

**The Pollag**  
**January 1, 2003**

*"A person who takes no pride in the noble achievements of remote ancestors cannot expect to be remembered for his noble deeds by remote descendants."*

**Pollock, Pollok, Pook, Polk, Polke, Paulk, Poalk, Poalke, Poulk, Poole, Pogue**

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### *Words from the President...*

*A.D. Pollock, Jr*



By the time you receive this issue of *The Pollog* it will be 2003. Let me first wish all of you a belated Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year. I pray that you will be safe, prosperous, and healthy. As we begin the new year we face terror and attacks on our freedom again. Members of Clan Pollock are once again in harms way as they serve in the armed forces of freedom loving countries around the world. To each of you who are serving or have served in the uniformed services, I give thanks for all that you do, have done, and are prepared to do to insure our freedom. Many of our ancestors served with distinction throughout the world and you are keeping up the grand tradition of service in defense of liberty and justice.

I would like to encourage everyone who can to be a part of the AGM to be held at the Braveheart Scottish Weekened in Moultrie, Georgia on February 14,15, and 16. Please contact Beth Gay at (229) 985-6540 for more information. The host hotel is the Hampton Inn, (299) 616-777. We will hold our AGM on Saturday at 2:00 p.m at the Odom Library.

As your clan secretary and president Clara Ann and I have attempted to be present at as many games and gatherings as possible. In 2002 we attended games in Glasgow, KY; Grandfather Mountain, NC; Paducah, KY; Murfreesboro, TN; and Richmond, VA. We were so impressed with the great spirit displayed by clan members and their dedication to our clan. Our plans are to continue to attend as many games as possible again in 2003.

I encourage each of you to be an ambassador for Clan Pollock with your family and others who are eligible for membership. Our membership is now approximately 336 worldwide. With your help we can easily add another 100 members this year. There are many benefits of membership but the ones that I treasure most are the friendships that have been made over the past several years with other members of Clan Pollock.

Best wishes to all of you,

*A. D. Pollock, Jr.*  
Clan Pollock President

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### ***Editor's Notes***

The deadline for submissions for the next issue of The Pollag is February 15, 2003. Remember Clan Pollock members enjoy hearing your news. So send your news, especially about holiday events, to the editor.

### **Welcome to our New Members:**

Richard Dunavant, Pulaski, Tennessee  
Thomas J. Morgan, Tolland, Connecticut  
Brenda J. Panjveni, Willowdale, Ontario, Canada  
David Poague, Woodbridge, Virginia  
Michael Pogue, Powhatan, Virginia  
James A. Polk, Woodbridge, Virginia  
Sheri A. Polk-Herrick, Spring Valley, California  
Nancy Pollock-Ellwand, Guelph, Ontario, Canada  
Robert T. Pollock, Point Pleasant, New Jersey

### **2003 Yearly Dues Payment**

If you have not yet paid your dues for 2003, please send in your \$15.00 (U.S. funds) to: Treasurer, Howard Pollock 7676 Misty Glen Avenue Boise, Idaho 83709

New members who have joined in the last quarter of 2002 will not owe additional dues until January, 2004.

Mailing your dues will save Clan Pollock the additional cost of mailing you an invoice. Thanks!

### **Upcoming events:**

Feb 1.	Highland Games & Scottish Heritage Festival, Sarasoga, FL
Feb 14-16	Clan Pollock AGM, Braveheart Scottish Weekend, Moultrie, GA
Feb 22-23	Arizona Scottish Gathering & Highland Games, Mesa, AZ
April 6	National Tartan Day -- Wear your tartan proudly.
April 11 - 13	Loch Norman Highland Games, Huntersville, North Carolina

For Highland Games in your area check the web at <http://www.maclachlans.org/games.html>. This website is sponsored by The Council of Scottish Clans and Associations, Inc. and the Association of Scottish Games and Festivals.

### **Information for genealogists:**

#### **Florida State Archives Completes Confederate Pension Collection**

The Florida State Archives has completed scanning its Confederate Pension Collection which has about 14,000 pension records and made it available online at <http://dliis.dos.state.fl.us/barm/Pensionfiles.html>. A quick search of the collection by surname found three Pollocks and 15 Polks. The results table includes the application number, the surname and given names, service unit, reference, wife's name (including maiden name which accounted for some of the hits), and application county and year of application. If you click on the application number, you will get a link to the .pdf copies of the application. The information found there varies, but generally includes information about name, service, and wounds. Other materials may include correspondence, sworn testimony relating to service, and other information. You can get hardcopies of pension files from the Florida State Archives for \$7.50 per file. So if you think you had an ancestor who served in the Civil War and was from Florida, you might check it out.

Beth Avery

# CLAN POLLOCK NEWS

## 2003 Election of Officers

There will be an election of Officers at the 2003 AGM in Moultrie, Georgia on February 15, 2003. The following slate of Officers will be presented at that time. Any other nominations for these offices can be sent to President A.D. Pollock, Jr. for consideration or may be made from the floor at the time of the election.

President -- A.D. Pollock, Jr.  
Vice President -- Ben Stone  
Secretary -- Clara Ann Pollock  
Treasurer -- Howard Pollock

## Highlights from Highland Games 2002

### West Kentucky Highland Festival, Paducah, KY

A.D. and Clara Ann Pollock hosted a tent at the Games in Paducah, Kentucky on September 14, 2002. This was the first time Clan Pollock had a tent at the Games. Several people stopped by and expressed interest in our clan. We hope to see these Games grow and flourish in the years to come!

Clara Ann Pollock

### TN Highland Games, Murfreesboro, TN



Clan President, A.D. Pollock, Jr., competing in the Bonniest Knees Contest, while his grandson, Ryan Slough, looks on.

The weather cooperated this year for the Games held on October 5, and the crowd was an indication of the nice Fall day. Again we had several people stop by the Clan Pollock tent. Our President/Tennessee Commissioner, A.D. entered the the Bonniest Knees contest, but we are sad to say, Clan Pollock did not have a winner this year! Clan Chaplain Phillip Pougue continues to hold the honor of having the Bonniest Knees from the 1999 Games!

Clara Ann Pollock

### Richmond VA Games

The Richmond Virginia Games were the the third weekend in October and the weather was wonderful. The Clan Pollock tent was advantageously placed at the juncture of clan tent row and vendor row so that people could wander back and forth as they shopped or waited for entertainment. The game field was behind the tent so all of us had our pick of things to see. Several visitors signed up that weekend, and a couple more sent in their applications after leaving the games, making them not only a LOT of fun for all of us, but beneficial to several Pollock family people looking for their history.

Pauline Easter



Combined shot of Maxwells and Pollocks who were set up side by side right next to each other. Left to right the people are: Rob (Commissioner of Virginia) and Cathy Pollock, John Polk (Clan Pollock Historian), Andy Easter (Commissioner of the Chesapeake Region), Barbara and Dick Maxwell, Clara Ann and A.D. Pollock (Secretary and President of Clan Pollock).



Rob Pollock and Andy Easter in front of the Pollock tent.

### **Foothills Highland Games, Hendersonville, NC**

The second annual Foothills Highland Games were held Nov. 1-3 at Blue Ridge Community College in Hendersonville NC. The setting was on a hilly area with great views of the colorful leaves in the Smoky Mountains. The Clan tents were in an area away from the main part of the games. The Athletics were performed on the side of a hill. The "Calling of the Clans" were cancelled on Friday night because of the cold. The parade of Tartans on Saturday morning was combined with the Calling of the Clans, there was no track, so after going by the reviewing stand, the parade sort of disintegrated. The site of the games was changed from Tryon NC to Hendersonville this year. While there was a lot of disorganization, the volunteers were helpful, eager, and friendly.

Attending from Clan Pollock were Vice President & North Carolina commissioner Ben Stone and his extended family, and former North Carolina commissioner Rob and Rosemary Pollock. Rob brought his rock from the Pollock castle. A lot of positive comments were made on James K. Polk shadowbox, and the Pollock sign with all the names and septs. Some of Ben's cousins from Asheville, NC showed with a smoked salmon. The weather was clear and sunny, but cold and windy. The tartan was presented at Kirkn' of the Tartans church service on Sunday morning. Clan Pollock had been the honored Clan at the first FHHG one year ago.

Hope to see all of you who can attend at the next NC games with Clan Pollock--Loch Norman the weekend before Easter n April 2003

Ben Stone

### **Alexandria Sottish Christmas Walk**

Every year the Campagne Society sponsors the Alexandria (VA) Scottish Christmas Walk which benefits underprivileged children in the community. Despite the cold this year a nice crowd cheered us on our way.



Rob Pollock, Scott & Sanielle Easter, Andy Easter trying to get rid of goose flesh before the parade began. Temperatures were in the low 20s



Carla Hicks (Clan Maxwell), Andy Easter, Barbara Maxwell and Rob Pollock before the march.

After the parade the almost 20 Pollock and Maxwells had lunch at Portner's in downtown Alexandria. It was a great time to visit with our Clan Pollock friends.



Left to Right: Mrs. Maxwell, Mika, Barbara Maxwell, Carla Hicks, Dave Hicks, Kristin Maxwell and her husband Steve next to her, Andy Easter at the far right

## Illinois St. Andrew Society Games



Illinois Commissioner Paul Layman and Stephen Pollock Guinta at the Illinois St. Andrew Society Games in Oak Brook, IL

## Thanks!

We would like to thank all of our member who hosted Clan tents in 2002. We enjoyed visiting Grandfather Mountain on Saturday, July 13 and had a large turnout despite the cold, rainy weather! Ben and Merle Stone did their usual excellent job of hosting the Clan tent at Grandfather.

We also were privileged to attend the Richmond, Virginia Games on October 26. Andy & Pauline Easter and Robert & Kathy Pollock did a wonderful job as hosts. We also met the Maxwells who were hosting Clan Maxwell tent right next door. We met so many people who stopped by to enjoy the displays that Andy and Robert had set up on the Pollock and Maxwell families.

A.D. and Clara Ann Pollock

## LOOKING FORWARD TO 2003

### **2003 Sarasota Highland Games**

Clan Pollock will be present at the 2003 Sarasota Highland Games on February 1, 2003. The games will again take place at the county fairgrounds on Fruitville Rd. There will a tent for clan pollock which may be accessed by Clan members and their guests. Feel free to make Clan Pollock's wee spot on the field your headquarters while at the games.

Hamish Pollock, Jr.

### **2003 Longs Peak Festival -- Clan Pollock Members to Take the Lead**

In August. Dr. James Durward, the founder of the Longs Peak Scottish/Irish Highland Festival in Estes Park, called us to let us know that Bill & Maggie McDonald were retiring after 15 years as the Clan Committee Chairmen. He asked if we would take over for them after this year's festival! We went up to Estes Park to meet with Dr. Durward and the festival staff to find out more about the job duties and responsibilities before we could say yes. After meeting with them to discuss the position, we decided we could do the job, so we are now the Clan Committee Chairmen for the Longs Peak Scottish/Irish Festival.

Basically we are now responsible for all of the clans at the Festival. We will be in charge of sending out the information and registration forms to the clans as well as all correspondence with the clans including helping clans that want to hold their Annual General Meetings, making sure the large clan tents are set up properly, that each clan has the proper number of chairs and tables they requested, assigning the clan spaces in the tents, escorting the Chieftain and his wife to various activities when a clan is holding their AGM's at the festival, working with both the parade & field judges that are judging the clans, working with the festival photographer in setting up photographs of the clans, passing on information to all of the announcers, making sure the clans are on the field for the opening ceremonies, as well as attending the Friday evening Tattoo, which is the one at which the honored clans are recognized. A lot of what we will be doing is PR type things during the festival and behind the scenes things the rest of the time.

We can be reached at:

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Kent & Peggy Woodward

### **Correction**

Please excuse our mistake in the October *Pollag*. The title should have read "Myron James Pollok" Obituary. We apologize for this error.

## Modern Mansion on Site of Clan Pollok Castle

Clan Pollock Genealogist, Richard H. Pollock, recently received an article from John M. Pollock, a Scottish native. John Pollock wrote that he was born the day after the Pollok Castle was demolished in 1954. John grew up in Roughmussel Glasgow, which he said was originally part of the Lands of Pollok. He said he was familiar with the Pollok Castle site, Pollok House and estate, and the Lands of Pollok include Pollokshaws, Pollokshields, Pollok Football Club and Pollok Cricket Club. As a child he played on the estate and in the woodlands near Pollok House, the Maxwell home.

The article from the *Evening Times* of Wednesday, May 8, 2002, is entitled "This will be dearest house in west of Scotland." Excerpts from the article give us a look into the history of the land.

"A Mansion on the site of a former castle is predicted to become the most expensive home in the west of Scotland... The lavish property on the former site of Pollok Castle, Newton Mearns, ...was formerly occupied by Pollok Castle, which date back to the 17th century. It was burnt to a shell in 1882 and was later rebuilt in Scots Baronial style by Ferguson Pollok. The Pollok family occupied the castle until 1944 and the building was demolished 10 years later."

Dick Pollock goes on to say, "When Sue and I visited the Castle site in 1997 I was told it would never be redeveloped because of the protection of existing Green Laws. Time change, politicians change, and money 'talks' even in Scotland, it seems. If I were to see the new mansion, I don't believe I would have the almost mystic feeling I had walking the grounds five years ago, imagining the ancestors who had lived there."

### Want to See *The Pollag* in Color?

If you would like to see this issue in color, send an e-mail to your editor, Beth Avery, at [averyb@mail.otherwhen.com](mailto:averyb@mail.otherwhen.com) and she will send you a .pdf file with the issue in color and instructions on how to get the software to read it if you don't already know. It really is impressive to see the pictures in color.

#### **Should Auld Acquaintance be forgot**

by Rabbin Burns (1759-96)  
Scotland's National Poet

Should auld acquaintance be forgot,  
And never brought to min'?  
Should auld acquaintance be forgot,  
And days o' lang syne?

And here 's a hand, my trusty fiere,  
And gie's a hand o' thine;  
And we'll tak a right guid-willie waught  
For auld lang syne.

And surely ye'll be your pint-stowp,  
And surely I'll be mine;  
And we'll tak a cup o' kindness yet  
For auld lang syne!

For auld lang syne, my dear,  
For auld lang syne,  
We'll tak a cup o' kindness yet  
For auld lang syne.

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attend the AGM in  
Moultrie Georgia  
February 14-16, 2003**