The Spur and Phoenix

Newsletter of Clan Johnston/e in America

CHIEF:
The Right Honourable The Earl of Annandale and Hartfell,
Patrick Andrew Wentworth Hope Johnstone of Annandale and of That Ilk

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Members:

It's spring again in New England and already this year's Games and Festivals are in full swing to the south of my area. Again, I would like to thank those who have sponsored CJA tents in the past and those who plan to do so this year. Without your efforts and time, Clan Johnston/e in America would not be as successful as we have become.

One of the items of importance which the Council has been working on is a Web Site for Clan Johnston/e in America, which is now up and running. You can visit the site as listed in the article on Page 2 of this Newsletter. There will be postings of upcoming meetings, events and other information of interest. There will be a host of items of interest for all Johnston/es. Jeff Johnston, of Rochester, NY, has agreed to be our Web Master. Jeff has done a fantastic job on his own Web Page, which we used for some time. Thank you, Jeff. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Another item of importance is the rejoining of CJA to the Council of Scottish Clans and Associations (COSCA). COSCA is an organization that works with all the Clans as they sponsor tents at many of the Games we do not or are unable to attend. They pass information on to us concerning individuals who have inquiries about their Clans and have done so for our organization on several occasions. CJA dropped its membership years ago, but the Council felt it was more than worth the $25.00 membership to rejoin and support their efforts.

Beverly Shuler, our Genealogist, and I have been sharing thoughts on how we can get caught up on putting all the members' genealogy information onto discs in the Family Tree Maker format, to enable our members access to that information. What we have come up with so far is WE NEED HELP. If anyone has working knowledge on recording family histories, a computer with Family Tree Maker 4.0 or better and some spare time, please contact Beverly or myself. We would really appreciate it.

In regard to the vacant position of Lt. to the Chief, Lord Annandale, Chief of Clan Johnston/e, has appointed me as Chief Commissioner of North America, doing away with the title of Lt. to the Chief. My duties and responsibilities as Chief Commissioner will be the same as the past position of Lt. to the Chief that was held by William H. Johnston until his passing. Along with my appointment, Lord Annandale has appointed nine Regional Commissioners to assist me (see separate article in this Newsletter.)

On a final note – we are expecting a very good turnout for our AGM at Estes Park, CO, in September. The AGM Committee has done a super job of putting this together. My sincere thanks to them for all their efforts and hours of time spent on this project.

In closing, I wish everyone all the best for a successful year.

Yours aye,
Arthur Johnston

HEY MEMBERS! WE HAVE OUR OWN ADDRESS!

For some time, we have been considering whether CJA should have its own "domain name" on the Internet, and now it has one!!

Yes, we have a new address (URL) for the Clan Johnston/e in America website on the World Wide Web. CJA now has its own domain and the website URL is now simply: clanjohnston.org (technically the full URL is http://clanjohnston.org). It should also work if you put "www" first, but that is not necessary.

We have a request from Jeffrey M. Johnstone as follows: If any CJA members are planning to have a clan tent at any Scottish Games or other event in the USA or Canada this year, please contact him with the name, date and place of the event, and the names of those who will staff the tent, so he can include that information on the website. He can be contacted at the postal address of 62 Babcock Place, Rochester, NY 14610, or by e-mail at his new CJA e-mail address: jeff@clanjohnston.org. Thank you!

CAN YOU HELP?

Mrs. William A. Reynolds (Alvera Corey) is looking for anyone who can add to the information she already has.

Grandmother: Catherine Jane McHenry, born 1865 Williams Co, OH. Married Goldman Harvey Corey, Ellsworth Co, Kansas and later moved to Cass Co, Missouri.

Great grandfather: William McHenry, (son of Eli and Sarah Stilling McHenry) born 1834 Washington Co, OH. Married Mary Johnston, (born 1839) in March, 1857, Williams Co, OH.

Great-great grandfather: John Johnston, born 1789 in Pennsylvania. Married Rebecca Martin, born in 1793. (Her father was William Martin.) Both buried in West Bethesda cemetery, Williams Co. Ohio.

The Bethesda Presbyterian Church was organized in Columbiana Co, OH. Families came from near Millport in Columbiana Co., OH in 1836/37 from Pennsylvania. Census birthdates in Indiana Co. and Westmoreland Co., Pennsylvania, is where I need to have more information about the McHenry, Johnston and Martin families. The Stilling family is from Virginia.

If anyone can help, please write to me at 29821 West 319th Street in Paola, KS 66071-4656. Telephone: 515-476-3991 or e-mail me at reyncor@micoks.net.
Thank you very much.

Fear less, hope more,
eat less, chew more,
whine less, breathe more,
talk less, say more,
hate less, love more,
and all good things will be yours.
An old Swedish Proverb

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PLEASE TAKE NOTE!

The Web site with information on the upcoming Estes Park, Colorado Annual General Meeting has been changed. The new address to use is now: **http://www.indra.com/~stilson.** Apologies to all who may have tried the old address with no success. We look forward to seeing many of you there!

Loch Lore

.....Loch Ness holds the greatest volume of water in all Scotland.

.....Loch Lomond is the largest Loch in the area.

.....Loch Setter is the shallowest Loch.

.....Loch Morar is the deepest Loch in all of Scotland. If the Eiffel Tower were lowered into the deepest part of Loch Morar, its top would still be 33 feet below the surface.

AN IRISHMAN'S PHILOSOPHY

There are only two things to worry about
Either you are well or you are sick.
If you are well,
then there is nothing to worry about.
But if you are sick,
there are two things to worry about.
Either you will get well or you will die.
If you get well,
there is nothing to worry about.
If you die,
there are only two things to worry about.
Either you will go to heaven or hell.
If you go to heaven there is nothing to worry about.
But if you go to hell,
you'll be so busy shaking hands with friends
you won't have time to worry!

CLAN JOHNSTON/E IN AMERICA HAS A CHIEF COMMISSIONER!

The Right Honorable, the Earl of Annandale and Hartfell, Chief of the Name and Arms of Johnstone, has appointed Arthur W. Johnston, President of Clan Johnston/e in America, as Chief Commissioner of North America.

Arthur, as Chief Commissioner, will replace the Lieutenant to the Chief position, which was held by the late William H. Johnston of Skippack, PA, until his passing in April of 1999.

Along with the appointment of Chief Commissioner, Lord Annandale has appointed nine Regional Commissioners to assist the Chief Commissioner in regions throughout the United States and Canada. This will unify Clan Johnston/e in America with Clan Johnston/e of Australia by having Lord Annandale's chief representatives with the same title.

The Regional Commissioner's appointments are as follows: Russell Honey, Eastern Canada, Dennis Wyatt, Central Canada, Robert Johnston, Western Canada and Northwest United States, Jeffrey Johnstone, Northeast United States, Stephen Johnston, Southeast United States, Norma Johnstone Applen, North Central United States, Dr. James Johnston, South Central United States and Kathleen Johnston Sloan, Southwest United States.

DUNCAN JOHNSTONE, THE PIPER'S PIPER

The news of the death of a famous piper was reported in the January, 2000, issue of The Piping Times. Piper Duncan Johnstone died in Scotland in December, 1999, and piping lost another great character and contributor to piping music. As a player he established a huge reputation, and as a teacher he strictly applied the laws of the game, but always with a smile on his face. As a composer few will equal his achievement of producing a piobaireachd which can rightly be called a modern classic.

He excelled at every branch of the art and achieved his Piper's Piper tag and so deserved his Balvenie Medal for piping service in 1996. All knew his ability as a top class piper, his rock steady style, the crispest of fingerwork and an expressive form. His tunes were deeply rooted in Scottish culture. This was, indeed, a loss to the piping world – but nice to know – he was a JOHNSTONE!

CEAD MILE FAILTE!

A hundred thousand welcomes to our new members!

Mark A. Rabenold, Oroville, WA
Peter O. Johnston, London, ONT
Judy K. Johnstone, Lincoln, NE
Mary J. Hewitt, Lincoln, NE
M/M Blake Ovard, Dallas, TX
Dr/Mrs James Johnston, Boise, ID
Sgt. Walter Johnston, Ret., Colonial Heights, VA
Mary P. Bronaugh, Fall City, WA
James K. Johnston, Fishers, IN
Jeffrey P. Johnston, Fremont, CA
M/M Byron Stone, Fairlee, VT
Gregory B. Stone, Burlington, VT
M/M Gregg Johnstone, Newtown, CT

ARE YOU IN NEED OF ANSWERS ABOUT:

Membership – do you need to know if your dues are paid, or do you have questions about the amount to send in, has your address changed, do you have information about the death of one of our members – then contact our Registrar, Mrs. Sally Epler, Sandy Creek Air Park, 13122 Airway, Panama City, FL 32404.

Mailing Problems – have you had problems getting the Newsletter or would you like an additional copy of the Spur and Phoenix (if any remain) – then write to William Bailey, Jr., M.D. at 1314 Woodland Avenue in Johnson City, TN 37601.

Genealogy – are you doing some checking into your family history and have a few questions – then contact our Genealogist/Archivist, Mrs. Beverly Schuler at 200 Ferry Street in Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464.

The Newsletter – do you have news to send in to share with us, have you made a trip to Scotland or have you attended a Game and want to send in some pictures, or are you just not sure what kind of article to send in? Then contact the Editor, Mrs. Norma Applen, 3308 West 132nd Street, Burnsville, MN 55337.

Johnston/e Merchandise – wonderful items are available here. Do you have a questions about what Johnston/e jewelry you can purchase, or are you interested in having a kilt made? Write to Arthur Johnston at Johnston's Scottish Shoppe, P. O. Box 71, Goffstown, NH 03045.

A Donation – ask our Treasurer for information regarding a donation to the Scholarship Fund, or where you can obtain a scholarship application – or perhaps you want to make a donation to the Lochwood Tower Restoration Fund. Just write to him at this address: Dr. Stephen Johnston, 213 S. E. Maynard Road, Cary, NC 27511.

If you're not sure who to contact, any one of the above will try to answer your questions.

A Traditional Irish Blessing

Give me a few friends who will love me for what I am and keep ever burning before my vagrant steps the kindly light of hope and though I come not within sight of the castle of my dreams teach me to be thankful for life and for time's olden memories that are good and sweet and may the evening's twilight find me gentle still.

The best thing to give your enemy is forgiveness; to an opponent, tolerance; to a friend, your heart; to your child, a good example; to a father, deference; to your mother, conduct that will make her proud of you; to yourself, respect; to all men, charity.

During the Civil War, the State of Vermont could boast that it fielded one of the three best infantry brigades in the Army of the Potomac. The Vermont Brigade was the only northern brigade permitted by the Army to consist entirely of regiments from the same state and during the troubles took more casualties than any other regiment from either side; even more than the vaunted Irish and Iron Brigades.

Perhaps one of the least likely heroes among the Vermonters was young Willie Johnston, a drummer boy who by the age of 12 was a seasoned combat veteran and proud recipient of the Medal of Honor. Willie's father was a native of Nottingham, England, who plied the tailor's trade in Warrentown, NY, where Willie was born in 1850. From there they moved to Salem, VT, and then on to St. Johnsbury, VT. It was there that William, Sr. joined the 3rd Vermont Infantry on June 1, 1861 and was soon promoted to Captain.

Young Willie drummed at all the recruiting meetings in the town and answered the call himself on May 1, 1862 and soon joined his father's regiment as the Peninsula Campaign began., After Lee fortified Richmond and General Joe Johnston began his hammering attacks, the timid McClellan began his withdrawal back down the peninsula, culminating in the Seven Days' Fight. During these seven days, Lee lost 20,141 men and the Federals 15,849. Following the Battle of Malvern Hill, McClellan withdrew to Harrison's Landing.

There General Smith ordered a parade of his Second Division in which the Vermont Brigade was a part. It was soon determined that every drummer in the Division had discarded his drum in the retreat except one of the most junior in age and service. General "Baldy" Smith honored Willie by ordering him to drum for the entire division! Soon afterward he was sent to Washington, D.C. to receive the Medal of Honor from Secretary of War Stanton and then on to the White House for a meeting with the President and his family.

Willie served on throughout the war and was mustered out after the war as Drum Major of the 20th Regiment of the Veteran Reserve Corps at the age of 15. (Our thanks for this interesting article goes to our member Bart Johnston from Underhill, Vermont, whom I was privileged to meet at Fergus, Ontario, in August of 1999....your editor)

AHA .... You Must Be SCOTTISH If....

- **You actually eat haggis.**
- **You can toss a caber.**
- **The sound of bagpipes makes your blood race.**
- **You celebrate Tartan Day on April 6.**
- **You know the Highland Fling does not include throwing anything.**
- **The thistle is your favorite flower.**
- **You recognize Scotland the Brave when played on the pipes.**
- **Home has a Loch named Ness with a monster in it.**
- **You look good in a kilt.**
- **Robert Burns is your favorite bard.**
- **Your heart is in the Highlands.**

Have you been thinking about sending us an article for the Newsletter? Have you made a trip to Scotland? Write and tell us about it. ***Have you written up information about one of the Games? Please send it in so we stay current on our clan tents at the Games.*** Do you have any items about things Scottish you'd be willing to share with your fellow members? Perhaps you have a favorite picture to send us – then all you have to do is send them in to the editor by these dates:

January 15 for the March Issue
April 15 for the June Issue
July 15 for the September Issue
October 15 for the December Issue

Any items or pictures received after the above dates will have to wait until the following edition for publication, so be sure to get your articles in on time. If it doesn't appear in the next edition, do re-submit it – sorry to say, things do occasionally get lost in the mail. Thank You.

HEAR YE! HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

The Annual General Meeting of Clan Johnston/e in America will be held in Estes Park, Colorado, on September 8, 9, and 10. The actual Meeting will take place on Saturday evening, September .9, 2000, at the Inn at Estes Park at 6:30 p.m.

If you have any issues or matters that you would like to be brought up at this Meeting, please notify our Secretary, Dennis C. Watts. His home address is 2171 Carson Valley Drive, Tucker, GA 30084 and his telephone numbers are: Home = 770-414-9881 and his work number is 770-724-1408. His e-mail address is as follows:

dcwatts@co.dekalb.ga.us

We hope you will be able to join us at the Games in Estes Park!

The trouble with opportunity is that it only knocks. Temptation kicks the door in.

MEMBERSHIP IN OUR CLAN

As you may know, Membership in Clan Johnston/e is open to any person and spouse affirming a reasonable presumption of descent in their bloodline to Johnston/e of Scotland or Northern Ireland. There are two classes of individual membership: Annual Members, paying dues for each calendar year (ours starts on October 1) and Life Members, who have paid a onetime sum set by the By-laws and are then members for their natural life. Patron and Sponsoring Memberships are also available.

$15.00 – Single membership
$20.00 – Husband/wife
$ 5.00 – Junior (under 18)
$25.00 – Patron membership
$50.00 – Sponsoring membership
Life membership: (pay one time only)
Under sixty - $200.00
Over sixty - $150.00
Spouse of Life Member - $5.00/year

You may send your dues to:

Mrs. Sally Epler, Registrar
Clan Johnston/e in America
Sandy Creek Air Park
13122 Airway
Panama City, FL 32404

We appreciate you sending in your dues!

Edinburgh, even were its population as great as that of London, could never be merely a city. Here there must always be present the idea of the comparative littleness of all human works. Here, the proudest of palaces must be content to catch the shadows of the mountains; and the grandest of fortresses to appear like the dwellings of pigmies, perched on the very bulwarks of creation.

John Gibson Lockhart

HOW WOULD YOU LIST THIS?

Two newspaper editors had been feuding for years. One of them died. The other saw an opportunity for that final Scottish revenge. He printed the obituary under "PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS."

1999 ARIZONA GAMES IN REVIEW

The Second Arizona Highland Celtic Festival
Flagstaff, Arizona
July, 1999

The Northern Arizona Celtic Heritage Society presented these Games. Rick Ferguson of the Heritage Society invited CJA to attend, as there is room for only twenty clan tents, and Rick has Johnston/e heritage. At an elevation above 7,000 feet, Wheeler Park, with its lush green grass and abundant fragrant flowers, was the perfect summer setting. Nine visitors signed in at the CJA tent including Wolf-Dieter Klose, a CJA life member. Wolf was born in Germany, served in the U.S. Army, and is a member of the Scottish-American Military Society. CJA was invited to return again this year on July 22, 2000, for another full day of Celtic festivities.

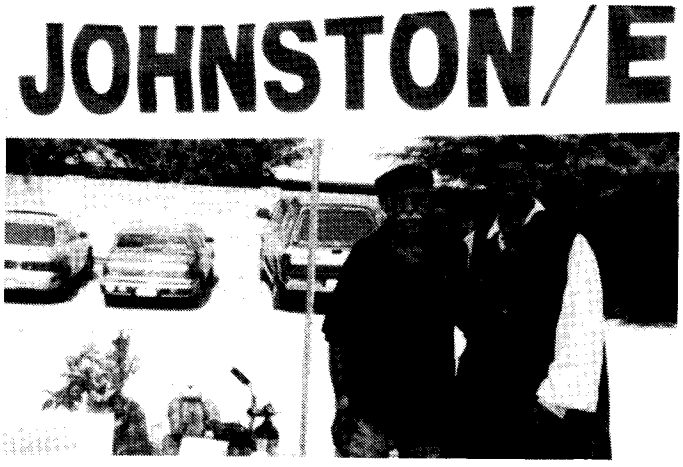
13th Annual Tucson Celtic Festival and Scottish Highland Games
November, 1999

Sipping from our steaming cups of Starbuck's, on a delightful chilly morning, my husband Allen and I found our tent space and started setting up. As "seasoned" CJA tent sponsors, we can now be ready to go in about an hour, unless I am reduced to hysterics and completely useless watching Allen raise the giant spider-looking tent. Twelve visitors signed the roster, headed by our friend Wolf-Dieter Klose. Chief of the Day, James McBain of McBain, the 22nd Hereditary Chief of the Ancient Clan McBain, and his lovely wife, Peggy, stopped by the tent with their welcome greeting. What a nice surprise it was to meet these interesting people. Dave Johnston, a CJA member and newcomer to Tucson, is an incredibly interesting young man. Well-traveled, he lived in Scotland and is an avid history buff. My father, Art Field, enjoyed chatting with Dave, and the day was a definite success.

The 34th Annual Scottish Gathering and Highland Games
February 26 and 27, 2000
Mesa, Arizona

Twenty-six visitors signed the CJA visitors list during this weekend Gathering, which is the largest of the Arizona Highland Games. One visitor who was not able to sign in, caused enormous embarrassment to her owner when she helped herself to a shortbread cookie from our table. As dog lovers, we found the manners and taste of this beautiful Irish Wolfhound above reproach. The last day of the Games we had several honored guests stop by the CJA tent: Chief James McBain of McBain and his charming wife Peggy; the Honored General Bailey Bruce McCune of Coll-Eran and Elphinstone, Baron of Elphinstone in the Baronage of Scotland; and the Honored George Way of Plean, Baron of Plean, noted author of "Clans & Tartans." Amazingly enough, I just happened to have a copy of his book on my table, which he was more than gracious to sign. I handed him a copy of "The Gentle Johnston/es," also from my table display, to leaf through. What luck! "Never Unprepared!" Kent and Gail Johnston of Phoenix came to watch their sons Ben and Jason compete in the seven event Games. Ben won a 3rd place medal in the class B weight for distance, and Jason came in 5th in the class C weight for distance. It was so nice to have their family march in the Parade of Tartans with us.

A wonderful summer to all, and we hope to see you at Estes Park. (We thank Kathleen Field Sloan for these reports!)



At the Games in Tucson were Art Field, left and Dave Johnston, right.

In Mesa, AZ at the Highland Games; L. to R.: Ben Johnston, his fiancée Lienard, Kent Johnston, his wife, Gail, and Jason Johnston.

CHARTER AT THE ODOM LIBRARY

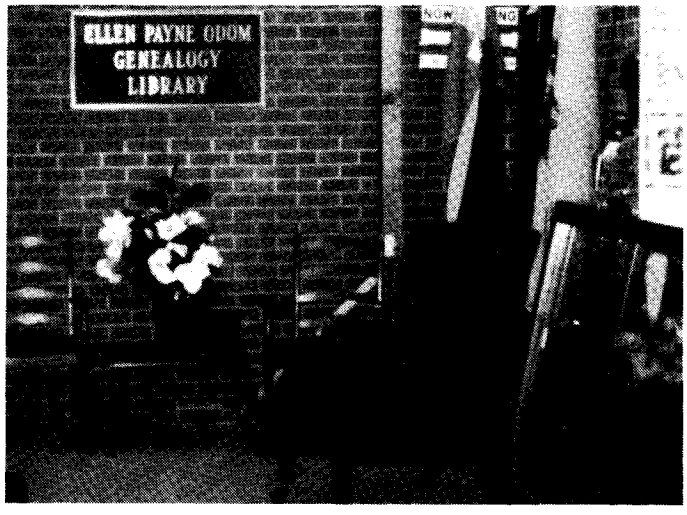
In a letter dated March 26, 2000, William P. Bailey, Jr., M.D., stated that prior to his death, William H. Johnston, founder of Clan Johnston/e in America, told his daughter to send the charter of Clan Johnston/e in America to Dr. Bailey. Dr. Bailey understood that William Johnston said Dr. Bailey would know what to do with it. He accepted the charter and the initial ruling of the Internal Revenue Service regarding our tax exempt status, but Dr. Bailey felt he made it clear that he did not want to retain these documents for a long period of time.

When he received the documents, he put them in his safe and asked President Arthur Johnston to obtain a ruling at the Annual General Meeting regarding their disposition. It was the ruling of that body that they be put in safe keeping at the Ellen Payne Odom Genealogical Library of the Moultrie County Library in Moultrie, Georgia.

During the week of March 20 through 25, Dr. Bailey attended a medical seminar at Orlando, Florida. On his return home, he stopped and delivered these documents in person to the Odom Genealogical Library. At the request of President Arthur Johnson, Dr. Bailey was given an inventory of the documents that are retained in the Library in our name. Contrary to the opinion of some of our members, genealogical records were not included in that inventory since they have not been sent to the Library by Mrs. Beverly Shuler, genealogist for Clan Johnston/e in America. These files are still retained by Mrs. Shuler.

This report was sent to your editor for publication so that there will not be any confusion about the location of the documents. The inventory of the materials we have at the Odom Library has been sent to President Arthur Johnston. --This letter was signed by William P. Bailey, Jr., M.D.

Dr. Bailey receives a receipt from Odom Library employee Irene Godwin for Johnston/e items placed in the Library.



A chair, upholstered in Johnston/e tartan, along with Scottish flags, graces a corner in the Ellen Payne Odom Genealogical Library in Moultrie, Georgia.

A quote from Margaret Thatcher, while she was still the Prime Minister, when discussing her husband Denis:

"Denis has his Scottish favourites – Turnberry and Gleneagles, not to mention Glenfiddich and Glenlivet. And at the end of a difficult day, I'm inclined to share his enthusiasm for the latter at least." – as found in the SCOTTISH BANNER.

His Just Reward.....

"Angus," said poor bedridden Sandy, as he was about to pass on, "I can't die without telling you what a rotten partner I've been to you. I embezzled over a million pounds from the company, made a million more by selling secrets to our competition – and, just to be spiteful, I fired the receptionist because I knew she was in love with you."
"That's all right," said Angus softly, "I'm the one who poisoned you."

Clan Johnston/e in America

Merchandise & Price List
Effective January 1999

Please Note: Prices listed first in shipping column are for one item.
Amount listed second is for each identical, additional piece (e.a.p.) in same package.
Due to Wholesale & Postal Increases, CJA has had to raise some prices & shipping fees again this year.

Item	Price	Shipping
SILK TIES Regimental Stripe, Johnston Colors Will go with either Old Colors or Modern Kilt Great with a suit too! Very Classy. ***(Only 3 left)***	$ 45.00	$3.00 each 1.00 e.a.p.
Heavy Weight SCARVES Lambs Wool Neck Scarf, 12"x 56" Johnston Modern ONLY!	$ 15.00	$3.00 each 1.00 e.a.p.
Heavy Weight SASHES Lambs Wool Sash or Long Scarf 12"x 82" Use either way. Matches Tams below. Johnston Modern ONLY!	$ 26.00	$1.00 each 1..00 e.a.p.
Heavy Weight TAMS Lambs Wool Tam w/stretch Band Johnston Modern ONLY! Matches Scarf & Sash above **These New Scarves, Sashes & Tams are the softest wool ever!**	$ 17.00	$3.00 each 1.00 e.a.p.
TRAVEL RUGS (Throws) 56"x 72" 100% Wool, Johnston Modern & Old Colors. Woven in Great Britain by Burkraft.	$ 64.00	$5.00 each 3.00 e.a.p.
TARTAN WOOL MATERIAL Worsted, 100% New Wool, 12/13/oz. 56" wide, Ideal for Kilts SPECIFY COLOR Modern or Old Colors	$ 45.00 per yard	$3.00 each 1.00 e.a.p.
POLY / RAYON MATERIAL 60" Wide Old Colors ONLY Light weight & washable like cotton	$ 10.50 per yard	$3.00 each $1.00 e.a.p.
CLAN CREST NECKTIES Navy Poly w/repeated Crest woven into material Annandale Crest ONLY!	$ 15.00	$ 3.00 each 1.00 e.a.p.
TARTAN NECKTIES 4.8 oz. Worsted Wool SPECIFY COLOR Mordern or Old Colors	$ 12.00	$ 3.00 each 1.00 e.a.p.
TARTAN HEAD SQUARES 28"x 28" Worsted Wool 4/8 oz. SPECIFY COLORS Modern or Old Colors	$ 16.00	$ 3.00 each 1.00 e.a.p.

Item	Price	Shipping
LADIES SASHES Worsted, 100% Wool, 4.8 oz. Tie Weight 10" x 88" w/2" fringed ends. SPECIFY COLOR a) Modern b) Old Colors	$ 34.00	$3.00 each 1.00 e.a.p.
6 PIECE TAMS Worsted Wool 4.8 oz. Tie Weight Specify Color: Modern or Old Colors Matches Sashes above & Scarves below	$ 20.00	$3.00 each 1.00 e.a.p.
SCARVES Worsted Wool 4.8 oz. Tie Weight Specify Color: Modern or Old Colors	$ 17.00	$ 3.00 each 1.00 e.a.p.
PURE SILK SASHES 12" x 88" 6/6" Macramé Fringe on each end. **Supply Limited** 2 Modern Colors left in stock	$ 76.50	$1.50 each .50 e.a.p.
JEWELRY:		
CLAN CREST CAP BADGE or Ladies Brooch (Rhodium plated) 1 5/8" dia. Annandale ONLY!	$ 15.00	$2.00 each 1.00 e.a.p.
KILT PINS Small Crest Badge on Claymore Pin (Rhodium plated) Annandale ONLY!	$ 15.00	$2.00 each 1.00 e.a..p
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TIE BAR Small Crest on Bar, Attached to Chain w/button loop (Rhodium plated) Annandale ONLY!	$ 17.00	$2.00 each .75 e.a.p.

Item	Price	Shipping
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For Caskieben Jewelry, contact Johnstons at the number or address on the order form. Supplies are very limited!

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Beautiful Gold Insignia, exactly like that used in center of Medallion of Service Medal, about 1/2" dia.
For Members ONLY!

MEDALLION ON RIBBON	$ 30.00	$ 1.50 each .50 e.a.p.
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New Item :

TARTAN PILLOW 12" x 12", Black back Old Colors Johnston front, Poly Rayon	$ 12.50	$ 2.50 each $ 1.00 e.a.p.

New Item :

CJA LOGO BALL CAPS Johnston Tartan Bill in Poly Rayon Old Colors w/Velco adjustment back	$ 12.50	$ 2.00 each $1.00 e.a.p.

Item	Price	Shipping
NOW AVAILABLE: **LOCHWOOD TOWER MODEL** Hand Painted Ceramic Approx. 8"x 5"x 4 1/2" Weighs nearly 2 lbs.	$ 85.00	$ 12.00each $ 4.00e.a.p.
HISTORY BOOKLET: Your Clan Heritage - Clan Johnston Condensed from The Great Historic Families of Scotland, by Cascade Publishing	$ 6.50	$ 2.00 each .50 e.a.p.
DECAL: CJA Logo, 3 1/2" x 4", in color, adhesive back, suitable for vehicle or other decoration.	$ 1.50	$ .75 each .10 e.a.p.
CJA LOGO TEES Full Color Logo on Gray Adults ONLY - Med, Lg. & XLg	$ 17.00	$ 3.00 each $1.00e.a.p.

CJA LOGO TEE SHIRTS:
Light Blue w/ 4 1/2" Clan Johnston/e in America Logo emblazoned in white.
High quality 50/50, Cotton/Poly, machine wash & dry.

Youth Sizes: medium & large	$ 8.00	$3.00 each .75 e.a.p.
Adult Sizes: small & medium	$ 9.00	$3.00 each .75 e.a.p.

Make Checks Payable To: CJA
Mail to: Clan Johnston/e in America - P.O. Box 71 - Goffstown, NH 03045-0071
For item availability - 603 497-2897 days - 603 497-3281 evenings after 5 PM - EST

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Please list items with different Tartans or Crests on separate lines. Only identical items to be listed as more than one (1).

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CLAN JOHNSTON/E IN AMERICA

WILLIAM H. JOHNSTON SCHOLARSHIP

At Clan Johnston/e in America's Annual General Meeting, held last October at the Stone Mountain Highland Games, the membership voted to name their scholarship the William H. Johnston Scholarship in memory of its founder, William H. Johnston of Skippack, PA. He was known to most of the members as Bill, and he passed away in April of 1999.

Bill founded Clan Johnston/e in America in 1976 and served as President for 10 years, as well as serving as Lieutenant to the Chief of Johnstones until the time of his passing.

The scholarship is set up to help young people, 20 years and younger, in the continuation and advancement of our Scottish heritage and the Scottish Arts.
This is to include, but is not limited to, Piping, Drumming, the Fiddle, Harp, Highland Dance, Scottish Country Dance, Athletics, the study of Gaelic Music and Language and the History of Scotland.

Grants are limited to $300.00 per individual, per Grant, and will be the decision of the Scholarship Committee. Applications will be considered on the basis of need, objectives, commitment, and anticipated development and goals. Grants are not limited to Clan Johnston/e in America members or their families.

If you know of someone who would be interested in applying, please contact one of the Scholarship Committee members below:

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A VISIT TO LANARK COUNTY, ONTARIO

Our member Calvin S. Devitt and his wife, paid a visit to Lanark County, Ontario, in 1995. They were on a genealogical quest, searching for Calvin's great-great-great grandfather, Andrew Liddell, who, as a member of the Camlachie Emigration Society, arrived on the "Commerce" in 1821 and settled on lot 18, con 3, Lanark Twp. with his wife and four children. They later returned to Scotland.

Their daughter, Mary, married David Forbes in Scotland and returned to Ontario. Their daughter, Elizabeth Forbes, married Thomas Laing Johnston. They moved from Lanark County to Michigan with their six children in 1888. Thomas L. Johnston was Calvin's great-grandfather. Reportedly he dropped the "t" from his name about the time they came to Michigan and became "Johnson."

Andrew Liddell returned to Canada and settled in Elgin County, Ontario and died there in 1873. Calvin also enclosed a picture of a memorial regarding "The Lanark Settlement 1820" which read as follows:

"In August, 1820, a government depot was completed on the site of this community to serve as the centre of a military settlement in the newly-surveyed townships of Lanark, Ramsay, North Sherbrooke and Dalhousie. By the spring of 1821, some 1500 settlers, the majority of whom were unemployed Scottish weavers, discharged soldiers, and their families, were established in this area. Placed under the jurisdiction of the quartermaster-general's department, they received land, tools, farm implements and seed from the superintendent, Captain William Marshall. In July and August, 1821, another group of over 1800 Scottish emigrants arrived. Although some of the land proved unsuitable for agriculture, these pioneers laid the foundation for successful settlement in this region."

We thank Calvin for sharing this with us.

Don't forget our **YEAR 2000 Annual General Meeting** at Estes Park, CO on September 8, 9, and 10. The staff at Lake Mary Campground (at Estes Park) will put all Johnston/es together if you plan to camp that weekend. You must request this when you make your reservation. (Our thanks to Gail Johnston from California for the above information.)

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF CLAN JOHNSTON/E IN AMERICA

Stone Mountain, Atlanta, Georgia
October 16, 1999

The Annual General Meeting of Clan Johnston/e in America was convened at 7:35 p.m. by Arthur Johnston, President of CJA.

Reports:

President – there were general remarks on the Regional Meeting at the Fergus, Ontario, Games. Arthur talked about the 25th anniversary AGM in 2001, and stated that our chief, Patrick Andrew Wentworth Hope Johnstone, has been asked to join us for that anniversary event. More details are to follow as this date approaches. A motion was made and seconded not to read the minutes. There was a unanimous assent by those present.

There were no reports by the Vice Presidents or the Secretary.

Treasurer – Steve Johnston presented a copy of the budget and balance sheet for operations in the previous year. He reported that we have closed the Gadsden State Bank account and have transferred all to the Wachovia Bank. An item of interest is that the Spur and Phoenix is under-budget for the year. There were some corrections to the numbers for the Wachovia Bank Certificate (balance sheet). Steve also mentioned that Games sponsors and some officers of CJA are not submitting bills for expense reimbursement. He encouraged all who perform a service as a CJA representative seek reimbursement for authorized expenses. A motion was made and passed to accept the Budget.

Following was a discussion for guidance on increasing CJA donations to certain recipients:

TECA – Tartan Educational and Cultural Association. Barbara Johnston elaborated on the purpose and goals of TECA. Goals are primarily for research and education on Scottish heritage and tartans. Proposed amount - $600.

Annandale Village – Proposed amount - $500.

Odom Library – Proposed amount - $300.

National Trust for Scotland – Proposed amount - $100.

There was a unanimous vote of approval for donated funds in the above amounts.

Registrar – Sally Eppler reported a CJA membership increase of 11 since 1998. Her report was accepted and approved.

Genealogy/Archives – the report was given by Arthur Johnston. He discussed backing up records to prevent destruction during natural or other disasters. His report was accepted and approved.

Agenda Items:

VI. Report of the Nominating Committee by Patti Johnston. She presented the slate of officers for 2000. (See Page 15 of this Newsletter for an updated list.) There were no nominations from the floor. A motion was made to accept and approve nominations and the motion was unanimously approved.

VII. Memorial for William Hartley Johnston. Discussion for approving memorials included naming our Scholarship for him, donating a model of the castle to the Odom Library, and giving a trophy in his name. All three items were unanimously approved. The Trophy will be for Highland Dancing and Patti Johnston volunteered to set this up.

VIII. Place Charter (original) and CJA papers in the Odom Library. A motion was made, seconded and approved to do so.

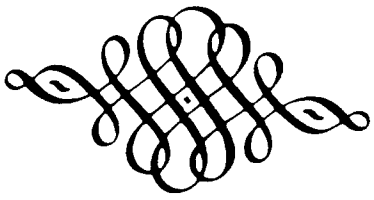
IX. 2002 Annual General Meeting. A motion was made, seconded and approved to hold the AGM in 2002 in Montgomery, Alabama.

X. A motion was made to table discussion of the plans for the 2000 and 2001 AGMs in Colorado and New Hampshire. The motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Dennis C. Watts
Secretary, CJA

(For a copy of the complete Secretary's minutes or a copy of the Treasurer's report, please write to Dennis Watts or Stephen Johnston, Secretary and Treasurer, respectively.)



Story of Heather

When the world was created, the hillsides were bare and it was decided that a plant was needed to beautify the slopes.

The giant Oak, strongest of all trees, was asked but he declined saying that the soil was too shallow for him to take root and flourish.

Then the yellow-flowered Honeysuckle was asked if she would spread her beauty and fragrance throughout the hills. She, too, refused because there was nothing in the inhospitable terrain against which she could grow.

The Rose, sweetest of all the flowers, was the next choice. However, she explained that she would not be able to survive the hillside's bitter winds and driving rain.

Then a small low lying green shrub with tiny petals, some purple, some white, was chanced upon.

It was Heather!

The Heather was asked, "Will you grow upon the hillsides to make them more beautiful?"

The Heather reflected on the poor soil and harsh climate and was not sure whether she could do the job; but, to the delight of all, she replied that if they wanted her to try, she would do her very best.

They were all so pleased with the Heather that they decided to bestow three gifts upon her.

The strength of the Oak – the bark of the Heather is stronger than that of any other tree or shrub.

The fragrance of the Honeysuckle – the Heather's gentle fragrance is used to perfume soaps, potpourris and cosmetics.

The sweetness of the Rose – the sweetness of the Heather makes her one of the bee's favorite flowers.

And to this day Heather is renowned for these three gifts as she fulfills her task.

A NEW BOOK ON THE BORDER TOWERS OF SCOTLAND

Mr. Alastair M. T. Maxwell-Irving of Scotland, who did extensive excavation work at Lochwood Tower in the 1960s, and who has written the definitive articles on Lochwood Tower, has just published a new book. The following is from the February, 2000 issue of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland Newsletter:

THE BORDER TOWERS OF SCOTLAND: THEIR HISTORY AND ARCHITECTURE – THE WEST MARCH by Alastair M. T. Maxwell-Irving

This book, the first in a series planned to cover the entire Borders, is intended as a major source of reference on the history and architecture of the tower-houses of Dumfriesshire and Eastern Galloway. In addition to the description of the towers, there is general background information and three introductory chapters on Families of the West March and their Lands.

The book has a great deal of material about Lochwood Tower and other towers owned by the Johnston(e)s, such as Loch House and Blacklaw Tower. It is a hardcover book, with 380 pages, 256 photographs, measured drawings and illustrations. It is available directly from the author for 50 pounds plus the shipping costs.

Interested persons should contact Alastair M. T. Maxwell-Irving, Telford House, Blairlogie, Stirling FK9 5PX, Scotland. Telephone Number (014615) 00256. His e-mail address is A.Maxwellirving@tesco.net.

THE REBEL YELL

Anyone who has done much research or reading regarding our Civil War will be familiar with the "rebel yell" used by Confederate soldiers as they began their attacks on the Yankee troops. This familiar blood-curdling "yell" was employed frequently by the Confederate soldiers (with startling results) and is claimed to be the same battle-cry emitted by the Scottish Highlanders as they charged into a fray – and it was brought to America by Scottish immigrants who settled mainly in the southern portions of the United States!

GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN GAMES WILL BE HELD JULY 6-9 at LINVILLE, NC

The Games at Grandfather Mountain at Linville, North Carolina, are the only Highland Games to have competitions in Gaelic singing and in playing the Lochaber Trump, one of Scotland's oldest musical instruments. You may know the Trump as a Jew's harp or Jaw-harp. Judging the Lochaber Trump competitions on Sunday afternoon, July 9th, will be Lindsay Porteous, champion Trump-player who lives in the 17th century Scottish village of Culross in Fife, Scotland.

You may wonder why the Trump is called the "Lochaber" Trump.....an English visitor to Scotland's Northwest Highlands in 1799 stated: "The Trump is of great antiquity in Scotland and the district of Lochaber is celebrated for it, as is the Isle of St. Kilda."

The word "trump" comes from the Gaelic "tromb." They were brought to the Appalachian Mountains by the Scotch-Irish settlers - and even the Cherokee Indians enjoyed playing the Trump, swapping their more valuable furs for them. It's been recorded that "part of the purchase of Maryland" from the Indians was accomplished by bartering with "a parcel of Jew's-harps."

Gaelic is spoken by an estimated 88,000 Scots, mainly in the Highlands and Islands and in the cities of Glasgow and Edinburgh. Centuries ago it was the language used in nearly every area of Scotland. Thousands of immigrants who came to North Carolina in the 18th and 19th centuries were native Gaelic speakers, and many of their descendants continued to speak this ancient classical tongue until the First World War.

Margaret Bennett, from the Isle of Skye, will be the judge of this fourth annual NC Provincial *Mod* (the word "*Mod*" means a judging). She holds a research fellowship from the School of Scottish Studies at the University of Glasgow. Dr. Bennett is the author of the books Scottish Folk Customs and also Oatmeal and Catechism and she is one of the world's foremost authorities on Scottish folklore.

Several Gaelic songs have tunes which have been used by other, far more recent composers; for example, the tune which thousands know as "*Morning Has Broken*" was an ancient Christmas song from the Isle of Mull, *Leanabh an aigh*, which translates as "Child of Perfection." There should be some wonderful singing at this competition. So - if your calendar allows, plan to attend the Games at Grandfather Mountain in July.

Coming Games

This information is believed to be correct, but changes do happen. Be sure to check dates and locations before making your plans. This is only a sampling of the coming Games.

June

17	Illinois St. Andrew's Society Highland Games, Oak Brook, IL
23-25	Gathering of the Clans & Celtic Festival, Whitehorse, Yukon, AK
23-25	Ohio Scottish Games, Oberlin, OH

July

6-9	Grandfather Mountain Highland Games, Linville, NC
6-9	Haliburton Highland Games, Haliburton ON, Canada
15	Rockford Highland Games, Rockford, IL
29-30	54th Annual Pacific Northwest Scottish Highland Games, Enumclaw, WA

August

5	Detroit Highland Games, Livonia, MI
11-13	Fergus Highland Games, Fergus ON, Canada
26	Quechee Scottish Festival, Quechee, VT

Is it a RED, RED ROSE .....no, perhaps a HILLSIDE OF HEATHER .....no, in Scotland the national floral emblem is THE THISTLE!! Yes, a thistle (and there is more than one variety) - a thistle, so thorny, stiff, and unbending, symbolizes the nature of the hardy Scots. And...the Scots are so like the thistle, with both able to flourish under the most adverse conditions. Both have a hardy and self-defensive nature - the thistle wears a crown of soft hairs which spread it over the earth, and the Scots, crowned by courage and ambition, also leave home ground to settle the world over. (From The Blethers)

THE SCOTTISH FESTIVAL
Grace Presbyterian Church
Panama City, Florida
March 11, 2000

The weatherman half-promised a storm the day of the Festival, but despite his warnings we set up on a sunny, cool and windy morning. But – the winds picked up and the rain came down – only for about 45 minutes! The CJA tent had two broken flag poles and some damp books when the sky cleared, but we kept everything else from flying away. During the rain, those not holding their tents together gathered in the tea room for shelter and refreshments. After the rain stopped, opening ceremonies were held with the Panama City Pipes and Drums and the Gainesville Pipes and Drums and pipers from Pensacola and Ft Walton leading the procession.

Eric Duncan, Dick Rixey and Jim McMillan kept us entertained during the day, and again that evening at the ceilidh, along with the wonderful Pipe Bands. Shepherds Pie, sandwiches and tea topped off the evening.

Sunday morning found us at Grace Presbyterian for the Kirkin' O' the Tartan and a light lunch. It was another great festival! We thank Sally Epler for sharing the Festival with us!

The Massed Bands at the Scottish Festival at Grace Presbyterian Church in Panama City, Florida, on March 11, 2000.

GHOSTS AND PHANTOMS

Most castles and manor houses have a resident ghost or phantom, and Edinburgh Castle is no exception.....but this story of a ghostly squadron is only about 150 years old.

Back in the early 1800s, a tunnel was discovered which lead from the castle to the palace of Holyrood House. A piper agreed to explore it, and was to play a tune so that the crowd could follow his progress. He started into the tunnel, playing his pipes, but about halfway down, the music suddenly stopped – and the piper was never seen again – at least not in the flesh!

And now if you visit the castle (which became the seat of Scottish Royalty in the eleventh century) about midnight, you might by chance meet with a squadron of ghostly troops. They were heard first by soldiers guarding the castle against a threatened attack by Cromwell's troops.

There were two sentries on night duty who thought the castle was about to be stormed, when, in the dead of night, they heard the sound of marching feet in the distance; and drums beating out an old Scots battle tune. They summoned their commanding officer, Colonel Dundas; but when he arrived all was quiet. Dundas was furious and had the men locked up and ordered two other soldiers to take their watch.

An hour passed and then the new sentries had a similar experience, so Dundas took over the watch himself. Just at the midnight hour, the half-dozing colonel was startled awake by strange drumbeats and the steady marching of soldiers that no one could see. (This story was found in "Newsbeat," the newsletter of Clan McFee.)

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HOW SCOTLAND WAS CREATED

At the beginning of the world God was discussing the creation of the world with the angel Gabriel. Leaning back in His gold throne, He told him of His plans for Scotland.

"Gabriel," said the Lord, "I am going to give Scotland towering mountains and magnificent glens, resplendent with purple heather. Red deer will roam the countryside, golden eagles will circle in the skies, salmon will leap in the crystal clear rivers and lochs, and the surrounding seas will teem with fish. Agriculture will flourish and there will be a glorious coming together of water with barley to be known as whisky. Coal, oil and gas – all will be there. The Scots will be intelligent, innovative, industrious and. . . ."

"Wait a minute," interrupted Gabriel. "Are you not being just a wee bit too generous to these Scots?"

But the Almighty replied, "Not really. I haven't told you yet who their neighbors are going to be."

We send best wishes to all our clansmen and clanswomen wherever they may be!

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