you are ready to "meet the Queen."

Remember, your kilt pin goes only through the top layer of material. A brooch is lovely to hold your sash in place.

No big, chunky costume jewelry, please.

If it is raining, rubber boots

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in about any color on games days are fine.

I think the under part of my kilted skirt worn to the first few Loch Norman Highland Games still has red mud here and there.

If you are traveling and wish to wear your kilted skirt, that's fine. You might wish to add a pair of tights under the skirt as you may be climbing things. Not only will you be warm, but your modesty will be preserved.

T-shirts and blouses are always fine in daytime. Depending on the weather, a simple blouse or turtleneck with a sweater and jacket will keep you neat and looking nice.

Nice sweaters or sweatshirts (not skin-tight) are always fine in cold weather.

Ladies may wear a "ladies sporran" which is a sporran with a strap which ladies may wear over their shoulder, turning the men's sporran into a ladies purse. There are vendors who make "fannie packs" of tartan. They look nice and are a great way to keep up with your essentials. You can always find them to match your tartan.

It is always proper for a Scottish lady to wear a white or cream colored dress with her sash.

I remember an AGM I attended years ago. The Tartan Police were there and put on a seminar of all the things you should or should not do.

One of my dear, dear friends and favorite folks was there from Scotland. He happens to be a Chief.

He came down to the big, fancy dress ball the night after The Tartan Police Seminar, breaking each and every rule:

more than one tartan, a horsehair sporran, some wild socks, etc., and looked absolutely magnificent.

From that, I learned that you really may wear whatever you wish. In Scotland, the people wore what they had.

Another "Chief" friend of mine almost always wears a patterned shirt with his kilt. That tells me should you be feeling so happy and good that only a bright Hawaiian shirt will do - then, wear it. Please make sure the Hawaiian shirt colors coordinate with your tartan. Other than that, just be happy.

Ladies, your tartan is your heritage. You always want to respect that.

No matter where you go, you are always in good taste dressed in your tartan finery.

All of this is just from my head learned over many years. However, it is not rules for anything.

To tell you the truth, I always think, "Would my grannie allow me out of the house in this?" If the answer is "yes," she would. I figure I am OK.

If anyone is an "expert" in ladies Scottish attire, please contact me!

If you just have questions, I'll be happy to answer them if I can. If I can't, I'll find someone who knows what we need to know.

Just email  
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Ladies and gentlemen, don't forget to find the Clan Henderson tent if you have a brand new kilt or kilted skirt.

Clan Henderson will bless it for you!







## Meet CHS artist, David Henderson

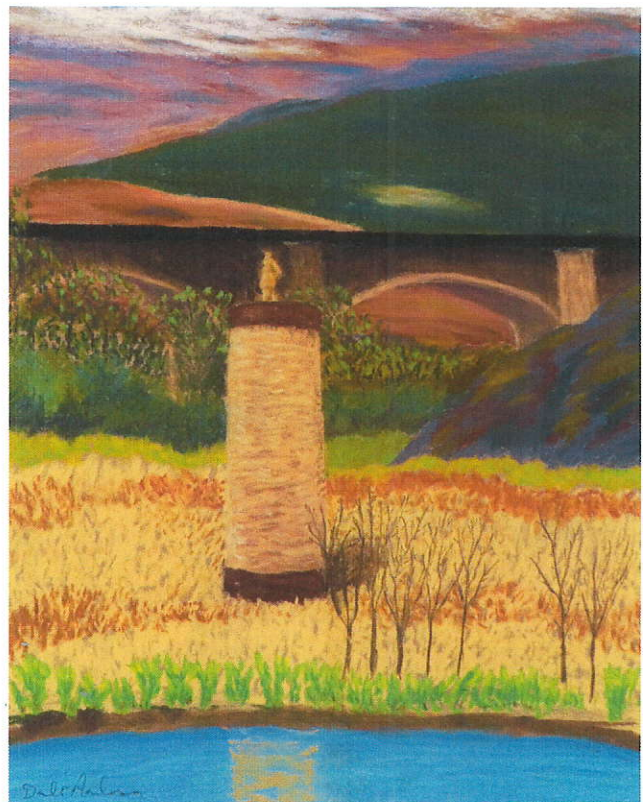
David Henderson spent his career as a chemistry professor, but he was interested in photography since childhood. He had his own darkroom for many years. In 2005, while sidelined with a broken leg, he took up painting, first with acrylics, then moved into pastels, oils, and watercolours. He was fortunate to live in a town with an excellent art education program and to work with great artist/teachers.

His art is drawn from images from his travels around the world. He works from photographs he has taken and painting allows him to produce images that he could not capture with a camera. He is particularly drawn to painting night landscape scenes with bright lights and reflections and other scenes with dramatic colours. He was not able to be at Eilean Donan Castle at night but imagined what it might look like when illuminated.

A number of his works are on his web site.

<<https://sites.google.com/view/david-henderson-artist/home>>

*Eilean Donan Castle*, pastels, David Henderson



*Glenfinnan Monument*, pastels, David Henderson



# Henderson DNA Project Update

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David Henderson - Administrator, Henderson DNA Project

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The team has been hard at work on Henderson family groups. We are building projects at Geni.com to organize information and providing links on the *Family Tree DNA* web site to take people to their family group on geni as these projects are created. We only have a few so far, but the number is growing.

Every effort is being made to weed out information in the geni trees that is not documented. Jim Henderson has done a great job of getting this going and providing leadership and training for the team.

We recently welcomed Greg Lamberson to the team and he has brought a wealth of new ideas and energy.

We have also added a number of videos to the *CHS YouTube Channel*. This now includes

how-to videos on genealogy, DNA and Henderson history. There is a link on the CHS web site to take you there directly.

We encourage everyone in the FTDNA Henderson project to take a few minutes to get a free geni account, and move their FTDNA data to geni. This is free. Just go to geni.com, open an account and then upload the data for your tests from FTDNA.

You can also load your genealogy information to geni for free. If you have a family tree on FTDNA, you can go to MyTree and under Tree Mgmt you can export your tree as a GEDCOM file. This can then be imported into geni.com. Once the information is there, the CHS genealogy team can link trees together and organize family projects. Each family project details what we know about the family group, where it came from and links to family trees in the group.

Finally, we are seeing more and more people choose to take the Big Y test and are beginning to learn how to use the results. If you have taken the Big Y test, the new Block Tree option is the place to start to look at your data. It shows your haplotree and the people closest to you based on the entire Big Y data. We are finding that the Big Y will allow us to split the larger family groups into subgroups that are more relevant to genealogical research. Knowing which of the 10 or more people in your family group is closely related can save time in trying to find the genealogical connections.



**15 Days of Confinement!**  
I'm fine, thank you.

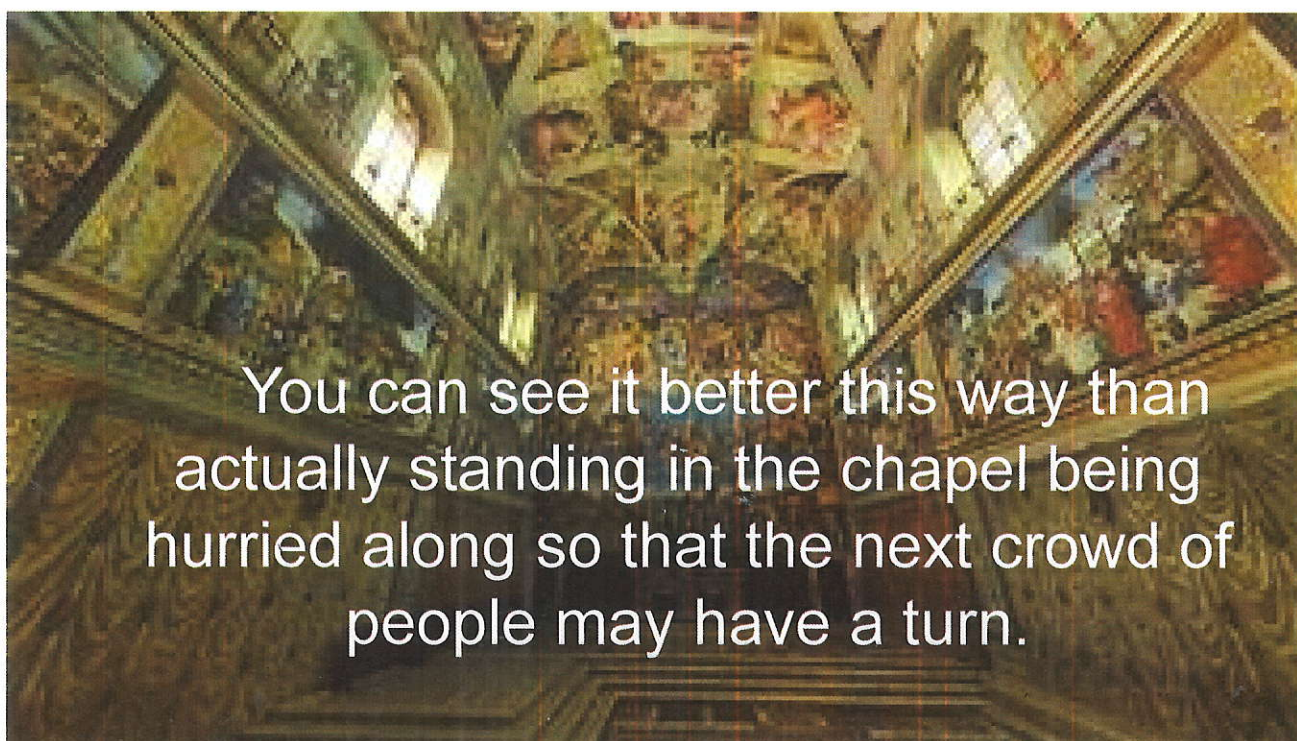




**Ready everyone?  
Here is a FREE trip to the  
Sistine Chapel!**

[http://www.vatican.va/various/cappelle/sistina\\_vr/index.html](http://www.vatican.va/various/cappelle/sistina_vr/index.html)

Here is the Sistine Chapel. You can rotate and examine Michelangelo's masterpiece at your leisure....by using the arrows at the bottom of the screen.



You can see it better this way than actually standing in the chapel being hurried along so that the next crowd of people may have a turn.



# A glimpse back in time...

My grandmother was born in 1886 and I used to beg for stories about "when you were a little girl." I remember her telling me about her mother cooking in the big fireplace and when shoes were for Sunday. She remembered Confederate veterans and the first automobiles.

She remembered that my mother, when she was just two years old, was so frightened by the first airplane that flew over Madison, Florida, that she tipped over her high chair. My grandmother remembered corduroy roads - made from logs that looked like corduroy material from a little distance.

It's always been amazing to me how we almost touch the past through the memories of our parents, grandparents and other older members of our families. Today, we take so many things for granted like electricity, airplanes, televisions and computers and cell phones.

Here's another little glimpse back in time.

This is an excerpt from a letter written to Martin and Monroe McKiel by Herd Frazer of Los Angeles, California:

"When Lincoln and Douglas had their celebrated discussion on the question of slavery at Freeport in 1858 my father and mother, as well as myself, attended that meeting and heard their speeches. When it was over, there was an outdoor recep-



tion held for the great speakers and my father and mother met Lincoln. I was introduced to Lincoln by my mother as her youngest son in her family of eight children. Lincoln placed his hand on my head and said, in that kindly way of his, that it was his hope and wish that in the years of the future, when I had reached into the years of manhood, I would become a good and useful citizen of the great Commonwealth of Illinois.

Seven years afterwards, Martin McKiel and myself were standing on the hill above the ruins of the old log cabin where I was born, each with a string of fish we had caught in the creek below, when my brother, Tom, came dashing up the hill riding "Philip," his saddle horse, and shouting at the top of his voice, "Lincoln is assassinated."

He had been to Mt. Carroll and was the first to bring the news to Oakville.

With thanks to the *Daily Mirror Democrat*, November 4, 1929.



# English research is an important resource for most Americans

Bryan L. Mulcahy, Reference Librarian

England occupies a very important place in the realm of United States genealogical research.

In 1986, according to statistics from the U.S. Census Bureau, for the first time in more than 300 years the leading ancestral background of American citizenry was German, not British.

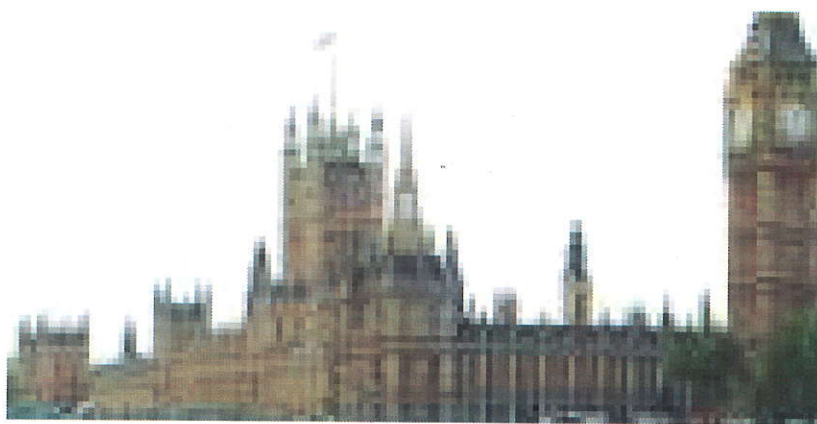
There are many researchers than can trace ancestral lines back to both Germany and the British Isles in general.

The early settlement of the Atlantic Coast of what is now the United States was largely English and these ancestors influenced many of the cultural and legal patterns which persist today.

If your genealogy research takes you to England, you are fortunate in several ways:

1. There will only be a minor language issue with certain terms.
2. England has been a very stable country and has never been conquered by foreign powers.
3. For this reason, a significant amount of historical records are available for research.
4. Political boundaries have basically been the same for centuries; hence the political divisions will usually have the same names and boundaries.
5. The only geographical change is that the counties were reconstructed in 1974. However, genealogy records are filed by pre-reconstructed boundaries. Because of this, researchers must obtain a pre-1974 map.
6. The extensive holdings of British Isles records that have been microfilmed by the Family History Library in Salt Lake City.
7. The magnitude of this research collection may allow you to perform much of your research without having to leave the United States.

British holdings at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City constitute one of the largest international collections available for research. These records are often better organized and more



accessible than those in the Public Records Office in London or other British repositories. These records are accessible by visiting the main Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah or by visiting any of their Family History Center branches located throughout the United States. Many researchers find the records easier to access utilizing LDS sources. Patrons may search the holdings of the Family History Library at the Family Search website <http://www.familysearch.org> to determine what sources are available for research.

Most microfilmed records and sources may be borrowed through your local Family History Center branch.

For a more detailed discussion of this topic, please see our companion study guide on Genealogical Research in England.

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# Do you have illegitimate ancestors?

Sooner or later, most genealogists stumble across an illegitimate ancestor. Old parish registers often reveal this information, but there were various ways of expressing illegitimacy, some of them in Latin. In Latin, "ignotus" means unknown. So records sometimes say, "nomine ignoto" meaning the father's name was unknown.

"Filius Populi" means son of the people. This reference in English records often covers cases where the father was known to be a local man, but might be one of two men. It also can mean that the father was anybody's guess. "Filius nullius" means son of none. This terminology was used in cases where the father was a stranger (in that parish) or the mother couldn't or wouldn't say who he was.

There are other tiny clues to be found in parish records, so it's important to copy the references exactly. For example, if you find a record that reads something like "Johannes filius Mariae Jones et reputat (ur) de Johanni Smith, it translates to John. Son of Mary Jones and by repute of John Smith. What that means is that the father either admitted paternity or that paternity had been proved. But if the records read "Johannes filius Mariae Jones et imputat de Johanni Smith," it means the mother claimed the father was John Smith, but he wouldn't admit it or else the case hadn't been settled. Other terms you may run into are "ut fertur" meaning as it is said (or believed it if you like), and "dictus"

or "p(rea) dictus, meaning the said, aforesaid (man). "Vocatus" means called or known as.

A common way of showing illegitimate paternity in English records was to give a child his father's full name and his mother's surname. The idea was that if the couple married later, the mother's surname would be dropped. Knowing about the use of double surnames for illegitimate children is very useful to genealogists but, in genealogy there are always exceptions. In London, Lancashire, Yorkshire and among nonconformists, the use of a complimentary second surname from the mother's family, the pastor or a rich uncle, came into vogue in the early 1800s and again in the later Victorian period.

If you discover a reference to John Jones Smith, and it occurs anywhere but in a recognized gentry family before about 1840 in England, it should alert you to the possibility of illegitimacy, but remember the exceptions. In the late 19th century the English sometimes used hyphenated surnames such as Armstrong-Jones, but for reasons of ancestral snobbery, not illegitimacy, so when researching English records, remember this popularity of double surnames in particular localities and time periods for other reasons that the marital status of a child's parents before assuming an ancestor was illegitimate.

Thanks to *The Illuminator Newsletter* of the Zion Genealogical Society of Zion, Illinois.

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## Where did this saying come from? "All That Glitters Is Not Gold"

Similar to "the grass is always greener on the other side," the idea here is that things may appear nice from a distance, but the reality is often not what you thought it would be.

While the notion has been around for a long time, its original form comes to us from the Bard himself.

Shakespeare's *The Merchant of Venice*, 1596, has the line as "all that glisters is not gold."





# 100 Things To Do In Scotland Before You Die

With thanks to my late friend, Buck Buchanan.

From rocking out at the Barrowland to discovering the Holy Grail in Midlothian, Edd McCracken presents 100 things you ought to have done in this country before you cross over to the other side (and we don't mean England). Avoid regrets on your deathbed, start reading now.

1. See a band in the *Barrowland*. Ask most bands where their favourite place to play in the world is, the answer is always the same: Glasgow Barrowland. Its fantastically gaudy neon exterior is like a beacon to any self-respecting music lover, while the interior, complete with sticky sprung floor, is reassuringly dingy. The Barrowland is a sweaty, dark, cavernous canvas for the best bands in the world to go to town on like fevered Jackson Pollocks, squirting sound and colour over the pogoing masses below. 244 Gallowgate, Glasgow, [www.glasgow-barrowland.com](http://www.glasgow-barrowland.com); [www.ticketsscotland.co.uk](http://www.ticketsscotland.co.uk)

2. Visit the Standing Stones at Callahish. Leave Stonehenge to the hippies, Callanish is for grown-ups. The pyramids are derivative and the Incas mere weans compared to the inspired druids who erected the 50 stone sentinels overlooking Loch Roag on the Isle of Lewis 5000 years ago. These standing stones in the shape of a cross predate Stonehenge by half a millenia, and are similarly rumoured to have an astrological purpose. Myths about "the shining one" appearing on midsummer's eve and even an adolescent Jesus visiting the site only add to the air of otherworldly intrigue. Call 01851 621 422 or log on to [www.historic-scotland.gov.uk](http://www.historic-scotland.gov.uk)

3. Take the West Highland line to Mallaig. A 164-mile train ride bursting with superlatives - it rolls past Britain's highest mountain (Ben Nevis), deepest loch (Morar) and longest canal (Caledonian). The train scales mountains, glides through glens, dodges waterfalls, careers across Rannoch Moor on a floating track, and sweeps over the Glenfinnan viaduct, a



place made famous by Bonnie Prince Charlie, but now more associated with a new young pretender, Harry Potter. Scotrail, 08457 48 49 50, [www.scotrail.co.uk/scotrwhl.htm](http://www.scotrail.co.uk/scotrwhl.htm)

4. Go to an Old Firm game. Every time Rangers or Celtic meet, whether in the blue and white cauldron of Ibrox or the hooped hysteria of Parkhead, it is a clash of Wagnerian proportions encapsulating centuries of religious and political feuds in 90 minutes. The football often isn't pretty but if you can get a ticket, buckle up and prepare to be shocked and exhilarated at the greatest sporting derby in the world. Bar none. Parkhead, 95 Kerrydale Street, Glasgow, 0141 551 8653; Ibrox, 150 Edmiston Drive, Glasgow, 0870 600 1993

5. Drive over the Bealach na Ba to Applecross. It's official title of A896 belittles the most spectacular road in Scotland justice, or maybe Bealach na Ba (Pass of the cattle), just doesn't fit on most AA prescribed maps. Imagine the James Bond Alpine car chase from Goldfinger only with steeper roads and more hairpin bends, and you have one of Scotland's most precarious drives. With the summit at 2053 feet, Bealach na Ba, just north of Kyle of Lochalsh, is also one of the highest. Hire an Aston Martin especially.

6. Visit the Turner Watercolours at the National Gallery of Scotland. With all the lights and colour of the festive period gone, January can be bleak. But, every year, cracks of light appear at the National Gallery. In 1900, London art impresario, Henry Vaughan, bequested 38 of Turner's finest watercolours to the National Gallery of Scotland with one condition: they



**Before you die**, *continued from page 24*

could only be displayed in January, when the sunlight was weak and less destructive to the painting. So each January Turner's masterpieces arrive like a swirling winter solstice of colour, illuminating the Mound and chasing away the January blues. The Mound, Edinburgh, 0131 624 6200 [www.nationalgalleries.org](http://www.nationalgalleries.org)

7. Eat a real Arbroath Smokie. It's all in the name. It has to be Arbroath and it has to be smoked.

Revel in its EU-protection status (alongside Champagne and Parma Ham) by following the wood-smoked aroma drifting from the cluster of family-run smokehouses on Arbroath Harbour and indulge on the succulent haddock meat smoked over a barrel for 90 minutes. [www.arbroath-smokie.co.uk](http://www.arbroath-smokie.co.uk)

8. Enjoy a Dorothy's eye-view of Edinburgh Castle. Go to the junction of Bread Street and Spittal

Street in Edinburgh at dusk. Beside the shop on the corner is a blue door. Stand by that door and look up towards the castle. This is the view of the ramparts at their most soaring. Then consider this: A man called George Gibson, who was born a few feet from you, behind that blue door, emigrated to the US in 1930, worked as a scenic artist in the MGM movie studio between 1934 and 1969 and painted the Emerald City in *The Wizard of Oz*. Now look up at the Castle again. See the similarities?" (Mark Cousins, broadcaster)

9. Eat a Fisher and Donaldson custard slice. As much a St Andrews tradition as golf, dead saints and posh students. Baking since 1919, Fisher and Donaldson are the closest Fife, or Scotland, has to an original French style patisserie, only with the earthy injection of Scotch pies and oatmeal skirlies. But the creme de la creme of the creme is their custard slice - gooey perfection. 13 Church Street, St Andrews.

10. Play the world's oldest golf course. Pneumatic tires, radar and penicillin all have their uses, but the one Scottish invention that inspires true slavish devotion around the world is golf. And what better place to worship the sport that fashion forgot than the oldest playing course in the world, Musselburgh Old Links, where Mary Queen of Scots reputedly played a round in 1567. Balcarres Road, Musselburgh, Balcarres Road, 0131 665 5438, [www.musselburgholdlinks.co.uk](http://www.musselburgholdlinks.co.uk) 206.

*We'll do another ten of these next issue!*





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Our new Webmaster, Charm Henderson Russell, says, "We feature the list of games, your area commissioners, how to apply for genealogy, member of the month and weekly news of Scotland. We have new pages for Scotland, Aussie Branch, and Canada as well as lots of history movies.

"Take a look yourself and maybe you'll get more ideas."





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