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350th Anniversary Lectures from the Court of the Lord Lyon

The Court of the Lord Lyon is celebrating the 350th anniversary of the Public Register of All Arms and Bearings in Scotland this year. The Public Register was established in 1672 by Act of Parliament and has been maintained up to the present day by the Lord Lyon and the officers of his court.

The office of Lyon King of Arms dates from the 14th century. The position may incorporate the much older Celtic office of High Seanchaidh, or King's Bard, with responsibility for keeping the royal genealogy and attending the inauguration – which later became the coronation – of the King.

The Lord Lyon is the sole King of Arms in Scotland. Uniquely among Kings of Arms, he is both a minister of the Crown and a judge of the realm, as well as head of the heraldic executive. He has complete jurisdiction over all heraldic business, as well as responsibility for State Ceremonial in Scotland.

In celebration of this landmark anniversary, a series of lectures has been planned. These events are free and will be hosted across the length and breadth Scotland to ensure as many as possible



people are able to attend.  All welcome to attend.

Moat Brae & Peter Pan Moat Brae Trust,
Dumfries, Thursday 12th May 2022 18:30 – 21:00
March Pursuivant Extraordinary Philip Tibbetts will

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Good Neighbor Day



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read the current issue

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Internet about the
15th of each month.
Section A is "up"
a day or so before the

Good Neighbor Day

**MAY 16,
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**Do something nice
for your neighbors!**

A letter from your editor...

On becoming a farmer when you really can't

Most of you haven't known me for twenty or thirty years. In those days, I could lift more weight with my legs than 99% of the men going to the YMCA in Moultrie, Georgia. I was strong everywhere.

In those same days, I had three horses and I would get a bunch of feed each week. I'd get a fifty-pound sack of sweet feed, a fifty-pound sack of crimped oats, a 50-pound sack of "hay in a sack" as I had an Arab who could manage to founder himself if the hay was from a different part of the field. I don't know if they make that anymore.

I'd keep a grocery bag full of bran and give my horses a warm bran mash a couple of times each week.

I would haul all those three 50-pound sacks of feed to my barn every week and unload them all alone, with no help at all needed and think nothing of it.

At least once a month, I'd drive home to Jacksonville, Florida, and tend to my mother, my Auntie Mildred, and Miz Peggie, my teacher whom I loved so good always.

That meant I'd clean all three houses, do any light bulb changing, any furniture moving, take them all three to the grocery store and unload everything and take them to the drug store, the dry cleaners and do anything that needed doing around their houses.

I'd come back home, care for my horses, dogs, and cats and keep house and cook, etc., and resume my two, most of the time three jobs and just be fine.

Thanks to arthritis which moved into my hips when I was thrown from a bareback bronc and broke my pelvis in my early thirties. Years later, I had to have both hips replaced. Arthritis just ate everything.

At that time and beyond that a bit, I was still running four miles a day - 2 in the morning and 2 in the afternoon/evening.



Time passes and now, I have trouble walking around the house and as I tore my rotator cuff on my right arm, my strength has gone away.

I can't dig holes. I can ride the big mower and do a decent job mowing the yard.

This year, I will become a farmer again! I have accumulated 20 GrowBoxes which have reservoirs underneath the growing part.

We had tables built outside, so there's no bending nor stooping to be this farmer!

I will be able to be a good gardener. Tom says when he is out of bed (soon) he will take over keeping the reservoirs filled with water.

In the past month or so, I have had my dear friend and neighbor, Billy Jones and his helper come over and they have emptied all of the old soil out of the GrowBoxes. We have replaced that with 16 bags of a very good potting soil. I have ordered the Nutrient Patches for each Grow Box.

I have seeds started in the kitchen under the fluorescent lights and when the Nutrient Patches get here a few days from now, I will purchase some plants and also use more seeds.

You, too, can become a farmer when your physicality is a bit suspect. It is such a joy.

There's so little weeding you won't even know it's there. Actually, all you have to do is be sure the reservoirs are full and harvest the crops!

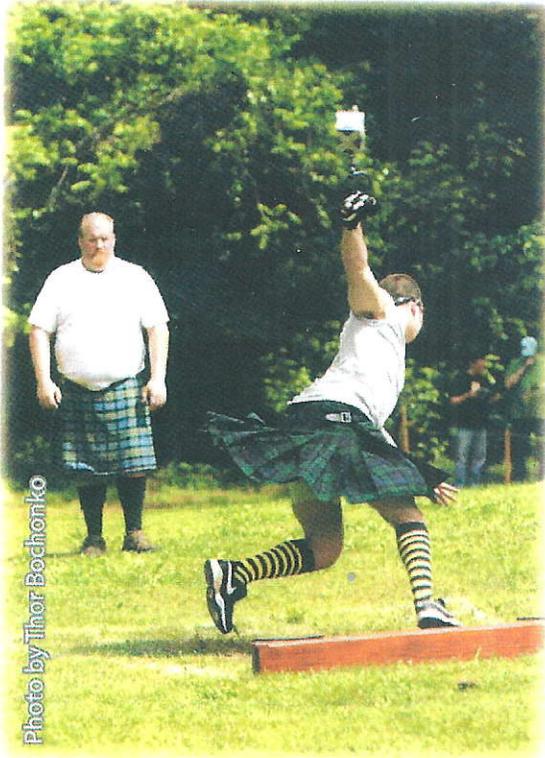
The photo above is a true GrowBox photo of tomatoes!

I love a healthy, green garden growing! It's almost as good as eating everything as it is so lovely.

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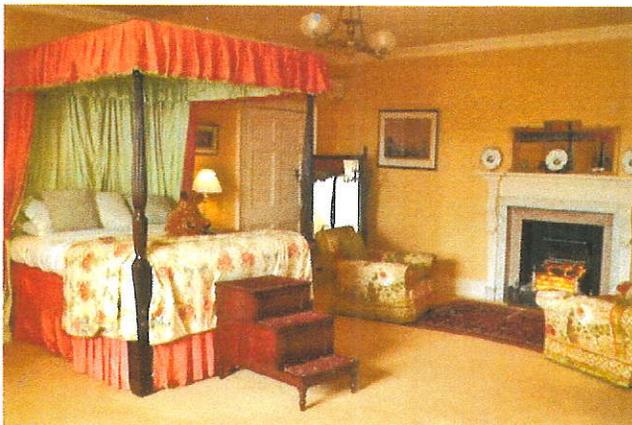
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Clan Lindsay

Flower of the Forest

Florence Gillem Pressly



AUGUST 12, 1921 – SEPTEMBER 17, 2020 Beloved Clan Lindsay USA founder **Florence Gillem Pressly** has died.

Dr. James Boyce Pressly III, Florence, and Mr. & Mrs. William S. Lindsay founded Clan Lindsay USA in 1974. Florence served as the first editor of the Clan Lindsay USA Recorder. Throughout the early years of our clan, she worked tirelessly for the betterment of our Clan. She and Dr. Pressly had a vacation home near Grandfather Mountain and entertained Clan Lindsay USA members for years. Many of us have fond memories of those early days. In 2019, Florence Pressly left her beloved Greenville, SC, and moved to Lexington, KY, to the Legacy Reserve at Fritz Farm to be near her daughter Susan and son-in-law Scott.

Just as Lexington was adjusting to this force of nature that it had acquired, COVID hit and Florence (endearingly known as the “Titanium Magnolia” by her daughters) was forced into isolation—a most unnatural situation. Although her fortitude, resilience, and determination were ever-present, it was a challenging time.

On August 12, 2020, even though no one was allowed to visit or share normal celebratory traditions, Florence marked her 99th birthday in Lexington.

On September 17, 2020, Florence peacefully slipped away, knowing she had celebrated an amazing 99th birthday and was surrounded by love both near and far. Florence Adele Gillem Pressly was born August 12, 1921, in Birmingham, Alabama to Jennings Frederick (“Jenks”) Gillem and Florence Marguerite Coffin Gillem. She was reared in Bir-

mingham, attended Ramsay High School, and received a full scholarship to Birmingham Southern College. She then finished her undergraduate education at Sweet Briar College in Virginia in 1942.

As graduation coincided with WWII, she immediately began practicing her social work with the Red Cross in Tampa, Florida, where her father had volunteered and was based as head of Special Ops in the Philippines.

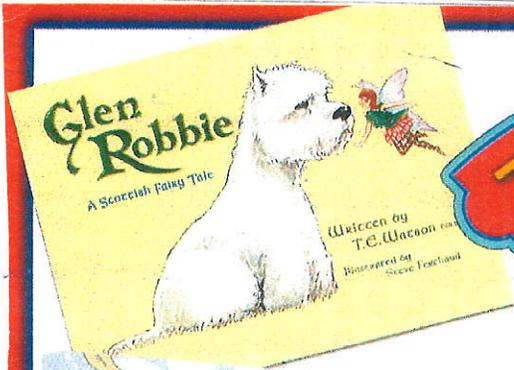
While there she met a handsome lieutenant from South Carolina, James Boyce Pressly. On January 14, 1944, they married and the rest is history.

As the times would have it, Florence and Jim were not able to settle down immediately. They moved from post to post during the war and the Korean conflict; to Due West, SC, to practice general medicine; to Nashville for Jim’s training in radiology, to Gadsden, AL for a brief stint, and finally to Greenville where Jim joined Dr. Sam Fisher to practice radiology.

And, Florence still managed to have four children!

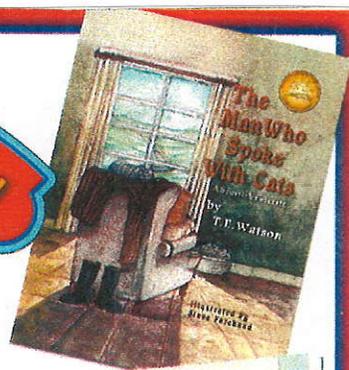
Once her children were beyond dependency, Florence returned to school - this time to Converse College to attain the M.A.T. in English Literature. A list of Florence’s organizations, clubs, and other civic contributions would read like a library listing. However, it is not those things for which she will be remembered. She was a natural teacher and social worker: that was obvious by the way she touched so many lives. She was forever true to her Alabama

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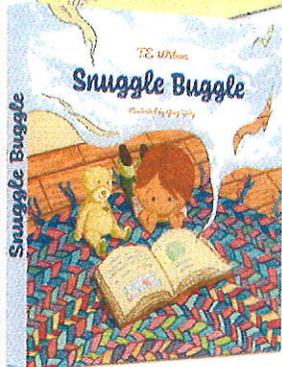


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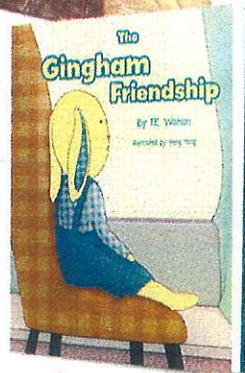


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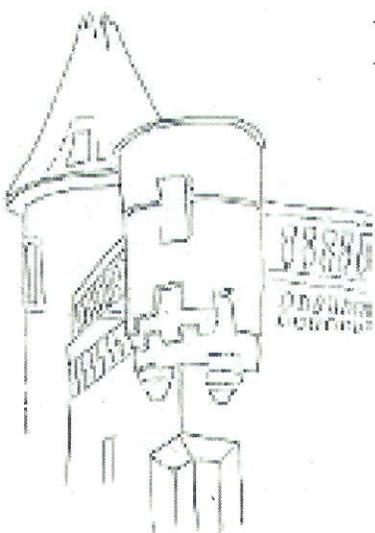
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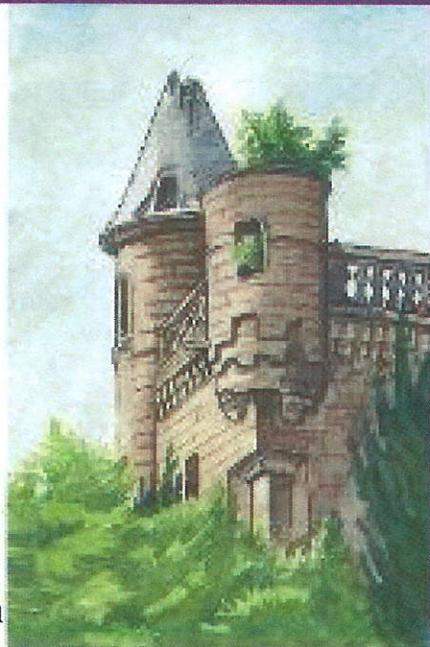
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roots, always calling that state “home” and ready for Roll-Tide football every fall.

So befitting was her love for her home state that her first grandchildren came out with “Bama” when she asked them to call her “Barma.” The name was absolutely perfect

Florence’s family was her heart: having been an only child, it was uncanny just how much she enjoyed having the en-

tire group together, along with the usual chaos it created. Her joy was special occasions - birthdays, Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas were always memorable because of that, as she put great thought and creativity into every detail. Her marvelous wit colored the way her children approached life, as they learned at an early age that comic relief is a necessary part of happiness.

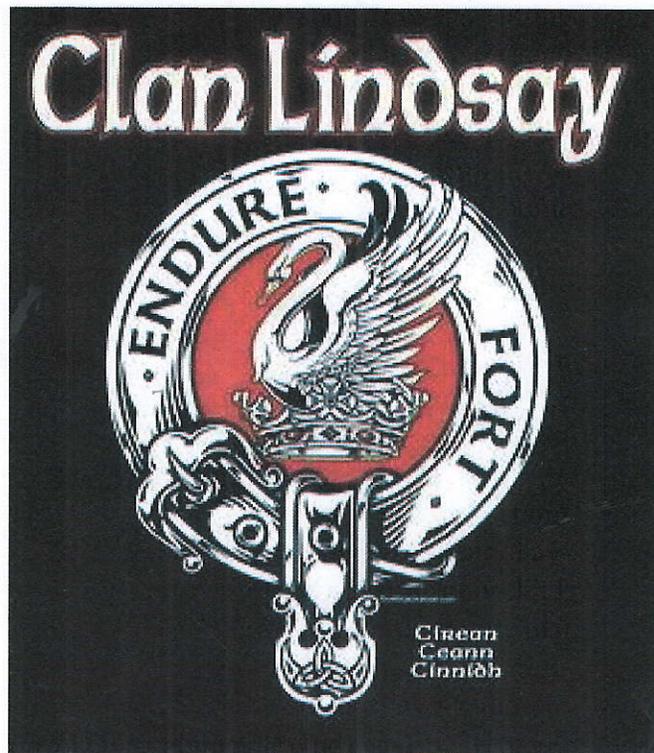
Laughter was medicine in Florence’s household. She was always there for all generations, with a patient ear, an open heart, and loving guidance.

From Donn and Frances Coletti, WA, Frances and I will always remember her as the consummate “southern lady”.

She was always welcoming Clan Lindsay members as true family. We will miss her. Our condolences to the Pressly family.

Florence was predeceased by her husband, Dr. James Boyce Pressly; her son, James Boyce Pressly, Jr.; and her grandson, James Boyce Pressly III.

She is survived by her son, Dr. Jennings Gillem Pressly (Anna); two daughters: Adele Pressly Snyder (Howard) and Dr. Susan Pressly Lephart (Scott); grandchildren Dr. Mary Earle Pressly Garrison (Kevin), Truitt Pressly Culbreth (Zack), Cece Pressly Moose (Andy), Jenny Pressly Stewart (Will),



Jennings Hudnall Snyder, Robert Welles Snyder (Caty), Boyce Pressly Snyder, and Florence Adele Snyder; eight great-grandchildren, and her cherished cat Zander.

The family requests that memorials be made to Guiding Eyes for the Blind - New York at donate.guidingeyes.org; Anglican Digest, Hillspeak, Eureka Springs, AK 72362-9705; or to The Florence Pressly Memorial Fund at Christ Church Episcopal School, 245 Cavalier Drive, Greenville, SC 29607.

In 2014 George Thurmond of Georgia and George and Sylvia Gaillard, also of Georgia, drove to Greenville, SC for a short visit with our founder Florence Pressly. Her home was beautiful and filled with a lifetime of special items all with wonderful memories. I love that. She was especially proud of the beautiful oil painting of her husband, Clan Lindsay USA founder Dr. James Boyce Pressly. He was pictured in his Lindsay tartan and holding a thistle topped staff.

Clan Lindsay Editor, (Florence Pressly was a true treasure of Clan Lindsay USA. Rest in peace. Remember that we loved you. Clan Lindsay Editor.)



Chief of the Paisley Family, Duncan W. Paisley of Westerlea.

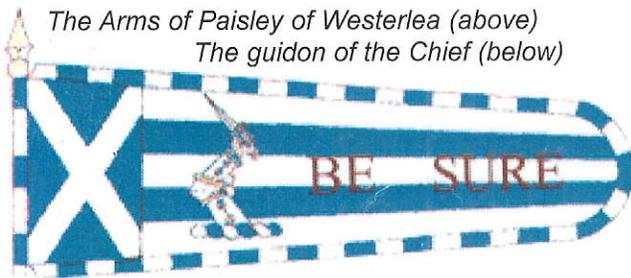
Clan Paisley Society

All Paisleys of the name or blood (and all spellings) are invited to join. Email: <dlangsto@yahoo.com>

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The Arms of Paisley of Westerlea (above)
The guidon of the Chief (below)



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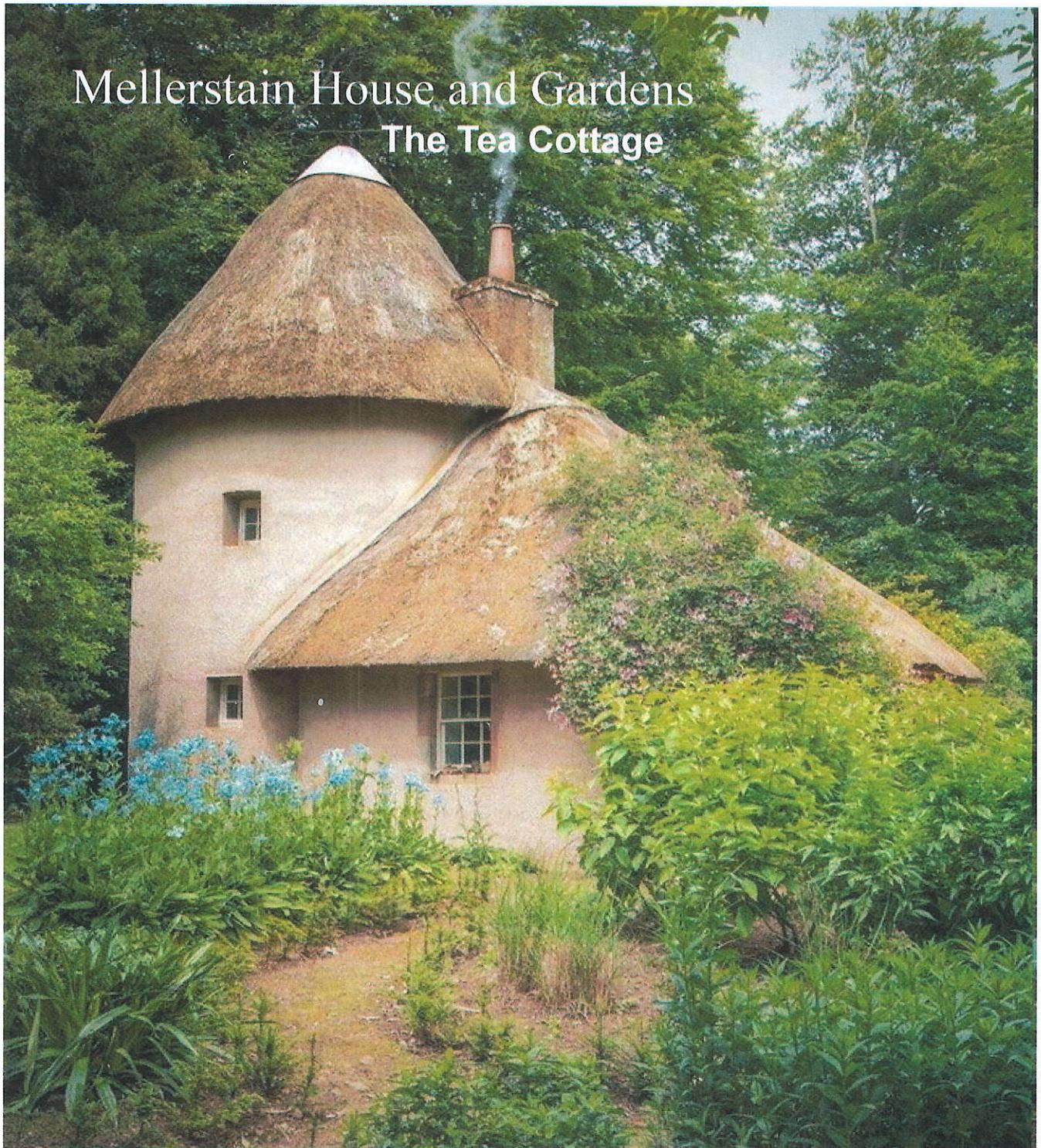
The Paisleys are a family of considerable antiquity, having been associated with Lochwinnoch and Paisley (parts of what later became Renfrewshire), with Cunningham and Kyle (North Ayrshire), Innerwick (East Lothian) and Roxburghshire, since the time of William I King of Scots, 1165-1214.

For the Paisley DNA Project, visit
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to see what's happening with us this
year. Contact **Diane Langston** at
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Mellerstain House and Gardens The Tea Cottage



Mellerstain House & Gardens is a grand estate tucked away between Lauder and Kelso in the Scottish Borders, about an hour's drive south of Edinburgh.

This stately home is listed as one of Britain's Best Stately Homes by *The Telegraph* and features many hidden gems and things to uncover, including this little thatched dwelling known as Tea Cottage.

The house itself was an original, unique design by Scottish architect, William Adam, in 1725, and was later added to 50 years later by his son. Set in an idyllic countryside location, wander through the pretty gardens and grounds and bask in the tranquil atmosphere, before stopping by the courtyard café for delicious takeaway teas, coffees and soft drinks.

THE CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY

'S Rioghal Mo Dhream!

Royal is my Race!

Fàilte! The Clan Gregor Society is a growing organisation with membership throughout the world. It's most active objectives are to extend the links of kinship and friendship between MacGregors, wherever they may be, and to provide a focal point for all members of the Clan and interested visitors who wish to learn more of our noble past.

Sir Malcolm MacGregor of MacGregor

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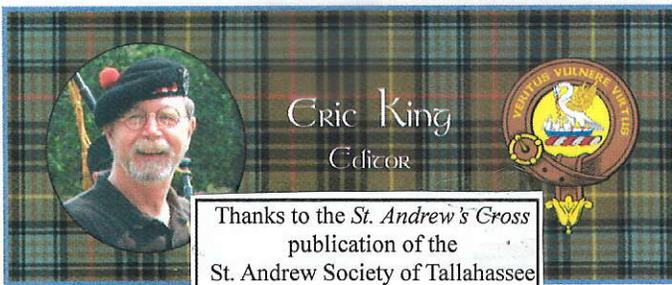
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Thanks to the *St. Andrew's Cross*
publication of the
St. Andrew Society of Tallahassee

I found this in a Scottish newspaper and thought you might like to try it:

"If you want to make your own haggis you don't have to juggle with a sheep's bladder. This method makes delicious haggis for at least six people, and it's cooked by the conventional system of steaming in a bowl."

PAN HAGGIS

Ingredients:

- 1 lb. of lambs' liver
- 2 sheep hearts
- 3/4 lbs. of onions
- 3 oz. of oatmeal
- 4 oz. of finely chopped suet
- salt and pepper

Method: Clean the liver and hearts and boil with onions for 30 - 40 minutes

Drain the cooking liquid and set aside.

Mince the meat and onions.

Put the oatmeal in a pan and stir over a low heat until lightly browned.

Mix the liver, hearts, onion, suet and oatmeal with enough cooking liquid to form a soft dropping consistency and season with salt and pepper.

Steam for 2¹/₂ to 3 hours in a basin covered with foil. If you have a pressure cooker it should take between 1/2 and 3/4 hour.



Lord Crawford's 95th Birthday

Lord Crawford, the Earl of Crawford and Balcarres, our Clan Lindsay Chief, celebrated his 95th birthday on Saturday, 5th March, 2022.

On the return from a celebratory lunch with his family he was delighted to observe his personal banner flying from the Tower at Balcarres Craig to mark the occasion. The flagpole had been damaged a few years ago in a storm and has now been restored by two local members of our Society, in time to observe the custom of flying the Chief's flag on his birthday

The Clan Lindsay Society sent a birthday card to him on behalf of members and as a special surprise he was presented with his personal Pipe Banner as a gift from the Society.

The heraldic design represents the ancient Arms of the House of Crawford and reflects the design displayed on his banner in St Gilles Cathedral and on the house flag flying from the Tower. – written by the Editor of the *Clan Lindsay Society of Scotland Bulletin*

Some Scottish Highland Games that are coming up in the next months

- May 14-- Springfield Area Highland Games and Celtic Festival - New Berlin, IL
- July 9 -- Hammond Scottish Festival - Hammond, NY
- July 16-- Glasgow Lands Scottish Festival - Northampton, MA
- July 17, 18 --The Scottish Festival & Highland Games - Itasca, IL
- July 23, 24-- Pacific Northwest (Seattle) Scottish Highland Games - Enumclaw, WA
- August 26, 28 --Jamestown Regional Celtic Festival - Mayville, NY
- August 27 --Long Island Scottish Games and Festival - Old Westbury, NY

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10:30 Clan Lamont tour to Kilfinan and the Lamont vault with lunch in the village hall.

Onwards to Inveryne where Lamonts first landed in Scotland, then to Ascog Castle ruins for a picnic!

Tour and walk to the Clan McEwan cairn for the McEwans.

Tour for the MacLachlans which they will arrange.

Friday, 6 PM Annual General Meeting for Clan Lamont.

Evening 9 - 12 AM. Hip Hop Concert with *Clanadonia* (Google them!) a world class band backed by Turas, an all girls young band, playing for the young clansfolk and young folk of Dunoon and district. Seniors are also most welcome!

Saturday, 30 July 10 AM. All clans to meet at Burgh Hall for a parade to the Lamont Memorial for a short wreath-laying ceremony then onwards to the Castle Gardens for the Opening Ceremonies.

10 AM - 4 PM: Argyll Gardens. Theatrical play about the clan system at Dunoon Castle by the Walking Theatre Company.

Official Launch of the digitised Lamont History at the Castle Museum: old letters, photographs, notes and letters to Hector McKechnie from the Scottish diaspora, letters to Sir Norman Lamont.

Dear Member,

Just a note to say our Pay Pal problems have been sorted out, they now believe we are not money laundering! and to those of you planning to attend this year's gathering you can now pay from our website on the Pay Pal button.

Regarding the planned visit to historic Kilmun their administrative council have offered to have commemorative mugs made costing £10 they must be pre ordered and paid for on our website on the donations button stating commemorative mugs and can be collected at the visit. Closing date for orders is 1st July 2022.

We have been very lucky to engage *Clanadonia*, a world famous band, for the Friday night concert See attached final programme.

Best wishes from Mary

Secretary /curator /journal editor Clan Lamont Society

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Saturday, 7 PM - 12 AM. Queens Hall Formal Clans Dinner followed by a Grand Ceilidh Ball for Clan Members and invited

guests. Dress Code: Gentlemen, evening suit or Highland dress. Ladies, evening dress with your own clan tartan sash.

Sunday, 31st July, 10:30 AM. A short church service and Kirkin' o'the Tartan at Kilmun Church followed by a light lunch of soup and sandwiches.

12 Mid Day. Tour of historic Kilmun to see the Campbell Mausoleum and hear the stories of Clan Campbell and Clan Lamont.

2 PM. Sail down Loch Striven.

4 PM. Tour to Toward Castle with Afternoon Tea in the Mansion House.

6 PM. Farewells and Cocktails at Clan Lamont Headquarters.

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**The Premier of the
Grandfather Mountain
Celtic Cross
in the mid-1970s**

The Parade of Tartans at Grandfather Mountain Highland Games when the Celtic Cross was premiered. Amongst the folks with the cross, Dick Jewell, Dick Gammon, Scotty Maxwell, Kent Atkins son, piping and Kent who took the photo.

Steve Kelley carved the cross and is carrying it here.

The World Comes to Dunoon,

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Tickets for the 3 day events for all clans members £80 pp children £25 under fives free Payable via Pay Pal on our website <www.clanlamontsociety.com>

Further information from Mary Lamb, Clan Lamont Society <clanlamontsociety@gmail.com>

Saturday activities are free to the public. Friday and Sunday tours the public can purchase tickets. £20 for each day.

Friday night concert for the young folk price £10

Right or left side?

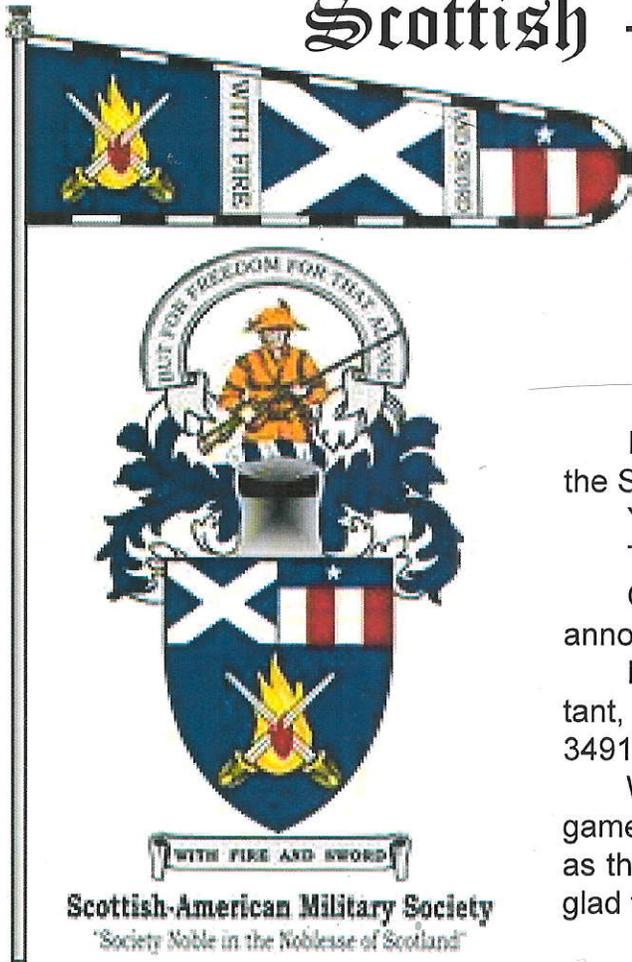
In a Scottish wedding long ago, why did the bride stand on the groom's left?

The groom would hold the bride with his left hand while he fought with his right hand.

Would he be fighting enemies or the bride's family?

Scottish - American Military Society

General Elijah Clark Post #60



If you are a veteran of Celtic heritage, you can join the Scottish - American Military Society.

You can visit our webpage for more information.

The webpage is <<http://www.s-a-m-s.org/>>

Our meeting times, dates and places are to be announced as soon as it is possible.

In the meantime, please contact Rick Conn, Adjutant, General Elijah Clark Post #60. Call 1-676-873-3491 or visit his email at <rickconn@bellsouth.net>

When the Scottish Games start again, visit a games and look for the SAMS unit, which usually acts as the flagbearers for the event. Any of them will be glad to talk to you.



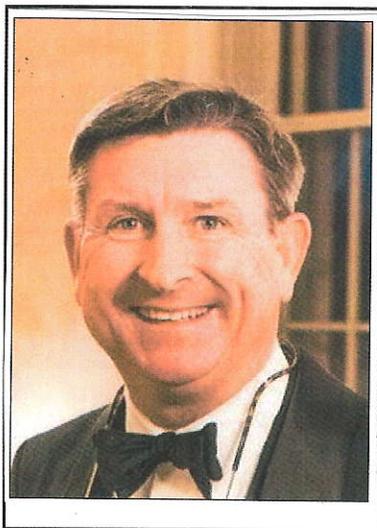
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George Patterson (Pat) Apperson III is the newest Scottish Heritage USA Board Member

George Patterson (Pat) Apperson III is currently a part-time lecturer in agribusiness in the United States and Australia. His commercial background is in domestic and international agricultural commodity finance.



Pat has been involved with Scottish culture from an early age when he learned to play the pipes at the North American Academy of Piping and Drumming. He is a founding member of the Piedmont Highlanders (now the City of Greenville Pipes and Drums), the 1986 Grandfather Mountain Highland Games Post-Graduate Scholarship recipient, and a long-time member and officer of the Saint Andrews Society of Upper South Carolina.

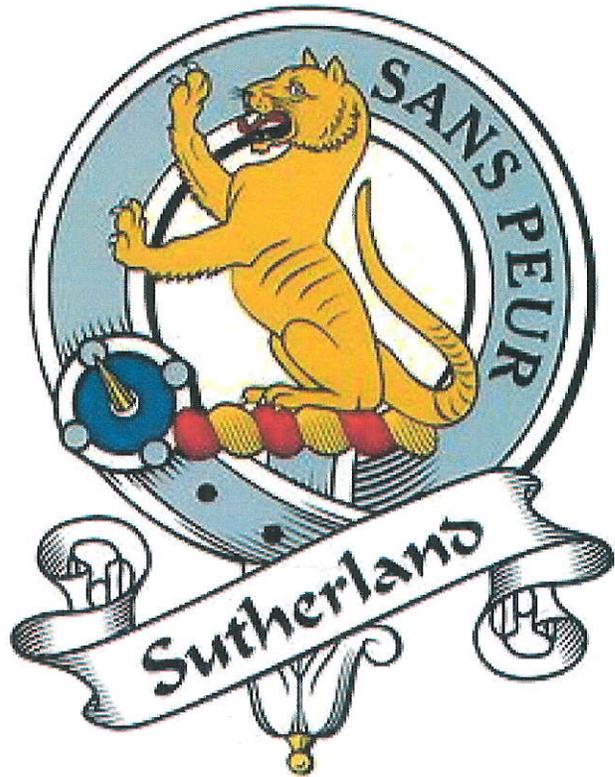
He has been a member of Clan MacAlister and Clan Donald USA.

Pat holds a Ph.D. and MS from Clemson University, an MBA from the University of Edinburgh, and a BA from the University of the South.

He and his wife Elaine live in Greenville, South Carolina.

We welcome Pat as the newest member of our Board of Directors.

Most of our board members will be attending the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games in July, so if you would like to meet them, come on up, enjoy the games and visit with us at our tent on the



Clan Sutherland International Gathering 2023 at Dunrobin Castle

Every four to five years, the Clan Sutherland Society in Scotland (CSSS) organizes an International Gathering.

The next gathering is scheduled for June 8 - 11, 2023. The International Gathering is centered on Dunrobin Castle and nearby communities.

The current schedule calls for a reception and welcome from Alistair, Earl of Sutherland and chief of Clan Sutherland, to start things off on Thursday evening June 8. Numerous events and tours are

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field. We will be happy to introduce you and tell you all about what we do. AND don't forget to visit the Cultural Village while you are there – the guest speakers will acquaint you with the many little known and interesting facts about Scotland and its people. Hope to see you there!

Clan Blair Society



Memberships are cordially invited
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Blair House, the ancient home of the Blair family in the Ayrshire region, has history to circa 1100.

Clan Blair



Clan Sutherland gathering, *con't from page 19*

scheduled over subsequent days, including: These are subject to change. ? A motor coach excursion to clan lands in northern Sutherland and Caithness ? A Saturday evening ceilidh and dinner ? Sunday morning worship at Dornoch Cathedral

Because of the large number of visitors to the castle, there won't be a formal tour of Dunrobin, but time will be included for attendees to tour the castle individually and watch the fantastic falconry display in the castle gardens.

The current 2023 International Gathering schedule is as follows:

Thursday, 8th June PM Registration at Dunrobin Castle. Early evening: Drinks Reception and welcome from the Clan Chief at Dunrobin Castle

Friday 9th June 10.00AM: Coach tour all day in Sutherland and north into Caithness to include lunch. The theme for the coach tour will be "the lives and places of ordinary clansfolk."

Evening: Gathering Dinner

Saturday 10th June AM: The CSSS Annual General Meeting followed by coffee break and then a Genealogy talk followed by lunch in Golspie

PM: Time for Gathering attendees to informally tour Dunrobin or go on side trips. Evening: Ceilidh and Supper.

Sunday, 11th June

11.00: Attend morning worship at Dornoch Cathedral, which has been associated with Clan Sutherland and the Earls of Sutherland for more than 700 years

13.00: Farewell Lunch and then departure.

Look for more updates and schedule details in future editions of the *Dunrobin Piper*, as the Council of the Clan Sutherland Society in Scotland and its president, Mark Sutherland, continue to plan and organize this great gathering and celebration. For more information, please contact: Mark at <info@clansutherland.org.uk>

Midhope Castle to close to visitors this summer as *Outlander* filming returns



New bridges installed on Skye to improve access to iconic Fairy Pools

Sean Murphy, Tourism Writer

Two new bridges are being installed at one of Skye's most popular beauty spots to help improve accessibility and safety measures.

The new steel and timber clad bridges will be built at the Fairy Pools, allowing access in all weathers for those less able or confident to cross the existing stepping-stones.

Part of the Skye Iconic Sites Project (SISP) – an almost £9 million Scottish programme of projects to invest in the Highlands and Islands to provide more and better-quality opportunities for visitors to enjoy natural and cultural heritage assets – the work will see habitat restoration and development of three of Skye's most used sites including the Quiraing, Old Man of Storr and Fairy Pools.

Last year, £800,000 was invested in the development of a 140-space car park and off-grid toilet block at the Fairy Pools.

The completion of the new bridges, which span approximately 11m and are steel beam and timber clad, is the next phase of planned activity to take

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**Are you an Arthur, Carter,
MacArthur, McArthur or similar
name? If so, you can become a member
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Clan Arthur is worldwide with branches in UK, USA, Canada & Australia. Our leader is **Chief John MacArthur of that Ilk**.

We welcome new members who are of "Arthur" decent or those interested in our clan who are prepared to be loyal to our Chief. Membership includes a quarterly magazine which is full of stories about the Clan around the world, articles on current events, ancestry & history. Members also receive ongoing newsletters & updates on local happenings within their community.

For information and how to join, see our website: [<https://clanarthur.org/>](https://clanarthur.org/)

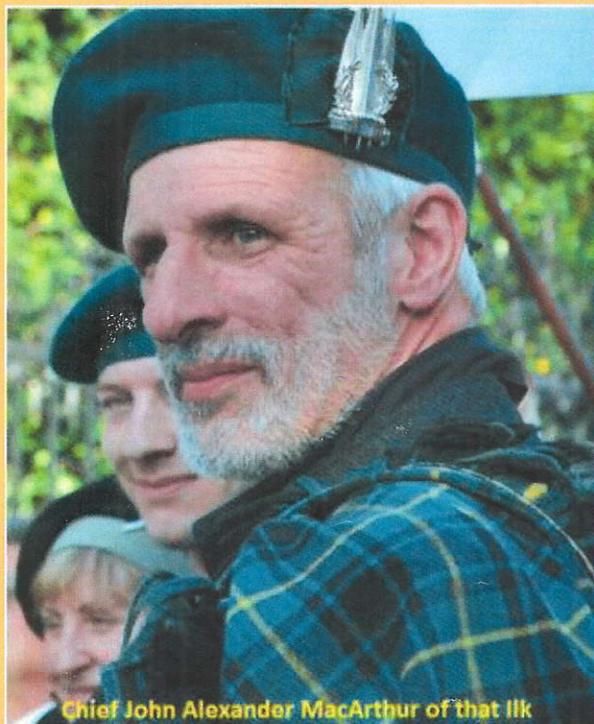
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Chief John Alexander MacArthur of that Ilk

Court of the Lord Lyon, *continued from page 1*

address the topic *Stories in Scotland's Skies*.

Flags have a particularly emotive connection to the people of a community. They may be easy to see as primarily graphical images but, whilst this gives them their potency to communicate, the power of the message being conveyed comes from its symbolism.

That potent symbolism in flags may be intentionally incorporated into the design or become associated with it subsequently over time.

The stories captured in this symbolism will be explored from the well-known legend of the Saltire, recorded at the start of the Lyon Court's register 350 years ago, right through to development of modern community flags.

Tickets free can be booked via Eventbrite at <<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/stories-in-scotlands-skies-tickets-254480938337>>

Perth & Kinross Council Civic Office Tuesday 14th June 2022 18.30-21.00. *Unicorn Pursuivant Roderick Macpherson* will speak on *A Messenger's Mission*.

Messengers-at-Arms are admitted to office by the Lord Lyon and sign the same roll as all the other officers of arms.

As Honorary President of their professional association, Dr. Morrow personally maintains Lyon Court's very close connection with the oldest category of officers always to have been appointed by Lyon.

The Society of Messengers-at-Arms and Sheriff Officers, which is the professional association, was founded on 12th June 1922, and its first President was the eminent messenger in Perth. This is why the Society's current Honorary Secretary, Unicorn Pursuivant, chose to speak in Perth, on this centenary celebration of the founding of the Society of Messengers-at-Arms and Sheriff Officers. Free tickets can be booked via Eventbrite <<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/a-messengers-mission-tickets-254486013517>>



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Fairy Pools Bridges, continued from page 21

Dougie Baird, CEO of Outdoor Access Trust Scotland (OATS), who are leading the project, said: "The Fairy Pools are a much loved and enjoyed tourist attraction for visitors all across the globe, the newly installed bridges will make a huge difference in improving accessibility for visitors, particularly for when the burn is high and difficult for many to cross to reach the Pools.

"People will now be able to safely enjoy them no matter the weather, especially those with less confidence or mobility issues, and enjoy the scenery. This and the other ongoing work as part of SISP is vastly improving the visitor experience to Skye's special sites."



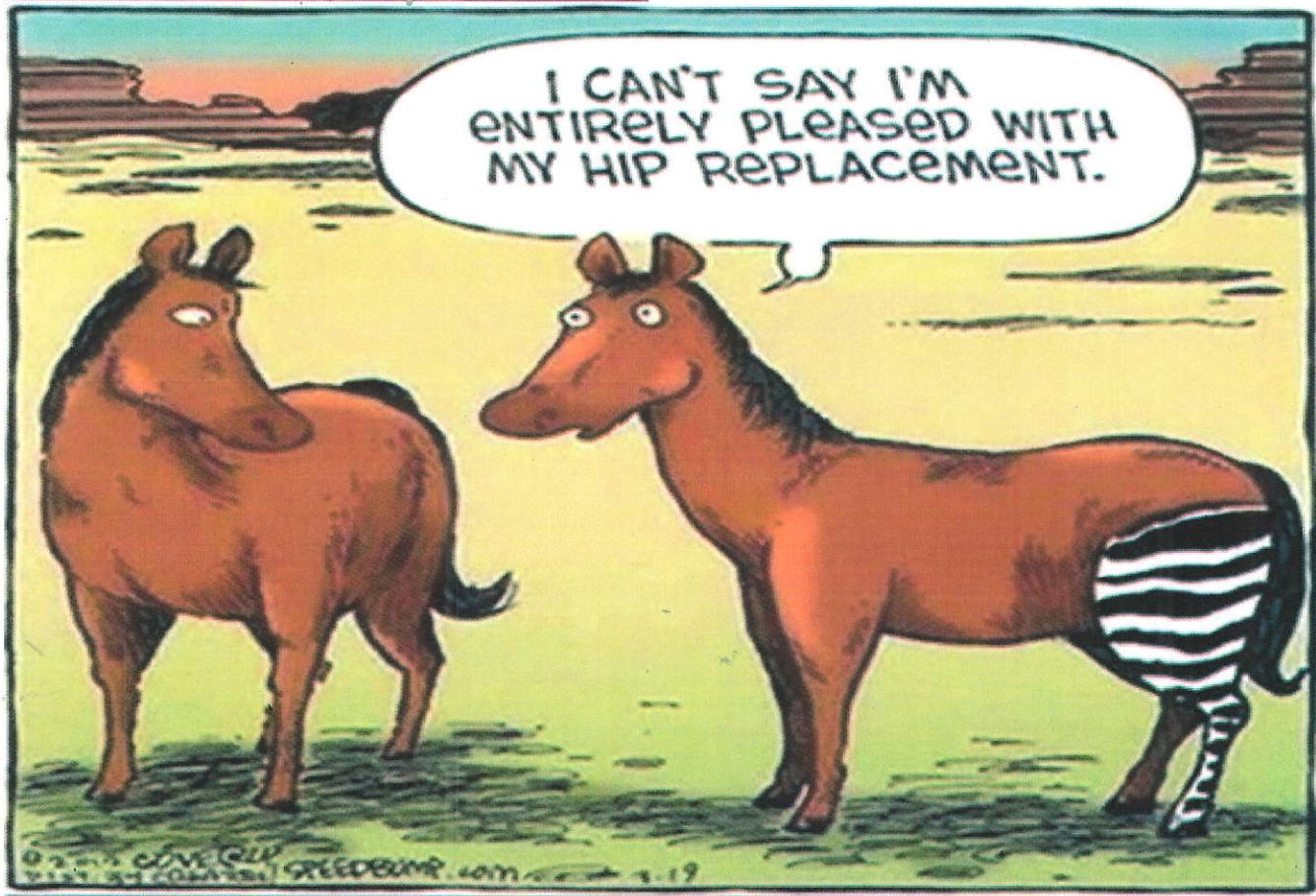
New Lindsay Alexander Scholarship



We are pleased to announce a new annual scholarship opportunity for individuals interested in the Scottish arts. The Lindsay Alexander Scholarship will honor the legacy of this former Oklahoma Clan Lindsay representative who was well-known not only in the Tulsa area but also state-wide in Oklahoma for his philanthropy and civic engagement.

The scholarship is being funded by the family of Mr. Alexander and will be awarded at the September 2022 Oklahoma ScotFest activities in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma.

For more information, contact Pamela Farley, Scholarship Chair, at <pfarley731@sbcglobal.net.



Clan Davidson Society USA



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

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

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

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

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





Fellows are warmly invited to our first online *Meet the Author* event this May

About this event

The one-hour online Fellows' meeting will include a talk by long-term Fellow Naomi E A Tarrant, author of the Society's book

Last month the Society announced the release of this title as an open access e-book, now available through the Open Access E-Books platform.

About the speaker:

Naomi E A Tarrant was for many years the Curator of Costume and Textiles at the Royal Scottish Museum, Edinburgh, later the National Museum of Scotland. As a historian her interest in samplers stems from a desire to understand the background to girls' lives, and why and how they made samplers. Naomi has written many books and articles on dress and various textile arts.

Naomi is a Fellow and former Treasurer and Vice-President of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of London, a former Chairman and Secretary of the Costume Society and a former Secretary of the Costume Committee of the International Council of Museums.

How to join the online meeting:

Please put this date in your diary (Thurs-



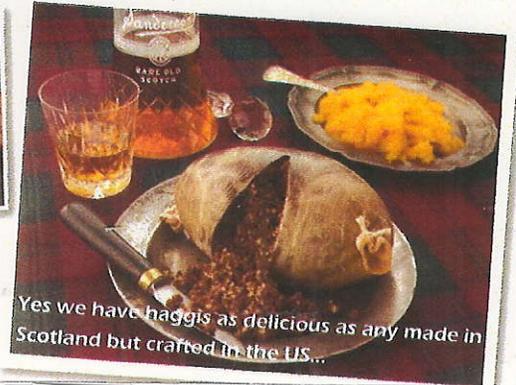
day, 5 May 2022, 12:000 EDT) and register for the online meeting via Eventbrite: <<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/meet-the-author-may-online-event-tickets-324818580117>>

Once registered the Zoom link and login details will be sent to you in your confirmation email. You can also join the meeting by logging into your Eventbrite account and navigating to the Online Event Page for this event.

We look forward to seeing you at the online meeting on 5th of May if you are able to attend.

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Happy Birthday to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth

Queen Elizabeth II celebrated her 96th birthday April 21st. To commemorate the occasion, the Royal Windsor Horse Show released a photo of Britain's longest-reigning monarch wearing a green coat while standing in between two of her beloved Fell ponies, Bybeck Nightingale and Bybeck Katie.

The royal family's Twitter account shared that landscape photographer Henry Dallal took the regal portrait in March on the grounds of Windsor Castle.

But the Queen is currently staying at her Sandringham estate. She made the three-hour trip Wednesday for a "private break," a Buckingham Palace spokesperson revealed.

She has scaled back her public appearances due to recent health complications such as test-

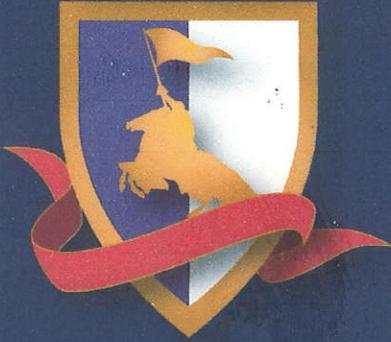
ing positive for COVID-19 in February, spraining her back in November 2021 and spending a night in the hospital in October 2021.



The Fell Pony is a versatile, working breed of mountain and moorland pony originating on Cumberland and Westmorland farms of northwest England and is used for riding and driving. The breed is closely related to its geographic neighbour, the Dales Pony, but is a little smaller and more pony-like in build. The Fell Pony is noted for hardiness, agility, strength and sure-footedness.

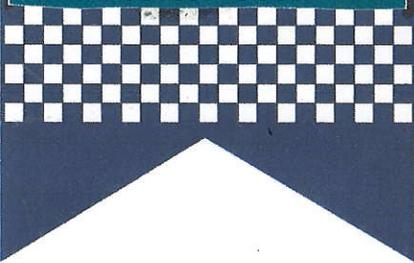


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Hello all, We are registered again for the 2022 “Let Freedom Ring” Fourth of July Parade in Marietta, Georgia, to represent those Scots who helped win the War of Independence.

I would like to personally invite you to join us this year.

This year we are changing to a vehicle pulled trailer with places to sit for those who cannot handle the walk (like me). So you can walk, or ride, or a combination of both.

The parade is on Monday the 4th this year. It starts at 10:00 AM from the Roswell Rd.

Baptist Church (as in the past) and ends up on Cherokee Street at the Cobb County 911 office on the 120 loop where there will be buses to make the trip back to the beginning.

If you need more information, don't hesitate to call, text, or email me. I will be sending everyone the detailed information as it becomes available.

We had a great time last year and I hope that you will join us this year.

Bill Boyd FSA Scot
678-852-1018



The Armstrong Clan Society

Dedicated to the Armstrongs,
Croisiers, Fairbairns, Grosiers, Nixons
and those interested in those surnames.

The Armstrong Clan Society was organized on October 8, 1981 and is incorporated in the State of Georgia, USA. The Society is recognized as a Section 501 (c) (3) not for profit organization and exempt from the United States Federal Income Taxes.

On September 24, 1984, the Lord Lyon, King of Arms in Scotland, granted warrant to the Lyon Clerk to matriculate in the Public Register of All Arms and Bearings in Scotland in the name of the Armstrong Clan Society, Inc., the Coat of Arms to the right of this paragraph. Our motto "Semper Invictus" can be translated as "Always Unconquered."



Objectives of the Armstrong Clan Society

1. To seek friendship and unity among all Armstrongs, its septs and associated families. 2. To provide for the preservation of all armstrong artifacts unique to the family. 3. To serve as a genealogical and historical resource for the membership and the general public. 4. To provide news, Armstrong history, items of general interest and genealogy via our newsletter, *The Armstrong Chronicles*. 5. To establish worldwide geographic membership representation.

Membership

All Armstrongs, Croisiers, Fairbairns, Grosiers and Nixons (regardless of the spelling and their descendants, are eligible for full membership in the Armstrong Clan Society. In the United States and Canada, dues are \$25 per year or \$45 for two years. All memberships include two adults and all minor children. In other countries, dues are \$35 per year. All dues are payable in US funds.



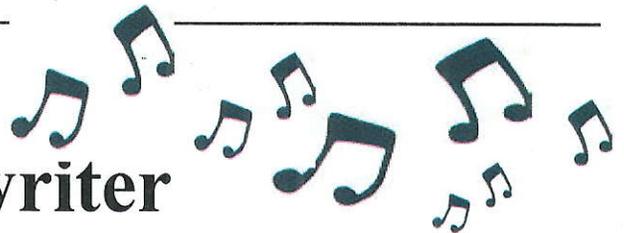
For membership application, email **Janet Armstrong** at <jdumeyer@hotmail.com> or download from <<http://www.armstrong.org/membership.htm>>. Note, "spouse" on the application includes: spouse, domestic partner or any other adult living at the same address.

To contact the Armstrong Clan Society president, **Chris Armstrong** at <chrisarmys@gmail.com>. Ceud Mile Failte (100,000 welcomes) to you!



What fun! Here are ever-so-popular Scottish entertainer, Colin Grant-Adams and his wife, Julia, waiting to see Garth Brooks at the Nisan Stadium in Nashville, Tennessee.

Colin Grant-Adams - Scottish Singer Songwriter



Colin, born and raised near Winchester, England in a predominantly Scottish community, was exposed to the culture and heritage that would shape his career. Originally from Edinburgh, Scotland, and a gifted musician himself, Colin's father was an early influence on his musical career.

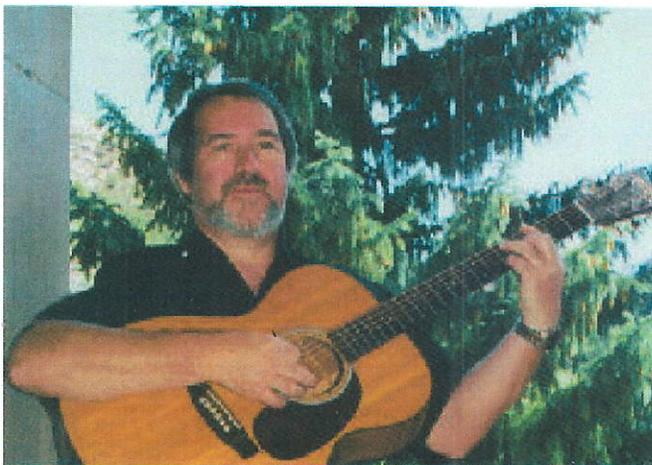
Colin served his apprenticeship as a welder, but soon left his trade for life on the road, playing the folk circuits of Great Britain and Europe. He worked both as a solo artist and as a member of the highly

acclaimed folk group, *The Ozark Mountain Boys*.

Colin immersed himself in his Scottish heritage when he moved to Oban, on West Coast Scotland, in the early seventies. Where for the next 15 years he performed and promoted Celtic and Country music shows at the Great Western Hotel. Also, he worked with local area musicians and toured throughout Scotland, the Hebrides & Orkney Islands, Scandinavia, and America.

In 1996, the Glasgow Highland Games of Kentucky, awarded Colin an Artist in Residence Fellowship in Celtic music, enabling him to study, compose and record music about the early-century Scots who arrived in America bringing with them a wealth of culture. It was through the residency that Colin came to relocate to the United States and the Glasgow, Kentucky area.

Robert E. Harrison, President of the Glasgow Highland Games says, "Colin Grant-Adams is an extraordinarily talented vocalist and guitarist. His live presentation demonstrates his awesome ability to both deliver his own songs with meaning and add depth and insight to many traditional favorites."



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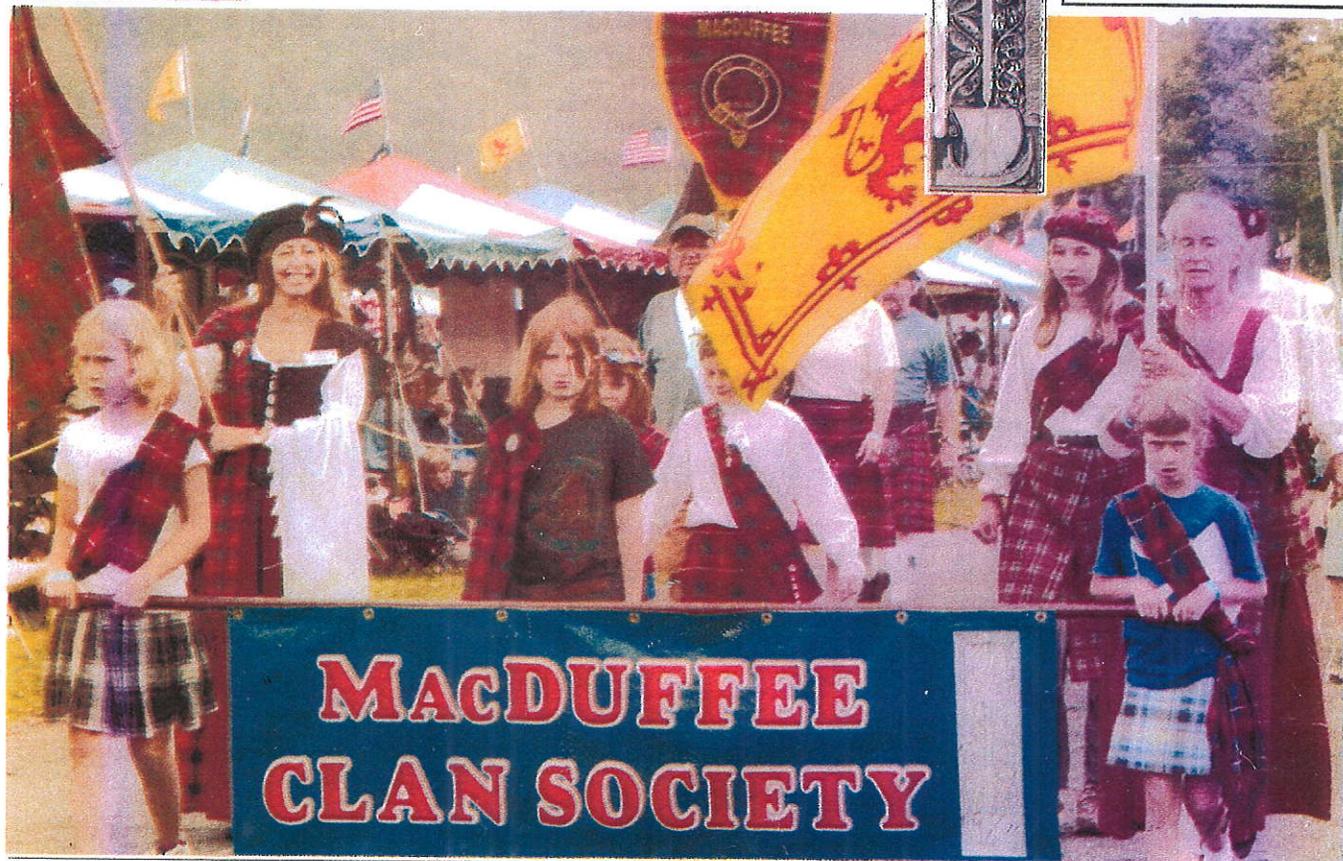


Annual General Meeting held each year in July
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You are always welcome to attend.

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Edinburgh World Heritage has reached completion of the first batch of its Twelve Closes Project

history
SCOTLAND

Edinburgh's closes, the narrow, often steep alleyways branching off from the Royal Mile, are an important characteristic of the Old Town, and a reminder of the city's medieval origins. However, these closes are often perceived as being unsafe, particularly at night.

The new co-design project aims to 'renew and reinterpret' some of Edinburgh's most historic closes, creating more attractive spaces for residents, businesses and tourists to explore.

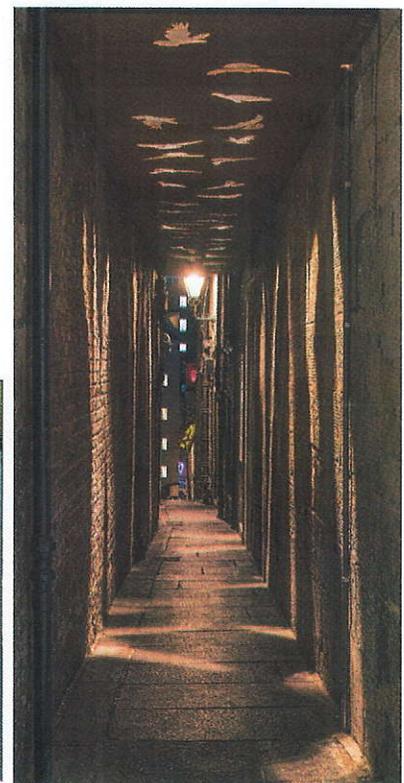
The project partnership between Edinburgh World Heritage and the City of Edinburgh Council, working with Edinburgh Napier University, has sought to tackle local problems such as anti-social behaviour through alternative forms of street lighting; brightening and enhancing the historic alleyways. This has been achieved by bringing together members of the local community and enabling participation in the design process, supporting them in selecting themes and historic stories to interpret and present.

The first batch has seen the completion of new lighting, art installations and interpretation panels in Carrubber's Close, Chessel's Court and Stevenlaw's Close as well new lighting for the community-led interpretive art project in Pirrie's Close.

Stevenlaw's Close features the artwork "Birds in Flight", a lighting installation utilising light projected through a laser cut ceiling. The birds in flight are apertures cut through the ceiling allowing shafts of patterned light to fall to the ground and across the deeply textured walls. The light is animated every quarter of an hour to create a sense of movement representing the birds flying overhead. The idea for the birds in flight motif came from local residents who wanted to pay tribute to the pigeons that would roost in the close.

Chessel's Court

Installations in Chessel's Court include a section of mirrored ceiling between the entry arches and new lighting on the underside of the arches themselves. This creates playful ambient lighting at night



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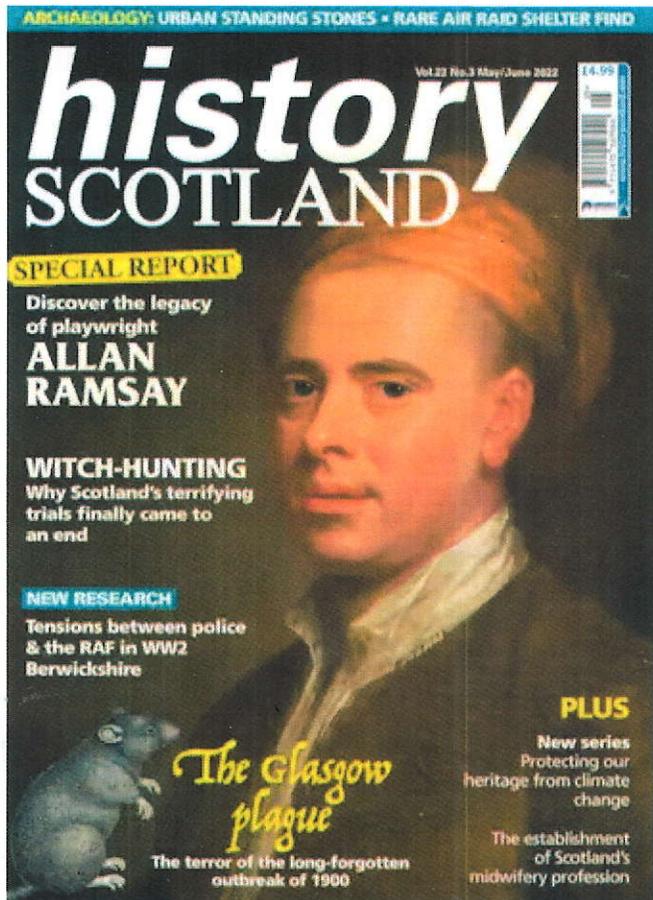
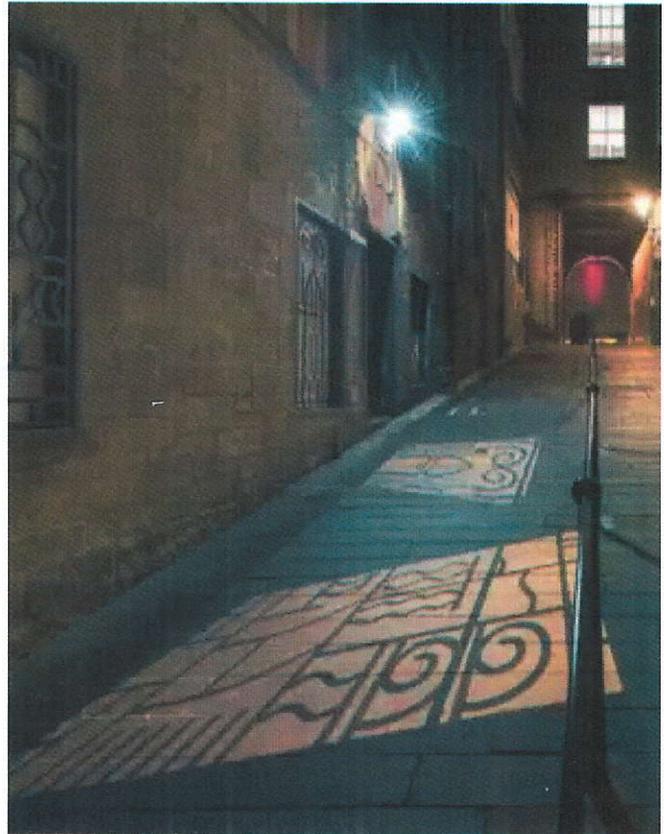
With many thanks to Steve Kelley.

Twelve Closes Project, *continued from page 35*

Carubber's Close (features gently shifting lighting that alters the shadows in the close, creating a feeling of procession that was highlighted by the congregation of Old Saint Paul's. The garden of Old Saint Paul's was also opened up during the project and is now illuminated at night to show off this calm space. The close also includes a new art installation by Edinburgh artist David Lemm which features geometric metal fittings that cast shadows into the close.

Pirrie's Close links the western side of Chessel's Court to the Royal Mile and was included in the project after residents secured additional funding for a community-led art installation. The installation includes coloured lighting, and laser-cut wall and ceiling suspended panels forming a fretwork of geometric and naturalistic designs interpreting the lives of the residents.

The Twelve Closes Project is a long-term renewal and reinterpretation scheme and will continue to work with artists and communities over the coming years. Workshops are currently being held to co-design Lady Stair's Close and Makers Court.



A group of women called "The 9 Nanas" kept a secret for decades that not even their husbands knew. For 30 years, they met at 4 AM and anonymously paid bills and bought clothes for people in need. Each care package came with a homemade pound cake and a note that read "Somebody loves you."



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