

The Pollag  
January 2, 2004

*"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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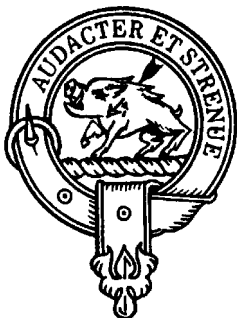
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# CLAN POLLOCK INTERNATIONAL

## THE POLLAG

**Cinnedah Pollag -- A Pool of Information**

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

*A.D. Pollock, Jr*



My very best wishes to each of you for a Happy New Year in 2004. I am sure you have already made your resolutions for the New Year, but I would like to suggest a few resolutions for our Clan Pollock members to consider.

Resolution #1 - If I have not already done so, I will send in my \$15.00 membership dues for 2004. This will save our Treasury the expense of having to send me additional reminders.

Resolution #2 - I will try to recruit at least one new member for 2004 - possibly a relative or friend - and if appropriate I will pay for their first year's dues as a gift. This one resolution would result in a great increase in our membership!

Resolution #3 - I will try (if physically able) to visit at least one Scottish Games in my area in 2004.

Resolution #4 - I will try to attend the Annual General Meeting in 2004 to be held at Grandfather Mountain, North Carolina in July.

Resolution #5 - I will be on the lookout for news items or stories of interest to other members and send them in to Pollag editor, Beth Avery.

Resolution #6 - I will consider ways in which Clan Pollock can better meet the needs of our members and send my suggestions to our president.

Resolution #7 - I will continue to be proud of my Scottish heritage while striving to be the best citizen of the country in which I now live.

Clara Ann & I look forward to continuing our duties with Clan Pollock in 2004.

Best Wishes,  
A. D. Pollock, Jr.  
Clan Pollock International President

## WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

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## FLOWERS OF THE FOREST

William Mitchell Pollock, Sun City West, Arizona, passed away on July 28, 2003. William had been a member of Clan Pollock since 1993. He was born in Glasgow, Scotland in 1927. Our sympathy to his daughter, Kimberley J. Pollock of San Francisco, CA.

### Genealogist

#### Richard H. Pollock

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## CLAN POLLOCK WEBSITE AND YOU!

Please think about your role in the Clan, whether you're a Commissioner or a member you have a lot to contribute. See if you can send a note, idea or some wishes you would like to convey to the members of the Clan. It would be nice to see if we can get a small blurb from each person of family member to include in each issue or the newsletter or to add to the website.

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Lets see what we can do to make Clan Pollock a useful tool for everyone. Are there items we need to address or items services we should be providing? Your ideas and suggestions, ideas and services are greatly appreciated!

I will take any pictures and/or notes/Letters to add to the website as well. We'd also like to include poetry, favorite family recipes,

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I hope you and your families have had a wonderful and blessed Holiday Season and wish you all the best in 2004.

Howard Pollock, Treasurer

### *Editor's Notes*

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

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Seems it has only been a short time since the last request, and many payments were made late for last year. You can now renew or join online if you prefer using your Paypal account.

It can become difficult to know which Pollock or Polk sent the renewal. If you send your renewal, please include Full Name, address, and any other information you would like us to record. We have many members with the same First and last names.

If we can keep our mailing costs down by not sending dues reminder, it is very helpful to our Clan Treasury. You can send your check or money order (US funds, please) to our Treasurer, Howard Pollock, 7676 Misty Glen Ave., Bose, Idaho, 83709 or to our Secretary, Clara Ann Pollock, 300 Hillwood Blvd., Nashville, TN, 37205.

## COMMISSIONERS

Please let us know which Festivals and Games you will be manning a tent. We want to let everyone know where they can meet and join in Clan Activities.

## **YOU COULD BE A COMMISSIONER TOO.**

We are also looking for those interested in manning tents at other events not currently being covered by the clan. If you are interested in becoming a Commissioner or Manning a tent at some event, please contact us for more information. ( I can have banners made by the same company that is doing shirts, I'd have to check the price, and what size we would want to make them)

## **LOOK FOR CLAN POLLOCK IN THESE PUBLICATIONS**

Clan Pollock supports and advertises in The Ellen Payne Odom Genealogy Library & Family Tree Newsletter. The newsletter is a treasure trove of information on genealogy. It's mott is "Bringing the Scottish community together from around the world!" Find more information about the newsletter, read the newsletter archives, and Scottish genealogy research resources at <http://www.electricscotland.com/familytree/>

In addition to wonderful articles and information about things Scottish, you will find Clan Pollock advertisements in The Highlander Magazine (<http://www.highlandermagazine.com/>) and Scottish Life Magazine (<http://www.scottishlifemagazine.com/>).

For over 40 years The Highland Magazine has been publishing articles on personalities, places and events in Scottish history, plus reports on the activities of the Scottish American community today. Scottish Life Magazine is "as close as you can get to Scotland without getting on a plane". There you'll find articles on history, culture, travel, people and events.

## **INFORMATION FOR GENEALOGISTS**

### **ILLINOIS**

The new Global Database Search will examine all databases on the Illinois State Archives web site containing name fields for the name you enter <http://www.sos.state.il.us/departments/archives/databases.html>. A list of all databases containing the name you enter will be returned. Simply click on a database from the list which is returned to search for the record in that database.

A search for Pollock yielded listings in Chicago City Council Proceedings Files (1833-1871), Cook County Coroner's Inquest Record Index (1872-1911), Database of Illinois Civil War Veterans, Database of Illinois Civil War Veterans of Missouri Units, Database of Illinois Civil War Veterans Serving in the U.S. Navy, Database of Soldiers' and Sailors' Home Residents (1887-1916), Database of Illinois Spanish-American War Veterans, Database of 1929 Illinois Roll of Honor, DeWitt County Coroner's Inquest Files Index (1924-1977), Fulton County Circuit Court Case Files Index (1825-1876), Illinois Statewide Death Index (Pre-1916), Illinois Statewide Death Index (1916-1950), Illinois Statewide Marriage Index (1763-1900), Lake County Circuit Court Case Files Index (1840-1898), Macoupin County Coroner's Inquest Files Index (1835-1928), Mattoon Court of Common Pleas Case Files Index (1869-1873), McLean County Probate Record Index (1834-1900), McLean County Will Record Index, (1838-1940), Peoria County Probate Case Files Index (1825-1887), Public Domain Land Tract Sales Database.

Clicking on the McLean County Probate Record Index, 1834-1900 I found POLLOCK, SAMUEL 1849-1855, POLLOCK, SAMUEL 1849-1855, POLLOCK, SAMUEL A. 1888-1891, POLLOCK, SAMUEL N. 1887-1888, POLLOCK, SAMUEL N. 1887-1888, POLLOCK, THURMAN 1893-1895, and POLLOCK, THURMAN 1895-1896. So while it doesn't eliminate a lot of searching it gets you to the right places to search quickly.

Beth Avery

### **AUSTRALIA**

The Australian government recently listed info on veterans on the net. This can be accessed at [www.ww2roll.gov.au](http://www.ww2roll.gov.au) or e-mail [nominal.rolls@dva.gov.au](mailto:nominal.rolls@dva.gov.au) or ph 1300 780 133 or write to The Director, Nominal Rolls Section, Dept of Veterans' Affairs PO Box 21 Woden ACT 2606 Australia.

The info provided is the soldier's full names, date of birth, Place of Birth and service number and which service they served in. It does have some details of the soldier if he/she served in WWI or WW2.

Robert H Pollock VI

# HIGHLAND GAMES & EVENTS

## Tallahassee Games 2003

The 2003 Tallahassee Games were very enjoyable for all the participating clans but none more so than Clan Pollock. In spite of a flat tire on I-10 on the way in Friday afternoon, the day ended very well with one of the most enjoyable receptions we've attended - held at the host hotel.

The following morning brought beautiful weather, and along with the gorgeous setting for the games, a record crowd attendance. We were able to attract many inquiries as to the origin of Pollock. John Maxwell (Maxwell Commander of Louisiana) joined Sandra and I with his lovely wife Linda. We discussed how perhaps at the next Tallahassee games we might want to have our tents next to each other.

We discovered seven new Pollocks residing in the Tallahassee area and provided them with literature, information and applications. I hope some good will come of it. All in all, we had twenty-one persons register in our clan book.

Aye,  
Hamish



Andy Easter watching a group of people sing. The two left-most people singing are called "Dog Watch" and they sang old folk songs. The next person from the left is Katie, a Pollock who shared our tent space off and on during the weekend, and then of course Andy, who was leading Dog Watch in a publicly presentable version of "Maid of Amsterdam". As you can see by the face of the gentleman in the background, the verse was of some hilarity to all who passed by.

## 2003 RICHMOND SCOTTISH GAMES

The weather decided to clabber up for rain and wind during this year's gathering at Strawberry Hill in Richmond. There was a new arrangement of the Clan tents surrounding the games field horseshoe fashion in double file so that the flow of people moved smoothly between the clan tents and games viewing. Saturday had a huge turnout of visitors with an almost constant and heavy parade of people looking for their families or clans. Clan Pollock was visited by a good number of Pollocks.

Being set up next to Clan Maxwell, both tents were kept busy with visitors as Virginia apparently has a large number from both clans in the area. Andy Easter and Hart Pollock answered Pollock questions while Dick Maxwell field Maxwell history questions. By the end of the day on Saturday, all of us were quite worn out and our information packets (Maxwell and Pollock both) were totally gone. This left Sunday as ad lib, asking people to leave their contact information so we could send them packets at a later date.



An unfortunately timed snow storm in the Mid-Atlantic prevented us from attending the Alexandria Scottish Christmas Parade, therefore we cannot give a report of that event. We trust, however, that the event for the Campagna Center did go on and the disadvantaged children who are supported by this generous organization benefitted from the stalwart participants.

Then next round of Scottish events for us will begin in April of 2004 with the Southern Maryland Scottish Festival...until then,

yours aye,  
Pauline and Andy Easter



Andre Atkins of Clan Wallace; Austin Slough and his grandfather, Clan Pollock President, A.D. Pollock, Jr. At Nashville Christian School's annual auction dinner on November 22, 2003

## TENNESSEE HIGHLAND GAMES 2003

Clara Ann and I hosted a Clan Pollock tent at the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Tennessee Highland Games in Murfreesboro Games, October 5, 2003. The setup was a little different this year. The Clan tents were inside a large arena, thus the weather was perfect!

We had several people stop by the Clan Pollock tent. We signed up a new member and enjoyed visiting with several members from the area.

Charlene Young and Austin Slough made every performance of Clan A Drumma, an exciting Scottish band. If you haven't had a chance to hear them, try to catch them at an event in 2004. Just follow the loud drumming and chances are, that's Clan A Drumma!

A. D. Pollock, Jr.

Clan Pollock Member, Charlene Young, as a judge in the Bonniest Knee contest at the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Tennessee Highland Games in Murfreesboro Games, October 4, 2003.



## ESTES PARK



Hannah Rutherford from Morrison, Colorado won the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Douglas Pollock Woodward Longs Peak Festival Memorial Sword. Each year the award goes to the Premier Highland dancer at the games in Estes Park, Colorado.

## UPCOMING GAMES

A Complete list of North American Games is available online: <http://www.maclachlans.org/games.html>  
If you are interested in hosting a tent, please contact AD Pollock at [apollockis@comcast.net](mailto:apollockis@comcast.net).  
A great site to use when you plan your vacation, it also includes games in the United Kingdom

## **LOCH NORMAN HIGHLAND GAMES, 2004**

Clan Pollock will be present with a tent at the Loch Norman Highland Games. This is a 3 day game beginning with a picnic and calling of the Clans Friday, April 16. There are games Saturday and Sunday April 17 and 18th. There is kirkin' and parade of tartans on Sunday. The address is: Loch Norman Highland Games, PO Box 1009, Huntersville, NC 28070-1009. Phone 704-875-3113. e mai: l lochnorman@ruralhillfarm.org. The games are located on Rural Hill farm 14 miles north of Charlotte. There is easy close parking and many accommodations close by.

## **11TH ANNUAL SARASOTA SCOTTISH HIGHLAND GAMES AND HERITAGE FESTIVAL**

Held at 3000 Ringling Blvd. Sarasota, Florida on Saturday, January 31, 2004, 9:00 AM - 5 PM Rain or Shine. There will be Continuous Live Authentic Scottish Entertainment, Clan and Society Exhibits, Genealogy, Sheep Dog Demonstrations, Children's Corner - Fun Kids Activities, Piper and Drummer Competition, Athletic Association Championships. Lots of Family Fun! For more information see: <http://www.sarasotagames.org>

## **ARIZONA SCOTTISH GATHERING & HIGHLAND GAMES**

Carol Black will be hosting at tent at the games in Mesa, AZ. on February 28 and 29, 2004. Contact her at [drblack@highstrem.com](mailto:drblack@highstrem.com) for more information.

## **PACIFIC NORTHWEST SCOTTISH HIGHLAND GAMES, WASHINGTON STATE**

Howard Pollock, Clan Treasurer and Idaho Commissioner will be hosting a tent at: Pacific Northwest Scottish Highland Games Enumclaw/Seattle, July 31 - Aug. 1, 2004

## **TREASURE VALLEY CELTIC FESTIVAL AND HIGHLAND GAMES, IDAHO**

Howard Pollock, Clan Treasurer and Idaho Commissioner will be hosting a tent at: Treasure Valley Celtic Festival and Highland Games Boise, Idaho, September 18, 2004

## **\*\*\*\*\* CLAN POLLOCK AGM 2004 \*\*\*\*\***

Remember the AGM at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games July 10, 2004. The Grandfather Mountain Games are a 4 day affair, beginning with a picnic and calling of the Clans Thursday Night and games Friday-Sunday. The AGM will be in the Holiday Inn Banner Elk on Saturday night the 10th. The Holiday Inn has a special room rate for Clan Pollock members. There will a dinner at the AGM with meals at \$12.95/per person. There will be a hospitality room in the Holiday. The address of the games is: GMHG , PO Box 1095, Linville, NC 28646. The Holiday Inn can be called at 877-877-4553. Rooms need to be reserved by June 8, 2004.

Ben Stone

## **DID YOU KNOW? From Ruth Woodward**

Pollock is an Old English name meaning "little Paul"?

James K. Polk, Eleventh President the President of the United States (1845-1849), was of Scottish descent?

The dollar sign, \$, was created by Oliver Pollock, a New Orleans businessman, on April 1, 1778?

The motto "In God we trust" on U.S. coins was originated by James Pollock, Director of the Philadelphia Mint(1861-1866),?

## **CAPTAIN THOMAS GORDON POLLOCK (27 Sep 1838—3 Jul 1863)**

**By Richard H. Pollock, FSA Scot**

Thomas Gordon Pollock graduated from the University of Virginia Law School in 1859. He practiced law in Shreveport, Louisiana and White Sulpher Springs, West Virginia prior to the start of the Civil War. He fought in these battles: Antietam, Seven Days' Campaign, Gauley Bridge, Magraw Bridge and Gettysburg. He also was a member of the Black Horse Troop of Cavalry of Fauquier, Virginia that had duty during the execution of John Brown, the Abolitionist.

Thomas's parents were Rev. Abram David Pollock (22 Jan 1807—3 May 1890) and Elizabeth Gordon Lee Pollock (17 May 1813—aft 1896). Elizabeth was the daughter of Judge Charles Lee, brother of General Robert E. Lee.

Thomas also descended from Professor Thomas Gordon of Kings College in Aberdeen, Scotland and Dr. Thomas Pollock and Mary Cochran Pollock in Ireland.

On 30 Jun 1863 Thomas wrote the following poignant letter to his Father:

Headquarters Kemper Brigade  
Chambersburg, Pa. June 30<sup>th</sup> 1863

My dear Father---

A mail carrier will leave for the Confederate States to-night and I hasten to wish this to accompany him on his doubtful journey and then to encounter the still more doubtful fate of letters from Culpepper by horse to Fauquier. We passed the Potomac at Williamsport on the 26th and entered this town on the suburbs of which we are now encamped on the 28<sup>th</sup> nearly in the rear of the army. You can form some idea of the discipline now when after a long days march when the rolls are called on entering bivouac but one single absentee is separated from a whole brigade. The contrast between the condition of the army now and last year when we entered Maryland is most encouraging. Everyone noticed it & spoke of it in Hagerstown. It is almost amusing to witness the obvious stare with which we are regarded as our sunburnt mostly dressed regiment, but moving in closed ranks with the cadenced step to the tune of Dixie and with enfield muskets glistening and to the red battle flag inscribed all over with the names of our victories—pass through the thoroughfare of one of the numerous towns. Sadness is on the countenance of all but some trying to look fierce and angry and tell us confidentially we will be never get back. It is a beautiful country overflowing with wealth and fatness. Every inch of ground seems to be providing something. The army is swelling in good eating such as the poor fellows have not as much as heard of since the beginning of the war. But all this is regular and in good order. I have heard of no case of outrage to person or property. Such is Genl Lees order. I enclose you the last, and what Genl Lee says this army does down to the lowest private because they say "I reckon he knows." The perfect reverence this soldier feels for his orders is only equaled by their faith in him. It strikes me as a perfect picture of faith. Here they are penetrating the heart of a hostile country leaving their homes behind broad rivers and the largest of the enemies armies while in front of them is gathering all of the sustenance that can be obtained by a power fortified by every element of military power—yet they are as happy and as secure in their feeling as if they were at home---they would go into any battle with as much assurance of victory as if it were already won—simply because they have and almost fanatical confidence in their cause & their leader. Important movements are in foot but it would be improvident to trust them to the doubtful fortunes of this letter. Give my love to Ma—Lilly, Roberta & Charlie & Uncle Alfred.

In haste I am as ever Your devoted Son

T. G. Pollock.

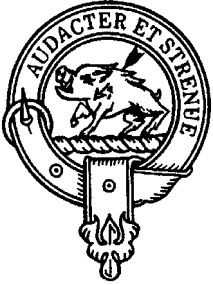
Three days later Thomas was killed during Pickett's Charge at Gettysburg.

His cousin Colonel James Keith Marshall (17 Apr 1839—3 Jul 1863) was also killed during Pickett's Charge. James was the grandson of Chief Justice John Marshall (24 Sep 1755—6 Jul 1833)

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### **WANT TO HOST OR HELP AT A CLAN TENT?**

There are lots of Scottish games and events coming up this spring. We need your help in hosting tents at these games or helping our hosts. If you've never hosted a clan tent it's a great way to meet new friends. Our President, A.D. Pollock and your local commissioner will give you lots of help and ideas. Think about it and then contact A.D. or your commissioner at the address listed on page 1 and 2 of this Newsletter. Even if you don't want to host a tent this year, check out a game and see how much fun it is!

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