



# MacFarlane's Lantern

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War cry: Loch Sloy! Motto: This I'll defend. Badge: Cranberry.  
Crest: A demi-savage holding a sheaf of arrows in his right hand and pointing with his left to an imperial crown. (Granted to Regent Moray for the clan's services at the Battle of Langside.)

Officers for 1977-1978: President, Ian MacFarlane; Vice President, Walter Morgan Jr.; Vice President, Genealogy, Earl McFarland; Secretary-Treasurer, Dorothy MacFarland; Chaplain, Woodie Miller; Newsletter Editor, Geneva Montgomery.

### CLANSMEN IN THE NEWS

Fredrick H. Miller, who served as legal counsel to former Wisconsin Governor Warren P. Knowles, has been named to direct the Bureau of Planning and of Needs and Review in the State Division of Health. Miller, of Madison, Wis., has been in private law practice since leaving state government.

Dr. Ben R. Lawton, president of the Marshfield (Wis.) Clinic, has been elected to a five-year term in the prestigious Institute of Medicine. The Institute, part of the National Academy of Sciences, enlists distinguished persons who have made major contributions in the field of health and medicine.

Irish trade union official Walter McFarland said (in November) that the union would agree to a request from the American Teamsters Union to refuse to service the chartered flight scheduled to fly Lillian Carter from Dublin. The powerful Irish Transport and General Workers Union said it had been asked by the Teamsters to "black" or refuse to serve the chartered flight by Trans International Airlines because the company was in an official trade dispute.

J. M. "Mac" Davis was dinner chairman of the 29th annual Lincoln Day dinner of the Waukesha County (Wis.) Republican Party. Davis is chairman of the county organization's South Central branch committee.

Delo R. V. Miller has been named circulation manager of Clear Lake City Daily Citizen, Conroe, Tex.

Donald Miller has been appointed publisher of the Sedalia, Mo. Democrat and Capital.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry McFarland, Mansfield, Ohio, recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Molly Weir, actress, was pictured in the Oct. 11, 1977 issue of The Milwaukee Sentinel chatting with Nobel Peace Prize winners Betty Williams and Mairead Corrigan, Northern Ireland Peace movement leaders. Molly was known to millions as the perky cook "Aggie" in "Life with the Lyons" and other TV shows in Britain. In films her best known roles were in "The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie" and "Scrooge." She has published her autobiography "Shoes Were for Sunday," and "Molly Weir's Recipes," which I found in a shop on Skye. (Anyone want an authentic recipe for scalloped parsnips or plum sponge?)

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Cindy Darlene Miller, 20, Miss United States, attended a party at London's Lyceum Ballroom for Miss World contestants last November. Miss Miller is from Chesapeake, Va.

Mary McFarland, a senior at Oregon State University at Cornvallis spent the summer working as an instructor teaching high school cheerleaders and rally squads the finer points of how to get football and basketball crowds to cheer their teams on. She is an instructor for the ICF cheerleaders school, which is affiliated with the NCAA and is headquartered in Kansas City, Mo. After a week's orientation at Park College in Missouri, teams of four were assigned to teach at weeklong clinics on campuses around the nation. Her travels took her to Iowa State University, Doane College in Nebraska, Salina Kas., Northeast Louisiana University, University of Southwestern Louisiana, University of Texas, University of Arizona, Gonzaga University in Spokane, Fresno State in California and California at Berkeley. Incidentally, Mary is a college cheer leader and a major in communications.

Prof. Richard Lee Sanford has been appointed chairman of the engineering department at University of Wisconsin-Platteville.

Disc jockey Steve McFarland, who has been at radio station WOKY in Milwaukee, has resigned to take a job with WWL in New Orleans. He will be taking over an afternoon talk slot at the 50,000 watt clear channel boomer.

#### JORDAN SMITH ON TRAINING TOUR

Jordan Smith, Martinez, Calif., was one of 400 men and women cadets of the California Maritime Academy, along with faculty and staff, who left on Jan. 15 on the academy's training ship, TS Golden Bear, for a 10 week training cruise. The Golden Bear will log about 12,000 miles with 23 days spent in ports of call. The ship will call at Los Angeles, Honolulu, Maui, Moumea, New Caledonia, Suva, Fiji, Hilo and San Diego before returning Mar. 24.

Jordan entered the academy in Vallejo last August and is training to be a merchant marine deck officer in the four-year program. He is the son of charter members Charles and Betty Smith, who with daughter Katharine finally made it to Grandfather Mountain last July, arriving by way of New Orleans, Atlanta, and Cherokee, N.C., and returning home by way of Williamsburg, Va., Pennsylvania, Fredonia, N. Y., Canada and Niagara Falls, by rented car, and flying the rest of the way home from Buffalo.

#### HELLO, WORLD

Neal and Margaret McFarlane, 7125 W. Windlake Rd., Wind Lake, Wis. are the parents of a daughter born Jan. 21.

#### WEDDING BELLS

Patricia Vera and James McFarlane, Union Grove, Wis., tied the knot western style Nov. 19 in the little chapel on the hill at the Kettle Moraine Ranch near Eagle, Wis. The ranch itself resembles an old western town complete with saloon, where the reception was held.

"We're horse people," Mrs. Vera said in explaining why she and her fiance decided on a western theme for their wedding. She breeds quarter horses and participates in western horse shows. For the wedding she wore a gown of cream voile with choker collar, ruffles and lace. McFarlane wore black pants, white western shirt and gambler's black tie and black leather vest and boots. The couple arrived at the chapel in a horse drawn antique buggy.

## CLANSMAN OF THE YEAR

Dr. Ben H. Jenkins, Newnan, Ga. has for the last 12 years donated the top prize in the world of piping, at the Junior Piping Championship of Scotland, which is held at Madras College, St. Andrews, on St. Andrews Day. That top prize is a set of bagpipes, fully mounted in ivory, with the MacFarlane tartan, and it goes to the best young piper in Scotland.

Pipe Major Bert Barron wrote a new piping tune several years ago called "Dr. Ben H. Jenkins, Newnan, Georgia, U.S.A." The year this was written it won a prize as the best new piping song and was played over BBC. In 1976 it was used by the massed pipe bands at the Braemar Games as their first tune.

Dr. Ben writes, "As you can tell, I enjoy pipe music and really get a kick out of hearing the young boys and girls in Scotland play and I am glad they are keeping up that tradition."

## KEATONS WENT, ARE GOING TO SCOTLAND

The Keatons, Diane and Chuck, of Vienna, Va. were among the lucky ones who were able to attend the Gathering of the Clans in Edinburgh last summer. Diane writes that they went to Arrochar where they visited the last chief's house.

The wife of the new owner is a MacFarlane descended from one of the families that went to Ireland a couple hundred years ago. The house has been altered by low wings at the side to make a hotel to serve more people. This was done with a \$300,000 grant from the Scottish Historical Trust, which means that the outside cannot be changed any further. (Diane and Chuck will be reproducing pictures of the chief's house before it was altered, suitable for framing. The pictures will be available to members in good standing of Clan MacFarlane Society.)

Over the door of the house is a commemorative stone bearing the date 1697, the figures separated by an engraved "Scots' Whistle," and underneath is carved an inscription in Gaelic, a free translation of which is: This stone was taken from the main entrance of the house built by John, Chief of the MacFarlanes, and Laird of ARROCHAR, in the year inscribed upon it." The stone probably came from the castle on the island.

Most of the MacFarlane chiefs were buried in the churchyard at Luss, but at least one was buried in the churchyard halfway between Arrochar and Tarbet. This church was sold to some friend of the head of the town council who promptly turned it into a garage. Diane says, "We really ought to do something about building some kind of stone wall to set off the graveyard from what is now a business."

Diane and Chuck will be off to Scotland in May, taking along a tape recorder for producing a photo essay on Scottish power. Included will be some fantastic stories told by Mrs. MacLeod and her brother, whose mother used to own the chief's house, about how the house is haunted by the ghost of a chief's wife who was carrying on with the chief of the Colquhouns, the lady in green, and others. We'll be able to enjoy this photo essay at the annual meeting this summer.

They, the Keatons, will be in London two days, will attend a photo lab in Derbyshire, will travel to Glasgow, Arrochar and Tarbet, Inverness, and will attend the Chelsea flower show, all squeezed into two weeks.

## ATTENTION, CALLANDERS

Bruce D. Callander, 9948 Murnane St., Vienna, Va. is interested in contacting Callanders in the U.S., Canada or elsewhere, however the name is spelled. In some references Callander is listed as a sept

of Clan MacFarlane. Bruce's roots go back to a family of that name in Falkirk (Stirlingshire) Scotland. The name goes back to the period of Roman occupation, and after that the Callanders were said to have taken over the fortifications and, over the centuries, built them into a sizeable mansion - Callander House - which now belongs to the city of Falkirk.

An Alexander Callander, born in 1775, was married to Agnes Stirling and they sailed for Canada in 1820. Their eldest son, 12, died at Greenock while waiting for the boat, and a daughter, born on the boat, died. The family arrived in Canada with six children, worked their passage down the St. Lawrence by towing the French barges. They settled first in Dalhousie Township, Ontario and later moved to North Gower, near Ottawa. From there they scattered through Canada and the U. S. in succeeding generations. Bruce's immediate ancestors settled in Ohio around the turn of the century.

Bruce would like to update the record of the other descendants of Alexander and Agnes (the record for his grandfather's, Robert Callander's, offspring is fairly complete), discover more of the history of the Falkirk relatives who did not emigrate, and pursue the family line back from the 1600s in hope of establishing some direct ties to the Callanders of the 1300s. He would like to hear from anyone bearing the name, however spelled, for at some distant date he would revise and reprint the genealogy he has and make it available to anyone interested.

#### CONNECTICUT CONNECTION

Peter Folsom McFarlin, Westwolde, Pomfret Center, Conn. sent much data he has gleaned in the last 10 years regarding the McFarlin branch. (Peter is vice president and past genealogist of the Folsom Family Assn. of America.) He says he has never been able to make the connection across the Atlantic and is much interested in continuing this research.

William McFarland was born May 8, 1780 in Ireland. He was the son of a McFarland and Margery Anderson, born in Ireland. Their children were Isabel, Mary, Alexander, William, Andrew and James (born 1795). William married Elizabeth Loveland of Chelsea, Vt. They had 12 children, Lydia (Mahan), Matilda (Price), Ames, Jemima, Anderson, Candace, Lovina (Harris), and Annetta and four whose names we do not have.

Anderson McFarlin (note change in spelling), born Apr. 12, 1828, was married to Sarah Kirk, in Coitsville, Ohio, and had children William E., Alice K., Lovina J., Mary Olive, Bettie B., William K., Frank M., Thomas E. and Charles A.

William Kirk McFarlin was born Dec. 5 (or Feb.) 1860 in Coitsville and was married to Margaret Welles Wiltsie, June 9, 1891. Their children were C. Kirk and Donald Welles, born Oct. 18, 1900 in E. Orange, N. J.

Donald Welles was married to Margaret Folsom, Jan. 23, 1932 in Brookline, Mass. Their children were David, Margaret Alison and Peter Folsom. Peter and his wife, Robin Lee Walden, had children Jeffrey Folsom, Andrew Kirk and Jennifer.

#### OHIO CONNECTION

Mae McFarland, 315 E. Railroad St., Gallion, Ohio, wife of the late Ralph Clinton McFarland Sr., can trace her husband's family back to William McFarland, born in Ireland in 1752. He married Jane Brown and came to the U.S. on the North Star.

Second generation, Robert McFarland, born in Ireland 1793-4, married to Jane Bushfield.

Third generation, John N. McFarland, born 1833 in Virginia, married Elizabeth Ellen Lowe. Moved to Richwood, Ohio.

Fourth generation, John F. McFarland, born Oct. 22, 1869, married Katharina Schurch.

Fifth generation Ralph Clinton McFarland Sr., born Dec. 15, 1898 at Richwood, Ohio. Married first to Ellen Sherer. Had son Ralph Clinton McFarland, born Feb. 5, 1925, who married Patricia Hurley. Second marriage was to Mae Roethlisberger, and their children were Sandra Mae, John Douglas and Ernst Boyd. Anyone wishing further information may write to Mae at the above address.

#### INDIAN MASSACRE

Emma Caucutt Salter wouldn't sell liquor to the Indians and as a consequence she was killed with an axe handle her husband had made. A concrete marker stands beside Hy. 80, halfway between Necedah and New Lisbon, Wis., marking the spot where she was brutally beaten to death. It reads: "Mrs. Salter killed here by the Indians June 13, 1863. 2 Indians, Jo and Jim Dandy killed by Salter and buried here. This axe handle killed 2 Indians and Mrs. Salter. Puch-a-gee."

Mr. Salter made and sold axe handles and he was out looking for suitable timber when the murder occurred. His wife, Emma, and the baby were alone in the cabin when Jo and Jim Dandy came looking for liquor. When the murder was discovered, a posse was formed, and the Indians were soon found. When George Salter was found and brought to the cabin he saw his dead wife and the Indians who had killed her at the same time and went "stark crazy." He grabbed one of his axe handles, which happened to be the murder weapon, still dripping with his wife's blood, and killed Jo and Jim then and there. He then vowed that he would kill any Indian he met, and it is claimed that he later killed 19.

Salter was arrested, but the jury would not convict him of the killings. He later married Elizabeth Caucutt, Emma's sister, built a tavern across the road from the cabin, which he called "Hell's Delight" and ran for a number of years.

The Caucutt girls were the sisters-in-law of Ellen (Nell) McFarland, who was married to Henry Caucutt. Ellen was the daughter of Alexander McFarland and Mary Anderson McFarland, who came to Wisconsin in 1840.

#### DANIEL MC FARLAND ACQUITTED OF MURDER

The jury was out only 40 minutes when they returned the verdict "Not guilty." Daniel McFarland was on trial (May 1870) for the murder of A. D. Richardson, accused by McFarland of breaking up his marriage and of having a love affair with Mrs. McFarland.

She had married Daniel in 1857 when she was 19. Born in Massachusetts, she had been a teacher, and 10 years later was performing at Winter Garden in New York at \$20 a week. She was living at a lodging house on Amity St. and Richardson came to lodge at the same house. She had met him frequently at friends' homes.

One day Daniel came to the house and found his wife standing at Richardson's door. He was furious all night and the next day, was drunk all day and tormented and abused her. They separated soon after and one day Richardson called for her at the theater. Daniel also showed up and shot Richardson in the thigh. He also aimed several shots at his wife but missed.

In 1868 she went to Indiana to apply for a divorce from Daniel on the grounds of drunkenness, cruelty and failure to support a wife.

In October the divorce was granted, and the day after Thanksgiving Richardson went back to New York. A week later came news that he was mortally wounded and she went to New York to nurse him. He asked her to marry him so she would have legal right to rear his children, and they were married at his bedside.

The Waukesha Freeman in far-off Wisconsin felt keenly about the matter and in an editorial stated: "If McFarland should be sentenced to die, he will be regarded by a great number of people as a martyr in the holy cause of conjugal fidelity. If he should be found not guilty, it will be another confession that our laws do not fulfill their whole object and that some crimes at least must be punished outside of the law if punished at all.

"In any event, it seems as though free lovers and agitators of 'woman's rights' must now begin to see that their theories, however plausible in the abstract, bring only bloodshed and horror when attempted to be put into practice to their full extent."

Even Horace Greeley felt called upon to comment in an editorial in The New York Daily Tribune: "I knew him (Richardson) as brave, generous and noble. I never heard anyone breathe a whisper to his discredit until this trouble arose. That he could be guilty of seducing a wife from her husband is contrary to all I ever knew or believed of him."

The Freeman uses the case as the subject for an editorial against easy divorces: "The lamentable McFarland case is an illustration of some of its (easy divorce) features. A woman promises to love, honor and obey a man until death part them. She becomes dissatisfied with her husband and procures an Indiana divorce, liking another man for the time. Her husband, maddened by the thought that a stranger is destroying his home, kills the intruder like a dog. Whether he is punished for the homicide or not, will not at all change the moral of the story. If free and easy divorce had not been possible, Albert D. Richardson was too honest and sensible a man to have meddled with his neighbor's wife. But they were possible, and a brilliant career is ended in dust and ashes -- his slayer has occupied a felon's cell for months -- and the woman who was the cause of all this is suffering untold agonies in her solitude."

#### DEATHS

Dr. Earl F. Weir, Vista Park Ct., Nashotah, Wis. died of an apparent heart attack at his home July 28, 1977. He was 72. He had developed a mobile post-anesthesia recovery unit in the early 1950s and because of his contributions to medical science, he was honored by the National Library of Medicine in Bethesda, Md., where his portrait hangs.

He was chief of anesthesiology and director of operating rooms at Baylor University Medical Center of Dallas from 1944 to 1955. He was a native of Waupun, Wis. and a graduate of the University of Wisconsin Medical School.

He is survived by son James of Oconomowoc, Wis. His wife, Margaritha, died Mar. 18, 1977.

Sally A. Weaver, Shorewood, Wis. died in Milwaukee Feb. 12. She is survived by daughters Mrs. David (Sally) Detienne, Gainesville, Fla., Mrs. John (Ann) Maul, Milwaukee, and Mrs. Quentin (Martha) McVey, and brother Dr. John L. Armbruster, Milwaukee.

She was executive director of Christoph Memorial YWCA in Waukesha, Wis. for 12 years. In 1956 she became the first woman to

serve on the City of Waukesha Fire and Police Commission. She served until 1961. In 1975 Lawrence University, Appleton, Wis. gave her the Alumni Distinguished Service Award for community service.

Frances L. McFarland, Wauwatosa, Wis., formerly of Schnectady, N. Y. died Oct. 24, 1977. Her husband, James L. McFarland, preceded her in death. She is survived by one son, William, six grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Burial was in St. Peter's Cemetery, Troy, N. Y.

#### WHERE ARE THEY NOW? DEPT.

Remember "Spanky" of the "Little Rascals?" George (Spanky) McFarland was born in Dallas, Tex., Oct. 2, 1928 and made his acting debut at the age of three. He appeared in more than 95 "Our Gang" shorts over a period of 11 years. These are now shown on television as the "Little Rascal" series. He hasn't been in show business since 1944, doing everything from making popsicles to joining the Air Force. He does make occasional appearances on college campuses. Spanky lives near Fort Worth, Tex. with his family and is area manager for Philco-Ford Television Corp.

#### GOOD TO KNOW

Peter MacFarlane was one of the Scottish-Americans who helped organize the Illinois Saint Andrew Society in 1845. At that time Chicago had a population of about 12,000 and had just weathered a depression. The Scottish Home in North Riverside, Ill. is supported by the Society.

#### COMING UP

The descendants of William McFarland and Nancy Kilgore McFarland hold a reunion in Mansfield, Ohio, the first Thursday in August. Does anyone have further information on William and Nancy and the reunion?

There will be a Scottish picnic June 18 at Naga-Waukee Park on Nagawicka Lake near Delafield, Wis. (west of Milwaukee 20 miles). Take Hy. 83 north from Interstate 94 for about a mile and turn west on Mariner Rd. Another half mile or so and you're there. There will be piping, games and prizes for the children. The picnic will be sponsored by the Caledonian Society of Milwaukee, St. Andrews Societies of Milwaukee and Madison, the Billy Mitchell Pipe Band and Clan Donald. Bring your own food. Beer and soda will be available.

Annual meeting of Clan MacFarlane will again be held at the pool pavilion, Eeseola Lodge, Linville, N.C. on Saturday, July 8, at 5 p.m. More on this from Pres. Ian as time for the Games at Grandfather Mountain approaches.

#### MC FARLAND, WIS.

A hard-cover book, "The City of the Second Lake" is the story of the founding and progress of McFarland, Wis. It was written by Barbara Houghton, Jane Licht and Margaret Nielson, ably assisted by Roy McFarland, Madison, whose forebears had much to do with the founding of the village. Roy has donated a copy of the book to us and anyone needing information about that area or its people may write to Roy or to Earl McFarland, our genealogist, at 6465 SW 116 PL Miami, Fla. 33173.

PLEASE SEND ME NEWS OF YOURSELF AND YOURS. LET'S MAKE THIS A SEMI-ANNUAL NEWSLETTER.

Loch Sloy!

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