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Three of Orla's feathers for The Buchanan

The Buchanan, shown outside his home, Cambusmore, with Orla, the Golden Eagle. Orla lives on ancient Clan Buchanan lands at the Loch Lomond Bird of Prey centre in Scotland.

Mike will be getting three eagle feathers' for his cap from the ones Orla sheds naturally.

The Lord Lyon, King of Arms, appoints The Honourable Clan Baird a Commander!

Dr. Debra Baird, FSA Scot, President, Clan Baird Society Worldwide, Inc., writtes, a Warrant from Lord Lyon King of Arms in the application of Richard Holman-Baird of Rickarton, Ury and Lochwood has been approved. He is the Commander of the Honourable Clan Baird of date 5 August 2019.

Lyon Court writes, The Lord Lyon King of Arms, having considered the foregoing Petition Grants Warrant to the Lyon Clerk to prepare a Commission appointing the said Richard Holman-Baird of Rickarton, Ury and Lochwood to be Commander of the Honourable Clan Baird for a period of five years.

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Malcolm Tartan



Military records & genealogical research - a treasure trove!

Bryan L. Mulcahy, MLS

Inited States military records are considered one of the most important sources for pre-1900 genealogical research. Besides covering military service and activities, they also provide information concerning the soldier and his family. The records cover

not only wartime activities but all of a soldier's military service.

Prior to 1850 there was no officially organized American military; local militias had to be raised to provide the protection that settlers needed. To motivate people to join these militias, free land and other payments were promised. This resulted in a

broad diversity of people who served.

There are three major genealogical classifications for military record types:

- 1. Compiled Military Service Records: These consist primarily of enlistment records and discharge papers, muster rolls, attendance reports, activity reports, battles that the soldier fought in and death if it occurred during service. They sometimes list the wife's name or the soldier's parents.
- 2. Pension Records: Consist of applications for assistance to veterans or their families where the veteran is elderly, injured, sick, incapacitated, or dead. The records often provide birth date and birthplace of veteran, marriage and maiden name of wife, date and place of death of veteran, births of children, information on parents and other relatives, and biographical, medical, and historical

information on the soldier. Proof and depositions from friends and witnesses are also included.

3. Bounty Land Records: Consist of applications for land offered before 1856 as a service benefit. The records contain the same type of information as pension records, but they often apply

to soldiers other than those who apply for pensions. This is because bounty land was offered to all who had served, not just those who were injured, sick, or incapacitated.

There are three historical time periods of military service in the United States that are significant to genealogists:



- 1. The Colonial Period Pre 1775: Includes all military conflicts during the British rule.
- 2. Post Revolutionary Era 1775-1900: Includes the Revolutionary War 1775-1783; War of 1812 1812-1815; Indian Wars 1816-1918; Mexican War 1845-1849; Civil War 1861-1865; Spanish American War 1898-1899.
- 3. Modern Era beginning with 1900 to the present and including both World Wars, Korea, Vietnam, and Operation Desert Storm.

For more information in greater detail on these topics, I would be happy to send you an electronic copy of my study guide on Military Research.

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Embrace Your Inner Viking at Europe's Largest Fire Festival: Up Helly Aa

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Vikings haven't pillaged the Shetland Islands in more than 500 years but a walk through its capital city of Lerwick in late January may offer the impression that the warriors still have business to attend to. Bearded men wearing winged helmets and chainmail wield battle axes in the streets while

a galley sporting a dragon's head sits in the harbor.

No, this blast from the past is not a hostile takeover but a part of what is billed as Europe's Largest Fire Festival. The revelry and fiery traditions of Up Helly Aa act as a momentary escape from the dreary Scotland

weather as well as a chance for locals to celebrate their heritage and creativity.

Fire, Feasting and Fancy Dress

If you're planning on attending Up Helly Aa, it is imperative that you're able to identify the town's Guizer Jarl. The Viking leader, his band of faithful followers are essential to the day's celebrations. They create the costumes, organize the day's events and lead the parade through town. To be a part of the squad or picked to serve as the Guizer Jarl is an enormous honor and one not taken lightly: the group starts preparations nearly a year in advance.

The festivities begin with a 6 am meeting in the town center where secretly-drafted rules that govern the year's activities are read. From there, the squad begins their romp through town to feast on food and interact with the locals. The march lasts all day and culminates with the highlight of the festival: fire.

When the sun sinks below the horizon and

darkness blankets the village, nearly 1,000 men are given torches to once again wend their way through Lerwick. This time, a crowd of 5,000 people are in tow. From a distance, the procession looks like an impending river of fire.



When they reach the burning site, the Guizer Jarl disembarks as torches are the air and land in the hull of the dragon galley. The structure is soon more flame than boat.

The fire is eventually extinguished but the enthusiasm of the crowd is far from over. Hundreds of guizers visit a dozen beer halls throughout the night, each performing their rehearsed skits and musical performances. The parties are mostly private but render so many useless that the following day has been declared a national holiday.

A Rich Tradition

While the revelry of Up Helly Aa may seem Continued on page 7

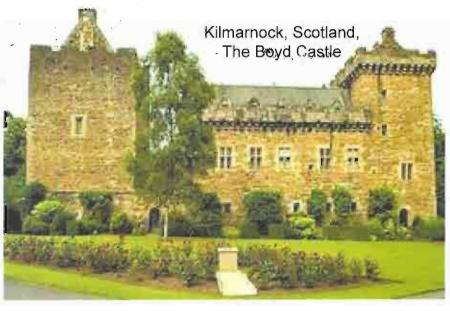


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Up Helly Aa, continued from page 5.



nonsensical, its roots trace their way through 12 centuries of Norse tradition. The torch lit procession and burning of the galley hearken back to rituals that took place at the cremation of great chieftains. Elaborate costumes were part of prehistoric fertility rights. The feasting and dancing reflect the merriment of a classic Viking drinking hall.

There is a tremendous amount of pride that goes into the festival's preparations. No one is al-

lowed to be part of the Jarl's squad unless they've been a resident for at least five years. The intricate design of the shields and outfits take hours upon hours every year and local tradesmen spend months building and painting the galley. It wouldn't be far off to say the townspeople spend 364 days of the year preparing for one day.

How to Experience It

If you want to see the Viking reenactments in person, you can participate in the morning march or the evening torchlit procession in person. You can buy tickets to some of the late night celebrations by contacting the Shetland Tourist Board in January. For those who can't make it to the northernmost reaches of Scotland, tune into the city's 60 North Television station, which provides live streaming of the event or check out their Facebook page for live updates. You'll want to be there though because all of the fire is real.



330th Anniversary of the Battle of Killiecrankie museum exhibition invites you!



The 330th anniversary of the Battle of Killiecrankie has inspired Perth's heritage sector. *Jacobite Clans* is an exhibition in **Perth Museum and Art Gallery** from now until 26 October 2019 (closed Mondays), while the **AK Bell Library** highlights family history and Jacobite connections through the Nairne family tree in *Jacobite clans: ancestors at war*, from now to 26 October.

Visit: https://www.culturepk.org.uk/whats-on/jacobite-clans-ancestors-at-war/ for more information.



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This year Leeds Castle is delighted to welcome some new designers in Dutch floral artist Conny van der Westerlaken and one of Australia's leading Floral Designers, Matthew Landers. They will join a host of returning prestigious designers including Morgan Douglas Nuth from Old Oak Floral Designers in Ascot, Dennis Kneepkens from the Netherlands and Dr. Solomon Leong from Solomon Bloemen in Hong Kong.

After you explore the fragrant Castle stop off at the tea hut on the Castle Island for a selection of hot drinks, cakes, pasties and soup.

Join a programme of floral demonstrations and specialist talks, included as part of the entrance ticket. There will be a guest talk on Saturday 14th September by English garden designer and television personality Joe Swift, taking place in the festival marquee. There will also be the opportunity to buy beautiful flowers, David Austen roses and garden accessories from a variety of stalls on the Pavilion Lawn.

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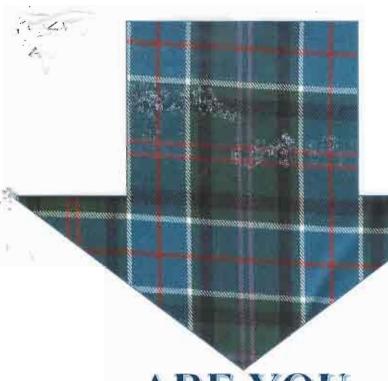
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Loch Ness Monster may be a giant eel, say scientists

Thanks to BBC News.

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The creatures behind repeated sightings of the fabled Loch Ness Monster may be giant eels, according to scientists.

Researchers from New Zealand have tried to catalogue all living species in the loch by extracting DNA from water samples.

Following analysis, the scientists have ruled out the presence of large animals said to be behind reports of a monster.

No evidence of a prehistoric marine reptile called a

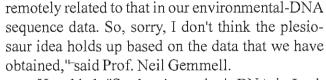
plesiosaur or a large fish such as a sturgeon were found.

Catfish and suggestions that a wandering Greenland shark were behind the sightings were also discounted.

European eels are among the creatures in the loch, and whose DNA was picked up by the new research.

Juvenile eels, known as elvers, arrive in Scottish rivers and lochs after migrating more than 3,100 miles (5,000 km) from the Sargasso Sea near the Bahamas, where the animals spawn and lay eggs.

"We can't find any evidence of a creature that's



He added: "So there's no shark DNA in Loch Ness based on our sampling. There is also no catfish

> DNA in Loch Ness based on our sampling. We can't find any evidence of sturgeon either,

"There is a very significant amount of eel DNA. Eels are very plentiful in Loch Ness, with

eel DNA found at pretty much every location sampled - there are a lot of them. So - are they giant eels?

"Well, our data doesn't reveal their size, but the sheer quantity of the material says that we can't discount the possibility that there may be giant eels in Loch Ness. Therefore we can't discount the possibility that what people see and believe is the Loch Ness Monster might be a giant eel."

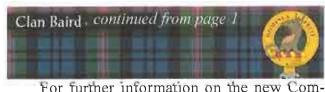
DNA from humans, dogs, sheep, cattle, deer, badgers, rabbits, voles and birds were also identified by the researchers.

The Loch Ness Monster is one of Scotland's oldest and most enduring myths. It inspires books, TV shows and films, and sustains a major tourism industry around its home.

The story of the monster can be traced back 1,500 years when Irish missionary St Columba is said to have encountered a beast in the River Ness in 565AD.

Later, in the 1930s, *The Inverness Courier* re-Continued on page 13





For further information on the new Commander or for Clan Baird membership information, contact <djbaird4@gmail.com>, or visit <www.clanbairdsociety.com>



Loch Ness Monster, *continued from page 11* – ported the first modern sighting of Nessie.

In 1933, the newspaper's Fort Augustus correspondent, Alec Campbell, reported a sighting by Aldie Mackay of what she believed to be Nessie.

Mr Campbell's report described a whale -like creature and the loch's water "cascading and churning".

The editor at the time, Evan Barron, suggested the beast be described as a "monster", kick starting the modern myth of the Loch Ness Monster.

Media captionThe "Surgeon's Photo" turned out to be a toy submarine - but these "witnesses" recorded in 1938 were taking the monster seriously

In 1934, highly respected British surgeon, Colonel Robert Wilson, claimed he took a photograph of the monster while driving along the northern shore

of Loch Ness.

Known as the "Surgeon's Photograph", 60 years later it was confirmed as a hoax hatched in revenge after a newspaper ridiculed journalist Marmaduke Wetherell for finding "Nessie footprints" on the shore.

The "monster" caught on camera was

apparently a toy submarine bought from Woolworths, with a head fashioned from wood putty.

The hoaxers then gave the photo to Wilson, a friend who enjoyed a good practical joke.

In his research of Nessie, Glasgow-based palaeontologist Neil Clark found fairs and circuses were a common occurrence in the Inverness area, particularly from the early 1930s.

He said elephants may have been allowed to swim in the loch while the travelling carnivals stopped to give the animals a rest.

Another theory is that large fallen branches floating in the loch are the cause of monster sightings.

Steve Feltham, who is recognised by the *Guinness Book of Records* for the longest continuous monster hunting vigil of Loch Ness, is not convinced the scientists have yet identified the creature

behind the sightings.

Mr Feltham, who made childhood visits to the Highlands and moved from Dorset almost 30 years ago to look for Nessie, said the research had not ruled out other animals such as seals being mistaken for the monster.

The presence of eels in the the loch was no big surprise, he added.

He added: "A 12-year-old boy could tell you there are eels in Loch Ness. I caught eels in the loch when I was a 12-year-old boy."

Gary Campbell, keeper of a register of Nessie sightings, receives on average 10 reports a year of something unexplained being spotted in the loch's waters.

He welcomed the latest research and hoped more scientists will examine what lives in Loch Ness.

Mr Campbell said tourism that has developed around the story of the monster would be unaffected by the new

study. He said: "The Loch Ness Monster has evolved into a world-wide icon."

Chris Taylor, of *VisitScotland*, said he expected the myth of the monster would continue to bring tourists to the loch.

He said: "This scientific investigation, led by Professor Gemmell, into the inhabitants of one of Scotland's largest lochs has once again shone a spotlight on the Highlands.

"Its findings will provide further insight into what lies beneath but questions still remain, and visitors will, no doubt, continue to be drawn to the loch to seek the answers for themselves."

Loch Ness expert Adrian Shine said the new study had provided researchers with a new list of species to compare against records going back 40 years.









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Anne Edwards Carlton, age 74, passed away peacefully in her home on September 2, 2019. The oldest of five children, Anne was born in Goldsboro, NC on April 14, 1945 to Ruby Lee Brogden and Joseph Paul Edwards. After marrying Robert M. "Monty" Carlton, Jr. in 1966, the couple moved to Monty's hometown of Moultrie, GA, where Anne proudly owned and operated Turner's dress shop for 40 years.

Known for her passion for public service and community betterment, Anne served as the first female president of the Chamber of Commerce, first chairperson of the Historical Preservation Commission, chaired the Judicial Foster Care Review Board for 17 years, served as a member of the Downtown Moultrie Development Authority and served as a member of the Colquitt County Hospital Authority for 13 years. Anne wasn't just dedicated to improving her local community of Colquitt County; her gift for service reached far and wide when she was instrumental in organizing the "Hay for Hungry Deer" campaign that resulted in shipping hay from farmers in Colquitt County to starving deer in Utah.

She had a special gift with animals and was rarely seen at Turner's without one of her beloved dogs. She also had a love of gardening, which she proudly inherited from her mother, and could often be found "rescuing" bulbs from abandoned homes to be brought back and nourished in her own exquisite garden.

Anne was preceded in death by her mother, Ruby, and her father, Joseph. She is survived by her husband, Robert M. Carlton, Jr., her son, Robert M. "Monty" Carlton, III (wife Chaltsy) and grandchildren, Robert M. "Mac" Carlton, IV and Eloise Belle Carlton.

A funeral service was held at 2 o'clock in the afternoon on Friday, September 6, 2019 at the First

Presbyterian Church in Moultrie, GA. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations be made to the Moultrie Colquitt County Humane Society at P.O. Box 2915, Moultrie, GA 31776.

From your sad editor: Anne Carlton was my dear friend for so many years. When we did Scottish Weekend in Moultrie for about 17 years, Anne was hostess and marvelous cook for twenty of our special guests at noon on Saturdays - every single one of them. Everyone was treated to a true homecooked Southern meal which they are still telling me about how good it was. (One of my prized possessions is her own recipe for "Tomato Gravy!")

Anne also hosted our mutual friend, Hope-Vere Anderson, at her home during Scottish Weekend each year. Great friendships were formed along the way.

We worked together on the "Hay for Hungry Deer" project, which was such a unique idea at the time and which worked! If I remember correctly, we had FOUR boxcars filled with Colquitt County hay - all donated by Colquitt County farmers plus sacks of deer chow donated by the city folk.

This was when she was the first woman, and brand new Chamber of Commerce president.

We worked on a photographic calendar for Colquitt County - which sadly never came to fruition as that was when my life changed direction.

When I needed a special outfit for a special occasion or function, Anne would always see that I purchased something appropriate from her marvelous collction. I'm not sure you are supposed to have such fun choosing pretty things.

She was just a very special and very wonderful friend. Lordy, I will miss her.

My world is shrinking fast.

Scottish-American Military Society

Gen. Elijah Clarke Post #60

Meetings for 2019



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19/20 Oct 2019 St Mt

Highland Games 1100 till 1700

13 Nov 2019 Black Swan

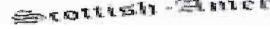
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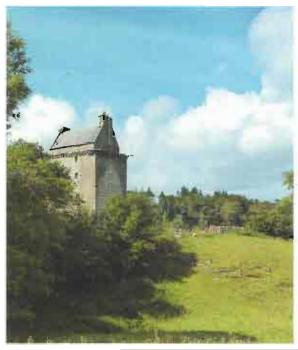
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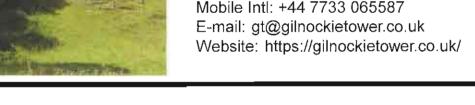


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Clan Blair Society Webinar Annual General Meeting set for October 26,

2019 at 10 AM MDT

The Clan Blair Society Annual General Meeting (AGM) is scheduled for Saturday October 26 at 10 am MDT.

The meeting will be held via webinar and all members are invited to attend. It will last about 90 minutes.

This is the 8th AGM held digitally, and attendance grows each year. Members seem to enjoy the comfort of their homes. Please plan to join.

Webinar access details will be sent from

the Webmaster closer to the date.

The AGM agenda will include: Historical presentation of Blairs of Blair, Announcement of new Officers

Annual Business Meeting

Please plan to join us on Oct. 26 at 10 am MDT.

If you would like to be notified of the meeting and the process required to join, just email < President@clanblair.org > and request to be made aware of the details.



Armstrong

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Question: Among retirees, what is considered formal attire?

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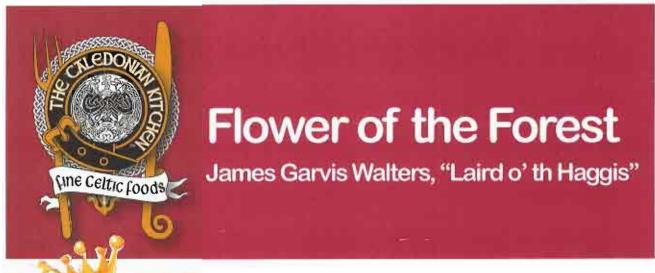
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James (Jim) Garvis Walters, FSA Scot, beloved husband of Gay Houston Walters for 47 years, passed away unexpectedly on August 24, 2019, following a massive heart attack.

He was a native of Alabama and grew up in the small town of Cottonwood, where his father was the high school principal and his mother a math teacher.

He loved virtually every genre of music and in high school played the trumpet and the baritone. During his high school years he and three of his buddies formed a band called "The Chevelles" (remember this was during the sixties) that played at local events and came in 2nd place at a state-wide competition.

After graduating from Cottonwood High School as salutatorian, Jim attended Auburn University and earned a B.S. in Business Administration and Marketing.

To say that he was an Auburn sports fan is an understatement. As he himself would say, Auburn was in his blood. Both of his parents were raised on family farms and worked their way through Auburn University during the Great Depression. In fact, his mother was born years many of his a fellow traveler.

and reared there and over the years many of his family members have lived and worked there. (War Eagle!)

During the Vietnam War Jim interrupted his time at Auburn to join the U.S. Navy and served for 5 years active and reserve service, achieving the rank of Petty Officer Second Class in record time.

Jim became an Eagle Scout in his teen years and later a Vigil Honor member of the Order of the Arrow; and in 1976 he decided to pursue a career with B.S.A., where he worked with great success until his retirement after 27 years. During that time he was awarded the Boy Scouts of America Medal of Heroism – a signal honor - for saving the life of

He was a voracious reader and a student of history, which led him into some interesting hobbies over the years, including "Mountain Man" rendezvous and, soon after, Civil War reenacting as part of the 5th Louisiana Infantry Regiment where, after two years, he was voted in as Captain of the regiment. That regiment's accomplishments and exploits in both their Confederate and their Union identities became legendary among reenacting circles and are still talked about today, including in the U.K., where the regiment traveled to events in the 1990s.

After one of these trips to the U.K. took Jim Continued on page 35

Are you an Arthur, Carter, MacArthur, McArthur or similar name? If so, you can become a member of the Clan Arthur Association!



Clan Arthur is worldwide with branches in UK, USA, Canada & Australia. Our leader is **Chief John MacArthur of that Ilk**.

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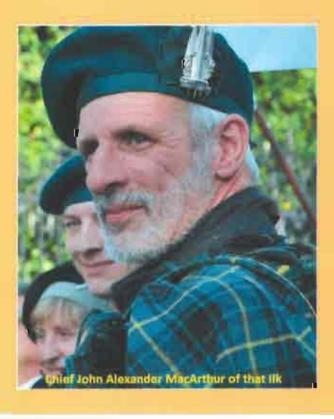
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International Paisley Gathering set for Charleston, SC Highland Games

November 2, 2019, Boone Hall Plantation Mt. Pleasant, SC

It's momentous! First International Gathering of the Paisley Clan/Family in the USA! Our Chieftain, The Much Hon. Duncan W. Paisley of

Westerlea, Lady Jane and Yanni are heading up a contingent from the UK along with Paisleys from Germany and other countries to be join the USA Branch for a long weekend of activities.

Make your plans now!

The Westerleas are planning on a weekend of activities that will include participation in the games on Saturday, November 2, where our chieftain will be a Honored Guest, a dinner on Saturday night, church service at First (Scots) Presbyterian in Charleston on Sunday where our Chieftain will be the liturgist, and a bar-b-que on Sunday afternoon on Sullivan's Island.

On Friday night we will have our AGM.

Also, this year for the first time you will be able to meet another branch of the Paisley family who are brand new to the Paisley Family Clan/Society. The Dirom family connection to Paisleys was made through the marriage in 1793 of Magdalen Pasley, heiress of Robert Pasley of Craig and Colonel Alexander Dirom.

Colonel Dirom established the village of Byrdekirk and opened up brickworks, firepits, established farms in his efforts to have a model village.

Magdalen, bringing along her friends opened her purse for the founding of Byrdekirk Parish Church. Sitting on the top of a hill, it is a very impressive structure, now a very active Church of Scotland congregation.

Fast forward to USA a descendant of

Alexander Dirom, Guy Dirom, II and his wife Adgie Lou joined the Paisley Family Society in 2016 and their daughter, Adgie Lou Davidson and her husband Paul in 2019. Adgie Lou Davidson is heading up the Dirom Family Branch of the Paisley Clan/Family Society.

She will be singing during the 11:15 worship service at First (Scots) Presbyterian Church on November 3.



This year Comfort Suites at Isle of Palms Connector is offering a 15% discount. Code is Boone Hall. They are Iocated at 1130 Hungry neck Blvd., Mt. Pleasant 29464, (480-676-5427).

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Suites, 1104 Isle of Palms Connector, 843-856-3900. All of these are in Mt. Pleasant.

For further information on joining the Paisley Clan/Family in the USA or on the upcoming AGM, please contact: Commissioner: Martha Paslay M. Brown at <mbr/>brown2205@aol.com>







The Queen and Prince Charles attend Braemar Gathering on September 7, 2019



The Queen and Prince Charles joined thousands of spectators on Royal Deeside at the Annual Braemar Gathering.

Her Majesty is patron of the Highland games event, which takes place a short distance from the royals' summer residence Balmoral.

Thousands of people are expected at the event which is is held on the first Saturday in September.

The Queen hosted Boris Johnson at Balmoral on Friday night but the prime minister was not expected to attend the games, having cut short the anticipated weekend-long visit to return to Downing Street after a turbulent week in British politics.

The games, held at The Princess Royal and

Duke of Fife Memorial Park, include competitions such as tossing the caber, hammer throwing and tug of war.

Pipe bands and Highland dancers also perform at the gathering, which is organised by the Braemar Royal Highland Society.

It has been run in its present form since 1832.

Queen Victoria first attended the gathering in 1848 and since then the reigning monarch and other members of the Royal Family have regularly visited.

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Grave with six skulls could be clan feud burial site. Maybe MacKay or Ross?



A grave in the Highlands could hold the victims of a violent clan feud, archaeologists have said.

The male two skeletons surrounded by four skulls found at St Colman's Church in Portmahomack are believed to date from the 15th Century.

Archaeologists said one of them was a powerfully-built man. He has a fatal sword wound to his skull.

Radiocarbon dating and DNA analysis could reveal more information about the remains.

Historically, the area of Easter Ross was the scene of a feud between the clans Ross and Mackay.

During the late 15th Century St. Colman's Church was burnt down before a battle nearby between the MacKay and Ross clans.

Archaeologists said it was likely the men in the six-headed burial were involved in the hostilities.

The skeletons and skulls were first excavated in 1997.

Archaeologists from York-based Fieldwork Archaeological Services (FAS) and the University of Bradford have been examining the remains for several years as part of the Tarbat Medieval Buri-



als project.

They hope new analysis will unlock further details about the skeletons, and also the four other skulls.

The research so far has included a reconstruction of the face of the second man whose skeleton was found in the grave.

Dr Cecily Spall, of FAS, told BBC Radio Scotland: "We are going to look at what they were eating in their lives, and try to identify where they might have been born.

"We are also going to get them analysed to see if any of their ancient DNA is preserved."

She added: "Are these men related? Are they father and son, brothers, or are they clan chiefs who were related to each other, or are they rivals?"

Dr Shirley Curtis-Summers, of the University of Bradford, is leading the bones and dietary analysis of the skeletons.

Dr Jessica Liu and Dr Sarah Shrimpton at the Face Lab at Liverpool John Moores University produced the facial reconstruction.

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Donald L. Bell was born in Toledo, Ohio, on May 17 1925 the son of Lloyd and Sarah (Burrell) Bell.

He died on March 11, 2019 at the age of 93.

Don married Alice Ingwersen in Toledo, Ohio, on October 25, 1947 and they had three children, David, Bar-

bara, and Richard. Alice died in 1995, and Don later married Geraldine Ferguson on May 2, 1998.

Don was a member of the U.S. Naval Reserve for 17 years and served on active duty during WWII and the Korean War.

He was a former member of Court Street United Methodist Church and member of First Presbyterian Church in Flint.

Don was a Registered Professional Engineer in the State of Ohio, and a member of the Society of Automotive Engineers for over 50 years.

He was active in the Masonic Fraternity serving as Master of Grand Blanc Lodge #571 F & AM, High Priest of Washington Chapter #15 RAM, Master of Flint Council #56 RSM, Commander of Genesee Valley Commandery #15, Governor of Flint York Rite College #5, Knight of the Purple Cross of the Sovereign College of North America, Member of Priory #22 Knights of the York Cross of Honor, Member of St Martin Conclave Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine, and a member of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite.

Don was very active in Boy Scouts. He was a scout in Toledo, Ohio, a Scoutmaster of Troop 238 B.S.A in Grand Blanc, and he also served as Camping chairman of the Tall Pine Council Arrowhead District.

His hobby was family genealogy, and he published several books. Don was a member of the Flint Genealogical Society.

He was also a volunteer at the Flint Public Library for 14 years.

He was a member of the Clan of the Bells for many years.

Don was a loving father, step-father, grandfather, step-grandfather, great grandfather, step-great grandfather, uncle, cousin, and friend to all. He always put family and friends first and foremost. He was an engineer who was extremely organized, thought he could fix anything, and, most generally, he could.

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Most valuable collection of whisky ever to be sold at auction could go for up to £4m

Sean Murphy, Scotsman Food and Drink



A spirits collection that's being described as the 'Holy Grail of Whisky' which is estimated to be worth up to £4m is set to go up for auction in London this month.

Auction house, Sotheby's, say that The Ultimate Whisky Collection, will be the most valuable collection of whisky ever to be sold at auction and the Company's first single-owner offering of spirits.

Showcasing the most comprehensive range of sought after Scotch whisky to come to the market from a private 'cellar', the collection is estimated to bring in the region of £4 million (\$4.8 million).

The sale will open for online bidding on 27 September and culminate in a live auction on 24 October at the Olympia event space in West Kensington, London, alongside RM Sotheby's sale of collectable motor cars, an annual highlight on the European collector car calendar since 2007.

Sotheby's say the unnamed collector who is selling the collection specialises in whiskies from Bowmore, Highland Park and especially The Macallan.

A spokesperson for Sotheby's said: "During his pursuit of the best whiskies from each of these distilleries, the collector met and developed a relationship with U.S. based whisky specialist Jonathan Read who has played an important role in developing this collection.

"Together, they sought to identify and complete important verticals as well as delve into the vast world of Scotch whiskies bottled decades ago."

The Holy Grail of Whisky

Defined by its strong representation of highly sought after Macallan bottlings, half of the collection is comprised of lots from this popular distill-

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ery, with the bottles from the Speyside producer estimated to have a value in excess of £2.2 million alone.

Sotheby's believe this is the most comprehensive collection of the Macallan Fine and Rare series ever offered at auction.

Jonny Fowle, Sotheby's Spirits Specialist, said: "The Ultimate Whisky Collection comprises what is undoubtedly the most comprehensive catalogue of whisky ever to be offered by a single owner in a single auction.

"Whilst collecting whisky can appeal to different people in different ways, it is clear that this collector is a true fan of the liquid within the bottles as well as the bottles themselves. Ultimately it is the enjoyment and appreciation of whisky that has

made this collection what it is."

The unique line-up is headed by the originally-labelled 60 years old The Macallan 1926 from cask #263, which yielded just 40 bottles; 12 bottles were labelled by Peter Blake, 12 by Valerio Adami, and two bottles were sold individually and given private labels, one of which was hand-painted by Irish artist Michael Dillon.

The remaining 14 were bottled as the anchor for the Fine and Rare series and labelled as such, making them the oldest bottles in the iconic 'Fine and Rare' series, both by age and by vintage.

In the last two years, three versions containing liquid from Cask 263 have all broken records at auction, but the fourth bottling from this cask has not been seen at auction for over a decade. The Macallan 60 Years Old, Fine & Rare Series is the only bottle required to complete both the full collections of bottlings from cask 263 and the Fine

and Rare vertical, a series to which The Macallan is continuing to add releases annually.

The collection also features two complete Macallan in Lalique Six Pillars Collections presented in bespoke, hand-made cabinets commissioned by Sotheby's and designed by British craftsman James Laycock.

Glenfiddich and Balvenie's oldest bottlings, including Balvenie 50 year old 1937, Glenfiddich 50-year-old (1st and 2nd releases), and Glenfiddich

64 year old 1937.

Legendary releases from Gordon &. Macphail under the G&M label, including the Mortlach and Glenlivet 70year-old Generations series. The Macallan Queen's Mother's 80th Birthday, and a range of Glen Grant, Linkwood



and Macallan Speymalt vintages.

Silvano Samaroli's iconic releases, including Bowmore 18 year Bouquet, Laphroaig 15-yearold Sherry Cask 1967, Laphroaig 1970, Springbank 12-year-old and Ardbeg Sherry Wood 1974.

As well as an entire vertical of Port Ellen's Annual Releases (1st-17th) to be sold as individual bottles, the Limited Edition 40 year old Bunnahabhain, and the 40 year old Ardbeg 1965.

Jamie Ritchie, Chairman, Sotheby's Wine, said: "It is an honour to launch Spirits as a new category for Sotheby's Wine and to present the world's largest and most important single-owner spirits sale. These bottles and casks come from an American connoisseur who built an incredible collection of rare scotch whisky over the last 20 years.

"This groundbreaking sale reminds me of the first wine sales that Sotheby's held in New York in Continued on page 33



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



All Paisleys of the name or blood (and all spellings) are invited to join. Email: <mbr/>brown2205@aol.com>

Paisley Family Society USA Branch, FaceBook account can be found at https:// www.facebook.com/Paisley-Family-Society-USA-branch-195070730565352/





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



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), Innerwidk (East Lothian) and Roxburghshire, since the time of William I King of Scots. 1165-1214.

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Dream Whisky auction,

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1994 and Hong Kong in 2009 and we believe it will come to be viewed as a similarly historic moment in the spirits market. We are also excited to add two innovative features to this landmark event, not least by hosting the sale in the midst of RM Sotheby's exhibition of cars at Olympia. It will also mark our first wine or spirits sale to open for online bidding ahead of leading up to a live auction. We look forward to continuing to innovate within both the wine and spirits market over the coming months."

The collector added: "Collecting whisky over these past twenty years has been a real passion of mine, though it was not something I set out to do. I have always loved drinking whisky – as family and friends will attest, to this day I can be found most evenings with a cigar in one hand and a glass in the other – but I was a wine collector first.

"I then found myself looking at unique bottles of Scotch, initially attracted by the beauty of the labels. So I started this collection and realised that if I really spent time on it and was selective in my choices, I might be able to put together something significant and unique.

"Two decades on, I think the collection is at that point where it is indeed unique. Having cherished these bottles, I am now ready to share them with collectors around the world. I hope they find good homes in the hands of whisky lovers who will enjoy the experience as much as I did, both the drinking of them and the sense of history that each of these bottles brings."



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The CBSI was formed in 1970 as the Clan Buchanan Society in America. It was founded at the Grandfather Mountain Games in North Carolina. The name was later changed to the Clan Buchanan Society International Inc., reflect our society's expanded purpose and membership.



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James Garvis Walters, continued from page 19 and Gay to Scotland, they both fell in love with the Scottish people, culture, and cuisine, including, of course, single-malt whisky and, unexpectedly, haggis – so much so that, when they returned home Jim was frustrated that he couldn't find a source of haggis in the U.S.

So, inspired by an expat friend, he decided he'd try to make some himself. That turned out to be a daunting task, but he and Gay finally came up with a recipe that passed muster with Scots at the Arlington Scottish Festival. That's when Jim's business, The Caledonian Kitchen, was born.

Festival customers begged him to can his haggis, and he succeeding in finding a small cannery to do just that, selling it online with other Celtic foods. The rest is history for those who knew Jim as a larger-than-life figure with the sobriquet, "Laird O' th' Haggis."

The Caledonian Kitchern made award-winning haggis that was recognized for its quality.

The Caledonian Kitchen finished 5th Place in the *Scotland Magazine* Haggis Tasting Competition held at St. Andrews, Scotland. His haggis was also featured on *The Voice of America* broadcast on Burns Night of 2003. Canned Haggis was sold at the Smithsonian Institution's *Marketplace* during the Scotland Folk Festival in the summer of 2003. His haggis passed a juried quality selection from Scottish Chefs and historians.

Articles were published about Jim in *Saveur* magazine in 2005 and in the *Dallas Morning News*.

Jim was a member of Clan Donald, U.S.A. He was also a supportive member of the Fellowship of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland; a proud Knight in the Scottish Knights Templar, Priory of St. Columba. He was owner of Career Placement Services, New Orleans, LA 1971 - 1974. He was a Trustee of the Council of Scottish Clans & Associations.

He had many more honors.

He was an exuberant Knight of the Realm — Sir Haggi — in the Kingdom of Raknar.

Jim truly loved people and was a true friend to many. He had a huge network of friends, both in the U.S. and in other countries, including Scotland, England, Germany, and Asia.

His wife, Gay, was the love of his life. They were married for 47 years and spent as much of that time as they could doing things together. They shared a love for traveling and camping, beginning with an old, borrowed, leaky tent and gradually moving up to a 33-foot fifth-wheel RV.

In 2013, Jim and Gay semi-retired to a marina community on the Gulf Coast in Gulf Shores, Alabama, where he continued to enjoy life to the full. He was an active member of the First Baptist Church Gulf Shores, participating in church activities, particularly the choir. And of course he made time to travel to Grandfather Mountain and other games and festivals to see and spend time with his wonderful friends in the Scottish community.

He is survived by: his wife, Gay Ann Walters of Gulf Shores, AL; his brothers, Glenn Alan Walters (Jimmie Sue) of Perdido Key, FL. and Brian Roger Walters (Bonnie) of Huntsville, AL. He is also survived by aunts, uncle, nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

The family suggests donations can be made to the Building Fund, First Baptist Church of Gulf Shores, 2200 W. 1st St. Gulf Shores, AL 36542 or Gideon's International PO Box 97251 Washington, DC 20090-7251.

Visitation and a funeral service were held on Tuesday, August 27th 2019 at the First Baptist Church of Gulf Shores.Interment followed in Pine Rest Memorial Park.

I remember the first time I ever spoke to Jim Walters over the phone. I was impressed by his gentlemanly manners and kindness and enthusiasm for his new haggis business.

In our conversation, I mentioned my friend, Angus McBryde, who was manager of the Boy Scout Store in New York City, as, at that time, Jim was also working for the Boy Scouts.

"Angus!" said Jim. "He and I are twins!" Both Angus and Jim were very, very tall, muscular and robust.

I replied, "Angus is the same as a brother to me, too."

Just that simply, Jim, Angus and I became

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"the three twins" from that day until now, although now, I'm the only one left.

We've had such fun with our "twin-ness." I'm five foot 2 or so and I do not have a big, black moustache.

Above my desk in my office is a photo taken at the Glasgow, Kentucky Highland Games in the last

year or so...of me
- looking like my
hair had been
combed by an egg
beater and
Jim...both of us
grinning so hard
I'm sure both of
our faces hurt for
hours afterwards.

We could tell immediately by the response to our twin story whether someone had a sense of humor or not...and the

The Raknar 40th anniversary helmet

"nots" caused us to hoot with laughter and giggles. We had lots of puzzled looks - which would fi-

nally turn to great laughter.

We have laughed our way across the USA for the last 20 years or so.

In the meantime, Gay and Jim became more and more like family...shucks, they were and are family to us forever.

When Tom and I were finally m-m-m-a...after about 2 years of Handfasting, Jim took our Raknar wedding cake - in the shape of the Raknar helmet and filled with yummy cherries (Which we called "The blood of our helmet.") I asked Jim and Jim Pennington, a piper, to haul the cake about and show it to all of the members of the Kingdom of Raknar...and said, "About once around the room will be fine..." said I. Ha.

Jim Walters and Jim Pennington circled the room once. Then twice. Then three times. At that, the Sgt. at Arms hollered, "STOP." They continued to

circle and pipe another two or three times, all punctuated by folks hollering to "Quit. Stop, etc." and everyone became convulsed with laughter.

Finally, the Sgt. at Arms, Mad Max and his huge sword, got in front of the piper and the cake and just wouldn't let them pass.

The Jim's were the first to ask for a piece of the

cake, and both said, "Be sure there's some cherry blood in my piece!"

Jim and
Gay were
members of
the Raknar
Choir year
before last
when we honored the King
of the Kingdom of
Raknar, Jim
Kilpatrick, on

the 40th anniversary of the organization.

The choir's performance of the ancient Viking Sea Chanty was stellar!

Jim and Gay came to stay with us for an afternoon and ended up staying with us for a couple of nights...every moment just chock full of love and laughter.

When I retired from the library and was still invited to Seaside Games and San Diego, California Games and Flagstaff, Arizona Games...Jim gave me his frequent flyer miles for a couple of years so that I could go and do speeches for those games.

We told everyone we were "twins from another mother." I don't think we even realized how true that was...I do know for sure that Tom and I have loved Jim and Gay Walters for as long as I can remember.

There are literally hundreds of "Jim" stories. Jim, you will always be in our hearts and always in our memories, beloved forever.