

“Rekindling Kinship”

An Open Invitation to the Celtic Community to be a part of the 6th Annual Rampant Lion Celtic Family Picnic and BBQ April 26th 2008, Fielder Park, Arlington, TX

Spring is upon us and that means more time outside as the days get longer and the nights shorter. What better way to get out of the house and have some fun than with a bunch of fellow Scots, Irish, Welsh and any others who claim a Celtic heritage?

In 2002 a small group of people in the Texas Gunns and TSF eGroups hatched the idea of bring people together and having a *traditional* Scottish Ceilidh. Originally called “The Rampant Lion Picnic and BBQ”, taking its’ name from the Scottish Rampant Lion Standard, we have since extended the name and the scope to bring together all people who celebrate Celtic Heritage and Culture. Our formula is simple: Bring your favorite BBQ ingredients, meats, veggies, and desserts, enough for your family plus one or two extra. We throw it all on the grill, (not the desserts and snack stuff, just the meat) and everyone shares in the resulting goodies. Over the last five years we have shared our food and our drink, our laughter, our music, and even some tears, and have also realized that being together as an extended family with a shared common heritage brings us all closer.

Some of the Scots in the area are slowly working our way back to the original meaning of “Ceilidh” (Ceili to our Irish cousins). Ceilidh means a “gathering” of friends and family to share food, drink, fellowship and entertainment. The food, drink and fellowship part we have gotten well sorted out. But we are still working on getting folks to share their talents. So if you play an instrument, sing, dance, recite, or tell stories, **Please step up and lead the way for our bunch of shy Scots...**

Seriously, we don’t care if you are good, bad, or just average, it’s all family, and nobody is going to snicker. You don’t have to be great, just willing! So bring your weapons and show the Scots how the Irish do it!

This is our 6th year to hold this event and each year it has grown and brings in new faces, renews old friendships, and fuels our love of our shared Celtic Heritage. This year’s theme for the picnic is, **“Rekindling Kinship.”** It is our hope that as people gather, not only from the Scottish community but the Irish as well, that we will all feel a renewed sense of being a part of an extended family, and will teach our love of the Celtic culture to our young ones, friends and family.

This is an open invitation to ***you*** to join us on Saturday, April 26th, 2008 for our **6TH ANNUAL RAMPANT LION CELTIC FAMILY PICNIC AND BBQ**. There is no cost other than bringing your food / meat items to share with others. We are asking for a small give-what-you-can donation to help cover the cost of the park permits, but that is not a requirement to attend this event and be part of it. The pipes are calling... The BBQ Pits stand ready...and the whisky (whiskey) is in the jar. Will you join us this year to spend a great day of...

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Location: Fielder Park, 1100 S Fielder Rd, Arlington, TX 76013
Date / Times: Saturday, April 26th, 2008 10:00am to Late (Last Celt Standing is our usual formula)

For additional information contact any of the Coordinators

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What to Bring:

Recommended: Ice chest or cooler to keep drinks and food cool; camp chairs or blankets to sit on; little necessities for the wee ones, personal utensils; etc.

Optional: Camp Stove, other camp equipment, but no tents please. (We have plenty)