



FROM THE CHIEF/EDITOR:

The annual meeting and celebration of the 25th anniversary of our Kennedy Society will soon be here. As we complete a quarter century of existence, we have much cause for gratitude and pride. We have grown from the first 32 members to over 700 and still growing, with members in 42 states, 5 Canadian Provinces, and 6 foreign countries. We owe a great debt to our founders who had the vision and courage to begin the Kennedy Society and another vast debt to our Chieftains, Games Representatives and loyal members without whom we would not have survived.

We are hoping for a large attendance at our annual meeting and dinner at Grandfather Mountain July 11th to honor our founders and to meet our hereditary Chief, the 8th Marquess of Ailsa and his two daughters, the Ladies Rosemary and Alicia. This is the first time that we have been visited by our Chief at an annual meeting and we would like to do him honor. We will also have Chieftains John (Sid) Kennedy, John A. Kennedy, Graham Kennedy and John L. Canaday present. Please do not delay in making your PAID reservations. We will need to turn in the number of reservations to the Holiday Inn no later than July 1st.

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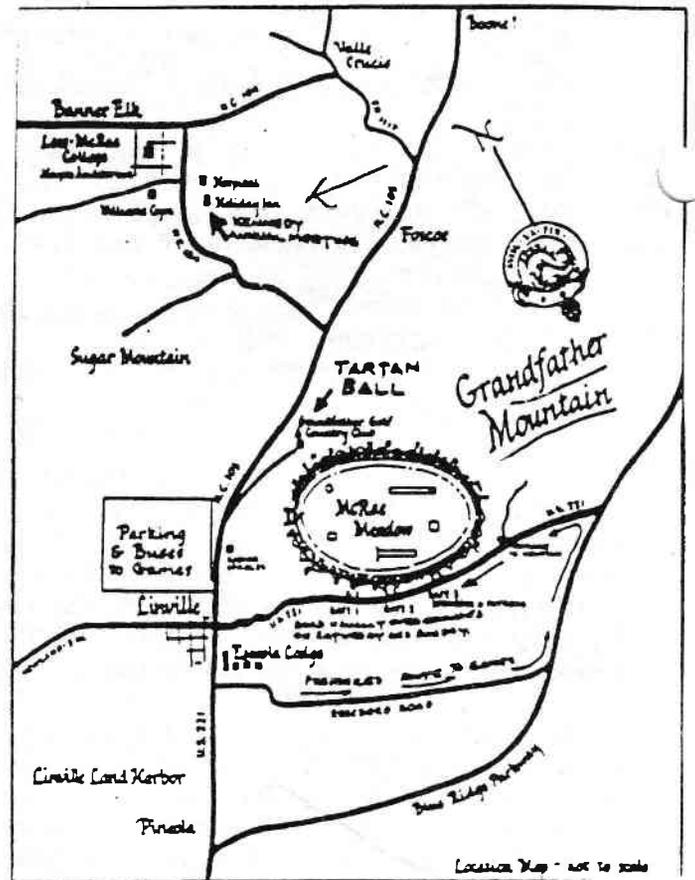
One Hundred Thousand Welcomes: We have some new members to greet in this issue.

Welcome CATHERINE BERNICE KENNEDY WISNIEWSKI of 1120 W. Broadway, Tempe, AZ. CATHERINE is a Sales & Service Repr. She was born in Winnipeg, MB Canada. CATHERINE has two children; LOCHLIN C. DYER and STEPHANIE C. WISNIEWSKI. Her father is GARTH O'NEIL KENNEDY from Watrous, SK Canada and her mother is MARGURITE BETTY-MAE VAN ALLEN of Belleville, ON Canada.

LOUISE KENNEDY KILGORE of 75 Risto Road, Bristol, VA joins the family that is Kennedy. LOUISE is a photographer and her husband WILLIAM E KILGORE is a printer. There are two children, LAURA K. SMITH and LUCIAN B SMITH III. LOUISE descends from PLEASANT H KENNEDY of Dickenson County, VA., her Gr grandfather.

Mrs AL'FRANCES KENNEDY ROWLETT of Rt #2 Box 166, Coeburn, VA joins her sister LOUISE KILGORE in the family that is Kennedy. AL'FRANCES was a Banker and Bank Officer. She is also descended from Gr Grandfather PLEASANT H KENNEDY.

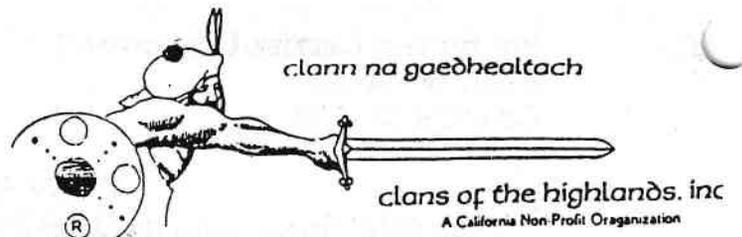
LOUISE is member #700, and AL'FRANCES is #701!



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING-1998

OUR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WHICH WILL COMMEMORATE A QUARTER CENTURY OF THE KENNEDY SOCIETY WILL BE HELD AT THE HOLIDAY INN, BANNER ELK, NC ON JULY 11TH STARTING AT 6 P.M. THE 8TH MARQUESS OF AILSA WILL BE THERE. THE DINNER WILL BE A BUFFET AT A COST OF \$25.00 PER PERSON, CHILDREN UNDER AGE 10, HALF PRICE. PAID RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED. PLEASE SEND THESE TO DONALD CANADAY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THAT WE CAN GIVE A COUNT TO THE HOLIDAY INN. THIS IS A ONCE IN A LIFETIME EVENT. PLEASE DON'T MISS IT.

DON'T FORGET, WE CAN USE SOME HELP WITH THE EXPENSES OF OUR HEREDITARY CHIEF AND HIS DAUGHTERS.



NEWS OF THE FAMILY:

THOMAS & NAN KENNEDY of Colorado Springs, CO. have bought a house and moved the end of March. TOM has retired from the VA. They moved frequently because of his employment, so will enjoy having 'roots'.

LES & JOYCE SCHROEPPPEL of Lindon, UT write that son JOHN WILLIAM is engaged to TAMMY AU of Arcadia, CA, and the ceremony was planned for May 22d in the Mount Timpanogas Temple in American Ford, UT. They are both in college, JOHN at Utah Valley State and TAMMY at Brigham Young Univ. The weather has been beneficial out there with snow in the mountains for the skiers and the water supply for all, but very little snow in the valley.

ANN & WILLIAM CARSWELL of Valdosta, GA wrote about checking Scottish genealogy back to the early 900s and how often the Kennedys married into various clans. ANN says it is almost like "I'm my own grandpa". The Kennedys are first mentioned in Galloway in the 5th century. She says someone needs to host a Kennedy cent at Savannah, GA. Tattnall County, GA is full of Kennedys

Member JENNIE KENNEDY SEARIGHT of Santa Rosa CA tells us about her recent little book of poetry, "Reigning and Dogs" by JENNIE KENNEDY. She uses her maiden name as a pen name. Keep up the good work JENNIE and let us know where it is available.

We heard from member IRENE NAISMITH, San Diego CA that 1997 was busy with a number of highlights. Her son CAMPBELL published his book of Pipe Music, "The Vortex St Collection". He is a piper with the L. A. Scots Pipe Band which won the Grade II World Championship in Scotland. That's quite an achievement. Daughter SHEILA is in Law School, and kept busy with three sons, JAMES, 14; DREW, 12; & ROSS, 11, all piping in The House of Scotland Pipe Band in San Diego. We hope IRENE, that you will get to Scotland this year.

RUTH KENNEDY Haddon Hgts, NJ (widow of Chieftain ALEX KENNEDY) tells us she is planning to take another trip this May. She is going by railroad with her two sisters, across Canada. That is a beautiful trip. RUTH, enjoy yourself with your sisters.

Members JOHN & ANNE MacDOUGAL, Coraopolis PA celebrated Hogmanay with a small party of neighbors and friends and new bottle of "Oban"; a real Highland Welcome. Their first grandson JACK MACDOUGALL was to play in the AFL final game in Three Rivers Stadium in Pittsburgh and planned to shout "AVISE LA FIN" in the stadium. In late July they will travel to Broad Cove Banks on Cape Breton for the celebration of 'BUAIDH LATHA 98' in honor of the proud and brave MacDougals, MacClellans, Kennedys, and MacNeils from whom we all trace our sense of compassion, faith and good humour. We hope that you can make it to Grandfather Mountain before your Cape Breton trip. Also tell ANNE that we wish her an early "Happy Birthday".

Member PAMELA SMITH ALEXANDER has relocated to the US from Shepperton, Middlesex, England. The new address is: PAMELA ALEXANDER, 100 Linda Circle, Downingtown, PA 19335.

CARVER & MARTHA KENNEDY of Fayetteville GA sent an article from the Atlanta Journal-Constitution newspaper of last year's Culloden Games. MARTHA is planning a trip to England, leaving soon after the opening of the Grandfather Mountain Games this summer. MARTHA & CARVER are also planning to make a trip to Scotland in October. Lucky you; ENJOY!

Member Capt. SUSAN SHELLEY USAF, Converse TX was honored at the annual Medical Service Corps dinner. This was in conjunction with the American College of Healthcare Executives annual Congress held in March in Chicago. She was selected as the Air Force Young Healthcare Administrator of the Year for 1997. SUSAN was also selected for promotion to Major! Congratulations SUSAN; we are proud of you! When not on duty she volunteers her time mentoring young girls through the Orders of Rainbow Girls and Eastern Star.

In a letter from member ELIZABETH D. KENNEDY, widow of WILLIAM C. KENNEDY of Hastings, NE., she tells us that they gave their youngest daughter the middle name of AILSA, but soon changed it to CASSILIS. ELIZABETH hopes all the family of Kennedy will enjoy the visit of the MARQUESS of AILSA at our annual meeting.

Chieftain JOHN SID KENNEDY, San Lorenzo CA reports that DOROTHEA is recovering from her back surgery and they hope to soon be able to travel more. SID also tells of the house they had bought, once DOROTHEA's family home. Built in 1913, it was not worth repairing so they donated it to the local fire district for training. After much hassle, the fire department scheduled an all day training exercise. A crowd gathered to watch the fire, and when it was finished, a three story chimney would not fall but by next morning the chimney was in the basement.

Member RICHARD N. KENNEDY Jr, Dunwoody, GA received a very great honor when he travelled to Scotland as part of the 78th Fraser Highlanders. They performed for the new LORD LOVAT, Chief of Frasers of Lovat who promoted RICHARD to Lt. Col. of the 78th Frasers. This was LORD LOVAT'S first official duty with the 78th.

In a letter from member GERTRUDE M. COREY of LaGrange, OH, we learn she is descended from Lady Godiva. GERTRUDE has published the story and the lineage to document the connection. After her story was published, she was invited to join the Society of Magna Carta Dames, and also to join The Plantagenet Society.

Games Representative ROBERT TOUCHSTONE of Clinton, MS tells us he recently played in a Mississippi Seniors Golf Tournament. He says he was quite pleased with the results. He had not played much lately because of Arthritis, this time he was not bothered. But you didn't tell us the score ROBERT.

We have just learned that our Statutory Agent, member RICHARD McKINNE KENNEDY of Columbia, SC was recently released from hospital after a 12 day stay. We hope that you are now well on the road to recovery, RICHARD.

We had a note from JOHN PALMER KENNEDY of Hillsborough CA who echoes a sentiment common to all of us when he says "The hurrier I go, the behinder I get" How well we know that, JOHN.

GENEALOGY CORNER

Please remember when writing about an ancestor; if possible, give complete name, name of spouse, children, dates, places, etc. Send all information that you can. It is impossible to make connections with just one name and no other information.

JOHN SID KENNEDY writes that he has just now found two families of his line ca 1820, which he had lost when his book was published in 1980. These are the BANDON and MARSHALL lines, which have now been brought up to date. This adds about 100 pages to the master files. Anybody want to help put out a new book?

EDITH S. KENNEDY Genealogist/Archivist for the Kennedy Society has had severe health problems and has been unable to answer queries sent to her. We are waiting to hear from the family as to how things are going with her. We wish you well, EDITH.

DUES ARE DUE ON JANUARY 1st for the calendar year - 1/31 to 12/31/98. Please make check in US DOLLARS ONLY to:

The Kennedy Society of America,
and mail it to:
Berniece R. Canaday, DTJ Sec'y
520 Harrison Avenue
Cambridge, OH 43725-1472

Dues are \$15.00 for USA members and \$20.00 for members outside US because of higher postal costs. It is especially important that our dues are paid on time if possible as we are facing heavy expense this year with the celebration of our 25th anniversary.

To all those who have already paid, and to those who have paid for 1999, a hearty THANK YOU!

FOR SALE!!

We have some cotton twill tartan in the Kennedy modern green. It is \$15.00 per yard postpaid. This is beautiful fabric and faithfully reproduces our colors. It would be perfect for wear during our hot summers. We have seen kilts made from this weight fabric and if you don't care too much about perfectly pressed pleats, it would be a good substitute for all that hot wool. If interested contact Berniece Canaday, address on the front of the Gazette.

ALSO, STEVE McCALLUM TELLS THAT THIS FABRIC SHOULD BE HANDWASHED IN COLD WATER USING A MILD SOAP TO PROTECT THE BRILLIANCE OF THE COLORS.

We have 100% wool Tartan Throws for sale, 55" x 71". This is authentic Kennedy tartan, woven in Scotland. The price is \$74.00 US and \$78.00 for Canada. These prices include postage. US FUNDS ONLY.

We have just received our 25th anniversary commemorative pins. They are \$5.00, plus 55 cents postage. To order tartan, throws, or pins write to BERNIECE CANADAY, 520 Harrison Ave., Cambridge, OH 43725 or call 740-432-6263. All orders must be paid for in advance.

We are not in the business to sell things, but it is imperative that we raise extra funds to pay for the visit of the Marquess of Ailsa and his daughters, and we thank everyone who has purchased our quality Kennedy merchandise and also a special thanks to those who have contributed to the fund. We remind everyone that we are a non-profit organization and that your contributions may be tax exempt.

We have just been informed by member ROBERT TOUCHSTONE of Clinton MS that he has given us a block of securities for us to use as needed. We can not adequately express our gratitude to him and to all who have given so generously.

FOR SALE:

One - Modern Kennedy Tartan Kilt, for;
Height 5'8" to 5'10"
Waist 34/36"
Price: \$ 450.00 Canadian

Contact: John A. Kennedy CD
191 Tupper St. Alliston, ON Canada L9R 1E1
Telephone: 705-435-9680

We have had requests for kilt patterns. There are no patterns as such, but we have found an ad in the 'Highlander' magazine of Mar/Apr 1997 for 'Smoke & Fire Co.' P.O. Box 166, Grand Rapids, OH 43522. It lists KILT INSTRUCTIONS, directions for wee and great kilts, \$6.00 + 1.50 shipping. If you call them at 1-800-766-5334 they will send you a free catalog.

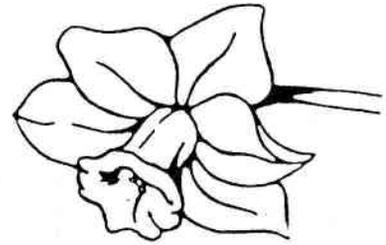
GAMES REPORT:

The Loch Norman Highland Games at Rural Hill Plantation, Huntersville, NC were held April 18 & 19. The Kennedy tent was hosted by DONALD & BERNIECE CANADAY and PAUL & GENEMARIE KLINER. Present with the Kennedy Society was our Hereditary Chief, the MARQUESS OF AILSA, a Distinguished Guest of the Games. Members in attendance were: BOB & ELLEN HINSON, Dr NAT E SMITH, RICHARD & MARSHA JONES, STEVE McCALLUM, and Lt Col RICHARD KENNEDY, Jr of the 78th Fraser Highlanders. See the story on RICHARD in the Family News. Lord Ailsa joined the Guest of Honor, the Chief of Skene, to inspect the troops of the 78th Frasers during the opening ceremonies.

The Sacramento Valley Highland Games on April 25/26 were hosted by Chieftain JOHN SID KENNEDY with the help of GARY KENNEDY of Magalia, CA. GARY set up on Saturday since SID would be late. Members in attendance were: TERI HOCKERT, MARK BESKEEN, JEFFREY KENNEDY, EDNA K McFARLANE, AL and LOIS KENNEDY, and MARGARET ANNE SCHLOBOHM. These games at Woodland are the second longest running games on the west coast. There were over 90 clan tents erected this year. Great going SID & GARY.

There was a Kennedy tent at the Culloden, GA Highland Games on 25/26 April 1998, hosted by CARVER & MARTHA KENNEDY of Fayetteville, GA. Members present were: KATHE & BETH BARYZA, LAURA & ED PITTMAN, DANIEL WORLEY, PHYLLIS KENNEDY, and BILL CARSWELL. For a first time tent, traffic was very good. CARVER counted approximately 49 clan tents. CARVER & MARTHA KENNEDY and daughter LAURA PITTMAN all took part in opening ceremonies and the parade of Tartans. Clan Graham was the honored clan, with the American Chief in attendance. A hearty thank you CARVER & MARTHA for your help.

AND SINCERE THANKS TO ALL OF OUR DEDICATED KENNEDYS WHO VOLUNTEER THEIR TIME AND ENERGY TO HOST A TENT AT A HIGHLAND GAME. WITHOUT YOU THERE WOULD NOT BE A KENNEDY SOCIETY.



FLOWERS OF THE FOREST:

Members CARVER & MARTHA KENNEDY of Fayetteville, GA had a bad year in 1997. CARVER's father DANIEL C. KENNEDY died in May 1997, and then his mother MILDRED G. KENNEDY died in September 1997. They were 93 and 92 years of age respectively and lived in their home in Mobile, AL in good health up to the last days. Our sincerest sympathy.

EGYPT, LAND OF HISTORY & ANCIENT MYSTERY

Berniece and I recently spent four weeks in Cairo when I was sent by the International Executive Service Corps to advise a chemical company which had asked our government for assistance. We were housed in an elegant five star hotel in Heliopolis, an affluent suburb of Cairo, where there are many embassies and palaces. Yassar Arafat, has three palaces in Cairo, one of which was just across the roadway from our hotel, and President Mubarak has two palaces near by. Two deposed and exiled African leaders have luxurious residences just a block from the hotel. Even with all of this you had only to travel a very short distance to know that you were in the third world.

On the streets you see many men in the galabya, the long robe in drab colors, and the women in the all encompassing black robes with the traditional head dress which leaves only the face uncovered, and sometimes not even that. When the women do wear modern dress they still often wear the head covering and we saw many small girls in their neat school uniforms who wear it also.

People were very friendly and we were often told "Welcome to Cairo", even by the children. They feel keenly shamed by the massacre which happened at Luxor last November, and we saw several hand drawn signs which apologized for the occurrence and stated that it was not done by the "real Egyptians". Tourism upon which they depend heavily is drastically down. We never felt threatened, although the situation was admittedly tense, and the 'Egyptian Gazette' an English language newspaper which was slipped under our door each morning was full of the meetings being held to try to defuse the crisis. The editorials were universally condemnatory of the U.S. and British position, and it was an extremely rare one which blamed Saddam for the problems.

We saw much grandeur, but we also saw slums which defy description. You cannot believe that people must live in such squalor and you wonder how they do it and what their lives must be like. There is a huge section called the City of the Dead where the dead are interred in small houses with no roofs. It is a warren of passages with trash and litter everywhere (a universal problem) and families actually live in these roofless houses along with the dead.

The work week in a Moslem country is from Sunday to Thursday, which gave us two days in which to do the usual tourist things. We visited the Souk, the 600+ year old market which consisted of countless small shops, often no more than a hole in a wall in which a varied assortment of merchandise is sold by aggressive and insistant vendors. It was unbelievably dirty with piles of refuse everywhere, and with sheep and other live stock being sold 'on the hoof'. Numerous small donkeys were seen pulling large loads there, and also on the roads and even on the streets of Cairo. It was there that we heard the call which five times daily summons the faithful (always men) to prayer.

Our trip to the pyramids was a dream come true, and they were everything that I had thought that they would be. There was almost a feeling of unreality that we could actually be there. I felt this even more so when we saw the Sphinx with the Great Pyramid of Cheops behind it. Somehow I had always thought of the Sphinx as being in a vast stretch of empty desert, but it did not detract from the experience when I saw that it actually overlooks a Kentucky Fried Chicken and a Pizza Hut!

We visited the Egyptian Museum and saw the fabulous King Tutankhamon exhibit. We were photographed perched precariously in top of a camel. It is a long way down from there! We saw papyrus being made, and visited the beautiful waterfront at Alexandria and saw several of King Farouk's palaces. We visited a carpet factory where small children, often as young as seven sit all day patiently tying by hand the knots which make the pile of the carpets. We took a ferry boat across the Suez Canal and walked on the Sinai (on the paths only. We were warned that there are still unexploded land mines in the sand). We took a boat trip on the dangerously polluted Nile, but which still possesses a fascination.

We did as much as it is possible to do in the time that we had and came away with the knowledge that one trip is not enough to see all of it. We also came away with great admiration and affection for the people of Egypt who showed unfailing courtesy and made us feel very welcome. We learned again as we did in Romania four years ago, how much we have that we take for granted and just how very fortunate we are that so many years ago our ancestors had the courage to make the often hazardous journey to the New World so that we could enjoy the many blessings which we have here.

NEW ARRIVALS:

DANIEL JAMES CALDWELL arrived Feb 25, 1998. His parents are members COLLEEN & DANIEL CALDWELL of Sterling VA, and his grandparents are members JAMES CRAIG JOSEPHINE (COOKIE) KENNEDY of Uniontown PA. He has a brother JOHN, 5 1/2 years old and a sister 3 1/2 year old SARAH. Welcome DANIEL!

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The Kennedy Society of North America Inc. is incorporated in the state of South Carolina as a nonprofit social and historical group interested in 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, 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 to December 31st. They are US\$15.00 per year and include spouse and all children under eighteen years. New members pay an application fee of US\$10.00 in addition to the first years dues. Dues for members who do not live in the United States are US\$20.00 per year because of higher mailing costs.

COMING EVENTS:

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| 5/30/98 | Glasgow Highland Games
Glasgow, KY | * |
| 6/6/98 | Texas Scottish Festival
Arlington, TX | |
| 6/6/98 | Modesto Highland Games
Modesto, CA | * |
| 6/13/98 | Georgetown Highland Games
Georgetown, Ontario | * * |
| 6/20/98 | Campbell Highland Games
Campbell, CA | * |
| 6/27/98 | Ohio Scottish Games
Oberlin, OH | ? |
| 6/27/98 | Hamilton Highland Games
Hamilton, Ontario | * |
| 7/11/98 | Grandfather Highland Games
Linnville, NC | * |
| 7/25/98 | Barrie Highland Games
Barrie, Ontario | * |
| 8/1/98 | Glengarry Highland Games
Maxville, Ontario | * |
| 8/9/98 | Fergus Scottish Festival
Fergus, Ontario | * |

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