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It's GREAT to be a GRANT



STONE MOUNTAIN 1987



SOME OF THE CLAN MEMBERS PRESENT SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Stone Mountain, 1987 -

Sunday afternoon at the conclusion of the "Parade of Tartans", this group of proud clansmen posed with the Chief in front of the clan tent.

From left to right:

John Angus Grant, Barbara McLulloch, Eileen Grant, George H. Grant, Anne Grant-Knapp, Syd Grant, David Grant, Anna Grant Neville, Mathew Grant-Knapp, Irey Grant, George H. Grant, Jr., Maggie Grant Kline, Richard Bisbee, Kyle Bowie, Joe Valentine, Grant Bisbee, Thelma Grant, Lucille Grant, John Floyd, Betty Bowie, Theresa Lynne Grant, Mrs. Arston Grant, Gene Grant, Ed Grant Smith, Charles Grant McDonald, Lady Strathspey, Betsy Grant Riggs, Betty MacDonald, Lord Strathspey, Andy Grant, Patrice Grant Ferridini, Susan Grant Bisbee, Bill Grant.



Giving & Taking Instructions Before Parade of Tartans

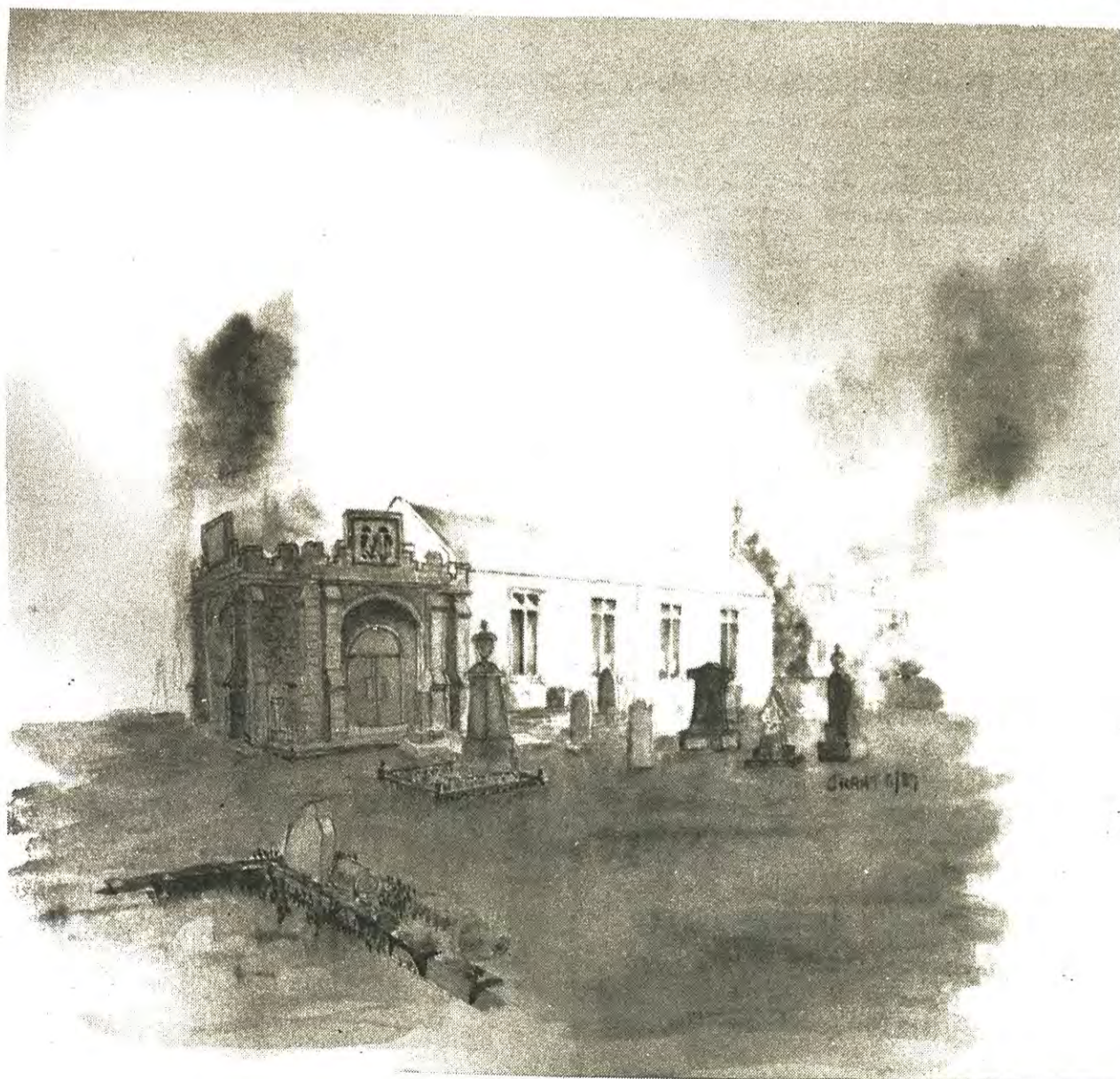


Committee Guests Lord & Lady Strathspey Riverboat Reception Wednesday Evening



ARTIST MAJOR JAMES STEWART GRANT DUTHIL KIRK

REAR VIEW



DUTHIL KIRK

WATERCOLORS 1987

FRONT VIEW

DUTHIL KIRK APPEAL

The last issue of Craigellachie carried articles about Duthil Kirk. Our property in Scotland, and more importantly, an historically significant place for all Grants.

The building itself was a gift to the Worldwide Clan Grant Society. It is owned in your name by Clan Grant Heritage Trust. This is a tax-exempt corporation in Scotland.

The renovation of Duthil Kirk was personally financed by one of our fellow members, Walter Grant of Elgin. The total cost was 10,000 pounds sterling. WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO REPAY WALTER.

According to Ed Grant, the appeal treasurer, the response has been less than overwhelming. If each of us would contribute just \$30.00 we could meet our obligation.

Each contributor will receive a memorandum of deed, showing partial ownership of Duthil Kirk.

We have some funds left over from the Castle Grant contributions and from the sales of Lord Strathspey's book. This money will be sent to Ed.

Please help! Send your contribution immediately!

To: Mr. Edward A. Grant
4355 Chapsworth St. No.
Shoreview, Minn. 55126

Dear Ed:

Enclosed is my check for _____ made out to Duthil Kirk Fund.

Sincerely,

Name

Street

City ST ZIP

SPECIAL THANKS

Above and beyond the Call of Duty Awards go to:

...John C. Grant, Our Treasurer, who met with the Stone Mountain Committee and coordinated the Clan Grant with the Stone Mountain Committee for the many planned activities of both.

John met Lord and Lady Strathspey at the airport on arrival and from then on arranged transportation (mostly personally) during the entire week, ending with the return trip to the airport for departure.

John arranged with Clan Members for various personal activities for the Strathspey's - flower arranging, bee keeping, lunches, dinners, etc.

... to Duane & Maggie Kline, Sister Anna Grant Neville, and Jennifer Neville for making the arrangements and hosting the Strathspeys at the flower arranging and bee keeper sessions, as well as sightseeing. And above all, thanks for the terrific buffet after the games on Saturday. This is the second year for this function at their home and most appreciated. It is much nicer in a private home. And the leftovers were certainly welcome at the games on Sunday. No one left the tent hungry.

...to Joe Valentine for his usual entertainment at the parties and at the games. Even though it was a Scottish weekend, he enthralled the guests with his Australian song, complete with accent.

...Hank and Linda Grant for their hospitality. Friday night's reception was a great ice-breaker. We will miss them and their lovely home for this annual party next year as they will be moving to North Carolina. Hank's Aunts, sisters Ernestine Lewis and Christine (Aunt Tee) Grant, have promised to try and take over this reception next year. As they are from the same family, I'm sure that they will come through.

...to Ed Smith from Westchester, MA for being the Chief's piper, as well as leading the Clan on the Parade of Tartans and his concerts at our parties. Congratulations on his 1st Place in the Strathspey & Reel.



...Terrilynne Grant from Tampa, FL, who spent her time at the activities videotaping for us. Hopefully we will have an outstanding tape. She reports that it will take a while to do a good job.

...TUG OF WAR team. John Floyd, Andy Grant, Trey Grant, George Grant, Jr., Bill Grant, Arston and Jennifer Grant, Eric Grant, Patrice Perigini, and Coach John H. Grant were part of our tug of war team. We won the second pull, but unfortunately we lost the first and third. We need a beefier Grant next year for the Anchor.

We certainly don't mean to leave anyone out - everyone's help and participation was so appreciated. Those who helped at the tent were:

Shirley and Phil Smith from Pennsylvania, Gene Grant, our Commissioner in California, Anne and Matt Grant-Knapp and daughter Barbara McCulloch from New York, Charlie and Betty (Broken Leg) Macdonald from Kentucky, Kyle and Betty Bowie from Virginia, John Floyd, our legal advisor from Atlanta, and of course, Thelma and John Grant from Stone Mountain. Our Canadian Cousins, Syd and Eileen Grant from Ontario, brought some of their wares to sell at the games to make money for Duthil fund. We understand they did quite well.

I can't begin to list all the members that were in attendance from all over the country, as well as those from the Atlanta area, but suffice it to say, we always have a busy tent at these games and this was the busiest ever.

THANK YOU ONE AND ALL!!!

BILOXI
FESTIVAL & GAMES

News comes from Biloxi, Mississippi from Don Davis that the 3rd Annual Scottish Festival and Highland Games was held the weekend of November 21. He, along with his sister and brother-in-law from Houston, TX, hosted a Clan Tent, which is in it's second year at the festival.

It was a success and we're sure Don is looking forward to a bigger and better "next year".

TREASURE FOUND

Gene Grant sent this picture with a note that he purchased the cup in an antique shop in Inverness. The inscription reads, "STAND FAST - Earl of Seafield, Cullen". Gene was told that it was an antique cup in Highland style and was probably from Cullen house, not a tourist-type item. Nice shopping, Gene.

FOR SALE

12 oz. Clan Grant Glasses
Permanently etched
Crest and Badge
Set of 6 - \$30.

History of Clan Grant by
Lord Strathspey each copy
is personally signed. - \$25.

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Teal Blue with Gold Badge
sizes S-M-L-XL specify-\$15.

Black Watch Officers
Sword Reproduction -\$130.

All profits go to the
DUTHIL FUND

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Hixson, TN 37343

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Notes from Our Secretary

Mrs. Shirley Grant-Smith
1207 Cavalier Ln., West Chester, PA 19380

Dr. M. Arthur Grant, in Marion, IN reminds us that there is a Grant Reunion in Anderson, Indiana on the 4th of July every year! They have 300-400 people who attend!.. They descend from a Grant in Pennsylvania. We hope to learn more about this - are there any readers who have connections with this family line?

Mr. Wolf-Dieter Klose, Esq., in Scottsdale, AZ has traced his family back through his mother's lineage to John, the 2nd Earl of Hopetown, Lady Anne Ogilvy, 2nd daughter of James the 5th, Earl of Findlater & Barsefeld. He hopes to get further information on these lines.

Mrs. Sarah Pratt writes that she has published a book entitled, "Pratt and Allied Families" in 1986. This includes her family, the Van Nettas. The book costs \$25.00 if anyone is interested in a copy. You may contact her at: 4830 Kennett Pike, #101 Wilmington, DE 19807 She is 78 years young and writes to us regularly.

Janet R. Foxx is looking for a Bowie genealogy written by Mrs. Leola Bowie Ellis in 1962. Byron Bowie of Maryland helped her with some information that he had, but she would like to buy a copy of the book if someone has an extra copy or would like to sell their copy. Her address is:

295 Plymouth Street
Pembroke, MA 02359

Dewitt Grant Manley and his wife are moving to England and should be there before you read this! WE hope to keep him advised of all the goings-on clan-wise and maybe meet him in Scotland next summer!

Mary and Donald Dunn announce the arrival of a grandson, Eric Malcolm, born August 18th. Parents and grandparents are doing well!

Jeremiah Grant, born c. 1789 and married to Catherine Hemp in August County, VA on August 31, 1813, is the object of a search by Robert J. Grant, Sr. Jeremiah had eight children and there is no record of his birth or death in August County. If you have any information that would be helpful to him, please contact him at:

1415 West Street
Annapolis, MD 21401

...and Margaret Grant Young, a member since 1984, writes asking for help and information on tracing her lineage back. She is looking for descendants of William Stuart Grant and his wife Elsie Robertson of Balnaclean, near Cromdale, Scotland. She died in 1888, he died in February, 1900 and both are buried at Grantown.

Three of their eight children came to this country: Margaret's grandfather, John Macgregor Grant (who arrived in 1895); Annabelle "Anna" Grant, who married and lived in Imperial, Nebraska; and Joseph "Joe" Orchard Grant, who never married and was last known to be living in Know, Indiana. If you have information for her, contact here at:

4734 Espana Court,
Carmichael, CA 95608

Joseph H. Grant, Jr., from Aptos, CA writes that his first ancestor to the U.S. was James Grant (the Drummer). James was captured by Oliver Cromwell at the battle of Worcester, September 3, 1651, and was subsequently shipped to the colonies on the "John and Sarah." He landed at Charlestown early in 1652 and subsequently moved to York, Maine.

FROM AVIEMORE
A VIEW OF CRAIGELLACHIE



Wallace & Marilyn Gage sent us this picture taken at the Antigonish, Nova Scotia, games this summer. Those who attended will recognize Glen Stirling on the right side of the banner. We are glad this young man has continued his interest in Clan activities!



May you enjoy the happiest of holidays!

SPECIAL THANK YOU

FOR

STONE MOUNTAIN HOSPITALITY

Thanks so much for the hospitality shown me by all the Grants and Kin during my stay at Stone Mountain. I can truthfully say it was one of the highlights of my year to visit with all of you.

I am especially thankful to those who provided me with transportation and companionship during the days of Scottish Events, and especially Mattie Knapp, Bob Grant, Kyle Bowie, Sid Grant, John Angus and their lovely wives. They went out of their way to see that I was taken care of.

The weather was great for the games. Not a cloud in sight and the nights were cool enough for evening wear to be comfortable. At the tattoo (Thursday evening, it was perhaps even too cool.

The Easterners, with a few exceptions, do not seem to go in for the elaborate displays that we have in the West. A table with a guest book and one or two history books is the norm. Some had swords and dirks or other attractions on the table for added interest but most were less colorful than those in

California. Also, fewer people not connected with an individual clan stop to visit the booths.

Stone Mountain and Stone Mountain Park are most interesting places. The mountain itself is a gigantic, solid granite boulder rising several hundred feet above an otherwise very flat countryside. It was once quarried for granite blocks used in many of the historic buildings and monuments of both east and west. A tram supplies easy access to the top for those less athletic. For the hardier, a trail leads up slope at one end that, while not terribly steep, makes the tram the more tempting of the two choices. The other three sides are nearly vertical and on the side the tram travels, a likeness of three confederate generals on horseback have been carved. This is best seen from the top of the tram as you ascend to the top.

The mountain is shaped like a loaf of bread with a slightly rounded top. The top is occupied, of course, by a visitors center, complete with

a gift shop. Also on top is a long narrow pool similar to the one in front of the Raj Mahal. However, instead of the taj at the end, there are the flags of the Confederate states.

Once outside on the top, the view is awe inspiring. The Georgia countryside stretches in its flatness as far as the eye can see. The entire state seems to be wooded with only a few houses to be seen. The curvature of the earth is as noticeable from this point as it is at the edge of the ocean. The park itself is spread out below and the area where the games are held is within view. The Glen of Clans cannot be seen since it is completely hidden by trees. However, a portion of the playing fields are in sight as well as the big barnlike covered arena where the tattoo is held.

Also to be seen is the number of anti-bellum homes that have been brought in from around the state to be restored as museums of the Old South. We took a tour of these houses. I was a little disappointed in them, both in size and quality. Perhaps because similar things in Scotland were so much more lavish.

Available for amusement were a ride on a river boat and old time train. I personally enjoyed the riverboat ride. Cruising around a small wooded lake which seemed larger because of its many islands was very relaxing. The train, on the other hand, was rather dirty in comparison. The train, having been upgraded to diesel power from steam, antique cars and a decorative locomotive on its journey.

The tattoo was on of the best to be seen. The night air was quite chilly but the snow was so good that it was worth while to stay to the end. They had nearly fifty country dancers on the floor at one time and some of the best bands I have heard.

The Tartan Ball was very nice. The ballroom was divided by a movable wall. One side was exclusively Scottish Country dancing, the other 1940's and '50's ballroom dancing. The wall was rolled back for the ceremonies and

returned afterwards.

The nights were mostly taken up by Clan Grant parties and the hosts and hostesses showed us all the meaning of Southern hospitality. While the picnic on Thursday night was "bring your own" pot luck arrangement, Friday and Saturday nights were buffets with mouth watering goodies. The host and hostess for Friday were Hank and Linda, while on Saturday, Duane and Maggie Kline did the honors.

I am looking forward to spending time with all of you again some day. Perhaps next year.

Gene Grant

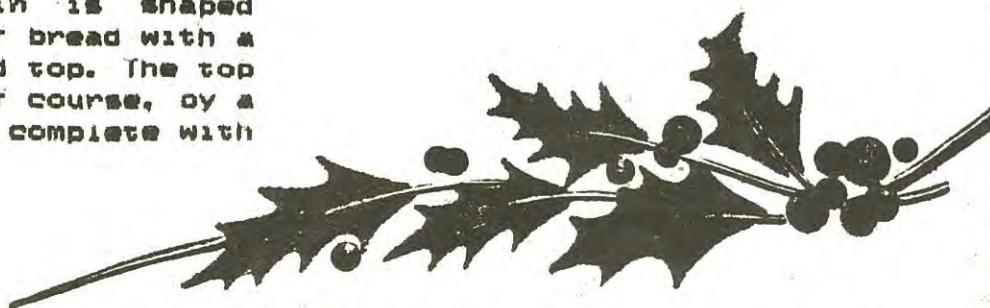
NEWS OF OUR CLAN

Dick and Jane Heller, retired Craigbellachie publisher & editor and former owner of the Decatur Democrat, reports from Mission, TX that they are gradually getting settled, even with Dick's broken collarbone.

As usual, as with all the retired people we know, Dick and Jane are busier than ever. Dick is spending most of his time volunteering with the Lower Rio Grande National Wildlife Refuge - a collection of some 3/-40 tracts of land that stretch 150 miles from the mouth of the Rio Grande to Falcon Dam, and about 50 miles inland, to El Sal Viejo, a huge salt lake. Jane is a dedicated artist and, in adapting their new home, have added studio. We're sure that it will be well used.

Betty Head, 81 years young, Clan Grant and St.

Andrews Society of the Eastern Shore, is always a busy person. This report from the St. Andrews Society newsletter, The Magpie: "Betty Head has been a busy traveler this past summer. First, a trip to Jamaica, next a cruise on the NUKIM SHIP up the Inside Passage to Alaska. Two unusual and exciting events were a chance to experience a bit of white-water rafting, and take a walk on a glacier. Passengers were taken from the ship by helicopter and deposited on a glacier for a short walk. As if this weren't enough, she and fellow traveler Dot LeCompte, later made a 12-day trip on the Great Lakes freighter, PATTERSON, which carried iron ore from Buffalo to Lake Superior and grain on the return trip." Betty, where do you find all of your energy?



REVOLUTIONARY WAR VETERAN HONORED IN TENNESSEE

Several hundred people attended the ceremony in the Kelso Cemetery, at Kelso, Tennessee, on July 5, 1987, when markers were dedicated to the memory of Robert Stephen, 1756-1836, who served as a Private in the Chesterfield County (VA) Militia, during the Revolutionary War. Also honored was his third wife, Sarah Farmer, who he married in 1788 and who died in 1830. Actually, they are buried a short distance away in the Stephens-Carter Cemetery, on Stephens Creek, in Stephens Hollow. Since their final resting place is very difficult to get to, it was decided to place the markers in the Kelso Cemetery.

Robert Stephen's marker also has the bronze Sons of the American Revolution and Daughters of the American Revolution emblems attached to it. Members of the DAR and BNR took part in the dedication of the markers. The State Presidents of the DAR and BNR were present, as were members of other patriotic and hereditary organizations.

There were two honor guards at the ceremony, besides the National Guard, the Scottish Military Society provided an honor guard.

Two pipers played at the cemetery, and led the procession to the Kelso Cumberland Presbyterian Church, where a memorial service and reception were held.

Don Davis of Moss Point, MS, was one of the speakers at the Memorial Service, and told how his ancestor came from Elgin, Moray County, in 1774, to Virginia. There, during the Revolution, Robert Stephen



Don Davis standing behind the marker of Revolutionary War ancestor, Robert Stephen

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MEET CHARLIE & BETTY MACDONALD

Charles Grant Macdonald, retired engineer from HIR products and Chemical, with specialization in paint and emulsions, married to Betty, father of Douglas, Louise and Margaret, grandfather of Casey Marie, Joshua, and Charles Grant. Charles Grant Macdonald was almost a charter member of Clan Grant Society, and one of our hard-working volunteers. Living in Kentucky, he was one of the founders of the Kentucky Games of Carrollton, KY. He and Betty have researched their genealogy in Nova Scotia and Scotland and are part of the same lineage as Shirley Grant Smith, our membership Secretary. Charlie and Betty have taken over the Games Chairmanship duties and are most anxious to have volunteers to man tents in their area games. Give them a call and VOLUNTEER, or respond to requests from them to do so.

After the Stone Mountain Games, they returned to eminence and started their move into a new home. With Betty handicapped by her broken leg, this was no easy chore, and Charlie apparently overdid. He woke Betty early on Saturday after the move with chest pains and suffered a minor heart attack, but is now back home and anticipating his full recovery. We are grateful that he had such a small warning and hope that he will take heed. We can't afford to lose such great workers. TAKE CARE, CHARLIE!



WEDDING BELLS RING

MISS PATRICIA HELLER

WEDS MR. JAMES HILL

John Grant Heller, of Howard City, MI is the proud father of the bride at the December 5 wedding of his daughter, Miss Patricia Ann Heller of Nashville, TN to Mr. James Hill of Nashville, TN. The couple were wed at the Vanderbilt University Chapel. At a photo session following the wedding are John Grant Heller (in kilts); mother of the bride, Colleen McConnell Cagan of Gainesville, FL;

bride and groom and brothers of the bride, Stephen V. Heller of Chicago, IL, and the Rev. Eric A. Heller of Buffalo, NY who officiated at the wedding. Both the bride and groom are involved in obesity research at Vanderbilt University in Nashville. Among those attending the wedding was the bride's uncle, Dick D. Heller, Jr. of Mission, IA, formerly of Decatur, IN.

Best wishes to the bride and groom -- we are delighted to have new Grants added to our clan.

ADAM GRANT, SR.

Origins a Mystery?

Dr. M. Arthur Grant writes: "...during the past few months I have been attempting to patch together any information that I might find about my grandfather Adam Grant, Sr., his origins and what happened to his children. My father was orphaned at the age of 6 years. At no time during his life did he ever see his father's family all together, at one time.

I do know that he went to Saskatchewan and was reared by his oldest sister Bessie. There were 5 or 6 other brothers out there. Some became fur traders. Others went into politics. From what my father intimated, one or two married Indians. It was amusing for me to discover that there have been Indian Chiefs named Grant!

I have the given names and the birthdates of all my father's siblings. All of them except for my father stayed in Canada. My father met his wife Lois Mayer in Seattle WA. They

became missionaries to South China and all of his five children were born in Hong Kong. We learned to speak Chinese several years before we could speak English.

I had to be hospitalized at the age of 4-1/2 years. The British surgeon was horrified to discover that I could not speak any English. He informed my parents that I would not be discharged from the hospital until I said something in English. My first spoken English words were "Good morning, doctor!"

The first two years that I went to a British school the teachers used to keep me in after class to teach me how to roll my "R's".

We sure hope Dr. Grant is able to get the pieces to the puzzle put together. If there is anyone who can assist him, we're sure he would appreciate the help. Keep us posted!!

Merry
Christmas

MY SCOTTISH GAMES

by GRANT BISBEE

age 2

My mommy and daddy took me to Stone Mountain to see my meemaw and granddaddy and to go to the Scottish Games and meet people. When we got there, my meemaw had a skirt for me to wear and a pocket in front for rocks I found. The skirt is called a kilt. My granddaddy wore one and so did a lot of people I saw at the party.

I saw an older girl at the party. Her name is Betsy and she has lots of nice toys and is very pretty. She did not let me kiss her when I left the party. There was lots of food and things on tables and Betsy and I ran and played. Her meemaw was there too. She is very nice. Betsy's mommy and daddy lived in the house where the party was. I met Lord and Lady Strapey. They talk funny, but are nice. My unca George and unca Bill and Aunt Terrilynne were there.

When I woke up the next day, I woke up my mommy and daddy and we went to a big park. I did

not see any ducks or a pond. There were lots of people in kilts like me and I heard funny sounding music. I saw some people blowing into a bag and the music came out. It sounded good after a while. We went to this big tent where some of the people I saw at the party were. There was also more people not at the party. They all were very nice and friendly. Betsy was there too with her mommy and daddy and meemaw and Aunt Lee. My meemaw and granddaddy were there too. I saw lots of people walking on the field blowing into bags and hitting drums. My meemaw told me they are called bands.

*LAUGHTER IS FOOD
FOR THE SOUL...*

When George was on a visit to Liverpool, he met his friend, Lord Strathspey.

"Hello, George, when did you come over?" asked Lord Strathspey.

"Yesterday", said George.

"And how did you come by sea or air?" asked Lord Strathspey.

"I don't know, you see my wife bought the tickets."

That night we went to a nice house where Maggie and Dane live for my birthday party. There were lots of people there and Betsy and her mommy and daddy. My birthday party was nice. I had a cake and lots of people sang Happy Birthday. I got some presents and there were balloons. I played with Betsy and had fun. I kissed Betsy and she kissed me.

Next day my mommy and daddy and I marched on the field where the band was. My granddaddy carried a flag and Lord Strapey stood on a box and watched all the people go by. My mommy and daddy took me to see a tug of war. It was a nice Scottish day and I hope to come back next year for another birthday party.



BETSY GRANT

GRANT BISBEE

**WILLIAMSBURG
FESTIVAL
FUN FOR EVERYONE**

Saturday, September 26, marked the third year of Clan Grant participation in the Williamsburg Scottish Festival. It was accompanied by splendid weather and a record turnout of Grants. Nearly 30 attendees, either members of Clan Grant or potential members, dropped by as well as a good number of people with Grant friends and passers-by who were interested in our display. Among those signing our register was Sir William Macpherson of Duny and Lady Sheila. Sir William, Chief of Clan Macpherson, was the honored guest at this year's festival and he shared a few anecdotes about our Chief, Lord Strathspey.

The WSF was held again at Jamestown Festival Park, five miles south of Williamsburg, VA and preparation for the event went very smoothly with Clan Grant being the first to arrive on Friday and set up. Our tent site this year gave us an excellent view of the athletic competition and, when the day was over, Clan Grant was the last to leave.

It was also a very good day for Grant pipers. Loyal F. Osterlund, of New Bern, NC, took 2nd place in the Grade IV March. Ed Smith, of West Chester, PA took first place in the Grade I March and Pirochebard, second place in Strathspey and Reel and won as Overall Best Piper. Loyal was on hand later in the day to present the Clan Grant Grade II Piping award.

Among those who stopped by the tent were Betsy Riggs of Potomac, MD, Kathleen Campbell of Falls Church, VA, Allan F. Grant from Pasadena, MD, Mildred and Gordon Grant of Arlington, VA, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth S. Brockway from New Canton, OH, Deborah L. Stoner of Hampton, VA, Nevins Hendrix of Gerrardstown, WV, and Bettie Browne from Audubon, NJ.

Every year, the Williamsburg Scottish Festival presents an award to the Clan or Scottish Society having the best display. This year, the judges gave us a very close inspection and, although Clan Grant didn't win this time,

with a little more work, success may be ours before too long. This was the third year that I have run the Grant tent at Williamsburg and although I thoroughly enjoy doing it, I don't want it to be a one-man show. Williamsburg is a lovely place to be in early autumn and several visitors from other parts of the country have commented to me on how nice the Williamsburg Scottish Festival is. Next year, mark the last Saturday in September on your calendar and come join Clan Grant in Williamsburg, Virginia.

Howard Parsons

EXTRA*EXTRA

BE SURE TO WATCH THE SPRING ISSUE - IN IT WILL BE A FEATURE FROM YOUR EDITOR ABOUT HIS RECENT VISIT TO LONDON AND HIS TALK WITH LORD STRATHSPEY.

DON'T MISS IT !!

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

During the Stone Mountain Games, a meeting of the Clan Society executive committee was held. The members of the committee are George H. Grant, Shirley Smith, Mathew Grant-Knapp, Charles MacDonald, Gene Grant, Kyle Bowie, James H. Grant, John C. Grant.

Following are items of business discussed and the decisions made:

1. Craigellachie - it was agreed to continue to use third class mail. This saves the society about \$200.00 per issue. Taking into account the slower delivery, the mailing dates were moved up to March 1, June 1, September 1, and December 1.

2. Conveners Activity - it was suggested that the society pay travel expenses for the convenor and wife to attend on game a year on the west coast. This will serve to better unify the membership. The cost is limited to travel only. The game selected in Santa Rosa.

3. Duthil Kirk - the question was, how much of the restoration costs should be paid by our society. Agreement was reached on 50% of Walter Grant's cost of 10,000 pounds. We have sent \$4000.00 so far and to Grant reports that we have another \$1000.00 donated. The present exchange is \$1.71, which translates to approximately 384 pounds per \$1000.00. In addition to the appeal for donations, it was agreed to increase our efforts to sell items of value and interest to our members. These items are 12 oz. Grant glasses, set of 6 for \$30, Lord Strathspay's book at \$25, Clan Knit Shirt, \$15 in adult sizes S, M, L, XL.

4. Communication - List the home phone numbers of the executive group in the masthead of Craigellachie. This will reduce the number of letters and provide immediate answers to members.

5. Directory - produce a directory of the membership for distribution to all members in early 1988.

6. Annual Meeting - Beginning in 1989, the society will hold a general annual meeting at a different location around the U.S. This will enable the society to gain benefit of input from all members. These meetings will be held during a Scottish game starting on Friday afternoon and continuing through Sunday.

GRANT'S GALORE AT SANTA ROSA GAMES

The Grant booth at the 122nd Caledonian Society of San Francisco games and gathering held in Santa Rosa, CA was nearly overrun by the records number of Grants who signed up and participated during the two day event. The stock of hand outs of Grant History and the story of the "Kaid on Elgin" were totally gone during the last three hours while badly depleted were, words of Scottish songs, a story of Highland Cattle, Grant approved B&B's in Scotland and maps of the Clan Grant territory. Also somewhat depleted was the supply of Uisge Beatha but to everyone's relief, there was enough to last the day.

Nearly eight Grants, representing forty-eight

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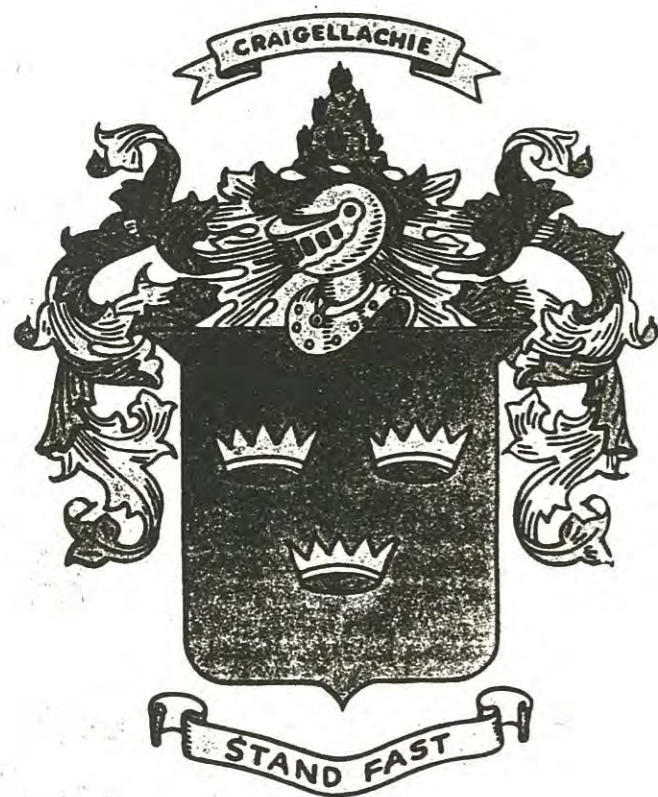


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The surname GRANT is derived from two

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Once everyone was known by a single name but this led to confusion and so an extra name was adopted. Thus, a man named John, who was tall of stature might be known as 'John (the) Grant' & William whose father was Grantē, 'William (son of) Grantē', the additional name eventually becoming hereditary as a surname.

Early records mention Gilbert Grant who appears in an Oxfordshire charter of 1183; William Grent in Oxfordshire Pipe Rolls in 1204, and Thomas le Graunt in Yorkshire Assize Rolls in 1219. No less than four families of the surname have received baronetcies, and of these Sir Lewis Alexander Ogilvie Grant, 9th Baronet, succeeded in 1811 to the Earldom of Seafield. Charles Grant who was instrumental in abolishing slavery in the West Indies was created Baron Glenelg in 1831.

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Ulysses Simpson Grant (1822-1885) was 18th President of the United States, having as a soldier largely contributed to the defeat of the Confederate armies.

The arms illustrated may be described heraldically as: Gules, three antique crowns or; Crest: a burning hill proper; and for Motto: Craigellachie. (above the crest) and 'Stand fast' (below the shield). Writers in the past have attributed symbolism to the tinctures and charges of heraldry - thus gules (red) is said to denote magnanimity, & or (gold) generosity. The first motto may be translated as 'The rock of alarm'.

GRANT'S GALORE (cont.)

After the March-by, the members returned to the tent and participated in a meeting to establish policy and events for the western states Grants. A motion was made to have a get-together at the Santa Rosa Games in 1988 at five o'clock on Saturday and again on Sunday at five for a wine and cheese party. Commissioner Grant agreed to provide the wine for this celebration. Assistant Commissioner Alan Grant will provide us with crab meat, Barbara Grant Kettle will bring the French bread and those attending will provide the cheese.

Also discussed was the possibility of a Burns Night supper or other festive dinner. Nothing on the subject was resolved this time, but we will continue to explore the possibilities.

Visitors signing the guest book, last name, first name, and city were:

Grant, Gordon E.
 Orris, (Colleen?) Grant
 Grant, William & Joyce
 Antioch
 Weiss, Christine Grant
 Auburn

Danska, Dianne McElroy
 Benicia
 Buechel, Joan Bissett
 Camobell
 Grant, Mrs. Robert
 Castro Valley
 Pratt, Melissa
 Clairmont
 Grant, Carl
 Concord
 Grant, Linda
 El Cerrito
 Griggs, Mary Craig (Grant)
 Eugene, OR
 Grant, Donald & Harriet
 Greenbrae
 Gardiner, Allen Grant
 Hayward
 LaForge, Maria Grant
 Kensington
 Barnacle, Ella Grant
 Kentfield
 Gayman, Wyneth Grant
 La Canada
 Kafaty, Margo Grant
 Menlo Park
 Cruickshank, James Grant
 Mill Valley
 Sine, Eric Grant
 Newark

Stokes, Sally Grant
 Novato
 Buttie, Richard B
 Novato
 Wall, Edward (Moore)
 Novato
 Grant, Preston
 Oakland
 Ellis, Linn
 Oakland
 Hastings, Lauren, Mimi & Katie
 (Grant)
 Oakland
 Grant, Paul
 Oakland

Van Winkle, John Grant
 Oakland
 Hall, Cecil
 Oroville
 McKinney, Druanne Grant
 Cairns, Quincy
 Grant, Cheryl
 Reno, NV
 Gayman, Katrina (Grant)
 Sacramento
 Grant, Joan, Gordon & David
 San Anselmo
 Grant, David
 San Anselmo
 Rockwell, Peter Grant
 San Francisco
 Buttie, J. I. (Jim)
 San Jose
 Allen, Maria
 San Leandro

Grant, Carol
 San Diego
 Grant, Gary
 Santa Ana
 Schreck, Marjorie Grant
 Santa Rosa
 Grant, Lynn
 Santa Rosa
 Murray, Barbara Grant
 Santa Rosa
 Seacord, Betty & Howard Grant
 Santa Rosa
 Moore, Sharon
 Santa Rosa
 Kettle, Barbara & Andrew
 Sebastopol
 MacDonald, Cynthia Grant
 Shasta
 Kauffman, Beverly Bissett
 Sunnyvale
 Bruce, Jane Grant
 Sunnyvale
 Dixon, Bonnie (Allen)
 Sunnyvale
 Dehay, Mary L. (Muir)
 Sunnyvale
 Grant, Leila
 Tavares, FL
 Nicholson, Frances Grant
 Ukiah
 Baker, Marion Grant
 Vallejo
 Grant, Daniel
 Whispering Pines

Grant, Florence
 Yountville
 Lamon, David Grant & Sylvia
 Yuba City
 Buell, Carl Dennis (Grant)
 Oakland

Membership is on the rise. New members this month are Carl Buell, Barbara Grant Kettle and her son Andrew, who joined during the last games. Renewals at the Games included Linda Grant and Thomas, also Frances Nicholson. We hope that some of those who attended the games will also join before long. More active members will result in more enjoyment for us all.

Clan Grant was invited to a barbecue, hosted by our kin, Clan Gregor, on Saturday night. A whole roast lamb, done to perfection was the highlight of the meal and was complimented by many excellent pot luck side dishes. Also complimenting the dinner was

the music of a Scottish fiddler whose notes rivaled the best of the desserts for sweetness. My diet went by the wayside as I demonstrated that the Grants do everything well - especially eating.

Clan Grant West has joined a fledgling society which at this time has no name. The original society was to be called The Northern California Council Of Scottish Clans and Families. It was intended to be a clearing house for information on all clan activities and to act as a mediator with the sponsors of these activities. At the meeting of the original society, there was some dissension among those present as to the goals of the society and the exclusion of certain counties even though they are geographically in Northern California. Clan Grant West felt that these were things that could be ironed out by the membership and therefore with some reservation, joined.

At the meeting during the games at Santa Rosa, a much larger turnout than attended the first meeting, agreed that the Scottish Community has a need for such a clearing house & mediation, there were however, many objections to the circumstances which clouded the birth of the original organization. It was therefore voted to scrap the first society and form a new one from scratch.

Commissioner Gene Grant, of Clan Grant, has volunteered to be on the steering committee which will undertake to solve the many problems that plague the beginning of any such venture.



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