

# ST. LOUIS TO WELCOME TCA

by *Thérèse Chavaux Turnbull*

St. Louis, The Gateway to the West, welcomes all to the Turnbull Clan Association Annual General Meeting on October 6 & 7, 2006! St. Louis, founded by Pierre Laclede and Auguste Chouteau in 1764, has many sites to offer our clan travelers. The History Museum ([www.mohistory.org](http://www.mohistory.org)) is next to the Games area, and will house the genealogy directories for the games. Below is just the short list of the many things to do here in the Gateway City

One must start with the Gateway Arch ([www.gatewayarch.com](http://www.gatewayarch.com)) and the Westward Expansion Museum, located underground, under the Arch. One can see over 30 miles from the top, on a clear day. The tram ride up is an experience in and of itself!



*The arch, now 40 years old, opened in 1965 to honor President Thomas Jefferson and his vision of a continental United States.*

St. Louis is, of course, the home and world headquarters of Anheuser-Busch Brewery ([www.anheuser-busch.com](http://www.anheuser-busch.com)). Tours (and parking) are free and you get to taste a wee bit of the beer after the one hour tour.

The St. Louis Art Museum ([www.slam.org](http://www.slam.org)), located in Forest Park, has the largest German collection (Beckmann) of Impressionist art, several French Impressionist pieces, and wonderful Modern Art as well as ancient art. Admission and parking is free, special exhibitions are moderately priced.

The St. Louis Zoo ([www.stlzoo.org](http://www.stlzoo.org)), in Forest Park, is the second best in the US, just behind the San Diego Zoo. Admission is FREE, however, parking is not.

The Missouri Botanical Gardens ([www.mobot.org](http://www.mobot.org)), founded by Henry Shaw in 1859, is the oldest in the country that includes a 14 acre Japanese garden, the largest outside the country of Japan. They

have added a kid's garden this year, quite impressive and fun! Tickets are reasonable, parking is free.



*The Missouri Botanical Gardens are beautiful year round.*

Grant's Farm ([www.grantsfarm.com](http://www.grantsfarm.com)), is the ancestral home of the Busch family and has the cabin of Ulysses S. Grant, the Clydesdale Stables, the Bier Garden and Deer Park and petting zoo. Admission is free, but parking is \$9.

The St. Louis Science Center ([www.slsc.org](http://www.slsc.org)) is a fantastic journey through science and includes the Omnimax theatre and Planetarium. Admission is free, but special exhibits and the theatre cost separate. Some parking is free, other lots have a charge.

Soulard Market ([www.soulardmarket.com](http://www.soulardmarket.com)), est. 1779, is the oldest farmer's market west of the Mississippi, and is still in operation. It is in the French area of St. Louis, that is fashioned after the French Quarter and has many great restaurants, eateries, and drinkeries. The streets are a delight to stroll. Market and parking are free.

And for the young (and young at heart), there is the City Museum ([www.citymuseum.org](http://www.citymuseum.org)). It is a tremendously fun place to explore with little ones. They offer arts and crafts, glass blowing, aquarium, and crawls across the ceiling, through caves and under the floor, just to name a few of the adventures available. (See page 5 for more about the games, AGM and St. Louis.)

## From the President

by Wally Turnbull

I suspect that an important reason each of us has joined the Turnbull Clan Association is because we like people. We enjoy seeing old friends and making new ones in the pages of the Bullseye and at the Scottish games and festivals.



It is good to regularly attend the games in your area. You enjoy the activities and you get to see many of the same friends on a regular basis. It is also important to attend the AGM whenever you can. This is the one event selected by the TCA board each year for our Annual General Meeting of members. This is an opportunity to visit a different game and meet new people, especially other members of TCA.

The TCA directors select the venue for the AGM to be held in a different area each year so that more members can participate and recruitment can be increased. Occasionally we hold the AGM at a game to support a developing interest and new growth of the clan in that area. Because the greatest number of TCA members are in the USA, the meetings have usually been held there. Next year the 2007 AGM will be in Scotland. I sure hope to see you there.

Betty and I are going to Scotland next month to help plan the AGM and TCA Turnbull Trails Tour. As soon as we have details we will let you know so that you can begin planning.

This year we have a small but strong and dedicated group of members in Missouri that need our encouragement and support. Plan to attend the October AGM in St. Louis to support them, make new friends, and enjoy a truly great city.

## Sharing and Caring

Our sincere sympathies are extended to Alice Morgan and family with the passing of her husband and TCA family member William Morgan, Sr.

Sympathies are also sent to the Donald Turnbull family and his extended family, "The Turnbells of Rossie, NY since 1820". Donald passed away at the end of March.

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## Turnbull Clan Association

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## Meet the Family

*Dawn Turnbull Day of Mount Gambier, South Australia introduces us to her granddaughter, Courtney Day.*

Courtney Day, an 18 year old student of Grant High School, Mount Gambier, South Australia, was recently awarded the Outstanding Student in Performing Arts Award.

Sponsored by the Mount Gambier Lakes Rotary Club, the award recognizes the Grant High School student who has demonstrated excellence in the area of arts over the course of each year.



*Courtney's passion for her music is taking her to the University of Adelaide, where she will major in composition.*

Courtney, with her passion for the arts, has participated in school musicals, composing and playing music for drama performances and supporting other music students with their performances. She has made a lasting contribution to the high school and the community.

Courtney was also the recipient of the WIN TV Scholarship at the Eisteddfod (traditional festival of the performing arts) in 2005, also picking up the best solo performance along the way. She was also awarded two scholarships at the Eisteddfod.

With a grade eight in piano qualifications, 2005 had Courtney traveling to Adelaide every fortnight for music lessons with a lecturer from the University of Adelaide.

School principal, Steven Philips says, "Courtney has demonstrated her flair for the arts in numerous ways, and has made a splendid contribution to the school. She has always strived to do her best, and has maintained a positive and friendly approach throughout her time at Grant High School, last year she achieved a TER of 91.95, a very worthy result for such a dedicated student."

Following a brief holiday in Queensland, Courtney has moved to Adelaide to begin her studies at the Music Conservatorium at Adelaide University, majoring in composition. *With thanks to The Borderwatch, Mount Gambier*

*If you would like to introduce a family member to your TCA family, please send information to [editor@turnbullclan.com](mailto:editor@turnbullclan.com) or write to Betty Turnbull, 5216 Tahoe Dr., Durham, NC 27713*





## Rosedown Plantation

**St. Francisville, Parish of West Feliciana, Louisiana, USA**

**Historical significance to Turnbolls:** Rosedown was built in 1835 by Daniel Turnbull, wealthy cotton planter, for his wife Martha Hilliard Barrow. Today the house, 13 historic dependencies, 28-acres formal gardens, and 371 surrounding acres are owned and maintained by the State of Louisiana as a nationally famous historic site.

**Interesting facts:** The marriage of Martha Barrow to Daniel Turnbull united two social families of social prominence. The families were affluent cotton plantation owners. With the purchasing of adjacent land tracks, Rosedown Plantation grew to nearly 3,500 acres.

Martha was an avid gardener. She and Daniel honeymooned in Europe and she was so inspired by the Versailles and other gardens that she decided to create a garden of equal beauty at Rosedown. They were among the first to import azaleas and camellias.



Daniel and Martha began construction of Rosedown in 1834. In 1845, a wing was added to each end of the house. The north wing is a bedroom, and the south wing, the library.

*From the balconies, one can see the oaks and gardens.*

**Sights to see:** There are tours of the plantation home which still has much of its original furnishings. A long avenue of oaks leads up to the entrance of Rosedown where one is greeted by a hostess to begin the tour of the house.

The tour leads to the large dining room with the pankah over the table which was used to shoo flies. There is also a jib door that provides another access to the room when opened. The top part is a window that can be raised, and the lower part is really two short doors that can be opened.

The music room contains a Chickering piano and chair bought by the Turnbolls in 1841. As pianos stay in tune best when played, an invitation is extended for someone to play it. From there, one goes to the large bedroom on the north end of the house. An interesting feature there is the water closet, or some say a shower, which is said to be one of the earliest known.



*View of the Rosedown gardens*

The tour then proceeds up the lovely curved mahogany staircase to the second floor hallway where the original whale oil chandelier is hung. There are bedrooms upstairs with large beds by Prudent Mallard, a craftsman from New Orleans.

On the second floor front gallery, one can linger to see the doctor's house, the marble statues, and the oak alleé and gardens.

Following the tour guide back down the stairs, the parlor is seen with its Victorian walnut parlor set with rich velvet coverings. The curtains have interesting hand and arm tiebacks. From the parlor, one then exits through the library.

Rosedown is open for tours from 10:00 a.m. till 4:00 p.m., seven days a week except for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years.

Yet another house in the same parish is Catalpa, owned by Mary Thompson. She is descended from Daniel Turnbull through his daughter, Sarah, who married James Bowman of



*Catalpa, Parish of W. Feliciana - photo by Ann Weller*

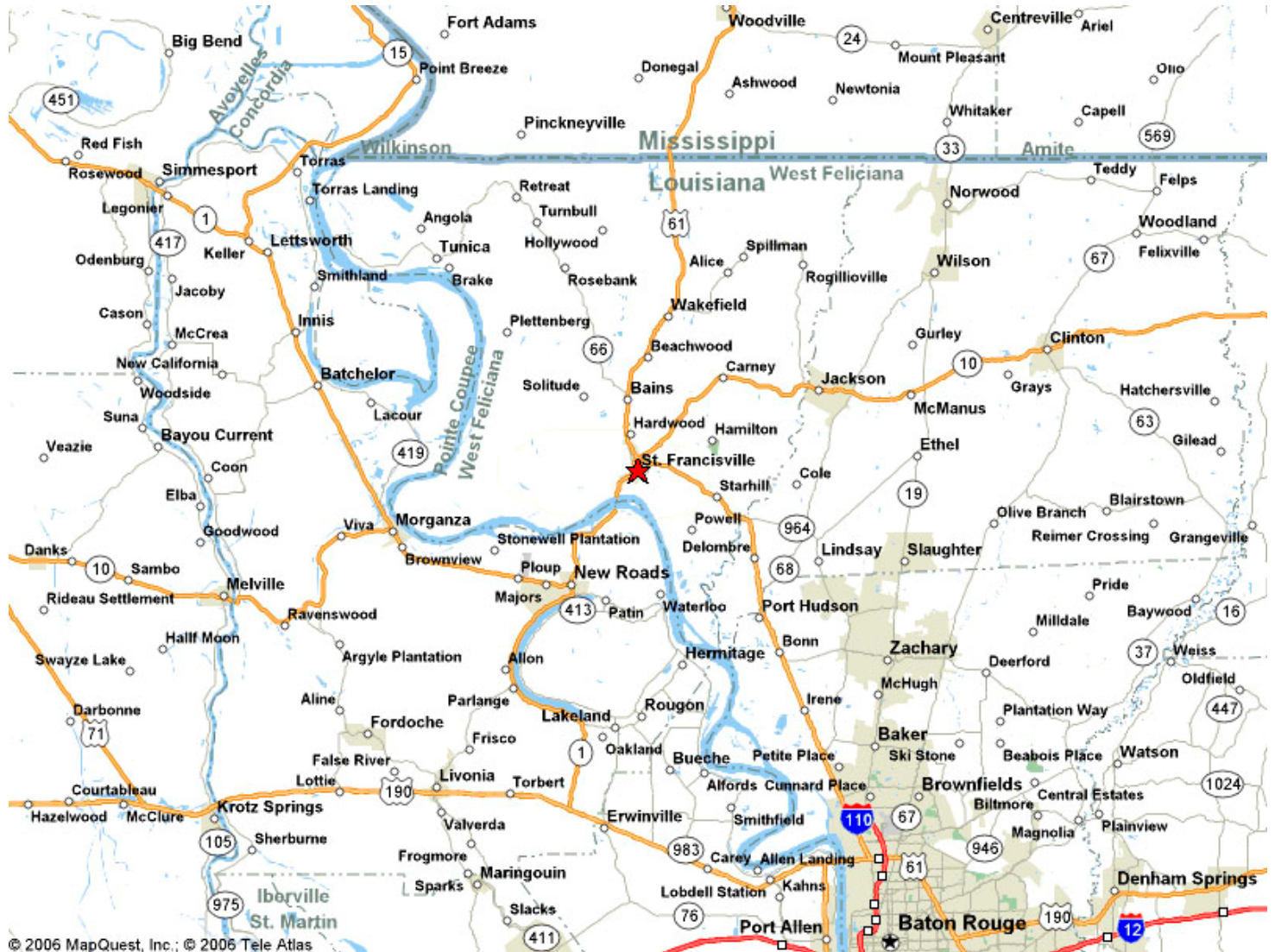
Oakley Plantation. Call 225-635-3372 for tour information.

*--Ann Weller, contributor*



**Getting there:** St. Francisville is 30 miles north of Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Highway 64 is the major highway going north and south. The east/west thoroughfare is Highway 10,



### Places to stay:

#### *St. Francisville*

Butler-Greenwood Plantation B & B, 8345 Hwy 61, 225-635-6312  
 Best Western on the Lake, Hwy 61, 225-635-3821  
 Barrow House & Printers Cottage, 9779 Royal St, 225-635-4791  
 Cottage Plantation B & B, 10528 Cottage Ln, 225-635-3674  
 Greenwood Plantation, 6838 Highland Rd, 800-259-4475  
 Hemingbough, Hwy. 61 at 965, 225-635-6617  
 Lake Rosemound Inn, 10473 Lindsey Ln, 225-635-3176  
 St. Francisville Inn, 5720 Commerce St, 800-488-6502  
 Shadetree Inn, Royal St, 225-635-6116

**Nearby Attractions:** Greenwood Plantation, Afton Villa Gardens, Mary Ann Brown Preserve, Port Hudson State Park, Clark Creek Nature Area, Golfing at the Bluffs, Prison View at Angola Golf, Tunica Hills Wildlife Management Area, Cat Island Natural Wildlife Refuge, Royal Street-St. Francisville

**Nearby Historical Sights:** The Cottage Plantation, Catalpa Plantation, Oakley Plantation and Audubon Historic Site, Butler-Greenwood Plantation, Grace Episcopal Church, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, United Methodist Church

### Places to eat:

Audubon Café, Hwy 61 & LA 10, 225-635-3977  
 Benoit's Country Meat Block, 5712 Commerce St, 225-635-3122  
 Cocodrie's at The Bluffs, Hwy 965 at Freeland Rd, 225-635-5088  
 Cypress Grill, 5632 S. Commerce St, 225-784-2640  
 D'John Restaurant, 5051 US Hwy 61, 225-635-6982  
 Elm Park, 14864 LA Hwy 10, 225-635-6980  
 Feliciana Seafood Market & Deli, 7555 Hwy 61, 225-635-4279  
 Lola Blues, 6779 Hwy 61, 225-784-8685  
 Magnolia Café, 5687 Commerce St, 225-635-6528  
 Oxbow Restaurant, 7193 Hwy 61, 225-635-6276  
 Road Side Bar-B-Que, 6129 Hwy 61, 225-635-9696

**Related websites:** [www.stfrancisville.us](http://www.stfrancisville.us)  
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## UPCOMING GAMES & EVENTS

(for a complete list visit [www.turnbullclan.com](http://www.turnbullclan.com))

### USA Games – Attend one in your area!

**June 1-4**, Glasgow Highland Games, Glasgow, KY  
**June 2-4**, Texas Scottish Festival & Highland Games, Arlington, TX  
**June 3**, Southern New Hampshire Scottish Games, Greenfield, NH  
 Modesto Highland Games, Modesto, CA  
**June 3-4**, Bellingham/Whatcom County Highland Games, Ferndale, WA  
 Sterling Celtic Festival, Sterling, CO  
**June 3-5**, McHenry Highland Festival, McHenry, MD  
**June 9-10**, Greenville Scottish Games, Greenville, SC  
**June 10**, Indiana Highland Games, Fort Wayne, IN  
**June 10-11**, Kiowa Celtic Festival, Kiowa, CO  
**June 16**, Prosser Scot Fest, Prosser, WA  
**June 16-18**, Gaelic Highland Festival, Canon City, CO  
 North Alabama Scottish Festival, Huntsville, AL  
**June 17**, IL St. Andrew's Highland Games, Oak Brook, IL  
 Montana Highland Gathering, Miles City, MT  
 Campbell Highland Games & Celtic Gathering, Campbell, CA  
**June 17-18**, Potomac Celtic Festival, Leesburg, VA  
**June 22-24**, Macomb Heritage Days Highland Games, Macomb, IL  
**June 24**, Ohio Scottish Games, Lorain Co, OH  
 Tacoma Highland Games, Tacoma, WA  
 Alaskan Scottish Highland Games, Eagle River, AK

### Australia, Canada, Scotland – Attend one in your area!

#### Australia

**June 9-12**, National Celtic Folk Festival, Portarlington, Victoria

#### Canada

**June 2-3**, Callander Celtfest, Ontario  
**June 9-10**, Brockville Celtic Festival, ON  
**June 10**, Grande Prairie Highland Games, Alberta  
 Sons of Scotland Highland Games, Abbotsford, BC  
**June 16-18**, The International Celtic-Acadian-Louisiana Festival, Quebec  
**June 17**, BC Legion Highland Gathering, Ganges, BC  
**June 23-25**, Celtic Festival of Summerside, PEI  
 Yukon Gathering of the Clans & Festival, Yukon  
**June 24**, Red Deer Highland Games, Alberta  
 Hamilton Highland Games, Ancaster, ON  
 BC (Vancouver) United Scottish Highland Games, BC.

#### Scotland

**June 3**, Cornhill Highland Games, Cornhill (Aberdeen)  
 Shotts Highland Games, Shotts  
**June 4**, Carrick Lowland Games, Girvan  
**June 10**, Bearsden & Milngavie Highland Games, Milngavie  
**June 11**, Strathmore Highland Games, Glamis  
**June 17**, Lesmahagow Highland Games, Lanark  
 Newburgh Highland Games, Newburgh  
**June 18**, City of Aberdeen Highland Games, Aberdeen  
**June 24**, Peebles Beltain Sports, Peebles

## Mark Your Calendars for the St. Louis AGM

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The year 2006 commemorates the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the return of Lewis and Clark to St. Louis after their Pacific Ocean journey. Not only will you want to join the many fun and interesting things to do in St. Louis, you won't want to miss the highland games and a chance to meet fellow TCA family. Hosts Keith and Thérèse Turnbull are rolling out the red carpet to receive TCA members for the Annual General Meeting October 6 and 7.

The games are full of activities including the traditional athletic games, a British car show, sheep dog demonstrations, a children's tabor toss, highland dancing and a genealogy booth. There is also some special entertainment in store with the Tannahill Weavers from Paisley, Scotland, storytelling in the traditional Scottish fashion, and performances by The Highland Mist Scottish Country Dancers.

The AGM is a once a year event where TCA members gather together. Saturday evening will

include a business meeting and a TCA sponsored banquet where everyone will have a chance to get to know one another and share Turnbull stories.

With so many things to do in St. Louis plan to arrive a day or two early or stay an extra day and make a vacation out of the time. Visit some of the many interesting things to do while attending and enjoying the highland games at the Turnbull Tent.

Watch for more details about the banquet and where to stay. Mark your calendars and save the date!



*Keith and Thérèse Turnbull, with son Iain, visiting the Highland "Coo" at last year's games.*



## Turnbulls in the News

Girlfriends are having lunch and one of them is showing off her new engagement ring, bragging that it is 2 carats. Have you ever wondered what that means and where it came from? Most of us know that a carat is a way of weighing or sizing a diamond. What most of us don't know is that it came from *carob*, a seed that found its place in history when ancient jewelers used them as weights.



Dr. Lindsay  
Turnbull

The thought behind this has always been that carob seeds, also known as the St. John's Bread (because John the Baptist fed himself in the dessert eating carob seeds), are identical in weight, making them perfect to be used as standard weights.

Recently, Lindsay Turnbull and her colleagues from the University of Zurich set out to prove this theory correct. The only problem with the study is that it proved just the opposite.

After gathering over 500 seeds from 28 different carob trees, the team discovered that the seeds varied in weight as much as seeds from 63 other species of trees. After this discovery, Turnbull decided to test her theory that perhaps the seeds became a standard because it was easy to select the size of the seed wanted. To do this, she created a perception experiment and found that "People were able to identify the heaviest seed of a pair even when the difference in weight was very small, 1/100 of a gram." Because of this, one can easily select which seeds to use as weights. She says, "It's a pretty glamorous history for a seed that is not biologically unusual." *New Scientist magazine, May 9, 2006*

## DONALD TURNBULL REMEMBERED



Donald and wife Susan proudly wear their colors, made for them by their daughter for the 2005 family reunion.

He survived by his wife, Susan, and seven children, eight grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

As a descendant of "The Turnbolls of Rossie, NY since 1820" and a respected Jefferson County, NY dairy farmer his whole life, he was a prime example of the hardy and proud Scottish settlers of the 1820's that first settled, farmed and survived that rugged northern New York wilderness country; many of those Scottish descendants remain today.

His interest in research of his Turnbull family history and genealogy along with reading of Scottish History, all reinforced his pride in his Scottish heritage. "The Turnbolls of Rossie, NY since 1820" will miss Donald's dedication to preserving their Turnbull history. And those who knew him will have many happy memories of his humor and wisdom as well as his pride in his family and being a farmer.

Gordon Turnbull, Libertyville, IL

"The Turnbolls of Rossie, NY since 1820"

## Happy Birthday to:

Alexander Turnbull, Morris Turnbull, Sarah Turnbull Snow, Wally Turnbull, Marsha Smith, Janis Hall, Fred Turnbull, Mary Ellen Turnbull Longley, Joyce Marot, Betty Lange, LeRoy Trimble, Margaret McKean, June Quevillon, James P. Trimble, Leslie Turnbull, Robert Bable, Mary Samms, Dorothy Turnbull, Sarah Turnbull, Donald Turnbull, Janis Dairiki, Allen Turnbull, Jr., Brian Turnbull, Valeria Turnbull, John W. Turnbull

