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**NEWS FROM LORD AILSA: CHIEF OF KENNEDY**

This has been a very wet and windy winter. The basement at Cassillis House flooded, but has since dried out with everything now seeming normal, and life goes on. Colour is returning to the shrubs on the grounds of Cassillis, and spring is fast approaching. The Marchioness, Lady Ailsa and her daughter, the Lady Elizabeth, had a very pleasant week in Gibraltar recently, and even rode a camel while in a side trip to Morocco. My activities in Sweden are going well, with lots of ski-mobiling and ice driving. I hope to return to India later this year. For other interests of Lord Ailsa, see the notice later in this issue.

**THE CHIEF/EDITOR OF THE SOCIETY**

The highland games season is here; Games Representative HEATHER K. FLANDERS has sent the first report. Games in April among the many around the country, include Culloden, GA and Loch Norman NC. The list gets longer each year. Try to visit the highland games near you and enjoy the activities. If there is a Kennedy tent, relax and socialize with family and help out if you can. It is a wonderful opportunity to wear the tartan and to show your pride in your Kennedy heritage. The music of the pipe bands stirs the blood, the dancers are graceful, and the competition is fun. It makes you aware that this is simply a great time to be alive.

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#### CEUD MILLE FAILTE

One hundred thousand welcomes! We greet our new members:

WILLIAM DONALD KENNEDY CLARK, of East Amherst, New York. He is a Technical Director. WILLIAM and his wife KATHLEEN CLARK have two children; DEREK and ADRIENNE. WILLIAM's father was WILLIAM DONALD KENNEDY of Windsor, ON who died in the Dieppe Raid August 1942.

MARGARET LELAND DUVIC of Jackson, MS. She is a retired Clinical Chemist. Her husband MAURICE is retired from Sales. They have eight children: MAURICE Jr, CATHERINE BESHEL, DAVID, MARTIN, DENISE REITAN, LYNN FLYNN, CAROL NIVEN, & PHILLIP. MARGARET's mother was MABEL KENNEDY of Birmingham AL.

CHRISTOPHER A. FLY of Pike Road, AL, is single and is a college student. CHRISTOPHER's G.G.G grandmother was ANN KENNEDY FLY.

LAWRENCE ALBEN CANADY of Columbus, GA. is a contractor and is married to JOY FRIPP, a housewife & mother. They have three children; LINDA SUE, PAMELA GAIL, & DUANE LAWRENCE. His father was ALBEN F. CANADY of Pine Bluff, AR.

ALYCE LEIGH COBB ELLIS of Mobile, is a teacher, and her husband TAYLOR W. ELLIS is a chef. Her mother is long time member ESTELLE P. COBB. ALYCE's Kennedy connection is her 4th Gr Grandmother ELIZABETH POTTER KENNEDY.

ANDREA LYNN COBB MASON, of Durham, NC is a pharmacist at John Umstead Hospital in Butner, NC. Her late husband was ROBERT J. MASON. Ssshe has one child, ALYCE ELEANOR LEE MASON. Her mother is member ESTELLE P. COBB; and her Kennedy connection is her 4th Gr Grandmother ELIZABETH POTTER KENNEDY.

In the interest of privacy, the addresses of our new members will not be listed. If another member recognizes a possible ancestral connection and wishes to write to a

a member, please contact the editor. There have been complaints of people using our listings for commercial purposes.!!

#### CHANGES OF ADDRESS !!

PLEASE GIVE US ANY ADDRESS CHANGES PROMPTLY. IT COSTS THE KENNEDY SOCIETY DOUBLE POSTAGE WHEN WE MUST RE-MAIL YOUR GAZETTE, AND YOU RISK MISSING A COPY.

E-MAIL ADDRESSES: If you have an E-mail address, please send it to the Editor, and tell us if you do not want it published. I plan to publish the E-mail addresses in a future Gazette, and update the list as is required.

The Editor's E-Mail address is:

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#### FLOWERS OF THE FOREST

Chieftain JOHN S KENNEDY has notified us of the death of JEAN KENNEDY LEWIS of the Barony of Drumjohn on January 7, 2000. Her body was cremated and her ashes were interred in the Kennedy Aisle at Ballentrae by the side of Lord Gilbert and his wife JANET STEWART KENNEY. She was the head of the Knocknalling Kennedy family, a senior house of "Bargany". She is survived by her husband DOUGLAS LEWIS of Drumjohn, a sister in Ireland, a distant cousin in North Chili, NY and a son, JEROME PULVER of Fairport, NY who is a member of the Kennedy Society. Our sincere sympathy goes to the family.

#### NEWS OF THE FAMILY

We had a letter from members AL & LOIS KENNEDY of Granada Hills, CA. They visited Scotland last fall, and included a stop at Culzean Castle. They pronounced it magnificent. They also attended 5 highland games in this country last year and plan to visit more this year. Way to go, you two!

EVELYN AMBROSE, of Utica, KY. wrote that her brother, member Rev ARTHUR KENNEDY had by-pass surgery on January 10th this year, but is now feeling much better. We wish him the best of everything.

Member MARY K CRAWFORD, of Green Lake, WI writes that she is having vision problems which prevent her from finishing one of her oil paintings, which is of the harbor at Girvan, Scotland. She commented about the Kennedy genealogy in the 'Carrick Galovidian' mentioned in a previous edition of Gazette. She has a copy of it, and enjoys comparing the present day names to the ancient ones. We wish you well MARY.

*Ailsa is coming to Grandfather Mountain in July!!!*

Member JOHN MacDOUGALL of Moon Twp, PA writes that he is planning to retire this summer and do some travelling. He and wife ANN plan to go to Scotland in September and also hope to attend more games here. JOHN tells that his picture is in the Jan/Feb issue of the Highlander, page 78. A handsome young man in that picture!

Member C. J. KENNEDY of Sacramento, CA wrote that many of the Kirkin' of the Tartan ceremonies require a letter of representation from a clan in order to participate. He requested and received one from Chieftain JOHN S. KENNEDY. We have had the same situation at some of the highland games, and had to establish who was eligible to represent us. If any of you have that problem, please let us know.

Member SHERRY KEMERY wrote to ask about our representation at the games in the South West. There was a tent at the Mesa AZ game February 24 this year. Our games representatives are very busy people, and are not able to attend all games in a region. We always hope that there will be some members willing and able to host tents at other games so that we can extend our clan influence. Please let me know if you are interested. We would be so grateful.

The CELTIC SOCIETY OF SOUTHEASTERN OHIO held its 10th annual Burns Night celebration January 22nd in Cambridge OHio, with 102 in attendance. The Kennedy tartan was a definite presence with eight of our members there: WILLIAM F S KENNEDY, GENEMARIE & PAUL KLINER, THOMAS HARTNEY (& daughter), REBECCA VEATCH, CONSTANCE VEATCH TONEY, and BERNICE & DONALD CANADAY. The mother of BECKY VEATCH & CONSTANCE TONEY was also there.

KEITH GAVEL of Toronto, ON sent pictures from the Fergus, ON Games of last summer when KEITH joined the Society and carried the Banner in the Parade of Tartans. A picture is included. Welcome aboard, KEITH!

A note from Dr NAT ERSKINE SMITH of Winston Salem, NC. Two little snow storms and some unusual cold gave him a chance to wear his warm Kennedy Tartan Trews. I think that your January was worse than Ohio. Sorry!

Member SHARON KENNEDY CHESLOCK of Morgantown, WV. sent an E-mail telling us that son and member TONY is now living in Frederick MD. SHARON tells of the severe drought last year in their area. Husband, ANTHONY Sr had to water their livestock with city water. In October he had a well drilled and a windmill erected. They are now prepared for dry weather.

Member JUDY GLASSING wrote that they were sorry to miss the Stone Mountain Games, but daughter STEPHANY was in a cast and they were unable to make the trip. She sent a write-up about STEPHANY's trip to the U. K. for a competition in wheelchair water skiing. The story appears later in this Gazette.

We had a nice note from member GERALD J. KENNEDY of Charlottesville, VA. He has been retired for several years but continues his Celtic studies. He is also a fan of football, following the Scottish teams.

News from (Maj) SUSAN and ROGER BAKER, of Montgomery, AL. SUSAN has been at the Air Command & Staff College at Maxwell Field in Montgomery, and will graduate in June 2000 with a Masters Degree in Military Science. ROGER is working for USAA, and has begun seminary studies. They will be stationed at RAF Lakenheath in Eastern England when SUSAN graduates. ROGER will attend Cambridge full time for a certificate in ministry. We congratulate both of you!

TANIS & ROBERT DIEDRICHS, Cedar Rapids IA. attended the 10th Annual Burns Supper in Cedar Rapids on Jan 22, 2000. It was a cold night as is be expected. TANIS commented, "Why had he not been born in June?" The entertainment included something for everyone. She also commented that we had written to ask if they were involved in last year's flooding in the Midwest. She said Cedar Rapids escaped, but she happened to be visiting in Nebraska and was caught there in the floods. TANIS, some days it just does not pay to leave home!

ELLEN SLOAN HINSON (MRS. BOBBY HINSON) of Mooresville, NC reports that the Hopewell Presbyterian Church in Huntersville, established in 1762, has a display of approximately 63 tartan banners, including Kennedy. Their Kirkin' of the Tartans is the last weekend of October. ELLEN and BOBBY are welcome visitors at Loch Norman.

Member KERMAN 'KIP' KENNEDY of Kingsport, TN e-mailed the editor that he has learned from the Appalachian Quarterly that a list of 8 marriages performed by Rev. Thomas Nansford, thought to have been lost in a fire, were submitted to the County Clerk of Russell County (TN?) as part of the Revolutionary War pension application of RICHARD CRABTREE. Among them was DAVID CANNADY m. ELIZABETH CONWAY, M(ay?) 25/1792. This is the earliest documented proof that a KENNEDY/CANNADY did marry Mary CONWAY. This is a long lost connection that he has looked for a long time.

AMY CANADAY, daughter of Chieftain JOHN L CANADAY of Georgetown, IN was just selected First Chair (Clarinet) in her Junior High School Orchestra. Her brother JAMES CANADAY is in the High School Pep Band.

#### KENNEDY SCHOLARSHIPS FOR CELTIC ARTS

Applications are invited for our annual Celtic Arts Scholarships (dancing, piping, drumming, harp, language arts, etc). They must be sent promptly. THE DEADLINE IS MAY 1ST.

#### QUALIFICATIONS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

- 1 Financial need.
- 2 Plan to attend a certified school of instruction.
- 3 Must be at least intermediate level.
- 4 Student should write to Scholarship chairman requesting scholarship.
- 5 We must have a resume and a letter of recommendation from the teacher.
- 6 Preference goes to relatives of a Kennedy Society member, but lacking such, others are eligible.

The deadline for letters from teachers is May 1st. GET APPLICATIONS IN NOW. Send to: ZORA DRAKE, 2000 Firth of Tay Way, Raleigh, NC 27603. Telephone; 919-829-1851. Come on you people from the West and Canada. Let's hear from you too.

#### GENEALOGY CORNER

Member MARY KENNEDY CRAWFORD of Green Lake, WI sent some information on her Kennedy ancestors: SAMUEL WATSON KENNEDY wed SARAH WILSON. Their offspring, sons: JOHN, SAMUEL W., THOMAS, ALEXANDER, JAMES, HUGH WILSON, and daughters: SARAH, wed -- Ross, ANNE McGREGOR, MARGARET GRAHAM, wed -- Cox, JEAM WATSON, AGNES, wed -- Nisbet, MARY WILSON wed -- Robertson. Also, she believes her great grandmother was a Rankin before marrying ROBERT WILSON. Does this strike a familiar chord with anyone?

New member LAWRENCE A CANADY says they have made positive connections back to BENAHAH CANNADY. They found him in the 1850 census in Greene County, NC. There are some more before that time, but they need more confirmation. Can anyone help him?

#### UPCOMING HIGHLAND GAMES

3/17-19 Calaveras Faire  
Calaveras, CA

4/8 Mid-Willamette Festival, Salem OR

\*4/1 Gathering of Clans & Tartan Day  
Fremont, CA

\*4/8 Culloden Highland Games  
Culloden, GA

\* 4/14-16 Loch Norman Highland Games  
Huntersville, NC

\* 4/29-30 Sacramento Highland Games  
Woodland, CA

\* 5/20 Mariposa Highland Games  
Mariposa, CA

5/6 Red Bank Celtic Festival  
Red Bank, NJ

5/13-14 Kentucky Scottish Weekend  
Carrollton, KY ?

5/11-13 Savannah Scottish Games  
Savannah, GA

\* 5/13-14 Prince Edward County Highland  
Games Picton, Ontario.

\* 6/2-4 Glasgow Highland Games  
Glasgow, KY

\* 6/3 Modesto Highland Games, Riverside  
Modesto, CA

\*6/17 Campbell Highland Games  
Campbell, CA

\*6/21 Gatlinburg TN

\*7/6-9 Grandfather Mountain Highland  
Games Linville, NC. LORD AILSA WILL BE  
HERE! Y'ALL COME!

#### GAMES REPORT:

Games Representative HEATHER KENNEDY FLANDERS Tucson AZ reports there were 67 clans at the Arizona Highland Games and Festival at Mesa AZ 2/25, plus an estimated 5-6000 people in attendance. HEATHER had an outstanding tent display which was well received. Members in attendance were: JEFF KENNEDY Mesa, AZ; SHERRY K. KEMERY Hereford, AZ; and EVAN ELLIS Glendale, AZ. JEFF KENNEDY provided welcome help to HEATHER.

DUES ARE NOW DUE FOR 2000.

Please make check to: THE KENNEDY SOCIETY  
of America and mail to:

Bernice R. Canaday, Secretary  
520 Harrison Ave Cambridge, OH 43725

Dues are \$ 15.00 US funds for members in  
North America, and \$ 20.00 for all others  
because of higher mailing costs.

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PAY YOUR DUES



NOW!

#### GENERAL INFORMATION:

The Kennedy Society of North America, Inc. is incorporated in the State of South Carolina as a non-profit social and historical group interested in the history of the Celtic race, particularly the Scots, Scotch-Irish, and Irish Kennedys (however spelled), and the branches of Kennedy and their descendants who immigrated to America.

The Society enjoys the patronage of the Most Honourable, the Marquess of Ailsa, the Hereditary Chief of Kennedy.

This newsletter is the official publication of the Society and is published four times each year. Volume numbers begin with the calendar year.

Dues cover the annual subscription and are payable by the calendar year, January 1st through December 31st. They are \$15.00 U.S. funds per year and include spouse and all children under eighteen years. New members pay an application fee of \$10.00 U.S. funds in addition to the first years dues. Dues for members who do not live in the United States or Canada are \$20.00 U.S. funds per year because of higher mailing costs.

#### NEWS ITEM: MEMBER STEPHANY GLASSING

STEPHANY GLASSING, granddaughter of HUGH M. KENNEDY (Co-Founder of the Kennedy Society) traveled to Great Britain in August 1999 to participate in the World Disabled Water Ski Tournament, held just outside London. She was accompanied by her daughter BRIANA, and her mother, JUDY, all members of the Kennedy Society.

Five days were spent in Cork, Ireland to train for the tournament 8/25 to 8/29, and to get acclimated to the cold water. Regretfully, STEPHANY broke her leg in a practice jump the day before the tournament began. Not knowing this, she competed in

the trick run the first day and put some points on the board for the U.S. team. Although STEPHANY finished out of the competition as a spectator and cheerleader for her team, the U.S. did bring home the overall Gold Medal!!

STEPHANY and BRIANA cut their trip short and returned home, while JUDY traveled on to Scotland and toured Culzean Castle and other interesting and beautiful places in Scotland. In all, everyone had a wonderful time, except for the broken leg and look forward to returning someday. Particularly STEPHANY and BRIANA, who would love to go back and complete the Scotland 'leg' of the trip that they missed.

#### KENNEDYS OF KERLUCK

The family of one John Kennedy were hereditary Constables of Aberdeen, an office which, according to some sources, came to the family about 1308 when a John Kennedy led a force on behalf of Robert Bruce against Edward I's garrison in the Castle of Aberdeen. The castle was demolished, but nevertheless the hereditary title and dignity of the Constableness of Aberdeen was bestowed on Kennedy for the leading part he had played in the successful attack. The Kennedys at that time lived on a piece of raised ground between Shiprow and the Green in Aberdeen. They had a private chapel there dedicated to St Katherine, who was the family's patron saint. The place, named after the chapel, was called St Katharine's Hill.

With the office of Constableness came "hail privileges, liberties, proffits, commodities belonging to the said office". When, in 1591, Kennedy of Carmuck, Constable of Aberdeen, died and was buried in St Nicholas Church, special permission, on payment of 10 lbs, was given by the Magistrates and Town Council for the mourners to wear black clothes and to carry arms at the funeral. A Kennedy was a person of some standing in the community.

In 1413 Thomas Kennedy set out acquiring an estate for himself. He was already in the Ellon area, headquartered at the stone tower 'Kinmuck'. Here he bought land, the site of the present Ellon Castle. There between 1413 and 1500, the family erected a 'tour fortalice' of which the foundation and wall remain, known as the Old Castle of Ellon. Then later came the time of the Covenant followed by the Civil War. After many problems in the area, the Kennedys sold their Aberdeenshire lands and by 1659 were granted the removal of the excommunication, and John Kennedy Sr. was appointed

sold their Aberdeenshire lands and by 1659 were granted the removal of the excommunication, and John Kennedy Sr. was appointed an elder for Stroma in the church of Canisbay on the coast of Caithness.

In 1677, John Kennedy of Carmuck was appointed an arbiter in the division of an Orkney estate. This would have been the soldier son, for John of the Great Sword, is thought to have died about 1672. That is the date on the Kennedy mausoleum in which they continued to make a name for themselves after death.

They were not buried. Their bodies were laid out in the vault, and owing to chemical properties in the air, although not embalmed, were preserved and "were wont to be exhibited as curiosities".

The MARQUESS of AILSA wrote recently and stated:

Since the demise of the House of Lords, life has changed somewhat. As well as my activities in Sweden, and my consulting work abroad, I am busy with an IT company. It is called "NewIssues.Com", an internet portal for the global equity new issues market. "NewIssues.com" is the only global portal for the equity new issues market. One can review the site on the web at [www.newissues.com/test](http://www.newissues.com/test). The site is in beta test and should be fully operational by May 2000. NewIssues.com are very keen to open offices in the US and to have contacts throughout America. Anyone wishing information regarding 'NewIssues.com' should contact me or e-mail Donald Canaday at [dcan112579@aol.com](mailto:dcan112579@aol.com). Remember, anyone wishing information, please be in touch. Contact Donald G Canaday at:

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#### ITEMS OF INTEREST

Member RICHARD N KENNEDY, Jr of Dunwoody, GA reports being told of a silver mounted horn snuff mull (box) presented by LORD NIGEL KENNEDY to the KING'S ROYAL RIFLE CORPS in 1857. It is in the possession of a dealer in silver located in the Buckhead, GA area. If anyone is interested in buying this item, or has knowledge of the history of this box, we would be pleased to learn of it. We would publish the story in the Gazette. This was awarded at the time of the Sepoy Rebellion in India, but of course, we do not know of a connection. You can contact RICHARD at 770/396/6936.

#### ANOTHER ITEM:

The Western Region Commissioner for Clan Little contacted us about a medallion awarded to ALEXANDER DU KENNEDY in Glengarry (commonly called) for constantly wearing the highland dress of home made tartan on March 1st, 1856.. (It is to be hoped that it was Kennedy tartan, but we don't know that). It was engraved on the back -AM FORSAIR DU. He was 80 years of age. If anyone knows of the history of this medallion, we would like to hear.

A KENNEDY FAMILY REUNION, June 21-25. This at St. George, Utah. All Kennedys are welcome.

For information, call:

LEON KENNEDY, 1-435-674-4040

PHOTO FROM LOON MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAME 1999  
Margaret M. Sullivan, Chief Canaday,  
and Maxine M. K. sullivan



PHOTO TAKEN AT THE LOON MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES AT LINCOLN, NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1999  
Joan Kennedy, Chief Canaday, Games Representative Nina Eppes, Patrick Kennedy



A PHOTO TAKEN AT THE FERGUS HIGHLAND GAMES & SCOTTISH FESTIVAL AT FERGUS, ONTARIO, 1999  
New member Keith Gavel and member John F. F. Kennedy





*Spring is Coming!!!*



# KENNEDY GAZETTE

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