

"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...



Another New Year and another Virus variant! We hope you and all your family are staying well. Fires, tornadoes, blizzards – weather is very active lately also.

Our Treasurer, Howard Pollock, has been having some serious health issues for the past few weeks. Howard has done a great job as Treasurer of Clan Pollock for many years. We have also learned our wonderful Genealogist, Dick Pollock, is recovering from surgery. We send our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

We thought it would be nice if our members could drop them both a card or an email wishing them well. Their addresses are on this and the next page on the left-hand side. Thanks in advance!

It is time for payment of your 2022 Clan Pollock dues, \$15.00 US dollars. We have received some renewals already and I will be sending our renewal letters in the next few days. If you have already paid, or if you have your payment set up through Pay Pal, please disregard the renewal letter. You can send your check/money order made out to Clan Pollock to Secretary Clara Ann Pollock at the address shown on this page or you can pay \$16.00 through Pay Pal at <https://clanpollock.com/membership-page>. Please put your full name with middle initial on your payment as we have several members with the same first and last names and we want to be sure to credit the right person!

We are hopeful that the Scottish Games and Festivals will be held this year. Grandfather Mountain, N.C. in July and the Estes Park, CO Games in September are being held. We will try to keep you informed of other Games on our Clan Pollock Face Book page as we get information.

Again, thanks to the Averys for their excellent work on our newsletter. They are always looking for any news of your family's events and happenings. AND please send in your change of address/email address so that we can change it in our records and be sure you receive *The Pollag*.

Thank you to all our members for your continued support of Clan Pollock!

A. D. and Clara Ann Pollock
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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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY**MARCH**

- 1 – William Pollock
- 4 – John E. Alden
- 5 – Deborah A. Mennig
- 8 – Duane T. Taylor
- 10 – Nicole Polk
- 12 – Donald O. Pollock
- 14 – Lawrence P. Pollock
- 15 – R. Scott Pollock III
- 18 – Laverne Raisch
- 20 – Kelly A. Loy; Blair M. Pogue;
- 23 – Timothy R. Pollock

APRIL

- 3 - Emily P. Brown; Virginia R. Riebe
- 4 - Brian M. Pollock; Christine Brown
- 5 – Ian J. Pollock; Marjorie T. Scooros
James A. Pollock
- 7 – Brian M. Pollock; Nancy I. Salisbury
- 8 – James A. (Jim) Poage
- 9 – Richard Anderson; Martha N. Tucker
- 10 – Suzanne P. Hough
- 11 – Edward L. Pollock
- 12 – Janet A. Delaney; Fiona M. Pollock
- 13 – David B. Pollock; Robert M. Pollock

- 20 – Charles A. Pollock; William D. Pollock
- 21 – James D. Polk
- 23 – Walter H. Pollock
- 25 – Amy E. Pollock-Morse
- 26 – George B. Pogue
- 27 – Jerry M. Mauck; Rebekah Pollock
- 28 – Scott R. Pollock
- 29 – Ulrich Starke
- 30 – Richard A. Pollock

MAY

- 1 – Patti S. Polk
- 3 – Larry G. Lankford; Clara A. Pollock; Cecil E. Pollock
- 5 – Victor Crawford
- 6 – Mary E. Bryan; Kent W. Woodward
- 8 – Nancy Musselman
- 10 – Robert H. Pollock IV
- 11 – David R. Pollock
- 12 – Shawn D. Joyce
- 14 – Velma A. Pollock
- 15 – Brent DeShazo; Carolyn T. Gerwig; Kay P. Hirsch
- 16 – Adolphus A. Riewe Jr.
- 18 – Lynne P. Denson; James W. Pogue; Elizabeth P. Slough
- 19 – Beverly J. Craft; Christine Cozadd
- 24 – C. Richard Venable III
- 27 – Charles W. Cunard
- 30 – Evelyn P. Taylor

If you don't see your birthday listed, please let us know. We don't want to leave any of our members out. There are several newer members that we don't have birth dates for yet. Thanks. Clara Ann Pollock, Clan Pollock Secretary, apollockis@comcast.net

NEW MEMBERS

Kay Pogue Fairbanks, Hideaway, Texas
 Debra A. Molnar, Wadsworth, Ohio
 Danette B. Owens, Fresno, California
 Dennis Marie Pollock, Redding, California
 Geoffrey Rhys Pollock, Jupiter, Florida
 Scott R. Pollock, Flower Mound, Texas
 Susan Pollock, Cleburne, Texas

FLOWERS OF THE FOREST

Lt. Col. John W. (Bill) Espey, USA, Retired, of Eads, Tennessee, 1923-2022. Lt. Col. Espey was born in McHenry, Kentucky on May 11, 1923, and enlisted in the Army in 1942. During World War II, he served in North Africa and Italy as an enlisted soldier. His final military assignment was Deputy Director of Security, Plans and Operations, for the U.S. Army Japan.

His military decorations include The Legion of Merit Medal, the Bronze Star, the Air Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal and the Army Good Conduct Medal. He was a Kentucky Colonel, a life member of the American Legion, a life member of the Retired Officers' Association and a member of Clan Pollock for 19 years.

He was a graduate of Western Kentucky University and received an MBA from Memphis State University.



NEWS OF THE GAMES

UPCOMING GAMES AND EVENTS

This is the time of year when games are starting up again. It's also the time of year to start looking when there will be Scottish games in your area next year. Hosting a tent at a game or festival is a great way to get to know other Pollocks, Polloks, Pooks, Polks, Polkes, Paulks, Poalks, Poalkes, Poulks, Pooles, and Pogues. If you'd like to host a tent at an event contact our President, A.D. and he'll help you get started. A place to look for games near you is <http://www.asgf.org>.

Loch Norman Games

April 9-10, 2022

Rural Hill, Huntersville, NC

<http://www.lochnorman.com>

We are looking forward to our Games after a two-year closure to the public due to the pandemic. Although we were completely shut down in 2020, in 2021 we hosted Scottish Heavy Athletic and Piping and Drumming sanctioned competitions. Those competitions were closed to the public due to Covid-19 but were a great success.



New York City Tartan Week

April 4-10, 2022

New York City Tartan Day Parade - April 9, 2022

<https://nyctartanweek.org/>

The National Tartan Day New York Committee is honored to announce award-winning Scottish actress Karen Gillan as Grand Marshal of the 2022 New York City Tartan Day Parade.



GENEALOGIST CORNER

POLLOCKS IN CANADA

This was originally published in *The Pollog* April 2007

In 1843 a branch of the Pollock family left Ballymena, N. Ireland and sailed as a group from Belfast to Canada. One brother settled in Hastings County, Ontario while the rest went further west to Huron Twp., Bruce County near Kincardine On. Can. John was a cobbler and traded shoes for lots 41 and 42 Concession 8 on the Lake Range. He married Jane Thompson of Pine River. They had 14 children but one girl died in infancy.

After WWII, Mr. Tom Clark of Detroit, Michigan was instrumental in having a covered pavilion, which later came to be known as the 'Pollock Plaza', constructed on a piece of the original farm near Lake Huron. The pavilion was intended as a memorial to the three Pollock boys who died in the recent war. Arthur, son of C. Wesley and Mamie Lorne, son of Ernie and Sophia Norval, son of Charlie and Annie. Their names are on a bronze plaque which was affixed to the pavilion at a later date. The family often gathers at this quiet place, to remember the sacrifices made by the pioneers and their families over the years.

If you are passing, please pause and enjoy this peaceful place.

Submitted by Andrew Pollock,
5th generation Canadian,
Guelph On., Canada.



Front: 6th generation, Gordon Pollock (Kingston, Ont.) Behind him 5th generation..Steven Pollock (Kingston, Ont. Gordon's father) 5th generation. Andrew Pollock (Guelph, Ont. Steven's brother) 4th generation..Wayne Pollock (Mississauga, Ont. father of Steven & Andrew. Bev Pollock (wife of Wayne)

HISTORIAN'S CORNER

Pollock General History

The name of Pollock (Pulloc, Pollok) is among the oldest family names in Scotland. The surname was adopted from the ancient lands of *Pulloc* in Renfrewshire. Records of the 12th century reveal these lands were granted to the sons of Fulbert, progenitor of the Pollocks of Scotland. Fulbert's sons Peter, Robert and Helia (Elias) who accompanied Walter FitzAlan, the High Steward and progenitor of the Royal Stewart line, when King David I was introducing the Norman feudal system into Scotland. Lands were first given to Peter (Petrus) and to Helia, a cleric and canon of Glasgow. Peter died without male heir and his lands passed to his brother, Robert (Robertus). Peter and Robert were the first to use the hereditary designation *de Pulloc* (Latin), which became the family surname Pollok and, more commonly today, Pollock.

The main line of Pollock descent, sometimes referred to as Pollok of that Ilk, or Pollok of Pollok, is thus from Robert, described as "Roberto filio Fulberti," a witness to the charter of Paisley Abbey in 1160. Between 1189 and 1199 he granted the Church of Mearns to the Abbey of Paisley. The original church building no longer stands. The location for the present Church of Mearns is at the intersection of Eaglesham Road and Mearns Road. Many prominent Pollocks are buried in the adjoining cemetery and within the walls of the church. The lands were divided into Upper and Lower Pollock. The Pollocks were granted upper Pollock while Lower Pollock was chartered to the Maxwells in the 13th century. The Maxwells of Pollock were a prominent branch of that powerful border clan, headed by the Maxwells of Caerlaverock. A common alliance was formed between the Maxwells and the Pollocks. Marriages took place between members of the two families. Today, Pollocks continue to be recognized as septs of Clan Maxwell and may correctly wear the Maxwell tartan.

The lineage of the family of Pollock-of-that-Ilk in Scotland was recorded by George Crawford in his "General Description of the Shire of Renfrew, Including an Account of the Noble and Ancient Families", first published in 1710.

John Pollok, 9th of That Ilk, as town Baillie, signed the Charter of St. Andrews University in 1453, the oldest university in Scotland. Fourteenth in descent from Fulbert was John Pollock of Pollock. He fought on the side of Mary's forces at Langside, only a few miles from Pollock Castle, ended her reign in Scotland. For his role in her losing cause, John Pollock forfeited some of his lands. On 30 November 1703, Sir Robert Pollock-of-that-Ilk was knighted and made Baronet of Nova Scotia by Queen Anne for his services to the crown, with a "recital of the antiquity and flourishing condition of the ancient family of Pollock-of that-Ilk, for 600 years". Other notable Pollocks in Great Britain were The Rt. Hon. Sir Jonathan Frederick Pollock, Bart., Lord Chief Baron of the Exchequer; Field Marshall Sir David Pollock, Bart.; Sir David Pollock, Lord Chief Justice of Bombay; Sir Frederick Pollock, Bart., famous barrister and codifier of English Law; Robert Pollock, scholar and author of the once widely read epic poem "The Course of Time;" and John Pollock, official biographer of The Reverend Billy Graham and author of many books, including "The Apostle" and "The Master."

With the passage of time, other forms of the Pollok surname such as Polk, Pollock and Pogue became common. Thomas Pollock, born at Balgray, Renfrewshire, Scotland in 1654, was a prominent official in colonial North Carolina, serving as its acting Governor when he died in 1722. Robert Polke/Pollock emigrated from Donegal Ireland to Maryland around 1687 and was progenitor to a great number of persons now using the name in both forms, Polk and Pollock. Prominent among these were Governor Charles Polk of Delaware and Governor/Senator Trusten Polk of Missouri.

Many members of the Pollok family joined the great wave of Scotch-Irish immigration from Ulster in the 18th century. Prominent among these was William Polk, the ancestor of James K. Polk, 11th President of the United States, Bishop and General Leonidas Polk of Civil War fame, and Colonel Thomas Polk of Charlotte, North Carolina, who convened that meeting at which Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, declared its independence in May 1775. Oliver Pollock of Bready, County Tyrone settled with his father in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, and became a very successful merchant. He played a key role in securing Spain's support for the American cause during the Revolution, was known as the "financier of the American Revolution in the West," and is credited with the creation of the US dollar sign (\$). Other notables were James Pollock, 13th Governor of Pennsylvania and Leonidas Lafayette Polk, national leader of the powerful Farmer's Alliance and the expected presidential nominee of the People's Party when he died suddenly in May 1892. Frank Lyon Polk was the acting Secretary of State under Woodrow Wilson and his emissary to the Paris Peace Conference after World War I.

Today there is no Pollock of that Ilk recognized as the hereditary head of the family. The last in the direct male line of descent from Fulbert was Sir Robert Pollok, 18th of that Ilk and 2nd Baronet, who died in 1783. The title passed through his granddaughter Robina to her son Sir Robert Crawford-Pollok and three generations later to James Fergusson-Pollok whose nephew Robert Hew Fergusson-Pollok inherited the title in 1950 but had no successor. It has been vacant since his death in 1967.

The clan badge portrays a boar pierced by an arrow, with the motto Audacter et Strenue (Boldly and Strongly). In 1980, Clan Pollock adopted its own tartan and registered it with the Scottish Tartan Society in Scotland. Pollock Castle, in its last configuration, was a magnificent structure, built in the style of a British manor house. The castle was used as a military storage facility during World War II but was demolished in 1954 and the lands were sold by the last laird. For the first time in eight centuries the lands of Upper Pollock were no longer Pollock lands.

Nothing of the old Pollock estate remains except the two gate houses, the stable, and the gardener's cottage (all are presently occupied), the castle stone foundation, the south entrance steps and a few stones that once formed the castle's massive walls. One of those stones, cut and polished, is imbedded in the Scottish Memorial Cairn in North Carolina. The cairn was dedicated in 1980 at the site of the annual Grandfather Mountain Highland Games, near Linville, North Carolina.

John F. Polk, Ph.D.
Clan Historian





CLAN POLLOCK INTERNATIONAL MEMERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

DATE: _____

Full Name _____ Email _____

Street or P.O. Box _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____

Business or Profession _____

Name of Spouse _____

Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____

Father's Name _____

Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____

Mother's Maiden Name _____

Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____

If Father's or Mother's surname is not Pollock/Polk/Pogue, etc., list the name and Relationship to you of the person of that lineage with whom you have the closest kinship _____

Enclosed is payment for this membership (Make check payable to Clan Pollock)
\$15.00 Annual Membership \$16.00 via Pay Pal

Signature _____

Send application to: A. D. Pollock, Jr.
P. O. Box 404
Greenville KY 42345



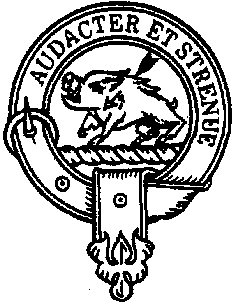
We are always looking for people who would like to be more active in the organization.

Among many benefits of volunteering — aside from giving back to the Scottish community — is getting to know others in our extended family.

- There are opportunities at local Games and events. See the information about it above in the Games section.
- There are things you can do from home.
 - Can you write? We need writers for the Newsletter and the website.
 - Know about websites and WordPress? We need help to update and expand the Clan Pollock website.
 - Know about genealogical research? We need help answering questions from people interested in the Clan.
 - Have ideas about how to make our organization even better? We want to hear them. Contact Clan President, A.D. Pollock, at the address on Page 1. We are looking forward to hearing from you!

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