

THE BULL'S EYE BULL-E-TIN

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1983 GATHERING AND BANNOCKBURN BALL

The sun did shine in California over the Memorial Day weekend. The guest book shows Turnbull's from Oregon, California and Illinois. It was a wonderful pleasure to meet those members with whom we have had correspondence and phone calls from these past few years. Other Turnbull's who had not known of our existence stopped by for a chat and we sent them away with Membership Application forms. We had hoped to see more of our California members in attendance. Wonder if the first long holiday weekend of the year could have been part of the problem. Know that many folks have parties and other family events which are observed over the long weekends. Those who did attend seemed to enjoy themselves.

A big thank you to Dr. Fred and Norman for keeping me informed and all their other help. A special thanks to Jay who arrived bright and early each day to set up the tent and display, before participating in some of the athletic events.

THE BANNOCKBURN BALL sponsored by the SCOTTISH LOWLAND CLANS & FAMILIES OF NORTH AMERICA INC. was a marvellous affair. It certainly lived up to its reputation. The Cathering reconvened at the Ball and we were privileged to greet more Turnbulls who could not make it to the Games. Our count shows 24 Turnbulls (plus guests) in attendance.

Dr. Byron walked away with a valuable prize, a kilt in a Tartan of his choice.

Your Convenor did not come away empty handed. I was overwhelmed when I was presented with a big, handmade, wooden shield bearing the Turnbull name and Crest. The presentation reads as follows:

"Presented to Dorothy Turnbull Berk, Convenor and Founder - Turnbull Clan Association of the U. S. A. on the occasion of the Bannockburn Gala and Grand Ball, 4 June 1983 By Scottish Lowland Clans and Families Society of North America, Inc. and Northwest Orient Airlines - Our Official Air Carrier. (s) Wales Wallace, Chairman, (s) Bruce B. Sanfillippo, District Sales Manager - Los Angeles.

Created at the MacBeth Wooden Shield Armoury - South Laguna and Burbank, California (Mergotroid Merlin MacDuff, XIII, of that Ilk, Sole Prop.) R. A. Moskun, Head Serf. Witnessed this 4th day of June, 1983, (s) Richard Clen Sewell, Vice Consul New Zealand.

The proceeds from the Bannockburn Ball go towards sponsoring the "North American Champion Dancers' Tour of Scotland", a very worthy cause which promotes the arts of our heritage thru the younger generation.

UPCOMING HIGHLAND GAMES

August 13, 1983 - Rocky Mtn. Highland Games - Brooks Field (Colorado School of Mines Campus), Golden, Colorado. Gates open 8:30 AM.

Ceilidh (Kay-lee) A special evening of Scottish entertainment that will include Scottish country dancing and modern dancing. Festivities start 8PM at Green Center School of Mines Campus. Tickets will be available at the Cames.

We have a spot in our hearts for the Rocky Mtn. Cames as that was the site of the

first U. S. Gathering of the Turnbull Clan Association. Velle and Morris pitched right in and have been running our tent there ever since. Stop by and say HI.

September 3 - Capital District Scottish Games, Altamont Fairgrounds, Altamont, N.Y. Word has just been received from Rev. Bill that he has signed up for a Clan booth.

September 3 -4 - Santa Rosa Games, Fairgrounds, Santa Rosa, California sponsored by the Caledonian Club of San Francisco.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

AUSTRALIA - Jim had his wife Shirley phone us to see if we could air mail some U. S. Clan items for display and/or sale at their Cathering held April 30th. Waiting to receive their report. Jim's branch of the family hold regular reunions and they are a big crowd by themselves. They were hoping for an even larger response from their members, who, like ourselves, are scattered over a very wide area.

SCOTLAND - Myra held a Gathering for the members in Scotland, May 20-22. The program included a Ceilidh, a lecture given by Dr. Michael Robson, describing some of the places to be visited on the bus tour. The bus tour, conducted by Dr. Robson, visited Turnbull country via Philiphaugh, Jedburgh and Ancrum and other places of interest. The Grand Dinner was held on Saturday night. Sunday morning a Turnbull Memorial Service was held at Bedrule Church. The Horses and Hounds, Bonchester, was the site for refreshments and farewells.

Dr. Robson has moved from Hawick to take up another appointment at Thirlestane Castle, Lauder, but he still continues to take an interest in the Turnbull Clan.

Myra also reports that son Barrie who now resides in London, working as an architect, will be married in August. Daughter, Debbie, was married last August.

Myra's plans to visit the U.S. this year has been postponed. Perhaps we can coax her over for a Gathering next year.

NEW ZEALAND - Mrs. Pat Turnbull, Sherwood Farm, Tussock Creek, 6RD, Invercargill, New Zealand held the first Gathering of the Clan the weekend of January 30th. They have had reunions of their own branch before but this was advertised for ALL Turnbulls, and about 100 turned up. Looks like our New Zealand cousins are off and running.

CANADA - VIA NICOSIA, CYPRUS

Dave writes that he is busy packing up to leave Cyprus and head back home to Canada. Expect to receive his new address shortly. Trust that those of you with Canadian relatives are making a list for forwarding to Dave.

GENEALOGY

Those of you who visited the tent at Costa Mesa, CA., may or may not have seen the book which Jay so generously offered for display. "History of Turnbull Family" published by Book Society of Canada - Agincourt - copywrite 1960 - John F. Turnbull. It is a treasure, especially for those descending from the Nova Scotia Turnbulls.

Mrs. Ella Leigh, 13665 Independence Drive, Manassas, Virginia 22111 wishes to correspond with anyone knowing anything about Andrew Turnbull who settled Smyrna, East Florida, about 1767. He moved to Charleston, South Carolina and died there about 1792.

Need the names of his children and grand-children. Hope someone has this information and will share it with Ella.

Bruce Chapin Duncan (a member of the Donnachaidh Clan) brought some very interesting family books and data to our tent at Cost Mesa. He has a Turnbull connection which he wishes to share with us. "George Cairns Turnbull - b Berwick, Scotland 1879 d Tacoma, Washington, October 29, 1924 - Golf (Pro) instructor and player. Also manufacturer of golf equipment. One child Robert Luther b August 14, d August 22, 1913. (Esther Ruth Luther - mother) Anyone seeking further information can contact Bruce Chapin Duncan, 1147 W. Memory Lane, Apt. 10B, Santa Ana, California 92706, phone (714) 543-5426.

THE ILLINOIS SAINT ANDREW SOCIETY & SCOTTISH HOME, NORTH RIVERSIDE, ILLINOIS

Most of our members, I am sure, are now aware of the Scottish Home in N. Riverside, Illinois. It receives no Federal or State funds. The III. St. Andrew Society holds their meetings in the Undercroft (lower level) and sponsors many fund raising affairs to benefit the Home. One of these fund raisers is the Scottish-American Hall of Fame Plaques are sold commerating those Scottish-Americans of great achievement and the walls of the Undercroft are decorated with the plaques which have been sold. The Committee in charge of this project states they have a four-page list of Scottish-Americans elected or propsed for the Hall of Fame.

On May 15th, the Lord Provost or Lord Mayor of Glasgow, Dr. Michael Kelly arrived in Chicago to be the principal speaker at the dedication of this Hall of Fame.

RE THE HALL OF FAME, Dr. Kelly said, "I know there certainly is not a single place in Scotland where this is represented, and I doubt that there is another place in the United States of America where this is detailed...this I hope will become a place of pilgrimage for the Scots clausmen and women throughout the U. S., because we in our day-to-day activities need reminding and need inspiration and the men and women (in the Hall of Fame) certainly fulfill that need."

The following is a slightly edited version of the brief address made at the Dedication of the Scottish-American Hall of Fame by Dr. Michael Kelly, the Lord Provost of the City of Glasgow.

"Good afternoon fellow Scots. I bring you greetings from Scotland and from the citizens of Glasgow — the second city of the Empire to the second city of the United States. It is an honor and a privilege for me to be invited here to speak at this dedication ceremony.

When I was invited to attend this dedication, I was overwhelmed by the honor, because it means that I now become part of the mission of Scots who helped create this country, to help improve it, and to work with the other people who also helped make this country one of the greatest in the world.

Every time I vist the States I find out a little more about the Scottish heritage. For such a small country of five million people, a country that has never been the most prosperous in the world, and a country with a harsh and difficult climate, and soil, the contribution it has made to the culture, economies, and social progress of the world is quite out of proportion to its size. And while it makes us all asScots feel very proud, it also makes us feel humble because we then compourselves and our own achievements with those of the great Scots who have gone between, and very few of us measure up.

When one considers the difficulties that the first Scots had in crossing that huge expanse of water in very small boats to the most hostile of conditions, and when one considers the decades and centuries of effort that they put into helping to develop this country to the forefront in technology, to the leadership of the world in modern science, one feels one's own contribution is insignificant.

It is, therefore, important that we through our inheritance of that tradition -those of you who are Scottish-Americans loyal to the U.S. but with a warm spot in
your hearts for Scotland -- recognize the tremendous contribution that American Scots
have made to the world. It is important for us to remember in detail what our ancestors
did for us, and what better way than by recalling the individuals and their achievements.

Our poetry, our literature, our heritage and ancestry, our wars, peaces, troubles, and successes could easily be forgotten—and indeed many of us in Scotland do forget and we need to come to this country, for you who are removed from Scotland probably see this in a clearer light. And you in your activities in the St. Andrew Societies, the Calendonian Societies, and the Scottish Clubs keep our culture alive and more than that, you propagate it to your fellow Americans.

So I hope that in dedicating this Hall of Fame I am announcing to the world the achievements of Scotland in America and in doing so we are not looking back but are remembering and looking forward and taking these achievements as our inspiration, as our ideals, and as our standards so that all that is good in Scottish culture, all that is great in the Scottish heritage can be carried forward from this year 1983 onward. This is the year you celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Treaty of Versailles that officially created the United States of America. We can see here the achievements of the Scots men and women over those 200 years.

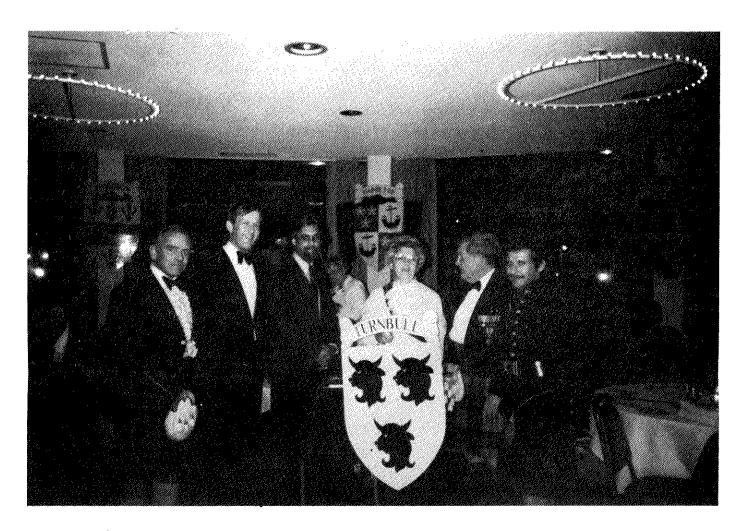
Let us strive for what is best in Scottish culture and Scottish heritage, and implant it in our communities. Let us try to establish these standards in our own families, in our communities, our towns and villages, and our states, and build on the magnificant traditions that have been handed down to us and of which we are the guardians."

The above is reprinted from the Newsletter of the Illinois St. Andrew Society. Hope you enjoy it as much as I did. Regret I could not attend that meeting to meet and speak with Dr. Kelly. He has to be the best PR man Scotland has, his personal contact with the Clans here, including our own, and the trips he makes back and forth to attend ceremonies, constitutes a lot of time and energy.

Thou, too, sail on, O Ship of State! Sail on, O UNION, strong and great! Humanity with all its fears, With all the hopes of future years, Is hanging breathless on thy fate! We know what Master laid thy keel, What Workmen wrought thy ribs of steel, Who made each mast, and sail, and rope, What anvils rang, what hammers beat, In what a forge and what a heat Were shaped the anchors of thy hope!

"The Building of the Ship" by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Have a wonderful, safe, happy, healthy summer. Give us a call if you are in the o area. Keep those cards and letters coming, will try to do a better job at keeping up with the replies.



Presentation ceremony

Presenting Turnbull Shield at the Bannockburn Ball sponsored by the Scottish Lowland Clans & Families of North America, Inc. are left to right: Norman B. Turnbull; Richard G. Sewell, Vice-Consul of New Zealand; Bruce B. Sanfillippo, District Sales Manager - Northwest Orient Airlines; Dorothy Turnbull Berk, Convenor & Founder, Clan Turnbull of the USA; Wales W. Wallace, Chairman - Scottish Lowland Clans & Families Society of N. A., Inc.; Richard A. Moskun, Vice President S. L. C. & F. Society, June 4, 1983

All interested members are cordially invited to join the Scottish Lowland Clans & Families of North America, Inc. For further information contact: Wales Wallace, Chairman, 35 So. Encino Road, South Laguna, California 92677.