

Clan Grant is a great clan with a proud history. There are many Grant families in the USA that do not know their Scottish history or that they are part of a Clan. When our society was first formed we said that we would do the following;

- **Literature** – including publication of Scottish or Gaelic literature;

- **Charitable** – such as helping Clansmen or dependents of Clansmen in distress;

- **Historical** – especially as may be related to Clan Grant (or its various branches);

- **Educational** – such as financial assistance to deserving students, establishment of a fellowship in Scottish literature or music, grants to schools or colleges, and support of the Clan Grant Educational and Charitable Trust;

- **Cultural** – such as encouraging the perpetuation of Highland dress traditions and customs, promoting Highland Games in the United States, and supporting the Clan Grant Center in Scotland;

- **Social and Recreation** – promoting friendship, goodwill, and clanship among members of the Clan.

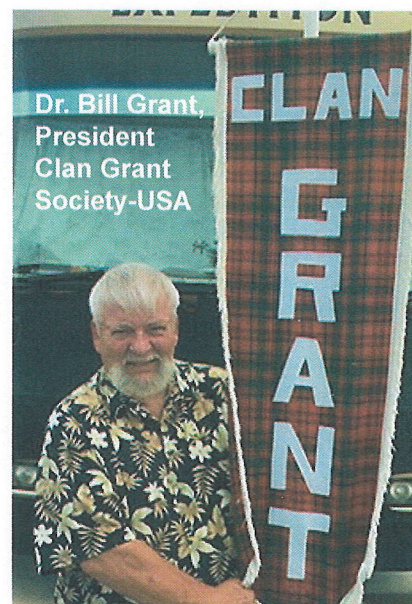
## President's Message

# Greetings and Stand Fast

What a wonderful summer your Clan Grant Society-USA is having. As you saw in the last *Craigellachie* the Board established an annual budget as called for in our by-laws. We established a by-laws committee that is about to report a revised set of Articles of Incorporation to the Board in anticipation of a membership vote that we hope will result in our Society being recognized as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation. This will allow you to deduct gifts and dues from your taxes.

Our Secretary, Lena Grant is busy working away on the first Clan Grant Society-USA membership directory. Tom Freeman has designed a new letterhead for us. Vice President Jeff Click is working on the inclusion of PayPal on our web site that will allow individuals to join or renew their membership on line.

I have been privileged to attend the Southern Maryland Games. Dr. Steve Grant is our Games Commissioner and is doing



a splendid job hosting the Clan Grant Tent. We were happy to visit with member-at-large James Grant and his wife Karlyn during the games.

Thanks to our Chaplain, Bob Grant, we learned that Clan Grant was to be recognized as the Honored Clan at a Taste of Scotland and Celtic Festival held in Franklin, NC on Father's Day. Lena and I

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The Society shall publish a Clan quarterly named *Craigellachie*. *Craigellachie* shall be used to promote the interests of the Clan, the cultivation of a spirit of kin and fellowship and social intercourse amongst the Society's members. Further *Craigellachie* shall serve as the official publication of the Society and shall be the primary vehicle for giving the Members official notice of meetings, elections, Board and Officer actions



# Visiting Scotland to get to know your Clan Grant Roots

Adrian Grant of Freuchie

**F**or any clanspeople who are thinking about visiting Scotland to connect to their roots here are my top 20 suggestions. Please note that it is highly unlikely that you could compress this into one visit. Your itinerary for any one visit will need to be constrained by the time you have available - but following the UK decision to leave the EU, at least your dollar should go a bit further!

In almost all cases you will gain much more from visiting these places if you have read about them already in my two-volume book "Scottish Clans: Legend, Logic & Evidence" - so I will not attempt to rewrite it on these pages as I make the suggestions!

If I were to recommend a set of visits for anyone who wanted to know how the Clan Grant began (ie the period 1060-1098), I would suggest the following:

1. A visit to the Crannog Centre on Loch Tay near Kenmore followed by a tour of Glen Quaich (with Loch Freuchie at its centre). It is likely that Olaf Hemingsson lived on the crannog in Loch Freuchie and built the church at the top of the loch (you can still make out the bottom course of stone foundations next to the graveyard).

2. A walk up Craigelachie (by Aviemore): here you can imagine lighting the beacon to warn Scotland of trouble from Moray. From here you can also look down on Rothiemurchus (which was Olaf's home in Strathspey). Unfortunately the Doune "hill" at Rothiemurchus is not accessible to the public and in any case it is now covered in trees, but a good idea of its original size and nature can be appreciated by visiting

3. Ruthven Barracks near Kingussie - just a few miles away.

Also dating to this general period (ie c1080-1089) people might like to visit the Mearns (around Montrose) which became the lands of Malpeder, Olaf's eldest son and the next in line of the progenitors of the Grant chiefs. In particular they might visit

4. Mondynes where Malpeder killed Duncan II

5. Restenneth Priory near Forfar where Donaldbane and his wife, Olaf's daughter Hextilda, were imprisoned from 1098

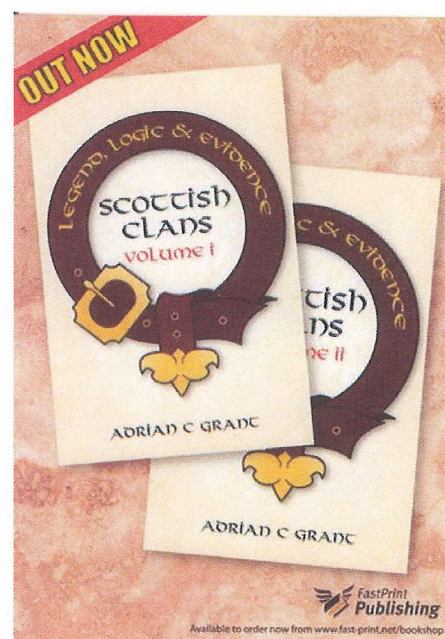
6. The magnificent Dunottar Castle. Although the present ruins date to much later and despite claims about the origins of the name, I think that this was controlled by Olaf and Malpeder.

Because of the importance in which Olaf held St Patrick, I would also recommend visiting

7. The Roman fort "Banna" (otherwise Birdoswald) on Hadrian's Wall where St Patrick was born and

8. Gretna where he was taken captive by the Irish Pirates. The remains of the old Roman fort on Gretna Hill (the likely site of the capture) are next to the slip road of the motorway.

Of course if time and money were not of account I would also



recommend visiting the English lands of Haakon Ericsson (Worcestershire) and of Heming Haakonsson (eg his Domesday holdings, and Worcester Cathedral where, latterly, he was sub-prior) for which see my book. In this context it would be excellent to visit also

9. Rodale on the isle of Harris and

10. Dunakin (Dun Haakon) on the isle of Skye which were the twin capitals of the Western Isles when Haakon Ericsson was their king (1015-1029) and where Heming, Olaf's father was born (c1017). Now that there is a bridge to Skye getting to Dunakin is relatively easy.

The early Grants spent 200 years (c1150-1420) based in Stratherrick (broadly the South/East side of Loch Ness). It may be possible to visit Ballagan farm (just inland from Inverfarigaig) on whose lands lie the ruins of Balachearnach - the castle and HQ occupied by the Grants from about 1200. If you fancy a hike, try climbing Carn Griogar which I claim is named after our 2nd Chief.

From c1480 to the very recent

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# Clan Grant Annual General Meeting at Stone Mountain Highland Games

The Clan Grant Society-USA will hold an Annual General Meeting (AGM) on October 15th at 1:30 EDST. The AGM will be held at the Stone Mountain Highland Games, located just outside Atlanta GA.

Those who wish to attend by conference call are asked to email our Secretary, Lena Grant at <lenagrants@gmail.com> indicating so. Lena will email you the phone number to call and the pass code.

If you have free long-distance or unlimited roaming this call will be free to you.

Questions about the AGM, please email or call Dr. Bill Grant.



**Adrian Grant of Freuchie**, *continued from page 3*  
past The Grants controlled Glenurquhart and Glenmoriston (broadly the North/West side of Loch Ness). So I would suggest

11. A boat trip down the Loch

12. Touring all round and up the glens. A visit

13 to Urquhart Castle is a must. The castle was deliberately ruined by the government to prevent the possibility of its occupation by the Jacobites - and the Grant chief was compensated for this. [Unfortunately there is nothing now to be seen of the farm Craskie, home of Black Peter Grant of Craskie (also dating to Jacobite times).]

14. During these times, Grant chiefs were often Sheriff of Inverness, so any trip might reasonably take this into account, including visits to the castle etc. There are also Grant memorabilia (weapons etc. from Castle Grant) at Fort George.

And so to Strathpey.

[Sadly, but obviously, Castle Grant is not accessible.]

15. I have it on excellent authority that Grantown Museum is transformed and well worth a visit.

16. The Funicular Railway to the Ptarmigan Restaurant on Cairngorm should not be overlooked.

17. Ballindalloch Castle is surely a must for any visitor.

18. for many people a day exploring Strath'an including Glenlivet will be desirable.

19. for keener hikers, a walk up Carn Ian Roy (where Chief Ian Roy Grant was accidentally killed and then buried in 1410) just North of Carrbridge should be on the agenda.

20. The Knockando Woollen Mill still works in the traditional way....

And the bonus: Many people will find themselves drawn to one or more of many whisky distilleries. Indeed there are those who could spend a whole vacation doing nothing else!

In principle I would be willing to engage in dialogue with those planning a trip - but I think it fair that they should have a broad familiarity with my book. (I do also have limited stocks at home).

Best regards, *Adrian*

Tom Freeman has designed a new letterhead and business card for Clan Grant!

Obviously, in "letterhead" mode it goes across the top of stationery. Business cards have information on the reverse.

## New Clan Grant Society - USA Letterhead and Business Card



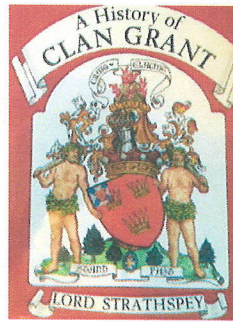


# *A History of Clan Grant*

By 32<sup>nd</sup> Clan Chief,  
The Right Honorable Lord Strathspey

*Published in 1983 by Phillimore & Co, LTD*

A Book review by **Dr. Bill Grant, Ph.D.**  
President of The Clan Grant Society-USA



“Stand Fast” and “Craig Elaghie” are two of the terms you first see on the cover of this book. If you are not familiar with the Clan Grant this should be enough to spark your curiosity.

I have to admit I wondered what the previous Chief would have to say that had not been addressed by our own Historian Hank Grant.

First let me assure you this book is an easy read. It reminded me of a story about my family that could have been told by a favorite uncle. At 114 pages it is not too lengthy to exceed most attention spans. Before chapter 6 you will find several pages of pictures and pictures of paintings which nicely illustrate the places and characters addressed elsewhere in the book.

The table of contents gives us a hint of the structure of the book.

After an Introduction and remembrances about Castle Grant, Lord Strathspey reviews the Chiefs from the earliest times through the present day with an interesting section on the Jacobite Rebellion.

The previous Chief goes on to discuss the Cadet Families, Cullen House and Clan Grant Societies.

He ends this very pleasant book with a discussion of the Grant Insignia, the history of Scotch Whiskey on Spreyside, and a postscript.

If you have read other histories of Clan Grant and think there is nothing more to learn

you are mistaken.

The previous Chief discussed his life in New Zealand and return to Scotland, his family relationship with the Dowager Caroline and his relationships with various kinsmen.

After reading his book I feel a new closeness with the Grants in Scotland. He paints them as real people and not just historical figures who bear titles.

Finally let me thank Jean Grant Wilson for the gift of this book.

A thoughtful gift from a kind and generous clanswoman.

If you are interested in obtaining a copy of *The History of Clan Grant* contact

Ed Meininger 62223 Jig Road, Montrose, CO 84103.

<kristyedjighome@aol.com> 970-249 -7925 .

Copies are available for \$30.00.

STAND FAST and remember “IT IS GREAT TO BE A GRANT”

## About Scotland.....



□ Scotland is the northern section of the United Kingdom

□ It covers an area just over 30,000 sq. miles, which is about 1/3 of the total UK landmass

□ Scotland's population only accounts for about 10% of the UK figure.

Scottish government data shows that the most recent number for Scotland's population is a whopping 5,222,100.

That's over 2 million people, and the highest figure in over three decades.





Where you can see  
and hear....

**Colin Grant Adams**  
*Honorary Minstrel of the  
Clan Grant Society - USA*



Pacific Northwest Scottish  
Highland Games, Friday, July  
29th - 31st

Enumclaw Expo Center 45224 -  
284th Avenue SE, Enumclaw, Wash-  
ington 98022. I will be leading the Fri-  
day sing along this year.

In Concert - The Unity Col-  
lege Center for the Performing  
Arts - Friday, August 19, 7pm -  
9pm, 42 Depot Street, Unity, ME 04988.

Maine Highland Games  
and Scottish Festival - Saturday,  
Aug 20, 2016  
Topsham Fairgrounds, Topsham,  
ME, United States.

Capital District Scottish  
Games - Sep 3 - 4, 2016  
Altamont Fair Grounds, 129  
Grand, Altamont, NY 12009.

The Middle Tennessee  
Highland Games and Celtic Fes-  
tival, Saturday, September 10th  
The Hermitage Plantation, Nash-  
ville TN

SCOTFEST - Sep 16 - 18,  
2016  
Tulsa's River West Festival Park,  
Tulsa, OK.

*More of Colin's schedule on page 6*

## Clan Grant recognized as Honored Clan at *A Taste of Scotland and Celtic Festival*

**Dr. Bill Grant**



*From left to right: Rebecca Grant Sexton, Bob James, Dr. Bill Grant, Presi-  
dent and Bob Grant, Chaplin and Bob's wife Mary and Lena Grant, Secretary. And  
on the right, Rebecca's daughter Helen Sexton Gentry and grand daughter  
Victoria Gentry. Rebecca, Bob James, Helen and Victoria are from Franklin,  
North Carolina.*

*Rebecca Sexton and Bob James are members of the Friends of the Scottish  
Tartans Museum, hosting organization of "Taste of Scotland." This is the 19<sup>th</sup>  
festival, initiated to highlight the Scottish Tartans Museum and Heritage Center  
that moved from Highlands, North Carolina to the county seat of Franklin in  
1994.*

Thanks to the hospitality of Franklin, NC residents, Rebecca Grant  
Sexton and Bob & Cathy James, Lena and I were welcomed to Franklin  
and their festival.

The Town of Franklin is a unique village nestled in the heart of the  
Smoky Mountains. Franklin is the county seat and was founded in 1955.  
It was named for an 18<sup>th</sup> century political leader, Jesse Franklin.

An ancient Indian mound located in the heart of town serves as a  
reminder of an earlier time when the Cherokee lived in and around what  
is now called Franklin.

Streets with names like Wayah, Ulco, Iotla and Watauga reflect  
Indian heritage.

Franklin is home to approximately 3,800 citizens, but the popula-  
tion nearly doubles in the spring, summer and fall seasons - due to the  
temperate climate and beautiful scenery. Franklin is also home to the

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## Honored Clan at Franklin, NC, *continued from page 5* ———

Scottish Tartans Museum.

The Scottish Tartans Museum is a non-profit organization, governed by a volunteer Board of Trustees, dedicated to the history and traditions of Scottish Highland Dress.

The museum was founded by The Scottish Tartans Society (STS), which was established in Scotland in 1963 to maintain a worldwide membership and museums in Scotland and abroad, to create and maintain the register of All Publicly Known Tartans, encourage research into Highland Dress and to provide a design service for new tartans.

The Scottish Tartans Museum was established in the United States by the STS to be a center for reliable information on Scottish Highland Dress traditions for the large Scottish-American heritage community. Originally established in Highlands, NC, in 1988, the museum was relocated to Franklin in 1994, where it has since educated about tartan and Highland dress, as well as served as a general Scottish Heritage Center for the region.

Rebecca escorted us to Friday night's Ceilidh. It was great fun meeting Grants and volunteers supporting the Scottish Tartans Museum.

On Saturday, with the help of Bob James, we erected a Grant tent and greeted many Grants who live in the area.

It was a proud moment when The Grants led the parade of Tartans down the main street of Franklin as the Honored Clan.

Saturday evening, we enjoyed a wonderful meal of North Carolina barbeque with Bob and Cathy James.

Sunday found us traveling to Beth Gay and Thomas Freeman's home in Clarkesville, GA for a lovely brunch and, of course, much petting of Beth's many cats.

We returned to Tidewater, Virginia tired, but very pleased with our visit.

Lena and I are already looking forward to attending next years' festival. We hope you all will join us on Father's Day, 2017.

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## Greetings from the President, *continued from page 1* ———

set up a Grant tent with the help of Robert James who has become our Games Commissioner for next year's Festival in Franklin. We were delighted to meet many Grants living in Franklin.

We are looking forward to attending the AGM at Stone Mountain Highland Games October 14, 15 and 16. I hope you can attend and look forward to seeing many of you at the Clan Grant Tent. If you can't attend in person plan to attend the AGM by conference call.

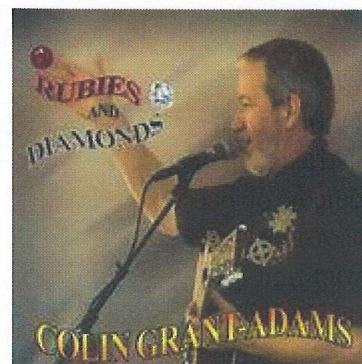
Best wishes, hoping the rest of your summer is as interesting as mine has been and looking forward to a pleasant fall.

Remember, IT IS GREAT TO BE A GRANT

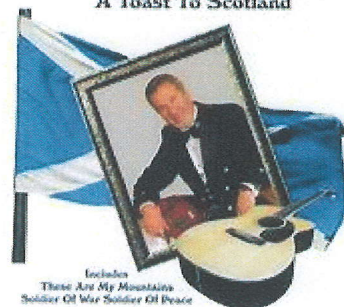
**Dr. Bill Grant**

President, Clan Grant Society-USA

## Colin Grant Adams, *continued from page 5*



**COLIN GRANT-ADAMS**  
A Toast To Scotland



Scotland County Highland  
Games - Saturday, Oct 1, 2016  
13040 X Way Rd, Laurinburg, NC 28352

44<sup>th</sup> Annual Stone Mountain  
Highland Games  
Games - Oct 15 - 16, 2016  
on the meadows of  
Stone Mountain Park located in the  
Northeast suburbs of Atlanta, GA.

Mobile International Festival -  
Nov 17 - 19, 2016  
401 Civic Center Dr, Mobile, AL 36602.





*The Clan Grant Society - USA was founded in 1977 by George & Lucille Grant, by the authority of Sir Patrick Grant of Grant (1912 - 1992). The Right Honorable Lord Strathspey, Baronet of Nova Scotia, 32<sup>nd</sup> Hereditary Chief of Clan Grant. It continues under authority of Sir James Grant of Grant, The Right Honorable Lord Strathspey, Baronet of Nova Scotia, 33<sup>rd</sup> Hereditary Chief of Clan Grant.*

*Past Presidents: Howard Parsons, 1998-2002; C. David Grant, 2002-2006; Dr. Christopher Pratt, 2006-2008; Rand Allan, 2008-2013; Jeniphr Grant, 2013-2015.*

## Elected and Appointed Officers Clan Grant Society - USA

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Robert James	NC	828-524-8008	catjames@morrisbb.net	Taste of Scotland and Celtic Festival, NC

### The Scottish Tartans Museum in Franklin, NC needs our help - NOW!

Their building is being sold. They need to raise a down payment \$50,000 by the end of September.  
If you would like to help, just go to their website <www.scottishtartans.org> and scroll down. You'll see a button that says "donate." Click on that button.

#### CLAN GRANT SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

[ ] NEW [ ] RENEWAL (Membership # \_\_\_\_\_)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_  
 2<sup>nd</sup> ADULT (if family membership) \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_  
 STREET \_\_\_\_\_ APT # \_\_\_\_\_  
 CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

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To save money, we send out our newsletters by email.

[ ] Check here if you want to receive a paper copy of the newsletter (additional fees may apply)

DUES (please circle):

INDIVIDUAL (single voting adult) \$20 1-year \$40 2-years \$55 3-years \$400 LIFE MEMBER

FAMILY (2 voting adults, same address) \$35 1-year \$70 2-years \$100 3-years \$700 LIFE MEMBER

Note: Membership runs from January 1 through December 31. New members joining after June 30 will pay half of the listed amount for the current year of membership, and the full amount upon renewal the following January.

#### DONATIONS:

Clan Grant Centre Fund: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Scholarship Fund: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

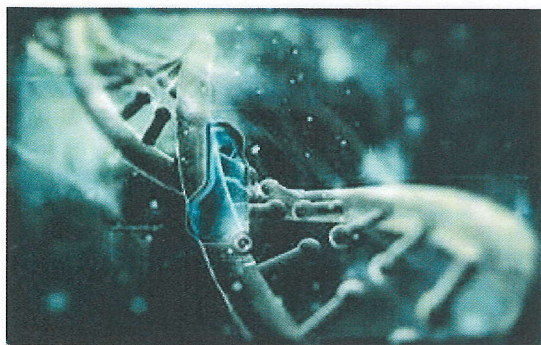
We also offer subscriptions through the Clan Grant Society at discounted rates to THE HIGHLANDER Magazine \$15.50/year (3 years max): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Make all checks payable to CLAN GRANT SOCIETY

Mail to: Rand Allan, 6102 Calle Vera Cruz, La Jolla, CA 92037





# Grant DNA Project

## Making Giant Strides!

James Grant, historian, Clan Grant Society – USA  
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Members of our society should take notice of some exciting accomplishments that are taking place in the Family Tree DNA 'Grant Project.' Geoff Grant, one of the project administrators, has almost single-handedly convinced three significant descendants of the Clan Grant to take a DNA test for genealogical purposes – just in the last ten months.

Remarkably, Geoff is not even a Scottish Grant. He is a descendant of one of the oldest English Grant families in America – the descendants of Matthew Grant, who came to Massachusetts in 1630 and established his family at Windsor, Connecticut. General and President Ulysses S. Grant was a descendant of that family. Even though Geoff is not of Scottish ancestry, he knows about as much as anyone about the various lineages of the Clan Grant.

During the last ten months, the following representatives of ancient branch families have taken tests or consented to having their cheeks swabbed to increase our knowledge of the various lineages of the clan. These gentlemen are Patrick Grant, the present chieftain and representative of the family of Tullochgorm, Sir Patrick Grant of Dalvey, Baronet, chieftain of the Grants of Clan Donnachie, and Dr. Michael Charles Grant, Baron de Longueuil, a direct descendant of the Grants of Blairfindy.

The Chief of our clan, Lord Strathspey, was tested many years ago, and a number of descendants of prominent branch and cadet families have also been tested.

What does all this mean to the rank and file members of our society?

Firstly, it is a demonstration by prominent descendants of our clan that they value their Scottish, and more specifically, their Clan Grant heritage.

Secondly, it will allow many of us to know if our Grant ancestors were in fact descendants of the Scottish Clan Grant, or if they were Englishmen, Welshmen, Irishmen, or Normans, as many of them were. Either way, your DNA test will enable you to

make contact with distant relatives you did not even know you have.

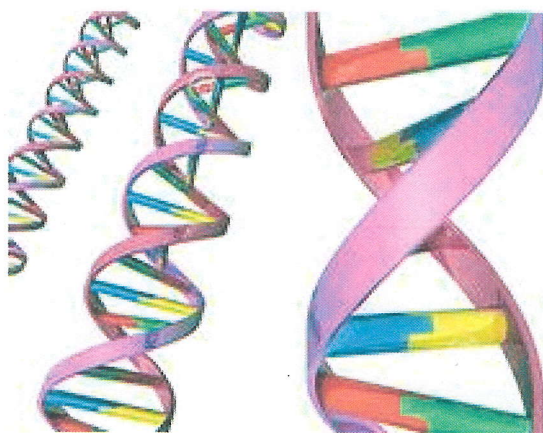
Thirdly, it will perhaps allow clansmen an opportunity to connect your family to one of the significant branch or cadet families of the clan, and thereby establish a link between your earliest known ancestor and a chieftain of the clan who lived five or six centuries ago!

And finally, your test will be another important piece in the giant mosaic of the clan.

If you are a male, and if your surname is Grant – particularly if you are the last male in your immediate family – you should seriously consider having your DNA tested. In the vast scheme of things, it is not expensive and your test will not only be an interesting exercise for you, but beneficial to succeeding generations of your family. A DNA test is a wonderful gift you can give your family – a great Christmas or birthday present.

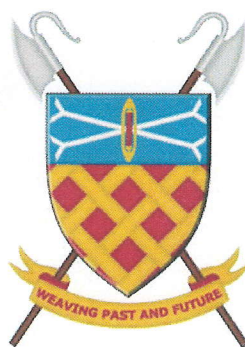
I will be glad to put you in contact with the administrators of the Grant DNA project, or you can initiate contact with Family Tree DNA directly on the Internet:

<https://www.familytreedna.com/products.aspx>





# Scottish Tartans Museum building to be sold!



Our landlord at the Scottish Tartans Museum in Franklin, NC, has announced to us that she must sell our building because of health reasons!

We have rented the location for many years and have been given the right of first refusal. We must raise a \$50,000 down payment by the end of September.

The owner does want the Scottish Tartans Museum to have the building and is working with us to make this happen.

If you can make any type of donations to help us with this purchase, now is the time to let us know.

Do you know of anyone that likes to donate to a worthy cause to receive deductions on their taxes? Please refer them to us.

We don't know of anywhere to move and we don't want to move!

Over the past two years we have had a terrible struggle to rise our heads above water. We have made great progress, but, still not enough to pay employees. We are still running with only volunteers.

We don't want to lose our museum. If you can help us in any way, please do so asap. Call us at 828-524-7472 to make your donation. Visit the museum's website <[www.scottishtartans.org](http://www.scottishtartans.org)>, scroll down and you will see a button marked "donate." It's that easy. We thank you so much for your help.

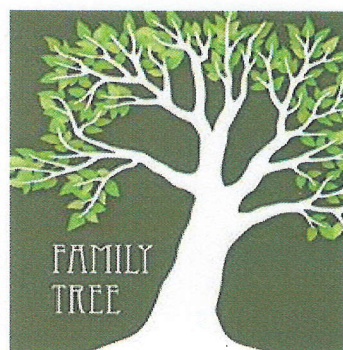
If you think your clan affiliation will be interested in helping us, by all means ask them to assist us.

Our website: <[www.scottishtartans.org](http://www.scottishtartans.org)> Our address: 86 East Main St., Franklin NC 28734. Call (828)524-7472.

If you would like to support us by being a Member of The Scottish Tartans Museum, visit our website, <[www.scottishtartans.org](http://www.scottishtartans.org)> for details.

*Kathie Akins*, The Scottish Tartans Museum.

A note from James Grant about DNA as a genealogical tool!

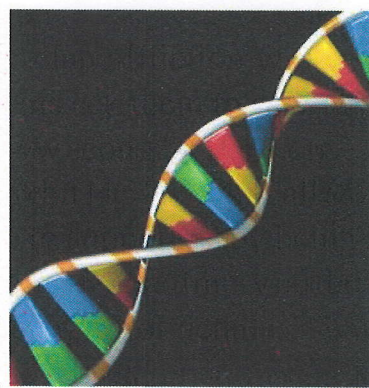


I would encourage all men with the surname Grant to get a DNA test for genealogical purposes.

You might wish to visit their site: <[www.familytreedna.com](http://www.familytreedna.com)>

They host the Grant DNA project.

James "Hank" Grant







# Spring trip to Rome/ April 2016 with the Clan Grant Society UK

**Aina & Stephen Grant**

We arrived in Rome early morning to join the tour of 22 Grants and other Italian guests.. I had a car booked to take us to the hotel in Rome. Thank goodness we did not have to find a ride there since its a long flight to Rome.

Our hotel was nice and we had a few hours of rest before heading out to the Opera. It was a small and very historic opera house. We were served dinner there. What a delight.

Before the opera we ran into Judy and the chief, James, as they were going out, which was a lovely surprise.

Next morning we enjoyed the Vatican tour with breakfast. It was awesome with so much beauty to see.

Friday night, Chic Grant from Scotland and Christine Grant from Italy organized a dinner and Ceilidh with 2 pipers welcoming us.

What a treat-pipers in Rome.

We had a great time seeing old/new friends-Margaret & David Grant from England, James and Barbara from Canada, Joan and Colin and other Grants from the UK and Australia.

The next day we were invited to the Tevere Remo Rowing Club for brunch. The co-founder of the rowing club was Guglielmo (William) Grant. To read more of the club, their website is [www.rcctevereremo.it](http://www.rcctevereremo.it) The website is all in Italian, but can be translated by Google.

We had a day of walking all over Rome with our impromptu tour guide, Chic. We saw areas we most likely would not have seen otherwise. My feet were happy to sit down and have a glass of wine.

After bidding a farewell the next morning to our good friends we headed to Florence, which is a most beautiful city with fantastic architecture and friendly people.

We enjoyed a private tour of Tuscany, including wine tastings.

The best was Monsanto Winery, lots of wine. 1000 bottles stored for every year vinted. So beautiful and peaceful.

From there we did a quick photo op in Pisa, then to Monterosso part of the "Cinque Terre" villages on the west coast of the Riviera. On to Lake Como, Verona and Venice. All wonderful and a fantastic trip.







# Granttown-on-Spey

## MUSEUM

TAIGH-TASGAIDH BAILE NAN GRANNDACH

### Book Review: *The Birth of the Modern Highlands*

This little book, produced this year by the Granttown Society, tells the story of the establishment of the planned village of Granttown and the transformation of Strathspey from a rural clan-based society to a more diverse and vibrant economy. All good books have a hero and the hero of this one is Sir James Grant, affectionately known as “the Good Sir James.”

During a period when many highland lairds were beginning to ‘clear’ people from their lands to make more room for the grazing of sheep, Sir James Grant worked diligently to promote forestry, implement agricultural reforms, and create employment for his clansmen and tenants. In 1765, he founded the village of Granttown to stimulate interest in the local economy and provide the impetus for the creation of small industries and jobs.

And when the local people were struggling with famine brought about by some of the most severe and devastating weather in the history of the highlands – extreme frosts, massive snowstorms, flooding, and drought – Sir James sold property in Edinburgh to purchase grain and food stuffs so his people could survive and gave relief to his tenants who could not pay their rents.

*The Birth of the Modern Highlands* also pays tribute to General George Wade who superintended the construction of the roads and bridges that enabled the highlands to prosper in the generations to follow. Wade realized that the highlands would never realize its potential or be properly policed without proper transportation routes.

Another interesting aspect of highland modernity was a new em-

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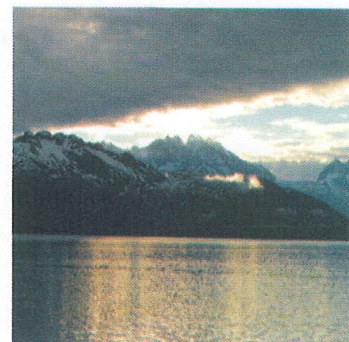
Salmon  
throw  
for  
distance  
and  
height???

In Palmer, Alaska, there are the Alaska Highland Games, where the most exciting events are the King Salmon Toss for Height and the King Salmon Throw for Distance.

Yes, salmon.

It's not a REAL salmon, but a constructed fish made from what appears to be burlap and which has been made to look very real. It is weighted, too.

If you would like to learn more...just go to the Alaska Scottish Club's Facebook page and see for yourself.





## Andy Murray wins Wimbledon ...again!



The big sport story in Scotland this summer was Andy Murray winning Wimbledon for the second time. It was wonderful to see Andy win the tournament again, and we're curious to see if Dunblane will soon be painting one (or two) of its post-boxes purple and green to celebrate his historic triumph.

It did feel rather strange watching a Wimbledon final between a Scot and Canadian - we kept thinking to ourselves that maybe Wimbledon has started a quirky, new sideline in holding midsummer bonspiels...

It was a fantastic year for Scotland at Wimbledon, as Alexandria-born, Gordon Reid, won the men's wheelchair singles and also the men's doubles, with his partner, Alfie Hewett. So it could be that a post-box or two in Alexandria (and Helensburgh and Glasgow, too) will also soon be getting a fresh lick o' paint!

## Apprenticeship and Indentured Servitude Agreements offer much information for family genealogists

**Bryan Mulcahy, MLS**

Apprenticeship agreements, also referred to as indentured servitude contracts, were common in the British Isles and later in Colonial America.

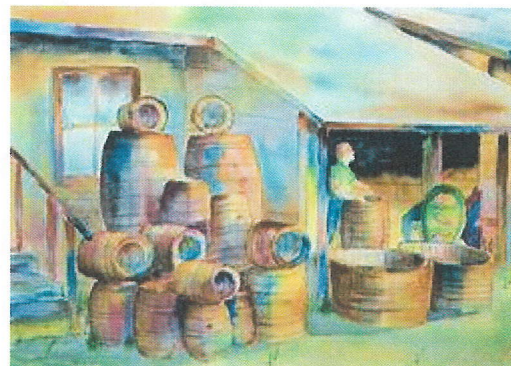
An apprenticeship is defined as a service or condition in which a person is gaining instruction in a trade or art, under legal agreement.

Historically, an apprentice served for a specified period of time varying from 7-10 years.

While most apprentices began as children, some as young as ten years of age, circumstances such as helping pay for passage to the New World resulted in some adults in their 20s entering into these agreements as well.

Apprentices often came from the economically poor levels of English and European society. Many were orphans who were bound out by a county court until the age of 18 for men and 21 for women.

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## The Birth of the Modern Highlands, *continued from page 12*

phasis on culture – the expression of the people through their music and the preservation of their history with portraiture and paintings. The large collection of family portraits at Castle Grant – many executed in the early 18<sup>th</sup> century by Richard Waitt – was one of the finest in all of Scotland.

The Grantown Society is to be commended for the production of this little volume of history.

[For more information, see <http://www.grantownmuseum.co.uk/>, or The Grantown Society, Bill Sadler, chairman - [justbill2015@gmail.com](mailto:justbill2015@gmail.com)]

## Beth Gay to present seminars!

Craigellachie editor, Beth, has been invited back to the Stone Mountain Highland Games again to present FREE genealogical seminars at the Hilton Atlanta North (host hotel) on Friday before the Games at 11 AM and 1 PM. These are much more fun than you think they will be.



# Danny Dyer's royal roots to be revealed in new season of *Who Do You Think You Are?*

The BBC said Dyer's story went from "poverty and crime... to an incredible connection to royalty"

Actor Danny Dyer's "incredible" royal connection is to be revealed in the new series of BBC genealogy programme *Who Do You Think You Are?*.

The *EastEnders* star will be one of 10 celebrities to look into their family trees in the 13<sup>th</sup> run of the show.

The stories of *Britain's Got Talent* judge Amanda Holden and pop star Cheryl will also feature in the autumn series.

Executive producer Colette Flight said an "extraordinary range of incredible stories" would be told.

Holden's story includes a "Napoleonic-era cross-channel romance", the BBC said

The BBC said Dyer's story would trace his family from "poverty and crime in the East End back through

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## Apprenticeship records offer much information, *continued from page 13*

The system of apprenticeship first developed in the late Middle Ages and was supervised by craft guilds and town governments. A master craftsman was entitled to employ young people as an inexpensive form of labor in exchange for providing food, lodging and formal training in the craft.

While most apprentices were males, researchers may encounter female apprentices in fields such as seamstress, tailor, cordwainer, baker and stationer.

In England, the Statute of Apprentices in 1563 made it illegal for anyone to enter a trade if they had not first served an apprenticeship.

Depending on the time period, place, and jurisdiction, these agreements may be labeled apprenticeship agreements or indentured servitude contracts. Some apprenticeships were privately arranged and there is no documentation, but many indentures were officially recorded in court records.

Indentures were legal agreements and could be recorded even if the child served an apprenticeship under the father or a close family member.

Information found in apprentice and indentured servitude agreements may include:

1. Apprentice's name
2. Name of craftsman or business entity responsible for agreement (might be individual craftsman, court appointed or private attorney dealing with indentured contracts, person, business entity, church parish or charity)
3. Names of parents or guardians (sometimes

place of residence if known)

4. Name of wife and any children (if applicable)

5. Length of indenture term

6. Trade to be learned

7. Whether the apprentice was literate and/or allowed to attend school

If your ancestor engaged in a trade, you will want to look for indenture records in the appropriate locality. Often they are with the deeds, but may be found in probate or orphans' court records, with guardianships.

You may find them in books labeled "Minute Books".

In some New England towns, they may be in the town records.

Not all apprenticeships ran smoothly.

Runaways were not uncommon and advertisements in local newspapers often named and described the absent apprentice.

Not all indenture records are for true apprenticeships.

Some record an agreement whereby a child, usually of a poor family, was "bound out" either to earn an income for the family, or to provide for the child if the family could not or if the child was orphaned.

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# 100 years ago in Scotland!

The North of Scotland Special Military Area' - designated on 25 July 2016 On 25 July 1916, the area north of the Great Glen was declared 'The North of Scotland Special Military Area', and access to non-residents was restricted.

If you would like to read **contemporary reports** from 'The Scotsman' newspaper about the wartime travel restrictions that were introduced in north Scotland on that date, visit: [<news@scotlandspeople.gov.uk>](mailto:news@scotlandspeople.gov.uk)



On the Black Isle, Scotland



Clan Grant Society - USA  
at Stone Mountain...When?

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the centuries to an incredible connection to royalty".

It added the investigations into Cheryl's past had discovered her "long forgotten great grandfather, a quintessential Tommy in the First World War", while Holden's featured a "Napoleonic-era cross-channel romance and the forgotten tragedy of Britain's worst ever maritime disaster".

Other celebrities set to feature in the new series include newsreader Sophie Raworth, acting great Sir Ian McKellen, *The Royle Family*'s Ricky Tomlinson, film actor Warwick Davis and ex-*Casualty* and *Strictly Come Dancing* star Sunetra Sarker.

Flight said their stories were "sometimes tragic, sometimes funny, but always compelling".

For dates and more information: visit [<entertainment.news@bbc.co.uk>](mailto:entertainment.news@bbc.co.uk)



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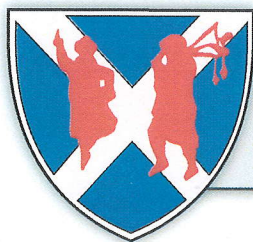
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## Things to learn about Scotland

The windiest place in Scotland is the Island of Tiree, which has the highest average gusts over 100 mph.

Scotland has got the tallest waterfall in Britain, at a height of 658 feet – which is 4 times the height of Niagara Falls!

In 1824, Edinburgh was the first city in the world with its own fire brigade.

The motto of Scotland is "Nemo me impune lacessit", or: "No one provokes me with impunity".

It is used by the Order of the Thistle and on later versions of the Royal coat of arms



Scotland has the highest proportion of redheads in the world. Around 13 percent of the population has red hair, with 40 percent carrying the recessive gene.

## Retiring American flags at Loch Norman Scottish Games



## 'TIS THE CLAN GRANT SOCIETY-USA 2016 AGM & WE WANT YE THERE!

It is never too early to plan to attend the Clan Grant Society-USA Annual General Meeting at the 44th Stone Mountain Highland Games October 14-16, 2016.



We will be holding the AGM on Saturday, 15 October at 1:30pm. All Grants are welcome to attend. Come meet Dr. Bill Grant, our President; Lena Grant, our secretary and many other fine Grants.

It is important you attend because we will be voting on bylaws changes.

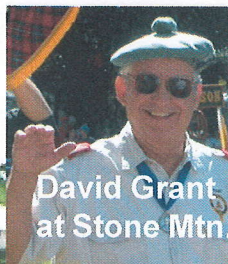
**SEE YOU THERE!**

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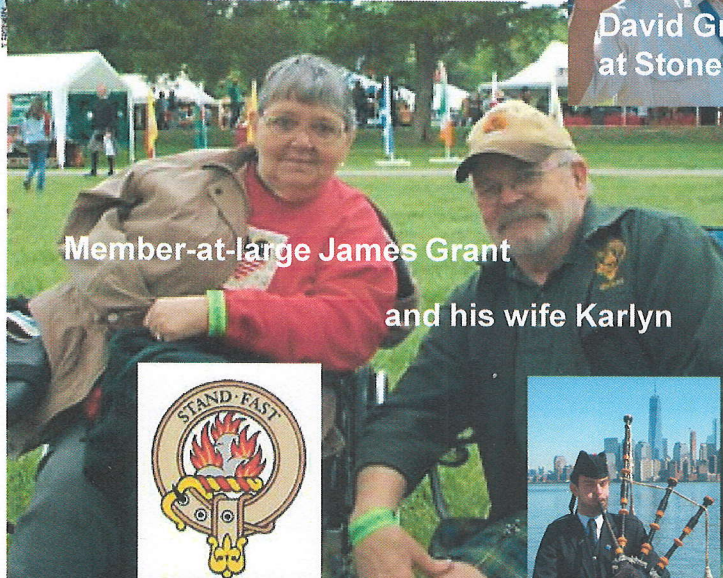




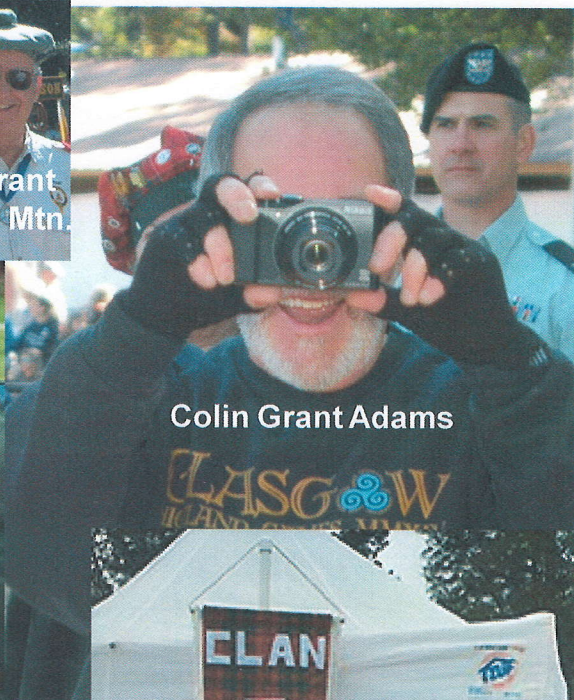
# Clan Grant wants ye to have fun!



David Grant  
at Stone Mtn.



Member-at-large James Grant  
and his wife Karlyn



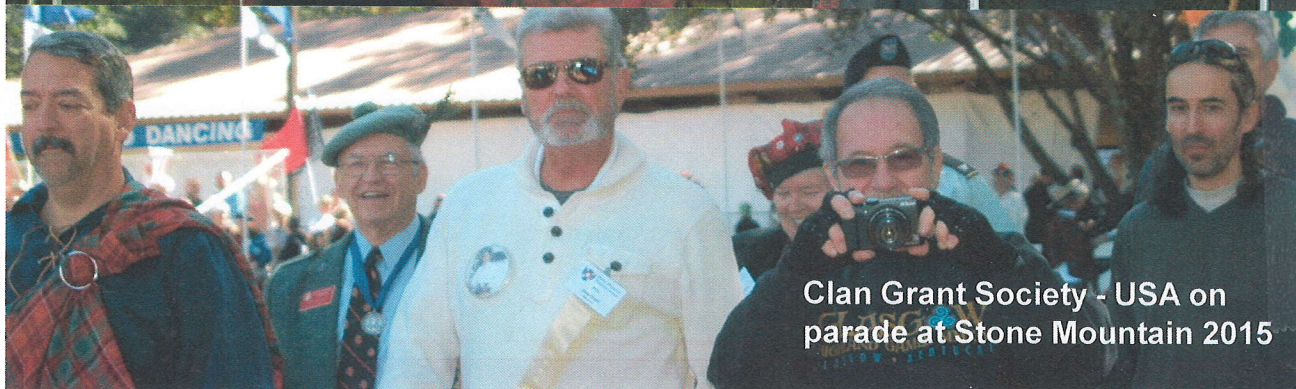
Colin Grant Adams



Dr. Steve Grant at the Southern Maryland Games



Lena & Dr. Bill Grant



Clan Grant Society - USA on  
parade at Stone Mountain 2015

Photos by Dr. Bill Grant



## Scottish Chuckles

### Whisky and Water Don't Mix

Grant had been the owner of the only bar in Auchanarder. When he retired the locals looked in amazement at the grand mansion he was building in which he was to spend his retirement.

An old friend visited him and said with a smile: "*I suppose it was all that whisky you sold that produced the profits for that palatial house you're building?*"

Grant thought for a moment and then admitted: "*Na, na - it wisnae the whisky. It was the water I put in the whisky that made me rich...*"

### More Business

Despite putting in a new cartridge, the type on Jock's printer remained faint, so he called a local repair shop where a friendly telephonist informed him that the printer probably only needs to be cleaned.

*"We charge £50 for a call-out to clean a printer,"* he said, *"so you might be better off reading the manual and doing the job yourself."*

Surprised by the clerk's apparent honesty, Jock asked, *"Does your boss know that you discourage business like this?"*

The telephonist hesitated for a moment and then revealed: *"Actually, it's my boss's idea. We usually make more money on repairs if we let people try to fix things themselves first."*



*Just for fun!*

## Proofreading - a dying art

Your editor has been an editor, a writer, a photographer, a proof-reader and an avid reader for a very long time.

She has friends, cohorts and accomplices all over the place.

One of these long-time "partners in crime" sent me this bit the other day. I fell over laughing.

However, things like this happen all the time...truly.

The headlines are first...and my friends' comments are after...

### Man Kills Self Before Shooting Wife and Daughter

*This one I caught in the SGV Tribune the other day and called the Editorial Room and asked who wrote this. It took two or three readings before the editor realized that what he was reading was impossible!*

### Something Went Wrong in Jet Crash, Expert Says

*Really? You think?*

### Police Begin Campaign to Run Down Jaywalkers

*Now, that's taking things a bit far!*

### Panda Mating Fails; Veterinarian Takes Over

*What a guy!*

### Miners Refuse to Work after Death

*No-good-for-nothing 'lazy so-and-so's! They must be UNION!*

### Juvenile Court to Try Shooting Defendant

*See if that works any better than a fair trial!*



# KIRKIN' OF THE TARTANS

The Rev. Sudduth Rea Cummings

Rev. Sudduth Rea Cummings was the Chaplain of the St. Andrews Society of Tallahassee, FL. This article was printed several years ago by their newsletter, *St. Andrews Cross*.

Which do you prefer—the legend or the history? First, the legend—when Prince Charles Stewart's effort to dethrone King George II of England was defeated in 1745, the punitive Acts of Proscription and Disarming prohibited most Scottish symbols and customs such as the Tartan, Gaelic, pipes and Scottish music and dancing.

The story is that the Highlanders would secretly bring pieces of tartans into the church (Kirk) and touch them under their clothes during the blessing as a sign of loyalty to Scotland and rededication to its cause.

It's a romantic story without much solid foundation.

Now for the history—a poor, young Scottish worker named Peter Marshall felt a call to the ministry and emigrated to the U.S. in 1927 for his seminary studies.

He soon became a very powerful and popular preacher and served as the pastor of the historic and prestigious New York Avenue Presbyterian Church in Washington, D.C.

Never forgetting his beloved homeland, Marshall "revived" the Kirkin' o' th' Tartans in order to raise funds for WWII British war relief.

On April 27, 1941, he preached a stirring sermon entitled "The Kirkin' o' th' Tartans" and the legend grew from there.

The Kirkin' service is now widespread as a way to celebrate Scottish history and its people.

The St. Andrew's Society of Washington, D.C. assisted Dr. Marshall with that first Kirkin', which was moved in 1954 to the Episcopal National Cathedral.

(A personal note: Peter Marshall died in 1949 and his life's story was written by his wife, Catherine Marshall, then made into a 1955 movie starring Richard Todd, both entitled *A Man Called Peter*. I loved watching reruns of the film on television in my childhood and was inspired by this son of Scotland's life and ministry.)



*Nice to know!*

Twelve  
highlanders and a  
bagpipe make a  
rebellion.

Get what you can  
and keep what  
you have - that's  
the way to get  
rich.

Better bend than  
break.

Don't judge each  
day by the harvest  
you reap, but by  
the seeds you  
plant.



Clootie?  
Kelpie?  
Red Hat?  
In Scotland...

**Clootie:** The Scottish name for the Devil. The name comes from *cloot*, meaning one division of a cleft hoof.

A common variant of the epithet is *Old Cloots*. There is a piece of land, called *Clootie's Croft*, that is left untilled or found untillable as a gift to the Devil.

**Kelpie:** In old Scotland, the Kelpie is a treacherous water devil who lurks in lakes and rivers.

It usually assumes the shape of a young horse. When a tired traveler stops by a lake to rest or to have a drink, he would see a horse, apparently peacefully grazing. When he mounts the horse, the Kelpie dives into the water and drowns its victim.

**Red Cap:** is a thoroughly evil creature.

He is a short, stocky old man with long gray hair and claws in stead of hands.

He lives on the Scottish Border in ancient ruins of castles, especially in those with a bloody history of war and murder.

He owes his name to the fact that he wears a red hat, which is colored by the blood of his victims.



## What really happened in the UK on June 23<sup>rd</sup>?

**Rich Shader, Celtic Seasons editor**

As you might have read or heard, the United Kingdom, in a national referendum, narrowly voted - 52% to 48%, to leave the European Union (EU). This came as a shock to many people because most polls had predicted a victory for the pro-EU side. (Think of it as Texas voting to leave the US.)

The result, panic in the world markets, losing nearly \$3 trillion dollars.

Prime Minister (PM) David Cameron, who had backed staying in the EU, promptly resigned.

Theresa May is now the new Prime Minister.

Unfortunately, no one thought the people would vote to leave.

Generally speaking, the younger generation voted to remain while the older generation voted to leave.

The PM's people said the folks heading up in the "Leave" campaign should have had a plan in place to exit the EU in case they won. The Leave Campaign insisted the PM should have made the plans, with the result that no one had made plans.

Then, a big surprise - the people who had campaigned for Britain to leave started admitting that the promises they had made in the campaign were lies.

The public believed the campaign promises, but did not fully understand the ramifications.

Nearly 4 million voters petitioned for a do-over vote.

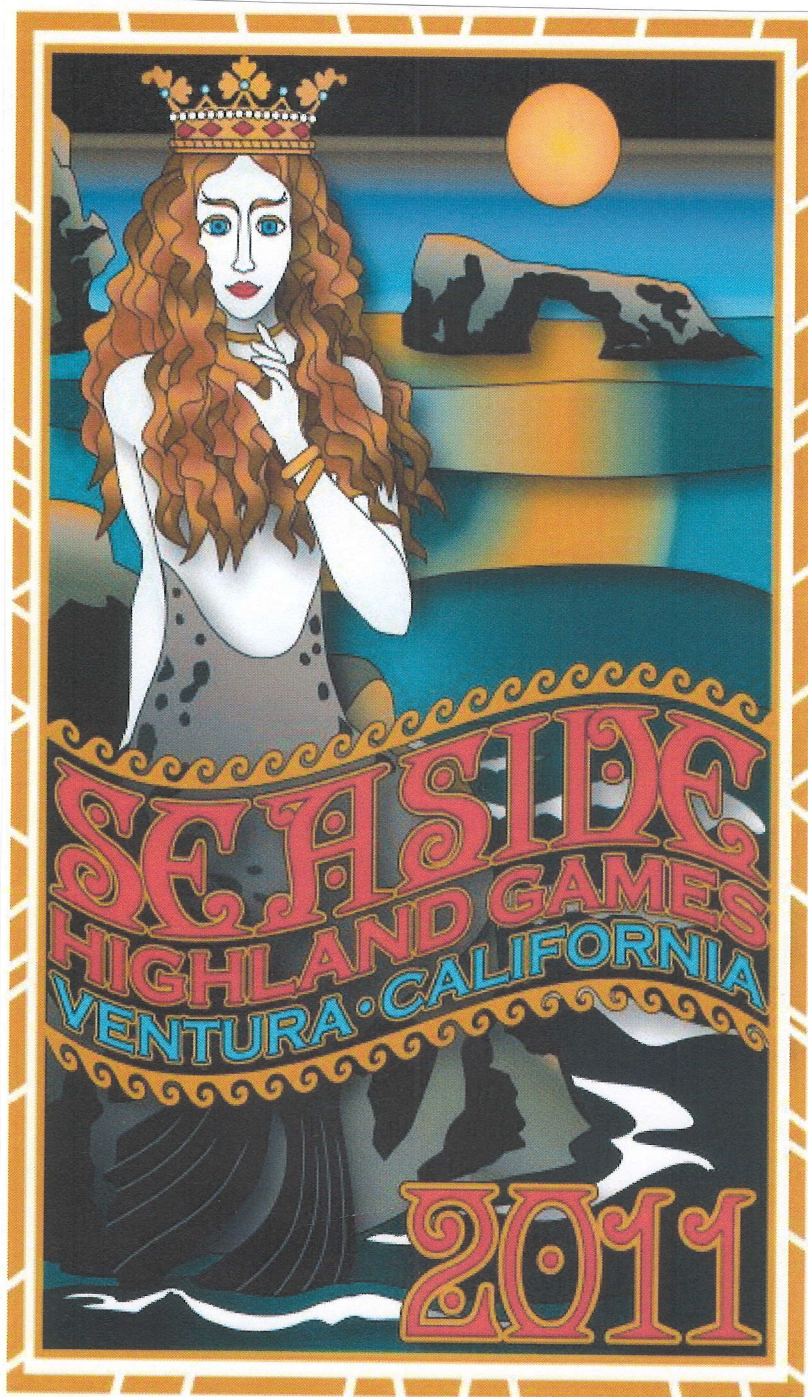
As Scotland voted heavily to Remain (62% to 38%), the first minister of Scotland, Nicola Sturgeon - whose SNP party campaigns for Scottish independence - said she will try to keep Scotland in the EU, either by blocking the UK's exit or by pushing for another Scottish independence referendum.

Sturgeon does seem to be the only one with a plan, even if it does involve pulling apart a 300-year-old kingdom.

Northern Ireland voted heavily to Remain, largely because of the supporting role the EU played in its peace process and because it's the only part of the UK to have land borders with the EU (with the Republic

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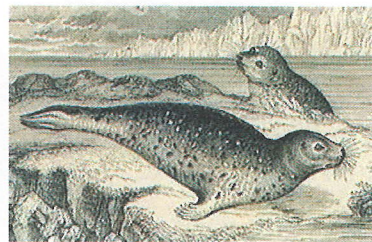
*This was the t-shirt design for the 2011 Seaside Highland Games in Ventura, California done by Thomas Freeman. It is authentic, as seals turned to Selkie's had been reported on the nearby (to Ventura) Channel Islands and Arch Rock.*

**Brexit**, continued from page 21  
of Ireland).

Theresa May, as the new PM, said she will honor the will of the people in carrying out Britain's exit from the EU.

Personally, I see a second Scottish vote for independence in the near future.

A seal?  
No,  
a Selkie?  
A Mermaid!



**Selkie:** The shy Selkies are marine creatures in the shape of a seal.

They can be found near the islands of Orkney and Shetland.

Sometimes they take the shape of a mermaid!

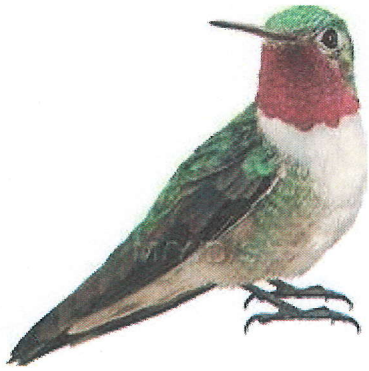
A female can shed her skin and come ashore as a beautiful woman.

When a man finds the skin, he can force the Selkie to be a good, if somewhat sad, wife.

Should she ever recover the skin, she will immediately return to sea, leaving her husband behind.

The male Selkies are responsible for storms and also for the sinking of ships, which is their way of avenging the hunting of seals.





### Ruby Throated hummers visit your editor!

We had put out hummingbird feeders for months...with no interest at all and almost no visitors to enjoy the expensive store-bought food.

I had about decided to bring the feeders in and forget about hummingbirds.

While thinking about not doing it any more I was washing their feeders once more...and not wanting to waste a washing, I decided to prepare their buffet one more time.

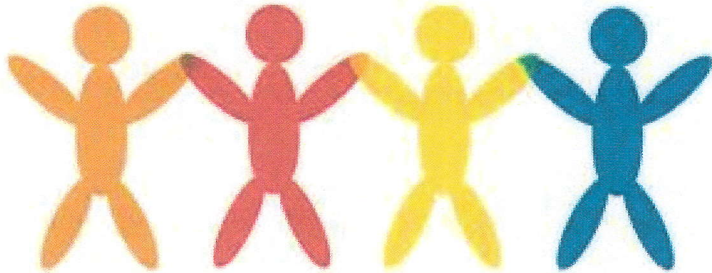
Then, I discovered I was out of the boughten elixir for the tiny birds.

The Internet to the rescue! One cup of sugar to four cups of water...boil, cool and serve.

Not 10 minutes after I filled the feeders, I counted FOURTEEN Ruby Throated visitors!

Fourteen! Hurrah!

## How the The Clan Grant Society - USA can have a really "CrackerJack" publication!



The Clan Grant Society-USA wants the organization to be an extended family - even though the members are scattered out all over the United States and the world.

How can you do that?

Just send YOUR news to your *Craigellachie* editor!

You may do that by USPS (See officers page herein.), by email ([bethscribble@aol.com](mailto:bethscribble@aol.com)), by phone call...smoke signals! Send information at any time.

Yes, we want to know about what YOU are doing. Birthdays! Anniversaries! Graduations! Weddings! Engagements! All of the happy things that happen in our lives.

We also need to know about illnesses and deaths.

Did you go somewhere fun and interesting on your vacation? Clan Grant wants to know! Send a story and some photos.

Are you interested in a particular Scottish Clan Grant thing? Write an article - or ask that someone else write an article.

Genealogy? Send your queries in to your editor. They will be printed in the next issue.

Do you have something you'd like to read about in *Craigellachie*? Just write and let your editor know.

Remember, this is YOUR publication.

What you send can be as simple as the story to the left.

*Beth*





A real ruin somewhere in Scotland.  
Once, this had been a magnificent home. *Photo by Beth Gay Freeman.*