



## Order of the Chief recipients for 2021

Eric Erickson

**Isabella Brunk** - Order of the Chief. Isabella has provided the valuable service of providing valuable financial services to the Society. Her volunteer contributions of time and expertise have been a great benefit and are enormously appreciated.

**Jan Henderson Burdette** - Order of the Chief. Jan is an active member in the Youth Scholarship Committee and has contributed to involving young people at many of the festivals and games. Her contributions and enthusiasm are greatly appreciated.

**William Scougal Henderson** - Order of the Chief – Bill has been a member for over 30 years and has gone far and wide to participate and assist the festivals (even during covid) in the Mid Central Region. His contributions and wonderful stories of Scotland are a joy to many and tremendous.



## Come join the Clan Henderson Society in the Scottish Christmas Walk December 4, 11AM

The Campagna Center in Alexandria, Virginia, presents the Annual Scottish Christmas Walk Weekend and Parade. The lineup of festivities includes the Taste of Scotland, The Scottish Christmas Walk Parade, the Heather and Greens Sale, and the Holiday Home Tours, all celebrating the rich Scottish heritage of Old Town Alexandria. Proceeds will benefit The Campagna Center programs that serve more than 2,000 children and families daily in Alexandria. Multiple sponsorship opportunities are available.

### Taste of Scotland, Dec. 3

This festive event features a Scotch-tasting menu, including a variety of Scotches direct from Scotland distilleries, Scottish ale sampling, as well as beer, wine,

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 \* MacKendry \* McKendree \* Kendric and other versions of MacEanruit which means "Son of Henry"

**Alexandria Christmas Walk**, *continued from from page 1*  
and food.

**The Scottish Christmas Walk Parade, Dec. 4, 11 a.m.**

Enjoy marching units filled with the magnificent tartans of Scottish clans, the stirring sound of Scottish bagpipes and drums, Scottish dancers, reenactment groups, Scottie dogs, dignitaries, classic cars, Santa Claus, and much more. The parade begins at St. Asaph and Wolfe Streets and concludes at Market Square with a massed band concert. The parade will take place rain or shine.

**Heather and Greens Sale**

Purchase a variety of wreaths, garlands, and fresh heather bundles to decorate your home or office for the holiday season. Check the Campagna Center website for pre-order information.

**Holiday Home Tours, Dec. 4**

Explore Alexandria's history and take advantage

of a rare opportunity to stroll through some of Old Town's most splendid homes decked out for the holidays by acclaimed interior designers and local florists.

In order to protect our community during the ongoing pandemic, Campagna Center strongly recommends unvaccinated marchers and those marching with children wear masks during the parade. By registering for the Scottish Christmas Walk, you and your group agree to follow the public health guidelines set forth by the City of Alexandria and Campagna Center staff to ensure a safe and enjoyable event for all participants. Campagna Center reserves the right to restrict participation in the Scottish Christmas Walk from parade groups that are political or advocacybased in nature.





# President's Quarterly Message

**Leon Hicks**

*Clan Henderson Society  
President*

We are pleased to see that many Scottish heritage events are reopening and a few new ones starting up. I hope that you will consider attending an event if you are comfortable doing so.

November and December are busy months for our society, administratively. November and December are budget-building months for the coming year. Key among the considerations are funds allocated for scholarships supporting our convenors, promoting membership, and the An Canach newsletter. I encourage all convenors to contact their Regional Commissioners to discuss their needs, as well as opportunities, for the coming year. I also encourage Regional Commissioners to reach out to their convenors to initiate this conversation. All budget submittals should be made to the Vice President of Operations. Likewise, appointed program directors are also encouraged to provide estimated needs for their programs to the Vice President of Operations. The budget discussions will also consider the number of funds to be allocated to our investment program.

The first weekend of December is also the Scottish Christmas Walk in Old Town Alexandria, VA. CHS plans to be there. I hope you will join us. Check the website for more information.

I encourage all members of the Society to offer your support to your Regional Commissioner (perhaps this could be your New Year's resolution). This is vital to the Clan Henderson Society.

In order for our society to offer scholarships and promote Celtic culture, Scottish heritage, and Henderson history and genealogy, it is critical to have representatives at the various highland events to enroll new members.

Our Regional Commissioner's number one concern is that there are not enough members offering to convene, or otherwise support, these activities.

I cannot emphasize enough how important this is. I recommend you go to the website <[clanhendersonsociety.com](http://clanhendersonsociety.com)> and view the games spreadsheet.

Find an event near you and then contact your Regional Commissioner and offer to help with that event.

Clan Henderson Society athletic program has taken the lead in establishing a youth highland athletic program

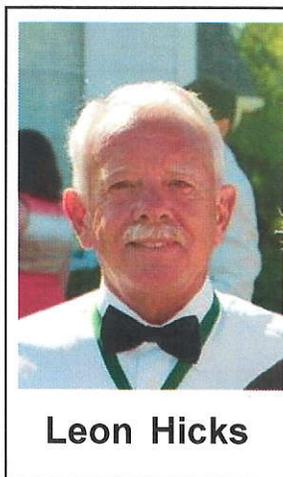
throughout the Scottish heritage community.

The initiative was kicked-off at the last Annual General Meeting. Among those present were Eric and Scott Owens both of whom are very active in Highland Athletics.

We drew heavily from their experiences to fully understand the issues of involving 14- to 17-year-olds in athletics. They are working with pediatric experts to develop guidelines for appropriate weights and activities for younger participants.

Clan Henderson is also extremely fortunate to

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**Leon Hicks**

**President's Message**, *continued from page 3*

have Jon Henderson who is a professional highland athlete and has held several administrative positions at the state and national level. He has provided a roadmap for the way forward.

Bryan Simpson, former Athletic Director of Clan Henderson, has also been very much involved in helping to guide this process along.

Bryan recently resigned from the leadership role, but he still remains actively involved in developing this program.

I am currently looking for a replacement for Bryan. He literally leaves big shoes to fill. Bryan has been and continues to be, a great asset to Clan Henderson Society.

Lastly, I met with the Director of the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games. He expressed great interest in supporting the effort and would like to introduce youth athletics at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games. This could evolve into a very extensive program over the next few years.

Furthermore, I hope that all CHS members will support their local CHS athletes.

Lastly, I want to take this opportunity to wish our members good health and prosperity in the coming New Year, and to thank all of you for your loyal

support to our Society.

We look forward to the coming New Year with great expectations for the continued growth and development of Clan Henderson Society.

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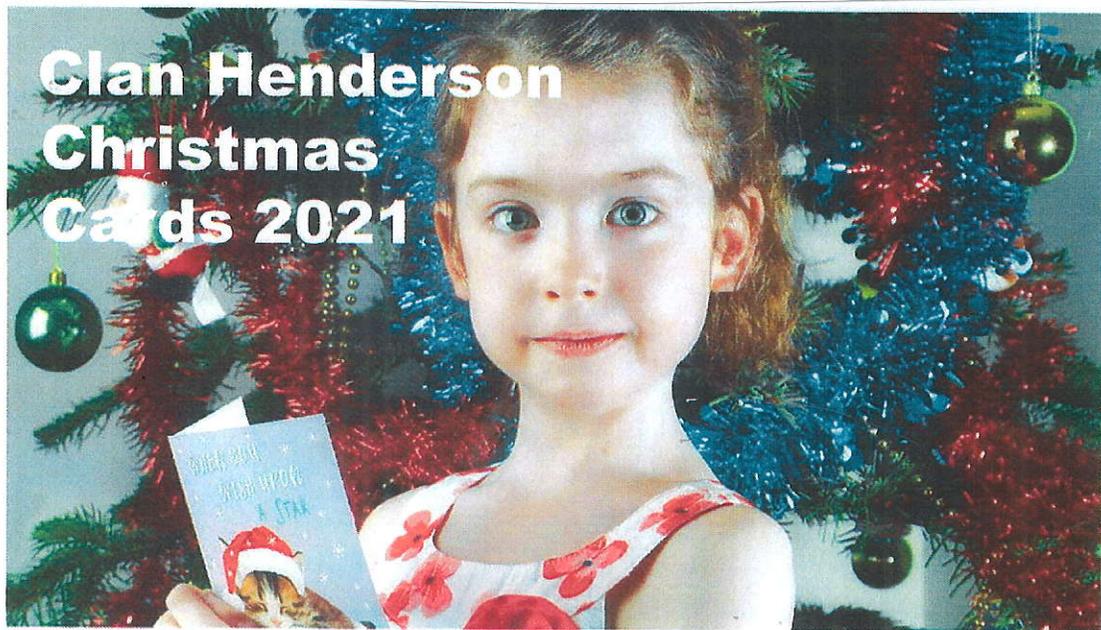
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CHS's Meri Russel's absolutely  
great spreadsheet on  
Scottish games?**

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# Clan Henderson Christmas Cards 2021

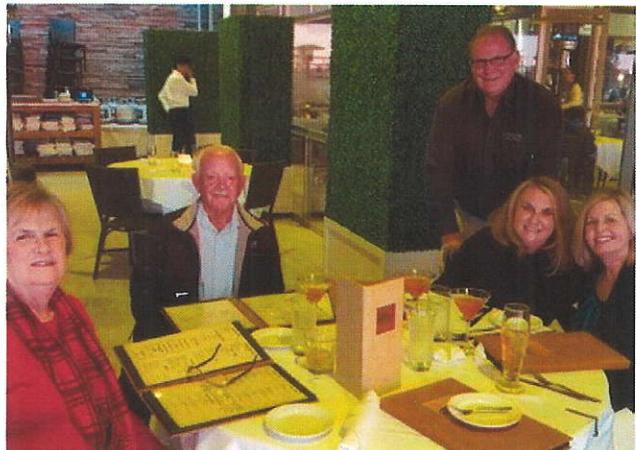
## It's not too late to order Clan Henderson Christmas Cards! Special cards made by our Clan Henderson young ones...

100% of the proceeds will be for the CHS Youth Scholarship Program



Order from Louis Russell  
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3608 SW Timberline Ct.,  
Akeny, IA 50023  
516-473-1651

# Coastal Fish Company Restaurant is filled with Henderson's



*On November 9, Leon Hicks and Ann Henderson Hicks, Roy T. Henderson and Catherine Henderson McEwen were in Memphis, Tennessee enjoying a lovely supper! . Roy and Catherine are brother and sister of Roy T. Henderson, deceased. Roy's wife, Carol, was there, too!*

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*Dear Clan Henderson,*

*Thank you so much for this scholarship.*

*This scholarship helps a lot towards getting me new outfits that I need or just fit better.*

*I am now competing full time, and look forward to seeing you guys sometime again at more Highland Games.*

*Stay Safe,*

*Love, Brynn Brown*



# Information about DNA testing

Bryan L. Mulcahy, MLS

Recently, I've encountered many patrons wanting as much information as possible about DNA testing. No surprise there. My concern has been the number who believe that testing is a shortcut to avoid spending years doing genealogical research. There is a direct correlation between these beliefs and the deluge of DNA testing commercials on radio, television and social media.

Once a valuable add-on for the dedicated family history researcher, DNA testing has now become the go-to method for satisfying one's curiosity about their heritage. Ask anyone what they think about family history these days and they will tell you about the DNA test they took or plan to take. The positive side of this trend is that DNA testing has made family history a topic of interest to more people than ever before. The flip side is while these tests often uncover fascinating information about a person's heritage, the results are only truly valuable, or accurate, within the context of more family history research. Some companies are boasting of new analytical tools on the sites to enhance the family member identification. I would urge caution as nothing totally replaces the data extracted from historical written documents.

Ongoing advances in the field of DNA testing provide greater accuracy for information such as where your ancestors came from and what percentage of your DNA belongs to different ethnicities, and increasingly narrow it down to specific towns, countries, and regions. Testing also helps individuals trace their family lines, not just to learn more about their own ancestry and heritage, but to identify and forge new relationships with relatives. However, much of this is dependent on the individuals tested sharing their results online. Most professional genealogists also add a second caveat: include a

family tree on your results profile. To compile a family tree, you need to perform some level of genealogical research.

While DNA testing can provide many potential ancestral research clues and predict the family relationship between two individuals, genealogical research databases, libraries and archives, and many genealogical societies, hold the key to supplementing these findings with

intricate details, stories, and histories that science seldom uncover on its own. One group of people for whom DNA testing has proven to be a major source of success are adoptees. We see many heart-warming success stories in the

media where DNA testing has helped adopted children, parents and/or siblings find each other.

What is the bottom line? DNA testing can point you in a direction. If you are serious in wanting to research your ancestors, performing genealogy research is the only reliable way. DNA tests can be great tools in helping you find your living relatives. However, you'll need to supplement your results with genealogy research. Here are some titles in the Lee County Library System that discuss DNA testing within their content.

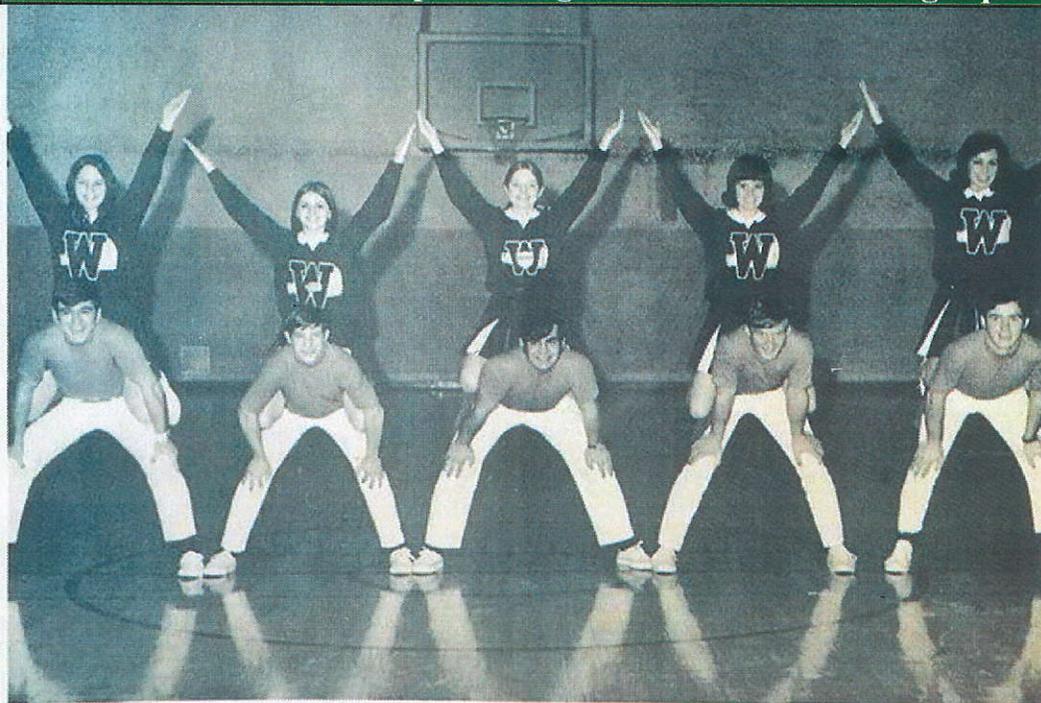
Berry, Kenyatta D. *The Family Tree Toolkit: A Comprehensive Guide to Uncovering Your Ancestry and Researching Your Genealogy*. Genealogy (G) 929.1 Berry 2018

Bettinger, Blaine T. *The Family Tree Guide to DNA Testing and Genetic Genealogy*. 2nd Edition. Genealogy (G) 929.1072 Bettinger 2019

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3 March 1971 - Walhalla, SC - See Tom Freeman on the left practicing with the Cheerleading Squad



Do you have an old, but wonderful photo of you or a member of your family? Send it to <bethscribble@aol.com> Tom is first on the left!

Walhalla High cheerleaders whoop it up at the school gymnasium for benefit of photographer, Morris Scyler's camera. Boys, left to right, Tommy Freeman, Bob Cantrel,

Ronald Massey and Sam Burton. Girls are Maxine Heater, Jeri Jennings, Karen Leggett, Salley Rogers and Teresa Collins.

Ask me about

Clan Henderson Society's



Scholarship Program

# Time Tripping: N-SSA Fall Skirmish and NRA Civil War Championship

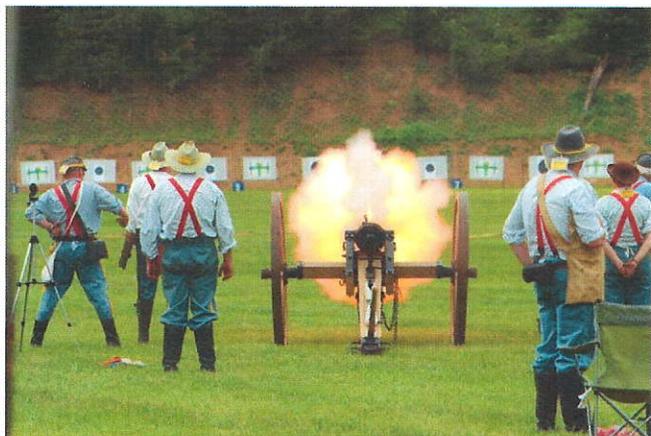
Submitted to *An Canach* by Dave Henderson, PE, FSA Scot

by John Parker

Skirmishing is a shooting sport focused on team competition with individual firearms, as well as artillery and mortars. The N-SSA Fall Skirmish is truly a spectacle to behold, with smoke from black powder lingering on the ground from hundreds of competitors shooting Civil War-era firearms and replicas, decked out from head to toe in period garb.

Competitors are on the firing line at this year's Fall Skirmish. The rain and wind did not seem to bother them.

Skirmishing is unique because of its historical basis rooted in the Civil War. Skirmishers relive history through competition with the firearms of the period. They do this by forming groups (usually geographically) and taking a name and uniform from a historically documented unit that served during



the war years.

This year's Fall Skirmish was special because it saw the revival of the NRA Civil War Championship. This historic NRA match was shot at Camp Perry for decades but because of reduced participation, it had been retired a few years ago. In conjunction with Den-

nis Willing, Director of NRA Competitive Shooting, the N-SSA has brought this historic match to a new home at Fort Shenandoah, Virginia.

As in previous years, the NRA Civil War Championship has musket, carbine, and revolver

matches with first, second, and third place medals being awarded for each firearm. The winner was also awarded the first place Grand Aggregate National Champion medal.

Barry Ranney (left) from NRA's Black Powder Department was on

hand to give out NRA medals for the Civil War Match at the awards ceremony. Harry Kepler, 9th Virginia Cavalry (center) and Phil Spaugy (right), National Commander of the N-SSA join him in this picture.

The beauty of this match was that additional targets did not need to be fired by the competitors. Skirmisher scores for their normal individual musket, carbine and revolver targets were used concurrently as entries for the NRA Civil War Championship. Each skirmisher signing up for the NRA Civil War Championship received a NRA participation pin that had been custom designed for this year's match.

My visit to the Fall Skirmish was rainy and cold, marred by remnants of Hurricane Joaquin meandering its way into the Shenandoah Valley. N-SSA nevertheless went out of its way to show me a good time, and I did not see any competitors let the rain get in the way of their fun. Match staff were extremely accommodating and gracious and no one complained

Dave Henderson writes: "Artillery match at the N-SSA Fall Nationals at Ft Shenandoah 2 October 2021.

We took Bronze Metal with 2 rounds in bullseye "V" ring under gun commander Bob Hanser.

Past gun commander Dick Hanser was smiling down on us Saturday and 1st Virginia Cavalry misses him greatly.

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# ***If you shop Amazon, you could be donating to The Clan Henderson Society with every purchase!***

For those of you that are unaware, Amazon will donate .05% of your Amazon purchases to The Clan Henderson Society.

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Shopping Amazon any other way is just throwing money away. Every penny helps.

Staci Simpson



## N-SSA Fall Skirmish, *continued from page 9*

Skirmishers relive history through competition with the firearms of the period.

Musket, carbine, revolver, breech-loading rifle/carbine, and smoothbore team matches, these events form the core of the N-SSA Skirmish competition and are shot from 25, 50, and 100 yards at ceramic tiles, clay pigeons, and pot silhouettes. However, N-SSA rules allow for regional matches to use substitute targets, such as 12 oz. soda cans and 2 liters full of colored water, and with nearly 60 regional skirmishes held each year in the N-SSA's 13 regions, this comes in handy. The most unique (and in my opinion, the coolest) competitions within N-SSA are the artillery team matches which are broken down into rifled and smoothbore artillery divisions. However, there are also howitzer and mortar matches too.

Artillery teams range from five to eight members, with each role critical for match success.

There were three artillery relays this year, each lasting for about one hour with a maximum of 12 shots



fired. Each artillery company consisted of five-to-eight-member teams shooting from 100 and 200 yards at both a bullseye and a counter-battery target. These teams use either a traditional fuse or a rope-pulled friction fuse to fire their cannon. So as you can tell, there is rarely a dull moment.

ment.

This team was able to get two shots down the cannon bore of their counter-battery target.

The competition is situated at Fort Shenandoah which is the N-SSA's home range. It is located 15 minutes north of Winchester, Virginia on 400 acres in the rolling hills of the lower Shenandoah Valley. Two National Skirmishes are held annually in the Fall and Spring, and facilities include a well-maintained rifle range a quarter-mile long, a separate revolver range, and several support buildings. There is also a large barn where the awards ceremony is held, it was the perfect setting for the conclusion of such a unique championship.

To learn more about N-SSA Skirmishes please go to their website.



## The Inaugural Crystal Coast Highland Games

### Leon Hicks, CHS President

It was a great pleasure to be present at the first Highland Festival and Games to be held at Beaufort/Newport, North Carolina.

Given the fact that it was the first-ever event, it was well attended. There was considerable interest in heavy athletics as well as Highland dancing and music. Beaufort is a beautiful location for a Highland event.

We are especially pleased to announce we have a new member joining our society, Ellen and Brandon Nance of Asheboro, NC. They have three future Clan Henderson Athletes, young Ezra, Asa, and Jhobe. They were accompanied by their friend Gabriel also in the picture.



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# Ceud Mile Failte

**100,000 Welcomes!**

Mark Henderson, FSA Scot, Vice President CHS Members welcomes our brand new Henderson cousins to our group!

New members of this An Canach issue include from the Far South CHS Region, Betty Massey Barnett from Batesville, Arkansas! So happy to have you.

The Far West CHS Region is proud to have Shelley Henderson Lloyd of Dallas, Texas! We're delighted to call you cousin!

Great Lakes CHS Region has four new members this time... Ashley Henderson of Painesville, Ohio; Brenda Henderson of Ludlow Falls, Ohio, Nicole Henderson of Ypsilanti, Michigan; and Twana Nunley of Elizabeth, Indiana. Welcome, everyone!

Martina Garcia Lopez is an Independent new member from Santiago de Compestela, La Carunna, ESP. We're so glad to have you, Martina!

There are four new Mid South CHS members, too! Jonathan Barnwell, of Jasper, Tennessee; Troy Byrd of Kingston Springs, Tennessee; James Henry of Monroe, Louisiana; and Mary Higgins - Gomez of Mount Juliet, Tennessee. Hurrah! You're cousins now!

The North East CHS Region welcomes Brian Codagnone of Wakefield, Massachusetts! We're hoping to meet you!

From the Oceania CHS Region we welcome Susan Burns from Bombay, South Auckland, New Zealand!

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**New Members! When you get your new kilt or kilted skirt in one of the Henderson tartans, don't forget to have it "christened" at the Henderson Clan tent at the next Highland Games.**



Mark Henderson, FSA Scot, Vice President CHS Members once again honors all those who have earned by being dues paying members of the CHS for 5, 15 and 25 years.

The Five Year Member receiving their very first Longevity Member Recognition pin from the Far South Region is Kenda McPherson from Junction, Texas!

More Five Year Pins are from the CHS Mid East Region and include Connie Henderson from Reedville, Virginia; Rev. William Henry from Washington, Pennsylvania; and Linda Henderson Langmyer from Wheeling, West Virginia.

Members who have achieved Five Year Pins from the CHS Mid South Region are Judy H. Cunningham from Fayetteville, Tennessee; and Margaret Gripshover of Bowling Green Kentucky.

North East CHS Region Five Year Pin recipients include Rudolf Henderson Burgherr of Vine Grove, Kentucky and Keith Henderson of West Haven, Connecticut.

From the North Pacific CHS Region comes Donald R. Byard of Keizer, Oregon!

There are three CHS members from the South East CHS Region earning their Five Year Pins. They are Jon Creightonh of Atlanta, Georgia; Douglas Flummer of Kennesaw, Georgia and Lindsey Jones of Snow Hill, North Carolina.

Mary L. Dobrzensky of Paso Robles, California and the South Pacific CHS Region also wins a Five Year Pin!

Congratulations to all of the Five Year Pin folk!

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# Headwear HACKLES



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# Hackles are for wearing

In 2020 the General Membership approved the use of hackles to denote certain positions held within the Clan Henderson Society. Additionally, the use of a feather to denote holding a Regional Commissioner's Office is no longer recognized.

## Crystal Coast Highland Games,

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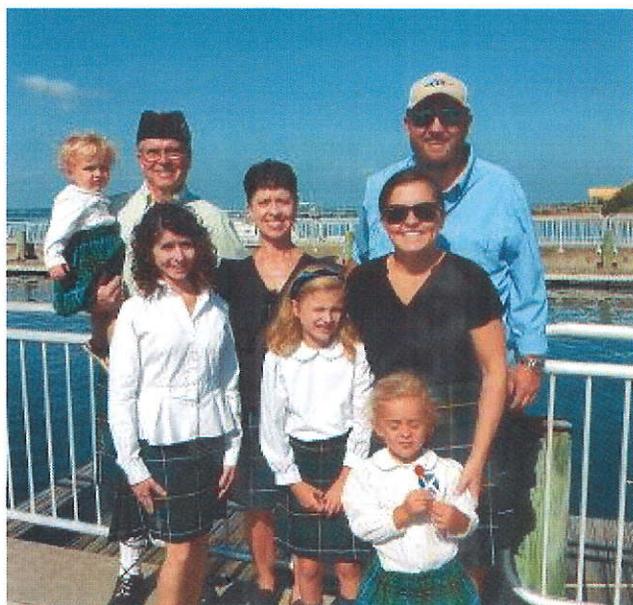
Bill and Beth Henderson, who are among the first members of Clan Henderson, joined us as well. It was great seeing them again.

They have a wealth of knowledge about the earliest days of the Society and hope we will have the opportunity to capture our Society's history.

Among their family members attending were Averi (Henderson) Underman and her family.

The Society owes the entire family a great debt of gratitude for their continuous, loyal support of the Clan Henderson Society.

Henderson family photo includes, left to right: Charles Linderman (19-month-old grandson); Bill Henderson; Jenna Henderson (daughter); Beth Henderson; Georgia MacHenryLinderman (7 3/4-year-old); Francie Linderman (almost 4 years old); Averi Henderson Linderman (daughter) and Grant



Linderman (son-in-law).

It was a beautiful day, a beautiful event, and they have our best wishes for long-lived success.

Hackles are worn on headgear. The attached shows the five colors of hackles, the recognition they symbolize and offers a link to a site where they may be purchased (approximately \$16 USD).

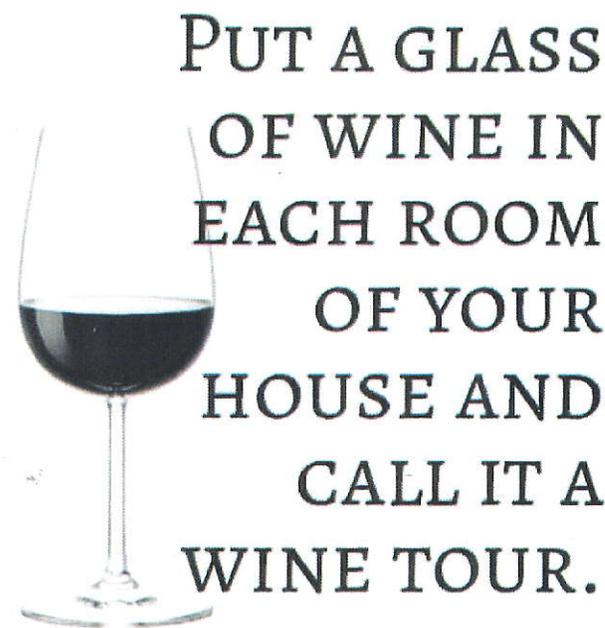
Mark Henderson, 540-447-6783



## Another Mark Henderson in London & on Savile Row!

Mark Henderson, chairman of the Savile Row Bespoke Association, said he believed there had been a trend in the suit market towards personalisation.

“People who’ve been buying ready-to-wear prefer a better fit. There’s a difference between a beautiful suit and some tat from around the corner.”



*Thanks to Suzanne Keifer*

**Brand new Clan Henderson Members,**  
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From the South East CHS Region, we have five brand new Henderson members! Cindy Brammer from Mt. Dora, Florida; Michael Henderson from Zebulon, North Carolina; Brent McClendon from Charleston, South Carolina; Ellen Nance from Asheboro, North Carolina and Hawk Owens from Roswell, Georgia.

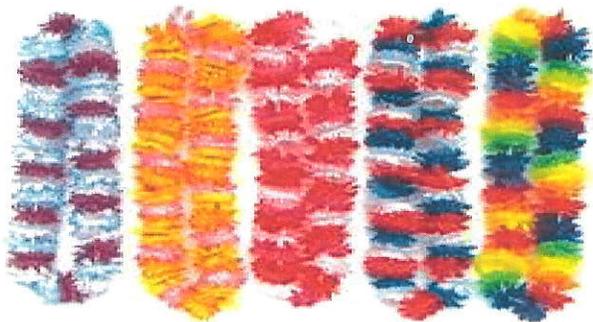
We wish all of you 100,000 welcomes or Ceud Mile Failte in Gaelic!

The South Pacific CHS Region welcomes Steven Brock of Alea, Hawaii! We send you a virtual lei from Clan Henderson!



And from the South West CHS Region, we welcome David Henderson from Centennial, Colorado! Howdy! So glad to have you!

From the South West Henderson Region, we are just plumb tickled to have Robert C. Henderson, II from Denver, Colorado!



Ya know, it was so much fun sending virtual leis to Stephen Brock, here are leis for every single one of our brand new members!

Just choose the one you like and “play like” you have it around your neck! Just for fun!



**Longevity Member Recognition Pins,**  
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Our Fifteen Year recipients include from the Far South CHS Fifteen Year Pin folks Steven Hendricks from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Fifteen Year Members also include Phillip M. Embry of Panama City Beach Florida and the South East CHS Region as well as Gregg MacKendrick of Largo, Florida, also from the South East CHS Region.



Our Twenty Five Year Member Recognition members this time include from the Far South CHS Region, Glenn L. Henderson, Jr., from Jefferson, Texas and Dr. William B. Baker, Jr., from Lascassas, Tennessee and the Mid South CHS Region. Joining this duo is Jim W. Tucker of Bennettsville, South Carolina and the South East Region!

Congratulations to all of the folks who are Longevity Member Recognition Members.

No matter your award, the pins will be mailed to you very soon by Mark Henderson, FSA Scot and Membership Vice President!

Do you have a  
Henderson genealogical query?  
Just send it to  
<bethscribble@aol.com>  
for inclusion in An Canach.

*Clan Henderson Flower of the Forest*  
*Joseph R. Henderson*

**Joseph R. Henderson (1944-2021)** of Long Beach, California, Clan Henderson member and recipient of the Chief's Prize, passed away peacefully on August 19, 2021, at the age of 77.

He was the beloved husband of Joyce L. (Ferreira) Henderson for 48 years.

Born in Salem, NJ, Joe was the son of the late Oliver and Margaret Henderson Donahay.

He is survived by his loving wife, Joyce; his sisters, Margaret Davis and her husband, Alan, Jean Aertker and Jane Hitchner and her husband, Skip, and many nieces and nephews.

Joe grew up in New Jersey and graduated from Salem High School in 1961.

He earned his Bachelor's Degree from Rutgers University and his Master's Degree from the University of San Francisco.

After moving to Long Beach, CA in 1965, Joe and Joyce began their shared lifelong passion of being math teachers.

He devoted 40 years to teaching, 27 of those years at Wilson High School. Joe had many achievements in his rewarding career including serving as Department Chairman, 1985 Teacher of the Year, Jr Optimists Club Sponsor, Student Council Teacher, Talent Show Director, and math tutor to many students.

Joe was a friend to many, a mentor leader, and always an educator.

Joe loved his family, students, teaching math, all

kinds of artistic endeavors, traveling, gardening, cooking, wine, and most of all, he loved Joyce and their life together.

Joe and Joyce traveled to many amazing places, and their favorite place was Kona, Hawaii.

They were members of a camping club and a gourmet cooking club. Joe prepared many meals and catered events for family and friends.

He was extremely thoughtful and would create special cakes for friends' birthdays, holidays and as a thank you.

Joe was a member of the Silverado United Methodist Church holding several offices and a leader of the youth group.

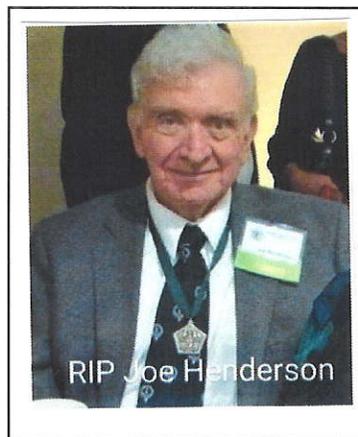
Joe lived by the Optimist Club Creed and was a member of the Optimist Club of Belmont Shore and the Harbor Optimist Club.

He served as a Lieutenant Governor of the Pacific Southwest Optimist District.

Joe had a passion for genealogy and history and was a member of the Clan Henderson for nearly 30 years.

For a dozen years, he served as Commissioner of the South Pacific Region for the Clan Henderson, inspiring others with his creativity and enthusiasm.

Joe crafted cottongrass lapel pins by the dozen to distribute to Clan members, developed youth activity books for kids who visited our tents, and enjoyed creating New Member treats like bumper stickers and magnets.



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# Huge congratulations go out to Shalimar Henderson, representing Clan Henderson in athletic events in the North Pacific Region! She has represented us well!



Shalimar writes:

“I started throwing in 2019 after reading an article about women’s classes in Highland Games that was posted by a local game. I have always been very competitive and

the more unusual the better. I have done things like 3-Day Eventing, Bodybuilding, and Roller Derby in the past.

I also actively compete in School Bus Safety Exercises (aka School Bus

- Kootenai Highland Gathering and Celtic Games (Libby, MT 7/16/21) - Women's Lightweight 5th place
- Cockrell Cider Highland Games (Puyallup, WA 7/24/21) **Women's Lightweight 1st place**
- Central Oregon Celtic Festival & Highland Games (Redmon, OR) - Women's Lightweight 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

Roadeo). I am the current Oregon State Champion Special Needs bus driver and qualified for the International Bus Driving Championships in 2020. Sadly, that event was cancelled due to Covid.

Being of Scottish descent and having a surprising amount of strength for a smaller woman, I knew that Highland Games would be an awesome adventure for me. I started the week after my 40<sup>th</sup> birthday and competed in 2019 and 2020 as a Women’s Master.

I had some success as a Master but was far from being able to qualify for things like Masters World Championships.

After Covid, I decided to focus on my health and fitness. I have dropped a total of 85 lbs since December and can now compete as a lightweight.

There have been lots of adjustments but as a lightweight, I am fairly well ranked and will likely qualify for MWC in 2022.

It has been a great honor to represent Clan Henderson at local games, and I hope to branch out and travel more next season.

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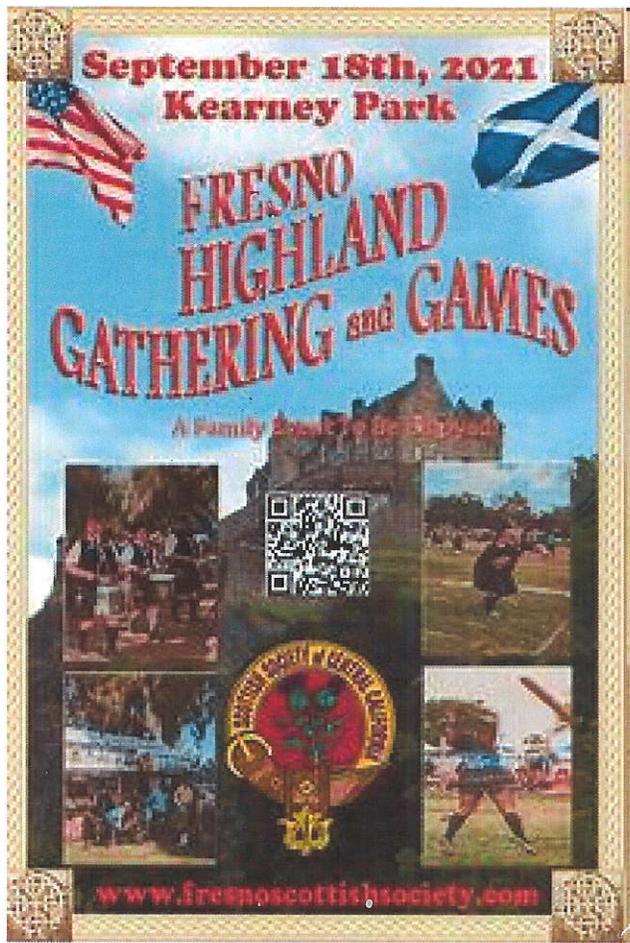
## Joe Henderson, *continued from page 17*

As one Clan member put it, Joe has given us traditions and memories that add definition and splendor to the activities of the Clan in our region.

Joe was awarded the Chief’s Prize – Clan Henderson Society’s highest award

*Earlier this year, Joe and his wife Joyce moved from Long Beach to a memory care facility in Florida. If you would like to send any cards the new address for Joyce is: 301 Riverside Dr, Wauchula FL 33873.*

**DARE TO WIN**



John &  
Sherrilyn McKendry

The Fresno Highland Gathering and Games were held September 18, 2021.

The weather was fantastic, warm and breezy all day. There was a great turnout this year and we had a lot more foot traffic than usual.

The event was a long time coming, due to Covid 19. Sherrilyn had not been to any games since 2019.

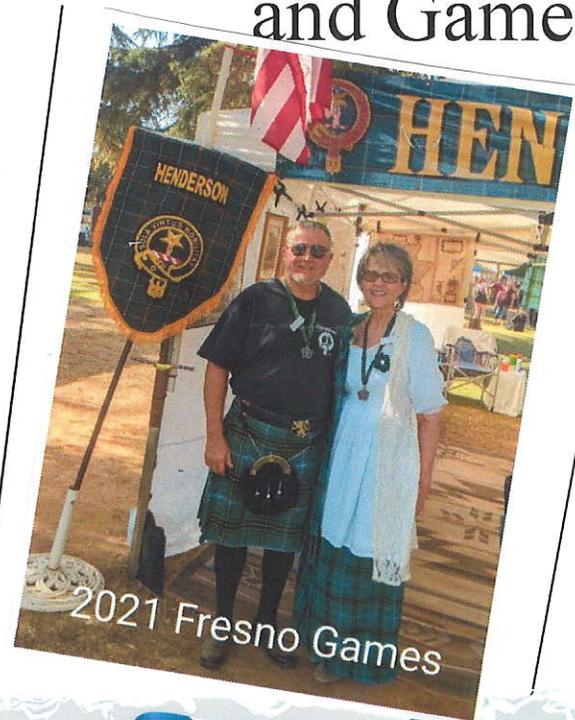
It was good to be back. The Clan Henderson was set up directly in front of the main entrance. We had a double tent, newer photos and more Clan Henderson materials.

This was the first games without Joe Henderson and he was, will always, be truly missed.

We had many visitors due to our location and people wanting to pet our dog, Maggie.

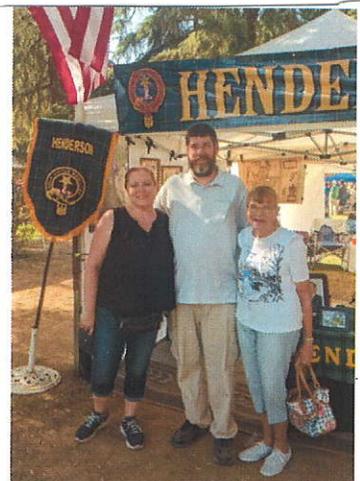
We had fourteen people sign the Guest Book. Some of the folks were regulars: Peter and Michelle Gartung and Tom and Dolly McQuerry

## 2021 Fresno Highland Gathering and Games



We also had Jeromy McHenry, who later joined Clan Henderson via the Internet.

Marc Derendinger (Henderson descendant) who competed in all of the Men's "C" events and placed 4th overall came by and visited with us as well.



# Burns Dinner in July!

Margaret Sanford

Our annual Burns Dinner hosted by Rural Hill in Huntersville, North Carolina, was held in July this year instead of January because for the COVID Virus.

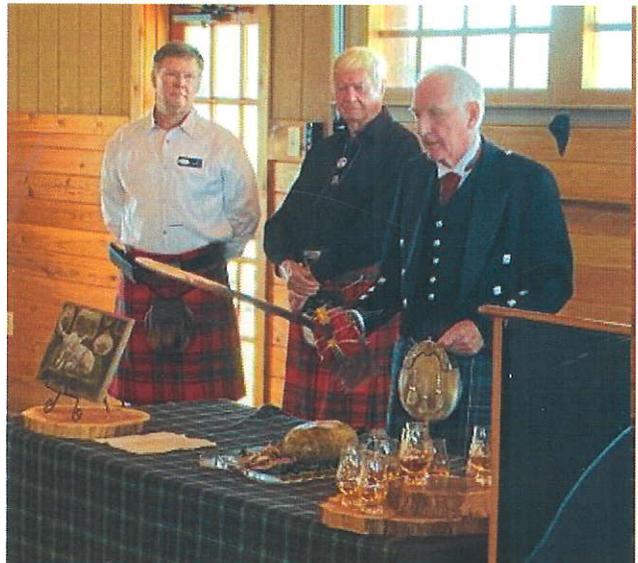
In spite of the change of date, the event was well attended.

Fred and I went and we enjoyed seeing folks we had not seen in a while.

Our Scottish friends, Jamie and Jack Pressley, were there and Jack gave the "Address to the Haggis".

It was a gala affair and enjoyed by all.

We look forward to another Burns Dinner in 2022, hopefully held in January.



## *Congratulations & Best Wishes!*

Courtney and I got married on Friday, August 13, 2021 at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Charleston, SC. It was Henderson tartan of course. We are headed to Scotland on Wednesday for our honeymoon.

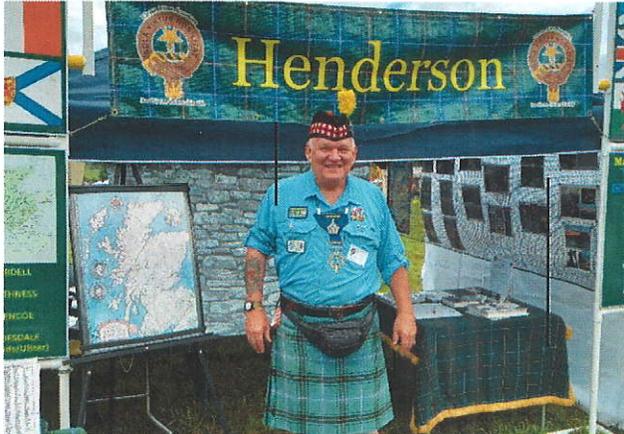
We will see you at the Highland Games!

Tom Henderson





# Virginia Scottish Games and Festival



## Marc Henderson, FSA Scot CHS Vice President of Members

The Clan Henderson Hospitality tent was up and running at the 2021 Virginia Scottish Highland Festival held September 4-5 at the Plains, Virginia.

The event was very well attended, being close to Washington, D.C.

The event was started when a sky-diver jumped into the middle of the athletic field--WEARING A KILT!

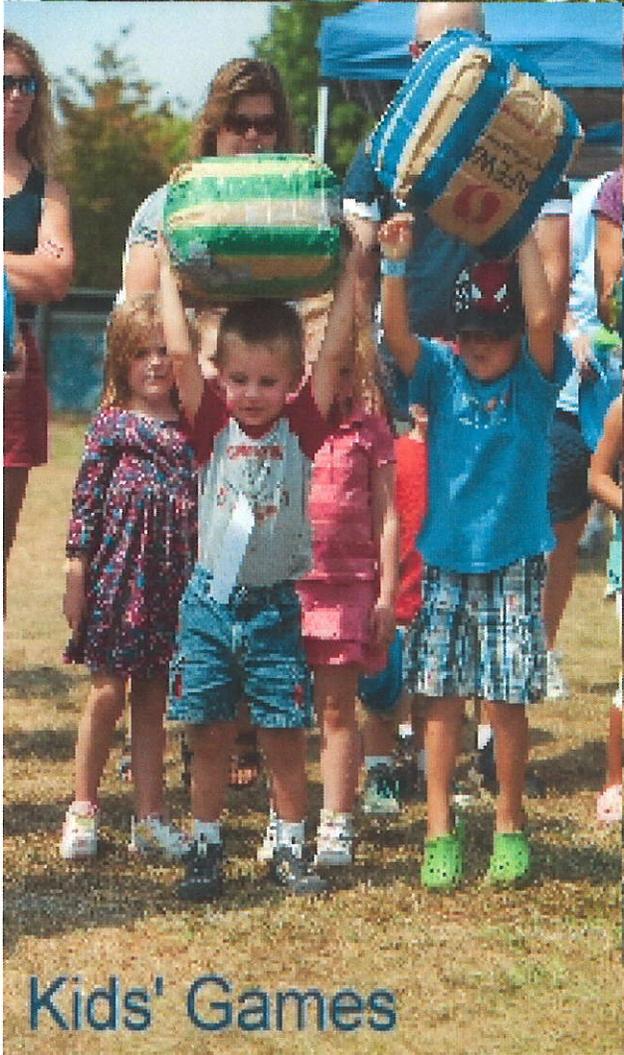
On both days, a number of people visited the hospitality tent and were treated to tons of information concerning MacEanruig's world-wide.

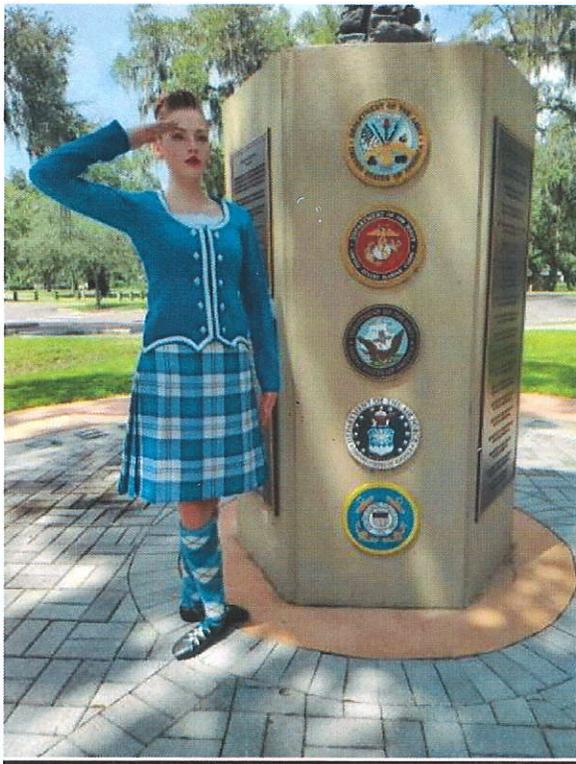
Visiting members included Timothy and Neal Henderson, Marc R. Henderson and Lauren Erera and beautiful young Hannah Henderson.

Our Society also helped a number of others "find their clan" and our map of Scotland was well perused.

One visitor was Ellen Hamilton, author of a book on Scottish Migration thru Alexandria, Virginia--a major colonial era seaport.

Saturday's perfect weather was appreciated by all and despite Sunday showing some "Scottish sunshine" there was again a strong crowd.





## Audrey Trawick's Tribute

Hello Scholarship community members and organizations,

My plan originally was to update everyone this month on how my studies are going and to make another short video on what I'm currently learning. I hope you don't mind but I took some time this week instead to produce a Scottish Tribute to the recent Fallen thirteen soldiers in Afghanistan, honoring all those in the Iraq war who also sacrificed their lives as well.

As a Scottish community member, I can't help but feel the importance of honoring our Veterans, our Soldiers, and the Fallen for their sacrifices and for their service.

My grandfather, Richard Schaeffer, was drafted and served several years in the United States Army. My great uncle is in the Navy and Air force. My Uncle

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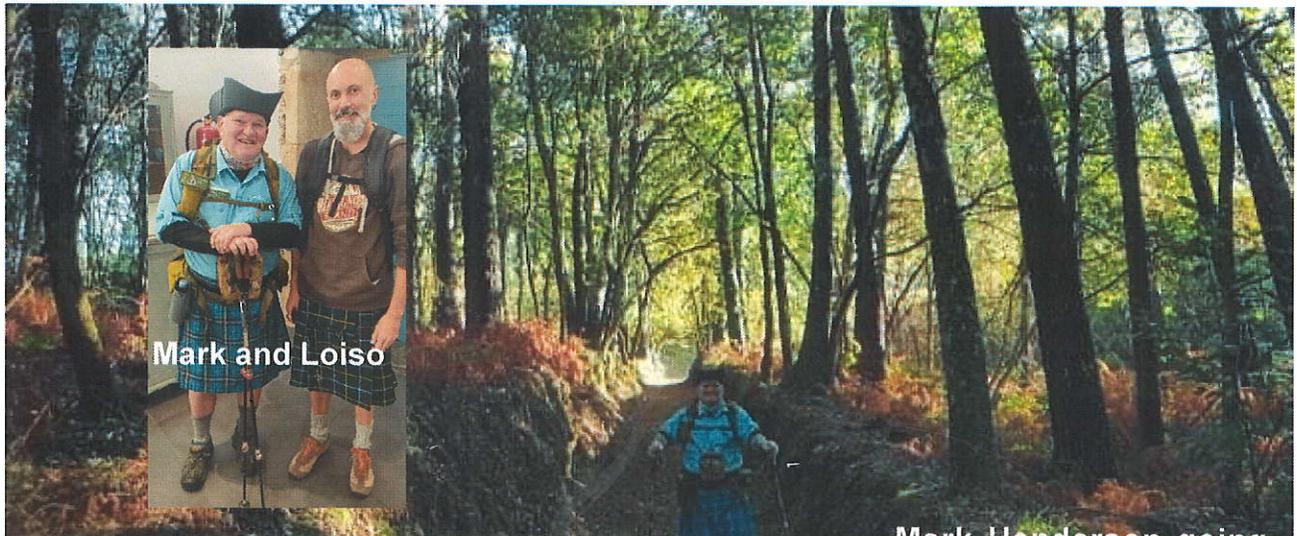
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Mark and Loiso

Mark Henderson going for a nice walk in Australia!

Hi Everybody,  
 Tom and I would like to thank those in Clan Henderson who were so kind during our awful health scare. We thought Tom had a UTI. Nope. It was Septicemia which caused Afib.

It took EIGHT bodyscans to find the culprit and cause of everything. Tom had a kidney stone the size of a 10 MM bullet. He's home with daily IVs until he goes back in two weeks to have the kidney stone zapped. (It is in a stent now.) Then home. Then back in another week for final "vacuuming" of that stone.

For all of this hospital time, I was home alone. Your concerned telephone and email messages kept me sane.

The North GA Medical Center at Braselton saved my Tom in such kind and miraculous ways. They are amazing. And so caring.

If you are, or know of, a paraplegic, please ask them to have testing for kidney stones. They can kill you! This one tried with Tom.

Most paraplegics can't feel these.

Tom had not had a kidney stone check since he was in his accident in 1988. Nobody thought of it.

Thank you all. Much love, Tom and Beth

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**Audrey Trawick's Tribute,**

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Ryan Schaeffer in the US Marine Corps actually served several years in Iraq and in Afghanistan. He was part of the platoon that helped rescue the female soldier that was taken prisoner during the Iraqi war.

I have a tremendous amount of respect for all those who serve, have served in the past, and will serve in the future. I hope everyone will take some time to view my video with the upmost respect.

Feel free to share my video as you like.

And although I am not in the military, I hope my video will be perceived with the most honorable of intentions from my Scottish heart.

Sincerely,

Stacey and Audrey Trawick

YouTube Link: <https://youtu.be/O2PC7nYo2UU>



# The Games in Maine were mainly great fun! The



# Hendersons greatly enjoyed the day!

Regional Commissioner, Barbara Pamboukes

The Maine Highland Games were held on August 21 at Thomas Point State Park, on the beautiful coast of Maine, near Brunswick.

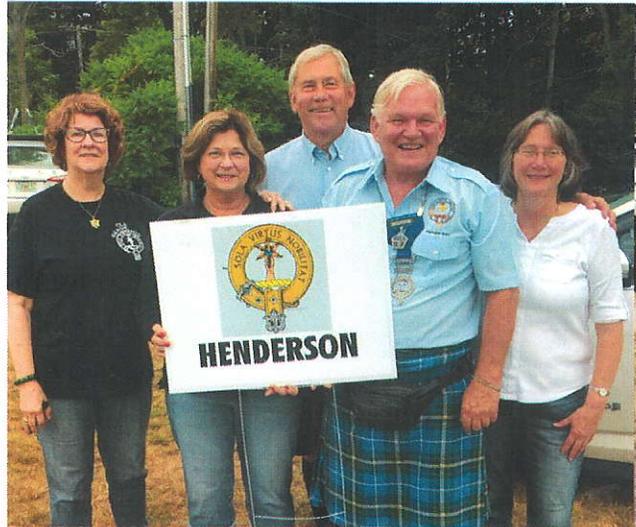
The Clan Henderson Hospitality Tent was hosted by Regional Commissioner Barbara Pamboukes and assisted by Mark and Sandi Henderson of Virginia and Kathleen and Steve MacLachlan of Houlton, Maine.

There was a good showing of Henderson's including the Jackson Family (Nathan, Fallon, Liam, Eman and Connor) a military family on their way to Korea.

The venue was well attended and the crowds were quite large.

The hit of the games were 5 pipe bands and the Athletics, with one world record being tied.

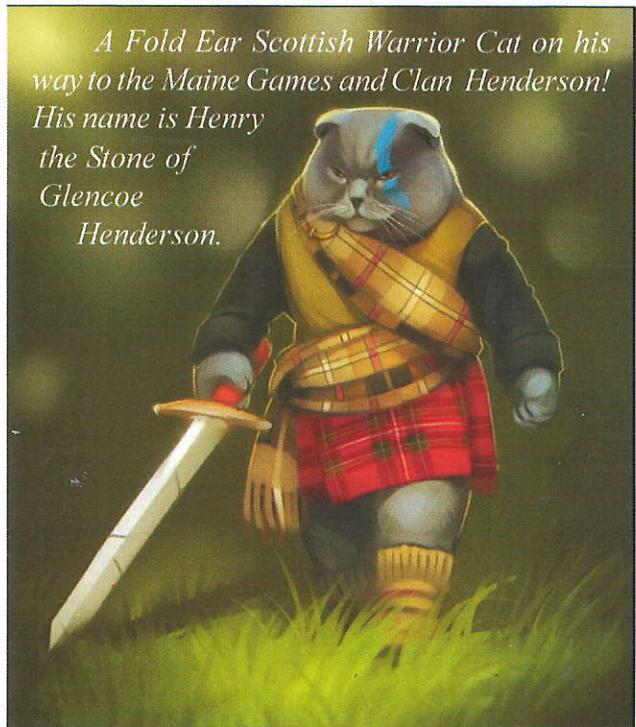
The games, being positioned along the Atlantic Coast, were a hit.



*Sandi Henderson, Barb Pamboukes, Steve MacLachlan, Mark Henderson and Kathleen MacLachlan.*



*Emma and Liam Jackson, Henderson clan members, take a break from the games to swim at the adjacent beach. Supervising is Kathleen MacLachlan and Fallon Jackson.*



# FLOWERS OF THE FOREST

DAVID W. HENDERSON CPO PAUL EDWARD DUNLAP

**David W. Henderson** went to be with the Lord on September 27, 2020.

Surviving is his wife of 37 years, Eleanor Henderson. Also, sons Alexander and David Henderson, along with daughter Kandi Callaghan.



He also had a stepson, Richard Austell, and two stepdaughters, Eleanor Raiford and Sandy Austell.

He was also blessed with nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

No service is scheduled at this time but remains are being handled by The Trident Society.

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**CPO Paul Edward Dunlap, USNR.** Paul was one of the original members of SAMS Post 100 and the last WWII Veteran in the Post.

He died 25 Sept 2020 from complications due to a fall that broke his left leg near the hip.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Jean, and his two sons, Don and Glenn. Paul is survived by his daughter, Pauletta Gain, three grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Paul was working as an exhaust manifold welder in an aircraft factory when he decided to join the Navy in 1942 and became a flight engineer and tail gunner in PBMs (Black Cat Outfit in the South

Pacific) during WWII.

He was awarded the Navy DFC (Distinguished Flying Cross) along with other medals and ribbons during his time in the service.

He got out shortly after the bomb was dropped. Two years later, he reenlisted and served another 22 years in the Navy.

He served at a number of bases after he reenlisted, Hawaii, Midway Island, Olathe, KS. Oakland, CA, and Niagara Falls before his retirement in 1964. He worked a number of jobs as a civilian including, school custodian, auto mechanic and farm implement assembly before taking a correspondence course in Air conditioning and heating that landed him a job at Eastman, Kodak in Colorado.

Paul loved his Scottish heritage. He made numerous trips to Scotland, became Chieftain of the Caledonian Society of Northern Colorado, served as the State Commissioner for Clan Dunlap, and served as a Commander of the Scottish American Military Society Post 100. He was also a Clan Henderson member with Hendersons on both sides of his family.

Paul loved to tell stories about his time in the Navy, especially the war. So much so that his grandson, Glenn, enlisted in the Navy during his junior year in high school and started out as a brown shoe aircraft hydraulics mechanic the same as his grandfather started out. Glenn served for 20 years.

Paul was buried next to his wife and close to his middle son in Sunset Memorial Gardens in Greeley, CO.

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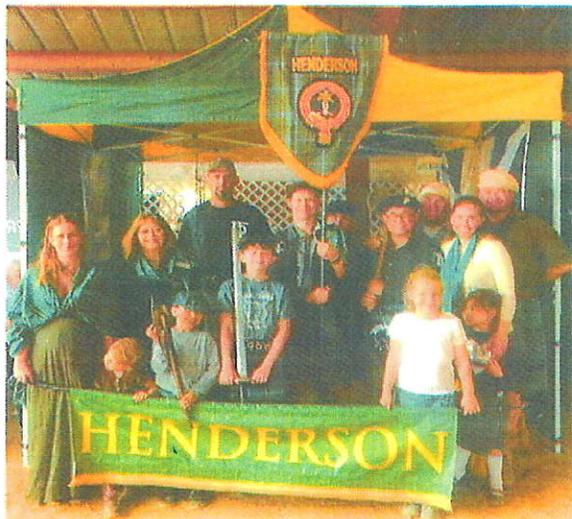
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