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Madam Arabella's Column



Fellow Kincaid's, Kinsfolk, Friends,

Thank you Bob for such a fantastic Christmas edition of the Defender last time. I honestly think it was the best ever. It not only looked fantastic and colourful but was so full of interesting

things. I am enjoying the recipe section very much and have been meaning the make the butterscotch sauce for ages. Looking at it again, as it is half term, I think that today is the day to make it! Thank you Ramona for that delicious looking recipe.

I hope that 2014 has got off to a good start for one and all. We have had some challenges at home with Giles being diagnosed with a cancerous tumour before Christmas. He is currently undergoing a course of chemotherapy for a few months which as many of you will know is not an easy walk but he is rising to the challenge magnificently and as a family we are experiencing the 'silver linings' of appreciating all the special moments in life in a more heightened way.

We are looking forward to the summer months, and some sunshine, after the gales and extraordinary amounts of rain we have had in recent weeks. Angus has escaped Britain for half term and is sunning himself with some friends in Florida for a week which should put the colour back in his cheeks!

It is only a few months now until the Kincaid tour this summer. The timing of our Kincaid tour looks to be very good especially since the Bannockburn celebrations will be playing out rather differently now that the Scottish Government have organised a national Armed Forces day on the same weekend. There will still be lots of things going on around it but I understand the celebrations have been scaled back somewhat which must be a

disappointment for the Clans who have pitches booked and tours organized around those dates.

The Battle of Bannockburn of course remains one of the iconic

cornerstones in the history of Scotland. For the Chiefs I understand there will be a service of magnanimity in Dunfermline Abbey where we will represent our Clans and remember the fallen from 700 years ago. When I gather with other Chiefs from time to time to focus on a particular date in Scottish history, I find it extraordinary to know that I am standing with the direct descendants of the names we know so well from our history books - Robert the Bruce being the most obvious this time!

The current Chief of Clan Bruce is The Earl of Elgin who was born in 1924 and is 90 this year. He has recently overseen the restoration of a statue of Robert the Bruce to the new visitor centre at Bannockburn. It is a bronze statue that was originally designed in the 1960's but has been repaired and cleaned. Apparently when it was made the sculptor used the actual measurements of Bruce's skull, which was rediscovered at Dunfermline Abbey in 1818, to model his work on.

Today I learned that King Robert the Bruce told his followers at his enthronement 700 years ago at Scone Palace to "Go out and spread friendship throughout the land". What wise words to speak at the dawn of any reign. I hope that this year it will be friendship that is evident in Scotland as people go to vote for independence, or not. Only time will tell what the result of this vote will be but whatever it is the sense of belonging and pride within the kindred in our Clan system runs deep and strong and will remain unshaken demonstrating that family and Clan has great relevance today as it did 700 years ago even in the changed circumstances of the modern world no matter what is happening at a political level.

Yours aye,

Arabella

Giles, this one is for you!











A Word from the Clan Treasurer, Mr. Steve Bates (1100)

Fourth Quarter 2013 Financial Report

Preface: Life Membership dues received since 1 January 2012 are maintained in a Life Membership Fund separate from the Operating Fund. At the beginning of the calendar year five percent of the Life Member Fund balance is transferred back to the Operating Fund. The Operating Fund receives all deposits of funds received by the Association (primarily annual dues and Wee Shopper purchases) and pays all necessary operating expenses of the Association. We are incorporated as a non-profit LLC and have applied with the IRS for approval as a non-profit organization.

Income

Wee Shopper sales Total Income		1,228.60 1,228.60
Expenses Festival & Games Sponsorships Defender printing and mailing Postage	·	275.00 ,009.78 23.05

Total Expenses	\$1,307.83
Operating Fund Balance Life Member Fund	\$6,108.99 \$3,512.50

Total Funds, 9/30/2013: \$9,621.49

Respectfully submitted, Steve Bates



Treasurer, Clan Kincaid Association International

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In Memoriam



It is with sadness that we announce the passing of another member of

Virginia Kincaid Clan. the Huschke (L-49) a member since the 1980's is one of the Clan's original members. Virginia was a very interesting senior and a most gracious person. Our sympathies to her family.





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National Tartan Day



In the United States it is estimated that there are 6 million people who claim Scottish descent. In 1998, a Coalition of Scottish Americans with the Support of Senator Trent Lott,

successfully lobbied the Senate for the designation of April 6 as National Tartan Day "to recognize the outstanding achievements and contributions made by Scottish Americans to the United States." Senate Resolution 155, passed on March 20, 1998, referred to the predominance of Scots among the Founding Fathers and claimed that the American Declaration of Independence was "modeled on" the Declaration of Arbroath. Thomas Jefferson's education was heavily influenced by Scottish thought.

On March 9, 2005, the United States House of Representatives unanimously adopted House Resolution 41, which designates April 6 of each year as "National Tartan Day." H.Res.41 Chief Sponsors were Congressmen Mike McIntyre from North Carolina and John Duncan from Tennessee.

Later, a joint effort by the National Capital Tartan Day Committee and the American-Scottish Foundation promoted a campaign for a Presidential Proclamation, which resulted in thousands of letters and petition signers to the President of the United States. On April 4 2008, President George W. Bush signed a Presidential Proclamation making April 6th National Tartan Day.

Submitted by **Linda Hoskins, WV Clan Kincaid Commissioner**

National Tartan Day in NYC

For those of us in the NY metro area: Tartan Week in NYC is the first week in April, with a parade up 6th Avenue beginning at 2 pm on Saturday, April 5, 2014. It's lots of fun, lots of kilts in evidence. Some day we should get the Kincaid Clan to march, too.

Secretary's Report by Linda Hoskins

- The Wee Library We now have a library for books about or written by a Kincaid. More information and criteria can be found on page 6 of the March 2013 Clan Kincaid newsletter.
- Commissioner Manual was made available to all of Clan Kincaid commissioners. It contained information on requirements and duties of Clan Kincaid commissioners.

Letters to the Editor

A challenge to the members of Clan Kincaid

I find it interesting that there is a National Tartan Day in America as many are unaware of it. In 1998, the U.S. Senate designated April 6 as National Tartan Day and in 2005, the House of Representatives also adopted a resolution supporting this Senates designation. The Senate designation was given Presidential support in 2008 when President George W. Bush signed a Presidential Proclamation making April 6 National Tartan Day.

I would venture to say that most members of the Clan were unaware of National Tartan Day and it is time for us to educate our own and get National attention once again on National Tartan Day. Is it not time for us, as a group, to take the lead on pushing an effort to make April 6 a permanent national holiday, similar to St. Patrick's Day.

I personally believe that this is a challenge where the Council of Scottish Clans and Associates (COSCA) could take the lead and begin a project to get April 6 as a recognized American holiday.

To help the COSCA, Clan Kincaid could possibly form a group to work with COSCA on such a project. Any Clan Kincaid folks out there willing to work on such a project?

Submitted by Robert T. Kincaid, Jr, Communications Director, Clan Kincaid

Have a comment, concern, etc., send your letter to "Letter to the Editor" via email to <u>Communitions@clankincaid.org</u>. If an answer to your letter is required, it will be in the following edition of the Defender. However, if you want a personal reply, provide an email address with your letter. <u>Note: The Clan Chief, the Clan Kincaid Board of Officers do not necessarily support positions/issues presented in "the Letters to the Editor".</u>

- Chief Commissioner The Clan now has a Chief Commissioner, Suzanne Hakeos from Ohio, who is in charge of appointing commissioners and keeping track of the commissioners and where they will have their tents during the year.
- Advisory Council Our Clan Chief appointed Brig. Bill Kincaid and Sherry Dix as the Advisory Council. This Council will advise our President and Board of Directors on matters concerning the Clan.
- Some changes were made to the Constitution last year. We will be well represented at Clan games during 2014 and a Clan Gathering is being planned for August, 2014 in Scotland.







A Word From The Clan Membership Director, Kathi Kincaid (603)



Greetings!

Hope you are all enjoying a very happy new year. It is still definitely winter in Montana but we are looking forward to spring. Hoping it comes soon despite what the

ground hog had to say.

As of today, approximately 100 people have replied to the invoice/ballot sent out recently. Looking forward to hearing from 400 to 500 more. I am sure this will be keeping me busy for some time to come. Thank you all for renewing your memberships and updating your information. It is very much appreciated.

I am happy to announce that two existing members have become life members:

- Patti Colbert Pell of Hayden, Idaho now life member L-115
- Scott A Kincaid, MD of Radford, Virginia now life member L-116

And we have added three new annual members:

- Sky Kincaid of Presque Isle, Maine member number 1172
- Paige Kincaid of Orlando, Florida member number 1173
- Sharon Thompson of Bailey, Colorado member 1174

I hope all is well for all of you!

Kathi Kincaid (608) Membership Director

In Memorium

It is with great sadness that I report the passing away of my beloved brother Charles

Gary Kincaid, 61, on January 9, 2014.

A Life member of Clan Kincaid, Gary had a keen interest and knowledge of our family history going back to our (five times) great grandfather John Kincaid, who acquired and settled lands near Virginia's Shenandoah Mountains in the mid-1700s and whose descendants in direct paternal linage have stayed tied to the same land. Gary was proud that both he and our brother Ricky continued to own and live on portions of original Kincaid land in what is now Highland County, VA.

Gary grew up in Staunton, VA and was a 1970 graduate of R.E. Lee High School. Later he earned a bachelor's degree in business from Anderson (IN) University. He was a Master Mason with Staunton Masonic Lodge #13. Gary's primary life's work was as a real estate developer and general contractor. He was a gifted designer and builder of homes and other structures. Gary enjoyed a challenge, and I recall once when he learned that an area church needed a steeple, he approached the pastor about it, offering to design and build it himself. Once the offer was accepted and the steeple completed, Gary gifted it to the church.

An avid outdoorsman, hiker and hunter, Gary was also a western movie enthusiast, as shown in his recent Defender article on Kincaids in the movies. A stay at his farm always included movie watching from his extensive collection – westerns as well as classics from other genres. His family will remember always the happy memories at the farm – watching movies, hiking, and learning the family history that Gary enthusiastically shared of the generations of Kincaids who had lived there.

Gary is survived by his son Jason (wife Leslie), 4 grandchildren – Elijah, Lily, Emily, and Anna; mother Maxine Kincaid, brother Ricky, myself (husband Chris Smith), 2 nieces and a nephew.

Submitted by Beverley Kincaid

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Clan Kincaid Gathering August 9 –16 - 25, 2014

It seems like ages ago when the thought of organizing a Clan Kincaid Gathering was first envisioned. Now we are but a few months from seeing the dream become a reality.

The original idea was to have two coaches for a Core Tour and a single coach for an Extended Tour. Numbers soon dictated that the two coach idea would not fly. However, we are pleased to report that the Core Tour is fully subscribed with 49 participants. We have 17 traveling on for the Extended Tour. The 2003 Clan Kincaid Gathering saw over 2 dozen people attending the Gala with our Chief that were not on the Core Tour. Should you wish to join us for the dinner, you will be most welcome. There are always those who wish to make personal their own arrangements and we are willing to work with them to make things happen the way they wish. Should you wish to be part of the Clan Kincaid Gathering in any way, please do not hesitate to contact tour organizer, James Brisbin (519-297-2011 or irbrisbin@cabletv.on.ca) or you can contact our tour manager, Ronnie Pook of Scotland Tours (ronnie@scotland-tours.com) we will be happy to assist in any way possible to make your travel dreams a reality.

In Kinship, James Brisbin

Picture of the 2003 Clan Kincaid Gathering at The Kincaid House Hotel



COUNCIL OF SCOTTISH CLANS AND ASSOCIATIONS, INC

Council of Scottish Clars and Associations (COSCA)

Clan Kincaid Association, International joined the Council of Scottish Clans and following is a note from the Council's President. It is hoped that this relationship will grow and we can benefit from working with other Scottish clans.

Greetings Clan Kincaid:

I am delighted to have the opportunity to welcome Clan Kincaid as a member of the Council of Scottish Clans & Associations. Many of our Scottish American clan and heritage societies have long histories and lists of great past accomplishments. Yet it can easily be argued that there has never been a more exciting time to be Scottish American and never any better opportunities to make a long term difference to the current and future generations of Scots around the world.

We know the world will be watching Scotland in 2014. The sporting world will gather in Scotia for the Commonwealth Games and The Ryder Cup and the entertainment industry will be busy recreating Scotland's dramatic past in compelling new projects like the Starz TV Series based on Diana Gabaldon's Outlander books and the new movie treatment of Shakespeare's story of Scottish monarchical tragedy in "MacBeth" currently filming on the isle of Skye. And of course, the Scottish people will decide their own political and constitutional future in September, giving the thumbs up or down to a 300 year old political union. Being Scottish is going to be a very popular thing in the coming years. Being Scottish American is going to be even better.

Today Scottish Americans are energetically networking and organizing not only within their own clan and family societies but also across clan lines in order to bring the entire Scottish American community closer together and to speak with one clear

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voice. Indeed, Scottish Americans are working arm in arm with Scots in Scotland and across the globe to achieve remarkable things such as protecting the threatened sanctity and integrity of Scottish historic sites like Culloden Battlefield where sufficient legal protection is not yet in place. In many ways, Scottish Americans are for the first time acknowledging what is important to our history and ancestral heritage and we are working hard to protect and preserve those things here and in Scotland. COSCA and the American Scottish clans and families have been instrumental in ensuring that this year's Bannockburn 700 commemorations will retain a strong heritage and educational aspect and will not be overwhelmed by partisan political atmosphere now prevalent in Scotland. One of the most thrilling developments of the last few years is the slow and painstaking repair and reconstruction of the severed relationships between Scottish Clan Chiefs and clans folk. This relationship, so absolutely critical to the proper functioning of the old Scottish clan and family system, was terribly broken by the middle of the 18th century and what had been, for centuries a close and mutually respectful working relationship between chief and clan was, in many cases, absolutely torn apart. Today that situation is being corrected.

Through the steadfast and forward thinking work of Sir Malcolm Mac-Gregor of MacGregor as Convener of the Standing Council of Scottish Chiefs, the Chiefs and clans are genuinely beginning to work together as a team - and a very formidable team it is! Chiefs and clans have come together to meet and successfully address some very difficult challenges over the last few years including the difficult situation of clans without chiefs, maintaining historic accuracy and authenticity in the performance of Scottishness and of course the rocky road to a successful commemora-

tion of the Battle





Council of Scottish Clans and Associations (COSCA) Welcome (Continued)

of Bannockburn. For the very first time, Scotland is hearing a strong and unified voice of the Clans and the Chiefs on these most important issues and our voice is indeed making a difference in delivery of ancestral events, services and preservation in Scotland.

The fact that things are really beginning to move and shake in the Scottish American world is not the result of a thunderbolt from a clear sky. It is the cumulative result of decades of hard work, dedication and perseverance of many people. The pieces of the puzzle are finally beginning fall into place and we have a strong group of young and energetic Scottish American leaders in place who are willing and able to accept the charge of leadership. So the stage is set for more achievements, happening at an ever increasing rate as we move along into the 21st century.

COSCA's focus at this time of growth and opportunity is to use today's momentum and interest to create long term sustainability and resiliency in the Scottish American ancestral diaspora. We have recently undertaken research into how other American ethnic communities achieve necessary goals and serve their members. We have found that among most of the other large American ethnic groups, Scottish Americans lag far behind in organized support, education and advocacy and what is needed is one central permanent head-quarters or home from where Scottish Americans throughout America can find services to keep their clan society alive and growing, education to fulfill adults' and children's curiosity and interest and advocacy to ensure that our collective voice and interest is heard across the globe when it is important to speak out.

Toward that end, COSCA is working to create and launch a new Scottish American Clan & Family Center to serve, educate and advocate for the best interests of the Scottish American ancestral diaspora. The SACF Center will be a project of COSCA and a small group of equally dedicated friends and partners and will provide non profit society organization services, Scottish and Scottish American educational opportunities for all ages as well as global leadership and advocacy for the Scottish American ancestral diaspora on matters that affect us. In addition to the SACF Center's 'headquarters team' and in order to reach and serve Scottish Americans all across the nation, east to west, north to south, the SACF Center will create 3 - 4 regional Circuit Rider positions to be headquartered throughout the nation in order to serve Scottish Americans and clan & families on a direct, consistent and face to face basis.

There is much more to describe about COSCA's Scottish Clan & Family Center and our other exciting projects. If you are interested in learning more about what COSCA is doing and what we plan to do in the future, please visit our website at www.COSCA.net. Additionally, you will be able to keep up to speed on a daily basis on all of the fast moving news and events at COSCA's Facebook Page at www.Facebook.com/AncestralScots. Finally, for anyone who enjoys a good read and a little debate about fascinating Scottish American historical events, you may want to take a peek at COSCA's new Wandering Scots Book Club - the

first online book club that uses great historical fiction as a window through which to explore our exciting Scottish American history. You can find the book club at www.Facebook.com/groups/WanderingScotsBookClub or on the COSCA website by clicking the Wandering Scots tab on the right sidebar.

We are steaming into the 2014 Highland games season and I am looking forward to seeing and meeting many Clan Kincaid members on the field across the United States and in Scotland in June. If you find yourself in Scotland this summer do stop by the COSCA tent on the Bannockburn Live field on June 28 - 29 and then look for us on the Mountain in North Carollina at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games on July 10th for the 2nd Annual Scottish Clan & Family Caucus. If you would like to get involved in what COSCA does or just know more about our work, please shoot me an email at: president@COSCA.net. We always love to talk about All Things Scottish!

Thank you for all of the good work that Clan Kincaid gets done. We look forward to working with Kincaid on many great projects as we march into the future to build a stronger Scottish American ancestral diaspora.

Yours aye,

Susan L. McIntosh, President, Council of Scottish Clans & Associations

The Bagpiper

Time is like a river. You cannot touch the water twice, because the flow that has passed will never pass again. Enjoy every moment of life. As a bagpiper, I play many gigs. Recently I was asked by a funeral director to play at a graveside service for a homeless man. He had no family or friends, so the service was to be at a paupers cemetery in the Nova Scotia back country.

As I was not familiar with the backwoods, I got lost and, being a typical man, I didn't stop for directions.

I finally arrived an hour late and saw the funeral guy had evidently gone and the hearse was nowhere insight. There were only the diggers and crew left and they were eating lunch. I felt badly and apologized to the men

for being late.

I went to the side down and the vault didn't know what play. The workers

of the grave and looked lid was already in place. I else to do, so I started to put down their lunches

and began to gather around. I played out my heart and soul for this man with no family and friends. I played like I've never played before for this homeless man.

And as I played "Amazing Grace", the workers began to weep. They wept, I wept, we all wept together. When I finished, I packed up my bagpipes and started for my car. Though my head was hung low, my heart was full.

As I opened the door to my car, I heard one of the workers say, "I never seen nothing like that before and I've been putting in septic tanks for twenty years."

Apparently I'm still lost....it's a man thing.

Submitted by Karen Davis





A Word From the Communications Director, Robert T Kincaid, Jr. (Lt Colonel, USAF(R) (760)



Well, it is 2014 and I hope all Clan Kincaid members have a fruitful and successful New Year!

The Clan is starting the New Year off with a bang as it becomes a member of the Council of Scottish Clans Association, Inc.(COSCA) giving us a good chance to meet and work with other Clan's in the cause of Scottish Kinship. You can find a note of welcome in this is-

sue from Susan L. McIntosh, the President of COSCA.

In keeping with the style of December's Defender, the four holidays depicted in this issue are New Years, Valentines Day, Tartan Day and the Robert Burns celebration. There is a piece in this edition that describes Tartan Day and the Letter to the Editor contains a challenge to the Clan concerning Tartan Day. The Robert Burns celebration is also discussed in another section of the Defender.

To give the Clan Kincaid members another means of communications, we have developed a Facebook page. Robert T. Kincaid, III (1141) is the Clan Facebook administrator responsible for developing and administering the page. Send your comments and photos to him at Facebook.administrator@clankincaid.org. Our thanks to Robert for taking on this task.

The final note is a note of thanks to BGen Bill Kincaid, Karen Davis, Linda Hoskins, Mervin Kincaide, James Brisbin, Normand L. Kincaide, Suzanne Hakeos and Steven Kincaid who submitted articles for this edition of the Defender. Membership input is very important to the Defender as it keeps it lively and a newsletter we can all be proud of.

Bob

Kincaids in Films, Article#2

I read Gary Kincaid's letter "Movies Where the Kincaid Name is Prominent" with interest. It does seem that film producers and script writers seize on the name Kincaid whenever they have a 'baddie'. Gary's list, of course, covers fictitious Kincaids, although he does mention the WWII documentary The Battle for Leyte Gulf in which Admiral Thomas C. Kinkaid commanded the US Seventh Fleet. Sadly there appear to be very few other real-life Kincaids in films.

There is a film entitled Thomas Kinkade's Christmas Cottage which is the "early true-life story of renowned 'Painter of Light' Thomas Kinkade". It has Jared Padalecki as young Thomas, but the star of the film is Peter O'Toole as a famous artist who lives next door. How true to life it is I do not know but Thomas was involved in the making of the film.

Another true story on film tells of the birth of the Spitfire without which Britain would not have won the Battle of Britain in 1940. The First of the Few, from British Aviation Pictures in 1942, stars David Niven and Leslie Howard (who also directs) in this tale of the struggle in the 1920s between Britain, Italy, Germany and the US for the Schneider Trophy, which led eventually to the birth of the Spitfire. Samuel 'Kink' Kinkead was a member of the British Team in 1927, but he does not appear in the film, although there is a shot of a newspaper headline "Kinkead is Dead" after he was killed in trying to break the 300 mph speed barrier.

Kinkead was an extraordinary man: reserved, modest and, as a magazine obituary put it, he "made a habit of thinking straight, talking straight and living straight". There is now considerable interest in trying to produce a film of Kink's extraordinary life. I understand that, "funding goes apace; we are presently securing an investment which will allow us to establish the first script draft. The script will be in develop-

ment for 3-4 months. We are using the funds to create a small production company and from that we intend to source the production budget". All very exciting.

Does anyone else have any knowledge of films of real-life Kincaids? *Yours Aye, Bill Kincaid*



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Robert Burns Night



Robert Burns night is the annual tribute to the life, works and spirit of the great Scottish poet, Robert Burns

(1759-1796). The celebration is held on, or about, the Bard's birthday, January 25th, The celebrations range from very formal to informal functions attended by drunkards and louts. However, most Burns night celebrations fall in the middle of this range, and adhere, more or less, to some sort of time honored form which includes the eating of a traditional Scottish meal, the drinking of Scotch whisky, and the recitation of works by, about, and in the spirit of the Bard.

At a formal Burns Supper, the evening begins with the sound of the bagpipes with guests standing and clapping in time to the music. The host then welcomes everyone and says the Selkirk Grace as follows.

"Some hae meat and cannot eat. Some cannot eat that want it: But we hae meat and we can eat, Sae let the Lord be thankit.'

Then follows the legendary Parade of the Haggis when guests stand and clapping their hands welcome the Haggis accompanied by the traditional Address to the Haggis,

'His knife, see rustic labour dicht An' cut ye up wi' ready slight' is said before the knife is plunged into the Haggis and eating begins. Speeches are made usually in praise of Robbie Burns and there is a traditional "Toast to the Lassies' made by a male guest as thanks to the women in their lives. The reply toast

comes when a woman will stand and reply to the previous toast, (hopefully) thanking the speaker in an amusing way. She might also make a reference to Burns' women and life.

Favorite poems and recitations which usually follow are "Tam o' Shanter", "To A Mouse" and "Holy Willie's Prayer". Finally, the night ends with everyone joining hands and singing "Auld Lang Syne".

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Finally, the night ends with everyone joining hands and singing "Auld Lang Syne".

The Scottish national dish, Haggis is eaten with Tatties (mashed potatoes) and Neeps (turnip or swede) alongside other Scottish favorites Cock-a-Leekie (vegetable) Soup and Crannachan, a dessert made from raspberry, toasted oatmeal and cream. It is a wonderful, tasty dish which uses sheep's offal (the bits nowadays often discarded; lungs, hearts, liver). The cooked minced offal is mixed with suet, oatmeal, seasoning and encased in the sheep's stomach. Once stitched up, the stuffed stomach is boiled for up to three hours.

Submitted by Mr. Robert T. Kincaid Jr.

Information based on article written by Elaine Lemm at http: britishfood.about.com/od festivecooking/p/burnsnight.htm



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More About Kincaid's in the Movies

In the December issue of the Defender, Mr. Gary W. Kincaid (L-64) provided a list of movies in which the name Kincaid appeared. Gary requested other members to provide him with updates. Here is an update from M.C. Kincaid. I thoroughly enjoyed the Movie article in the defender. I remember as a lad in the late 50s and



60s a great many of the "horse operas" portraying Kincaids. It seemed that there were twice as many bad guys as good which led me to wonder if some producer or director had had an (ahem) encounter with one of the clan. Anyways, the only one I could think of not mentioned was Walt Disney's So Dear to my Heart (1948). It starred Robert Driscoll as Jeremiah Kincaid, Beulah Bondi as Granny Kincaid and Burl Ives as Uncle Hiram.











Clan History

Kincaids in the American Civil War by Norman L. Kincaide, Ph.D.



PART I

Regardless of the reasons for secession, or the maintenance of the Union, or enforcement of the Emancipation Proclamation, the American Civil War cost the lives of more than 620,000 Americans. This conflict also touched the Kincaid family, more than 550 Kincaid's wore Union blue, while upwards of 250 donned Confederate gray.

Two Kincaid families, that of John Kincaid, [DNA sample 2563] known as the Patriarch and John Kinkead, Merchant of Carlisle, Cumberland County, PA, demonstrated how migration and a bequeath in a will determined which side descendants would support during the Civil War. John Kincaid, the Patriarch, came from Ireland and settled in Martic Township, Lancaster County, PA sometime before 1750. John Kinkead, [DNA samples, 93615] & 309569] Merchant of Carlisle, also arrived sometime before 1750 and settled in Cumberland County, PA. Paper trail evidence and DNA sampling of descendants determined these Kincaid families descended from a common ancestor.

John Kincaid, the Patriarch, migrated to Virginia about 1760,



then ultimately to Burke County, NC, descendants also settled in Lincoln and Caldwell Counties, NC. John Kinkead, Merchant of Carlisle, died in 1772, leaving a plantation on the border between North and South Carolina to his son, John, whose property fell within York District, South Carolina. His two remaining sons, Andrew and Thomas received plantations in Cumberland County, PA. Thomas eventually moved south to Tennessee. Andrew died in Cumberland County, PA in 1792.

Kincaid's served in military units of all Confederate states and all the Union states except New Hampshire and Oregon. Six are known to have served with the Eleventh Regiment, North Carolina Infantry, known as the Bethel Regiment, namely, Cephas G., George W., J.W., Robert, William J., William W., Capt., William W., Private, were descendants of John Kincaid, the Patriarch.

The Fifth Regiment, Tennessee Cavalry, Confederate also mustered several Kincaids, namely, Alexander B, Clingan M., James M., Andrew J., Robert F., and Rufus M., all descended from Thomas Kincaid, [sample 309569] son of John Kinkead, Merchant of Carlisle. John Kinkead, Jr.'s [sample 93615] son, John Adams Kincaid and his son served in Twelfth Regiment, South Carolina Infantry.

Six Kincaids served in the Fifty-first Regiment, Missouri Militia, Union, namely, Alfred, Franklin C, David, Jackson, Madison, J.S., and John T. Kincaid. Two brothers, Philip Thom-

as Kincaid and David Kincaid served in Company B, Seventy-eighth Illinois Infantry and mustered out at Washington, DC, June 7, 1865. They were descendants of James Kinkead [DNA samples, 15550 & 130404] of West Pennsborough, Cumberland County, PA. Editor Note: This ends Part I of the "Kincaid's in the American Civil War." In Part II, Dr. Kincaide discusses the Kincaid casualties and information relative to African-American Kincaids. Part II will appear in June's Defender.

In Memoriam



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of

Eloise Kinkade Stob this past January at the age of 93. Eloise is the mother of our long term member, Barbara Van Hout - a veteran Kincaid researcher who has assisted so many Kincaids in furthering their research. Eloise was predeceased by her husband Henry Martin Stob and leaves behind 7 children, 16 grandchildren, and 25 great grandchildren. Barbara's dedication to genealogy, we can be assured that her mother's memory will be recorded and entrenched for many generations of Eloise' descendants."

Happy Tartan Day!







A Word From the Chief Commissioner, Suzanne Hakeos (1118)



The 2014 Highland Games Season has finally arrived!

Can you feel the excitement?
The thrill of seeing fellow Clansmen!
The Highland Games!
The Bagpipe bands!
The Scotch!
And for us ladies...Men in kilts!

On the following page, you will find the list of the events for March through June 2014 where a Kincaid Tent will be hosted by one of our Clan Kincaid Commissioners. If you get a chance to attend one, please stop by the tent and say hello.

Anyone interested in becoming a Commissioner for any state not listed on the Commissioner's list, please email me at chiefcommissioner@clankincaid.org. We would love to add at least 10 new Commissioners in 2014!

May you all have an amazing Scottish experience at a game near you.

Commissioner Reports

Livonia, Michigan Highland Games

On August 3, 2013 we were blessed with an amazing venue, weather and company at the St. Andrew's Highland Games. James Brisbin (Past-President), Kelly Kinkade (Past MI Commissioner), Sharon Kinkade, David and Barbara Kincaid. We all enjoyed the camaraderie of sharing our Clans history and Scottish ancestry with fellow festival goers. There were games, kilts, vendors and people aplenty!

It was the first year that St. Andrew's put a Clan team together for the Tug-o-War. The 15 proud men of the St. Andrew's Highlanders team represented many of the different Clans present. Mike, my husband was one of them as he represented the Kincaid Clan. The team vested the Police, Firemen, Marines and Army teams to win VICTORY for the Clans! It was an amazing show of strength, determination and kilts on that field as the Highlanders gained the trophy and the most popular cheers from the onlookers.

We also met a mother and her three daughters who were Kincaid's on their paternal side all the way from Texas! and so many wonderful people searching for their roots...and a wee bit

of Scottish history. Which as anyone who has ever met James knows he has an endless knowledge of history and jokes, making all feel welcomed and entertained.

Looking forward to next year's events.

Submitted by Suzanne Hakeos, Chief Commissioner Clan Kincaid



Michael Hakeos, James Brisbin (Past--President), Suzanne Hakeos (Chief Commissioner), Kelly Kinkade at the Livonia, MI games after Mike helped the St. Andrew's Highlanders win the Tug-o-War contest fighting as Clan Kincaid.

Hakeos, Cnief C

This past winter, MN Commissioner Ron Kincaid, after a long and illustrious tenure in that position, advised me of his intention to "stand down" and inquired whether I would be willing to assume the duties of Commissioner. I became acquainted with Ron and his wife, Alma, the better part of twenty years ago when visiting the Kincaid tent they hosted at the Macalester Scottish Country Fair. Over the last dozen or so years, my wife, Liz, and I have assisted and collaborated closely with Ron and Alma, hosting tents and tables at a variety of events including the Macalester Fair, the MN Scottish Fair & Highland Games, "A Scottish Ramble", and

Kelly Kinkade (MI Commissioner) came up with these new cut-outs

designed to promote kids involve-

Kincaid tent. They were painted by Stewart Graf and Shelby Hakeos

(both Clan Kincaid members and children of Suzanne Hakeos)

ment during events at the Clan

the MN Renaissance Festival. I let Ron know that I would be honored and happy to carry forward his legacy and the formal transfer of the Commissioner's "mantle" was accomplished in the spring, just in time for the 2013 MN (continued on page 9)





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Minnesota Activities

Scottish Fair and Highland Games. This year's fair was held Saturday, May 4, at the Dakota

County Fairgrounds in Farmington, MN. Set-up the day prior, was accompanied by mixed sleet and snow with enough accumulation that one clan was able to sculpt a snow "Nessie" in front of their tent the morning of the fair. The day started with periods of sleet and drizzle and even though our Clan Kincaid display space was inside the 4H building, two space heaters did little to relieve the bitter cold. Two pipe bands and several vendors cancelled due to the weather and travel conditions. Predictably, the weather also served to drastically diminish attendance and throughout the day we had no more than 75 visitors to our tent. I normally spend considerable



time playing my fiddle and chatting about Scottish music with guests, but this year it was too cold to play until afternoon. Likewise, Liz found it difficult to demonstrate spinning wool fleece before mid-day. My brother, Michael,

from Minneapolis, spent much of the day with us and had an enjoyable conversation around writing and publishing with a local author from Clan MacKinnon. By late afternoon, the sun broke through the overcast and the cold abated sufficiently to allow us to enjoy the performance of the massed bands (if five bands could be said to "mass") washed down with a pint from the pub tent.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Kincaid Minnesota Commissioner Clan Kincaid Association International

We watch as our lives pass by. We see our homes change. We see our neighbors change. We see our jobs change. We see our circle of friends change. We see our hobbies and interests change. We could even see our nationality change. Change is all around us.



There are only two constants in our lives: Our Faith and Our Family. Something to think about as we prioritize our lives.

Submitted by James Brisbin

Upcoming Events



Here is the schedule of Scottish Games and Fairs from March to Jun 14. If you are in the area of one of them, try to attend!! (Note Jul through Oct will appear in the Jun Edition of the Defender.

March 22-23

Arizona Scottish Games Indian Steele School Park Phoenix, Arizona Host - Commissioner Karen Davis www.arizonascots.com

May 2-4

West Virginia Scottish Festival Bridgeport, West Virginia Host - Commissioner Linda Hoskins www.scots-westvirginia.org

May 10

Mt. Airy Fire Dept. Fairgrounds 1003 Twin Arch Road, Mt. Airy, MD 21771

Host: Looking for a Kincaid Clan Member to host a Clan Kincaid Tent—any takers?

May 24-25

Alma Highland Festival and Games Alma, Michigan Host - TBA

http://www.almahighlandfestival.com

May 30 – June 1

Glasgow Highland Games Glasgow, Kentucky Host - Commissioner Ann Prothro www.glasgowhighlandgames.com

June 26 - 28 Ohio Scottish Games and Gaelic Festival Lorraine County Fairgrounds Wellington, Ohio

Host - Commissioner Michael Kinkaid www.ohioscottishgames.com

June 28 - 29

San Diego Highland Games San Diego, California Host - Commissioner Steven Kincaid www.sdhighlandgames.org

June 27 - 28

Tacoma Highland Games Graham, Washington Host - Commissioner Chandler Shumate Co-host - Sherrye Dix (Advisory Council) http://www.tacomagames.org









Wee Shopper



Available Items

Clan T-Shirts



\$10.00

Made of 100% cotton; available in adult sizes: S-M-L-XL-XXL Order either white or black shirts: White with green lettering/art - Clan Crest on front along with Kincaid. Black with green lettering/art - Clan Kincaid on upper left front and Clan Crest on back

Clan Sweatshirts



\$22.00

Made of 50/50 cotton/polyester; available in adult sizes: S-M-L-XL-XXL. Order either white or black shirts: White with green lettering/art - Clan Crest on front along with Kincaid. Black with green lettering/art - Clan Kincaid on upper left front and Clan Crest on back

Tartan Tie



\$22.00

The tie is made in Ancient Kincaid tartan.

Tartan Sash



\$60.00

In Ancient Kincaid tartan, this 92" ladies sash is for casual or formal wear. Will last a lifetime when proper care is taken.

Clan Crest Cap



\$15.00

This khaki-colored ball cap features our clan crest in 4-color on the front. It is a structured ball-type cap for both men and women.

Clan Crest Badge



\$27.00

This Art Pewter Silver badge is made in East Ki bride, Scotland. The badge is normally worn on the hat, but can be used as a sash pin; measures about 13/4" x 21/4 Clan Crest Pendant



\$27.00

This 1" Clan Crest pendant is made in Scotland of art pewter silver and comes with an 18" chain.

Clan Crest Pins



\$14.50

This art pewter silver pin may be worn by men or women as a lapel pin, tie tack, sweater pin etc. The Crest is ¾ inch in diameter.

Color Clansman Print



\$3.00

Beautiful color 8.5" x 11" watercolor type print suitable for framing. Clansman is wearing our Ancient Kincaid tartan. Shipped free if sent alone

Computer Mouse Pad



\$12.00

This standard-size mouse pad features our clan tartan (4-color) with our crest in the center in white and black, Kincaid printed across the bottom.

Tartan Rug/Blanket



\$82.00

Made of 100% lambs wool in Kincaid Ancient tartan, the rug measures 56" x 70".

Tartan Note Cards



\$15.0

Kincaid Ancient tartan and clan crest imprinted on each card. Cards measure $4\frac{1}{4}$ " x $5\frac{1}{2}$ ". The pack of 10 cards come with envelopes.

Luggage Tag



\$7.00

Luggage Tag in Kincaid Ancient Tartan.

Accessory Pouch



\$16.00

Accessory Pouch in Kincaid Ancient Tar-

Pocket Square



\$9.00

Pocket Square in Kincaid Ancient Tartan. The Pocket Square measurers 10" by 10". *Apron*



\$18.00

This full-length apron provides protection, durability and easy care (65/35 poly/cotton twill) with 3 patch pockets to hold essentials. Stone color with clan crest/name in green. Measures 25" wide x 34.5" long

Crest Patch



\$8.00

Clan crest patch, 4-color, measures 3 inches by 3 ¾ inches. For sewing onto clothing, bags, etc.

Polo Shirt



\$26.00

Short-sleeved shirt features a flat collar and 3-button placket. Dark green with embroidered 4-color clan crest on left breast with script in black. Made in 100% cotton. Adult sizes S-XXL. When ordering, specify size and whether Woman or Man.