What in The World is the AGM?

I just returned from my second Annual General Meeting (AGM) of CDSNA. Why, you might ask yourself, would one travel from Hawaii to Georgia for this event? A couple of reasons come to mind: first, my wife, Sharleen, and I got to attend one of the premier Scottish Festivals and Highland Games at Stone Mountain. Being from Hawaii, we just can’t get in the car and drive to one of the many mainland games, so we pick one each year to visit. The Stone Mountain Festival also gave my wife the opportunity to make her first trip to Georgia and Atlanta (where we spent a couple of days as Class A tourists). At the games we spent time at the Clan Douglas booth meeting and greeting old friends (from last year’s visit to the Pleasanton games and AGM) and making new ones. As a rather new Regent I could see how others set up displays and what worked as attention getters. This helps me plan and execute the Douglas table at the Hawaii Scottish Festival (next year on April 9th and 10th…shameless plug).

The AGM is the annual business meeting of the Society. I defer to Mark Peterson, our president, for a report on the business transacted and reports provided. All this was done with quick dispatch (thankfully). The actual meeting was surrounded by times to get to know Clan Douglass leaders, past leaders, other Regents (from places like Duluth, Minnesota, and California) and regular card carrying members. The dress ranged from formal Prince Charlie to very informal. As Sly Stone of Sly and the Family Stone said: “different strokes for different folks.” I learned many of my perceptions of members did not meet the test of reality. I thought that our newsletter editor, Harold Edington, was an old futz just like me. I was wrong. It was great to put faces with names of folks I have seen in the Dubh Ghlose or in emails. My takeaway is that CDSNA is in good hands with capable leaders (who are really nice folks).

See you at next year’s AGM.

James Douglas Putnam
Hawaii Regent
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IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BEING A CDSNA REGENT or CO-REGENT, CONTACT OUR CDSNA VICE PRESIDENT

According to CDSNA Bylaws, a Regent must be a member of CDSNA in good standing.

How can I renew my membership to CDSNA, if I missed my local festival?

If you need to update your CDSNA Membership, you can use PayPal to pay your member dues.

Simply go to our Clan Douglas website and click on the JOIN CDSNA tab.

Scroll down the page to the DONATE button and press the button to open the PayPal page.

When your transaction is completed, email Secretary Jim Morton for confirmation:

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President’s Comments

Greetings Clan Douglas Society members.

I hope this finds everyone well and getting ready for the upcoming holidays.

We recently (October 15) held our Annual General Meeting (AGM) at the Hilton Hotel in Norcross, GA which coincided with the Stone Mountain Games in the Atlanta area. I thought the AGM went quite well and I would highly recommend that, if you ever have a chance to attend an AGM, you take the time and do so. An AGM is a great way to both participate in our Society and meet your extended Clan Douglas Family.

I am saddened to report that Life Member and our Southern Oregon Regent, Lynda Kassab LeBaron passed away on Sept 25, 2016 after a brief illness. Please keep her family and friends in your thoughts and prayers. We here at Clan Douglas will miss Lynda terribly as she really enjoyed being a Regent and did a wonderful job.

I would be remiss if I did not mention Clan Douglas needs you! We are in serious need of new Regents to fill the vacancies throughout North American and abroad. Please consider becoming a Regent. If you are interested in becoming a Regent, contact me or CDSNA VP Chuck Mirabile to discuss this in further detail.

I also would like to thank Ronald Coleman our Regent in Utah who, at age 85, felt it was time to retire as Regent and allow someone else to take over. Clan Douglas would to like to extend our gratitude to Ron for all his efforts during his many years of service as our Utah Regent. We all wish you the best, Ron.

Overall, Clan Douglas is in a good financial state and we are looking forward to the New Year. A date and place for the 2017 AGM are currently in the planning and awaiting confirmation. We will have more information for members in our next Dubh Ghlase.

In 2017, please take the time to go to a local Highland Game in your area and support your Clan. Make a point to introduce yourself and become involved. After all, the Clan Douglas Society is our way of carrying on our Scottish Heritage and proudly representing our ancestors who came before us.

Best Regards,
Mark A. Peterson
CDSNA President
On October 15, 2016 the Clan Douglas Society of North America held its Annual General Meeting (AGM) at the Hilton Atlanta Northeast Hotel in conjunction with the Stone Mountain Scottish Highland Games. Twenty-seven members and four guests were in attendance. We started the evening with a Call to Order and our Secretary Jim Morton certified we had a quorum based on members present and proxies received.

President Mark Peterson gave his Annual President’s Report to the membership and commented that Clan Douglas is in good financial shape but encouraged membership to work together in this next fiscal year to support the Society and remain a financially sound Society for our future members. Since the Vice President of Clan Douglas Chuck Mirabile was out of the country on a well-deserved vacation, President Mark Peterson presented a short message from the Vice President.

After this, the podium was given to Secretary Jim Morton who shared Shirley Douglas’ Treasurer’s Report. Shirley and her husband George were also on a well-deserved vacation. Secretary Jim Morton then presented his Secretary’s Report in which he explained how our membership numbers and statistics and other bits of information. Transcripts of our Treasurer’s and Secretary’s Reports are provided later in this newsletter for members to read. Please take the time and to check them out so you are informed about how your Society is doing.

After all the reports were given, it was my pleasure to award our 2016 Scholarship Award for $250.00 to Highland Dancer Vita Blaylock. Vita’s scholarship application was the only application submitted this year.

Each fiscal year Clan Douglas Society of North America, Ltd. will award up to
four scholarships in the amount of $250.00 each. Applicants must be dedicated to continuing their instruction and furthering their education in the field of Scottish art, which includes piping, drumming, dancing, Scottish related languages, general Scottish studies, or traditional Scottish Highland athletics. To be awarded a scholarship, you must submit a Scholarship Application to our Scholarship Chairman Gilbert F. Douglas III. [You can find a Scholarship Application Form later in this newsletter on page 37.]

It was also my distinct pleasure to award Harold Edington the Meritorious Service Award for 2016. The award was awarded to Harold for all of the many things he does for Clan Douglas. Not only is Harold the Assistant Vice President of the East, the Newsletter Editor, a Website Editor, and the Regent for Missouri, he has been known to be in Illinois and other states from time to time to represent Clan Douglas. How he even had the time to do the research necessary to show how our list of Septs and Allied Families names are associated with Clan Douglas is beyond me. This was a well-deserved award and I would like to thank Harold for all he does for Clan Douglas.

After all of the formalities, we announced the Flowers of the Forest – a remembrance of those members that were lost during 2016. We recently lost Lynda LeBaron, our Oregon (South) Regent to cancer. Lynda was a wonderful lady and loved being a Regent for Clan Douglas. We will miss her very much and will keep her family in our prayers. We also lost Life Member Woody Wilmes to kidney disease. Woody always had a smile on his face and was always willing to dive in and help during the games with his family by his side. We were able to give Woody a farewell during the Fresno Scottish Highland Games as Clan Douglas won the Best Clan Award that day and we dedicated the win to Woody. We will keep Woody’s family in our thoughts and prayers as well.

Since there were no questions from the floor, the meeting was adjourned and we proceeded to an absolutely wonderful dinner of Mixed Green Salad, Tomato & Cucumber Soup, Cock a Leekie Soup (which was awesome), Smoked Scottish Salmon, Bangers and Mash, Prince Charles Edward Chicken with Drambuie Sauce (I want the recipe), Scottish Bubbles & Squeek Patties, Vegetarian Haggis and three different choices of Desert. This was one of the most traditional Scottish dinners that I have had and (I will say it again) it was absolutely wonderful! I would like to thank Jim & Sharon Morton for all of their hard work in setting up the 2016 AGM dinner. Thanks also to Tim & Missy Justice for providing many of the table decorations. Sadly, Tim and Missy had extra duties at the Highland games and were unable to attend the AGM.

During the AGM, four toasts were offered: MN Regent Jock Glendinning & Harold Edington give a Gaelic Toast -- Jock gave the toast in Gaelic and Harold Edington translated. Harold Edington gave a toast to our Scottish Ancestors. Cora Peterson gave a toast to our Flower of the Forest. The final toast from Charlie Wallace was given in honor of our brave military. Charlie and his wife Karen were both Commanders in the U.S. Navy and Clan Douglas would like to thank them for their service to our country. We are also honored to have them as members of CDSNA.

After his toast, Charlie gave a wonderful speech and told everyone the story how he became a Clan Douglas Life Member as he and Jim Morton were close friends. Needless to say, it was a lot of fun.
During the evening we were fortunate to have Geoff Douglass, son of past President Bill Douglass, play the bagpipes. Geoff came with his wife and daughter. We also heard a couple of tunes from accomplished piper Jock Glendinning. Having these two guys play for us during the AGM was quite a treat, and again we want to thank them for their time.

We will have information regarding the date and location of next year’s AGM in the very near future. I would highly recommend taking the time to attend our next AGM; it is a wonderful way to meet a number of your extended Douglas family members – and it is a lot of fun. Hopefully, an early announcement will allow for many more members to make a plan to attend the 2017 AGM.

Yours Aye,
Mark A. Peterson
CDSNA President

REGENTS & CO-REGENTS WANTED

to represent the Clan Douglas Society of North America (CDSNA) at various Scottish / Celtic festivals in the US and CANADA

CDSNA is seeking members willing to serve as Regents & Co-Regents in provinces and states currently un-represented or under-represented by CDSNA. **IF YOU ARE A MEMBER of CDSNA** willing to share your enthusiasm about Clan Douglas and available to serve as a representative in any of the following states and provinces, contact CDSNA VP Chuck Mirabile, CDSNA Asst VP (West) Loretta Morton, CDSNA Asst VP (East) Harold Edington, or your current Regent.

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Secretary’s Report
Year Ending June 30, 2016

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Top Four States in Members

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Members are reminded of their dues expiration date on the address label of the Dubh Ghlase mailing label and if it expires a post card is sent to them. We receive a good response from the post cards. On request from Regents are provide a member directory for their state and surrounding areas. Regents are instructed not to share information from directories including to other members of Clan Douglas.

New members receive a membership card and a letter of welcome from the Secretary. Life members receive a certificate signed by the President and Secretary along with a letter of appreciation.

Use of PayPal for paying dues and for store orders has improved convenience for members. Regents with smart phones can accept credit cards at games if they request a reader from the Secretary.
December 2016


From an income standpoint, this has been a good year for Clan Douglas. Our dues income increased significantly, thanks to a large increase in life memberships. At the same time, our other categories pretty well maintained the same levels as 2015. Our store sales continued to be constant and through the efforts of our storekeeper Joe Blaylock, we have a better handle on our inventory. Thanks to the efforts of Mark and Cora Peterson, we made money at our clan dinner in California. They conducted raffles and such to insure that we would not end up with a negative situation. We did lose a little value on our investment account. However, the decrease is within the current investment trends and should be only temporary.

On the expense side, the variances are not really significant and are just the result of timing. Looking at total expenses and comparing it to 2015, you need to take in consideration that 2016 includes the cost of a clan dinner and 2015 does not.

All in all, I would say that Clan Douglas is in good shape financially and ready to move “Forward” into 2017.

Shirley B Douglas
Treasurer


ASSETS
Current Assets
Checking/Savings
1010 · Checking · Wells Fargo 4,003.28
1100 · Morgan Stanley Investments 59,172.57
1150 · Petty Cash 500.00
Total Checking/Savings 63,675.85
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS 63,675.85
OTHER ASSETS
1200 · Inventory 13,010.90
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS 13,010.90
TOTAL ASSETS 76,686.75

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

LIABILITIES
Current Liabilities
Accounts Payable
2000 · Accounts Payable 0.00
Total Accounts Payable 0.00
Other Current Liabilities
2010 · Douglas Heritage Dues 575.00
2120 · Landmark Books 657.43
2130 · Douglas Larder Cookbooks 346.01
2140 · St Bride’s Books 140.00
Total Other Current Liabilities 1,718.44
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EQUITY
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3900 · Retained Earnings 36,882.01
Net Income 975.41
TOTAL EQUITY 74,968.31

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY 76,686.75
### Clan Douglas Society of North America
#### Profit & Loss Prev Year Comparison

**July 2015 through June 2016**

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For CDSNA Regents manning the Douglas tents at festivals all over North America, one of the most commonly asked questions by festival goers is “Why is THAT name a Douglas name?” In 2009, one CDSNA member took on the responsibility of finding an answer for each name in our clan’s list of septs and allied families… and the CDSNA Septs & Allied Families Project was born. Since 2012, research from the Septs & Allied Families Project has led to several new names added to our Douglas list.

Sterrett was accepted by CDSNA as a sept in September 1988.

Documentation for this sept was prepared for CDSNA and (evidently) housed on an early CDSNA website, now lost.
The following was found @ http://boards.ancestry.com/surnames.sterett/21.4237/mb.ashx

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A Short History of the Sterretts

According to Black’s “Surnames of Scotland” the name Sterrett is derived from the name of a farmstead in the parish of Dalry, Ayrshire, near the present town of Mauchline. This land was known in medieval times as “Stairaird” and allegedly means “path over a bog” in Gaelic.

The western seaboard of Britain, including western Scotland from the river Clyde south, was invaded about 500 B.C. by tribes of Celts. They had migrated throughout Europe from east of the Danube, and displaced the ancient people who lived in this part of Britain. It is likely that the early inhabitants of Ayrshire were of this Celtic racial stock. Centuries of invasion, war and intermarriage with many other peoples who played historic roles in this area followed. Romans entered this vicinity about 80 A.D. as part of their conquest of southern Scotland. In 360 A.D. it was invaded by an army of Picts from the north, Scots (from Ireland) and Saxon pirates. Scots strayed into the area again after their settlement of the western Highlands about 400 A.D. Angles, Germanic invaders, began moving into eastern lowland Scotland after 600 A.D., and Vikings came to Ayrshire during their great, terrifying raids of the 800 and 900’s. Fighting and intermarrying, these various warriors and settlers blended to make up the early humble folk of the Stairaird farmstead locale. Soon after the Norman conquest of England in 1066, Normans arrived in Scotland and Ayrshire, invited by King Malcom III and Queen Margaret who granted them land. These Norman lords introduced feudalism, replacing the ancient Celtic tribal form of government which survived in the Highlands as the Clan system.

In the period following the war for Scottish independence (1295 - 1314) large landholdings in Ayrshire, including Stairaird, were awarded to Sir James Douglas, “the Black Douglas”, for his tireless service and loyalty to the king, most likely about 1315, but certainly before King Robert Bruce’s death in 1329. About this time surnames began to be adopted and the progenitors of the Sterrett family were called “Stairaird” after the farmstead which they inhabited, a common custom at the time and origination of many present-day surnames. As the land they farmed was part of the holdings of the Douglasses (which they held in fief from the lord), they were vassals of this great family and consequently constitute a sept of the House of Douglas.

In early medieval times the people of the farm were villeins (low-born freemen who were subjects of a lord) and lived as farmers, herdsmen, household servants, maids, etc. Under feudalism they were granted tenancy of the Stairaird farmstead and were obligated in return to provide part of their produce, time, and labor for their lord, including military service.

Black states the earliest record of the ancestral name is from the reign of King David II when Andreas Starheved resigned the serjandship of Lanark in 1349. (Serjand possibly meant sargeant and would refer to a military commander of a
district, similar to an English sheriff.) Lanark was in the heart of the Douglas territory at the time, and the fact that Andreas Starheved held the serjandship there suggests that he had risen in the service of the Douglasses to that position. The name Starheved is an early form of Stairaird, and is part of the evolution of the name to one of its modern forms. In Scotland many final "D"s in words were pronounced as "T"s, such as in the word steward, which of course evolved into the name Stewart. Thus it is easy to see how the name "Stairaird" evolved to Sterrett. Black records a John Starhede in 1493; and Robert Sterhed as witness to a charter in Irvine in 1499. Irvine was also originally part of the vast Douglas holdings which were forfeited to the Crown in 1455 when the Earl of Douglas was attainted for treason by King James II.

By this time the family had grown in numbers and members had spread across lowland Scotland. The Protocol Book of James Young 1485 - 1515, lists about a dozen individuals, mainly in Leith near Edinburgh, with names spelled Starhed, Sterhede, Sterheid, or Sterhed. As time goes on other variations of the name are noted in Scottish records as Storrat, Stirrat, Starratt, and Stirret with the greatest concentration of the names still in Ayrshire and the southwest coast of Scotland. Sterretts are mentioned in historic records as having been clergymen, poets, deacons, and tradesmen. None are found to have risen to any great offices or to have held any titles, nor to have achieved notoriety through villainy or treachery, so it would appear safe to say that for many generations they were humble and law-abiding folk going quietly about their daily lives without attracting much attention. It would also appear from the records that the family was never very numerous.

In the late 1500's or early 1600's a branch of the Sterrett family emigrated to North Ireland, perhaps as members of one of the colonization schemes known as the Ulster Plantations. As the family became established there, it spread to counties Armagh, Tyrone, and Donegal where it is still found today.

After a period of time in Ireland some members of the family left for America, probably shortly before 1700, and settled in Pennsylvania.

There is a Sterrett family plot dating from the early 18th century in a churchyard in Donegal, Pennsylvania; and a township known as Sterrett's Gap in western Pennsylvania. This was settled by a Sterrett who operated a toll road through a "gap" or pass on his property in the Appalachian mountains. There was also a township called Sterretta in this region.

The family prospered in the New World and other immigrants with the name arrived from Ireland, Scotland, and England, settling in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, New England and across the Southern Colonies. In the Revolution, Sterretts fought on both sides; many on the Loyalist side moving on to Canada following the end of hostilities. In the Civil War Sterretts were again found on both sides and several with the name distinguished themselves by gallantry in action. Though the name has never become common, it is now found from coast to coast. Sterretts immigrated to other British colonies also, and are found worldwide.

Variations of the name include Storrat, Stirrat, Starrett, Starritt, Sterritt, Sterit, and others. A correspondent once told me his Grandfather had eleven brothers and sisters and, after their names were recorded in as many parishes, the name had been spelled eleven different ways.

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Who do you think **should be** Chief of the House of Douglas?

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**Part 2: Who were the ‘Black’ Douglases?**

The History of Scotland cannot be recited without frequent mention of some member or other of the House of Douglas. The ‘Black’ Douglases were at the center of Scotland’s history for nearly two centuries. The names of William ‘le Hardi’ Douglas and the ‘Good Sir James’ Douglas carry us through the Wars of Scottish Independence and the reign of King Robert the Bruce. Archibald ‘the Grim’ Douglas tamed Galloway; Earl James Douglas, though dead, was the hero of Otterburn in 1388. The first attack against the House of Douglas from the House of Stewart was performed by nobles loyal to the boy-King James II, in front of the young King James II, and resulted in the death of 6th Earl of Douglas and his younger brother at the infamous ‘Black Dinner’. The second attack against the House of Douglas – the murder of the 8th Earl of Douglas at the hands of King James II – provoked a civil war between the House of Douglas and the Royal House of Stewart. The final battle of that civil war, the Battle of Arkinholm in 1455, broke the power of the ‘Black’ Douglases pitting the ‘Black’ Douglases against the ‘Red’ Douglases and the Crown. James Douglas, 9th Earl of Douglas, last of the line of ‘Black’ Douglases, died in 1488.

Many consider the ‘Black’ Douglas line began with either ‘the Good Sir James, the Black Douglas’, his nephew William Douglas, 1st Earl of Douglas and Mar, or James Douglas, 2nd Earl of Douglas and Mar. However, if the line began with ‘the Good Sir James’, only the children of his son Archibald ‘the Grim’ Douglas can claim the distinction of being the ‘Black’ Douglases. And if the line began with William Douglas, 1st Earl of Douglas and Mar, the nephew of the Good Sir James, or with James Douglas, 2nd Earl of Douglas and Mar, that would exclude the sons of Archibald ‘the Grim’ and their offspring as being considered ‘Black’ Douglases.

Others suggest that naming William ‘le Hardi’ as the progenitor of the ‘Black’ Douglases covers all of his sons’ descendants and eliminates any confusion. But does it really? William ‘le Hardi’ was not the first to be called “Lord of Douglas.” From a historical perspective, that distinction goes to William Douglas (c. 1174 -1214), considered 1st Lord of Douglas – so the line of ‘Black’ Douglases should begin with him.

If we accept the line of the ‘Black’ Douglases began with William Douglas, 1st Lord of Douglas, the pedigree chart (Pedigree I: the Earls of Douglas) created by George Harvey Johnston in his 1907 compilation *The Heraldry Of The Douglases: With Notes On All The Males Of The Family, Descriptions Of The Arms, Plates And Pedigrees*, introduces us to all the branches of the Douglas family. From the ‘Black’ Douglases sprang the Douglas branches of the Earls of Morton, the Sandilands Lords Torphichen (pronounced Tor-fikken), the Earls of Angus (the ‘Red’ Douglases), the Douglases of Bonejedward and Timpendean, and the Douglases of Drumlanrig, Queensberry, and Kelhead, along with the Douglases of Cavers. This pedigree page is a listing suited as well to a “Who’s Who of Early Scottish History from William ‘The Lion’ to James III” as it is to a study of the ‘Black’ Douglas branch of the House of Douglas.

The line of ‘Black’ Douglases married into the Royal Stewart family four times: (1) James Douglas, 2nd Earl of Douglas and Mar married Princess Isabel, daughter of King Robert II. They had no children survive into adulthood. (2) Archibald Douglas, 4th Earl of Douglas and Duke of Touraine, older (of two) legitimate sons of Archibald ‘the Grim’ Douglas, 3rd Earl of Douglas, married Princess Margaret, daughter of King Robert III. They were the parents of Archibald Douglas, 5th Earl of Douglas and 2nd Duke of Touraine. Archibald, 5th Earl was the nephew of King James I and held the office of Regent during the minority of James II until the death of the Earl in 1439. (3) Margaret Douglas, daughter of Archibald ‘the Grim’, married Prince David Stewart, Duke of Rothesay, heir to King Robert III. The Prince and Margaret would later divorce because the marriage produced no children. (4) William Douglas of Nithsdale, the illegitimate son of Archibald ‘the Grim’ Douglas, married Princess Egidia, another daughter of Robert II and acquired the Lordship of Nithsdale through this marriage. They had a daughter, Egidia Douglas, known as the ‘Fair Maid of Nithsdale’ and a son, also William, who died around 1420. Egidia Douglas married Henry II Sinclair, Earl of Orkney. Their daughter, Beatrix Sinclair, married her cousin James, 7th Earl of Douglas.

Being related to royalty can be both a blessing and a curse. Relatives – especially close relatives – of the Stewart kings were often eliminated for threats – real or imagined – against the Crown. After the release of King James I from his eighteen year captivity in England, the king eliminated most of his Albany Stewart cousins who ruled Scotland in his
absence. Although King James I was an educated man, his personal rule and his foreign policies caused Scotland to suffer greatly -- so greatly that a number of nobles plotted and carried out his assassination leaving a very young King James II on the throne. By the time of Archibald, 5th Earl of Douglas, the power and prestige of the Douglases rivaled (and likely exceeded) that of the Royal Stewarts making them obvious targets. Archibald Douglas, 5th Earl of Douglas and 2nd Duke of Touraine, and his two sons, William, (6th Earl of Douglas and 3rd Duke of Touraine), and his younger (and only) brother David, presented a challenge and a danger to the supporters of the Royal House of Stewart. All three men were descended from a Stewart king and the two Earls of Douglas (father and son) were among the most popular and powerful men in Scotland (and well-connected in France). It is then no wonder that, after the death of Archibald, 5th Earl of Douglas, the supporters of young King James II plotted the murder of the 6th Earl and his brother at the ‘Black Dinner’ as a likely end to a possible dynastic change. Some sources say the grand-uncle of the boys, the second son of Archibald ‘the Grim’, James ‘the Gross’ Douglas, who was to become the 7th Earl of Douglas, was one of those involved in the plot.

After the death of William, 6th Earl (and his brother), James Douglas became 7th Earl of Douglas and Earl of Avondale. His oldest of six sons, William, 8th Earl of Douglas and 2nd Earl of Avondale, married Margaret Douglas, ‘the Fair Maid of Galloway’, sister of the 6th Earl of Douglas. In this marriage, the power and prestige of the Douglases was reunited propelling the Earl of Douglas to the position of most powerful magnate in southern Scotland. With that power and the royal connection brought by Lady Margaret, the threat to the Stewart crown was renewed. In 1452, fearing Earl William’s coalition with other powerful Scottish magnates in the West (John of Islay, Earl of Ross and 4th Lord of the Isles) and North (Alexander Lindsay, 4th Earl of Crawford), King James II demanded Earl William’s presence in Stirling. Once there, the King demanded that Douglas break his coalition with Ross and Crawford. When Earl William refused, King James II and his companions stabbed the young Earl 26 times and threw his body out of a castle window. While many consider the actions of the King and his supporters a spontaneous, spur-of-the-moment deed, I believe the actions of the King et al were premeditated with the hope that the murder of the Earl would end any plans, real or imagined, to replace the Stewart King with a Douglas one.

After the death of Earl William, his brother James succeeded as 9th Earl of Douglas and 3rd Earl of Avondale. Earl James married his brother’s widow, Margaret Douglas, ‘the Fair Maid of Galloway’. With this marriage in 1452, the threat to the crown had returned and with it a civil war between the House of Douglas and the House of the Royal Stewarts which was to culminate in the Battle of Arkinholm. As many of us know, Arkinholm broke the power of the ‘Black’ Douglases and brought about the death of all the remaining brothers of James, 9th Earl.

With the death of the 9th and Last Earl of Douglas in 1488, the line of ‘Black’ Douglases supposedly came to an end. I say supposedly because the end of the ‘Black’ Douglases is very much dependent upon when one assumes the beginning of the line of ‘Black’ Douglases. (There is also the matter of legitimate female heirs.) Yet, regardless of whom we consider the first in the line of ‘Black’ Douglases, at Arkinholm the line of the ‘Black’ Douglas Earls of Douglas ended... but the House of Douglas endured. The descendants of ‘Black’ Douglas lords would be among the most influential and privileged men in Scotland and Britain.

Curiosities regarding the ‘Black’ Douglas descendants

While it makes sense that King James II wanted nothing further to do with the children of James Douglas, 7th Earl of Douglas, from a genealogical standpoint, the heirs of the last of the ‘Black’ Douglas daughters -- in fact, the heirs of any of the ‘Black’ Douglas daughters -- have been passed over completely when discussing any possible Chief of the House of Douglas. I find it odd that illegitimate sons would have hereditary rights over legitimate daughters’ sons. What special legislation or action by the king was required to bypass the hereditary rights of legitimate daughters? As I stated early on, I am no expert on monarchal successions, noble title successions, Scottish Law, Scotland-in-general, or British Common Law. When considering legitimate females lines of the ‘Black’ Douglas family, four curiosities appeared in my research. While I am certain that a more thorough digging through genealogy charts will likely present others, I will share the four I have found.

Curiosity 1. Sir Archibald Douglas, younger brother of ‘the Good Sir James’, was the father of William Douglas, 1st Earl of Douglas and Mar. William, 1st Earl, was succeeded by his son James Douglas, 2nd Earl of Douglas and Mar but William, 1st Earl also had a daughter, Isabel Douglas. James, 2nd Earl died at Otterburn in 1388 without leaving any legitimate children. After the 2nd Earl’s death, the Earldom of Douglas passed, through special entail, to Archibald ‘the Grim’
Douglas, the illegitimate son of the ‘Good Sir James’; but the unentailed parts of the estate of Douglas passed to Isabel Douglas.

When Isabel Douglas died, also without issue, all of the family estates destined for heirs-general of the Douglas family should have passed to her cousin, James Sandilands, son of Eleanor Douglas and her husband James Sandilands, and nephew of William Douglass, 1st Earl of Douglas. Yet James Sandilands (for some unknown consideration) was induced to convey his right of succession to the Douglas estates to his cousin George ‘the Red’ Douglas, illegitimate son of James Douglas, 2nd Earl of Douglas.

**Curiosity 2.** For whatever reason, Archibald ‘the Grim’ Douglas, though illegitimate, succeeded to the Earldom of Douglas as 3rd Earl. Maxwell had this to say about Archibald ‘the Grim’ in his *History of the House of Douglas*:

> It is contrary to modern practice that a bastard – a “love-bairn”, as Scots charitably term it – not only should succeed to the possessions of his kinsman, to the prejudice of heirs of the legitimate line, but also to the earldom. Yet this is precisely what Archibald did, his name having been inserted in the entail upon the resignation of the “Dull Douglas” in 1342. His succession was disputed by Sir Malcom Drummond, husband of Sir James’ [2nd Earl] sister Isabel, but Drummond’s claim was set aside by Parliament in Holyrood [April 1389]. [Maxwell, Herbert. *A History of the House of Douglas: 1& 2. London: Freemantle, 1902. Print.; p 115]*

Archibald’s legitimate male heirs all had hereditary rights to the Earldom. But it is apparent that the same rights were not available to the legitimate females of the line. One of those female heirs, Margaret Douglas, ‘the Fair Maid of Galloway’, daughter of Archibald Douglas, 5th Earl of Douglas and 2nd Duke of Touraine, was the great granddaughter of King Robert III and first cousin (once removed) of King James I. By right of birth from the 5th Earl of Douglas and right of marriage from the 8th and 9th Earls of Douglas, Margaret should have had clear claim to become Countess of Douglas in her own right. Margaret had no children with either Earl of Douglas. She married thirdly, John Stewart, 1st Earl of Atholl and had two daughters. Surprisingly, even though the daughters married and had children, none of these appear to have been considered for the Earldom of Douglas.

**Curiosity 3.** Beatrice Douglas, eldest daughter of James Douglas, 7th Earl of Douglas married William Hay, 1st Earl of Erroll. Hay was the grandson of Princess Elizabeth Stewart, the youngest child of King Robert II. Francis Hay, 9th Earl of Erroll, married Lady Elizabeth Douglas, daughter of William Douglas, 6th Earl of Morton. Here we have a merging of the (female) ‘Black’ Douglas and (male) Morton lines. If matrilineal lines matter in finding a Chief, perhaps more research should be directed toward the Earls of Erroll.

**Curiosity 4.** Henry Douglas of Borg (third son of the James Douglas of Morton and Dalkeith who married Princess Elizabeth Stewart, daughter of King Robert II and Marjorie Bruce) married Margaret, youngest daughter of James Douglas, 7th Earl of Douglas (and sister of James, 9th Earl of Douglas and all the brothers who were killed during or as a result of the battle of Arkinholm). Once again we have a merging of the (matrilineal) ‘Black’ Douglas and Dalkeith/Morton lines. The couple had four sons: Patrick (who must have died young), Hugh, James, and John.


According to *Stirnet*, Henry’s son, Hugh Douglas of Borg renounced the Earldom of Douglas in 1474 -- probably because his uncle, James, 9th Earl, was still living. [Stirnet-Douglas03: http://www.stirnet.com/genie/data/british/dd/douglas03.php]

After the death of James, 9th Earl of Douglas, in 1488, was the offer of the earldom declared extinct? Research into these three has proved to be a dead end. Being Douglas and cousins of King James II, did James II see the boys as another generation of Douglas threats and eliminate this branch of the Douglas line to safeguard his throne? Perhaps someone reading this will have the answer.

Before we leave the topic of Curiosities..., there remains another curiosity that probably should be addressed, namely: Is the Morton branch of the Douglas family the senior cadet branch of the ‘Black’ Douglasses or is it a wholly separate non-Black Douglas branch? If it is the senior branch, would it have rights of precedence over any other branch of the House of Douglas? This really is an important question since,
if the Douglases of Dalkeith (later Earls of Morton) are a cadet branch of the ‘Black’ Douglas line, the legitimate male line is unbroken from Andrew Douglas, brother of William ‘Longleg’ Douglas, to John Stewart Sholto Douglas, 22nd Earl of Morton, and

if the Douglases of Dalkeith (later Earls of Morton) are a separate non-Black Douglas branch, where do the hereditary rights of this branch stand in comparison to legitimate ‘Black’ Douglas daughters’ heirs and illegitimate ‘Black’ Douglas sons’ heirs such as the Marquess of Queensberry or the Duke of Hamilton?

So the question remains... After the line of the ‘Black’ Douglases failed, who became head, or Chief, of the House of Douglas? With all these branches of the House of Douglas and all the prominent heirs, surely someone deserves the honor. But who is the person living today who could or should assume the designation of Chief of Douglas and be given the right to wear three eagle feathers? Is the answer obvious? Would a quick check of Wikipedia tell us all we need to know? And if the answer is so obvious, why does the House of Douglas still have no Chief?

In Part 3 of Who do you think should be Chief of the House of Douglas?, we will look at the significant branches of the Family of Douglas. From these branch studies, we should be able to make a list of the more likely candidates – and perhaps, a few suggestions for unlikely candidates -- for the Seat of Chief.

[Editor’s note: If your connection to Clan Douglas is through one of our many Septs or Allied Families, this article is still worth a read. Much of this article was borrowed from Family Tree DNA. To learn more about DNA, visit https://www.familytreedna.com/understanding-dna.aspx]

Understanding DNA...

DNA is the carrier of our genetic information, and is passed down from generation to generation. All of the cells in our bodies, except red blood cells, contain a copy of our DNA.

At conception, a person receives DNA from both the father and mother. We each have 23 pairs of chromosomes. Of each pair, one was received from the father and one was received from the mother. These 23 pairs of chromosomes are known as nuclear DNA because, with the exception of red blood cells, they reside in the nucleus of every cell in our body.

The 23rd chromosome is known as the sex chromosome. As with the other chromosomes, one is inherited from the father, and one from the mother. The 23rd chromosome from the mother is always an X. From the father, a person either inherits an X chromosome or a Y chromosome. The chromosome inherited from the father determines their gender. An X from the father would result in an XX combination, which is a female. A Y from the father would result in an XY combination, which is a male. Since the Project seeks to learn more about the male progenitors of the Douglases, testing is limited to the y-DNA of male Douglases.

Why does the Project accept only Douglas males?

The Y chromosome is transmitted (almost unchanged) from father to son. Testing the Y chromosome provides information about the direct male line, meaning the father to his father and so on. The locations tested on the Y chromosome are called markers. Occasionally a mutation occurs at one of the markers in the Y chromosome. Mutations are simply small changes in the DNA sequence. They are natural occurrences and take place at random intervals. Overall, they are estimated to occur once every 500 generations per marker. Mutations can sometimes be valuable in identifying branches of a family tree. Using the results of a Y-DNA marker test, DNA testing estimates the tester’s haplogroup. The
haplogroup identifies the person's major population group and provides information about the ancient origin of the male line.

**How can the Douglas DNA Project help me and others learn more about the Douglas family?**

This project was created because many modern Douglas families have lost their genealogical connections to the Old Douglas lineages. Many Douglas descendants can trace their families into the 1700s or even 1600s and some have family stories linking them to one of the old lines. But because of migration or lost records, many Douglases cannot find their Scottish ancestors or prove their descent from one of the old lines.

The Douglas y-DNA Project has three main goals:

1. **The Project seeks to characterize the Old Douglas lines (Black, Red, Drumlanrig, and Morton and collateral cadet branches).** To achieve that, the Project is seeking y-DNA samples from **DOUGLAS MALES** who can trace their lines to William De Douglas c1174. Hopefully with enough samples the Project can “define” these lines so that modern Douglases who have lost their connections with the Douglas lines can compare their results and be re-united (genealogically) with their origins. The Project will also define the profiles of those families who cannot yet establish their connections to the Old Lines. Such profiles may be able to establish previously unknown connections in the modern families. However as the Project establishes the genetic profiles of the modern lines it will be interesting to see if they can connect into the Old Lines.

2. **With enough data it may be possible to learn something about the origins of the Douglas clan.** Were the Douglases Celtic, Flemish, Norman, or Scandinavian/Viking? Y-DNA testing should answer that question.

3. **It has long been thought that all of the modern Douglases are descended from Willem de Duglis (1174) and his sons:**
   - Archibald I (1166-1213), Lord of Douglas, married Margaret, daughter of Sir John Crawford of Crawfordjohn and was father of:
     - William of Douglas (c.1220–c.1274), progenitor of William 'le Hardi' Douglas and the lines of Black, Red, and Drumlanrig Doulgases
     - Andrew Douglas of Hermiston, progenitor of the Lords of Dalkeith & Earls of Morton and Lords of Mains
   - Bricius de Douglas (ca. 1195-1222), Bishop of Moray
   - Alexander de Douglas (ca. 1195-1238), a canon of Spynie, vicar capitular of Elgin
   - Henry de Douglas (ca. 1195-1245), a canon of Spynie
   - Hugh de Douglas (ca. 1171-1245), a canon of Spynie, Archdeacon of Moray
   - Freskin de Douglas (1205-September 1232), parson of Douglas, later Dean of Moray

But there was at least one other Douglas who pre-dated Willem: the almost mythical Sholto Douglas. A son of Sholto was storied to have served Charlemagne and his descendants are now in Italy and use the name of Scotti-Douglas or Douglas-Scotti. Is there a DNA connection between the Scottish and Italian families of Douglas?

Other family researchers have suggested that a number of families grouped together, taking the name of the local area -- Douglas -- and formed the clan. DNA testing might be able to identify the original families that grouped together to adopt the Douglas surname.

**What if my surname isn’t Douglas or I am not a male Douglas?**

**What if I am from a Sept or Allied Family of the House of Douglas?**

While y-DNA testing your surname may help you learn much more about your family line and benefit your surname y-DNA project, testing a surname other than Douglas will not be of much benefit for the Douglas y-DNA Project. And if you are not male, you do not have any y-DNA.
If you want to have your Douglas line tested for the Project and your surname is not Douglas or you are not a male Douglas, you will need to find your nearest Douglas male family member and convince him to submit a DNA sample.

If you want to be part of a y-DNA project for your Sept or Allied Family surname, Family Tree DNA also hosts y-DNA projects for most, if not all, of the Septs and Allied Family names of the House of Douglas.

The easiest way to find a project for your surname is to do a web search for “[insert surname] DNA.” For example, I wanted to learn more about my Kirkpatrick family line and did a search for “Kirkpatrick DNA.”

Since my surname is not Kirkpatrick, I had to research my family line until I found my closest male Kirkpatrick relative. For me, the gentleman was my third cousin and we share a common great, great grandfather Kirkpatrick. I purchased the test kit and convinced him to submit a DNA sample. After the DNA sample was returned to Family Tree DNA, I joined the Kirkpatrick DNA project. The results of the sample answered many — though not all -- of my Kirkpatrick family questions.

**How can I become a part of the Douglas DNA Project?**

To be a part of the Douglas y-DNA Project, you need to purchase a y-DNA test kit and the person being tested needs to be a male Douglas. Many DNA researchers suggest a test of 64 or more markers to better define the genetic line. By testing more markers, the sample being tested has a greater chance of finding connections to already established Douglas DNA lines.

The cost of y-DNA testing can be expensive but the Project will only be successful with participation. If you are interested in purchasing a y-DNA test kit and joining the Douglas y-DNA Project, visit [https://www.familytreedna.com/group-join.aspx?&group=Dugliss&vGroup=Douglas](https://www.familytreedna.com/group-join.aspx?&group=Dugliss&vGroup=Douglas)


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**Arlyn "Scott" Douglas is one of our new CDSNA Co-Regents for Virginia**

I retired from the Army and now work as a Farrier. My wife Michelle and I were members of Clan Douglas roughly 20 years ago but circumstances kept us from participating as we would have liked. When circumstances allowed us to become more active, it seemed like there was no active group left here in Virginia. After spending a number of years attending games without Douglas representation, I looked into membership again with the goal of filling the vacant Regent spot. Although I am most interested in my Douglas roots, my family comes from Douglas, Davidson and Henry lines and I have been working on researching the lineage with one of my cousins. I have also started competing at the games in the heavy athletics Masters class. For my first attempt, let's just say I didn't come in last place, but there is a lot of room for improvement.

We were able to represent Clan Douglas at the Virginia Scottish games at Great Meadow in September, and are hoping to have a group in the Scottish Christmas Walk Parade in Alexandria, Virginia in December. We hope to increase local membership and build up a more active “family” group.

Arlyn ‘Scott’ Douglas

Virginia Co-Regent
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From our Washington Regent...

PROSSER SCOTTISH FEST & HIGHLAND GAMES
Prosser, Washington – June 18

The Prosser Scottish Fest was extremely wet and the main activity for the day was rain. However, every Prosser Scottish Fest since the beginning has started and ended with the boom of black powder and the billowing grey smoke of the infamous anvil launch. (Yes... they actually fire an anvil into the sky.) Even with all the rain, the festival coordinators were able to shoot the anvil, so everyone went home happy!

At our tent, we were very happy to display a gift from Oregon Regent Carol Morton-Bianchini: a new septs and allied families banner. The new banner makes a positive difference. Too bad we had to wait 23 years to get one.

HOOD CANAL HIGHLAND CELTIC FESTIVAL
Belfair, Washington – September 3-4

The Hood Canal Festival at Belfair is always lots of fun and attendance is typically good. This year’s attendance may have been better than previously because the people wanted to Honor Tom MacDonald who was the President of the Hood Canal MacDonald Clansmen group in Belfair. Over the years, Tom and his wife Sue have attended nearly every area Game and function they could and are well-known by many. Friday evening’s Bar-be-cue was well attended and there was a plentiful supply of food for the old friends coming together to renew their friendships. Tom had a complete "Confederate Tartan" outfit which he was very proud of and he created quite a stir wearing it. His son is heir to all of Tom’s prized attire and has vowed to keep everything going for his Dad.

The congeniality flowed throughout the next day. Most of us in clan row spent time visiting with guests and each other in front of our tents. Over the years, we have become better acquainted and more appreciative of whom we are. We were blessed in the Douglas tent to William Crawford with us most of the day. William is totally authentic in his attire and has made many of his own dressings and tools to keep it that way. He also knows his history.

Jamais Arrière,
Frances C. Crews
CDSNA WA Regent

Sean Morton is one of our new CDSNA Co-Regents from Virginia

Greetings, just wanted to take a moment to say hello to the clan. My name is Sean Morton and I studied mathematics at Liberty University. I am a native of the small town of Bedford in southwest Virginia where I work for a small contractor in the area. I am excited about getting more involved with the clan and spreading my passion. I love being able to combine my love for the stage and sharing family history. Hopefully I will get the chance to use my passion to help others find their roots and a place in the family.
From our New York Regent

BUFFALO NIAGARA SCOTTISH FESTIVAL
Amherst, New York -- August 19-21

We arrived and set up at the Buffalo Niagara Heritage Village on Friday the 19th but didn’t have many visitors. Saturday, we had a nice time with quite a few visitors interested in their Douglas heritage or looking to see if they were included in our list of allied families and septs. They found the article from the Dubh Ghlas newsletter very interesting and informative.

The Masters World Championship Highland Games were being contested at the festival and we got to see two world records set. We also got to meet and spend time with Bobby “the Kilted Cowboy” Douglas. It was very interesting as there was an article in the Dubh Ghlas newsletter about him. He was very entertaining and helped us understand what it takes to be a highland athlete. We could not attend on Sunday but were glad to hear he did well.

The weather was very hot and humid on Saturday, a lot hotter than normal for this area this time of year. I think Bobby brought the heat with him from Texas. The opening ceremonies were Saturday at noon and the torch ceremony (calling of the clans) was Saturday evening; both were very touching.

Next year’s festival will probably return to the single day that it has been in the past. It was three days this year due to the world championships being held here. We are looking forward to the next festival in Mayville, New York next weekend. Hope to see many of the people we met last year.

JAMESTOWN REGIONAL CELTIC FESTIVAL
Mayville, New York -- August 26-27

Being only about an hour and a half away from Niagara Falls, NY, we arrived in Mayville, NY on Friday to set. We were right on Lake Chautauqua and it was a great day. The clans were set right along the lake and right in front of the pipe band area. The pipe bands played all day – they were all very good -- so we had a non-stop pipe band concert not 20 feet away.

The crowds were very interested in all the information imparted to them by all the clans. They had a lot of interesting questions and even had interesting facts as to their family ties to the Douglas Clan.

We were happy to see and spend time with fellow clansman Roger Pierce from Erie, Pa. He provided us with some great items for our information table. He dressed in chain mail and helmet and had people question him as to the weight. He had them pick it up to see for themselves. We hope to see him again next year.

The closing ceremony included the Sword Ceremony to honor all the clansmen who have pasted in the last year.

There were about 20 different clans this year and it seems to grow every year. We look forward to seeing many of them again in a few weeks in Olcott, NY.
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PLEASANTON SCOTTISH HIGHLAND GAMES
Pleasanton, California -- September 3-4

On September 2nd, the day before the Pleasanton Scottish Highland Games began, Cora and I were joined by Bob & Dee Douglas to set up our four tents and organize them for the next day’s games. The Pleasanton Games are one of the largest Scottish games in the world and we always have a huge turnout of family, members and friends that come by every year to hang out with their extended Douglas family.

Once the tents were up and organized, we all rushed back to our hotel to ready ourselves for the Friday Night Clan Douglas BBQ and Potluck. The good friends, good food and drinks always set the tone for the rest of the weekend. We enjoy seeing all of our attending members have a good time. This year’s Potluck entertainment included two of our very own Clan Douglas members: Highland dancers Vita Blaylock and Kendall Blauser. Both Vita and Kendall participate in Highland dancing at the games so it a pleasure to see how these two young girls have progressed.

The next morning we were up early and out at the games completing the final touches on the tent. Right at 9:00 AM, the gates opened to the general public. It was a busy day! We had a steady stream of people through the tent all day interested in our Douglas history. It was great to see so many of our extended Clan Douglas family. During the course of the games, Sandra Welsh and Myra Blaylock renewed their membership. We also had a number of people buy Clan Douglas merchandise to give to their loved ones and to wear during the Clan March. Seeing so many in the march sporting their new Clan Douglas attire looked awesome.

Much thanks must go to Bob & Dee Douglas, Joe & Teresa Blaylock, Keith Dughi, his son Ryan, and Ryan’s girlfriend Kylee Eubanks for all their help in manning the tent and helping out in general. Special thanks goes to Ken Koupal who, once again, brought some of his always good home brew. And finally, a big Thank You to everyone that came to the tent and asked about their Douglas connections and to those who come and support us every year. Your being there and showing your Clan Douglas pride makes this all worthwhile. We look forward to the next time we see each other again.

Best Regards
Mark & Cora Peterson
Northern California Regent
NIAGARA CELTIC FESTIVAL & HIGHLAND GAMES
Olcott Beach, New York -- September 17-18

The weather was a typical one for the festival; sunny and also rain. As they say here in western New York, “Wait an hour and the weather will change.” All in all, it was a very good weekend.

This was the first festival I ever attended as a CDSNA Regent three years ago. It is still a favorite. Approximately 40 clans were represented this year -- the most they have ever had -- and we got to interact with a lot of them. We borrowed the Clan MacNeil wee boat in Jamestown and it made its way with us to Olcott before finding its way back to the Clan MacNeil tent.

This year was especially enjoyable as our nephew competed in his first highland games. We were all very excited to be able to watch him. We probably made him nervous knowing we were all there watching. He came in third.

We had a lot of visitors and inquiries into the Douglas history. Hopefully we provided them with the information they were looking for.

We had a couple of nice mini concerts by the pipe bands in front of the clan tent. We also had another mini concert to the back of us by the American Rogues. They were absolutely wonderful.

The torch ceremony to open the games was in a downpour. The closing ceremony included the touching Sword ceremony for those who have passed since last year’s festival.

Hopefully we will see more CDSNA members at our festivals next year.

Forward,
Daneen Muehlbauer
NY Regent
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From our Indiana Regents

ISHAWAKA HERITAGE FESTIVAL, Mishawaka, Indiana – September 4

Andrew Mackay Betts signing our guestbook in the Douglas tent

Ken Douglas chats with Regent Jim Douglas
Photo by Regent Sandy Douglas

A beautiful start to a beautiful day

COLUMBUS SCOTTISH FESTIVAL
Columbus, Indiana – September 10-11

The Saturday morning start of this two day event was nice. By afternoon, the winds picked up and rains followed soon afterwards. We had a down pour of rain for about 30 minutes. Jim and I had to hold on to the tent with all we had for wind didn’t blow it away. Needless to say, the event lost much of its crowd that day. By evening, the sun had returned and we attended the ceilidh for a good meal and great entertainment.

Sunday was beautiful. We had several visitors at the tent representing several sept and allied family names. Also stopping by were Kevin Douglas and Steve Douglas. Jim and I participated in the parade and also the whiskey tasting. We had a great time and met several new people.

Jim & Sandy Douglas
IN Regents

INDIANAPOLIS SCOTTISH HIGHLAND GAMES
Indianapolis, Indiana – October 8

The weather was beautiful and we had Douglases and a few individuals from our allied families stop by.

Jim & Sandy Douglas

L-R: Regent Jim Douglas, Lois Vining, Courtney Zapf, Jill Zapf, Regent Sandy Douglas, Life Member Steven Johnson, & Rick Blackridge

Randy Winters, one of the athletic judges, was sporting a Douglas kilt. Randy is a Glendenning.
SCOTFEST CELTIC MUSIC FESTIVAL & HIGHLAND GAMES
Tulsa, Oklahoma – September 16-18

ScotFest Celtic Music Festival and Highland Games was held in Tulsa, Oklahoma, September 16 – 18, 2016. Attendance was estimated by the organizers to be around 25,000 and the weather was just about perfect for the duration of the event. It was a little warm, but here was a nice breeze that would flow through periodically to cool things down.

There was a lot of traffic on both Saturday and Sunday and we were ideally situated to enjoy the Highland Games in front, Rugby games to the side and Piping Competition behind. Several Douglas clan members stopped by to visit, including Bobby Douglas, who was competing in the games. We were also happy to have Jody Blaylock and her mother Elizabeth spend some time with us in the tent helping to visit with attendees.

Your Aye,
Kathy Fields Smith
Oklahoma Regent

ST. LOUIS SCOTTISH GAMES; Chesterfield, Missouri – September 23-24

The St. Louis Scottish Games were hot and humid. Friday evening before and during the Calling of the Clans, the entire field was abuzz with mosquitoes the size of horseflies (and that is not an exaggeration). Dragonflies that looked more like four-winged hummingbirds dove in and out of mosquito clouds. It goes without saying that we did not stay for the concert after the Calling.

Saturday, the weather was still hot and humid but the Douglas tent was abuzz with human activity as guests swarmed the tent. We were thrilled to welcome three new members to CDSNA: Melissa Cooper, Collinsville IL; Linda Scheaffer, Bethalto, IL; and Sam Douglas, Mexico, MO. Sadly, none of these three could stay for the parade.

Several Kirkpatricks arrived mid-morning. Tim Kirkpatrick (Seattle, WA) took time from visiting family in Granite City, IL to attend the festival. Page Kirkpatrick and his son Camden popped in from Royalton, IL. I was pleased to see Erin McCullough again and this year she brought her aunt Becky Kirkpatrick Osbourn from the St. Louis area. All the Kirkpatricks (myself included) are descendants of the South Carolina Revolutionary War patriot James Kirkpatrick (abt 1710-1786) from South Carolina. As conversation about our Kirkpatrick family connection unfolded, Tim and Page discovered they were 3rd cousins. Joining us at the tent this year was a Pringle representative: Cynthia Pringle Ludewig. Another new friend at the tent this year
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was Jennifer (and I apologize for forgetting your last name). Jennifer thinks she has a Douglas or a Weir in her family history. She brought her fiddle to the tent and entertained us with songs.

Just after noon, the Douglas team, including Kirkpatricks, and a Pringle, banded together to march in the Parade of Tartans. Each allied family carried their own banner in the Douglas contingent making our parade group a true “House of Douglas” team.

During a break in his athletic competition, Bobby ‘the Kilted Cowboy’ Douglas visited the tent. Bobby ranked 1st Place in the Masters 50+ Class this weekend repeating his 1st Place win in Tulsa, OK from the weekend before. Quite impressive! I am thrilled that Bobby is one of our Douglas athletes.

Moving FORWARD!
Harold Edington
MO Regent

RADFORD HIGHLANDERS FESTIVAL
Radford, Virginia – October 8

Oct. 8th started off with hurricane Mathew showing his face in the valley. Unfortunately this also meant the crowds backed off for what became a perfect rainy Scottish day. For the most part the athletes all showed up and appreciated the support. It was a great opportunity to cut my teeth on the official Regent responsibilities. Not an incredible amount to report that day due to the lack of traffic. I would love to give a big thanks to Clans Keith and Campbell for giving me a hand after the wind started to uproot my banner and a few of my posters.

During the opening ceremonies we took the opportunity to invite some of the crowd to join some us in the march of the clans and get a chance to interact. There so happens to be quite a few students at Radford University that have ties to Clan Douglas. A few students studying music stopped in to chat and learn a bit. I got to talk with Kareem, a young student who I met in the parade of clans, about his ties with his grandmother, a Foster.

Later in the day the director of the events referred an older gentleman by the name of Jim Douglas by the tent. Jim and I had a lovely chat about some of the history of the clan. Jim has spent the last 20 years since retirement researching his bloodline. He informed me that he had once been actively involved with his Scottish ancestry and he was looking for a chance to spread his knowledge.

I would love to give a big thanks to Clans Keith and Campbell for giving me a hand after the wind started to uproot my banner and a few of my posters. Despite the weather, it was a great day for fellowship and supporting the cause.

Yours aye,
Sean Morton
VA Co-Regent
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STONE MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES – Host Event for the 2016 CDSNA AGM
Stone Mountain, Georgia – October 14-16

Another Scottish Festival and Highlands games has come and gone for us. We just celebrated our 44th Stone Mountain Highland Games in Georgia. We were privileged to host the AGM as well. October in Georgia can be a really beautiful time of year when the weather gets cooler and the leaves start to change. This year however has been very dry and hot. We were hoping for cooler weather and as we watched the weather forecast as the day approached the forecast changed from cooler to be warm.

Saturday we had large crowds at the games and beautiful blue skies. When my wife, Melissa, and I awaken Sunday we were greeted with clouds and light rain. Rain was not to have been in the forecast. As we drove to Stone Mountain the rain became heavier. I can say I was concerned just a bit. Melissa and I also work in the Tartan Taxi each day; as the time passed we watched as the clouds began to break up and just before the church service we were blessed with double rainbows. The crowds were good but not as large as Saturday.

We had many visitors to come through our tent and visit us. Going through the visitor sign in log I found we had friends and family from Florida, Maryland, Louisiana, Virginia, South Carolina, Hawaii, Minnesota, Texas, Missouri and California. I’m certain some were here for the Annual Games Meeting but we do have out of state visitors each year, as we are one of the larger games in the southeast.

We also have the privilege of welcoming three new members to our clan: Carole Douglas, James Mongiat, and Hilary Wehrle. We also had five to renew their memberships while at the games.

One of my personal high points involved a lady that wanted to have two children pictured next to our Clan Douglas sign. I suggested we could do better than that; you should have seen them light up when I asked if they wanted to have their picture taken holding a shield and sword. The sword and shield was as big as they were; but they did have a smile on their face for the picture.

A tradition continued as Jim Morton cooked for the clan on both days. On Saturday, he prepared Brunswick stew. Our friends and family were so great that I didn’t get to sample the stew, but I’m told it was as great as always. Despite running out to the stew we still had plenty of food, no one left hungry unless they chose to do so. Sunday, Jim made camp soup, I did get to have some of this and it was great.

One of our regular family members was not able to attend due to health issues. We had a card for everyone to sign and we do extend our best wishes and prayers for them.
On a lighter note, after the Tartan Parade on Sunday afternoon, I noticed that the claymore was not returned to its normal place. Instead I watched as it led a procession of younger and older men through the clan tent, past the dining area and into an area behind the clan tents. I noticed that some of the participants also carried fruit. At first, I was a bit concerned but seeing the older men with the group I was confident that whatever was happening had “adult” supervision. I watched them taking turns trying to cut a piece of fruit in mid-air with the claymore. In retrospect, I wish I had photographed the game but at the time I did not want photographic evidence. I’m certain that this is not the first time a group of men from Clan Douglas has tested their skill in wielding a claymore in such a fashion.

I would like to extend my appreciation to Doug Isbecque for his willingness to come along side Melissa and I as co-regents in North Georgia. He, his family and their friends are always at the front of the line wanting to carry the sword and banner for Clan Douglas during the Tartan parade.

Also I would again like to thank Don Brown, my mentor. Despite having stepped back as Regent, Don continues to provide his support and knowledge. I am always amazed at his ability to interact with visitors that come by and especially children and keep them riveted with his stories. Melissa and I have learned so much from him. I only wish I could do as well as he.

I would like to personally extend my thanks to all those that helped out in representing our Clan at the games this year. Stone Mountain Highland Games likes to represent itself as the “Friendly Games.” We heard several comments this year about how inviting our clan was to visitors and family alike. I know that some of those greeting visitors were likely Co-Regents themselves but they still jumped right in to welcome visitors and answer their questions. Again, Thank you for help to us, the North Georgia group, and to the way you represented the Clan Douglas Society.

Until next year,
Tim and Melissa Justice
Georgia Regents
Life Member Steven Brownlee took 2nd Place Piobaireachd Honors in Amateur III Piping and his daughter Morgan Brownlee took 3rd Place Novice Tenor Drum Honors.

Photos from the Stone Mountain Highland Games and gathering at the Douglas tent

CDSNA President Mark Peterson and his wife Cora with the Duke of Hamilton

Bobby ‘the Kilted Cowboy’ Douglas with GA Regent Tim Justice

Retired GA Regent Don Brown & GA Regent Tim Justice

CDSNA Secretary Jim Morton takes a lunch break

Asst VP West & TX Regents Phil & Loretta Morton
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L-R: Asst VP West Loretta & Phil Morton, Storekeeper Cora Peterson, President Mark Peterson, Asst VP East Harold Edington

Past & Present Presidents in Attendance
L-R: Mark Douglas, Mark Peterson, Jim Morton, Bill Douglass

More photos from Stone Mountain

GA Regents Tim & Missy Justice

Tom Douglas standing by his favorite tartan in the ‘Tartan Forest’ at Stone Mountain

Bobby “the Kilted Cowboy” competing in the Weight for Distance event
Bobby placed 5th overall in the Masters division
MOAB “SCOTS on the ROCKS” CELTIC FESTIVAL
Moab, Utah -- November 4-6

Clan Douglas attended the Moab “Scots on the Rocks” Celtic Festival and Highland Games in Moab, Utah for the second year in a row. A three day event - November 4th through the 6th - we had a blast this year with 35 Clans attending as well as having the Wicked Tinkers playing all weekend long.

Allison Gigliotti joined Clan Douglas at Estes Park in September. She traveled to Moab to visit her grandparents and to attend these games hoping to find Clan Douglas present. Allison walked with us at the Opening Ceremony on Saturday and helped at the Clan tent.

I was pleased to see CDSNA member Trevor Douglass Mountjoy at his vendor booth showcasing his "Mountain Metal Craft".

These games are hosted by Clan Lamont out of Moab, UT and are always the first full weekend in November. This was the third year anniversary of the festival and they have already planned for next year. Moab offers visitors several other activities such as white water rafting, the National Arches Park, and loads of off road adventures. And after a day out with Nature, you can relax in the town’s many brew pubs and fantastic restaurants.

Yours Aye,
Eric "the Brown" Vigil
NM Regent
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**Flowres of the Forrest** is an ancient Scottish folk tune typically played to honor fallen soldiers. Our **Flowres of the Forrest** tradition as a clan is to pay tribute to our own “fallen soldiers”, our extended Clan Douglas family members.

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**Woody Warren Wilmes**  
April 6, 1967 – Sep 5, 2016

Woody Warren Wilmes, 49, of Visalia, CA died Sept. 5 of kidney disease. Woody was the son of Henry Dennis Wilmes & Patricia Lucille Douglas. He was a high voltage electrician. Woody was also a regular feature in the Douglas tent and was active in supporting the Scottish Society of Central California. Woody is survived by his wife Kathy and four daughters: Heather, Shanel, Kayla, and Hailey.

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**Kerry William Allen**  
Feb 8, 1963 – Sep 7, 2016

Kerry William Allen, 53, of Columbia, MO passed away Wednesday, September 7, 2016, at his home. He was born Feb. 8, 1963, in Doniphan and is the son of the late Lawrence Kenneth Sr. and Bonnie Ponder Allen.

Kerry was a Kirkpatrick descendant and the cousin of Missouri Regent Harold Edington.

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**Lynda Carolyn Kassab LeBaron**  
Mar 6, 1953 – Sep 25, 2016

CDSNA Life Member and Oregon Regent Lynda Kassob LeBaron of Grants Pass, OR passed away Sunday, September 25, 2016 after a fight with lung cancer. Lynda loved her family and enjoyed serving as our CDSNA Regent in southern Oregon. Thank you for all your service to CDSNA. You will be missed, Lynda.
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Life is divided into three terms – that which was, which is, and which will be. Let us learn from the past to profit by the present, and from the present to live better in the future.

~ William Wordsworth
CLAN DOUGLAS SOCIETY of NORTH AMERICA
welcomes our New Members of 2016
Cuíd Míle Fáilte (One Hundred Thousand Welcomes)

Our NEW MEMBERS list is published annually in the last newsletter of the year.

3946 Kyler, Christie; Santa Clarita, CA
3947 Stanley, Jack D; Pearland, TX
3948 Burger, Paul Douglas; Bryan, TX
3949 Smith, Terry; Newfane, NY
3950 Forget, Patricia; Niagara Falls, NY
3951 Scheel-Exner, Dr. Sergej Ditlev; Karlskrona, Sweden
3952 Douglas, Michael; Deer Harbor, WA
3953 Stackhouse, Amy; Glendale, CO
3954 Douglas, John Bruce; Paso Robles, CA
3955 Blacklock, William; Orlando, FL
3956 Douglas, Ian; Whitchurch, Hampshire, UK
3957 Cherrix, Kimberly Lynn; Chincoteague, VA
3958 Williams, Malcolm D, Jr.; Amelia Island, FL
3959 Gonzalez y de Sagra, Leopoldo; Ronda, Malaga, Spain
3960 Soule, Stephen; Candler, NC
3961 Stone, Dennis; Middleburg, FL
3962 Shaffer, Steven; Live Oak, TX
3963 Bedford, Arthur; San Antonio, TX
3964 Willers, Melinda (Mindy) Nalani; Ewa Beach, HI
3965 Bearden, Jodi; Captain Cook, HI
3966 Overmire, Laurence; West Linn, OR
3967 Douglas, Marvin Ray; Arlington, TX
3968 Wallace, John R; Walterboro, SC
3969 Bartle, Brian; Winter Haven, FL
3970 Douglas, Sarah; Davis, CA
3971 Drysdale, David; Dallas, NC
3972 Blaylock, James; Monroe, NC
3973 Douglas, Matthew; North Richland Hills, TX
3974 Trainer, Thomas E; Grapevine, TX
3975 Douglass, Glenn; Farmer Branch, TX
3976 Blackwood, Laura; Richmond, TX
3977 Douglas, Sherrie; Melbourne, FL
3978 Douglas, Talia; Melbourne, FL
3979 Shealy, Junius Vasco, Jr.; Lexington, SC
3980 Moore, Lucile; Flagstaff, AZ
3981 Wollner, Anne Douglas; Phoenix, AZ
3982 Morton, Sean Michael; Bedford, VA
3983 McDaniel, Ruth; Greenville, OH
3984 Moyer, Glen; Keithville, LA
3985 Douglas, James Thomas; Upper St. Clair, PA
3986 Minich, Cameron; Ocean Shores, WA
3987 Zafft, Beth; Woodinville, WA
3988 Cavin, Vernon; Auburn, WA
3989 Lacher, Dave; Kirkland, WA
3990 Borgmeyer, August; Aloha, OR
3991 Clendenen, Jon; Graham, WA
3992 Douglas, Craig; Poulsbo, WA
3993 Steinlein, Patty Jo; Puyallup, WA
3994 Douglas, Steve; Ypres, Belgium
3995 Rule, Brathann; Kingman, AZ
3996 Kirkland, Mike; Lake Park, GA
3997 Agnew, James; Fairfax, VA
3998 Walsh, Charles R; Wellington, CO
3999 Cooper, Melissa; Collinsville, IL
4000 Scheaffer, Linda; Bethalto, IL
4001 Douglas, Sam; Mexico, MO
4002 Gordon, Lori; Indian Land, SC
4003 Brown, Stephen D.; Hellam, PA
4004 Bean, Debra O’Neal; Lewisville, TX
4005 Gigliotti, Allison; Colorado Springs, CO
4006 Gilpatrick, Robert Daws; Denver, CO
4007 Burroughs, Brian J; Lenoir City, TN
4008 Simonton, Jay; Sharpsburg, GA

REGENTS... Please remember to send your post-event narratives and photos to the Newsletter Editor for inclusion in the newsletter.
CLAN DOUGLAS SOCIETY OF NORTH AMERICA, LTD.
SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. Each fiscal year Clan Douglas Society of North America, Ltd. (Clan Douglas) will award up to $1000.00 in scholarships provided no individual will receive a scholarship in excess of $250.00.

2. Applicants must be dedicated to continuing their instruction and furthering their education in the field of Scottish arts, which includes piping, drumming, dancing, Scottish related languages, traditional Scottish Highland Games athletics, or general Scottish studies.

3. To be eligible, an applicant must have been an active member in Clan Douglas for a minimum of one year or a direct descendant of such an active member. Active membership will be certified by the Secretary and determined as of April 30th following receipt of application for scholarship. Members of the scholarship committee and their descendants are not eligible.

4. Applications must be post marked by May 1st.

5. Applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee, which will make recommendations to the Board of Directors for approval. Recipients will be announced at the Annual General Meeting of Clan Douglas.

6. Criteria used by the Scholarship Committee in making its recommendations will include applicant’s:
   · Interest in and dedication to Scottish tradition.
   · Indication of accomplishments in chosen area of study.
   · Evidence of academic or artistic capability.

7. Recipients must submit a report upon completion of their studies for publication in the Clan Douglas newsletter, Dubh Ghlase.

For additional information or to receive application forms, you may write to:
Clan Douglas Scholarship Committee
c/o Gilbert F. Douglas III
1868 Patton Chapel Rd
Birmingham, AL 35226-3317

CDSNA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please submit original and two copies to:
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~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~ Deadline for entry - May 1st ~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~

Applicant’s FULL Name ______________________________ Telephone Number: __________________

Age ________ U.S. Citizen (Circle): Yes No Martial Status: ________________________________

Address ____________________________________________

City, State & Zip ______________________________________

Clan Douglas Membership #: ______________ Applied for Scholarship Before (Circle): Yes No

If “yes”, date of previous application: __________________________ Amount(s) received: $____________
If applicant is under 18 years old or intends to qualify as a direct descendant of an active member, please complete the following:

Relative's Full Name: ____________________________________________

CDSNA Membership #: _______ Telephone Number: (___)________ Relationship: _____________________________

Address ______________________________________________________

City, State & Zip ______________________________________________

Area of Study (Circle one): Piping Drumming Dancing Languages Highland Athletics

Scottish related General Studies (Give brief description) ____________________________________________________________

Location of Study:
Name of School or Instructor ___________________________________

Address ______________________________________________________

City, State & Zip ______________________________________________

Class Dates: Begins _______ Ends _______ Total Estimated Cost of Attending: $ _________

Please provide a brief summary of previous training, competitions, awards and accomplishments. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

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FOR SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE USE ONLY ~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~

Postmark date on envelope _________ For Secretary, years as active member ________________
Gleanings from the Interwebs

The internet abounds with interesting Celtic-themed and Douglas-themed articles.

The articles presented in this section are purloined from the internet and care has been taken to provide correct attribution to active story links. Just follow (copy/paste) the weblink into your computer browser to read the story.

If you find an internet article of Celtic or Clan Douglas interest, email the newsletter editor with the weblink.

1. Border Reiver DNA By Surname
   http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~gallgaedhil/dna_by_surname.htm
   We have gathered the data displayed on these pages from the Border Reivers DNA Project at Family Tree DNA, from private contributions, and from public haplotype databases such as YSearch and Ybase. There is more data available for some of these surnames, but that is owned by other Surname Projects administered through Family Tree DNA, and has not yet been contributed to any public database. We have provided links to those Surname Projects that have websites, should you wish to view the complete data set. [Includes Douglas and many more of our Allied Families names.]

2. The Rise and Fall of Hamilton Palace
   http://www.nms.ac.uk/explore/stories/art-and-design/the-rise-and-fall-of-hamilton-palace/
   The destruction of Hamilton Palace, the grandest stately home in Britain, was one of the greatest losses to national heritage ever to happen in this country. This is the story of how Scotland’s biggest treasure trove was won and lost.

3. One of Scotland’s oldest homes for sale, a 13th century castle
   Set high above the Montrose basin in the Angus countryside, Craig Castle, or The Craig as it is known, is one of Scotland’s oldest properties and could tell some tales if its walls could talk.

4. Teba: A Spanish Castle with a Scottish History
   http://kuratory.com/2016/02/02/teba-a-spanish-castle-with-a-scottish-history/
   A crumbling castle in rural Andalusia with a Scottish history? And you can go wander around for free, and it only costs like €2 to get in to the building itself? Say what?
   Yep, that’s the Castle of the Stars at Teba.
The List of Septs & Allied Families recognized by The Clan Douglas Society of North America:
Agnew, Bell, Blackadder, Blackett, Blacklock, Blackstock, Blackwood, Blaylock, Breckinridge, Brown, Brownlee, Carmichael, Carruthers, Cavan, Cavers, Cleland, Clendenon, Crockett, Dalzell, Deal, Dick, Dickey, Dickson, Dixon, Drysdale, Forest, Forrester, Foster, Galbraith, Gilpatric, Glendenning, Glenn, Hamilton, Harkness, Home, Hume, Inglis, Kilgore, Kilpatrick, Kirkpatrick, Kirkland, Lockerby, Lockery, Lockhart, MacGuffey, MacGuffock, Maxwell, McKittrick, Moffat, Morton, Pringle, Rowell, Rowle, Rule, Rutherford, Sandilands, Sandlin, Simms, Soule, Sterrett, Syne, Symington, Troup, Turnbull, Weir, Young, Younger --- variations of these names are also recognized.

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Please send your articles for submission to clan.douglas@yahoo.com
or contact your Regional Asst VP or the CDSNA Vice President.

Anyone is welcome to submit articles, games reports, and general information.

We do request that any article submitted be related to CDSNA or of general Celtic interest.
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