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*On behalf of the Kennedy Society of North America,
Bill and I would like to extend our wishes for a very
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
from our Kennedy home to yours!*



Bill and Joy Young Harmony, NC



DALTONIA PLANTATION

Most people enjoy and appreciate a beautiful home, especially an old home, with historical significance. Indeed, individuals travel far and wide to visit vintage homes on the National Historic Register. What makes this home distinctive is that it is a “Kennedy” home and has been since 1856. It is the family home-place of Kennedy members Bill and Joy Young and Lynn Grant.

Daltonia Plantation began with Christopher Houston arriving to the Hunting Creek area of Iredell County North Carolina in 1767. Captain Houston received two land grants from the state of North Carolina, one in 1763 and one in 1787. The plantation consisted of 3000 acres. The property passed to his son, then to Mary Cecelia Houston who married John Dalton. “Daltonia” was built in 1856. While building the house the owners lived in one of the two log structures which are still on the property today. The Daltons’s daughter married Philip Butler Kennedy – thus the Kennedy connection. Philip Butler Kennedy migrated from Ayrshire, to Tipperary Ireland , and then came to America. The design of Daltonia is Greek Revival developed from the plans from “the American Builders Companion” written by the famous architect, Asher Benjamin. The house exhibits an ornate, hand-carved wooden façade, while the interior has heart of pine floors. Daltonia’s fireplace mantels are distinct as they are finished in the architect’s style. The house is over 160 years old and five generations have lived in or wandered through its rooms. Many items in the house are original such as the sofa in the living room, original doors, and original windows all mill cut to match.

The family has had seven generations for 250 years living on Hunting Creek with their family roots in Scotland, Ireland, England, and France.

Lynn has fond memories of coming to Daltonia as a child.

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Christmas 2017



First Home 2



1897: Philip Butler Kennedy (3rd man on right)



Joy, Bill, Lynn - Note mantle in rear



Kennedy Crest



Side View - Note Scottish Saltire



DALTONIA PLANTATION

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“To me it meant coming to the country and seeing my grandfather, aunt, and cousins.”

We came up from Florida for all holidays and the summer break from school. My grandfather usually had a pony for us to ride and my Mom took care of the garden and all the canning that was done. It was always fun to be able to run free thru the woods, down to the branch, and just enjoy being outdoors. Christmas was always special since Pap-paw would have already been out to bring in the freshly cut tree that went in the dining room and reached all the way to the ceiling. Then we all got to help decorate it. When I was very young there was a dairy here, and we would be given a pitcher to carry across the road to get fresh milk.”

Joy’s memories also included rides on the ponies and this fond memory was probably responsible for her love of horses today. Joy stated, “it was the best life in the world, following my Daddy around the dairy farm and learning to drive the tractor at the age of nine years old.”

It has been the Young’s decision to save and restore the property. The house is being brought up to standards while keeping the historical significance in place. The house has not seen renovations since the 1980’s, and it is the hope of the Youngs to complete the main house in 2017. The two barns have received much work. The Dairy barn is for Joy’s work station for the antique and salvage business. The livestock barn is now a horse barn. It is Bill and Joy’s plan to restore the log cabin for their antique and mercantile business. [continued](#) ▶



Kennedy Cousins Reminiscing



Daltonia Barn



Daltonia Home Office

CHAPLAIN’S MESSAGE

Dear Brothers & Sisters of the Kennedy Society of North America:

Best wishes for a Happy Advent and a Merry Twelve Days of Christmas... and then comes Hogmanny and a Happy & Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

There are lots of things to think and pray about for the future. What will happen to Scotland in the light of the UKs vote to leave the EU? Let us hope and pray they stay with the rest of the UK. Both would be greatly impoverished without the other. Donald Trump will be the President of the USA for at least four years.

His mother was born in Scotland and loved the Queen. A TV program I’m watching said so! I’ve had the pleasure to attend several events at Mar-a-lago over the last several years, when the Donald was present. I remember on one occasion one of the guests was wearing the kilt, and Mr. Trump made it a point to favorably compliment him publicly. Things will not be the same, and that might just be a good thing. Time will tell.

Love in Christ,
David+





DALTONIA PLANTATION

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Joy and Bill have planned an Open House for later in the month and visitors will be quite taken with the Santa in the foyer, the centerpiece in the study, and the four beautiful Christmas trees throughout the home. Two of the trees are pictured here. A very impressive foyer highlights Bill's hat collection. Notice Bill is pointing to his favorite Kennedy hat.

Daltonia has been the center piece of the community with many important visitors stopping by through the years such as Governor James Hunt, who was the 69th and 71st Governor of North Carolina and General James Longstreet, Confederate General during the Civil War.



Christmas Tea Cup Tree



Daltonia Doll Tree



Bill's Favorite Hats

We appreciate Joy, Bill and Lynn sharing Daltonia with us in this issue of the Gazette. It is easy to see Daltonia's beauty and historical importance in the community. Special thanks to Karen Kennedy for coming over from Ashville to take all these wonderful Daltonia Christmas pictures for the Kennedy Gazette. If any other Kennedy members would like to share their "old homeplace", I would love to feature it in a future issue of the Gazette.



A MESSAGE FROM LORD AILSA

It's true, time flies! It seems no time since December last year when the house here at Morriston was in full swing and we were entertaining shooting parties, with the children and their friends here.

In late October we hosted a walk for a group of ladies from the village of Kirkmicheal, they were very interested to see the activities on the farm and to learn about how we go about producing the thousands of tonnes of wheat and barley that fill the grain stores and the growing of the other crops on the farm. After a tour of the sheds and a walk around some of the fields we finished with a barbeque in the autumn sunshine.

The first of our let shooting days were in October, the first being taken by the National Trust for Scotland Patrons and the next by a group of Texan bankers who stayed in the Eisenhower apartment at Culzean Castle. Both groups shot very well and thoroughly enjoyed their day here. The let shooting days continue through until the end of January.

We had our first family shoot here on St Andrews Day. Tommy our keeper as usual produced some very sporting birds to test the skill of both myself and our guests. The weather was cool and dry, it was a pleasure to be out in the countryside. This year we sampled some of the sloe gin that Anne had made in 2014. It went down very well but did not seem to improve anyone's shooting.

Anne and I spent a few days in York where Archie our son is at university studying Art History. During our stay Anne and Archie had a fascinating tour of York Minster. York is a lovely place and well worth a visit.

Kitty our daughter who lives and works in London managed to get tickets for us all to see the wonderful new "Harry Potter and the Cursed Child" play in Shaftsbury

Avenue. Tickets for this play are almost impossible to get until 2018! Archie came down by train from York, Anne and I flew down from Edinburgh to London City Airport. Unfortunately as Anne and I arrived someone in the airport terminal building released some CS gas which meant the whole airport went into lock down for terrorist alert and all travellers on the runway side of the building had to remain out on the plane parking area for three hours. Luckily we had planned to arrive the day before the play so we did not miss it. Sadly we did miss our reservation that evening at Kitty Fishers our favourite restaurant in Shepherds Market. However, we managed to have a jolly nice family supper elsewhere later. The play was excellent and well worth seeing.



On the 26th of November I had the honour of switching on the Maybole Christmas Lights. The local community put a lot of work into making the town look very nice for the festive season. This year I have given them permission to light up an entire external wall of Maybole Castle with Christmas scenes, the effect as you enter the town from the north is very attractive.

We are looking forward to the festivities with Kitty and Archie here. On Christmas day we are entertaining some friends and their families for lunch here at Morriston, and I am sure many of you will be doing the same in your own homes. So I will sign off by wishing you all the best from Anne and I for both Christmas and the coming year.

Ailsa





A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

I have just returned from a business trip into Pennsylvania and my travel home was the first encounter with snow this season. I am not sure that I am ready for it, but nature waits for no man. As we start the cold season here in New England, the southern states are enjoying some warm weather at their games. We recently had our first Kennedy tent set up at Mt. Dora Florida and took in a new member. Nice job Lorraine and Lynn. In the next two months, we have six games in Florida where a Kennedy tent will be set up. At the Sarasota games, the Titusville (Kennedy) Honor Guard will be presenting the Colors. Please come and join your friends and family celebrating the Kennedys!

Sandy and I will now be slowing down, a bit, for the Holidays. Sandy works for the Post Office, so Christmas is a busy season for her. We will not travel again until New Years, when we will visit with friends on Cape Cod for a few days, enjoying great food and company. It has always been a good time, now almost 20 years in the making.

I have been active with Providence College, having recently been elected to a three year post on the National Alumni Association for the College. I will be traveling a bit for them, promoting the many programs and sports associated with the College. I am glad to be active in this undertaking and always enjoy time with friends there.

We have a great opportunity coming up. Karen Kennedy has donated twelve of her photos, all framed, to the Kennedys. They are Culzean, Culzean with cannons, Culzean behind the fountain, Dunure Castle, Dunure with Ailsa Craig in the background, and Cassillis house. They are all great photos and we thank Karen for her donation and her love of photography. Each is offered as a 5x7 and an 8x10. We are setting up a raffle (more information in this issue) where tickets can be bought on line at the KSNA site for 30 days before each of the six monthly raffle drawings. There will be one set of framed photos offered for bid each month, with the last one pulled and awarded at the Kennedy AGM in Rhode Island. Please support this effort for the Kennedys and our Scholarship program.

In addition, the second Kennedy Challenge Coin will be offered in January. This year will depict the Cassillis House (thanks again to Karen for the image). Once the sales start, we hope that you will build on your Kennedy Challenge Coin set and support this effort. We did very well last year, but still have some 2016 coins available. Please visit the website to order them, or email me for multiple coins, so I can adjust the shipping costs to benefit you. We are ordering 100 coins less than last year, so order early!

Please check the Kennedy website where we have shirts, coins, and other Kennedy items for sale. Great Christmas gifts!!

There are many games coming up in the southern states – please try to attend one and visit the Kennedy tents. The Florida games are: Florida Keys Jan 7th; Winter Springs Jan 14-15; Ft. Myers Jan 28th; Sarasota Feb 4th, where the Titusville (Kennedy) Honor Guard will present the National Colors; and Green Cove Springs Feb 25th.

Lastly, please remember all the Kennedy's and their families that are ill or have suffered losses this year. Please pause and offer a prayer for them during this holiday season. My thoughts are with them often.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all,
Leo and Sandy Kennedy





KENNEDY SOCIETY RAFFLE

WHAT: The Kennedy Society is holding a raffle to offer you the opportunity to receive some exceptional photographic prints of three Kennedy castles! The castles- Culzean, Cassillis, and Dunure will be offered in 2 sizes – 8 x 10 and 5 x 7, matted and framed. The photographer, Kennedy Society member, Karen Kennedy, is donating these photos to the Society and we are very grateful. Proceeds will go to the Scholarship Fund. Each raffle ticket is \$5.00.



WHERE: The raffle will be conducted on the KSNA website: Kennedy Society.org.

WHEN: The raffle will begin in December and end in June.

WHY: To offer quality Kennedy scholarships, to provide a superior gift to a loved one, and to display an excellent example of your family's heritage.

HOW: Each month one castle will be offered in the two sizes. Go to the Kennedy website, click on the raffle page, choose the size picture you want, and then pay for your tickets. All payments will be by credit card and participants will be given a receipt for their purchase. The raffle for each castle picture will last from the first day of the month to the last day of the month. The drawing for the month will be held the 15th day of the next month.

EXAMPLE: Mary goes to the KSNA website during the month of December and purchases the "ticket(s)" for the Culzean Castle picture being raffled for that month. She wants both the 8 x 10 and the 5 x 7 so she pays for a ticket for each at \$5.00 a piece. There is a quantity button for both the 8 x 10 and the 5 x 7, so she can indicate if she wishes to purchase more than one ticket for one or both sizes. She gets a receipt for her "ticket" purchases and waits for January 15 to roll around. The winners are drawn – one winner for each size picture. Mary wins the Culzean 5 x 7, but not the 8 x 10. She receives her picture in the mail soon after the drawing.

On the first of the next month a new castle picture is offered in the two sizes and so on...



Dunure Ailsa Craig



Cassillis



Culzean Guns



Culzean Framed



Dunure



Culzean



Culzean Fountain



Culzean Fountain Framed



44TH ANNUAL STONE MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES OCTOBER 14-16, 2016

The Stone Mountain meadows and meandering tree-lined paths were transformed into the impressive mix of sights and sounds of a Scottish Highland Games presented in a uniquely southern style. All of the usual highlights were included:

Arguably the “Games” of our Highland Athletes are the most watched event of the weekend. The athletes will spend two full days competing in many of the traditional highland athletic events. These include: The Hammer Throw, The Weight Throw and Weight Toss, The Stone of Strength (featuring our own little piece of Stone Mountain), The Sheaf Toss and of course the Caber Toss.

Stone Mountain Highland Games hosts two full days of Highland Dance competition. Dancers of all ages from throughout the United States and Canada will take their turn on our special dance stages vying for those coveted prizes awarded for the best performance.

If you like the Scottish Highland Bands, then Saturday is your day. Stone Mountain Highland Games features one of the largest fields of competitive bands in the Southeast. Owing to our strategic placement at the end of the competitive season for the Eastern United States Pipe Band Association, it is typical to see 30 pipe bands from around the country take over the main parade field for an all-afternoon competition

Scottish Country Dancing is the traditional ballroom and barn dancing of Scotland. Performed round the room or in longwise or square sets, one can see the intricate patterns of the dance unfold as the dancers step in time to the elegance and strength of the Strathspey, or the energy and agility of the jigs and reels, displayed as the couples progress through the dance.

Scottish Highland Dancing at the Stone Mountain Highland Games is two full days of Highland Dance competition. Dancers of all ages from throughout the United States and Canada took their turn vying for those coveted prizes awarded for the best

Spinning and weaving were essential skills in 18th century highlander life. Clothing was not a luxury, but rather a survival item. Cold wet and unpleasant weather necessitated that highlanders understand how to raise sheep, process wool and fabricate the fibers into wearable and warm items. Come see a demonstration of spinning and weaving at the Spinning and Weaving tent. Demonstrators will show you how it's done and what the finished products look like.

The Children's Activities area allows our smallest and youngest guests to experience and participate in learning about our Scottish heritage. Several of the children's activities mimic the adults' highland games.

Any highland Games would not be a highland gathering without the clans. We are fortunate to have over 100 Clan Associations and Scottish Societies participate in our annual “Gathering of the Clans”. The Kennedy Society of North America has been present at these games for over 35 years.



David and Irene Phelps
at reception



Three merry Chiefs: Paul,
Nomon, and Chris



After games dinner at Irish pub



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44TH ANNUAL STONE MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES

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This year Chris and Sue were joined by David and Irene Phelps, from Savannah Georgia, Deputy chief, Lynn Grant, Former Chief, Paul and Ann Key, Karen Kennedy, Sean and Tammy Carrick, Bobby and Karyl Harwell, Former Chief, Nomon and Nancy Kennedy, Gwenn Kennedy, and Phil Knight and Liz Neitske. We had a grand time visiting with old friends and enjoying the beautiful weather.

A special thank you to Lynn Grant for helping set up the tent and helping to recruit new members and another big thank you to David and Irene Phelps for helping to recruit new members.

The highlight of the weekend had to be signing up 10 new members. They are Annette Hackman from Alpharetta Ga, Alice Bryan from Cumming Ga, Felicia Young from Fitzgerald Ga, Brenda Johnson's three sons – Cameron Johnson, Kevin Johnson, and Chance Hall, from Snellville Ga and Lawrenceville GA., Libbi Sabatine from Clarksville TN, Elizabeth Lisk from Buford GA, Damon Lares from Harvest AL, and Susan Robinson from Dallas, GA. Welcome to all of you! We look forward to getting to know each of you as time goes on.



Come join us next year – We can promise you good fun, great friends, and one of the most popular Scottish Games in the Southeast.

Chris and Sue Kennedy
Tent Conveners



2017 AGM in RHODE ISLAND

The 2017 AGM will be held in Rhode Island on June 10th. The host hotel will be the Best Western in West Greenwich. Contact info is 401-397-5494 or WGI5494@gmail.com. Hotel costs will be \$80.10 per room with two queens or a king. Please book your rooms early to ensure that you will be staying where many of us will be and close be to the games.

These are one day games, held at the Washington County Fairgrounds, about 15 minutes from the hotel. The meetings will be at the Fairgrounds on Saturday for the AGM and officers meetings on Sunday at the hotel. Also, camping is nearby the games at the Mystic KOA in Stonington, CT. More information will be coming out soon and posted on the Kennedy website and here in future Gazettes.





CENTRAL VIRGINIA CELTIC FESTIVAL & HIGHLAND GAMES OCTOBER 22-23, 2016

Once again the mighty Kennedys lay siege to Richmond, VA We didn't come to pillage and plunder, we came to party at the Central Virginia Celtic Festival & Highland Games – October 22 & 23, 2016 and party we did. Terry and I arrived Friday afternoon to start setting up the tent trying to get a head start on the weekend. We arrived early Saturday morning and were greeted with wind gust of 29 mph. We were joined by Bob Davis, Wendy and John Schoffstall and Isabelle Mary Carter all of which were co-conveners. Throughout the day we had may visitors seeking information relating to the Kennedys and some seeking information on their Scottish heritage. The festival has become one of the biggest on the east coast with a lot of entertainment which included fiddling contest, piping, highland dance, vendors and great food. Lunch at the Kennedy tent was hot dogs right off the grill prepared by Terry with homemade chili topping, multiple salads, and homemade cookies and cakes. The Kennedys were well represented at the clan parade with our new parade

banner and tartan flags leading the way. Also in the parade was Dallas (our yellow lab) sporting his new lion mane which turned out to be a big hit for those taking pictures. Arriving back at the tent Sunday morning we were greeted with cooler temperatures, a lot of sun and the winds had dropped to around 7 mph which was a welcome change from Saturday. Once again we had a lot of visitors (a total of 20 signed in) a hot dog lunch was once again served. One new member signed up, we welcome Michael Germain from Chester, VA. He has traced his blood relationship to Clan Kennedy to Hugh Kennedy, 9th great grandfather and his immigrant ancestor to William Kennedy, 8th great grandfather from Ayrshire. Overall the Festival was a great success for both the Kennedys and the games itself, we look forward to laying siege to Richmond for the 2017 festival.

William D. Kennedy
Chieftain
Mid-Atlantic Region
Kennedy Society of North America



New member Michael Germain and Chieftain Bill Kennedy



Wendy and Isabella



Terry and Ann Key



Terry cooking hot dogs on the grill



Chieftain Bill Kennedy, wife Terry and Dallas (who thinks he is a lion)



MOUNT DORA SCOTTISH HIGHLAND FESTIVAL NOVEMBER 19, 2016

On November 19, 2016, the KSNA convened its very first clan tent at the Mount Dora Scottish Highland Festival. Considering it was only their fourth annual event, they managed to gain impressive headline articles in both the Daily Commercial “Festival transformed Mount Dora into a slice of the Highlands” and the Orlando Sentinel, “devotees of Caledonian Culture held a very Disney-Like Festival in Gilbert Park this week-end!”

Altogether, we had seventeen clans and two Celtic social societies inside of our village. We were set up underneath a shady oak tree canopy in the center of Gilbert Park, allowing us a clear 360 degree view of the day’s activities. Although the park

itself is relatively small, its location along the banks of Lake Dora made for an ideal intimate setting for a clan gathering. Additionally, the sound of live Celtic music, and scent of fresh grilled chicken, meat pies, and fish-n-chips softly wafting uptown to the nearby crowded shopping area, turned out to be a fabulous marketing tool, and lured people in by the droves!

The opening ceremonies were kicked off with a traditional Clan Parade, led by the Pipes and Drums of the Orange County Sheriff’s Office. Directly following, Bill Gearing, the Master of Ceremonies and Chief of the Games, challenged each individual clan to shout out their war cry! The newbie that I am, had

mentally prepared to holler “Avisé la fin-Consider the End!” that is, until our more experienced Deputy Chief, Lynn Grant, proudly stepped forward and shouted out Lord Charles’ fearful version of “Up the Coast of Ballantrae, through the ancient Kingdom of Carrick Beware! The Wild and Mighty Kennedys are here!” Thanks to Lynn, I now know the correct one to use at future games.

Along with four local Celtic singing groups, the lineup of entertainment included an 18th century Scottish Reenactment Camp, the Central Florida Irish Dancers, and a sheep herding demonstration by Mr. Stuart Ballantyne, of Cragmalloch farms.

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Mount Dora’s historic downtown offers a wide array of shopping, dining, lodging, activities, galleries, wellness spas and entertainment... there’s something for every taste, and it’s conveniently located to the Orlando and Sanford International Airports and all of the attractions in Central Florida. For more information and maps visit: <http://whattodoinmtdora.com>

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MOUNT DORA SCOTTISH HIGHLAND FESTIVAL (continued)

We Floridians are so blessed to have Mr. Ballantyne and his Border Collies hold performances at just about every Highland Festival throughout our state!

Another familiar face I was so pleased to see was Robert Gourlay. Robert organizes Scottish Heavy Athletics and Highland strength competitions throughout Florida. For Mount Dora, he lined up challenges such as a beer keg toss, caber rolling, and a boulder boogie, where athletes perform a light run carrying a 50# stone, and then advance to a quick walk carrying a 150# stone. The highlight of the strongman events came when a 65 year old male athlete adorned a chest harness and proceeded to successfully pull one of

Mount Dora's Fire and Rescue trucks down the street, showing an equal amount of gusto and stamina as the younger men who had went before him!

Throughout the day, several folks had approached our tent with questions specific to their Irish Kennedy ancestry. Although I embraced each visitor with open arms, and relayed to them how our Scottish Clan Chief recognizes all Kennedy's as part of one clan/family, I was so embarrassed for not having an Irish clan map available to show them the ancestral homelands of Tipperary, Clare and Wexford, as well as the Scottish-Irish clan located in Ulster. I had also neglected to include a picture of the Irish clan crest on my

display board, and didn't have an Irish Tartan Flag on hand to show. I personally had never run into this situation while convening a tent in Dunedin, probably due to it being a well-established Scottish-American community, however, I will be better prepared for all future events, as a result of this blunder!

All in all, I believe that the KSNA had a very successful day for our first time participating at the Mount Dora Highland Festival! We met lots of new friends, gained one new member, Roger Gienapp of Ocala (who by the way, proudly shared his beautiful Kennedy tribal tattoo located on his left upper arm) and

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MOUNT DORA SCOTTISH HIGHLAND FESTIVAL (continued)



we sent quite a few other Kennedy's home with membership applications. The Highland Festival Committee apparently appreciated our hospitality so much so, they announced that we were selected to be the Honorary Clan for the 2017 Mount Dora Highland Festival! I hope that you'll all take the opportunity to view the pictures that I posted on the KSNA website, and plan to join us there next year! Please see the information for accommodations at the beautiful Bed

and Breakfast that faces Gilbert Park, and the nearest major hotel to the Highland Festival location. Be sure to book well in advance to assure availability for 2017 Highland Games! I have also included information on a local British restaurant and pub, where we can all gather for a meal and a wee dram! Hope to see you there!

Lorraine Kennedy VanFossan

FLOWERS OF THE FOREST Romilly Squire

From Mark Harden

It is with tremendous sadness that I have to announce the passing of our very dear friend, Romilly Squire of Rubislaw.

Romilly has been a very close friend for many years and was godfather to our daughter, Catherine. He was one of the most intriguing, interesting and intelligent people I have ever known. His knowledge of so many things was an inspiration to many, including myself, his wit and sense of humour were second to none and made his company something that we looked forward to greatly.

Romilly was recognized not only as a leading authority in all matters of heraldry, protocol and ceremony, but was one of the finest heraldic artists of his time. He was secretary to the Standing Council of Scottish Chiefs for more than 25 years and advised many of Scotland's historic families and clans. He advised on many things from heraldic art at the restoration of Sterling Castle to protocol and ceremonies at

highland games all over the world. He was also co-author of the "Scottish Clan and Family Encyclopedia".



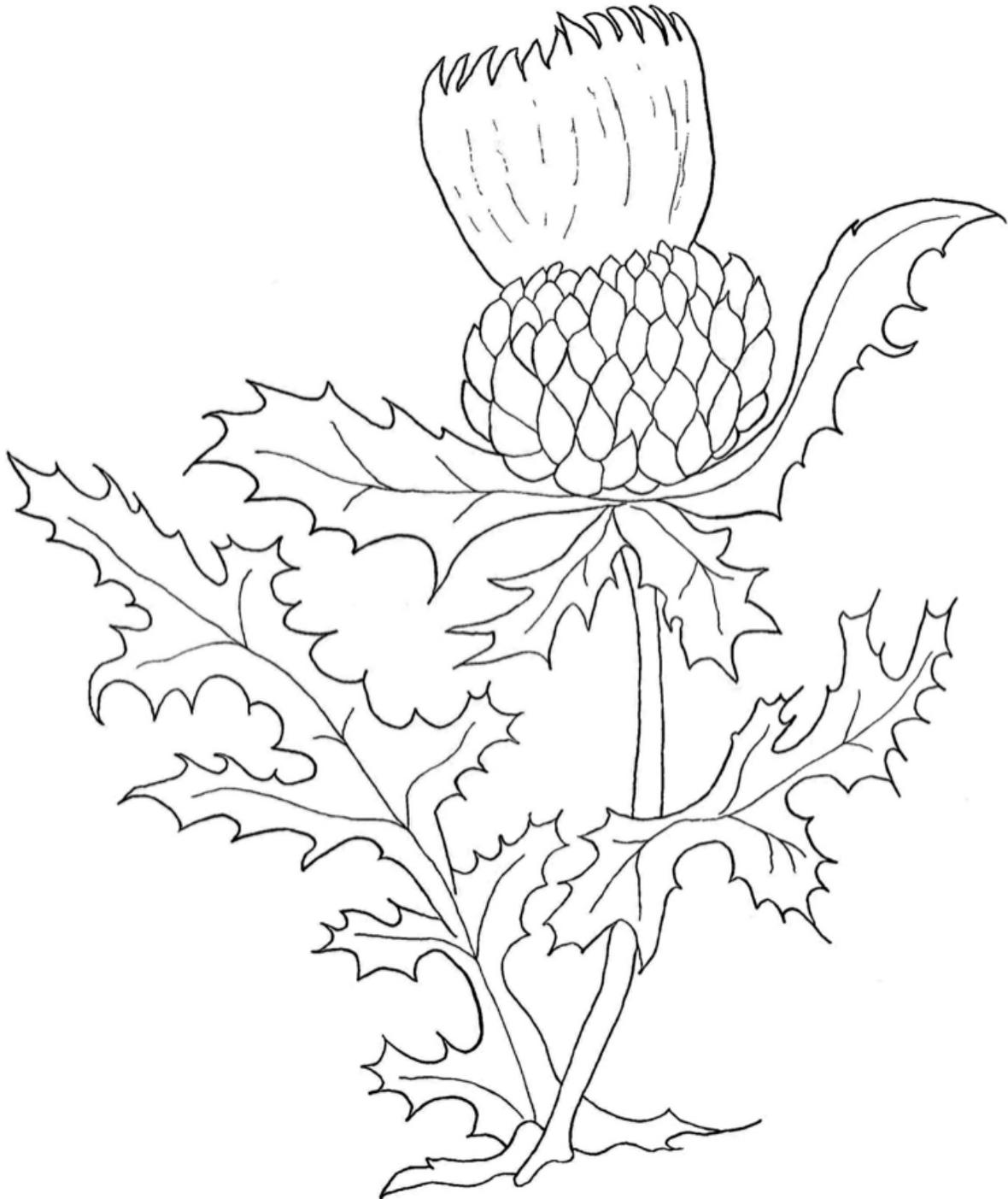
Romilly was also a gifted actor and played several roles in "Monty Python and the Holy Grail" as well as theatrical roles and even pantomime. He was also skilled in Kendo and studied in Japan for some time. There was no limit to his skills and talent.

But more than anything else, he was my friend and we will all miss him greatly...

Note: Romilly Squire was a dear friend of Lord Charles, and well known to many Kennedy Society members as well.



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SCHOLARSHIPS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR 2017

The Kennedy Society awards annual scholarships to students of Celtic arts such as dance, pipes, drums, harp, fiddle, and language arts.

The deadline for scholarships is March 31, 2017.

To apply, fill out the scholarship application which can be found on the Kennedy Society website at: kennedysociety.org OR request an application from: Sue Kennedy at the address below. **The applicant must be recommended by a Kennedy Society member.**

Send the application to the Scholarship Committee in care of:
Mrs. Sue Kennedy
6415 Barberry Hill Drive
Gainesville, GA 30506
Email: kenn6633@bellsouth.net

Please feel free to contact Sue with any other questions.



WHERE WE HAVE BEEN TOLD THERE WILL BE A KENNEDY TENT JANUARY - JUNE 2017

Jan 6-9 Florida Keys Celtic Festival
Marathon, FL

Jan 14-15 Central Florida
Winter Springs Park, FL

Feb 4 Sarasota
Sarasota, FL

March 4 Southeast Florida Plantation Heritage Park
Ft Lauderdale, FL

April 1 Dunedin
Highland Park, Dunedin, FL

April 1 Cape Fear Scottish Games
Wilmington, NC

Apr 7-9 Loch Norman
Huntersville, NC

April 22-23 Ormond Beach Celtic Festival
Ormond Beach, FL

May 6 Savannah Scottish Games
Savannah, GA

May 20-21 Smoky Mtn Games
Maryville, TN

May 27-28 Alma Scottish Festival
Alma, MI

May 27 Greenville Games
Furman University, Greenville, SC

June 10 Rhode Island Highland Games
ANNUAL MEETING
Richmond, RI

June 16-18 Pikes Peak Celtic Festival
Colorado Springs, CO

June 23-24 Ohio Scottish Games
Wellington, OH



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