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NEWS FROM LORD AILSA: CHIEF OF KENNEDY

Regretably I will not be able to be with you at Grandfather Mountain next month. I broke my ankle in March; it is not healing as expected, and the doctor will not allow me to travel. I am very disappointed, as I always enjoy my time with you. Next year for sure!

THE CHIEF/EDITOR OF THE SOCIETY

It has been a very busy season and I seem to always be a step or two behind. We have had the pleasure of seeing some of the family at two games so far, and look forward to being with more of you at the rest of them this year. We will miss Lord Ailsa at a game during 2000, but he has promised to try to be here for two games in 2001, one of which will be the International Gathering at Glasgow KY May 28th to June 3rd. PLAN TO BE THERE!

A REMINDER: BE SURE TO MAKE A RESERVATION FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING & STEAK FRY. WE NEED TO KNOW HOW MANY STEAKS TO HAVE ON HAND.

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MEET OUR NEW MEMBERS



Ceud Mile Failte, or "A Hundred Thousand Welcomes" to our newest members.

One hundred thousand welcomes! We greet our new members:

NORMAN CARLETON KENNEDY, Las Vegas, NV is a meteorologist and wife JANET is a housewife. They have four children: BRUCE, GREG, STEVEN and RONALD. NORMAN's father was RAYMOND GREENSLITT KENNEDY of Putnam, CT.

WILLIAM MADISON KENNEDY III, Virginia Beach, VA is a Professional Engineer. He and wife, MELANIE, have two children: WILLIAM IV and ANDREW. MELANIE was born in Breslau, Germany. WILLIAM's father was WILLIAM M., Jr of Baltimore, MD.

PAUL L. KEY, Misenheimer, NC is in construction. He and wife ANN have two daughters, JULIE and LAURIE. He is descended from 4x G Grandfather DAVID KENNEDY of Moore County, NC. We have many Moore County Kennedys and welcome another.

CHARLES WESTER KENNEDY Jr, Mooresville, NC. is an HVAC technician. His father is CHARLES W KENNEDY, Sr of Concord, NC.

SUSIE H. KANNADA MOHR, Orinda, CA is a freelance writer and is married to RICHARD A. MOHR, a graphic artist. RICHARD has two children by a previous marriage: ANDY and CODY. SUSIE's father was ISOM H. KANNADA of Okla. Her 4X G Grandfather, JOHN KENNEDY, Sr was born 1710 in Scotland.

WILLIAM HOMER EDWARDS of Maryville, TN is retired. He and his wife MARY SUE HODGE have three children; STEVE, RICK and MACHELLE. WILLIAM's Kennedy connection is his mother CHLOE ISABELLE KENNEDY EDWARDS.

In the interest of privacy, the addresses of our new members are not listed. If another member recognizes a possible ancestral connection and wishes to write to a member, please contact the editor. There have been complaints of people using our listings for commercial purposes.!!

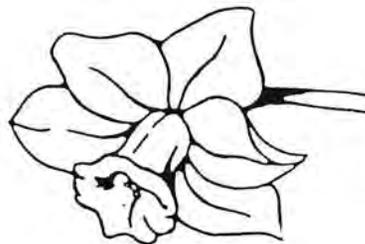
CHANGES OF ADDRESS !!

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:

GEORGE WITHROW WARWICK, born 1920 died this past April after a long illness. He was the husband of member BETTY WARWICK who died on 12/3/1995. They had lived at Brevard, NC for many years. GEORGE was a member of the Lyndsay Clan.

New Arrivals



ELAINE & LEE ANDERSON, Sun City, AZ wrote to tell us of the birth November 18, 1999 of JACKSON G (JACK) BURNS to their daughter ROSANNE A BURNS and her husband Dr LANCE BURNS. Our congratulations to the parents and to the grandparents!

NEWS NOTES



Members JOHN D & JO ANN KENNEDY, Houston, TX wrote that they are planning to visit

Scotland this July. He plans to trace more of his Scottish family while there. We wish you a successful 'hunting' trip, JOHN.

KATHERINE KENNEDY HAMILTON, Gnadenhutten, OH tells us that she went to Scotland last year and really loved it. She and husband KEN are both retired so she takes advantage of retirement for traveling. KATHY is going to Greece in June and KEN who enjoys staying home, will relax with ANGUS, their dog. Please let us know about your trip when you get back, KATHY.

ELINOR KENNEDY, Reading, PA tells us she had just got home from 3+ weeks in the hospital after a slight stroke. She still takes out-patient therapy. PHILIP has been chief cook & bottle washer, and now adds care-giving. ELINOR also tells us their oldest grandson, just made Dean's list at Ohio State. He is a freshman on main campus. His father teaches math at the Ohio State, Mansfield branch.

ANTHONY KENNEDY DAWSON of Greensboro, NC has written to tell us of his mother's new address. She is SARAH KENNEDY BURROWS DAWSON and is one of our charter members.

J. D. THORN, formerly of Akron, OH now lives outside of Wadsworth, OH and likes the country atmosphere. Quite a change of pace from Akron, J D?

DOUGLAS & ISOBEL KENNEDY, Fergus, Ontario attended the Highland Games at Dunedin, FL this year before returning to Fergus, ON. ISOBEL writes the games were great, but the day was very warm and she felt sorry for those people wearing kilts. She also tells us that it was very dry in Florida this winter and there were lots of forest fires.

CHRISTEEN KENNEDY, Charleston SC wrote in early April that HUGH (one of our founders) is in the hospital again, in the I C U. The doctor told CHRISTEEN that HUGH will get better. It just takes time. He has suffered a lot this past year and all that any one can do is pray. CHRIS sends their love to all and says they miss the games and the friends they have at the games. We miss them too.

We had a nice note from our representatives in New Hampshire, NINA EPPES, JACKIE DAVIS, GENEVA NI SEABHAN and JOAN KENNEDY. They are covering more games this year than last and are looking forward to it. They do a yeoman's job for us in New England and we appreciate all that they do.

RALPH & DOTTIE KENNEDY, Louisville, KY write that RALPH is still involved in the Railroad Museum in Louisville. They are

looking forward to the Glasgow Games in June, and so are we.

HELEN KENNEDY TRUSCOTT, Tavares, FL wrote that her daughter is beginning to attend Highland Games and that she sends her Gazette to her. We would like very much for her to join us, also.

PAT & JACK MONCRIEF report all is ready for the Kennedy Society Annual Meeting and Steak Fry for Saturday July 8th. We will have directions to their home at the Kennedy tent at Grandfather Mountain, but we have a map in this issue for those who will not be at the games. The MONCRIEF's telephone number is 336-877-3188. We need reservations so that we know how many steaks to buy. It will be an informal affair with fun for all.

The CELTIC SOCIETY OF SOUTHEASTERN OHIO is helping to work for the restoration of the historic KENNEDY STONE HOUSE located in Salt Fork State Park near Cambridge, OH. The house was built in 1837 for BENJAMIN KENNEDY and cost the then princely sum of \$600.00. BENJAMIN KENNEDY had ties to Ayrshire and there is mention of Cassillis. There was a fund-raiser at Salt Fork State Park on May 27. Your Chief was in attendance.

Chieftain JOHN SID KENNEDY reported he has finished with the remodeling project he and DOROTHEA started last May (99). "We now have basically a new house, and every thing is built the way we want." A good idea, SID.

Chieftain JOHN A KENNEDY, Alliston, Ontario tells us he is getting ready for the upcoming games. He also did a follow up with a piper he knows who wishes to join the Society. JOHN had given him information and an application last year, but the man had lost them. While JOHN was talking with him on the telephone, the piper's wife found the papers, so we hope to hear from him before too long. JOHN will be at the Fergus and Maxville games, both the first part of August, and does a marvelous job for the Kennedys wherever he goes. Thanks!

Chieftain JOHN SID KENNEDY reports that MICHAEL S KENNEDY, San Jose, CA has just received a large promotion on his job, and will be traveling between San Jose and Anniston, AL. MIKE has been of great help to SID with games in the area, and as we know, the tent keepers can use help!

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 PAST FOR 2000, BUT START PLANNING FOR NEXT YEAR.

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 EARLY FOR NEXT YEAR. 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.

We wish to thank those members who have contributed to the Scholarship Fund.

GENEALOGY CORNER

New member NORMAN C KENNEDY, Las Vegas, NV needs assistance. He writes that he is sure he is related to a Kennedy family who lived in Foster, Rhode Island and/or Voluntown, Connecticut. Can anyone help? Please write to the editor if you have any information.

UPCOMING HIGHLAND GAMES

- * 6/2-4 Glasgow Highland Games
Glasgow, KY
- * 6/3 Modesto Highland Games, Riverside
Modesto, CA
- 6/11 Grand Prairie Highland Games
Grand Prairie, Alberta
- *6/17 Campbell Highland Games
Campbell, CA
- ?6/21-25 Kennedy Family Reunion
St. George, UT
- *6/24 Ancaster/Hamilton Tartan Games
Hamilton, Ontario
- *7/8 Dunsmuir Highland Games
Oakland, CA
- 7/1 Pugwash Gathering of Clans
Pugwash, Nova Scotia
- *7/7 Payson Scottish Festival
Payson, Utah

*7/6-9 Grandfather Mountain Highland Games
Linville, NC. ~~LORD PLEASE DON'T BE HERE!~~ Y'ALL COME!

7/15 Glasgow Lands Scottish Festival
Westfield, MA

7/15 49th Portland Highland Games
Gresham, OR

?7/15-16 Columbus Scottish Festival
Columbus, IN

7/29-30 54th Pacific N.W. Highland Games
Enumclaw, WA

*8/5 Glengarry Highland Games
Maxville, Ontario

*8/11-13 Fergus Highland Games & Festival
Fergus, Ontario

*9/2-3 S F Caledonian Club Highland Games
Pleasanton, CA

GAMES REPORT:

Apologies to Games Representative ROBERT N. TOUCHSTONE. The report for the Scottish Highland Games at Jackson, MS was mislaid. Weather was *extra hot* but the games went on. The official opening and the tartan parades were scheduled so that little time was wasted in the sun. The turnout at the tent was good, 9 of BOB's family at the tent; BECKY & GLEN DIFFEY, KAREN DIFFEY, SYLVESTER McDONNIEL, Jr and brother Dr DALE TOUCHSTONE. The games began to shut down around 3:00 PM because of the heat and humidity. A special guest at the tent was GEORGE MacMILLAN of MacMILLAN & KNAPP of Finlaystone. George is a friend of the Canadays; BERNICE is a MacMILLAN.

MIKE & PAULA KENNEDY hosted the tent at the Calaveras Celtic Games at Angels Camp, CA March 17-19, 2000. They thought the other friendly and helpful clans were a great plus. This was the first time for a Kennedy tent there, but there was good traffic at the tent.

On April 1st, Chieftain JOHN SID KENNEDY hosted the tent at the Ardenwood Farms Celtic Festival and Tartan Day on a working farm dating to the 1850's. When lining up for the clans pass by, they had to get out of the way of a load of hay. CECIL J. KENNEDY and family were there to help SID. Thanks, C. J. & RITA !!

April 15, the Kennedy tent at Loch Norman was hosted by DONALD & BERNICE CANADAY assisted by JANET HABIGER & MIKE KENNEDY of Cary, NC. Members present were BETH & DARBY SHECK & JOSHUA WYATT, R. N. KENNEDY,

CHRISTOPHER FLY, EDITH & IRVING STANTON, BOBBY & ELLEN HINSON, and Dr NAT ERSKINE SMITH. It was rainy Friday and Saturday; creating a red clay morass. Sunday turned out beautiful. The crowd was good both days, but especially early Sunday. Had good traffic at the tent with two new members joining us: ANN & PAUL KEY, and CHARLES W. KENNEDY, Jr. The report on them is in the new member section. JOSH WYATT competed in the individual piping contest.

Chieftain SID KENNEDY hosted the Kennedy tent at the Sacramento Games on April 29-30. The tent was not in the main stream of traffic. Members in attendance included; CECIL J. KENNEDY and family; AL & LOIS KENNEDY; JEFF, TARI & KIMBERLY HOCKERT; RICH & SUSIE (KANNADA) MOHR; and HEATHER KENNEDY FLANDERS (Games Rep from AZ).

CECIL & RITA KENNEDY were married last fall in a civil ceremony but wanted a Scottish wedding with the trimmings. Since this was a renewal of vows, a man of the cloth was not needed, and they asked SID KENNEDY as a Chieftain of the clan, to do the honors. It was supposed to be a small affair but ended up being the center piece of the Sacramento Games, on center stage. A harpist played before the ceremony, and C J had a piper who led them through the clan area afterwards to great applause. SID's friend REVEREND McCREA did the blessing.

MIKE & PAULA KENNEDY covered the Mariposa Games on 6 May, held near the entrance to Yosemite National Park. This was the second annual game held in this historic California gold country town. The crowds were very small and traffic at the tent was light, even though the tent was in the best spot. Members present included LARRY GASAWAY.

NOMON & NANCY KENNEDY and KIP KENNEDY hosted the Kennedy tent at the Gatlinburg. TN Highland Games May 20-21. The crowd was sparse compared to some other games. Every one seemed to have a good time. It rained on Saturday afternoon late. KIP had a time getting out of the parking lot; it was muddy! Had fair traffic at the tent, and they signed up a new member, WILLIAM H. EDWARDS, who is listed with the other new members.

DUES ARE NOW DUE FOR 2000.

Please make check to: THE KENNEDY SOCIETY of AMERICA (IN US FUNDS), and mail to:

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

Dues are \$15.00 US for members in North America, and \$20.00 for all others.



"Dear, it's time to pay the piper again."

ITEM OF INTEREST (from previous Gazette)

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. We would like to find the family of this man to turn over the medallion.

KENNEDY FAMILY REUNION:

June 21-25. This at St. George, Utah. All Kennedys are welcome.

For information, call:

LEON KENNEDY, 1-435-674-4040

June 3 - 4 There was a family reunion at Edmond, OK. SUSIE KANADA-MOHR was lead person. She reported 74 Kennedys present. Most are descendants of DAVID KENNEDY of Moore County, NC. Good turn out SUSIE.



THE KENNEDY CLAN(S) OF IRELAND

Compiled by Chieftain GARRY BRYANT

Two Kennedy Clans occupy the Emerald Isle; one is Irish and the other is Scots. Thus, many confuse the two families and the lands from where they come.

The majority of the Kennedys who settled in Northern Ireland are of Scottish origin from the territories of Galloway and Ayr just across the Irish Sea, some twenty miles away. These Scottish Kennedys intermarried with local Irish and thus they are Scot(tish)-Irish in blood.

The other Kennedy family is located in southwest Ireland with its foundation in the blood line of Cormac Cas, King of Thomond and Munster. Cormac Cas is the progenitor of the clan known as the Dal Cais or Dalcassians, translated to mean descendants of Cas. They were a minor clan of Ireland and ruled the northern section of Munster Province known as Thomond, (all County Clare, southern Galway and northern Limerick, northwest Tipperary), while their cousins the Eugeneians (McCarthys and O'Sullivans) ruled the south of Munster known as Desmond. The kingship of Munster switched between these two clans every other generation.

Two great families came from the Dalcassian Clan, the O'Briens and the O'Kennedys.

Cinneidigh (Kennedy) King of Thomond died in 954 A.D. He was succeeded by his son, Brian. In time Brian rose in power and gained the kingship of Munster, and obtained the allegiance of the other five provincial kings of Ireland, and eventually became the High King of Ireland. Because he exacted tribute his second name became Boru, meaning tribute. He is known as one of the greatest kings of Ireland and in 1014 defeated the Vikings at Dublin at the age of 88.

King Brian Boru decreed a law around 1000 that all families or clans should possess a surname, and suggested that they should choose an illustrious ancestor to name themselves after. Due to his achievements his family chose to call themselves O'Brien, descendants of Brian.

One of his brothers was Donchan (Duncan?) whose son was named after Donchan's father, Cinneidigh. It is this line that the Irish O'Kennedys descend from. They held the title of Lords of Ormond and were powerful until the 1500s.

O'Kennedy and Kennedy is the 16th most popular name in Ireland with the majority living in County Tipperary. Other strong areas are Clare and Dublin in the South, and Antrim in the North (these being mostly Scots Kennedys).

SOURCES:

Irish Families, Their Names, Arms & Origins - by Edward MacLysaught:

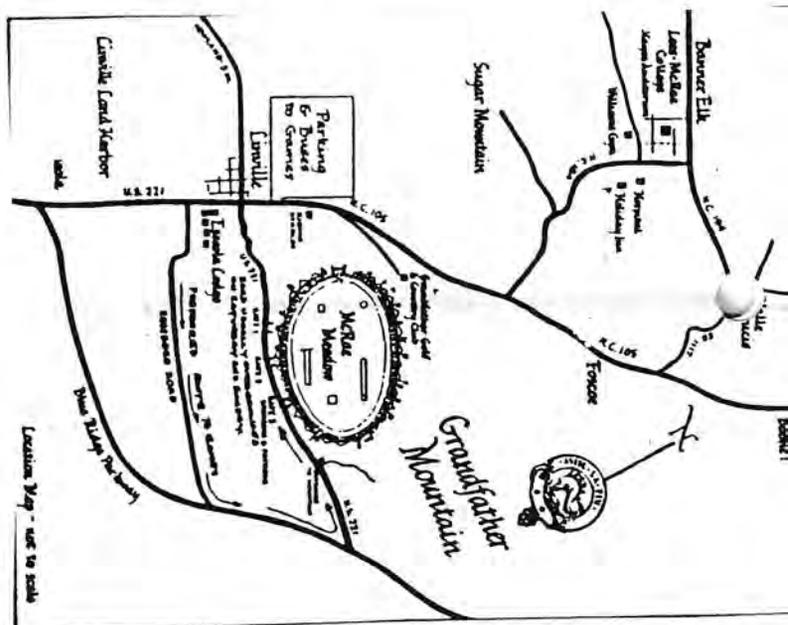
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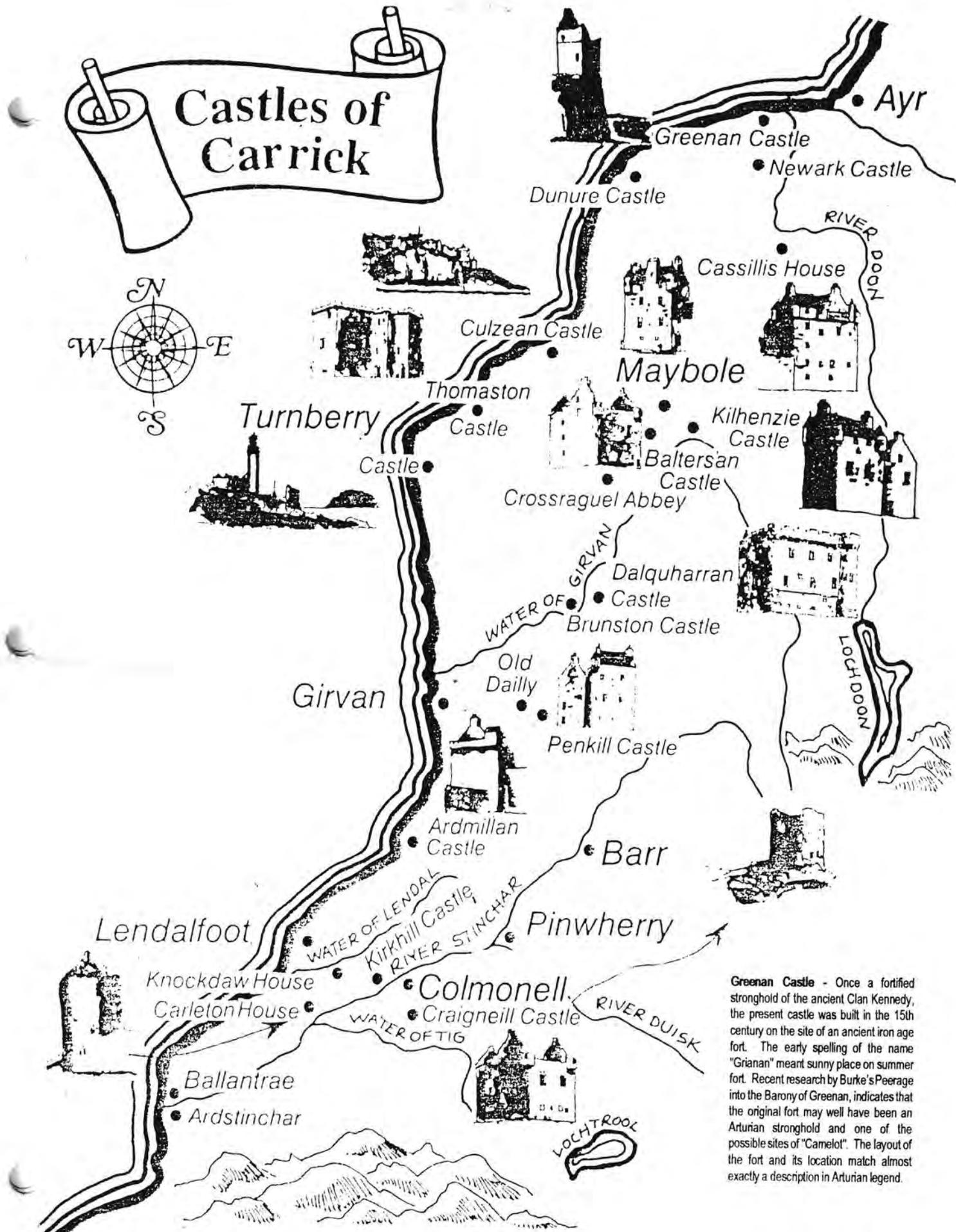
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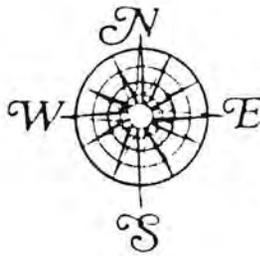
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THE YEAR 2000 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held July 8, 2000 at the home of members JACK & PAT MONCRIEF at Todd, NC.



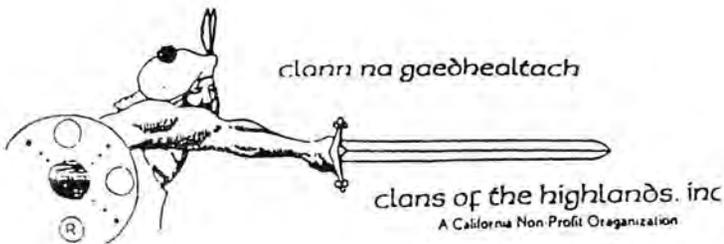


Castles of Carrick



Greenan Castle - Once a fortified stronghold of the ancient Clan Kennedy, the present castle was built in the 15th century on the site of an ancient iron age fort. The early spelling of the name "Grianan" meant sunny place on summer fort. Recent research by Burke's Peerage into the Barony of Greenan, indicates that the original fort may well have been an Arturian stronghold and one of the possible sites of "Camelot". The layout of the fort and its location match almost exactly a description in Arturian legend.

(Not all the castles in Carrick are included, nor are representations necessarily meant to be precise. In some cases binoculars will help you to enjoy more dramatic views.)



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, Scots-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 a year, Volume numbers beginning 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 per year and include spouse and all children under eighteen years. New members pay an application fee of \$10.00 in addition to the first years dues. Dues for members who do not live in the United States are \$20.00 per year because of higher mailing costs.

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