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KENNEDY GAZETTE



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THE KENNEDY GAZETTE



The Stone Mountain Highland Games!

The 50th Stone Mtn Games were held 14-16 October and the weather was wonderful. The tent was busy with members and people stopping by both days. Jason Kennedy, Kacilee Hedgecock and Kevan, David and Amy Carrick, Samantha Dodson, Chris and Tonya Kennedy, Rebecca, Catherine and Charlie Harris, Lauren Canady, Karen Kennedy, Lawrence and Heather A, Nathan Lamonde, Tim Kennedy D. Kennedy, Tim Canada, Gordon Shriver, Geneva Thomson, Kyle Kennedy, Bethany Brooks, Gwen Kennedy, Shane Nemier, Elizabeth Horton, plus quite a lot more. We had a new member Rebecca Harris,

The Order of the Dolphin awards were presented to Irene and David Phelps for their contributions as convenors across the South Eastern United States. They convene an amazing six games each year! Karen Kennedy was awarded The Order of The Dolphin for her photography and work with bringing the sites of our beloved Scotland and Ireland to our members. Samantha Dodson was also awarded The Order of the Dolphin for her contributions as both a convenor and the news letter editor. Nathan Lamonde was presented several awards for his years of work on the design of our news letter as well! We wouldn't be where we are now without all his dedication. Let's give them all a round of applause and thanks for their hard work!

The Stone Mountain Highland Games Continued...



David and Irene Phelps, Karen Kennedy, and Dave and Amy Carrick at the patrons dinner!



Dave Carrick and the Phelps family



Done Shane Nemier the race winner, with Dave Carrick!



Dave Carrick providing information to a potential new member

A Message from the Chief



Well, it is finally here. 2023, the 50th anniversary of the Kennedy Society! As you are likely aware, there is much underway to celebrate this event, including:

* the Friends of the Oak program designed to help offset costs for the official celebration at the Smoky Mountain games in Townsend, TN.

* a silent auction of various photos, goods, and services, proceeds of which will also be applied to anniversary expenses. Please note that any remaining funds will be placed directly back into the Society, including scholarship.

* special 50th anniversary banners for display at all Kennedy tents in 2023. Central Florida in Orlando has the honor of being the first! The banners are courtesy of former chief Leo Kennedy.

* a special page has been added to the KSNA website for all things related to the 50th. This page will allow for online registration and payment to the banquet, the Friends of the Oak, and the silent auction, as well as display other pertinent information.

* emails will continue to be sent promoting all activities and events relating to the anniversary, as well as articles in the Kennedy Gazette and postings on Facebook.

Another newsworthy item is that the Kennedy Society has been named as a “distinguished clan” by Grandfather Mountain, the game where the KSNA was founded!

What does this mean (besides the obvious)? For one thing, we will be one of the first clans to enter during the Parade of Tartans. For anyone that has hurried up just to wait in line with 100+ other clans for the parade to begin, that means a lot.

I hope to welcome as many members as possible at various games throughout the year. Although I can't possibly attend every game, I am in the process of determining as aggressive a schedule as I can. *Avise la fin!*

David Carrick

Curious? We've Got it Covered!



Have you ever been curious about the origins of the Kennedy Society of North America? Some of the early issues of the Kennedy Gazette can be very enlightening. Amid all the business announcements and new member information are also many articles with historical and genealogical content.

With the approach of the 50th Anniversary of the Kennedy Society, now is the perfect time to make all of the back issues available to members. Until recently, the KSNA website only carried Gazettes back to 2005. The goal is to scan all of the newsletters. Fifty year's-worth of newsletters is a lot of news!

Luckily, the newsletters are searchable by year and season.

Here are some highlights that might be of interest:

Feather tradition conferred upon KSNA Chief and Chieftain

Summer 1974, p 4

Cadet families and independent branches of the Kennedy family

Winter 1974, p 3

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“A History of the Kennedys” Part 1 by the Marquess of Ailsa, O.B.E.

Fall 1977, starting on p 3

(“A History of the Kennedys” continues in subsequent issues for a total of 10 Parts)

“Scottish History During the Time of the Second Earl of Cassillis”

January 1981, pp 4 and 5

We've got even more!

“Scottish History”

Fall 1981, Winter 1981, May 1982

“Kennedy Variations” by Hugh Maclean Kennedy

Winter 1981, p 3 (originally published in January 1978 issue)

“The Kennedys of America” in 5 Parts by John Sidney Kennedy, Chieftain

Fall 1982 through Winter 1983

“The Kings of Carrick” Part 1

Fall 1987, p 8

“The Kings of Carrick” Part 2

Winter 1987, p 6

“Looking backwards, the Kennedys of New York” Part 1 by John Baxton Flowers

Winter 1987, p 7

“Looking backwards, the Kennedys of New York” Part 2

Spring 1988, pp 5-7

The above image was our newsletter banner from 1977 to 2003. I hope you will join me in celebrating the long history of the Kennedy Society—and the even longer history of the Kennedy family—by enjoying the articles featured in these classic Kennedy Gazettes.

Happy reading!

Colleen Kennedy Caldwell

Past editions are being uploaded to our members area to allow for easy access and reading by all our members.

Attention Tent Conveners!!

As we begin our 50 year celebration, it is important to identify where we will have Kennedy representation at games for 2023. In particular, this is necessary to make sure that it is coordinated so that there is a 50th anniversary banner at respective tents.

There are five such banners that will be shipped to and between conveners that will temporarily replace the existing Kennedy banners used at tents. Please let Leo Kennedy hdviking@aol.com or Dave Carrick david_carrick55@yahoo.com know the name and date(s) of your game so that this can be accomplished. It will also help us accurately fill out the game schedule on the website.

If you have never convened a tent before and are interested in doing so, Dave and Leo can answer your questions and assist you.

Let's make this year as special as possible!

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OFFICIAL BALLOT AND PROXY BALLOT

2023 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 2023-2024. Additional nominations can be made at the AGM prior to the election.

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.

PROXY ASSIGNMENT

I _____, not being able to attend the 2023 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 Smoky Mountain Scottish Festival and Games, TN games on May 20-21, 2023.

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 May 20-21, 2023 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:

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Clans and Scottish Societies of Canada



The Clans and Scottish Societies of Canada (CASSOC) is a volunteer-based organization that is dedicated to helping with membership coordination, promotion, organization of clans and societies, and much, much more. CASSOC strives to be an assembly of all groups who are pursuing Scottish interests. Known in French as Clans et Sociétés Écossaises du Canada (CESEDC), its motto is Comhla Ri Cheile, which means 'Together with Accord' in English and 'Ensemble avec Accord' in French.

Encouraging the Celebration of Scottish Cultural Heritage

Acting as a link between various Clans and Scottish Societies, CASSOC encourages the celebration of Scottish cultural heritage and the promotion of all aspects of Scottish culture, including history, music, dance, poetry, song, legend, sports, military tradition, costume, custom, culinary art, tale-telling and the family structure that has been passed down to us from both Highland and Lowland Scotland.

Highland Games and Scottish Festivals

In 2022, CASSOC attended many Highland Games, including Maxville, Fergus, North Almonte, Ottawa, and Quebec City. Representatives answered questions about clan affiliations, genealogy, tartans, kilts, plaids, bagpipes and other aspects of Scottish culture and history. The CASSOC booth featured an innovative wall-to-wall display of images of clan crests. Visitors had the opportunity to scan a QR code on their smartphones to connect with their specific clan websites.

Tartan Day in Ontario

On 19 December 1991, in response to action initiated by the Clans and Scottish Societies of Canada, the Ontario Legislature passed a resolution proclaiming 6 April as Tartan Day in Ontario, the date on which the Declaration of Arbroath was signed in 1320. It spread to other communities of the Scottish diaspora in the 1990s. It is a day of great significance in Scottish history and now an annual date on which Canadians of Scottish origin can honour our contribution to the development of Ontario and Canada.

Clans and Scottish Societies of Canada Cont...

CASSOC Members Have Included:

- Clans and family associations and societies
- Social clubs
- Sports associations
- Highland Games committees
- Highland and country dance associations
- Academic groups
- Historical, cultural and linguistic organizations
- Scottish regiments and their associations

Looking Ahead to 2023

On November 27, 2022, CASSOC held its Annual General Assembly Meeting (AGM) in Toronto. Chaired by William Petrie, the AGM provided valuable insight into the workings of this vital organization. Notable topics covered include:

- CASSOC participation in the Scottish North American Community Conference (SNACC), which was held October 21-22, 2022. CASSOC was also represented at the Stone Mountain Highland Games as a sponsor, with Chair William Petrie visiting and greeting over 50 clan booths.

- A proposal to use the “Scots Canada” or “Clans and Scottish Societies of Canada” tartan (or a name that will be accepted by the Scottish Register of Tartans).

- The possible formation of CASSOC as a National Scottish Organization with appropriate membership categories and proposal to host a Scottish North American Community Conference in Canada with a focus on information sharing between the various Scottish groups.

- CASSOC offers scholarships and bursaries for post-secondary students enrolled in Scottish Studies programs. Members at the 2022 AGM agreed to include more Canadian Universities programs, including Simon Fraser and The Gaelic College to the list.

Discover More About the Clans and Scottish Societies of Canada

Website: <https://www.cassoc-cesedc.ca/en/>

Facebook Page: <https://www.cassoc-cesedc.ca/facebook>

Facebook Group: <https://www.cassoc-cesedc.ca/group>

Become a member of CASSOC by emailing: Info@cassoc-cesedc.ca

Andrew G. McMurtry

Kennedy Society of North America

Delegate to the Clans and Scottish Societies of Canada

Future Games

Our 50th year will have quite a busy schedule based on games that we will have a confirmed presence. All of these games and their respective links are on the KSNA website. In addition to Central Florida* earlier in January (thanks Suzanne and Frank!), this list includes:

February 25, NE Florida, David and Irene Phelps

April 15-16, Loch Norman, Sean and Tammy Carrick*

May 6, Savannah, David and Irene Phelps

May 20-21, Smoky Mountain (50th and AGM), Rob and Karen Kennedy*

May 27, Gallabree (Greenville, SC), Dave and Amy Carrick*

June 3, Old Orchard Beach (ME), Leo Kennedy

June 10-11, Blairsville (GA), David and Irene Phelps*

June 17, WV Wild and Wonderful Celtic Festival, Colleen and Dan Caldwell

June 23-24, Ohio Scottish Games and Festival, Bill Kennedy*

June 24, The Fort at No. 4 Scottish Heritage & Highland Games, Brian Penney

July 6-9, Grandfather Mountain, Samantha Dodson*

August 6, Minnesota (St. Paul), Allison Stavarakis

August 11-13, Fergus (ON), Lydia Kennedy*

August 26, Quechee Scottish Games & Festival, Nina Eppes or Brian Penney

September 15-17, Loon Mountain, Nina Eppes*

September 16, Ligonier (PA), Colleen and Dan Caldwell

October 7, Scotland County (NC), Dave and Amy Carrick*

October 8, Scotland (CT), Leo Kennedy

October 21-22, Stone Mountain, David and Irene Phelps*

November 4, Charleston (SC), Sean and Tammy Carrick*

November 11, Clover (SC), Sean and Tammy Carrick*

(* indicates that Society Chief Dave Carrick plans on attending)

If anyone is convening a tent that is not on this list, please contact Dave Carrick (david_carrick55@yahoo.com) so that it can be put on the website. If you would like to convene a tent (!especially out West!), definitely contact Dave!!!

Many games are more than one day. The website only allows for one date to be listed, so the Saturday date is the default listing. The respective game's link will identify the actual dates.

Membership Updates



Colleen Caldwell Membership Chair

FALL MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

What drew you to the Kennedy Society website or the Kennedy tent in the clan village that first time? Was it curiosity about your Kennedy heritage that prompted you to join the Kennedy Society? When I talk with other Kennedys, who are not in my immediate family, I find that we still have much in common. It is like having family that you haven't met before! Get out to an event and visit a Kennedy tent. There are a lot more family members to meet!

“According to the data [of the 2010 census], Kennedy is ranked #146 in terms of the most common surnames in America.”
<https://namecensus.com/last-names/kennedy-surname-popularity/>

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions,
Colleen Kennedy Caldwell
Membership



A big WELCOME to all of these new and returning members of the Kennedy Society!

New Members:

Norma Longo of Durham, NC
Katie vonCannon of Winston Salem, NC
Jean Ann Chatelain of Atlanta, GA
Jennifer Watkins-Jones of Stevenson, AL
Maria Kennedy Mungo of Charleston, SC
Letitia Marie Short of Greenville, SC
Robin Lee of Raleigh, NC
Jean Karpowich of Sparta, NJ
Chet Allen of Newland, NC
Joseph Stranger of Harrogate, TN
William Kennedy of Teaneck, NJ
Carl Kennedy of Centennial, CO
Owen Kennedy of Winthrop, ME
Barbara Newman of Westford, MA
Joan Hinterlang of Butler, PA

Returning Members:

Rebecca Lee of Chapel Hill, NC
Brian Penney of Dunbarton, NH

Our Newest Lifetime Members:

Aaron Kennedy of Boulder, CO
Andrew Braman of Richlands, NC
Kim Hageman of Spruce Pine, NC



ATTENTION ALL KENNEDY MEMBERS FAR AND NEAR!

In order to help defray costs for the 50th anniversary at the Smoky Mountain games, two fundraising campaigns have been developed: Friends of the Oak and an online silent auction.

Friends of the Oak has a three tiered scope:

- * first, for a \$25 donation, this level will offer an anniversary certificate and a commemorative lapel pin. The certificate is signed by our hereditary chief, the Marquess of Ailsa, and KSNA Society Chief, Dave Carrick.
- * second, for \$50, this level will offer the certificate, the pin, and a commemorative coin.
- * third, for \$100, this level will offer the certificate, pin, coin, and a commemorative pottery piece by Susan Kennedy of Swamp Fires Ceramics, Soaps, and Candles.

*these items will be mailed to their respective donors.

The silent auction, which will end just before the banquet on May 20, will feature framed photos by Karen Kennedy, a beach rental from Chris and Sue Kennedy, and other items donated by members and vendors. Winning bidders can pick up their items at the banquet if in attendance. Those not in attendance will be notified and their item(s) will be shipped.

As previously stated, any remaining funds raised for the 50th will be placed directly back into the Kennedy Society, including for scholarship.

Both of these fundraising campaigns will be able to be done online, and a special website page featuring links and information pertaining to the anniversary has been developed. If you can't physically be in Townsend, you can still participate in and contribute to the celebration!



As part of the 50th anniversary, the Kennedy Society will be hosting a banquet at the Knoxville Airport Hilton on the evening of Saturday, May 20. The cocktail hour with a cash bar will start at 6:30pm, followed by a buffet dinner at 7:30pm. The dinner menu will include pre-meal snacks, three salads, Chicken Cordon Bleu, beef medallions, oven roasted potatoes, and assorted desserts. The cost will be \$50 per person, and registration can be done online. The deadline to register is Friday, May 12. Entertainment will be provided by Celtic fiddler Brandon Kennedy, and the evening's program is being developed. All members are encouraged to attend not just the banquet but the Smoky Mountain Games and the AGM. You only turn 50 once!



Friends of the Oak Pin



Friends of the Oak Coin front



Friends of the Oak Coin back



Friends of the Oak Certificate

Winter Recipe!



Colcannon

An Irish favorite dish full of starchy goodness for those winter days. Colcannon can be made using kale or cabbage based on your preference.

Ingredients

- 3 pounds potatoes, scrubbed
- 2 sticks butter
- 1.25 cups hot milk
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 1 head cabbage, cored and finely shredded
- 1 (1-pound) piece ham or bacon, cooked the day before
- 4 scallions
- finely chopped Chopped parsley leaves, for garnish

Instructions:

1. Steam the potatoes in their skins for 30 minutes. Peel them using a knife and fork. Chop with a knife before mashing. Mash thoroughly to remove all the lumps. Add 1 stick of butter in pieces. Gradually add hot milk, stirring all the time. Season with a few grinds of black pepper.
2. Boil the cabbage in unsalted water until it turns a darker color. Add 2 tablespoons butter to tenderize it. Cover with lid for 2 minutes. Drain thoroughly before returning it to the pan. Chop into small pieces.
3. Put the ham (or bacon) in a large saucepan and cover with water. Bring to the boil and simmer for 45 minutes until tender. Drain. Remove any fat and chop into small pieces.
4. Add cabbage, scallions, and ham to mashed potatoes, stirring them in gently.
5. Serve in individual soup plates. Make an indentation on the top by swirling a wooden spoon. Put 1 tablespoon of butter into each indentation. Sprinkle with parsley.

Let us know what recipes you'd like to see!

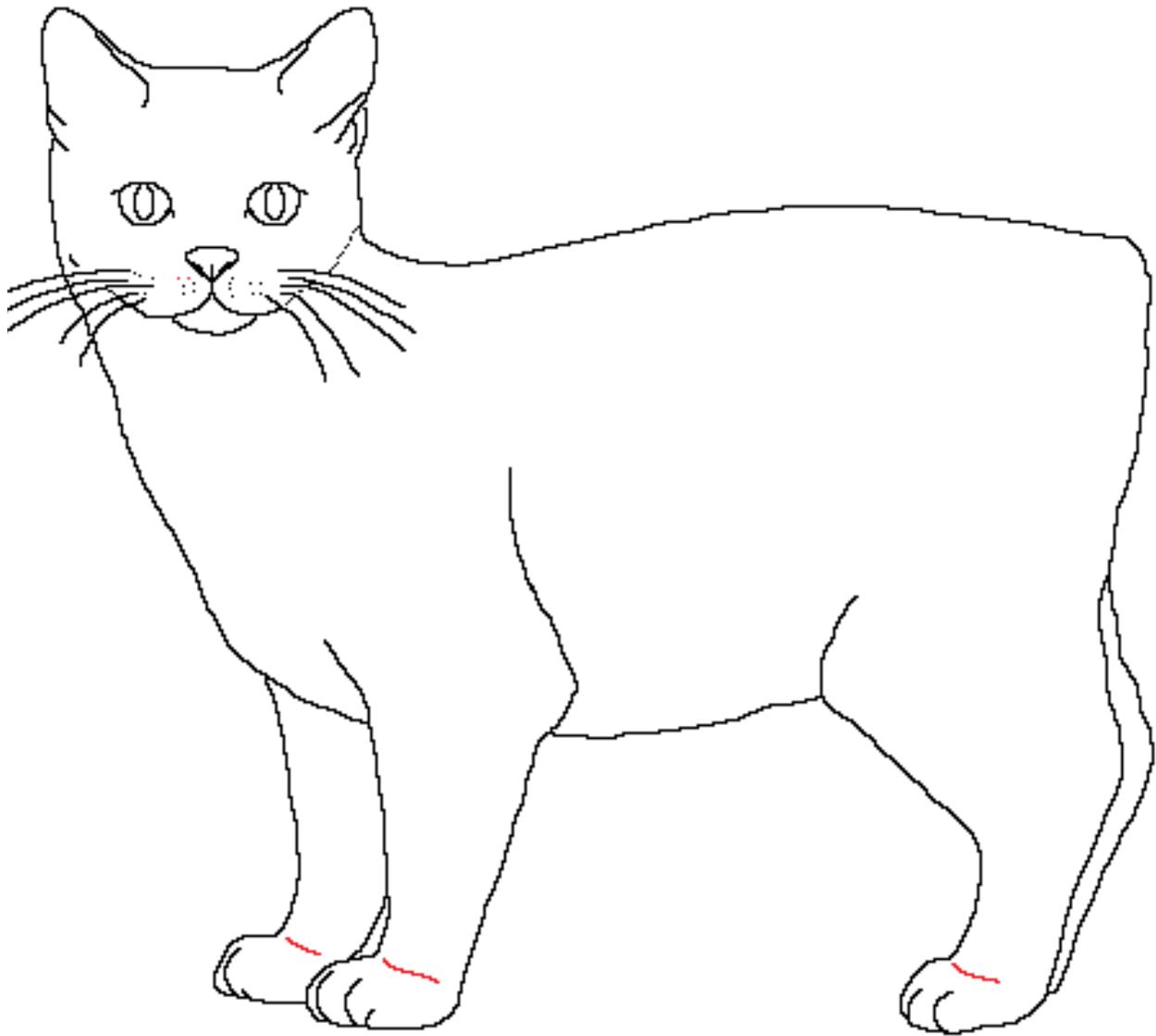
We're always looking for new ideas, feedback on published recipes or new spins on old classic recipes. Please send all recipe feed back to SamanthaKSNA@gmail.com

Thank you for all your help!

<https://www.foodnetwork.com/recipes/colcannon-recipe-1913556>

Kid's Corner for the Wee Ones!!

Another Kitty!
The Manx



Manx Cat

Have you ever seen one like this?

Near Scotland there is an island called the Isle of Man. A long time ago the Isle of Man was held by Scotland. The Isle of Man is home to a very old, very unusual breed of cats - the Manx cat. Like the Scottish Fold cat, the Manx looks a bit different from other house cats. The Manx cat is known for not having a tail. My goodness! A cat with no tail!. Actually, some Manx cats do have tails or part of a tail. Manx cats with no tails are called Rumpies. Those with short tails are called Stumpies. Those with longer tails are called Longies. No one knows for certain when the Manx cat breed started, but it was a very long time ago. Manx cats are people cats. That is, they like spending time with people more than many other cats. They are also very smart for cats. They also have very long, very powerful back legs and can jump up very high.

Do you think it would be fun to have a cat with no tail?

Summer Edition

It's never too early to start preparing for our next edition. Due to recent changes in formatting it's taken a while to get everything put together nicely for you. Please remember that the deadline for the next edition will be June 3rd 2023
