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Ellice McDonald, Jr., has passed away in his home “Invergarry” near Wilmington, Delaware. Clan Donald USA mourns.

Ellice McDonald, Jr., husband of deceased wife Rosa Laird Hayward McDonald, died peacefully at his home, "Invergarry" on 10 June 2013. He was 100 years old.

He was born in New York City on 22 May 1913, son of Canadian physician, Dr. Ellice McDonald and portrait artist, Ann Heebner McDonald. He was the grandson of Archibald McDonald who was born in Glencoe, Scotland, and was the last of the chief factors of the Hudson's Bay Company.

He attended Chestnut Hill Academy, Chestnut Hill, Pennsylvania, and received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Swarthmore College. Subsequently, he worked as an Industrial Engineer for the DuPont Company.

In January 1941 he volunteered for the United States Army and served as a commissioned officer in the Pacific Theatre.

Ellice first met his wife, Rosa, in 1930 when he was sixteen, and they married in 1954. They shared a lifelong passion for cats and dogs and they adopted countless numbers of strays and rescue pets who happily shared their animal "bed and breakfast" with the occasional pure bred German Shepherd or Golden Retriever. His wife was a strong supporter of his Scottish interests.

In July 1976, he was appointed High Commissioner, to Clan Donald, USA and served in that capacity until January 1, 1983. He also established the Glencoe Foundation as a private charitable foundation which made contributions to Scottish organizations such as the National Trust for Scotland, the Royal Caledonian Schools in Bushey, the Clan Donald Lands Trust on Skye.

A short time later he founded the Clan Donald Foundation which is separate from Clan Donald USA. Anyone may join the foundation, or contribute to it, but the foundation and clan organization are not connected.

The Foundation is allowed to send representatives to the CDUSA AGM each year to make requests for members and for contributions.

Clan Donald USA in the United States has thousands of members and commissioners in every State including Alaska and Hawaii.

In the early 1970s he became aware of the Clan Donald Lands Trust on Skye. He and Mrs. McDonald took a great interest in helping out this organization which still exists today.

On 13 December 1985, Her Majesty, the Queen, conferred on Ellice the title of Commander of the Most Ex-

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Ellice McDonald, Jr., *Continued from page 1*

cellent Order of the British Empire (CBE). On 18 June 1992, a similar honour was bestowed upon his wife, Rosa. They are the only husband and wife in the North American Continent to have received this honour.

In 1978, Ellice established and became president of the Gurkha Welfare Trust Foundation (U.S.A.) which cooperated closely with the Canadian Gurkha Appeal.

In 1989, he was guest of honor of the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games in Linville, North Carolina. It is believed he is the first American to have been so honored.

For many years until 1997, Ellice and Rosa provided the entire Clan Donald membership with a Clan Donald calendar. The same spirit of generosity prevailed for years when Ellice and Rosa saw to it that each and every new member of Clan Donald USA received a copy of *Slaughter Under Trust* concerning the story of the Massacre of Glencoe.

Ellice and Rosa also are recognized at the new Museum of Scotland in Edinburgh as "Outstanding Contributors."

He is survived by his step-daughter Nancy Lloyd Hayward and her husband Richard Stephen Dunn Johnson of New York City; his two step-sons, Nathan Hayward III and his wife, Marilyn Rushworth Hayward; Pierre duPont Hayward and his wife Martina Combs Hayward (all of Wilmington, Delaware); his step-son-in-law Christopher George Lewis Jones of Guilford, CT, widower to Rosa Hayward Jones who died in January 2006; and five grandsons: Nicholas Calder Lewis Jones of New York City; Laird Reed Hayward of San Francisco, CA; Nathan Hayward IV of Los Angeles, CA; Bradford Lloyd Hayward of Brooklyn, NY; and George Stewart Marshall Hayward, and his wife, Margaret Kelly Hayward of Washington, D.C.

His family want to express their gratitude to the staff and nurses who took such good care of Ellice in his final years.

The interment will be private. The family suggests gifts to Faithful Friends Animal Society, 12 Germy Drive, Wilmington, DE 19804.



We have lost Mr. Morris Monroe Stewart

Funeral services were held for **Morris Monroe Stewart** on Wednesday, April 3, 2013 in Monroe, Louisiana. Burial was in a family cemetery in Doniphan, Missouri.

Monroe passed away at his residence on Saturday, March 30, 2013.

Mr. Stewart retired from government service as a Federal Poultry Inspector. He was a loyal member of First United Methodist Church of Monroe, NARFE, Sons of Confederate Veterans and the VFW.

Most of all Morris was a loyal member of the Clan Stewart Society of America and the Stewart Society in Scotland.

He served in various capacities for these organizations until he became ill. Frequent weekends for countless years were spent helping assemble and host the Stewart tent at numerous Scottish games, as well as attending Stewart gatherings.

He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Virginia, who accompanied him everywhere and participated in all of the same organizations that Morris enjoyed.

He is survived by two daughters: Marilyn Stewart of Monroe, Louisiana and Sara Stewart Ballard of Houston, Texas. He is also survived by three grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Back in 1989-1990 when I began my job in South Georgia, Mr. Stewart was one of the first I met in the larger Scottish community. He invited me to an AGM of Clan Stewarts down on the Gulf Coast where I met many more Stewarts. He was one of the kindest people I have ever met..

out the parking pass and timidly showed it to the official.

"Where do you want me to park?" I asked.

"He looked at the pass and then looked again. "Little Lady, you park anywhere you wish if it is on the track or smack dab in the middle of the field."

There was absolutely no problem anywhere that year.

He was such a good friend for so long. I will miss him and always think of him as someone who was most generous with himself and who always thought of others.

There will never be another Ellice McDonald, Jr.

From your editor: *Mr. McDonald was one of the most staunch supporters of The Family Tree for all those years that it was produced in South Georgia. He was always kind and thoughtful and loved to talk about the Castle Cat who lived at Armadale on Skye.*

One year, Mr. McDonald kindly sent me his very own ticket packet for Grandfather Mountain.

At Grandfather, parking is most always a challenge, I always shook in my boots until that was safely done.

As I drove up to the GMHG gates that year, I pulled



Going on 36 years ago, Bob and Jeanette Swanson formed a group of friends they called The Kingdome of Raknar. You might see people at Scottish Games today wearing tiny pins which are replicas of Viking horned headdresses. Those are members of the Kingdome. Sadly, the Scottish community just lost Jeanette on June 2nd of this year. The Glasgow Highland Games have hosted many gatherings of The Kingdome and wished to honor Jeanette with their 2013 program cover. Maureen Hendrick and Tom Freeman created the above art for Jeannette known affectionately as "The Queen Mum." Members of The Kingdome are from all over the world.



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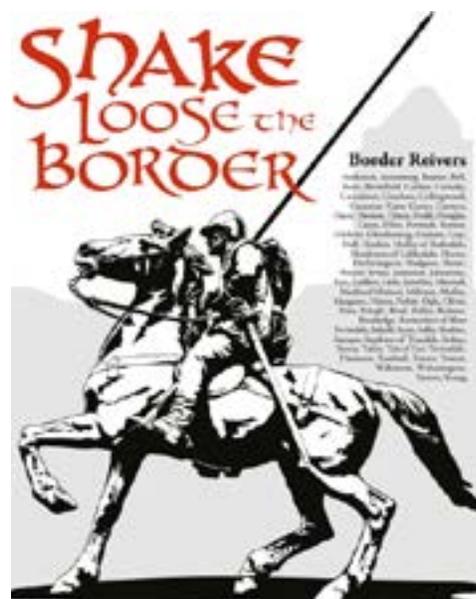
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First - Ever Cyber – AGM for Clan Blair set for Sept. 21, 2013

The Clan Blair Society announces the first-ever Annual General Meeting (AGM) held via web-based technology.

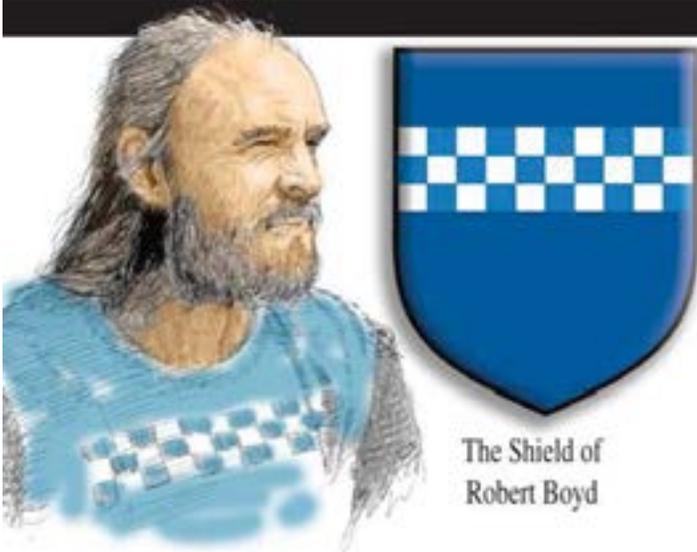
The Board is selecting the webplatform, considering Web-Ex, Google +, Skype, and Go To Meeting. We will select the system that provides members easy access via their computers and/or telephone.

You will be able to join the AGM with any telephone or computer device.

The agenda is being finalized with an array of speakers and presentations. Final details will be published on the website mid-summer and in the early September Newsletter of Clan Blair.

Please be sure to mark your calendars and put this event on your September 21 schedule.

It is a 2-hour event and we hope you will join us. Forward your questions to Jim Blair at president@clanblair.org.



The Shield of
Robert Boyd

A lifelong friend and close lieutenant to Robert the Bruce, Sir Robert Boyd heroically defended Castle Kildrummy and was an exemplar to all in the Scots' cause. He survived the years and faced harsh dangers in taking his country back from the English kings, and fought alongside his family's Stewart kinsmen at the Battle of Bannok Burn.

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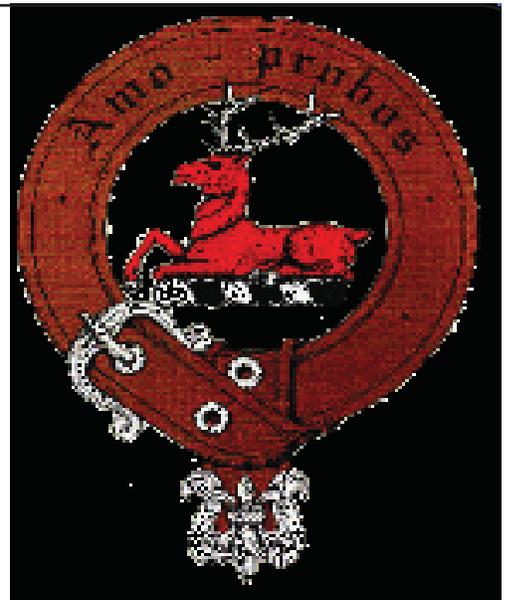
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Outlander series to be on television!

A major new fantasy-adventure television series is to be filmed in the Scottish Highlands later this year.

Author Diana Gabaldon, who wrote sci-fi adventure stories set in 18th-century Scotland, revealed at a literary convention in New York that the show was going into production.

She is expected to become consultant and co-producer on the series, due to be broadcast in April, according to reports.

The series has the potential to become Scotland's answer to the hugely successful fantasy series *Game of Thrones*, filmed on location in Northern Ireland.

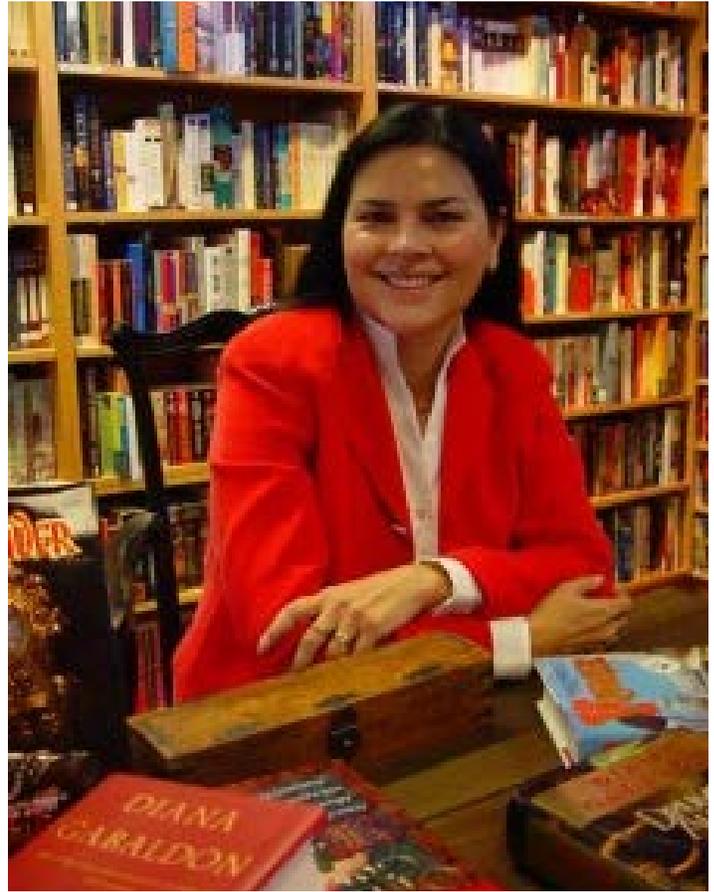
The *Outlander* TV series is being masterminded by *Battlestar Galactica* producer Ron Moore, who will be working with a string of writers from that series for his new project.

Filming is reportedly due to get underway in October after a deal was sealed between Gabaldon, Moore and the network Starz.

Moore, who worked on various *Star Trek* series said: "The idea would be to do a season a book, and she's done seven or eight books at this point. It's sort of a big adventure period piece with a romance at the heart of it. I'm very excited to land *Outlander* at Starz. I think they have the right creative outlook. They love the books and the pitch and I think this is going to be a great experience and deliver a great show for fans, old and new," he continued.

She previously said: "That's where I began, knowing nothing about Scotland or the 18th century, with no plot, no outline, no characters – nothing but the rather vague images conjured up by a man in a kilt."

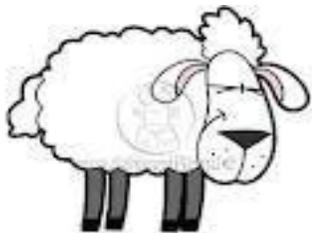
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Author Diana Gabaldon.

News Flash!

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Flowers of the Forest

Beverly Dianne Blair, Clan Blair Society life member, 60, of Eatonton, Georgia passed away on Wednesday, March 13, 2013. She was born August 30, 1952 in Brookwood, Georgia.

She worked at Oconee Regional Medical Center where she was a registered nurse, and married Ben Leverette on May 10, 2006.

She was preceded in death by her father Donald Blair, sister Debbie Muella, and brother Donny Blair.

Beverly is survived by her husband Ben Leverette, mother Othelle Blair brother Scott Blair & wife Gail, nieces and nephews: Danielle, Natalie, Jackie, Josh and Michael and also their 2 loving Springer Spaniels Maggie & Harry.

Alice Lorene Leslie Park was born in Little Rock Arkansas to Florence Lorence Dice Leslie and Edward Postal Leslie in 1910.

She lived her early years in Oklahoma City, graduating from Central High School in 1926. She attended both Southern Methodist University and the University of Oklahoma studying Journalism.

Alice and Lee Park were married in Oklahoma in 1932.

Owing to Mr. Park's employment as a geophysicist with various oil companies, the couple moved many times throughout Texas and Louisiana before settling in Midland in 1941. Alice and Lee Park were married for seventy-two years prior to Lee's death in 2003 at age 93.

Mrs. Park volunteered in many capacities during her years living in Midland.

She was a Girl Scout leader and also helped her long-time friend, Winifred Morgan, at the Girl Scout House on Washington St.

Her Girl Scout involvement plus many other activities earned her the award of "Distinguished Woman of Girl Scouts".

Alice was also active politically, serving for many years as a Precinct Chairman, as an Election Judge, and was a "fixture" at Early Voting. Further,

Mrs. Park held many offices in Republican Women's Club, serving as President among other capacities.

She was an active member of the Midland Society of University Women.

Mrs. Park served as Regent of the Lt. William Brewer Chapter of the Daughter's of the American Revolution-an office she held proudly.

She founded the Joseph Black Chapter of Children of the American Revolution in Midland and was an Honorary Lifetime Member of the Petroleum Museum, having volunteered for over 1,000 hours.

Recently she received the first Centurian Award given for a volunteer over age 100. Plus, she could be found for many years in the very early morning at COM doing her exercises with her "pool family".

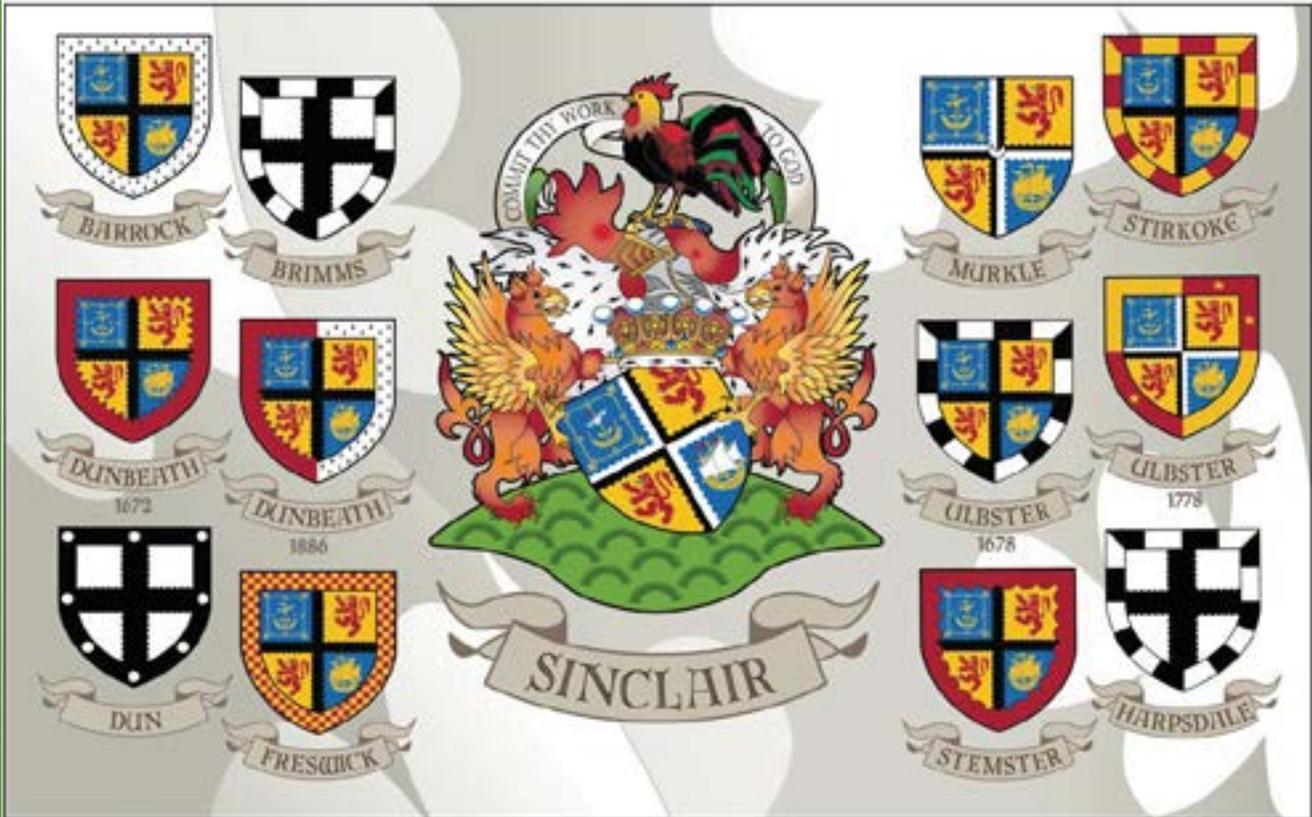
Alice is survived by her daughters, Dr. Leslie Jane

Park of Arcadia, CA, and Susan Alice Eiteljorg and husband Jack Morgan Eiteljorg of Boerne, TX; two granddaughters, Leslie Suzanne Davenport and Kathryn Elizabeth Wallace and their husbands, William Davenport and Michael Wallace, all of Austin. She is also survived by five great grandsons.

Alice Leslie Park was highlighted on the cover of the April 2012 issue of the Grip Fast Journal, shown with her daughter Dr. Leslie Jane Park and granddaughter Leslie Suzanne Davenport on the occasion of Alice's 102nd birthday.



Clan Sinclair Association, Inc., (USA)



7 ft. x 9 ft. tent panel created by Heraldic Artist, Tom Freeman, for the 2009 Gathering in Edinburgh.

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Glasgow (KY) Highland Games great success!

The 2013 Glasgow Highland Games were held May 31st through June 2nd at Barren River Lake State Resort Park, Lucas, KY. They produced not only great athletics with three World Records set by Gene Flynn of Nags Head, North Carolina, but also a record of 130 children participating in the children's activities including athletics, arts and crafts and the Alice Wallace Young Children's Tug of War against the Clans Wallace and Donald.

In celebrating the history of your family, the Glasgow Highland Games has made Three Generations a 'movement' and promotion. The response is exciting to all those involved as grandparents, to mother's and father's to children all come together to learn about and enjoy the wonderment of the Celtic culture and values. As the Glasgow Highland Games explained that three days of cultural entertainment and fun for the whole family is less expensive than taking the family to a movie outing whose significance quickly passing in comparison to an appreciation of the Celtic values that will last a lifetime.

May 30th through June 1st in 2014 is expected to be an even stronger Generations Gathering for the Glasgow Highland Games as Smucker's Corporation has agreed to get involved in this strong promotion of family values at the Glasgow Highland Games.

For information please call their office 1-270-651-3141 (open year round) or email ghg@glasgow-ky.com.

They can also be found on their Facebook Page at: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Glasgow-Highland-Games-KY-USA/167803766571678?fref=ts>

Mea Culpa! The last section (A) was eaten by something or someone and I had to do it a second time. In the process, I missed the fact that the rest of the front page article was continued on another page. Here is the article in its entirety. Thank you for understanding.



British Car and Bike Show, Virginia Scottish Games

Clan Sinclair Honored Clan at the Virginia Scottish Games

Clan Sinclair will be the Honored Clan at the 40th annual Virginia Scottish Games on August 31-September 1, 2013 at the Great Meadow Equestrian Center in The Plains, Virginia.

These Games continue to be a huge success at Great Meadow just outside of Washington, DC and Manassas, Virginia. Nestled in the heart of Virginia's Piedmont countryside, Great Meadow is a 250-acre field events center with breathtaking views which evokes the spirit of the Scottish highlands, providing a truly authentic experience.

Malcolm Sinclair, Earl of Caithness, will be the Honored Guest for the games. The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Clan Sinclair will be held in conjunction with the games on Saturday, August 31st. For more information about the games you can visit their website at vascotishgames.org.

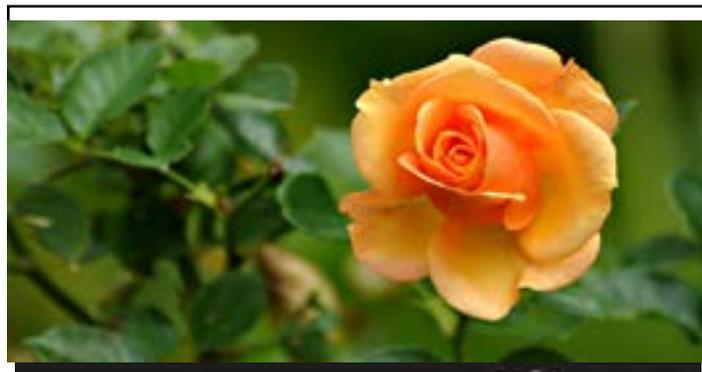
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Jewel Joan Branson – May 7, 1920 to February 4, 2012, she never knew much about her family history and so genealogy was an important interest of hers. She enjoyed researching, reading, and traveling to find out as much as she could about her past, when health would permit. She was a proud member of the Clan MacDuffee Society of America, Inc. Members of Clan MacDuffee Clan Society of America, Inc., who have passed away relatively recently: **Irma Coleen Glenn** – possibly in 2012.

Jeri Elizabeth Chester – possibly in 2011; **Enzell K. Middleton** – possibly in 2012 and **Mary E MacDuffie Allen** – possibly in 2007. Ms. Chester, Mr. Middleton and Ms. Allen were also all members of Clan MacDuffee Society of America, Inc.

Personal hygiene left much room for improvement in the 1700s. As a result, many women and men had developed acne scars by adulthood. The women would spread bee's wax over their facial skin to smooth out their complexions. When they were speaking to each other, if a woman began to stare at another woman's face she was told, 'mind your own bee's wax.'

Should the woman smile, the wax would crack, hence the term 'crack a smile'. In addition, when they sat too close to the fire, the wax would melt. Therefore, the expression 'losing face.'



The Shield of
Thomas Randolph
as Earl of Moray



Captured at Methven in the debacle that all but ended the reign of Robert the Bruce, the king's nephew Thomas Randolph was forced by his captors to track his king and the Army of Bruce. His heart still yearned for Scotland to be free, and at Loudoun Plain, he calmly turned his back to the English and rode across the battlefield to rejoin the Scots and stand against Edward's army.
Find out more about the epic story at....

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“Lifting the stone” is no longer done in modern times - or is it?

The stone carry or stone walk is a traditional Scottish and Icelandic athletic event involving the carrying of large stones down the field of competition. This type of event has become very popular in the sport of strongman, with many variations being used in numerous competitions all over the world.

A Clach/ultaich is a type of lifting stone found in Scotland.

Lifting stones are common throughout northern Europe, particularly Scotland, Iceland, Scandinavia and Northern England. They were usually heavy local stones, without any modifications, with the challenge to lift such a stone, proving your strength.

Some of the stones are, in fact, so heavy that there is no authenticated lifts in modern times, only legend. They do lift the stone at the Loch Norman Highland Games as the photo to the right shows.

The game probably originated as an outgrowth of the need to clear stones from agricultural fields.



Here is Patrick McGraw lifting a 225 pound stone and carrying it between two barrel-tops at a recent Loch Norman Highland Games near Charlotte.

Did you know that King Edward VIII, who abdicated in 1936, was christened Edward Albert Christian George Andrew Patrick David? The first names were in honor of family members, the last were Patron Saints

BEGINNERS GENEALOGY SEMINAR - PART TWO

Saturday, June 8, 2013

Speakers: Carolyn Ford –

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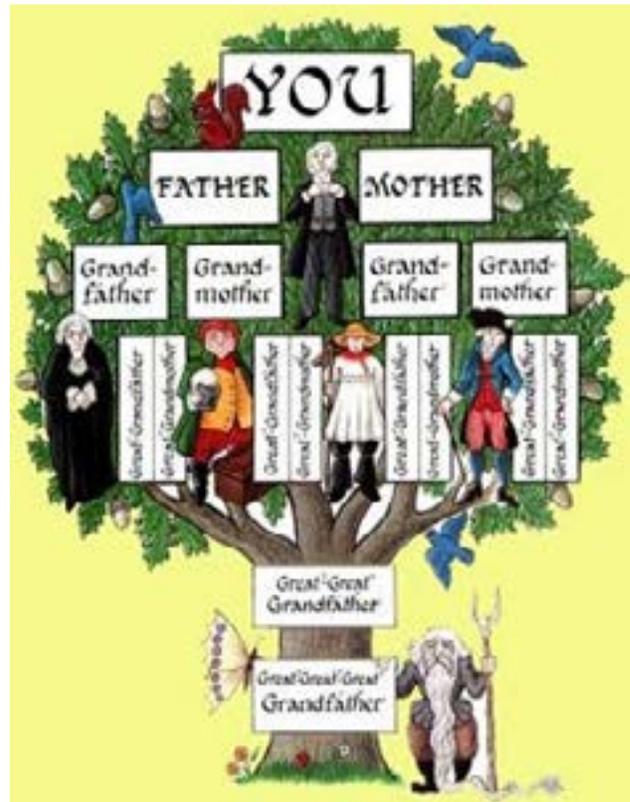
Fort Myers-Lee County Library

Time: 9:30am – 12:30pm

This seminar will focus on the basics of genealogical research, including the use of local resources and courthouse records. We will also discuss important genealogical resources (not always located in the genealogy collection) that are typically found in academic and public libraries.

Participants are encouraged to bring information already collected about their family history, including family group sheets and/or pedigree charts.

Patrons may register for the program online at <http://www.leelibrary.net> or by contacting Bryan L. Mulcahy via e-mail at bmulcahy@leegov.com or by calling (239) 533-4626.



Clan Bell International



This old West Marche Clan, one of Border clans since the early 1100s, were retainers of the Great House of Douglas and also allied with the best border families through blood and friendship. Their land holdings were extensive, and to survive, they engaged in the "rieving" of the period and participated in many battles against the English.

Declared "unruly" by the Scottish Parliament, many of the Clan emigrated to the Ulster Plantation after 1610.

After William Bell, called *Redcloak* and Chief of the Clan died in 1628, the chiefship became dormant, and without leadership, the Bells ceased to exist as a viable clan.

Clan Bell International (CBI) in the United States represents Clan Bell world-wide with a coordinated network of 20 International Representatives, each representing the Clan in their own country.

CBI is a charitable organization of Scottish descendants and friends of Family/Clan Bell dedicated to the study of Bell genealogy and Scottish history and the perpetuation of family tradition.

CBI cordially invites membership inquires from persons Named Bell (all spellings), their descendants and friends. Quarterly newsletter published. Tents hosted at major Scottish festivals from coast to coast.

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Scottish Independence Yay or Nay?

Scottish Native Alastair McIntyre, Electric Scotland

Scottish Independence: In many ways the debate over whether Scotland should vote YES or NO is getting harder and we still have several hundred days to go before the vote. I'd like to explain my issues and see where it takes us.

Now I won't say I'm an expert or anything but I have taken the time to try to educate myself on most of the issues and have spent some days at reading a lot of material some of which is quite technical.

To me if we vote YES for an independent Scotland that means we are going to get an SNP government as our first government of an independent Scotland. I am aware that this is not definite but I do believe it is the most likely scenario.

That means in part that if I vote YES then that is the government we will get and thus I need to consider what an SNP government would do if elected.

It's plain that they want to be a member of the EU and tie us to Sterling.

Now with all the reading I have done being a member of the EU is the very worst decision that they could make as we simply swap Westminster for Brussels but where we represent 10% of the UK population we will only represent 1% of the EU population.

We currently spend some 800 million a year to be in the EU and only get a tiny fraction of that back in so called grants. It's also not a democratic organisation so we can't vote them out if we don't like what they are doing.

In today's world we need to be represented on all the really major world organisations and yet through the EU we would only be represented by the EU and would not have an individual voice. The massive World Trade Organisation is an example. As an independent country we would be at the 'top table' but within the EU we wouldn't as the EU commission would represent the views of the EU members which need not be in Scotland's best interests.

Then there is the case that the EU through mismanagement has destroyed some 100,000 jobs in our Fishing industry and with it some 2 billion in annual revenue.

Problem is that the EU now has authority on all Scottish waters right up to our beaches. That means they also have a say on our oil and gas. So if they can make such a mess of our Fishing industry what might they do to our offshore Energy industry?

It's been suggested that instead Scotland should not join the EU and instead be a member of EFTA and the EEA. That would cost Scotland some 200 million and thus we would save ourselves some 600 million annually and likely more in the years ahead. Being a member of EFTA and the EEA still gives us a direct voice in the EU and pretty well all the rights that EU membership provides us with today but at least we would be in total control of our own Scottish waters and have a voice in the major international



organisations.

We would also be a full member of all of Europe instead of being in the EU which only represents half of Europe.

So to my mind being a member of the EU is a very bad move for Scotland and puts us in a worse position than we currently have from within the UK.

Then there is our currency. From everything I have read being in a Sterling currency union means we would be effectively controlled by the Bank of England and so we would not have free control of our own budget. And it is pretty obvious to me that we need our own currency if we wish to be a truly independent country.

In short, Governments which relinquish control of their currency leave themselves open to external interventions beyond the control of democratic institutions. Independence offers a unique opportunity to learn from these mistakes and to go back to where it all started to

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Clan Sutherland Society of North America



Septs and Associated Families:

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Elizabeth Sutherland, Countess of Sutherland
Chief of Clan Sutherland

Cockpen Church, continued
from page 25 A in Section A of this issue.

The summary of the Dig of 1993 says of the Cockpen site: "There is evidence of a long and complex history of activities on the site including that of a pre-Church Settlement."

This would suggest that the site is a significant part of Midlothian's history and is certainly worth preserving.

Although today Cockpen is a ruin, it is still very much a church in shape, form and structure.

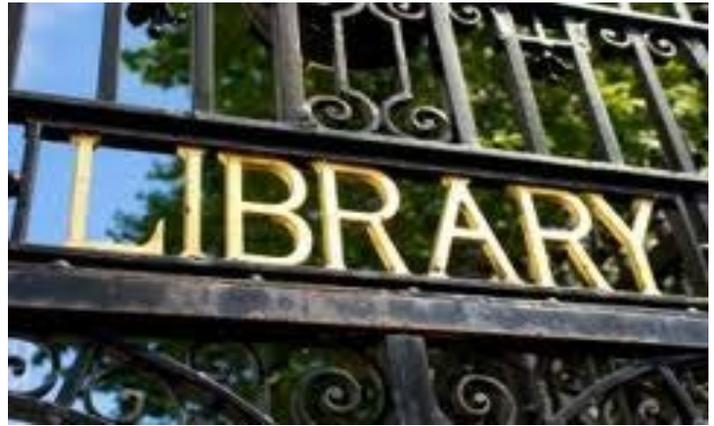
This is also the last resting place for many families who lived, worked, worshipped and died in this part of Midlothian.

Apart from the old headstones still standing there is also the imposing Dalhousie granite Obelisk which dominates the area surrounding the ruin.

However, what is left of the church is clearly in need of urgent attention otherwise the trees and bushes in and around it will eventually bring it down and that would be a sad end for a structure which has been a prominent part of the Midlothian landscape for perhaps 800 years.

Part of the problem could be its location because most people drive or walk past it without even knowing it's there. At a time when money is tight, some might argue that we simply cannot afford the luxury of spending money on a ruin and that, of course, is a fair point. At least we can discuss suggestions for options which might just save an important landmark from an undignified end.

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Great News for all Genealogy Buffs

There will be eight all new episodes of *Who Do You Think You Are* returning to The Learning Channel on Tuesday, July 23, 2013 at 9 PM Eastern time.

Check with your local cable company for details.

If you are overseas, this particular series may not be available yet.

So far, scheduled to appear are: Christina Applegate, Kelly Clarkson, Cindy Crawford, Chelsea Handler, Zooey Deschanel and Chris O'Donnell. Two other celebrities are to be announced.

PBS (The Public Broadcasting System) will add a new series, *Genealogy Roadshow* to its autumn lineup. Four programs are set to air on Mondays, September 23 - October 14 all at 9 PM Eastern time.

Although not confirmed, it is thought that another very popular genealogy series, *Finding Your Roots* with Henry Louis Gates, Jr., also on PBS is due to return next year.

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go wrong. The banking business will not reform itself from within.

The 2011 euro-crisis was compounded because it arose within a currency union. Several governments had issued debt in the form of bonds. Various banks, domestic and foreign, bought these securities, mainly but not exclusively, for euros. The 'indebted' States then spent the receipts on current account. These fractional reserve banks did not actually have real euros to lend – more accurately they extended credit, and for as long as the interest was paid the loan was regarded as sound. But borrowing more euros just to pay the interest on previous loans meant the debt was growing exponentially. This led to a loss of confidence and demand for repayment.

This then means that Scotland should have its own currency, stock exchange and central bank and should clearly not be in a Sterling currency union.

But Scotland could continue use of sterling without being in a currency union with rUK until Scotland issues its Scots merks. Ireland did this for several years after its independence.

Then there is the Pensions issue. It is now clear that the SNP have not given this any consideration at all and this seems to be a major issue on how we transfer the pensions from the UK to Scotland. There are considerable issues to be overcome here.

A committee of MPs has been told that sorting out pensions in the event of Scottish independence would be like building an NHS.

There are about 6,300 defined benefits pension schemes in the UK. Of that number some 5,000 are in deficit to the tune of £230bn.

All of that said it is quite possible to sort all this and would not be an issue but to me it's just one more issue that the SNP had not considered and has had to react to. Should we go down the Independence route then surely the rUK are not going to give us an easy route. After all no matter what is right or wrong they don't want to be saddled with a lot of debt after the break up if they can possibly avoid it. That's just common sense.

So right now I feel the SNP have got it badly wrong with their clear intention to have an independent Scotland as a member of the EU and tie ourselves to Sterling. To me that's not independence and instead actually puts us in a worse situation than being part of the UK. Plus to sort all the independence issues is bound to cost us a small fortune in legal fees, etc. as we'll need a large number of lawyers and civil servants to sort things out.

On the International stage we would be much better off being in EFTA and the EEA, re-invigorating our ties with the Commonwealth and looking to negotiate a free trade union with the USA.

So all of that says to me that we should vote NO in the referendum as it is clear that the SNP would destroy our country by joining the EU and going to a Sterling zone.



So now the conundrum.

Should we vote YES might we still get a real independent country?

One aspect many people ignore with the SNP is that they are actually quite split on the economic way forward for the country. It was pointed out to me that prior to Thatcher getting into power Scotland had some 22 Conservative MP's in Westminster. Today we have 1. However the conservative view is still there but now within the

SNP.

So this now assumes that while the SNP may well become the first government of an independent Scotland how long might they last? It is clear that with Labour and the Lib Dems voting to stay with the UK that they will have problems in any election we have.

This to me means we are likely to have to create a whole new political system in Scotland.

I believe the case for not joining the EU is overwhelming and so we do know that this will end up being a referendum issue after independence. As the SNP are so tied to being a member of the EU I believe once the issues are better known the Scottish people are likely to vote NO to being a member. That in itself would surely create considerable doubt in people's mind about

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the SNP's fitness for government and could well see the start of a whole new political system in Scotland.

I have absolutely no doubt that Scotland could be an outstanding independent country but it will only become that if we have the leaders that know how to govern us and represent us on the International stage.

To me this means that somehow we must get rid of the SNP as soon as Independence is won and the sooner the better. They do receive a lot of support right now on the Independence issue but if that is won then things will need to change otherwise Scotland will be worse of than we are right now.

And it is only fair to point out that Scotland exports more to the rUK than it does to the rest of the world combined.

And so there is the quandary in my opinion.

Do we vote YES and then hope we can get rid of the SNP whose policies would take Scotland down a road that would be worse than we have right now and not be true independence?

Should we vote NO as we feel the SNP will ruin the country through their bad judgement on issues like the EU and our currency?

I would say that in my opinion the SNP have done a good job at running our country on domestic issues but they seem to have very poor judgement on international issues which would cost the country dearly.

While the EU issue is not getting much press coverage in this campaign I believe the case is overwhelmingly in favour of ditching them and joining EFTA and the EEA instead. I think part of the case for not receiving much press coverage is simply that a decision on this won't be made until after the referendum issue is resolved.

A YES result in the Referendum does not empower Mr Salmond or the Scottish Government en masse to commit independent Scotland to EU membership. Mr Salmond must make it crystal clear very soon that the 'EU-no EU' question is not addressed by the 2014 Referendum question, and that neither Mr Salmond himself nor the Scottish Government en masse have any authority to decide on that question. The question could be ad-

dressed in another referendum possibly held at the 2015 elections. I really believe the case for NOT joining the EU is overwhelming and so where would that leave an SNP government who has given overwhelming backing to being IN the EU? Their credibility would be in tatters.

So the gamble is vote YES for independence and hope we can sort things out after, or vote NO and don't take the risk that the SNP will destroy the country.

One thing I haven't discussed so far is the Scots Diaspora and that in part is because they don't have a vote. However there is great knowledge of international affairs and practical knowledge on business out there that could be drawn on by an independent Scotland that could help plug gaps in our knowledge. Some thought should be given on how to draw on that knowledge for the benefit of Scotland.

Right now the problem is that the SNP don't seem to want to engage with the Scots Diaspora and that is a symptom of their lack of knowledge in international affairs.

Scotland as an independent country could be hugely succesful but not if we stick to the same old way of doing things and to me that's the conundrum... the SNP show no signs of thinking out of the box and be willing to try new ways. So while independence would certainly offer great possibilities unless these are grasped we would likely be worse of.

And so this is not an easy decision and I can only ask that everyone with a vote will do their best to educate themselves on the issues. And it is not too late to try and persuade the SNP to change their outlook prior to the referendum.

Electric Scotland has a section on "Scottish Independence and Scotland's Future" where you can read various papers on both sides of the agument at <http://www.electricscotland.com/independence>



A good place to see and read about Scottish politics is Alastair's [electricscotland.com](http://www.electricscotland.com) You may also look at the Scottish newspapers online.

Using German Gazetteers, Maps, and Street Guides

Bryan Mulcahy, MLS Reference Librarian, Ft. Myers - Lee County Library

To achieve long-term success in tracing German speaking ancestors in Europe, it is essential to know how to utilize gazetteers, maps, and street guides. Maps allow researchers to track ancestors through their various migrations prior to coming to the New World by aiding them in locating tracts of land they may have owned or identifying communities of residence where other types of records may have been generated.

To achieve the highest level of success using German records, the key element is identifying the ancestor's town of residence and church parish.

Since most older records are maintained by the local civil registrar or district, you must be able to identify the specific jurisdiction. From the standpoint of genealogical research, the older maps are far more useful than contemporary maps. In some cases, gazetteers may be the only useful tool because they are indexes of geographical locations. They would be the equivalent of a geographical dictionary.

Gazetteers are like dictionaries of place names. For each locality, they usually list where the nearest parish, (Catholic, Lutheran, or other), civil registration, district office, Jewish synagogue, and other offices are located. Since it is important to know which parish or civil office your ancestor's birth, marriage, and death are located in, the ability to use gazetteers is especially crucial for successful research. Gazetteers can help locate towns or communities that may have been too small to appear on standard maps, changed names over time, or may no longer exist.

Two prime examples that many professional genealogists use as evidence of the importance of old maps and gazetteers are Prussia and the Alsace-Lorraine regions.

They were once part of Germany, but are now located in Poland, Russia, and France. In the case of East and West Prussia, both regions were divided after World War II. The region of Alsace-Lorraine has been an endless source of disputes between Germany and France. In many older German records, maps and gazetteers, the area

may be known as Reichsland Elsass-Lothringen or Elsass-Lothringen. In most German records, specific references to German place names tend to use the governmental jurisdictions that made up the German Empire from 1871-1918.

German Street Guides are valuable resources for

identifying which church or civil records to search for in a large city. These guides are designed to help locate the ancestor's parish and civil registration district in various cities of Germany or former Prussian states that were absorbed into Poland or Russia after World War II. Each street in the city is listed along with the parish and civil registration district to which a street belonged.

Use these guides to determine the parish or civil registration district for the street where your ancestor lived. Although the jurisdictions listed date from the early 1900s, they usually apply for earlier years as well. When you find the street name, look up that street in this register to determine which parish your ancestor attended and in what civil registration district they lived. If the street extended into more than one jurisdiction, you will need to know the house number. In such circumstances, the street name in the register is followed by house numbers.

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Irish Cream Fudge

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- *Irish Cream Fudge
- *2 (12 oz.) packages Milk Chocolate Chips
- *1 (12 oz.) package Semi-Sweet Chocolate Chips
- *1 (14 oz.) jar Marshmallow Cream**
- *2 tsp. Vanilla Extract
- *2/3 cup Bailey's Irish Cream
- *4 1/2 cups Sugar
- *1 (12 oz.) can Evaporated Milk
- *1/2 lb (2 sticks) Un-Salted Butter

In a large bowl, combine chocolate chips, marshmallow cream and Bailey's. Set aside.

Line a 10x15" baking pan with foil. Lightly spray with cooking spray.

In a medium saucepan, combine sugar, evaporate milk and butter.

Bring to a gentle boil over medium heat. Cook slowly and stir constantly for 10 minutes.

Pour the hot mixture into the bowl with the chips. Stir slowly by hand to combine, do not use a mixer.

Stir until smooth, approx. 2-3 minutes.

Pour fudge into prepared pan and chill to set. Remove fudge from pan and cut into small serving pieces. Store fudge in sealed container in refrigerator until ready to serve.



Flowers of the Forest

OWENS, DANIEL CLAYTON; age 82; a resident of Chandler, Arizona, formerly of Shelby Township; passed away on June 19, 2012.

Beloved husband of Jane (Bolton) Owens, whom he married in San Jose, California on January 29, 1967; loving father of Elizabeth Hunt (Bruce), Scott Owens (Helena), Daniel Owens (Wendy), the late Rob Owens, and the late Richard Owens; dear grandfather of 10 and great grandfather of 4; dear brother of Jack Owens (Dolly) and Shirley Owens Zoppi. Predeceased by his parents, Luther and Velva Owens.

Daniel served in the US Air Force, was a member of the American Legion Post 55 in Sun Lake Arizona, a member of Woodside Bible Church-Troy, a loyal member of the Clan Sutherland, a retiree of General Dynamics Convair Division in San Diego, CA, and he loved his family and friends, and will be missed by many.

Just a wee peek at what's coming on pages 28-29.

Yes, it's photos of the 2012 Stone Mountain Highland Games!





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A Highlander and his books

The Art of Scottish-American Cooking

by **Kay Shaw Nelson**

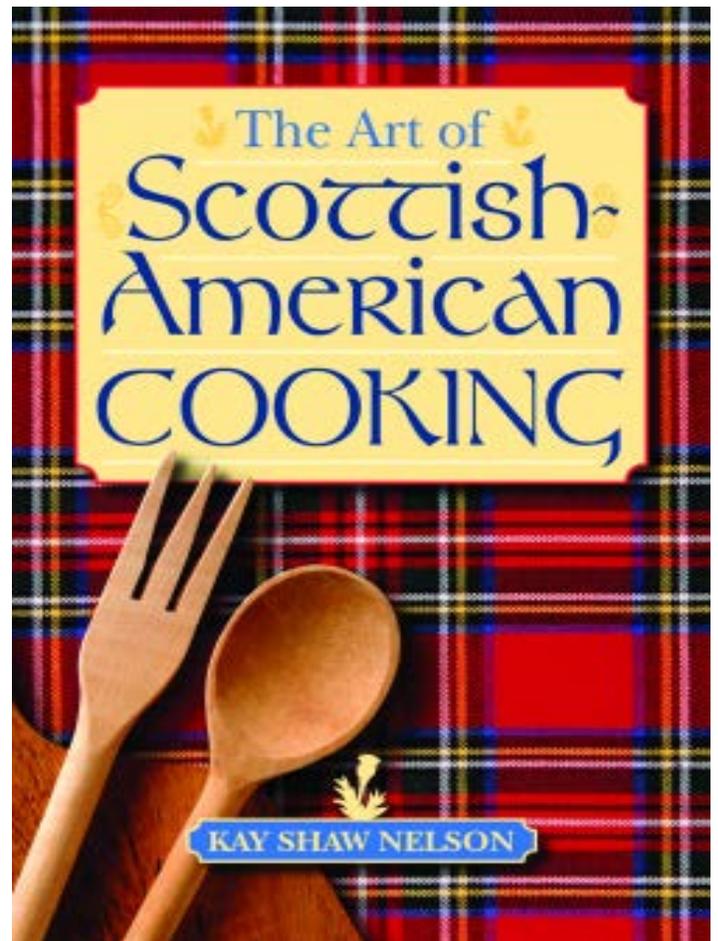
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Like many of you, I have had the privilege of enjoying some great meals in America, Europe and the United Kingdom, especially in Scotland. Yes, Scotland! Scottish food gets a bad rap by some, but I can tell you they have never had the opportunity to dine in the home of Angus Tracey on the Black Isle to the delight of his poached salmon, in the kitchen of Clan Shaw Chief, John Shaw of Tordarroch, where his wife Sylvia served the most delicious roasted chicken you've ever tasted, sat at the table of Ken and Jean Cox a few miles down the road from Culloden for a full Scottish meal, feast on Jamie and Meta Scarlett's Scottish venison at their Milton of Moy home, stay at Dunain Park Hotel just outside Inverness and enjoy as good a breakfast prepared by Chef Anne Nicol (nee Shaw) as there is anywhere or stand in line at her nightly sideboard filled with scrumptious homemade desserts, or eat the most succulent lamb one could ask for in the Edinburgh home of Robert and Pauline MacGillivray. So much for the naysayers!

Now along comes Kay Shaw Nelson with a cookbook that speaks to every Scottish-American heart. She has done the world, and Scottish Americans in particular, a great favor by giving us *The Art of Scottish-American Cooking*. Anything but a novice in the kitchen, this author of 20 cookbooks gives us a wealth of Scottish-American recipes. She takes us through the alphabet of Scottish food from Annapolis Deviled Crab to Williamsburg Spoon Bread, touching on all points in between. The list makes you want to go back to Scotland and put your knees under a Scottish table or venture to that favorite part of America where the



Scots left their culinary marks.

In Kay Shaw Nelson's cookbook you will learn about Scottish men and women who impacted our eating habits in the United States. You might be surprised at the list: John McIntosh (apple); Mary Johnson (hand-

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cranked ice-cream freezer); Philip Armour (Armour & Co.); Rev. Sylvester Graham (Graham cracker); Joseph Campbell (soups); another Campbell family along with the Hutchinson family (Moon Pie, one of my favorites as a child along with an RC Cola); David Jack (Monterey Jack cheese); Julia Child (cookbooks and television shows); Rev. Elijah Craig (Bourbon whiskey, my kind of minister!); Dr. James Crow, (Old Crow Bourbon whiskey); and let's not forget James Beard and Craig Claiborne (a Scotch egg lover) who probably did more to refine the food tastes of America than any other two people. These folks all have one thing in common – they are Scots or have Scottish ancestors.

One of my favorite recipes in this book is Scotch Fried Chicken. You'll enjoy letting your friends know that one of the "great Scottish contributions to the American cuisine is fried chicken." As documented in their travel books, in 1773 on the Isle of Skye, Dr. Johnson and James Boswell "were served fried pullets" (a young chicken which we seldom killed in SC during my childhood since they would eventually become hens). Immigrants to the Carolinas from Skye carried this recipe with them. I still recall my mother's Sunday fried chicken as a boy growing up in Mullins, South Carolina, and I now know that my ancestors came up the Cape Fear River from the Isle of Jura to settle in what is now Bladen County, North Carolina. Jura was not that far from the Isle of Skye.

There is also mention of literature in Kay's recipes with quotes from the big three - Scott, Stevenson and Burns. In reference to the lowly herring, Sir Walter Scott wrote, "It's nae fish ye're buying, it's men's lives." He made it clear that he liked his salmon plain and simple for he wrote, "The most judicious gastronomes eat no other sauce than a spoonful of the water in which the salmon has been boiled, together with a little pepper and vinegar." This great entertainer, who hosted hundreds of people over his life time at Abbottsford, had a fondness for desserts and once described them as "a fairy feast of cream, jellies, strawberries, almond-cream, and lemon cream." How many know that Robert Louis Stevenson spoke of Scotland's most famous Scottish oatmeal dish, porridge, with a "they"?

Listen up, "They're fine, halesome food, they're grand food, parritch." We are familiar with Robert Burns' tribute "To A Haggis" but Burns speaks of porridge as "The halesome parritch, Chief of Scotia's food." Burns, known to take a wee dram or two, en-

joyed the "social glass" as he called the national drink, Scotch whisky. I've read a lot of Scott and Burns and some Stevenson but never realized their love of food as Kay has so excellently presented throughout her book.

I've often heard there are two kinds of people in this world – those who are Scottish and those who wish they were! This book gives credence to that statement. Many of us have ridden through the beautiful Scottish Highlands, so buckle up; you're set for another great ride! Kay Shaw Nelson has given us a wonderful collection of Scottish-American recipes. This book is a tribute to Scottish-American people. There is not a page in this book without interest - it is Scottish-American food at its best!

I do not say this about a lot of books I review, but *The Art of Scottish-American Cooking* is worthy of your purchase. You will be tempted to consider it as a gift to yourself, for your family, and for your friends on their birthdays and at Christmas. Simply put, this book is nothing but a taste of friendship and love, Scottish-American style. I've eaten at Kinloch Lodge on the Isle of Skye where one of Scotland's most celebrated chefs and writers of cookbooks holds court. I have fond memories of that luncheon with Susan, my wife, and friends, Susan and David Shi of Furman University. The food was excellent, but with all due respect I have to say, "Move over, Lady MacDonald. There's another writer in town!"

Purchase price of this hardcover book is \$21 at www.pelican.com or you may call 1-800-843-1724. The media mail rate is \$2.95, plus 50 cents for each additional book shipped. ISBN 978-1-58980-386-2.

And I close this review with a recipe to further whet your appetite –

Etta MacKay's Salmon Dip

8 oz. cream cheese, softened
½ cup sour cream
1 tbsp. fresh lemon juice
¾ cup minced smoked salmon
2 tbsp. snipped fresh chives
Salt and freshly ground white pepper, to taste

In a medium bowl combine cheese, sour cream, and lemon juice; blend well. Add salmon and chives. Season with salt and pepper. Blend well. Refrigerate, covered, until ready to serve as a dip for raw vegetables or with oatcakes. Makes about two cups.



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