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NEWS FROM THE REGIONS



REGION 1 NEW ENGLAND

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New Hampshire

The New England Scottish Games has a new mascot. Last November I lost my Skye Terrier (Ch. Cladick Candlewyck Kailyard T.T.) who had attended Games since puppyhood and had won a large following. Her younger brother, Trevyn, was devastated so, three weeks later our lives were invaded by his puppy niece (Candlewyck Witch and Famous), her call name is Brier. In 1980 Beryl Graves had fallen in love with Brier's grandfather, Max, so when Brier arrived from Tennessee, I asked Beryl if she would like to co-own the little witch. The answer was a resounding YES. Brier has started her show-winning career and is practicing listening to the bagpipes. She is looking forward to her first real games I'm sure.

Skye Terriers in Clan Buchanan are not limited to New England. For those clansmen in the Virginia area, Betsy Dickenson has the lovely little beasties too. What good taste Buchanans have (and remember, Greyfriars Bobby was a drop-ear Skye and so is my Trevyn.

Susan Parsons
New Hampshire Regent

REGION 3 MID ATLANTIC REGION



**COMMISSIONER
JULES KINCAID**
1003 Cameron Street
Alexandria, VA

Christmas Walk of 1989

The Christmas Walk held December 2nd in Old Alexandria, Virginia, was, as usual, an event not to miss. Buchanans, 60 strong, marched the full length of the route to the sounds of a pipe band consisting of members from the Boumi Temple in Baltimore and the Pipe & Drums of the Khedive Highlanders from Virginia Beach. The one-hour parade was attended by thousands of onlookers and, at least, a thousand marchers decked out in every tartan imaginable. Twenty bands led the many clans and other Scottish groups. A massed band program in the town square capped the morning activities.

The afternoon was devoted to shopping and visiting the many old homes open to the public. Special programs abound at the many churches, YMCA, etc. Then it was back to the hotel for a shower and rest.

Christmas Walk of 1989 (continued)

Following a 6 P.M. pipe band concert in the courtyard of the Holiday Inn, all the Buchanans headed for the Fish Market about five blocks away. The entire upper floor of the Fish Market is reserved by the Buchanans every year. Food, conversation and singing is the order of the evening. We have been fortunate enough to have the same piano player for the past five years and, believe it or not, he now plays Scottish songs too, sometimes accompanied by the pipes. More than 100 people attended the ceilidh.

Wes Gibson, 2nd Vice President of the Clan Buchanan, acted as toastmaster for the evening and introduced honored guests from the different organizations represented in the assembled group.

The party finally began to break up a little after midnight and the weary group wended its way back to the Holiday Inn for a night's rest.

All Buchanans within a reasonable distance of Old Town Alexandria should make every effort to attend the Christmas Walk, either for the day or weekend. The 1990 Christmas Walk will be held on December 1st. Arrangements are always made to have discounted rooms available at the Holiday Inn for Clan Buchanan members where parking is also available. Watch for more specifics in the next Banner.



John S. Watson, President

Delaware Ceilidh

The harsh sounds of winter were drowned out by the skirling of the pipes and gaiety of the assembled Buchanans at the home of John and Janice Watson on February 17th. A party for those Buchanans residing in and around Newark, Delaware, provided a little of everything Scottish, including food, song, dance, films, piping and conversation.

The piping was provided by PM James Ross of the Pipes & Drums of the Delaware Valley and his able assistant, Pipe Sergeant Dennis Hanahy.

Leading the adventuresome in learning a Scottish Country Dance was Ms. Sian E. Frick (while wearing the Buchanan tartan, I might add). Sian holds weekly Scottish dancing classes in Newark. A video of the 1989 Grandfather Mountain Games and the Buchanan Installation Dinner was shown, followed by the video -- Scotland, Land of Contrasts.

Chester and Gerry Gibson shared pictures of their 1989 trip to Scotland to complete the evening's activities.

Delaware Ceilidh (continued)

Attending the Ceilidh were Louis and Mary McCaslin from Arnold, Maryland. (Lou is a past president of the Clan and current editor of the Banner). Also attending were Chester and Gerry Gibson of Unionville, PA; Jim and Betsy Wasson of Belair, MD; Wayne and Sally Buchanan and daughter, Sheena, from Bear, DE; Joe and Jane Dilts of Wilmington, DE; Oscar and Irene Baldwin of Havre de Grace, MD; Barbara Moore and Daphne McDermott of Newark, DE; and Rowan and Monty Perkins, officers of Clan Montgomery who live in Newark.

It is get-togethers such as this that provide Clan Buchanan with its trademark -- the "family" clan. When Buchanans gather, it is a family affair.



John & Janice Watson



Virginia Beach Tartan Ball

The Sixth Annual Tartan Ball was held on March 24 in Virginia Beach, sponsored by the Khedive Highlanders. In attendance from the Buchanan Clan were Wes and Lynn Gibson, Jim Watson, Lacie Buchanan Marchant, Stu and Sharon Kincaid, and John and Janice Watson.

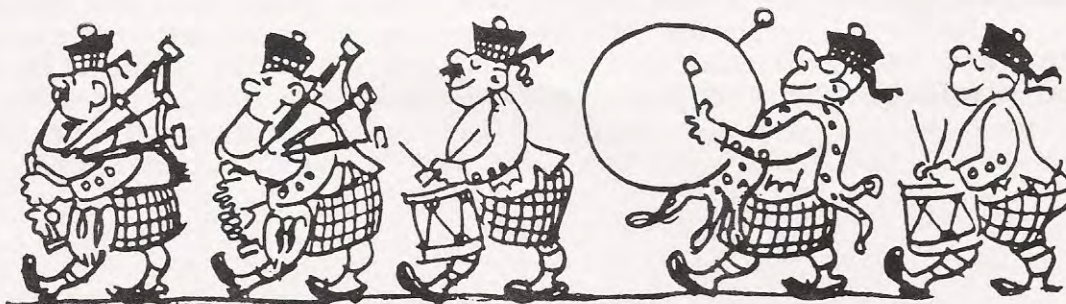
Wes Gibson was the Master of Ceremonies for the Ball. As Clan President, John Watson was piped into the Ballroom, along with his wife, Janice, who was escorted by one of the Khedive Highlanders -- a very nice ceremonial touch.

Preceding the Ball, a hospitality room graciously supervised by the wives of the Khedive Highlanders, was open all afternoon with wonderful food and drink in plentiful supply. After the Ball, everyone gathered back in the hospitality room for some wonderful clam chowder and just about anything else you could think of. The Highlandaires from Lancaster kept everyone singing until the wee hours with all the favorite songs Scots love to sing.

There was a lovely reception before the Ball, and during the Ball, entertainment was provided by the Khedive Pipe Band, the Highlandaires, and a really great dance band.

For those who enjoy a formal Scottish affair, put this event down on your calendar for 1991. The time and date will appear in the Banner well in advance and the cost is very reasonable.

John S. Watson



**REGION 4
SOUTHEAST ATLANTA**



**COMMISSIONER
JOE & HELEN MORRIS
Pensacola, Florida**

Stone Mountain High Games

The 17th Annual Stone Mountain Highland Games and Scottish Festival was held on October 21-22, 1989, under sunny skies at Stone Mountain Park. Clan Buchanan Society members gathered from several states to renew their clan ties and enjoy the Games. President John S. Watson and his wife, Janice, came from Delaware. Our new Southeast Atlantic Commissioners, Joe and Helen Morris, attended from Florida. Some twenty-five member families signed the Clan Society register, as well as over thirty guests. The Society enrolled eleven new members, as well as several renewals.

The facilities at the Park had been improved with the addition of paved roads through the tent area, a new reviewing stand and a wonderful new paved parking area. The weather was uncharacteristically cold on Saturday morning, but it reminded us of Scotland. The Georgia sunshine warmed us up by afternoon.

The honored guest was Andrew MacThomas of Finegand, 19th Chief of Clan MacThomas, and his charming wife. Ten pipe bands and military bands competed on the field, including six from Canada. Among these were the Fraser Holmes Memorial Ladies Pipe Band. The ladies were great. These same bands had provided a marvelous Tattoo on Thursday evening preceding the Games.

Margretta B. Eagon
Georgia Regent

**REGION 8
CENTRAL SOUTHWEST**



**COMMISSIONER
DR. ARREN C. BUCHANAN, JR.
(PAST PRESIDENT)
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As Commissioner for Central Southwest Region #8, I have delayed too long detailing our Buchanan Society activities since the previous Buchanan Banner. Tom and Kay Jones, as Texas Regents, have given new life to the Texas program since George and Jane Buchanan have had so many medical problems. Oklahoma Regents, Bob and Molly Kinniburgh have also had to cope with severe problems -- Bob's father, critical with emphysema all through the fall, died late this January. Tom and Kay Jones picked up the slack and stepped in to staff the Buchanan Society tent at the Oklahoma Highland Games at Tulsa.

Arkansas Regent Dr. Dan Tullos, recently married and teacher at Arkansas College, staffed the Buchanan tent at the Ozark Highland Games in April, 1989, assisted by new member, Daniel Dovell.

REGION 8 (Continued)
CENTRAL SOUTHWEST REGION

Most of our Region 8 activities are held in Texas where we have the most members. Tom and Kay Jones convene these events. It is gratifying to see our continued growth throughout the State and Region. Our 1989 activities consisted of the following:

- January 28 -- San Antonio, Texas, Scottish Society Burns Night, Banquet and Ball
- April 15 -- Oklahoma City Spring Festival
- April 28 -- Houston, Texas Highland Games
- June 2-4 -- Caelum Moor Highland Games, Arlington, TX
- Sept. 16 -- Oklahoma Highland Games
- Oct. 14 -- Ninth Annual Scottish Gathering & Highland Games, Lubbock, TX
- November 11-12- Highland Games, Salado, TX
- 1990
- January 20 -- Mid-Winter Festival, Arlington, Texas
- March 10 -- Glen Rose Celtic Festival



Dr. Arren Buchanan, Jr.



Arlington Highland Games

The Arlington Highland Games were held June 3-4 at the Highlands of Arlington. The grounds include Caelum Moor, a collection of celtic-type standing stones around and in a small lake, and are worth seeing.

Saturday was a beautiful West Texas day with a good breeze to keep things comfortable. The Games got off to a great start and continued at a good pace throughout the day. Unfortunately, the weather destroyed the Games early Sunday morning.

Bob, Molly, Christopher and David Kinniburgh came down from Oklahoma where Bob is the Regent. Bob demonstrated the broadsword manual of arms and gave lessons to anyone interested. Many thanks to Arren and Mona Buchanan, Bob and Molly Kinniburgh, and Kay Jones for their help in manning the tent.

We welcomed Robert Camilleri, Grace Cook, Regina Buchanan, and Wade Harper who stopped by the tent during the day, and a very special welcome to Christopher Gilbert and Emanda Richardson who joined our Society Saturday.

Bigger and better games are planned for next year.



Tom Jones
Texas Regent

REGION 8 (Continued)
CENTRAL SOUTHWEST REGION

Ninth Annual West Texas Scottish Games

The West Texas Scottish Heritage Society held its Ninth Annual Scottish Gathering and Highland Games on October 14, 1989, at the Municipal Garden and Arts Center in Lubbock, Texas. Lubbock is as far removed from what we think of as typical Scottish scenery and weather as you can imagine. The weather is dry and sunny with a constant wind blowing. The topography is flat since it is situated on the great plains, although at 3,300 feet it is as high as Ben Lomond, but the people make you forget the differences right away as they give you a big Scottish welcome.

Saturday morning was cold before sun up. The wind chill factor had the temperature around 40 degrees as Kay and I set up the first-ever Clan Buchanan tent in Lubbock. Believe me, we were glad to be wearing traditional Scottish attire.

As the sun came up, the day warmed and the bands came on. Much to our surprise, the featured pipe band was wearing the Buchanan tartan. They were the Shrine Pipe Band from Albuquerque, New Mexico

The Lubbock Heritage Festival was set up adjoining the Scottish Gathering and resulted in some of our more interesting visitors. Ralph Stevenson participated in the athletic events, winning a Gold Medal in the Sheaf Toss, a Silver in the Caber Toss, and the Gold as the best all-around athlete.

The Lubbock Game is small and very friendly. The people, both visitors and participants, made us glad we came and we expect to return many times.



Thomas Lane Jones
Texas Regent

Salado, Texas

The day of the 29th Consecutive Scottish Gathering at Salado dawned beautifully crisp and foggy and later developed into a lovely Central Texas day. The setting for the Gathering is beautiful; a meadow along the Salado River is surrounded by centuries' old oaks in the little central Texas town of Salado. Close by is the Stagecoach Inn which was first placed in operation about 1840.

As usual, we had a larger contingent of Clan Buchanan members present compared to other Texas Games. We signed up two new members Dorothy McCaslin Wilson and Janice L. Ware, and passed out twelve applications to eligible individuals.

REGION 8 (Continued)
CENTRAL SOUTHWEST REGION

Salado, Texas (continued)

Wade Harper gave his usual brilliant performance on the pipes, placing 1st in Piobaireachd and 2nd in March, Strathspey and Reel. The piping, highland dancing and bands were, as usual, excellent. The Campbells and the McDonalds held a Ceilidh on Saturday night -- this has to be a first. A good time was had by all and we are reliably informed that they will have one this year too. It was held in a barn and, if you want to have fun, try it.

Thomas Lane Jones
Texas Regent



Arlington Mid-Winter Festival

Most of us would be delighted with a Scottish Game where the day dawned bright, clear and weather in the mid-seventies. This was the weather on January 20th in Arlington, Texas. Unfortunately, the Festival was scheduled indoors. There were at least fifteen Clan booths and several vendors. Clan Buchanan was there with banners flying. The booth was manned by Dr. Arren and Mona Buchanan, David and Jan Buchanan, and Tom and Kay Jones.

Of the many people who stopped at our booth, eight proved eligible for membership in the Society. Kay signed up Jeannine Tribble and Joyce Roach, and Arren talked so convincingly to Torii Harper that she mailed in her completed application. We are proud to welcome our three latest Society members to the Texas Region.

The competition included piping, drumming and dancing. Mike Cusack played for the dancers. A good time was had by all.

Tom and Kay Jones
Texas Regents



REGION 10
SOUTHWESTERN REGION



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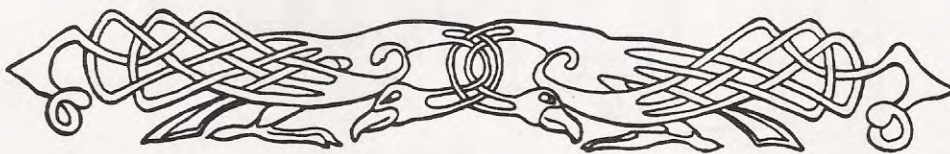
The 27th Annual St. Andrews Banquet and Ball on November 18, 1989, brought out some of the best-dressed Buchanans ever. Clan Buchanan's own John Shields made the toast to "The President" at this exciting evening of ceremony, piping and dancing. Special guests of the evening were Mr. and Mrs. Leslie H. Walters, who made the trip from Oberlin, Kansas, on a very wintry day.

The Burns' Night Supper, hosted by the St. Andrews Society of Colorado on January 27, 1990, was a colorful salute to Robert Burns, his works, and of course -- The Haggis.

The Haggis wi' a' the Honours was created and borne by John Shields of our own Clan Buchanan, while Melanie Powell, our clan piper, marched with the Colorado Isle of Mull/St. Andrews Pipes and Drum Band.

Other Buchanans in attendance that evening were Carol Buchanan, Jim and Jean Powell, Ken and Rosemary McGibbon, Don and Donna McCammon, Dudley and Iris McCubbin (new members to the Clan Buchanan Society), their guests Michael and Diana McCubbin, and from Oberlin, Kansas -- Leslie H. Walters. Our most sincere apologies if we missed a Buchanan.

We look forward to seeing all of you again at the Games this season. Clan Buchanan will be represented at the Kirkin o' the Tartan, the Pikes Peak Games in Monument, the Rocky Mountain Games in Highlands Ranch, and the Longs Peak Games in Estes Park.



REGION 10 (continued)
SOUTHWESTERN REGION

Tempe Highland Games, Tempe, AZ

It was a beautiful day on 24 February 1990 when the Tempe (near Phoenix) Games were held. The high of 75 degrees was accompanied by light winds and a clear blue sky.

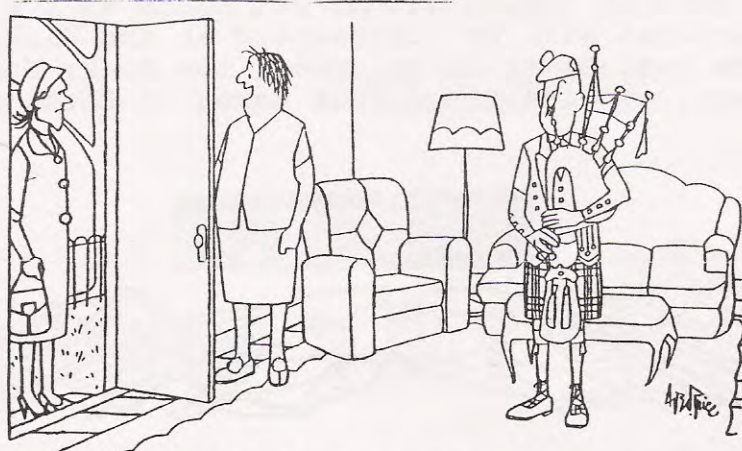
It was a great day for Clan Buchanan as we enrolled five new members. Jennifer Caley, who is our Arizona Regent, marched in the Parade of Tartans with her young daughter. Immediately after the parade Jennifer decided that a trip to the hospital was in order. However, the wee bairn decided to delay his entry until Monday, the fifth of March, and was named Patrick William Caley. We extend to wee Patrick "One Hundred Thousand Welcomes" and look forward to seeing him at the Games next year.

The Tempe Games attracted six pipe bands and a goodly crowd. As Clan Buchanan led the parade, we received a great deal of applause as we showed our colors.

I want to thank my wife Lorna, nee Stanley-Menson, for all the work that she has done in making our Clan tent attractive and for assisting me at all the events which we attend. I also want to thank Jennifer Caley for her invaluable assistance.

I'm looking forward to seeing our Clansmen at Games in Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Colorado later this year.

Wolfe-Dieter Klose
SWR Commissioner



"You're just in time. I permit him three skirls a day, and here they come."



**REGION 11
SOUTHERN PACIFIC COAST**

**COMMISSIONER
ARLINE CORMACK GOMEZ
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Mother Lode Scots Burns Dinner

I had the pleasure of attending the Mother Lode Scots Burns Dinner and Installation of Officers on February 3, 1990, in the Native Sons Hall at Sutter Creek. The event featured the piping in of the Haggis by Buchanan Piper Don Yule, who was later installed as Chief of the Mother Lode Scots. A fine dinner of ham, vegetables and other goodies and lots of haggis was served. Don was installed by his brother, Hal Yule of Bakersfield, California. Entertainment included ballad singing, piping and a raffle. Chief Yule is also Quartermaster of the Clan Buchanan Society in America.

The Mother Lode Scots annually put on a Christmas Walk in the tiny community of Volcano, California, on the second Saturday of December.

Mrs. Arline Cormack Gomez

Kirkin O' The Tartans, Novato, California

For the third year in a row, a "Kirkin O' The Tartan" was held in May, 1989, in Novato. It is the only known kirkin to be held in a Lutheran Church, namely Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. It is sponsored and arranged by a Clan Buchanan family with participation by the Caledonian Club of San Francisco and the St. Andrews Society of San Francisco. This year, 45 tartans were presented for a blessing. The roll of Clans was called by the Chief of the Caledonian Club and a representative from the St. Andrews Society presents the tartans for the blessing on behalf of Scots far from home. The history of the "kirkin" was related by Jerry Jardine.

This is always a festive occasion in this church and the congregation, mostly Norwegian and Swedish backgrounds, consider it a highlight of their church year. We have discovered many Scottish roots among them.

Muriel Tysinger





CLAN BUCHANAN SOCIETY IN AMERICA, Inc.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this organization is to foster and promote understanding and good fellowship among descendents of Scots in America; to study, preserve and promote the culture, customs, and traditions of the people to the Clan Buchanan; to foster and promote the Society by initiating goals and objectives consistent with our heritage and the desires of the membership.

MEMBERSHIP

Any person who can establish a reasonable presumption of descent through, either the paternal or maternal line, from an ancestor of Scottish origin who bore the surname Buchanan or the surname of a Sept of Buchanan, is eligible for membership in the Clan Buchanan Society in America. Annual dues are: Individual \$10.00, Family \$20.00, Sponsor (5 years) \$45.00, or Life Membership \$125.00.

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THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

If I awoke tomorrow and found myself President of Clan Buchanan, what one action would I take to improve the operation or administration of the Clan.

All reasonable suggestions may be sent to the President for review and action. You will receive a response to your suggestion.



CALIFORNIA CHAPTER OF THE
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Yours aye,
Arline Cormack Gomez

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MEMBERS OF NOTE

Commissioner Timothy Gibb

One of our three new Commissioners is Pacific Northwest Commissioner, Timothy Gibb of Olympia, Washington. Tim is a second generation Scot and a 100% supporter of the Clan. Along with his Buchanan membership, Tim holds memberships in Clan Donnachaidh, the Scottish American Military Society (SAMS), the Cascade Council of Celtic Clans, and the Puget Sound Council of Celtic Clans. Tim will be attending seven Games this year, convening many of them. He has purchased, on his own for Clan use, all the flags (4) of Scotland, and a steel pull-apart shelter with slip-on cover. He also plans to attend the big gathering at Santa Rosa this year.

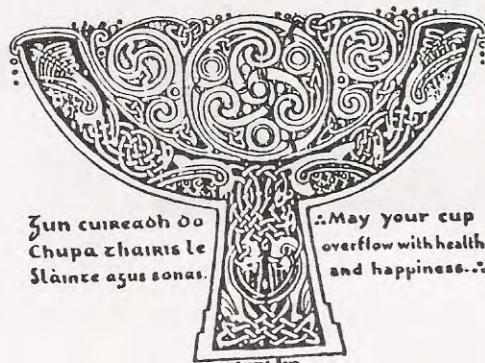
If anyone in the Pacific Northwest Region would like to help work a Game, please get in touch with Tim. I'm sure he would appreciate the help and the company.



Wolfe-Dieter Klose

Wolfe-Dieter Klose, Commissioner of the Southwestern Region, has recently become a Knight of the Royal Order of the Crown of Boheme with the title of Baron. The Order, as you can guess, is European, not Scottish, but there are no rules saying you can't be both. Wolfe-Dieter is also about to receive his Grant of Arms from the Lord Lyon. He is a Buchanan through an ancestor, Hope-Weir, or "Veri".

On February 10th, he represented the Clan in Mesa, Arizona, at a wreath-laying ceremony for British fliers killed in World War II. At one time, he was membership chairman of Clan Johnstone, but has since given it up to devote all his energies to Clan Buchanan, the "friendly clan". His goal for 1990 is ten new members in his Region. This would represent a 60% increase for the Region -- a worthy goal.



MEMBERS OF NOTE



Vicki Krajcovic

The Stone Mountain Games last fall supplied Clan Buchanan with its newest celebrity, member Vicki Krajcovic, Miss St. Louis of the 1989 Miss America Contest. Vicki is the daughter of Richard and Sharon Krajcovic of Breese, Illinois.

Vicki is a cum laude graduate of Greenville College with a B.S. in Education and a Minor in Music. She is currently teaching sixth grade in St. Charles, Missouri. Her many activities include memberships in the St. Louis St. Andrews Society, and St. Louis Jazz Society. In 1986, she was made a member of the "Young Women of America" and this year was chosen by the Jaycees' as "Young Educator of the Year." Vicki holds three other "Miss" titles in addition to her St. Louis title.

Besides teaching, Vicki is a model and serves as Mistress of Ceremonies for fashion shows. Vicki and her mother, Sharon, are Buchanans through the Watson sept.





PENNSYLVANIA'S ONLY PRESIDENT

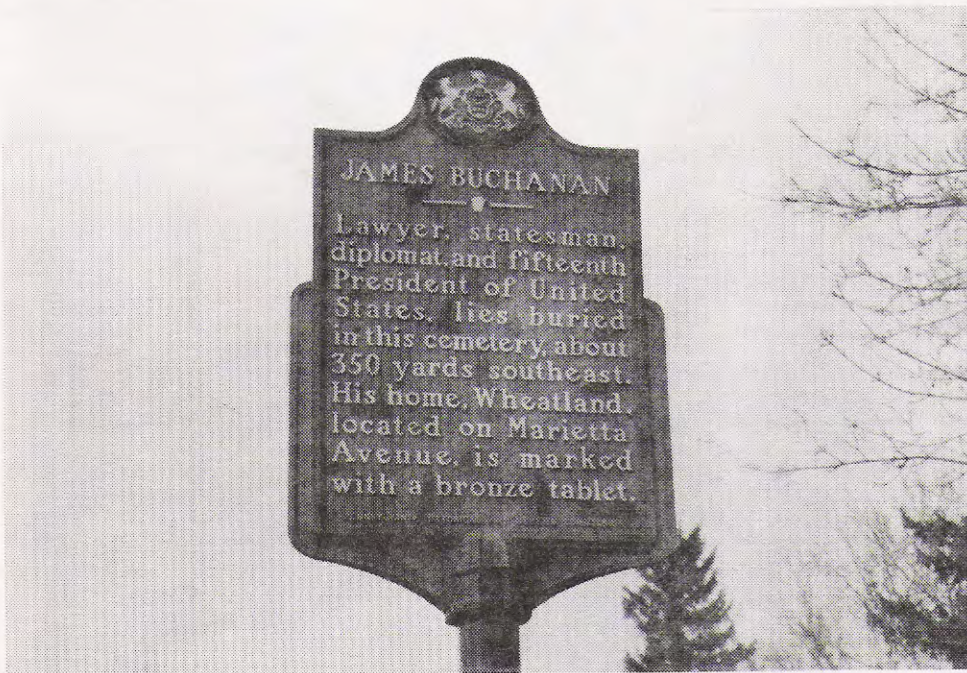
Our letters concerning President Buchanan's grave site has sparked some interest within the Clan to more thoroughly investigate the possibility of having the grave site moved from Woodland Hill Cemetery to Wheatland.

Before the Buchanan Society can fully support such a move, there are certain specifics which need to be explored. It must be established that such a move is warranted, advisable, feasible, legal and fiscally possible.

If there are members of Clan Buchanan living within a 100-mile radius of the Baltimore-Lancaster area and who would be willing to devote a little time serving on such an investigative committee, please contact me by letter or phone. We need two or three people to complete the committee. The committee will not be under any time constraints in developing its findings.

Please note the pictures of the grave site and surrounding area taken by member Tim Buchanan of Harrisburg.

John S. Watson, President



The marker outside the Woodward Hill Cemetery that describes where to find James Buchanan's grave.



The entrance to Woodward Hill Cemetery



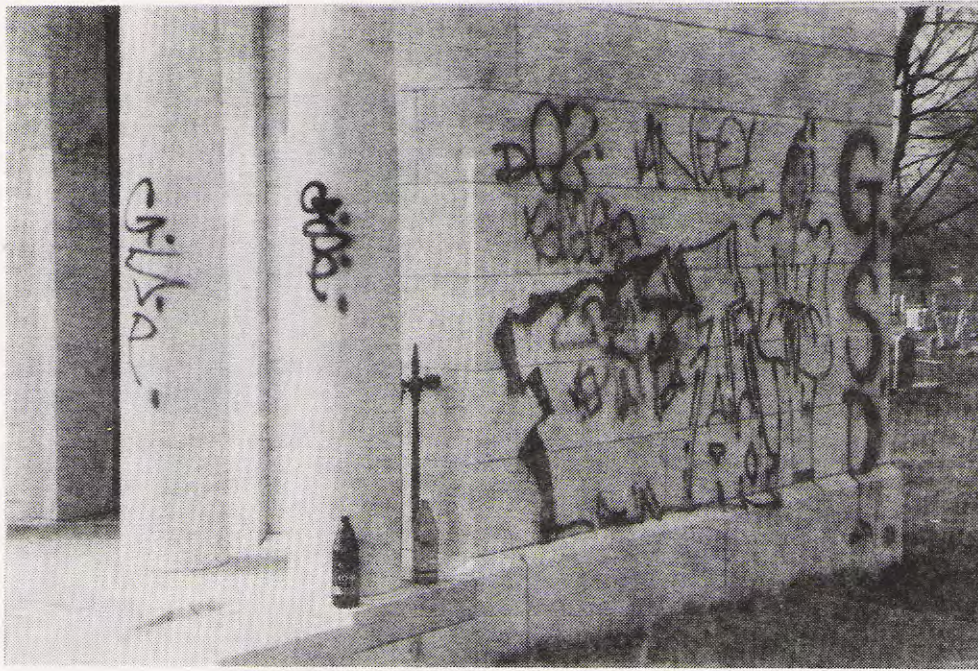
Headstones throughout the cemetery are pushed over and broken.



The small sanctuary located 50 feet behind James Buchanan's grave is in disrepair.



Empty milk and juice cartons adorn the entrance to the Buchanan plot.



Graffiti is spray painted on most of the mausoleums. More bottles are scattered about.



The marble coffin of James Buchanan has not yet been vandalized, but it is only a matter of time before it will be.



SCOTTISH FOLKLORE

Among Scottish beliefs, and one which appears to be peculiar to Scotland, is the conviction that the seventh child of a seventh child will be gifted with second sight (psychic). A seventh son of a seventh son is considered to be a wizard.

A child born at midnight or in the "wee small hours" is expected to manifest a particular brilliance of intellect in later life, even though the person may exhibit a tendency toward being unconventional. It is said that Robert Burns, the "Bard of Scotland," was born in the early hours and who can deny his wildness or his brilliant intellect.

The newly born child, in the first few days of its life is exposed to the great danger of being stolen by fairies who are always looking for innocent babies that they may exchange for their evil ones. This belief explains the origin of the term "changeling." Remnants of this superstition often surface when we hear a parent express exasperation with a wayward offspring by saying, "That's no son (or daughter) of mine."

Fortunately, there are a number of precautions which may be taken to circumvent the fairies' efforts to steal the child. Any of these are a sure safeguard: a barrier may be erected around a house which the fairies are powerless to pass; someone, preferably the father, must walk around the building in a clockwise direction. If it is not possible to walk around the building, as would be the case in an apartment building, there are other precautions which can be used. A knife placed in the cradle will do the trick; care must be taken not to carry fire or light out of the house until the child is at least a week old. Nor should, on any account, the newly-born infant be placed in anything other than a borrowed cradle at first. After the child has first slept in a borrowed cradle, a new one may be acquired.

To insure that the child will never know poverty, its right hand must be left alone at its first washing. All visitors, seeing the infant for the first time, should place a silver coin in its hand. It is considered unlucky to weigh or measure a newborn baby.

A cat, being an emissary of the Powers of Evil, must never be left in a room with the child. Nor should the cradle ever be rocked when empty, either before or after the child is born.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



It's been ten months since my election. What has happened in those ten months? First, I attended Games in six states and met many devoted Buchanans. I appointed five new Commissioners to replace others who, for good and sufficient reasons, have had to give up their Region. Those no longer holding office are Patrick Harrison, William Smith and Mr. & Mrs. Charles Pidgeon. Each has had a long and distinguished record as Regional Commissioner and we wish them the very best. Our new Regional Commissioners are Tim Gibb in Northwest Pacific, Randall Buchanan in Middle Southeast Atlantic, Wolfe-Dieter Klose in Southwestern, Joe Morris in Southeast Atlantic, and Jules Kincaid in Mid Atlantic.

For the first time in my short membership, we have produced a single order of materials for every Region in the Clan. Hopefully, everyone convening a Game will now have the necessary tools to increase clan membership.

Arrangements have been made with "Scottish World" to supply each clan member with a complimentary copy of its new magazine. They also have welcomed our news articles and printed them as written. Grace-Ellen McCrann, North American Vice President of the magazine, has visited our tents at the various Games and has offered advice regarding publicity for the Clan.

Our first Clan Chapter (California) is off and running and already seeking ways of producing revenue for its newsletter.

We salute those clan members who have distinguished themselves over the past year (Members of Note). In addition, Arren Buchanan, Regional Commissioner of Central Southwest, had his picture in the "British Bulldog", while Dick Clack and John Murchison of Hawaii were featured on the front of the March-April issue of the "Highlander" magazine.

Our new secretary is now producing membership lists, labels and other necessary items on our new clan-owned computer and printer. Although it cost us a bit, it was necessary due to considerable clan growth. Please notice that your address label now carries your membership expiration date. You can help us save money by renewing early and for a longer period of time. Life and Sponsor memberships are still a great bargain. If any of you have thoughts on how the computer can be utilized further, please drop Anne a line. She tells me she has plenty of room for additional tasks.

Great strides have been made in our attempt to provide a better resting place for James Buchanan, our 15th President. Most of the progress has been provided by Tim Buchanan of Harrisburg and Creeley Buchanan of Connecticut. They are working very hard on this project.

Let's all make 1990 a **Banner** year for the Buchanans.



John

John
Ceann Cath

SCOTTISH FOLKLORE (continued)

The name that the child is to be given must never be spoken aloud until the minister speaks it at the christening ceremony. If anyone asks the name, they must not be told, nor may the minister be told by word of mouth; rather, he must be handed a slip of paper with the name written on it. On the way to its christening, the child must be carried, at least a part of the way, by a young unmarried woman who must have with her something to eat, usually a piece of bread and cheese, which she must present to the first man she meets, no matter who he may be.

The mother of a newborn infant must never leave the house after sunset until she has been to church. If she does, she runs the risk of being carried off by fairies to nurse one of their sick fairy children. It is believed that such an ailing fairy child can only be restored to health by being fed human milk.

Note: It is hoped that Sally Buchanan of Bear, Delaware, and who is expecting in the fall, is paying close attention to the many rituals she must follow for her "wee bairn." This, of course, applies to all "expectant Buchanans."



CONGRATULATIONS: ITS A GIRL

IT SEEMS APPROPRIATE AT THIS POINT IN THE BANNER TO ANNOUNCE TO ONE AND ALL THAT DONNA AND STANLEY WATSON OF WINDSOR, VIRGINIA, ARE THE PROUD PARENTS OF A BABY GIRL NAMED HEATHER MARIE.

THE WEE BAIRN WAS BORN ON APRIL 30, 1990 AT 11:04 A.M. AND WEIGHED 4 LBS. 12 OZ. CAN'T WAIT TO SEE THE LITTLE ONE IN WILLIAMSBURG. DONNA AND STANLEY ARE THE WILLIAMSBURG CONVENERS.



The Imperturbable Scot

A Stornaway fisherman who was working on a drifter in the Minch while quietly smoking his pipe, was suddenly blown overboard in a fierce squall. After a long struggle and with the greatest of difficulty, he was finally rescued by the crew, more dead than alive.

As his drenched body lay on deck, it was noticed that his pipe was still tightly clenched in his teeth. Reviving slightly, he put his hand to his mouth, removed the pipe, looked at it, and calmly announced,

"It's oot!"



CLAN BUCHANAN: ITS HISTORY

Swegen, the Fork Beard, a Danish King and father of Canut I of England is said to have taken possession of most of England and Ireland in the year 1013. Swegen ordered a celebration honoring his birthday be held across these conquered lands. One such celebration was to be held in Limerick, Ireland, and the order went out that 1000 daughters of the Irish Noble Families were to be sent to amuse the Danish officers. In response, the same number of young men, disguised as women and with daggers hidden under their skirts, attended. They were under orders to assassinate the officials and, in the ensuing battle, the Danes were massacred. One of the youths involved in this massacre was Anselan Buey O'Kyan or Ocahan. Anselan was the son of Dermond who was the King of Forth which was a district in southern Ulster (Northern Ireland). As a result of this affair, Anselan was outlawed and forced to flee for his life. In 1016 he took refuge in Argyll (Scotland) where he was introduced by a nobleman, probably one of the ancient Earls of Lennox, to King Malcolm II.

After settling in Argyll, Anselan went into the service of Malcolm II. Having won honorable distinction in several battles, he was granted estates which lay to the northeast of Loch Lomond. In addition, he was granted Arms, described as: Or, a lion rampant sable, armed and langued gules, holding in dexter paw a crooked saber proper. Undoubtedly, he was armegious in Ireland, however, all records of Irish insignia have long since disappeared. W. F. Skene indicates in his "Celtic Scotland" (1874) that Anselan acquired the Barony of Buth Chanain by marriage with its Heiress who was descended from one of the ancient Caledonian tribes of north Moray. This marriage resulted in the perpetuation of the tribal chiefship of the old "tribe of the land" and rather than being a Crown fief, it was a fief in the Earldom of Lennox during the reign of David II to the chief of that time, Sir Maurice of Bauchquhanane, confirming to him "that pleugh of land commonly called Buchanan" and the right to hold courts with the baronial powers of life and death. Sir Maurice also received a confirming charter from David II in 1370.

The surname Buchanan is territorial in nature and derives from three possible sources, **Place Name** - Buchanan is Old Gaelic for "house of the canon" (buth chanain), **Person's Name** - MacChanonaich, which means "Son of the Canon," and from the **Gaelic** - Boghchanon, which means "low ground belonging to the Canon." All of these point to a connection with the Canon (celtic church). On Inchcailleach ("old woman's island"), an island on Loch Lomond off Balmaha and near the mouth of the Endrick River, a church was founded sometime between 650 and 700 AD by Saint Kentigerna, the wife of the Irish Prince Feradach. In its early years this church served as a nunnery, however, it later became the parish church. It is most likely that the lands on the north eastern shore of the Loch has, at one time, belonged to the Canon of this Church -- hence the name. In 1621 Buchanan Parish was formed by the union of Inchcailleach and the Lands of Buchanan.

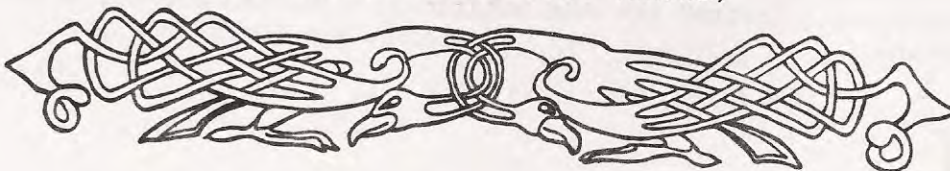
CLAN BUCHANAN: ITS HISTORY (continued)

According to the ancient records, the original name of the Buchanans was Mac Anselan, Macausland, etc. which came from Anselan, progenitor of the family. The patronymic form of the name was retained by the eldest cadet while those of the main stem adopted the territorial designation of Buchanan. Anselan or Absalon, son of MacBed or MacBeth, seventh laird of Buchanan and sixth in descent from Anselan Buey O'Kyan became "Seneschal" or Steward to Alewin, Second Earl of Levenox (Lennox). He continued to serve as Seneschal to the powerful house of Lennox under Maldoun, the third Earl of Lennox and in 1225 was granted, by charter from Maldoun, title to the Island of Clarines (Clarinch) in Loch Lomond. This charter was witnessed by the Earl's three brothers, Dougal, Gilchrist and Amalyn. It was later confirmed by Alexander II. In return for this grant, the Chief was to pay one pound of wax which was to be rendered annually at Christmas. The name of the island became the slughorn or war-cry of the Buchanans, bringing all able bodied clansmen to the island or other rendezvous set by the Chief.

Anselan or Absalon had three sons, Methlen, said by Buchanan of Auchmar to have been the ancestor of the MacMillans; Colman, progenitor of the MacColmans, or MacCalmans, etc.; and his successor Gillebrid or Gilbert. Gillebrid MacAuslan became 7th Laird of Buchanan and also succeeded his father as Steward to the Earl of Lennox. This man is credited with being the first to assume the surname of Buchanan. His successor was Alan de Buchanan, 9th Laird of Buchanan. His son, Sir Maurice de Buchanan, 10th Laird of Buchanan, was one of the few overlords in Scotland who had the courage to openly oppose Edward I of England by refusing to sign the Ragmans Roll which was an oath of fealty to Edward. The Buchanans staunchly supported Robert Bruce during the struggle for Scottish independence. There is a traditional account that Robert Bruce, after his defeat at Dalsee by McDougal, Lord of Lorn, came on foot along the north side of Loch Lomond to the Buchanan Manor House where he was most joyfully received and entertained for several days. Afterward he was conveyed by the Buchanan Chief and the Earl of Lennox to a place of safety. This story probably has some basis in fact in that there is a cave in Buchanan Parish near the shore of Loch Lomond that is called the King's Cave. The story is told that King Robert hid in this cave during the night after the battle of Dalsee.

The Buchanan Clansmen were well represented at Bannockburn on June 24, 1314, when Bruce sent in the Highlanders and the English forces broke and ran. They were defeated by Bruce's forces which numbered about one third of the English force. Scotland's independence was won and Bruce's crown was assured.

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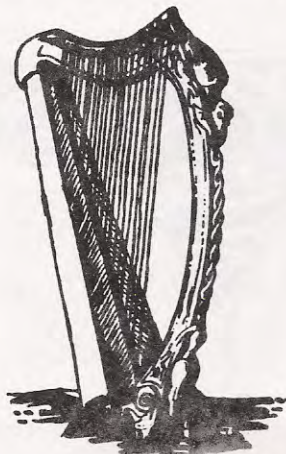


THE SEPTS OF CLAN BUCHANAN

There is a chapter in Frank Adams' "Clans, Septs, and Regiments of the Scottish Highland" entitled, "The Septs of the Scottish Clans." The late Lord Lyon, when he edited the book, said that the word "Sept" is an "inexact" term. Actually, the word "Sept" seems to have been first used by Sir Walter Scott and, while he seems to imply that it is the Gaelic word for "Clan," this is difficult to follow because it is common knowledge that "Clan" is from the Gaelic word "Clanna" which means family. Consequently, the word "Sept" and its derivatives remains something of a mystery. The facts are that the old clans were not divided into septs or any other sub-groups on the basis of surnames. By the time surnames came into use, the clan system had been long established.

The historical evidence leads to the belief that Malcolm Ceanmor (1057-1093) directed his chief subjects to adopt surnames from their territorial possessions. It seems that King Malcolm III was influenced by his Saxon bride, Queen Margaret, who had a great civilizing influence on the whole of Scotland. As the Nobles adopted surnames, so then did the common people. The source of the names were generally (a) Territorial or Local (Buchanan is a territorial name), (b) Patronymic (this was the cumbersome system whereby the child was known as the "son of" so and so; e.g., John, son of James of Buchanan. This also led to use of the affectionate or pet diminutives of proper names such as "Watson" or "Richardson"), (c) Official and Trade name. (These Scottish surnames were derived from the office or trade of their first bearers; e.g., "Harper" (Chief's Harp Player). Other sources included nicknames and, of course, Christian names.

The origin of clan sept names are traced to a number of causes such as (1) those of the blood of the clan who, in order that they might be better distinguished from their namesakes, adopted a name which would so identify them; (2) the names of those related to the Chief by marriage -- though not a blood relative of his clan; (3) those who, though unconnected by blood with the clan, had become bound to it by bonds of man rent; and (4) clan names which, for one reason or another, became Anglicized. So we can see that for these reasons the Clan Buchanan recognizes almost 100 different names as being septs of the clan.



THE SEPTS OF CLAN BUCHANAN
(Continued)

It should be pointed out, however, that a number of names can be grouped together because the names are either synonymous or affiliated. In this article we shall deal with the sept -- **MacColman**. This grouping includes:

Colman, MacColman, Mccalman, MacCalmont, Dove, Dow, Murchie, Murchison, MacMurchie, MacMaster, Masters, Masterson, Rusk, Ruskin.

As you can see, we are able to group fourteen names under the single heading of MacColman.

The ancestors of the MacColmans, according to Buchanan of Auchmar, was Colman, third son to Anselan, and seventh Laird of Buchanan. He further indicates that Colman was the brother of Gilbert who was the first Laird to assume the surname of Buchanan. Colman was an ordinary Christian name which was in common use in Scotland. This Colman's son migrated to Argyllshire during the reign of Alexander III, settling near Glen Lonan. From this descendant of Colman evolved the MacCalmans who supplied a tannery which was located in this area with bark for use in tanning the leather. From the nature of their work, they acquired the Gaelic name NA Rusgain - the Ruskins - which comes from rusg (peel or bark). Thus, they lost their patronymic clan name to their trade name.

Another of Colman's descendants migrated to Kintail, settling on the Earl of Seaforth's land, this man's name was Murcho MacColman and from him we have the names Murchison and MacMurchie. Some of the Murchos' descendants were known by the name MacAmhaisdir from which derives MacMaster, Masters and Masterson. It is suggested that their progenitor was a Minister, a Master of Arts.

The names Dove and Dow are anglicizations of the name Calman and appear to have been adopted by descendants of Colman who emigrated into the Lowlands.

In the next issue, we will review another block of the sept names.



A SCOT'S COOKBOOK

The following recipes were contributed by our New Hampshire correspondent, Susan Parsons. Beryl Graves, our New England Commissioner, advises me that the results are outstanding and will satisfy any yearning which you may have for good Scottish baked goods.

THE SCOTTISH LION INN'S OAKCAKES (North Conway, New Hampshire)

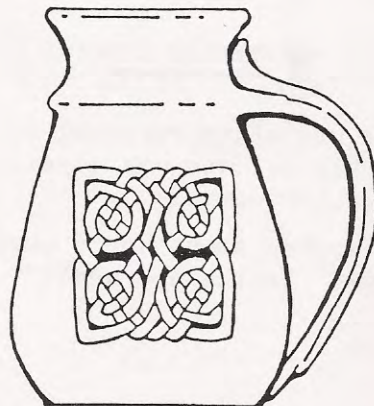
- 1 c. sifted flour
- 1 T. sugar
- 1 tsp. baking powder
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 2 c. quick rolled oats.
- 1/2 c. softened butter
- 1/2 c. milk

Sift flour, sugar, baking powder and salt together. Mix in rolled oats, cut in butter thoroughly, and gradually add milk, stirring until dough is formed. Roll dough on lightly floured surface to 1/8-inch thickness and cut with cookie cutter. Place on greased baking sheet and bake at 375 degrees for 12-15 minutes or until slightly browned. Serve warm with butter and your favorite jam or preserves. Makes 18 three-inch cakes.

ECCLE/ECHAN BUTTER TART

In the bowl of a food processor, combine 1 cup flour, 2 1/2 oz. butter, 2 T. sugar and 1 egg yolk. Process to form a ball of dough. Roll out between two sheets of plastic wrap (this is a delicate pastry) and then transfer to an 8 inch fluted quiche pan with a removable bottom.

For the filling, mix together 1 egg, 1/2 cup soft brown sugar, 2 oz. melted butter, 3 tsp. wine vinegar, 3/4 c. mixed dried fruit such as raisins, sultanas, currants, etc., and 1/3 c. chopped walnuts. Pour into pastry shell and bake for 30 minutes at 375 degrees. Serve hot or cold.



SAXONY SCONES

8 oz. crumbled pork sausage
1/2 c. finely chopped onion
2 c. buttermilk baking mix
1/2 c. milk
1 tsp. instant minced onion
1/2 tsp. crumbled dried oregano

Cook pork and chopped onion in medium-size skillet over medium-high heat 10 minutes or until browned, breaking up the sausage as it cooks. Drain off excess fat, cool slightly.

In medium-size bowl, combine baking mix and sausage mixture. With fork stir in milk just until evenly moistened. Turn out onto ungreased baking sheet. With lightly floured hands pat into an 8-inch round. Cut in eighths with a sharp knife. Sprinkle with instant onion and oregano. Bake in preheated oven at 400 degrees for 20 minutes or until golden. Place sheet on rack. Cool 5 minutes. Remove to serving board with spatula. Cut through previous cuts again for easy serving. Serve warm. Makes 8 wedges. (Per wedge: 205 calories, 5 g. protein, 22 gr. carbohydrates, 10 g. fat, 14 mg. cholesterol, 527 mg. sodium).

" 'S mairg a ni tarcuais air biadh"
"Foolish is he that despises food"

Editor's Note: Keep on sending me your favorite recipes and eventually we will have enough to compile into our own Buchanan Cookbook.



A preacher who often referred to the Anti-Christ in his sermons was questioned by one of his parishioners.

"Ye've no spoken about Annie Christie for a while back. Is she aye weel?"

COMING EVENTS
1990

MAY 5 California Central Coast Highland Games
San Luis Obispo, California

Note: We plan to participate in these Games barring any difficulty. They will be held in El Churro Regional Park, which is half way between San Luis Obispo and Morro Bay on Highway. Housing is plentiful in both Morro Bay and San Luis Obispo. If you are interested in attending or helping, call Bob Gibson, (209) 951-9300 (days).

5 Savannah Scottish Games
Savannah, GA 31416

5 Scottish Country Fair, Macalester College
St. Paul, MN 55105

12 Marin County Highland Gathering
Corte Madera, CA 94925

11-13 Kentucky Scottish Weekend
General Butler State Park
Carrolton, KY

19 Colonial Highland Gathering
Fair Hill, MD

19 Yuba-Sutter Scottish Festival
Marysville, CA

19 Aurora Highland Games
Aurora, CO

18-20 Gatlinburg Scottish Festival & Games
Gatlinburg, TN

25-27 Alma Highland Festival
Alma, MICH.

26-27 United Scottish Highland Games
Costa Mesa, CA

JUNE

1- 3 Glasgow Highland Games
Glasgow, KY 42141



- JUNE 2 Milwaukee Highland Games
Milwaukee, WI 53217
- 2 McHenry Highland Festival
Deep Creek Lake, Garrett County
Oakland, MD 21550
- 2 Modesto Highland Games
Modesto, CA
- Note: The 9th Annual Modesto Games will be held at Tuolumne River Regional Park. From the Modesto Airport, follow the signs to the Games. Parking is free. No other information on cost is available yet.
- 2 Bellingham Highland Games
Ferndale, WA
- 2- 3 Texas Scottish Festival and Highland Games
Maverick Stadium, Arlington, TX
- 3 Highland Gathering
Genesee County Museum
Mumford, NY
- 9 Bonnie Brae Games
Millington, NJ 07946
- 9 Northern Colorado Scottish Festival
Loveland, CO
- 9 Kansas City Highland Games
Kansas City, MO
- 10 Highland Games Day - Steppingstone Museum
Havre de Grace, MD 21708
- 16 Delco Scottish Games
Devon, PA
- 16 Illinois St. Andrew Highland Games
South Holland, IL 60473
- 16 San Diego Scottish Highland Games
San Diego, CA 92105
- 23 Ohio Scottish Games
Lorain, OH 44052





35TH ANNUAL

**GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES
and
GATHERING OF THE SCOTTISH CLANS**

12-15 July 1990

This year's Gathering and Games program begins on Thursday evening, 12 July, with a Picnic at 6:00 P.M. This will be followed by the Opening Ceremony which will take place at dusk. Admission to MacRae Meadow will be \$5.00 per car. We recommend that you bring a flashlight if you attend the Opening. It will be of considerable assistance in finding your way back to your car at the close of the program.

On Friday, 13 July, there will be a Piping Concert and Ceilidh at Lees-MacRae College in Banner Elk, N.C. The concert begins at 7:30 P.M. Also, a Scottish Country Dance will begin at 9:00 P.M. in the Lees-MacRae College Gym.

The Games begin at 8:00 A.M. in MacRae Meadow on Saturday, 14 July. Activities will include Massed Bands, Highland Dancing, Piping, Drumming, Scottish Fiddling, Scottish Country Dancing and Scottish Harp. The Clan Buchanan Dinner/Ceilidh will be held at the Meadowbrook Inn, Main Street, Blowing Rock, N.C. This event will begin with a Reception at 6:00 P.M.

On Sunday, 15 July, Worship Services will be held at 9:30 A.M. in MacRae Meadow. The worship service includes a Kirking O' the Tartan, followed by the Parade of Tartans. After the Parade of Tartans, the Games events will continue. This includes Heavy Athletic Events, Kilted Mile Races, and the Clan Tug O' War.

The Clan Buchanan headquarters will be at the Meadowbrook Inn in Blowing Rock, N.C. A block of rooms have been set aside for Clan Buchanan members. The rates are \$65.00 (single) and \$70.00 (double). All rooms include breakfast each morning. If you wish to make reservations at the Meadowbrook Inn, do so by calling direct **800-456-5456**. These rates apply to reservations made by **1 June 1990**.

Please complete the form below to make reservations for the Clan Dinner/Ceilidh and mail to Wayne Gibson at P.O. Box 927, Blowing Rock, N.C. 28605, or call him at (704) 295-3830. The entree selection is either Fish or Beef. The dinner price is \$18.00 and includes tax, tip and dining room rental. Please make your dinner reservation asap.

DINNER RESERVATION

NAME _____ NO. OF RESERVATIONS _____

DINNER ENTREE SELECTIONS: FISH _____ BEEF _____

WE ARE STAYING AT: _____
(This information will be used to provide advance activity schedules)



CALEDONIAN CLUB OF SAN FRANCISCO
TO CELEBRATE ITS 125TH JUBILEE



At least 40,000 Scots and their friends are expected to attend the 1990 Scottish Gathering and Games on Labor Day weekend at the Sonoma County Fairgrounds in Santa Rosa, California. The Caledonian Club of San Francisco will celebrate its 125th Jubilee at the Fairgrounds on September 1 and 2, 7:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M.

The Caledonian Club of San Francisco held its first Scottish Gathering and Games in San Francisco in 1865 as a family picnic. Under Chief John McLennan, the Caledonian Club grew from 17 members in 1865 to 300 in 1870 as it became a major center of Scottish culture in Northern California.

In modern times, the Scottish Gathering and Games has evolved into a professionally produced, ticketed event and the largest annual Scottish Gathering in the United States; in 1990, this event will be the largest Scottish Gathering in the world.

"The Caledonian Club of San Francisco is proud to celebrate 125 years of producing the Scottish Gathering and Games," said Alex O'Neill, Chief of the Caledonian Club of San Francisco. "We invite Scots and non-Scots alike to join us in Santa Rosa for our 125th Jubilee."

Scotland's highest ranking nobility will travel to the United States for the 1990 Scottish Gathering and Games. The Earl and Countess of Erroll will be special guests of honor. The Earl of Erroll is the Hereditary Lord High Constable of Scotland, a member of the British House of Lords and the highest ranking hereditary officer in Scotland after the Royal Family.

Other special guests include: Sir Crispin Agnew of Lochnaw, Baronet; The Duke and Duchess of Argyll; Brigadier Sir Gregor MacGregor of MacGregor, Baronet and the Grand Master Mason of Scotland; the Viscount Thurso.

The "International Gathering of Scottish Clans and Families" will be held at the 1990 Scottish Gathering and Games, the first time this prestigious gathering has been held in the Western United States. At least 100 Scottish Clans (families of Scots which can be traced back centuries) will set up their clan tents and display their family tartans (plaid woolens), coats-of-arms and family photo albums. The public will be able to trace their Scottish family trees at the clan tents.

The 1990 Scottish Gathering and Games will present competitions of all kinds, including: Highland dancing championships, heavy events and caber toss championships, individual piping and drumming competitions, pipe band competitions, harping and fiddling contests, 5-a-side professional soccer and a darts competition.



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1990 Annual General Meeting Update
Santa Rosa, CA
September 1 & 2, 1990

Here is an update on the latest developments, changes, plans, etc., for the Society's AGM and 20th anniversary party to be held in Santa Rosa, CA on 1 & 2 Sept., '90.

We have contacted the US Navy and asked if they would allow the USS Buchanan to pay a port call to San Francisco during Scottish Heritage Week (Aug. 25 through Sept. 3). They are recommending approval, pending operational commitments. The USS Buchanan (DDG-14) is a guided missile destroyer named for Franklin Buchanan, see the last issue of The Banner for more about him. If the USS Buchanan does make port call during the games, we have invited the Skipper and the Senior Chief to be our guests at the games and at our dinner, AGM, and ceilidh.

We have been told that the rooms at the Holiday Inn are filling up fast. If you haven't made your reservations yet, we suggest you do so ASAP. All the other hotels claim they are already booked full. Remember to call 800-545-1224 from outside Calif. or 707-579-3000 and tell them that you are with The Clan Buchanan Society and request one of the block of room reserved for us. Those rooms in this block that have not been reserved by Society members, will be released to the public, at the regular rate, on August 10th.

Plans are underway for our dinner. Please indicate if you prefer London Broil Bordelaise, Chicken Teriyaki, Sole Almondine, or the Vegetarian meal for your dinner. I will try my best to get each person what they desire. The cost of the dinner including tax and tip will be \$20.00, Pay at the door. Please fill out the dinner reservation, indicating your meal choice(s), and send it to me as soon as you can. If you care to send a check for you meal now it would be appreciated. A no host, "pay as you go", bar will be available for drinks and/or wine for dinner. Please send me your reservations and choices right away, I must have a definite count by the first of August.

REMINDER

If you even think you might come to the 1990 International Gathering of Scottish Clans and Families, the San Francisco Caledonian Club's 125th Jubilee, our Society's 20th anniversary celebration, and AGM, please be sure to send your name and address to Mr. Robert H. Gibson, 6015 Williamsburg Place, Stockton, CA 95207. He will send you any new information, updates, schedule of events, and last minute changes as we receive them.

The next items concern discount airline fares, ground transportation, and discount tickets to the Santa Rosa games, plus the possibility of winning two tickets to the games in the Chapter's raffle. Please read on.

Airline Travel Discount Information:

There is an addition and a change to the information published in the last issue.

1. American Airlines is also offering a discount of 40% off of their full coach fare, on both domestic and international flights, between August 24 and September 9, inclusive. American is also using another agency to handle the reservations. Their booking agency is Whole World of Travel. Call 1-800-458-3636, Mon - Fri, 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Pacific time, and ask for Bonnie (I talked with her and discovered that she is a Scottish Lass). That phone number is good throughout all 50 states, their commercial number for calls from outside the US is; (916) 488-8000. Whole World of Travel is a full service agency and will make rental car arrangements and other hotel reservations for you if you plan to spend some time visiting areas other than Santa Rosa while you are out here

2. Pan American Airlines has turned over the booking arrangement to American Express. To book a flight on Pan Am, call 1-800-522-2639, Mon - Fri, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM Eastern time. They will also make reservations on American Airlines at the same discount.

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LAND TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS (for people without cars and do not intend to rent one while at the games):

Between San Francisco Airport and Holiday Inn:

The Santa Rosa Airporter runs from San Francisco Airport to the El Rancho Tropicana Hotel in Santa Rosa. It picks up passengers at the blue painted pillars outside the downstairs baggage pick-up area in the terminal. It runs every hour, on the half-hour. No prior reservation needed. Cost is \$20.00 round trip. If there are enough passengers on one bus that need to go to the Holiday Inn they said they will take you there, otherwise when you get to the El Rancho, call the Holiday Inn (579-3000) and they will send someone over to pick you up at no additional charge. The trip from the airport to Santa Rosa takes between 1½ to 2 hours, depending on traffic.

Between Holiday Inn and the Games:

The Holiday Inn will provide limited transportation between the motel and the games on both days for those who don't drive or ride with someone.

CALIFORNIA CHAPTER RAFFLE

Prize: A pair (2) of adult two day tickets to the 1990 Santa Rosa Games. Value \$32.00.

Cost: Two dollars (\$2.00) per chance.

How to enter:

- 1) Print your name and address on a 3 X 5 card.
- 2) Enclose a check for two dollars (\$2.00) made out to: Milt D. Paras, Treasurer, CBS, CA.
- 3) Mail your card and check to: Mr. Milt D. Paras, 304 Mercury Way, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523.

LIMIT:

There is no limit as to how many chances you may buy, just enclose a check to pay the total of the number of 3 X 5 cards you send in (e.g.; if you send in three cards, make the check out for six dollars). Only one card will be drawn and that lucky person receives both tickets.

Drawing and Notification:

Drawing of the winning card will be held at the Monterey Games, August 4 & 5. The winner will be notified ASAP after that. If the winner has already purchased an advanced sale ticket for the Santa Rosa games, he/she may use these additional tickets as he/she pleases or the California Chapter will refund the price of the advanced sale tickets to him/her, as he/she requests.

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ADVANCED SALE DISCOUNT TICKETS
for the 1990 Santa Rosa Gathering and Games

Orders for advanced sale adult two day tickets to the Santa Rosa Games are now being accepted. Advanced sale price is \$11.00 each (vs. \$16.00 at the gate). Adult is defined as between ages 12 through 64, inclusive. There is no discount offered to Juniors (age 11 and below) and Seniors (65 and older). Those tickets are \$5.00 each day.

If you wish to purchase advanced sale tickets please send a check, payable to George S. Buchanan, and a SASE, to: George S. Buchanan, 330 Vine St., Vacaville, CA 95688, before June 15th, 1990.

Inflation

A wee Glasgow laddie had just been told by his father that he would not get a raise in his allowance. He walked dejectedly away, thought for a moment, then turned back to his father and said:

"Dad, if I canna get an increase in ma pocket money, will ye gie me the same amount mair aften?"



FLOWERS OF THE FOREST

The Clan mourns the loss of Richard French of Groton, New York, on February 8, 1990. Dick was a long time member of Clan Buchanan and husband of our New York Regent, Gay French. Dick, with his ever-present pipe and quick wit will really be missed by all of us who knew him and attended the New York Games.

We also mourn the passing of Jan Youel, wife of Life Member Ken Youel of Loftlands, Earlysville, Virginia. Jan died in Palm Beach, Florida, in December after an extended illness. She was an active supporter of the Society and of the Youel family organization of which Ken Youel was president. Jan was a nationally known artist who had exhibited her paintings in Virginia, Michigan and Florida.

Mrs. Martha Elizabeth Lewis passed away suddenly on January 18, 1990. Aunt Bessie, who would have been 100 in May, was the granddaughter of Martha Ann Harper and one of the last links to the Scots in the Old West.

Mrs. Joyce Pidgeon, wife of Charles Pidgeon, died earlier this year. Joyce and Charles were Commissioners of the Southeast Atlantic Region and worked tirelessly for the Clan for many years. Joyce will be greatly missed at the Games, in the Region, and by all who knew her.

So softly death succeeded life in her,
She did but dream of heaven, and she was there.
----John Dryden

- JUNE 23 York Scot-Irish Festival
York, PA
- 23 Tidewater Scottish Festival
Virginia Beach, VA 23452
- 23 Tacoma Highland Games
Graham, WA
- 30 Round Hill Scottish Games
Norwalk, CT 06850
- JULY 7 Vermont Highland Games
Essex Junction, VT 05452
- 14-15 Grandfather Mountain Highland Games
Linville, NC
- 19-22 British Open Golf Championship
St. Andrews, Scotland
- 21 Pikes Peak Highland Games
Monument, CO
- 21 Portland Highland Games
Portland, OR
- 21 Spokane Highland Games
Spokane, WA
- 28-29 Virginia Scottish Games
Alexandria, VA 22313
- AUGUST 4 Detroit Highland Games
Dearborne Heights, MI
- 4 Middle Tennessee Scottish Festival
Nashville, TN
- 4 Alaskan Scottish Highland Games
Eagle River, AK
- 4- 5 Monterey Games
Monterey, CA
- 4- 5 Pacific Northwest Scottish Games
Seattle, WA
- 7 Central New York Scottish Games
Syracuse, NY
- 11-12 Rocky Mountain Highland Games
Highlands Ranch, CO (Denver)



- August 18 Maine Highland Games
Gardner, ME
- 25 Long Island Highland Games
Commack, NY
- 25 Utah Highland Games
Payson, UTAH

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Blue Ridge Mountain Scottish Festival
Roanoke, VA
- 1 Capitol District Scottish Games
Altamont, NY
- 1 -2 Santa Rosa International Gathering & Games
Santa Rosa, CA
- 8 Ligonier Highland Games
Bethel Park, PA
- 7 -9 Long's Peak Highland Festival
Estes Park, CO
- 15 Fresno Highland Gathering & Games
Fresno, CA 93744
- 15-16 New Hampshire Highland Games
Cambridge, MA
- 22 Williamsburg Scottish Festival
Williamsburg, VA
- 22 Oklahoma Scottish Games
Tulsa, OKLA
- 22 Bucks County Scottish Fair
Pipersville, PA



In addition our correspondents have furnished information on the following events:

- May 6 13th Annual Kirkin' of the Tartan 11:00 A.M.
St. John's Episcopal Cathedral
1313 Clarkson Street
Denver, CO
- May 12 Rio Grande Valley
Celtic Festival & Games
Menaul School
Albuquerque, NM

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- June 2 Tam O'Shanter Scottish Games
 Romura Park
 Brockton, MA
- June 30 Scottish Society of Northern Colorado
 Scottish & Irish Festival
 Loveland, CO

Editor's Note:

AS YOU CAN SEE, THE LIST OF COMING EVENTS IS EXTENSIVE. IF WE COULD HAVE ONE CLAN BUCHANAN MEMBER ATTEND EACH OF THESE GATHERINGS AND ENLIST THE SUPPORT OF ONE ADDITIONAL PERSON TO REPRESENT THE SOCIETY IN THAT AREA, WE WOULD REALLY BEGIN TO SOLIDIFY OUR CLAN ORGANIZATION ACROSS THIS GREAT NATION.

