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## SECRETARY POSTS FILLED JOB DIVIDED INTO THREE POSITIONS

Shirley Grant Smith has resigned her position as membership secretary to follow her husband to Japan. She has been our hardest working officer since the beginning of the Society. Shirley wrote a job description outlining the many tasks her job required. After looking at this awesome work load, it was decided to split the office.

### GENERAL SECRETARY

This will be filled by Bob and Becky Grant--3014 Manatee Ave West--Bradenton, FL. 34205.

They will keep the membership roster. Collect dues. Answer or direct inquiries to the appropriate officer. Produce mailing labels for the newsletter. Co-ordinate with other secretaries and officers.

### MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

This will be handled by Barbara McCulloch--4177 Circle Court--Williamsville, NY 14221.

She will handle membership inquiries from mail responses to our ads in the "Highlander" and the "Scottish American". Write follow-up letters to people registering at the various games. Co-ordinate with other secretaries and officers.

### CORRESPONDENCE SECRETARY

Marianna Grant Hancin 1142 West Lynwood Phoenix, Az. 85007 will perform this vital task. She will contact our members who have not renewed their annual membership to keep them active. Co-ordinate with other secretaries and officers.

These people are giving their time for a better Society. I know you will give them full co-operation and assistance.

## 1989 DUES

A self addressed envelope is provided you to send your \$15.00 annual dues. Your personal involvement and support of the activities of the Society is vital for our continued success. This year we hope to have 100% membership renewal within 30 days of your receipt of this issue of "Craigellachie".

The Dues have remained at \$15.00 since our founding. This is due to careful management of the money available to operate the Society. We are increasing support of the Genealogy effort spearheaded by Beryl Grant. If you have any ideas or suggestions for action by the Society, please write and let us know.

Enclosed is an application for membership in the Society. Use it for a family member or an Grant acquaintance to join us.

Thank you for your prompt response. A Treasurers report follows.

## 1989 TRIP TO SCOTLAND

We have received sufficient response from you to plan a week in Grant Country. We will visit places of interest to Grants in Speyside, meet our native Scottish cousins, culminate the week at the Clan Grant Gathering and Nethybridge Games. All of this will occur August 6 through 12.

We will stay at B&B's in and around Grantown-on-Spey. A bus will be hired to transport us during the week. We will plan a banquet Saturday night after the games. During the week we will have lunch and dinner together. This will not be a tour in the classic sense. There will be sufficient time for shopping and leisurly visits. An agenda will be sent to those persons responding.

This is how we do this trip. Everyone makes their own travel arrangements to Grantown. We will make housing reservations in Grantown and advise you well in advance so you can contact the owner and make deposits if necessary. We will all contribute equally toward the costs of transportation and entertainment of guests. You will pay for your food and drinks.

The pound is now exchanging at \$1.75, no way to tell what it will be later. B&B costs about 14 pounds a day and includes breakfast. Bus and misc. cost will be about 125 pounds. The approximate cost will be known before we leave. Lunch will be about 5 pounds and dinner 15 to 20 in a good restaurant.

If you plan to go on the trip, you must send \$100.00 per person to George H. Grant-301 Masters Rd-Hixson, In. 37343, by May 1, 1989. This deposit will be credited toward the bus expense etc. If you cancel before June 15 it will be refunded. This will enable me to know exactly how many are going and to make appropriate arrangements.

On past trips we have had couples, single men and women, children, so if you want to go don't hold back because you're alone. Let me hear from you soon.

## GRANT HOME A NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

submitted by Steve Grant  
Springfield, Missouri

The Missouri home of Former President Ulysses L. Grant would become a part of the National Park System under legislation introduced Wednesday March 9, 1989 in the Senate.

Missouri Senators Christopher Bond and John Danforth, both Republicans, sponsored the proposal to designate the home, known as White Haven, as a National Historic Site.

The property, near St. Louis, was the childhood home of Grant's wife and part of her family's large estate. The Grants lived in the house periodically from 1854 until they moved to St. Louis in 1859.

This Legislation is key in preserving a vital slice of Missouri history and the history of one of our Nation's greatest leaders," Bond said in a statement. He continued by saying that "There is no Grant site currently in the National Park System. Clearly this is oversight should be



# By George!

The December 1988 newsletter announced our Membership Secretary's resignation. I asked for volunteers to fill this vital function for the Society. Three of our members stepped forward. They are, Marianna Grant Hancin, Phoenix, Az; Barbara McCollough, Williamsville, NY; Bob and Becky Grant, Bradenton, FL. All of them will share the job. Shirley is a workaholic, so by dividing up the many things she did for us, the job will not be too time consuming. An article on the job division appears elsewhere in this issue. Thanks to all of you.

I have received feedback from you that you would like to see a more balanced newsletter. Too much on the games, not enough on Genealogy, more on family news, and news about the other Grant Societies. Our Geneologist, Beryl Grant has responded with a blizzard of data and information which will appear on a regular basis. I have contacted the other Societies and requested they send me a copy of their newsletter. We do receive "AN DUL", Canada and I am in touch with Bob Grant, Secretary of the U.K. branch. The other branches will respond. Presently we do send a copy of our newsletter to all of them.

The family news from most of you is rather short. Unless you let us know what is happening we can't help you share the news. Please send in your happenings, with pictures if possible. They will be returned if requested.

We will be going to Scotland this year. An article appears in this issue, outlining the trip. Try to go with us. It will be a fun and interesting experience for you.

A list of the Scottish events scheduled for the year is printed in this issue. Look it over and attend one or more near you. Many of our members volunteer to man a clan tent and look forward to seeing you.

You would not believe the mail we receive asking us to publicize requests for financial contributions to various causes. We have not done so because of our belief that requests for your money in these pages should be related to the Clan Society and its programs. I do recommend that you consider joining the Grantown Heritage Trust. The people responsible for this organization have worked for many years gathering and preserving artifacts and publications relating to Grantown, Speyside, and the Grants. They deserve our support.

Yours Av

**RUTH ANSLEY GRANT  
PUBLISHES FAMILY HISTORY**

All of our members are talented, interesting people. To add emphasis to that statement, let me introduce you to Ruth Ansley Grant. Married to James Russell Grant, Longwood Fl., mother of three fine children (now adults with their own families), active in her church and community, she still found time to publish her ANSLEY family history.

The story was written by Frank Lyons, Vicar Annesley Church. The history of the family begins almost a thousand years ago and is centered in Sherwood Forest. There is probable evidence that the Annesley family produced a succession of Robin Hoods. The English king had a Castle at Nottingham, just a few miles away.

The Ansley family history is a mirror of the events that shaped England, especially northern England. I have read and enjoyed the book. If you like to go back in time and feel the pull of ancestry, read this excellent book.

Send \$22.45 plus 6% sales tax if Florida resident to:

Ruth Ansley Grant  
P.O.Box 697  
Longwood, Fl. 32750

**CLAN MEMBER  
DESCENDANT OF  
ROBERT BURNS !!!**



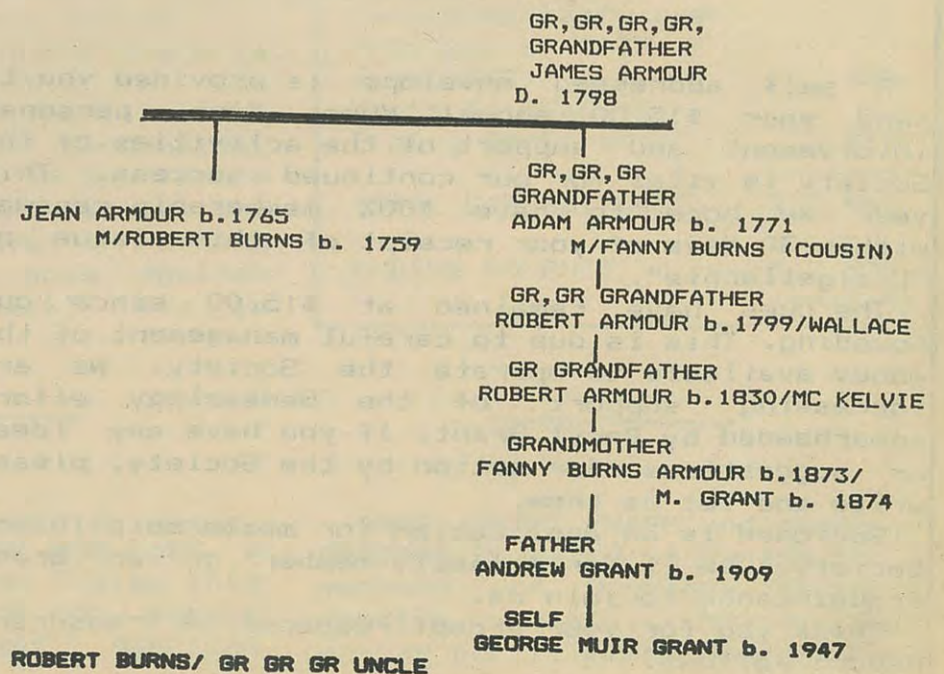
In September 1981 George Muir Grant and his wife, Maureen, joined our Clan Grant Society at Altamont, NY. Since that time they have assisted at the Capital District Games in Altamont each year and have also attended the Old Westbury, L.I. and Stone Mt. Games.

George and Maureen have been members of the Dutchess Co. (NY) Scottish Society since 1979 and George has served as President. Both are active in the Scottish dancing and singing groups of the Society.

They have two lovely daughters, Yvone 14 and Lorna 11, and have lived in the Poughkeepsie, NY area for nine years. George is Construction Superintendent for Hallmar Contracting Co. located in Mt. Vernon, NY. They have been in America for 10 1/2 years and hail from Dumbartonshire, Scotland. George from Aalexandria and Maureen from Balloch.

George Grant's family tree goes back seven generations to James Armour, died 1798, father of Jean Armour, born 1765, who married Robert Burns born 1759. His great-great-great-grandfather Adam Armour born 1771 (son of James Armour) was a brother of Jean Armour and married Fanny Burns, cousin of Robert Burns. Therefore, our Clan Grant Society member, George may claim Robert Burns as his great-great-great uncle.

We are happy to know this lovely family and to acknowledge this important connection to the immortal Robert Burns.





**SCOTTISH  
SLAVES AT  
SAUGUS  
IRONWORKS**  
by  
**WALLACE GAGE**  
(descendent  
of  
Peter Grant)

On the thirtieth day of January 1649 Charles I stepped through the tall windows of Banqueting House at Whitehall and was beheaded. Waves of revulsion created by the execution of Charles excited the Scots across the border to a point of national pride for the crown had descended to Charles from his Scottish father James I. Upon hearing the news, they at once proclaimed Charles II, King of Scotland, Great Britain and Ireland and brought him back from the royal courts of the continent where he had lived with his mother for years. He landed in Scotland June 23, 1650, accepting the terms that would impose Presbyterianism on England and Ireland and agreed to take the Oath of both Covenants.

Oliver Cromwell, leader of the New Model Army, urged the Council of State that this action must be forestalled by the invasion of Scotland. He crossed the border at the end of July. Although Cromwell's forces were half the size of the Scots, he routed Leslie's forces decisively in a masterpiece of Military strategy. Three thousand Scots were killed in the battle and ten thousand were taken prisoner.

The prisoners at Dunbar were then driven on a Bataan-like death march to Durham and Newcastle by way of Berwick-on-the Tweed and entrusted to the care of Sir Arthur Heselrig. He, in turn, was ordered by the Council of London to deliver 900 prisoners to be shipped off to Virginia and 150 more to be allocated for shipment to Lynn, Mass. as bonded laborers for the ironworks on the Saugus River (shades of Hitler.)

Mortality on the 100-mile march from Dunbar to Newcastle was very high. The Scots were beaten, starved and those who were too sick to go on were either left behind to die or were butchered on the spot. The age of these farmers, clerics and young Presbyterian ministers were between 16 and 30, many of whom left wives and children behind in Scotland they would never see again. Only those of iron fibre and luck survived to reach Boston.

The cargo of 150 Scots, "well and sound and free of wounds", was delivered to Joshua Foot and John Becx, chief figure in the Undertaker's Co. of London whose broad ventures included the operation of and ironworks on the Saugus River at Lynn. This smelting operation was started



WALLACE GAGE & GRANDDAUGHTER  
ERIN HART

by John Winthrop in 1644, but at this time was operated by Richard Leader.

The prisoners were then placed in the hands of Augustine Walker, Master of the ship "Unity" who set sail for America on the 11th day of Nov. 1650. Walker was an early settler of the Bay Colony and had been received into the church at Charleston in 1640.

The Scots were well received at the ironworks. They had been purchased by the company of Undertakers for 20 to 30 pounds each and for a term of from six to eight years of service. Woodcutting was necessary to make charcoal to stoke the furnaces. The Scots knew forest work and took hold of this operation on timber.

The Scots were not only ironworks laborers, but workers brought over as a business investment to the Undertakers Company. Their services were sold to whoever would buy them. After 1651 only 35 remained on the books of the company as unskilled. The rest were sold off and when Richard Leader ended his relationship with Saugus Mills in 1652 and started a saw mill project for the John Bycx Co. 50 miles to the north on the Great Falls River he took a number of these Scots along with him.

This location, just north of the present Mass. and N.H. border, saw the building of a saw mill and gave the Great Works River its name. The town was named Berwick from its origin of Berwick-on-the-Tweed in Scotland. The town of Kittery not only gave Leader land, but sold him use of the river and "all such tumber as is not impropriated to any towne or persons."

The following year, John Leader engaged in another

project, transporting 200 women and 300 men, "all rogues and vagabonds" from Ireland to N.E. and Virginia as indentured servants (quite a way to get cheap help!) By 1656 he sold out his interest in the Great Works sawmill and released his indentured workers. At last the Scots were FREE ..... but destitute. With compassion, the town of KITTERY granted them parcels of land as well as the neighboring town of York. Among these were:

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|----------------|---------------|
| Peter Grant    | Thomas Holmes |
| James Grant    | John Key      |
| George Gray    | John Neal     |
| David Hamilton | James Warren  |

James Warren had a grant of land at Cow Cove in 1656 from the town of Kittery. According to the disposition made by him in 171, he stated that he had lived in the upper part of Kittery for 50 years after arriving at the Great Falls Works with Leader and the other Scots and had been born in Berwick-on-the-Tweed in Scotland in 1621 (which made him 29 when captured in 1650.) Many of these early Scots spoke only the Scot-Gaelic. Therefore their names, as written down by English clerks and found in public records, are spelled in many ways .... Mackothlan in now Claflin; McKey is Key; Machfassy is Fasset; MacGowen is Gagood; Saint Claire is Sinclair; Farrabas is Forbes; Graham is Grimes; MacKintosh is Tosh and Montrose was put down as Monroe.

References:

- "Ironworks on the Saugus", E.N. Hartley
- "Builders of the Bay Colony" Samuel Eliot Morrison
- "Old Kittery and Her Families" Everett S. Stackpole
- "Oliver Cromwell" John Buchan
- "Tower of London" A.L. Rowse

Note: One never knows ... some of you might be related to some of these brave souls who were "assisted" over to the New World. No wonder so many families had no records, family bibles, or precious possessions to bring over ... blue blood, farmers, blacksmiths, clergy ... were shipped by the boatloads after battles ... to Australia in shackles ... To Barbadoes. They had no records, but they passed on to you the fierce love of independence and usually kept alive the love of Scotland and her history and customs. No wonder so many of us love the Bagpips ... trips to Scotland or our traditional Scottish Gatherings of St. Andrew's Night ... Robert Burns Night ... and the Scottish Games.

As in the subtitle Wallace M. Gage is descended from Peter Grant. Others in the Clan Society are descended from James



## SHIRLEY &amp; PHIL

## FAMILY DOINGS

## GO TO JAPAN

January 17, 1989

The following letter was received from our beloved Membership Secretary Shirley Grant Smith.

Dear George and Lucille and Society Members:

It is with sincere regret that I must resign as Secretary for Clan Grant. As you know, Phil is going to Japan for a year (or two) and it will be impossible for me to continue on as Secretary of Clan Grant at this time. It has been 10 years and I feel fortunate to have been able to contribute in a small way to a Society that I feel quite committed to- and hope that it will continue to be a strong organization in the years to come!

At this time I would like to apologize for the delay this year in all of my duties- but with buying and selling houses, looking towards a move to Japan, and planning a wedding (and having it) in Oregon, etc., I have had a busy year! It may be good that I AM resigning!

Of course this is not farewell! Perhaps now I will find time to write a few articles for the newsletter that I keep putting off! Upon our return, I hope to be of some use to the Society again. It's a great GRANT group and we are proud to be members! It goes without saying that our door will always be open to any Grants visiting in the Fukuoka area in Japan if they let us know they are coming! Who knows, we may even find a few Grants there and sign them up! It's Great to be a Grant!

Shirley Grant Smith  
Membership Secretary

This letter was edited with Clan duties omitted. Shirley's duties have been assumed by three of our members- so you can imagine what a work horse she was. We will all miss her and look forward to her return.

Our heartfelt thanks for her Good Job, Well Done!

The holidays also brought a card from our Gaelic Scholar in Scotland, BILL GRANT. The Greeting reads: "Rune of Thogmanas Am beannaicheadh Dia an T'ardrach, Eadar Chlach, is chuaille, is chrann, Eadar bhithe, bhliochd, is aodach, Slainte dhaoin bhi daonnan ann." Translated, "May God bless the dwelling, Each stone, and beam, and stave, All food, and drink and clothing, May health of men be always there."

GORDON AND MILDRED GRANT (our Virginia/ Washington DC Commissioner) spent July and August in England and Scotland. Gordon writes that the weather was most enjoyable in the UK, having left in the blast of heat here.

CAPT. DOUGLAS GRANT, a new Society member writes that his first child was born in 1947 in the West Chester Hospital while they lived in Sugartown, PA, not far from where your retiring secretary now lives. He's in Texas now. Proof of what a small world it is.

South Carolina correspondent, KATHRYN WHITE, tells us that she has been "compiling a membership/ surname" book for the Chester District Genealogical Society and has also printed a list of family members, 145 pages of Grants (of Chester County SC) a total of about 5800 names.

A note from LCDR RODERICK GRANT states that they are now in Guam after living several years in San Diego.

SHERMAN BUSH, son of DORIS BUSH, writes that all of Doris' family gathered at Hilton Head, SC and had a great time remembering the past and talking about what a great person Doris was. (We can vouch for that, those of us who were fortunate enough to have met her.) The family hopes to reunite every two years in her memory.

EDWARD J. GRANT from Lynbrook, NY and WALTER R. GRANT from Garden City, NY wondered why the Clan Grant tent was not up at the Long Island games when they arrived last year (the winds and rain knocked it down five times before they came!) But this story has a happy ending -this year they found it "Standing Fast" like a good Clan tent should. Welcome to the joys and tribulations of manning clan tents everywhere.

Once again, we want to remind you, if you have parents who are members, let us know. After their 80th birthday they receive a free life membership. Or if you are single and over 80, let us know -unless you tell us, we seldom know birthdates.

Also remember to write down whatever you know of your family background and send it to Mrs. Beryl Grant, our genealogist (Leesome Lane, Altamont, NY 12009.) Mrs. Burt Smith's death reminds us how quickly things can change -she had just sent us what she could remember of her family in July before she passed away in August -so do it now, while it is on your mind.)

VIVIEN & BOB GRANT of Dunedin, FL report on their fall season. They flew to Seattle, October 14, rented a car and drove 2500 miles to Vancouver, Olympia, Mt. Hood, Oregon Coast, Crater Lake, Lake Tahoe, Bir Sur, ending up on October 28 in Santa Barbara for the birth of Vivien's first grand-child, a girl, 7# 14 oz., -Vivien Lamar Harper. Our congratulations to parents and grandparents. (We will be with Bob & Vivien for the Dunedin Games in April. Hope to see our Florida West Coast members there. We can trade grandchild pictures.)

And a note from RACHEL L. SPEAR in appreciation to Clan Grant for making her a Life Member. She is 83 years old, currently recovering from cataract surgery and she says, "Your surprise note brought me great pleasure." Please extend my thanks to the other Clan officers at your next meeting. And I wish you all a Happy New Year!" (And this emphasizes our need to so honor any of our members who are over 80! Just let us know and we will get in touch with them!) We hope that her vision will continue to improve.

Thought maybe we had lost CALLUM & NOLA GRANT up in the wilds of New Hampshire. But the mail brought the good news that he and Nola have a new baby girl, Bridie, born July 7, 1988. Congratulations to Mom, Dad, and brothers Rory and Iain. And, as if running a tourist business and raising three children is not enough to keep everyone busy, they have been building a 30' x 18' two story addition for their office and showroom.

MR. & MRS. DENNIS W. PAINTER of Nashville, TN are back from their honeymoon to Scotland after their wedding day October 1st. Our best wishes to them for many happy years to come - and we hope to have a picture for the newsletter soon. They came to the games in Nashville last year and we hope to see them this year.

LEO & KATHERINE LETY of Grand Junction, CO write that they have really been on the "go"! They spent two months in Alaska, two months in Arizona and are returning to Arizona for four months this winter and then back to Alaska in June. (Shirley's comment- I went through Grand Junction last September and saw the most beautiful double rainbow with a part of a third rainbow spread like a "sheet" of color rather than a "bow" from there to Glenwood Canyon. It was brilliantly colored and a sight not soon to be forgotten!)

SHARE YOUR FAMILY TREE WITH US.  
SEND IT TO BERYL GRANT



SEARCHING FOR YOU ANCESTORS IN SCOTLAND

If you are searching for your ancestor in Scotland I strongly advise your obtaining a copy of In Search of Scottish Ancestry by Hamilton-Edwards. I also advise a trip to your nearest Church of Latter-Day Saints Library (Mormon Church) for a search of the Scottish parish records they have copied. To have a prayer of finding your ancestor in Scotland, you must know where the person came from. If you wish to have this done for you, contact the Scots Ancestry Research Society, 20 York Place, Edinburgh EH1 3 EP. They will send you a form which you will fill out with all information you have. There is an initial registration fee and further fee for research work and report. It possibly have an address, census records may be searched. You must remember that records of immigrants coming to America are very limited. Listed here are excerpts from the 6th Edition of Handy Book for Genealogists giving you just a brief outline of what records may be researched. GOOD LUCK!

corrected because nearly every other President is represented by at least one unit of the National Park System."

"The only cost to the Federal Government would be a modest amount for staffing and maintenance" Danforth said. "I am hopeful that this legislation will pass Congress."

The property, which is owned by St. Louis County, is a 10-acre site with five buildings. Including the house, which has changed little from Grant's time, according to Virginia Smith, Director of Historic Sites and Preservation for St. Louis County. It has been proposed that a St. Louis Area non profit foundation acquire the property from the National Park Service but cannot do so without financing from Congress to maintain it.

The two U.S. Senators involved are:  
John C. Danforth  
497 Russell Office Bldg.  
Washington, DC 20510

Christopher S. Bond  
Russell Office Bldg.  
Washington, DC 20510

Any member wishing to write these and their own senators with an endorsement will be appreciated. This would be a marvelous place to visit some day.  
Ed: Story will be continued in the next issue. Please look for it.

GRANTOWN HERITAGE TRUST

The Trust was set up March of 1987 and registered as a Charity in May 1988. The purpose of the Trust is to establish a permanent major heritage center in Grantown-on-Spey to foster educational and cultural facilities in the town. People we know, Bill Sadler, George and Inge Turnbull, Nigel Grant are all founding members of the Trust. Chairman is Sir Peter Main.

Last summer, in the Old Courthouse in Grantown, an exhibition was held from August 1 through October 15. Over 2000 visitors enjoyed the displays. Some of the exhibits were: A life sized Tableau of Sir James and Lady Grant studying a plan of the town. Other features were the Chiefs of Grant; The foundation of Grantown; Pictures of the Provosts of the town; Illustrated the River Spey, touching on its geology, forestry, early settlements, crossings and bridges, and examples of the wildlife. Another exhibit is planned for this summer. The Highlands and Islands Development Board (HIDB) have made some money available for a feasibility study on the creation of a permanent Heritage Center in Grantown.

Membership in the Trust is available to us. Members receive a regular newsletter and free entry into the exhibit. Cost of membership is \$8.75 single and \$14.00 family. Checks should be payable to Grantown Heritage Trust and sent to:  
Sir Peter Main  
Lairig Ghru  
Dunain Bridge  
Grantown-on-Spey  
Scotland PH26 3NT  
or  
Bank of Scotland  
1 The Square  
Grantown-on-Spey  
Scotland PH26 3NT  
Attn: Gavin Cullen

CIVIL REGISTRATION VITAL STATISTICS

The law requiring registration of births, marriages and deaths was passed in 1855. Each year the local registrar sends a certificate of every birth, marriage and death recorded by him to the Registrar General at New Register House, Princes Street, Edinburgh 2, Scotland. These are compiled and indexed by year. The indexes from 1855-1955, and the birth marriage and death certificates of 1855-1875, 1881 and 1891 are available on microfilm at the Genealogical Society Library, 107 S Main St., Salt Lake City, Utah 84111.

PARISH REGISTERS of Scotland (Presbyterian) The Church of original registers are deposited in the New Register House, Edinburgh, Scotland. The records date back as early as 1538, however, most of them did not start until about 1700. The law requiring the keeping of the church records was given in 1699. Microfilm copies of the majority of the parish registers are on microfilm at the Genealogical Society Library.

CENSUS RECORDS The census records 1841 to 1891 are available for searching. The original census records are located at New Register House, Edinburgh, Scotland. Microfilm copies are available at the Genealogical Society Library for the years 1841 to 1891. The census returns were taken: 7 June 1841, 31 March 1851, 8 April 1861, 3 April 1871, 4 April 1881 and 5 April 1891. There are street address indexes for the larger cities available for the years 1841 to 1891.

SCOTLAND IS FARTHER NORTH THAN MAINE



BILL GRANT & SHIRLEY GRANT SMITH AT STONE MOUNTAIN



## Jennifer Neville weds Thomas Bright

Jennifer Grant Neville, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Neville of St. Albans and Franklin, and Thomas William Bright, son of Mr. and Mrs. William T. Bright of Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario were united in marriage on September 24.

The double ring ceremony was performed by the Reverend Canon Stanley H. Irving at St. Luke's Episcopal

Church in St. Albans. Organist was Ethan Newton and soloist was Mrs. Wade Smith.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white silk trimmed with antique family lace and had a chapel length train. Her veil of silk illusion fell from a circlet of rosebuds and baby's breath. She carried a cascading bouquet of Kyria and Marina roses, stephanotis English ivy

and baby's breath.

The matron of honor was Margaret Pierce, and the bridesmaids were Kathy Eakins and Elizabeth Dorminey, cousins of the bride, and Anna and Emily Bright, sisters of the bridegroom. All the attendants wore green silk tea length gowns and carried bouquets of peach colored carnations accentuated with baby's breath.

The best man was Ian Day, a classmate of the bridegroom. Ushers were Dr. Robert Watson, Jamie O'Brien, Robert Wilson and Bernard Trombley.

The bride's mother wore a dark lavender silk damask street length dress. The bridegroom's mother wore a royal blue silk street length dress.

A reception was held at the family home, the Old Mill River Place on the Georgia Shore. Classmates of the bride assisted in serving the wedding cake.

The couple left for a wedding trip to Bermuda, after which they will make their home on the Georgia Shore.

Many family and friends attended from Atlanta, Dallas, Virginia, Montana, Illinois, New York, Washington, D.C., Ontario, New Brunswick and Quebec.

A bridesmaid's luncheon was hosted by the bride's aunt, Mrs. Duane Kline at the Old Foundry in St. Albans. A rehearsal dinner for the wedding party and out-of-town guests was hosted at Marble Island by the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Bright.



Mr. & Mrs. Thomas William Bright  
Kathy Kennison photo



CORRINE SMITH AND DALE GARRISON

DR & MRS PHILIP SMITH MR & MRS ULUS GARRISON

Dr. Philip & Mrs. Shirley Grant Smith announce the wedding of their daughter Corrine to Dale Garrison of Tulatin, Oregon on September 5, 1988 at the Church of Christ in Canby, Oregon.

Mr. Garrison is a minister of the Church of Christ of Tulatin, Oregon. They are now living in Tulatin, Oregon.

### HELP OUR REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS

We are fortunate to have several of our cousins volunteer to work for us as Regional Commissioners. Their job is to co-ordinate Society activities in the area. Either manning a Clan tent at various games or seeking volunteers for this worthwhile effort. Additionally they make arrangements, when possible to hold picnics, dinners, or other events for the members in their area. They also recommend members for Society recognition, such as scholarships, write-ups in "Craigellachie", and life membership awards.

They serve on the Society Executive Committee, to advise on policy and programs to be undertaken by the Society.

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CENTRAL SO FLORIDA

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NORTH-CENTRAL FLORIDA

Mrs Alice Mewes

Box 158

Longwood, FL 32750-0158.

When these fine people contact you in behalf of Society activities, please work with them, if at all possible. If you wish to serve the Society as a Commissioner for your area, contact George H. Grant and volunteer. We can use all the help available.

Have you noticed that when it is necessary around the house to move heavy objects that invariably one of you is walking backwards? What follows is the ultimate backwards story. Recently PHIL and SHIRLEY SMITH'S daughter CORRINE was married in Oregon. As loving, caring parents they wished to help CORRINE have a joyful wedding and a happy marriage. They agreed to help move her belongings to Oregon. This required driving CORRINE'S old car plus the family car pulling a trailer across the country to Oregon. All three pitched in to complete the pilgrimage. Wedding over, time to go back to PA., with one car.

BACKWARDS PAGE 9



# Miss Kathryn White, Mr. Byar marry

Miss Kathryn Cox White of Rock Hill, formerly of Chester, and Mr. Randolph Eric Byar of Boiling Springs, N.C., were united in marriage on Saturday, July 9, 1988, in a 1 o'clock ceremony at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Chester.

Father William Pentis of St. Anne's Parish in Rock Hill officiated the early afternoon ceremony.

The bride, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William F. White of Chester, is a 1984 graduate of Winthrop College. Prior to her marriage, she was employed by the Chester County School District at Lewisville Elementary School.

The groom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald E. Byar of Matthews, N.C., is a 1986 graduate of Winthrop College. He is employed as credit manager for Heilig-Meyers Furniture Co. in Shelby, N.C.

The sanctuary was decorated with an arrangement of mixed flowers in shades of pink and burgundy. Two nine-branch candelabras holding white tapers were accented with greenery.

A program of wedding music was presented by Mrs. Ramona Hallman of Chester.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a formal gown of white taffeta, featuring a sweetheart neckline and short, gathered puffed sleeves accented by a taffeta rose. The fitted bodice with dropped basque waistline was appliqued with motifs of Venise and re-embroidered Alencon laces and patterned with seed pearls and iridescents. The slightly gathered skirt and attached chapel length train were hemmed in a wide bordering of scalloped Chantilly lace.

Her two-tiered, fingertip length veil of English imported illusion with back pouf was held by a crown of Alencon lace, silk flowers and sprinkles of pearls and iridescents.

She carried a cascade bouquet of white roses, miniature carnations, stephanotis, babies breath and ivy.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. White chose a peach street length dress of chiffon crepe featuring a V neckline, long sleeves and an accordion pleated skirt. The collar was accented by ecru lace. She wore a corsage of white roses.

Mrs. Byar, mother of the groom, chose a street length dress of beige brocaded satin designed with a white lace collar, capped sleeves, and pleated skirt. She also wore a corsage of white roses.

Mrs. Jennie Thompson of Greenville served the bride as matron of honor. She wore a tea length slip dress of mauve taffeta with a mauve lace overlay, featuring a jewel neckline. The waist was accented by a sash of satin ribbon. She carried a cascade bouquet of mixed pink and purple flowers.

Reader for the ceremony was Miss Beth Ebert of White Plains, N.Y., cousin of the groom.

The altar server was Kevin Ebert of White Plains, N.Y., cousin of the groom.

Mr. Craig Mercuri of Florence served the groom as best man.

Ushers were Mr. Grant White of Charlotte, brother of the bride, and Mr. David Quant of Pineville, N.C.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the church fellowship hall.



Mrs. Randolph Eric Byar  
Miss Kathryn Cox White

Assisting in serving were Mrs. Charlotte.

Margaret Helms of Chester, sister of the bride; and Mrs. Ruthie White of Abbeville, sister-in-law of the bride; and Mrs. Lynn Lawrence of N.C.

## FAMILY DOINGS

DICK & ELAINE CAIRNS, Nova Scotia-lovers, postponed a planned return trip due to surgery and a new car but aim to go this coming summer. (Unless we convince them to go to Scotland with the Clan.)

The RT. REV. WILLIAM DEJ RUTHERFOORD officiated at the "Kirking of the Tartans" in August at the Virginia Highland Games Scottish Society's annual festival. His wife, JUNE GRANT RUTHERFOORD writes that they are hoping that Clan Grant will sponsor a tent at the festival next year. Any volunteers?

We expect to see more of MOLLY & EDWIN MC ELROY now that they have moved to the Modesto area to be closer to their three sons and families. They currently have 4 1/3 grandchildren (honest, that is what the letter sez) They are currently buildin a house in their spare time. (They have one advantage over most of us- Ed's a builder by trade and a retired (?) one at that.)

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# COMING EVENTS

# OBITUARY

<b>APRIL</b>	
FOUNDERS DAY SCOTTISH FESTIVAL & GAMES Brewton-Parker College Mount Vernon, GA	1
HAWAIIAN SCOTTISH GAMES Ft. Derussy Waikiki, HI	1
FIRST COAST HIGHLAND DANCING COMPETITION Episcopal Church of our Saviour Jacksonville, FL	8
THE ALEXANDER BROTHERS IN CONCERT Anne Arundel Community College Annapolis, MD	14
SOUTHERN ARIZONA SCOTTISH SOCIETY Country Dance Invitational Workshop University of Arizona Student Union Tucson, AZ	14-16
DUNEDIN HIGHLAND GAMES Dunedin, FL	15
MISSOULA SCOTTISH HERITAGE SOCIETY Spring Fling Missoula, MT	15
SCOTLAND HIGHLAND FESTIVAL COMMITTEE Scottish Ceilidh Parish Hill High School Chaplin, CT	15
16TH ANNUAL IONA TEACHING WEEKEND National Cathedral Grounds Washington, DC	21-23
R.S.C.D.S. WORKSHOP Lyndhurst Group Cleveland, OH	21-23
<b>MAY</b>	
BELL FAMILY ASSOCIATION GATHERING Charlottesville, VA	21-23
SACRAMENTO VALLEY GATHERING & GAMES The Fairgrounds Dixon, CA	22-23
AN COMUNN GAIDHEALCH Annual General Meeting Best Western Cotton Tree Inn North Little Rock, AR	29
SOUTHERN MARYLAND CELTIC FESTIVAL Jefferson Patterson Park & Museum St. Leonard, MD	29
<b>JUNE</b>	
GLASGOW HIGHLAND GAMES Glasgow, KY	2-4
MCHENRY HIGHLAND FESTIVAL Garrett County Fairgrounds McHenry, MD	3
ADIRONDACK SCOTTISH GAMES/GLENS FALLS GAELIC FESTIVAL Glens Falls, NY	3
BELLINGHAM HIGHLAND GAMES Hovander County Park Ferndale, WA	3
CLAN SUTHERLAND ANNUAL MEETING Arlington, TX	3
CLAN MACLELLAN IN AMERICA/SW REGION MEETING Arlington, TX	3
CLAN STEWART ANNUAL MEETING The Glasgow Inn Glasgow, KY	3
MILWAUKEE HIGHLAND GAMES Milwaukee, WI	3
DIRONDACK SCOTTISH GAMES Glens Falls, NY	3
BONNIE BRAE SCOTTISH GAMES Millington, NJ	10
KANSAS CITY HIGHLAND GAMES Turner Club Kansas City, MO	10
CALHOON FAMILY REUNION Clover Hall Clarinda, IA	11
UTAH SCOTTISH FESTIVAL Recreation Park Park City, UT	17
DELCO SCOTTISH GAMES Devon Horseshow Grounds Devon, PA	17

<b>MAY</b>	
ILLINOIS ST. ANDREW SOCIETY HIGHLAND GAMES Glendale Polo Club Glendale, IL	17
CLAN BELL DESCENDANTS Tenth Annual Reunion Shire Motel Woodstock, VT	22-24
TIDEWATER SCOTTISH FESTIVAL Norfolk Botanical Gardens Norfolk, VA	24
SAN DIEGO SCOTTISH HIGHLAND GAMES Rancho Santa Fe Park San Marcos, CA	24
TACOMA PIERCE COUNTY HIGHLAND GAMES Frontier Park Graham, WA	24
CALHOUN FAMILY REUNION Community Hall Ontario, WI	25
SCHOOL OF SCOTTISH ARTS Banner Elk, NC	25 to July 7

<b>JULY</b>	
EMBRO HIGHLAND GAMES Matheson Park Embros, Ontario, Canada	1
GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES MacRae Meadow Linville, NC	8-9
HIGHLAND HERITAGE FESTIVAL Southern Utah State College Cedar City, UT	8
SCOTS FAIRE Dunsmuir House & Gardens Oakland, CA	9
INDIANA HIGHLAND GAMES Ft. Wayne, IN	15
KIRKIN O' THE TARTAN & PICNIC Walter Harvey Meeting House West Barnet, VT	16
ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY OF MASSACHUSETTS Family picnic Waterford Village Grove Bridgewater, MA	16

PIKES PEAK HIGHLAND GAMES Monument Lake Camping Resort Monument, CO	22
SPOKANE FESTIVAL & GAMES Riverfront Park Spokane, WA	23
PACIFIC NORTHWEST GAMES & GATHERING King County Fairgrounds Enumelaw, WA	29-30
VIRGINIA SCOTTISH GAMES Episcopal High School Alexandria, VA	29-30

<b>AUGUST</b>	
MIDDLE TENNESSEE SCOTTISH FESTIVAL Nashville, TN	5
ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY OF DETROIT HIGHLAND GAMES Detroit, MI	5
GLENGARRY HIGHLAND GAMES Agricultural Grounds Maxville, Ontario, Canada	5
ALASKAN SCOTTISH HIGHLAND GAMES Eagle River Park Anchorage, AK	5
DETROIT HIGHLAND GAMES Fort Wayne Detroit, MI	5
MONTEREY HIGHLAND GAMES Monterey Fairgrounds Monterey, CA	5-6
FERGUS HIGHLAND GAMES Victoria Park Fergus, Ontario, Canada	12
MISSOULA SCOTTISH HERITAGE SOCIETY Family Games & Picnic McCormick Park Missoula, MT	12
MAINE HIGHLAND GAMES Thomas Point Beach Brunswick, ME	19
QUECHEE SCOTTISH FESTIVAL Quechee Polo Field Quechee, VT	26
PAYSON SCOTTISH FESTIVAL Payson City Park Payson, UT	26
LONG ISLAND SCOTTISH GAMES Old Westbury Gardens Long Island, NY	26
ORAK SHRINE HIGHLAND GAMES Shrine Temple Michigan City, IN	26

## FLOWERS OF THE FOREST

MRS. BURT B. SMITH (LELA BETH GRANT SMITH) of Houston, Texas died August 26th. In addition to being a Charter Member of the Society, she recently received a Life Membership and her son, Edgar, writes that she was very proud of it.

Mrs. Smith's grandfather helped settle Houston as one of the original pioneers and her husband was a medical doctor with their son following in his Dad's footsteps as a Dermatologist at the University of Texas Medical Branch. We extend our sympathies to the family.

MR. WILLIAM DAVIDSON PRATT, a member since 1982, passed away last year. Born in Edinburg in 1903 he went to school in Scotland and served with the Canadian Army from 1940 to 1945. He became a U.S. citizen, retiring in Oroville, CA. He knew Mr. Even Cuthbertson (mentioned in the History of Clan Grant, on page 48) when he was in the Boy Scouts with Troop 12.

We express our regrets to his wife, Mrs. Ruby M. Pratt.

MR. GERALD MC ILROY ARMSTRONG died September 16, 1988 (see article.) He leaves his wife, Alice Burnham Armstrong, two sons, a sister and four brothers.

We first met the Armstrongs at Grandfather Mountain in 1986 -and they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in December of that year. We shall miss him -and extend condolences to everyone.



"Savannah" Jim MacDonald and J.D. MacColl express their great joy upon finding Seamus O'g MacDonald at the Grant tent. A large delegation of Donalds accompanied them to pay their respects to Seamus. Our John C. Grant shares the happiness of the moment. It is planned to put the remains of Seamus O'g to rest during a suitable ceremony at Grandfather Mountain. (MacColl wife Pat and daughter Pam are members of Clan Grant)

WRITE CHARLES MAC DONALD,  
AND OFFER TO MAN A TENT IN  
ONE OF THESE GAMES...OR AT  
LEAST ATTEND AND SHOW YOUR  
TARTAN.....

EVERYONE KNOWS THAT BENJAMIN FRANKLIN INVENTED BIFOCALS. BUT IT WASN'T UNTIL 1876 THAT A GEORGE GRANT FIGURED OUT HOW PUT THEM TOGETHER. ANOTHER GREAT GRANT!!!



**SOUTHEAST FLORIDA  
SCOTTISH FESTIVAL**

by  
**ANITA STAFURSKY**

Their first opportunity to sponsor the Clan Grant tent was an enlightening experience for Jim & Anita Stafursky. They drove to Miami from Tampa the night before. Having arrived late, they were unable to attend the sponsors' reception and ceilidh given that evening. However, they did arrive bright and early at Crandon Gardens the next morning to set up the clan tent. They had a bit of a problem finding the tent site; however, Arthur Campbell, Chairperson of the Clans and Societies Committee was most helpful. Thank you, sir!

By 8:30AM they had everything set up and were ready to go. Jim's reproduction 15th Century claymore and targe attracted the immediate attention of our visitors. With these eyecatchers for openers, Jim & Anita had the perfect chance to talk about the Clan and all things Scottish. All visitors were interested in finding out if their families had any clan connections. Jim was able, with the help of Phil Smith's TARTAN FOR ME and Black's THE SURNAMES OF SCOTLAND, to direct most everyone to an appropriate clan. More importantly, three people took applications for Clan Grant Society membership. Hope to see their names in the next issue of CRAIGELLACHIE. One individual, Douglas Earl Grant, said that he was also interested in competing in highland games athletics. It will be great to see a Grant tartan on the field in the future.

Anita carried the Grant Banner during the parade of clans. She was accompanied by Jim & Gilbert Wakelee, a member of Clan Gregor.

The highlight of the day was the 78th Fraser Highlanders Pipe Band. This band simultaneously holds the titles of World Champions, North American Champions, and Canadian Champions and when you hear them you know why. Jim, a piper himself, believes that they must have made a pact with the devil to be that good. The other bands, from around Florida, Canada, and the US Air Force Reserve, also did themselves proud. Other notable events were the athletic competitions, dancing, both highland and country, fiddling and Quinn Tindall's very popular sheepdog demonstrations.

Kudos for the festival committees for the excellently organized opening ceremonies. For a change, clans marched in order and were properly identified when they passed the reviewing stand. Moreover, the sponsors

were not formed up too far in advance and forced to wait a half of an hour or more for the ceremonies to begin.

Finally, a heartfelt plea from your clan sponsors. When you are at a game, stop by your clan tent and spell the sponsors for a few minutes. They need to gather information for the CRAIGELLACHIE, trade gossip and information with the other clans, take a breather, and attend to a few of life's basic necessities. You would be particularly welcome during the parade of clans and opening ceremonies. As in Key Biscayne, often the tents are not near or next to the main field and this means that one of your sponsors must remain tentside. With only two people present, frequently the case at most games, this makes for a lonely Grant Banner during the clan parade. Earn a Ceuld Mile Failte and "sit a tent" at the next game. Plus, it is good practice for the day when you sponsor. See you at Dunedin.

**ATTENDING GAMES**

- Doreen Briggs Spears  
Toronto, Canada
- Douglas Earl Grant  
Dane FL 33314
- Gilbert Wakelee  
Cleveland, OH
- \* Dr. Ron Philip  
Freeport, Bahamas
- John & Jame Mildrum  
Plantation, FL 33317
- Orval Simon Bower  
W. Palm Beach, FL 33417
- Ruth Hiller  
Pembroke Pikes, FL 33026
- Gillian Grant Phillips  
Key Biscayne, FL
- H. Grant Basham  
Ft. Lauderdale, FL
- E. Willis  
Miami Shores, FL
- \* Dr. Ron Philip joined the Clan Grant Society of U.S. in 1987 at the Grandfather Highland Games. He is a native of Grantown and lived on High Street as a young boy. He is a practicing obstetrician and gynecologist in the Bahamas.

<b>GRANT ITEMS FOR SALE</b>	<b>Clan Knit Shirt w/Badge specify size S-M-L-XL Teal Blue w/ Gold Badge \$15.</b>
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<b>History of Clan Grant by Lord Strathspey \$25.</b>	<b>Most items shipped UPS Please use street not PO Box</b>

**ORLANDO HIGHLAND GAMES  
JANUARY 14, 1989**

The first Highland Games of the year was a pleasant surprise weather wise. It was not cold, the wind did not blow, just a warm spring day. As a result, the attendance was very good. The Clan Grant was busy all day greeting old members and friends and new ones as well. James & Anita Stafursky drove up from Tampa arriving very early Saturday morning. Jim competed with his pipes, but did not place this year. He is still a beginning piper and works very hard with them. Maybe next games. Jim & Anita spent the day helping and observing how to run a Games tent for they offered (or as they say, coerced) to run the Tent in Miami in March.

We see Milton Camp every year at Orlando. He always pays his annual dues at these games. We look forward to our visit with him.

**Attending were:**

- George E. & Marie I. Grant  
Orlando, FL
- Wallace & Marilyn Gage  
Tenants Harbor, ME
- Janet, David & Erin Hart  
Winter Park, FL
- Barbara Grant Terry  
Indian Harbour Beach, FL
- Constance E. Grant Sylvia  
Yardley, PA
- Lesley A. Sylvia  
Apopka, FL
- Donald M. Karn  
Mission Viejo, CA
- Laurie McMillen  
Orlando, FL
- Judith L. Marke (Pratt)  
Apopka, FL
- Barbara M. Moore  
Ft. Myers, FL
- Kenneth Grant  
Orlando, FL
- Gary Pickett  
Melbourne, FL
- Kirk Lovenbury  
Kissimmee, FL
- Alice M. Mewes  
Longwood, FL
- Karen Moore Mathews  
Miami, FL
- Frank Griffin  
Lake Mary, FL
- Jim Griffin  
Orlando, FL
- Russell & Ruth Grant  
Longwood, FL
- Jonathan Mapas  
Longwood, FL
- Sibyl Grant Coombs  
Cynthia & Jim Coombs  
Longwood, FL

**BACKWARDS**

PHIL had scheduled various meetings on such Scottish matters as, Haggis inbreeding; Is the Grouse a songbird, and other heavy subjects. SHIRLEY relentlessly drove across the country. PHIL met her for several one day meetings. He had made the ultimate sacrifice, he flew tourist while SHIRLEY drove Texaco. Who was walking backwards?



**HOW TO TIPS  
FOR GENEALOGY  
by  
BERYL GRANT**

**Recommended reading:**

Searching for your ancestors by Dr. Gilbert Doane and In Search of Scottish Ancestry by Gerald Hamilton-Edwards.

Place is the most important clue with dates second in importance. If you know the middle name or initial of the person you are researching this can be very helpful in finding this person among numerous other Grants!

Use historical societies in areas where your ancestor lived. Addresses are available in The Genealogical Helper by Everton; this reference book is usually in a large library. These societies are usually staffed by volunteers. It is customary to offer contribution to the society for help on your behalf; at the very least, enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. If you receive pertinent information a note of thanks to the society or person is also in order. Don't plan on prompt replies; you may wait weeks and months.

If you are near your state library, check to see if they have a local history and genealogy department. They have a wealth of information of local histories and family histories. They may not, however, have the information you need so check the local level also.

If you are near a Church of Latter-Day Saints (Mormon Church) state, be sure to check what information they have. They have copied most of the church records in Great Britain; have extensive information on Scotland; and some census and tax information from colonial times in America up to the end of the 1800's.

If you are researching a Revolutionary War Soldier, D.A.R records may have a lineage chart filed by some member of the family you do not even know about. They are always worth a try if you are searching this time period for a male ancestor.

Federal census started in 1790 with just the name of the household and a number identifying the number of males and females in the household in various age groups. In 1850 they started listing name and ages of all the household members and where they were born. So prior to 1850 research may be difficult. New England has extensive records on early settlers as I am sure Virginia and the Carolinas do. Unless your early ancestor came in through Canada, this is where early Americans came to these shores. Remember to check when your state census started and where it is filed. A reference

department at a large library should be able to answer this for you.

If you suspect your male ancestor served in any American war this may be your best place to search. There is a book published on all Revolutionary War pensioners alive in 1840. You can write to Washington for pension records filed by survivors of these soldiers and they contain much personal information. Could your ancestor have served in the War of 1812, the Civil War or the Spanish-American War?

Check also to see if in a large library of a state library, family histories are filed. Best to check first to see if anyone else has done the work. Make sure some family member hasn't already done this; this should be the very first thing checked.

Keep all notes in one place, preferably a notebook as small pieces of paper get lost. When you find data be sure to write down where you found it, not only to provide proof but if you should wish to go back to recheck. Include dates and places of event. Place is where you find information even if your ancestor lived elsewhere. Start with the known and work backward in time. Write me for a family record chart (please include SASE) that you can fill out. (Please send me a copy too as I check to see if they may help some other clan member and then file by locality.) **HAPPY ANCESTOR HUNTING!**

**DUTHIL KIRK FUND**

Once again thanks for your continued support of the Duthil Kirk Fund. You have contributed over \$ 7000.00. At the beginning of this effort it was agreed that our Society would pay Walter R. Grant 60% of the renovation costs.

Total cost was 10866 pounds. We have sent 4093 pounds leaving a balance of 2426 pounds or \$4245.00. With just a few more contributions and our sales, we should fulfill this obligation in next 6 months.

Send your contribution 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 \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**GENEALOGY CORNER**

by

**BERYL GRANT**

**CLAN GRANT**

**GENEALOGIST**

Please write me with question you have on your Grant/related family research. Including brief inquiries in our newsletter may be helpful in connecting with Grant cousins.

Please write me if you have information on the following:

Seeking information of place of birth and ancestors of Colquhoun Grant, born Scotland 1811, to area of Peterboro, NY c. 1829; there married Margaret Cameron, move to near Morris, IL c. 1840, died there 1881. \*\*\*\*

Seeking information on Anne Nairn, born 1708, Cromdale Parish just outside Grantown-on-Spey. Parents Duncan Nairn and Anne Grant. \*\*\*

Seeking information of Janet Grant Forbes, of Aberdeen(?) who came to this country with her son, John, c. 1777. \*\*\*\*

Also, inquiry about some Kentucky Grants- if any of these names are in your family tree please let me know:

Emiline Scott Grant b.1817 in Trigg Cty, m. Jacob Pryor Daniel 19 May 1832.\*\*\*\*\*

Margaret M. Grant (sister?) m. 10 Mar 1801 to Jacob Daniels brother Green.\*\*\*\*\*

Angus McNeil Grant b. Christian Co., Ky 26 May 1810; son of Joshua and Henrietta McNeil Grant, origin from NC

Do any of our clan members have ties to Grants in Maryland before 1811? Also trying to locate ties to a Thomas Grant (married Margaret Greer) who settled in Lexington, Fayette Co., KY about 1804. Family remained there during 1800's but lost touch with each other.\*\*\*\*

We failed to mention in the last issue that JENNIFER NEVILLE, daughter of ANNA & DAVID NEVILLE was married last September 24, 1988 to THOMAS BRIGHT. Those of you who have attended the Stone Mountain games know Anna as the co-host (and cleaner upper) with our Atlanta hosts, the Klines. Our congratulations and best wishes, belately, to the "newlyweds." (separate article elsewhere)

We received a Christmas card from JEAN & DEWITT MANLEY stating that they have retired to Seaton, Devon England. She writes that it is very peaceful and friendly and as yet, undiscovered (only by the Romans, 56 AD) They were expecting a contingent from Nashville, TN for Hogmanay. We hope all went as planned.



**LUDOVIC GRANT  
ANOTHER GREAT GRANT  
FOUNDER OF  
CHEROKEE DYNASTY**

Ludovic Grant of the American Colonial Period was born in Scotland in the late 1600s and was a descendant of a noble Scot Family. During one of the earlier Jacobite Uprisings supporting the return of the exiled King James VIII of Scotland and II of England, Ludovic was captured by the opposing English Forces, imprisoned and banished to the American Colonies. He was indentured at Charles Town, South Carolina where he arrived in 1716. Judging from his future choice of livelihood he may have been indentured to a Charles Town Trading House where he prepared himself well by gleaning the knowledge and skills needed to become a Trader among the Cherokee Indians. By the year 1725 Ludovic had entered the Cherokee Nation as a Charles Town licensed English Trader.

The Cherokee Nation was a nation of mountain Indians that bordered the Colonies of Georgia, Carolinas and Virginia. At the time Ludovic entered the Nation the Cherokees were rapidly becoming dependent upon English manufactured goods, such as clothing, farm tools, cooking utensils, weapons and ammunition. Deerskins were the main item of trade and Trading fortunes were being made in Charles Town and London. On the other hand, the Charles Town Trade monopoly with the Cherokees was in constant jeopardy. French conspiracy was at work to alienate the Cherokees. The Virginia and Georgia Colonies were forever watchful for an opportunity to undermine Charles Town's monopoly. Hostile Indian Tribes on the other borders of the Cherokee Nation distracted the Cherokees from their hunting and internal Cherokee politics threatened the fabric of the Cherokee Nation and the English-Cherokee Alliance. In spite of the harsh realities of foreign intrigue, Indian wars, smallpox epidemics, shifty Cherokee and Colonial politics, Ludovic remained in the Cherokee Nation for the rest of his productive life to become a credit to the Cherokees, Charles Town and the Crown.

Historians, writing of this period of the English-Cherokee Alliance, make frequent mention of Ludovic Grant by name and occurrences. Besides being just a Trader Ludovic was relied upon to keep the Carolina Governor informed of problems within and without the Cherokee Alliance and Trade monopoly. Ludovic's writings in the form of

memorials, Intelligence reports and letters are still preserved in the South Carolina Archives today. His papers are signed, Lud Grant. Based on the subjects of these papers, Historians have been able to eulogize Ludovic as an Ambassador, a Diplomat, a Pillar of English strength among the Cherokees, a Man of impeccable loyalty to Charles Town and the Crown, as well as a Person of notable trust and highly respected by his Cherokee hosts.

Ludovic married a Cherokee maiden of the Long Hair Clan, one of the seven Clans that bound the Cherokees together as a nation. Only one of his children is known to have lived to maturity. The child was a daughter, consequently the Grant surname faded from Cherokee history when he died but his descendants are now in the twelfth generation. Ludovic's daughter had at least three daughters who gave birth to at least seven branches of Cherokee-Anglo progeny. The known branches were headed by the Anglo surnames FAWLING, BUFFINGTON, DUE, ROGERS, STUART (BUSHYHEAD), FIELDS AND MARTIN. (Captain John Stuart's branch assumed the surname BUSHYHEAD from his Cherokee nickname.) At least five of branches continue to be virile and a great many of these descendants became prominent in 19th Century Cherokee history. Just a very few are noted here.

At least five of Ludovic's descendants became elected Principal Chiefs. In 1823 Richard FIELDS was elected Chief of the Texas Cherokees, a splinter group who had emigrated to the Mexican Province of Texas in hopes of establishing a nation of their own. In 1838 John ROGERS became the Chief of the Western Cherokees, the earliest group of Eastern Cherokees to emigrate to Indian Territory west of the Mississippi. Denise W. Bushyhead was elected in 1879. Thomas M. BUFFINGTON in 1899 and William C. ROGERS in 1903. John MARTIN, in 1826, became the first Chief Justice of the Cherokee Supreme Court. (The Cherokee Nation had developed a written constitution patterned on the Constitution of the United States and formed a Constitutional Government.) There were many many more of Ludovic's descendants who took notable rolls in the affairs of the Cherokees and their History, all of whom are well documented.

Another descendant of Ludovic's, well documented in the biographies of Sam Houston, was Tiana ROGERS. The most

recent descendant of Ludovic's to gain world wide acclaim was the one and only, Cowboy-Humorist, WILL ROGERS.

Within my small compass of knowledge, concerning Ludovic's vast family, I am aware of only two very recent twelfth generation births by name. They are Devon Grant Newburn of Colorado Springs, Colorado and Hannah Jo Williford of Chico, California. These newborns mark a 300 year time span back to the birth of Ludovic Grant and with their twelfth generation cousins assure more of his progeny into a fourth Century.

submitted by:  
Cecil R. Hall  
a 10th generation of Ludovic Grant  
thru the FIELDS branch

**DUNEDIN**

**APRIL 14-16**

These games are always well attended by our friends from all over the country. It is the perfect time to be in Florida. Mostly the sun shines, the site of the games is beautiful, and the Dunedin Committee outdoes themselves to make sure that the Clans are appreciated. The Bands and Highland dancers are GREAT, the Athletics are of the BEST, and most of all George & I stay with Bob & Vivien Grant and try to play golf while in Florida. If anyone wants to join us, let us know. We try to play on Friday. We hope to have a get-together Saturday night after the games. Please try and plan on it. The details will be at the Tent. Come on, all you Florida residents, support these fine Games- don't let the Snow Birds show you up with their fine attendance.

**ITS TIME FOR GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN GAMES**

Grandfather Mountain Games will be JULY 7,8,9, this year. As in the past we will rent one or more condominiums to accomodate our Society members who wish to come.

We share 3 and 4 bedroom units, thereby reducing the cost for everyone. The units are rented Thursday thru Sunday night. Cost is about \$170.00 each couple for 4 days. Children are free.

Since there are very few places to eat, (and they are all crowded), we cook sumtuous meals and hold our version of High Tea every evening.

If you wish to be with the Clan this year, contact John C. Grant, Treasurer, by April 30. Hope to see you there.



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During the second world war our friend GEORGE GRANT TURNBULL was stationed in the near east. Last winter he and his lady, INGE returned to the scene of the crime. Three days after arrival they thawed out and began to enjoy the scenery and smells of the near east.

Both of them are active in the Grantown Heritage Center effort. The first exhibit last summer was well recieved and they both assisted. Daughter ANTONIA is now working in London with BBC. She is a directors assistant doing programs on Art.



THE ROOFTOP BUSH  
by Charles Grant MacDonald

George & I had been talking about a garden tool shed which I had built last year, having needed space behind the house new to us, and filled a void for needed mowers, tillers, etc.

The conversation turned to christening ceremonies, which we agreed should be done complete with a bottle of Grant Scotch busted over the door lock similar to the ship launching as it started down the ways for its nautical journeys.

But what George did not seem to be aware of was the bush nailed to the peak of the roof upon completion. Now it may only have been a regional custom peculiar to New England, or Nova Scotia where my Dad came from, but I do remember well being present -he was a carpenter who built house one at a time -when the completion was accomplished, the branch of a small tree would be nailed up on the peak of the roof. Naturally, then, it called for a visit to the nearby jug, where all hands partook of hard cider or better yet, Scotch.

So the accompanying picture is forwarded to attest to the certification of the ritual as applied to the Grant MacDonalds. Phase 2 is still in the future some years when we reduce the mortgage and have a burning ceremony for the note against "Our Little Brick Home in Eminence."

WALTER and MARGARET R. GRANT, Elgin, flew to Miami and took a five day Carribean Cruise this winter. Time did not permit visits with their American friends.

## TREASURERS REPORT 1988

CLAN GRANT SOCIETY OF N.A.

TREASURER'S REPORT

CALENDAR YEAR 1988

BEGINNING BALANCE \$ 1,160.

### RECEIPTS:

Memberships	\$4,780.
Sale of Book (A History of Clan Grant)	420.
Sale of Glasses Sets	335.
Sale of Shirts	621.
Sale of Five Swords	645.
Duthil Kirk Repair Contribution	\$3,217.
Mathew Grant-Knapp Memorial Fund	170.
GHMG Lodging	2181.
SMHG Society Reception & Dinner	255.
Misc Receipts	18.

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$12,642.

### EXPENDITURES:

Games Participation (Sponsorships/Tent Space/Trophies/etc.)	\$ 756.
Convenor's Expenses (partial reimburse representing Society)	1,062.
Membership Services (Postage)	394.
Duthil Kirk Repair Highlander & Scottish American Ads	3,000. 88.

### Purchases:

Shirts	575.
Swords (4)	380.
Glass Sets	266.
Books (A History of Clan Grant)	360.
Membership Overpayment Refund	15.
Newsletter Expense (Printing & Postage)	1,229.
GMHG Lodging see receipts	2,197.
Council of Scottish Clans Membership	30.
Flowers	54.
SMHG Society Dinner, Reception & Tent Hospitality (see receipts; carry over receipts of \$172. from 1987)	348.
North Am Acad of Piping Scholarship	210.

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$10,963.

ENDING BALANCE \$ 2,839.

ANNE GRANT KNAPP and daughter BARBARA traveled to Canada for a weekend of Highland Scottish dancing recently. They are both active participants dancing once a week.