

A MESSAGE FROM LORD DAVID

I write this message to you as the new hereditary chief of the Kennedy Clan. This position, as most of you will be aware has passed to me because of the very sad, sudden and untimely death of my dear brother Charles.

It was a great comfort for us to know that he died among friends doing something that he enjoyed.

We were born less than two years apart, grew up together at Cassillis, attended school together at Strathallan in Perthshire and generally shared many of the same interests. He was a towering figure in my life, and I shall miss him terribly.

I am married to Anne and together we have a daughter Kitty and son Archie. Our home is at Morriston on the family estates. It is also home to Jenna our black lab.

Anne is involved with the Boswell Book Festival which is held annually, this year at Dumfries House in Ayrshire. It is the world's only festival of biography and memoir, named after an Ayrshire man, James Boswell, whose writings on the life of Dr Samuel Johnson established him as the inventor of the modern biography.

Kitty is studying biology at Leeds University and will have taken her final exams by the time this message is published.

Archie is in his first year at York University studying History of Art.

I oversee the management of the 10,000 acre family estates as well as running an airable farming business and a small commercial property concern.

In addition to this I am also on the West Region Panel for the National Trust for Scotland and I am chairman of Friends of Culzean, the volunteer group which provides staff for Culzean and raises substantial sums of money which are spent on specific projects in and around Culzean Castle. I am to be President of the Royal Highland Show in 2016.



Due to these many commitments I will not be able to be such a regular visitor to the USA as my late brother, but I will take a keen interest in the Kennedy Society and would be delighted to see any members when they are visiting Scotland.

My family and I send our warmest wishes to you all and look forward to continuing our long and strong connection.

David Kennedy
9th Marquess of Ailsa

THANK YOU LYNN!

The Kennedy Society wishes to thank Lynn Grant for her excellent service to the Kennedy Society in her capacity as the Society Membership chair. For six years Lynn has been the individual to send us our renewal invoices, write our new member cards, send our new member packets, and keep our member roster up to date. In her capacity as membership chair, she has also served on the Board of Governors during this time providing us with her enthusiastic support and energetic ideas. Well done Lynn! Thank you again for your outstanding service to the Kennedy Society.





2015 KENNEDY AGM **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Friday, September 4

3:00 p.m. Tent set up at Great Meadows, The Plains, VA

3:00 p.m. Check in allowed at Wyndham Garden Manassas Hotel, Manassas, VA

6:00 p.m. Informal Dutch-Treat Meet and Greet at the Philadelphia Tavern in Manassas,
hosted by Bill and Terry Kennedy
directions will be available at field tent set up or at hotel check in

Saturday, September 5

6:00 – 8:00 a.m. Breakfast on own

8:00 a.m. Kennedy Honored Clan tent opening and set up by tent committee

9:00 a.m. Virginia Scottish Games gates open to Kennedy members and guests

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Lord Charles Memorial Display in Kennedy Tent is Open

11:00 a.m. Pre-Paid BBQ Box Lunch in Tent

12:00 noon Virginia Scottish Games Opening Ceremonies Parade of Tartans followed immediately by
Kennedy AGM Group Photo in front of Kennedy Tent

2:00 p.m. Kennedy Society of North America Annual Meeting and Election in the tent

4:00 p.m. Banquet Committee leaves for hotel

4:30 – 5:00 p.m. Kennedy Tent closes for day

6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Cash Bar/Social hour at Wyndham Garden Manassas Hotel

7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Kennedy Society Lord Charles Memorial Party and Buffet Dinner
Induction of Chief / Deputy Chief / Other Officers and Board Members
Society Awards and Presentation of Gifts

Sunday, September 6

6:00 – 8:00 a.m. Breakfast on own

8:00 a.m. Tent committee opens Kennedy tent

9:00 a.m. Virginia Scottish Games gates open for Kennedy members and guests

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Lord Charles Memorial Display open in Kennedy Tent

9:15 Kirkin of the Tartans for those who wish to attend

10:00 a.m. or immediately following the Kirkin – KSNA Board of Governors meeting in the Kennedy tent

11:00 a.m. – Noon - Lunch on own

12:00 noon Parade of Tartans

5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Kennedy Tent closes for the day

6:30 p.m. Informal dinner for those staying over Sunday night, to be determined



BIOGRAPHY OF LEO F. KENNEDY CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT/CHIEF KSNA

I have, for most of my life, visited the family tree to review events in our lives as it pertained to American history. While I know of no connection to the American Revolution, I am aware of family members that fought in the Civil War. I have been a member of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War for 25 years and was elected as the national commander for a one year term in 2009. I was able to travel the country and speak at conferences, something I enjoy doing. I also portray a sergeant in Battery B, 1st Rhode Island Artillery, an organization that travels and teaches the history of Rhode Island's involvement in the Civil War and participates in re-enactments.

All of this has impassioned a sense of history on my life. My wife and I travel often to learn more about our family history. Travels to Nova Scotia, Ireland and Scotland have been able to help us do just that. My wife, Sandy, knew little about her Scottish roots (Murray) so we traveled to Glasgow to visit where her grandmother was born (and spent a few weeks visiting more of Scotland and the Kennedys). It was inspiring for both of us.

After meeting and talking to several Kennedy's and the Chief, Donald Canaday in the 1990's I knew I had to join. The articles from the Kennedy newsletters, along with us being able to visit some of the games, inspired Sandy and I to represent the Kennedys at some New England events. We visited and assisted at games in Maine, Southern New Hampshire, Loon Mountain, and Western Massachusetts. Sadly some of these are no longer being run. We set up each year in Rhode Island and Scotland, Connecticut. I have served on the Board of Directors for New Hampshire Gathering of Scottish Clans (Loon Mountain) in 2006 for a three year term. We have traveled to visit and assist at others such as a great Grandfather Mountain, a very COLD Richmond VA, and a wet 40th anniversary in Tennessee. We have been to Burns dinners many years, sometimes more than one a year.

I graduated from Providence College with a Bachelors Degree and now sit on the College's Board of Governors. I have recently retired after 33 years with a city fire department at the rank of deputy chief. I am hoping I will now have the time to travel and visit even more games.

Sandy and I reside in Greenville Rhode Island. We enjoy traveling and camping at many places in America.

I am excited for the chance to lead this great organization and meet more Brother and Sister Kennedys!



Lord Ailsa and Leo Kennedy





BIOGRAPHY OF MARY LYNN CONRAD GRANT CANDIDATE FOR VICE PRESIDENT/DEPUTY CHIEF

I joined the Kennedy Society of North America when I visited the Loch Norman Games for the first time. I stopped at the Kennedy Tent and met Chris Kennedy and Paul Key as they were the tent conveners at that time.

My Mother was a Kennedy and I wanted to find out if there was a Scottish connection. The next year at Loch Norman I met Lord Charles Kennedy and some other members that were there for a small meeting. The brave souls asked if I would man the tent while they had their meeting and those that know Chris -- you just don't tell him no.

After the meeting, Paul and Chris asked if I would take on the tent convener position and have done that ever since then and enjoy meeting our clan members that attend and meeting others from the many clans that are represented at Loch Norman.

With my office management background, Sue approached me about the Membership Chair position and I have done that for 6 years now. It has been interesting to travel to other games and meet the members of KSNA. I also use that excuse for traveling to areas of the United States and Canada where I have never been. So far Fergus, Canada is the farthest I have gone to watch Highland Games and attend AGM's.

I was born in Charleston, South Carolina on September 19, 1953, to Fred and Cecelia Kennedy Conrad. My Father's Mother was a Barton, and that name seems to have Scottish connections too.

My goals as Deputy Chief of KSNA would be to assist our Chief, Leo Kennedy, in whatever capacity he needs. As Deputy Chief, I know my main responsibilities are the different committees of KSNA. Having chaired the membership committee for six years, I have a good understanding of our members. I have been "on the front line" of representing the Society and giving new and old members a favorable, but accurate impression of the Society they have joined. I understand how important it is that we communicate often and in an effective and positive manner. I look forward to assisting the other committee chairman, and together, coming up with some new and fresh ideas in making the Kennedy Society even more valuable to a member in today's society.

I think it would be helpful if we could have either our Chief or Deputy-Chief present at many of the games across the United States. Also, we should continue programs that would encourage our next generation of Kennedy's to appreciate their Scottish heritage. We need to involve our youth in the festivals, highland games, and in assisting in the clan tent - in other words, allowing our youth to enjoy their "Scottish connection".





BIOGRAPHY OF WILLIAM KENNEDY

CANDIDATE FOR VICE PRESIDENT/DEPUTY CHIEF

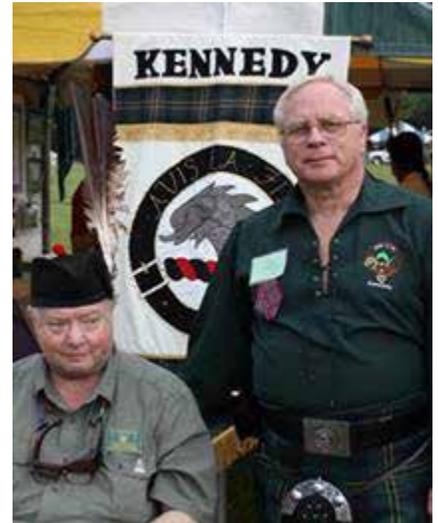
Master Sergeant William Kennedy (Bill) retired from the United States Marine Corps after a 21 year distinguished career. He spent three years in Cairo Egypt working on a USAid contract as a Logistical Engineer and Computer System Administrator rebuilding a tank repair facility for the Egyptian Army. After returning to the states he worked for a major east coast tug boat company as the System Administrator installing a newly developed computer program dealing with billing, crew assignments, and tug assist to major shipping companies. Not wanting to move from Virginia, he took a position as a Para Educator in the York County School Division teaching Special Education and judging high school debates.

In 2009 he met and married Terry Kennedy who has embraced the Scottish Culture and history of the Kennedy Clan. In 2010 they traveled to Scotland and were able to visit Culzean Castle along with visiting major cities and historic sites. After joining the Kennedy Society of North America, Terry and Bill became involved in marketing of items to provide monies for the scholarship fund. They became tent conveners and traveled to other Scottish Festivals. For their efforts in promoting the KSNA they were awarded the Alisa Craig Award. In 2014 Bill was given the title of Chieftain for the Mid Atlantic Area of the Society by Lord Charles Kennedy.

Bill is involved in other organizations such as the Newport News Police Pipes and Drums which he serves as the treasurer and student piper, the Saint Andrews Society of Williamsburg, VA, The Sovereign Military Order of the Temple of Jerusalem-Priory of the Holy Isle (treasurer), and the Buckroe Beach Volunteer Fire Company.

Bill has lived in England, Japan, Egypt and traveled to many more countries. Terry and Bill spend their summer vacation on the island of St. Maarten and they hope to travel back to Scotland and make a visit to Italy. Bill enjoys scuba diving, holds a private pilot license, enjoys sailing, hunting, working in his yard and living life with his wife and best friend Terry.

In the future I would work to grow the Society 25% each year with some type of incentive program, create a public information office to write articles and press releases pertaining to KSNA which could be distributed throughout KSNA, increase marketing items that would benefit the scholarship fund and general fund, and look into ways members can benefit from membership in the Society.





BIOGRAPHY OF AMY CARRICK CANDIDATE FOR TREASURER

Amy has been our Treasurer for about a year. She is married to David Carrick, Regional Director for Western NC, SC and East TN. Their daughter Megan is in 7th grade and enjoys participating in shopping at the games. I enjoy travelling and have been to 23 countries, including four trips to Scotland!

As a college student, I wanted a job that would allow me to be independent and not worry about living paycheck to paycheck. I majored in Computer Science with a minor in Economics figuring these would be good financially. I had a heavy focus on Math as well. This led to a first career in banking with the Federal Reserve, Pittsburgh National Bank and Integra Financial (both now PNCBank). Then, a 15 year career at Verizon Wireless. I thought I loved my job!

About six years ago, my parents needed more help, but I was the child 500 miles away. So I started to help pay the bills. I quickly realized I could make this my new career. I wanted more than to just spend a company's money to put lots of technology into a store. I wanted to give back to society. Seniors were a natural fit for needing help and for appreciating it!

After I got my first couple clients, I began studying for the CSA (Certified Senior Advisor) exam. I wanted a good foundation in aging and I knew I had none! I now am able to guide seniors and their families when safe living or health concerns arise. This can be uncharted territory and they are often panicked. I help build budgets and find the resources. I am now also the first and only certified Professional Daily Money Manager® in South Carolina.

I have great satisfaction in knowing that those without family or where there are trust issues, can be confident that I will protect their financial affairs. It could be anything from recommending financial planners or attorneys to helping them find alternative housing choices. The key is knowing what they need, who is the support team and how to monitor without taking control. My level of involvement evolves over time. I enjoy each senior encounter. I have learned patience and listening skills along the way. I have learned how to be candid with a caring message.

With respect to my role as Treasurer, I want to help the society grow our membership, especially lifetime members. I encourage more students to submit for educational scholarship applications so we can help them embrace their heritage.





BIOGRAPHY OF FRANK KENNEDY CANDIDATE FOR SECRETARY

Raised with the strong belief that the family is a basic foundation of each individual, Frank is a retired Marine and recently retired airline captain. He is involved in several business interest primarily involving aviation and real estate. He is a Life member of KSNA, author of numerous articles and letters concerning the Kennedy Family and attendant at numerous events to include the 2009 Gathering in Scotland. Frank is married to the former Barbara "Bonnie" Ann Roberts of Laguna Beach, Ca. Daughters Shannon and Katherine have also been active in KSNA events. Presently living in Davidsonville, MD, Frank looks forward to assuming added responsibilities and helping promote the foundational and historical interest of KSNA.



HEY THAR Y'ALL
THIS Here's your
Last CALL to get
IN your AGM BOX
BBQ LUNCH
Reservations!

No lunches will
be sold at the
AGM tent. So,
please, get your
order in now.

Please Note: Payments should be mailed to Amy Carrick.

Please Reserve Your
AGM BBQ Box Lunch Now!
\$8.00 per Lunch Pre-Paid
Barbecue Pork, Beans, Slaw, Snack
delivered to Kennedy Tent on
Saturday, September 5
by Streetwise Ministries.
Check Payable to KSNA. Mail check
to Amy Carrick, 2434 Hudson Rd.,
PMB 171, Greer, SC 29650 by
August 31, 2015.



OFFICIAL PROXY/BALLET

2015 KENNEDY SOCIETY OF NORTH AMERICA AGM ELECTION OF OFFICERS

I, Christopher Kennedy, KSNA Chief First Class Retired, in my capacity as Chairman of the Society Nominating Committee do hereby put forth this slate of officers for election for 2015-2016:

President PLEASE VOTE FOR ONE

Leo F. Kennedy III, Greenville, Rhode Island

Vice President PLEASE VOTE FOR ONLY ONE OF THE TWO CANDIDATES

Mary Lynn Grant, Harmony, North Carolina

William D. Kennedy, Yorktown, Virginia

Treasurer PLEASE VOTE FOR ONE

Amy Carrick, Greer, South Carolina

Secretary PLEASE VOTE FOR ONE

Frank Bernard Kennedy, III, Davidsonville, Maryland

Each nominee has given permission for his or her names to be entered on the election ballot.

PROXY ASSIGNMENT

I _____, not being able to attend the 2015 KSNA election, wish to cast my vote by Proxy. I understand that my vote (one ballot per membership family) will be counted with all ballots cast in person at the Kennedy Society of North America's Annual Meeting to be held in The Plains, Virginia on September 5, 2015.

Member assigning proxy : _____ Date _____

I give my proxy permission to cast the above ballot in my stead and for such other business as may be conducted at the September 5, 2015 annual general membership meeting to _____.

Since several of the Board of Governors are running for election, Proxy Vote Assignment can be assigned to Chief of Society, Chief First Class Retired or any member of the Board of Governors not seeking election, or any member in good standing who is entitled to vote. Please E-Mail or print proxy and send to one of the following by **August 31, 2015**.

Paul L. Key, PO Box 305, Richfield, NC 28109 (heelanhound@carolina.rr.com);

Christopher Kennedy, 6415 Barberry Hill Drive, Gainesville, GA 30506 (kenn6633@bellsouth.net)

If you wish to send your proxy to another of the board members, please see the directory of Board of Governor members printed in this edition of the newsletter.



IF YOU HAVE NOT MADE A HOTEL RESERVATION FOR THE KENNEDY AGM AND PLAN TO ATTEND, NOW IS THE TIME TO PLAN AHEAD FOR STAY IN HOST HOTEL.

Kennedy block room rate expires August 21, two weeks before the games. After that, the rates revert to prevailing prices. Some Kennedy members have been able to secure less expensive rates by going directly to the internet, but there is no guarantee.



2015 AGM KENNEDY HOST HOTEL: WYNDHAM GARDEN MANASSAS OUR BLOCK OF ROOMS IS LIMITED.... RESERVATIONS FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED

Call direct at 703-335-0000 or 703-656-4512

Our block rate is \$89.00 plus \$11.57 Virginia room tax = \$100.57 per night

This rate applies Friday, September 04, 2015 to Monday, September 7, 2015—

hotel availability determines the rate for other dates members may wish to book.

Costs of hotel rooms in the Washington DC vicinity where the Labor Day Weekend Kennedy AGM is going to be held, are very “dear” as we Scots say, especially if you want acceptable amenities. When our Mid-Atlantic chieftain Bill Kennedy checked out the Warrenton hotels for a block of rooms, he found managers unwilling to cooperate and prices from \$145 to \$159 per night. So we looked just a few miles down the road, and have found accommodations which we feel will work as our own host hotel for the Wild and Mighty Kennedys.

The Wyndham Garden Manassas is located at Exit 47 about 16 miles from the Great Meadow Equestrian Center where the Highland Games will be held. The property has well appointed rooms, a restaurant which serves dinner and a 2 persons for \$5.00 coupon breakfast. It has a bar (which serves Stella,) adjacent to both the restaurant and the banquet hall.

We have a block of 17 rooms at a Kennedy group rate. Kennedy members call for their individual reservations directly to the Wyndham Garden, not to central reservations or any other travel agency to book. The block of rooms will be held until **August 21**, two weeks before the games. Then they go back to hotel inventory. If the block is sold out, we have been told by hotel management with whom we got the block contract that you can book at the Kennedy rate depending upon hotel availability at the time you call. Your room can be cancelled if necessary until 6:00 p.m. the date before arrival. **(September 3, 2015)**

We have met with hotel personnel and have negotiated for the hotel to cater our AGM banquet for **Saturday, September 5, 2015**, in a spacious room that will accommodate us all. The banquet room is adjacent to both the hotel bar and the outside parking lot.

Also in the area are numerous restaurant choices. Plans are only tentative at this stage, but there is a possibility of a meet/greet “Dutch treat” gathering at Philadelphia Tavern in Manassas for Friday evening preceding the games for those who arrive early. There are no official games functions on Friday evening.





As Lord Charles would have wanted it,
"We've Come Not to Plunder, but to Party!"

one of the most famous philosophies of our late beloved
MOST WILD AND MIGHTY KENNEDY

Saturday Night, September 5, 2015

Wyndham Garden Hotel, 10800 Vandor Lane, Manassas, Virginia
directly off of I-66, Exit 47

6:30 to 7:30 Open Bar at Hotel Bar Adjacent to Banquet Hall
— Raise a Glass of Stella!

7:30 to 9:30 AGM Banquet Dinner
"Songs, Laughter, Smiles, Fun Mandatory!"

Buffet Menu \$30.00 per person

Three Entrees—Sliced London Broil/Mushroom Sauce, Lemon Herb Chicken, Roast Turkey/Dressing
Fresh Vegetable Medley, Virginia Style Green Beans; Mashed Potatoes, Buttered Noodles; Garden Salad and Dinner Rolls;
Non-Alcoholic Beverages - Iced Tea, Coffee, Water (You may bring only bar drinks purchased at hotel into banquet)
Dessert - Lord Charles' Tribute "Birthday" Cake



Though we will never forget him, we hope that our tears will have been shed, and that we can spend this evening -- filled with good food and fellowship, laughter, tales of Lord Charles at his best, gifts and awards to those who have served the Kennedy Society well.

Reservations for the Dinner this year will be due in advance. According to our contract with the hotel, there can be NO last minute sign-ups for the dinner at the tent. So, please get your reservations, with payment, in as early as you can.
Final reservations with payment are due by August 31, 2015.

-----clip, fill out and mail with your check-----

RESERVATIONS FOR AGM BANQUET DINNER-PARTY

6:30 to 9:30 PM, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2015

WYNDHAM GARDEN MANASSAS HOTEL, 10800 VANDOR LANE, MANASSAS, VIRGINIA

\$30.00 PER PERSON _____ **NO OF PERSONS** _____ **TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED**

_____ **Name of Person Making Reservations**

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO KENNEDY SOCIETY OF NORTH AMERICA

PLEASE MAIL TO: AMY CARRICK, 2434 Hudson Rd., PMB 171, Greer, SC 29650

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS WITH PAYMENT TO BE RECEIVED: AUGUST 31, 2015

Questions, Call Paul at Cell Phone 704-622-2453



A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

This is the last issue of the Gazette in which I get to share my feelings with KSNA members. While we all feel a tremendous loss with the tragic and sudden death of our patron, Lord Ailsa, I also am filled with pride when I think of our society's leadership and its hope for the future.

I cannot begin to mention the accomplishments of all of our hard-working members, but a few stand out and deserve a particular thank you for the assistance they have given. In particular, I'd like to thank Chris and Sue, without whose guidance I could not have made my way through the challenges that we as a society have faced during my tenure.

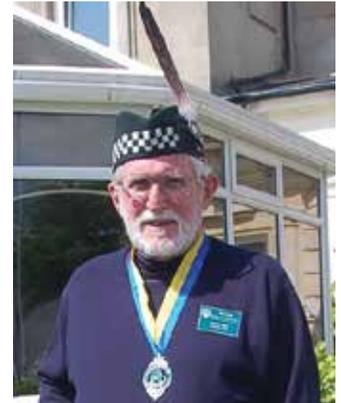
My chieftains have managed their regions with true dedication – Nina in the Northeast aptly convening the largest game in her region while successfully maintaining the upkeep of the KSNA website for many years until turning the reins to Ken Freshley; Kona (with Kathi by his side) not only hosting Lord Charles for his much-enjoyed Niagara visit, but carrying his deep friendship for our patron "home" to Scotland for the funeral; Mike (and Paula, and numerous California members) for the west coast welcome of LC; Bill (and Terry) for stepping forward on short notice to help put the finishing touches on our upcoming AGM.

For those members who do not know what is happening in the Rocky Mountain region, I am especially proud of the work that Ed Kennedy (and wife Krissy) are doing to revitalize that region. From Ed's first chance to convene a tent in 2014, he stepped up to not only work the largest game in Colorado (Estes Park) but to help organize the Moab, Utah games. For 2015, he is hosting Kennedy tents at 6 games, festivals or other Scottish events. Congratulations to our newest Chieftain, Ed Kennedy.

Hard work is happening to continue the growth of KSNA in Florida. In addition to other games in the state managed by Neil Brussard, Frank and Suzanne Canada continue to provide a warm welcome at the Central Florida games in Winter Springs. In 2015, their leadership went above and beyond the call of duty with the sudden loss of Lord Charles when they and the Kennedy Honor Guard organized a memorial service at the games, and also escorted Lord Ailsa to the plane for his final trip "home" to Scotland, these events with the precision, honor and dignity they deserved. Then they surpassed even these efforts by organizing the first Celtic Festival in Titusville, Florida. They are already at work on preparations for 2016 where Kennedy will be the Honored

Clan at Winter Springs. Frank, Suzanne, your work is much appreciated.

Then there are times when members we don't often hear from step forward. Our appreciation is given to Frank Kennedy, of Maryland, who, on short notice, changed work schedules to accompany Chris and Kona to Lord Charles' funeral in Scotland and now will be joining our leadership board of KSNA officers as Secretary.



What about the new member, Nathan Bishop (wife Heather) who stepped forward shortly after joining KSNA and after "absentee" training by email and phone, hosted the Kalamazoo, Michigan Scottish Games, complete with homemade baked goods for tent visitors? Plus, he brought in a new member on his first KSNA outing. Good work, Nathan!

As Ann was gathering memorial photos from members, we got a call from John Flowers, former Chief, who told us he had a special photo he wanted to send, but did not have computer expertise to send it digitally. Our dedicated former Chief took his personal cherished picture of Lord Charles on his 21st birthday, which had been given to him by Lord Charles' mother, to a local photo shop, had it duplicated and sent to us for inclusion in the Memorial Photo Album which you can see at your local Kennedy tents. What a fantastic gesture to share this treasured item with all of us!

These are but a few examples of what a great membership we have. We would be remiss if we did not also mention the time and effort spent by dedicated tent conveners and the coordination of our District Directors – David, Chris and Neil

Thanks again, to all who keep the KSNA running on a daily basis, and provide the hope for its future.

Now, to VERY IMPORTANT housekeeping duties for our upcoming AGM. Once again, the dates are September 4-6. The location: The Virginia Games, The Plains, VA. Kennedy hotel: the Wyndham Garden Manassas, Manassas, Virginia. Annual meeting/election: Saturday, September 5, 2:00 p.m. in the Honored Clan (Kennedy) tent.



A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

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The lunch on Saturday is BBQ Box Lunch. This must be PRE-PAID \$8.00 per person, checks payable to KSNA, mailed to Amy Carrick before August 31.

The AGM banquet is Saturday evening at the hotel. \$30.00 PRE-PAID per person, checks payable to KSNA, mailed to Amy Carrick before August 31.

Both of these meals are PRE-PAID. There can be no payment on the day of meals because of our contractual arrangements with the providers. So, if you want to join your fellow KSNA members, please make your reservations early.

Please pay particular attention to the election information in this issue. We have a full slate of candidates for office, including a two-way race for Vice President/Deputy Chief.

Therefore, the Proxy is also a Ballot. If you cannot attend the AGM, it is very important that you take the time to fill out the Proxy, cast your votes on it, and return it to either Chris Kennedy or myself by the August 31 deadline. If you wish, you can also return to any board member who is not running for office. All addresses are listed in the Board of Governors listing in this newsletter. Your vote counts!

Finally, the board would like your input on future AGMs: Where would you like to come? What time of year works

best? Do you have the financial means to travel to different parts of the country? Etc.

For Kennedy Tour Planning: How often should KSNA plan tours? Small group tour or coach? What do you want to see – Kennedy country; Scottish heritage sights? Big cities or countryside? Shopping? Length of tours: 0-10 days; 2 weeks; other?

Lastly, but by no means less important, we would like to have your input on how can we attract/involve new/younger members – Please send us thoughts on these items as soon as possible, so that the incoming board can have your input.

Finally, a big THANK YOU for all your support during the past year. I will always cherish the honor of serving KSNA as your Chief/President.

Avise la fin,
Paul L. Key



Here's one for you Lord Charles!

A NOTE OF FAREWELL FROM PAUL'S RIGHT HAND

My tenure of service to the Kennedy Society for the past five years has been a roller coaster of emotions. Times of pride and accomplishment have been interspersed with dreams that could not be accomplished and feelings of frustration because it is possible for one person or two to do only so much, and saddened by the tragic loss of Lord Ailsa.

As newsletter editor, I was able to share the Kennedy experience with our members through my writing talents, and minimal design expertise. It was fun getting your pictures, letters and emails, tales of success at game tents as you brought in new members, weddings, births, and even "flowers of the forest."

Then Paul and I felt another responsibility tugging at our respective heartstrings. As Chris and Sue were stepping away from their leadership roles, we felt the need to step forward, to help fill the void. We enthusiastically underwent our training sessions with the "dynamic duo" and sought their wise counsel. Little did we realize the challenges that lay ahead. So many dreams of what we wanted for the Society, so little time and energy to do it all. ▶



A NOTE OF FAREWELL FROM PAUL'S RIGHT HAND

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With a sense of awe, we humbly accepted the charge of our duties from our now departed Lord Ailsa, and soon after joined fellow Kennedys and guests on the 2014 tour of Northern Ireland and Ayrshire culminated by the gala at Culzean, a night never to forget.

We jumped into the fray attending the Niagara, Loon Mountain and Stone Mountain games with fervor. Since Paul does not have the computer skills that I do, it was I who helped him draft, and send out all communication with the Society, re-align regions, work with tent conveners, build tent kits, maintain board communication in addition to my duties as Secretary. However, these were his ideas and planning; I only assisted in the execution of same, while carrying out the dual role to the best of my ability. And, also, we, as a couple, continued to run our Heelan' Hound business which I had started ten years ago.

Then came one of those whammies, where life hits you smack in the middle of the forehead, personal situations where finances and health said "wait a minute," things are changing for you. In late fall, I faced a major health crisis, one from which I am happy to say has passed crisis, but continues to necessitate daily attention to the point where doctors have told me that I have to step away from added responsibilities and the stress inherent in such.

From the time that we told the Board of Governors that we would not be running for re-election to now, I have attempted to serve you all in the best manner I could. I have treasured those times where I have had personal contact with members new and old, from distances near and far. I have valued the counsel of Chris and Sue, without whose guidance I could not have served. I regret those not-so-pleasant experiences with those of you who whose ways of doing things were different from my own.

After the AGM in September, I will be stepping into the shadows, leaving service to the Society to those with fresh ideas, other leadership skills and new resolve to better the Kennedy Society. I will be concentrating on my health while returning to full-time operation of our much-loved Heelan' Hound tartan dog clothing business and its service to new and returning customers, treasured leisure time in our senior years with my beloved life partner Paul, and precious moments with the canine member of our family, Neilley, until such time as she passes over the Rainbow Bridge. I will still be around the tent, but only as an ordinary member who's come to visit with old friends. Thanks to all of you who gave me support.

Ann Blackmore Key, Secretary KSNA

ALMA, MI in 2016

Nathan and Heather Bishop, Kalamazoo conveners and Kona Gant, Great Lakes Chieftain and his wife Kathi checked out the Alma, MI Highland Games on May 23 to see if this was a possible Kennedy tent location for 2016. They had a great time getting acquainted and deemed the Alma games were ready for the Wild and Mighty Kennedys next year!





PLEASE MEET OUR NEW MEMBERSHIP CHAIR COLLEEN CALDWELL

My name is Colleen Kennedy Caldwell and I am originally from Uniontown, Pennsylvania. I now live about thirty minutes from there in Morgantown, West Virginia. I have been a member of the Kennedy Society of North America since about 1992 when I was expecting my first born son. I now have three children; the youngest is a junior in high school. Last summer my husband, Dan, and I joined the Kennedy Tour where I met many wonderful KSNA members and other Kennedys including Lord Charles, Paul and Ann Key, and Chris and Sue Kennedy. Shortly after that I was recruited to the membership chair position. So, it truly is who you know!

I work part-time at my local branch library where I do a little bit of everything plus plan children's programs. I think I work about as much each week at my various volunteer positions. I am the committee secretary for my son's Boy

Scout Troop. And I do choir, hand bells and serve on several committees at church.



Lynn Grant and Colleen Caldwell hard at work.

I became very interested in my family genealogy after my father passed away in 2011. My Kennedy lineage goes back to Middleboro, Mass., then to Halifax, Vt., and then to Bradford County, Penna. where my great-great-great grandfather settled and where my grandfather was born. There are still a lot of Kennedys there whom I have never met and only a few whom I know. Being a part of the KSNA is a way for me to meet a lot of Kennedys that I wouldn't otherwise know. I haven't met a Society member yet who didn't seem like family!

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TITUSVILLE FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES “KENNEDY” HONOR GUARD RECEIVES AWARDS

The Titusville Fire and Emergency Services “Kennedy” Honor Guard as a Unit, as well as several individual members, received awards at the department’s annual picnic on April 25th. The Honor Guard Unit was presented the department’s Honorable Service Award for their professionalism and attention to detail in their performances locally, out of state, and at Culzean Castle, bringing great honor and acclaim to the department and to the City of Titusville.

Firefighter Olivier Harper was proclaimed Firefighter of the Year for his outstanding actions and performance in all areas of his job duties. This is a very prestigious award which requires multiple specific criteria to be met. Oliver met or exceeded all of the requirements!

Lt. Jeff Harris received the Meritorious Service Award for his professionalism and actions on a shooting scene involving multiple victims. Jeff calmly coordinated all of the resources needed and organized triage for the victims while also protecting the crime scene. Several other Honor Guard members earned Unit Citations for their bravery and professionalism at various structure fires within the City.

The Honor Guard wears the Fire Department uniform for department events, with the addition of the Glengarry. The ceremonial uniform consists of the Kennedy tartan kilt and accoutrements.

Submitted by Frank & Suzanne Canada

NEWSFLASH: 6/6/2015

Just received news that the Kennedy Titusville Honor Guard will:

“We will for the 1st time be presenting colors at the Fire Academy Graduation ceremonies on the 17th of June.”

The HG unit will be dressed in their formal uniform of the Kennedy Weathered Tartan kilts!



Titusville Honor Guard



Titusville Fire and Emergency Services



Olivier Harper



Lt. Jeff harris



LOCH NORMAN 2015



Loch Norman opened this year with a COSCA meeting from 8am until 4pm. For the Kennedy Society of North America I attended most of this meeting. It was full of attendees and dignitaries as speakers. It was held in the beautiful Rural Hill Cultural Center. Speakers included Lord Lyon King of Arms, Sir Malcolm MacGregor, chief of Clan Gregor, and Andrew Morrison, Viscount Dunrossil.

After the luncheon provided, I had to leave to help set up our KSNA tent and the Lord Charles Memorial tent. Clan Henderson was kind enough to furnish the Memorial tent to the Kennedy Society as they all thought very highly of Lord Charles.

Friday night included the reception, introduction of guests, the honored clan, and the Ode to Haggis. Then we all went out to the bleachers for the Calling of the Clans. It is always such a moving ceremony. Thanks to Curtis Burrow for representing the KSNA.

Saturday morning started off better than the weather people predicted – clouds cleared to give us sunshine and warmth for most of the day. Our Chief Paul Key gave the eulogy for Lord Charles during the opening ceremonies. Then the day began with members showing up with food and hugs, and laughter!! We had a full tent most of the day. We also welcomed three new members to the KSNA.

Owen and Karen Kennedy with their daughter Meghan, Nicole Lijoi with her daughters, and Jason Kennedy. Jason has visited our tent for the last few years and we were glad he decided to join us this year.

We had many visitors to the Lord Charles Memorial tent; all had a story to tell us about meeting the man either here or in Scotland. A signed Memory Book will be sent to Lady Rosemary for the family to read and treasure.

Sunday brought the usual Loch Norman weather – rain, wind and more rain!! Almost a Scottish day. The mud got thicker and most clans were packed up and gone before 10am. The Cairn ceremony was scheduled for late in the day but Chief Paul Key, Chris Kennedy, and Curtis Burrow went over and placed the stones for our three members, Lord Charles, Bernice Canaday, and Donald Kennedy that were lost this past year. The stone for Lord Charles came from the beach at Culzean Castle.

Lord Charles loved coming to Loch Norman Games, in fact he was scheduled to attend this year. He said it was the first game he came to in the United States. It was the first game that I had the privilege to meet him, and it was the first game he visited after losing his leg. The people that run Loch Norman loved him to attend as he was always willing to help in





LOCH NORMAN 2015 (continued)

any capacity they needed him. He had many Scottish friends who attend this game also. Loch Norman will miss him.

Lord Lyon and Sir Malcolm MacGregor visited our tent and signed the Memory Book as they both knew Lord Ailsa too.

Thank you to all the members that came this year!! Hope to see you next year and hopefully we will have more sunshine next year!!

Lynn Grant and Curtis Burrow,
Tent Conveners



SAVANNAH GAMES MAY 12, 2015

After being absent from the Savannah Games for a couple of years, Chris and I were delighted to see how the games had grown in clan tents and participants. The Savannah Games are the 4th oldest Scottish games in the Southeastern United States and allow visitors to enjoy the sounds, tastes, and visual images that Highlanders experienced long, long ago.

The Kennedy tent was ready and waiting for those Kennedys who live in and around Savannah. It was a lovely day, not too hot or humid, which is often the case in Savannah. We were delighted with signing up two new members and we want to welcome Bill Towler and Terry Towler and her son Lorne to the Kennedy Clan.

On the athletic field were David and Brandi Fulford from Fairhope Alabama. David, representing the Kennedy Clan, was one of the athletes competing in the games and Brandi was there to cheer him on, along with us, of course. Joining us in the tent were Dave and Irene Phelps, long-time Kennedy members from Hinesville Georgia.

So next year come and join us in a grand celebration of Scottish culture with competition, entertainment, shopping, and activities for the entire family! See you there!

Chris and Sue Kennedy, Tent Conveners





THEIR JOURNEY TO THE KENNEDY SOCIETY...

Our journey to the Kennedy Society of North America was a little unconventional – as are most things in our lives. Kona has always had an interest in all things Celtic and Scottish. To give you a little background, Kona grew up in Euclid, Ohio. He joined the Army in 1969, and was medically discharged in 1977, after sustaining numerous injuries from serving as a medic for the Army. I grew up in Canton, Ohio and moved to Cleveland after graduating from Ohio University to attend graduate school at Case Western Reserve University where I now teach.

We married in 1995. I was a mental health therapist for 25 years in private practice until I retired from that last year. I currently teach graduate social work courses at Case. We have two accomplished children who are each married and we have 5 beautiful grandchildren ranging in age from 2 to 10.

In 1996 we opened a custom motorcycle shop called Iron Goddess Cycle Works. Kona was an accomplished custom motorcycle designer. But we soon found that we were spending more time working – and not enough time riding our bikes. After two bad partner choices, we closed Iron Goddess in 2001.

In 2000, one of the motorcycles that Kona had built won a trip to Germany and was featured in the Essen Motor Sports Show. While we were there, we travelled to Paris, and London and Kona was fitted with a kilt and all the trappings. But it was cost prohibitive to purchase at the time, so we simply took pictures and said “someday”.

As Kona became more involved in the Santa community and met with more Santa groups, it became apparent that many of his peers shared the same interest he has in Scottish and Celtic lore. While there was no single unifying Clan affiliation for all Santa’s, they all shared a common bond with the idea that somewhere, somehow, we were all Scots! At the same time that this camaraderie was growing, there was a major rift in the Santa

community. (Yes, even Santa’s disagree!) As the Santa “wars” grew, Kona felt strongly that if he could demonstrate to other Santa’s how to form a ‘family’ that it would repair the rift and model a new way to connect with each other. Scottish clans seemed to be the perfect solution. So in 2008 he formed the Clan Claus Society. We had already attended many Celtic festivals and events. But it was Bill Kennedy’s clan banner (Kennedy of course) that caught our eye. We talked with Bill at length – and heard the Kennedy history, learned how he collected the various items in his booth, and more about how Clans worked here in the States.



With great trepidation, we participated as Clan Claus Society in our first Highland Games here in Ohio the summer of 2008. Would we be accepted by the Scottish community? By the other Clans? Marching on to the field to participate in that first Clan Parade we were literally holding our breath. To our surprise and great relief, the crowd gave us a standing ovation! We have been participating in at least 5 games a year ever since.

In 2010, Lord Charles Kennedy attended the Burn’s Dinner in Ohio. Bill Kennedy introduced us to LC and again we held our breath. What would a Scottish Lord think of a Clan of Santa’s? He loved it! We laughed, and talked, and danced the night away. When we again met him in Ligonier, he invited us to travel with him and Bill and Julie to Hawaii in spring 2011. As Kona said, we “can’t say no to a Scottish Lord!” So off we went. It was there that Kona saw LC’s foot for the first time. It was when we believe we truly bonded with Lord Charles. And there in Hawaii, on the tropical island of Oahu, Lord Charles adopted us into the Kennedy Clan. We took a knee, respectfully touched his standard, and solidified our relationship with the Kennedy Clan. Immediately upon our return to the mainland, Kona sent in our dues as life time members.

Our strong bond with LC and all things Kennedy grew by leaps and bounds. After the Hawaii trip, and Lord



THEIR JOURNEY TO THE KENNEDY SOCIETY...

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Charles's medical issues, Kona became his nurse when he was here in the US. So every time he was here in the states we would try to attend so that Kona could do wound care for him. We continued to be involved on many levels in the Scottish community. Kona became Chief of the Scottish Heritage Association of Northeast Ohio (SHANO), and we were both invited to sit on the Board of Trustees for the Ohio Scottish Games.

In 2013, we were each given the highest honor in the Santa Community. We were awarded the Santa Oath Medal of Honor for our role in the mending of the Santa Community. This award was only given once – to 15 Santa's and 2 Mrs. Claus's. It will never be given again as the hope is that we will never need to mend the Santa World again. We earned this award in direct response

to our work in the Scottish Community, our founding of the Clan Claus Society and our inclusive position on membership. Clan Claus Society has grown to over 325 members, from 12 countries.

In 2014, as Chief of SHANO, Kona invited LC to once again attend our Burn's Dinner here in Ohio. Of course Lord Charles readily accepted as he noted that the Ohio Burn's Dinner was his favorite. Just before dinner, LC asked Kona to take a knee again, and he declared him a Chieftain. Kona was greatly honored. We are so grateful that we were able to share the last Burn's Dinner LC attended with him here in our midst. We treasure each and every time we were able to be with him – to laugh, to dance, and to celebrate all things Kennedy.

A TALE OF TWO KENNEDY'S

My great grandfather, Robert Kennedy was born in Ireland in 1844, his parents names were Patrick and Margaret. There isn't very much information on Robert, perhaps because of the family legend that he came over "with a price on his head" was really true. He immigrated to Boston on the good ship Bosphorus out of Queenstown, Ireland and Liverpool, England in 1866. Robert boarded the ship in Queenstown. Queenstown is actually Cobh which is a seaport town on the south coast of County Cork. Cobh was named Queenstown in 1850 because of a visit by the Queen and retained this name until the 1920's when it returned to Cobh.

When Robert was 27 he married a young lady by the name of Margaret Conely of Roxbury. The newlyweds bought some land in West Roxbury and started raising dairy cows and kids. They had eight surviving children: James William (1873), Mary Margaret (1875), John Benedict (1877), Margaret Florence (1879), Robert Patrick (1884), Thomas Anthony (1886), Joseph Vincent (1888) and William E. (1891).

Thomas Anthony was my grandfather; he became a wool merchant and started his own business, T.A. Kennedy

Co. My grandfather hired a young lady named Hazel M. Hammond as his secretary. In April of 1915 Hazel married Thomas and they also had a large family.

Hazel's parents were Charles "Rock" F. Hammond and Elizabeth "Lizzie" F. Kennedy. Lizzie immigrated to the U.S. from Canada in 1890. She was a domestic servant in the house of Amsey H. Governor of Boston. She met Rock Hammond and they were married and had a family of their own, Charles F. Jr, Hazel M., Clarence C. and Aunt Mary Kennedy, Lizzie's sister was a house guest.

So my great grandfather Robert from Ireland and my great grandmother Lizzie from Canada both had the surname Kennedy .Therefore I am a Kennedy from both sides of the family and both sides of the pond.

Owen Francis Kennedy
Maiden, N.C. 4/20/2015

Editor's Note: Owen became a Kennedy Society member this year at the Loch Normon Games. When he walked up to the tent and told us this story, we knew it should be shared with everyone!



DUNEDIN HIGHLAND GAMES

Hi Everyone!

Just a quick update to let you know that the 49th Annual Dunedin Highland Games week was our biggest and most successful to date! On Thursday, there was a Tartan Reception held at the Scottish American Society, with entertainment provided by our High School Pipe Band, local highland dancers, and the Celtic Band Searson from Canada. On Friday, the second annual Clan/Pipe Band Parade marched through downtown, and it was followed by a highland concert in Pioneer Park. Our Clan Chieftain of the Day was Mike Robbins, the Provost from Stirling (Dunedin's sister city) who had traveled here from Scotland with his wife Jayne. We toasted them in our tent, along with Dunedin's mayor Julie Bujalski, vice-mayor Heather Gracey, and Ch.13 news anchor Chris Chmura. (see photo)

This year we had forty clans in our village, yet despite having a full page of Kennedy's sign in, none had requested becoming a member at this time. Janet made a beautiful framed picture of Lord Charles standing at the podium, with his memorial wreath superimposed on top, and had it placed on display at the KSNA table. It was endearing to hear from all of the other clan members who were at the Winter Springs Games, just how touching his memorial service was. Tom Kennedy, my 85 year old dad, had individually wrapped 10lbs. of his famous Scottish tablet to welcome all of our visitors to the KSNA tent, bless his heart.

I really enjoyed spending the day with Neil and Janet, and it was so good to have Andi and her friends join us once again. Sadly, Arvil Byrd was not there this year, however, we did have another solo performance from our favorite Rosie O'Donnell Kennedy band member. (see photo) Unfortunately, my husband Dale was called out of state at the last minute, and so I was very grateful for the help with setting up/tearing down the tent and all of the supplies.

I'm really looking forward to next year, as I'm certain that the 50th Annual Dunedin Highland Games will be even bigger and better!

Yours Truly,
Lorraine Kennedy VanFossan

P.S. Just look how our Dunedin Kennedy twins have grown!



Dunedin Kennedy Twins 2014



Dunedin Kennedy Twins 2015



Neil and Janet Brussard with Matt Hutchinson



Dunedin Clan Chieftain of the Day



Dunedin Kennedys 2015



SMOKY MOUNTAIN SCOTTISH FESTIVAL AND GAMES MAY 16-17, 2015

The 16th and 17th of May, 2015, marked the Smoky Mountain Scottish Festival and Games in beautiful Maryville Tennessee.

For the last several years this event has been held on the historic (founded 1819) Maryville College campus, and as the "Home of the Scots", is a most appropriate venue. The weather was warm and partly cloudy on Saturday and marred only by a brief rain shower on Sunday. Games President, Dan Greaser, remarked to me Saturday afternoon that they had run out of parking and were having to use nearby campus parking. A good thing!

Again, as in the past several years our tent was across from Chief Paul Key and Secretary, First Lady Ann Key and their "Heelan Hound" tent. Former Chief and First Lady Chris and Sue Kennedy came up from Georgia to give us back-up at the Kennedy tent. Among many others visiting were District Director David Carrick, his wife Amy, and their daughter, Megan, from Greer S. Carolina, our son Geoffrey and his wife Patricia from Durham, N.C., and local member Brian Kennedy. We welcomed one new member, Bob Moore from Lenoir City, TN. Our visitors enjoyed many snacks, drinks, and good fellowship.

We had a nicely arranged memorial table to honor Lord Charles which generated much interest. Lord Charles was also honored during the church service as the names of those who had passed away since last year's games was read.

Our wheaten Scotties, Clipper and Riley, did not attend this year due to the Sunday rains, but hope to go next year. All in all it was a fun and successful weekend for all.

Rob and Karen Kennedy
Smoky Mountain Tent Conveners



Geoffrey & Patricia Kennedy enjoy the games



Tent Conveners Rob and Karen Kennedy along with Chief Paul Key welcome Bob Moore



FLOWERS OF THE FOREST ARNICE ESTELLE COBB

Mrs. Estelle Price Cobb, age 91, a resident of Durham North Carolina, passed away January 28 2015. Estelle was born October 17, 1923 in Blount Alabama.

Her business career included being a cosmetics buyer for a drug store and later managing a dress shop. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution as well as a member of St John's Episcopal Church in

Birmingham. She was an excellent needle pointer and was interested in genealogy. Estelle was a long-time member of the Kennedy Society of North America.

Estelle is survived by two daughters, Andrea Cobb Mason of Durham North Carolina, also a Kennedy Society member, and daughter Leigh Cobb Ellis of Mobile Alabama.



GREENVILLE SCOTTISH GAMES

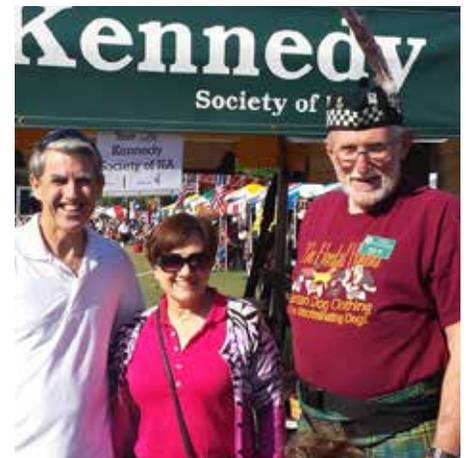
MAY 23, 2015

Saturday, May 23rd was a beautiful day for the 10th annual Greater Greenville Scottish Games as the temperature was mild, the skies were blue, and the breeze was wonderful! In addition to the usual game fare of pipes, athletics, etc., the game was attended by a contingent from the Royal Fusiliers and a Marine Band. There was also a flyover by vintage military aircraft as well as the parachute jump. There were many members that came to the tent, including Ann and Paul Key, Amy/ Megan/Dave Carrick, Chris Kennedy, Lynn Grant, Samantha Dodson, Nicole Lijoi, Ed Norwood, Irene Phelps, Karen Kennedy, and John and Eleanor Flowers. New members were signed up, William and Diane Cassels from Atlanta, and several potential members also stopped by

the tent: Winfred Kennedy, Shelly Maynard, Bob McElveen, and Krista Spiven. Further, the representative from the local legal moonshine distillery, Dark Corner, was a Kennedy as well: Zach Kennedy! Also stopping by the tent was Mark Harden, Baron of Cowdenknowes, who is an old friend of Lord Charles. Mark is now an honorary member of the Kennedy Society – so we still have some royalty! Also, many thanks to Billy and Annie McBee of Clan McBean for the use of a table! It is exciting to see how these games have grown and become a part of the fabric of Greenville. A friend of mine from Maryville College, Steve Lowry of Clan McLaren, said to me that he was trying to figure out why he had never been here before as he was quite impressed by the parade,

the venue, and just about everything else as well. Looking forward to next Memorial Day already!!!

David and Amy Carrick
Tent Conveners



New Members - William and Diane Cassels

ANOTHER MEMORY OF A VISIT WITH THE MARQUESS AILSA LORD CHARLES' FATHER

The wonderful outpouring by the Kennedy Society of the salute mixed with sadness on the recent passing Lord Charles has been beautifully conceived and transmitted to his family.

The occasion brought back memories of my visit to Cassillis Castle on August 1, 1990 with Charles' Father and Mother who were baby sitting their two granddaughters now Lady Rosemary and Lady Alicia.

I called on the Marquess of Ailsa as I was preparing to take office on November 30, 1991 as the 79th President of the St. Andrew's Society of Philadelphia. I was interested in determining whether he might be interested in participating in our 1991 celebration. Unfortunately, we did not find a way for Lord Ailsa to join the festivities.

The notice of the passing of Bernice Canady also struck a note with me as I honored Clan Kennedy at the 1992 Dinner at the Union League of Philadelphia with Don Canaday, representing the Kennedy Society. Following Don on the podium was Lord Airlie, the chief advisor to Queen Elizabeth.

All in all, these memories of personal interface remain a very important part of my life as both a member of the Kennedy Society and as a former President of the St. Andrew's Society of Philadelphia.

Marshall Schmidt
Princeton, New Jersey



WHERE WE HAVE BEEN TOLD THERE WILL BE A KENNEDY TENT JUNE - NOVEMBER 2015

- June 20/21 Pikes Peak Celtic Festival, Colorado, Springs Co
June 26/27 Ohio Scottish Games, Wellington, OH
July 11/12 Grandfather Mountain Highland Games, Linville, NC
July 18/19 Elizabeth Scottish Festival, Elizabeth, CO
Aug 22 Kalamazoo Scottish Festival, Kalamazoo
Sept 5/6 Kennedy AGM, Virginia Scottish Games, The Plains, VA
Sept 5/6 San Francisco Caledonian Highland Games, Pleasanton, CA
Sept 10-13 Longs Peak Scottish and Irish Festival, Estes Park, CO
Sept 19/20 Niagara Celtic Festival, Olcott, NY
Sept 19/20 New Hampshire Highland Games, Loon Mountain, NH
Sept 19/20 Edgewater Celtic Festival, Denver, CO
Sept 19 Charleston Highland Games, Boone Hall Plantation, Mt. Pleasant, SC
Oct 3 Scotland County Highland Games, Laurinburg, NC
Oct 17/18 Stone Mountain Highland Games, Stone Mountain Park, GA
Oct 24/25 Central Virginia Celtic Festival and Highland Games, Richmond, VA
Nov 7/8 Moab Scottish Games, Moab Utah



ANNOUNCEMENTS:

If anyone will be wearing a new kilt or tartan at the Annual Meeting, please let us know so that we may plan a kilt christening ceremony.

The membership chairman wants to remind the Society members that when paying their renewal dues, they will not receive a new membership card. Only new members to the Society will receive a membership card when joining.

Thank you.



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