



IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR, AGAIN

ANNUAL DUES DUE BY JUNE 30, 2002

SACRAMENTO, CA—(by Ross Little). Because The Reiver comes out only once a quarter, it's time now for the (early) annual reminder that Society dues are to be paid by the end of June of each calendar year.

The pertinent section of the Society by-laws are quoted below:

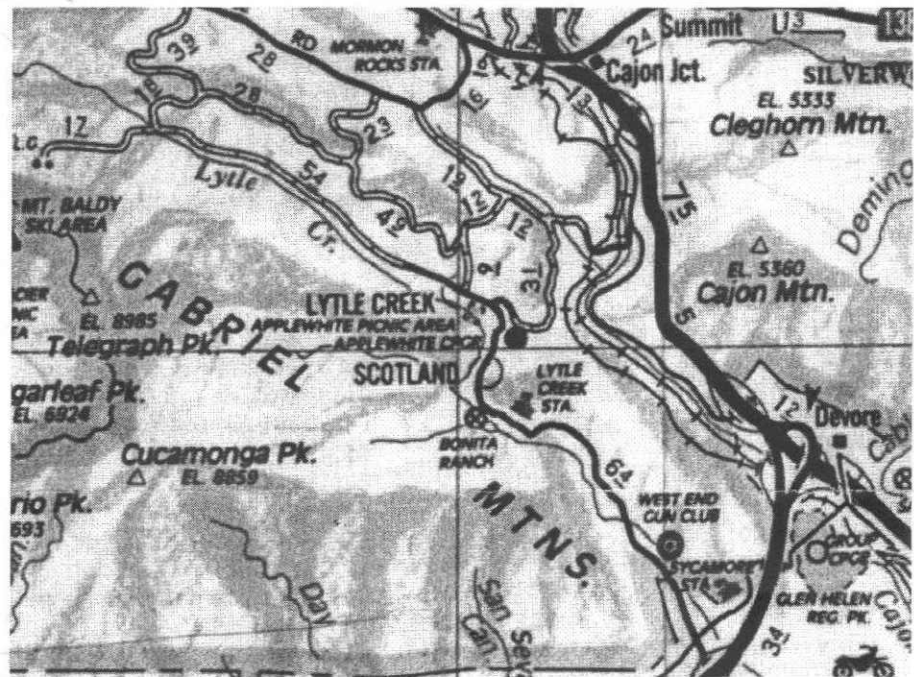
Article 2, Membership —

2.3 Individuals joining the Society shall pay a one time enrollment fee plus membership fee for an individual or for a family membership. With a family membership, both adults have voting rights. Persons who drop out of the Society and who later rejoin will not be assessed for the enrollment fee or for back dues. The fee amounts may be amended from time to time by a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of the Council.

2.4 Annual membership dues shall be due and payable on or before 30 June of each calendar year. Dues become delinquent on 26 August, sixty (60) days from the due date. The delinquent members will be notified of their delinquency in writing and allowed thirty (30) days to bring the dues payment current. Names of members who fail to submit their annual dues by 30 September will be placed on an inactive list and will receive no Society publications. Efforts will be made by the Membership Secretary and the Commissioners to resolve any problem and encourage them to renew their membership. If their renewal fees have not been received by 30 September of the following year, their names will be dropped from the Society's roll.

2.5 Members joining between 1 April and 30 June of any year shall be credited with dues paid through the next 30 June.

For your convenience, a membership renewal form is included as an insert in this issue of The Reiver. Send your dues to Ellen Conn at the address printed on the form. Beat the crowd and renew early!

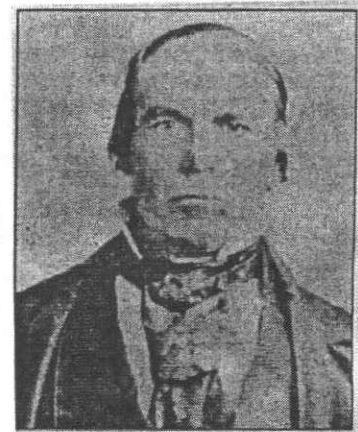


Lytle Creek, California, just north of San Bernadino in the San Gabriel Mountains. (map courtesy of Ross Little)

CATHEY'S VALLEY, CA (information supplied by Jan Cathey) During the Mexican War of 1846-48, a battalion of Mormons marched from Utah to California, called to duty because of being garrisoned further west than other U. S. Army regulars. After the war, a number remained in the area now called Lytle Canyon, naming the stream and the area after one of the organizers of the Mormon wagon train, Andrew Lytle. Ironically, he never lived there.

The area is historically famous for cattle raising and gold prospecting. Original land grants go back to the Mexican governors of the early 1800's. However, by the time of the Civil War, the entire area was held by Americans. By the 1900's, the area's water became its most valuable resource and figured in many political disputes between the emerging utilities and the still-present, tenacious prospectors.

Interestingly, the three newspaper articles do not mention what became of Andrew Lytle.



Andrew Lytle, namesake of Lytle Canyon and Lytle Creek north of San Bernadino, CA (from a newspaper clipping provided by Society member Jan Cathey)

EDITOR'S COLUMN

WEST LINN, OR — Again, friendly greetings from the Pacific Northwest. This quarter's issue gets taken up with stories that missed the Winter issue, some odds and ends, and administrative matters, such as annual dues.

Here in Oregon, the season really starts with Tartan Day, April 6th. The Scottish Country Shop in Portland goes all out, and the many Celtic-themed pubs celebrate with live music and dance performances. Statewide, the season opener is the annual St. Andrews Society gathering at the indoor amphitheater at the state fairgrounds in Salem, Oregon.

Our son Peter continues to be the most active in the family. He will be piping with the 79th NY Cameron Highlanders in the upcoming Rose Festival parade and will be at their first encampment and Civil War re-enactment at local McIvar Park at the end of April. We celebrated Robert Burns' Day with the 79th at a gathering at the Oregon City armory, complete with piping, haggis, and dramatic recitations of some of Burns' most famous poems. Unfortunately, a severe snow storm sent revelers home early.

For my part, I'm in the midst of assembling the documentation necessary to enroll both Peter and myself in the Sons of the American Revolution. The DAR seems to be better known, but the SAR is very active. I thought I had the problem solved when I found the muster records for my ggg-grandfather in the PA Archives (see article in the last Reiver). But it's not enough. The SAR requires documentary proof of the connections between each generation. So now it's time to pony up the money to get copies of birth & death records back into the 1700's.

And, as always, The Reiver can only print the stories and photos sent in by the membership. This coming season, take along the camera, take some notes, and send it all in to myself or any of the officers listed on the back cover.

We hope to meet as many members as possible during the 2002 season.

Chuck, Lynn, and Peter Lytle

Stewart's Herald

by Ross Little

SACRAMENTO, CA — Greetings for the new year 2002 and the second half of the Clan Society year. I trust all of you have survived the winter without too much trauma from winter storms or terrorist attacks.

We here in California are having a wet winter but we are getting ready for a new Scottish Games season.

This last season was a really good one. Two new Commissioners were signed up: John Little of Broken Arrow OK is our commissioner for a new Mid Central Region; and David Liddell is our new Commissioner in the North East Region. Congratulations! We are expecting great things from all.

We urge all of you to attend a Scottish Games in your area and think about representing the Society at one or more of the games. We have found that this is the best way to spread the news that there is a Clan Little Society NA. If you don't know where the games are look them up on the Internet, or like some of us old folks, get your kids to do it for you! Here are a couple of web pages to start from:

<http://www.asgf.org/>

<http://www.maclachlans.org/games.html>

We would really like to hear from any and all of you to let us know what you are doing and what your Society can do for you. Send photographs, we really would like to hear what is going on out there in the wide, wide North America.

How Do I Spell Thee? Let Me Count The Ways...

WEST LINN, OR — It now makes sense why genealogists use something called Soundex when tracing family lines into the past. The only way you can get beyond typos, bad spelling, mis-quoting, and downright illiteracy is to use the SOUND of a surname, not the way it's spelled. Of course, the Littles are no exception. In fact, in my own research, I've found the very same ancestor's surname spelled four different ways.

Ross Little sent me the following list, the type of which I've seen at other clan tables at Scottish gatherings. Our goal here is to eventually tabulate every known variation. If we've missed one or more, send it in!

Five Letters...

Litel, Litle Lytel, Lytle

Lidel, Lidle Lydel, Lydle

Litil, Lityl Lidil, Lidyl

Six Letters...

Littel, Little Lyttel, Lyttle

Liddel, Liddle Lyddel, Lyddle

Littil, Littyll Liddil, Liddyl

Litell, Lytell Lidell, Lydell

Lityll, Lytill Lidyll, Lydill

Seven Letters...

Littell, Liddell Lyttell, Lyddell

Littyll, Liddyll Littill, Lyttill

Liddall, Lyddall

Help! I'm running out of room. Ross also included the eight-letter Lyttille. Now, I'm not sure all of the above have actually been used. No offense if we accidentally missed your spelling. Send it in!

Davidson — Little Wedding Features Scottish Theme & Groom's Little Tartan



NEW LISKEARD, ONTARIO — Ashlyn Erica Davidson and Devin Joseph Little were married October 6, 2001 at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church. Ashlyn was 22 years old, and Devin was 25.

Devin reports that his grandfather, Alexander Little, was born in Scotland in 1926 and moved to Canada in 1929. His grandfather's family settled in rural northern Ontario, where his uncle Dan Little still farms. His grandmother Elta lives at a new homestead to which her family moved in the early 1960's. His grandfather passed away in 1986. His father, Norman, has 2 brothers, 3 sisters, and two half-sisters.

The Reiver and The Society extend best wishes to Ashlyn and congratulations to Devin.

Devin and Ashlyn can be reached at

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Ashlyn Erica (Davidson) Little, Devin Joseph Little, and Devin's family. If we did The Reiver in color, you could recognize the Clan Little Society tartan!



At the Tucson, Arizona Games...



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Jim K. and Olga Litel, Arizona Conveners, report a good 2001 season. The Tucson games were a great success after several slow years. Jim and Olga have been Conveners since 1996. Jim's brother William has just become our new San Joaquin Valley Convener and will be at games in Cabal, Felton, Modesto, and maybe others. The Litels and their family are very active and have been encouraged by their parents, Joseph and Patricia. We were all saddened to hear of Patricia's death on October 8, 2001. She will be greatly missed by everyone who knew her.

How to contact your Society Officers. Below is a list of Society elected and appointed officers. Please feel free to contact them with questions or comments about the Society.

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