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George and Lucille Grant Honored at Grandfather Mtn. Games

Grandfather Mtn. Games were the scene for the presentation and program honoring Conveners George and Lucille retiring after 18 years of service. Photo's show the range of emotion accompanying this action. We have been assured that they are not abandoning us. We all wish them much happiness for their future.



PLAQUE TO BE PLACED
AT DUTHIL, SCOTLAND
HONORING
GEORGE H AND LUCILLE
GRANT
FOR THEIR YEARS OF SERVICE
TO CLAN GRANT SOCIETY

By George!!!

What a way to end our administration. Grandfather Mountain Games were a huge success. Lots of new members found their roots. The society will prosper.

Col. Kyle Bowie, last year bought some Tartan material for Grandson, Daniel Scoville. He and mother Katherine (Kay) Bowie Scoville from Mt. Shasta, CA attended the games. Daniel wore his kilt the old fashioned way, (see picture). He will start college this year.

The Saturday night party was joyful and became quite a surprise to Lucille and me. Thanks for all the kind words and thoughts. We appreciate everything.

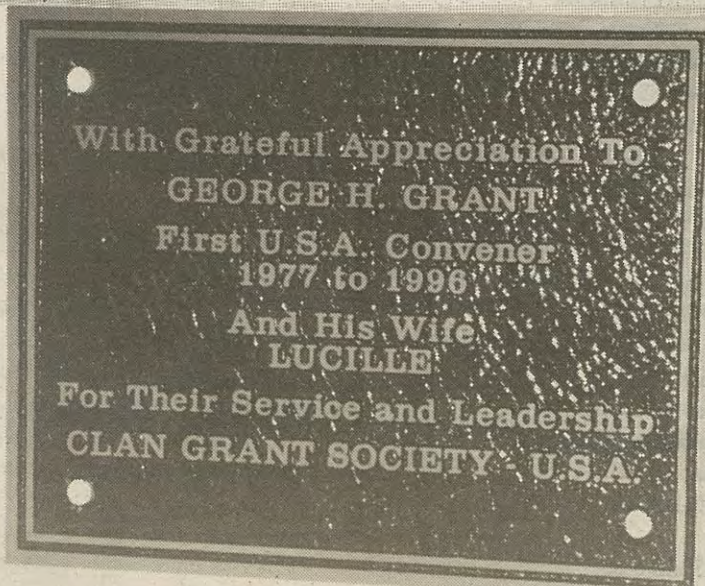
We are going to Loon Mountain Games Sept. 13, 14, 15. I have already called Callum Grant and entered the golf tourney. We promised ourselves several years ago to attend these games. The scenery and people are perfect. Besides, we have friends living only 20 miles away. The room rate is right.

I'll repeat once again our invitation to any and all of you. When you are in the area of Chattanooga, call and come see us. Plan on staying with us, if it fits your plans.

The pictures say everything.

This will be the last of my columns, so it is,

BYE, BYE, from GEORGE AND LUCILLE



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Note to Betsy Riggs, Treasurer, Clan Grant

(Clan Grant made a donation of \$250 to the Odom Genealogy Library which maintains genealogical records for Clan Grant and other Scottish Clans)

May 6, 1996

Dear Friends,

We appreciate your most generous contribution. It really does make a difference! Please pass on to all of your members our great appreciation and delight that Clan Grant is part of our library "family". It is always a treat when Grants come to visit.
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NOTES FROM SHIRLEY

FLOWERS-OF-THE-FOREST:

Mrs. Kathryn Cox White-Byar, while visiting at Grandfather Mountain Games informed us that her mother, Mrs. Kathryn Geneva Grant White recently died. She was a Charter member of the Society (1979) and corresponded with us regularly. She had a book entitled, "The History of the Grant Family" by Mrs. A. N. Grant and published in 1935 that she was proud to have. Her husband, William F. White, preceded her in death. We extend our sympathy to all of her family. We had lost track of her daughter Kathryn after she married, so it was nice to learn of her whereabouts and doings after all of these years! Both were enthusiastic supporters of Clan Grant!

Mr. Sydney Grant sent us a newspaper clipping concerning the death of Elliott Grant in Mississauga last April 24th. Readers of *An Dul* will recognize Elliott as one who wrote fine articles concerning the Grants in Canada and was currently working on an article about the Black Watch. He served with the Royal Canadian Artillery Regiment during World War II; belonged to the Masonic Lodge; sang tenor with the Belles and Beaus Senior's Choir of Etobicoke; and, of course, served as an active member of Clan Grant in Canada. His talents will be greatly missed.

Somehow we missed the sad news that Margaret Grant passed away. Her husband, Walter, is well remembered by the U.S. Grants for traveling on the bus with us and both he and Margaret leading us in a rousing Scottish Song Fest as we returned to Grantown late one night! They had been married over 50 years. Walter's loss is also Clan Grant's--our sincere sympathy to him and his family.

Syd, our retired Canadian Convener, and his wife, Eileen, plan to spend a few days with Walter in Aberdeen. This man deserves our thanks, for he managed to keep Duthil Kirk from further deterioration by supplying the necessary materials and labor from his construction company when the building was on the verge of ruin!

Mr. Thomas F. Gallagher, Jr., died Monday, May 20, 1996. Born in Auburn, NY, he was the son of the late Thomas and Martha Grant Gallagher. He, and his son, Grant, joined Clan Grant some years ago and always expressed an interest in our activities.

He served 42 years as a law-enforcement chief executive, serving the New York State Police for 20 years, founded and taught in the Criminal Justice Department at Valley Forge Military College in Wayne, Pa., serving as Chief Detective in the Delaware County District Attorney's

office. Also, he spent one year with the State Bureau of criminal investigation and then was assigned to Lyon, France with Interpol. Most recently he was Director of Law Enforcement Liaison with the Fairfax Group, Ltd., in Falls Church, Virginia.

The Valley Forge Military Academy and College acknowledged a donation to the College's Criminal Justice program in Mr. Gallagher's memory. A personal "thank you" note from his wife, Laurence T. Gallagher, in France, goes to the membership.

Delbert L. Grant, a former welder for General Electric, passed away at the age of 90 years. His wife, Mildred Rivers Grant preceded him in death in 1956. Seven children survive: Wilbur, Leo and Richard, sons; and Ellen Bell, Carol Grant, Sharon Wine, and Sandy Covert, daughters; as well as several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Last issue we promised to print an article on Mark MacElroy's father, William Henry MacElroy, who died awhile back. (We did not have any background information at that time). "Bill" was born in Cohoes, NY, May 31, 1923, the son of William H. and Evelyn B. MacElroy, and died January 22, 1996 in Durham, North Carolina.

He served in WWII in the 2nd Signal Service and helped crack the code used by the Japanese which ended the war. He taught music for 13 years in Clifton Park, NY and is credited with the Shenendehowa Central School's first Marching Band and Mother's Club! He played trumpet, saxophone and keyboard and enjoyed being in dance bands and traveling! He obtained a Master's Degree in School Administration in 1956 and served as a Guidance Counselor for 15 years and in Admissions for five years. He enjoyed being a Ham Radio Operator and actively researched his genealogy, finding over 250 relatives!

Survivors include his wife, Elta Carlstrom and three children, William H., Mark T., and Dawn E.

REMEMBER THESE: Christine Grant ("Aunt Teed") is now in a home being cared for by loving hands. Ernestine, her sister, is taking care of her home and mail. She would love to receive cards from those who know her (or even from those who don't!). Her address is: Mrs. E. Christine Grant, 400 S. Ridge Avenue, Rockwood, TN 37854.

John Lewis, husband of Ernestine, is not in the best of health, either. He is doing as well as can be expected but we hope that Ernestine's health holds up while taking care of both John and Christine!

A note from Jenny Miller (FL) says that she has been diagnosed with a brain tumor and it is growing. She is currently undergoing radiation treatments and feels that God has been good to her--she experiences two major miracles a day after each treatment, when she can still talk and walk! She sends her best to all the Grants! If you would like to send her a card of encouragement, her address is: Mrs. Jenora W. Miller, 517 Royal Palm Ave., Clewiston, FL 33440.

And let's not forget that our Commissioner in California, Gene Grant, is having a rough time healthwise. Jule writes that he's had two more heart attacks, one last October and one this last January. The Doctor inserted a "stent", described as a "tomatoe cage"! It is designed to hold open the main left heart artery. Gene also has a pacemaker and is taking classes to control diabetes. Jule comments, "We are eating low fat, no taste diet, and hoping for the best! Boy, it is dull!"

Gene's Dad is having his share of health problems, too. One of our Life members, he celebrated eighty-three years in April and then underwent surgery for cancer. We wish both Genes better health in the coming days.

Having missed seeing our Associate Member, Col. Henry Dagenais, U.S.A., Ret., at the Delco games,, we understand he wasn't "up to par"--so hope he's doing better now! An earlier note from him states that he and Ann made it to Scotland last Fall, spending 18 days there--and was it great!

AND ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: We are sorry more of you couldn't attend the "Farewell to Arms" or rather, "To George and Lucille!" We had a number of new visitors and members as well as the "old guard" in attendance! The evening was cool enough to enjoy the outdoors and the Matthews' large deck! We even decided to have the "program" outside, too! Members enjoyed a buffet dinner, climaxed with a beautifully decorated cake.

The ceremony began with the presentation of a Life Membership to our former Treasurer, John Grant for his 18 years of service to the Society.

A replica of Castle Grant "for old times sake" started the reminiscing of things done together over the years! The program went much longer than expected--it is amazing how many stories George provides us over the years! (We apologize to those who had other functions to attend that evening--they finally left but had to be quite late to their next event!).

Special golf clubs from Clan

Grant members to George and Lucille made an immediate hit as they began planning the future right then! These clubs are supposed to hit at least 100 yards farther than any others! (We wait to hear the results!)

Ed Grant presented a replica of the plaque that is to be located in Duthil Kirk in their honor. (The authentic cast bronze plaque is now on its way to Scotland and will be installed at a future date!). We will publish a photo of the plaque in the next issue of the newsletter.

If we missed any members who want to donate to their gift, please feel free to send it to the Secretary--mark the check or money order, "gift". Surplus money, after installation costs, will be donated to Duthil Kirk in George and Lucille's name, so it is not too late to add your name to the list of donors. Thanks to all who did donate--your generosity enabled us to give them a lovely remembrance.

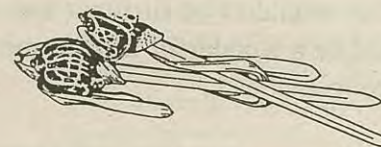
NEW LIFERS: Alexander T. Grant, father of Herb Grant in Massachusetts, writes to thank us for his Life membership in Clan Grant. He resides in Arizona, is ninety-one years old and has not yet reached the point where he is not able to read or write! "At least," he says, "not yet!" He signs off, "This is awful--I haven't tried to write in years!"

(He not only wrote legibly and well, but we are honored to have a letter from him in his own hand! Think we will frame it!) Thank you, Mr. Grant! May you and your wife enjoy good health for a long time to come!

Congratulations to Mr. Eugene Grant, Sr., in Barstow, CA! He just received his Life Membership--but as usual, a little bit late! He's eighty-three this year so we are only 3 years late! A dues-paying member since 1986, he is the father of our Regional Commissioner, Gene Grant.

A thank-you note from Mrs. Elizabeth Suttie expressing her appreciation for her Life membership! She is 92 years old--and loves reading news of Scotland! It's been six years since she visited Scotland--and doubts she will be seeing it again at her age! She is the mother of Lizabeth Suttie Cartwright in TN and of William M. Suttie, in Troy, MI.

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GENEALOGICAL CORNER

Have any of our members been successful in tracing their Grant ancestor back to the American Revolution and been able to satisfy D.A.R. and S.A.R. requirements? If so, I would be most interested in hearing about your research.

Meline M. Zupon submitted her genealogy going back to a John Grant who was transported in 1674 to Maryland (Kent Co.). He and his wife had five children, John, Richard, William, Mary and Martha. Anyone else working on this line?

Is anyone working on Robert William Grant/Catherine Martin of Cape Briton, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, Canada? Our member, John Murchison in Hawaii would like to hear from anyone from this line.

Gordon P. Grant of Chicago, IL sent me his pedigree chart tracing back to Matthew Grant, founder of Windsor, CT, in 1620, together with copies of family Bible records in MA, Ohio, MI and other states.

Some years ago, Donald Grant of Clarkston, GA sent me much information on Thomas Grant, b. 1786 in MD; married to Margaret Greer. If anyone would want copies of this information, let me know.

Is anyone doing research on the John More/Betty Taylor family who settled in mid New York State in the 1700's? If so, would like to hear from you.

Betty Ann Grant Denton has submitted her genealogy back to William J. Grant, c. 1825; m 20 July 1843 to Mary Ann McGee in Crawford Co., GA. Anyone else working on this?

David Grant in Merrimac, MA, has a new grandson, Grant Dyllan Crocker. He is tracing William Francis Grant, 1834-1883, b. Watertown, MA and d. in Protsmouth, NH 1883. David found an obituary with information on his William's widow, Nancy M. Grant. She was a dative of York, ME, and was survived by some grandchildren, (her son's Howard F. Grant's family) who were residents of Seattle. If any of our members feel there could be a connection, please contact me.

When you write to me, I am most interested in knowing what research you have done so far and where, i.e. Mormon Shurch Library records, census, historical societies, family notes, etc.

Please write to me at:

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VOLUNTEER GENEALOGISTS NEEDED!!!

I have file drawers full of information on Grants. What is needed is genealogical information on our Septs. I would appreciate if anyone researching the following names would contact me: Cairns, Pratt, Allan, McElroy, MacElroy, MacIlroy, McElheran, MacKerron and McNaughton. If they would do as I do--collect information on the above names and keep records of our members researching those lines, it would be most helpful. Over the years when I visit a genealogical repository, I copy everything on Grants that I can, but have not done so for the above names, as there usually is not enough time!!

This wouldn't be difficult and shouldn't take up too much time, but would be a wonderful help to me and our other clan members. Please write to me!!!

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NEW COUSINS WITH NEW NEWSLETTER DISCOVERED!

by: Steve Grant
Ozarks Commissioner

People in the TV news biz are often heard to remark, "you never know who's out there," when talking about the audience. One day, I got a letter from Jim Grant inviting me to his cousins' reunion in Grant Beach Park (what a location!) here in Springfield. Well, due to circumstances beyond our control (another favorite TV phrase) I missed that reunion, but found out this new found cousin publishes an informative newsletter. What's more, we're all (his family and mine) are related. Our most ancient known ancestor is John Grant, Sr. of North Carolina, whose descendants moved to eastern Tennessee then on to the Missouri Ozarks.

Through America-On-Line, Jim packed up some valuable details about Old John Grant's parents that the rest of us had been foggy about for quite a few decades. We now understand John Sr.'s father was Alexander Grant, born in 1755/64 in Virginia. He married Susanna Morris, born 1765/70. They were married in Rutherford County, NC. Alexander's father was William Grant, born about 1725 in Virginia, who married Mary Morris, also born about 1725. They settled in Bill's Creek, NC. (Helen, does that place still exist?)

Now, We Ozarks Grants want to know who was Alexander's father and was he from Scotland? That is our ongoing conundrum. Inquiring minds want to know!

Jim calls his Grant Family Newsletter the "Grape Jelly Society". The name came about because his daughter Crystal likes grape jelly, and they thought it was "a cool name".

To contact Jim about "Grape Jelly" jottings or his genealogy, you have several options:

Write:
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Jim's cousins and mine plan to hold next year's reunion together, at Grant Beach Park, of course. Who knows, we may start our own Highland Games. Like I said, you never know who's out there!

Best wishes and thanks to George and Lucille from the Grants in the Ozarks. They have been instrumental in getting us connected with Grants across the US and in the auld country.

I went to Scotland in search of

honorable ancestors (past and present) for the first time in 1986. The Laird of Rothiemurchus informed me that if I would come back the next day, I would rondevous with George and Company on tour. I thought I'd died and gone to heaven!

That evening, in trying to locate some accommodation at an Aviemore B&B, I knocked on the door and a burly Highlander opened it. Before I could enquire about a room he boomed out, "Are ye a Grant?"

"Well, yes," I replied, mildly startled. "Well," he declared in that soft burr. "ye luke like 'em!"

So, George, you did right when you picked out our enduring motto: "It's Great to be a Grant!"

By the way, if you want to look more like a Grant, a clansman has a kilt (36-38 waist) in the ancient colours, and a slate green day jacket (40-42 regular) in mint condition and made in Scotland, for \$100. That's a steal.

Contact me at :417-886-5868; fax 714-866-8987; or E-mail at www.ky3.com.

Pictures of the two cousins' reunions got hung up at the processors (won't use that place again) so look for them in a future issue of Craigellachie.

Note to Steve Grant

I found information on Bill's Creek! Although Bills Creek is no longer on the state maps, I found a small map that does have the area shown. I am putting a small map here and I am sending you a larger map along with a little additional information. Hope this helps.



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TRAVELING TO AND FRO: Michael Bongorz (FL) decided to go to Scotland on a walking tour rather than try to make Grandfather Mountain! "Sez it is less expensive! (Sounds like a good excuse!) He's ordered a second kilt and will pick it up while in Edinburgh. Plans include Grantown and the Castle, of course, and then they will make contact with the Graham Clan for Rose.

Syd (the retired Canadian Convener) and Eileen Grant celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary in June! Their plans called for them to leave for Scotland on August 28th and to return in September--but--Syd is recovering from a shoulder injury and Eileen is considering surgery on the second knee so the trip is postponed!. "Otherwise", Syd reports, "We are both doing well!"

We asked Syd about the possibilities of the Grants reviving the Society in Canada. He feels that it may be some time before this will happen. Requests to join the U.S. contingent will be honored until such time as the Canadians reorganize. We will not actively recruit members from Canada, but anyone interested is welcome to join us for the time being! We hope that comes soon as Canada plays an important role in the plans for a museum at Duthil.

Speaking of Duthil, the Grants in Scotland hope to increase their membership numbers by using a direct database marketing technique! They send out 5,000 letters at a time, asking their members to help fill the envelopes and attach mailing labels and then contribute the postage to mail the flyers out. They expect to recruit 2 or 3 new members for each member undertaking the project. Their target consists of 100 addresses per person. This method has been successful in the past and they are approaching their target membership of 500 members.

Ted and Myrl Thoren left for the British Isles in June. Their sons joined them in London and they drove up the east side of London to St. Andrews in Scotland, and then on to Grantown-on-Spey. (Notice that the town is officially hyphenated now--a decision made by the City Fathers!).

Jim Francis phoned from Toledo, OH upon his arrival home, having just toured Castle Grant! He and Kathryn met up with the Superintendent of the project and he took them through the entire castle! A German company is fixing it up for a conference center and it is really looking great. The exterior walls have been redone, flowers planted, and even the grounds spruced up! They toured "Barbara's Tower"; saw the Library--the main stairwell is fixed up and the

ceilings plastered! Although the organ was gone (and had been for some time), the gun racks are still there, as is the large kitchen. They, too, bought a Castle replica!

Jim also took time to say that his pipe band placed 1st in the St. Andrews-sponsored games in Detroit, Michigan. These games take place on the Edsel Ford grounds and it truly is a nice setting. (Note: the band has placed first 14 out of 15 times! Congratulations!)

Bernice Grant (GA) is now retired and busy traveling, but Switzerland, Austria and Germany highlight her itinerary

Present plans are to attend Stone Mountain Games to meet two new cousins! Our genealogist gave them Bernice's name and address and they made contact!

(Has anyone kept track of how many times a cousin has been found through Beryl? We can think of 3 or 4 offhand but there's been more than that!)

The MacIlroys, Alan and Mary (NC), left for Grant country, too! They left in May, spent all of June and part of July roaming around! A week in Aviemore, a week in Ballater, etc. (Whatta life!) They are celebrating 4 years of married life, having been married in Edinburgh Castle! Alan adds, "We will have to buzz over there, too, and pour champagne over the sacred rock in St. Margaret's Chapel garden!" (Champagne? Shouldn't it be whiskey?)

George & Maureen Grant, Poughkeepsie, NY celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary in June. Their daughter, Lorna, graduated from high school the same month! Hal and Beryl Grant attended the special occasions! Congratulations to all!

Capt. Donald S. Grant, in Greenbrae, CA mentions that he and his wife, Harriett, went to Scotland last year in a somewhat different style! They boarded a ship in London and sailed to Edinburgh, arriving two days later in Leith! While there they attended the 250th anniversary of Bonnie Prince Charlie trying to regain the throne as presented by the Tattoo!

The following day they left for Bergen, Norway for a two-day visit and then sailed to Invergordon, the port for Inverness! They visited Culloden and enjoyed standing on the battleground and visiting the grave stones of the various Clans.

Next they sailed to Dublin, Cork, Waterford and a tour of the famous Waterford crystal factory! Then back to London and the flight home! Donald felt the highlight of the trip, however, was the Tattoo!

Speaking of boats, yours truly found a great way to relax! May we suggest a 3-day boat trip down the Lancaster canal in N.W. England? There are even 6 locks to navigate on a side trip to the sea if you want a challenge! (We managed to leave one gate partially open due to weeds catching on the bottom of the gate so had to wait in town all morning while the canal refilled! The gatekeeper probably lost his job since they had drought conditions but he was so polite! He just asked if we'd had trouble with one gate?!!!)

Wildlife can be seen along the way, with meal stops in small villages and towns whenever one wishes to stop! Beware! You may also be attacked by two psychotic male swans who are not only upset by the boat's intrusion into their territory but vehemently attack the white life preservers hanging from the stern! (Reminds them of another swan?) These birds are not only large and powerful but a bit frightening when angry!

Anne Grant-Knapp, our country dancer par excellence (she tells her knees they really love it!) spent the Spring using up all of her vacation time! In February she went "Elderhosteling" to Arizona; and in March to Aruba to "lay in the sun and to cool off" (C'mon Anne, we know all about the snow you had and it wasn't gone by then!). In April she stayed 10 days in Florida with her son and family (over Easter) to celebrate their wedding anniversary and to watch Grandson Gavin, at the age of 4, star in a modeling fashion show! (Maybe Anne collapsed this summer (?) but in August she attended granddaughter Julie's wedding!)

Dan Grant made it to Scotland for his parent's 50th wedding anniversary! A great reunion with his brother and his children from South Africa resulted! They, too, took in "Grantland," including Glen Fiddich, Culloden, Loch Ness and then stayed in Fort Augustus at the Abbey. He notes that this is a "working Benedictine Abbey that recently started offering bed and breakfasts to raise capital. There is also a lovely 9-hole golf course next door at \$7.00 a round!" He and Gaynor left for England in August to attend her brother's wedding.

They are enjoying life in Pittsburgh--he is starting his own Internet company and Chief Chef Gaynor's Cooking School is doing well! Although Dan retired their New Jersey license plate (1 Grant) he now zooms around in his grey Jag. with DGGrant! (So keep your eyes open!)

And Hannah Brown, daughter of Nancy Brown (CT) visited Scotland on a school trip. Friends from Grantown came to Edinburgh to visit her and gave her a grand tour of the city! At last report, Hannah loved

Scotland so much she did not want to come home and thought her folks should drop everything and join her! (Sounds good to us!)

Last year, Lida Mae and Ray Potter (York, PA) had a very busy year, beginning with their wedding anniversary celebrated in Baltimore, followed by a funeral in Ohio in March (a niece killed in an auto accident by a drunken driver. She was a school teacher and beloved by all); April saw them in Richmond, VA; May proved to be "relatives" month and the summer saw Signe Raudlane of Estonia with them, their visiting counselor for that year.

This year they are doing something really unusual! They are not hosting an international camp counselor--unless, of course, there is an emergency and they are needed! Their Belfast family did stay 5 weeks with them and they enjoyed Sineard(5 1/2 years) and Paul Anthony (just over a year!)

Bill Grant (TN), son of George and Lucille, and his fiance, Melissa Lord, joined the family at Grandfather Mtn., along with sister Terrilyn and niece, Alison! Since returning from Russia, he has been commuting to Chicago's South Shore area. The wedding date is set for mid-October but they are not yet sure if Bill will be assigned a banking position in the U.S. or overseas!

Gwendolyn Acker, in Georgia, enjoyed a June wedding for her eldest grand-daughter, held in her home! She apologizes for the delay in renewing--but we understand, honest!

Mrs. L. E. Hansberger still flits back and forth between Pinellas Park, FL (winter) and Cuba, IL (summers). She attended the Sarasota, FL games in January!

(She sent a change of address card which shook me up--thought the schedule had changed but all is well!)

Alison Grant (Ricard) sends an address change, too, but "not to worry", it is only a 911 required change, not a move or a divorce--as some friends feared! She's busy playing "catch-up" at home while between jobs. This last assignment included writing up agricultural accidents but it ends in September. (No, that doesn't mean there will be no more accidents after that date!). Alison specializes in pharmaceutical writing.

The Don Grants in Delaware are staying home this year to take care of their house! (Sounds dull but one never knows!) They hope to resume their travels next year!

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DELCO GAMES

The day of the Delco games dawned bright and sunny! Perhaps too sunny, because by 11 a.m. when the tents went up, Shirley reacted to the heat and humidity in her usual fashion--dizziness and faint! Good friends, Bob and Dot Leslie, helped set up and got things organized! And our hard workers (and Commish) Allan and Eiko, helped "man" the tent. Without them things would have fallen apart!

We had 23 sign-ins--the most we have had for awhile! And most were new contacts! Joanna Mead is a John More member and John and Sarah Hall are MacElroys! Representing Grant lineage were John & Cheryl Grant, Honoria Grant Conley, the Art Kalemkarians, Bill Osler, Betty Denver, Nancy E. Sarver, Nancy Lowe, Sandi Fisher, Grant Ingalls, Lenora Hee, Dianne Sanders & Colleen Matthews.

Members included Paul Bunn, Donald Grant and Robert Grant, Mary Lou Donohue, Glenn and Ginger Grant and Helen Matthews. It was great seeing everyone once again.

Game time now begins at noon and goes through the evening hours, ending with a professional show at 7:30 p.m. The Game Coordinators hoped to miss some of the heat this way but it affected Allan and Phil and an older friend of theirs, Joann Rinkus, too! But the evening was cool and nice and those present did enjoy the program.



OMAHA CELTIC FEST '96

John Grant, High Plains Commissioner

The Scottish Society of Nebraska is one of the several organizations that sponsored the second annual Omaha Celtic festival. It was held on April 27th, at the Shrines Tangier Hall in downtown Omaha. Vendors with Scottish, Celtic and other ethnic goods, as well as several Clan Societies and other organizations were present to support the festival and make it a successful event. The visitors were few and far between with respect to Scottish ancestry. We were told that many Irish and German immigrants settled this area. Those of Celtic persuasion are just beginning to grasp the festival as a source of their heritage. The festival is hoping to join with the Des Moines, Iowa sponsors and participants. This will move the festival outdoors and across the river into Iowa. This may improve the festival as well as Clan Grant membership. We can only hope for a better year.

MEDIEVAL FAIR

NORMAN OKLAHOMA

John Grant, High Plains Commissioner

April 12th through 14th were the dates for the 20th Annual Medieval Fair held at the University of Oklahoma's Brandt Park Duck Pond on East Lindsay Street in the city of Norman. The Medieval Fair is a free "LIVING HISTORY" and Arts and Crafts Fair that attracts visitors from Oklahoma as well as from all over the US. The attendance in 1995 was well over 100,000 people. The crowds were equally enormous in 1996.

For the second year, the United Scottish Clans of Oklahoma were asked to participate. Since Clan Grant has participated in the Tulsa Games, we were notified of the event. It being our first visit, we did not know what to expect. It was beyond expectations.

There were over 200 booths of various arts and crafts and 15 Scottish Societies present participating. There was Jousting tournaments, a human chess tournament, fencing, combat demonstrations, lace-making, blacksmithing, courtly dancing, art and science demonstrations, and more. In addition there was the traditional caber and sheaf toss, stone put, haggis toss and border collie demonstrations in the Scottish compound.

Students from more than sixty Oklahoma schools attended on Friday. Saturday and Sunday equally busy. For the first time, we had people standing in line to view a map of Scotland, or have a look into one of the many references provided on Scottish history. It was a busy time. Everyone asked of we had seen "Rob Roy" and "Braveheart". Apparently these movies stirred the Scottish blood. (We have since seen the movies.) It was a merry time with dancing and music throughout the festival. The Scots were admonished by the Medieval goers for looking too modern in dress, but invited us back next year. And we plan to be there!



EDINBORO GAMES

Eric and Nancy and family went to the games at Edinboro. The day was cold and they did not have an overflow crowd for the games! Eric notes, "The ceilidh was O.K. but held in a room with tables placed in an adjoining hall. The dance floor was about six by eight so most people gathered at the bar. We had good representation of the Burns Club from Erie and maybe picked up a few new members. Don't know if we will go again."



KENTUCKY SCOTTISH WEEKEND

C.G. MacDonald

This 14th year was a repeat of last year's "Scottish Mist", especially Saturday morning. Otherwise it went quite well. Wee Scots Day was held Friday with some 600 area school children present to see Scottish dancing, crafts, to hear Scottish history and music and to generally get acquainted with the athletic events.

For the month prior to the May 10, 11, 12 events, it was nearly the wettest on record. The area was moved to places where there was more blacktop with the tents placed accordingly. It was mainly the athletes and the bands that needed raincoats and boots. The Scottish Dancing, Country Dancing, Alex Beaton's music and the Seminars were held as planned.

All the Clans were put under one big tent, which was fine, but it turned out to be a "quagmire" underfoot. Fortunately, on Sunday a dryer spot was found and the situation was improved.

We had our annual visit by Clan Grant friends Clyde and Linda West who come each year from Centralia, IL. We found they have a small local group of pipers who gather at their place for sessions, and Linda has taken over the drumming rhythms for the others.

Sunday went very well with the Kirking of the Tartans and the Parade. A Celtic Cross Memorial had been erected in memory of the teacher and students who died at the Dunblane massacre. Their names were included in the list of those who departed this life.

With the vendors all under tents, they had lots of company. We are all hoping for fairer skies next time.



Note: Grandfather Mtn

C.G. MacDonald

GMHG is a time to renew old friendships. Each year we look up a friend who is a drummer with the Grandfather Mountain Pipe Band. When found, we discovered that she had married and her husband plays pipes for the band. They have a three year old son and last year had twin girls. Her name is now Broadbart (I think).

Her grandfather, Max Parker, a Kingston textile manufacturer, had a summer place at Grandfather. For many years he would appear each Sunday at the Games, correctly dressed in Clan Grant Rig, would join the Parade of Tartans and then disappear till the next year. Sadly we were told that he and his wife died a few months apart in 1991.

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George and Lucille check out golf clubs.

Bill Grant (son of George and Lucille) lead Grants in parade.





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McHenry Highland Games

by Allan F. Grant

On 1 June, as we do each year, we traveled to western Maryland for the McHenry Highland Games. These are our favorite games. We don't get a lot of new members there but it is such a beautiful setting that we just enjoy it thoroughly.

There are a number of Grants in that area, but I think the majority of them are Clan members. The Dagenais were there to help us at the tent and Steve Grant showed up with his bride to be, Edie Bussey. Edie is a medical doctor and a Captain in the Army, so you see she will fit right in with the Grants because like the rest of us she is smart and good looking. Edie was our entrant in the haggis throw and while she didn't win she made an excellent showing. Steve entered the bonnie knee contest and was judged to have the most romantic knees. I'm not sure what that meant and I was afraid to ask.

It was a beautiful day in western Maryland and unlike past years we weren't rained on or blown away. We did have a good crowd out and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.

To finish off the day we attended the evening Ceilidh, all in all just a real nice time. Come out and visit with us sometime.

Fairhill Highland Games

by Allan F. Grant

The 18th of May was our first highland games of the year. The event was held at Fairhill, MD. When we arrived at Fairhill, it wasn't. In fact, arriving early in the morning, there was so much fog you couldn't see the surrounding area. In addition it was quite chilly, good Scottish weather. Nothing daunted us. We set up the clan tent and waited for the rush, and there was a rush.

We were busy all day and had 15 Grant family members sign our guest book. The Cairns were out in force, fathers, sons, brothers, sisters and cousins. Anyway a number of our guests expressed an interest in becoming clan members, but were unable to do so immediately because of a lack of funds, etc. Hope Shirley, our great secretary, is able to catch some of them.

Sherry and Frank Springer, longtime Clan Grant members stopped by and we had a nice visit with them. There was a lot of people trying to check out their heritage who came to our tent and with the aid of Phil Smith's book Tartan For Me, we were able to start them on the right track.

We finally came to an agreement with the folks that run the Fairhill games, the Grant banner will fly at their games.

Clan Grant was selected for the Honor of the Clachan for the 1997 games. This means we will have the place of honor.

We enjoyed the day at the Fairhill games.

Great Grants march at Grandfather Mtn.

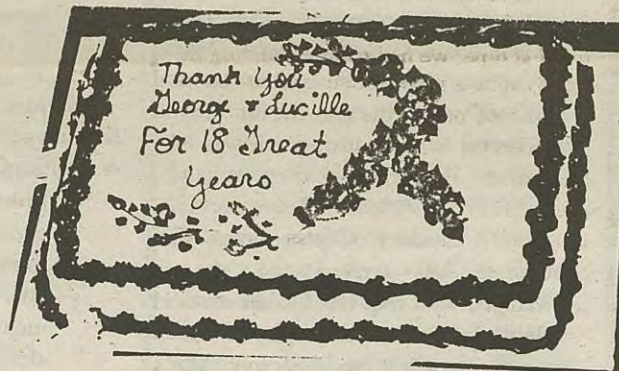
Grandfather Mountain Highland Games

Once again the Clans gathered on the meadow for the fun and fellowship that is present whenever Scots meet. There was the usual pipe bands, drums, dancers and athletic events. The vendors seemed to do well also. Clan Grant tent was busy both days with many friends dropping by to say hello as well as folks looking for family ties. We did get a couple of new members. The table was manned by George and Lucille Grant, Shirley Smith, the Matthews, and others. Bill Grant (son of George and Lucille) and his fiance were also there. George and Lucille also had their granddaughter with them.

The evening was spent at the Matthews beautiful home. They are wonderful hosts.

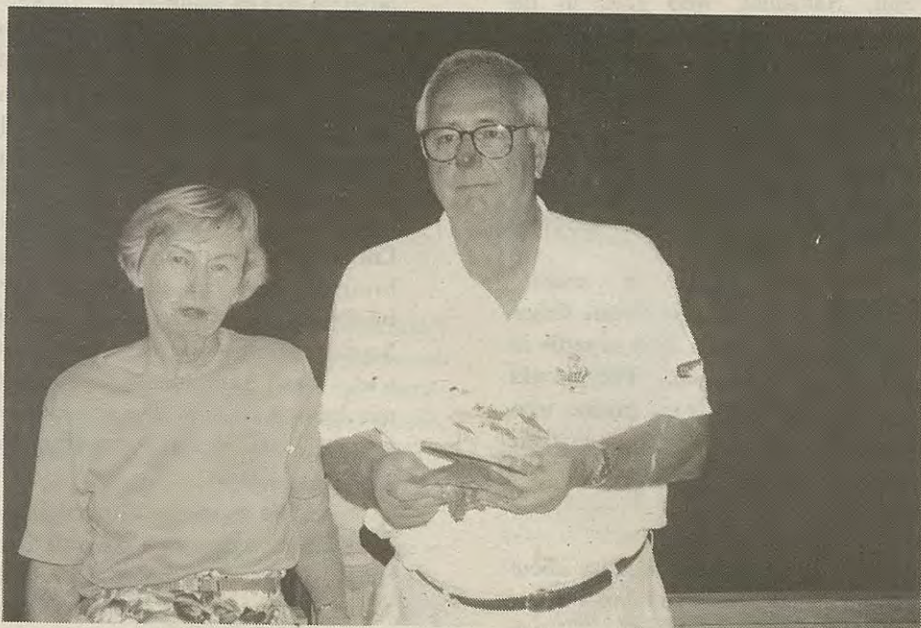
After a wonderful buffet, the Clan gathered on the back patio for the thank you reception for George and Lucille who are retiring after 18 years of service. I think we were able to surprise them at least they did act surprised. The golf clubs were easy pleasers. They were also presented with a replica of the plaque that will be placed at Duthel and a replica of Castle Grant. As part of the program, stories that involved our beloved leaders were told. I just wish I had brought a tape recorder along. They were great.

On Sunday, Clan Grant was nicely represented at the parade. Bill Grant led the contingent. As on Saturday, many friends came to the tent to say hello and to wish George and Lucille a happy retirement. Needless to say that sentiment goes ten times more from us.



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George and Lucille - mixed emotions



Notes-from page 5

Here's a tale to tell you how hard we all work to foul things up for our members! Eleanor Patrick (IN) wrote to let us know that she had paid both her dues and her magazine subscriptions in March, when due! But, she had just received, in May, a notice that they had not been paid.

Her letter arrived while we were in Scotland so it took three weeks before it was opened & read but not yet answered! In the meantime, a letter came from Anne Grant-Knapp saying that she had found Eleanor's membership check caught up with her magazine payment, so was forwarding it to me. I wrote Eleanor a "not to worry" letter; that all was well, just slow! Meanwhile she wrote another saying that her purse had been stolen and she could not remember if she had ever received her membership card--could I send her another? You guessed it! The letters crossed in the mail!

So eventually, she received the first card--the second one wasn't needed--and everything was solved! (We hope!). It only took us 3 months!

So, the moral of this story is. . .if at first you don't succeed, try, try, try again! Just like the Tortoise, eventually we will get there!

POT POURRI: Marianna Hancin, our Games-Follow-Upper explains why we missed seeing each other at the Arizona Games in Phoenix! (At least it wasn't a desert mirage--she really had been seen earlier!) She had her puppy, "Butterscotch" with her and the breeder wanted the dog to compete! Although it took up most of the day and Butterscotch did not get the "Best of Show" award, she walked away with two first place ribbons!

James Hugh Grant, Atlanta, GA, joined earlier this year and even made it to the Grandfather Mountain games! Great to have him there--and welcome!

Greetings from: Robert M. Ford, III (MS); the Robert Cairns (CA); the Frederic Grants (GA); Albert Sluus (FL) who needed an application for his granddaughter; Dr. & Mrs. Parke (GA); the G. Brad Grants (moving from Denton, TX to Aurora, CO); the Alan K. Grants (changing from Roheart Park to Jamul, CA); and Bill & Patricia Grant's (FL) daughter, Lynn, moving to Los Angeles to seek work in the film industry.

Don Grant (San Ramon, CA) advised us of his new E-Mail address--but E-Mail does not show a person's address! Problem: Do you know how many Don Grants we have? Asking him to be specific, he wrote back, "We as individuals tend to think of ourselves as unique! Oh, well, I am: Donald E. Grant. . ." etc. Details gratefully accepted.

Barbara Grant, wife of John G. Grant, former Co-Convener, says she travels a lot with friends, plays bridge and still is on several boards so keeps busy!

Our "Oklahoma CowBelle", Jane Todd, mentions how dry it has been in Oklahoma this year but that their ranch is doing well in spite of the drought--plenty of grass and water and the cattle are fat--but the market is poor! (Let's hope they've had rain since she wrote--will be glad to share some of PA's!).

Rod and Mary Grant (MD) are still trying to keep up with their three girls! Softball kept them busy last Spring and they are starting soccer this Fall! Catherine, Meggan and Judith are taking piano lessons. Mary keeps busy with P.T.A., assisting teachers and managing Sunday School! Rod begins his last Navy assignment in July! Although he's not sure what he'll do for his "next" career, he knows retirement does not come until after the girls finish college!

Mark Barber notes that there was no Clan Grant booth at the Kansas City Highland Games--so he couldn't show off his new kilt! (See how disappointed people are? They really do look for us!). Tell you what, Mark, let us know when the games are and we'll set you up so everyone knows you are there!

Candace Coates notes that summer has arrived and she is swamped with requests for her musical talent! She not only played for a fashion show but modeled, too! She's performing at a Renaissance event in Woodstock, NY as well as playing for Sunday Brunches at a restaurant in Connecticut. This is in addition to weddings, etc. that usually take up her time!

One of her eleven-member group, Cynthia, a violinist, recently accepted a music scholarship playing with the Philadelphia Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra, and will be traveling with them to the Saratoga Springs Performing Arts Center this summer! Cynthia is just 14 years old!

Our nursing student in Johnston City, Carol Sanders, is proudly maintaining a B average--not bad for someone out of school for over 18 years! She hopes to graduate as an R.N. in May of '97! and studied microbiology this summer. State Boards are coming up next!

Carol's needlework's been laid aside for studies right now but she is trying to find time to make something special for her parent's 50th wedding anniversary in February. She promises to send a picture upon completion--so we look forward to seeing it!

Glad to receive a note from Donald Lawrence for Pat Chiochiej stating that she is doing just fine for her age! Don and his brother have been her "family" for all these years!

George McElroy, a member for 10 years, retired in 1985 after spending the last 20 of those working years as a High School Principal! He still works part-time with Long Island University as an Administrator for the Gifted and Talented program!

He and his wife, Lynne, have five children of their own, three living on Long Island, one in Massachusetts and one in Texas! Altogether they have 11 grandchildren and one great-grandson!

Enclosed with a long, handwritten letter from Jim Grant, in Springfield, Oregon, were pictures of he and Suzy and their three children, Nathaniel, and the twins, Eryne and Lauren! The twins are nearly two years out, so the picture is a little out of date--but we are glad to have it, just knowing the work to be done with three wee bairns!

Jim teaches History and English at the High School and states that they are developing a Celtic Club Web page on the "Net". If you wish to contact him, his email handle is: jgrant@mailhub.bethel.k12.or.us.

Their Burns dinner, held at Willamette High School in Eugene, proved to be very successful for a first venture! They had music and dance performances along with the presentation and sampling of Haggis given out to those interested! Vendors lining the foyer added to the atmosphere! Local Grants attended, including Wayne and Karen Grant along with others from Lane and Coos Counties.

Jim and Suzy helped their Scotch-Irish "cousins" celebrate St. Patrick's Day dinner at Eugene's annual St. Paul's School's festivities. Son, Nathaniel, who goes to the elementary school there, has a Scotch-Irish Grant classmate and her many Grant relatives attended, so it was a fun experience! Several Irish families and clans informed them that the "forces of O'Neill" would be at next year's Burns celebration concert next year--and plans are already underway!

The family is seeking information on a James Orente Grant who left Michigan in 1859 to settle in Coos County, Oregon. They would appreciate hearing from anyone who might be able to help them in their search.

Everett Grant worries about making the newsletter so often--but our voluminous correspondent (not by size but in writing amount--thought that should be cleared up or he may never speak or write to us again) leads an interesting life and always sends articles of interest, such as the itinerary of the Prince of Wales as he came to visit New Brunswick (last April) and the

Highland Games (July) which had 4,000 participants and spectators along with a dozen bands totalling 250 pipers and drummers! (And somehow it is reassuring to know that it rains on Canadian games, too, as one article states!)

On May 11th, Everett drove over 2,000 miles to his nephew's wedding in Ontario! He visited friends along the way in New York, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Maine! "The wedding was lovely but the weather rotten," he states. "Cold, rain, wind, thunder and lightning, and even snow in some places!"

This summer he's been staining fences and cleaning up his rental property because it is too wet for lawn bowling!

A new and second grandson for Nancy and Eric More! He arrived April 12th and is named Taylor More after the original More couple who came from Scotland in 1771 and settled in upstate New York. (John More's wife's name was Betty Taylor). Eric notes that the More family now has over 11,000 members; 7,000 direct descendants!

Mom, Pop and brother Josef are doing well and all are moving to Columbus, Ohio, while Ed attends the graduate program at Ohio State in Computer Science.

Speaking of grandchildren--and we were, weren't we?--Bob Grant (ME) is the proud Great-Grandfather of Samuel Grant Becker, and Grandson of Peter and Sandra Grant, members in Hernando, Florida. His parents are Timothy and Jennifer Grant Becker in Gretna, Louisiana. Samuel arrived on Easter Sunday, April 7, 1996! Great-Grandpa Grant is pleased that the Grant name is continued in the family lineage! Congratulations to all!

An interesting article by Peggy Murcheson in the Hawaiian Games' program booklet explains the "Hawaii--Scottish Connection". At one time the Hamakua Coast boasted so many Scots living and working there that it became known as the "Scotch Coast!" Early navigators visited the area, including Capts. Alexander Adams and James Cook. The sister of Queen Lillioukalani married a Scotsman, thus bringing the Scots into the royal lineage. The plantations encouraged Scottish immigrants to go into many trades and professions, especially management skills but also horticulture, farming, engineering, accounting, and landscape design!

We appreciate Commissioner Bob Grant sending us a program from these Games. He notes that eleven Clans are represented at these games--and growing!

Although he felt disappointed with the turn-out at the Grant tent as far as new members were concerned, current members made a great showing of support for the Clan!

Notes-from page 8

As you can see, we've had a lot of mail stack up lately. We really appreciate all of your newsy letters and I personally apologize for not answering each and every one! I try but sometimes with deadlines and traveling and household duties I just get too far behind! But, if your name is in this column, you know that I did receive your letter and this is one way to acknowledge it! Many thanks to each and every one.

GENEALOGY TIDBITS: Edna Moffat, a new Canadian member, says that her Mother's family knew very little about their family origins but she understood that they came from a croft in Strathspey. They were neighbors of the MacPhersons, who came from Grantown-on-Spey. James Grant married twice, "And I (Edna) suspect his half brother, Alex Grant was younger than my Great-Grandfather, Peter Grant." Peter arrived in Hamilton, Ontario in 1852 (sailing from Inverness) and likely walked to Culross, Bruce County in the fall. He erected a lean-to shanty, and started chopping down those big hardwood trees! He located his shanty on a rise above the Teeswater River. He worked in Hamilton the summer of 1853 and returned to Culross in the autumn. In September, 1853 he walked to the big land sale in Southampton, Ontario, where he laid claim to three lots of 100 acres each: Concession X., Lots 21, 22 and 23.

Item of Interest: We note that Robert H. Grant (ME) is related to Peter Grant (son) in FL; and to David W. Grant (MA) and Col. Joseph Grant (MN). Col. Joseph Grant has a son, Donald C. Grant. Can anyone else top this for members in Clan Grant?

Somehow, errors creep into newsletters--and though mentioned in the last newsletter, perhaps we should be more specific in the corrections!.

Everett Grant states that his father married Nellie Farrell in 1929, but in actuality he married Millie Pearl Stiles (Styles) on September 4, 1929! His Grand- father married Nellie Farrell probably around 1890!

David W. Grant (Merrimac, MA) points out that Claudius Buchanan Grant is a descendant of one James Grant, the Drummer of York, Maine, not a descendant of James Grant of Berwick, Maine! We appreciate having both of these corrections!

Apart from this correction, David mentions some "Chicago Grants, Joshua, Eugene and Edward, and that he had actually talked to a living descendant, the great- granddaughter of Eugene (1855-1915). She lives at the same address as Eugene did and she gave him some information! (Sounds intriguing--keep us posted!).

LAST BUT NOT LEAST DEPT.:

David Grant Hack of Cedar Rapids, IA writes, "While shopping at the Museum Store in the Mall of American, I came across a couple of pocket watches made by the Grants of Dalvey. The clerks were not real helpful or full of information. The watches supposedly are hand crafted in Scotland. I wondered if you knew of the Grants of Dalvey or know who I might contact to find out more. The watches were beautifully crafted and it's exciting to think of members of the clan doing such work. Thanks for your help."

Yes, David, there is a Grants of Dalvey!

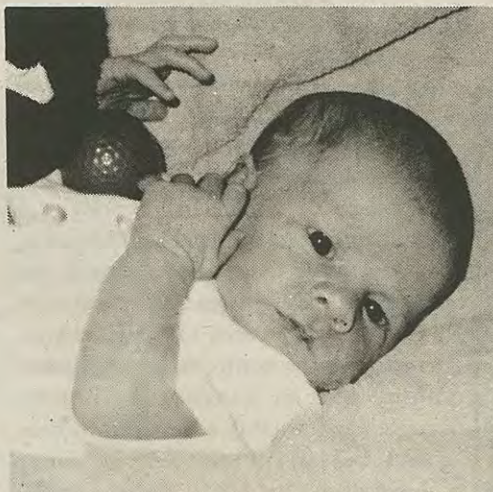
Sir Patrick and Lady Grant are owners and directors of this family-owned factory in the Highlands of Scotland whose merchandise is sold throughout the world.

Inspired by Victorian and Edwardian originals, each piece is unique and designed by in-house artisans; the production and processing layout planned by engineers. There are stamping and automatic soldering machines; an area assigned for the hand-polishing work accomplished by local craftsmen, and of course, a packing and shipping area.

The items are made of high quality stainless steel and then hand-finished to a high polish, each one having a solid brass plate for customizing logos, initials, etc. and each carrying a 12 month guarantee against defects.

Designed for distinctive gift-giving, the range of products is continually being updated. Currently available are voyager (travel) clocks, business and credit cards cases, notebook cases, telescopic cups, sporran flasks, briefcase tags, and compass key rings.

So you see, there really is a Grants of Dalvey--and we are forwarding your letter to them--we know they will be pleased!



Ryan Matthew Berg born June 1, 1996, weighing in at 6 lbs 6 oz and 19 1/2! He joins sister, Tessa, and parents, Jeff and Susan Berg. Their home is Carmichael, CA. Grandparents, Commissioner Edward and Susi Grant flew from Minnesota for the big event!

Herbert L. Grant

submitted by: Steve Grant, Ozarks Commissioner

Herbert L. Grant was born in Dundee, Scotland in 1928. He studied at the University of Toronto after graduation in 1945 from Central Technical School where he majored in Analytical Chemistry. He states, "I studied many years in night school at U of T, but couldn't decide between Chemical Engineering, Microbiology and Anthropology, so I took some of each, but never earning a degree in any of them."

Mr. Grant began his brewing career in 1945 at Canadian Breweries Ltd. (now Carling), serving as Analyst, Microbiologist, Pilot Plant Operator, and Research Chemist. In 1960, he was hired by Stroh Brewing as Development Chemist. In 1966, he began work as an independent Brewing consultant on a world-wide basis. What began as a consulting job for S.S. Steiner hops in 1967 developed into the full time job as Technical Director until 1987. During the years 1967-1972, he also served as Development Director for Hops Extract Corp. of America and in 1981, while still Technical Director for Steiners, he founded Yakima Brewing Company, began developing the "Grant's" line of brews, and founded the first modern American brewpub, Grant's Brewery Pub. He served as President and Brewmaster of Yakima Brewing from 1982 to 1992 when he began serving as Chairman of the Board and Brewmaster. In 1987, Bert resigned his job of Technical Director for S.S. Steiner, but remains a Technical Consultant to this company.

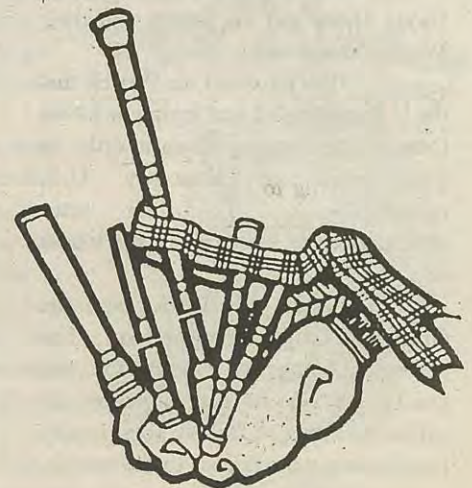
Mr Grant is a member of the American Society of Brewing Chemists, the American Chemical Society, the Master Brewers Association of the Americas, the Chemical Institute of Canada, the Canadian Society of Microbiologists, the Institute of Brewing, a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the Sierra Club, and many others. He has presented papers and lectures to the MBAA, ASBC, European Brewing Congress, and the ACS on beer stability, microbiology, continuous brewing, pilot brewery operation and design, analysis of wort, malt, and beer, and hops analysis and processing. He holds patents on brewing, hop processing, and hop utilization.

Mr. Grant is active in Yakima community affairs. He is an artist and sculptor and spends his free time in these activities as well as in traveling the world, educating its citizens on the beverage beer. He is married to now President/CEO of his company, Sherry and has 5 children who live across Canada and "all science graduates and all probably making more money than old dad!"

Bert Grant celebrated his 50th anniversary in brewing in 1995.

NOTE: Those interested in purchasing a shirt, contact the following for details:

Yakima Brewing & Malting Co., Inc.
P. O. Box 9158
Yakima, WA 98909-0158



THE DRUMMOND TARTAN

A recent inquiry regarding the differences between the Drummond tartan and the Grant tartan might interest others:

James Scarlett in *Tartan: The Highland Textile* writes (p. 89) that the Drummond contingent who attended the visit of King George IV to Scotland in 1822 wore both the "Grant" and "Robertson" tartans. The "Grant" sett (pattern) that the Drummonds wore at that time was about half the size now worn by the Grants and did not have the azure stripe.

R. R. McLan illustrated his "Drummond" figure dressed in the "Grant" tartan in *The Clans of the Scottish Highlands* published in parts from 1845-47. However, the co-author, James Logan, complained in the text that the "Grant" tartan had been adopted by the Drummonds.

This confusion continues to this day but not on the part of the Grants. We know what our tartan is--it is the Drummonds who are confused.

The correct pattern for the Drummonds is that known as the "Drummond of Perth." It is a red tartan but with no narrow stripes on the red ground. With a narrow white stripe on light blue, flanked by broad green stripes themselves in turn bordered by narrow light blue, black and yellow, the "Drummond of Perth" is quite distinctive.

Did you note the beautiful gardens in the film, "Rob Roy?" These are at Drummond Castle (Stobhall) near Crieff and are open to the public.

P.S. DAVID GRANT SAGA CONTINUES!

Phil and Shirley had a real surprise when they visited Scotland and met with Sir Patrick Grant of Dalvey one evening! While discussing many weighty matters (ahem!) the subject of David Grant and his family and their World Odyssey came up!

They informed Sir Patrick that the U.S. contingent was trying to locate them as they journey along in order to give them an Honorary U.S. membership. To their utter amazement, he knew about the whole affair!

In fact, Sir Patrick and the Grants of Dalvey sponsor him! The agreement being that in return for cash grants, the side of the wagon would exhibit a Grants of Dalvey sign, loudly proclaiming the business to the world!

Small world! By the way, has anyone seen the sign on the wagon? Has anyone seen the family recently? Let us know, post haste!

Miscellaneous Notes and Stuff

GAMES AND THINGS

Warren Andrews sends us information on the games in Colorado which may interest those members living in the area:

The Pike's Peak Games are the third weekend in July at Colorado Springs. This is a small, free game which took place in Eaglewood. The games formerly held in Golden now meet in Highlands Ranch, southeast of Denver in Douglas County. They are scheduled for the second weekend in August each year.

Warren notes that the Vail Games last year were good except for one thing! The Treasurer ran off with all the money so they may not have them again!

Estes Park, or Longs Peak Highland Games are set for the weekend after LaborDay each year. (See following article)*

He understands that Grand Junction may have games in the latter part of September

Thanks for the listing--we hope we'll soon have Grants represented at most of these events! Let us know if you can help!

Although it arrived too late for the newsletter to let members know in advance this year, the St. Andrews Society of Detroit hosts games in the Michigan area on the grounds of the Edsel Ford estate. In addition to the usual events, there are Broad-sword Dancing competitions; children's events; and Scottish arts and entertainment.

Contact the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit, Mr. Fred Dunbar Wessells, 18793 Kenosha, Harper Woods, MI 48225-2127 or call the information line (313) 832-1849.



Jim and Suzy Grant holding the twins, Eryna and Lauren with brother Nathaniel standing next to Mom. Red suspenders, ties and the red Grant Tartan makes for a very nice picture. The live in Springfield, OR.

In the mood for Gaelic music and culture? The Gaelic Mod Musical Association of Vancouver, British Columbia in Canada announces the Mod dates for 1997 on May 7, 8, 9 and 10. Competitive events take place on Thursday and Friday evenings and all day Saturday.

On Wednesday evening the "Highland Brew" concert features guests artists from Scotland as well as local artists. Two excellent Scottish choirs are making plans to attend Mod Vancouver '97: The West side Choir from Lewis and The Stirling Gaelic Choir.

In addition to the Mod festival itself, language, singing, psalm presenting, harp, fiddle, bodhran drum and tin-whistle workshops are very much part of the fringe activities. You may write for a Mod syllabus and quarterly newsletter if interested: Gaelic Mod Association, c/o Scottish Cultural Centre, 8886 Hudson Street, Vancouver, B.C., Canada V6P 4N2.

The Canadian Association for Scottish Studies is launching a program, the first course being "The Scots Emigrant Experience." The course leader is Scott A. McLean and written in a long distance Home Study format. It has written and audio notes and presentations. The course membership is for four months from the initial registration date.

This course deals with the various phases of emigration including the voyage across the sea. The role of the military, specifically the Highland Regiments and the impact of the Scots on the regions in which they settled.

There is a fee for the course. Further information and/or registration forms may be obtained from Mr. Archie McKay, IES Education Services, Inc., 127 Fairlawn Avenue, Toronto, Canada. M5M 1S9



An organization, called Trees for Life, is accepting membership and donations for the regeneration of the Caledonian Forest in the Highlands of Scotland. Originally covering 1.5 million hectares of land but reduced to 1% of that today, this group began work in 1989 in Glen Affric to restore the forest to an area 1500 square kilometres in the north-central Highlands. They plan to introduce the missing species of wildlife (wolf, brown bear and beaver) as part of the forest ecosystem.

If interested in further information, write to: Trees for Life, The Park, Findhorn Bay, Forres IV36 0TZ, Scotland, U.K.

NEW VOLUNTEERS OFFER THEIR SERVICES

We have asked for younger volunteers to start helping we "older but golden" persons out so that the Society does not diminish after all of the hard work that has gone into organizing the group! We are pleased to report that at least three have come forward and we intend to put them to work!

Mr. Chris Moore, 1946 Blair Boulevard, Wooster, OH 44691-2232 is a student at Wooster High School. He plays the pipes and the drums for the school and is looking forward to attending some of the Ohio games and manning a tent as a Grant representative for the state.

Mr. Daniel Scovill, an architectural student at San Luis Obispo University, California is planning to attend several games and is learning to play the pipes! Daniel is the son of Tom and Katharine Scovill, and grandson of Col. Kyle Bowie, past and current members of Clan Grant. His home address is: 5808 Deer Creek Road, Mt. Shasta, CA 96067.

Ms. Brenda Grant, 482 N. 200 W., Lehi, UT 84043-1722 is interested particularly in the Salt Lake City Highland Games and volunteered to start this June. (We have not heard back how it went--or if it went!--but if not this year, then probably next year for sure!)

If you are "old but goody" give these young folks a call or a note and make them feel included in Clan Grant! Or, if you are a Commissioner, latch on quickly!

If anyone else is interested, let us know! Our Commissioners will be glad to work with you until you feel comfortable in doing the job! It really isn't hard--and you meet a lot of interesting people! You'll enjoy the thrill you get when someone finds out that they, too, are "Grants, Bowies, MacElroys, Bissets, etc.!" We have "kits" with all the things you need to get you started! Admission tickets and sometime parking space is included in the price of a tent space! (And Clan Grant pays the tent space!)

Sharyn McGuinness sends an announcement regarding the opening of a new business venture, Cruaran Knitwear. Imported from Scotland, each hand made garment combines a timeless, traditional design with modern easy care materials and quality. These are woolen garments for babies to age three. To receive a free color brochure, call Chicago area (312) 866-0658. or toll-free 1-888-252-2772 or write to her at Box 579130, Chicago, IL 6-657-9130.

GRANT TRIP PLANNED FOR AUGUST '97

Circle the first week in August, 1997, and save your bucks! Put on the spot by George Grant at Stone Mountain two years ago, Shirley Grant Smith and husband Phil have taken on the daunting task of organizing still another visit to "Grant" homelands in Scotland -- fourth by members of the Clan Grant Society. Shirley and Phil plan to lead a group to Grantown-on-Spey about August 1, 1997. This "planned village" was one of the first in the Highlands. A visit to nearby Castle Grant is planned.

There will be a tour of the valley, from Craigellachie at Aviemore to Craigellachie village down the Spey river, stopping at historic Ballindalloch Castle. Duthil Kirk, the Clan Centre, the Rothermurchas Estate and the newly opened Revack Lodge visitor's centre are on the agenda. Day trips will be made to Culloden Moor and Inverness with time for sight-seeing and shopping in this "capital of the Highlands."

The group will travel down Loch Ness to Glen Urquhart, up Glen Morriston to where the "Seven Men of Glenmorriston" (including Grants) sheltered "Bonnie Prince Charley" after Culloden. The group will then cross over to Glengarry (in whose regiment the Glen Morriston and Glen Urquhart men served) then return through little-known Strath Errick, the first homeland of the Grants.

The trip will culminate with the Clan Grant Gathering at the Nethybridge Highland Games on the second Saturday of August with a chance to meet the both the UK Clan Grant Commissioner, Sir Patrick Grant of Dalvey and the 33rd Chief of Clan Grant, Sir James Grant of Grant, The Lord Strathspey.

Grants can make a self-guided tour of other parts of Scotland either before or after the approximately nine days in Grantown -- or better yet, perhaps the group will rendezvous in Edinburgh, Scotland's capital, and ride the train north.

Shirley and Phil will need to know how much interest there is in such a trip. There is no commitment now, just a general view of who will come and how many will be in your party in order to allow for preliminary planning. Please contact Shirley Smith at 372 Churchtown Road, Narvon, PA 17555; telephone 717-768-3714; e-mail 71204.262@compuserve.com if you are interested.

ADVICE FOR GRANTS "GOING HOME"

Phil Smith

The first time visitor to Scotland and the Grant country is best advised to make a two-step trip of about two weeks. Get your passport and buy American Express Traveler's checks in pounds sterling (most banks or your AAA). Most major credit cards are accepted in the UK and you save 5 to 10% over changing dollars on site.

You do not need a visa. You usually fly at night and arrive in the U.K. in the morning hours. If it is a better schedule to fly to London and take an internal flight to Edinburgh or Glasgow, allow more time to connect than the travel agent wants to give you. Your flight may be late; you have to get your baggage and go through passport and customs; you have to find out where the local flights are, usually in another terminal. Allow at least two hours, maybe more. If you have spare time, have a cup of tea.

Take a four or five day bus tour of Scotland starting from Glasgow or Edinburgh.

You will see the major high points of the Highlands, usually going out to Skye. Hotels will be smallish, meals good, lots of photo opportunities, and a good guide.

You will probably see Urquhart Castle ruins, once under the command of the Grants. Glen Urquhart starts at Drumnadrochit but you will not see it -- but you will see the Great Glen and Loch Ness. You can see a lot of things and get over jet-lag at the same time. Back in Glasgow or Edinburgh, depend on the Tourist Info places to arrange overnights at hotels or B&B (Bed and Breakfast) one day ahead and rent a car.

Before you go, buy a copy of "Touring Scotland", a Scottish Tourist Board publication, and a large scale map. The book will tell you good things to see -- and most important when they are open and closed. Also know that each village has a mid-week closing day, Tuesday here, Wednesday in the next village Tradition! Also check days when the banks will be closed. It's no fun to run out of money over a three day week end -- another reason for Traveler's Cheques and a credit card.

Don't be afraid to eat in "pubs" -- the "public rooms" of hotels. They serve good food, inexpensive and lots of it. "High tea" is any meal served from 5 to 7 p.m. Dinner is after 7. It is usual to

check into a hotel and set a time for when you will eat dinner. Then enjoy the public room until you are called.

Don't forget that Scotland is in the far north. Edinburgh is at the same latitude as Moscow or Hudson's Bay. Therefore, it is cold; a "heat wave" is a summer day when it reaches sixty-five. Don't also be surprised by the barren hills. Scotland is a wet desert -- it was not stripped of trees by the advance of civilization.

Go north on the M80-A9 or M9-A9 toward Grantown. Although it is only a three hour drive, allow a day to get up to Grantown-on-Spey. Places that you may not have stopped at before are Stirling Castle and Killicrankie. With easy "off-on" access to the A9, Pitlochry is one of the best places to shop in Scotland. Then drive up the A9 to Aviemore and Grantown. Craigellachie, the bluff above Aviemore doesn't look like the clan badge -- it's flatter. It is best photographed from the south on the A9, from the parking lot in Aviemore, or by driving out across the Spey on one of the smaller local roads. Visit the Heritage Centre in Grantown and take a walking tour of the village.

Plan your trip to be in Grantown around the second Saturday of August. Clan Grant gathers at the Nethybridge Games at that time. You do not want to be anywhere in the Highlands on the eleventh or twelfth of August. That is the beginning of grouse hunting season and is called "The Glorious Twelfth." You will be lucky to find a room.

There will be plenty of Grants around the Nethybridge Games, usually including the Chief, and some Grant dinners or receptions. Visit Duthil Kirk and Castle Grant -- at least take a picture of the outside if it is not open. Also visit Lady Pauline Ogilvie-Grant's Revack Lodge -- a lovely restaurant and gift shop -- and Rothermurchas near Aviemore.

Visit a Grant distillery (there are several) and Ballindalloch Castle as you drive down the Spey toward Elgin. Brochures are available in Tourist Information Centres. If you are a Glen Urquhart Grant -- most Grants who came via Nova Scotia are -- then go to Inverness and drive up to Drumnadrochit. From there run up the glen and back on the A831. The glen is still very much the same as it was in the 1700's. This is a one-day trip because you will want to see Culloden and the Inverness Museum. The two best museums in the Highlands are the West Highland Museum in Fort William and the Highland Folk Museum in

Kingussie.

End in Edinburgh. Visit the Castle and Museum there; visit the Royal Museum if nothing else. If you want to buy woolens, the best buys are at the "Clan Tartan Centre" in Leith -- great shopping. Have your stuff mailed back -- you avoid the VAT and US customs per-person dollar limits. You will pay customs on receipt.

Scotland is a small country; you can cover a lot of ground in a day. The country north of Inverness or Ullapool is spectacular but see it on your next trip. Inverness is a lovely city for shopping and walking along the river. The Eden Court Theatre has nice programs as does Balnain House, a centre for Highland music.

If you have two or three days left over, take a tour of the Southern "Highlands". Drive West to Glasgow, down the coast through Ayr and Carrick (visit Culzean Castle) and drive up Glen Trool to the Bruce Monument; stay in Dumfries. Then drive at an angle from Dumfries to Moffat and on to Selkirk. Spectacular country!

See Melrose Abbey, Abbotsford, and be back in Edinburgh in another hour.

Don't try to see it all. You know you'll be back. Save the Borders and Hadrian's Wall (now in England) for another three or four days. And remember, pounds spend as fast as dollars but they cost twice as much! For further information, you can contact the British Tourist Authority, 531 Fifth Avenue, 7th Floor, New York, NY 10176 or call 212-986-2200 (Los Angeles, Chicago and Dallas also have agencies).

If you plan to go over to see Duthil Kirk or want to attend any possible Clan Grant activities, it is a courtesy to contact the Clan Grant Society in Scotland. Please write (airmail) well in advance to: The Secretary, Clan Grant Society, Clan Grant Centre, Duthil, Strathspey PH23 3ND, Scotland. Have fun and don't forget your "brolly" (umbrella), your woolens, and your "Wellies" (rubber boots)!



Colin Grant-Adams at
Grandfather Mtn.



COMING EVENTS

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

CLAN BELL DESCENDANTS ANNUAL REUNION
St. Augustine, FL..... 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

ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY OF VERMONT TARTAN BALL
Ramada Inn
Burlington, VT 12

CLAN MacBETH SOCIETY ANNUAL GATHERING
Anne Arundel Highland Games
Crownsville, MD 12

MONTICELLO CELTIC FESTIVAL
Trelawn Plantation
Monticello, FL..... 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

SCOTS IN HARMONY FESTIVAL
New Harmony, IN 13

BELL FAMILY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GATHERING
Ramada Dunwoody Hotel
Atlanta, GA 18-20

ST. ANDREWS SOCIETY OF SCHENECTADY TARTAN BALL
Polish Community Center
Albany, NY 19

PACIFIC HIGHLAND GATHERING & GAMES
Prado Regional Park
Chino, CA..... 19-20

BAILLIE/BAILIE GATHERING
Stone Mountain Highland Games
Stone Mountain, GA..... 19-20

CLAN GRAHAM ANNUAL MEETING
Stone Mountain Highland Games
Stone Mountain, GA..... 19-20

CLAN JOHNSTON/E ANNUAL MEETING
Stone Mountain Highland Games
Stone Mountain, GA..... 19-20

CLAN MacLENNAN ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING
Stone Mountain Highland Games
Stone Mountain, GA..... 19-20

4TH ANNUAL SCOTS FESTIVAL
Maumelle City Park
Maumelle, AR 25-26

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

CLAN LAMONT SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING
Richmond Highland Games
Richmond, VA..... 25-27

WAXHAW SCOTTISH GAMES
Briarwood Farm
Waxhaw, NC 26

NOVEMBER

TUCSON CELTIC FESTIVAL
Kennedy Regional Park
Tucson, AZ..... 2

CLAN MACKAY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Ramada Inn
Tucson, AZ..... 2

ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY OF WASHINGTON, D.C. TARTAN BALL
Ritz Carlton Hotel
Tysons Corner, VA..... 8

WINTER PIPING & DRUMMING SCHOOL
Ramada Hotel
East Hartford, CT 8-10

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

ST. ANDREW'S DAY BANQUET
St. Andrew's Society of the River Plate
English Club
Buenos Aires, Argentina 30

DECEMBER

MOTHER LODGE SCOTS CHRISTMAS WALK
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Volcano, CA 14

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JANUARY

KIRKING OF THE TARTAN
Scottish American Society of Palm Beach County
Lakeside Presbyterian Church
West Palm Beach, FL..... 19

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St. Mary's Orthodox Church
West Palm Beach, FL 25

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Scottish Society of San Antonio
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SCOTTISH SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
First Presbyterian Church
Boynton Beach, FL..... 26

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ROBERT BURNS CELEBRATION
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QUEEN MARY SCOTTISH FESTIVAL
Queen Mary Seaport
Long Beach, CA 15-16

MARCH

SOUTHEAST FLORIDA SCOTTISH FESTIVAL & GAMES
Hialeah Race Park
Miami, FL..... 1

APRIL

CELTIC FESTIVAL OF SOUTHERN MARYLAND
Jefferson Patterson Park & Museum
St. Leonard, MD..... 26

INDIAN SPRINGS SCOTTISH FESTIVAL
Indian Springs State Park
Jackson, GA..... 26-27

MAY

SCOTTISH FESTIVAL & HIGHLAND GAMES
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Pensacola, FL 3

RIO GRANDE VALLEY HIGHLAND GAMES
Manual School Grounds
Albuquerque, NM..... 24

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

GLASGOW HIGHLAND GAMES
Barren River Lake State Resort Park
Lucas, KY 29 to June 1

JUNE

McHENRY HIGHLAND FESTIVAL
Garrett County Fairgrounds
McHenry, MD..... 7

TACOMA/PIERCE COUNTY HIGHLAND GAMES
Pierce County Fairgrounds, Frontier Park
Graham, WA 28

TIDEWATER SCOTTISH FESTIVAL
Chesapeake City Park
Chesapeake, VA 28-29

JULY

PAYSON SCOTTISH FESTIVAL
City Park
Payson, UT 12

PACIFIC NORTHWEST HIGHLAND GAMES
King County Fairgrounds
Enumclaw, WA 26-27

AUGUST

ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY OF DETROIT HIGHLAND GAMES
Edsel & Eleanor Ford House
Grosse Pointe Shores, MI..... 2

MONTEREY HIGHLAND GAMES
Monterey County Fairgrounds
Monterey, CA 2-3

ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES
Highland Heritage Park
Highland Ranch, CO 9-10

QUECHEE SCOTTISH FESTIVAL
Quechee Polo Field
Quechee, VT..... 23

LONG ISLAND SCOTTISH GAMES
Old Westbury Gardens
Old Westbury, NY..... 23

CELTIC CLASSIC HIGHLAND GAMES
Bethlehem, PA..... 26-28

DAYS OF THE SCOTS
John Knox Ranch
Fischer, TX 26-28

SEPTEMBER

WILLIAMSBURG SCOTTISH FESTIVAL
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ALABAMA HIGHLAND GAMES
Blount Cultural Park
Montgomery, AL..... 27

OCTOBER

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Central Texas Area Museum
Salado, TX..... 7-9



CRAIGELLACHIE EDITOR URGENTLY NEEDED

Helen Furr, has regretfully, asked to be relieved as our editor. She has produced some of the best CRAIGELLACHIE'S during her tour, and will be hard to replace. Thanks a lot, from all of us. This is the most critical and the most fun job in the Clan Society, The newsletter is the glue that keeps us together. Please give this opportunity careful thought. Then call Gordon Grant @703-241-7789 and offer to volunteer. You will be given every assistance and help. Job requirements are; access to a computer. Software will be provided. Publication software is available or you can do layout manually & paste on standard formats for printing. Call George @800-445-2185, he can give you whole picture. Total time required is 12 hours every three months.



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