

Burnett Newsletter (including House of Burnett News)

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BURNETT REUNION 18th & 19th April 2015

Burnett Reunion US April 18-19th 2015 - Las Vegas, NV

James C A Burnett of Leys will attend

Lectures on Scottish Heraldry by Charles J Burnett Esq, Ross Herald of Scotland

Lectures on DNA Testing for genealogical research

Highland Games presented by the Las Vegas Celtic Society Discounts on hotel rooms at the Golden Nugget Ceilidh, Live Celtic Rock Bands, Pipe Bands, Athletic Events, Highland Dancing, Celtic Vendors, Clan Tents Burnetts as Honored Clan Burnett Family Dinner with lecture on Burnett Heraldry by Charles J Burnett, Ross Herald

Spirits furnished by Mad Buffalo Brewing Company

For more information: Email Jacky Daugherty <u>azlassie@gmail.com</u> or check out <u>http://azlassie.wix.com/burnettreunion</u> or Facebook www.Facebook.com/HouseBurnett



Whilst I look forward very much to my forthcoming visit to Las Vegas, my contribution to the Burnett reunion will be humble in comparison with that from Charles Burnett, the Ross Herald. We are very fortunate that he will be attending and also for articles which he has provided for the Burnett Banner.

James C A Burnett of Leys

UNITED KINGDOM GENERAL ELECTION

Alexander continues to press on with his campaign which contains a number of high profile events. He has

set out his plan. Facebook can tell you more.

Recently he received a visit from Dr Liam Fox, a past Secretary of



State for Defence. The above shows Alexander and Dr Fox at the War Memorial in Banchory.



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

NOTE FROM THE SECRETARY

The Reunion is almost here, and we have nearly 100 Burnetts registered for the event!

As requested, we will have a bus to transport Burnetts from the Golden Nugget to the Highland Games. The bus holds 57 passengers so it will make two trips in the morning and two trips back in the late afternoon. There will be a sign-up sheet for the trips that I ask please be followed as closely as possible so all can get back in forth in a timely manner.

Once at the Highland Games, the Clan Parade is at Noon. So, try to get back to the Burnett tent by around 11:30am so we can form our group to march-in behind our Chief.

There have been questions about how to dress for the Burnett Dinner on Saturday night. Since, our Chief, James C. A. Burnett of Leys, will be our most honored guest so please dress as you would for a wedding or dinner out. You are not required to wear a kilt or Scottish attire unless you wish to. Additionally, the name of the room the Burnett Dinner will be in has changed to "Pebble I".

On Friday afternoon, there will be a hospitality room at the Golden Nugget where Burnetts can meet one another before the Highland Games and the Dinner. At that time I will have your Highland Games tickets and name tags. If you are not staying at the Golden Nugget, I will mail your tickets to you. There will also be a signup for the bus to the Games. There will be a bus leaving at 8:30am and at 9:30am, going to the park, then at 4:30pm and at 5:30pm in the afternoon returning to the Golden Nugget. We will also have a preview of the items that will be in the raffle during the dinner Saturday night. The raffle ticket sales will help to cover the cost of the bus.

I will email the final details of where the hospitality room is and what time it will be open in April. Or, I will call you with the details if you do not use email.

Lastly, should anyone be interested in a trip to the Grand Canyon on Monday, April 20 it will be a daylong bus trip and will cost \$86.50. You can find a detailed description, and can book directly on the Reunion website: http://www.houseburnett.com, on the reservations tab, using the dinner reservation area, there is selection for the Grand Canyon Tour. Alternatively, contact me at azlassie@gmail.com or, call me at 928-788-9434. Presently there are 8 people registered for the Grand Canyon Tour.

See you in Vegas!!

Yours Aye,

Jackelyn A Daugherty

After over 45 days in a row with temperatures of below 32 degrees F, they say tomorrow we will be above freezing. In November it was brutal followed by a mild December, but the cold was back in January, February, and into March and it has been trying.

I see the temperature in Las Vegas is 75 degrees today, so I'm looking forward to the Reunion in April. I'm looking for a big turnout. Our President Jacky has put a great deal of effort in the Reunion and I know we are going to have a great time.

President Jack Daugherty and I will be doing will be doing at least 4 Scottish Games /Festivals. Both the President and I have busy schedules, so it hard to do any more Festivals. I would like call on more members to think about hosting at least I game in your area. We will set you up with items to get you started.

I will not be able to go to Loch Norman this year because it is the same weekend of the Reunion. I'm trying to get someone to be there. I will be at the Glasgow KY Games 28 thru 31 May.

We are still looking for Articles and Pictures for the Banner.

I want to remind everyone to inform me of changes to your home address and e-mail address.

Again I hope to see you in Las Vegas.

Leland L Burnett Secretary, House of Burnett *burnett@dcwis.com*

HELEN'S BURNETT AFGHANS

With her registration form for the Burnett Reunion, Helen Stockstill sent me a lovely hand crocheted doily and a picture of the Burnett Afghans that she is making as gifts for family members. She mentioned that she has made five so far with four more to go. In the letter that accompanied these gifts she said that she had no pattern to go by so she made her own. As Helen said, "You need to crocket "so many" rows of each color for the base. Then you need to weave in "so many" rows of each color. The weaving makes the plaid pattern. Of course, I used green, red, yellow and blue yarn. I also used the Hobby Lobby brand yarn, "I Love This Yarn", (yes, that is the name of the yarn.) I found it is just the softness to use. Some yarns are too stiff to use. Some yarns are too soft to use. If someone wants to contact me about making one I will try to explain what to do."

Helen will be at the Burnett Reunion in April. So, if you are interested in crocheting an afghan like this one, and will be at the Reunion, I will introduce you to Helen.



Jacky Daugherty

RODDY MARTINE TALKS TO THE OUTLANDER SERIES AUTHOR DIANA GABALDON

Relaxed and stylish in a black skirt and colourful blouse, obviously enjoying the storm of success surrounding her Outlander novels, not to mention the

STARZ television series currently taking America by storm, Diana Gabaldon (right) was in Scotland in August for a string of interviews and personal appearances at the Edinburgh and Wigtown book festivals.



Born in Flagstaff, Arizona, the time travelling world of her heroine, World War II British Army nurse Claire Randall who falls into a time slip when plant gathering among the fictitious standing stones of Craigh na Dun, near Inverness, could not have been further apart from the world she grew up in. Her father Tony Gabaldon, who died in 1998, was an Arizona State Senator. She continues to live in Arizona and is married with two grown up daughters, Laura and Jenny, and a son, the fantasy author Sam Sykes.

To have written an international bestseller set in a country she had never set foot in is by any standards a remarkable achievement. But Diana has certainly made up for lost time in getting to know Scotland since the first of her eight multi-genre novels won the Romance Writers of America RITA Award for Best Romance in 1991. Since then, she and her husband have made twenty four investigative trips and the characterization has grown richer by the volume.

In Edinburgh's Charlotte Square, the author tent was packed to capacity with her adoring readers. Indeed, the lady sitting next to me confided that she felt privileged to be so close to her literary amanuensis. But make no mistake about it, this was an educated, enthralled audience caught up in time travel and the telling of heated sexual conflicts and emotions experienced three centuries apart. Fictional, of course, but sensitively observed with an intriguing undercurrent of contemporary themes such as the nature of war.

"My husband said to me that if I hadn't been born with a conscience and a sense of empathy, I'd be a very dangerous person!" they were told.

However, to go back to the beginning, it was essentially a Scottish character in the BBC's science fiction television series Dr Who that first inspired her, a man in a kilt to be specific. "When I began writing, all I had in mind was a vision of a man in a kilt," she confesses, seemingly slightly bemused by the phenomenal amount of interest her books have attracted on both sides of the Atlantic. "The story then took on a life of its own."

"But it was never intended for publication," she confesses. "I wrote it for practice . I didn't even tell my husband about it to begin with."

Nevertheless, being a research processor by training and knowing her way around libraries, it was only natural that she should know where to start and she read every available book she could find on Scotland, literally hundreds. That was in March 1988, in an almost unimaginable era before the internet existed.

"I was looking for a way to make money in the second oldest profession," she says coquettishly. "I didn't write with an outline in mind let alone a deadline. Fortunately Scotland in the 20th Century is a very accessible country for a writer, very conscious of its history and there was a lot of information to be discovered."

For example, Craigh na Dunn was the bi-product of that research. "I had to get a feel for the place and the people who lived there," she reflects. "I was intrigued about standing stones and began speculating about their possible uses. After everything that has been written about them nobody actually knows what they are there for, so it seemed perfectly acceptable for them to be portals to another time."

After her first three days of basic research, Diana decided to introduce an English woman and to put her in a room full of Scotsmen to see what they would do. "It's all Claire's fault," she says. "From that moment on she took over as the voice of their story."

Since that moment, Diana's (or should one say Claire's?) gripping, often fantastical story lines have transported Claire Elizabeth Beauchamp Randall Fraser, her handsome plaid-wrapped 18th Century red-headed Scottish paramour Jamie Fraser, Diana's 20th Century husband Frank Randall and their daughter Brianna back and forth with dazzling dexterity between Jacobite Scotland, France, America, and the West Indies.

The books – each running to an average of 822 pages – are designed so that you can go backwards and forwards (as in Time Travel). "I wanted to create nice big books for readers to take on long journeys to places like Cleveland." she quips.

And what makes the genre even more compelling is that you do not have to start with the first and read the subsequent novels in sequence. Each has its own compelling 'cliff hanger' conclusion, cleverly enticing the reader to want more or to go right back to the beginning.

However, from a Scotland of the 18th Century alternating between golden sunshine and mists, it is the settings in which the Outlander action is set in the television series that have brought it to life on 21st Century television screens.

Castle Urquhart, on the shores of Loch Ness; Doune Castle, Castle Leoch in the books and some 40 years ago the setting for the film of Monty Python and the Holy Grail; Falkland Palace in the Kingdom of Fife; the bleak horizons of Culloden Moor; Preston Mill in East Lothian; the thatched quirkiness of the Highland Folk Museum at Newtonmore and, incidentally Midhope Tower in Midlothian, built by George Martine, one of my own ancestors in 1582. I wonder what he would have made of his home being used as a film set?

To add factual authenticity, she was helped by native speaker Ian MacKinnon Taylor who contacted her and hesitantly asked if she had been getting her Gaelic from a dictionary? Thereafter, the Gaelic singer Catherine Ann MacPhee was among those who advised her about Highland life.

As one might expect of old and new Scotland, the surrounding scenery Diana Gabaldon describes, which comes to life in the filming, is wild and often dramatic and inspiring. Visit The Outlander Tour Map (www.visitscotland.com/outlander).

- Scotland Magazine, Issue 78, Feb – March 2015

The second part of Season One starts on April 4th, 2015 on Starz. The Blu-Ray of Season One Part One will be a raffle prize at the Burnett Reunion Dinner – Jacky Daugherty



Claire Randall (Catronia Balfe) and Jamie Fraser (Sam Heughan)



Murtagh Fraser (Duncan Lacroix), Rupert McKenzie (Grant O'Rourke), Angus Mhor, (Stephen Walters), Dougal MacKenzie (Graham McTavish) ざ Jamie Fraser (Sam Heughan)

TARTAN DAY PARADE

The 17^{th} Annual New York Tartan Day Parade is on Saturday April 11^{th} , at 2pm, on Sixth Avenue from 44^{th} to 55^{th} Street.

To the cheers of the crowds, and the waving Saltires, Graham McTavish (Scottish actor and star of Starz Outlander) will lead the Parade as 2015 New York Tartan Day Parade Grand Marshal, alongside RT. Hon. Tricia Marwick, MSP, Presiding Officer of the Scottish Parliament.

If in the area check it out.



Scene from the 2014 parade

Leland L Burnett

SCOTSFESTIVAL, LONG BEACH FEBRUARY 14 & 15 2015

The Clan area was located on board the ship while the heavy athletics, pipers, dancers, and vendors are outside in the park in front of the ship. Conveners: Jacky Daugherty and Evelyn Kafura



Charles Burnett with Evelyn Kafura at the House of Burnett table



Gordon Grabk (Mother was a Burnett)



Jesse Cleland Burnett Clan Buckle Tattoo on his arm

PHOENIX HIGHLAND GAMES MARCH 21 & 22 2015



Donna, Adam and Doyle Burnett, visiting from New Mexico



Linda Burnett Hirsh of Phoenix



Timothy Hunts-in-Winter and family of Mesa, (Timothy is in the white t-shirt). He is Burnett on his mother's side and Navajo on his father's side.

BRIDGET FORBES BURNETT'S DEERHOUNDS

I am grateful to Mark Palumbo for the article below and which is dedicated to his mother, Bridget, the author of the article and Anastasia Noble who died in December aged 88.. Because of Anastasia's unusual lifestyle and achievements, I have added the following.

She was a renowned breeder of deerhounds and hackney horses and also one of the most remarkable characters in Argyll, scorning the comforts she could easily have afforded and embodying the forthrightness and frugality of her Scottish-Canadian grandmother. She never owned a car but cheerfully exploited those that did. For shorter distances she rode a bicycle, often using it to exercise her deerhounds along the main road.

After valiant war-work on the farm, Anastasia Noble began to breed hackney horses. She bred several fine horses, all with the prefix Ardkinglas, the great house built by her grandfather, Ardkinglas Marquis and Ardkinglas Northern Light, were champions in North America.

Inspired by her aunt Lilias, who had owned deerhounds, Anastasia bought her first deerhound, Nora of Enterkine, as a pet in 1930. In all, she bred 135 litters and produced 24 champions. Forty years later she produced Ardkinglas Val, the first winner of the Top Show Dog in Scotland award, and Ardkinglas Azalea, the reserve in the Hounds Group at Crufts in 1990. Besides being a breeder, Anastasia was renowned as a judge, and was asked to shows in Australia, North America and Scandinavia.

Anastasia Noble could be autocratic and stubborn, but she was courageous, and always splendidly herself. This appealed especially to children, who saw her as a magical figure.

"In the late 70's, I left Vermont to go to my home in Scotland, stopping at my friend Anne Woellwarth's house in Dorset. She and I had gone to school together and have been close friends for over sixty years. During WWII, my school in London, was bombed, so all of us evacuated to a stately home called Stanford Hall, in the country. That's where I met Anne. Driving to Scotland brought back so many memories of my childhood.

Anne drove us to Argyle as we were looking for a deerhound pup. We arrived at the remarkable, Anastasia Noble's Ardkinglas House.



What a sight it was! Such a beautiful old stone place. We were given the usual "cup of tea." After tea, we went to see the deerhounds in the kennel. Thoughts rushed through my mind. How could I choose a deerhound from the masses? Somehow Anne and I picked out a frisky male. Anastasia asked me if I would like a female. Thanks to Anne, I was persuaded, so off we went with two lively pups on the backseat.

Arriving back in Dorset, all of us very tired, we once again had another cup of tea (which seems to be the

remedy for most things) and later to bed, as I was leaving the next day for United the States. I did not have time to see mv family home



"Ardbreknish". I promised myself that I would make at least one more trip.

Arriving in Fair Haven, Vermont the next day, I started training my pups. I named the male, Noble, and the female, Fiona, after Anastasia Noble, the breeder. After much training, I decided to put them into a show. This was the beginning of many wins, both in Canada and the United States. We eventually won championships in both countries".





Bridget with Noble and Fiona

James CA Burnett of Leys

THE COTTAGE

Many readers may have seen the article of the Burnett Cottage in Salt magazine in January of the Burnett Cottage at Carolina Beach. The article on Page 48 is about the John and Ruth Burnett family in the early years of the cottage which was built in 1935 and re-built after Hurricane Hazel tore it down in 1954. For those who did not, I recommend that they do. Instead of repeating the article here, herewith the link for you to enjoy:

http://issuu.com/saltmagazinenc/docs/january salt 201 5?e=8175378/10752094

"I wanted to know more. I asked Judge Gilbert Burnett to add to the story. There is undoubtedly much to tell but herewith something from Gil of the history of the Cottage.

Speaking of Virescit Vulnere Virtus, it has come to my aid more than once. 1- Lightning struck my small hosiery mill in 1953 and burned it to the ground. After some depression I built a small boat to keep my sanity until I could make some decisions. That's when I decided to go to Law School. The disaster from the bolt of lightning changed my life positively - Virescit Vulnere Virtus. 2-Some years ago a few of us were doing off shore sailboat racing. We started taking on lots of water, abandoned the race and headed for shore. The owner of the boat had the hull reinforced very well. A couple of years later we were sailing to the Cape Fear (N.C.) from the Bahamas, a very strong storm brewed, swells up to 30 feet in the Gulf Stream and the sailboat was on its side a lot. We could have easily lost our lives -- but --- Virescit Vulnere Virtus entered the picture. Although, one on board said we were going to die --we made it home.

A picture of the original cottage was, as you know, in the article. Below is a photo of the rebuilt cottage as it is today.



Top left is a photo of the airplane, mentioned in the article, that I chased when about 6 years old. It is a Command-Aire. Warren Pennington, the pilot mentioned, is standing next to it. Warren was a pioneer in flying in this area of the Country early on. I was in the QB (Quiet Birdmen - An organization of pilots) with his younger brother years later.



It is mentioned in the article that I worked for the carnival - Yes I was a Carnival Boy at age 12 - at Carolina Beach - during the Great Depression. Mr. Mansfield, the owner of the carnival did not correct the unfairness that his foreman, my boss, was issuing out to me. I finally quit him, borrowed some money from my Dad, bought 1/2 interest in 2 snowball stands and went head to head in competition with the carnival. He tried to run me out of business by giving snowballs away to all who wanted them. My Dad, a lawyer, helped me legally and Mr. Mansfield knew we were going to court. He agreed to not give the snowballs away (The Sherman Antitrust Act) and He and I went Head To Head in the snowball business. I ran that S out of the snowball business - not the carnival business - but snowballs. Dad bought a good corner lot and I "got free rent" and was in that business - during summers when out of school - until I went in the Army Air Corps (Now the U. S. Air Force). I ended up with a monopoly selling snowballs at the Beach.

Below is a photo of my snowball stand on the lot Dad bought. I was about 15 years old when this picture was taken. The numbers



tell some of the story. #6 - the big, oversized Umbrella was the roof to the snowball stand. It was red and white. The gallon glass #7 jug held the syrup (cherry or grape etc.) and was upside down in the dispenser. #2 was the snowball in a "V" shaped paper cup with the ball of shaved ice on top with the syrup on it. I might

add - The snowballs - at that time - sold for a nickel, 5 cents, 1/20th of a dollar. There's been a bit of inflation since then!"

James CA Burnett of Leys

FLOWERS OF THE FOREST QUINTER MILTON BURNETT MD

I was sorry to hear from Quinter Burnett of the sad death of his father Quinter Milton Burnett, who died peacefully at home on Friday, 9th January at the age of 90. Quinter played the bagpipes at the funeral.

Quinter Milton Burnett was born October 4, 1924 in

Arlington, VA, the son of Frank and Effie (Nimmo) Burnett, the youngest of five sons. He was an Ensign in the U.S. Navy during WWII, a Captain in the U.S. Army Medical Corp and



finally an Assistant Surgeon in the U.S. Public Health Service. He received his MD degree from the University of Virginia in 1948 and completed his Thoracic Surgery residency in Detroit in 1953. He practiced Thoracic surgery in Saginaw for many years then worked as a General Practitioner at Burns Clinic in St. Ignace. In 1993, he began working part time at several Native American medical facilities including Rosebud, SD, St. Ignace, Sault Ste. Marie and others. He fully retired in 2000.

He had a lifetime passion for reading and learning, taking not only continuing education courses in his field but studying various other subjects through college classes including geology, foreign languages, history and anthropology. He enjoyed camping, skiing, planting trees, growing grapes and wine making. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Riggsville.

Quinter is survived by his wife Jacquelyn, his children, Noel Cox, Quinter (Janis) Burnett, II, M.D., Annabelle (James) Wujkowski, Jefferey (Beth) Burnett and Bonnie Ann Burnett, step-children, Robert, Mary Kate and Michael (Amy) Doerr, his father-in-law, Alex Trybulski, 12 grandchildren, three great grandchildren, sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law and several nieces and nephews.



James C A Burnett of Leys

ANNE DAVIDSON OF INCHMARLO

Anne Davidson, born 12 December 1824, was the daughter of Duncan Davidson who had purchased Inchmarlo House near Banchory in 1838. During the 1840's and early 1850's Anne kept a Journal which, although containing many trivial personal notes, gives an interesting insight into the family lifestyle and social events of the times including the occasional mention of Burnetts. The text of her Journal, along with some photographs, can be found on the internet at

freepages.history.rootsweb.ancestry.com/-missannedavi dson

Anne appears to have lived in Aberdeen and at Inchmarlo dividing her time between the two locations. On 24 July 1854 she married William Burnett Ramsay, born at Fasque on 11 April 1821. William had inherited Burnett Lodge & Arbeadie estate in Banchory plus part of Blackhall estate on the south of the River Dee in 1839 from his uncle General William Burnett and retired from his own military career in the Rifle Brigade in 1844.

William Burnett Ramsay died on 6 November 1865 aged 44 and Anne died on 13th October 1880 aged 56.

Eileen Bailey Burnett Genealogist

CHARLES BANBURY

Readers may have seen a short article in the September

Banner about my visit to Northern France to see where my grandfather, Billy Cecil was killed at the start of the First World War in 1914. He was buried in the little municipal cemetery of Soupir along with only fifteen other soldiers. Of no particular relevance to the principal Banner subject of the



name of Burnett, the following may be of interest.

I was sitting next to a lady, Anne Banbury, at dinner recently, when the subject of ancestry arose. I told her of my visit to France and she added that she had also recently been out to the same area and for the same reasons relating to her grandfather, Charles William Banbury, a Captain in the 3rd Battalion of the Coldstream Guards. We soon established that our grandparents were killed in the same action, in the same place, on the same day and their graves are within a few feet of each other.

James CA Burnett of Leys

HERALDRY WITH CHARLES J BURNETT **QUEEN'S HERALD IN SCOTLAND** CHIEFS OF THE NAME AND CLAN CHIEFS

As far as heraldry is concerned, it is assumed in Scotland that all people with the same surname are related, however distantly.



Fig.1



Chiefs in Scotland are entitled to fly a standard to show their presence at a gathering, Fig.5

My chief is James Burnett of Leys who is also chief of the name of Burnett. Fig.1 shows his coat of arms which has holly leaves and a hunting horn as the main charges on the shield. Fig.2 is the Arms of Burnett of Dalladies who is a direct descendant of Burnett of Leys but no two people can use the same coat of arms so Dalladies has a green and white border to make a difference. Any Burnett who records Arms must have the horn and at least one of the leaves to show the relationship to the chief.

Fig.3 shows the Arms of Sir Robert Burnett who was a Sheriff of London at the beginning of the nineteenth century. The Arms were recorded at the English College of Arms but still show the horn and three burnet leaves, Fig.4 are the writer's Arms with horn, one leaf and two quill pens. The latter are used as a personal element and also make the Arms different but still those of a Burnett.









Fig.5

The standard varies in length depending on the rank of the chief and normally shows Arms, crest and motto. Several chiefs appoint a representative if there is a clan branch overseas who is called the Tosheadeor. He or she can fly a Pinsel bearing the chief's name, crest, and plant badge, as a distinguishing mark, Fig.6.

There is no such thing as clan heraldry or a clan badge. There are the personal Arms of the chief and the chief's crest. A clan member can wear the chief's crest as long as it is contained within a strap and buckle. Fig.7. A clan chief who is also a peer wears a bonnet badge with three feathers Fig.8, a chieftain wears two feathers Fig.9, and an armigerous clan member wears his own crest within a plain circle with one feather behind Fig.10.



Many highland clans have an associated plant. For example Campbells can wear a sprig of bog myrtle behind their bonnet badge, Bruces can wear rosemary, and the Macdonalds have heather. Individual clans and families now have their own tartan, many invented within the past twenty years.

Be it heraldry, tartan, or plants, all are symbols of belonging to a particular family group. Kinship has always played an important part in Scotland's social history and continues to do so.

BISHOP BURNETT ON EDUCATION

Next a noble generosity of mind should be much preached to him; that he look not at mean or base things, such as riches, honours, or secular greatness; but make virtue and noble goodness his chieffe design.

He must also infuse in him a love of his countrey, and



duty to his prince; and that he abhorre broils and incendiaries; that he listenes not to any tatles against these in authority, especially of the king. To infix this temper deeply, in young nobility, may prove a notable mean to keep the countrey peaceable, loyall, and quiet; and to drive away factions, and

base self seeking from grandees.

He must also recommend modesty much to him, and a hatred of lust and all impurity; and that the rather if he be robust and hot blooded.

But after and above all, he must give him many a lecture of humility and self distrust; for at this age begin youths to dwell with a high opinion of themselves, and a value of their own parts, joined with a contempt of others; and this, if not overcome, will deface all the beauty of this fair superstructure. For I account ane opiniastrous and self willed youth almost quite lost. He should

therefore often be told what a poor thing man is; how little he knows or can doe; and how low at best he is but one of God almightie his tools; as also how small a matter learning is in itselfe, how valuable soever it be, compared to other things; how few things wee



know; how all knowledge pierceth no deeper than the surface of things; how impossible it is for a youth to know how to govern himself. These things must he hear upon both ears. *Pictured above Gilbert Burnett*, *Bishop of Salisbury*

The Editor

UNDER FLOWERS OF THE FOREST Professor John Hargreaves

Some readers will recall the first Burnett Reunion at Crathes in 1992 and maybe in particular the Community Play of *Tensions and Trust* which was staged in front of the Castle. Central to the production were John and Sheila Hargreaves. Sheila was our chairperson and John the scriptwriter. Others who did not witness that most impressive production, have enjoyed events at the Woodend Barn which was used for the rehearsals and, due to popular request, continued for Community use to become what is probably the most successful venue of its type in Scotland and largely thanks to John and Sheila.

John Desmond Hargreaves died in February at the age of 91. He was a most active and brilliant academic and author and was the *Burnett-Fletcher* Professor of History at the University of Aberdeen. His academic career was halted briefly by the Second World War in 1944 when he took part in the D-Day Landings. After the war he worked in Malaya and later in Sierra Leone and is noted for his work on the history of Africa.

The photograph shows John Hargreaves on a road trip with Professor Daniel Chaytor of Sierra Leone University in 2003



James C A Burnett of Leys

TARTAN DAY OBSERVANCE Monday, April 6, 2015



Join ASF as we commemorate "Tartan Day" with readings and music on the Fountain Terrace at Bryant Park. The historical significance of Tartan Day will be recognized with exerts from The Declaration of Arbroath, signed on April 6, 1320 and from the US Senate's designation, in 2005, of April 6 of each year as "National Tartan Day".

A Presidential Proclamation was signed into effect by George W. Bush in 2008. This event is free and open to the public.

LUNCHTIME CONCERTS

April 6-12, 2015



The American-Scottish Foundation will once again present "A Celebration of Scotland in Words and Music[®] with lunchtime concerts during Scotland Week at Bryant Park, on the Fountain Terrace. The performances will take place each day from 12.30 -1.30pm from April 6th - 12th.

On Saturday April 11th, prior to the Parade there will be a special performance from 11.30 to 1pm.

Mark your diaries and plan to celebrate the coming of spring at the Bryant Park Fountain Terrace.

Performance details will be announced shortly on the Events page of our website and through our next E News Bulletin

THE SOUND OF PIPES AND DRUMS PRE-PARADE CONCERT



Join us on the Fountain Terrace of Bryant Park to hear the sound of the Pipes and Drums from some of our leading Pipe Bands as they prepare for the 17th Annual New York Tartan Day Parade.

A wonderful way to get in the spirit of the day, in one of our favorite locations.

The performance lineup will be announced shortly via the Events page of our website.

17th ANNUAL NEW YORK TARTAN DAY PARADE Saturday, April 11, 2015

Led by Grand Marshall Graham McTavish, celebrated Scottish actor and star of Starz Original Series "Outlander," and Honorary Grand Marshall Rt. Hon Tricia Marwick, MSP, Presiding Officer of the Scottish Government.

The American-Scottish Foundation invites our Members and Friends to join us in marching up the Avenue. To walk with ASF in the Parade, please visit us at asfevents@wwbcny.com.

If you would like to register your Band, Group, Clan, Dancers, or have your Scottie or Westie for the parade, please visit the NYC Tartan Week website. Registration is open till April 3rd.

ASF MEMBERS AND FRIENDS POST-PARADE RECEPTION -Saturday, April 11, 2015



The festivities don't just end with the Parade... join us afterward at Scotland House and meet fellow members and their guests at ASF's popular Post-Parade Reception.

Tickets are \$45. Children under 12 are \$10. Member guests are welcome.

Book online via paypal, or you can make your reservations by mail, please use form online. We hope to see you there!

BERNSTEIN'S CHICHESTER PSALMS: CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

Sunday, April 12, 2015 4рт - 7.30рт



The University of Aberdeen Chamber Choir, conducted by Paul Mealor will be joined by their 'sister choir', The Westminster Williamson Voices, in an exciting concert celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the premiere of Bernstein's Chichester Psalms.

Join the Very Reverend Professor Iain Torrance, Pro-Chancellor of the University of Aberdeen, at the beautiful 5th Avenue Presbyterian Church where this 90 strong choir will also sing music by Professor Paul Mealor, whose motet Ubi Caritas et Amor was performed at the royal wedding of Prince William and Catherine Middleton in 2011.

ASF Members and Friends are invited to attend by reserving tickets through:

www.abdn.ac.uk/alumni/events/6914/



	April 2015
25	The Celtic Festival & Highland Gathering of Southern MD – <u>www.cssm.org</u>
May 2015	
1 – 3	Scottish Festival & Celtic Gathering – <u>www.scots-westvirginia.com</u>
2	Savannah Scottish Games – <u>www.savannahscottishgames.com</u>
9	Frederick Celtic Festival – <u>www.frederickcelticfestival.com</u>
15 - 17	Smoky Mountain Scottish Festival & Games at Maryville College – <u>www.smokymountaingames.org</u>
16	Fair Hill Scottish Games – <u>www.fairhillscottishgames.org</u>
16 - 17	Rio Grande Valley Celtic Festival – <u>www.celtfestabq.com</u>
23 - 24	Alma Highland Festival and Games – <u>www.almahighlandgames.com</u>
	June 2015
6	Milwaukee Highland Games
6	The Allegany County Celtic Festival – <u>www.alleganycountyceltic.com</u>
12 - 14	Newport Celtic Festival and Highland Games – <u>www.newportcelticfestival.com</u>
13-14	Blairsville Scottish festival & Highland Games – <u>www.blairsvillescottishfestival.org</u>
19-20	Chicago Scots – <u>www.chicagoscots.org</u>
27	Ohio Scottish Games – <u>www.ohioscottishgames.com</u>
	July 2015
9-12	Grandfather Mountain Highland Games, Inc. – <u>www.gmhg.org</u>
25-26	Seattle Scottish Highland Games – <u>www.sshga.org</u>
	August 2015
1	166th Annual Highland Games – <u>www.highlandgames.com</u>
1-2	Monterey Scottish Games – <u>www.montereyscotgames.com</u>
15	Maine Highland Games – <u>www.mainehighlandgames.org</u>
22	Long Island Scottish Festival and Highland Games – <u>www.liscots.org</u>
29	Green Hill Highland Games – <u>https://www.facebook.com/greenhillhighlandgames</u>
	September 2015
5-6	Virginia Scottish Games – <u>www.vascottishgames.org</u>
5-6	150th Scottish Highland Gathering & Games c/o Floyd P. Busby – <u>www.thescottishgames.com</u>
10 - 13	Longs Peak Scottish-Irish Highland Festival – <u>www.scotfest.com</u>
18-20	New Hampshire Highland Games & Festival – <u>www.nhscot.org</u>
19	Charleston Scottish Games and Highland Gathering – <u>www.charlestonscots.org</u>
26	Ligonier Highland Games – <u>www.ligonierhighlandgames.org</u>
25-26	St. Louis Scottish Games and Cultural Festival – <u>www.stlouis-scottishgames.com</u> <u>www.stl.scot</u>
25 - 27	Celtic Classic Highland Games and Festival – <u>www.celticfest.org</u>
	October 2015
3	Scotland County Highland Games – <u>www.schgnc.org</u>
16-18	Stone Mountain Highland Games and Scottish Festival – <u>www.smhg.org</u>
	November 2015
5-8	Tucson Celtic Festival & Scottish Highland Games – <u>www.tucsonceltifestival.org</u>