

## SMOKY MOUNTAIN SCOTTISH FESTIVAL

Boy was it good to be back at the games this year! Of course, due to Covid19, we had no games in 2020. In fact, it was a close call this year, as we did not get an official "Okay" from Maryville College until about a month before the date. As usual, our games were held on the beautiful campus of Maryville College in Maryville, Tennessee, in view of the Great Smoky Mountains. Maryville College has strong Scottish and Presbyterian roots and is 202 years old.

We were honored to have some really important Kennedys with us this year: Chief David Carrick and his wife Amy, and Secretary Sean Carrick and his wife Tammy. All of them are from South Carolina. Word "On the street" indicated that attendance was even better than the record year of 2019, but we have not seen any official figures. Food and other vendors were limited due to covid precautions, so long lines resulted near mealtimes. However, lines moved right along and seemed longer than they really were due to physical distancing.

Our tent was fairly, full of visitors both days. In addition to our son Geoffry and his wife Patricia, their new son (our first grandchild) Fineley Nelson Homer Kennedy, (age 9 months) attended his first game. Another special visitor was 12 year old Anderson Pritchard, K.S.N.A. Scholarship recipient. He is learning to play the bagpipes!

Other guests were Brian Kennedy of Maryville, Mike Kennedy of Mascot, Tenn., Pamela Cunningham of Hartsville, Ala., Kay Kennedy of Knoxville, Tenn, and Jonathon Kenney of Cleveland, Tenn. Also from Maryville was friend and fellow Maryville College Alumni Kristi Kennedy Knight (David Carrick and I are both M.C. Alums.)

There were lots of other guests= some local friends who are not Kennedy related which makes for good diversity! We had many guests who were expressed interest in K.S.N.A., and several new members joined. All in all it was a great weekend. It was good to see friends old and new. Our wheaten Scottie, Riley, got haggis with his dinner on Sunday night, so he was happy too!

Submitted by:

Robert and Karen Kennedy  
Tent Conveners.



David, Sean, Robert and Anderson



David, Sean, Tammy, Robert, Karen, Geoffry, Patricia, Fineley, and Brian



New Member Kristi Knight



New Members Troy and Valerie Albuck



## **2021 AGM WEEKEND: SEPTEMBER 17-18, 2021**

### **LIGONIER HIGHLAND GAMES**

### **IDLEWILD PARK, LIGONIER, PENNSYLVANIA**

The 2021 Annual General Meeting is coming up fast and it will be so nice to see our KSNA members again!

There is much to do in Southwest Pennsylvania! In case you missed it, check out the article about local attractions in the recent spring Gazette. Then, for a full schedule of events at the Ligonier Highland Games go to <http://www.ligonierhighlandgames.org/>. Advance ticket orders received by Sept. 1st get a \$2 discount.



#### **MEET AND GREET: 7:00 pm Friday**

Wicked Googly Bar and Restaurant

209 W. Main St., Ligonier (across from the movie theater)

- Individuals can order from the menu or bar, each guest to pay on own.

#### **OPENING CEREMONY with**

**CLANS AND MASSED BANDS: 12:00 Noon Saturday**

(We will meet at the Kennedy tent at 11:30 for a group photo and proceed together to the field.)

- As always, individually packaged snacks and drinks to share at the tent would be appreciated.

#### **KENNEDY SOCIETY OF NORTH AMERICA 2021 AGM:**

- Will be held in the afternoon after the parade of clans. The exact time and location will be determined by the number of attendees and will be announced at the Kennedy tent on the day of the event.

#### **BUFFET FOOD SERVICE:**

- Garden Tossed Salad with Assorted Dressings, Fresh Baked Rolls
- Carved Italian Roast Beef, Bruschetta Glazed Chicken
- Roasted Red Skin Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetable Medley, Penne Pasta with Red Sauce
- Chef's Choice of Dessert, Beverage Service of Coffee, Hot Tea & Iced Tea

#### **BAR SERVICE:**

- Cash Bar, each guest to pay on own

Please send your banquet reservation and payment- Payable to KSNA-and mail it to our Chief, David Carrick 25 Crosswinds, Greer, SC 29650. Include \$26.50 per person (includes tax and service charge) along with the names of those attending the banquet.

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS:**

- The Ramada Ligonier is holding a Room Block in the name of Kennedy Society of North America for both Friday night and Saturday night. Breakfast is included in the room rate. Please make your reservation soon for the nights of your choosing. I can increase the size of the Room Block if I know soon enough. Please make room reservations by August 20th.

Ramada Ligonier

216 West Loyalhanna Street

Ligonier, PA 15658

724-238-9545 (phone)

[www.LigonierRamada.com](http://www.LigonierRamada.com)

- Being just a block away from the Friday 'Meet and Greet' at the Wicked Moogly in one direction and the Ligonier Diamond (shopping) in the other direction, the Ramada is the most convenient hotel accommodation in Ligonier. If you make other arrangements, please let me know so that I can arrange to get a Welcome Bag to you. The banquet will be at the Ramada Ligonier. Plan to arrive at 6:00 pm; dinner will begin at 6:30 pm. Kennedy tartan attire is appropriate. There will be awards followed by a speaker, Matt Gault, Director of Education for Fort Ligonier.

Let me know if you have questions,

Colleen Caldwell

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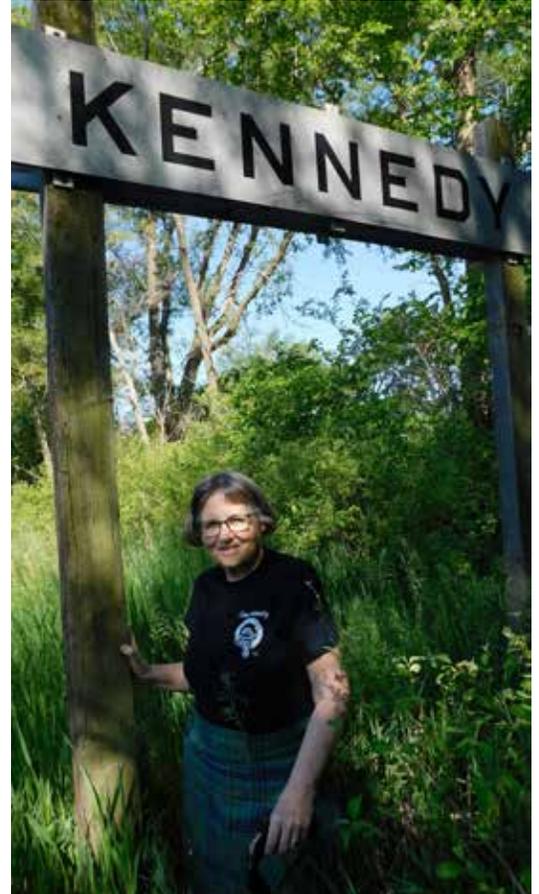


## INTRODUCING JOANNE ENGELHARDT

Am I related to the famous Kennedys, Caroline, Bobby, and John? Certainly! Caroline Kennedy was my dad's mother, Bobby Kennedy was my dad's sister, and John Kennedy, he's my brother. Some of my teachers called me Joan Kennedy. We lived in a White House (on Grant Street, not on Pennsylvania Avenue). Am I a Scottish Kennedy or an Irish Kennedy? I am an lowish Kennedy. We believe our Kennedys were Scottish, but we can only trace them to Londonderry, Ulster, Ireland. On the other hand, I am a fourth generation Iowan so I am clearly an lowish Kennedy.

I've been a member of the Kennedy Society for nine years and a life member for three years. I came in first place in the Kennedy Quiz that took place eight years ago. I was among the first recipients of the Ailsa Craig Award. In addition, I draw the coloring pages for children. I am married to a Lutheran pastor, Marcus. He spent the majority of his ministry in chaplaincy, serving in a state prison, state mental health institution, and a continuing care facility. I retired three years ago after working in the insurance industry for over twenty years. We had three sons, Luke, Matthew, and JD (JohnDaniel).

In the past I did a lot of bicycle riding. I even did seven RAGBRAIs. My current hobbies include quilting and genealogical research. I have made many interesting discoveries in my research including the discovery of a direct ancestor involved in the Battle of Largs, Haakon IV. (Ope! Sorry about those Vikings!) My husband and I are involved in the Urban Bicycle Food Ministry of Des Moines. Every Thursday afternoon we get together and made hundreds of sandwiches and burritos. We then go out and serve the homeless and food insecure of Des Moines.



## A PRAYER FROM OUR CHAPLAIN

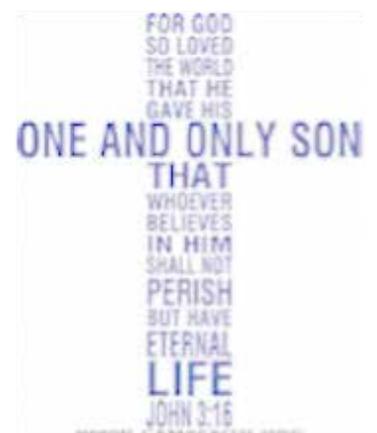
Current events and news may leave you very discouraged. This is when you should turn your thoughts to God and pray for his guidance. God will lift you above the earthly problems of the day, and you will find comfort in His peace.

ISAIAH 55:9

As the heavens are higher than the earth,  
So are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts.

Heavenly Father, thank you for guiding me thru this life to the good life. Amen

Tom Kennedy, Chaplain





## A MESSAGE FROM LORD AILSA



Today here in Ayrshire the sun is shining, and we are in the garden catching up with the weeding. Summer has been slow in coming, we have had many cool days but it has been surprisingly dry and blooms on the rhododendrons and azaleas have lasted well.

Last summer I embarked on the creation of a pergola over our old duck pond in the lower garden. I have used only material gleaned from demolitions of old disused farm buildings across the Estate, it is now complete and I have just planted some hops which I hope will climb over it. With this article I have included some photographs of the pergola and other parts of the garden.

On Thursday 3rd of June our daughter Kitty returned to London having worked from here since December. Her office is now allowed to open with a percentage of the staff turning up on specific days. Archie our son has been in London since early January, however he came up to our flat in Edinburgh last weekend where Anne and I joined him and his girlfriend. We had a most enjoyable break taking in some culture by way of the Galloway Horde in the National Museum of Scotland, and Gladstone's Land, a National Trust for Scotland property on The Royal Mile. Archie had also booked tables at some nice restaurants which were most enjoyable, never the less, it did seem strange to be among people again after a year of isolation.

I have decided to risk opening up our commercial shooting business this year in the hope that travel may be permissible, as I have mentioned before, many of our guests come from overseas, namely America and Canada, so I live in hope of no further lockdowns. The pheasant chicks have arrived and are thriving in the rearing pens, where they will stay until mid to late July before moving to the release pens in the woods. I have been spending most twilights and early mornings shooting roe bucks. Our usual deer stalking syndicate until now have been unable to travel and roe deer numbers have increased. This

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## A MESSAGE FROM LORD AILSA (continued)

would not normally be too worrying however we have been replanting our coniferous clear-fells and deer browsing can cause significant damage.

On the farm we are up to date with the crops, they have had just about enough rain and now need lots of sunshine.

For those of you who are interested in my automotive collection, the 1952 Bentley is away being repainted, the 1958 Maserati is still with the restorer and getting a bit nearer completion. The 1936 Brough Superior motorcycle now has a period correct single headlamp in place of the optional twin headlamp arrangement, which I did not like, and the 1959 "Café Racer" Norton/Harley Davidson hybrid is now complete (an old Harley Sportster engine squeezed into a 1959 Norton Featherbed frame). Some motorcycle photographs are included.

It only remains for Anne and me to wish you all a very pleasant summer.

Ailsa





## A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

I am sure that everyone is ready to put the pandemic behind them, and I know that all in my family had a great sense of relief once we received our vaccinations. It looks like the games that are on the schedule will hold, and it sure was a lot of fun to attend the Smoky Mountain Games in Maryville TN - the second Kennedy tent of the year. Thanks goes to Matt Kennedy for hosting a tent at the NE Florida games at the end of February, and also to Rob and Karen Kennedy for Maryville. It was an honor to award them each an Ailsa Craig award for being such loyal conveners.

The tent at Maryville had many visitors and members, including a very special one - Anderson Pritchard. For those that don't know Anderson or of him, he is a very polite and well mannered lad that is one of our scholarship recipients. While most learn to play the pipes because of interest or heritage, Anderson's is also out of necessity: He battles Cystic Fibrosis. Playing the pipes allows for him to exercise his lungs and keep them flexible. This disease can affect many organs, but the lungs are a primary target. It was an honor and a humbling experience

to meet and be associated with him. If my memory serves me correctly, I believe that he will be at Grandfather Mountain. Our scholarships are made possible through dues, and he is truly worthy.

Elsewhere in this newsletter are articles relating to our AGM at Ligonier, a games update, ballots for officers, and a bylaw proposal. If you feel that someone not on the slate is worthy of nomination, please contact Leo Kennedy at [hdviking@aol.com](mailto:hdviking@aol.com).

I look forward to seeing or meeting as many KSNA members as possible!

David Carrick



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## SUMMER MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Notices went out mid-May for the 2021 membership renewals and I am happy to report that they are well underway. If you think that you should have received one, and didn't, either it went to your spam folder or it isn't your year to renew. Remember that the 3-year renewal option puts members in many different membership cycles. Please contact me if you are in doubt as to your membership status.

2021 is off to a good start with being able to connect in-person with Kennedys. We were represented at two games already this year and we look forward to more throughout the games season. Sharing family information at a Kennedy tent is our best way of reaching new members and of re-connecting with current members.

Special thanks to these new Lifetime Members:

- Spensir Mowery, Dallas, TX
- Nancy Loving, Oxford, FL
- Fitzhugh Lewis Shaw, Superior, CO

Lifetime Members make a one-time payment that satisfies the annual Kennedy Society dues for the rest of their life. Lifetime membership payments are placed in a Kennedy Society endowment savings account, the annual earnings from which are used each year for annual expenses of the Society. Thank you for sustaining us!

Welcome to these new members:

- Doug & Donna Kennedy, Middleburg, FL
- Janet Kennedy, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
- Donald Kennedy, Medical Lake, WA
- Robert Kennedy, Whiting, NJ
- Kristi Knight, Maryville, TN
- Troy Albuck, Hanover Park, IL
- Penny Rubow, Conway, AR

We hope to see you at an event this year!

Colleen Kennedy Caldwell  
Membership Chair

## PROPOSED BYLAWS CHANGE

As with many organizations, the Kennedy Society is only as successful as its member participation. Under the current bylaws, dues paying Associate Members are able to participate in all activities and vote but are not able to hold an elected office. Associate Members, as defined, are those that have a strong interest in the KSNA but do not themselves have a Kennedy or sept family connection. While having a Kennedy or sept connection may be prudent for the offices of Deputy Chief/Vice-President or Chief/President, the same may not be true for Secretary or Treasurer. Further, it would also be prudent to maximize the involvement of as many members as possible.

Therefore, the proposed bylaw change in Section 3: Membership, #2d under Associate Membership: "Associate membership, for someone who has a strong interest in the Kennedy Society and its activities but does not have a family tie to Clan Kennedy or its septs. Associate members may join the Society and participate in its activities AND ARE ELIGIBLE TO HOLD THE OFFICES OF TREASURER AND SECRETARY BUT NOT DEPUTY CHIEF/VICE PRESIDENT OR CHIEF/PRESIDENT..."

The Kennedy Society, like many other organizations, was on hold during the pandemic. In order to more fully and quickly get back to speed and grow, it is important that we have the ability to utilize our membership base to its full potential.

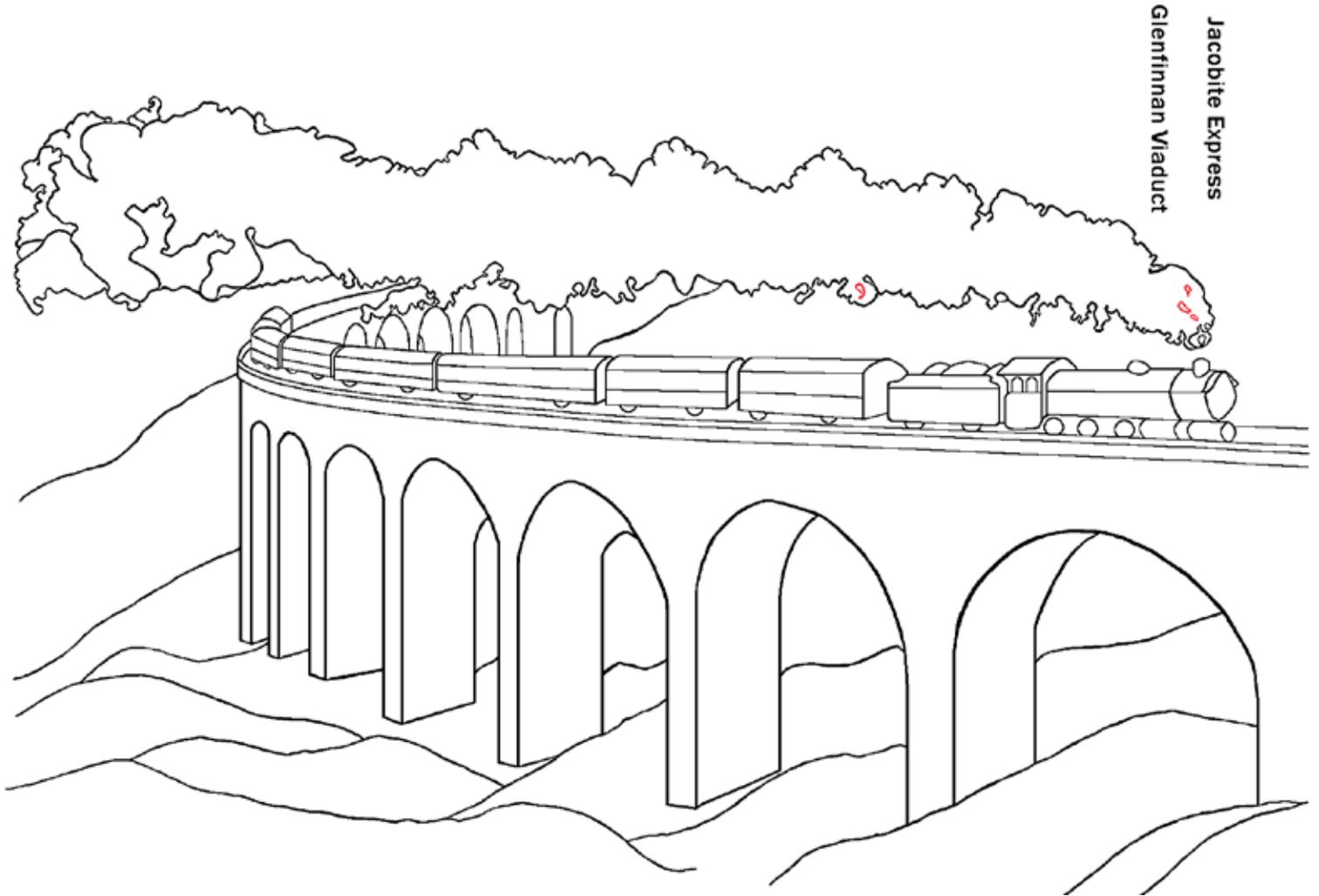


## COLORING PAGE

### THE JACOBITES AND STEAM LOCOMOTIVES

A wee bit of history, A wee bit of fun. A few wee questions.

How many can you answer? How many can your parents answer?



## THE JACOBITES

Did you know that Jacob and James are 2 variations of the same name? A long time ago, about 400 years, James VI was the king of Scotland. During that time, England did not have a king! They needed to find a new king. One person who might be chosen to be king of England was actually king of Scotland. It happened! King James VI of Scotland became King James I of England. Later King James VII of Scotland and King James II of England was reigning, but he was thrown off the throne in the “Glorious Revolution” and was replaced by King William III and Queen Mary II. Some

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## THE JACOBITES (continued)

people were not happy with that at all. There were uprisings trying to get King James back on the throne. King James' supporters were called Jacobites. The uprisings failed. Years later, attempts were made to put "Bonnie Prince Charlie," the grandson of King James VII, on the throne. His supporters were the Jacobites. Steam locomotives are given numbers so that the railroad companies can keep track of them. However, some locomotives are also given names. One locomotive was named "The Jacobite" after those who supported the return of the royal line of Stuart to the throne of Great Britain.

- (1) The Jacobite only runs in Scotland. If, however, it were to arrive at Kings Cross Station in London at Track 9 - 3/4 and you were to ride on it, where would you be going?
- (2) Can you think of any other steam locomotives that have names related to Scotland?
- (3) Can you think of a name that would not be good for another king of the United Kingdom?

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## STEAM LOCOMOTIVES

As you have already learned, or will learn, in social studies class, the steam engine was invented over 200 years ago. It changed the world since products could be made more easily and more quickly than before. People who were not rich could buy things that only the rich people could buy in the past.

But how were they to get those things out to people? Boats could take things from one coast to another, but what about delivering to people who didn't live near the coast? It was difficult to carry things over land. The steam engine came to the rescue! Steam powered engines were made into locomotives. Now large numbers of coaches could be put together and pulled by one locomotive to carry products over land more quickly than ever before. People could also ride in the coaches pulled by steam locomotives. Railroads (also called railways) were built in places all around the world.

Many towns were very eager to have a railway come to or near their town. However, steam locomotives required a lot of fuel (either coal or wood logs) and a lot of water. Stops for fuel and water had to be put up as close as 10 miles apart. There just were not enough towns! The new stops had to have names. Some were named for the first person to manage the stop. Other stops were given a name that described the area where they were placed. Frequently the stops became settlements and some of those settlements grew into cities. Steam locomotives changed the world since they brought products to people, and people were able to travel more quickly and easily, and towns grew up where they had never been before. Rail companies created many towns and they named many towns.

There were problems with steam locomotives. They had to stop frequently. Sometimes when they were burning logs a piece of burning wood might be blown out of the smoke stack and start a fire! Sometimes the smoke from the smoke stack would blow into the coaches in the front which was quite unpleasant for anyone riding there! In addition, steam engines had to have fires going in them. Fire can be dangerous, and it can be very dangerous on a train.

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## STEAM LOCOMOTIVES (continued)

Eventually diesel powered locomotives were invented to replace steam locomotives. Diesel locomotives could go long distances without needing to get more fuel, and didn't need water to run them at all. Diesel locomotives are also safer than steam locomotives. Electric powered locomotives were also developed, often being used in or near large cities. Many stops were removed from rail lines because they were no longer needed to supply diesel locomotives. Many settlements that developed around the stops disappeared over time. The use of trains also declined as automobiles and trucks came into use. Many rail lines were abandoned. Even more towns got smaller or disappeared when nearby rail lines were closed. Now when you see a train it will usually be pulled by a diesel or electric locomotive, not a steam locomotive. Sometimes people like to take sight seeing trips on trains pulled by a steam engine like people did in the "olden days," so there are some places you can ride on a train pulled by a steam engine. You can ride on a train pulled by The Jacobite when you are in Scotland! Wouldn't that be fun?

(4) There was a stop north and west of Des Moines, Iowa that was named for the first manager of the stop. A settlement grew up around the stop. Some years after the last train rumbled by the settlement a fire destroyed all but one house and one business in the settlement. What was the name of the stop?

(5) There was a small town in Iowa named Rolfe. The citizens of Rolfe were disappointed that no rail line would be coming to their town. However, they discovered that 2 rail lines would be crossing just a few miles away. They voted to move their town, businesses, post office, and all, to the place where the rail lines were going to cross. However, there were 2 farms where they wanted to move the town. The farmers were happy to sell parts of their farms to build the new town. (They purchased more land than outside of the relocated town.) Mr. and Mrs. Bendixen owned one of those farms. Who owned the other farm?

(6) Some railroads are long and some are short. One of the shortest railroads in the world is in Scotland. Where is it?

(7) According to legend, one place in the United States has permission to build the longest rail road in our solar system. Where is that railroad?

China is the only nation in the world that still uses steam engines on some of its rail lines. The last commercially produced steam engines were made in 1989 in China. Most of the steam locomotives in use for sight seeing trips are antique locomotives that have been kept in condition to be run. However, one of the last steam engines produced in China was shipped to a museum in Boone, Iowa to power sight seeing trips.

(8) The government of the United Kingdom discontinued many rail lines in the 1960s, but things have changed. What has changed?

(9) Beginning in the 1960s, many railroad companies in the United States began abandoning many of their lines. Something has been happening to some of the abandoned lines. What is it?

Have you ever ridden on a train that was pulled by a steam powered locomotive?  
Was it fun? If you haven't, do you think it would be fun?

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## CRANACHAN

### SCOTTISH DESSERT CAST IRON SKILLET CAMPING RECIPE

Makes 6 Cups

Since we are in the summer and camping is such a popular vacation, I felt it was appropriate to seek out this camping treat for those who enjoy the great outdoors. Please visit the link below the recipe for other recipes provided by Rickie Arms on the Glamping or Camping website!



#### RECIPE INGREDIENTS

- 4 oz oats
- 14 oz can apricots (or berries)
- ½ can squirty cream
- 3 tbsp whiskey (or according to taste)
- 3 tbsp honey (or according to taste)

#### RECIPE METHOD

1. In a cast iron skillet toast the oats until they are slightly darkened and give off a nutty aroma. Then remove them from the heat and cool.
2. Add the oats to the cream.
3. Stir in whiskey and honey to taste.
4. Squash the fruit to a pulp but leave small lumps of fruit for texture.
5. Place a layer of fruit on the bottom of the glasses followed by a layer of the cream mixture. Continue until the glass is full.

<https://glampingorcamping.com/home/recipe/cranachan-scottish-dessert-cast-iron-skillet-camping-recipe/>

## COLORING PAGE: JACOBITES & STEAM LOCOMOTIVES ANSWERS

1. Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry.
2. The Flying Scotsman, the Caledonian. (Caledonia is an ancient name for Scotland.)
3. James. Another King James would have to be King James VIII and King James III at the same time. That would be confusing!
4. Kennedy
5. Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy. Specifically William Campbell Kennedy and his wife Catherine.
6. Ailsa Craig.
7. Mount Washington, New Hampshire. When the company that wanted to build a railroad up the side of the mountain the legislature did not believe it was possible to build a railroad there. According to legend, when the legislature gave permission to build the railroad they said the rail company had permission to build the railroad all the way to the moon! That would be one very long rail road! The Mount Washington Cog Railway is still running! Would you like to ride on that rail road? It is one bumpy ride!
8. Some rail lines and stations are being reopened.
9. Some abandoned railroads are being turned into bicycling and hiking trails. Rails to Trails Conservancy is the organization that largely handles the planning of the work.



## FLOWERS OF THE FOREST

### JIM KENNEDY

(7/21/40-2/4/22), Fayetteville NC

Jim, a Special Forces Viet Nam vet, died this past February and is survived by his wife of 20 years, Margaret. He lived all across the country and eventually moved East to marry her. Her grown sons affectionately called him Uncle Jim. Interestingly enough, Jim and Margaret had met in 1963. They traveled extensively to find out more about his family's history, including Nova Scotia, California, Washington, and Utah. In 2012, Jim and Margaret took a dream trip to Ireland, Scotland, and Cornwall. Unfortunately, he developed Alzheimer's in his later years. Our condolences to Margaret and their family.

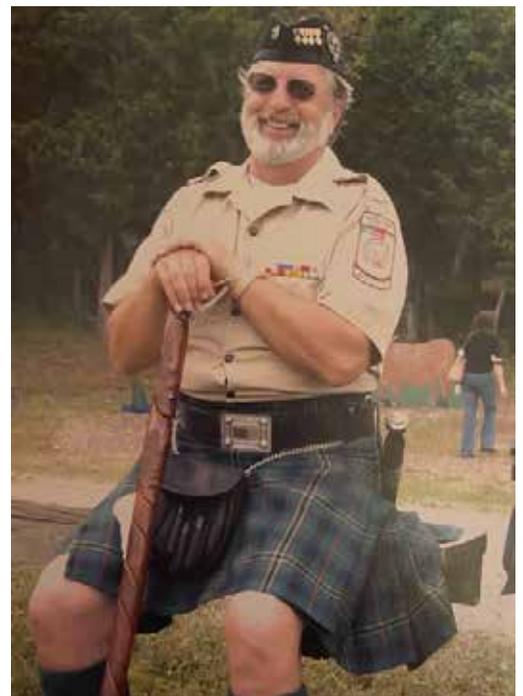


### NOMON KENNEDY

Nomon Ruel Kennedy, Jr., age 75 of Sweetwater, passed away 6:50 A.M. Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at Sweetwater Nursing Center. He was a member of Christ Presbyterian Church. He was a Vietnam Veteran and was a Gideon. Member of American Legion Post 106, Scottish American Military Society and was an avid HAM radio operator.

Preceded in death by wife, Nancy Ray Wattenbarger Kennedy, parents, Nomon and Flora Smith Kennedy, sister, Barbara Bivens, brother, Morris Kennedy, father-in-law and mother-in-law, Ben and Nora Evalyn Ray. Survivors, daughters and sons-in-law, Amy and Bobby Bishop, Becky Wattenbarger, Crissy and Tim Millsaps, sons and daughters-in-law, Donny and Leona Wattenbarger, Tim and Lisa Wattenbarger, Chris Kennedy, grandchildren, Andy (Whitney) Lawson, Adam Lawson, Kasey (Dustin) Sinard, T.J. (Megan) Wattenbarger, Christian (Coty) Lane, Lindsey Clawson, Kayla (Blake) Disspain, Madison Millsaps, Devon, Heather and Araya Wattenbarger, Clay Jenkins, great-grandchildren, Landon, Brystal, Clinton, Caleb, Buck, Hadley.

Funeral 8:00 P.M. Thursday, Biereley-Hale Chapel, Rev. Wes Alford and Rev. Gale Miller officiating. Interment 10:30 A.M. Friday, Vonore Baptist Cemetery, with military honors provided by V.F.W. Post 5156 and American Legion Post 106. Family will receive friends 6-8 P.M. Thursday at Biereley-Hale Funeral Home, Madisonville



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## FLOWERS OF THE FOREST

### MARGARET McILHONE KENNEDY

Margaret McIlhone Kennedy, 89, of Dunedin, Florida, passed away at home on June 4, 2021, following a very brief illness. Her three children were at her side.

She was born on November 1, 1931, in Renton, Dunbartonshire, Scotland to her loving parents, the late James and Agnes Ronald.

Margaret met her future husband, Tommy Kennedy, when she was 21. They married in 1953, and went on to have two children over the next eight year period. In 1963, they decided to move their young family to America, and Passaic, New Jersey became their new home, and birthplace of their third child. It wasn't long after, that Margaret was enjoying the company of her mother, sister and the rest of her immediate family who also immigrated over from Scotland, and were once again living just a stones throw away. In 1986, Tommy and Margaret were drawn toward the warmer climate that Florida offered, and settled in the beautiful Scottish community of Dunedin. It ultimately became their forever home where they now got to enjoy the laid back beach life, but it's also where they experienced the joys of becoming grandparents and great-grandparents. They continued to cherish their time visiting with family and friends who were both here and abroad.

Margaret loved to cook, bake, and host large family gatherings on the holidays. Her coordination of preparing a delicious feast, her warm hospitality and incredible attention to detail from arranging beautiful table settings to her home decor, were standards worthy of having her own top rated TV show.

She spent many years working in the food industry, and was fondly known by all of the students and staff as one of the friendliest lunch ladies at Dunedin High School. Although she retired at the age of 74, the wonderful friendships she had developed with her fellow co-workers remained for a span of more than thirty years. She especially looked forward to her weekly shopping trips and lunch with her most dearest friend of all, Flo.

Margaret was passionate about keeping her Scottish heritage alive through her long standing affiliation with

the Daughter's of Scotia, and the Scottish American Society. She attended annual Highland Games in New Jersey, New York and North Carolina, and she co-hosted the Kennedy Society of North America tent at the Dunedin Highland Games in Florida. Her heart never strayed far from her beloved Scotland.

She had been an avid reader all of her life, and continued to keep her mind razor sharp by doing daily crossword puzzles. Margaret may have only stood at 5 five feet tall, however her high spirit and straight forwardness definitely made her a force to reckon with. Because she was so fiercely independent and hard working, she easily gained everyone's respect and admiration, and her fun loving and quick witted personality made her someone who people just loved to be around. Her greatest personal attribute of all, however, was her ability to demonstrate her selfless love, affection and kindness to all of her family and friends. She will be sorely missed.

Margaret is survived by her three children, son Thomas and wife MaryAnn of Belle Isle, Florida, daughter Lorraine and husband Dale of Gallatin, Tennessee, son Robert and wife Kelly of Dunedin, Florida, her younger brother Steven of Gibraltar, her three grandchildren, William, Addison, and Fiona, her three great-grandchildren, Kieran, Vivian and Christopher, her nephews Ronald, Stewart, Kenneth and Brian, and her niece Lesley.

She is preceded in death by her loving husband Tommy, her sister Martha, and her first born grandchild Victoria.





## OFFICIAL BALLOT AND PROXY BALLOT

### 2021 KENNEDY SOCIETY OF NORTH AMERICA AGM ELECTION OF OFFICERS

I, Leo Kennedy, in my capacity as Chairman of the Society Nominating Committee, do hereby put forth this slate of officers for election for 2021-2022.

#### **President** PLEASE VOTE FOR ONE

David Carrick, Greenville, SC

#### **Vice President** PLEASE VOTE FOR ONE

Sean Carrick, Fort Mill, SC

#### **Treasurer** PLEASE VOTE FOR ONE

Bob Davis, Williamsburg, VA

#### **Secretary** PLEASE VOTE FOR ONE

Joanne Engelhardt, Des Moines, IA

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

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### PROXY ASSIGNMENT

I \_\_\_\_\_, not being able to attend the 2021 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 at the Ligonier, PA games on Sept 18, 2021.

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 Sept 18, 2021 annual general membership meeting to: \_\_\_\_\_

Proxy Vote Assignment can be assigned to any Board Member or member in good standing except the ones running, or you can return proxies to Leo F Kennedy via email or US Mail at:

Leo F Kennedy  
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## DO YOU WANT TO HELP THE KENNEDY SOCIETY GROW?

As the world begins to pull out of pandemic restrictions and a year of inactivity and isolation, the Society will need more than ever the assistance and engagement of its membership to get back in full swing. How can you help? Easy. Convene a tent. Contact other members. Submit an article. Communicate to Society officers in regards to games, events or other news in your area. Attend a game (like the AGM).

In short, and to paraphrase a famous Kennedy: Ask not what your clan can do for you, but what you can do for your clan. If everyone chips in, the reemergence of an active and vibrant clan will be assured.

To quote a famous band from Glasgow:  
If anyone can, a Kennedy can.  
If any clan can, a Kennedy can.

## ARE YOU INTERESTED IN RUNNING FOR AN OFFICE?

The election for the officers of the Kennedy Society is for one-year terms. The Chief/President and Deputy Chief/Vice President can only hold the office for 4 consecutive years, while the Treasurer and Secretary can hold them for up to 7 consecutive years. Elections are held each year at the AGM. If there are any KSNA members that wish to ask about or run for an office please contact me as soon as possible so we can add your name to the ballot. Names can also be brought up on the floor on the day of election, by an appropriate member of the KSNA. Attached is the current ballot. Please contact me, Leo F Kennedy at the contact info on the ballot, if you wish to talk about adding a name.

## WHERE WE HAVE BEEN TOLD THERE WILL BE A KENNEDY TENT JUNE - NOVEMBER 2021

Finally, and after a year of cancellations, games across the country are starting to populate the calendar. At the moment, these are the games that we know will have a Kennedy tent:

- July 8th-11th: Grandfather Mountain Highland Games, Linville, NC
- September 18th- Ligonier Highland Games, Ligonier, PA – AGM
- September 18th- South East Alabama Highland Games, Daleville, AL
- October 10th- Scotland Connecticut Highland Games, Scotland, CT
- October 16-17th- Stone Mountain Highland Games, Stone Mountain, GA
- November 6th- Charleston Scottish Games, North Charleston, SC

New member Spensir Mowery is monitoring the situation in Texas for active games and it will be great to have representation there. January is around the corner, which means Florida! With the purchase of The Highlander and Scottish Life, there is no longer is a comprehensive published list of games. Even on the internet there is no one reference source or list. As such, the Society really needs to have its members and conveners relay information regarding games in their respective area. For now, please send this info to david\_carrick55@yahoo.com.



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