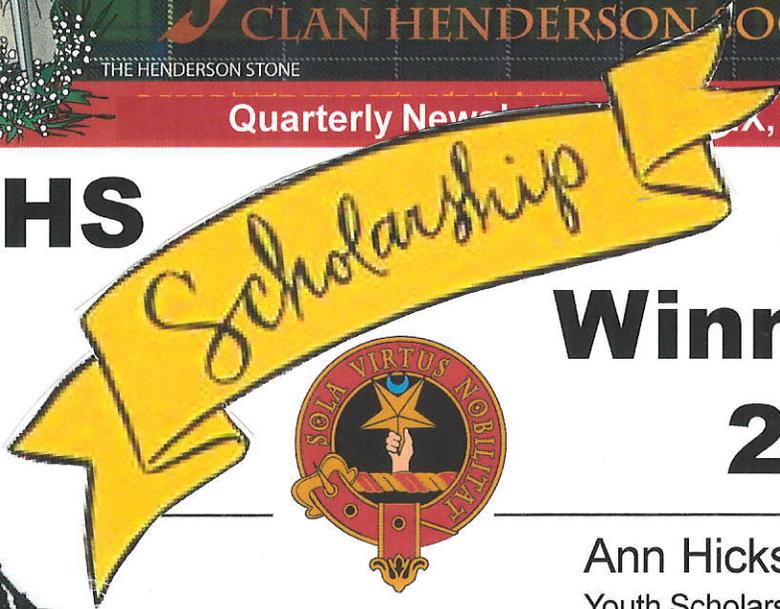




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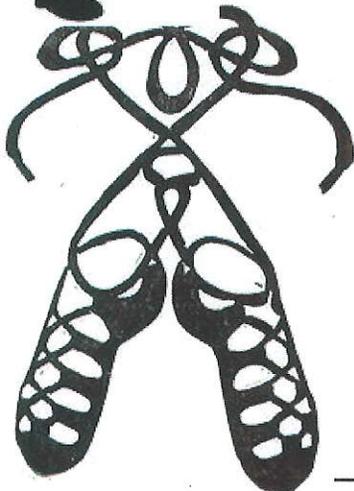


**Award**

**Winners for  
2019**



**Ann Hicks,**  
Youth Scholarship Committee Chairman



I am very pleased to announce the following winners of our 2019 Youth Scholarship Awards. This year we had 10 outstanding winners in our Arts and Music Award Category. Each of our winners have achieved many honors through diligence and hard work and are making excellent progress in their fields of Highland Dancing, Bagpiping and Drumming.

As Youth Commissioner and Chairperson of our Youth Scholarship Committee, I am proud to present the following \$300.00 award winners.

- ◆ Audrey Trawick, Highland Dancer, South East Region
- ◆ Bret Dernback, Highland Dancer, South Pacific Region
- ◆ Brynn Brown, Highland Dancer, South East Region
- ◆ Eirik Sutton, Highland Dancer, Deep South Region
- ◆ Eliza Sutton, Highland Dancer, Deep South Region
- ◆ Clara Sutton, Highland Piper, Deep South Region
- ◆ Reece Calovini, Highland Piper, Great Lake Region
- ◆ Aiden Henderson, Highland Piper, South Pacific Region
- ◆ Sebastian Arguelles, Drummer, South Pacific Region
- ◆ Noah Schnee, Highland Piper, South East Region

On behalf of the Scholarship Committee I want to thank everyone who

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\* Henderson \* Henryson \* Henrisoun \* Henders \* McHenry \* McHenry \* Hendrie \* Hendron \* d'Hendresson  
\* Eanrig \* Eanruig \* Enderson \* Endherson \* Endirsone \* MacCanrig \* MacCanrik \* McKendrick  
\* MacKendry \* McKendree \* Kendric and other versions of MacEanruit, which means "Son of Henry"

# ATTENTION PLEASE!

Dear AGM Attendees,

Regarding the AGM on 14 September, Mike Henderson needs to provide a check in advance to the food providers. He needs to receive a check for \$30 per person from all attendees by 5 September made out to Mike Henderson. Mike's address is: 1167 River Bay Rd, Annapolis, MD 21409. His email is <HJoanAndMike@aol.com> His phone is: 410-757-6525.



Entrees: Beef Merlot, English Style Cod and Apricot Pork Tenderloin. Sides: Red Skin Potatoes. Penne Pasta with Red Sauce and Green Beans Amandine. The buffet also includes tossed salad, rolls, coffee, tea and iced tea and chef's choice of dessert.

The dinner will be at the Ramada Ligonier. We will gather around 6:30 and eat at 7 PM.

Leon

thank you!

## Scholarships, *continued from page 1*

contributed to our Youth Scholarship Fund. This year we were able to award these wonderful students who strive to promote our Scottish heritage and Celtic culture, the funds to help them on their road to success.

Without your generous and continuous support, we would not be able to provide these students the scholarships they so richly deserve.

On behalf of Clan Henderson Society, I also want to thank the members of the Scholarship Committee who have worked diligently in this important task: Mary Henderson, Mary Lane Henderson and the VP Members, Mark Henderson.

Dear Clan Henderson Society,  
I am so grateful for the scholarship that you gave me. I am eleven years old and turning twelve this year.

I have been playing the pipes for two years now and plan to keep playing the pipes forever.

The scholarship you gave me will be going towards The Rob McLintock California Summer School for piping and drumming in Carlsbad California next summer. This means a lot to me and I can't wait until I go to camp next year. I will learn so much about how to be a better piper and a better band mate.

Sincerely,  
Aiden Henderson



# President's Quarterly

**Leon Hicks**

*Clan Henderson Society  
President*

It has been a very active quarter for Clan Henderson Society.

In addition to the numerous activities associated with convening events around the world, the CHS Leadership Team has also been very active programmatically.

As you have probably seen elsewhere in this edition of *An Canach*, the Scholarship Committee has been very active assessing applications and making awards.

The committee, consisting of Mary Henderson of Fredericksburg VA, the South East Commissioner Mary Lane Henderson, and Ann Hicks the Youth Director, are to be congratulated for an excellent job.

Next, I want to thank Mark Henderson (VP Members) for his "hike-a-thon" on behalf of the youth scholarship program. His effort is not only appreciated for the funds he generated, but the creativity in the manner which he did so. Hopefully other members of our society will follow his example in helping to support our activities.

The Corporate Outreach Committee of our society has put the final touches on their program to solicit corporate funds to support our scholarship activities.

Louis Russell has provided excellent leadership. He and the entire team are to be congratulated.

I encourage all members of CHS to help identify companies that may be willing to contribute.

Louis and his team will be very pleased to work with you to that end and provide whatever resources and advice you may require.

The basic concept for identifying contributors is the one that was offered up by Reg Hill which stipulates that smaller companies should be the focus our efforts. The team has developed both hardcopy brochures and digital video presentations to help. Please contact Louis for more details.

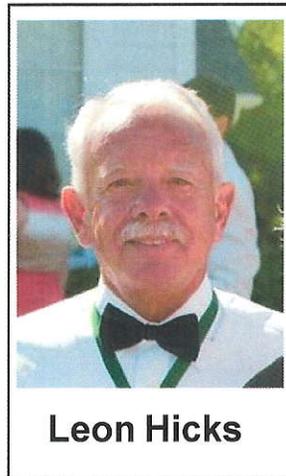
Speaking of video presentations, CHS has also developed a video presentation to assist members of the Leadership Team (LT) to communicate with members via email more effectively.

This on-line training course enables the LT to review of the membership Excel-spreadsheet, sort the listing of members by region, state, or any of a number of other categories, and copy and paste email addresses into an email.

The video consists of a number of "screen-captures" plus an audio description. Please contact either myself or Louis Russell to receive this training.

Lastly, it is not too late to reserve your room at the Ligonier Ramada Inn for this year's AGM September 13 (the Executive Session) and September 14 (the AGM) which will be held at the game site. Please contact the hotel directly for reservations at 724-238-9545 vs using other on-line booking services.

Mike and Joan Henderson of Annapolis have dedicated considerable time and effort in planning this event and it is very much appreciated.



**Leon Hicks**

# How many feet on the ground mean what?

How many times have you seen an equestrian statue with a historical figure? Did you know that the horse's position will tell you much about the rider?

If you see a statue where the horse is either rearing or cantering - with two feet on the ground - you'll immediately know that the rider was killed in battle.

If you see a statue where the horse has three feet on the ground, this signifies that the rider survived the battle, but later died of his wounds.

If the horse has all four hooves flat on the ground, this means the rider was declared a national hero - and proved his mettle.

If the soldier is standing on the ground, the horse was killed in battle.

Using these rules, the gentleman aboard the horse to the right (in Edinburgh) survived the battle, but died later of his wounds.

Does anyone know who this is? Write me ([bethscribble@aol.com](mailto:bethscribble@aol.com)) if you know.



**Wanna see and read  
CHS's Meri Russel's  
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# Welcome to the Wonderful World of Black Sheep

**Bryan Mulcahy, Reference Librarian Fort Myers, (FL)**

Historically, regardless of the country of residence, the size of your average family was much larger than in modern times.

Genealogists often encounter at least one black sheep ancestor in every family unit researched.

My father and I are both members of what I now joyfully call this “elite group” due to his marriage outside the family approved religion and ethnic group.

I am a proud member based on my birth as the product of this dastardly event.

Your ancestors may have gained membership in our elite squadron due to one or more of the following common situations:

1. Criminal activity;
2. Refusal to follow a family mandated directive (such as an arranged marriage for example);
3. Unplanned or unwanted pregnancy;
4. Extramarital affair;
5. Mental or medical disability that embarrassed the family;
6. Marriage outside the approved ethnic or religious group;
7. Employed in what was perceived



as an unacceptable occupation;

8. Failure to achieve a family designated educational, social, religious or occupational goal.

The usual strategy used by many families is to initially pretend that the person doesn't exist. Next, they tend to vilify the ancestor.

In some cases, their actions were justified based on the social mores of the time. However, in more than a few cases, I've heard accounts where the family was guilty of wrong doing and tried to cover it up.

The ancestor who refused to go along with the lie ended up having the blame transferred to them. If they were conveniently deceased, the person was not around to defend themselves. Hence, it is wise to remember that there are two sides to every story and truth is often stranger than fiction. Both of these cliches are especially important for anyone involved in genealogical research.

*Bryan*



**Clan Henderson Society, Inc.,  
Annual General Meeting  
at the 2019  
Ligonier Scottish Highland Games**

**Ask me about**



**Clan  
Henderson  
Society's**



**Scholarship  
Program**

# Strong spirit and resilience overcomes adversity. The CHS Bodyguard can lead the way!

David R. Henderson, P.E., FSA Scot - Deputy Head of Bodyguard

Clan Henderson Bodyguard is comprised of members that volunteered not for pomp and ceremony but to answer the call no matter what the challenge or when it should arise.

At Grandfather Mountain Highland Games (GMHG), 12-14 July, such a demonstration of leadership and perseverance prevailed.

Henderson's made a proud showing on the Field.

The 64<sup>th</sup> GMHG marked an anniversary of the organizational meeting in 1986 and founding of Clan Henderson Society on that very Field in 1988.

The event found our loyal patrons homeless without a clan tent for the first time in 31 years.

Under these circumstances most Clans would have merely dissipated into the horde of 20,000 visitors. Being Henderson strong, a dedicated cadre of annual attendees set in motion an impromptu plan to save the day and conquer adversity.

The family of Founding Chaplain, Doug Henderson, which have affectionately been referenced as the "Newport (NC) Henderson's" have for decades staked out an area on the shaded and cool mountainside overlooking the entire field.

This annual claim of turf became our CHS gathering place. The "Newport Henderson's" led by Doug's sons, Bill (member #35) and Kyle (member #4), and families - demonstrated the hospitality for which Henderson's are well known.

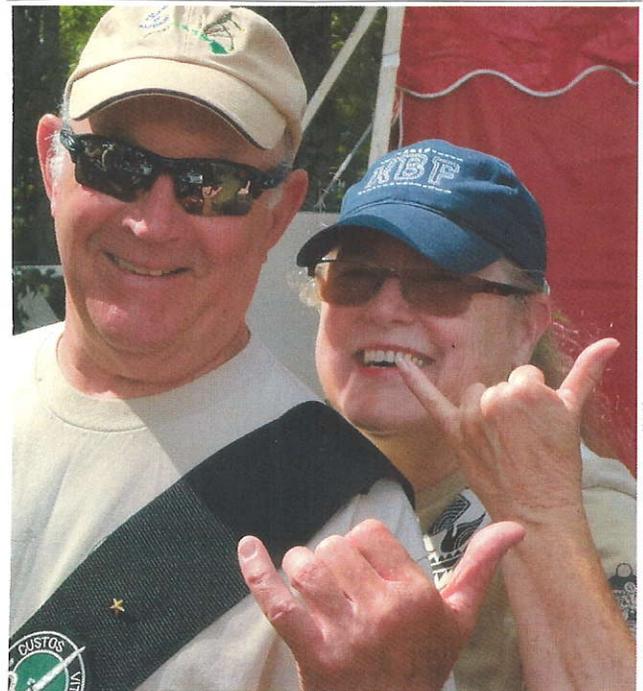
Since cousins roaming in the masses seeking the Henderson Tent would not anticipate looking on the mountainside, Kari and Brother Dave established a Rally Point in a borrowed corner of a tent near the main entrance to the field.

Kari and Dave, members of the Scottish Cultural Organization of the Triangle (S.C.O.T.) which is a group of like-minded folks in the Research Tri-

angle of central NC who share similar goals as those set forth by our Chief.

From this Rally Point wandering Henderson's were directed to the mountainside.

Numerous cousins were gathered. The distinction of most distant travelers belonged to Larry and Jackie Phillips of Wahiwa, Hawaii.



*Larry and Jackie Phillips of Wahiwa, Hawaii. Photo by Kari Henderson.*

Larry & Jackie were very active members in California prior to relocating to the islands. They are active in the cross-cultural relations between local native Hawaiian's and Scottish descendants.

Larry is a long-lost member of the Bodyguard and Jackie has studied hula dance.

Each dance tells a story and she has a Henderson Hula which hopefully will be a future

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# McKendree- Stebbins Henderson wedding

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Charles McKendree

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The wedding was for my daughter, Robyn McKendree and her new husband, Jordan Stebbins.

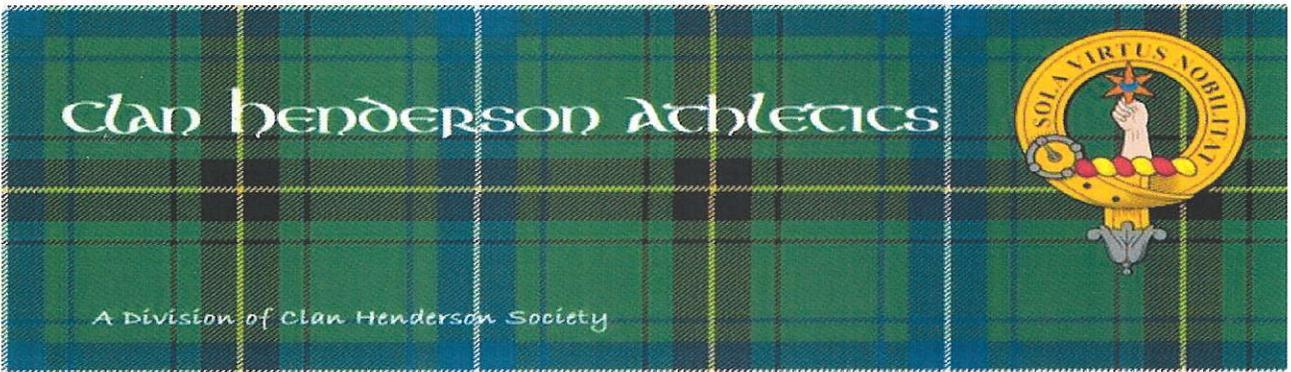
My daughter was engaged last year on July 4, 2018. They had been sweethearts for about 5 years, and decided to make it official for the engagement. We went for a while trying to decide when to have the wedding because they are both in college, but decided to go ahead with the wedding on July 7, 2019, one week after her 21<sup>st</sup> birthday.

When we discussed themes, my daughter wanted a unique and memorable wedding, so we discussed how to do that tastefully and elegantly, and she decided that she wanted a Scottish themed wedding.

We had just recently discovered that the

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Bryan Simpson, CHS Athletic director

## 2019 Mid-Season Highland Games CHS Athletes Update

We are half way through the 2019 games season and Henderson athletes have been out there representing Clan Henderson.

There have been at least 9 athletes competing in at least 17 competitions.

The Hendersons were also represented at a Florida elementary school during their "International Day." Myself and athletes from 3 other Clans did Highland Games demonstrations and spoke about Scottish Heritage to about 125 young 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> kids. This is going to be an annual event that I plan on attending again next year.



Becky Innes – Cuba, NY and Halton Hills, ON Canada / Trish Footit – Cayce, SC / Lara Holt – St. Augustine, FL

Curt Long – Cuba, NY / Jon Henderson – Sarasota, FL – Savannah, GA – Ormond Beach, FL and Dunedin, FL

Ryan Henderson – Wichita, KS / Mitch Henderson – St. George, UT / Eric Hulburt – Farmington, NY & Mumford, NY

Bryan Simpson – Jacksonville, FL – St. Au-

gustine, FL – Dunedin, FL and Savannah, GA

Along with the athletes listed above, who have already had competitions this year, I expect to have another three athletes located in Oklahoma and possibly one in New Mexico competing in games later this year. One of which will be our newest Novice Men's Athlete, Chris Story.

I know each of them will do well and make us all proud. Many of the people above will have competitions in the second half of the year as well. We currently anticipate having three athletes competing at the Ligonier, PA games during the

AGM in September so be sure to come out and cheer for your Henderson athletes.

If you are interested in getting involved in the Highland Games let me know. If you know of a Henderson who currently competes in the Highland Games and is not on this list have them reach out to me as well. They can email me at: [chsathletics@yahoo.com](mailto:chsathletics@yahoo.com) and visit our Clan Henderson Athletics FB page @chsathletes

# ***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.

**The instructions to use this program are as follows:**

Go to [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com)

- \* Login or create an Amazon account if you don't already have one.
- \* At the bottom of the screen you can "Pick Your Charitable Organization."
- \* Type in Clan Henderson Society in the box and select search.

Once you have selected your charity Just shop and .05% of your before tax total will be donated.

## ***Remember***

You have to login to your Amazon account through [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com)

Not all items qualify for a donation to be made but most do.

## ***It's that easy.***

Ask your friends and family who already shop Amazon, to now shop Smile.Amazon.com and pick Clan Henderson Society as their charity.

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

Staci Simpson



# Clan Henderson Society Scholarship Program: Corporate Sponsor



## *Thank you, Amazon Smile shoppers!*

We received our first deposit of \$13.97 from purchases made by AmazonSmile shoppers who chose Clan Henderson Society as their charitable organization.

All deposits from the AmazonSmile charitable donations are going toward our scholarship programs.

We are truly grateful to all those who selected CHS as their charitable organization on AmazonSmile.

If you shop AmazonSmile and have not already selected an organization for charitable donation please consider choosing Clan Henderson Society! It costs nothing and you will be helping us to fulfill part of our mission statement to promote charitable and educational activities through scholarship awards.

Thank you,  
Carol A. Martin, CHS Treasurer  
Sola Virtus Nobilitat



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Louis Russell, Director Clan Henderson Society Corporate Outreach

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The Clan Henderson Corporate Sponsor Committee was established this past year to expand funds available for CHS Scholarships. The Committee would like to take this opportunity to highlight its progress and to describe how everyone can help with this effort.

A brochure describing the program was developed and distributed to all Regional Commissioners. In addition, a video describing how to use the brochure was created and is available on the CHS web page. Finally, a post card was created that can be handed out to potential sponsors if they need additional information on the CHS Scholarship Program. Contact Steve Henderson or Louis Russell if you need any of these materials.

In addition, the Committee spent significant time discussing the type of company that would be interested in becoming a corporate sponsor. We recognize that CHS will be competing with many worthy causes seeking support. Therefore, we developed a profile of a company that we thought would likely be interested in supporting the CHS Scholarship Program. Key characteristics include:

- A local company with a program/policy for supporting the community.
- There should be a personal relationship with a CHS member and the owner, manager or an em-

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## **Fellows Dinner at Stone Mountain Games in October**

If you are an FSA Scot...or, if you are NOT an FSA Scot, but would like to be, you are invited to the fourth annual Fellows' Dinner of the Society in the USA at the 2019 Stone Mountain Highland

Games, on Saturday evening, 19 October.

It will be hosted by Hope Vere Anderson, along with a guest speaker. Contact Hope Vere Anderson at [hopeanderson@btinternet.com](mailto:hopeanderson@btinternet.com) for reservations.

ployee of the company.

- Clan Henderson Society members may be an owner/manager/employee of the company.

- A retailer with Scottish related items that would consider donating a percentage of CHS member purchases.

- The company will be committed to philanthropy and community support.

Three recent corporate sponsors are examples of companies that have committed their support of the CHS Scholarship program. We hope that by describing these sponsors, you will recognize similar companies in your community and will help the Committee contact the company.

**Weissenburger Investments and Financial Planning\*** ([www.weissenburgerinvestments.com](http://www.weissenburgerinvestments.com)). This is a private firm providing financial services to clients. One of the committee members is a client and has a long relationship with the owner of the firm. The firm is committed to support of the community and philanthropy. They were eager to support a smaller not-for-profit like the Clan Henderson Society Scholarship program because they knew overhead charges were minimal and that all their money would go to the intended purpose.

**Lawler Design Group** ([www.lawlerdesigngroup.com](http://www.lawlerdesigngroup.com)). This is a small private architectural firm. The owner of the firm is a member of Clan Henderson Society. Being a recent graduate herself, the owner remembers the challenge of paying for college. She was eager to support Clan Henderson Scholarship Program and to help current students as they continue their education.

### **Order of the Gael ([www.orderofthegael.org](http://www.orderofthegael.org)).**

This is an example of an on-line marketing company focusing on specialty products for people that need luggage designed for people traveling with their kilt. The firm was contacted by a Committee member and they agreed to contribute a percentage of sales to the Clan Henderson Scholarship Program if members would identify themselves as they purchase products.

Other Committee members are being creative in their efforts to expand the CHS Scholarship Program. For example, Mark Henderson, VP CHS Membership, has turned his passion for hiking into a fund-raising effort. Mark is committed to hike a minimum of 500 miles on the Appalachian Trail in the Eastern United States and on the Camino de Santiago in Spain. He is looking for sponsors and plans to donate the funds to the CHS Scholarship program. Everyone is encouraged to join the effort and to consider becoming a sponsor. We all look forward to great pictures and numerous stories of Mark's adventures.

The Corporate Outreach Committee is getting started. With everyone's support we will be successful expanding our Society's Scholarship Program helping the next generation to reach their potential.

Clan Henderson Society members are encouraged to support our Corporate Sponsors.

If you know a company that you think would want to support our Society's Scholarship Program, please contact: Louis Russell, Director Clan Henderson Society Corporate Outreach. Contact: [hendersoncorporateoutreach@gmail.com](mailto:hendersoncorporateoutreach@gmail.com)

## **Would you like to go to Scotland with Hendersons?**

Charm and Louis Russell and LaRhee Henderson are toying with the idea of a small group trip to Scotland in 2021. We think it would be such fun to share times with our extended Henderson 'cousins' in the lands of our ancestors. Each plan we have in mind now has port excursions available, and/or we could organize something ourselves that is of interest to our Hendersons group.

If you have ideas or would like to join in the discussion, contact: <[Russell.charm@gmail.com](mailto:Russell.charm@gmail.com)> or <[Larhee.henderson@drake.edu](mailto:Larhee.henderson@drake.edu)>



## CHS Cousin of the Month!

### *William Scougal Henderson of Missouri. Who Am I?*

I am William Scougal Henderson, born in Edinburgh, Scotland. I was educated in Scotland and England and retired from 47 years in Business Computing with 35 years service in Mobil / ExxonMobil.

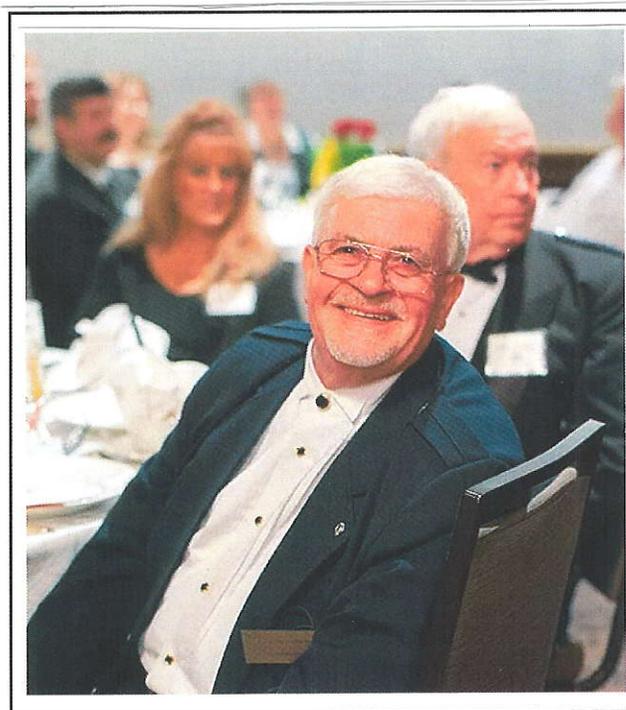
I am now living in my 11<sup>th</sup> home on Lake of the Ozarks, Missouri, after owning homes in five separate countries and traveling to tens of countries for business.

I joined Clan Henderson Society, USA in the early 90s while living in the Fairfax, Virginia, area. I was very involved, along with my wife, in various Scottish events up and down the Eastern States, notably around Old Alexandria. I served as Vice President to the late Rex Maddox from 1999 thru 2002.

Now, I am a dual nationality passport holder, becoming a Scottish -American citizen on Au-

gust 1, 2001.

When I recently submitted my DNA to *FamilyTree* I discovered a strong connection to Clan Gunn.



My father never talked much about the family and I have no appreciation as to inter family connections so I will be interested if any USA based Hendersons or otherwise have a close connection in DNA terms.

As is common in Scotland, my middle name is a family connection rather than a secondary 'Christian' name.

Visits to three Scottish family castles and Edinburgh Castle have indicated that two generations of Scougals were portrait painters from the early 1600s. Time may help me

to determine more.

I hope to attend at least four Scottish Highland games in Missouri this year which will have a Clan Henderson presence, including two which I will be convening for the first time. Wish me luck!

"McEndree" name was part of the Henderson clan, so I encouraged her to use the Henderson Tartan, so we looked that up and compared the Henderson Modern tartan versus the Henderson Ancient tartan, and decided to use the Ancient.

We worked with AtlantaKilts.com and Kathy and her crew were so helpful in finding what we needed, and helped set up the fabric weave and construct the kilts.

We found a picture online of a wedding dress with a tartan pattern down the back, so we used it as a model. We purchased a wedding dress (first dress she tried on), and then employed a seamstress to split the back and add the tartan panel to the train.

We put the men in kilts, and added the fly plaid for the groom. The groomsmen, the groom, the ushers, the ring bearer, the father-of-the bride and grandfather-of-the-bride were all in kilts.

The color chosen for the bridesmaids was a sapphire blue taken from the accent color on the Henderson Ancient kilt, and we added a sash and jeweled brooch for each bridesmaid.

We researched other members of our

family. My wife, Terri's, maiden name is "Madden" and decided to give her a sash from the Galway county Ireland. Her father wore a vest with the Galway pattern.

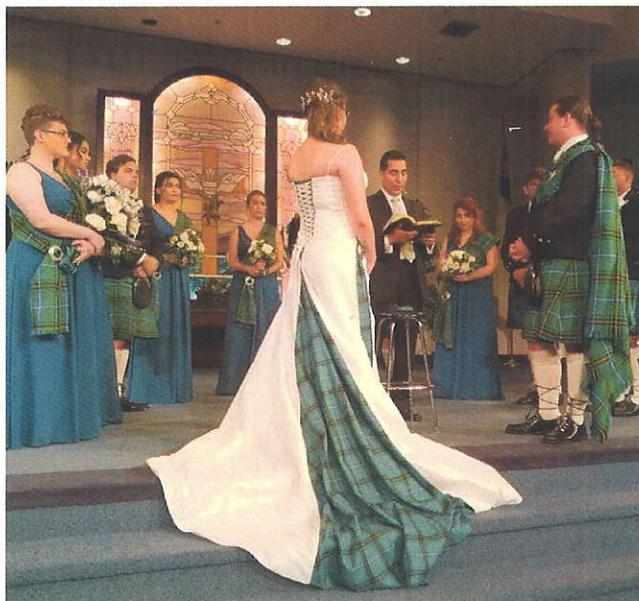
My Step-Mother, Nancy Caroll McKendree, and her sister, Patricia Carroll, are from the "Carroll" family of county Tipperary Ireland, and they wore that pattern.

My decorating coordinator's family is from the Ireland county Antrim, and she wore that sash.

We researched the Henderson story, and put it in the program with information from the Clan Henderson website, and we explained the significance of Handfasting and the Quaich Cup Ceremony, and incorporated both into the wedding.

At the reception, we decorated the tables in the hunter green and added simple tartan patterns to each table in different colors.

It was a wonderful wedding, and I loved doing it. I am an organizer and planner by trade, and loved doing the wedding, so I have now started my own wedding planning business called "Charles in Charge Events" in the north Tampa Bay area.



# Clan Henderson Society Genealogy News August 2019

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LaRhee Henderson,  
CHS Genealogy/DNA

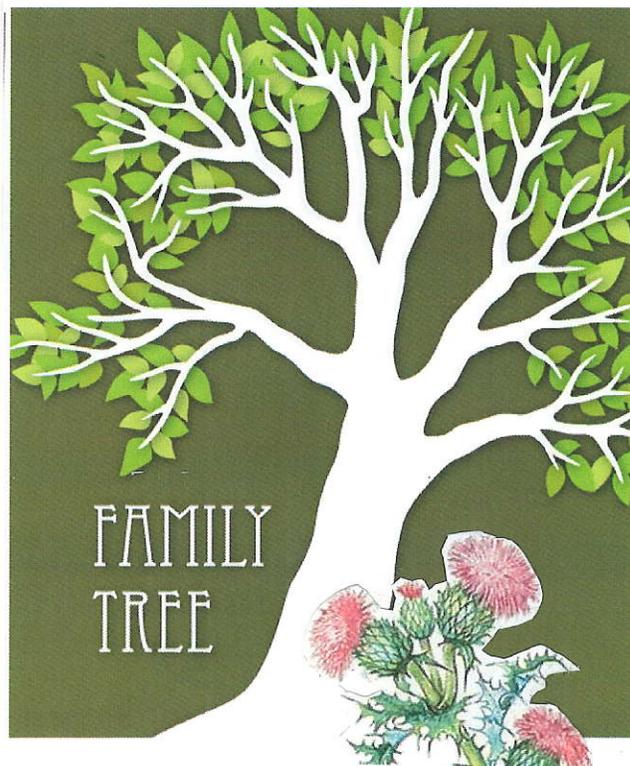
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CHS genealogy has had a busy June with 10 new research requests, 6 new members in the Henderson surname project, and 214 posts from our 174 members in the CHS genealogy facebook group.

**Alert:** While researching a tree that led to James Henderson, b. Virginia, d 1825 Wilkes County, North Carolina, and married to Mary Booker, I found their portraits at (<https://mesda.org/item/collections/james-henderson/19038/>). This is a widely cited couple in Ancestry and Geni trees. But, further reading showed that this James Henderson **died without children!** If your tree includes this James, you have an error!

**Fun Find:** I found old newspaper clippings from Ida Grove, Iowa, from late 1800s where my great grandparents homesteaded. This small town was once a central hub for Scottish immigrants in NW Iowa with hundreds in attendance for their annual events (1902 had 1400 attendees!). In an 1887 gathering, Robert Todd gave a speech that is still rousing today. Here is an excerpt from his speech:

“Some of the young Scots might ask ‘what is the object of this annual gathering?’ Someone has said ‘there is a time for everything —a time to dance, a time to be merry, ‘ and I would add, there is also a time to honor our native land; a time to extend the right hand of fellowship and talk of our childhood days, when we used to roam over the hills and through the vales of bonnie auld Scotland,



the beacon light of nations, not in its area of square miles, but in its sacred soil and illustrious men and women.

The first land under the suit which stood for religious liberty. The country which furnished the first martyrs to religious freedom, the Stewarts, the Mills who died at the burning stake so that not only Scotland, but the whole world might worship God according to the dictates of their conscience.

Scotland, the land of Bruce and Wallace — the land that was never conquered. The mighty Caesar and all his hosts could not prevail against it. Scots and their Claymore stood as a wall against him and hurled back the powers of tyranny.

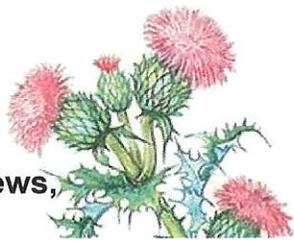
Scotland, the land of statesmen....law....explorers....writers....orators....poets.....

Scotland, the cradle of liberty, the birthplace of martyrs, heroes, statesmen and poets.

To you, her worthy sons and daughters, your offsprings and your friends, I give you thrice a hearty welcome.”

**To learn more about CHS Genealogy activities:**

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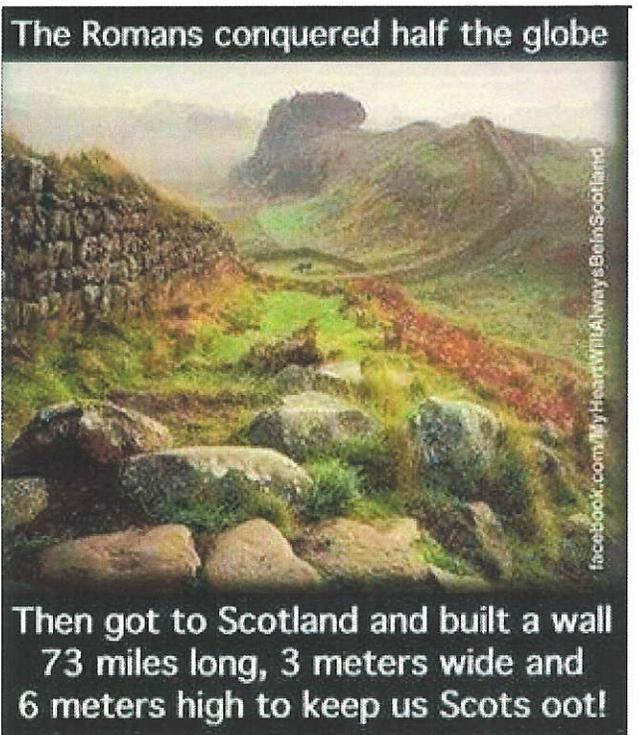
*Henderson Surname Project:* There are over 500 participants to date representing 65 genetic sub-groups, and thus that number of geographic origins. To join the Henderson Surname Project (male Henderson only) go to <https://www.familytreedna.com/project-join-request.aspx?group=Henderson> .

GENi: Jim Henderson is now a curator for our CHS GENi pages. If you find errors or need help with Geni, contact Jim.

The CHS genealogy facebook group (for CHS members) (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/143004726379872/>) is a space to share specific questions/comments with the group at large, in contrast to larger project requests for the genealogy team submitted through the CHS web page, (<https://www.clanhendersonsociety.com/genealogy>).

If you would like to join the CHS genealogy team of volunteers please contact LaRhee.

We plan to make this column a regular feature in An Canach so if you have interesting items to add, please pass them to [LaRhee.Henderson@drake.edu](mailto:LaRhee.Henderson@drake.edu), [orronld.henderson@gmail.com](mailto:orronld.henderson@gmail.com)



*Brynn Brown at Grandfather Mountain, July 2019 with some of her awards! The Clan Henderson Society is proud of you, Brynn!*



## Steve Henderson, VP-Ops and Convener for CHS, 571-482-7332

Never one to remain complacent, I ventured out on Thursday, 20 June 2019 and departed from Waynesboro, Pennsylvania, and went north and west from Pennsylvania into Ohio.

I stayed that night near Toledo, Ohio, and then went on toward Detroit, Michigan. After waiting in multiple lines at the Ambassador Bridge on morning of 21 June I finally entered Windsor, Ontario, Canada.

To go to the games, I wended my way east on Canadian secondary roads and ended up in Kingsville, Ontario, in early afternoon.

I met with the Clan Coordinator for the Kingsville Highland Games and Celtic Festival, Don Noels, and set up my tent and covered all for the night.

I found a motel (about 40 km to the east in Leamington) and booked for two nights. Had a quiet night and got back to Kingsville the early morning of Saturday, 22 June. I got tables and items squared away under the tent and met conveners of six other clans (Gunn, Wallace, Mac Quarrie, Donald, Mac Lennon and Mac Lean) - along with Henderson, the only clans at this gathering.

I sat in my director's chair and patrolled the clan area throughout the day as people started arriving and remaining at the festival.

According to Mr. Noels, about 6,000 adults and 2,000 youth attended this festival. They mostly observed the Highland Games and heard the skirling

bagpipes in competition and applauded the young Highland Dancers at those venues.

About 200 people wandered into the Clan area and I talked to most of them. I was unable to recruit any new members, but provided genealogy and DNA information to five people with Henderson in their background. (These names are provided to VP-Members for additional communication.).

Also, I talked to a lot of people who had no idea about their heritage or what their clan (if they have one) tartan looks like: Steed, Anderson, Mc Sorley, Clegg, Wadsworth, Crawford, Mallory, Scott, Uquahardt, O'Brien, MacAlpin, Leslie, and Coulter were some with whom I visited.

I do enjoy finding information in various books about the families of interested people!

As the festival drew to a close in the late afternoon, I packed up tent and contents and loaded all into my Ford Escape and went back to the motel to spend the evening.

I followed that major highway south until was able to get on some secondary roads and was home by mid-afternoon.

Even though no Canadian Henderson families joined CHS at the Kingsville, Ontario, Highland Games, the trip was without incident and I found the venue and people enjoyable.

Maybe CHS should venture into Canada from time to time to make a presence in future years?



# Savannah: A Great Event

Leon Hicks: President Clan Henderson Society

Each time I write about the Savannah Highland Games and Festival the words change very little, if you have never been you should plan to attend. There is not a more beautiful venue anywhere. If Southern charm is something you are looking for, this is the place. Just as significant as the beauty of the place is the great hospitality and friendliness of the people we meet there – especially the Clan Henderson Society folks. Thank you for being such gracious hosts.

Speaking of generosity, this is the second time I have had the pleasure of receiving a very generous donation from the Lee family to support our Claude A. Henderson Scholarship Fund. Words cannot begin to express the appreciation I felt for their generosity. It was great having them to share our tent and stories of their long-standing membership. Being a veteran of Vietnam, Mr. Lee and I shared many experiences. His service to our country is greatly appreciated and deserving of every honor.

We were also extremely fortunate to have three new members join our Society. I very much enjoyed our conversation with all. They will be a tremendous asset to Clan Henderson for the future as each provides unique interest and experiences. The new

members are Jared and Stacey Trawick, Bianca and Steven

Hollander, and Kenneth and Denise Ray. We thank you for your membership and hope you will enjoy and take advantage of the many opportunities membership offers.

Lastly, the reason for the successful effort is due principally to the great support provided by the new South East Regional Commissioner, Mary Lane Henderson and her sister and most able assistant, Jan Burdette. Of course the person who deserves the most credit for the success of the event goes to Ann Henderson Hicks, Youth Director and wife of the President. We were also pleased to have the Director of CHS Athletics join us, Bryan Simpson and his wife Staci. We very much appreciate their effort to promote Highland Athletics and Clan Henderson Society.



# Friendsville, Maryland and Garrett County Celtic Festival nets new CHS members!

Steve Henderson, VP-Ops and Convener for CHS, 571-482-7332

For the third time in the last four years, I drove out to Friendsville, Maryland, in western Maryland's mountain country of Garrett County and attended the Garrett County Celtic Festival on the first of June 2019.

I was set up in the same spot as the previous times and had wonderful weather throughout the day. With the tent and tables and chairs arranged according to previous efforts at the 85 other festivals I have attended in the past five years, I settled into my director's chair and put on my CHS "greet everyone who comes by the tent and make every attempt to recruit some new members" tam



o'shanter!!

The morning faded into noon and despite a lot of commentary between me and the people who came past our tent, there were no new members among that group.

After much interplay between the Wallace clan members on one side and the Bell clan members on the other, we opined that it might "just be one of those days when few would want to be recruited"!! But, lo and behold, a young couple and their toddler (wearing a child's kilt of indeterminate weave), approached the Henderson fortress and the young woman, Jordann Wilson, said her mother was a Henderson and, when I asked her to join CHS, she signed our guest book and filled out an application and paid cash to join. We talked for about ten minutes (with Jordann's husband and toddler listening in) and we agreed that she would receive the membership packet soon from Mark. In return, I invited her to send a request to David Henderson to get a DNA package and to send information about her Henderson roots to LaRhee Henderson to add to the Henderson ancestry project. The Wilson family made their departure with the most recent issue of *An Canach* plus the child's coloring book that I had ready for dispersal at my table.

The remainder of the day (in all its great weather glory) passed. We listened and saw some excellent Highland Dancing at the dance venue

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It is very easy to submit articles for publication in *An Canach*.

Just email your information anytime to: <bethscribble@aol.com> Flowers of the Forest, births, weddings, anniversaries, honors, graduations, etc.

or anything related to CHS and interesting things about Scotland. It's YOUR publication.

*The more everyone participates the better it will be.*

# NORTHEAST REPORT - Barbara Cass

## Pamboukes, NE Region Commissioner

On May 18, 2019 I had the great pleasure of attending my first Celtic Games and Festival in NY Finger Lakes, Farmington, New York, as NE Regional Commissioner. I made the 7 hour trip from my home in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, to meet Steve Henderson who drove from his home in Waynesboro, PA. I was thrilled to be back to my Finger Lakes roots. My hometown is Geneva New York.

Together, we hosted the Clan Henderson hospitality tent. Steve spent over 6 hours sharing his knowledge of Clan Henderson, Highland games, Roles of Convenors and Commissioners while greeting and socializing with prospective Clan Henderson members. I learned so much and was intrigued by Steve's comfort and ease with people. Our tent was positioned next door to the Black Button distillery tent and in very close proximity to the games.

Steve and I signed three new Clan Henderson members during this event. Lynn Henderson, Donald Henderson Cass and Laurence Champoux. Lynn was an artisan at the festival, Larry is my

### Friendsville & Garrett County,

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across the way from our tent and heard information about the demonstration of Highland Games at the large field near the food vendors area.

We took all this in and, as the crowds dispersed after 4:30 or so, I began to dismantle the Henderson space. I departed Friendsville, MD about 5:15 and was home by 8:30 in Waynesboro, PA. Another great day of representing CHS at a well-established small festival was completed.

cousin and Donald is one of my brothers!!!

It was a pleasure to meet so many engaging people. Jim Smith and his wife visited our tent many times. Jim was a first year athlete at these games. They also hosted many athletes under the joint Clan Henderson and Clan Claus tent on the athletic field. Jim will be a convenor at NY events.

We were pleased to meet and learn from them.

As the new NorthEast Region Commissioner I have been reviewing my roles, responsibilities and my duties to the NorthEast Region and Clan Henderson. As you may have read, I jumped into this position in April 2019. I look forward to working with all of you, but I do need to learn from you and hear what you have to say.

My interest is knowing what about Clan Henderson

Society is important to you and your kin. Is it the Highland games and festivals, family history, world class genealogy and DNA program, Henderson history and culture, scholarships for our youth or becoming a convenor for a local event in your state. Please send me an email or call and let me know what appeals to your interest.

When I was invited to the Finger Lakes Festival by Steve, I had no idea how much I would enjoy the event. Before leaving for the day, I registered for the Finger Lakes Celtic Games for May 16, 2020.

As you may have read, our previous Regional Commissioner, has stepped away from the position. His service to Clan Henderson will always be appreciated. Gary Henderson was not only an active RC, but a very active NY Convenor. We are

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# Vintage Tartan - A Pictorial Gallery Like Page

It's Museum  
Monday! Sir John  
Hynde Cotton's tar-  
tan suit - trews,



jacket, plaid, c.  
1745.

Sir John  
Hynde Cotton,  
Member of  
Parliament  
(Tory), was de-  
scribed as 'one  
of the most  
zealous  
Jacobites in  
England' and  
one of the tall-  
est men of his

day - if you're 6' 4" you could wear this!

This is one of the few existing tartan garments that predates the proscription of Highland Dress in 1747. It is suggested that he may have worn this at the celebration at Holyrood House after the Battle of Prestonpans (1745). Fashion as political statement!

With thanks to Tom Henderson on FaceBook.

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hopeful that he will continue as a Convener in festivals in western New York State. Jim Smith will be convening in several NY events as well as being an athlete.

We are actively seeking Clan members who will assist in convening events in the North East. Please contact me if you have an interest.

Currently, the NorthEast Region has 49 active members.

27-NY; 3-NH; 1-VT; 1-CT; 2-RI; 10-MA; 4-ME

Currently, the NorthEast Region has the following number of Festivals by state:

15-NY; 1-NH; 1-VT; 2-CT; 1-RI; 1-MA; 3-MA

For the complete schedule of Festivals, please go to the Clan Henderson website. It also appears in the *An Canach* newsletter that is sent electronically quarterly.

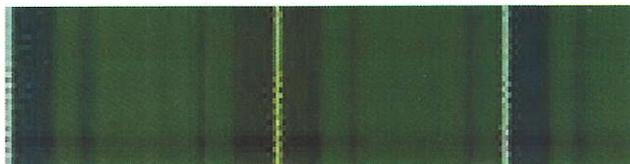
Currently, I am aware of one, perhaps two convenors in the North East.

Whom are my Convenors from the NY and New England states? If you have been a convener, please let me know. If you have an interest in becoming a Convener, please let me know. Which North East festivals have you attended?

My challenge for the North East region is to have at least one convener hosting a Clan Henderson welcome tent in at least one event per state in 2020. New York, of course, may need more due to geography/regions and to a high number of events scheduled.

Will you help me toward this goal? I am looking forward to working with Clan Henderson. Let's do this together NE!

Barbara Cass Pamboukes  
casspamboukes@gmail.com



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Aug	1 - 3		Italy	Montelago	EU		<a href="http://www.montelagocelticfestival.it/en/">http://www.montelagocelticfestival.it/en/</a>
Aug	2 - 3	St. Andrews Society of Detroit Highland Games	Great Lakes	Livonia	MI	Doug Henderson	<a href="http://www.highlandgames.com/">http://www.highlandgames.com/</a>
Aug	2 - 3	Glengarry Highland Games	Canada	Maxville	ON		<a href="http://www.glengarryhighlandgames.com/">http://www.glengarryhighlandgames.com/</a>
Aug	3	Spokane Highland Games	North Pacific	Spokane	WA	Ellen Bentley	<a href="https://www.spokanehighlandgames.net/">https://www.spokanehighlandgames.net/</a>
Aug	3	Aboyne Highland Games	United Kingdom	Aboyne	UK		<a href="http://www.aboynegames.com/">http://www.aboynegames.com/</a>
Aug	3	Inverkeithing Highland Games	United Kingdom	Inverkeithing	UK		<a href="http://inverkeithinghighlandgames.com/">http://inverkeithinghighlandgames.com/</a>
Aug	3	Aberlour Strathspey Highland Games	United Kingdom	Aberlour	UK		<a href="http://aberlourhighlandgames.co.uk/">http://aberlourhighlandgames.co.uk/</a>
Aug	3 - 4	Colorado Scottish Festival	South West	Edgewater	CO	Buzz McEldowney	<a href="http://www.scottishgames.org/">http://www.scottishgames.org/</a>
Aug	3 - 4	Monterey Scottish Games & Celtic Festival	South Pacific	Monterey	CA		<a href="http://www.montereyscotgames.com/">http://www.montereyscotgames.com/</a>
Aug	4	Montreal Highland Games	Canada	Verdunn	QC		<a href="http://www.montrealhighlandgames.com/">http://www.montrealhighlandgames.com/</a>
Aug	4	Bridge of Allan Highland Games	United Kingdom	Bridge of Allan	UK		<a href="http://bofagames.com/">http://bofagames.com/</a>
Aug	5 - 9	Goderick Celtic Roots Festival	Canada	Goderick	ON		<a href="http://www.celticfestival.ca/fr_home.cfm">http://www.celticfestival.ca/fr_home.cfm</a>
Aug	5 - 11	Pavillion of Scotland	Canada	Winnepeg	MB		<a href="http://www.pavilionofscotland.ca/">http://www.pavilionofscotland.ca/</a>
Aug	7	Isle of Skye Highland Games	United Kingdom	Portree	UK		<a href="http://www.skye-highland-games.co.uk/">http://www.skye-highland-games.co.uk/</a>
Aug	8	Ballater Highland Games	United Kingdom	Ballater	UK		<a href="http://www.ballaterhighlandgames.com/">http://www.ballaterhighlandgames.com/</a>
Aug	9	Assynt Highland Games	United Kingdom	Assynt	UK		<a href="https://www.shga.co.uk/events/assynt-highland-games/">https://www.shga.co.uk/events/assynt-highland-games/</a>
Aug	9 - 10	Atholl and Breadalbane Highland Games	United Kingdom	Aberfeldy	UK		<a href="http://www.aberfeldyshowandgames.co.uk/">http://www.aberfeldyshowandgames.co.uk/</a>
Aug	9-11	Fergus Scottish Festival and Highland Games	Canada	Fergus	ON		<a href="http://www.fergusscottishfestival.com">http://www.fergusscottishfestival.com</a>
Aug	10	Topeka Highland Games	Central	Topeka	KS	Laura Petry	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/TopekaClassicHighlandGames/">https://www.facebook.com/TopekaClassicHighlandGames/</a>
Aug	10	Central NY Scottish Games and Celtic Festival	North East	Liverpool	NY		<a href="http://www.cnyscottishgames.org/CNY_Scottish_Games/Welcome.html">http://www.cnyscottishgames.org/CNY_Scottish_Games/Welcome.html</a>
Aug	10 - 16	Boston Harbor Fiddle School	North East	Boston Harbor	MA		<a href="https://www.scottishfiddleschool.org/">https://www.scottishfiddleschool.org/</a>
Aug	10	North Berwick International Highland Games	United Kingdom	North Berwick	UK		<a href="http://www.northberwickhighlandgames.org/">http://www.northberwickhighlandgames.org/</a>
Aug	11	Perth Highland Games	United Kingdom	Perth	UK		<a href="http://perthhighlandgames.co.uk/">http://perthhighlandgames.co.uk/</a>
Aug	17	Maine Highland Games	North East	Topsham	ME		<a href="http://www.mainehighlandgames.org/">http://www.mainehighlandgames.org/</a>
Aug	17 - 18	Bitterroot Scottish Irish Festival	North Pacific	Hamilton	MT		<a href="http://www.bitterrootscottishirishfestival.org/">http://www.bitterrootscottishirishfestival.org/</a>
Aug	17-18	Amherst Scottish Festival and Highland Games	North East	Amherst	NY	Gary Henderson, FSA Scot	<a href="http://bnhv.org/scottish/">http://bnhv.org/scottish/</a>
Aug	18	Crieff Highland Gathering	United Kingdom	Crieff	UK		<a href="http://www.crieffhighlandgathering.com/">http://www.crieffhighlandgathering.com/</a>
Aug	22	Oban Highland Games	United Kingdom	Oban	UK		<a href="http://obangames.com/newsite/">http://obangames.com/newsite/</a>
Aug	23 - 24	Jamestown Regional Celtic Festival and Gathering of the Clans	North East	Mayville	NY		<a href="http://www.96thhighlanders.com/festival.html">http://www.96thhighlanders.com/festival.html</a>
Aug	24	Long Island Scottish Games	North East	Old Westbury	NY		<a href="http://www.liscots.org/festival_and_games.htm">http://www.liscots.org/festival_and_games.htm</a>
Aug	24	Quechee Scottish Festival and Celtic Fair	North East	Quechee	VT		<a href="http://quecheegames.com/">http://quecheegames.com/</a>
Aug	24	Glenurquhart Highland Games	United Kingdom	Drumnadrochit	UK		<a href="http://www.glenurquhart-highland-games.co.uk/">http://www.glenurquhart-highland-games.co.uk/</a>

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Aug	24	The Long Island Scottish Festival & Highland Games	North East	Old Westbury	NY		<a href="http://liscots.org/festival_and_games.htm">http://liscots.org/festival_and_games.htm</a>
Aug	24 - 25	Douglas County Highland Games & Clan Gathering	North Pacific	Umpqua	OR		<a href="http://www.dccelts.org/highland-games2.html">http://www.dccelts.org/highland-games2.html</a>
Aug	25	North Lanark Highland Games	Canada	Almonte	ON		<a href="http://www.almontehighlandgames.com/">http://www.almontehighlandgames.com/</a>
Aug	25	Green Hill Highland Games	Mid East	Salem	VA	Mark Henderson	<a href="https://greenhillhighlandgames.wordpress.com/">https://greenhillhighlandgames.wordpress.com/</a>
Aug	29 - 31	Cowal Highland Gathering	United Kingdom	Dunoon	UK		<a href="http://www.cowalgathering.com/">http://www.cowalgathering.com/</a>
Aug - Sep	30 - 1	Wisconsin Highland Games & Celtic Fling	Great Lakes	Waukesha	WI		<a href="http://www.wisconsinscottish.org/">http://www.wisconsinscottish.org/</a>
Aug	31	Birnam Highland Games	United Kingdom	Dunkeld	UK		<a href="http://www.birnamhighlandgames.com/">http://www.birnamhighlandgames.com/</a>
Aug - Sep	31 - 1	San Francisco Highland Games	South Pacific	Pleasanton	CA		<a href="http://www.thescottishgames.com/">http://www.thescottishgames.com/</a>
Aug - Sep	31 - 1	Virginia Scottish Games	Mid-East	The Plains	VA	Mark Henderson	<a href="http://www.vascottishgames.org/">http://www.vascottishgames.org/</a>
Aug - Sep	31 - 1	Capital District Scottish Games	North East	Altamont	NY		<a href="https://scotgames.com/">https://scotgames.com/</a>
Sep		Braemar Gathering	United Kingdom	Braemar	UK		<a href="https://www.braemargathering.org/">https://www.braemargathering.org/</a>
Sep		Calgary Highland Games	Canada	Calgary	AB		<a href="http://calgaryhighlandgames.org">http://calgaryhighlandgames.org</a>
Sep		Capital District Scottish Games	North East	Altamont	NY		<a href="http://scotgames.com">http://scotgames.com</a>
Sep		Caledonia Society Highland Games	South Pacific	Pleasanton	CA	Suzanne Henderson Emerson	<a href="http://www.thescottishgames.com/">http://www.thescottishgames.com/</a>
Sep		Hood Canal Highland Celtic Festival	North Pacific	Belfair	WA		<a href="http://www.hoodcanalscots.org/">http://www.hoodcanalscots.org/</a>
Sep		Canmore Highland Games	Canada	Canmore	AB		<a href="http://www.canmorehighlandgames.ca/">http://www.canmorehighlandgames.ca/</a>
Sep		McLain Celtic Festival	Mid East	Carlisle	PA		<a href="http://heritagefest.historicalscociety.com/mclain-festival/">http://heritagefest.historicalscociety.com/mclain-festival/</a>
Sep	5 - 8	Longs Peak Scottish/Irish Highland Festival	South West	Estes Park	CO	Buzz McEldowney	<a href="http://www.scotfest.com/">http://www.scotfest.com/</a>
Sep	8	Kelso Highlander Festival	North Pacific	Tam O'Shanter Park, Kelso	WA		360-423-6591
Sep	5-8	Edinboro Highland Games and Scottish Festival	Mid East	Edinboro	PA		<a href="http://www.edinboro.edu/events/highland-games/">http://www.edinboro.edu/events/highland-games/</a>
Sep	8-9	Kansas City Highland Fling	Central	Kansas City	Mo	Charm & Louis Russell	<a href="http://www.kcscotfest.com/highlandfling/">http://www.kcscotfest.com/highlandfling/</a>
Sep		Sycamore Shoals Celtic Festival	Mid-South	Johnson City	TN		<a href="http://uppereasttncelticsociety.org/index.php?template=festival">http://uppereasttncelticsociety.org/index.php?template=festival</a>
Sep		Middle Tennessee Highland Games	Mid South	Nashville	TN	Dr Richard C. Goodwin	<a href="http://www.midtengames.com/">http://www.midtengames.com/</a>
Sep		Pitlochry Highland Games	United Kingdom	Pitlochry	UK		<a href="http://www.pitlochryhighlandgames.co.uk/">http://www.pitlochryhighlandgames.co.uk/</a>
Sep		Trenton Scottish Irish Festival	Canada	Quinte West	ON		<a href="http://www.trentonscottishirish.com/">http://www.trentonscottishirish.com/</a>
Sep		Kelso Highlander Festival	North Pacific	Kelso	WA		<a href="https://www.kelso.gov/visitors/highlander-festival">https://www.kelso.gov/visitors/highlander-festival</a>
Sep		Columbus Scottish Festival	Great Lakes	Columbus	IN		<a href="http://www.scottishfestival.org">http://www.scottishfestival.org</a>
Sep		The Beach Celtic Festival	Canada	Toronto	ON		<a href="http://thecelticfestival.com/">http://thecelticfestival.com/</a>
Sep		Armadale Highland Gathering and Kilt Run	Oceania	Armadale	AUS		<a href="http://perthkiltun.com.au/highland-gathering/">http://perthkiltun.com.au/highland-gathering/</a>
Sep	13-14	Big Stone Celtic	Mid East	Big Stone Gap	VA	Mark Henderson	276-523-5097
Sep	13-15	Prescott Highland Games & Faire	Far South	Watson Lake Park, Prescott	AZ		928-642-0020

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Sep	14-15	Northeast South Dakota Celtic Faire and Games	Central	Aberdeen	SD	Charm & Louis Russell		<a href="http://nesdcelticfaire.com/">http://nesdcelticfaire.com/</a>
Sep	14-15	Quad City Highland Games	Central	Davenport	IA	LaRhee Henderson		<a href="http://www.celtichighlandgames.org/">http://www.celtichighlandgames.org/</a>
Sep	14-15	Columbus	Great Lakes	Bartholomew	IN			800-468-6564
		Scottish Festival		County Fairgrounds, Columbus				
Sep		Oklahoma Scotfest	Far South	Tulsa	OK	Linda Hendricks		<a href="http://okscotfest.com/">http://okscotfest.com/</a>
Sep		Fresno Scottish Highland Games and Gathering	South Pacific	Kearney Park	CA			<a href="http://www.fresnoscottishsociety.org/games.html">http://www.fresnoscottishsociety.org/games.html</a>
Sep		Treasure Valley Celtic Festival and Highland Games	North Pacific	Boise	ID			<a href="http://tvscots.org/">http://tvscots.org/</a>
Sep		Highland Homecoming	Canada	Pictou	NS			<a href="https://passport2017.ca/events/highland-homecoming">https://passport2017.ca/events/highland-homecoming</a>
Sep		Clans on the Coast	Oceania	Nelsons Bay	AUS			<a href="https://www.clansonthecoast.com.au/">https://www.clansonthecoast.com.au/</a>
Sep	14-15	Scotfest	Far South	Chisholm Trail South Park, Broken Arrow	OK			918-749-7738
Sep	14-15	Niagara Celtic Heritage Festival & Games	North East	Olcott	NY	Gary Henderson		<a href="http://www.niagaraceltic.com/fest_generalinfo.html">http://www.niagaraceltic.com/fest_generalinfo.html</a>
Sep	20-22	New Hampshire Highland Games & Festival	North East	Lincoln	NH			<a href="http://www.nhscot.org/">http://www.nhscot.org/</a>
Sep	14 - 15	<b>Clan Henderson Society Annual General Meeting</b>	Mid-East	Ligonier	PA			<a href="https://www.clanhendersonsociety.com/">https://www.clanhendersonsociety.com/</a>
Sep	14 - 15	Ligonier Highland Games	Mid-East	Ligonier	PA	Mike & Joan Henderson		<a href="http://www.ligonierhighlandgames.org/">http://www.ligonierhighlandgames.org/</a>
Sep	canceled 2019	St. Louis Highland Games	Central	Chesterfield	MO	Charm & Louis Russell	canceled but will be there in 2020	<a href="http://stlouis-scottishgames.com/">http://stlouis-scottishgames.com/</a>
Sep	27-29	Celtic Classic	Mid-East	Bethlehem	PA	William Henderson		<a href="http://www.celticfest.org/">http://www.celticfest.org/</a>
Sep	27-29	KVMR Celtic Festival	South Pacific	Grass Valley	CA			<a href="https://kvmrcelticfestival.org/">https://kvmrcelticfestival.org/</a>
Sep	28	Dandridge Scots-Irish Festival	Mid-South	Dandridge	TN			<a href="https://www.scotsirishfestival.com/">https://www.scotsirishfestival.com/</a>
Sep	28	Dixon Scottish Games	South Pacific	Dixon	CA			<a href="http://www.scotsindixon.org/scottish_games.html">http://www.scotsindixon.org/scottish_games.html</a>
Sep		Cape Fear Highland Games	South East	Wilmington	NC	Ann Hicks		<a href="http://www.capefearhighlandgames.com/">http://www.capefearhighlandgames.com/</a>
Sep	29	Wichita Highland Games	Central	Wichita	Ks	Charm & Louis Russell		<a href="https://www.facebook.com/WichitaHighlandGames/">https://www.facebook.com/WichitaHighlandGames/</a>
Oct	11-19	Celtic Colours International Festival	Canada	Sydney	NS			<a href="http://www.celtic-colours.com/">http://www.celtic-colours.com/</a>
Oct		Scotland County Highland Games	South East	Laurinburg	NC			<a href="http://www.carolina-highlandgames.com/">http://www.carolina-highlandgames.com/</a>
Oct	5-6	Aztec Highland Games	South West	Aztec	NM	Kris Jones		<a href="https://www.aztehighlandgames.com/">https://www.aztehighlandgames.com/</a>
Oct		Cheasepeake Celtic Festival	Mid-East	Snow Hill	MD			<a href="http://www.celticfest.net/">http://www.celticfest.net/</a>
Oct		Scotland Connecticut Highland Games	North East	Scotland	CT			<a href="http://scotlandgames.org/">http://scotlandgames.org/</a>
Oct		Reno Celtic Celebration	South Pacific	Reno	NV			<a href="http://www.renoceltic.org/">http://www.renoceltic.org/</a>
Oct		Indianapolis Scottish Highland Games and Festival	Great Lakes	Indianapolis	IN			<a href="http://www.indyscotgamesandfest.com/">http://www.indyscotgamesandfest.com/</a>

# SCOTTISH HIGHLAND GAMES & FESTIVALS -

Thanks to Adam Henderson (Australia) and Meri Russell (USA)

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Oct	13	Scotland Connecticut Highland Games	North East	Edward Waldo Homestead, Scotland	CT			860-822-8060
Oct	12-13	Seaside Scottish Games	South Pacific	Ventura	CA	John & Sherrilyn McKendry		<a href="http://www.seaside-games.com/">http://www.seaside-games.com/</a>
Oct		Stone Mountain Highland Games	South East	Stone Mountain	GA			<a href="http://www.smbhg.org/">http://www.smbhg.org/</a>
Oct		Radford Highlanders Festival	Mid-East	Radford	VA			<a href="http://www.radford.edu/content/festival/home.html">http://www.radford.edu/content/festival/home.html</a>
Oct		The Central VA Celtic Festival and Highland Games	Mid-East	Richmond	VA	Christian Garin		<a href="http://vacelticfestival.com/">http://vacelticfestival.com/</a>
Oct		North Alabama Scottish Festival and Highland Games	Mid-South	New Market	AL			<a href="http://www.tennesseevalleyscottishsociety.org/index.php?id=event">http://www.tennesseevalleyscottishsociety.org/index.php?id=event</a>
Oct	19	Ozark Mountain Games	Central	Springfield	Mo	Charm & Louis Russell		
Nov		Charleston Scottish Games	South East	Mt. Pleasant	SC			<a href="http://charlestonscots.org/">http://charlestonscots.org/</a>
Nov		Tucson Celtic Festival	South West	Tucson	AZ			<a href="http://tucsoncelticfestival.org/">http://tucsoncelticfestival.org/</a>
Nov		Austin Celtic Festival	Far South	Austin	TX			<a href="http://www.austincelticfestival.com">www.austincelticfestival.com</a>
Nov		St. Andrews Tartan Ball	Mid East	Washington	DC			<a href="http://www.tartanball.org/">http://www.tartanball.org/</a>
Nov		Beechworth Celtic Festival	Oceania	Beechworth, VIC	AUS			<a href="http://www.beechworthcelticfestival.com.au">www.beechworthcelticfestival.com.au</a>
Nov		Salado Scottish Clan Gathering and Highland Games	Far South	Salado	TX	Dick & Sue Hoffman		<a href="http://www.ctam-salado.org/">http://www.ctam-salado.org/</a>
Nov		Celtic Music Festival and Scottish Highland Games	Mid-South	Gulfport	MS	Lee Henderson		<a href="http://www.mshighlandsandislands.org/">www.mshighlandsandislands.org/</a>
Nov		Mount Dora Scottish Highland Festival	South East	Mount Dora	FL			<a href="https://ci.mount-dora.fl.us/991/Scottish-Highland-Festival">https://ci.mount-dora.fl.us/991/Scottish-Highland-Festival</a>
Nov		Swamp Fox Highland Games and Celtic Festival	South East	Florence	SC	George Henderson		<a href="https://www.swampfoxgames.com/">https://www.swampfoxgames.com/</a>
Nov	30	St. Andrews Day	All	All				A toast to our Chief is appropriate. Wearing a kilt or tartan is encouraged.
Dec		Alexandria Scottish Christmas Walk & Clan Henderson Ceilidh	Mid-East	Alexandria	VA			<a href="http://www.scottishchristmaswalk.com/">http://www.scottishchristmaswalk.com/</a>
Dec	25	Christmas Day	All	All				A toast to our Chief is appropriate.



# Welcome

## New Members to the Clan Henderson Society!



\* *Cead Mile Failte* in Irish Gaelic and *Ceud Mile Failte* in the Scottish Gaelic. Both are correct.

## One Hundred Thousand Welcomes!

Mark Henderson, Vice President of Members reports that the CHS's membership has grown quite a bit in the last few months.

Our new International Members include Colin Henderson from Cape Town, Republic of South Africa; Geoff Henderson of Batehaven, New South Wales, Australia; Jennilee Ann Henderson of Saskatoon, Canada! We welcome you all!

The Central Region of CHS has new members, Susan Bean, Alan Boothby, Clif Cockburn, Kerry Henderson, Jolene Juelfs Hanson, Jacob Henderson, Lanny Henderson, Dennis Juelfs, Kim Keleher, Lori Peterson, Cathy Red, Donna Reimers, Julie Juelfs Vaughn - all of of Akeny, Iowa.

More Central new members include Lee Henderson of St. Louis, Missouri, Jim and Deb

CHS Mid East Region includes Jordann Wilson of Morgantown, West Virginia; and Margaret Stiles of Norfolk, Virginia. Ceud Mile Failte!

Mid South Region of CHS brand new members are Debbie Henderson of Hardinsburg, Kentucky; James Caddell Henderson of Valley Grande, Arkansas; Michelle Terwilliger of Liberty, Kentucky; Patty C. Turner of Hattiesburg, Mississippi! We're so happy to welcome you all.

The North East Region, CHS, welcomes Miranda Cartier of Manchester, New Hampshire; Donald Henderson Cass of Geneva, New York; Larry Champoux of Rochester, New York; Lynn Henderson of Palmyra, New York; and Lisa Marie Shagrué of Concord, New Hampshire. Delighted to have you all!

**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 you attend. (Your new garment will simply have a bit of "the water of life" added to it!)**

Stephens of Johnston, Iowa. Welcome all!

The Far South Region of CHS new members include Dan Sawyers of Flower Mound, Texas; Christopher Story of Yukon, Oklahoma; Marjorie Anderson of Reynoldsburg, Ohio; and Jeff Henderson of Holtsville, Michigan. Glad to have you all!

South East CHS new members include Ted Barnette of Spartanburg, South Carolina; Richard K. Bartoo of Charlotte, North Carolina, Bart Henderson Benne of Fairview, North Carolina; Jack L. Henderson of Easley, South Carolina; Timothy Andrew Henderson of Clayton, North Carolina;

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Mark Henderson, Vice President of Membership announces the Clan Henderson Society, Inc., Length of Membership pin awards for this time.

Congratulations to the twenty-five year pin awardees: Doris R. Henderson of Tallahassee, Florida; Lea Henderson Worcester of Nampa, Idaho!

Clan Henderson is proud of the fifteen year pin awards this time, too. Ellen M. Bentley of Prosser, Washington; Beth Henderson Downey of Ocean Springs, Mississippi; Judith Y. Freeman of Lee's Summit, Missouri and Maureen Henderson

Gault of Valdosta, Georgia will be proudly wearing their silver pins soon!

Five year pins are going out to Marcia Austreng of East Lansing, Michigan; Eugene R. Foster, Jr., of West Simsbury, Connecticut; Chris Henderson of Iron Station, North Carolina; J. Luther Jones, III of Sylva, North Carolina; Allen A. Pippin, Jr., of Cary, North Carolina; Kate Pippin, of Cary, North Carolina and Charles Taylor of Portland, Oregon. Congratulations to all of you!

Time just goes by so fast!

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### Brand new CHS Members, *continued from page 26*

William J. Henderson, Mr., of Newport, North Carolina; Jeff Hendricks of Easley, South Carolina; Bianca Hollander of Pooler, GA; Sandra Lipscomb of Greenville, South Carolina; Kate Pippin, Cary, North Carolina; Kenneth Darby Ray of Savannah, Georgia; Rachel Sharp of Weaverville, North Carolina; and Jaret Trawick of Newport Richey, Florida: So happy to have you every one!

The South Pacific CHS Region welcomes

Charles F. Henderson of Chula Vista, California; Paula Henderson of Cayon County, California and Andrew Edward Henry of Reseda, California!

CHS South West Region says "Howdy and glad to meet you!" to Kaitlin Henderson of Broomfield, Colorado; Natalie Henderson of Aztec, New Mexico; Mariah Hensel, Kristi Stritt and Pam Stritt all three from Broomfield, Colorado!

You will have such a good time with CHS!

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# MARGARET ADAM HENDERSON: FOOTSTEPS IN TIME

Tracy Richardson, Completing her masters degree at California State University Fullerton.

Margaret Adam was born in 1816 in Lanarkshire, Scotland, to William Thom Adam and Isabella Laird.

In 1837, at the age of 17 Margaret married David Henderson, and they had 7 children.

Owing to the potato famine and the collapse of the peat market in 1849, David and Margaret Henderson, along with the Adam and Easton clans, the latter who were Mormon, decided to immigrate to the U.S.

At the time the Mormons (LDS) were actively recruiting, and the Adam/Henderson clans decided to travel with the Mormons, but not join LDS.

They traveled aboard the sailing ship *Berlin*, from Liverpool to New Orleans. Cholera was rampant at the time, and 43 people aboard ship died, including Margaret's sister Isabella Grant, and all her family, except for one child, John Grant.

After arriving in New Orleans, the clans took a paddle-wheeler up the Mississippi to St. Louis, Missouri. Here the Adam/Henderson/Easton clans had to earn money to build wagons, buy oxen and supplies.

Margaret's sister, Agnes Easton was still very sick with cholera.

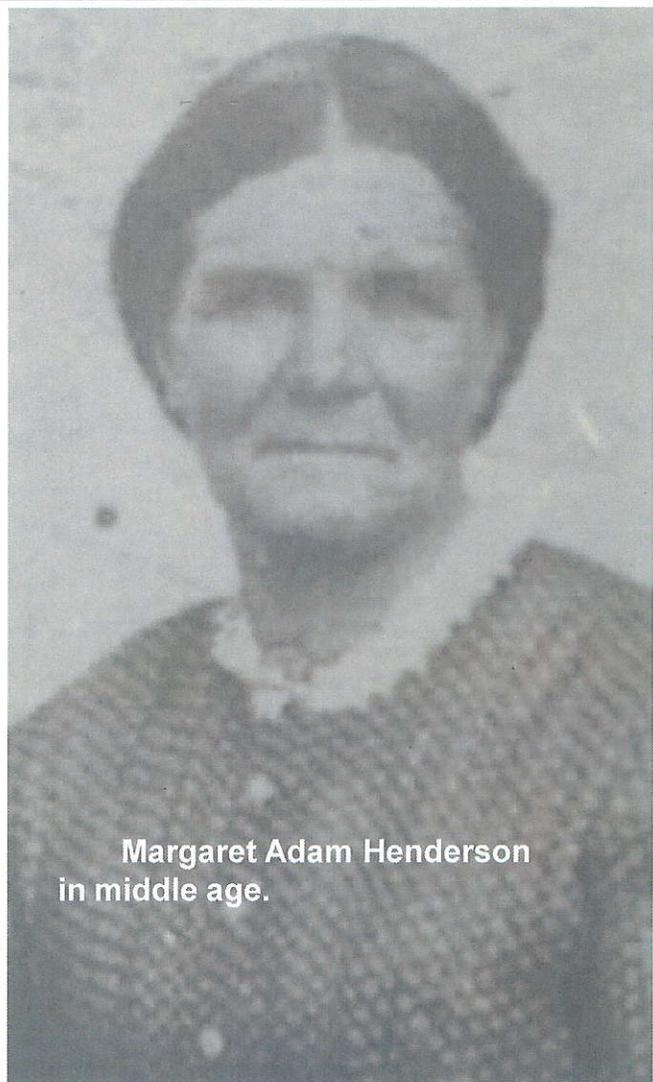
Soon after, Margaret lost one of her children to cholera as well. And then soon after that, her husband, David Henderson died of a heat stroke.

Margaret now had the responsibility of all of her children, John Grant, and all of her sisters' children.

For Margaret, times were desperate.

They were in the process of planning her sister Agnes' burial.

At this time, per Agnes' request, so that their



Margaret Adam Henderson  
in middle age.

children would be taken care of, Margaret marries her sister's husband, James Easton.

Then some time later Margaret pulls her sister through her illness.

For better or for worse, Margaret had become a plural wife, and based on her own religion, "Presbyterianism," divorce was not a possibility.

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**Margaret Adam Henderson, continued from page 28**

Margaret needed to make enough money to support a very large family. So, she ran a coal delivery service. She would pick up the coal in her wagon, take it to be weighed, and then take it to be sold to men.

This was at a time when women did not conduct business.

After making enough money, the Adam/Henderson/Easton clans, along with many others, traveled by wagon train to Salt Lake City, Utah.

Their intention was to stay there, however problems with the LDS arose, and the Adam/Henderson/Easton's decided it was time to leave. (In the middle of the night).

Others asked them to wait, and travel with them. John Easton was elected as Captain of the wagon train.

They made a stop in Cedar City, Utah. Here they stayed for a year, raising enough supplies to take them the final leg of their trip to San Bernardino, California, where the Mormons had recently established an outpost.

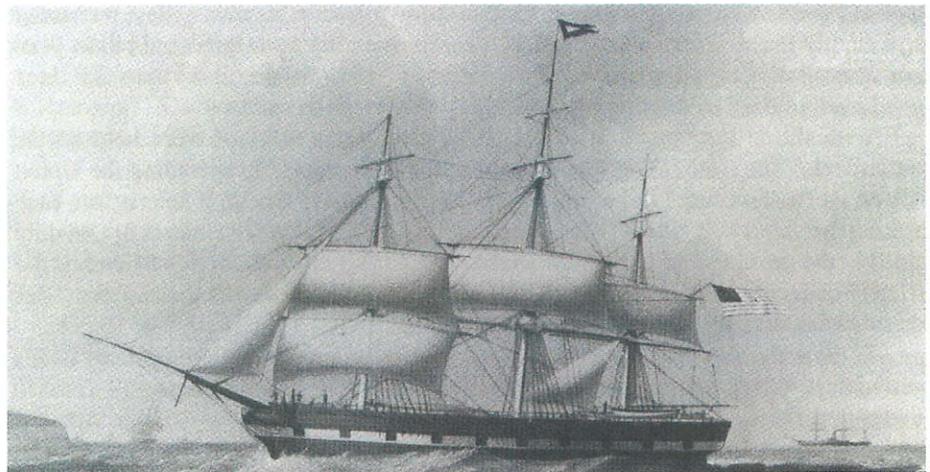
In 1855, the Adam/Henderson/Easton clans arrived in San Bernardino, just two years before the Mormons are recalled to Salt Lake City.

Here Margaret and James have a child, John Alexander Henderson. At no time did Margaret take her husband's name, nor did her child.

Soon, after James and Agnes decided to move to Oregon, and Margaret Henderson chose to stay in San Bernardino and raise her children there.

Margaret was a prodigious landowner who bought and sold multiple tracts of land and ran a cattle ranch in San Bernardino in the latter half of the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

Margaret Henderson is regarded as a founding pioneer of San Bernardino, California. She died in 1900, at the age of 84 years old and is interred at the Pioneer Cemetery in San Bernardino. Margaret is immortalized on a plaque with the other pioneers, in front of the San Bernardino County Courthouse. Margaret's youngest son, John Alexander, became a deputy sheriff, and one of the first Mayors of San Bernardino. Because of Margaret and David Henderson, my family settled in the San Bernardino area and remains there today, but be-



*SS Berlin, the ship from Liverpool to New Orleans on which Margaret Adam Henderson and her family traveled.*

cause of the tree they planted, this branch of the Henderson clan has extended all over the west coast and as far as Australia and New Zealand.

## **Congratulations to CHS's Tracy Richardson!**

Tracy has just completed her Masters Degree in Public History at California State University at Fullerton!



# Finger Lakes Celtic Festival 2019 great day for CHS



**Steve Henderson, VP-Ops and Convener for CHS, 571-482-7332**

Barbara Pamboukes, North East Regional Commissioner, joined me at Manchester, New York, for the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Finger Lakes Celtic Festival on 18 May 2019.

Barbara traveled from her home in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, and I traveled from my home in Waynesboro, Pennsylvania, and we had a great weather day and visited with many festival attendees.

Clans that were registered included: Armstrong, Bruce, Claus, Lindsay, Klein, Davidson, Hay, Henderson, McKenna, MacClough, McNeil, Simpson, Stewart and Young.

Heavy athletic events were held throughout the day right in front of our tent.

Barbara and I were pleased to meet with Jim Smith, a member of both the Claus and Henderson clans, who has been convening, with his wife, in New York for many years. He has all the conven-

ing materials that had been used by Gary Henderson when Gary was more active.

Jim Smith promised us he would send email information to Barbara about his activities in the future so we can know about his active convening in New York.

He was under the impression information about these activities was sent to CHS by Gary.

Two women, Virginia Henderson and Shirl Clark, visited our tent and talked about their interest in discovering more about their family genealogical background.

We indicated that they should join CHS and determine more by contacting our Ancestry and DNA team. Both did not join immediately; however, they took membership forms and their information is in the hands of our VP-Members for further contact.

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## Finger Lakes Celtic Festival, *continued from page 30*

A young woman, Lynn Henderson, came to our tent from her nearby commercial tent where she was selling yarn and joined CHS as she talked with Barbara and me. She expressed interest in becoming active in CHS and she could become a future convener at the three to four festivals she attends. Barbara will remain in communication with Lynn.

One of Barbara's cousins, Larry Champoux, came to our tent and he joined CHS to show his solidarity with his cousin and also to acquire more information about his Henderson roots in New York. Larry and Barbara had much to discuss and he may become more involved at nearby festivals.

With her family in mind, Barbara paid one year dues for one of her brothers, Donald Henderson Cass, who did not attend the festival. He will be thankful to his sister, Barbara, for this nice birthday gift she opted to get for him.

Peter Henderson, a piper in the Gordon Highlander's Pipe Band, visited the tent to sign in and talk with us. He has been friends with Gary Henderson (both of them being pipers) for many years.

Barbara gently asked Peter to get in touch with Gary to determine how much he may contribute to CHS efforts in the future. Peter also took one of

the Corporate Sponsor tri-folds, as he thought that his company, Wentworth Steel, might choose to become a sponsor (especially if some of that money could be used by Peter Henderson who is teaching young people how to play the bagpipes).

Barbara and I had a very enjoyable day discussing convening methods and procedures conveners and their Regional Commissioners should know about so they can be successful in bringing in new members.

Barbara had already started lists of festivals in her region and she took many hand-written notes about what we were doing at the festival. She asked a lot of questions and I did my best to answer them. In the midst of all this, when we were discussing our AGM location in Ligonier, PA, I asked if she had made reservations at the Ramada Inn. She had not, so I showed her a calling card for the Inn.

She telephoned the Ramada and secured reservations for the Pamboukes for the Friday and Saturday evenings, 13 and 14 September 2019.

As the festival was closing down, Barbara helped me get my tent and tables and chairs loaded into my Ford Escape. We shared a great day together and she was a better recruiter than I at this festival.





*Brynn Brown at the Clan Henderson "tent" at Grandfather Mountain. Photo by Kari Henderson.*

**GMHG Games**, continued from page 7  
 article in *An Canach*.

Dan and Judy Henderson were the most distant "mainlanders" from Leesburg, Florida.

Dan is interested in our Chaplain Corps which is headed by Rev. Kyle Henderson. Their meeting was to be rather fortuitous.

What would a game be for Henderson's without a Walkabout?

Thanks to long-time friends of CHS, The Loch Norman Pipe Band once again answered the call.

On Saturday afternoon CHS made their presence on the field known marching through the almost half mile oval of double row clan tents.

With the entire Loch Norman Band, Bodyguard contingent comprised of Larry Phillips, Will

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Dear Clan Henderson Society,  
 Thank you for the scholarship money.

I enjoyed the Walkabout at GMHG very much and hope to do it again sometime.

I am using the scholarship money towards a full kilt outfit because I need it for Premiere.

I start Premiere in the spring of 2020. I will be competing at Cary, North Carolina; Loch Norman, North Carolina; Savannah, Georgia and in Ohio (maybe). I will also compete at Grandfather Mountain, in North Carolina; Laurinberg, North Carolina and Stone Mountain, Georgia.

The Savannah Highland Games is the qualifying competition. If I place in the Top 3 at Regionals, then I qualify to represent the Southeast Region at the USIR, the National Competition in the USA.

I must practice very hard and hope to go to the Margret Reed Memorial Workshop in Philadelphia in February and the Ohio Dance Camp at Oberlin College in June.

Your continued support means a lot to me and to my family.

Warmly,  
 Brynn Brown



*Walkabout at GMHG. Photo by Kari Henderson.*

Henderson, John Henderson and Dave Henderson, our youth scholarship dancer Brynn Brown with her trophy, followed by 30-35 cousins parted the masses like Moses parted the Red Sea.

Other clan's folk cheered us on as many had haplessly sought the Henderson Tent to rekindle old friendships. We even gleaned a new member from the Walk-about.

On Sunday we were disappointed by being pulled from the Parade of Tartans lineup by Games officials.

The standing rules of the GMHG forbids entry onto the Field proper except for duly registered and paying Clan Sponsors (i.e. Clan Tent).

However, with all these adversities, the weekend was measured a success with about 35 visitors, 4 new members, Brynn's dance trophy, and a spirited Walkabout.



# Brisbane, Australia, celebrates National Tartan Day on July 20, 2019

Jeff Henderson, Clan Henderson Society, Inc., Australia

Brisbane's National Tartan Day event was held on July 20 at the King George Square in the centre of the city.

This is a free event organised by the Scottish Australia Heritage Council and hosted by the City of Brisbane - <https://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/whats-on-and-events/event/international-tartan-day>

Jeff Henderson drove up from Melbourne and had several vehicle issues over the 1800 km journey, but made it just in time to set up the tent with the assistance of Tom, Georgia and daughter Shannon Henderson.

Georgia and Shannon baked some superb fudge, shortbread and oatmeal cookies to share with the crowd which were extremely popular and didn't last long.

Our Chief, Alistair, was the 'Chieftain of the Day' and welcomed all, and declared the event officially open. This was followed by the massed pipes and drums marching through the crowd to the stage.

Apart from the baked items, our basket-hilt sword and sept banner were great attractions. The kids were thrilled to have their photo taken holding the sword.

We had quite a few Hendersons visit and several were keen to join the society.

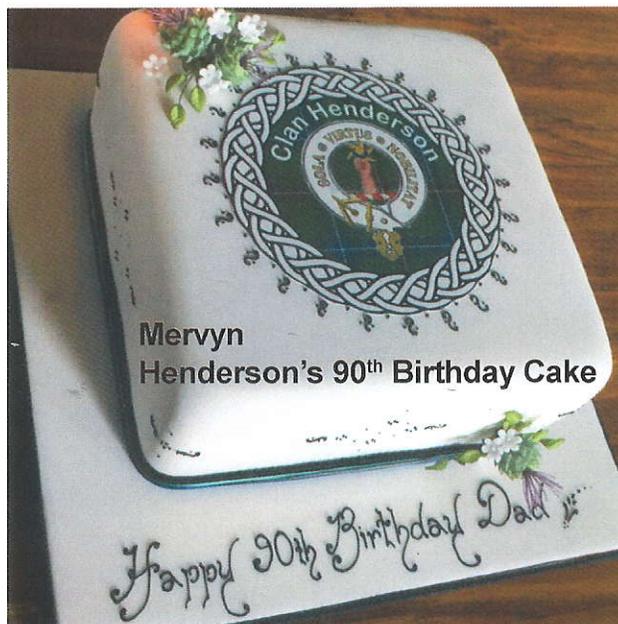
A couple of Hendersons who had recently emigrated from Scotland found our tent by chance as they were not aware of the Tartan Day event. They were thrilled that Scottish heritage is celebrated so well down under.

Also we had a visit from Linda Henderson on holiday from California, who is already a CHS member and spent time chatting to the Chief.

A prospective member, Heather Henderson, showed a photo of her father Mervyn's 90<sup>th</sup> birth-



*Alistair Henderson, Chieftain of the Day at the Brisbane celebration and Chief of the Name and Arms of Henderson, on the left with CHS members at the Tartan Day event.*



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day cake featuring the clan crest, a very impressive cake baked locally in Toowoomba.

Clan Henderson coloring books and crayons were handed out to the kids and we ran out as the day drew to a close.

Handouts and printed versions of An Cannach were provided to many people and several indicated that they intend to join up.

In summary, a great day, beautiful weather and our thanks have been forwarded to the organiser's - the Scottish Australian Heritage Council, Inc.

## FSA Scot Dinner at Stone Mtn., GA October 19, 2019

Here, Mr. Hope-Vere Anderson, FSA Scot, in his voluntary role as Honourary Secretary for Society Affairs in the USA, shares the following update:

"As a regular attendee at the Stone Mountain Highland Games in Atlanta for over 40 years, I thought it would be an excellent location to host a dinner for Fellows of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland.

"The Stone Mountain Highland Games are some of the largest on the East Coast of America. Quite a few of the people who attend the Games are FSA Scots and a number of guests attend from Scotland.

"Representing the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, I have a dedicated stall and tent at the Games, located across from the Clan Anderson tent. There, potential new Fellows can receive information about the Society and its many accomplishments, and, should they wish, can find out how to apply to join the Society.

"The annual Fellows' dinner organised on the Saturday evening of the weekend Games at the official hotel for the Games, the Hilton Atlanta NE, has proved quite popular with an excellent line-up of speakers. The evening dinner is open both to Fellows, guests and to those who are interested in joining the Society.

"This year the dinner and program will be on Saturday, 19 October at the Hunnicutt C/D Room in the Hilton Atlanta NE hotel. Registration from 6.30pm and dinner at 7pm.

"All are welcome and invited. RSVPs can be e-mailed to Martha Hartzog FSA Scot (at [m.hartzog@mail.utexas.edu](mailto:m.hartzog@mail.utexas.edu)), who assists with the annual dinner arrangements.

"We look forward to seeing you at Stone Mountain!

"With best wishes, Hope Vere Anderson, FSA Scot."

## Book Review -

# THE HENDERSONS: ONE FAMILY'S LEGACY

Pamela Douglas Brust

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**C. Fred Sanford, Clan Henderson Chaplain and Counsellor to the Chief**

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Henderson Hall, a stately mansion near Parkersburg, West Virginia, has been featured in *An Canach* a number of times recently. Now, a book has been published which examines not just the house itself but generations of one Henderson family.

In October 2016 a number of us in the Clan, coordinated by Steve and Doug Henderson, were invited to tour the house. We were treated warmly by the volunteer staff and encouraged to return often.

Pamela Douglas Brust, an Ohio writer and historian, dedicated herself to the history of the family which founded and built the mansion and museum, which is now on the historic registry as Henderson Hall.

Using documents, artifacts, personality portraits, and historic records dating back to family origins in Scotland she has traced the lives and times of this line of Hendersons emigrating to the colonies in the 1750s.

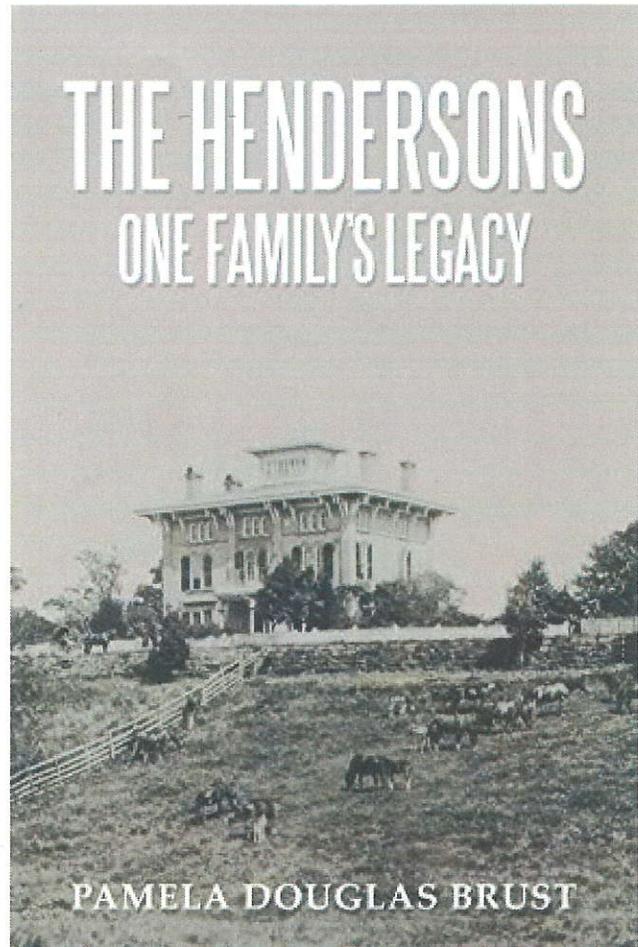
Being merchants, the sons operated on the Potomac River shores of Virginia when three of the next generation chose to expand their commercial interests to the Ohio River valley of Western Virginia, across the river from the pioneer village of Marietta, Ohio.

The Henderson men achieved strong reputations along the river, in farming, trading, raising horses, and in politics.

Not all went well, as debts mounted, and child mortality afflicted the families. Finally, they settled on a property near Williamstown where the homestead was built.

The Henderson women are remembered as stalwart supporters of the families and several portraits are included.

The author recounts a special occasion when a visitor by the name of Aaron Burr arrived



and attempted to engage the Henderson brothers in a scheme to separate the newly formed Louisiana Purchase from the colonial states.

They refused and became witnesses in the trial against Burr, whose reputation as the shooter of Alexander Hamilton in a duel, had already been tarnished.

Brust also includes chapters on the Hendersons who stayed in Virginia.

Two prominent men, one Archibald Henderson, became Commandant of the Marine Corps in the early 1800s, and his brother, Thomas,

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**The Hendersons**, *continued from page 36*

became a medical doctor associated with the Medical College in Washington and the West Point Military Academy. He was notable in encouraging the founding of the Naval Academy at Annapolis.

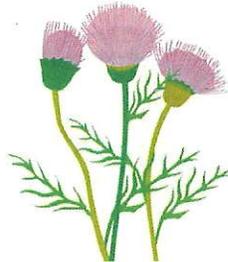
While this book is full of facts and stories based on hours of research, it is not a smoothly written chronological narrative, where one identifies each generation easily. The reader constantly needs to refer back to earlier pages to straighten out husbands and spouses and children and grandchildren. The author's writing style is often difficult to manage with so many pages of single-sentence paragraphs.

Otherwise, it becomes a tribute to the name of Henderson in American history. Here is an open invitation to feel a living part of this generational legacy.

How could we all dream that our own family would have such a rich history in print as this?

As we've all been encouraged to do so, be sure to schedule a visit to this site along Interstate 77 near the Ohio River bridge into Ohio or West Virginia.

The book is available on Amazon.com. Just type in *The Hendersons: One Family's Legacy* in the book search.



Please forgive your editor. Timing issues with *An Canach* meant that, most likely, this publication would not reach everyone by the date of the funeral for Russ Henderson.

The information is here in case it does. There will be photographs and more information in the next *An Canach*.

## FUNERAL SERVICE



The Funeral Service for  
Russ Henderson will be held at  
Old Post Chapel at  
11 am, Friday August 9, 2019  
followed by inurnment at  
Arlington National Cemetery.

We invite all attendees  
to lunch at Patton Hall  
(formerly Fort Myers Officers Club)  
after the inurnment.

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