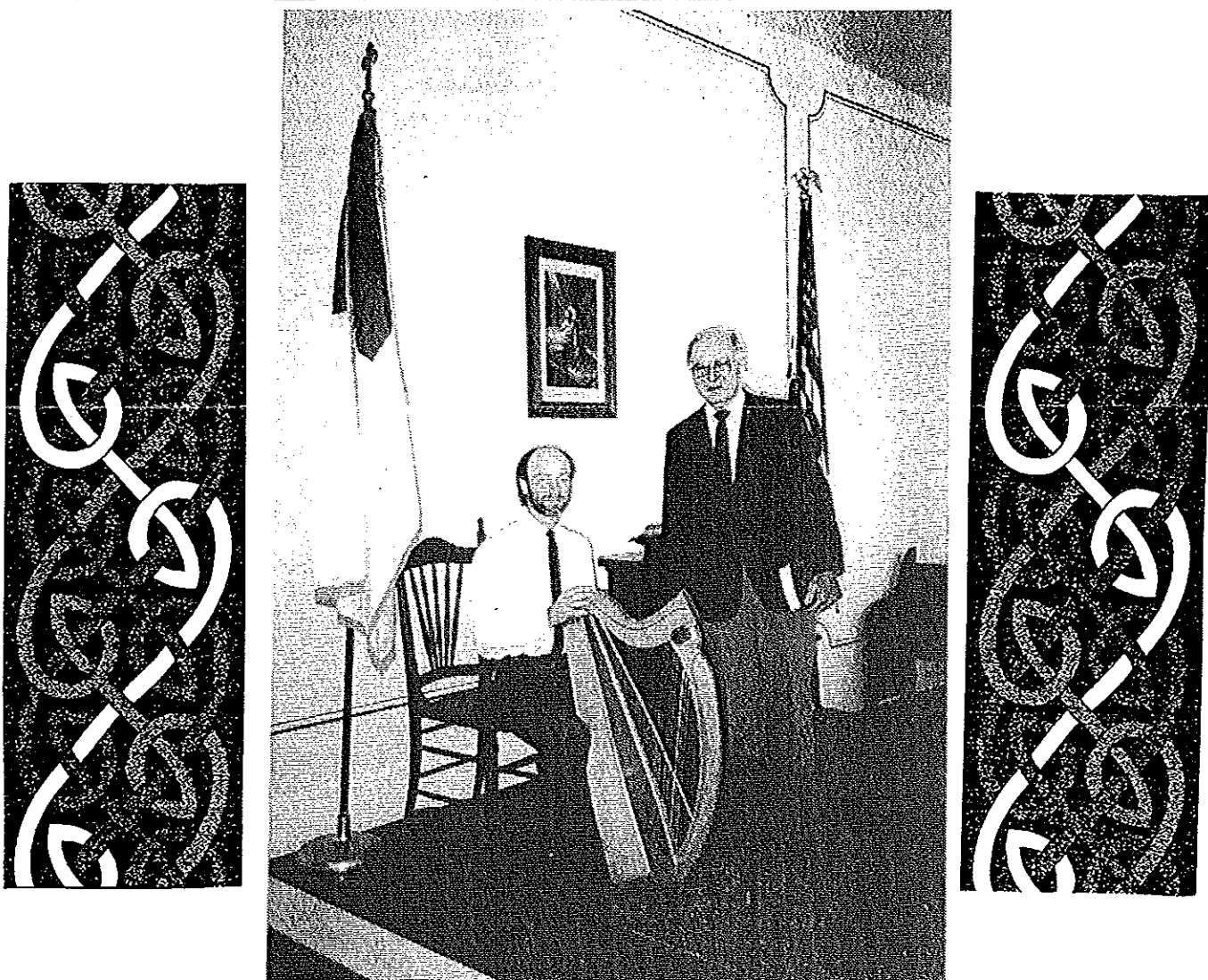


Livingston-Watson News



Pictured above is Reverend Garth Betry (standing) who shared a message on faith and Turner Collin (sitting) who played a number of songs on his Celtic harp at the 73rd Livingston - Watson Reunion on August 3, 1996 at the Rock Church. Mark your calendar! Our next reunion is August 2, 1997 at 10:30am.

Greetings from our Officers!

President - Byron Walker
 P.O. Box 1802
 Madison, WI 53701

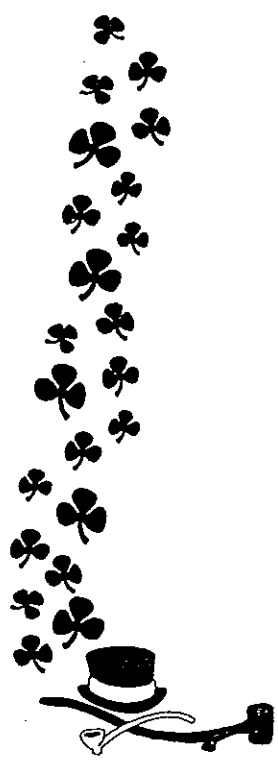
Vice Pres. - Marge Davis
 810 Williams St.
 Platteville, WI 53818

Treasurer - Robert Livingston
 610 Herda Ave.
 Twin Lakes, WI 53181

Newsletter - Mary Howe
 126 Loraine Dr.
 Genoa, IL 60135

Our Past Presidents -

1924 William C. Livingston
 1925 Jack Watson
 1926 Vi Livingston
 1950's John Biddick
 Hannah Little
 1953 Shirley Kramer
 1972 Jean Skaife
 1973 Harley Walker
 1974 Alvin Livingston
 1980 Greta Howdle
 1981 Rachel Brekke
 1984 Byron Walker
 1985 Russell Hill
 1987 Myra Hill
 1988 Kay Kramer
 1989 Reese Walker
 1990 Mike Greet
 1991 Silas J. Paul
 1992 Jane Knutson
 1993 Harry Kitchener
 1994 Marge Davis
 1995 Marge Davis
 1996 Marge Davis
 1997 Byron Walker



Treasurer's Report

Balance as of 1/96 \$1,190.00

Dues & Donations: 187.35

Memorials:

Carlyle Livingston 100.00

Richard Theide 50.00

Dr. Crosby Glenn 20.00

Maureen Peckham 10.00

William Livingston 20.00

Total \$1,602.35

Expenditures:

Badgerland- Labels <103.00>

Newsletters & Postage <366.82>

Reunion Expenses -

Pastor Betry < 45.00>

Organist < 15.00>

Hall & Cleanup < 60.00>

Postcards & Pop < 88.50>

Flowers & Programs < 45.00>

Turner Collins < 25.00>

Total <733.32>

Balance as of 3/97 \$ 892.53

Please dear friends, our treasurer mentioned we'd appreciate all the dues, donations and memorials given to the Livingston-Watson Association. It is your financial support that keeps the expenses paid. Presently, we have enough in the association's checking account to cover expenses for another year. Thanks!

1997

* **CLIP & SEND YOUR DUES/DONATIONS**

* **TO: Robert Livingston, Treasurer**

* **Livingston - Watson Association**

* **610 Herda Ave.**

* **Twin Lakes, WI 53181**

* **Single \$1.00** _____ **Family \$1.50** _____

* **Donation \$** _____

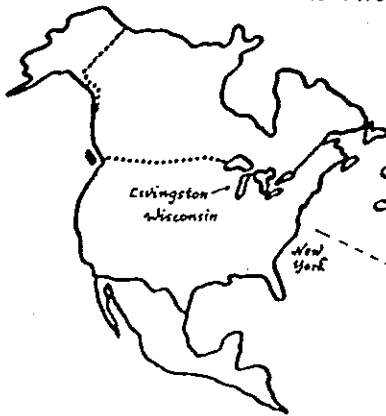
Getting Ready for a Sunday Picnic of Yesteryear!



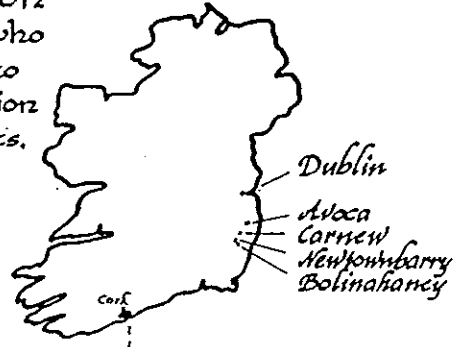
Pictured in the middle wearing a straw hat is Joe Livingston. To the right is Hercules Rundle. Hercules' son is holding his child. The son's wife is to the left with two other children sitting on the ground. (My "thanks" to Ned Livingston for the use of his photo.)

Livingston-Watson Family

This book of Pedigree Charts of the Livingston and Watson Families is dedicated to Frank H. Livingston now 102 years old, who devoted his lifetime to collecting the information contained in these charts.



Canada and
The United States of America



Ireland

Copies of the book of Livingston-Watson family charts are still available from the author, William Livingstone. The cost is \$12.00. Send your order to:

William Livingstone
598 Northshore Blvd. E.
Burlington, Ontario L7T1X2, Canada

**Reflections Shared by Ken Adrian
(Grandson of Hubert Livingston and Martha Skaife.)**

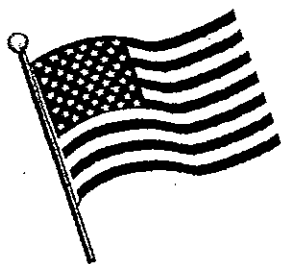
My mother was Gussie Livingston, the middle daughter of Hubert Livingston and Martha Skaife. Hubert, my grandfather, came from Ireland sometime before the Civil War and farmed near the Rock Church.

He went to Calgary, Canada in 1890 at the urging of his Uncle Sam Livingston. Sam had left Wisconsin in 1849 for the California Gold Rush. He trapped in the Rocky Mountains and ended up in Calgary in the last half of the 1800's. He'd married a Native-American and had a large family. He acquired land which made him the first permanent white settler.

Hubert and his family only stayed about a year. I guess it was a little too wild for them. My mother was a year old when they went to Canada. Hubert spent a year with his buddies at the Georgia Gold Rush which was a bust. In 1910 he went to New Mexico and started accumulating land. It was both dry and irrigated in the Portalos Valley. Martha, his wife, would not come to New Mexico 'till she'd gotten all the kids thru high school. She and her youngest son, Ken, went down in the 1920's. Ken, who was my uncle, farmed and taught school the rest of his life in New Mexico.

Hubert died during World War II and his estate was settled during the war. His land would have been worth a fortune if he'd have lived until after the war.

A few years ago it was discovered that Hubert had the mineral rights on 40 acres in I believe Santa Rosa County. An oil company wanted to lease it to drill for oil. This was over 50 years ago after his death . . . so the estate is not settled yet.



Pictured is Ken Adrian receiving a medal in the 8th Air Force during W.W. II. He flew 35 missions. Ken was recalled in the Korean War and flew 55 more missions in B-26's.



Patrick began his studies for the priesthood. He was ordained and later became a Bishop. Patrick was sent to take the Gospel to Ireland. He arrived in Ireland March 17, 433 in Slane. One legend says he was met by Chieftain Dichu who tried to kill him. Patrick was able to convert the chieftain because he was unable to move his arm until he become friendly with Patrick.

Patrick began preaching the Gospel to thousands of people converting them and building churches throughout all of Ireland in 40 years. He performed many miracles and wrote his love for God in his book Confessions. After living in much poverty, traveling and suffering he died March 17, 461 in Saul where he built his first church.



Why the Shamrock?

St. Patrick used a shamrock to explain the Trinity and has been associated with him since that time.

Your letters and photos have been the "real life line" to our newsletters. Keep them coming! Thanks to all of you. If you know of someone who would like a newsletter, send me their address. If you would like a list of the members, please drop me a line. A \$3.00 donation will help with the cost of supplies and postage. Send to: Mary Howe

126 Loraine Dr.
Genoa, IL 60135

Here are a few greetings!

Dorothy Nigrine writes, "Her grandfather, John Hill, laid the cornerstone of the Rock Church."

Irene Meikle wishes us "Good-luck" and has been a long time member since 1931!

While visiting Botswana, Africa, Jean Skaife saw the Livingston tree. Jean writes, "The name was given by David L. Livingston because he liked camping under these big trees." (see below)



The Livingston Tree - Botswana, Africa

The Editor's Reflections . . .



Dear Friends,

It was a beautiful August day for the 1996 reunion. Enjoying the scenic drive over rolling hills from Illinois to Livingston, Wisconsin, I almost ended up in Iowa. Twenty miles later, I was back on track heading north. Then looking down at the floor board of my car, were a pair of garden shoes bedecking my feet. Beth, my daughter, and I had a good laugh. It was too late to turn back. Rock Church here we come!

It was 80 degrees and a breeze quietly blew thru open windows of the beloved Rock Church. The birds welcomed us with their heavenly chirps. Pastor Garth Betry provided the sermon. He spoke on personal choice. "We may have nothing, but we have everything." The power to make choices is a great gift. Forgiveness, hope, faith, and love can be our choice. God's great gift, His Son, enables us the freedom to choose life!

Special music was performed by Turner Collin on his Celtic harp. The melody, "Traditional Scottish Air" seemed to take me to a different place and time. It enriched my appreciation of the joy of music. I think many of us felt quite blessed to enjoy such a special experience listening to a beautiful stringed instrument. Turner performs in a group called "Far From Home."

Fresh carnations were given to the family members as memorials were read. As the service concluded many walked to the adjacent cemetery to pay their respects to departed loved ones. Like the church, the cemetery is well taken care of. Returning to town we enjoyed a delicious potluck at the Livingston United Methodist Fellowship Hall.

Our 75th reunion is a year and a half away. It was mentioned we will need some help to make it a very special celebration. If you have any ideas, themes, etc., please drop me a line. I so enjoyed

hearing from many of you last year. Your help and support make this newsletter possible. Thank you and God's blessings!

Sincerely,
Mary Howe, Editor



Kid's Corner

The Story of St. Patrick--A little bit Roman, a little bit Scottish and a little bit Irish!

In 385 A.D. a baby boy, Patrick, was born in Scotland, probably Kilpatrick. His parent were Calpurnius and Conchessa who were Romans living in Britain in charge of the colonies. At 14 years or so, he was captured by a raid and taken to Ireland to work as a slave tending and herding sheep. Ireland at that time was the land of Druids and pagans. He learned the language and the practices of the people who held him.

During captivity he turned to God in prayer. When he was 20 years he had a dream from God telling him to leave Ireland and escape the way of the coast. There he found some sailors who took him back to Britain to be reunited to his family.

Patrick had another dream which the people of Ireland were calling him "We beg you, holy youth to come and walk among us once more."



Memorials



Col. George B. Andrew (77) died June 19, 1994. He was the grandson of Elizabeth Watson and George "Allie" Andrew.

George D. "Andy" Andrew (44) died September 7, 1995. He was the great-grandson of Elizabeth Watson and George "Allie" Andrew.

Earl H. Black (84) died July 11, 1995. His wife, Lela, was the granddaughter of Margaret Livingston and James Hunt, Sr.

Mabel Boreson died August 8, 1995.

Grace B. Carmichael (101) died May 11, 1996. She was the daughter of Grace B. Watson and Chas. G. Lewis.

William Carmichael (98) died October 12, 1995. His wife was Grace Carmichael, the daughter of Grace B. Watson and Chas. G. Lewis.

Gerald E. Fieldhouse (71) died September 12, 1995. He was the grandson of Martha Ellen Watson and Arthur J. Fieldhouse.

Margaret Frederickson (84) died October 5, 1995. She was the daughter of Rev. Wm. Miekle and Susan Grace (Livingston) Miekle.

Warren L. Hill (74) died November 24, 1995. He was the grandson of John Hill and Mary Ann Watson.

Alice Jenkins died in 1995.

Alice E. Livingston died May 21, 1994. She was the wife of Forrest Livingston.

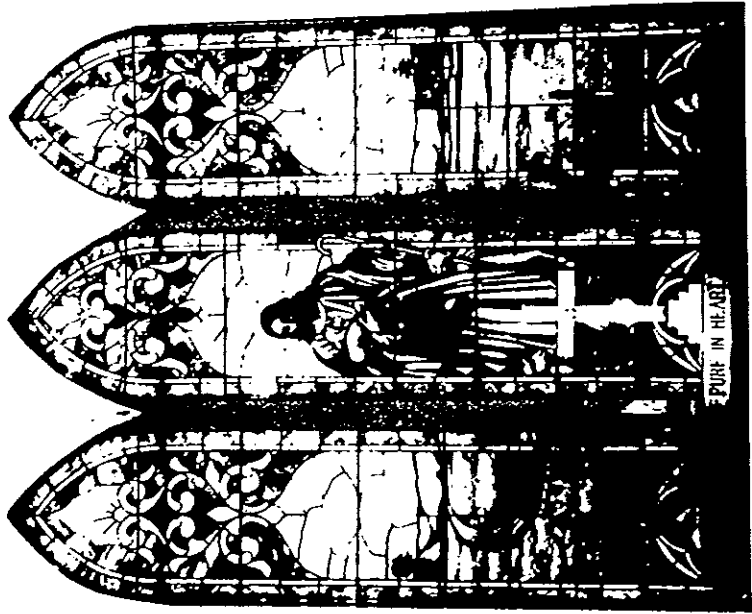
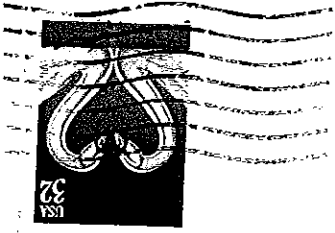
Daisy Livingston (89) died February 4, 1996. She was the wife of James Edward Livingston.

Mary Ardell Montgomery died February 13, 1993. She was the granddaughter of William and Mary Frye and the Great-granddaughter of Hugh and Grace Livingston.

Ed Orr died April 24, 1996. He was the husband of Belva Livingston Orr.

Virginia F. Reynolds (64) died January 24, 1995. She was the granddaughter of Martha Ellen Watson and Arthur J. Fieldhouse.

Arlene Rinde (82) died February 27, 1996. She was the granddaughter of John Hill and Mary Ann Watson.



Irish Blessing

May these rich blessings be your due...
A wealth of friendships, old and new,
quiet nights and busy days,
time for prayer and time for praise,
some service rendered, some solace given,
and gentle peace with God and heaven.

(Photo is taken of a window from the
Livingston United Methodist Church.)

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