



Shown above is the Clan Grant plant badge: the pine sprig

CLAN GRANT SOCIETY-USA CELEBRATES THEIR FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY!

Dr. William Grant, president Clan Grant Society - USA

Did you know 2017 marks the fortieth anniversary of the founding of the Clan Grant Society in North America?

Thanks to Hank Grant, our Historian, we can revisit some of the events from the early years. *When established, and for a few years thereafter, the society was known as the Clan Grant Society of North America. This name was used until a sister association was formed in Canada, at which time the name was revised to the Clan Grant Society - USA.*

The society was conceived in 1977, when John Grant, an attorney in Los Angeles, got in touch with the Chief of the Clan Grant, the Right Honor-

able Lord Strathspey, Sir Donald Patrick Trevor Grant of Grant, Baronet, to inquire about the possibility of establishing a branch of the clan in America. Almost simultaneously and providentially, the late George H. Grant of Hixson, Tennessee, also initiated contact with Lord Strathspey.

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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.

Grants in Early Fauquier County, Virginia

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My Grant roots go back through Fleming County, Kentucky to Fauquier County, Virginia.

William Grant moved to Harrison County, Indiana with his father, John, and brothers: Daniel, George, and Thomas.

It is supposed that William married a Patsy Browning on 19 January 1801 in Bourbon County, Kentucky. A bond to that effect was signed by William Grant and John Browning, Patsy's father.

Since William was only 18 years old, the bond was proved by John Grant, presumably his father. Entries in a family Bible and nearness of graves in the Corydon Cemetery, suggests that my Great-great-grandfather and this William Grant are one and the same. (Patsy died around 1821, and my William married the widow Nancy Horn in 1823.)

The family Bible indicates that William was born in Fauquier County, Virginia.

There seemed to be little evidence of this, which was frustrating as there were 17,802 persons living in that county per the 1790 census.

I discovered the website for the Library of Virginia, however, which has a couple of excellent sources. The first of these is chancery court records. Up to 1809, there were eight cases involving Grants in some way.

Captain William Grant, while serving as Sheriff of the county, was assaulted by a John Ashby around 1770.

William's brother Peter became involved as Ashby tried to assign gambling debts owed him by Peter in payment of a 50-pound judgment. The case (1784-011) appears to be dropped by both sides, and the injunction sought by Ashby was dissolved in August of 1784.

The same Peter Grant tries to obtain an injunction (Case No. 1788-004) against the payment of gambling debts to Francis Hackley. He may also be the defendant in Case No. 1809-069. As the administrator of James West's estate, he was sued by children of John Lynn, whose estate was administered by James West. The court ruled in favor of the Lynn

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George's close friend and neighbor, Ivan MacArthur, Convener of the Clan MacArthur Society, had encouraged George to make inquiries about founding a society in the United States.

We will be holding a special anniversary meeting before the AGM at Stone Mountain this year. All Grants are cordially invited to join us in a toast to the Chief, Sir James Grant of Grant, Lord Strathspey 33rd Chief of Clan Grant. Mark your calendar for October 21st to be at Stone Mountain Georgia.



The Rt. Hon Lord Strathspey; Chief of Clan Grant, The Hon. James Grant, younger of Grant and Olive Lady Strathspey, June 6, 1981, Kinveachy Lodge, Inverness-shire.

President's Message



501(c)3 Progress: Completed and filed the IRS form 1023ez. Because we held a 501(c)7 status they rejected the form and instructed us to file an IRS 1023 long form that calls for significantly more data on our part including 3 years financial data. Lacking financial data from 2014 and previous years and needing to revise the by laws to be in line with our Articles of Incorporation I believe we will not be in a position to file until January 2018. (\$275.00 IRS Filing fee for 1023EZ will be returned by IRS.) I

filed for a change of agent and address for SCC VA making Judi Parsons our agent. Further I requested a SCC VA (fee for certified \$4.00) copy of Articles of Incorporation.

By Laws: We have established a by laws committee made up of Rand Allen, William Grant II, Dr. Bill Grant and Judi Parsons.

Craig: We created the Winter Craig thanks to our editor Beth Gay Freeman and mailed copies to some 75 members, who do not have email access. At a cost of \$234.43. (Printing and stamps)

Games: Working with George James, we had printed Clan Grant Banners and Recruitment banners and mailed same to 4 Games Commissioners (\$98.00 for [7] 2x8 Clan Grant Vinyl Banners + \$68.00 postage. (The 10 recruitment banners were not reimbursed as my gift to CGSUSA).

I will deliver banners to Carl Allen Games Commissioner for Texas at the San Antonio Games which we will co-host on April 1 & 2 (\$49.00 San Antonio Games Registration).

Further I purchased 3 sets of Dr. Phil Smith's books to distribute to new Games Commissioners (\$280.38 [3] sets of Dr. Smith's books for Games Tents)

Future Plans: Lena and I plan to co-host a new game at Glasgow, Kentucky with George James; co-host a tent at a Taste of Scotland, Franklin, North Carolina; attend Mid-Maryland Games with Dr. Steve Grant; co-host a Tent at the Virginia Games with Paul Grant; attend Ligonier Games with William Kenyon; Host the AGM at Stone Mountain Games, Stone Mountain, Georgia; attend Salado Games in Salado, Texas with Carl Allen.

Dr. Bill Grant President Clan Grant Society-USA

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Uncle Grant wants YOU to know...

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

**THE SATURDAY
EVENING POST**



**Your Clan
membership
may be the
key to your
health and
well being.**

What keeps us healthy and happy? Is it wealth, fame, or hard work? I recently listened to a TED talk describing a Harvard University study on adult development where they followed 724 men for 75 years. At the end of the study 60 participants were still alive and all the participants had some 2,000 children.

What did this study find? There were three lessons learned based on surveys of the participants and health screenings over the years.

1. Good relationships keep us healthy and happy. Social connections are good for us. Loneliness is toxic. Lonely people lead shorter lives.

2. Not the number but the quality of relationships is what counts. People most satisfied in their relationships were predicted to live longer.

3. People in their 80s in good relationships have better mental functions. Retirees that did better learned to replace work mates with new retiree relationships.

“The good life is built with good relationships”

So how does this apply to our Clan Grant Society-USA members? You do not just have a family, you have a Clan. We have published a directory of CGS members on our web site and offered printed copies to our members. Some of these folks are your neighbors or live near you. Give them a call or send them an email. Grants recognize Grants and have things to talk about. The next time an officer calls you please answer or return our call. We are concerned about how you are and can help you connect with other Clan members. Remember together we can be healthier and happier.

STAND FAST *Dr. Bill Grant, Ph.D., MUS, MPA*



*The newest
Clan Grant
Society - USA
life member is...*

*Jennifer
Sprecher*

*If you would like to
congratulate
Jennifer...just*

email:

*jennifer (no space)
sprecher@
gmail.com*





Greetings,

This message is to inform you that a new node:content-type has been created at the Clan Grant website. It is entitled: August 2017 Annual Clan Gathering and Abernethy Highland Games

Wander on over and take a look.

Cheers,

The Clan Grant Society Website

Hello, Clan Grant friends:

I am honored to chair the 2017 Clan Grant-US nominating committee.

We are ahead of schedule on the dates that I will list below, so we can feel good about that.

No later than April 24 - Committee must be appointed by the President (no more than 5 members - not a minimum number).

No later than July 23 - Committee reports its slate of nominees to the Secretary.

No later than August 7 - Nominees from the general membership must be submitted to the Secretary.

No later than August 22 - Secretary must send a ballot to each CGUSA member a ballot (either electronically or by regular mail with a return envelope).

No later than September 6 - All completed ballots must be received by the Secretary.

No later than September 21 - Results of the election (verified by the tellers) are to be presented to the President.

No later than September 26 - The President will notify the candidates of the results of the election.

The 6 offices up for election have been approved by the Board of CGUSA to bring us into compliance with our Bylaws. (Due to emergency needs for governance of CGUSA, terms of office had gotten out of sync from our Bylaws.) Listed below are those offices and nominees who have voiced their willingness to serve in those offices.

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Report from the CGS-USA Nominating Committee

February 25, 2017
Robert C. Grant

Grants in the 13th century



Grants in England Grants in Scotland Grants in Freuchie

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heirs, and Peter appealed to the next higher court. They ruled against him as he didn't attend or provide an attorney. He may have moved or died by that time.

George Grant appears in a dispute over the purchase of slaves (Case No. 1787-001). It cannot be determined if this is the same George Grant who gave a deposition in Case No. 1803-066, in which Augustine Smith challenged the validity of Jeremiah Darnell's will.

Cases 1797-001 and 1798-001 both involve the same matter. William Grant, Junior had sold land to William Roe with what proved to be a defective title. William's response indicates that he may have moved to Kentucky by this time.

Chapman Grant served as an administrator of Burkett Jett's estate after marrying his widow, Polly. In Case No. 1805-039, they obtained a sale of the estate and a division of the proceeds between Jett's widow and his three children. This was challenged, but defeated, in Case No. 1808-001. Chapman and Polly appear to have moved to Harrison County (now in West Virginia) by 1807.

The second resource at the Library of Virginia's website is a repository of land grants. (Since Fauquier County was formed out of Prince William County, these records will be included, too.) John Grant obtained a life lease of 852 acres on a branch of Difficult Run (September 4, 1731). John Grant obtained 1,110 acres on the east side of Marsh Run and



on both sides of Brown's Run (December 19, 1739). John Grant and John Crump obtained 406 acres in Hamilton Parish on the Marsh Run (November 21, 1740). John Grant and John Graham obtained 1,175 acres on the south side of Goose Creek (May 23, 1741). Capt. John Grant obtained 555 acres adjoining William Watkins and Col. Carter's Broad Run Tract (March 6, 1744).

Capt. Peter Grant obtained 52 acres on the waters of Marsh or Brown's Run (July 3, 1779). This is near the property of John Grant. Capt. Peter Grant obtained 64 acres on the waters of Marsh Run (July 13, 1790).

William Grant obtained 298 acres beginning by Little Fishing Run and adjoining Benjamin Crump. Is this near the acreage obtained jointly by John Grant and John Crump?

These are the only land records for people named Grant in what is likely Fauquier County during the time of interest. They indicate the presence of both John Grants and both William Grants. More work in Fauquier County is needed to determine if these are related to my ancestors.

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President - Dr. Bill Grant

Vice-President - Jeff Click

Secretary - Lena Grant

Treasurer - Karen Cook

Member-At-Large (1) - Jeniphr Grant

Member-At-Large (2) - James Grant

A third Member-At-Large position, currently filled by Stephen Grant, will be up for election in 2018.

The 2018 election will put us back into compliance with our Bylaws. The next election (which, according to the CGUS Bylaws, are to be held in even numbered years) will be scheduled to be held in 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert C. Grant, Chair 2017

CGUSA Nominating Committee





Save The Date!
 April 7-8
 2018

Grants at 2017 San Antonio Highland Games & Celtic Music Festival





**Old memories
and
Clan Grant Society - USA
early days**

One of the first visits to the
Clan Grant Society - USA
by The Rt. Hon.

Lord Strathspey,
Chief of the Clan Grant
and Lady Strathspey.

On the far left,
Ed Smith, Clan Grant's piper
and on the far right,
George Grant,
Convener, CGS-USA

**The Clan Grant Society
Celebrating 40 years 1977 - 2017**

Bet you didn't know, "It's great to be a Grant!" was declared by the previous Lord Strathspey, Sir Patrick, at the Grandfather Mountain Games, in the 1980s. George and Lucille had arranged for him to come over,

CLAN GRANT SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NEW RENEWAL (Membership # _____)

NAME _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____
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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

We need your birthdays too! The day and the month and the year. Please send the complete birthday with your membership application.



Peter Wilson of Great Scot, International wrote, "My weaver friend Gordon Kirkbright and I have a designed and registered a tartan to commemorate the early Darien Venture event in Scottish history and woven the tartan in 11/12oz worsted wool. Scarves etc will be made and will be on sale at GMHG"

This tartan is inspired by the failure of the Scottish plan to establish a trading colony in the Panama Isthmus in the late 1600s.

The Darien Venture was a scheme which saw brave men and women risk and/or lose their lives with some never seeing their homeland again.

The dream of a trans-oceanic trade route was to be fulfilled some two centuries later by a descendant of one of the survivors who settled in the Carolinas.

The colors represent blue for the Saltire, red for the Panamanian flag, purple for the Scottish heather and gold for the Golden Isle which sits at the mouth of the bay in New Caledonia in Darien.

THE DARIEN VENTURE... A SCOTTISH TRAGEDY

A British lawyer and the Attorney General of the British Overseas Territory of Anguilla, John McKendrick, has written a fascinating historical account about the unsuccessful 17th century Scottish venture to begin a colony in Panama: *Darien: A Journey In Search of Empire* which was published by Birlinn in February 2016.

John grew up in the village of Strathblane, Scotland and was schooled at Kelvinside Academy in Glasgow. He received his further education at the London School of Economics, the University of Leuven, and University of Oxford. He was called to the English Bar in 1999, the Scottish Bar in 2008, and the Bar of the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court in 2013. In 2016 Her Majesty the Queen appointed him Queen's Counsel, and later that year the Foreign and Commonwealth Office appointed him for a two-year term as the Honourable Attorney General of the beautiful Caribbean Island of Anguilla.

He was the *London Times* Lawyer of the Week in September 2013, and nominated for *The Lawyer* magazine's Barrister of the Year award for 2016.

John has also had experience in Scottish politics running as the Labour candidate for Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross in 2007 Scottish Parliament elections. In the 2010 General Election, he stood as the Labour candidate for Ross, Skye and Lochaber.

As a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society, John travels a lot and during a visit to Panama City and meeting with members of the St. Andrews Society, he was inspired to learn about the Darien venture undertaken by Scotland in the late 17th century. This led him to write: *Darien: A Journey in Search of Empire*.

Though previous accounts have been written on the subject of Darien, John's historical account of Scotland's unsuccessful attempt to establish a colony on the isthmus of Panama, is combined with his fascinating travelogue to Darien in Panama as well as Darien, Georgia.

The impact of the Darien venture had a far-reaching impact on Scottish, British and American history. In fact, President Teddy Roosevelt is descended from one of the surviving ministers who became "stranded" in Charleston, SC.

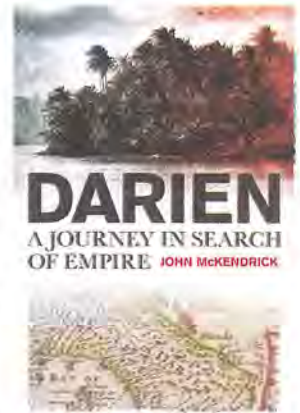
John will be a guest of Scottish Heritage USA (*of Pinehurst, NC*) at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games (GMHG) in Linville, North Carolina July 8th & 9th. He will be giving presentations on the Darien venture at the GMHG Scottish Cultural Village, which is also generously supported by Scottish Heritage USA.

Signed copies of his book will be available for purchase (\$29.95) at the Scottish Heritage USA tent during the games and on Sunday evening at the *Members Only Buffet* (Contact Ms. Helton below for membership in SHUSA) at the Eseeola Lodge pool house.

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Special note: Mr. Wilson has co-designed a Tartan to commemorate the event – picture of the tartan upper left of this page. Items made of this tartan will be available for sale at GMHG.





Hi Everyone,

Our brand new website for Clan Grant visitors to the Strathspey area is now LIVE.

Please check it out at:

www.clangrantvisitors.org

The website has been created for visitors to the Strathspey area, to help with planning a trip to the annual Clan Gathering, visiting Clan Grant sites of interest, booking accommodation, searching for places to eat etc., and also offers advice to those coming to research their family history.

We would welcome any constructive criticism, and if you notice any errors please let us know. We would also welcome any suggestions of places to visit for the listings in case we've missed anywhere amazing.

Best wishes, Kim Todd
On behalf of the Clan Grant Society UK

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Tel: 01467 651333



Can you spend just one Saturday or a Saturday and Sunday once a year at a Scottish Games?



If your answer is YES. Then Clan Grant wants to send you to a local Scottish Games or Celtic Festival. We will help you to get tickets, register a tent and help you through the simple tasks of setting up and hosting a Clan Grant Tent.

We will provide a popup tent, banners, flags, books and material. In addition, we can connect you with an experienced Games Commissioner to ensure that your Scottish Festival experience is a positive one.

To learn more about this way to support your Clan and to have a great excuse to attend your local festival contact George James our Games Coordinator by email tubageorge@yahoo.com or Dr. Bill Grant our President academicdad@yahoo.com

We look forward to seeing you at the Games.

Mary Grant, New Member Coordinator, Clan Grant Society - USA

Here is our new banner for our games tents!

Thanks to artist Tom Freeman





Candace Coates is “Johnny Appleseed” of Scottish harpists

Candace Coates, shown at left with her Triplett harp in concert on Easter at Suzie’s Starlight Lounge and Restaurant in Marlboro, New York.

Ms. Coates, who does harp workshops, and has done these workshops for many years, also teaches a harp course at the local community college.

Recently, she has started working on a new harp class for younger children.

She is spreading the joy of being a harpist and sewing the seeds of music amongst a wide and varied audience.

She was awarded her pre-loved Triplett brand harp - the Zephyr model - by Peter and Rebecca Reis at Harps Unlimited, LLC.

Candace sent the little harp back to the Triplett harp factory for a major overhaul, including a hardware upgrade. The Easter Concert was the very first time she had used this harp.

She owns five harps which age from two years to twenty-four years. She also has three rental harps.

When not harping, she works at a horse farm and was recently promoted from Assistant Horse Trainer to Assistant Barns Manager.

Candace Coates has a website and invites you to visit there. The website is <www.highlandharper.info>

She is also a member of the Clan Grant Society USA.

In the market for a
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From the

Society of Antiquaries of Scotland

Sacred Heritage: Archaeology, Identity and Medieval Beliefs – Rhind Lectures National Museum of Scotland auditorium, Edinburgh May 19 @ 6:00 pm - May 21 @ 5:00 pm

Professor Roberta Gilchrist, Professor of Archaeology and Research Dean at the University of Reading, will present the series of six Rhind Lectures over the course of a weekend in May, 2017.

Medieval churches and monasteries are key features of the British landscape, contributing to local identities and sense of place. Yet the relationship between heritage and medieval religion has received relatively little critical reflection.

These lectures will place research on medieval beliefs within a wider framework of sacred heritage, reflecting on issues of value, authenticity and interpretation. Archaeological evidence for medieval beliefs will be explored in relation to regional identity, practices of magic and healing, memory and myth. The lectures develop chronologically from the 12th century to the use of archaeology today, with case studies focusing on Scottish monasticism and Glastonbury Abbey. Booking advised.

Full details of all the Society events and booking details can be found on our website www.socantscot.org.



New York City Tartan Day Parade - April 8, 2017 - Go Grants!

Stephen and I decided to do the New York City Tartan Day Parade this year. Why? Because it seemed like a fun adventure, something we had not done before. New York is fun, crazy and big. So of course the parade was big with many pipe bands from the USA and overseas. One band I remember were young pipers from Oban, Scotland. They were great.

We stood for over an hour waiting in anticipation to start the march. Being the last group out we finally got to march along 6th avenue. It was so cool seeing all the people cheering for the Scots. A proud day walking amongst the tall buildings rising to the sky.

Aina Grant

Yep! It surely is great to be a Grant!



GORDON CASTLE & HIGHLAND GAMES

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Step back in time with us for the 2017 Gordon Castle Highland Games and Country Fair on 20th and 21st May.

Running on Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st May; the Saturday will pay homage to the Castle's heyday, focusing on traditional skills, dress, music and agriculture from 1900s – 1940s.

Complete with the brand new vintage village and speak-easy session, the Saturday will also include a charity 'We're a Knockout' competition, in collaboration with Moray Licensed Traders to raise money for Alzheimers Scotland.

On Sunday visitors may bear witness to the breaking of a world record as the traditional Highland Games plays host to the Scottish 28lb Weight for Distance Championships. Together, the two-day event will engage, inspire and inform visitors about the history and heritage engrained in Moray, Speyside and, in turn, Scotland.

<www.gordoncastlehighlandgames.co.uk>

WORDS WE USED WHEN WE WERE GROWING UP

Would you believe my spell checker did not recognize the word “murgatroyd”?

Lost Words from our childhood: Words gone as fast as the buggy whip! Sad really!

The other day a not so elderly (70ish) lady said something to her son about driving a jalopy and he looked at her quizzically and said “What the heck is a jalopy?” Oh, a new phrase! He had never heard of the word jalopy! She knew she was old but not that old.

Well, I hope you are Hunky Dory after you read this and chuckle.

About a month ago, I illuminated some old expressions that have become obsolete because of the inexorable march of technology. These phrases included “Don’t touch that dial,” “Carbon copy,” “You sound like a broken record” and “Hung out to dry.”

Back in the olden days we had a lot of moxie. We’d put on our best bib and tucker to straighten up and fly right. Heavens to Betsy! Gee whillikers! Jumping Jehoshaphat! Holy moley! We were in like Flynn and living the life of Riley, and even a regular guy couldn’t accuse us of being a knucklehead, a nincompoop or a pill. Not for all the tea in China!

Back in the olden days, life used to be swell, but when’s the last time anything was swell? Swell has gone the way of beehives, pageboys and the D.A. and of spats, knickers, fedoras, poodle skirts,

saddle shoes and pedal pushers.

Oh, my aching back. Kilroy was here, but he isn’t anymore.

We wake up from what surely has been just a short nap, and before we can say, well I’ll be

a monkey’s uncle! or, this is a fine kettle of fish!, we discover that the words we grew up with, the words that seemed common as rain, have vanished with scarcely a notice from our tongues, our pens and now our keyboards.



Poof, go the words of our youth, the words we’ve left behind. We blink, and they’re gone. Where have all those phrases gone?

Long gone: Pshaw, The milkman did it. Hey! It’s your nickel. Don’t forget to pull the chain. Knee high to a grasshopper. Well, Fiddlesticks! Going like sixty. I’ll see you in the funny papers. Don’t take any wooden nickels.

It turns out there are more of these lost words and expressions than Carter has liver pills. This can be disturbing stuff! If only we could dial an Operator for assistance?

We of a certain age have been blessed to live in changeable times. For a child each new word is like a shiny toy, a toy that has no age. We at the other end of the chronological arc have the advantage of remembering there are words that once did not exist, and there were words that once strutted their hour upon the earthly stage and now are heard no more, except in our collective memory. It’s one of the greatest advantages of



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Current Highland Games that will have a Clan Grant Society-USA Tent in 2017

- **The Celtic Festival Highland Gathering of Southern Maryland** Southern Maryland April 20, 2017
- **Texas Scottish Festival and Highland Games** Arlington TX May 5-7, 2017
- **Mid Maryland Celtic Festival** Mount Airy Maryland May 13, 2017
- **Colonial Highland Gathering** at Fair Hill Race Track, Elkton, Maryland Fair Hill, DE May 20, 2017
- **Greenville Scottish Games** at Furman University, Greenville, SC May 26-28, 2017
- **Glasgow Highland Games** Glasgow KY June 3-4, 2017
- **A Taste of Scotland Scottish and Celtic Festival** Franklin, NC June 16-17, 2017
- **The New Hampshire Highland Games & Festival** Loon Mountain, NH September 15-17, 2017
- **Ligonier Scottish Games** Ligonier, PA September 23, 2017
- **Seaside Games** Seaside, Ventura, CA October 14-15, 2017
- **Stone Mountain Highland Games** Stone Mountain, GA * October 20-22, 2017
- **Salado Texas Central Texas Highland Games** Salado Texas November 11-12, 2017

Words we grew up with, *continued from page 13* _____
aging.

Most people under 30 years of age today would be just as confused by the sight of a clutch in a car, as they would be by seeing a typewriter on a desk, not to mention listening to a record player.

It's a changing world for sure.
See ya later, alligator!



For those of you who haven't visited the two-floor "Scottish Tartans Museum" in Franklin, NC, the "20th Taste of Scotland Festival" there would love to see you! It's Father's Day Weekend, "June 15-18, 2017. The street festival is free as is a guided tour of the Museum; the Clan Parade is Saturday, June 17th at 10:30 am. <tasteofscotland (no space) festival.org > For information: Festival (727-424-8901) and Museum (828)524-7472.

Clan Grant Society - USA

Flowers of the Forest



Susan G. Sprang of Black Butte Ranch, Oregon died August 10, 2016 surrounded by her loving family.

She was the widow of Dr. Harry E. Sprang.

She is survived by her sister

Ruth Ingham and her daughters Debby Miller, Rebecca Stanley and Barb Franklin.

She was born February 16, 1923 in Canton, Ohio.

She was always active in the community. Her background in archaeology enabled her to survey sites for primitive habitation for the U.S. Forest Service. She also worked as a lookout on fire towers and was a volunteer for Habitat for Humanity as well as singing in her church choir.

She studied genealogy and was proud of her Scottish heritage. She was a member of the Clan Grant Society - USA.

A memorial for Susan G. Sprang was held Thursday, September 29 at Sisters Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration. Reception followed in the church hall. In lieu of flowers, donations are suggested for Sisters Habitat for Humanity or Hospice of Sisters/Redmond.

Ruth Golden Ingham was born in Lakewood, Ohio on April 5, 1931 and died on December 1, 2016. She is survived by her three children: Linda Rummel, Lee Ingham, and Claudia Ingham, five grandchildren and one great granddaughter.

Encouraged to pursue art by her parents, Gladys and Harold Golden, Ruth also loved the summers she spent on the family farm in Butler, Kentucky. Ruth attended Carnegie Tech University where she met her adoring husband, Leonard M. Ingham, to whom she was married for 31 years. She earned a BA and BFA from Marylhurst University.

Ruth's professional life included fashion design,

modeling, painting, art-to-wear and quilting.

She was inspired by many people and cultures and inspired her students of all ages.

Her 15 years in Saudi Arabia influenced her art and teaching and were the catalyst for travels to all the world's continents.

She was a member of the Clan Grant Society - USA.

After moving to Black Butte Ranch, Oregon permanently in 1982, Ruth enjoyed the friendship of her sister and brother-in-law, Susan and Dr. Harry Sprang, who were her next door neighbors.

She also taught classes for Central Oregon Community College, the Stitchin' Post and arts groups throughout Oregon, the US and Saudi Arabia.

She was elected to the Oregon Watercolor Society and was featured quilter and inspirational quilter at the Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show.

She created a stunning collection of art quilts which have been included in traveling exhibits and are highly sought after.

She was also a quilt restorer and appraiser which enabled her to connect many people to their own heritage as she evaluated family heirlooms.

Ruth was an active member of the Black Butte Ranch community, serving on the Architectural Review Committee, the Art Guild, BBR Quilters and held those in Peggy's Pin Pals dear to her heart.

Her ceaseless love of learning has inspired many and, to honor what she cherished, her family suggests that memorial gifts be made to support the Sisters, Oregon High School art scholarship fund. Please contact Linda, Lee or Claudia at RGoldenIngTrust@gmail.com for details.

A celebration of life was held at Black Butte Ranch, Oregon on April 5, 2017.



Clan Grant Center Church - Duthil Kirk



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History of Duthil Kirk at the Clan Grant Center

In its early days the church was in the diocese of Elgin Cathedral. The first Presbyterian minister was Andrew Henderson who was ordained in 1625. The present building was erected in 1826. The last sermon in public worship in the church was made by one of our Past Members, the Rev. G.V.R. (Jim) Grant MA.

In the church grounds are two mausolea where some of the Clan Chiefs are buried.

The building is set in the midst of the Clan territories and there is some reason to suppose it may have been founded by our Patriarch Olav Hemingsson himself, probably shortly after 1060. The original dedication is to St Peter and the name Duthil for the area may well refer to St Dubhthac (to whom also the chapel at Rothiemurchus is dedicated).

It was a landmark day in 1986 for the Clan Grant Society when the then owner, Gerald Brandon-Bravo from Whitebridge, gave Duthil Church to the Clan Grant Society.

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NAME	RELATION- SHIP	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	COLOR OF HAIR
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Clyde T.	S	26	Tennessee	
Cassidy, James P.	S	30	Tennessee	
Mollie	S	30	Tennessee	

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Using Census Records to Establish an Ancestor's Place of Residence

Bryan L. Mulcahy, MLS

Census records are considered one of the best research tools for pinpointing the location of ancestors in a specific place and time period.

Census records provide the building blocks of your research helping the researcher confirm or dispute data uncovered in previous research. The information may open up possible avenues or clues to solve dead-ends or contradictions.

Census returns often provide the most detailed basic information about ancestors and their families.

Print or online indexes are available for almost every U. S. census year from 1790-1940 except for the 1890 census which was damaged by fire in 1921. Only fragments have survived.

Census returns on *Ancestry.com/Library*, *Family Search*, *Find My Past*, *Heritage Quest*, and *My Heritage* have been indexed.

Beginning with the 1850 census, each decade saw a wider variety of questions asked about not only the present place of residence, but also for all family and household members.

Census Records often serve as links to other important potential record types, many of which usually contain information pertaining to current and previous places of residence: Birth records, Marriage records, Death records, Divorce records, Land/Property records, Immigration/Naturalization records, Court records, Military records.



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5. State or Country of birth,
6. Place of birth for parents,
7. Year of immigration,
8. Marriage status and year of marriage,
9. Occupation,
10. Value of their home and personal belongings.

Thank You

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Your contributions truly do make a difference.

'TIS THE CLAN GRANT SOCIETY-USA 2017 AGM & AYE WE WANT YE THERE!

It is never too early to plan to attend the Clan Grant Society - USA Annual General Meeting at the 45th Stone Mountain Highland Games October 20-22, 2017.



We will be holding the AGM on Saturday, 21 October at 1:30 pm. All Grants are welcome to attend.

Come meet Dr. Bill Grant, our President, Lena Grant, our secretary and many other fine Grants.

It is especially important this year, as we celebrate Clan Grant's 40th Anniversary.

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North County Scots Robert Burns Dinner was a great time for Grants!

Aina Grant

Stephen and I attended the Robert Burns Dinner with the North County Scots in Escondido, California on January 21, 2017. We had a great time with friends and danced to the band "Mighty Haggis". We did dine on Haggis-it's pretty good.

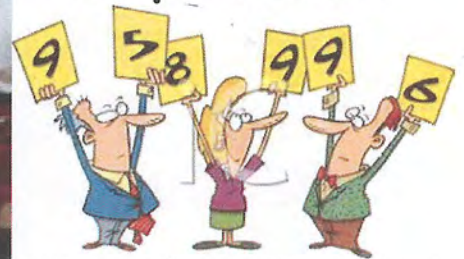
The photos are of me (Aina) and Stephen to the left.

The band Mighty Haggis directly below.

Kilt-raising-not sure what this is all about, I guess the laddies like to show off their Bonny Scottish knees. After a few drams.



Bonny Knees Competition...



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, 32nd Hereditary Chief of Clan Grant. It continues under authority of Sir James Grant of Grant, The Right Honorable Lord Strathspey, Baronet of Nova Scotia, 33rd Hereditary Chief of Clan Grant.

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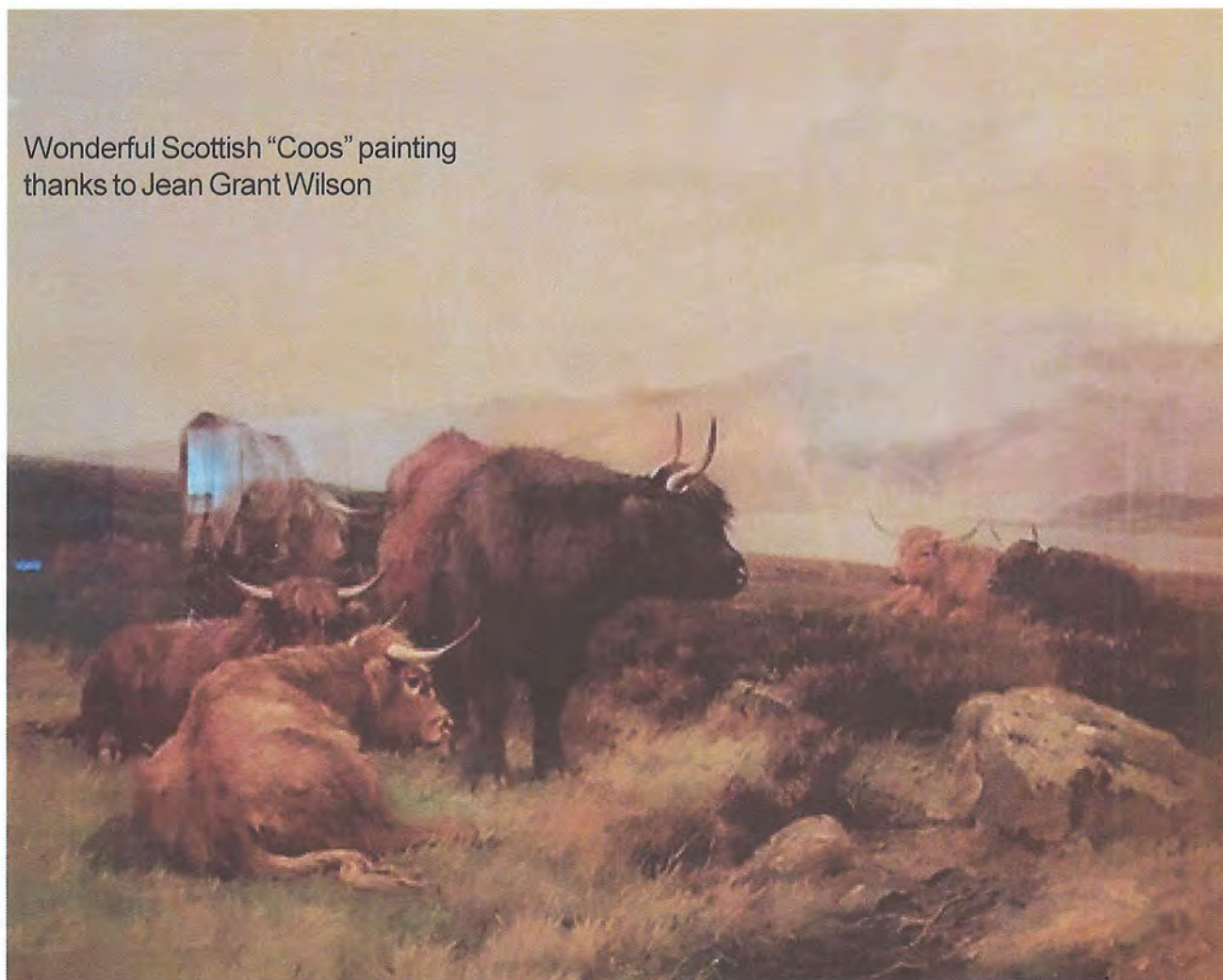
Clan Grant Society - USA at Stone Mountain Games 2009

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Wonderful Scottish “Coos” painting
thanks to Jean Grant Wilson



Here’s a tiny bit about the “Heilan Coos”

Highland cattle (Scottish Gaelic: Bò Ghàidhealach; Scots: Heilan coo) are a Scottish cattle breed. They have long horns and long wavy coats that are coloured black, brindle, red, yellow, white, silver (looks white but with a black nose) or dun, and they are raised primarily for their meat.

They originated in the Highlands and Western Isles of Scotland and were first mentioned in the 6th century AD. The first herd book described two distinct types of Highland cattle but, due to crossbreeding between the two, only one type now exists and is registered. They have since been exported worldwide.

They are a hardy breed due to their native environment, the Highlands of Scotland. This results in long hair, giving the breed its ability to overwinter. Bulls can weigh up to 800 kilograms (1,800 pounds) and cows up to 500 kilograms (1,100 pounds). Their milk generally has a very high butterfat content, and their meat,

regarded as of the highest quality, is gaining mainstream acceptance as it is lower in cholesterol than other varieties of beef.

They have an unusual double coat of hair. On the outside is the oily outer hair—the longest of any cattle breed—covering a downy undercoat. This makes them well suited to conditions in the Highlands, which have a high annual rainfall and sometimes very strong winds.

Their skill in foraging for food allows them to survive in steep mountain areas.

