

The Pollag
May 2016

"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."

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Words from the President...



Thanks to our members who have paid their dues for 2016. We appreciate your continued support of Clan Pollock. If it has slipped your mind, just send in your check for \$15.00 US or pay by Pay Pal for \$16.00 US. We also appreciate the kind remarks many of you included with your dues about liking to read the newsletter. We think Beth & Mike Avery do a super job! Also thanks for the extra donations some of you sent and stamps.

It is getting to be the time of year for graduations – weddings – trips and other events. Send us a picture and tell us your news. We're always interested in what's going on in your family.

We need to have a serious discussion about the future of Clan Pollock. Our officers and other workers have served for many years and we've been honored to do so. But, the time has come for us to retire and let some younger people come in. Things have changed so much and are changing so quickly in how groups communicate, advertise, etc. and we want Clan Pollock to be able to move forward. We realize younger people are busy with their careers and their families but we are hoping there will be some who will step up. Please contact me either by mail or e-mail or telephone and we'll talk.

Thanks to those of you who wished us a Happy Anniversary after the last Pollag came out. There were some gremlins in that issue – it was actually our 60th anniversary not our 40th. Our kids especially got a laugh out of that.

We hope you have a great Summer!

A.D. and Clara Ann Pollock
Written April 26, 2016

MEMBER (and FRIENDS) NEWS

NEW MEMBERS

Linda L. Tiffany, Bellingham, WA
David P. Pollock, Charlestown, RI
Sara L. Yeager, Peoria, AZ

FLOWERS OF THE FOREST

We are sad to learn of the passing of Delores Turner on December 18, 2015. Delores was the mother of Clan Pollock member, Denise Turner Thomas. Delores loved to come to Scottish Games and we always enjoyed seeing her smiling face. She was at Estes Park last September and "outran" all of us in the parade in her motorized chair. We send our sympathy to Denise and Mark and all Delores' family.



Our sympathy to Tommy and Carol and their family on the passing of Tommy's mother, Anna Lois Smith Pollock, February 7, 2016 at the age of 94 in Dawson, GA.

Our sympathy goes out to John C. Pollock, whose mother passed away in January. From the Eulogy Celebrating the Life of Jane Reib Pollock give by John:

I like to think of my mother's "dancing storytelling" style as she transitions to another level of awareness. Here's to you, Miss Jane, as you encounter the Great Mystery. I imagine you trading stories with the master storyteller of the universe, the one who made us all, the creator of the cosmos. Let's dance, Miss Jane, let's dance!

NEWS OF MEMBERS

News from Clan Pollock member Tommy & Carol Pollock. Congratulations on their new granddaughter, Hanna Rose Trexler, who was born in January of this year in Greenville, S.C. Their son, Mitchell Pollock, married Sara Elizabeth Walling in October of 2015. They live in Anderson, S.C.



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Pollag Deadline.
The deadline for submissions for the next issue of The Pollag is the 25th of the month previous to the issue. The Pollag is issued in February, May, August and November. Remember Clan Pollock members enjoy hearing your news. Send your news, to the editor, Beth Avery, at averyb@otherwhen.com

NOTE: NEW EMAIL ADDRESS FOR EDITOR:
averyb@otherwhen.com

Baptism of Maxwell Franklin Pollock Stone, grandson of Clan Pollock Vice President Ben & Merle Stone. Maxwell is the son of Jamelyn Truck and Michael Stone. We enjoyed meeting Maxwell and his parents last year at the Grandfather Mountain Games. We congratulate all the Stone family on this joyous occasion.

CHARLOTTE POLLOCK ART EXHIBIT

We were in Madisonville, KY at the Glema Mahr Center for the Arts at Madisonville Community College recently and noticed an art exhibit by Charlotte Pollock. While looking at the pictures, we came upon this one of people we recognized – Clan Pollock Genealogist and Past President Dick Pollock and his wife, Sue, former Clan Pollock Secretary. When we got home I wrote Dick to inquire about Charlotte and found out she is the granddaughter of Sue & Dick. We were very impressed with Charlotte's work and hope she will have great success as an artist.



Charlotte has a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the University of Louisville and has also studied plein-air painting at The Marchutz School of Art in Aix-en-Provence, France.

~A.D. and Clara Ann Pollock

BIRTHDAYS

JUNE

1 – Carol Black; Michael A. Stroschio
 5 – Cheryl A. Zelek
 8 – Robert W. Parrish
 9 – Donna J.C. Rausch
 13 – James T. Pollock
 14 – John A. Pollock
 15 – Beth P. Avery
 17 – Virginia P. Stoops
 20 – Robert S. Pollock (Happy 94th)
 21 – Jack S. Pollock
 22 – David A. Pollock; David B. Horne
 23 – Robert A. Watts (Happy 92nd)
 25 – Dean Hoffmann; Robert W. Pollock
 26 – Larry M. Pollock

JULY

2 – Richard H. Pollock
 3 – Claire J. Pollock (Happy 1st)

5 – William W. Pollock; Mark W. Pollock
 10 – Thomas J. Morgan
 15 – Nancy F. McCaughrean; Barbara Estrada
 18 – Thomas Pollock
 22 – Dawn M. Kurth; Larry C. Poague, Sr.
 26 – John T. Main
 28 – Jerry C. Pollock

AUGUST

1 – Carolyn L. Pollock; Gary M. Pollock
 2 – Hal G. Hardin
 5 – Dorothy G. Lydecker
 14 – Kearfott Stone
 15 – Debra D. Munn; Eileen E. Polk
 20 – Sandra N. Harriman
 21 – Mary L. Anderson
 22 – Robert D. Pollock
 23 – Nelle P. Kost
 24 – Andy W. Pollock
 30 – James P. Farber; Archie D. Pollock III

If you don't see your birthday listed, please let us know. We don't want to leave any of our members out. Thanks.
 Clara Ann Pollock, Clan Pollock Secretary, apollockis@comcast.net

NEWS OF THE GAMES

UPCOMING GAMES

Want to help Clan Pollock grow and meet new friends? Think about having a tent at a Game near you. It's easy to do and you get to meet great people. Contact A.D. and Clara if you'd like to give it a try.

30th Chicago Scots Annual Scottish Festival and Highland Games

Hamilton Lakes, 1 Pierce Place, Isasca, IL

June 18, 2016

<http://scottishfestivalchicago.org/aboutscottishfestivalandhighlandgames>

Clan Pollock Tent Host: Paul Layman



Chicago Scots host the Midwest's largest Scottish Event. Paul Layman will again host a Clan Pollock tent at this event. Paul is also responsible for all the Clans at these Games so he needs help in keeping someone at the Clan Pollock tent. If you can help Paul out in any way, please contact him at p.layman@sbcglobal.net or (630) 941-1154. Thanks to those of you who have helped Paul in the past – we hope you will be there again this year!

61st Grandfather Mountain Highland Games

MacRae Meadows, Grandfather Mountain near Linville, N.C.

July 7-10, 2016

<http://www.gmhg.org>

Clan Pollock Tent Hosts: Tim & Kelly Stone; Ben & Merle Stone

These Games always begin with a picnic on Thursday evening, Entertainment, Sheep Herding demonstration and each participating Clan's arrival at dusk with a torch, loudly proclaiming their Clan name and their presence! Friday through Sunday are full days with competitions in athletics, pipe bands, Scottish dancing and others. There are lots of entertainers in several different locations around the field. There's a Kirkin' of the Tartans & church service Sunday morning followed by the Parade of Clans. There are lots of activities for all ages and these Games. Come & join the Stone family at Clan Pollock's tent!



40th Longs Peak Scottish-Irish Highland Festival

Estes Park Fairgrounds, Estes Park, CO

September 8 – 11, 2016

<http://www.scotfest.com/>

Clan Pollock Tent Hosts: A.D. and Clara Ann Pollock

We are looking forward to being at these Games again in September. Look for us next to Clan Maxwell with a shared space for visitors. These Games have a great Tattoo on Thurs, Fri & Sat nights at the Fairgrounds – always really good. Full activities on Fri, Sat & Sun. Saturday morning, join us at the top of the hill for the Parade **downhill** through Estes Park before heading to the Games. We have a good turnout every year and look forward to renewing old friendships and making new ones!

GAME REPORTS

**Rural Hill Scottish Festival & Loch Norman Highland Games
Huntersville, North Carolina
April 16 – 17, 2016**

Ben Stone wrote that the weather was good and the Stones had a wonderful time at these Games. Caroline Stone, daughter of Tim & Kelly & granddaughter of Ben & Merle Stone, wrote & presented the Calling of the Clans for Clan Pollock. Caroline also finished first in the female ½ mile race. Congratulations to Caroline for both these jobs well done! Thanks to the Stones for hosting these Games. We appreciate their dedicated service

2016 NEWPORT CELTIC FESTIVAL & HIGHLAND GAMES CANCELLED!

It is with deep sadness that the Celtic Heritage Alliance ("CHA") announces the cancellation of the 2016 Newport Celtic Festival & Highland Games. Many factors have led to this decision, but the CHA Board and the Festival's Director felt it was a decision that had to be made, as difficult as it was.

The group does intend to leave a legacy in which the Highland Games will continue, but in the form of clinics which will be held to train athletes who will hopefully go on to compete in the other Highland Games competitions in Oregon and beyond. Plans for the group's remaining events are yet to be determined, however the closure of the Celtic Festival will be permanent.

THE GENEALOGY TREE

This article is a repeat of a column published several years ago. It is being repeated for the benefit of those members who have joined Clan Pollock International in the interim.

Did you realize that there is a connection between the Pollocks and Robert the Bruce, King of Scots? This is the connection:

King Robert, the Bruce m. Elizabeth de Burgh
Lady Matilda Bruce m. Thomas de Ysak
Joanna de Ysak m. John de Ergadia
Isabella de Ergadia m. Sir John Stewart
Isabel Stewart m. Sir Colin Campbell
Lady Helen Campbell m. Hugh Montgomery
Lady Isabel Montgomery m. John Mure, Knight
William Mure m. Elizabeth Hamilton
Janet Mure m. Sir John Pollok

Thus, all descendants of Sir John Pollok can claim kinship to Robert the Bruce, King of Scots.

Richard H. Pollock, Genealogist
Clan Pollock International

Historian's Corner

I was happy to see that my recent book "Beyond Damned Quarter" about the Polks and Pollocks of the Maryland Eastern Shore received three favorable reviews which can be seen at the publisher's website - <https://colonialroots.com/> What follows is the text of the book's introduction which will give you an idea of its theme and contents.

Robert Polke's first appearance in colonial records is in the survey of Polkes Folly. This cites a warrant issued to him on 20 November 1687 but it is likely that the family arrived some time before that and took time to assess their options before making a major financial commitment. The exact date of their arrival in Maryland will most likely never be known, but if a year had to be picked, the best estimate would probably be the year before - sometime in 1686.

Whenever their arrival, the challenge faced by Robert Polke and his family was truly daunting. The contrast between the climate and geography of Donegal, Ireland, whence they came, and their new home in Somerset County is extreme and gives special poignancy to the name, Polkes Folly, that Robert selected for his first land holding in the new world. Dames Quarter, then known as Damned Quarter or Damn Quarter, is now an official wildlife management area of the State of Maryland and nothing more than a primeval marshland. At the end of the 17th century it was probably woodland interspersed with marshes, barely above sea level, much like present-day St. Stephen immediately to the east. The land has certainly subsided and changed in the last three centuries, but even then there were large areas of swamp and marsh, specifically mentioned as such in the land records, and otherwise dense thickets of virgin forest. Today, in summertime, the dominant feature of the area is the hostile mosquito and deerfly population which in warm weather makes even the briefest unprotected exposure intolerable. Things could not have been much different back then - legend tells us that the very names of Damned Quarter and nearby Devil (Deal) Island are attributed to the insect population. One has to wonder just how Robert and Magdalen, a military man and lady of status, with their eight or nine teenage and younger children, possessing only the most basic resources, could have looked upon this wilderness with anything but despair.

Robert did not arrive on the scene a wealthy man. Presumably he sold whatever he owned in Ireland to finance the family's ocean passage and initial stake in the new world. He acquired only 250 acres of land during his years in Somerset - Polkes Folly (100 acres) and Polkes Lott (50 acres), for which he was issued land warrants on 20 November 1687, and the tract Forlorn Hope (100 acres) purchased from Augustine Stanford in 1697. The inventory of Robert's estate made in 1703 shows just how rudimentary their belongings were. It is valued at a modest total of £50/16/11, most of that attributed to livestock (28 hogs, 1 mare, and 13 cattle comprising £35 of the total). The remainder is a short list containing such items as a feather bed and covering, yard and a half of serge, frying pan, 3 iron wedges, 3 reaphooks, a parcel of linen yarn, and a tanned hide. Their dwelling place must have been a basic settler's cabin, which was eventually abandoned by the next generation. The frequently repeated assertion that they lived in a manor house known as White Hall is certainly incorrect. The tract White Hall is in present day Wicomico County. It was patented in 1795 by Judge William Polk as a resurvey of the tract Fortune first acquired in 1744 by his father, David Polk, the son of Robert's second son William. None of this occurred during Robert or Magdalen's time.

By whatever means, the family managed to survive the initial pioneer years and in due course, but not in Robert's lifetime, the family prospered. Their presence was gradually felt in Somerset and later in adjacent areas of Dorchester and Worcester counties, Maryland, and Sussex County, Delaware. As opportunities arose, the second and third generations moved to more desirable lands along the Manokin and Nanticoke, and by 1740 there were no Polks or Pollocks living in Damned Quarter. Their judgment was more than validated by the subsequent deterioration of the area into a primal wetland. Today, muskrats burrow in the marshland grasses of these ancestral lands, the waterfowl swim serenely in its waters, and in summer the mosquitoes and deerflies reign supreme. Somewhere within its bosom, lost to time and memory, the bones of Robert and Magdalen are resting in quiet peace, while their pilgrim spirits move ever onward with their departed seed - beyond Damned Quarter.

John F. Polk, PhD, Clan Historian, Clan Pollock International



On the historic occasion of our 200th Blue Plaque,
the Ulster History Circle is pleased to invite you
to the unveiling of a plaque to

OLIVER POLLOCK

1737-1823

CREDITED WITH DEVISING THE DOLLAR SIGN
MERCHANT AND AMERICAN PATRIOT

at the Sollus Centre, 231 Victoria Road, Bready, Strabane BT82 0EB
on Thursday 14th April 2016 at 1.45pm

RSVP to Maod Hamill – Ulster History Circle – 07766 823535 E: hamillmaod@hotmail.co.uk



There is a really nice video about the Oliver Pollock Blue Plaque dedication ceremony Strabane on 14 April – <https://vimeo.com/164262793>

The main narrator, Dr. William Roulston, Director of the Ulster Historical Foundation, gives me credit for bringing Oliver Pollock's origin in Bready, County Tyrone, to light.

Clan Pollock International Balance Sheet

Prepared by Howard W. Pollock

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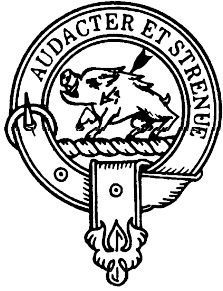
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	Dec-14
Assets	
Current assets:	
Checking/Savings	-
Home Federal Checking	\$9,539.75
Home Federal Savings	\$1,040.83
Certificate Of Deposit	\$18,837.36
PayPal MM	\$235.36
Total current assets	\$29,653.30
Other	-
Total other assets	\$0.00
Total assets	\$ 29,653.30
Liabilities and Equity	
Current liabilities:	
Long Term Liabiliteis	
Prepaid Lifetime Mbr (\$100)	11,100.00
Accrued compensation	-
Income taxes payable	-
Unearned revenue	-
Other	-
Total current liabilities	\$ 11,100.00
Equity	
Retained Earnings	\$17,786.52
Net Income	\$766.78
Total Equity	\$18,553.30
Total Liabilities Equity	\$29,653.30

	Dec-15
Assets	
Current assets:	
Checking/Savings	-
Home Federal Checking	\$9,194.05
Home Federal Savings	\$1,041.36
Certificate Of Deposit	\$19,104.73
PayPal MM	\$434.96
Total current assets	\$29,775.10
Other	-
Total other assets	\$0.00
Total assets	\$ 29,775.10
Liabilities and Equity	
Current liabilities:	
Long Term Liabiliteis	
Prepaid Lifetime Mbr (\$100)	11,100.00
Accrued compensation	-
Income taxes payable	-
Unearned revenue	-
Other	-
Total current liabilities	\$ 11,100.00
Equity	
Retained Earnings	\$18,722.76
Net Income	-\$47.66
Total Equity	\$18,675.10
Total Liabilities Equity	\$29,775.10

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UPCOMING GAMES AND FESTIVALS

May 20-22 TN Smoky Mountain Scottish Festival. [Http://smokymountaincames.org](http://smokymountaincames.org)

May 21-22 NM Rio Grande Valley Celtic Festival. [Http://www.celticfestabq.com](http://www.celticfestabq.com)

May 28-29 CA. United Scottish Society Highland Gathering & Festival (Costa Mesa, CA).
<http://www.scottishfest.com>

May 28-29. MI. Alma Highland Festival & Games. [Http://almahighlandfestival.com](http://almahighlandfestival.com)

June 18 IL, 30th Chicago Scots Annual Scottish Festival and Highland Games. Clan Pollock Tent
<http://scottishfestivalchicago.org/aboutscottishfestivalandhighlandgames>

June 25-26 CA. San Diego Highland Games. Web: <http://www.sdhighlandgames.org>

July 7-10 NC 61st Grandfather Mountain Highland Games <http://www.gmhg.org> Clan Pollock Tent

July 16 OR. Portland Highland games <http://www.phga.org>

July 16-17 AZ. Arizona Highland Celtic Festival <http://www.nachs.inf>

July 30-31 WA. Seattle Highland Games Enumclaw Washington <http://www.sshga.org/home.htm>

Aug 5-7 CO. Colorado Scottish Festival, Highland Ranch <http://www.scottishgames.org>

Aug 6-7 MI. St Andrew's Society of Detroit Highland Games <http://www.highlandgames.com>

Aug 6-7 CA. The Monterey Scottish Games & Celtic Festival <http://www.montereyscotgames.com>