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AFTER 18 YEARS, GEORGE AND LUCILLE ARE PASSING ON THE LEADERSHIP

Shirley Grant Smith

After 18 years, our faithful Convenor, George, is letting go of the reins and resigning as of July 14, 1996. He and John G. Grant served as Co-Convenors after contacting The Lord Strathspey, Patrick Grant, about starting the Society in the United States. Many hours of work has been put into recruiting members, setting up Clan Grant tents at numerous games, hosting all the "cousins", and even renting condos for our gatherings (and usually coming out on the short end financially! Just because the rest of us can't add!)

His wife, Lucille, works hard in the background, keeping things going when George travels on business trips. She probably did not realize at the start that this was to become a full-time project! But once she gave in, she ended up fully committed and continually involved!

Clan Grant will continue to grow and carry on without their leadership--but it won't be quite the same. We have both George and Lucille to thank for getting us off to such a great start--we have hard working Commissioners because of their contact and support; we have become really "family" as we work together over the years. Their far sightedness helped send money to Scotland to help finance the establishment of the Clan Grant museum and reception center at Duthil Kirk.

We have had lots of laughs, sorrows and disappointments and will have lots of memories! This is what life is all about--and we know we will always have their continued interest and support! Just without the title! Thanks from all of us!



WARNING! POSSIBLE GRANT TRIP SCAM!

Shirley G. Smith

A letter is making the rounds about a Grant Grand Reunion in Scotland this coming September. Buyers, beware! It comes from an address in Ohio and our readers should be warned that as far as we know, there are no such "official" plans!

The advertising for this trip is very misleading if you read it carefully! The cost of the trip for 8 days, on a person's own, would not "run up to twice as much, at least" as the cost listed in the letter. Actually it is the average cost of an 8 day trip with the hosts getting their way paid by enrolling a certain number of customers.

A visit to the Clan Tartan Centre is listed as included in the tour. This is a commercial enterprise to which the public is admitted without a charge. It is a shop with goods to sell

in connection with the Edinburgh Woolen Mill. (And not connected with the new Scottish Tartan Authority's plans).

The tour certainly does not appear to be specifically touring Grant sites but just a general tour of Scotland. The invitation to attend this "Grant" reunion is hedged by the statement, "As well as other selected Scottish families."

These "Exclusive Invitations" have been sent to every one of the 43,326 Grant families in the United States "whom we have been able to locate." (How exclusive is exclusive?)

Finally, to the best of our knowledge, Lord and Lady Glasgow are not Grants!

Please remember, readers, that we have a Clan Grant Society which is International in scope. We have duly

appointed officers and if and when we have "reunions" the invitations will come down through the proper channels--The Lord Strathspey in Scotland or any legitimate Grant officer! It will also be published in our newsletter so all of our members will know what is happening! If you ever have any questions about any offers whatsoever, call your Commissioners! They are there to help you. If they don't know at least they know who to contact!

We've had members taken by offers of Grant books: genealogy, Grant names and addresses--(swiped out of telephone books, copied, and sold for a good sum of money (neither legible nor current); people offering to make kilts--out of flimsy material and poor craftsmanship, etc. So, when in doubt, check it out!

Remember, nothing is really free!

**FALL DEADLINE
JULY 23, 1996**

By George !!!

It has been a wonderful, exciting, experience for Lucille and me since 1977. That is the year we joined with John C. and Barbara Grant, Los Angeles, CA to found the Clan Grant Society in the United States. We had both written to Patrick, Lord Strathspey, expressing an interest in forming a Society, with his permission. He granted us the opportunity to launch the effort.

In short order we secured an invitation from Grandfather Mountain Games for Strathspey and wife, Olive, to be the honored guests, at the 1978 games. Patrick's opening speech ended with, "IT'S GREAT TO BE A GRANT". That brought a resounding ovation from the assembled Clans. We were on our way.

There have been so many Grant cousins along the way that helped sustain the Society and insure growth. Some of the original members were; Elsie Grant French and Mary Grant MacDonald, our first and second members, joining at the Orlando Games, the first games for a Grant tent. Mathew Grant Knapp and bride Anne, who helped organize New England and jump started the Society in Canada. Matty's enthusiasm and energy were contagious. Shirley and Phil Smith; their hard work and organizational skills built the Society. Charlie and Betty MacDonald, (Charlie is Shirley's cousin from Nova Scotia), who said the Grants needed them more than the Donalds. They were right. Kyle and Betty Bowie not only provided needed counsel, they helped find members in Virginia and Maryland. John C. and Thelma Grant, Loganville, Ga. our first and 17 year treasurer, whose whole family are still ardent, active members. James (Hank) and Linda Grant, Newsletter editor and Clan Historian. In the western US, Gene and Jule Grant, Jim and Mary Suttie, attended every highland game and Scottish gathering in California, building a large membership. They still attend most activities in California. Edward A. and Susan Grant have Gillies, will dance, have anchored the Midwest. Maggie and Duane Kline, Atlanta, whose Saturday night buffets for the Clan at Stone Mtn Games are famous. Dick and Jane Heller, Indiana, eclectic people. He owned and published the "Decatur Democrat" and Craigellachie, making our newsletter the most interesting, professional available. Hal and Beryl Grant, NY state commissioner and Clan Genealogist, sparked our Clan Grant leadership in New York. Late, John Bisset, who taught us to speak with a wonderful Scottish brogue, and about family. Just a few, long time members, who have made a profound contribution to our society. Newer members have also made major contributions, that gave our Society a broad sustainable base. Thank you all, from our heart.

Lucille and I have had the privilege and joy of meeting and coming to know the nicest most caring group of people, you. Our membership of kindred spirits is our extended family. Helping to begin the Society and building a firm base for growth has been fun and we think, most worthwhile. We have probably continued as Convener, too long. It is difficult to self determine when you cease being helpful and become a hinderance..

Now is the time to step aside to allow our Board of Directors to chart our future. It is time to turn the operation and guidance of the organization to their collective wisdom. We have no doubt of the continued and probable accelerated progress of the Society.

Thank all of you for your support and assistance over the years. We will continue to be active in a smaller role in the Society. Please continue and expand your role in the Society. Offer your help to the Board, Officers and Commissioners. You'll be glad you did.

The following letter has been mailed to the Board of Directors.



Clan Grant Society

301 Masters Road
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March 8, 1996

Gordon M. Grant, Chairman
Board of Directors
Clan Grant Society U S A

Please accept my resignation, effective midnight July 14, 1996, from the position of Convener, Clan Grant Society U S A. I have enjoyed serving our membership. Lucille & I plan a less active membership in the Clan Society. We will make every effort to make this a smooth transition. I suggest you select and appoint a new Convener and advise Strathspey. Thank you.

"STAND FAST"

George H. Grant
George H. Grant

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NOTES FROM SHIRLEY

FLOWERS-OF-THE-

FOREST: Mrs. Minerva J. Crosby, a life-long resident of Stockton Springs, Maine, died on January 3, 1996. She was 90 years old. Minerva kept up a lively correspondence with Clan Grant--and often surprised us with phone calls! Her husband, Richard, passed away in 1984 and though she missed him dearly, she kept herself busy! She was selected as a deacon in her church and played the organ for many years. Her son, Douglas Crosby, survives her along with her grand-children. Grandson Douglas stayed with her in her later years and was a good companion to her, sharing her interest in all things Scottish. A cousin, Charles F. Hewins, was also a member of Clan Grant. Our sympathy goes out to all of her family--we know they will miss her optimistic outlook on life and cherish her faith and many happy memories! She was a wonderful example of a Great Grant!

We just learned the Mr. William H. MacElroy, a member of the Society since 1989, died January 22, 1996 in Clinton Park, New York. He leaves his wife, Elta, and son, William, currently residing in Georgia. We will have his obituary for the next newsletter. We extend our condolences to Elta and all of the family.

IMPROVING: "A new knee in May" for Dolores Windsor in Delaware! Husband Don states that, "As long as it is 'well oiled' it functions fine!" They wintered in Barbados so missed all the snow! (Talk about Master Planners!)

Bob and Vivian Grant in Dunedin, FL write that they'll miss Grandfather Mountain Games this year as the altitude bothers him. They wish us all a "good time" anyway! We shall miss you both--you were permanent fixtures at these games!

As we go to press, Dr. Arthur Grant in Indiana is recovering from surgery--he's had four other operations this past year--so we wish him a speedy recovery and let's hope this is the end of such matters!

While sending her yearly greetings, Maggie Kline says, "We haven't won the lottery yet--guess you have to buy tickets!" She had a pneumonia bug and spent several days in the hospital. The Doc told her that only 80% of pneumonia bugs are controlled by "the shots" so she figures that some one of

the 20% found her! Duane's been wondering what he'll do with her next winter--Maggie immediately suggested "Arizona"! (Fortunately, the bug wasn't interested in Duane!)

Charlie and Betty MacDonald have finally recovered from their 50th wedding anniversary celebration! And are brave enough to try to make the GFM games! Charlie may have to drag his oxygen along--but his good nurse, Betty, keeps things going for him!

Doris Folejewski fell on a small piece of ice last January and broke her left wrist, nose and 6 ribs on one side and 2 on the other side and fractured her sternum. Her daughter, Pam, is a nurse manager who put her into intensive care for 3 days. They ran tests for angina and a valve that's not closing completely. She hopes to be home by early April. Next winter she plans to stay inside!

Kathryn Grant, in Ohio, had further surgery this Spring--early enough so she can recover in time for GFM!

Hal Grant reports that Beryl is doing so well she held a genealogy workshop at the Pines "Scottish Weekend"! This is her first jaunt from home since last June but now she's planning a trip to Jamestown (Chataqua area) to see relatives in the western part of New York state. Hal judged the "bonniest knees" contest and reports that over 40 Clans were represented for the "Gatheirng."

Our Assistant Commissioner for Maine and Vermont,, Wallace Gage, is back in better health! He was laid up for quite a spell this past winter! He sent along a brochure for the Maine games and says he's trying to break in his children and grand-children to run the tents! (We wish him complete success! GO, Younger Generation!)

THE-BEST-NEWS-SINCE-BERYL'S RECOVERY: After months and months of waiting for a new heart, Jack Barker finally received a transplant last November! Wife Sue, writing from Alabama, says that he's been feeling great and doing wonderfully so far! He had been in the hospital 73 times--on the 74th they decided to keep him there until a donor was found. He came out one week later!

They both encourage everyone to consider being a heart donor! As Sue says, "We saw a lot of God's miracles at work down at the University

of Alabama, Birmingham! You just don't think it will happen to you or a loved one but when it does you sure think about becoming a donor!"

They are looking forward to coming to the games again!

MUSICAL INTERLUDES: Eric & Nancy Marshall finally wrote to let us know that "the" wedding took place as planned last August! Daughter, Laura Anne married Dr. Chris Nelson, podiatrist. Eric's brother-in-law married the couple and the proud father of the bride wore his new Grant kilt! A bagpiper marched (I think the word is "piped") the wedding party from around the house to the tent and the Perry String Quartet provided music for the reception. (Where are the pictures, Eric?)

Their other daughter, Debbie, and son Josef, came up for the wedding and stayed for a visit while husband Ed "held down the fort" at Ft. Hood where he is company commander.

Eric is teaching and playing the organ and enjoying his sailboat while Nancy continues to teach school. They enjoyed the reunion of the More family once again! (These are the John Mores who are the only Mores in Clan Grant! Their history is well documented and every member is "genealogy computerized!")

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Bill Grant (Wm. T.), son of Convenor, George Grant, slowly wended his way homeward from Russia, leaving last April 4th. He visited Poland, Amsterdam, Germany, Paris and England before reaching U.S. soil. (We hope re-entry goes well!) Job hunting, we understand, is NOT a problem! He had 30 offers before he reached the mainland!

In case you haven't heard, there is a wedding in his plans--in August! Best wishes to both!

May 4th is the 45th wedding anniversary of George and Lucille! They celebrated by going to Orlando to grandchildren sit, while daughter Terry Lynn spends 5 days filming Olympic news in Atlanta!

Happy Birthday to Stephen Robert Callis, Ann Miller's new great-grandson born last February and weighing in at 7 lbs. 13 oz! Although he had a difficult birth, both mother and great-grandmother are doing fine! Stephen Robert is named after his Great-Grandfather--a Clan Grant member now deceased.

Ann attended her 60th High School reunion in Albany, NY and did

some sight seeing along the way as well as visiting her daughter, Jeanette and son, Raymond and their families on Long Island. Son Raymond is marrying his sweetheart, Angela, on June 23rd and Ann says, "Wild horses couldn't keep me from attending!"

Our last musical note comes from Candice Coates and her "Druid Moon" musical group. They made a demo tape and after many hours of work in a studio she took it back to the group and surprised everyone with it! "Now we know how we sound to others," she writes. Candice, with two friends have formed a trio called "Cascade of Dreams". They are working on forming a style and identity--a little hard to do since one member has classical training, the other has rock and roll and ballads and Candice plays traditional celtic airs with lots of improvisation! She notes that her friends now call her "The Bard" and she closes her letter with, "What else could you expect from a Grant!"

In addition to these activities, she is marketing her educational program, which is listed on the County Art Council and it has been approved by the Board of Education for her to teach a course. She joined a local folks study group and is currently doing the publicity for a huge Scandinavian mid-summer festival!

CHRISTMAS IN JULY: We mentioned Hank and Linda's greetings from Scotland in December--but we failed to acknowledge greetings from Everett Grant (ME), Hal and Beryl (NY), Ed and Susie Grant (MN), and Steve & Stephanie Grant (MO). Also Carol Grant Riley (FL), Jim and Carol Suttie (CA), and Nancy and Eric Marshall (PA).

The Lady Strathspey sends her greetings to all members in the Society! Her son, Michael still has the pins in his leg from his car accident and still walks with a limp. Both he and his sister, Amanda, spent the holidays at home.

Bob Grant (Mr. C. R. Grant) in Christchurch, New Zealand, has been active in New Zealand for a number of years. He becomes very discouraged in trying to recruit Clan Grant members there--but without him we would lose all contacts there! He writes to all the Grants in (the) U.S.A., "A guid New Year to ane and 'a, & many may ye see." We salute you and your efforts, Bob!

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GENEALOGY CORNER

In another part of this newsletter is a long list of queries from our members. If you have information on any of them, would so appreciate your writing me. If any of our members want to have a query put in future newsletters, please let me know. Send me a self-addressed stamped envelope and I will get right back to you if we get some information.

If any of our members haven't sent in their pedigree chart and want to have forms sent them, just send a SASE and I will be happy to send them to you. This is the place to start: enter what you know (yourself) and then go backward as far as you can. Don't worry about filling the sheet; just send in what you have!

Remember, there is no charge for my services. If I find research material that will help you, I will then ask for costs of copy work. When I receive your pedigree chart, I file them by location of your search and then attempt to tie them in with our research material or other members' research. Remember, location is the most important factor as this is how the records are filed.

Gretchen Schampel sent me information about the book, "The World Book of Grants." Information includes picture of a lovely family (this same picture is sent with all advertising for this type of book). I have reviewed this book for another name; what the book includes is general how-to genealogy and names in current telephone books. You can get this same information from a CD-ROM telephone directory. I did order a Vernon family book and when I saw what it was, returned it. They were very good about refunding my money. So if you wish to order, be warned that you will not be getting too much for about \$33 including postage and shipping.

I am feeling fine now. If anyone who has written me has not heard from me, drop another line to me: Beryl N. Grant, Clan Genealogist, 1063 Leesome Lane, Altamont, NY 12009.

TAPE FEATURES CLAN GRANT TUNES

"Police Pipes and Drums of Waterbury, CT", a recently released cassette, features some tunes that will be of interest to Clan Grant members. The tape features a mixture of band and solo piping. Pipe Major Edward Smith, a member of the Clan, is the solo piper and he plays "The Haughs of Cromdale." This traditional tune was composed in celebration of the battle of May 1, 1690, in which troops loyal to King William crossed the Spey from Castle Grant at night and fell upon the camp of Jacobite forces, routing them. ("Haughs" is pronounced "hocks").

Ed also plays four of his original compositions, among them "Lady Strathspey's Waltz" composed in honor of Lady Olive and "John Bisset", named for the late and much beloved member of the Clan Grant Society.

The Waterbury Police Pipes and Drums perform throughout southern New England and as far south as Washington, DC, where they attended the police convention. The band recently received an invitation to march in the 1997 St. Patrick's Day parade in Waterford, Ireland. Those clansmen interested in obtaining the tape should contact Steve Flaherty at P.O. Box 3039, Waterbury, CT 06705 or telephone him at 203-879-4397.

SCOTTISH TARTAN AUTHORITY PLANS BUILDING

Shirley G. Smith

Plans have been drawn up for the Scottish Tartan Authority's new building, approximately 16,000 square feet with adequate parking for those visiting the tourist-oriented Visitor's Center. The Center will explain the origins, history and development of Scottish Tartan and Highland Dress.

Scottish retailers will be on the ground floor while the S.T.A. will have an audio visual exhibit, artifacts, information center, library, lecture hall and research rooms on the second floor. A full-time Curator and Curatorial Adviser are envisioned.

The Scottish Tartans Authority is a new group consisting of concerned individuals, scholars, researchers and those persons active in the tartan weaving and distribution industry. Officers were elected last January with Mr. Blair C. Mac-naughton presiding as Chairman and Clan Grant Society's Dr. Phil Smith represents U.S. members on the Board of Governors.

Individual memberships are \$25.00; Family memberships, \$35.00 and Group memberships, \$100. The S.T.A. has obtained Charitable Status. Membership maybe sent to: Mrs. Alta Bearman, Registrar, 2341 N.E. 48th Court, Lighthouse Point, FL 33064. Make checks payable to "IATS/TECA."

CLAN GRANT ON WORLD WIDE WEB

Thanks to the United Kingdom Branch of Clan Grant, we have a Web Site on the World Wide Web. The address is:

gopher://leapfrig.almac.co.uk/11/scotland/clans

It is important to get the address correct as shown. The site reproduces the UK Clan Brochure. The US membership brochure is copied from theirs and only differs in details relative to the US.

So, when you're surfing the WWW look up the Grant Clan. We are the only Clan with a Web Site!!!

Another first for the Grants



THE EPIC OF DAVID GRANT (S!)

Shirley G. Smith

An unusual article in the U.S. News and World Report, March 4th issue, caught the attention of several of our members! Entitled, "A horse, a family and a dream" by Mike Tharp tells the story of David Grant, his wife Kate and their three children, Torcuil, Elidh and Fionn. They decided to leave their native Scotland and travel around the world--in a horse-drawn wagon!

After 5 1/2 years of traveling around the world and having all kinds of experiences in the different countries, the Grants arrived in the U.S. last November at the home of a former school mate of David's. The children attend school wherever they stay for any length of time and make great use of their encyclopedias! Their parents teach ecology and English and the children are fluent in Russian now.

Now, let's continue the story from the Grant perspective! This will tell you what great lengths we go to to get the news! David B. Grant in San Marcos, TX received a copy of a newspaper article about the family's trials (and deportation from China) from a

friend who teasingly asked if that was "our" David! David sent it to our Secretary, Shirley, who enjoyed the joke and promptly forgot about it.

David happened to see this second story in U.S. news and sent it to Shirley and now she gets interested. She phoned David (and got his father, who is an interesting person in his own right and is now a Life Member due to his age!) but he was unable to shed any light on the family's whereabouts.

The very next day, Dr. M. Arthur Grant in Indiana saying that he had just read an interesting article about a family fulfilling their dreams and could we do anything to help them as they were struggling to finance the trip! He suggested we call the magazine and see if they could help! So we both called--he got Mady Bullin in the Reader Services Department--and in two days Susan LeClair, Manager of the Department answered my Fax and Dr. Grant received a phone number to contact the family and I received a Fax number and address! Meanwhile, Shirley called George Grant to let

him know that we were getting him involved in this scheme! He delegated his authority and called our commissioner in California, Jim Suttie!

Arrangements are being made to meet the family and we will probably give them Honorary Memberships in the U.S. branch of Clan Grant! We've also alerted Commissioner Ed Grant in Minnesota that they may be passing through his area!

Their current plans take them across the eastern edge of Oregon and through North Dakota or Minnesota into Canada. They travel about 10 miles per day. If you read the papers, there probably will be some local publicity to advise you of their progress.

Thanks to a number of people for the assistance given and especially to U.S. News and World Report for helping in locating this family who are following their dream!

GENEALOGY QUERIES

I went through some of my open files and am listing below lines our members are researching. If you have any information on any of these, please write me.

Searching for information on:
Please send responses, unless otherwise noted, to:

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Altamont, NY 12009.

Alexander Grant b. 1771; married at Guysborough, Nova Scotia (near Antigonish) to Mary Whittindale Ferguson, widow. Son Lewis William Grant b. 1813 m. Martha Church at Oyster Ponds, N.S. in 1839

John Grant, b. 1790 in Maryland; wife, Susannah, b. 1795 in Pa; children John Jr. b. 1815; Samuel b. 1819 in Pickway, OH; Susannah b. 1830; George b. 1834; Peter b. 1835; Marie b. 1838; Elizabeth b. 1847; Minerva b. 1850.

Fidely Grant, b. 1715; married Rev. Moses Thomas, Boston, MA. One son, Arad Thomas.

Leonard N. Grant, b. 23 Oct 1823, Chardon, OH, M. Betsy Elizabeth Patterson Marshall, 4 Apr. 1849, Cuyohga Co. OH d. 19 May 1911, Chardon, OH.

Charles A. Grant, wife Jane. Son Martin Nelson Grant b. 19 Sept 1838, Columbia Falls, ME, m. Sarah Charlotte Searl 15

June 1860 in Marion ME. Martin d. 19 Sept 1895 Calais, ME.

James William McNaughton, b. 1857; father Peter b. 1820, Nova Scotia.

Joshua Grant, Civil War veteran. Moved from Amesbury, MA to Chicage in 1878. Children; Eugene Floyd b. 1855; Edward Melvin b. 1857 and Cora I. b. 1866.

Gregg MacIlroy, b. 1853 Newton MA, m 1876 in Ellsworth, ME.

Margaret Grant, b. 1845 Tracadie, Antigonish, Nova Scotia, d. Nashua, Hillsborn, MA. Child of Donald Grant, b. about 1825; and Catherine McDonald, b. 1823.

Alexander Grant b. 1771; M. at Guysborough, Nova Scotia; m Mary (Whittindale) Ferguson, widow. Son, Lewis William Grant, b. 1813.

Colin Grant, b. 1793, d. 1860 in Urray, son of Kenneth Grant and Catherine MacDonald.

Stanley Clayton Grant, descended from family that came to Nova Scotia from Scotland, settled in Brockton, MA.

Joseph Grant, b. 1817, Kingston, Ontario Canada, m. Fanny Byrne b. 1823, CT. Son Ulysses Stephen Grant, b. 1863, Milwaukee, WI.

Howard Melvin Grant, Jr. Boyertown, PA. Father Howard

Melvin Grant, Sr. from upstate NY; grandfather David Grant.

Abraham Grant and wife, Sarah Morton, Lunenburg Co., Nova Scotia. Children Effie, Silar, Maggie, Eva and Victor, some of whom settled in New England.

Adrian Edward Grant, m. Bertha Short Grant, McGraw, NY.

James Grant, b. 1885, son of Donald and Margaret Gordon Grant who was m in Aberdeen, Scotland 1848

Rev. Henry (Harvey) Grant b. 1848, Keady, Armagh, Ireland; m. Lucy Ann Adams 1875 in Potsdam, NY. d. 1921 in Helena, Montana.

Prymus Grant, son of Richard and Louise Grant from Lancaster Co., VA.

Cullen Grant, Muncie, Indiana.

William Grant Laidlaw, b. 1 Jan 1840, Scotland; d. 1908.

James McElheran, b. Ontario, Canada in early 1800's. Immigrated to the US and fought in Civil War. Died in Oakford, IL.

William Grant, b. Antigonish, Nova Scotia, m. Margaret McKinnon, b. Canada; son William Peter Grant b. 1864, Mabou, Cape Breton, Canada.

George Edward Grant b. 1875 in Sliver City, Jaub. Utah. Married to Helga Dearickson;

children Ruth and Norma Grant.

Jobe Grant, b. 1812, PA; m. June 1832 to Anna Loney in Knox Co. Ohio; d. in July 1887.

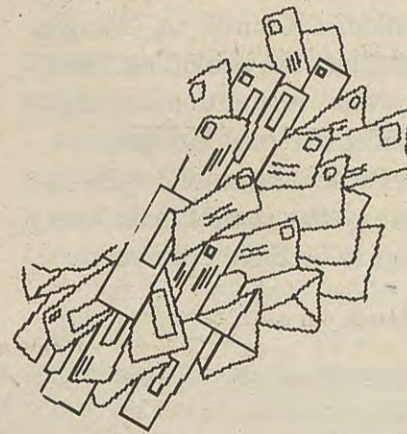
Lydia Grant, m. Andrew Witham in Berwick, ME in 1783. Buried in Somersworth, NH.

Peter Grant, b. 28 May 1842; d. 19 May 1885. Paton Iowa; m. Angeline Wallace, b. 1841, MA. Son William S. Grant b. 1874 in IL; d. 24 June 1929, Fort Dodge, IA. Peter from Will Co., IL; bought farm Paton, IA in 1882.

Sarah Grant, great-granddaughter Matthew Grant of Windsor, CT, who married Thomas Skinner. Father Samuel Brant b. 1659; d. 1710.

Willene Grant-Morgan, 119 W. Alexander, Buchanan, MI 49107, would like to hear from anyone researching the Humphrey Beauregard line.

William Grant, b. 1776, Fort Edward, NY. Married Lois Burgh of Easton, NY. His son, Roswell, b. Caldwell, NY in 1800.



*Massed Bands
at the Norman Highland Games
April 1996*

CULLODEN GAMES

George Grant

Culloden, GA, near Forsyth and Macon, was the site of Highland Games, April 13 & 14. This was the second year. The games recognized the Clans that fought on Bonnie Prince Charles' side. The Grants were one of the honored clans.

Saturday was overcast and threatened rain all day. A few drops fell, but the crowd was quite large and enthusiastic. Marie Elena Henson, Ryon Smith and William Henson arrived proudly wearing their blue Grant Golf shirts. Several interested potential members signed our guest register.

Judge Bill Grant and family arrived late Sunday. Son, Bill (another Bill the Banker) Grant announced he is ready to have a kilt made. We were with them and John C. Grant at Eric's wedding the previous weekend.

State Representative Curtis S. Jenkins, who spoke at the opening ceremony, signed our register, proudly wearing a Grant Tartan Tie.

Sunday, an impressive Kirking the Tartan ceremony was held in the Methodist Church of Culloden. This is the oldest Brick constructed Methodist Church in Georgia. The games are providing money for the restoration. They replaced the roof last year.

These are small, well run games. We should make every effort to be there each year.

15th Annual Hawaiian Scottish Festival

Bob Grant

Our local Scottish Festival came off in good form on March 30th and 31st with perfect weather. This was the second consecutive year at Kapiolani Park (which is located right at the base of Diamond Head) and it appears certain that site will be the permanent home for our Festival. The site layout this year was improved, publicity was much improved and attendance was obviously quite a bit greater than last year, although with free admission we never have a valid "head count" to go by. Some of the repeating vendors said their grosses were about double of last year's and that's encouraging.

Had a good Grant table set-up, along with ten other clan societies, in the Clan Tent (1,350 sq. ft. overall) and it was as busy there as it ever has been in recent years. Counting Festival participants, like myself, I had seven Clan Grant Society members drop by; however, didn't turn up any new local prospects for membership (only prospect was a visitor from New York). The Grant members in Hawaii had increased each of the last two or so years, and I guess we were due for a downer. Those who remain members here in Hawaii are a good nucleus and showed it at the Festival.

Stand Fast and Aloha



Jacksonville, FL--February 1996

Great Grants



Jeff Covington, running for Clan Grant, nips the 3rd place runner by a half stride for 2nd place in the adult Kilted Mile event at Loch Norman Highland Games, Charlotte, NC. Jeff also won 3rd place overall and 2nd in his age category in the 5k event earlier in the day.



Jeff Covington, center #380, stands with the 1st and 3rd place runners after the Kilted Mile event at Loch Norman Highland Games.

At Games

Jacksonville Scottish Highland Games

Jean Grant Wilson

After 8 years, Jacksonville, FL once again held Scottish Highland Games. Feb. 17, 1996, Saturday, began with temperature of 28 degrees and wind chill of 15 degrees--so even the weather did it's part to bring a "wee bit o' Scotland" to Jacksonville. By afternoon the sun did come out, but the wind never let up. Held on the grounds of the Morocco Temple, 52 clans surrounded the athletic/parade field for a day of fun that was highly enlightening to those attending.

The celebration was a blend of storytelling, music dancing, shopping food and of course, the athletic competition. For many, the festivities were the first time to witness Scottish traditions and customs that made their hearts ache with pride.

Opening ceremonies held at noon consisted of the Navy Band, Color Guard, Pipe and Drum bands, followed by the Parade of Tartans. Chieftain Richard Graham and Clan Gram lead the way as honored guests. Clan Grant was well represented with Holly Floyd, our oldest daughter, carrying the Grant Banner, with all our grandchildren and Michael Bongertz from Maitland to back her up.

Activities at the Clan Grant tent were exciting, as well as a learning

experience for Jim and me, since we have never manned a tent before. Stoney and Ruth Grant of Jacksonville were a great help in the tent. We couldn't have done it without them. By the end of the day, everyone and everything was covered with a layer of sand and dirt!

We rushed home for a quick wash and back to the Ramada for the Cielidh, which was a sellout!

All in all, the return of the Jacksonville Scottish Highland Games was a success. The committee is overwhelmed by the interest and support of the community. Our grandchildren were exposed for the first time to their heritage and 'things Scottish'. They can't wait for next year!

We thank Clan Grant Society for their assistance of materials, etc, thus enabling us to have a tent.



Loch Norman Highland Games

Helen Furr

Loch Norman Highland Games, held at Rural Hill, Huntersville, NC near Charlotte was enjoyed by everyone who attended.

Clan Grant was represented by John C. and Thelma Grant, Patricia Long, Jeff and Jai Covington and their sons Grant and Davis, and Helen Furr.

Saturday was cloudy and windy, which required some innovative ways to secure the tent displays. Clan Grant's display was well received by the many visitors to the tent during the day. The weather held until almost 4pm when we got a very hard thunder storm. This storm ended the festivities for the day.

Sunday began with a rainbow promise. The sky were threatening, but as I drove to the games, I saw a large rainbow dropping from one of the clouds. Within minutes, the rainbow was joined by a dozen or more rainbows dropping in the same way from the clouds. I

knew that the day would be OK.

By the time the Clan Parade of Tartans began, the sun was out. Although there was lots of mud to deal with, no one seemed to be deterred from enjoying the sights and sounds.

New this year was a display and demonstration of weapons used at various times in Scotland and Great Britain. These weapons were and are very vicious realities of war. Every part of the weapon had a purpose. There was also a military encampment, archery, and hatchet throwing. There was a children's tent with games and storytelling. The musical entertainment was provided by Colin Grant Adams, Ed Miller, Clan Na Gael, Alasdair Fraser, and Alison Kinnaird. After the tents were struck for the day, the guys got together for a jam session which was very entertaining.

This year there were ninety (90) Clans, Colleges, Societies participating. This was the largest gathering here to date. Loch Norman is growing every year.

The main reason for this growth is the work done by the folks that work all year to put it on. Their attention to detail and their obvious concern for the comfort and enjoyment of the participants is obvious. They make it a pleasure to attend.

Top: From left-Jeff Covington, Helen Furr, Patricia Long, John C. Grant
Left: John C. Grant, Patricia Long and Jeff Covington Parade of Tartans

**FALL DEADLINE
JULY 23, 1996**

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Other hellos come from: Ivor Grant, Commissioner for Southern California, Ron and Patsy Grant, our Games Coordinators and Kathy and Jim Francis, our bagpiper!

Grace Crawford (Olean, NY) says, "Hello to all--no news from Western NY-Southern Tice area. . . We are just "fuddy duddy" about waiting for this long dreary winter to end. A few hints of green in the garden and more bird songs in the early hours are giving me hope of good Spring days soon to come!

Speaking of Spring--there's a very aggressive robin who has spent the last several weeks flying into windows trying to fight the lone reflected robin he sees! Phil insists he now knows what "bird brain" means! Waving pie plates, jumping up and down, nor raising windows seems to do any good! It's a wonder he's not a dead robin by now! Then the neighbor comes over and says, "Oh, you have him this year! He drove us crazy last year!" That and the jackhammer sound of a Flicker beating on the gutters at 5 o'clock every morning can get you off to a rousing start!

TRIPPING THE LIGHT FANTASTIC: The Robert Carmichaels (PA) are planning to attend the Carmichael Clan Gathering in June in Scotland, taking grand-son Philip with them to show him the highlights! Not slighting the Grants, however, they plan to look at Castle Grant, too!

Edna and Doug Rickers are time-sharing in Aberfeldy this June! Their son, Blair, is marrying Cheryl MacLean in Guelph, Ontario, later this summer so it will be a busy time for them! Doug is planning to retire next spring and they are beginning to look for a home in Canada so they can spend more time with the grandchildren!

A postcard showing the Hotel Thayer at West Point contains a note from Alison Grant that it's been a year since she attended a writer's conference there and she is expecting to go back to this beautiful hotel this year, too! She's currently job hunting!

Anna Neville enjoyed a trip to England to visit her children and grandchildren! Her daughter, Jennifer is working on her Ph.D. at the University of London. Anna's Bread and Breakfast will start getting busier with Spring's arrival! She's going to try some new things for breakfast. (Y'all come!).

Don and Mary Grant enjoyed a recent trip to Arizona! They spent 5 days at the Grand Canyon, toured the rest of the state for 10 days, three of which included the Navajo reservation. They finished in Douglas on the Mexican border.

While at the Grant Canyon (Oops! My I did it again!) Don mentioned that his grandparents (Margaret Grant and Edgar F. Wolfe) had taken his mother, at the age of six months, down the Bright Angel trail to the bottom of the Canyon on mule back! The Coordinator took them to the Archivist and they told their story--but of course they had no proof! Upon returning to Maryland, Mary went through a trunk of old photos and found pictures of the 1902 trip! The trip West was in a covered wagon and took 18 months! Don's grandfather had labeled all the photos as to date and place! Happy to say they are sharing them with the Archivist as they lack material dating back that far!

Edmund and Elaine Grant (FL) flew to Nebraska for their son's "pinning"!

AND NOT TRIPPING: An interesting postcard arrived from Ron Phillips, our Bahama correspondent, showing the pink, iridescent conch shells that the islands are famous for--says that he is now building a "But 'n Ben" so he'll not be traveling this year!

GENEALOGY TIME: Edna G. O'Connor (a Cairns) received a Grant kilt for Xmas--says she loves kilts and wears them proudly--she has six! She's been working on both "his and her" family genealogies!

One of our newest members, Mr. Robert S. Coleman, is seeking Mackelroy or McElroy connections! He is the Virginia Society of Sons of American Revolution Representative and Chairman of the October 19 Yorktown Day Observance Committee! If you are a McElroy, you might want to write him at 18 Westover Road, Newport News, VA 23601-3928.

William Phillips, in Nevada, states that he sent Beryl his Grant Family line in hopes that it may help someone some day! He hails from an Alexander Grant, born in 1771 but he doesn't know where! A Catholic Priest, T. K. Burton compiled the record for him--he was in the Melford--Guysborough Parish in 1973.

Dorothy Lobaugh's family are the MacAlpins and Bowies so she enjoys looking for genealogy on these lines!

She also mentions that she attended the Pleasanton, CA, games and enjoyed them!

"The Story of Scotland" by Janet R. Glover is a most interesting book," reports Jeanette Jaeger in New Scotland, NY. She quotes several passages concerning Sir Archibald Grant of Moneymusk. ". . . in the middle of the 18th Century, a change in church music was initiated by Sir Archibald Grant, the agricultural reformer. He instructed the local schoolmaster to select a choir of children, with good voices, to train them in choral singing." (p. 278). Later the book notes that practices were held in his library and when John Wesley visited him in 1761 he recognized a "chorus of 40-50 voices." (If this is the same library that the Grants have visited, it is a beautiful room!)

Jeanette is still seeking her particular Allen line, the earliest being George Allen, born c.1780 and his wife, Elizabeth Gage, both of whom are buried in the old Little Falls cemetery.

Jeanette also asks, "Will we miss the Scots Games now that the grandstand at Altamont has burned down? And will the Games continue?" This being NEW news to us, we contacted Hal immediately! Yes, the games will go on! There will be new bleachers although the roof will not be back on and it will be a little smaller in size--3,000. So see you there August 31st!

ODDS AND ENDS AND OTHER THINGS: Who sez we're gray-haired and bushy tailed? Our very own Megan Carlen is carrying the Olympic torch in Atlanta this summer! She thinks the family is more excited about it than she is--especially after realizing that this will be in July and probably the hottest day of the year! Any lady who has completed 51 years with the Red Cross certainly deserves this honor! Congratulations!

The time has come to confess--having been asked by a number of people since the Spring newsletter came out--"Who writes the 'Great Grant' columns? Answer: whoever we can get! Several persons have worked at it--lately it's me although I don't take credit for the Claudius Buchanan Grant article.--Actually it was taken from the Encyclopedia Britannica! And some gremlin mixed up Everett Grant's genealogy! Thanks for letting us know--we really don't intend to give out incorrect information!

The Beaver Insurance Company in San Francisco announced that Gordon E. Grant is the newly elected President and chief executive officer of the firm. The company specializes in worker's compensation.

Born in Pontiac, Michigan, Mr. Grant graduated from the University of Michigan. After serving in Korea he joined an indemnity firm in Los Angeles and was soon promoted to a manager's position in underwriting. In 1975 he worked with William T. West in developing the Beaver Insurance Company and recently served as Vice President and Chief Operating Officer.

Mr. Gordon, a former Society member, and his wife, Joan, live in San Anselmo, California and have four grown children! A cousin of his, Mr. Tony Grant (OK) deserves thanks for sending in this news article!

Tony Grant (OK) says his Bible Quiz book is now at the publishers and that he has just received a contract from Top records in Nashville to record two of his songs: "Be Glad" and "A Thankful Heart". He sends his love to all the "Great Grants"! He will be 84 on July 3rd!

Congratulations to our most recent Life member: Gordon M. Allison!

Correction! The last newsletter listed James Garrow Grant as a new member in Arizona! Actually, his name is James Gordon Grant, and he served as Commissioner until 1983! We're really glad to be in touch once again! He and his wife, Janet, and their girls, Elizabeth and Leslie are caught up in Scottish activities. He leads a pipe band and the girls are both in dancing competition. They plan to use the Grant's Auchnarrow tartan for their competition!

Mr. Phillips (NV) writes that the papers and TV stations have been re-running the stories of the ice plants that supplied the underground Comstock Lode miners and their mules. William mentions that these stories are good for "fillers" as the population has increased so much in Nevada during the past 20 years!

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Hugh Dunn and his wife attended the Black Watch and Life Guards program and have been busily settling into their mobile home. There are about 300 mobile homes in the park! (This may not seem large for our Westerners--but it is quite large for the East!) He reports a lot of damage this winter to Idlewild Park where the Legonier games are held each September--but they are fixing it up for the summer trade! We'll be there!

Carol Grant Sanderson (FL) has been one of a committee in her Genealogy Society trying to impress the county commissioners to reverse a decision on part of their library system as it pertains to family research--ever since January!

Husband Bob had a bout with pneumonia this winter but they are both doing fine now!

Herb Grant (MA) writes that Ossian and Fingel (Highland cattle) made it through the rough winter all right! They subsisted on hay and no grain! Tough animals!

David Grant (TX) explains that it's so dry in San Marcos that even the cactus is drying up! (You might try TX, Maggie!)

Ed Grant, Commish in MN phoned to check on "yours truly's" slow response in getting out some memberships and caught us up on all of his news! He and wife, Susie, will probably be grandparents by June! They plan to fly to California for the big event! The to-be-parents are members, Jeff and Susan Berg (Ed's daughter).

P.S. Son Trevor has moved again! Thank goodness for that P.O. Box!

Dr. M. Arthur Grant has been busy with his crystal paperweight collection! He's selling some and keeping some, both antique and modern ones from around the world! He has also been a partner-in-crime so to speak. The good Doctor, along with David Grant in Texas helped us get involved in the David Grant story (which I immediately passed on to George, figuring "Let George do it"! Who in turn, being adept at delegating authority, immediately passed it on to Jim Suttie!). Then Dr. Grant topped it off with the "Grant Grand Reunion in Scotland" scheme and its misleading information. Hey, guys, who needs this extra work? (Just kidding!)

George Young is surprised that there are not more members in Ohio than we reported. Our biggest problem is not having any Commissioners to help us retain the members we do get! Ed Grant in Minnesota is our closest one and it's a far piece from Ohio, Indiana and Illinois! Any takers? Gratefully accepted!

THE GOOD IDEAS DEPT.: Would you believe a postcard collection numbering 50,000? This is what Wayne and Carol Harvey are giving up! It would be interesting to see an exhibit of them! (The cards, not the Harveys!). Wayne is sending the tartan ones to the Odom library--and has interesting plans for the General Grant ones!

Louise Philipps writes from Farmville, VA that she is taking copies of Craigellachie to her library! She thought that maybe she could entice a few of the local Grants to join! (We like that kind of thinking! Thanks, Louise!)

Jeanette Allen Jaeger is staging her own private protest! The post office closed her New Scotland post office due to budget cut-backs. So rather than put the Slingerlands title on, she keeps the New Scotland name--but of course with the correct zip code! That's a true independent Scot for you!

THE CYNIC'S CORNER: Owing to the tardiness of our Winter issue--and since Helen is waiting and waiting for this "stuff" from me, the Summer issue will be a "bit" late. We've received a few choice comments we'd like to share with you!

Mark Taylor Grant (NC) writes that "I wish to continue supporting my Clan in the happy confidence of progress!" (Stick around, Mark--we're not losing as many names and addresses as we used to!).

James Grant, (ID), says, "Heck, I like it any time I get it!" (Even Christmas in April?)

AND MOVING ON: Bill and Florence Grant have returned to Edinburgh, Scotland after a stay with his brother, Rev. John Grant, II, in Oakland, MD. this past year. They are missed at the Fair Hill games when they are not here in the summer-time!

Some news from the West Coast: Bob and Kay Stover have moved from Federal Way, Washington to Hillsboro, Oregon! They say that there is nothing new to report--but moving is a lot--and more than we hear from out that way lately!

GRANT ITEMS FOR SALE

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Mr. and Mrs. John Eric Grant

Tessa Kay McMillan and John Eric Grant were married on April 6, 1996 at First Baptist Church, Wagener, SC. The event was a traditional Christian Wedding with a distinctive Scottish as well as military aspects.

A piper and organist provided prelude music including a beautiful, recently composed, piece--Scottish Cathedral. The piper also played Amazing Grace during the ceremony and, as a recessional, Scotland the Brave.

Exiting the church through a saber arch provided by Eric's friends and mentors, Tessa was "welcomed" to the army by a swift, flat-of-the-blade saber stroke to her anatomy.

The wedding and reception were well attended. From Clan Grant Society were John Angus Grant of Atlanta, GA; Lucille and George Grant of Hixson, TN.

Immediate family (and Clan Grant) members participating in the wedding activities were Thelma Grant, mother of the groom; R. Arston Grant, Groomsman; Jeff Covington, groomsman; Jai Grant Covington, wedding director; Jennifer Foster Grant, candid photographer; John Grant, father of the groom and best man; Wilene and Bill Grant, Eric's aunt and uncle, Emily and Cameron Grant and Grant and Davis Covington, Grandchildren of Thelma and John Grant.

The couple will make their home in the Clarksville, TN area adjacent to Fort Campbell where Eric is assigned as Aviation Brigade Signal Officer in the venerable 101st Airborne Division -- The Screaming Eagles.



Congratulations and
Best Wishes

ANCIENT HOUSE DEMOLISHED IN GRANTOWN

Shirley G. Smith

This article is taken from "Avenue", a magazine for graduates and friends of the University of Glasgow, January, 1996 issue and sent to us by Dr. Ronald Philip. The article by John A. Atkinson is entitled, "Demolishing the Past; Saving Our Heritage." It describes the demolition of the only known example in Scotland of an "post and beam" house. What makes it interesting to our readers is that it is located in the back of 92 High Street in Grantown!

Archaeologists from the University of Glasgow undertook the analytical dismantling and recording of the building, a first for archeologists! The Grantown-on-Spey Heritage Trust invited them to do this after acquiring the cottage for their museum. One of the Trust's architects recognized the "post and beam" construction and notified the University.

In building a "post and beam" structure, "The walls are supported on a series of load bearing vertical posts which are linked by a wall-head beam.

These posts also

support the roof couples though the weight of the roof itself is spread evenly across the wall-head.

This house had been in use from the early 19th Century until four years ago. Although this method of building had been in use prior to the 1700's, Grantown began as a "planned" development in 1765! The current theory is that the oldest part of the building may have been moved to the site. Originally it had an earthen floor on one end and a stone floor in the other--typical of salters in those days for both humans and beasts. This earliest section of the house is held together with wooden dowels while nails hold the later additions.

Later a timber roof and gables were added, insulated with sphagnum moss (c.1868); then a central dividing wall and chimneys (c.1900) and finally, three porches, a slate roof and harling (c.1930).

The Grantown Heritage Trust is accepting funds so that this can be rebuilt as part of the planned new museum.

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This and That

Helen Furr

Time flies when you're having fun or trying to meet a deadline. Deadline time is also the time when visitors decide to drop in, children "don't feel good" (you remember the days when all they did was whine and hang on your leg, don't you?), favorite movies are on TV, and a hundred other little distractions. Then you look at the clock and the calendar and the printer calls and wants to know if you can have the paper to him by 9am. That's where I am right now. So please forgive me if I keep this short.

Lock Norman was lots of fun and Clan Grant didn't win the tent prize. There is always next year.

Looking forward to Grandfather Mountain in July. Lots of friends to see and lots of pictures to take.

This is for Colin - Making Memories will be on my request list at GMHG!

Better go now so I can get finished and go to bed. Hope to see a lot of you at GMHG and those I don't see, think of me as being with you in spirit at the games you do attend. I would love to go to every one!

Stand Fast!

GAMES AND THINGS

The St. Andrews Society of Central Illinois held their Celtic Games May 18th. We had no volunteers for these games although we now have a number of members in Illinois now. We need representation! Call Hall Roy (217) 698-8571 or write c/o P.O. Box 5352, Springfield, IL 62705 for next year's program!

August 17th is the date for the Maine Highland Games! These games are held at Thomas Point Beach in Brunswick. The park has a camping area and a large picnic area. The St. Andrews Society sponsors these games. Further information may be had by writing: Maine Highland Games, c/o Mary Seymour, RR2, Box 389A, Belvast, ME 104915 or call (207) 338-3781.

The Celtic Classic Highland Games and Festival is set for September 27, 28 and 29, 1996. These games are held in Bethlehem, PA. Although we did not have a Grant tent at these games we have received several inquiries from people attending there! Last year's program was deemed a real success!

October 5th is the date for the Loch Lomond Highland Games in the Santa Cruz mountains in California. These games host the Scottish-American Athletic Association West Coast Master's Championships, along with pipe bands, Celtic art exhibitions, etc. The music exhibitions include John Taylor, Scottish Fidler; Deby Benton-Grosjean, National Fiddle Champion; the Royal Scottish Dance Society--San Francisco Chapter; and the Peninsula Scottish Fiddlers. For further information contact Garth Duncan (408) 338-1722 or write: 13136 Central (Highway 9), Boulder Creek, CA 95006.

A tour of Scotland and Belfast, North Ireland is planned for August 1-12, 1996 with Dick and Carroll Risk. This is planned through Travel Professionals, Inc., 6015 S. Sheridan, Tulsa, OK 74145. Ph.: (918) 492-1841.

The second annual "Scotland Goes to Sea" cruise in the Eastern Caribbean is set for January 5th to the 12th, 1997 on the Star Princess, leaving from Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. If sixteen members of Clan Grant sign up, the Clan will receive \$50 per person--a minimum of \$800--a great way to help our treasury out! If interested in

participating, call Bill or Karen (610) 825-7268) for a brochure and further details. Your 1996 dues must be paid to date.

Ports of call include Nassau, St. Croix, St. John, St. Thomas and Princess Cays. Entertainers scheduled include Peter Morrison, The Alexander Brothers, Canada's Brigadoons, Valerie Dunbar, Charlie Zahm, singers; John Shearer, Magician; Joan Bronwyn-Bys, Highland Dancer; Agnes & Bill Clark, Scottish Social Dancing, and Tartan Talk with Bill Johnston.

Large Clan Grant postcards (6 3/4 x 4 6/8) may be obtained from Lang Syne Publishers, Ltd. These cards have the Crest and a copy of the Maclan print (barefoot boy with birds and gun) on our modern colored tartan. In addition there are bookmarks, posters, key rings, and refrigerator magnets. For further information contact: The Clydeaway Centre, 45 Finnieston St., Glasgow G3 8JU or phone 0141-204-3104 or Fax 0141-204-3101.



COMING EVENTS

MAY

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MACALESTER COUNTRY FAIR & GAMES Macalester College St. Paul, MN 4

SPRING HIGHLANDS FESTIVAL Edinboro University Edinboro, PA 4

SCOTTISH FESTIVAL & HIGHLAND GAMES Pace Presbyterian Church Pace, FL 4

PIPES & DRUMS OF THE DELAWARE VALLEY KIRKING Collenbrook Presbyterian Church Drexel Hill, PA 5

HOUSTON HIGHLAND GAMES Houston Farm & Ranch Club Houston, TX 10-11

KENTUCKY SCOTTISH WEEKEND General Butler State Resort Park Carrollton, KY 10-12

MARIN HIGHLAND GATHERING Marin Country Day School Corte Madera, CA 11

SAVANNAH SCOTTISH GAMES Old Fort Jackson Savannah, GA 11

THE ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY OF NEW YORK CROQUET TOURNAMENT New York Croquet Club New York, NY 15

GATLINBURG SCOTTISH FESTIVAL & GAMES Mills Park Gatlinburg, TN 17-19

FESTIVAL ASSOCIATION OF SCOTLAND CEILIDH VFW Hall Jewett City, CT 18

ST. ANDREWS SOCIETY OF CENTRAL ILLINOIS CELTIC GAMES Knight's Action Park Springfield, IL 18

ALMA HIGHLAND FESTIVAL & GAMES Alma College Alma, MI 24-26

RIO GRANDE CELTIC FESTIVAL & GAMES Menaul Presbyterian Church Albuquerque, NM 25

UNITED SCOTTISH SOCIETY HIGHLAND GATHERING Orange County Fairgrounds Costa Mesa, CA 25-26

GLASGOW HIGHLAND GAMES Glasgow, KY 31-June 2

JUNE

MILWAUKEE HIGHLAND GAMES Milwaukee, WI 1

McHENRY HIGHLAND FESTIVAL Garrett County Fairgrounds McHenry, MD 1

ST. ANDREWS SOCIETY OF MODESTO HIGHLAND GAMES Tuolumne River Regional Park Modesto, CA 1

RIO GRANDE CELTIC FESTIVAL University of Rio Grande Rio Grande, OH 1-2

KANSAS CITY SCOTTISH HIGHLAND GAMES Barstow School 115th & State Line Kansas City, MO 8

CLARSACH HARP COMPETITION Kansas City Highland Games Kansas City, MO 8

TEXAS HIGHLAND GAMES Maverick Stadium Arlington, TX 8-9

SCOTTISH AMERICAN MILITARY SOCIETY KINGS MOUNTAIN BATTLEGROUND GATHERING Kings Mountain, SC 15

ALASKAN SCOTTISH HIGHLAND GAMES William Clark Chamberlin Equestrian Center Anchorage, AK 15

CAMPBELL HIGHLAND GAMES Campbell Community Center Campbell, CA 15

OATLANDS CELTIC FESTIVAL Oatlands Plantation Leesburg, VA 15

OHIO SCOTTISH GAMES Oberlin College Oberlin, OH 20-22

CLAN MORRISON ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Ohio Scottish Games Oberlin, OH 20-22

WESTERN MASS. HIGHLAND GAMES Northampton Airport Northampton, MA 22

TIDEWATER SCOTTISH FESTIVAL Chesapeake City Park Chesapeake, VA 22

TACOMA/PIERCE COUNTY HIGHLAND GAMES Pierce County Fairgrounds, Frontier Park Graham, WA 22

WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS HIGHLAND GAMES & FESTIVAL Tri-County Fairgrounds Northampton, MA 22

BLAIR SOCIETY FOR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH CONVENTION Doubletree Hotel Salt Lake City, UT 29

DULUTH HIGHLAND DANCE COMPETITION Fitzer's Inn Complex Duluth, MN 29

ANDREW FAMILY REUNION Versailles State Park Versailles, IN 29

SAN DIEGO CELTIC FESTIVAL Rancho Santa Fe Park San Marcos, CA 29-30

JULY

BURNS CLUB OF LONDON DINNER & DANCE Cafe Royal London, England 6

ROUND HILL HIGHLAND GAMES Cranbury Park Norwalk, CT 6

PAYSON SCOTTISH FESTIVAL City Park Payson, UT 13

ROCKFORD SCOTTISH HIGHLAND GAMES Davis Park Rockford, IL 13

CHATHAM SUPREME HIGHLAND GAMES Tecumseh Park Chatham, Ontario, Canada 13

DUNSMUIR HIGHLAND GAMES Oakland, CA 13-14

CALEDONIAN GAMES City Park Athena, OR 13-14

DOBIE CLAN INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL MEETINGS Radisson Inn Akron/Fairlawn, OH 19

COLUMBUS SCOTTISH FESTIVAL Mill Race Park Columbus, IN 19-21

NEW BRUNSWICK HIGHLAND GAMES Old Government House Fredericton, NB, Canada 19-21

PIKES PEAK HIGHLAND GAMES Rock Ledge Ranch Historic Site Colorado Springs, CO 20

PORTLAND SCOTTISH HIGHLAND GAMES Mount Hood Community College Portland, OR 20

DOBIE CLAN GATHERING D. Frank Dobie Grounds Sharon Center, OH 20

ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY OF VERMONT KIRKING OF THE TARTAN Harvey's Meeting House Harvey's Lake, VT 21

CLAN CHISHOLM INTERNATIONAL GATHERING Inverness, Scotland 22-27

CLAN MACLEOD ANNUAL GATHERING United States Military Academy West Point, NY 26-29

PIPES & DRUMS OF THE DELAWARE VALLEY SCOTTISH NIGHT Rose Tree Park Media, PA 27

GLASGOW LANDS SCOTTISH FESTIVAL Blandford, MA 27

INDIANA HIGHLAND GAMES Zollner Stadium Fort Wayne, IN 27

PACIFIC NORTHWEST HIGHLAND GAMES King County Fairgrounds Enumclaw, WA 27-28

AUGUST

CLAN MacBEAN GATHERING Wichita, KS 1-4

GLENGARRY GAMES TATTOO Kenyon Agricultural Grounds Maxville, ON, Canada 2

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TAM O' SHANTER HIGHLAND GAMES Stonehill College Easton, MA 3

SPOKANE HIGHLAND GAMES Spokane Interstate Fairgrounds Spokane, WA 3

MONTEREY HIGHLAND GAMES Monterey County Fairgrounds Monterey, CA 3-4

MONTREAL HIGHLAND GAMES Montreal, PQ, Canada 4

CENTRAL NEW YORK SCOTTISH GAMES Long Branch Park Liverpool, NY 10

ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES Highland Heritage Park Highlands Ranch, CO 10-11

MAINE HIGHLAND GAMES Thomas Point Beach Brunswick, ME 17

CELTIC HIGHLAND GAMES Millsite Park Myrtle Creek, OR 17-18

SCOTTISH HIGHLAND GAMES OF MISSISSIPPI Mississippi Agriculture & Forestry Museum Jackson, MS 23-25

KALAMAZOO SCOTTISH FESTIVAL River Oaks Park Kalamazoo, MI 24

AUGUST

QUECHEE SCOTTISH FESTIVAL Quechee Polo Field Quechee, VT 24

LONG ISLAND SCOTTISH GAMES Old Westbury Gardens Old Westbury, NY 24

NORTH AMERICAN NORTHUMBRIAN PIPERS CONVENTION North Hero Lake Champlain Islands, VT 24-26

SCOTTISH BORDER CLANS OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA DINNER Pleasanton Hotel Restaurant Pleasanton, CA 30

CAPITAL DISTRICT SCOTTISH GAMES Altamont, NY 31

SEPTEMBER

LONGS PEAK SCOTTISH HIGHLAND FESTIVAL Estes Park, CO 5-8

LIGONIER HIGHLAND GAMES Idlewild Park Ligonier, PA 7

KIRKING OF THE TARTAN Westminster Presbyterian Church Albany, NY 8

SCOTTISH HIGHLAND GATHERING Manheim, PA 14-15

CLAN MacINTOSH OF S.E. IOWA REUNION Ft. Madison, IA 15

OKLAHOMA SCOTTISH GAMES Chandler Park Tulsa, OK 21-22

CELTIC CLASSIC HIGHLAND GAMES Bethlehem, PA 27-29

DAYS OF THE SCOTS John Knox Ranch Fischer, TX 27-29

ALABAMA HIGHLAND GAMES Blount Cultural Park Montgomery, AL 28

WILLIAMSBURG SCOTTISH FESTIVAL Williamsburg Winery Williamsburg, VA 28

CELTIC HERITAGE FESTIVAL Bedford Boys Ranch Park Bedford, TX 28-29

OCTOBER

HEART OF TENNESSEE SCOTTISH CELEBRATION Middle Tennessee State University Murfreesboro, TN 4-6

FLORA MacDONALD HIGHLAND GAMES Flora MacDonald Campus Red Springs, NC 4-6

LOCH LOMOND HIGHLAND GAMES Highland Park Ben Lomond, CA 5

ST. ANDREWS SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT SCOTTISH FESTIVAL Goshen Fairgrounds Goshen, CT 5

SCOTTISH HIGHLAND GAMES & CELTIC FESTIVAL Harrison County Fairgrounds Harrison County, MS 5-6

CLAN LESLIE SOCIETY GATHERING Anne Arundel Highland Games Annapolis, MD 11-13

ANNE ARUNDEL HIGHLAND GAMES Annapolis, MD 12

SCOTTISH HIGHLAND GAMES & GATHERING Texas Tech University Campus Lubbock, TX 12

ASSOCIATION OF SCOTTISH GAMES & FESTIVALS ANNUAL MEETING Colorado Springs, CO 12-13

BAR HARBOR SCOTTISH ARTS WORKSHOP St. Saviour's Church Bar Harbor, ME 12-13

SCOTLAND HIGHLAND FESTIVAL Scotland, CT 13

RICHMOND HIGHLAND GAMES & CELTIC GATHERING Fairgrounds on Strawberry Hill Richmond, VA 25-27

NOVEMBER

TUCSON CELTIC FESTIVAL Kennedy Regional Park Tucson, AZ 2

GATHERING OF THE CLANS Central Texas Area Museum Salado, TX 8-10

KIRKING OF THE TARTAN St. Eustace Episcopal Church Lake Placid, NY 17

ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY OF TORONTO TARTAN BALL Royal York Hotel Toronto, Ontario, Canada 29

Grandfather Mountain Games July 11 - 14, 1996

George Grant

This year we have rented three condo's at Bee Branch Sugar Mountain. All are three bedrooms. All are booked for the entire week 8 thru 14, leave on Monday AM 15th. Cost is less for the week than for only 4 days. All rooms are taken. If anyone wants to come, that does not have reservations, call Lucille Grant @ 800-445-2185. She will do all she can to help you. The Lodge has rooms for \$60.00 per night, double.

Thursday evening picnic @ McRaes Meadow starting at 6:00 PM. Ceremony of the gathering of the Clans begins after dark. Come see it and get in the mood for the games. Friday, we Grants will have a buffet at one of the Condo's. Plan on being there. There is also a sponsors reception, probably at Western Carolina University in Boone.

Games bright and early Saturday and Sunday. Plan on staying for the Parade of Tartans Sunday about 11:30 AM.

Look forward to seeing you all!!!