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President's Page

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Dear Members:

Our elections are over and we are in the full swing of Games and Festival season here on the West coast of the United States. At this writing I have just returned from 5 weeks in the Pacific Northwest of the US. It was great to see many old friends and faces and to meet new people whom I am sure we will be seeing a lot more of in the future of CMSI.

I would like to thank our membership, for re electing me to the office of CMSI President for the next 3 years. I would also like to congratulate Rick Kilby who was elected to the office of Secretary, Kevin McFarlane who was elected to Treasurer and Laurie Jackson who was elected to Vice President.

Unfortunately, 9 days after the election deadline Laurie Jackson submitted her resignation as Vice President Elect. In fact, all of the candidates who did not prevail in this election have since resigned from their positions in the society as well as their memberships and subsequently launched a new organization that they began planning two years ago. It is unfortunate that rather than honoring the will of the members in choosing its officers and rather than working within the organization for change and improvement, they have adopted a separatist stance.

While I do not wish to dwell on this, I feel it is important to make you aware of what has transpired, and the actions of a small group of disgruntled members. CMSI is a volunteer and member driven organization, and as such, we operate by and for the will of the membership and through the dedication of volunteers who hold office and positions to carry out the needs of the Society. This is your organization. A little over two years ago, a small group of people decided that CMSI would be better if they made the decisions on direction and actions rather than the membership through the democratic processes we have used since 1973.

They began engaging in unethical and illegal activities; they changed the access on our DNA study and claimed ownership of the DNA and genealogical information that many members have submitted, they stole a copy of the membership database, and began sowing seeds of dissension and ignoring their responsibilities in order to launch a coup in the form of candidacies. When their actions were exposed and their mutiny defeated, they left rather than take accountability for their actions or repair the damage. However, we rise again just as we did on the fields of Flodden, we are not defeated, and we are stronger than ever.

I am proud to announce that we have several new faces who have stepped into the vacated roles without missing a beat and have helped overcome the obstacles of the nonfunctioning members to expand our efforts: we have revised and updated the Constitution and Bylaws and included in this issue is a ballot for you, the membership, to vote on the Constitution; we have revised and updated the website and it will go live within the next few weeks; most importantly, we are cataloging and listing on the new site the historical artifacts in our possession to give you the membership a better sense of our history. We will be including extensive information on the Clan MacFarlane Charitable trust and our current plans for a heritage centre in our native homelands.

We remain your organization and you, the membership, is what we will defend. There will always be disagreements and different perspectives on direction, but it is how we carry our-

selves, whether we proceed with honor and integrity that defines us as MacFarlanes; theft of member's information, DNA, and libelous statements are not the mark of a true MacFarlane and dishonors our ancestors who fought and died for our freedom at Bannockburn and elsewhere.

We will continue to pursue these matters legally, but we would encourage you to make known your feelings of these reprehensible acts and fabrications if contacted by this group. More importantly, we will continue to work on your behalf to advance the historical preservation and promotion of Clan MacFarlane internationally.

We are your organization!

Loch Sloy!

Michael MacFarlane, FSA Scot
President - International Clan MacFarlane Society, Inc.
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Presidential Appointments Officers and Commissioners



I am very proud to announce the appointments of officers and Commissioners who stepped forward to serve the membership of CMSI.

Brian JW Macfarlane, Executive Vice President - Brian is already well known to you all. He currently resides in Dunfermline in the Kingdom of Fife, Scotland and has served CMSI since 2000 first as Commissioner for Scotland, then in his elected role as Executive Vice President. Brian has always been a staunch supporter of CMSI and a vital asset to the Society. Brian has graciously agreed to continue to serve for another term as Vice President in light of the resignation of Laurie Jackson as Vice President Elect.

Jonathan Palmer, Director of Gatherings - Jonathan has served CMSI as Commissioner for Minnesota USA since 2005 and is also President of the Minnesota Coalition of Scottish Clans. Jonathan has extensive knowledge in the administration of Non Profit Organizations, and has stepped forward to assist the society with the management of CMSI and our Annual General Meetings and World Gatherings. A great addition to our team.

Jim Hoerricks, Sergeant at Arms - Jim has served CMSI with distinction in the past as Lantern Editor and Webmaster, and competes as an athlete at several Highland Games. Jim is also an artist/designer/photographer and is a Forensic Video/Image Analyst for the Los Angeles Police Department's Scientific Investigation Division. Jim specializes in blending techniques from the design world with the Forensic Workflow. Always an innovator, Jim established the LAPD's Forensic Video Lab in 2001, has been the lead analyst on many of the LAPD's high-profile cases, and helped set the standard by which video evidence is handled by the department. Jim has worked on loan to many local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies and has testified as an expert in Forensic Video Analysis in courtrooms throughout California. Jim is a best selling author of several books on the subject of Forensic Photoshop. As Sergeant at Arms, Jim is to serve as the CMSI's chief parliamentarian and shall decide all issues of parliamentary procedure according to Robert's Rules of Order and will insure order during meetings and other proceedings of the CMSI.

Dawn Macfarlane, Global Commissioner - Europe - I am delighted to appoint as our new Global Commissioner for Europe, Dawn Jennifer Macfarlane. Sister of Vice President Brian, she has recently replaced her late father Ian on the Heritage Trust. Dawn has been married to husband Baldur for over 25 years but her love of her name has meant she has always retained Macfarlane as her surname. She has previously lived in Mississauga, Ontario Canada as well as

Galway and Dublin in Ireland. Currently well settled and residing in Leiden in the Netherlands she feels she can help our growing membership in Europe. With three new members joining from Germany and Italy in recent weeks it's an opportune appointment for CMSI.

Alexander and Holly Robb, Commissioners Colorado, USA - Alex and Holly have agreed to take on the duties of Commissioners for CO which was vacant due to the retirement of our long standing CMSI Commissioner Sandy Robb. Alex is the son of Sandy Robb who served as our Commissioner for CO, for over 15 years. Alex and wife Holly have both been members for over 15 years and have assisted Sandy with running the MacFarlane Hospitality Tents at the events in CO. They couldn't have asked for better training for this position. Holly runs a women's clothing and alterations boutique "Holly's Pizazz" in Breckenridge, CO and is a dynamic business woman and organizer. Alex is an equipment engineer for Beaver Run Resort. They are looking forward to hosting the MacFarlane Hospitality Tent at Estes Park, CO and Highlands Ranch, CO.

Greg McFarland, Commissioner Colorado, USA - Has been a member of CMSI since 1992, and has been an avid supporter of CMSI. Greg has stepped forward to help run the Clan MacFarlane Society Hospitality Tent's at Estes Park, CO and Highlands Ranch, CO.

Robb Hornback, Commissioner Kentucky USA, Iowa USA, Tennessee USA- Robb has served CMSI as Commissioner for Kentucky since 2003 and is also the Clan Coordinator for the Glasgow KY Highland games. Robert now wishes to expand his territory and also cover the Highland games and Festivals in Iowa and Tennessee.

Kathleen MacFarlane, Commissioner Quebec, Canada - Kathleen has been representing Clan MacFarlane unofficially at the Montreal Highland Games in Quebec since 2003. Kathleen has created an impressive display representing Clan MacFarlane. She has now joined CMSI and will now serve as CMSI Commissioner for Quebec.

Thea Adams, Commissioner Perth, Western Australia - Thea has taken on the commissionership for Perth Western Australia. At the time of her appointment we had only 8 members in this region but are now growing steadily. Thea is a very dynamic lady and has been successful in promoting the International Clan MacFarlane Society through the Australian Press and at Highland Games in Perth.

Helen McFarlane, Commissioner Queensland, Australia - Helen is a traveling teacher and has stepped forward to assist our senior Commissioner for Queensland, Ted Ebb with several local Scottish Festivals in Queensland.

Neil and Debbie Webb, Commissioners South Carolina, USA - Neil and Debbie Webb have been CMSI members for over 7 Years. They have attended their local Highland Games and Festivals in South Carolina as well as North Carolina, Florida and Virginia. They have Now stepped forward to represent CMSI at the Charleston, and Greenville, South Carolina games and will be assisting President Michael MacFarlane at the Stone Mountain Highland Games in Georgia this year.

We are still looking for Commissioners for the following areas:
Ireland and England. Arizona, Pacific Northwest, Texas, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi in the United States. In Maritime Provinces Canada and in North and South Islands, New Zealand. If you are interested in serving the society in this capacity, please contact CMSI President Michael MacFarlane at: president@macfarlane.org



Vice President's Page

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Hi Folks

So the Society Election has come and gone. I can't say I'm unhappy with it's passing. The last thing our society needed or wanted was the past self indulgent coup attempt. Congratulations to Michael MacFarlane and Rick Kilby in winning their ballots so comfortably despite being wrongly accused of everything from theft to the sacking of Jericho. The fifth columnist's who included the three candidates conduct individually and collectively since the Santa Cruz AGM has been deplorable. Negative election campaigning is the understatement of the year. You would think they were in a real Presidential election.

As previously, the candidates were supposed to only submit a positive biographic article to the Lantern. Michael could have justifiably declared the Election null and void because of their actions. I commend him for still

allowing it as negativity such as this is always bad news for incumbents. That he still won so easily is restatement to his leadership. Congratulations to him for becoming the longest serving President in our Society's history too.

As I have said previously there is a right way to do things and a wrong way. Their unsubstantiated charges regarding Michael and Royal publishing, their lies and innuendo about the Trust and other issues added to the Facebook page "New Officers" support of all their unacceptable actions of fraud, theft and libel from the rest of their pernicious little group. This was all organised by our former webmaster (remember him) in order to circumvent the society and was clearly the wrong way.

Now suddenly less than two weeks after the election they all resign from anything in CMSI they can resign from, having cost the society a fortune from legal actions and running an election. In typical fashion blaming everyone but themselves and now as we warned they're all off to start their own little Society. Should we look forward to their first donation to the Trust? Or as we comically say in Scotland with two positives making a negative "Aye right"

Despite not standing again on principle and due to Laurie Jackson's resignation from the VP (Elect) position Michael has asked me to continue in my role as VP and I am delighted to do so for as long as I'm am needed. Hopefully there is light again at the end of the tunnel so we can now put this trouble behind us and move on. As we all know well, life isn't always a bed of roses but we are now all very excited about the future. The cancer has been cut out! A New website, some new officers and hopefully the Battle Standard being restored next year will all help to concentrate minds. Special thanks to Lanning Macfarland Jr from Chicago IL USA for his recent further donation of \$2500US to the Heritage fund, a more timely vote of confidence would be difficult to imagine.

I have mentioned the wrong way to seek office I would now like to give my opinion on the right way. Our society like any other organisation, needs new blood. Although anyone is entitled to put their names forward, as long as they are members in good standing. It is surely preferable that those who have ambitions in that direction put their names forward to serve the society in less demanding roles before standing for an Executive position? Indeed as Michael did as a Commissioner and then Vice President. As Rick did as Director of Publications and before that as Membership or as Kevin did as Librarian before becoming Treasurer. I do assure everyone that an Executive board position can be demanding. So isn't it better to test the water first?

Speaking of which, one way to test the water now is to become a commissioner for your area. This is something the society badly needs. It can be a lot of fun and rewarding too, where you can meet new friends in the Scottish community. If you are prepared to commit time to the society, we will do all we can to support you. This goes for all the commissioners currently in positions too. Talk to us, give us feedback. Interesting articles for the Lantern. A purely volunteer organisation like ours is only as good as those who volunteer so don't spectate! Participate! Don't be shy we need your help. That is what "Clan" means.

Brian

NEWS



Many clans set up information tents By MOLLY CORMIER cormier.molly@dailygleaner.com

The New Brunswick Highland Games wouldn't be in existence if not for the families who show pride in their Scottish heritage by visiting the event each year.

The Daily Gleaner/James West Pho

Pride: Gordon Selcage poses for a photo with a traditional Scottish shield that shows the MacFarlane clan symbol Sunday afternoon at the 2010 Highland Games.

This weekend, several Scottish clans set up information tents on the grounds of Government House where the New Brunswick Highland Games took place from Friday to Sunday.

Clan MacFarlane was chosen as the host clan for this year's games. The Clan MacFarlane Society is a worldwide association, formed in 1911 in Glasgow, Scotland.

"Every year we have a different host clan," said Chris Gallant, an organizer with the New Brunswick Highland Games.

The host clan holds the responsibility of opening and closing the games, as well as handing out awards, he said.

Gord Selcage travelled from Hamilton, Ont., to assist his wife who is the North American commissioner for the Clan MacFarlane Society.

They led the highland line at the opening of the games in Fredericton.

Selcage said his wife Dorothy attended the New Brunswick Highland Games two years ago, and promised to return in 2010.

The traditional lands of Clan MacFarlane were in the western highlands of Scotland, between Loch Long and Loch Lomond, and the MacFarlanes had a reputation for stirring up a little bit of trouble, Selcage said.

"MacFarlanes were known around the Loch Lomond region as cattle thieves, and a rebellious lot," he said.

A plush cow on his display table was meant as a throw back to that period of MacFarlane history. Selcage said the Clan MacFarlane is hoping to grow its members in the Atlantic provinces, and hopes to host the annual general meeting in the area soon.

His first experience at the New Brunswick Highland Games was a positive one, Selcage said.

"They're lovely. These games are fantastic. You have bands in competition, and I don't know how many highland dancers are coming through. They also have the programs for children," he said.

It's important for Canadian children with Scottish ancestry to express interest in the highland way of life, in order to preserve their history, Selcage said.

"It took many different nationalities to blend into what we call Canada. The Scots were a major player in the development of Canada as a strong and free nation," he said.

"Sir John A. MacDonald, being a Scot, was a pat on the back for us. It's to instill national pride and to instill the significance of nations united in the world. The Celtic heritage has to be maintained."

People with an interest in developing a family tree, or finding out more about their ancestors, were welcome to visit the New Brunswick Genealogical Society's tent.

Ruth Cleghorn Ker, of the capital branch of the society, said many people in the province express an interest in their Scottish roots.

The line of clan tents at the games included the names and coat of arms of Graham, Henderson, MacLean, Donald, Gunn, and more.

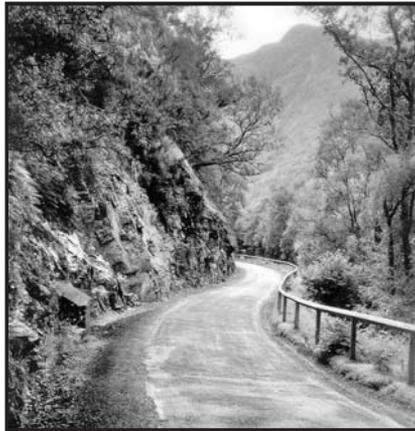


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your ancestors calling you...*

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and will aid the preservation of Scottish/
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Archaeological studies.

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or to join in the effort,
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FLOWERS OF THE FOREST



Paul Monroe Funkhouser

It is my sad duty to pass on to you all the news that the Clan MacFarlane Society has lost one of our favourite sons in Paul Funkhouser. Although his passing was some time ago we have only just learned of it and we publish his stunning obituary below with pride. I first met Paul nearly 10 years ago and it seemed he was an ever present at Society AGM's no matter where they were held. A thoroughly delightful man and a defender of the arms in our Order of the Claymore which is only right for our former VP heraldry. I know I also speak for all who knew him when I say how much my wife Sheena and I shall miss him. A great American and a great clansman. Condolences to his family for their loss. He is now at peace with the love of his life Mary Virginia. --Brian Macfarlane

Paul Monroe Funkhouser, 92, of Belleville, Ill., born June 20, 1917, in Rantoul, Ill., died Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2009, at Memorial Hospital, Belleville, Ill. Paul graduated from Armstrong Township High School, Vermillion County, Ill., in 1935. He received a bachelor of arts degree in sociology from Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville and a bachelor of science degree in history from the University of the State of New York-Albany. Mr. Funkhouser served a total of 27 years in the U.S. Army during the period of October 1937 to June 1966, including 15 years in Iran, Belgium, Germany, France, and Palestine. He was employed by the Illinois Bell Telephone Company in Peoria and Kankakee, Ill., from 1940 to 1943. He also was a fieldworker and group care caseworker for the Illinois Department of Public Aid in St. Clair County from 1966 to 1982. He served as secretary of the Illinois State Employees Association, Retirees. He was a life member of the Reserve Officers Association, the Persian Gulf Command Veterans Organization, VFW Post 4677 (Illinois), and American Legion Belleville Post 58. He had also served as quartermaster of VFW Post 4772, Arkansas; post and district adjutant of American Legion Post 346, Arkansas; and vice-chairman and director of publicity for the Sharp County (Arkansas) Republican Committee.

Paul was schooled in both Methodist and Presbyterian theology, but he felt that religion needs no roof. He was a past president of the Fankhauser-Funkhouser Swiss Family Association; past secretary-treasurer of the Scottish Society of the Ozark Region; and past vice-president for heraldry and director of publicity for the Clan MacFarlane Society. He was also a member of the Scottish National Party and the Scottish-American Military Society.

Paul was preceded in death by his wife of 55 years, Mary Virginia, nee Lyons, Funkhouser, whom he married May 4, 1945, in Chicago, Ill., and who died Feb. 19, 2001; His parents, Clinton Leslie Funkhouser and Elsie Opal, nee Mulvany, Funkhouser-Schrader-Rhodes; two brothers, Clinton James Funkhouser and Wayne Leslie Funkhouser; and a half-sister, Carol Schrader. Surviving are his daughter, Sonja Ann (Michael) Wood of Stone Ridge, Va.; his son, Eric Jan Funkhouser of Belleville, Ill.; a sister, Marjorie Alice Likes-Wiles-Stanfill of Cherokee Village, Ark.; and a half-sister, Marietta Garman of Aurora, Ill.

Burial was with full military honors at Walnut Hill Cemetery, Belleville, Ill.

From the Land Down Under

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I hope you have checked our website www.macfarlane.org and found the results of the election for office bearers for 2011-2013.

President: Michael MacFarlane
Vice President: Laurie McFarland
Treasurer: Kevin McFarlane
Secretary: Rick Kilby

Congratulations to all.

The Scottish Australian Council Heritage Inc held Scottish Week again this year in Sydney and many varied events were held including a Bannockburn Luncheon where Christopher Bruce showed videos on the History of Bannockburn. We also had the annual Kirkin' o' the Tartan in the

Historic Church in Annandale, the Scottish Cairn Ceremony at Mosman where Donald MacLaren of MacLaren and Lady Maida MacLaren attended and then Tartan Day in Martin Place where MacLaren and also the husband of our Governor General, Michael Bryce was in attendance to acknowledge the Clan Banners and Commissioners. I have included two photos MacLaren and Michael Bryce



On 1st weekend in July we attended the Aberdeen Games and the clan tent was up showing an exhibition of MacFarlane Arms over the ages, together with many photos of the antiques which are being looked after by Brian Macfarlane until our Heritage Centre is opened. I also had on display the original membership letter by James MacFarlane requesting MacFarlane's become members of the new Clan MacFarlane Society. This is dated 1912. I try to change the display from time to time.



We have been very busy over the last couple of months attending many games etc from Brisbane to Bundanoon and although there are two more games soon one at Toukley and another at Nelson Bay we have decided to have a rest. We don't miss many games but at the moment we both think it is a wise decision.

I don't hear much from New Zealand but the members are in my thoughts and we really need two Commissioners, one for the North and South Islands.

“Cuimhnich air na daoine o'n d'thainig”
Remember the men from whom you are descended.

Take care,
Glenda Mason D.Urr
Global Commissioner for Australasia
Australia/New Zealand/Pacific Rim
The International Clan MacFarlane Society Inc

Commissioner Reports



Mike Supple and I sharing a toast at the TCSC Burns Night celebration

This has been a busy year already, with only half of it gone. It began in early January with our two local Burns Night Celebrations, one hosted by the St. Andrew's Society of Minnesota and the other by the Twin Cities Scottish Club. As President of Minnesota Coalition of Scottish Clans and the Minnesota Commissioner for our Clan, I end up attending a lot more events than most people, but it's a lot of fun and helps to promote awareness of MacFarlanes as active and engaged in our local Scottish Community. The St. Andrew's Burns Night is more intimate, but has the leadership from the local organizations and most of the Clan representatives. The TCSC is a much larger event with more of the traditional revelry of large parties.

In February, we have the Scottish Ramble, the largest indoor Scottish Festival in the Midwest. The Ramble is two days of Highland dancers, vendors, food, organizations and of course bagpipes. Very few Clans have independent booths at Ramble but rather volunteer at the MCSC table. We share information on Clans and connect people to their local representatives, this way Clans don't have to spend a full two days there and still can connect with interested people. I am there for the full two days and talk with people throughout the event about our history.



Me, my wife Emily and our friends Judy and Warren Porter (MacGregors) at the Tartan Day Ceilidh

The two biggest events that we have MacFarlane contingents at are the Tartan Day celebration and the Minnesota Scottish Fair and Highland Games. The Tartan Day celebration on April 10th this year consists of a Friday night Ceilidh and a Saturday program at the Minnesota State Capitol in St. Paul. While all of the local organizations work together to make the weekend successful, the MCSC coordinates the Capitol program, which again places Clan MacFarlane as one of the key role players in a Scottish Community wide event. The Capitol program begins with a marching of the Clans up the Mall to the



At the Capitol program speaking with Barbara "Babs" Humphrey who started the Tartan Day effort in MN



Mary Supple, Doug Childs and I pose with the winners of the dance competition event sponsored by Clan MacFarlane.

Capitol Steps and includes the reading of proclamations from the Mayor and Governor, piping and dancing , and the bestowing of the Lifetime Achievement award on a local recipient. Afterwards we gather at a local pub for a pint or a dram and fellowship.

Of course our biggest event is the Minnesota Scottish Fair and Highland Games, this year on May 22nd. This is generally our biggest draw for MacFarlanes, but the temperamental weather made it less inviting. In the morning we got freezing rain, and in the afternoon, the temperature shot up to the 80s but we had near gale force winds in which two clans lost their tents. I marched onto the field at the beginning of the day for the Calling of the Clans which starts the Fair, and then at noon, we had the Parade of Tartans where myself and a few other local MacFarlanes marched and represented well. One of the highpoints was being sought out by a couple of the dancers to take pictures with us. Clan



Clan MacFarlane display at the Scottish American Center, we are the featured clan until September.

MacFarlane had sponsored the medals and trophies in their division and they wanted to say thank you. As you probably guessed, the MCSC coordinates a lot of the Clan activities and so a special thanks to Doug Childs and Mary Supple, two local MacFarlanes and friends of mine who help man the tent when I needed to attend to other duties.

All in all it was a good first part of the year, we're also the featured clan at the Scottish American Center which has an exhibit I put together about our Clan on display from May until September. Now we have a few other events and organizing efforts to move on to, but Clan MacFarlane is at the forefront of every local Scottish event and collaboration here in the land where, as Garrison Keillor would say, "all the women are strong, all the men are good-looking, and all the children are above average."

MacFarlane Kilts for Sale

His weight loss is your gain!

Marty Knox has kindly offered three finely tailored kilts for sale, offering the proceeds as a donation to the Heritage Centre:

All kilts are measured 38-40" waist, 24" length.

MacFarlane Modern Red "dress" kilt - \$250

MacFarlane Modern Hunting "green" kilt - \$250

Rampant Lion on Denim Blue - \$250

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2010 Winter - Spring Games Report

by: Jason Knox, LA Metro Commissioner



Greetings from SOCAL! Our season started off with the Queen Mary Games (Long Beach, CA) in February. <http://www.queenmary.com/index.php?page=scottishfestival> The weather was abnormally kind this year; mild temps, slight breeze, perfect really. They've got a new management team at the Queen who has a rather steep learning curve as far as Scottish festivals go. What they lacked in knowledge they made up in enthusiasm. The unfortunate thing was the third year of declining attendance. Sad, really. The Queen Mary Games have always been my favorite. The tent was hosted by myself, my wife Christine, and our daughter Erin (Here after referred to as the "Usual Suspects.") We had the able assistance of my Elder Daughter, Laura Knox, and the Holt family; David, Alison, Tristan, and Gillian.

Guests: Sherie Tyler, Los Angeles CA – Marilyn Edwards, Santa Ana CA – Cmel Weaver, Somis, CA – Kevin Koontz, Fullerton CA – Jolie Johnson, Long Beach CA – Cheyenne Millsup, Midway City CA - Patrick Karnahan, Sonora CA – Ray & Babz Hutchison, Bakersfield CA – Ian Anderson, Downey CA – Theresa Della Donna, Covina CA – John Burstein (Millar), Calimesa CA – Jim Hoerricks, Chatsworth CA – Phyllis Weretyka, Westminster CA – John Maley, Fountain Valley CA – Amie McSavaney, Rancho Cucamonga CA - Linda Millar Burstein, Calimesa CA - Michael MacFarlane, Glendora CA

Second up was the Bakersfield Games. April 10th 2010. <http://www.kernscot.com/> This year we had a new venue, the Kern County Fairgrounds. LOTS of room, beautiful weather, and the friendliest games organizers I have ever seen! A one day event we did it as a day trip. The tent was manned by "The Usual Suspects." It did get a mite windy at tear down, but we managed to pack up with a minimal amount of bent pipes. We had two membership renewals. Guests: Joshua W. Miller, Edwards CA – Miranola Miller, Oxnard CA - Judith McFarland, Bakersfield CA – Sue Miller, Bakersfield CA – Ward Miller, Bakersfield CA – Shaun Tiede, Bakersfield CA – Thomas Howell, Bakersfield CA – Robbie Emslie, Bakersfield CA – Brigitte Rankins, Bakersfield CA – Paige Main, Visalia CA – Michael MacFarlane, Glendora CA Last up is the SOCAL "Big Kahuna:" Scotsfest AKA the Costa Mesa Games on Memorial Day weekend, May 29th and 30th. <http://www.scotsfest.com/>

A two day event with superb weather and more fun than ever. They've made a few changes, all good I think. This is my home event seeing as I live close by. The tent was manned by "The Usual Suspects." Quite a few regular attendees couldn't make it this year, but I DID get to see a lot welcome faces; MacFarlanes I had not seen in quite a few years. We had two membership renewals and one new member; Adam Kennison of Long Beach.

Guests: Leslie McNamara, Irvine CA – Ray Dimes, Huntington Beach CA – Adam Kennison, Long Beach CA – Jamie Calloway Webber, Palm Springs CA – James MacFarlane, San Marcos CA – Laura Alexander, Perris CA - Michael MacFarlane, Glendora CA – Kelly Forman, Yucipa CA – Matt MacFarland – Helen MacFarlane Piper, Los Angeles CA – Karli Webster, Santa Clarita CA – Catherine MacFarlane Kohl, Riverside CA – Richard Orkney Robb, Mira Loma CA – Christy Melugin, Orange CA – Cindy MacFarlane, Laguna Hills CA – Kathryn Clark, San Dimas CA – Randy McFarland, Fullerton CA – Jeffrey L. Koehn, Chino CA – Lisa Ann McFarland, San Clemente CA – Cmel Weaver, Somis CA – Barb Leideritz, Rancho Santa Margarita CA – Nancy Barrett, San Bernardino CA – Linda Roy, West Covina CA – Susan MacFarlane, Rancho Cucamonga CA – Susan Barkdoll, Twin Peaks CA – Luis R. Macfarland, La Puente CA – Douglas Farren, Riverside CA – James Farren, Riverside CA – Diane Leeper, Temple City CA – Randal Robb, orange CA – Cathryn Rathsa – Eve Galloway Medlock -- I did see our Arizona Commissioner, Randy McFarland, Gilbert, AZ but I guess he didn't sign my guest log.

I am looking forward to hosting the AGM at the Seaside Games, October 9th and 10th 2010. <http://www.seaside-games.com/> Hope to see all your smiling faces there!

Slainte,
Jason

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Membership Directors' Report



David and Moyra Millar
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Once again a big warm Welcome to the Membership of the Clan MacFarlane Society and hope that this edition greets you all well and in good health as it leaves us here from these ancient shores.

May we first say "many thanks" to all those Members who have corresponded with us either by email, letter or by telephone and as always we were delighted to hear from you and hope that your questions were answered, and we must admit that on the general query side, problems have more or less been eradicated, your questions or requests are more to do with change of email or home address, as well as the odd Username and Password reminder, but hey, that is what we are here for and as long as you are happy, we are happy.

We still continue to grow our active Membership globally as well as a greater number of Members renewing annually, On behalf of the President, his Officers, we thank you for your subscriptions and your loyalty to the Society in general, our kinsmen and kinswomen are very precious to us and our Ancestors will rest peacefully well knowing that we are going from strength to strength, and long may that continue.

Here are some of the New Members who have recently joined us:

USA: We have Ronald Macfarlane, Brandon Knox, Kathy McFarland - Newsome, Adam Kennison, Donald MacFarlane, Rebecca McFarland Kyle, and Dawn Williams.

CANADA: Ian Harris Miller.

AUSTRALIA: Ian MacFarlan and Faye Winfield.

EU: Marina Helen Macfarlane from Italy.

UK: Malcolm and Jill McFarlane.

LIFETIME MEMBERS:

Alan William MacFarlane, Jeffrey James and Joan McFarlane from Australia,
Rev. Bob Macfarlane and Fred Macondray from USA.

Many thanks to all of you as well as the other Members who have joined and or renewed their Membership.

We now welcome all of you and hope that you will benefit from the fellowship which the Society has to offer while, at the same time gaining satisfaction from the part which you are playing in the furtherance of the Society, or would you like to submit an article for our Lantern, please let us hear from you, as this is your Society and it's existence depends on you.

There still seems to be a problem with some Members not knowing when their Membership renewals are due, but gladly it only affects a very low percentage of the Membership. What everybody needs to know is when you get your Lantern, your renewal date is on the back of your Lantern, also another way is when you "Log in" to the Website, click on "My Subscription" and it tells you how many days you have left, but just in case you miss both of these, we will e:mail you after a short period of time has lapsed as a reminder to let you know about your Membership. There is also the odd occasion where a Member has not renewed for a length of time, although you will be blocked from the Website you can still renew your Membership, but in any case you can still come to us to either help you with your renewal or reset your Username and Password, hope all this clarifies and helps you out.

Can we also mention about those Members who start with their Membership being classed as " Pending " which basically means that you have paid " Offline " by cheque or cheque equivalent, which is no problems except that you have to appreciate that you will continue to be classed as " Pending " until your payment has been confirmed by the Society Treasurer or his representatives depending on where you live, now this can take a few weeks in extreme cases, but be assured that when your remittance is received you are then re-classed as a full Member and notified accordingly, however there has been the odd occasion where people try and become an Offline Member and end up ignoring their payment, we can assure you that these individuals will be removed from the Database immediately. None of the above affects Paypal Users.

The Membership will now know that " Homecoming Scotland " is back with a vengeance, 2014 is the year, lots to celebrate, and plenty of time to get yourself sorted, let's make it more successful than 2009, we want to see as many of the Society as possible visit their Ancestral roots and we know that the Homelands will Welcome you with open arms, a wee dram and the time of your life, we look forward to 2014.

With regards to this years Annual General Meeting which we sadly cannot attend and in order that the Membership are kept informed of the work that has been carried out from receipt of the Office of Membership from last August 2009 until now, an overall view and update on numbers during that period will be compiled and given to the President for our report to be read out at this years AGM. We are sorry that obviously we cannot reply in person to any questions raised at the meeting but the President will answer in our absence, however if you still require for us to answer then please e:mail us by all means, and we will get back to you at our earliest opportunity.

Our report is a little bit subdued this time but realistic, and that's enough to be going on with and here in the UK the Clan Gathering season as well as the Highland Games and Gatherings are upon us, which hopefully we will get too as many as possible, until the next report, take care of yourselves and as always any problems you know where to come.

Yours aye,
David and Moyra Millar
International Joint Directors of Membership
International Clan MacFarlane Society Inc;
LOCH SLOIDH.



Treasurer's Report

*Kevin J. McFarlane, CPA, FSA Scot,
Treasurer
treasurer@macfarlane.org*



Clan MacFarlane Society, Inc.

Profit and Loss

Date Range: January 1, 2010 - August 27, 2010

Account: All, Report Basis: Accrual, Name: All, Closing Postings: Not Included
08/27/2010

	1/1/10 - 8/27/10	1/1/09 - 8/27/09
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
3001 - Income- Memberships	\$4,479.21	\$3,540.00
3002 - Income- Heritage Trust	\$2,500.00	\$11,850.00
3003 - Income- Battle Standard	\$0.00	\$225.00
3004 - Income- Interest	\$0.00	\$30.23
Total Income	\$6,979.21	\$15,645.23
Gross Profit	\$6,979.21	\$15,645.23
Expense		
4001 - Expense-Heritage Trust Grants	\$10,977.56	\$0.00
4002 - Expense-Scholarships	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
4003 - Expense-Highland Games	\$884.00	\$2,582.86
4004 - Expense-Postage	\$3,068.81	\$740.58
4005 - Expense-Printing and Copying	\$1,695.00	\$1,600.00
4006 - Expense-Membership Organizations	\$0.00	\$25.00
4007 - Expense-Advertising	\$250.00	\$75.00
4008 - Expense-Supplies	\$87.30	\$275.00
4009 - Expense-Treasurer	\$0.00	\$306.72
4011 - Expense-Telecommunications	\$60.69	\$0.00
4012 - Expense-Other Expense	\$0.00	\$25.00
4013 - Expense-AGM	(\$2,400.00)	\$2,329.38
4014 - Website Costs	\$0.00	\$261.66
4016 - Expense-Order of the Claymore	\$355.01	\$0.00
4018 - Legal Expense	\$8,239.88	\$0.00
4019 - Insurance Expense	\$797.00	\$0.00
5500 - Bank Charge	\$56.44	\$4.00
10001 - Paypal Expense Account	\$0.00	\$327.10
Total Expense	\$25,071.69	\$9,552.30
Net Ordinary Income	(\$18,092.48)	\$6,092.93
Net Income	(\$18,092.48)	\$6,092.93

Bank Balances : 08/27/2010

Clan Macfarlane Society, Inc.

Paypal	\$930.42
US Bank	\$3,239.58

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Bank of Scotland	103,241.88 Pounds
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International Clan MacFarlane Society DNA Project and Genealogy Department Update



The Aims and Objectives of the International Clan MacFarlane Society, Inc. as an educational, secular, society are to promote the perpetuation of Gaelic-Scottish Culture, Traditions, Customs, Literature and Music and to preserve artifacts, antiquities and other important archaeological sites pertaining to the Clan MacFarlane.

Our goal is to create a permanent institution, that will exist beyond any of our own lifetimes so it will be there to preserve our Clan MacFarlane heritage for future generations. CMSI aims to achieve these goals by sponsoring archaeological research, creating extensive genealogy archives and sponsoring studies such as DNA Studies, to create a heritage centre in our native homelands and preserving important artifacts pertaining to the Clan Macfarlane.

Our value, as a Society, is measured by the quality of our achievements, the archives we build, the artifacts we preserve and the success of our future heritage centre, once it becomes a reality. As you will know, CMSI relies on the support of it's membership to enable us to work within the worldwide Scottish Community to achieve these goals. We have come a long way toward achieving these goals, but we still have a long way to go. It is unfortunate that we have had to suffer the ill intentions of a select few former members that have repeatedly attempted to sabotage our projects and ruin the Society's International credibility we have all worked so hard to achieve.

DNA PROJECT

Therefore, in keeping with CMSI's aims and objectives, the Clan MacFarlane Society Sponsored a DNA Study using Family Tree DNA as a platform to carry out this study. Make no mistake, this was presented as our study originally to gain our support and sponsorship. So it was a surprise to CMSI that we were led down the garden path. As you may know, some months ago we discovered that a cabal of people, including former members, had fraudulently promoted a DNA study as "The Clan MacFarlane Society sponsored DNA project." Our then genealogist, Elizabeth Macfarlane, from Long Island, NY first suggested it in her Lantern article Fall 2005. She then brought this forward at the AGM in 2005 asking CMSI to carry out this study and sponsor it, which was approved at the meeting. We, as a Society, encouraged CMSI members to participate which many, including nearly all male officers, did. It is then that her sleight of hand occurs, as from then on her articles call it the MacFarlane DNA project and then out of the blue we discovered last year that this was from the beginning nothing but a scam with ulterior motives. It is hard coming to terms with the fact that a friend could do such a thing and hoodwink a public charitable entity and it's officers and ordinary members in order to steal it. Especially a fellow officer. It has to be said that only Elizabeth's age and frailty prevented her being expelled among those expelled for their involvement with this act of fraud. These people could have started a MacFarlane DNA project from the beginning themselves. They knew they had no clout without us. They needed CMSI so they hoodwinked us. Doesn't that make you angry?

The expelled former CMSI member, self styled "Chevalier" Terrance Gach MacFarlane was caught red-handed using the false name Clark Gable Jenkins to try and hide the fact he wrongfully infiltrated this project with the intent to usurp control from the rightful and original administration team provided by CMSI as Elizabeth's illness advanced. He then, with the obvious collusion of the Company and its agent, proceeded to lock your Society's officers out of the project completely. By then, too, a fellow expellee, Andrew Macfarlane, from New Zealand compounded the guilt that got him expelled by becoming a co-admin, also.

While we do not wish to dwell on this, we believe you, our membership, have a right to know what has been going on. Especially with your personal information and how involved this "plot" really is. Clearly, too, we must move on and give our members a DNA project they can trust when it's in their name. While you will not see some James Bond villain stroking a cat from his island fortress, it does come pretty close. At the center of this conspiracy is Terrance Gach MacFarlane and his colleague and close friend Terry Barton CEO of WorldFamilies.net. Worldfamilies.net have a business arrangement with FamilyTreeDNA.com that allows them to profit from the number of referrals and amount of business they provide. This makes it a conflict of interest for Barton to be one of the Administrators of the project, since he is not a MacFarlane himself or connected to the Clan in any way, but administrating enabled him to continue to drive business to FTDNA.

Recently, in an effort to avoid any possible legal avenues, our new Director of Gatherings and Minnesota Commissioner attempted to mediate a solution with Bennett Greenspan, the CEO of FTDNA, as well as Terry Barton, Gach and their new admin Andrew MacFarlane. Despite already having over 100 duplicate name projects created because of situations exactly like this, they very strangely refused us when we asked FTDNA to create a duplicate MacFarlane project to be administered by CMSI that would not impact the original negatively in ANY way. For instance participants could have their DNA registered with both. Nor would they cede even partial control back to CMSI.

Many of you will be puzzled as to why these people would go to all these lengths to control a mere DNA project. The reason though is simple and sinister. They have hijacked - in fact stolen - our study and are using the DNA to attempt to appoint a chief. Gach is trying to prove descent from John the 10th chief by comparing all DNA to someone who is not proven from this line. Apparently, if you tell a lie often enough it will eventually be believed, seems to be his maxim.

We, as a Society, are not against finding descendents of the chiefly line of MacFarlane; we just don't want Gach creating a chief for MacFarlane of his own choosing via fraudulent acts. We all know Elizabeth's life work was trying to find a chief. It seems now sadly that in desperation, she fixed her line to the wrong tug. Incidentally, it should also be noted that we believe many of the fifth columnists who attempted to usurp authority in the Society, and who have now started their own Society, are also members of Gachs supposed chiefly line, or haplogroup as it's called in DNA parlance.

We will not stand by as they attempt to achieve their fraudulent goals. As an armiger of Clan MacFarlane, we as a Society must be consulted before a new chief could be appointed, hence the attempted coup. Now that it has been overcome we must all try to ensure that such conduct does not succeed in future.

We are sure our members, and especially those members, who like the Executive Board, put their faith in Elizabeth MacFarlane and gave their money to FTDNA and who have been cheated out of, in some cases over \$200, under false pretences are as angry as we are. We apologise to them wholeheartedly for this disgusting affair. We assure you all that we will do all we can do to ensure they get as little reward out of their work as possible.

With that in mind, we have started a new Y-DNA Surname study at www.ancestry.com. Ancestry is the largest genealogical research site in the world and recently started a DNA department to assist researchers. We are happy now that such security breaches, as described above, will not be allowed on this site.

The MacFarlane Group is located here: <http://groups.ancestry.com/group/macfarlane>

When you arrive on the page, click on "Request to Join This Group". If you are an ancestry.com member, your genealogy information that you have stored on your account will be added to the Clan MacFarlane Group through your account. If you are not an Ancestry member, you need to set up a FREE account by following the messages on the website. You will be asked for a user name and password of your choice. Your request to join will arrive in the email of CMSI Officers and/or Directors to approve. When your request is approved, return to the MacFarlane Group website and log in.

Other features will include online research forums to assist you with research.

If you have already tested with Family Tree DNA you will be able to transfer your results to our study. We do suggest that our members who have participated in the current MacFarlane FTDNA study remove their results from this study. This does not discard your DNA from FTDNA it just removes this questionable groups access to it.

Gedcom Files and Family Tree Information

After several months of negotiating with Elizabeth MacFarlanes' Trustee of her estate, they have refused to return any of our Genealogy Database, at the request of Terrance Gach MacFarlane, which was housed on Elizabeth's home computer. So they have stolen this too.

We had hoped this would have been stored on the CMSI laptop in her care, but this computer was returned to us basically empty with only a few pieces of email detailing her sickening collusion with Terrance Gach MacFarlane. We did receive several binders full of copies of CMSI membership forms with sparse genealogy data included.

We are now beginning to rebuild this stolen archive with the help of Secretary Elect, Rick Kilby, Dorothy Lennox Selcage, and Barbara Duff, who have stepped forward to be part of our newly organized Genealogy Committee. If you have your Genealogy Data saved electronically please send your GEDCOM Files to dorothy_lennox_selcage@macfarlane.org. If you have previously sent this to Elizabeth Macfarlane, I have to underline the Society no longer has these files and they need to be resent to CMSI to be included in our new archive.

We are very encouraged by the support shown by our membership and officers through this rough period. The Society will be much better for all of this in the long run now that we have taken this important step for the society and its projects by removing these sort of negative, proprietary ego-centric personalities from our organization.

We are still looking for volunteers to help with the administration of these new projects. If you are interested, please contact President Michael MacFarlane: President@macfarlane.org

2010 CMSI AGM



The International Clan MacFarlane Society is proud to announce, and requests your presence at our Annual General Meeting (AGM) on October 9, 2010 at the Seaside Highland Games in Ventura CA USA.

Meeting Time

October 9, 2010 - 4:00PM - Private Meeting Room at Seaside Park (Games Venue)

There will also be a Clan MacFarlane Hospitality Tent October 9-10 hosted by CMSI CA Commissioner Jason Knox and CMSI President Michael MacFarlane, FSA Scot.

The CMSI AGM and Gathering originally scheduled for Coquitlam, BC Canada in June 2010 had to be rescheduled to this venue due to lack of banquet and room reservations. Because of this, there will be no official banquet scheduled for the Ventura AGM. We encourage our membership to take advantage of the discounted room rates at several local hotels for the Seaside Highland Games.

2010 Host Hotels - Seaside Highland Games

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WALES, UK / EUROPE



Hello from the land of the Dragon, how are you all, well we hope as we are here. I can't believe how much sunshine we are having, hopefully I have not spoken too soon.

The Membership of the UK and EU is still healthy and we have gained in numbers and I would like to Welcome since our last report:

Malcolm and Judith McFarlane from England
Jack Knox from Germany
Michele Hall Grunsky from Germany
Marina Helen Macfarlane from Italy.

and also those who have renewed their Memberships:

Iain Allen from England
John Walker from England
Simon Porter from England
George MacFarlane Shepherd from Scotland
Jean Slater from Scotland
Anya Millar Uppington from Wales
Marissa Millar Benjamin from Wales.

Many thanks to you all for your subscription which is much appreciated.

I was on the Website looking through all the Highland Games and Gatherings and to my surprise there is a Highland Games in England, now I don't know how many people know this but it was shall we say a surprise to me, a Highland Games in England I thought somebody was having a laugh, but it's true and it's in Ashbourne which is near Derby and it's on in July, July the 18th to be exact, I'm going, and I'll drag along Moyra, Auntie Cath and no doubt some of my own tribe will want to go as well, they have a Website Ashbournegathering.com so if you have the time, go and support but if you can't I will give a brief in the next Lantern.

I have also just found out that there was an International Highland Games and Scottish Village at Richmond Athletic Ground home of the London Scottish Rugby Club which was on the 5th and 6th of June, and featured many events from the Whisky barrel carry to the Light Stone Putt, so lots of new interest on my part and look forward to the next time that I can attend.

Well it's official, 2014 for the next " Homecoming " to celebrate a number of events which include the Commonwealth Games, The Ryder Cup and the 700th Anniversary of Bannockburn. If it is anything like the last Homecoming in Edinburgh last year then for all those who were not there, you are in for a special occasion at the next celebration, I see Homecoming 2014 as even more spectacular than 2009 as the " minor problems " that were in 2009 will not be apparent in 2014. I would like to see the UK Membership put on a show in Scotland to be proud of, not only for the Society but for all those carrying the name MACFARLANE and it's many SEPT'S, visiting the land of our Ancestors. There is definitely more to follow on this topic and we say to all the Membership, note the date, get your pennies saved, and make this " Homecoming " one to be remembered.

We are up in Inverness for our holidays this year although we have been in the Capital City of the Highlands a number of times, a beautiful place and highly recommended to

you, I always feel relaxed up there and I feel as though I'm at home, there is great sights to see, great people to talk to, good pubs and the whisky trail is not too far away, I think that it's the same day that Moyra takes her turn to drive the car? well you don't expect me to walk do you!! come on, have a heart.

Well that's enough from me and in the last Lantern I asked for some input to which two people have contributed, so thank you very much and as always, take care for now.

Yours aye,
David William Millar
Commissioner for Wales
LOCH SLOIDH.



CANADA

by Dots and Gord Lennox

Again, this year, our season started off Memorial Day weekend with the Games held in Alma, Michigan. Two full days of beautiful weather and a wonderful time meeting MacFarlane's. I am still hopeful of finding a Michigander to take on the responsibilities of Commissioner. We will try again next year!

Locally in Ontario, Canada, the Georgetown Highland Games kick off our season the second weekend in June. This is a great games and always well attended. Unfortunately, it rained, the first time since 2001 when Gord and I first set up the Clan tent. It was announced that it was the first time in thirty-five years that it had rained during the event. It showered on and off from ten o'clock onward. The crowd came prepared with their umbrellas, plastic hooded ponchos and raincoats. Most took the rain in stride as a wee bit of good Scottish weather.

Cobourg Highland Games were held June 26th. As I was getting ready for bed, the alarm clock went off and Gord got up raring to go. It was three a.m. Gord started setting up the tent at seven and we were ready for visitors by eight thirty. Shortly after, it started spitting rain, the showers came on and off. The items we had to protect were hauled inside and we were not able to fully set up the displays again.

Canada Day, July 1st are the Embro Games. Their main event is the tug-of-war competition. Teams from the USA come to compete with many teams from across Canada. Gord did these games by himself as I had fallen at Cobourg and was pretty well bruised up and sore. Thank goodness, I did not break my wrist!

We are now getting ready to drive to Fredericton, New Brunswick as the honoured clan.





Homecoming 2014 announced

Scotland is to stage a second year of Homecoming in 2014, it has been confirmed. The event will coincide with the Commonwealth Games and the Ryder Cup, as well as the 700th anniversary of the Battle of Bannockburn.

The 2009 year-long event marked the 250th anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns and attracted 95,000 new visitors to Scotland.

Scotland's first minister, Alex Salmond made the announcement earlier this week:

"In 2014 the eyes of the world will be on Scotland as the Commonwealth Games comes to Glasgow and Gleneagles hosts the Ryder Cup and Scots at home and abroad mark the anniversary of Bannockburn. In this year of celebration, repeating the remarkable success and benefits of Homecoming 2009 is an excellent opportunity to attract tourism and investment and showcase the very best of Scotland.

Dr Mike Cantlay, Chairman of VisitScotland, said:

"The success of last year's Homecoming sparked huge interest in people all over the world, not only those with ancestral links to Scotland, but those who simply love this country. Whichever country visitors are travelling from in order to enjoy the wide-ranging celebrations in 2014, they can be guaranteed the warmest possible welcome to these shores and I have no doubt they will leave with memories they will treasure forever."

More details on the year of celebration are to follow. Keep informed through our regular AncestralScotland newsletters and by checking our news stories on the site.

Key Dates:



The 700th anniversary of Bannockburn - 23rd and 24th June 2014

The Commonwealth Games - 23rd July - 3rd August 2014

The Ryder Cup - Autumn 2014 - dates to be confirmed.

About the New Constitution and By-Laws



Kent Macfarlane

Director of Heritage and

Chairman of the Constitutional Reform Committee

The First Amended and Restated Constitution and By-Laws (2010) are now available on the Clan MacFarlane Society's website. This past winter and spring, the President, Michael MacFarlane and members of the Board and the Society discovered that the 2003 document was no longer capable of satisfying the needs of the Society. In an Executive and Board meeting held in February, it was moved and approved that a committee be struck to revise the Constitution and By-Laws. I was appointed by the President, Executive and Board to chair the committee, and to select my committee members, subject to the President's approval.

The rest of the Committee who worked on the project until its end consisted of Nancy McFarland Reeser, Secretary of the Society, Dorothy Selcage, Global Commissioner, Sandra McFarland Morgan, member in good standing of the Society. I thank them all for their lively interest and thoughtful input.

After twelve weeks of committee work, involving a complete rewriting from start to finish, and two revisions and restatements of some sections, the Constitution and By-Laws were submitted to the Society's Legal Counsel for review. Counsel offered a few suggestions which were also incorporated into the document.

While the Purpose and Goals of the Society remain unchanged, there are some new features in the Constitution:

- A clear definition of the purpose of the Constitution and the By-laws, and that there may need to be further change over time;
- Clear definitions of the types of membership;
- A privacy policy for the protection of the Society-members' personal and credit information;
- A statement that all members have ethical responsibilities in the Society;
- Policy for dealing with violations of ethical responsibilities.

The By-Laws contain the processes for dealing with the existing day-to-day operation of the Society and for those sections of the Constitution which are new. They contain:

- Processes for changing the Constitution and By-Laws, and who is responsible for the changes;
- Election procedures;
- Terms of Offices and Appointments;
- Procedures for dealing with violations of ethical responsibilities by Executive, Board, and Members.

This is one of your opportunities to guide your Society in its development and growth. Please read the Constitution carefully. Your participation in this process is important. If you have questions, e-mail them to me (please remember that I am in Canada). Mark your ballot and mail it to me no later than October 5, 2010.

Thank you.

ELECTION RESULTS



Open Letter to CMSI Members and Election Nominees

The Clan MacFarlane Society, Inc. Nominating Committee does hereby submit the official CMSI election results for the term of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2013.

All ballots received through Friday, June 15, 2010 have been counted and included in the results. There were a total of 192 ballots, which were counted and verified by the Election Committee Members on Saturday, June 19, 2010.

In a few cases, ballots were received that had multiple votes for a position (for example: a vote for both Michael and Randy and/or both Rick and Marie were cast). In those cases, neither vote was counted as they cancel out each other. Only the single candidate votes were counted.

The ballots will be available for inspection by the Membership on October 9, 2010, at the 2010 AGM in Ventura, CA.

The vote count for each nominee is presented below:

Michael MacFarlane Running for President	Brian Macfarlane (Withdrawn)	Rick Kilby Running for Secretary	Kevin McFarlane Running for Treasurer	Randy McFarland Running for President	Laurie Jackson Running for Vice-President	Marie Robb Running for Secretary
112	21	102	180	77	146	85

The new elected officers for the 2011-2013 term are:

President: Michael MacFarlane
Vice President: Laurie Jackson
Secretary: Rick Kilby
Treasurer: Kevin McFarlane

Respectfully submitted,

Nadine Miller
CMSI Election Committee

Cindy Knox
CMSI Election Committee

Kevin Knox
CMSI Election Committee

THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE



Michael R. McFarlane, Director

Clan MacFarlane Society Memorial Scholarship Committee

There have been questions recently about how we go about awarding the scholarship each year. What does it take to win the Clan MacFarlane Society Memorial Scholarship? I will give a brief description of the process so that all members can best understand where and how their money is being spent

The committee is made up of at least four members all of whom have college experience. The application process begins early in the spring for most applicants as the scholarship committee requires certain information such as recent grades and recommendations from school officials to be submitted with the application form. The cutoff date for receiving the information is March 15th.

The application form is simple and to the point asking each applicant to give us pointed information on themselves. The committee expects each applicant to be able to fill in the application correctly and to follow the directions for fulfilling the requirement exactly. Part of success in higher education is in fact being able to follow simple instructions. As the applicants information is received by the Director of Scholarships the information is checked for completeness. This information is then placed in a folder and not opened until the committee meets. If there is only one applicant for the scholarship, which sadly often happens, that applicant must still meet the requirements to receive the scholarship. In that case the applicant is discussed by the committee and a consensus is needed to award the scholarship. If there is more than one applicant the process becomes a little more defined.

The committee meets for lunch and the applicants packets are passed to each member to read and evaluate. Each member of the committee is given a score sheet that evaluates different aspects of the candidate's grades and class ranking, school activities, public service and character. With the latter we are normally assisted by the results of an interview that the candidate has had with a Society member. Each packet is read by each member and each is scored by that member. The scores are then tallied and the best score announced. The members are then polled as to their thoughts on the candidates. Each is allowed to make their case as to their individual evaluations. Only after all members agree as to who is the best candidate do we award the scholarship. We have been very fortunate in my tenure as Director that we have had only highly qualified exceptional students that have all been outstanding members of their communities. This makes the decision harder but assures that the money is going to a person with a good chance of success. The essay part of the application process is very important and we read each with great interest. There are truly some amazing kids out there. I wish we could award more scholarships then what we have to offer

To my knowledge the winning candidates from past awards have all finished college and have been awarded a four year degree. Some have even gone on to achieve higher degrees. For more information or applications please contact the Director of Scholarships.

2010 MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD



June 30th, 2010

Michael MacFarlane
President
Clan MacFarlane Society International Inc.

Dear President MacFarlane,

It is my pleasure to announce the 2010 Memorial Scholarship has been awarded to Adam Scott Holland. Adam is an outstanding student and has turned his love of knowledge into a career in teaching. He was awarded the scholarship so that he can continue his journey to raise his qualification level in the teaching field. Adam is an Apple award winner at West Ranch High School, an award given to him by his peers for exemplary service. He is very involved in after school programs to enhance student learning. He has been involved in individual tutoring and student intervention programs. I know that you will join with the Scholarship Committee in wishing Adam the best in his quest for knowledge and his efforts to become a better teacher and mentor.

Sincerely,
Michael R. McFarlane, Director
Clan MacFarlane Society Memorial Scholarship Committee





ORDER of the CLAYMORE

Each of us involved in the Clan MacFarlane Society is here because we wish to share in and preserve our proud legacy inherited from those that have gone before.

If we want to see our heritage preserved so FUTURE GENERATIONS will benefit from it, much help is required. Some people are able to donate their time, others donate financially. Some do both! CMSI's Order of the Claymore is the means to donate financially.

All money donated goes directly to the Clan MacFarlane Heritage trust to fund the acquisition of a Bldg. which will be home of the Clan MacFarlane Museum of Highland Life in Scotland. This Museum and Heritage centre will be a focal point for all MacFarlanes and septs worldwide and will aid the preservation of Scottish/Gaelic Culture, Artifacts, Genealogy and Archaeological studies.

This will be YOUR centre and this is your chance to help.

Donations of all sizes are welcome. We are offering some beautiful commemorative gifts with donations which are listed below to thank you for your support.

DEFENDER of the ARMS

\$10,000 Donation

Recognition at the Centre with a personalized name plaque.

Hand Crafted Sterling Silver MacFarlane Crest Badge

Hand Crafted Sterling Silver CMSI Order of the Claymore Kilt Pin

Embroidered Polo Shirt with Order of the Claymore logo

HIGHLAND WARRIOR

\$5,000 Donation

Recognition at the Centre with a smaller personalized name plaque.

Hand Crafted Sterling Silver MacFarlane Crest Badge

Hand Crafted Sterling Silver CMSI Order of the Claymore Kilt Pin

Embroidered Polo Shirt with Order of the Claymore logo

ARCHER

\$1,000 Donation

Recognition at the Centre on the Roll of Honor (Archer)

Hand Crafted Sterling Silver CMSI Order of the Claymore Kilt Pin

Embroidered Polo Shirt with Order of the Claymore logo

STANDARD BEARER

\$500 Donation

Recognition at the Centre on the Roll of Honor (Standard Bearer)

Hand Crafted Sterling Silver CMSI Order of the Claymore Kilt Pin

Embroidered Polo Shirt with Order of the Claymore logo

SWORD BEARER

\$250 Donation

Recognition at the Centre on the Roll of Honor (Sword Bearer)

Embroidered Polo Shirt with Order of the Claymore logo

Those making donations less than \$250 will receive recognition at the Centre on the Roll of Honor.



Order of the Claymore Roll of Honour

CMSI Would like to thank all those who support the Heritage Centre Project

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The Lord Macfarlane of Bearsden, KT, Glasgow Scotland UK \$7,760.00
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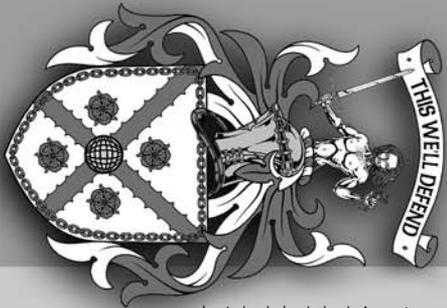
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Richard G. Kilby, FSA Scot

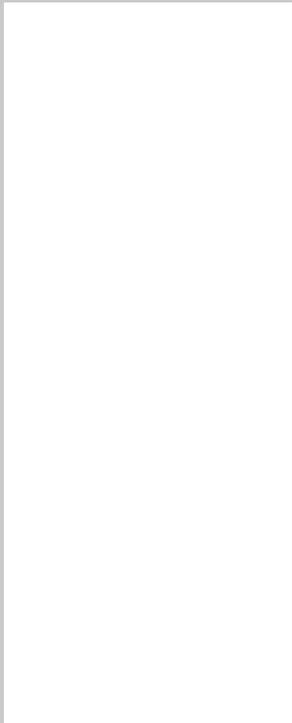
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