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Madam Arabella's Column



Fellow Kincaids, Kinsfolk, Friends,
What a delight that once again Spring is with us! The orchard here at home is full of blossoms and the bees are busy at work. We have planted a lot of fruit trees in the last few years so seeing the young trees covered with varying shades of

pink, white and purple blossoms out of kitchen window brings special pleasure. We have also just had the fun of a litter of beautiful Shi Tzu cross curly coated puppies who have entertained us endlessly and kept us all busy. The last one went just a few days ago so things are feeling rather quiet. I suspect it won't be long until the next litter!

I would like to start with a big thank you to President David and Barbara Kincaid and all the Clan Officers for the time and work you have put into the AGM and all that went with that. Many many hours and days have been given by our Stalwart Officers to ensure things are running smoothly.

I would also like to thank Brigadier Bill Kincaid for accepting the position of Clan Kincaid Shennachie. Having only just stood down from being on the Advisory Council he has accepted this position and I can think of no-one more fitted for this than Brigadier Bill with his wealth of knowledge accumulated over many years of research and a deep interest in family history. Many of us are fortunate to have a copy of his book "This I'll Defend" The Story of the Kincaids which is both an enjoyable read and so informative.

Dr Bruce Durie, who is an Honorary Fellow of the University of Strathclyde and is Shennachie to COSCA, has written a little about the Shennachie which is a mysterious sounding and ancient position in the Clan system. The word can be spelled in a variety of ways Shennachie, Seanchaidh, Sennachie, Senchai, Seannachaidh, Shenachie and perhaps others you may know of. In ancient times the Shennachie would have been a part of the Chiefs household. The great Chiefs would have kept both a Shennachie and a Bard as well as a Piper and a Harpist. The Harpist and Piper would entertain the senior members of the clan and their visitors which sounds rather fun!

The main point is that the mission of the Shennachie has always been to explore, explain and extend the collective knowledge of the history, lineages, customs and traditions of the family which help foster links within the Clan, and this is exactly Brigadier Bill has been doing all these years and we are all the richer for it.

In his place, James Brisbin will come onto the Advisory Council. James has driven more miles, been to more Clan Gatherings and met more Kincaids than

anyone I have ever met, and he will bring with him years of experience of Kincaids from all over the world which is wonderful.

Here at home, I have been working on family photograph albums and also sorting through many piles and packets of old photographs that have come my way so I thought I would make this a column with photographs this time for a change. I have only a few photographs of Lennox Castle in its heyday and when looking through them I began thinking and remembering the wet August afternoon we spent in and around Campsie and being up at the Castle together. (It is perhaps worth mentioning that we include Lennox Castle in family history days as well as Kincaid House as both Houses were home to the Chiefs of Kincaid. John Kincaid of Kincaid married Cecilia Lennox of Woodhead who became Chief of Lennox when her brother died. Their son John became the Chief of both families in 1832 and the Castle remained the family seat until it was sold in the 1920's. In the 1950's, Kincaid and Lennox again became two distinct families.) I was particularly remembering the moment a number of us on the tour were taking turns looking through the enormous keyhole of the front door of the Castle and seeing the huge room inside full of rubble and crumbling masonry. It is rather extraordinary to think that not so long ago what we see in the photograph below would have been the sight that would have greeted us. Having just looked back to the Autumn 2014 edition I had forgotten I wrote: *It was so sad to see the current state of the building although it was still fun to climb through the wire and peep through the huge keyhole of the front door and imagine the Downton Abbey type of interior that no doubt existed not too very long ago.* Here we can see how it was. It's amazing what comes to light during a sort out!



As I have said before, my Grandmother, Madam Heather, remembers going to visit her Grandmother at the Castle when she was little and here is a photograph of her as a small child. It was taken in the summer of 1920 which makes her about two and a half (she was born in Glasgow on 10th March 1918) and I thought it would be fun to include.

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She looks in quite a cheeky mood!

I have just returned from the Borders where I was attending a family funeral. Despite the sadness of the occasion it lifted my spirits as always driving that beautiful route. As the scenery begins to change and the hills rise up I can see why so much poetry has been written about the mountains of Scotland. I was reading recently a poem by Alexander Anderson and have included a few of the verses as he has captivated the beauty of the highlands in an extraordinary way. I hope you enjoy it too.

The Hills In The Hielands

*The streets o' the city grow weary
For want o' the glint an' the sheen;
An' the wast wind has never a murmur
O' woods that are wavin' wi' green:
But O, for the bound o' the red deer,
An' the curlew that bugles to a';
The hills in the Hielands are bonnie,
The hills in the Hielands are braw
(excellent or very good!).*

*I sigh for the roar o' the river
Far down in the depths o' the glen,
The rush an' the whirr o' the blackcock
As he springs frae the side o' the
ben;
For the sweep o' the sky-cleavin' eagle,*

*Whose wings are the bounds o' his
law--*

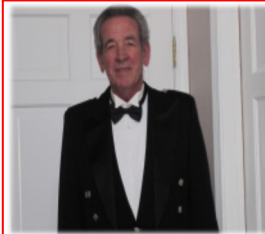
*The hills in the Hielands are bonnie,
The hills in the Hielands are braw.*

As we look towards the summer I hope that the holidays will have at least some special family moments in the midst of the daily pressures of life. I also hope that there will be rich conversations, wonderful discoveries and

new friendships in each and every one of the Clan Kincaid tents this season.

With warmest wishes and
Yours Aye,
Arabella.

A Word From Our President, David Kincaid (73)



Clan Kincaid Association International Board of Officers held their required Annual Meeting

starting on February 15.

Since the meeting was conducted by email it lasted a month and a half. Any decisions made during the meeting may be found in the Secretary's report that is included in this issue of the Defender.

I look forward to the upcoming Highland Games. I accompanied my wife, Michigan Commissioner Barbara Kincaid, to the Alma Games, which were held on Saturday, May 23. I also plan to attend the Livonia Games on Saturday, August 1. Since the St. Andrews Society of Detroit will be hosting the games, we plan to inform them that the Clan Kincaid Association President will be in attendance and that a Clan meeting will be held. This will put us in a better position to be named "Featured Clan".

Since a quorum of Officers will probably not be in attendance, no decisions will be made. I plan to present a status of the Clan and have any Officers or Commissioners give a report on their activities. The meeting will be at the Clan Kincaid tent at 10:00AM and all members are welcome. Barbara and I also hope to attend the Ohio Scottish Games to be held on June 26 and 27. I want to thank all of you who help keep this outstanding organization thriving and professional.

In Kinship,
David

In Memoriam



Sherry D. Kincaid-Stafford (A-1122), 57, of Cleveland, formerly of Lorain, passed away Monday, April 20, 2015. She was born in Cleveland on March 31, 1958 and grew up in Lorain. She was a 1976 graduate of Lorain High School and went on to graduate from St. Joseph School of Nursing in Lorain. Sherry worked as a labor and delivery nurse at Deaconess Hospital in Cleveland for 24 years. She then went to work for Medical Mutual as a nurse reviewer for the past ten years.

Sherry was an avid reader, a hobby which she passed down to her son. She also enjoyed shopping and long drives through the park. She liked to visit cemeteries at night and she always found her bearings according to the location of the lake!

Sherry is survived by her husband of 35 years, Gary; one son, Joshua D. Stafford; one sister, Stephanie D. Kincaid; one brother, Robert D. Kincaid (Lucy) and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents Rev. Robert D. and Mozura Kincaid; one brother, David Kincaid; one sister, Deborah Kincaid and one nephew, Jonathan Kincaid.

In lieu of flowers or memorial contributions Sherry would wish for everyone to treat themselves to something special today and remember her.

Editors Note:

Sherry's son Joshua (A-1121) said how much the Clan meant to her and it was something wonderful he shared with his mother. They both attended the 2003 Clan Kincaid Gathering in Scotland.

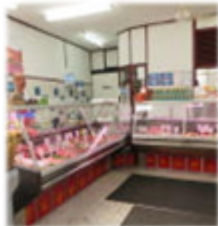
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A Memory from the 2014 Clan Kincaid Gathering

These three photos are from August 9, 2014, which was just our second day in Scotland, and the Clan Kincaid Tour had not officially started yet. A friend who had contacted us the day we arrived, said she was staying in Glasgow, Scotland for a few days, asked if we could meet her since we were "so close!" Tired from the travel that first day, we agreed to meet her the following morning at the Stirling train station. Steve and I walked from the hotel and caught a train in Dunblane. What a warm and sunny day it was! I imagined (and hoped) that was the weather we could expect for our Clan Kincaid Tour. Well, that turned out to be only occasionally the case, thanks to a very persistent storm that originated somewhere in North America and just refused to die! We were so fortunate that we brought those "highly recommended" waterproof shoes, umbrellas, and raincoats, which were in use at least part of most days! But the changeable Scottish summer weather became the norm, and everyday in Scotland proved to be beautiful, rain or shine!



Taken from a bridge in the quaint town of Dunblane



A friendly but startled Dunblane butcher



Dawn and Steve on a morning train to Stirling

Dawn Kincaid
Kentucky

Kincaid Mounds

In Southern Illinois there is a State Historical site of archeological interest called the Kincaid Mounds. This site, comprised of 10 mounds, was occupied by several different ancient cultures. The Early Woodland People were habitants of this area around 2000 years ago. Then sometime around 1050 A.D. peoples of the Mississippian culture settled here, building a cultural center on the land that is now known as the Kincaid Mounds. Extensive archeological excavation of this area has been on going since the University of Chicago began their exploration in 1934. A

vast number of artifacts have been uncovered, pictures of which can be viewed at www.kincaidmounds.com together with the area's fascinating history. This property was named after the Kincaid family who built their home on one of the mounds in 1876. I have tried to find out which Kincaid family this was, to no avail. Maybe they are related to you? If you are interested in ancient American cultures or just all things Kincaid, this would be an interesting stop on your vacation itinerary. There are viewing platforms where the mounds and ongoing archeological digs can be observed. For additional information you can also visit:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kincaid_Mounds_State_Historic_Site

Submitted by

Karen Davis (L-101)



14th Annual WV Scottish Festival and Celtic Gathering

Bridgeport WV 2015

We had a beautiful day in Bridgeport Saturday, May 2 for the 14th Annual Scottish Festival and Celtic Gathering. The event is sponsored by the Scottish Heritage Society of North Central West Virginia. Some of the events were amateur heavy athletic competitions, solo piping and dancing competitions.

There was a children's craft where they learned to weave and herding demonstrations. Opening ceremonies were at noon with the Parade of the Clans and Scottish Breed Dogs at the main field.

Overall it was a very exciting day. We had some Clan Kincaid's visit our tent, Robert Kincaid (newest member of West Virginia) and his family which included his aunt Phyllis Ludwig. It was very nice to meet them. We had several other people stop by and talk and of course we had to stamp the children's passports, which is an all day thing with kids stopping by every few minutes. My family and I enjoyed representing Clan Kincaid Association International and look forward to next year.

Linda Hoskins
WV Commissioner

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Board Meeting Update



Editor's Comment:

As stated in the last edition of the Defender, the Clan Kincaid Board of Officers held a Board meeting from and the following meeting minutes are provided for your review. Please direct any comments or questions to the Clan Secretary at secretary@clankincaid.org. She will get them to the Board for their review/comment.

From: Secretary, Clan Kincaid

Subject: Minutes of the Clan Kincaid Board of Officers Annual Meeting

4 April 2015

To: Clan Kincaid Membership

1. The Clan Kincaid Board of Officers held its annual Board Meeting via electronic media in February 2015. The meeting was adjourned 21 Mar 2015. The following discussion will provide the Clan membership with the main issues discussed during the meeting.

2. Discussion.

a. **501(c) Status.** It was announced that the Clan is in the process of applying for 501(c) 3 status and have achieved the first step by receiving an Employer Identification Number (EIN).

b. **Membership List. Publication of Membership List** - It was decided that a membership list be made available to members by request to the President. **Membership Names** - It was decided that two names will not be allowed on either Life or Annual Memberships and that the two names on the Life Membership that we have already allowed under the mid-January decision made by the Board of Officers is grandfathered in. This decision supersedes any previous decision made by the Board of Officers.

3. **Proposed Constitution Amendments.** The five proposed amendments to the constitution have the required three seconds from the Members and will be presented to the membership in March 2016 for a vote.

a. **Section 303 Terms of Office.** Change the current Board of Officers term of office from four (4) years to three (3years).

1) Rational is that a change to three (3) years will provide members of the Clan with more opportunity to serve on the Board of Officers as well as provide fresh visions for the Clan sooner than the current four year term.

2) Seconds: Rob Kincaid, Suzanne Hakeos, & Reid Kincaid

b. **Section 204 Family Memberships.** Include family memberships in the constitution by adding the following - "A group of immediate family members consisting of no more than two adults and any number of children under the age of 21 abiding at the same residence may purchase a family membership upon payment on the annual family dues as currently set by the Board of Officers.

1) The dues are subject to review and change by vote of the membership.

2) Family membership will entitle the family to one copy of the Clan's newsletter.

3) Family membership will entitle the family to one vote.

4) Number of Seconds: Rob Kincaid, Suzanne Hakeos, & Reid Kincaid "

c. **Section 402, Elections (n).** "Each January, the Commissioners shall elect from among their number a Chief Commissioner who shall serve in that capacity for the ensuing year." David Kincaid moved that this article be eliminated since the Chief Commissioner is already a member of the Board of Officers which serves four years.

• Seconds: Bob Kincaid, James Brisbin, Barbara Kincaid, Suzanne Hakeos

d. **Section 703 Compensation for Board Members.** Change the current paragraph to allow for partial reimbursement of costs in specific circumstances. Wording for the revision is " No part of the Association funds shall be used to the benefit of, or to the private profit of, any member of the Board of Officers, to any members of their families or to any individual, nor shall any member or officer receive any compensation, either directly or indirectly. (current language) be changed to add an exception allowing compensation for members of the Board of Officers to receive partial reimbursement of expenses and for the Chief Commissioner to be reimbursed if the Commissioner pays the registration fee and sponsors one or more Highland Games.

REMEMBER THOSE WHO SERVED



ALL GAVE SOME, SOME GAVE ALL



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BOARD MEETING UPDATE (Continued)

The amount of partial reimbursement will be the same amount as awarded to Commissioners. “

- Seconds: James Brisbin, Bob Kincaid, Barbara Kincaid, Suzanne Hakeos

d. **Section 507. The Wee Shopper.** The current wording states “The Association may maintain a store through which articles of a Clan nature are made available to Association members and others. This store, called “The Wee Shopper”, shall be managed by a volunteer member of the Association who reports directly to the Board of Officers through the Treasurer. Financial records of “The Wee Shopper” shall be considered part of the financial records of the Association but shall be kept separate as an independent activity of the Association. No funds shall be transferred between the Association Accounts and “The Wee Shopper” accounts without the approval of the Board of Officers” be changed as follows: “The Association may maintain a store through which articles of a Clan nature are made available to Association members and others. This store, called “The Wee Shopper”, shall be managed by a volunteer member of the Association, who is also a member of the Board of Officers. Financial records of “The Wee Shopper” shall be considered part of the financial records of the Association but shall be kept separate as an independent activity of the Association. No funds shall be transferred between the Association Accounts and “The Wee Shopper” accounts without the approval of the Board of Officers

- Seconds: James Brisbin, Bob Kincaid, Barbara Kincaid, Suzanne Hakeos

Signed,
Linda Hoskins

A Word From the Communications Director, Robert T. Kincaid, Jr. (760) (Lt Col USAF –Ret)



Well, here we go marching into to the summer months as the rough winter finally moves on. Enjoy your summer!

This issue of the Defender contains minutes of the Clan Board of Officers meeting that Defender readership may find interesting to them. If you have any comments on anything in the minutes, please let me know via email to “communications @clankincaid.org and I will get them to the Board members for their review/comment.

I am still looking for “Letters to the Editor” input from the clan membership.! If you have an issue that you want members of the Clan see/discuss, send them to me, please - communications@clankincaid.org.

I hope all Clan Members have a beautiful summer and can find time to attend the Highland Games in your area.

In Kinship,
Bob Kincaid



A Word From the Membership Director, Stephen Kincaid (L-123)



2015 Membership Update

As of May 10 we have 290 members, 114 Life and 176 Annual. We have members from 39 US States and territories, 4 Canadian Provinces, and from England, Australia, and the Netherlands.

New Life Members

- Kathi Lynn Bickerton Kincaid (Montana State Commissioner)
- Lonny Kincaid (Indiana State Commissioner)
- Joan Ellen Kinkead (Delaware)
- Elaine Kinkead Hedlund (Colorado)
- Joseph P Kincaid (Illinois)
- Eva Y. Knight (Colorado)
- Frances Kinkade Bowman (Ontario)
- Reid Kincaid (Maine)

New Annual Members

- Brian Kincaid Dunstan (Washington)
- Jack Kinkaid (California)
- Kimerly Faith Kincade-Lowry (Oklahoma)
- Jaydlyn Claire Cunliffe-Owen (Oregon)
- Robert James Kincaid (West Virginia)
- Brian Kinkead (Tennessee)
- Brandon French (Tennessee)
- Jacob Willis (Tennessee)
- Larry Kincaid (Tennessee)
- George Timmons (Indiana)
- Carroll Grimoldby (Illinois)
- Karin Kincaid (California)



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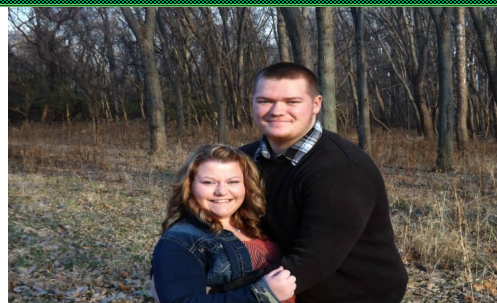


The Scotsman's Last Years for Him and His Wife

Oh Lord, let me and my wife go back to Scotland one last time before we go home to you,
 For we miss Scotland so much.
 We want to see the place where we grew up.
 Hear the bagpipes playing Old Scottish Songs,
 Me, my wife loved to hear when we were young.
 Lord, when we go back Scotland, one last time, we'll stay there till we part,
 For we loved to hear playing the Amazing Grace.
 And when I pass on will you have the bagpipers play old Scottish songs,
 When they lay me to rest; play Amazing Grace for me.
 And will you have some one to watch over my wife for me.
 And when she passes on, lay her next to me.
 We can rest in peace till we meet the Lord.
 And will you stop by once in a while and play Amazing Grace for us?
 May God be with you always.

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Clan Member Weddings

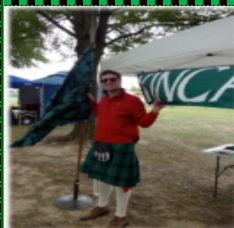


Stewart Graf III (1149) married his childhood sweetheart Leilani Turk on May 16, 2015. Stewart is the son of Suzanne Hakeos, Chief Commissioner, and he has always loved his Scottish ancestry. As work permits Leilani, Stewart and their beautiful daughter, London, attend the Highland Games to support the Kincaid's. Here's to a beautiful life together!

Remember our Veterans on Memorial Day - they and their families have given much to make us secure.



A Word from the Clan Treasurer Paul Wood (L-83)



The Clan had \$1,734 in receipts for the quarter from March to June. There were the following expenses: \$50 for membership to COSCA, \$15 in bank fees, \$1,054.42 to reimburse individuals, and \$956.14 for the printing and shipping of the Defender. This leaves the Clan with a balance of \$8,733.57.

The Kinkaid Act of 1904

The Kinkaid Act of 1904 (ch. 1801, 33 Stat. 547, Apr. 28, 1904, 43 U.S.C. § 224) is a U.S. statute that amended the 1862 Homestead Act so that one section (1 mi², 2.6 km², 640 acres) of public domain land could be acquired free of charge, apart from a modest filing fee. It applied specifically to 37 counties in northwest Nebraska, in the general area of the Nebraska Sandhills.^[1] The act was introduced by Moses Kinkaid, Nebraska's 6th congressional district representative, and was signed into law by President Theodore Roosevelt on April 28, 1904 and went into effect on June 28 of that year. *From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia*

Submitted by
Karen Davis (L-101)

Kincaid Installation Update



The plans for the Kincaid Installation celebrating our history at the Kincaid House Hotel in Scotland are progressing. We've received some great ideas from the Clan and are still earnestly asking for even more ideas from you all in the coming weeks.

In the next issue of The Defender we hope to show some of the directions we could take so please keep those ideas coming to Chris and myself!

If you are interested in being on the Advisory Committee that will present our final selection to the Board and Madame Arabella for approval let us know and we will contact you regarding next steps in this important work.

In Kinship,
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Clan History

Editor Note's.

1. Following history article was initially submitted to the Defender by James R. Brisbin's (L-91) mother who passed away in 2004. James's is resubmitting it to give our new members more Clan History.

2. The article appeared in *The Weekly Scotsman* on Thursday, September 24, 1964, written by Charles Campbell.

Murder for My Lady

Crimes of old Edinburgh

The atrocious murder of John Kincaid, Laird of Warriston, on July 1, 1600, resulted in no less than four executions for the crime. But the records are incomplete, and no one will ever disentangle the motives or apportion the burden of guilt among the three main parties.

And there is no more presumptive evidence, if even that, of "the eternal triangle".

The elderly Warriston was married to an attractive young wife of 21 – the daughter of a man of fortune and good gamily, the Laird of Dunipace.

HATE

Maybe he was jealous and suspicious, certainly irascible and tyrannical. From whatever cause, she "conceived a deadly rancour, hatred and malice" against him, one of her reasons being "ye alleged byting hir inye arme and shreking hir diyuerse tymes".

She had an old nurse, one Janet Murdo, fanatically devoted to her, who seems to have fed the flame of her mistress's hate, and whispered a means of getting rid of the unwanted husband.

Between them they decided that their chosen instrument should be Robert Weir, a young man employed as a groom in the Dunipace stables.

Murdo approached him first of all to sound him, and reported back to her mistress that he was ready to put himself at her disposal.

Now the time-fuse was lit, and all that remained was to work out the details of the dreadful plot.

Back went the old nurse "to the Abbay of Hulrudhous, where Weir

then was, desyringhim to cum doune to Warriston and speke with hir" (lady Warriston) "anent ye crewall and unnatural taking away of hir said husband's lyfe".

DEATH

At a late hour of night he was "secretly convoyit to ane laigh seller within ye said place of Warristoun, quhair he abaid quhill mydmycht".

Then when the Laird was settled for the night, she stole down to where Weir was in hiding and led him to the chamber of death, which she silently pointed out before she fled back to her own room.

Here she sat on her bed in her night-attire her hands pressed over her ears to shut out the cries of her husband as he fought a losing fight against the powerful hands of the strangler.

Silence at last told her that all was over. As soon as the deed was done Wier fled, refusing to take her with him. Despite her pleading.

Who will ever know whether he was only a brutish oaf, or whether his master's daughter meant far more to him that he dared even admit to himself, so that he sought to draw the hunt after himself by appearing as the sole criminal?

Whatever the motive, his solitary flight was of no avail. Next morning mistress and nurse were both seized and subjected to summary trial before magistrates.

BURNED

"The said gentlewoman being apprehendit, scho was taen to the irthe Croce upon the 5 day of Julii, and her haid struk fra her bodie as the Canangate fit".

According to the sentence, all three, lady Warristin, the nurse and a serving woman (probably innocent) were to be "wirreit at ye stake ad burned onye Castle Hill".

But social position and influence of her family were such that they were able to avoid the infamy of the stake so far as she was concerned and they obtained for her the "mercy" of being beheaded by the maiden at 4 a.m.

It was, at least, a more merciful end than wished for her, according to a

contemporary ballad by her father:

"Up apak the Laird of Dunnpace,
"Sat at the King's right knew,
"Gar mail her in a tar-barrel,
"And hurl her in the sea."

A 36 page pamphlet of the day, "Memorial of the Conversion of Jean Livingston (Lady Warriston) with an Account of the Carriage at her Execution" gives a complacent account of the radical change in her outlook as the result of the intensive spiritual consolation that she received.

MAJESTY

"On her way to the scaffold", we learn, "She behaved herself so cheerfully as if she was going to her wedding and not her death. She looked up at the Maiden with two longsome looks, and there appeared such majesty in hir countenance and such a heavenly courage in gesture that ravish't with a higher spirit that nay man's or woman's".

Maybe so. But so sudden a conversion to what the pamphlet refers more than once was "sainthood" leaves one wondering.

Possibly Birrel's Diary was nearer the mark: "She died very patiently, submitting sweetly and graciously to the executioner's instructions".

Five years and more went by before the law caught up with Wier. On January 26, 1606 he was captured, brought to trial, and "broken on the wheel", a rigorous and rare form of punishment.



Editors Plea: Clan Members/Clan commissioners, if you attend the various games/gatherings this summer and fall, please send photos you take of the event, to the clan Facebook Administrator so he can place them on our Face book page. This a great opportunity to show our clan at work.

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A Word From Our Chief Commissioner, Suzann Hakeos (1118)



It has been a great start to the 2015 Highland Games Season and I wanted to thank all of our Clan's great Commissioners who are hosting events! You all do such an amazing job reaching Kincaid's from all over, sharing our history, and bringing people together.

Thank you so much

In Kinship,

Suzann (Kincade) Hakeos



51st Annual Phoenix Highland Games



The 51st annual Phoenix Highland Games was a great success the weekend of March 21 & 22, 2015 with 10,000 in attendance this year. It was held at Indian Steele Park in central Phoenix, on the corner of Indian School Rd and Central Ave. There were 40 clans represented and many inquisitive visitors. We were happy to chat with a number of Kincaid's, including Judy Schwab from Elgin AZ and her husband Greg, who brought several friends with them. Nancy Kincaid Elliston and her grand-daughter, Jordan Montague, were our official "carriers of the banner" in the opening ceremony. Amy Evans and her husband from Cochise AZ were also in attendance. Gary and Julienne Kincaid from Sedona AZ were kind enough to come on Sunday to help us at the tent. Many thanks to them. We were pleased to not only visit with Don Kincaid, our DNA study director, at the games on Saturday, but we also enjoyed visiting with his family at Kincaid's Restaurant Saturday evening. We had one potential new member stop by and I have followed up with her by email. All in all, it was a most pleasant and enjoyable weekend for Clan Kincaid. Thanks to all who attended.



In kinship,

Karen Davis
(L-101)

Arizona Commissioner

Scottish Games and Fairs Jun-Dec 2015



Jun 20

52nd Cobourg Highland Games Festival
Cobourg, Ontario

Hosts: Ontario Commissioner and Past President, James
Brisbin, Walter and Adena Kincaid
www.cobourghighlandgames.ca

Jun 26-27

Tacoma Highland Games
Tacoma WA

<http://tacomagames.org/chieftanDay.php>

June 26 - 27

Ohio Scottish Games and Gaelic Festival
Lorraine County Fairgrounds
Wellington, Ohio

www.ohioscottishgames.com

July 1

77th Annual Embro Highland Games
Embro, Ontario

Host – Commissioner James Brisbin

<http://embrohighlandgames.ca/>

July 17-18

Portland Highland Games
Gresham, Oregon

Host – Commissioners Charlene Kincaid Johnson and Jo-
anne Kincaid Lloyd

<http://www.phga.org>

August 1

The 165th Highland Games
Livonia, Michigan

Host – Commissioner Barbara Kincaid
www.highlandgames.com

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August 7 – 9

Fergus Scottish Festival
Fergus, Ontario

Host – Commissioner and Past President James Brisbin

<http://www.fergusscottishfestival.com/>

September 5-6

Caledonian Club of San Francisco
150th Scottish Highland Games and Gathering
Alameda County Fairgrounds
Pleasanton, CA

Hosts: Jack and Mary Kincaid, Commissioner of Northern
California

www.thescottishgames.com

September 10th - 14th

Longs Peak Scottish-Irish Highland Festival
Estes Park, Colorado

Host - Commissioner Patrick Kincaid

http://www.scotfest.com/Scottish_Festival/Home.html

December 5

45th Annual Scottish Christmas Walk
Alexandria, Virginia

Host – Commissioner John Kincaid

[http://dc.about.com/od/christmasevents/a/
AlexScotWalk.htm](http://dc.about.com/od/christmasevents/a/AlexScotWalk.htm)



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A HIGHLAND GAMES CHIEFTEN FOR A DAY

Jack Green (Clan member 988) has been honored by being made Chieftain of the Day at the Tacoma Highland Games, June 26 and 27, Tacoma WA.

Jack is a past board member of the Tacoma Highland Games. He served as board Vice-President, Grounds Supervisor, Food Vendor Chairman and Newsletter Editor. Jack spent countless hours working toward the 501(c)(3) status for the association.

At the age of seventeen, Jack joined the U. S. Navy. He began his twenty-seven (27) year military career at the Farragut Naval Training Station on Lake Pend Oreille in Idaho. During his Navy tour of duty, Jack was involved in the WWII battles at Iwo Jima and Okinawa in the South Pacific.

After Jack left the Navy and returned to Tacoma, he understood the Coast Guard was searching for ex-military personnel. So, he enlisted in the Coast Guard and, as a buoy tender, traveled to Alaska and as far north as the Arctic Circle. Jack remembers viewing soldiers on Russian occupied islands in the Aleutians. The hundreds of walrus-es on the beaches were a hindrance to the ship's mission of caring for the navigation lights in the Alaskan shipping channels.

After leaving the Coast Guard, Jack joined the National Guard in Seattle. When that enlistment ended, Jack went back on active duty with the Army. With his Navy background, Jack served one year on an Army tugboat. When his personnel sergeant suggested Jack apply for a commissioned Warrant Officer position, Jack took the test – and passed! He was then sent to Germany for three years. It was there he met his soon-to-be wife Lisa. When Jack was transferred back to the states, he was stationed at Ft. Lewis. But, once again, the military had other plans - to send him to Viet Nam.

After retiring from the Army, Jack joined the Weyerhaeuser Company –

retiring again after working 14 years as an accountant.

Jack continues to be active in veteran's affairs. He is a member of several military organizations including Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), the Veterans Legislative Coalition, the Council of Military Officers Association, Fleet Reserve Association of America (FRA) and the 1st Cavalry Division Association. Jack remains active in his church holding several positions of responsibility.

Jack learned of his Scottish roots from his mother (his father was English and Welsh), but didn't gain interest in tracing his ancestry until he attended a Scottish event a few years ago. For the past ten years, Jack has been reading and studying Scottish lore and customs. He currently is a member of Clan Kincaid, Tacoma Highland Games and the Seattle Scottish Highland Games Association.

Jack spends "free" time woodworking. He has built sheds, replaced the roof and deck on his home and completed many other projects for his family. Jack and wife Lisa make their home in Puyallup.



Letters to the Editor

Have a comment, concern, etc., send your letter to "Letter to the Editor" via email to Commutations@clankincaid.org. 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. Note: The Clan Chief, the Clan Kincaid Board of Officers do not necessarily support positions/issues presented in "The Letters to the Editor."

Membership List

If you desire a copy of the Clan Kincaid Membership List, please contact the President at president@clankincaid.org.

NYC Tartan Day Parade

Merwin Kincaid hosted the Clan Kincaid component of the New York Annual Tartan Day Parade. On 11 apr 2015. They had a gorgeous spring day, though a bit windy. This picture shows our Clan Kincaid members in the lineup waiting for the signal to march.

Merwin (sporting the crutch) was accompanied by Nell Kincaid Semel (L-094), her son, Ben Kincaid Semel, and daughter-in-law, Audrey Fisher. Along with his family and friends.

A very nice feature during the march was when the Kincaid's arrived at the reviewing stand the MC announced a message about the Clan, its members and our Clan Chieftain. It was very well done.

Thank you Merwin for hosting this wonderful event!





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A Word From the Wee Shopper Manager, Rick Kincaid (1119)



Wee Shopper News

Summer Games. The Scottish Highland Games and Festival season is already upon us and will continue almost every weekend for the remainder of the summer. What could be a better way to display your Scottish heritage than by wearing a wide array of Clan Kincaid apparel and other items bearing our clan crest logo! Several of our commissioners have previously purchased the Kincaid tartan fabric for use in decorating their tents and displays for their respective games and festivals. Why not join them by following their lead and having a variety of Wee Shopper merchandise available for your Kincaid cousins at your events?

New Products. If you have any suggestions for new products or items that you'd like to see in the Wee Shopper, please let me know. I have some ideas myself, but I'd much rather have ideas from our members.

PayPal. Please remember that we now accept payment by PayPal. If you already use PayPal, you know how easy it is. If not, and if you'd like to pay online, please go to www.PayPal.com and click "Sign Up." Then select "Personal" account and enter your contact information. You then will need to link your credit/debit card and/or bank account to your PayPal account. When you wish to pay for your Wee Shopper order by PayPal, just go to your account, click on "Send Money," enter the total amount due, and send the email to ShopClanKincaid@gmail.com. It's that easy! If you wish to place an order or if you have any questions, please contact:

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ORDERING INFORMATION: Place your order by completing the order form below and mailing it along with a check or money order payable to Clan Kincaid to the following address: Clan Kincaid Wee Shopper, c/o Rick Kincaid, Manager, 500 Browns Lane, Louisville, KY 40207-4042.

PLEASE NOTE: We do not accept phone or credit card orders at this time. However, we now accept payment by PayPal. Please email your order to ShopClanKincaid@gmail.com.

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SHIPPING GUIDE/COST INFORMATION – Within U.S. (Contact Rick Kincaid if any questions.)

Small flat-rate box, envelope / \$5.95: Use for orders of one or more small items – i.e., badge, pin, luggage tag, pouch, tie, pocket square, package of note cards.

Medium flat-rate box / \$12.65: Use for orders including 2 or more larger or bulkier items– such as sweatshirts, polo shirts, caps and all smaller items included in your order (i.e., badge, pin, tie, pocket square, luggage tag, pocket, etc.).

Large flat-rate box / \$17.90: Use for orders containing 3 or more larger or bulkier items, i.e., blankets, sweatshirts and all smaller items included in your order.

\$8.00 shipping rate: Use this rate when purchasing only 1 or 2 flat, lighter items -- such as a shirt, sash, mouse pad.

For orders outside the U.S.: Please contact Rick Kincaid in advance to determine the postage rate to include.



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 1 3/4" x 2 1/4"
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 3/4 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



\$15.00

Kincaid Ancient tartan and clan crest imprinted on each card. Cards measure 4 1/4" x 5 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 Tartan.

Pocket Square



\$9.00

Pocket Square in Kincaid Ancient Tartan. The Pocket Square measures 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 3/4 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.