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Per Ardua is the quarterly newsletter of Clan MacIntyre Association. Its purpose is to keep Members and Patrons informed of CMA family happenings, coming events, genealogy, updates and general information of interest to all MacIntyres and Wrights worldwide.

2008 AGM to be Held in Chicago Area

Now that it's the New Year we are just six months away from this year's AGM! Here are a few things everyone needs to know right now. The date of the games is June 20th and 21st, 2008 and will be held during the Illinois Saint Andrews Society Annual Highland Games and Scottish Festival at the Oak Brook Polo Field in Oakbrook, Illinois (25 minutes west of Chicago). The hotel that we have chosen is the Courtyard by Marriot of Elmhurst. The rate is \$89 per night for a single/double. A suite is \$119 per night. The phone number is (630) 941-9444. When booking a room please ask for Dee Jones and tell her you are with the Clan McIntyre Association. All reservations and payments for hotel rooms need to be arranged directly with the hotel. Courtyard by Marriot is about a 15 minute drive from the games, a short drive to one of the largest outdoor malls in the Chicagoland area, and the Oak Brook/Elmhurst area hosts an abundant amount of restaurants that will cover all your dining needs. We think you will find the hotel and surrounding area most accommodating for an extended stay as well.

The council meeting will take place on Friday night, June 20th at the Courtyard hotel and then dinner for all clan members and their guests will be held on Saturday night at the same hotel at 6:00 p.m. Dinner will be served buffet style with many choices such as: 3 kinds of pasta and 2 kinds of sauces, meatballs, breadsticks, soup or salad and dessert. The price of the dinner will be \$25 per person and then a cash bar will be available for alcoholic drinks. Payments and reservation forms for the Saturday night dinner need to be sent to Don McIntyre by June 5th. Please see reservation form for more details.

On a special note, we would like to have any performers who might come to the AGM perform at the clan dinner. Whether you sing, dance, play the pipes or any other Scottish talent you'd like to showcase, please let us know.

It is always great to see what talent our clan has! Contact Liz at pixiqueen@aol.com or by phone (847) 649-3020 Rather than some of our Black and White words, let your computer put you into the midst of these great games.

http://www.chicago-scots.org/21st-annual-highland-games-scottish-festival.html

• Approx. 40 different vendors (filling 2 huge tents plus many smaller tents) selling everything from Welsh cakes, Scottish trinkets and homemade tartan fabric.

For those who had attended the last AGM in the Chicago area, the games have doubled in size so this is an event NOT to miss. Last year at the opening ceremonies the annuancer stated that 2008 will be the annual meeting place for the Clan MacIntyres so we already have some good marketing. Let's give them a good showing of MacIntyres this year. Plan to attend the 2008 AGM. We'll see you there.

We need your ideas and help to carry us into this century of information overload. Clan MacIntyre needs your help and ideas in developing and organizing these things such as YouTube, Facebook, and Blogs. Can they help us?

The Nominating Committee

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Please make yourself available to suggest or to devote your own best skill to your Clan.

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This was to be the first issue under our new Editor of Per Ardua. I had been in touch with J Nathan Bazzel through some interesting stories he had done for Per Ardua. He arranged for the Clan MacIntyre appearance in New York's Tartan Day Parade last year about this time. I'm afraid I won't be able to make it this year. As I said in the Fall issue, you members have survived my goings on since 2003. I never wanted to be Editor but I had no choice. I had been named Vice President for Membership and first discovered that renewal notices had not gone out that year at the usual time so I set out to create my first Access-based personalized letters to go after those neglected renewals. Then, into the fall I was told that the Editor was no longer able to handle his own work load and Clan MacIntyre Association too. So, I struggled to put together Per Ardua in the same general format that had existed recently. The problem is that J Nathan is a theatre person and a real creative one. It turned out that as we neared absolute deadline, he was not pleased with his new creation of Per Ardua. But this issue must go out to give notice for the Annual General Meeting in Oakbrook, near Chicago. Hotel and dinner are arranged and we must get the message to the members so they, you, will come. I took on this one more issue in the old format to get the message to you. Please come on out. Don MacIntyre can be counted on to give us a good show.

Genealogy had been a regular feature and I am pleased that we have a new Genealogist who I think will give you material far beyond my base. See Page 14 to see what Tom McIntyre, Las Vegas, has for us this time. By the next issue, I hope you will have the new Editor. You will find J Nathan Bazzel much more creative than I, so be prepared. Page 4 of this issue tells again what would fit in the space available. Not only that, he is a "Mac" Person. No Bill Gates for him.

We've come a long way from the typewriter and stencils and Mimeograph back before computers. I'm proud to say that publication has been regular since Volume 1, Number 1 went out to the first 74 members in August 1978 only a month after the founding at Grandfather Mountain on July 8, 1978. I was not at that meeting but was responsible for the TV Tower in your view to the east. I was Director of Engineering for University of North Carolina Public Television.

Although our membership list includes 503 families and the new Member Numbers are above 1,700 this does not mean we have had that many members over these years but that the number system has jumped a little. But, there is no reuse of a Member Number. The Number of the deceased, and dropouts too, goes into the Archive portion of the file. The listing of 503 Members still includes many who are behind with their dues. I'm going on about these numbers since there appears to be a problem in stimulating the interest we need to retain our strength over the years. There seem to be too many diversions that draw on the time resources.

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Meet the new Editor — Starting with Winter 2008 — J Nathan Bazzel

When I was a young boy growing up, I had a favorite Aunt. My Aunt Mary was the last living member of the family to have immigrated from Scotland. She would sit and regale us with stories, in her thick Clyde Valley accent, of growing up in Greenock on the River Clyde. I adored her, and loved every moment of listening to her pride in our heritage. When I first joined CMA, I experienced some of that same joy when I received my first issue of *Per Ardua*.

When I met Alan MacIntyre in New York for Tartan Day earlier this year, I was really thrilled when he asked if I might be interested in taking over the duties as editor and publisher of *Per Ardua*. How could I refuse? It is a publication that embodies all of my deepest joys; history, heritage, and family. Since that first invitation, Alan and I have been discussing about the ways *Per Ardua* had been published in the past, and how it has changed and grown. I am happy to carry that tradition forward. Like anyone stepping into an existing publication, I want to hold on to the wonderful aspects of it, while adding some new and exciting ideas that I hope you will enjoy. As with any change over, I am sure there will be a few bumps, but I hope that you will bare with the new guy as we make some changes behind the scenes.

So, who is this guy taking over this publication that you have come to know and enjoy? Well, I am the proud head of my family branch and association, The *MacIntyres of Greenock*. I am also an entertainment professional for the last three decades of my life. I have appeared on television, stage, and in movies. I have been featured in Time and Newsweek magazines. I am a bit of a renaissance man in the sense that I have many odd interests and have done many unusual things in my life and career. Currently, I am working as the Public Relations Manager for the Prince Music Theater in Philadelphia. But most importantly, I love my family and heritage and archive everything I can for my nieces and nephews.

Well, I am sure that you are curious as to what possible changes I might be making. I want to start by saying "I want to hear from YOU!", about your ideas, and what you think of mine as we move forward. Nothing is ever permanent. We can make changes both forward and back to get things just right. Here are some possible additions I thought of...

- 1. A new section just for the younger members of our family. Here you may find easy to understand stories, exciting puzzles and games, and maybe a project to do. I hope this will help in having some family time that will excite and educate our children.
- 2. I love food, and I love learning what other families cook, so why don't we have a section to share a recipe every now and then. Food is one of the wonderful things about our heritage. Maybe you have great-grandmas cookies recipe from the old country. Send it in. Once we get enough, we could assemble them into a cookbook, "From the House of The Carpenter's Son" (just a little play on our family name)
- 3. A calendar of upcoming events, such as our big trip to Scotland in 2008, and our Tartan Day march in NYC in April.
- 4. With holidays in each quarter of the publishing calendar, I thought we could share some of our family traditions. What does your family do for Thanksgiving? Share with the rest of your extended family.
- 5. Many of the wonderful articles that have been printed have been well researched scholarly works. I would like to encourage everyone to write something for the magazine. Write a story about a special Christmas you once had. Maybe its a story about taking a parent back home to Scotland for the first time. This is YOUR magazine and you can write what is in it. Encourage the young ones to write as well.
- 6. One last thing, With all of the exciting news happening in Scotland right now as we move closer to separation from England, I thought it might be fun to include a few important news headlines with a link to where you can read the entire story.

So folks, Alan tells me that I take over with the Winter issue, so I don't have much time. I want you to send me anything you would like. Take a risk and send it in. I am always available to you and I want you to feel free to contact me anytime. Pick up the phone and call me. Whether you live in Scotland or the US, I have a local number for you. Here is my contact information. I look forward to hearing from all of you and I hope I make you proud.

AGM Reservation Information and Form 2008

Clan MacIntyre Association Annual Gathering and Meeting

In conjunction with the Illinois Saint Andrews Society
Annual Highland Games & Scottish Festival

June 20th and 21st 2008

Oak Brook Polo Field Oak Brook, Illinois

Headquarters Hotel: Courtyard by Marriot Elmhurst

370 N. Route 83, Elmhurst, Illinois 60126

This hotel is a short uncomplicated 6.5 miles north of the Oak Brook Polo Field for easy game to meeting driving. It is also 12 miles south of O'Hare International Airport, 20 miles west of Midway Airport and about 2 miles off of I-294.

There is some less expensive housing near the airport but the directions to the games and the banquet are much more complicated.

Check online for city of Oak Brook, IL for other hotel options if interested.

Reservations for Hotel Rooms:

Room rate is \$89.00 for single/double bed and \$119.00 for a suite.

You need to call the hotel to make your own reservations at (630) 941-9444.

Ask for Dee Jones and indicate you are with the Clan MacIntyre Association Annual Gathering.

If you would like to book your room online, go to

www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/chiel-courtyard-chicago-elmhurst-oakbrook-area.

Enter event code "HIGG". You must make your reservations by June 5th to participate in the block of rooms. Check in is at 3:00 p.m. and check out is at 12:00 noon.

Banquet Reservations:

Banquet is at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday June 21st and will be held at the Courtyard Marriot hotel. The banquet will cost **\$25.00 per person** and include an Italian dinner buffet and entertainment. There will be a cash bar. The dinner includes:

and mail this form and money to: Don McIntyre at 2855 W. 183 rd Street, Homewood, IL 60430. Banquet reservations due June 5 th . Questions? 708-799-2335.
IMPORTANT: NAMES OF THOSE ATTENDING BANQUET:

Please print the names of those attending the annual banquet as you wish their names to appear on name tag.

Virginia Scottish Game

Sky Meadows State Park
Deleplane, Virginia
September 16, 2007
John Gall, In our Memory

I attended these games several years ago, when they were held in Alexandria, Virginia. It was oppressively hot, and a long drive from home. This inclined me to cease attending these games for several years. However, circumstances made it necessary to move the games to a new location, and Sky Meadows State Park is just on the other side of Winchester, Virginia. This is only about 60 miles from home.

Dave McKenzie, our Highland Athletics Judge, and brother officer, invited me to come and compete in the athletics here this year. Another chance to set up a clan tent, and opportunity to throw were too much to resist, so I jumped at the chance. I contacted the games, and sent my information in, and eagerly awaited the reply.

This reply never came, but to be fair, I had waited to late in the game to decide to come to the games. My lady had planned on attending with me, since it was a short trip, but a last minute work conflict required me to drive alone. As I had anticipated, it was a short, pleasant trip. I had never been in this part of Virginia before, and was impressed by its beauty.

Sky Meadows State Park is located on top of a mountain east of Winchester. It appeared to be a former farm donated to the State in the past. There was also a mansion on the grounds, and the Clan Tents were circled near the mansion. I located our host and Clan organizer, Heather Gange, and she regretted that I had not received my package of information (which never did arrive). However, she did have my Clan Tent location pegged into the ground and in a short order, I was set up.

Given the relocation of the games to this place, there was some confusion and flow problems, but these were quickly remedied. The Park is composed of rolling cleared fields, and fenced pastures, and is perfect for holding a Highland Games. I was a little hampered by being alone, although I have set up and run tents from the Athletic field. However, given the layout of this game, the Clan Tent was far from the Athletic field, and I couldn't just run back and forth from my tent to the field. I set the tent up, and put the sign on the table indicating that the Clan Representative was on the Athletic field.

The weather was beautiful, perfect for fall, with high clouds and higher winds. I was glad I staked the Clan Tent down, because the winds were so gusty we didn't set

up the Sheaf Toss, which utilizes two high towers and a bar for the sheaf to cross.

I met Dave McKenzie, and was glad to meet Eric Wright again. Gentle Readers will recall Eric, his wife, and his daughter attending Grandfather Mountain three years ago. I had corresponded with him several times since via Email, but hadn't seen him. I had the pleasure to throw with him this day. We had a good crowd of Athletes, and I met many old friends and some new ones.

Dave was a gracious host and judge, and Kevin and Deb Anderson came to help with the judging on the field. A good time was had by all. With a distinguished field of athletes, I didn't take any medals home, but I didn't finish last either. All in all, I had a great time visiting and throwing with my friends.

During the lunch break, I ran up to the Clan tent, and was glad to see nothing had blown away. I had three people sign up and take information on the Clan MacIntyre. One of the visitors was Gary Bowman. He came back to the tent when he saw me there, and told me his mother's maiden name was McIntyre. He took lots of Clan information, and bought a T-shirt. He was there with his wife, and they were traveling in a Motor Home. He was from Pennsylvania and was very pleased to see the Highland Games, and was thinking about traveling to more of them. Gary Bowman came down to the Athletic field, and met some of the athletes: Eric included, and watched us throw the hammer and the Caber. He and his wife enjoyed the day, and he looked forward to attending more festivals in the future, and I gave him some flyers from our games in Bridgeport on the first weekend in May, 2008. We will be hosting the Scottish Heavy Athletics World Championship competition, and are looking forward to large crowds.

I also had a visitor to the tent which I did not meet. Diane Wright McVicker from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania left her name on my sign in sheet, and her E-mail address. I sent her some emails, and information on the Clan McIntyre Association, and hope to see her at future festivals.

The day wound down, and the closing ceremonies were on the grounds of the mansion, right next to my tent. They reported that the numbers were slightly down from previous years, but this is likely due to the new location. It was thrilling to see the massed bands play Amazing Grace, and march off the field. The crowd loved it, and the bands marched to resounding applause.

I got the tent packed up and folded (no small task in the high winds) and got ready to depart. Heather Gange ex-

pressed her desire to see Clan MacIntyre there next year, and I told her if it was in the same place, Clan MacIntyre would be there. She provided me with all the material in the Clan Package, and lots of extra game pins, and I said a fond fair well to the games in Virginia.

This is the end of the season, and my last Clan tent for the year. Thanks to all of my Clan Family I met in 2007. What fine people you all are. I don't know yet what 2008 will hold, particularly since the height of the season is around June and July, when I will be preparing to go to Scotland. I know I will have to skip some festivals in 2008, and hope that one of your gentle readers may take up the Clan Banner at some of these festivals.

Thanks so much for all the support, and I couldn't ask for a more kind, generous, or pleasant Clan than Clan MacIntyre. We make good impressions wherever we go, and I am proud to host the Banner of Clan MacIntyre. Thank you for the opportunity to be your Clan Representative, and hope to see many of you next year.

Let's set up clan tents and spread the word about Clan MacIntyre!

46th Annual Salado Scottish Clan Gathering & Highland Games Nov 10 - 11, 2007

Stephen E. McIntyre, 1324-LM87

The Salado Scottish Clan Gathering & Highland Games (SHG or the Festival) is held annually in the old Central Texas town of Salado, TX, about 50 miles north of Austin. The SHG is the last outdoor Highland games/clan gathering for the year in this state after a long drought of no games during the oppressively hot summer months. By the way, it was one of the warmest SHGs I have experienced, with temperatures in the mid-80s. But, the gusty winds and rolling clouds kept the warm sun tolerable and there was no rain to re-hydrate the dried cow paddies or "dampen spirits". This means both Jerry McIntyre and I (we co-hosted, again, this year) remembered to bring our flasks this year.

Unlike prior years, I had to pass on participating in the amateur solo piping competitions that were held on Saturday because of a busy business travel schedule. But, luckily, my CMA tent was right next to the piping competitions (AND, thankfully, under the shade), so I was never too far away from the pipes. Sunday is always open piping competitions. Open pipers are the professionals and it's always a treat to hear how tunes are really to be played. Last year, I was lucky to hear Donald McPhee, the winner of the 2005 Highland Society of London's Gold Medal.

On Saturday, Jerry was gone most of the day to attend a funeral of a church friend. Excluding Jerry and me, 9 visitors with MacIntyre blood came by the tent and signed in. CMA Lifer Jill Burt was the tenth visitor, but she forgot to sign in! I would attest under oath that she was there, if she needs an alibi. For this year as well as many previous, Jill was gracious in organizing a dinner for the gathered clans for both Friday and Saturday nights at a local steak house. Many thanks to Jill for her efforts to keep us well fed. (I do not hold her accountable for the bad potato salad!)

Among our visitors, we had two that joined our ranks for the first time, with three other hopefuls, who took application forms. Our new members are Edward D. Alverson and daughter, Melissa, of Temple, Texas, who joined for 2 years as Patrons. Thank you Edward and Melissa, and I hope you enjoy all the benefits of being members of the Clan MacIntyre Association.

The matriarch of the SHG, Ms. Cile Robertson Ambrose, passed away in August. She was the President of the Central Texas Area Museum (CTAM) that founded and manages the SHG. And, it was on Ms. Ambrose's ranchland that the Festival has been held for many years. Although it has been promised by CTAM that the SHG will continue, a change in venue is expected for next year. Whether it will be a nearby park or one of the school grounds, the Festival will remain where it has been since 1960 – SALADO!

Why Not Be A Host?

Marti Jernberg, Games Coordinator

If you regularly attend a Highland Games in your area consider becoming a tent host for a Clan MacIntyre Association tent at those games. It isn't very difficult and the association tries to make it as painless as possible. Here's what you need to know.

The first step is to locate contact information for the games organizers. Many games have an internet site and there are internet lists of games with contact information. This should be done as early as possible. Now is not too early to begin setting things up for any games in 2008.

The second step is to contact me and I will let you know if someone has already arranged to host a tent at these games. Email works best at miscouter@aol.com or you can call me at 847-741-8378. Next you should contact the organizers and ask for an application form (sometimes this step is combined with the first one, because the games committee has the application on the website). Fill out the form and either send it to our treasurer, Stuart MacIntire, who will send it in with a check or you can write a personal check (for which you will be reimbursed) and send it to the organizers yourself. Sending it in yourself is a little faster and avoids any confusion as to where confirmation information should be sent. If you send it in, be sure to then let Stuart know how much to reimburse you. The association will reimburse you for the cost of the tent site (which usually includes a table and a couple of chairs) as well as the rental of the tent, if you need one. Most games give you the option to bring your own tent or rent one from them, which they will have all set up when you arrive at the games.

Then, be sure to contact me to arrange for a games box. The box will contain sign-in sheets, information sheets about the CMA and MacIntyres in general, items for sale, a cash box, as well as tent "decorations" like table-cloths, banners, books, maps, book stands, etc. You are welcome to augment these items with anything you might have to complete the display and to help explain our Scottish heritage. If you have plenty of display items, it is possible to request only a partial box. We'll discuss this when you contact me.

Arrive early on the day of the games to set things up and be ready to greet the first guests. Take time to familiarize yourself with the items in the games box, especially the various forms so they get filled out correctly. Please try to make sure that CMA members who sign the guest register mark that they are members and that addresses are filled out completely.

After the games are over, sort out the money and paperwork and send them in as directed. Also, please return the box as soon as possible. During the height of the games season, all of our boxes are being used every weekend! And finally, write up a short article about your games and submit it to the *Per Ardua*.

Even if you've seen a CMA tent at a games in the past, please contact me if you are interested in hosting. Sometimes the people who have hosted the tent in the past are no longer able to do so or would like some assistance. For example, we will not have a tent at the 2008 Modesto, CA games unless someone else volunteers because our host for the past several years is unable to do it this year.

Hosting a tent is fun and a great way to meet new, interesting and interested people. Why not give it a try?

So, "Why not be a host?"

Below is a list of the highland games and festivals where Clan MacIntyre will have a tent. We are having to miss some of our usual Games because no one has come forward to be Tent Host. We should continue at all these games and should do some of the smaller ones too. The web site for each Games has been checked with *Copy and Paste* from the addresses shown here. Go ahead and see what good new and old things are at these games. Please read Marti's story on the facing page, look at the Game list below. Be a host and meet friends and relatives and help Clan MacIntyre Association. Contact Marti Jernberg at 847-741-8378 or missouter@aol.com if you will be able to do your part this year.

Scottish-Irish Faire, Midland, TX

March?

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Las Vegas Celtic Gathering, Las Vegas April 19, 20

http://www.lasvegascelticsociety.org/

Glenn Wright, 702-645-5451 gwright551@aol.com

San Antonio Highland Games

April 5-6

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Loch Norman Highland Games, Huntersville, NC Apr 18-21

www.ruralhill.org glenoeus@bellsouth.net Alan MacIntyre, Mike MacIntyre, 919-968-6868

Gen'l Sam Houston Games Huntsville, TX April

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North Central West Virginia, Bridgeport, WV May 3-4

http://www.scots-westvirginia.org/

This was one of John Gall's

Frederick Celtic Festival, Urbana, MD May 10

http://www.sasmm.com/celtic festival.htm

Please volunteer

Gatlinburg Scottish Festival, Gatlinburg, TN May 17-18

http://www.gsfg.org/

Please volunteer

Rhode Island Scottish Festival, Richmond, RI May 17

Jon & Dan Tucker, 413-586-9370, jgdtucker@comcast.net

Minnesota Scottish Fair May 17

http://www.mnscottishfair.org/

Ardis Ivory, 218-768-4058

Houston Highland Games May 17-18

http://www.houstonhighlandgames.com/

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Alma Highland Festival & Highland Games, Alma, MI

http://www.almahighlandfestival.com/ May 24 –25

John R. McIntyre, 989-793-0478, mcintyjr@sbeglobal.net

ATTENTION ALL CMA MEMBERS!

Are you interested in getting involved in the CMA and making a difference? Know someone who would add value to our organization? In the next few months, ballots will be going out to all clan members. If you are interested in running or would like to nominate someone, please contact:

Liz Hadley, Secretary pixiqueen@comcast.net

760 Williams Rd 847-649-3020

Carpenterville, IL 60110-1430

McHenry Highland Festival, McHenry, MD

June 6-8

http://www.highlandfest.info/

To be volunteered

Texas Scottish Festival, Arlington, TX J

June 6-8

June 28

http://www.texasscottishfestival.com/

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Southern New Hampshire H. Games Jaffrey, NH June 7

No web site

Jon & Dan Tucker, 413-586-9370, jgdtucker@comcast.net

Modesto St. Andrews Society, Modesto, CA June 7

No web site We need a host

Need a host

Utah Scottish Association, Lehi, UT June 14-15

No Web site

Carole McIntyre,801-298-8334. mcintyrecarole@gmail.com

Potomac Celtic Festival, Leesburg, VA June

http://www.pcfest.org/

Still need host

Illinois St. Andrews Festival, Oakbrook, IL June 21

Don McIntyre, 708-799-2335, don mcintyre@ameritech.net

Western Massachusetts Highland Games June 28

http://www.wmhg.org/

Jon & Dan Tucker, 413-586-9370, jgdtucker@comcast.net

Ohio Scottish Games, Lorain County, OH

http://www.ohioscottishgames.com/

This was one of John Gall's.



Hosts are needed for several games

As you can easily see from the Schedules on this page, we have a serious problem. The death of John Gall was a personal loss to many of us and a severe loss to our ability to host Highland Games.

Yes, gasoline is up again as I write this. Yet, please try to work hosting a Highland Games into your summer family adventures. Try to learn a little more about your heritage and your family, our family this year.

Clan Donald Magazine Online Edition The High Council of Clan Donald Chiefs Appoints a Piper

The High Council of Clan Donald, being: The Right Honourable Godfrey James Macdonald of Macdonald, Lord Macdonald, High Chief of Clan Donald; The Much Honoured Sir Ian Bosville Macdonald of Sleat, Baronet of Nova Scotia, Chief of Clan Uisdein; The Much Honoured Aeneas Ranald Euan MacDonell of Glengarry, Chief of Glengarry; The Much Honoured Ranald Alexander Macdonald of Clanranald, the Captain and Chief of Clanranald; and The Right Honourable Alexander Randal Mark MacDonnell, the Earl of Antrim, Chief of Antrim; is pleased to announce:

The appointment of Archibald Duncan Ogilvie (Archie) McIntyre as Piper to the High Council of Clan Donald Chiefs.

Archie McIntyre is a long-serving member of Clan Donald. The McIntyres or Macintyres (Mhic an t-Saoir) were originally Macdonalds. Tradition tells us that the first man so named was one of the Chief's bodyguards who, together with his fellow bodyguards, were rowing the Chief at sea when the bung came out and got hidden from view. With the boat sinking, he instantly stuck his thumb in the hole, cut it off with his dirk and went back to his oar and rowing, thus saving all aboard from certain death. Thereafter he was named An t-Saoir, the (ship's) carpenter. His sons became Mhic an t-Saoir and so the McIntyres were founded. [1]

As time passed, the McIntyres became numerous enough to form their own independent clan and set off to do so. They took boat and on making shore, the new Chief said that where the lead white cow lay down to rest would be their land. She took the herd and the Clan up the north side of Ben Cruachan along Loch Etive until they came to Glenoe where she lay down to rest. The McIntyres made that their home and there they remained for the following many centuries.

The picture below is of Loch Etive in Argyllshire with Ben Cruachan as the backdrop, taken from Archie's sister Kirsty's house. The McIntyres fought alongside their neighbours, the Stuarts of Appin, in the '45. The *Suaicheantas* or Badge of the McIntyres is that of the Macdonalds, *Fraoch Gorm*, common heather.

A family of McIntyres were hereditary pipers to the Chiefs of Clanranald and in 1983, Archie was invited by the present Chief and Captain of Clanranald to take up that position again. He did so, thus re-entering Clan Donald proper.

Archie was brought up on the mountain-side of Ben Cruachan, and on leaving school, he joined the British Army and was a professional soldier from 1957 through 1964. He was commissioned from the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst and served with the Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders and the Royal Military Police. He soldiered in the United Kingdom, North Africa, Cyprus, Portugal, and Kenya.

Archie has studied the pipes from the age of six; initially taught by his father and later by the renowned Pipe Major Donald MacLeod of the Seaforth Highlanders, whose pupil he remained from 1957 until Pipe Major MacLeod's death in 1984. Pipe Major MacLeod put Archie in for his first piping competition and he won a number of prizes at the Highland Games.

On leaving the army, Archie went into international business and travelled the world amongst other capacities as Sales Director of British Telecom International, always taking his practice chanter, and frequently his full bagpipes, with him.

Archie has composed many pipe tunes, a number of them for senior Clan Donald members. He is at present composing a tune to be called *The High Council of Clan Donald Chiefs*, to be played to announce the Chiefs' presence when they meet in High Council.

After the Chief and his heirs, Archie, as First Gentleman of the Household, is the senior member of the Household of Clanranald, a position he has held for some 25-years. Two years ago was further appointed Head of Clanranald Protocol.

On hearing the news of his appointment, Archie said "I am very honoured with the appointment of Piper to the High Council of Clan Donald Chiefs, which I believe to be the greatest piping honour one could wish for."

Footnote: We may have an example of McIntyre modesty here, or perhaps post-modern coyness regarding what I would describe as commendable chicanery in the service of one's King! Donald J. Macdonald of Castleton on the marriage of Somerled and Ragnhild Olafsdottir relates that:

Olaf the Red must have recognised that the rise of the young Somerled was a force to be reckoned with. When the young Gaelic patriot sent messages to him desiring the hand of his daughter in marriage, the proud king at first refused disdainfully, telling him that the fair Ragnhilda's hand was to be bestowed upon someone much more important. Somerled bided his time—but not for long.

It chanced that on an occasion when Olaf was on a voyage north with a few ships to administer justice in Skye, his galley was at anchor in the lee of the Point of Ardnamurchan. Somerled too was in his galley in the same bay, probably by design. The story goes that in Somerled's crew there was a skilful ship-wright, one Maurice MacNeil, who suggested a plan to make Olaf see reason in regard to the disposal of Ragnhilda's hand. The Gaelic chief agreed; and the Saor Sleibhteach (Sleat Carpenter) swam across under cover of darkness, bored several holes along the garboard strake of Olaf's galley, stuffed them with tallow and retreated.

The two chiefs set sail for Skye next morning, the galleys rounded the headland and as they pitched and rolled in the Atlantic swell the tallow soon gave way and Olaf's galley began to sink. The haughty King hailed Somerled and requested help, but he refused any assistance until Olaf agreed to the marriage of Ragnhilda. Reluctantly the promise was given; and the carpenter of Sleat dived over the side and plugged the holes with wooden pins which he had thoughtfully provided.

Thus were the fortunes of the MacIntyres assured, for Maurice was held high in the esteem of the ruling family from that time. As late as the 18th century, the famous bard, Duncan Ban Macintyre (Mac an t-Saoir), refers to the Saor Sleibhteach as his ancestor.

A romantic story, perhaps, but like some others there may be a grain of truth in it. In 1140 Somerled did marry his fair bride, and all Macdonalds who claim descent from that union, and there must be many thousands, may also claim to have the blood of this romantic princess in their veins.

This would mean that the MacIntyres pre-date the MacDonalds by 2 generations. The main house of the MacIntyres of Glen Noe were certainly loyal to the MacSorley Kingdom and Macdonald Lordship of the Isles throughout. RKWM.

Thanks to Clan Donald Magazine Online Edition

ATTENTION ALL CMA MEMBERS!

Are you interested in getting involved in the CMA and making a difference? Know someone who would add value to our organization? In the next issue the biogs and ballots will be going out to all clan members to vote for candidates for open council positions. If you are interested in running or would like to nominate someone, please keep an eye out for these ballots. It can be a very rewarding experience to donate your time and expertise to an organization you care about. Please consider joining the CMA council. More information and ballots to come soon!

We expect that the next issue will go out just after March 21, 90 days ahead of the AGM at Oakbrook. Better get your nominations and stories in ot it will be too late.

Liz Hadley Alan MacIntyre



Come to the AGM this year

The one at Oak Brook, Illinois that is.

I don't have a picture of Oak Brook but I'll be there.

But this is Grandfather Mountain where I'll be with

John Wiardi and Mike MacIntyre trying to fill

John Gall's great shoes.

Alan MacIntyre

Flowers of the Field

Vincent John Gall, II May 3, 1961-Feb 13, 2008 1204M

Clan MacIntyre Association regrets the unfortunate death of Vincent John Gall. II. He was a West Virginia Highway Patrol Trooper and died at his home in Romney on February 13, 2007. He was preceded



in death by his father. He is survived by his mother, Lillian Begunich and five brothers. He graduated from high school in 1979 and West Virginia University in 1983.

He graduated from the WV Highway Patrol Academy in 1998 and was proud to be a Trooper. He was a 32nd Degree Mason, Scottish Right, an Eastern Star Knight and he loved to hunt. We of Clan MacIntyre knew him as a big and smiling tent host at several Highland Games, especially Grandfather Mountain where he competed happily and successfully in heavy athletics and brought lots of Tee

Shirts. And some us remember the fine food that Lillian Begunich brought to the games to feed her big son and a few others.

The funeral service was held in Shinnston on February 18 and he was buried at the Enterprise IOOF Cemetery. Thanks to a helpful young woman at the Clarksburg Exponent Telegram for reading his obituary that I transcribed as well as I could. Clan MacIntyre Association sent a floral stand to the funeral ceremony and a card to Lillian Begunich.

Alan B. MacIntyre

George Henry Stein May 18, 1934 Husband of Dorothy Lahm 48M

Dr. George Henry Stein, 73 of Ithaca, NY died at home on July 13, 2007. He is survived by our long time member Dorothy Cook and their son Kenneth and two step sons.

Dr. Stein was born May 18, 1934 in Vienna, Austria and fled with his mother, via Palestine, and to the US several years later. His father later escaped via England and joined them.

George graduated from Bronx High School of Science and served on active duty with the US Air Force 1953-1957 and in the reserve for four more years.

He received his BA from Brooklyn College and his MA and PhD from Columbia University. Dr. Stein taught Modern European History at Columbia and later at SUNY Binghamton. He specialized in the Third Reich, and in 1966 published *The Waffen SS Hitler's Elite Guard at War 1939-1945*. He also authored a volume *Hitler* for the *Great Lives Observed* series.

During his more than 30 years at SUNY Binghamton, Dr. Stein became Distinguished Professor of History and also served as Vice-President for Academic Affairs, Provost, and Acting President. A family memorial service was held at Lake Placid, NY.

Dorothy and George lived at Vestal, NY where I stopped a couple of times enroute to Johnstown. I copied some family treasures there and when Dorothy and George moved to a rest community near Ithaca, she sent me some choice items. Dorothy has been a good MacIntyre resource and a friend of mine for many years.

She is descended from the Cooks and the Jane Ann Bearcroft of Switzer Hill who married Archibald McIntyre, 6th son of James, who was a merchant in Albany. They were neighbors at Fonda and Johnstown. They remain our neighbors at the old Johnstown Colonial Cemetery. My father was descended from Ewen, the 5th son of James.

Dorothy and the relatives, the Cooks, had a great collection of memorabilia of that part of the family. Alan B. MacIntyre

The Presidents Message

Late March 2008

I was supposed to be pleased to have a new hand at the word processor. I did this quarterly since Fall-2003. As I have said before, just as I became VP-Membership the Per Ardua editor found it necessary to resign and I needed Per Ardua as a tool in member-gathering. Although a great deal of the contents usually consisted of Games Reports from the Games Hosts, I did add as much as much original material as I could get and thought appropriate. In each issue I have run a message from the President where I have tried to encourage more participation and action by the Council and the Members too. Because I have not given enough instruction to Carole, VP-Membership, I took on the occasional task of send out the Alphabetical Member Listing. It went out to the USPS members with the Summer 2007 Per Ardua. It was interfolded with Per Ardua and only cost 17 cents extra to mail. But, it was a bit out of date. On November 25 I sent a corrected list to all of you with EMAIL addresses. But it came up with 13 bad EMAIL addresses and a several just missing. Please send your address changes to Carole, VP-Membership. Her list is the mailing list.

I am suggesting that Tom McIntyre, Las Vegas, the new genealogist, try to get the members to learn which family group they are from This might be a start for some of you. Micum and his brothers to Maine in 1650, West Virginia, The Bob Sapp list, Charles (The link to Nicholas is still unproven) The Cape Fear Group of 1780 more or less, Pennsylvania, Glen Noe (Loch Etive) to USA 1783, Scotland, Scotland via Canada, Scots-Irish,

.. Not to say one group is superior to another, but I think it stimulating to know where we all came from and it may stimulate your interest in your genealogy. Check Tom's column in this and later issues and learn how we can get moving on this project.

And then there is DNA.

But, I will continue asking for more effort to enhance your interest in your Clan MacIntyre Association.

I continue to see and hear of the goings on with Facebook, YouTube, and some of the other Social Networks or Blogs. Shouldn't we be doing something to spread our name and objectives? I registered as a Friend on several of the members sites but have heard nothing beyond that. The Presidential candidates are making good use of these sites and I think we are wasting a great opportunity. But, we must do it right. Please, don't we have someone with the initiative and skill to get us off on the right foot? This is FREE publicity for our cause. Our numbers and interest are lagging. Pep it up; please someone step up to lead in this bit of a test?

And yes, there is a little Logitech camera looking at me from the top of my monitor. How about an one-line meeting of the Council, with or without video.

In going through some CMA material in and around my office I came across a very thorough "Manual of the Clan MacIntyre Association" labeled First Printing: 1987. The piece was written by Tom McIntyre of Alexandria, VA, just after he stepped down from being President. I received it from Donald C. McIntyre in September 2003 as I was beginning my duty as VP-Membership. But, I just now found it, I could not recall ever seeing it before.

I thought it interesting that Tom had done this thorough Manual since we exchanged a couple warm letters in Per Ardua. The fact is that Tom was a very serious and concerned member and I appreciated his interest. The next fact is that when I became President I felt that the Council was going without objectives or leadership from me or anyone else. Tom had spelled out duties for all. I finally got a couple of page description of the duties of officers and some of the council. I had no response to my piece and I have wondered what response Tom got to his.

I think it is time to do a new manual detailing what we should be doing now with computers and low cost toll calling. Also, we have changed the duties and should expand what I wrote this fall. I want to include a redo of the duties of the Games Coordinator and the handling of membership materials from the Games.

Much of Tom's Manual dealt with primitive writing and reproduction schemes we now take for granted. I feel the Manual should be brought up to date and copies given to all Council members. I should try to get to work on this right after the first of the year. But it is now Mach 27!

Would it be out of place to ask members coming into positions requiring program skills to get some instruction

Stuart MacIntire will be stepping down from years of faithful service as Treasurer. He has been keeping track of the money coming and going with **QuickBooks**. The person to fill this position must already be qualified in **QuickBooks** or do self-study, on-line study, or Community College to help keep us legal.

The Genealogy Page

M'INTYRE'S MET ON NATIVE HEATH

Thomas McIntyre, Clan Genealogist 1558M

The above words were the headlines of an article in a local New York paper reporting on the 27th annual gathering of Clan McIntyre. The subtitle went further to state that "Brave Scots from distant points gathered for the sake of Auld Lang Syne." The story described the twenty-seventh annual gathering at the home of Peter R. McIntyre. The perfect weather conditions that year brought nearly 250 people to the site.

The annual gatherings of other clans were held in the area of Livingston County, New York. The McIntyre's were not the only ones in the area who had annual Clan events. Annual gatherings of Clan Campbell and Clan McVean were not uncommon to the area. The Caledonia, New York area was the center of many Scottish families that expanded and migrated as the country expanded. Here in the United States, the Caledonia region was as close as they could get to getting back to the old country and renewing their Scottish Heritage

This year at Peter McIntyre 's home, exercises were held on the lawn in the front of the house. The porch was elaborately decorated with flags, and was used as a platform for the speakers. Roy MacIntyre presided. The program was opened by a selection by the McDougall brother's string orchestra of four pieces with piano accompaniment. The secretary's report was read by Miss Campbell of Denver, Colorado. She reported the deaths of two members of the clan since last meeting a year ago; James McDougall of York, New York and Peter McKenzie of Vernon.

Bright witty addresses were given by Rev. Clarence J. Williamson, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church of Caledonia, N.Y., Rev Charles Gilmore of the United Presbyterian Church of York and the Rev. B.J. Morgan of the Presbyterian Church of Fowlerville, N.Y. William Hamilton of Caledonia, N.Y. made a very neat little address in which he exhorted his "Brither Scots" to continue meeting together and perpetuate the national spirit.

Piano music was given by Miss Gertrude Luxow of Brooklyn, N.Y, followed by the song "Flight of the Ages" by Miss Anna Denoon. The program continued with "Fond Memories," by Miss Sara Harrington of Victor, N.Y. and a recitation by Miss Elizabeth Scott of Caledonia. After several selections by the orchestra, all were served an old-time picnic luncheon.

The officers for the following year were; President,

Alexander MacColl; Vice President, Eva J. Campbell; secretary, Donald H. McIntyre; Treasurer, Walter McKenzie. This was followed by announcements of committee appointments for Programs, Executive and Sports for the following year.

Among those that travelled the furthest were Mr. and Mrs. John C. McIntyre and Miss. Cristabel Campbell of Denver, Colorado and Miss. Haggart of Topeka, Kansas. The year was 1906 and these Clan reunions typically brought several hundred people from all over the county. Clan MacIntyre reunions in the area were to continue for many more years.

Caledonia, New York is now the home of the Genesee Country Village & Museum, one of the largest living history museums in the United States and the home of the Genesee Highland Gathering every June. Across the street is the Mumford Rural Cemetery where many generations of M(a)cIntyre's, Campbell's, Fraser's, McDonald's and McLean's are buried. These families have ancestors here dating back to the 1700's. So if you are in the area check out the village of Caledonia –they even have a great museum downtown and two Presbyterian Churches.

Please attend our next Annual General Meeting

(AGM) at the Highland Games in Oakbrook, Illinois of Clan MacIntyre Association and remember that we have been meeting here in the United States for close to 130 years and toasting to Clan, God and Country (The United States of America), our adopted country and celebrating our Scottish Heritage.

Alan MacIntyre adds, to encourage some research on your own:

Ancestry.com just added as an Email teaser:

Emigrants to Pennsylvania, 1641-1819.

The listing was for those from Ulster and indicated several pages but I found only a few including George and Elizabeth McIntyre with Alex 12, Margaret 10, Jane 8, Isabella 6, Mary 4 sailing on the Superior from Derry in 1849. A little later another Isabella and Jane also sailed away.

Also there was:

Peter Spencer assigns Mary McIntyre (a servant from Ireland in Brig,. John) to John Adams of East Jersey yeoman for four years from Sept 15, 1746. Consideration &13:15/ Customary duties.

But, more valuable are the listings in A Genealogical and Biographical History of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania. They have 47 pages showing at least one McIntyre in that county alone. Go there!

Membership Page Written in haste

We had a problem with remittances last year. As I write this, Carole McIntyre, VP-Membership, is finally able to enter new members who joined at Highland Games last fall. The checks bypassed her and have now been found to be deposited by Treasurer. We hope that our new policy of asking Tent Hosts to mail ALL material to Carole, instead of sending various things to two places will help. At least it should give us only one place to look.

We have 14 new members this time. Please try to make them welcome. 2 from the web site.

New Members since last issue						
Is one of your long lost kin here?						
Randall McLennan	MD	mclennan@aaamidatlantic.com				
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Ian McIntyre		-				

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Charlotte Observer reports: McIntyre's wardrobe wins royal approval

Rep. Mike McIntyre had been briefed on royal etiquette, so he was a bit surprised when Queen Elizabeth II began tapping her fingers on his chest. It seems her royal majesty took a liking to his tartan, a cloth design unique to Scottish family lines, which the Lumberton Democrat was wearing in the form of a tie.

The founder of the Congressional Scotland Caucus had just been introduced to the queen by his friend, British Ambassador David Manning, at a garden party at the British Embassy.

She extended her hand, and nodded and smiled, and I took her hand and squeezed it," McIntyre said. He then introduced his son,

Stephen, and they exchanged nods and smiles.

"And then she started to step away and she turned back, and she paused, that royal pause I guess you could say, and she looked back and with her fingers she tapped my necktie twice and said, 'I like the tie.' "

McIntyre said he was glad he overruled objections by his wife and executive assistant in wearing the McIntyre tartan, which features bright red, navy blue and some stripes of green and light blue.

Wear your Clan MacIntyre Necktie too.

www.macintyreclan.org for use on our web site.

In addition there may be many smaller Games that are closer to home and cheaper to attend. Make hosting more of adventure by writing your account of the event and sending it to Per Ardua. Email us a couple of your digital pictures to go with your story. Send pictures, with captions to

http://www.asgf.org/

Yes we are still missing hosts for several Games for this season. Turn to Page 9 to see how serious the problem is. Then look over to Page 8 and read Marti McIntyre Jernberg's easy "how to" lesson. Please remember that most our new members join at the Games. There is a listing, by state and date, of the ASGF sanctioned Games at:

Game Hosts, you can be creative too

Samuel McIntire in Wall Street Journal

Today, in the WSJ, a story on Samuel McIntire and the McIntire exhibit 'Carving an American Style' at the Peabody Essex Museum in Salem, MA www.pem.org The one-third page story in the 'Leisure & Arts' section is titled "A Mantel of Greatness and Other Classics" and is authored by Barrymore Laurence Scherer. The article, as well as a slide show of a few of McIntire pieces, can be viewed at WSJ.com/OnlineToday Januay 8, 2008

Barbara and I toured the exhibit, which is EXTENSIVE, on Sunday. Pieces have been shipped in from as far away as the islands off the coast of Washington state. If you visit, I suggest taking a docent-led tour for the overall feel and then walking thru, again, on your own to see the exhibit in detail.

On our way home from the exhibit we stopped to tour the Wenham Museum in Wenham, MA and in their Claflin house, a first period home, they bragged about the McIntire bed in the master bedroom.

This from Stuart MacIntire