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A Circle of Gentlemen invites members

As reported by Steven McKenzie
BBC Scotland Highlands and Islands reporter and
The Tartan Herald,
 publication of the Scottish Tartans Authority

A group that has its roots in a secret society which remained loyal to Bonnie Prince Charlie after the Battle of Culloden has opened up its membership. Until now people have had to receive an invitation to join *A Circle of Gentlemen* but Circle commodore Matthew Donnachie said by encouraging general membership, a fund could be created to support heritage and archaeology projects.

The move comes in the 265th anniversary year of the Battle of Culloden. Established in Edinburgh in 1748, the original secret circle continued to back the prince after the Jacobites' defeat at Culloden, near



Inverness, in 1746 and its members continued to meet late into the 18th Century.

The modern version of the society followed discussions between Jacobite enthusiasts during the 1990s.

Anyone interested can learn more at <http://circleofgentlemen.info/>

2011 Rural Hill Scottish Festival & Loch Norman Highland Games announce Honoured Clan & Guests

HUNTERSVILLE, NC: The 18th Annual Rural Hill Scottish Festival and Loch Norman Highland Games proudly welcome Honored Guest Sir Lachlan Maclean of Duart, Chief of Clan Gillean and his wife Lady Rosemary. The Festival and Games are set for April 15–17, 2011. Complete details, schedules and advance tickets are available online at www.ruralhillscottishfestivals.net.

Sir Lachlan Maclean: The Honourable Sir Lachlan Hector Charles Maclean of Duart and

Morvern, Bt, CVO, DL is the 12th Baronet and 28th Chief of Clan Gillean. Sir Lachlan succeeded his father Lord Maclean in 1990 and at the same time inherited Duart Castle on the Isle of Mull in Argyll. While Duart is his home; the family has always seen it as a home for the Clan as well. Sir Lachlan was commissioned as Deputy Lieutenant of Argyll and Bute in 1993, and has served as Adjutant of the Royal Company of Archers (the Queen's Bodyguard for Scot-

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land). He acted as Silver Stick for Scotland (the ceremonial bodyguard to the British Monarch) during the State visit of Her Majesty to the opening of the Scottish Parliament. In 1999, he was appointed Commander of the Royal Victorian Order.

CLAN MACLEAN (Clan Gillean): The Clan Maclean (Clan Gillean) traces its origins to the Royal House of Loarn, Kings of Dalriada. The Clan is named for its founder and first Chief, Gillean na Tuaidh (Gillean of the Battleaxe), born ca. 1174. The name Gillean is translated as “Servant of St. John,” so “Maclean” is an Anglicization of the Gaelic *Mac Gille Eoin* (or *MacGhillEathainn*), which means “Son of the Servant of St. John.

Clansman’s Crest Badge: Notable modern Macleans include the diplomat and adventurer, Sir Fitzroy Hew Maclean of Dunconnel, Bt., believed by many to be the model for James Bond, and actor Sir Sean Connery, whose mother was a Maclean, and who frequently wears a Maclean kilt. Alistair Maclean and Sir Charles Maclean of Dunconnel, Bt. are well known authors, as is Charles Maclean, the whisky expert.

DUART CASTLE: Duart is from the Gaelic *Dubh Aird*, which means “black height.” Duart Castle stands proudly on the Black Height, a peninsula on the far eastern coast of the Isle of Mull in the Inner Hebrides, guarding the confluences of the Sound of Mull, the Firth of Lorne, and Loch Linnhe. On a clear day Ben Nevis, the highest peak in the British Isles, can be seen from the ramparts.

There has almost certainly been a stronghold at Duart since at least early Viking times. The curtain walls, built in 1250 for Macdougall of Lorn, are the earliest part of the current castle. They are nearly 30 feet high and from 5 to 15 feet thick.

The current chief, Sir Lachlan Maclean, inherited Duart Castle in 1990 and soon embarked upon a second restoration. Sir Lachlan has likened the process to “feeding a bonfire with £20 notes!” Duart Castle is open to the public from April through October each year.

Fun for the entire family, the Rural Hill Festival & Loch Norman Highland Games weekend offers professional Scottish heavy athletic competition, amateur

heavy athletics, piping and drumming, highland dancing, Scottish country dancing, harp and fiddle competitions, children’s activities, demonstrations and Rural Hill’s famous historic encampment.

Returning this year are the “Kids Zone” with bungee “Flex Flying” and bounce houses, and the popular Celtic Rock Music Stage including the Saturday evening concert.

For complete information on the 18th Annual Rural Hill Scottish Festival and Loch Norman Highland Games including advance ticket purchases and registrations, please visit our website at www.ruralhillscottishfestivals.net. Proceeds support the preservation of Historic Rural Hill.

Celebrating 250 years in 2010-2011, Rural Hill is located at 4431 Neck Road (off Beatties Ford Road) in Huntersville, 28078. The former homestead of Major John and Violet Davidson, the 265 acre site is maintained and promoted by Rural Hill and features annual events such as the Rural Hill Scottish Festival and Loch Norman Highland Games, the Rural Hill Amazing Maize Maze and the Rural Hill Sheep Dog Trials. Rural Hill Inc. is a non-profit organization supported through membership and donations, and with proceeds from its events utilized for the preservation of historic Rural Hill and its education efforts. For more information on events or for financial support accepted securely online, please visit www.ruralhill.net.



*Marian
Elizabeth
Muldoon*

Marian Elizabeth Muldoon was born at 5:10 pm, March 7th 2011.

She weighed in at 9 pounds 6 ounces. She is the daughter of Tom and Kacey Muldoon, Clan Sutherland members and great granddaughter of Robert and Barbara Sutherland longtime Clan Sutherland members.

Clan Sutherland's Plaid Hat Society starts something fun...send your pix!

Rocksie, "the rescued pitbull" joined Clan Sutherland Society when she heard their motto was "Without fear."

Rocksie's hobbies include: savoring haggis treats, watching Greyfriar's Bobbie and dressing up as a Bonnie Lass. Her favorite thing to do is to "sing along" by howling at the top of her lungs with the bagpipes!

With thanks to Elizabeth Sutherland for Roxie's picture and story.

Now, you know Narra The Wonder Cat is also a member of the Plaid Hat Society - and here she is sporting her own wee Scottish bonnet. Narra wonders if there are other Plaid Hat Society members out there? To be a member, you simply must have four legs and

be wearing a plaid hat. One or the other of your "parents" should take your photograph and send it in to bethscribble@aol.com. Please be sure to send as a jpeg file. Please send some information about your own member of the Plaid Hat Society!

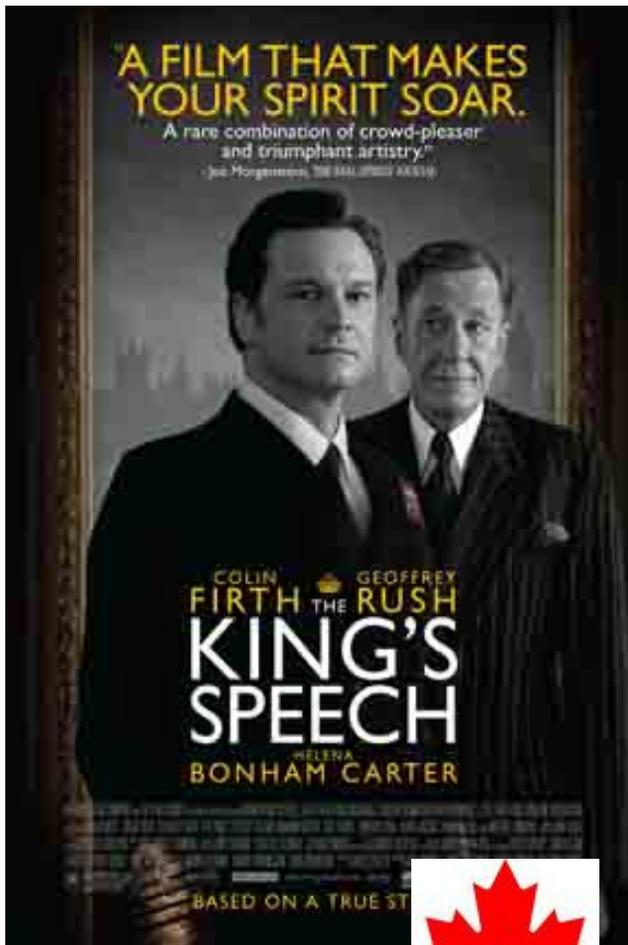
There is something useful in this somewhere. Useful? Well, it's great fun!



Photo by Elizabeth Sutherland



Costume stutter in King's Speech film



An Act to recognize the Maple Leaf Tartan as Canadian national tartan

“The Register of All Publicly Known Tartans formed the basis of a new International Tartan Index maintained by the Scottish Tartans Authority, a charitable organization started by several former members of the Scottish Tartans Society.

The Maple Leaf Tartan's International Tartan Index number is 2034, as identified in the original *Register of All Publicly Known Tartans*.

In February 2007, Secretary of State Jason Kenney asked the Scottish Tartans Authority in Edinburgh, Scotland, to issue a certifi-

“Tartan experts in Scotland have been left speechless by the highland dress worn by actor Colin Firth in the Oscar-tipped movie *The King's Speech*.”

So read the greatly exaggerated tabloid press intro to the discovery that in the Oscar winning film ‘*The King's Speech*’ actor Colin Firth was wearing a very modern Irish tartan (County Kerry we believe) as he made his way to Balmoral. And the sporran adorning his royal frontage dated from a Lanarkshire manufacturer of the 21st century — not the 1930s.

“They just get things spectacularly wrong,” said Peter MacDonald, a kilt historian and head of research for the Scottish Tartans Authority.

“The tartan is certainly not of any design that was available to the royals at that time,” he added. “Things like this really get me going. The expertise would have been available to the film makers if they had bothered to ask.”

“They seem to pay great attention to other costumes in the film yet they select a tartan from the late 20th century. To be honest, it's just poor research and sloppy attention to detail.”

Don't let that put you off going to see this superb film however!!

cate for the Maple Leaf Tartan in the name of the Dominion of Canada. I have a copy of that certificate, which confirms the Maple Leaf Tartan, as originally registered in 1964, as the de facto national tartan of Canada.

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Our “22 Days of Green” campaign will form part of the wider ‘Billion Acts of Green’ that is being run by the Earth Day Network. Each tree planted will count as one act of green - **let’s see how many we can get planted during these 22 days!**

We are delighted to have partnered up with the Earth Day Network and to lend support to their Billion Acts of Green campaign. If you make the effort we will double it...

Trees4TwoNations

Those of you following us on our website or through Twitter and Facebook will know that we have been heavily involved with a new initiative called Trees4TwoNations.

As a main partner for the initiative, which has the support of the Scottish Government, Angus has attended ceremonial receptions and tree plantings in Knoxville Tennessee and in the Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh.

This is a really exciting project to be part and has attracted the support of Congressmen in the USA and Cabinet Ministers here in Scotland... we even planted two trees in the exclusive Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh!

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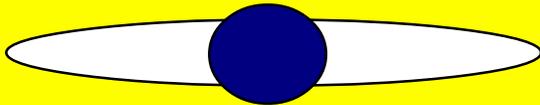
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It is possible to locate ancestors in United States Serial Set Records

Bryan Mulcahy

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Genealogists who discover ancestors involved in activities that coincided with interests of the United States government should consult the United States Serial Set. Publication of the Serial Set began with the 15th Congress, 1st Session (1817). The Serial Set contains House and Senate Documents and House and Senate Reports dating from 1789 through 1969.

The reports are usually from congressional committees dealing with proposed legislation and issues under investigation. The documents also include other papers ordered printed by the House or Senate. Documents cover a wide variety of topics and may include reports of executive departments and independent organizations, reports of special investigations made for Congress, and annual reports of non-governmental organizations. During the late 19th and early 20th centuries, executive-branch materials were also included.

Women, African Americans, Native Americans, students, soldiers and sailors, pensioners, landowners, and inventors are all represented in the various records. The key factor that determines the likelihood of finding your ancestor in these records is their interactions with federal departments, the military, or life events that involved some contact with a federal jurisdiction.

In the post Revolutionary War (1789-1820), printing of congressional documents had been haphazard, and the Serial Set was an effort designed to rectify that situation. In 1831, the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House ordered the publication of many early congressional and related federal documents. A total of 6,278 documents were published in 38 volumes between 1832 and 1861. In print format, the Serial Set is also known as the American State Papers. Because it was a retrospective effort, these 38

volumes were arranged chronologically within 10 subject areas: Foreign Relations, Indian Affairs, Finance, Commerce & Navigation, Military Affairs, Naval Affairs, Post Office, Public Lands, Claims, and Miscellaneous.

Important genealogical information may include: 1)

Information concerning land claims, especially those related to bounty grants for service to the government as well as to contested lands once under the jurisdiction of another nation; 2) Lists of names and addresses for individuals who applied for patents and documentation related to the inventions; 3) Lists of army and navy pensioners including their rank, place of residence; and amount of pension; 4) individual claims for

damages after military conflicts (such as the Civil War) or other incidents involving federal personnel; 5) Personnel information for non-governmental agencies and other private entities that provided outside services.

The *Heritage Quest* database, available through many public libraries, offers free access to this information. The best comprehensive print index is the Congressional Information Service's (CIS) *U.S. Serial Set Index*, produced in conjunction with their microfilming of the volumes through 1969 beginning in the mid-1970s. In this index, a two-volume subject index covers groups of Congresses, with a third volume providing an index to individual names for relief actions, as well as a complete numerical list in each report/document category.

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Glasgow Highland Games



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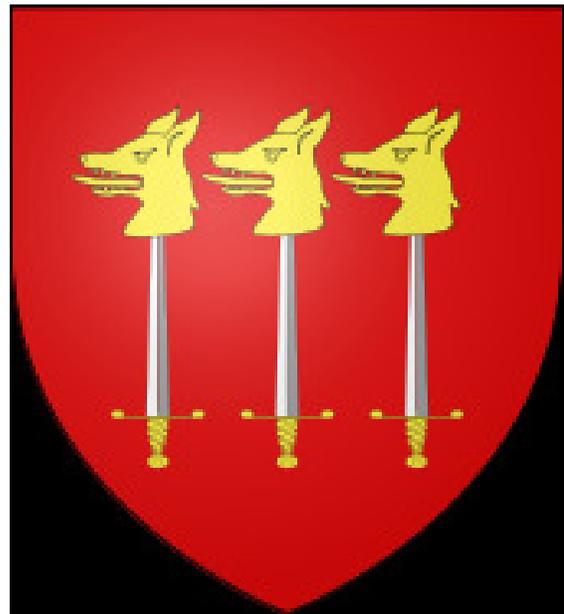


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Impact on Genealogical Research From the standpoint of genealogical and historical research, WPA (Works Progress Administration) records have provided a tremendous legacy of historical and genealogical information that may have otherwise been lost due to age and neglect.

WPA records involved activities such as: 1. Compiling inventories of official records for thousands of communities; 2. Compile historical narratives and facts about the lives of thousands of Americans; 3. Help create usable indexes to important official records (in some cases for the first time ever!); 4. Help create a centralized record keeping system that was uniform throughout the country; 5. Locate millions of official records that the federal/state or local govern-

Saturday, June 4, 2011: 9:30am - 12:30pm
WPA (Historical Records Survey) Records & Their

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THE CRAWFORD SURNAME Y-DNA PROJECT

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Flowers of the Forest



Lynn Charles Martin died at Dominion Village of Williamsburg, Virginia, on February 22, 2011. He was born the only child of the late Carl T. Martin and Marion Bush Martin.

On May 9, 1945 he married his wife, Martha (Marty) Montgomery of Seymour, Indiana. Lynn was enlisted in the V-5 Naval Aviation Cadet Program in 1942. Due to an accident to his spine, he spent seven months in a Navy hospital and was discharged in 1944.

After finishing his education, he began teaching Accounting and Mathematics at Rochester Business Institute, Rochester, NY. He taught for several years, then accepted a position with Avon Products, in Newark, DE managing their Accounting Dept. Over the years he was moved around to various Avon Installations. He had a wonderful mind for figures and was often referred to as "the Bean Counter." Retiring in 1984, they moved to live in a favorite southern area of Williamsburg, Virginia.

He and Marty joined the Williamsburg United Methodist Church and have been active in various areas. They are members of the Fellowship Class; Lynn was the first Treasurer of the United Methodist Men. He volunteered at SCORE, Vita and at Colonial Williamsburg. He was a longtime member of the Middle Plantation Club. A proud Scot, he attended their groups as long as he was able.

His hobbies were always hunting and fishing es-

pecially with his Dad. In later years, he took up wood carving and has created bird carvings of outstanding quality.

Their family consists of daughters, Gail Martin Botluk, of Newark, Delaware (the late Dale Botluk); Janet Martin Baker Eaton (David, Sr.), of Cambridge, Maryland; son, David L, of Williamsburg, Virginia, three grandchildren, Kimberly Botluk Ramsey (Richard), of Newark, Delaware, Robert Baker (Lisa), of Rancocas, New Jersey; Nicholas Baker (Kim), of Ruidoso, New Mexico; four great-grandchildren, Catherine Baker, of Ruidoso, New Jersey; Jessica Lynn Ramsey, of Newark, Delaware and Lindsey and Lucas Baker, Rancocas, New Jersey.

A memorial service was held Saturday, February 26, 2011 at the Williamsburg United Methodist Church. Burial was private at Williamsburg United Methodist Church Memorial Garden. Services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Bill Jones, Rev. D.M.

Meloy and Rev. Dr. Kirk Mariner.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Williamsburg United Methodist Church Building Fund, or one of your choosing.

Kay Cummings of Ft. Valley, Georgia, died Saturday, March 20, 2011 after a long and valiant fight against cancer. He and his wife, Susan, would have celebrated their 46th wedding anniversary this April 4.

Kay brought amateur athletics to the Scottish Highland Games in the South and served numerous games as Athletic Director for many years. He and Susan have been wonderful friends of your editors for more than twenty-five years. Kay left a son and a daughter and his beloved Susan.

We will bring you a complete obituary when it is available.

Does anyone know about The Perrott Family Society meeting?

Hi! I just saw your *Newfangled Tree* site and am wondering when the next Perrott Society meeting is? I am researching a family tree and would like to meet other fellow Perrotts!

Beth Putnam

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Celebrate Tartan Day April 6

Genealogy Programs free to the public, continued from page 15

ment knew had been compiled but were missing from the courthouse or other facility that supposedly housed them. This seminar will focus on how these records can impact genealogical research and where to locate them. Speaker: Bryan L. Mulcahy, Fort Myers-Lee County Library.

Saturday, July 9, 2011: 9:30am -12:30pm Long Distance Genealogical Research - Genealogical research involves searching multiple varieties of historical record types, manuscripts, documents, and publications. The research process involves searching multiple jurisdictions in different states and overseas. However, time and financial constraints may limit the ability to travel.

This seminar will discuss the various options available to those who are unable to perform on-site research. Speaker: Bryan L. Mulcahy, Fort Myers-Lee County Library

All programs are free and open to the public. However, registration is required. To register patrons

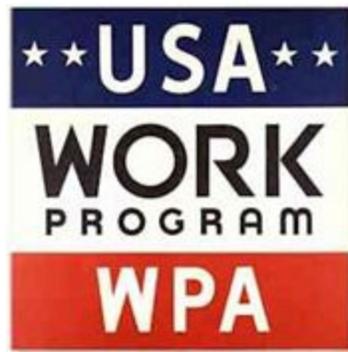
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Dear Family & Friends:

As many of you may know, our youngest daughter Lizzy Calhoun is a film editor and lives in Los Angeles. She was an assistant editor on this year's hit movie, *The Fighter* that has been nominated for seven Oscars tonight at the academy awards. The film has been nominated for best picture, best supporting actor, two best supporting actresses, best director, best original screenplay, and best editing.

The nominations alone have already raised her stature as a film editor, but if *The Fighter* wins an Oscar in any of these categories, it will further help her career. So, we're asking all our friends and family to say a little prayer and keep your fingers crossed.

Lizzy has worked in television for the last few years on such shows as "The Closer," "Ugly Betty," and HBO's "Flight of the Conchords." Her latest TV series is "Chicago Code" that debuted only a few weeks ago. Lizzy has also edited two documentary films "Dragonslayer" and "A Bag of Hammers," starring Jason Ritter, that will premier at South by Southwest in Austin, TX in March.

We are very proud of Lizzy!"

After the Oscars, Patrick reports: "The Fighter" won two Oscars: one for best supporting actor, Christian Bale, and one for best supporting actress, Melissa Leo.

Lizzy's documentary, "Dragonslayer" won best documentary and best cinematography on

Thursday evening at the South by Southwest Film Festival in Austin, Texas.

Below is a copy of an article that ran in *The*

Petit Jean Country Headlight, the hometown newspaper where I grew up.

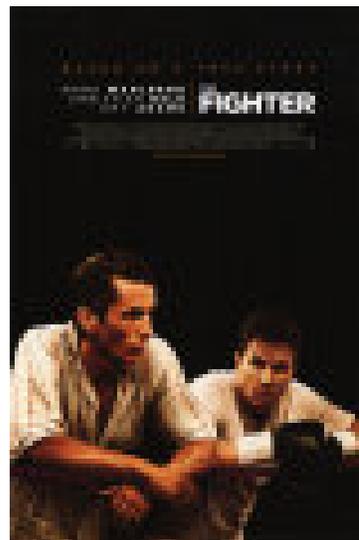
Patrick Calhoun

Morrilton Connection to 2011 Hollywood Oscars

Lizzy Calhoun is a freelance film editor that lives in Los Angeles, California and has many Morrilton connections. Calhoun as an assistant editor on this year's hit movie, *The Fighter* that won two Oscar Awards at the 83rd Annual Academy Awards in Hollywood on February 27th. The film was nominated for best picture, best supporting actor, best supporting actress, best director, best original screenplay, and best editing and was awarded two Oscars.

Christian Bale won best supporting actor and Melissa Leo won best supporting actress for their roles in *The Fighter*.

Born Julia Elizabeth Calhoun in 1977, Lizzy Calhoun graduated from Central High School in Little Rock in 1995, attended The University of Memphis and graduated with a degree in film from Columbia College in Chi-



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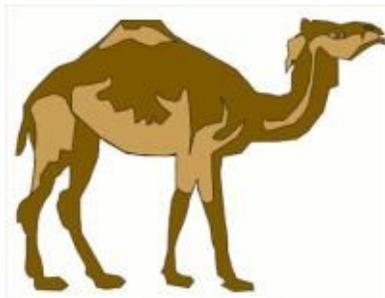
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Release of the 1911 Census



Colquhoun-Murphy

Patrick Colquhoun weds **Charlotte Murphy**. Patrick, Younger of Luss, was married in London June 26, 2010. The couple currently reside in Singapore. Patrick is Southeast Asian Vice President of Ken Clark International. He graduated from King's College London with a BA in American studies.

Patrick and his bride, Charlotte, will host the annual Clan Colquhoun reunion and reception at Camstradden House in Luss on July 1, 2011 before the Luss Highland Games.

With thanks to the Clan Colquhoun newsletter. Contact Clan Colquhoun by writing sijepuis@bellsouth.net

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and on the documentary "Stevie" which went on to win a Joris Ivens award at the Amsterdam International Film Festival & Best Cinematography at the Sundance Film Festival.

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Lizzy Calhoun is the daughter of Julie & Rick Calhoun of Little Rock and the granddaughter of Norma Calhoun of Morrilton. Lizzy's sister and family, Susan & Paul Dumas, and her aunt & uncle Mona Kaye & Jerry Scroggins also live in Morrilton.

More information about Lizzy can be found at the Internet

Movie Data Base (www.imdb.com)

The 1911 census will be available by 11:00 BST on Tuesday 5 April. Images of the enumeration books will be in full colour and for the first time the enumeration includes the particulars of the marriage, the number of children born from the marriage, the industry or service connected to the occupation and the nationality of the person enumerated.

We are also planning to make some scanned historic documents available for your use at www.ScotlandsPeople.gov.uk, for example PDF's of the street index books for the main towns and cities of Scotland, which will show whether a street existed in 1911.

Evening Visit on 5 April at ScotlandsPeople Centre

For those who work full time but who are keen to search the 1911 census, the ScotlandsPeople Centre in Edinburgh is holding an evening visit from 18:00 to 21:00 on the evening of the 5 April for £10. Telephone 0131 314 4300 to book your place or you might wish to use our email enquiries@scotlandspeoplehub.gov.uk if you require further information.

The Whisky Corner



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The Universal Whisky Experience, recently held in Las Vegas, brought together dozens of the leading personalities in the world of spirits, mixology, and whisky innovation. Among this stellar line-up:

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Sam Simmons, Global Ambassador for The Balvenie single malt Scotch whisky, presented an extraordinary collection of 17-year-old limited editions of his brand. First introduced in 2001, the brand has released seven whiskies, each characterized by the unique influence imparted by the wood of the barrels in which they aged. The whiskies' color, aroma and taste were determined by their time in barrels previously used to age rum, Madeira, sherry, smoky whiskies and new oak.



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Ashok Chokalingam, Ambassador for Amrut Distilleries, introduced single malts from India. Hearing such un-Scottish terms as “barley from Punjab” and “water from Himalayan rivers” made Ashok’s presentation exotic as well as educational. Amrut’s *Fusion* was a crowd pleaser.

David Perkins’ High West Distillery’s 21 year old Rocky Mountain Rye Whiskey, was a stunning addition to his presentation. David’s proprietary blend of bourbon and rye whiskeys, called *Bourye*, is one of the most popular offerings from this Park City, Utah distillery.

What better way to relax from an outstanding weekend of whisky education, sampling, and meeting giants in the industry than enjoying a robust Bowmore 18 year old on the balcony of my room at Ravella resort on Lake Las Vegas in Henderson, Nevada?



Understanding Pipe Band Competition: The Basics

Camden Simon

When one attends a highland games, he can not leave without the bands having influenced his experience one way or another. He might casually listen to the music as it fades in and out in the background or stop and watch the events going. When watching the competition it is not always clear to the uninitiated. Who are the people walking around the circle and what are they doing? Is there any difference between the bands? What makes up the seemingly endless requirements? These competitions seem complex, but in reality are very logical and understandable to even those who do not play instruments.

The pipe bands have a set of requirements that govern the kinds of music they can play in competition as determined by their grade level. Grade V is required to play a selection of quick marches while grade IV prepares a medley. The medley can consist of any kind of music as long as the total performance is between 3 and 5 minutes. Grades III through I have two different sets they must prepare, a medley with the same requirements and a second set consisting of one March, Strathspey, and Reel, or MSR. They will only play one of the sets at any given competition, but all in the same grade will play the same set type. The time requirement is strictly enforced. If any band plays a set that is short or long, by even one second, they are automatically disqualified.

The piping competition is often performed on the main field of the games in

order that it may serve as entertainment for the crowds. The competition area is made of two circles, one inside of the other. The inner circle is a guide for the pipe band to form up in and play their music. The outer circle is for the judges. The judges are allowed to move all around the outer circle to listen, but are never allowed to move inside of it. When the band comes onto the field they approach a line that is drawn about ten feet from the outer circle and stop. At this point the competition begins. For the lower grades, IV and V, they do not march in playing, but begin their set after they have formed a circle. The scoring begins when they start the drum rolls. For grade III, and higher, the drums will start their rolls at the line and the band will play while marching into the circle. Thus, scoring begins



Camden Simon

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as soon as they start.

This then leads into explaining the roles of the officials involved. The first person one will see is the steward, who ensures that the competitions run smoothly. This done by doing everything from ensuring that the judges have everything they need to making sure the next band to play is ready. Then comes the role of the judges. There are four to five judges now used to judge all official pipe and drum competitions. In the Eastern US they are tested on their knowledge and certified by the Eastern United States Pipe Band Association, or EUSPBA. The EUSPBA is the governing organization that sets the rules and manages the competition circuit in it's area. There will be either two or three piping judges; it is the games discretion. They are graded based on things such as how well the pipers manage to play in unison, clarity of the execution, smoothness of tempo changes, and note changes. In addition they judge on the expression, or how musical it sounded to them. Finally they score on how well the bagpipes were tuned throughout the performance.

One of the two remaining judges is the ensemble judge. This judge scores on the overall sound of the band. This can consist of things such as how well the pipers played with the drummers, and were the pipes and drums tuned in pitch and

volume to blend well. While a majority of people are not aware that you can tune drums, an out of tune drum is very noticeable. Finally, they grade on the quality of the music arrangement itself.

This leads to the final judge, the drumming judge. He judges all the drum corps, which consist of the side, which is often referred to as a snare, tenor, and bass drums. He judges on their technique and sound. Secondly, they are judged on their ability to achieve expression of rhythm and tempo. In general, he grades them based on their quality and variety; after all, nobody likes monotonous tapping!

At the end of the performances it is time to determine who is the winner based on the judges scores. The judges award all bands a placing based on their assessment. Then all the placings from the judges are added together and the lowest overall score wins. If there is a tie it is broken by who received a higher score from the ensemble judge.

Hopefully this has helped to clarify what exactly is going on in that closed circle they call the pipe band competitions. With this insight maybe it will be less confusing and easier to follow what is going on and to see what the judges are looking for. The next time someone in the crowd asks what is the man with the clipboard walking around the circle up to, you can give them an answer and help to take the mystery out of the competition!

Camden Simon served as the Co-Director of Piping and Drumming at the Gatlinburg, TN games for five years before becoming the President of the Gatlinburg Games.

He has been a member of the Knoxville Pipes and Drums,

The 78th Fraser Highlanders Montreal and The City of Chattanooga Pipe Band

He is currently the Piper-in-Residence for Erskine College and Erskine Seminary.

(Camden piped at Tom and Beth's Handfasting at the Glasgow Games in 2007!)

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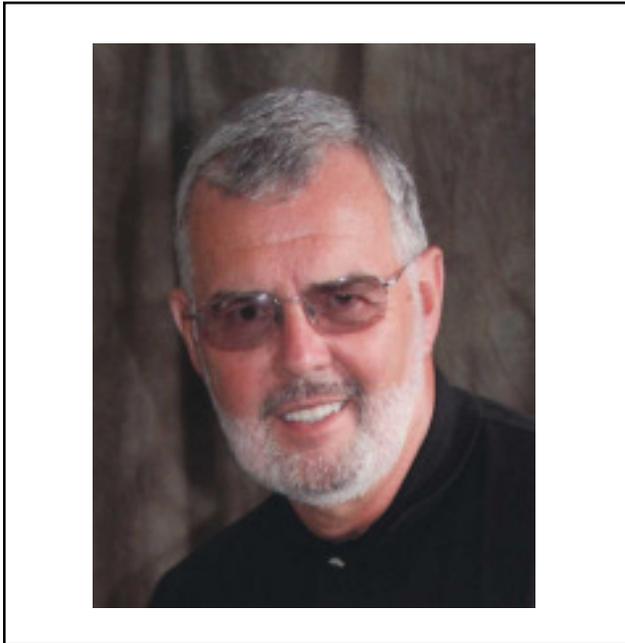


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Ray Pearson is an expert on Scotch Whiskies and writes *The Whisky Corner* column for this publication each month. He has presented Whisky Tasting programs all over the United States.

For more information on this tour go to www.whiskytastings.com. (Note: trip is limited to 20 people.)



San Diego Tartan Day Celebration

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Thanks to these wonderful Scottish organizations: House of Scotland, San Diego Burns Club, 42nd Black Watch Highland Society, San Diego Scottish Highland Games, Scottish Clan & Tartan Information Center, St. Andrew Society of San Diego, North County Scots, Clans of the Highlands, San Diego School of Highland Dancing,

Celebrating Tartan Day 2011

To: America From: Scotland!

Scotland's ties with the United States date back to the founding of the USA. Scots and those of Scottish descent have helped shape the history of America in profound ways. Here are ten things Scotland has given the USA.

1. The US Navy - John Paul Jones (1747 - 1792) is famous in the United States as the 'Father of the American Navy'. A gardener's son from Kirkbean, Kircudbrightshire, Jones went to sea at the age of 13 and went on to become America's first naval hero in the American Revolutionary War.

2. The voice of Mickey Mouse You might be surprised to learn that the world's most famous mouse was voiced for almost 40 years by a Dundonian. Jimmy MacDonald (1906 - 1991), who became a Disney sound effects wizard, was chosen by Walt Disney to provide the voice of his most wellknown creation Mickey Mouse in 1947.

3. National Parks: Dunbar-born John Muir emigrated with his family, aged 11, in 1849 to rural Wisconsin, USA. Muir had



developed an early passion for the natural world, and pursued these interests across the Atlantic where he fell in love with the wilderness. He is credited with starting the national park movement in America - including Yosemite and the Grand Canyon. Muir has been voted 'Most Famous Californian of all Time', appeared on two US postage stamps and has dozens of places named after him. Muir died in Los Angeles on December 24, 1914.

4. At least 33 Presidents: Of the 43 men who have served as President, an astonishing 33 have been of either Scottish or Ulster-Scots descent. This includes George Washington, Theodore Roosevelt,

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Woodrow Wilson, Gerald Ford, Ronald Reagan and Bill Clinton. According to genealogists, current president Barack Obama's ancestry can be traced back to William the Lion who ruled Scotland from 1165 to 1214.



5. American icon Uncle Sam: ‘Uncle Sam’, who is famously depicted on patriotic recruiting posters, is a national icon in the United States. The original ‘Uncle Sam’ is said to be Sam Wilson, a food business operator in New York, whose parents came from Greenock in Scotland. Wilson supplied meat to the US Army during the 1812 War and it was joked at the time that the ‘U.S.’ stamped on the crates stood for ‘Uncle Sam’, in reference to Wilson.

6. Thousands of its place names: Many locations in America were nostalgically named after the places Scottish immigrants had left behind. There are eight Aberdeens, eight Edinburghs, seven Glasgows and eight places simply known as Scotland in the United States today. In addition, many places are named after Scottish clan names with areas named Campbell, Cameron, Crawford and Douglas throughout the USA.

7. The Man on the Moon: Neil Armstrong, the first man to walk on the moon, took a scrap of Armstrong tartan with him on his historic space flight of 1969, in tribute to his ancestors from Langholm, now in Dumfries and Galloway. The astronaut was made a freeman of Langholm when he visited in 1972. Armstrong's fellow-moonwalker, Edwin “Buzz” Aldrin, also boasts Scottish antecedents.

8. Buick: Buick is the one of the most famous brand names in the motor industry and is stamped on more than 25 million cars in the USA. The car is named after David Dunbar Buick, a plumber from Arbroath, who emigrated to the USA in 1856 and went on to set up the Buick Motor Company.

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9. The Private Eye: Glaswegian Allan Pinkerton founded the world's most well-known detective agency in Chicago in 1850. He became famous when he foiled a plot to assassinate President-Elect Abraham Lincoln. The distinctive Pinkerton agency logo, the All-Seeing Eye, inspired the phrase 'Private Eye'. A major crime-fighting force, the Pinkerton Agency and its methods are thought to have inspired the FBI.



10. Elvis Presley: Elvis Presley's roots can apparently be traced back to a village in Aberdeenshire. The musical icon is descended from Andrew Presley, who emigrated to North Carolina in 1745. Scotland was the location for The King's only visit to the UK, a brief landing at Prestwick Airport in 1960.



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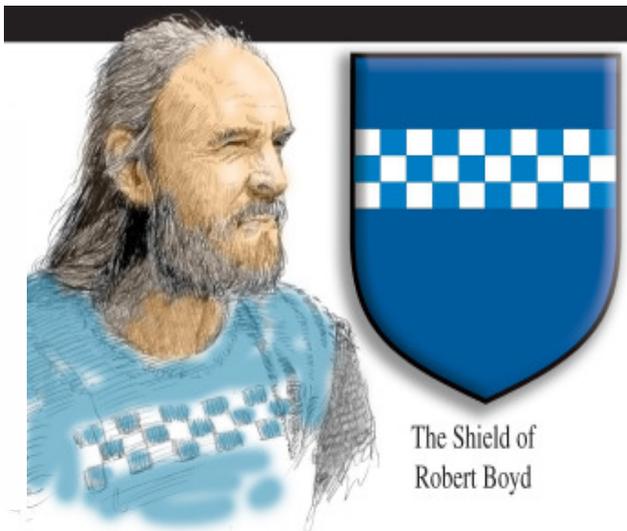
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