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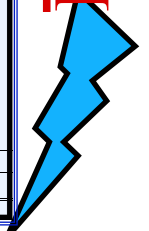
Spring 2007 Issue

Greetings! Spring has truly arrived in Tennessee - I hope you have all seen the end of your snow and ice for this winter. Along with spring comes the 2006 end of year reports and the planning for upcoming games, the 2007 AGM, camping trips....and about anything else we can think of!

In a year that has, at best, had its ups and downs, we have done our best to respond to your questions, concerns and suggestions. We are deeply grateful for your continuing support and encouragement - without them and the efforts of your board and many of our members, the successes would have been impossible. Our membership is growing with new people and a substantial number of past members returning. The future looks bright, the store is stocked, new member packets are printed, AGM planning is in full swing, new commissioners will be training this summer and commissioners and volunteers are getting ready for the games. Our **Financial report** is submitted in accordance with the DHA bylaws.

Dunardry Heritage Association Income statement for the year ending 12/31/06		
Clan Store Sales	3,571.62	
Donations	147.97	
Membership Dues	1,897.02	
Reimbursed Expenses	76.20	
TOTAL INCOME		5,692.81
Less Cost of Goods Sold		2,726.33
Gross Income		2,966.48
Expenses		
Bank fees and other Service charges	406.95	
Postage and delivery	482.73	
Printing and reproduction	377.78	
Phone	51.46	
Office Supplies	121.00	
Games/Event expense	230.00	
Refunds	86.00	
Web site charges	283.45	
Interest	182.00	
Advertising	125.00	
Other	72.00	
Total Expenses		2,418.37
Net Income		548.11

NEWS FLASH



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AGM ...DHA/Clan MacTavish (Thompson) World-wide to be HONORED CLAN at the Illinois St. Andrews Highland Games...

Hi everyone. I have been busy with planning for the AGM upcoming in June. This is a reminder that our AGM will be held during the Illinois St. Andrew Society's 21st Annual Highland Games, June 16th, 2007 at the Oakbrook, IL polo grounds. For more information on ISAS or the games, check out their web site, www.chicago-scots.org. I am a member of this organization and they are a great bunch of people with which to work and play.

Right now, I am in final negotiations with an area hotel for use of their facilities for our meeting and for the hotel to be the "host". This means a discounted rate for any attendee coming to the games. **Below is the tentative schedule of events. I intend to get tickets for the two items which need tickets and, when you register for the AGM, you can pay for these. You will then receive a packet of info from me with all sorts of goodies. It would help me greatly in the planning of some of the events if I could get a temporary head count of who thinks they will come. My email is: ieditone@yahoo.com**

Address: Deb Montague, 110 S. Prospect St, Wheaton, IL 60187

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES

Thursday--Travel day--Thursday evening--informal dinner, location TBD.

Friday--Breakfast--informal, location TBD - lunch--on your own

Afternoon--volunteers needed to set up tent 12-3:30

The games are open Friday night from 4-7:30 when the grounds closes for evening entertainment. You may man the tent or attend this event. We are allowed to set up and don't have to have our tent manned.

Evening--formal dinner--J. Alexander's--Oakbrook, IL--6:30 p.m.

Saturday--Breakfast on your own

Highland Games 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Informal clan cookout at Deb Montague's 7:00 to ???whenever, although not too late or too noisy that the police show up.

Sunday--AGM--9:30 a.m. Til ????

Lunch--on your own

1st Annual MacTavish Invitational--Glen Ellyn Mini Golf 1:00 to 3:00. Prizes will be awarded. Rain event TBD.

Evening--informal pub dinner--Shannon's Irish Pub, Glen Ellyn,

Monday--informal breakfast--location TBD

That's the schedule at the moment. Things are subject to some change but I'm confident this is pretty much what we will do.

I'm excited that you're coming to my stomping grounds. I think you'll have a good time. I've tried not to plan every minute of your day so if you do some snooping on the web and you'd like to visit some other place while you are here, you certainly have that flexibility.

For those who like to camp, I'm working on that. That is a bit of a problem but the hotel is also helping. If you have any other special needs or suggestions, please let me know.



Getting To Know You

With your help, we plan to high-light at least one member (and their family) each newsletter. Since we are a family, it's a way to get to know each other - and it takes an effort on your part to write to us so we can tell your story. Please spend the 5-10 minutes it would take.... and thank you to the following! Here we go!!!!

Donald and Gwen Thompson

I have been married to Gwen G. Thompson for fifty-nine years this January. We have two children living; Kathleen Ann Headstrom in Grants Pass, Oregon and David E. Thompson living in the Seattle, Washington area. We lost our son, Douglas Brian Thompson on 04 October 1994.

We have been most blessed by the achievements of our children; Douglas B. was graduated from the University of Washington. Kathleen Ann graduated from Eastern Washington State College and received her masters degree in education from Whitworth College. She is certified in the State of Oregon, was formally certified in the State of Washington. David E. graduated from the University of Washington and received his degree in accounting. He passed the exam for CPA and is now a partner in Abramson, Pendergast & Company, Certified Public Accountants and Business Consultants.



Douglas did not marry-Kathleen has two children and four grandchildren. David has three children, to date no grandchildren. I am retired from the Sherwin-Williams Company, having served in their Metro Credit department, supervising nine stores in the Inland Empire for twenty five years. Following my work there, I worked for the Spokane Compressor Company for ten years, then decided to retire and do for myself. I enjoy wood carving, primarily song and upland game birds and other small shop projects. When I was young, followed actively in athletics, had to finally go with the old people playing golf. Gwen and I have enjoyed relative good health up until the last few years. Gwen has been having a difficult time, but we are making progress. She was a golfer also, and like me had to take the old folks route.

This is kind of a long winded thing, but I thought you might like to know who you opened the barn door for. Am looking forward to my membership in DHA. I like the tone of the posts, I see a good sound, progressive organization.

Nancy Lu and John Irvine A Thompson reunion after 65 years! When I was a child, my mother's family had reunions from time to time. My mother was the ninth and last child of Nathaniel Pipes Thompson and Alice Amanda Leachman. Since she didn't marry until age 39, I was many years younger than most of my many cousins. My mother and others in her generation were faithful about keeping in touch with the wider family. After they were all gone, I realized that as an only child, I would be isolated from family unless I made the effort to keep in touch. My first cousins are now all deceased.

My husband and I have a family tree Maker program, and I had entered all the information I had of previous generations. In 2003, after searching for and locating most of the living descendants of my grandparents so that I could bring my database up to date, I decided we simply **must** try for a reunion. There had been so many exciting telephone conversations! So, with help from contacts in various branches of the family, we pulled it off! We had 57 adults and 8 small children from all over the country for a weekend in Springfield, KY! We shared family memories and family pictures, then created new memories and friendships. I am so thankful we were able to do this.

One of our sons took pictures of each family and posted them on the

Ofoto website for people to purchase as they wished. Our other son audio taped our sharing of memories, put them on a CD, and made that available also.

I was motivated in this endeavor by an appreciation of my mother's efforts to stay in touch with family, and also by my desire to have my children know their relatives that are more geographically distant. In the process, I was blessed by new connections and friendships. It was well worth all the hard work!

From the Membership Secretary:

The past ten months I have been charged with collecting membership dues and in doing so have discovered a wonderful benefit of this position, communicating with new and renewing members.

I am pleased to report that our membership is steadily growing, with inquiries and new applications up particularly in the last two months. And I would like to thank those members who enclosed a note with their dues thanking us for our efforts and showing great appreciation for our positive attitude in the face of past adversity.

One new member in particular indicated he had visited both our web site and that of Steven MacTavish. He found our forum to be upbeat, with a variety of subjects, in contrast to the negative postings on Steven's site. He wisely chose to join our organization and I hope will not be disappointed. There was also a woman who, when she sent her application, enclosed a note complimenting the DHA on the informational value of our web site; she too had visited the other web site and found it to be lacking... and quite negative.

Now the fun starts! Highland Games season is just around the corner and we're hoping to sign up more members and make more friends. I encourage all of you to try to attend at least one of the games as a representative of Dunardry Heritage Association and enjoy the camaraderie of your fellow clansmen. My wish is that I could meet every one of you and gather 'round the campfire with you for a good old fashion gabfest.

Thank you all, old and new members, for your support. Without you there would be no Dunardry Heritage Association.

Pam Herring, Membership Secretary

WELCOME !!

Welcoming new and returning members has to be one of the very best part of being the President. In this issue, we are more than happy to welcome David Newbold, Victor Colucci, Carl Brink Jr., John and Barbara Moore, John and Nancy Irvine, James Cash, Michael Cash, Carl and Victoria Shelton, Coleen Thomason, Jeffrey Thompson, Kyle and Gretchen Thompson, Hillary and David Judd, Jim and Una Thompson, Larry and Brenda Barker, Lori Ann Thomas, McKinley Thomason, David and Lynn Thompson, Donald and Gwen Thompson, Graham Thompson, David Thompson, Daniel Thompson and Coleta and Jack Sullivan. If we missed anyone, I do sincerely apologize, but I think my brain and eyes are going!

Elections

There are 3 director positions open for this election cycle. ALL directors positions are for 3 years. You may serve as an officer for its designated term - 1 year for President, Treasurer and Secretary as we will be electing a president, treasurer and secretary from among the directors.

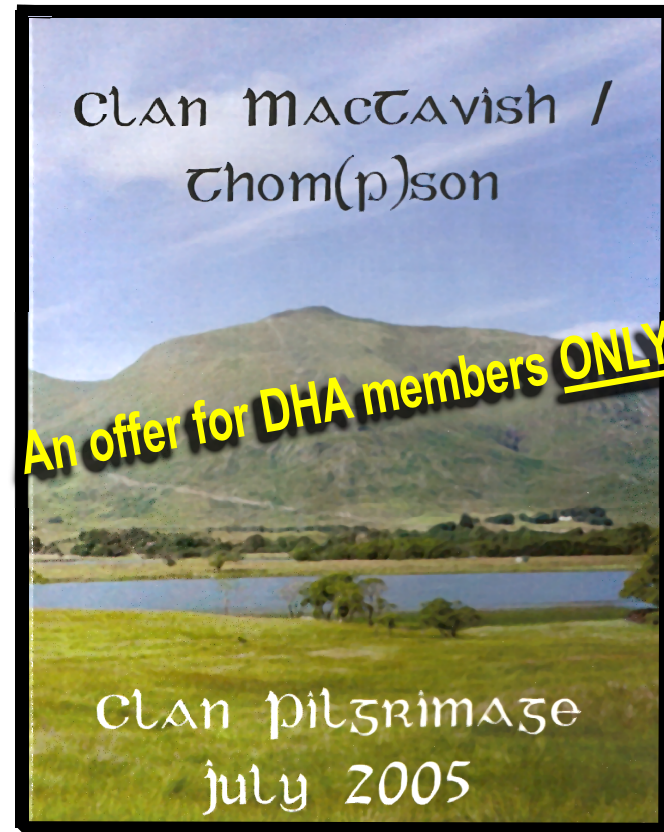
These positions are elected by the membership at large. If you would like to run, we **MUST HAVE** your name, the position you are applying for (if applying for an officer position) and a one-two paragraph biography for the ballot **no later** than April 15th. This is an absolute date. Ballots must be in member's hands by the 10th of May so they may return them as proxies by May 25th or take them to the AGM. Submit to Nominating Committee Chairman, Fred Cash, 8500 Mingo Court, Louisville, KY 40220 or email to: cashcary2@aol.com .

After a rather stressful year just past, the DHA is vibrant, alive and is made up of an exciting group of people dedicated to Scottish heritage and fun. Consider joining the board as we start our next 10 years.

It's a bit early to decide on games, but to date we know we will be at the following events:

- Loch Norman Highland Games, NC.... April 20-22
- KY Highland Games, KY,.... May 11 - 13
- Glasgow Highland Games, KY,.... May 31 - June 3
- Illinois St. Andrews Games, IL,.... June 15 - 17
- Columbus Scottish Festival, IN,.... Sept 8 - 9
- All Things Scottish Celtic Festival, IA,.... Sep 22
- Others are still in the planning stages....

GAMES



For those who may never get to the clan lands in Scotland and the surrounding area or who cherish memories of Chief Dugald - here is a travel log entitled "The Story of the Thompsons" by Tom Thompson, of Australia, which chronicles his trip with his grandson to Dunardry lands. The second part is Dugald's memorial service at Kilmartin, and Tom and his sister's tour around Scotland and Ireland. If you didn't get to go on the trip or may not be able to go in the future - this is a great way to have the flavor without all the flying and hiking! \$25.00 pp - can be ordered from the CATALOG at <http://www.mactavish.org> or write to DHA, 1665 Rickman-Monterey Hwy, Rickman, TN 38580

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