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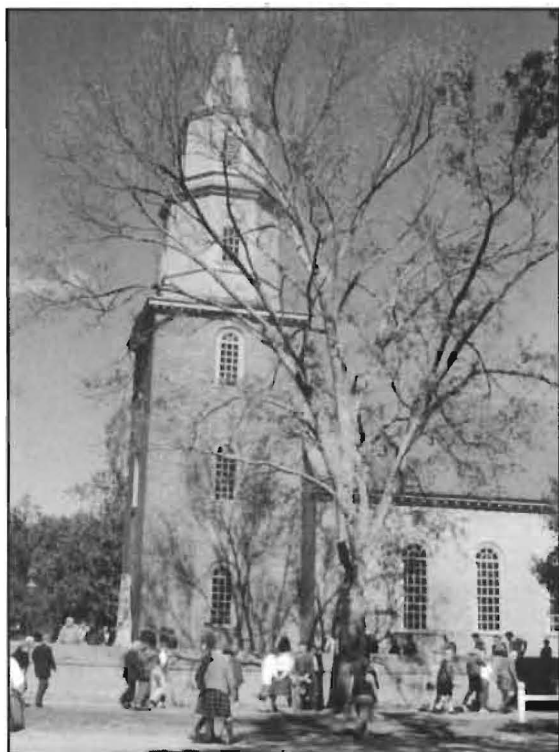
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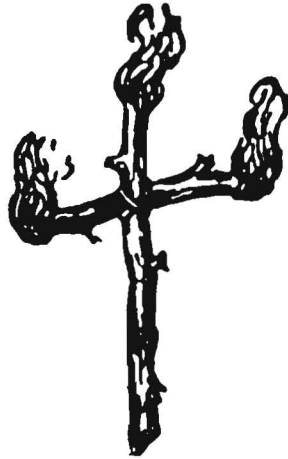


Ena McGregor, Barbara MacGregor and Suzanne McGregor are working hard to get everyone registered. Robert Richard MacGregor admires our new Registration sign.



MacGregors entering Bruton Parish Church for the Memorial Service.

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The Council and Gathering Committee wish to express their sincere thanks and appreciation to our Pipe Band, who, as usual, contributed so much to making this Gathering such a delightful and enjoyable weekend.

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Scotia  
 From scenes like these, old Scotia's  
 grandeur springs,  
 That makes her lov'd at home,  
 rever'd abroad:  
 Princes and lords are but the breath  
 of kings,  
 An honest man's the noblest work  
 of God.  
 —Robert Burns

**AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY, INC.**  
**COUNCIL MEETING — OCTOBER 15, 1999**

Chieftain Malcolm MacGregor called the meeting to order on October 15, 1999 at 8:40 a.m. The invocation was given by Thaddeus Osborne.

Chieftain MacGregor welcomed and introduced three new members to the ACGS Council. The Chieftain also announced the resignation of two Society officers. After years of faithful and fruitful service, Helen Garrett and Mason Lummis will retire and Tess James has agreed to be nominated for Society Historian and Marshall Grier has agreed to be nominated for Society Librarian.

The meeting continued by referencing the minutes of the 1998 Council Meeting as recorded by Scribe Jeffrey McGregor and printed in the last yearbook. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as recorded in the yearbook. Motion carried.

The Treasurer, Robert MacGregor, distributed copies of his report and summarized the report for the Council. The Treasurer's report was approved as presented.

The Registrar, Millie Gregg, presented her report to the Council, which was approved as presented. Millie also briefed the Council on how well the new membership application process is working, utilizing a computer system. She also reported progress on the on-going "cross-reference" project.

Tess James, Historian-Elect, presented the Historian report to the Council, which was approved as presented.

Lillian Magruder, Yearbook Editor, presented her report to the Council, which was approved as presented.

Marshall Grier, Librarian-Elect, presented the Librarian's report to the Council, which was approved as presented.

The Board of Trustees has not met and no report was presented to the Council.

Hallam Walker gave the Council the Scholarship report. Hallam gave a brief explanation of the Blunt Scholarship Fund and reported on the award of four scholarships.

The Assistant Chieftain, Joe Tichy, gave his report to the Council.

Chieftain Malcolm MacGregor asked John Bellassai, Society Chancellor, for his follow-up report on overseas issues. John briefed the Council on a number of issues.

Newsletter Editor Ron McGregor gave his report to the Council. Ron also announced that the next issue of the Society Newsletter would be in December 1999.

Bob Wren, Chairman of the Gathering Site & Development Committee, gave his report to the Council and announced the committee's recommendations for Gathering site selections for 2000 and 2001. Bob also briefed the Council on a possible site for the 2002 Gathering. Past Chieftain Abbey Magruder also made some suggestions on future Gathering sites.

Chieftain Malcolm MacGregor announced he would reserve his remarks until the General Meeting.

Under Unfinished Business, a report of the By-Laws Committee was presented by its chairman, John Bellassai. John distributed copies of the Committee's report, consisting of seven recommendations. After John briefed the Council on the Committee's report, a motion was made to table consideration of these recommendations until the Council meeting next year. The motion was seconded. Under discussion, Chieftain MacGregor reminded those present that ten Council member signatures should accompany this report in order that it be added to the next Council meeting agenda. Motion carried. Malcolm thanked John and the Committee members for a job well done. John requested that all seven recommendations of the Committee be entered into the record and the Chieftain agreed this would be done. Scribe McGregor then read each Committee recommendation heading into the record as follows: Recommendation #1 - Article III, Section III, Associate Members, should be revised by deleting the last two sentences...(additional detailed text also presented but not reproduced here) and Add a new Section IV to Article III, entitled, Honorary Members...(additional detailed text also presented but not reproduced here). Renumber those sections of Article III beginning with the current Section VI...(additional text also presented but not reproduced here); Recommendation #2 - Article III, Section IV, Life Members, should be amended to delete the following phrase from line three of the text...(additional detailed text also presented but not reproduced here); Recommendation #3 - Article VI, Officers, Section VII, Registrar, should be amended to add a new last sentence...(additional detailed text also presented but not reproduced here); Recommendation #4 - Article VI, Officers, Section VIII, Treasurer, Subsection a, Duties, should be amended to read...(additional detailed text also presented but not reproduced here), Article VI, Section VIII, Subsection b, Auditing the Treasurer's Accounts, should be amended to...(additional detailed text also presented but not reproduced here); Recommendation #5 - Amend Article VI, Section IX, Chancellor, to add...(additional detailed text also presented but not reproduced here); Recommendation #6 - Article III, Eligibility and Classification of Members, Section VI, Application for Membership, Subsection b, Processing Applications, should be amended and expanded as...(additional detailed text also presented but not reproduced here), Add to end of Section VI, Subsection b the following new text...(additional detailed text also presented but not reproduced here); Recommendation #7 - Article VIII, Other Committees, Section I, Identification of Committees, should be amended to add...(additional detailed text also presented but not reproduced here), Article VIII, Section II, Editorial Committee, Subsection a, Membership, should be amended and expanded to include...(additional detailed text also presented but not reproduced here), Article VIII should be amended and expanded to include a new Section IV, entitled Bylaws Revision Committee, to read...(additional detailed text also presented but not reproduced here), Article VIII should be further amended and expanded to include a new Section V, entitled Publicity Committee, to read...(additional detailed text also presented but not reproduced here).

Ron McGregor raised the question about the Clan Gregor involvement in the ceremony of the new Scottish parliament. Malcolm asked Chief Gregor if he would like to speak on this and the Chief did give his thoughts and advice on this subject.

Under New Business, Jim McGregor made a motion that in view of the years of loyal service, Dr. William C. Stoke be conferred the title of ACGS Piper Emeritus and be made an Honorary Life Member of this Society. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. Chieftain MacGregor called for any nominations from the floor for a new ACGS Piper. A motion was made that the Nominating Committee add Pipe Major J. Gregory O'Brien as this Society's official Piper. Motion carried unanimously.

Past Chieftain Paul Gregg made a motion that Newsletter Editor Ron McGregor be praised by the Council for his dedication and success in keeping our fine Society Newsletter coming out on a regular basis. Motion was seconded, carried unanimously and was followed by an enthusiastic round of applause.

Past Chieftain Paul Gregg presented the Nominating Committee's slate of new officers for the coming year. The Council approved the slate for presentation and vote at the general membership meeting on Saturday, October 16, 1999.

Paul Gregg also presented the nomination for the composition of the next Nominating Committee. The slate presented was Capt. Paul C. Gregg, Joseph C. Tichy, and Robert F. MacGregor. The Council approved this slate by a unanimous vote.

With the concurrence of the Council, Chieftain Malcolm MacGregor appointed Joe Tichy as Assistant Chieftain and Carrington Ewell as Deputy Assistant Chieftain.

With no further business coming before the Council, a motion was made, and seconded, to adjourn. Motion carried and the Council adjourned their meeting at 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey McGregor, Scribe





## **AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY GENERAL MEETING — OCTOBER 16, 1999**

Chieftain Malcolm MacGregor called the 90th meeting of the Amercian Clan Gregor Society to order on October 16, 1999 at 9:00 a.m. Malcolm began by introducing our honored guests, Sir Gregor MacGregor of MacGregor and his wife Fanny. Following a round of applause from the audience, Sir Gregor extended his thanks and warm wishes from the Clan Gregor Society of Scotland. After Sir Gregor's opening remarks, Thaddeus Osborne gave the invocation.

The meeting began with the reading of the Minutes of the 1999 Council Meeting by Scribe Jeffrey McGregor. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as read. Motion carried. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the 1998 General Meeting as recorded in the yearbook. Motion carried.

Treasurer Sandy MacGregor gave the Treasurer's report. All reports are believed to be accurate. Sandy reported total ordinary income of \$36,268.00, total interest/dividends of \$15,564.47, total income of \$51,832.47 and total expenses of \$42,867.47, leaving a positive cash flow difference of \$8,956.00. Sandy reported no extra ordinary expenses this year. Annual dues received for 1998/99 totaled \$9,150.00. Sandy reported that this year we are showing an unrealized profit of \$13,029.32 on our investments. Sandy reported that this year our net worth is \$216,581.47, versus \$226,014.19 for last year. This is a decrease of \$9,432.72, of which \$29,266.31 is in the unrealized decrease in the value of the stocks. Sandy offered copies of his report to anyone present. The Treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

Registrar Millie Gregg reported the acceptance of 48 new members into the Society this year. Millie also reported four members have converted to Life Membership, two reinstated members, and eleven new junior members. Millie emphasized the importance of encouraging our youth to join our Society. Millie read aloud to the audience the names of all the new members and asked them to stand and be recognized and welcomed. The new members were welcomed with an enthusiastic round of applause. The Registrar's report was accepted as presented.

Historian-Elect Tess James presented the Historian's report. Tess read aloud to the audience the names of nine who have passed away this year. Tess encouraged all those present to please pass along any historical information to her as soon as it is possible.

Yearbook Editor Lillian Magruder gave her report and asked the audience to please send pictures and articles for the yearbook directly to her no later than February 29, 2000. Lillian reminded the audience that she is the editor of the yearbook, not the writer. She emphasized that the yearbook will be much more interesting to everyone if members participate by submitting articles and photos. Lillian also reminded members to write the identity of subjects in all submitted photos and a return envelope if you want your photos returned. The Yearbook Editor's report was accepted as presented.

Librarian-Elect Marshall Grier gave the Librarian's report. Marshall reported that our library program is progressing very nicely. The Librarian's report was accepted as presented.

Hallam Walker gave the report of the Board of Trustees. Hallam reported the Board supervises the finances of the Society and as you heard from our Treasurer Sandy MacGregor, our Society is in good shape. The Board of Trustees report was accepted as presented. Hallam also reported on the awards given by the Scholarship Committee of the Harry & Edith Blunt Scholarship Fund. This year, scholarships were awarded to Bethany Dunham, Gilmore McGregor, Amy McGregor, and John Covan. Hallam reported that each one of these students was awarded \$463.00 by the Committee. Hallam encouraged all interested Society members to make application for a scholarship. Malcolm thanked Hallam for his report and the fine job that the committee is doing.

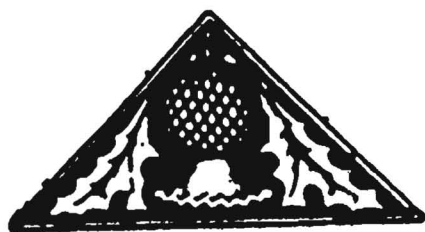
Joe Tichy opened his Assistant Chieftain's report with the announcement that our membership roll has grown now to 703 members. Joe also reported that we have over 300 members attending the Annual Gathering this year. Joe reported that Bill Stoke has been named Piper Emeritus due to ill health. Joe also announced that he would like to publicly thank Manager of Merchandise Sales John Greer and his wife Lillian, who have done a wonderful job over the years in coordinating the sale of Society merchandise. The audience responded with an enthusiastic round of applause. Joe also announced that Thaddeus Osborne has agreed to become our new Merchandise Sales Manager. Joe welcomed Marshall Grier as our new Librarian and reported that Mason Lummis will continue to supervise the storage of a collection of all the past Society yearbooks for us. The audience gave Mason Lummis an appreciative round of applause for his years of service. Joe reported that our Society has recently acquired a magnificent copy of the "Black Book of Tamus". Joe explained to the audience the significance of this book to our Society and stated it will be housed in our library in Baltimore. Joe also thanked Scribe Jeffrey McGregor for the fine job he has done during his years of service. The Assistant Chieftain's report was accepted as presented.

Joe then asked Sir Gregor's wife, Fanny, to come to the podium and read a letter of thanks that our Society received from her son and his new bride for the wedding gift presented to them on our behalf by Helen Garrett. Fanny read this wonderful letter, which the audience enjoyed immensely.

Chieftain Malcolm MacGregor then asked Richard Gregg to come forward for a special presentation to Sir Gregor. Richard gave a brief presentation on his research and publication of a book on Gregor MacGregor, Cazique of Poyais, 1786 - 1845. Richard presented a copy of this book to Sir Gregor. Sir Gregor was pleased to accept this gift and shared a very interesting story with the audience, which related to this Gregor MacGregor of the 1800's.

Chieftain Malcolm MacGregor began his address to the audience by briefly reviewing how far our Society has come since 1909. Malcolm reminded the audience that we now have Deputy Chieftains in 23 states and members in 49 states. Malcolm stated that he believes that we must arrange to make a substantial, ongoing, annual contribution to the Clan Gregor Society of Scotland to help support preservation, cataloging, restoring and maintaining of MacGregor artifacts in Scotland. Malcolm announced that he would make a motion to this effect at next year's Council Meeting. Malcolm also announced that he would soon appoint a committee whose job it will be to ascertain the needs and desires to meet this end. This committee will report to the Council next year with their findings. Malcolm encouraged the audience to communicate with their respective Deputy Chieftains to let them know how they feel about this proposal. Malcolm thanked Helen Garrett for her 13 years of dedicated service to our Society. The audience also showed their appreciation with a warm round of applause.

The Chieftain called for Unfinished Business, and hearing none, he moved on to New Business.





The Chieftain called for any New Business. Ron McGregor asked to be recognized. Ron apologized to Tess James for not getting information on a Colorado Scottish wedding to her sooner. Ron shared the information with the audience. Ron also announced that Colorado has a new "Miss Colorado" who is a MacGregor. Ron also briefed the audience on four Games in Colorado in which MacGregors were represented. He also mentioned that at one of the Colorado Games, and for the first time ever, Clan Gregor swept all of the awards at the Games.

John Bellasai asked that the audience be briefed on what the Clan Gregor Society in Scotland might use the money for, if supported. Malcolm asked John to come forward and share this with the audience. John spoke of one project that he is familiar with - the on-going project to unearth and preserve certain stones in Dalmally Kirkyard. John stated that there is good reason to believe (and research supports this) that these are carved funeral stones from the late 13th and early 14th century of some of the earliest known MacGregor Chiefs. John felt this would be a very appropriate project for our Society to support.



The Chieftain then asked past Chieftain Paul Gregg to present the Nominating Committee's slate of officers for election. Paul read as follows: Chieftain - Malcolm G. MacGregor; Ranking Deputy Chieftain - Jeffrey R. McGregor; Scribe - John C. McGregor; Registrar - Millie Gregg; Historian - Tess James; Treasurer - Robert F. MacGregor; Surgeon - Dr. Thomas M. McNish; Chancellor - Abbey W. Magruder; Librarian - Marshall V. Grier; Yearbook Editor - Lillian Magruder; and Piper - J. Gregory O'Brien. For election to the Board of Trustees: E. Magruder Passano, Hallam Walker and Carrington W. Ewell. The Chieftain then called for any nominations from the floor. Hearing none, a motion from the floor was made to approve this entire slate of officers and the motion was seconded and carried unanimously. Malcolm commented that he thanked everyone for the nomination to serve again for another year, and he is proud to be the Chieftain, but that it was a bittersweet moment because he would much rather that his good and great friend Rob Roy MacGregor was here to accept the position.

The Chieftain then made a series of announcements concerning various functions which would take place on this day, including the Deputy Chieftain meeting.

With no further business brought from the floor, the Chieftain accepted a motion, with a second, to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey McGregor, Scribe



**AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY, INC.**  
**STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES FOR YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1999**

	1997/1998	1998/1999	DIFFERENCE
<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Cash - Checking Accounts			
Wachovia Bank, Smithfield, Va.	8,862.53	4,299.45	
First Savings Bank of Moore County, Southern Pines, N.C.	8,550.79	17,239.48	
Quick & Reilly Money Market Account	1,627.52	16,876.99	
Total Cash in Checking Accounts	<u>19,040.84</u>	<u>38,415.92</u>	<u>19,375.08</u>
Cash - Savings Accounts			
General Fund Invested Assets	3,411.08	3,117.04	
Special Account Fund	6,488.15	3,511.23	
Marshall Magruder Library Fund	4,556.52	3,618.94	
Charity & Education Fund	21,280.97	1,377.07	
Harry & Edith Blunt Scholarship Fund	2,570.85	2,033.83	
Total Cash in Savings Accounts	<u>38,307.57</u>	<u>13,658.11</u>	<u>(24,649.46)</u>
Short Term Investments			
First Savings Bank of Moore County, Southern Pines, N.C. (Certificate of Deposit)	79,000.00	79,000.00	
Quick & Reilly Investment Account	126,600.76	151,708.73	
Unrealized Profit/Loss on Q & R Equities	42,295.63	13,029.32	
Total Short Term Investments	<u>247,896.39</u>	<u>243,738.05</u>	<u>(4,158.34)</u>
 Total Assets	 <u>305,244.80</u>	 <u>295,812.08</u>	 <u>(9,432.72)</u>
 <b><u>LIABILITIES</u></b>			
John Kennedy Magruder Scholarship Fund	<u>79,230.61</u>	<u>79,230.61</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Liabilities			
Total Liabilities	<u>79,230.61</u>	<u>79,230.61</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Net Worth 9/30/98	<u>\$226,014.19</u>		
Total Net Worth 9/30/99		<u>\$216,581.47</u>	
Net Difference			<u>(9,432.72)</u>

**Note:**

An estimated value for tangible assets, such as the collection at the University of Baltimore Library, inventory of tent sale items, inventory of old yearbooks, and other miscellaneous items, is not included in the above net worth figures.

*Robert F. MacGregor, Jr.*

Robert F. MacGregor, Jr., Treasurer

## REGISTRAR'S REPORT — 1999

### New Members

**1180 EMBREY, Charles Alaric, Sr.**, husband of Margaret Elaine (Main) Thomas, 31 Oldee Concord Road, Stafford, VA 22554; he the son of John Murray Embrey and Betty MacGregor; she the daughter of John Alaster MacGregor and Bessie Knight; he the son of John Ridout MacGregor and Mary Eliza MacGregor (1st cousin); he the son of Alaric Mortimer MacGregor and Martha Potts Key; he the son of John Smith Magruder and Eleanor Hall; he the son of Nathaniel Magruder and Margaret Magruder (see second Magruder line below); he the son of John Magruder and Susanna Smith; he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall; he the son of Alexander Magruder, the Immigrant, and Margaret Braithwaite.

Second Magruder line: Margaret Magruder; she the daughter of James Magruder and Barbara Coombs; he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall; he the son of Alexander Magruder, the Immigrant, and Margaret Braithwaite.

**2559A HATFIELD, John Hampton**, 2403 Dana Drive, Safety Harbor, FL 34695; he the husband of Margaret Griggs Hatfield (Clan No. 2464).

**2600A DALAND, Elizabeth P.**, RR5, Box 196, Harbeson, DE 19951; she the wife of Benjamin MacGregor Daland (Clan No. 2569).

**2601 SMITH, Gregory Thomson**, 122 Hawkins Street, Plainville, MA 02762; he the son of Scott Thomson Smith and Mary Barnes Stone; she the daughter of Galen Luther Stone and Anne Brewer; he the son of Robert Gregg Stone and Bertha Lea Barnes; he the son of Galen Luther Stone and Carrie Morton Gregg; she the daughter of Clark Chamberlin Gregg and Laura Frances Dennison; he the son of John Gregg and Hannah Barnard; he the son of John Gregg and Lydia Melvin; he the son of William Gregg and Katherine Kyle; he the son of David Gregg and Mary Nevins; he the son of John Gregg and Rachel (?).

**2602 YOUNG, Violet Louise Tribble**, (Mrs. Floyd), 1798 Stouder Drive, Reynoldsburg, OH 43068; she the daughter of Robert H. Tribble and Esta Faye Miller; she the daughter of Aaron Harlan Miller and Mary Louise Griggs; she the daughter of William E. Griggs and Isophena Delilah Eyman; he the son of John Griggs and Mary Elizabeth Leckrone; he the son of Samuel Griggs and Deborah Mary Fields; he the son of Daniel Griggs and Ann Moone.

## REGISTRAR'S REPORT — 1999

### New Members

- 2603 MINER, Brent**, husband of Pauline Valha, P.O. Box 22092, Jeaneau, AK 99802; he the son of Norman McGregor and Marcheta Hemsley; he the son of Michael John McGregor and Isabel Elaine Wetsur; he the son of Alfred Melvin McGregor and Mary E. Wurzer; he the son of John McGregor and Margaret Leland; he the son of David McGregor (Donald).
- 2604 BEACH, John Howard**, husband of Elaine Rose Wandzilak, 26 Ridgeland Road, Yonkers, NY 10710-2608; he the son of Charles Thompson Beach and Louise Margaret Skinner; she the daughter of John Skinner and Clara Amelia Krause; he the son of James Smith Skinner and Georgina Cairnie; he the son of Robert Skinner and Ann Smith.
- 2605 SANDERSON, Joseph T.**, husband of Dorothy Walton, P. O. Box 39, San Andreas, CA 95249; he the son of James S. Farrior II (was adopted by James Melvin Sanderson, step-father) and Ruth Thompson; she the daughter of Joseph Oswalt Thompson and Annie Zulika Magruder; she the daughter of William Readon Magruder and Mary Ann Perry; he the son of Zadok Magruder and Tracy Readon; he the son of Ninian Offutt Magruder and Mary Harris; he the son of Ninian Magruder, II and Mary Offutt; he the son of Ninian Magruder and Elizabeth Brewer; he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall; he the son of Alexander Magruder, the Immigrant, and Margaret Braithwaite.
- 2606 MacGREGOR, Rob Roy Cameron**, 13 Euclid Street, Branford, CT 06405; he the son of Rob Roy MacGregor (Clan No. 1386LM).
- 2607 PHILLIPS, Lauren MacGregor**, 91 Old Kings Highway, New Cannan, CT 06840; she the daughter of Rob Roy MacGregor (Clan No. 1386LM).
- 2608 LEVINE, Leslie MacGregor**, 1716 Beacon Street, Waban, MA 02468; she the daughter of Rob Roy MacGregor (Clan No. 1386LM).
- 2609 KIMBLE, James E. B.**, husband of Shirley Jean Boucger, 1911 Longfellow Road, Hays, Kansas 67601; he the son of James W. Kimble and Martha L. Smith; she the daughter of Moses Cecil Smith and Fannie Mitchel Ball; he the son of George Washington Smith and Nancy Abigail Medley; she the daughter of David B. Medley and Leah Conley; she the daughter of William Conley and Catherine Arms; he the son of John Connelly, Sr. and Leah Joynes; he the son of Captain Henry Connelly and Ann MacGregor; she the daughter of Archibald MacGregor and Edith MacAlpine.



## REGISTRAR'S REPORT — 1999

### New Members

- 2610 MUIRHEAD, Rowena**, 10443 Cueva del Oso NE, Albuquerque, NM 87111; she the daughter of Stanley N. Muirhead and Maxine Rust; she the daughter of Ezra Rust and Stella Jane (Estelle) Ells; she the daughter of James Adelbert Ells and Mary Jane MacGregor; she the daughter of John MacGregor and Jane Sproul.
- 2611 EDWARDS, Robert Joseph Tyler**, 16404 King Road, Lawson, MO 64062; he the son of Stephen Charles Edwards and Susan Magruder Tyler; she the daughter of James Otely Tyler (Clan No. 997) and Mary Ethel Grammer (Clan No. 2591A).
- 2612 ZIMMERMAN, Randal B.**, 1720 Pheasant Ridge Trail, Knoxville, TN 37922; he the son of William Zimmerman and Mary J. Scott (Clan No. 2335).
- 2613 DAVIS, Hunter Venable**, husband of Elizabeth Anna Worthington, 2418 W. 18th, #162, Houston, TX 77008-1188; he the son of Hal Muncaster Davis, Jr. and Natalie Ann Lingenfelter; he the son of Hal Muncaster Davis and Iley Nunn Cage; he the son of Isaac Hunter Davis and Ila Magruder Talbott; she the daughter of Walter Marion Talbott and Harriet Maria Muncaster; he the son of William Talbott and Elizabeth Magruder; she the daughter of Walter Magruder and Margaret Orme; he the son of Nathaniel Magruder and Elizabeth Offutt; he the son of Alexander Magruder and Ann Wade; he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall; he the son of Alexander Magruder, the Immigrant, and Margaret Braithwaite.
- 2614A AULD, Mary Jane**, 2401 Old Ivy Road, #1408, Charlottesville, VA 22903; she the wife of Richard McGuire Auld (Clan No. 2443).
- 2615 PITCAITHLEY, Sandra Louise**, wife of Thomas John Lynch, III, 2213 Suffolk Street, Ft. Collins, CO 80526; she the daughter of Alexander Sydenham Pitcaithley and Carolyn Townsend; he the son of William Herbert Pitcaithley and Gurnie Emma Sydenham; he the son of William Pitcaithley (Pitcaithly) and Grace Seaton Hudson; he the son of William Pitcaithley (Pitcaithly) and Mary McGregor; she the daughter of David McGregor and Margaret (?).
- 2616 MacGREGOR, Robert, III**, husband of Dorothy May Hayden, 8 Kendrick Road, Shelburne, MA 01370; he the son of Robert MacGregor, Jr. and Arline Cornelia Campbell; he the son of Robert MacGregor and Hannah M(a)cArthur; he the son of Daniel MacGregor and Mary Taylor.

## REGISTRAR'S REPORT — 1999

### New Members

- 2617 THORP, Joan MacGregor**, (Mrs. Brian Archer), 1906 Madison Street, Clarksville, TN 37043; she the daughter of Robert Elton MacGregor and Florence Elizabeth Fultz; he the son of John MacGregor and Sarah Thomas; he the son of James MacGregor and Lydia Ann Irons.
- 2618 GREGG, Keith Douglas**, 147 Lafayette, Groton, CT 06340; he the son of Donald Allen Gregg and Mary Kate Jernigan; he the son of James Gregg and Catherine Fisher Haggart; he the son of David Gregg and Jane Cocrane McRobert; he the son of John Gregg and Elizabeth McWhirter; he the son of Hugh Gregg and Mirren (May) McWhirter.
- 2619 MOORE, Diana Lynn**, (Mrs. Eric), 15 Martins Lane, Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922; she the daughter of Donald Allen Gregg and Mary Kate Jernigan; he the son of James Gregg and Catherine Fisher Haggart; he the son of David Gregg and Jane Cocrane McRobert; he the son of John Gregg and Elizabeth McWhirter; he the son of Hugh Gregg and Mirren (May) McWhirter.
- 2620 COLE, Cecily Anne**, 66 Monroe, Apt. 604, Memphis, TN 38103; she the daughter of Eugene Marion Cole and Nita Riker Shields; he the son of Eugene Middleton Cole and Mary Myrtle Carlisle; she the daughter of Jessie Coleman Carlisle and Margaret Esthma Willis; he the son of James Thomas Carlisle and Jessie Ann Lawson; he the son of Coleman Philip Carlisle and Cecily Jane Glenn; she the daughter of Thomas Alexander Glenn and Regina Wiles Farr; he the son of William Coleman Glenn and Elizabeth Wright; she the daughter of Thomas Wright and Elizabeth McGeehee; she the daughter of Edward McGeehee and Elizabeth DeJarnett; he the son of Thomas McGehee and Ann Bastrop.
- 2621 LEONARDI, Catherine McGregor** (Mrs. Janus), 738 Flower Street, Grand Junction, CO 81506; she the daughter of Malcolm Veatch McGregor and Alice Inez Rediess; he the son of Harold Smith McGregor and Lucile Estelle Veath; he the son of Joseph Grier McGregor and Sara Rosaita Ferbrache.
- 2622A MAGRUDER, Dr. Mary Jane Park**, 10512 Jeremy Ridge Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89134; she the wife of Leslie Charles Magruder (Clan No. 2173LM).

## REGISTRAR'S REPORT — 1999

### New Members

- 2623 LAUDE, Christian S.**, 20 Porter Street, Seneca Falls, NY 13148; he the son of Bruce Gregory Laude and Mary Elizabeth Matthews; he the son of Louis Francis Laude and Jean Elizabeth MacGregor; she the daughter of John J. MacGregor and Jane Stephen Young; he the son of John P. MacGregor and Elizabeth Daley.
- 2624 MITCHELL, William L.**, husband of Jacquelyn F. Crenshaw, 10 Jeanmoor Road, Amherst, NY 14228; he the son of Ira Aaron Mitchell and Irene U. Christian; he the son of Ira A. Mitchell and Ida Belle Polston; he the son of John Aaron Mitchell and Harriet M. Courtney; he the son of William R. Mitchell and Liza Ann Burlison; he the son of James Mitchell and Martha McGregor; she the daughter of William McGregor, Jr.; he the son of William McGregor, Sr.
- 2625 LACKEY, David**, husband of Theresa Ross, Rt. 2, Box 1270, Stigler, OK 74462; he the son of William E. Lackey and Ocie Spence Lackey; he the son of William Richard Lackey and Della Brewer; he the son of William Richard Lackey and Ann MacGregor White.
- 2626 SOUTHERN, Faye MacGregor** (Mrs. Donn Alan), 303 Inkberry Lane, Memphis, TN 38117; she the daughter of Robert Elton MacGregor and Florence Elizabeth Fultz; he the brother of Mrs. James (Bette) Collins (Clan No. 2419).
- 2627 DOLES, Donald Eugene**, husband of Kathleen O'Niell, P.O. Box 223, 111 Marchant Street, Black Hawk, CO 80422; he the son of Donald Dwight Doles and Mary Margaret Trickler; he the son of Floyd Edward Doles and Goldie Graves; he the son of Thomas Doles and Harriet Reinhart; he the son of William Doles and Charolette Witte; he the son of James Doles, Sr. and Elizabeth Holmes.
- 2628 DAVIS, Janice Ruth Shankland** (Mrs. Dallas Ramsey), 2680 Tam O'Shantor Drive, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762; she the cousin of Ronald L. Shankland (Clan No. 2471); she the daughter of Rev. Veeder John Shankland and Helen Rosamond Mayer; he the son of John Bush Shankland and Almyra Galpin; he the son of Veeder LaGrange Shankland and Mary Ann Elizabeth Bush; he the son of Robert Shankland and Arabella Bennett; he the son of William Shankland and Margaret Henry; he the son of Robert Shankland and Sara Beaty.



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### New Members

- 2629 HALL, Ruth Ellen**, (Mrs. William M.), 2115 Buffalo Street, Seneca Castle, NY 14547; she the daughter of Francis William Denson and Mabel Henrietta Swarts; he the son of Claude Seymour Denson and Maude Etta Doane; he the son of William L. Denson and Sybil Anna Saunders; he the son of William C. Denson and Caroline A. (?); he the son of Thomas Denson and Elizabeth Berry; he the son of John Denson and Miss Lowrey.
- 2630 PATILLO, Carter Michael, Jr.**, husband of Terri Francine Brown, P.O. Box 1535, Tybee Island, GA 31328-1535; he the son of Carter Michael Patillo, Sr. and Mary Anne Wyatt; he the son of Carter Elam Patillo, Jr. and Betty Walker; he the son of Carter Elam Patillo, Sr. and Jean Culpepper; he the son of Ian Patillo (Patullo) and Mary Carter; she the daughter of Margaret MacGregor.
- 2631 SMITH, Steven Edward**, 4425 Plummer Drive, Montgomery, AL 36106; he the son of George Odie Smith and Sarah Kerr Fallow Jackson; she the daughter of Archibald Fallow and Annie King; she the daughter of Peter King and Mary Queen.
- 2632 JOHNSON, Lisa Kay**, 12516 King Palm Drive, Savannah, GA 31419-2642; she the daughter of Herbert Lindsey Johnson and Betty Ann Tatum; he the son of Alexander Malcolm Johnson and Lottie Belle Gregory; she the daughter of Thomas Henry Gregory and Anna Elizabeth Adams; he the son of John Francis Gregory and Susan King.
- 2633 O'BRIEN, Carol Jean** (wife of Paul Chase Willsea), 8415 Garlinghouse Road, Naples, NY 14512; she the daughter of Francis B. O'Brien and Betty Jean MacGregor; she the daughter of Arthur MacGregor and Maryetta Mootz; he the son of Arthur Meighan MacGregor and Margaret Jane Lockie; he the son of Alexander MacGregor and Isabella Meighan.
- 2634 ROUSSEAU, Virginia Ann** (wife of Dennis Walter Burnett), 9489 Deer Run, Marshall, VA 20115; she the daughter of Valmore Nelson Rousseau and Annie Mary McFerrin; she the daughter of Thomas Sumner McFerrin, Jr. and Margaret Roberts. Here her line connects to Ruth McFerrin Schafer (Clan No. 1129LM).
- 2635 BURNETT, Linsay Anne Rousseau**, 9489 Deer Run, Marshall, VA 20115; she the daughter of Dennis Walter Burnett and Virginia Ann Rousseau (Clan No. 2634, above).

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### New Members

- 2636A BURNETT, Dennis Walter**, 9489 Deer Run, Marshall, VA 20115; he the husband of Virginia Ann Rousseau. (Clan No. 2634 above)
- 2637 WAYNE, Mary Jo Sloane** (Mrs. Jerry Anthony), 1164 Rachel Way, Old Hickory, TN 37138; she the daughter of Hobert Sloane and Virginia Dare Greer; she the daughter of Franklin Greer and Mary Ellen Hall; he the son of John Greer and Elizabeth Mullins; he the son of Franklin Greer and Charlotte Younce; he the son of Jesse Greer and Polly Morris; he the son of Benjamin Greer and (?) Jones; he the son of John Greer and Mary Hanks; he the son of James Greer and Elinor (Heiress of John Rae); he the son of Henry Greer and Mary Turner; he the son of Sir James Greer of Lag and Mary Brown of Glencairn.
- 2638 GROSSNICKLE, Howard R.**, husband of Joan Rogers, 19629 E. Creekside Cr., Parker, CO 80134; he the son of Harold James Grossnickle and Marian Jane MacGregor; she the daughter of Walter Roy MacGregor and Leona Johnstone; he the son of James (Jas) MacGregor and Catherine Cummings; he the son of James MacGregor and Janet Beaton; he the son of Peter MacGregor and Jean Miller.
- 2639 DUSKIN, Patricia Ann McGregor**, (Mrs. Joel Wilson), 8200 Irish Drive, Fort Worth, TX 76180; she the daughter of Joseph B. McGregor and Evelyn Kilpatrick; he the son of Rob Roy McGregor and Pearl Rice; he the son of Robert Burton McGregor and Margaret Goodman; he the son of Albert McGregor and Mary Elizabeth Overton Hamblen; he the son of Flowers McGregor and Sally Payne; he the son of William McGregor and Sarah Flowers.
- 2640 SKINNER, Paul Owen**, husband of Kern Maureen Farnsworth, 634 Marshall, Missoula, MT 59801; he the son of Lyle Owen Skinner and Mary Catharine Stelloh; he the son of Charles Lyle Skinner and Aletha Virginia Cummins; he the son of Charles Grandison Skinner and Alice Rosetia Olmstead; he the son of Samuel Howard Skinner and Martha J. Washington; he the son of Nathaniel Roswell Skinner and Elizabeth Crosskey; he the son of Samuel B. Skinner and Elizabeth Hazelton; he the son of Rev. Nathaniel Skinner and Elizabeth Harned; he the son of Rueben S. Skinner and Sarah Higgins; he the son of Nathaniel I. Skinner and Elizabeth King; he the son of Richard Skinner, Jr. and Ann Wright.

## REGISTRAR'S REPORT — 1999

### New Members

- 2641 WALKER, Anthony L.**, 1950 Thurmond Place, Charlotte, NC 28105; he the son of Roy L. Walker and Viola Maxine Alexander; he the son of Homer Albert Walker and Carrie Mae Leford; he the son of Anderson Luther Walker and Mary Elizabeth Burrell; he the son of Joseph Walker and Becky (?).
- 2642 SPILLETTE, Mildred H.**, (Mrs. Arthur Gordon), 13727 Aspen Cove Drive, Houston TX 77077-1518; she the daughter of Elliott McKay Hughes, II and Ruth Evelyn Davis; he the son of Guy Potts Hughes and Mildred Butts; he the son of Judge Elliott McKay Hughes and Virginia Frances Potts (here connects to Virginia Hughes Griffith, Clan No. 547).
- 2643 HANSHAW, Gregory Alan**, P.O. Box 654, #76 So. Trout Lake Road, Ophir, CO 81426; he the son of Bruce Russer Hanshaw and Penelop Miller; she the daughter of Donald Grant Miller and Ruth Shaw; she the daughter of Harry Lester Shaw and Olive Frances Moakler.
- 2644 STEDGE, Curtis W.**, P. O. Box 172, Seneca Castle, NY 14547; he the son of Ruth Ellen Hall (Clan No. 2629).

The following converted to Life Member status:

- 1076LM RUSSELL, Eleanor M.**, P. O. Box 222838, Carmel, CA 93922.
- 2173LM MAGRUDER, Leslie Charles**, 10512 Jeremy Ridge Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89134.
- 2233LM HALL, Hannah MacGregor**, 801 Rte. 1, Unit 1-2, York, ME 03909.
- 2478LM MEGEHEE, Louis Dan, Jr.**, 217 East Lakeshore Drive, Carriere, MS 39426.
- 2569LM DALAND, Benjamin MacGregor**, Rt. 5, Box 196, Harbeson, DE 19951.
- 2576ALM MEGEHEE, Josephine Zeller.**, 217 East Lakeshore Drive, Carriere, MS 39426.

## REGISTRAR'S REPORT — 1999

The following are new Junior Member:

- 2000J** CUTRELL, Matthew Charles, 26 Orient Avenue, Newton Centre, MA.  
**2002J** BURNETT, Bryant Whitney Rousseau, 9489 Deer Run, Marshall, VA 20115.  
**2003J** GRIFFITH, Robin Kay, 715 S.W. 4th Street, Lawton, OK 73501.  
**2005J** GRIFFITH, Raven Jeaneene, 715 S.W. 4th Street, Lawton, OK 73501.  
**2006J** GREGG, Ian Matthew, P.O. Box 2320, Hobesound, FL 33475.  
**2006J** GRIFFITH, Jennifer Jacqualine, 715 S. W. 4th Street, Lawton, OK 73501,  
**2008J** GRIFFITH, Whitney Ericka, 715 S. W. 4th Street, Lawton, OK 73501.  
**2010J** GRIFFITH, Clinton Patrick, 952 Yeagers Road, Luray, VA 22835.  
**2012J** GRIFFITH, Corey Randolph, 952 Yeagers Road, Luray, VA 22835.  
**2015J** GRIFFITH, Rhea, 715 S.W. 4th Street, Lawton, OK 73501.  
**2016J** MAGRUDER, Leslie Charles, Jr., 10512 Jeremy Ridge Avenue, Last Vegas, NV 89134.

The following members were re-instated:

- 1076** RUSSELL, Eleanor M., P.O. Box 222838, Carmel, CA 93922.  
**2233** HALL, Hannah MacGregor, 801 Rte. 1, Unit 1-2, York, ME 03909.



## REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

Tess James

Since the last Gathering of the Society in Nashville, Tennessee in 1998 until the Gathering in Williamsburg, Virginia in 1999, there have been reported two Births, two marriages, nine Deaths of Members and one Death of Relatives of Members.

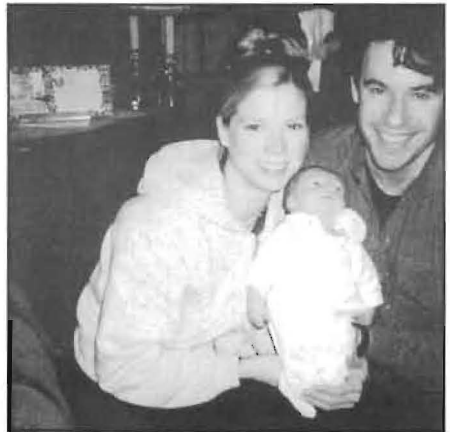
### BIRTHS

**MAGRUDER**, Leslie Charles, Jr., born November 15, 1998, son of Leslie Charles Magruder (Clan No. 2173LM) and Dr. Mary Jane Magruder (Clan No. 2622A); grandson of Past Chieftain Abbey W. Magruder, Jr. (Clan No. 1658LM) and Lillian Magruder (Clan No. 1977ALM).



Leslie Charles Magruder, Jr., son of Charles and Mary Jane Magruder.

**BEDARD**, Thomas Jean-Luc, born January 17, 1999, son of Catherine and Tony Bedard; grandson of Jane Pulling (Mrs. Lewis L. Pulling), Clan No. 2352LM; and great-grandson of Commander Thomas M. Gregg, Clan No. 2030LM, and Maggie Gregg, Clan No. 2145ALM.



Thomas Jean-Luc Bedard with parents, Catherine and Tony Bedard



## MARRIAGES



### **Bostelman - Pickett**

Janice Elizabeth Bostelman and Carlton Andre Pickett were married on May 16, 1998 in Riverdale, Maryland. She is the daughter of Claire Sessford-Kurz Bostelman Crain (Clan No. 1781LM) and William J. Bostelman. She is the granddaughter of the late council member Claire MacGregor Sessford Kurz (Clan No. 1396LM) and Charles Godfrey Kurz (Clan No. 1750ALM), former clan librarian and council member. She is also the great-granddaughter of the late Mabel Claire MacGregor Sessford (Clan No. 216).

Janice Elizabeth Bostelman Pickett

### **Lohman - Bostelman**

Mara Lee Lohman and William Charles Bostelman were married on September 26, 1998 in Norfolk, Virginia. Mr. Bostelman is the son of Claire Sessford-Kurz Bostelman Crain (Clan No. 1781LM) and William J. Bostelman. He is the grandson of the late Claire MacGregor Sessford Kurz (Clan No. 1396LM) and Charles Godfrey Kurz (Clan No. 1750ALM). He is also the great-grandson of the late Mabel Claire MacGregor Sessford (Clan No. 216). William wore his grandfather's dress kilt in the Ancient MacGregor tartan for his wedding.



Mary Lee Lohman and William Charles Bostelman

## DEATHS OF MEMBERS

**B IERER, Howard Troutman**, Clan No. 1975A, died December 31, 1998. See Memorial, Page 34.

**MAGRUDER, Lloyd Burns, Jr.**, Clan No. 937LM, died January 14, 1990. See Memorial, Page 35.

**SHAULIS, Doris May**, Clan No. 1587, died July 25, 1999. Her husband, George Mitchell Shaulis, died in 1978. She is survived by four children; Michelle Spencer, Yvonne Carver, George Shaulis and Michael Shaulis; also a brother, nine grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

**WELLS, Barbara Jeffrey Dorsett**, Clan No. 2059, died November 8, 1998. See Memorial, Page 36.

**ALLGEYER, Colma I.**, Clan No. 1099LM, died March 7, 1998. She was a first cousin of Alvin E. Gantt, Clan No. 630LM.

**GREGG, William K.**, Clan No. 2557, died November 7, 1998.

**HARRIS, Leland L.**, Clan No. 1320, died August 15, 1999.

**PROUDFOOT, Alice**, Clan No. 1022LM, died May 11, 1999.

**HENSHAW, Elizabeth Magruder**, Clan No. 319, died October 18, 1999. See Memorial, Page 38.

## DEATHS OF RELATIVES OF MEMBERS

**McGREGOR, Ruth B.**, wife of Russell C. McGregor, Sr. (Clan No. 2228LM), died May 20, 1999. In addition to her husband, she is survived by two sons, Russell C. McGregor, Jr. and Richard McGregor; two daughters, Sharon Anne McGregor Roux and Sheilla McGregor Yacobucci; and five grandchildren.

# MEMORIALS



## CAPTAIN HOWARD TROUTMAN BIERER

### 1912 - 1998



Captain Howard T. "Pat" Bierer, (SC) USN (Ret.), 86, Clan No. 1975A, a longtime resident of Williamsburg, Virginia, died on December 31, 1998.

The youngest son of a Navy family and a 1933 graduate of the US Naval Academy, his father, Capt. Bion B., and brothers Capt. Bion B. Jr. and Capt. James S. all were Naval Academy graduates.

Captain Bierer spent 27 years in the Navy Supply Corps, retiring in 1960 as Officer in Charge at Cheatham Annex near Williamsburg, Virginia. In 1944 he helped in fitting-out the *USS Supply* and also served on board as Supply Officer. In 1947 he was attached to The American Mission for Aid to Greece as Assistant Attache and awarded the "Order of George I of Greece" for his activities in this mission.

With his wife Lib, Pat spent his retirement years designing and building their "dream" house, an

authentic 18th Century home overlooking Queen's Lake in Williamsburg. He was a member of Bruton Parish Church beginning in 1959 and a former member of St. Albans Church in Washington, DC, where he and his wife of 48 years were married and their daughter Bessie was christened.

He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth "Lib" Lynn Bierer, Clan No. 1856, and a daughter, Bessie Roberts Bierer Chamness. A memorial service was held at Bruton Parish Church, Williamsburg, Virginia, on January 12, 1999. Captain Bierer was buried near other family members at Arlington National Cemetery on January 19, 1999.

## **LLOYD BURNS MAGRUDER, JR.**

### **1917 - 1999**



Lloyd Burns Magruder, Jr. died unexpectedly on January 14, 1999, at Cape Cod Hospital, Hyannis, Massachusetts. He was 81 years old. He was born on July 8, 1917 in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Burns attended Kent School in Kent, Connecticut, and graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1939 and received a Master's Degree in Chemical Engineering in 1940.

After a short period of employment at Esso Laboratories, he was called to active duty, serving with the U.S. Army Ordnance Department at Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD; Detroit, MI and Europe in technical and intelligence work. He was discharged in 1945 as a lieutenant colonel. He continued in the Army Reserves, serving as an instructor and then as commandant of the Wilmington, DE U.S. Army Reserve School. He retired as colonel in 1968.

From 1945 until his retirement in 1982, he was employed by the E. I. du Pont de Nemours Co. as a project engineer in the Design Division of the Central Engineering Department. He served as an internal consultant on chemical plant design and became an expert on pressure relief systems, contributing to DuPont's outstanding reputation for safety. He and his family lived in Wilmington, Delaware from 1962 to 1982.

He was an active gardener, supporter of land conservation efforts on the Cape, and a member of the Massachusetts Audubon Society, Barnstable Land Trust and the Compact of Cape Cod Conservation Trusts. He played tennis three times a week until the day before his death.

Burns was a member and past Chieftain of American Clan Gregor Society and he and Beatrice chaired the committee for two Gatherings held in Wilmington, Delaware. It was a rare Gathering that he and Beatrice missed.

Surviving him are his wife, Beatrice Lowell Magruder; a son Samuel H. S. Magruder; two daughters, M. Blue Magruder-Hurwitch and Sarah Beall Magruder-Wardman; and four grandchildren.

Genealogy: Son of Lloyd Burns Magruder and Mary Blue Hull; he the son of George Lloyd Magruder and Belle Burns; he the son of Thomas Contee Magruder and Elizabeth Olivia Morgan; he the son of Lloyd Magruder and Ann Holmes; he the son of Samuel Wade Magruder and Lucy Beall; he the son of Alexander Magruder and Ann Wade; he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall; he the son of Alexander Magruder, the Immigrant, and Margaret Braithwaite.

## **BARBARA JEFFREY DORSETT WELLS**

### **1925 - 1998**



Mrs. Barbara Jeffery Dorsett Wells, Clan No. 2059, aged 73, was a resident for 44 years in her home that she and her husband built on their "Cider Ginger Tree Farm" near Poolesville, MD in Montgomery County. She experienced heart complications before she died on November 8, 1998 at John Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, MD. The American Clan Gregor Society's Pipe Major Greg O'Brien played the bagpipes to process and recess her funeral. The "Macgregor's Gathering" was also read.

She was the wife of Clinton Fish Wells, Jr. (Clan No. 2060A), whom she married on September 14, 1947 at her parent's home near Beallsville, MD. She and her husband had a 50th anniversary celebration in the fall of 1997, and then celebrated their 51st by touring England prior to her illness in July of 1998.

She was born on June 9, 1925 in Washington, DC. Her parents were Telfair Bowie Dorsett and Helen Elizabeth Jeffery. Her parents were dairy farmers of the Poolesville, MD area. Her paternal grandfather, William N. Dorsett, was a founding member of the American Clan Gregor Society, which started in 1909 and was originally started to document those whose ancestry came from Alexander Magruder, the Immigrant. Her ancestry traces back to 42 Colonial legislators in southern Maryland's history.

Barbara was raised in Forrestville near Upper Marlboro, MD in Prince Georges County. She worked her way through college at the U.S. Census Bureau and later the General Accounting Office in Washington, DC during World War II. She graduated from Maryland University with her husband Clinton in June of 1948 with teaching credits and a B.S. degree in Biological Sciences.

After her marriage, Barbara went to work as a Medical Surveyist for the U.S. Navy Department and the National Academy of Sciences. After raising her children, she worked and then retired as a Teacher's Aid for the Science Dept. at Poolesville High School in 1981. She enjoyed her family, shopping and was a collector and dealer of antiques. She had recently attended the ACGS Gatherings held in Annapolis, MD; Baltimore, MD; Richmond, VA; Roanoke, VA; and Cincinnati, Ohio.

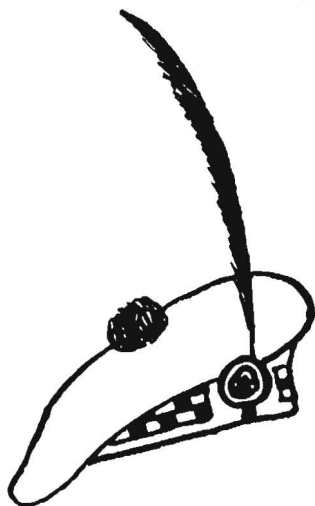
Her husband retired in 1978 as an Agricultural Statistician from the Economic Research Service of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture. They had been in the "cut-your-own" Christmas business for 33 years.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by her four daughters, who are all members of ACGS: Martha and husband Gene Appleby and son Clinton of Middletown, MD; Deborah Wells of Portland, OR; Pamela and her husband Robert MacKenzie, son Andrew and daughter Kelly of Ellicott City, MD; and Leslie and husband William Flanigan, son Brian and twins, Collin and Katie, of Ellicott City, MD.

She is also survived by her sister, H. Elizabeth Dorsett, a retired Elementary School Principal of Baltimore, MD and her brother William Dorsett of Beallsville, MD. She was preceded in death by her brother Thomas Dorsett of Frederick, MD.

Genealogy: Daughter of Telfair Bowie Dorsett and Helen Elizabeth Jeffery; he the son of William N. Dorsett and Roberta Hoxton Coombe; he the son of Thomas S. Dorsett and Isabella MacGregor; she the daughter of Nathaniel Mortimer MacGregor and Susan Mitchell; he the son of John Smith Magruder and Eleanor Hall; he the son of Nathaniel Magruder and Margaret Magruder (see second line); he the son of John Magruder and Susanna Smith; he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beale; he the son of Alexander Magruder, the Immigrant, and Margaret Braithwaite.

Second Line: Margaret Magruder, daughter of James Magruder and Barbara Coombs; he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall; he the son of Alexander Magruder, the Immigrant, and Margaret Braithwaite.





## **ELIZABETH MAGRUDER HENSHAW**

### **1908 - 1999**

Elizabeth Magruder Henshaw, Clan No. 319, died after a brief illness on October 18, 1999, at the University of Virginia Medical Center. She was born July 25, 1908, at Edgement in Albemarle County, Virginia, and was a resident of Charlottesville for most of her life. The daughter of Franklin Minor Magruder of Edgemont and Elizabeth Long of Winchester, she attended St. Anne's School. She was the widow of H. P. Henshaw. In 1929 she was named Miss Charlottesville.

She was a member of Christ Church and was active in the church auxilliary. Other interests included the American Clan Gregor Society and the Albemarle Historical Society. Known for her gracious hospitality, loyalty to her family, and generosity to those in need, she was a faithful friend to many.

Elizabeth Henshaw had a lifelong interest in local history, architecture and gardens, and willingly shared her interesting memories of life in earlier times in the county and city.

She is survived by her daughter, Julia Plummer Henshaw, of Detroit, and grandsons Andrew Nevil Wise of Detroit and Jeremy Henshaw Wise of San Diego.

Genealogy: Daughter of Franklin Minor Magruder and Elizabeth Dunbar Long; he the son of Henry Minor Magruder and Sarah Tilmer Minor; he the son of Benjamin H. Magruder and Mary Louisa Minor; he the son of John Bowie Magruder and Sarah B. Jones; he the son of James Magruder and Mary Bowie; he the son of Ninian Magruder and Elizabeth Brewer; he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall; he the son of Alexander Magruder, the Immigrant, and Margaret Braithwaite.





## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 1999 GATHERING

October 14-16, 1999  
Williamsburg, Virginia  
by Ron McGregor

The Annual Gathering of the American Clan Gregor Society was held at the beautiful Fort Magruder Inn in historic Williamsburg, Virginia in mid-October. The hotel is built on the site of the hastily constructed earthen fort built and commanded by General Magruder of the Confederate Army. Descendants of General Magruder are members of our Society today. Of the more than three hundred attending this annual event, my son and I were the only two from Colorado. Beginning with a Reception on Thursday evening and finishing with a party lasting into the wee hours following Saturday night's Banquet, the Gathering was filled with interesting activities.

Friday morning the Council met while registration continued and new arrivals had the chance to meet old friends and get acquainted with new comers to the Society. Seeing so many people sporting their MacGregor tartans was quite a sight and even though another group was holding a reunion at the hotel at the same time, we were the proud Scots. The glad handing, hugging and back patting continued right through the tasty luncheon laid on by the hotel. Afterwards we loaded onto busses to take us to the historic Bruton Parish Church for our very moving Memorial Service. The church was built 1710-1715 and is still lighted by candles. Great men were nurtured in this church, taught by its clergy, and educated at the college of William and Mary. Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Marshall and other famous Virginians worshipped here.

After the memorial we were taken on a tour of the replica of Jamestown. This is a living museum with the people dressed in period costumes and working in the trades of the time. You could stop and visit with them and receive a most interesting education. Most surprising to my son and myself was the extremely small sizes of the three ships on which the pilgrims sailed from England. One was so small I would hesitate to sail it on our own Grand Lake - and it carried nineteen pilgrims to the "new world".

That evening we had our annual "Ceilidh", a somewhat informal party with entertainment. One of our performers for the Ceilidh was a lovely young lady by the name of Lindsay Ann Burnett. Lindsay is a freshman at William and Mary College and the daughter of one of our Society members. She sang several songs acappella. Lindsay is a very accomplished singer and a delightful young lady that our Clan can be proud to call "one of ours". Lindsay was followed by a local group of young men who perform under the name "The Virginia Company" and specialize in folk songs. They were fun to listen to and were enjoyed by all. Then came the moment we had all been waiting for as our very own "Pipes and Drums of the American Clan Gregor Society" marched in along with our dancers. We always look forward to seeing our three regular dancers and members of our band. Gregg O'Brien, Pipe

Major of the band, is an Honorary Member of the Society and this year was appointed to the position of Society's Piper - a position usually held by a Society Lineal Member.

On Saturday morning we held our Annual General Membership meeting, followed by a meeting of the State Deputy Chieftains. Following another delightful Luncheon Millie Gregg, the Society's Registrar, hosted what has become an annual event - a Genealogy Seminar. Afterwards we again boarded busses to take us to Merchants Square in downtown Colonial Williamsburg for a short parade and concert. The parade consisted of our Pipes and Drums, followed by the members of the Society and their families proudly wearing our Clan tartans. The mid-afternoon parade (with prior authorization, as compared to our now famous impromptu evening parade along the River Walk in San Antonio back in 1997) attracted a lot of attention and was followed by a concert by our Pipes and Drums and dancers that drew hundreds of spectators. While our pipers played, many members of Clan Gregor were approached by people from the gathering crowd to answer questions and pose for photos.

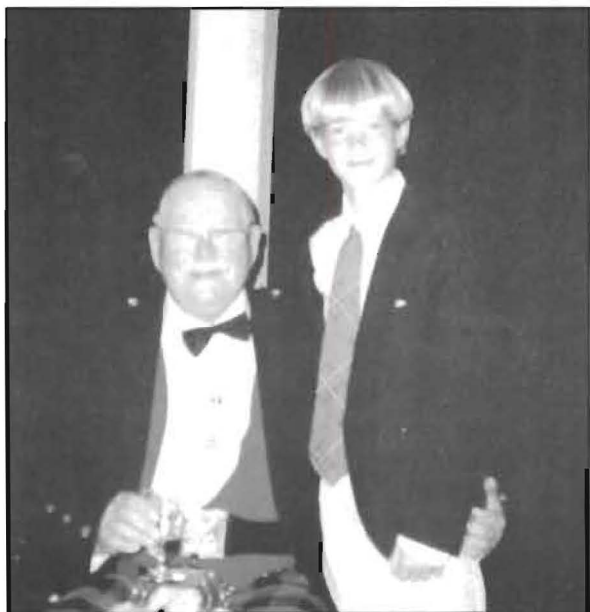
That evening we enjoyed an outdoor reception under the trees in the Redoubt of the old fort, which has been incorporated into the grounds of the hotel. The reception was followed by our Annual Banquet, at which our hereditary Chief, Brigadier Sir Gregor MacGregor of MacGregor, Bt. gave a very moving address to the Society. My son Scott was honored by being selected to be one of the two honor guards for the "Address to the Haggis" ceremony. We were entertained again by our Pipes and Drums dressed to their nines in their white tunics and tall feathered hats. The three young ladies that make up our dance troupe were augmented that evening by two wee lassies. And our Gathering would not be complete without a performance by our venerable troubadour John Masterson.

Sir Gregor and Lady Fanny were our honored guests for this our 90th Annual Gathering, and were kind enough to pose for probably over a hundred photos either alone or with members of the Society. Sir Gregor assumed the position of Chief of the Clan Gregor upon the death of his father Malcolm in 1958, and he and Lady Fanny attended their first ACGS Gathering as Chief the following year. In 1990 Sir Gregor joined us at our Annual Gathering which was held in conjunction with the famous Santa Rosa, California Highland Games. Clan Gregor was the "Honored Clan" at those games and as such our own Pipes and Drums led us onto the field at the opening ceremonies as the announcer shouted over the PA system, "Ladies and Gentlemen...here come the MacGregors." The thousands of spectators in the stands stood and cheered. Behind us came the Campbells (did I mention they had to follow us?), and all of the other clans. It was a thrilling moment for our Clan. Oh, and did I mention that the Campbells came onto the field after the MacGregors?

## SCENES FROM THE WILLIAMSBURG GATHERING



Honored Guests of the 1999 Annual Gathering, Sir Gregor MacGregor of MacGregor, Baronet, and Lady Fanny, visiting with Betty and Ernest Magruder at Saturday evening cocktail party,



Honored Guest Sir Gregor MacGregor visits with Johnston Moseley Harris, great-grandson of founder Dr. Edward May Magruder.



Marilyn Blanck, Anne and George McGregor, visiting at Welcoming Reception on Thursday evening. Carrington Ewell, Dave and John McGregor in background.



John and Lillian Grier, Barb MacGregor and Sandy MacGregor visit at Welcoming Reception on Thursday evening





Honored Guest Sir Gregor MacGregor of MacGregor, Baronet, and Chieftain Malcolm MacGregor seem in good spirits at the Thursday evening Welcoming Reception.



Deputy Asst. Chieftain Carrington Ewell, Hereditary Chief Sir Gregor MacGregor, ACGS Chieftain Malcolm MacGregor and Ranking Deputy Chieftain Jeffrey McGregor at Welcoming Reception.





The American Clan Gregor Pipe Band performs in  
Colonial Williamsburg on Saturday afternoon



Joining Past Chieftain Abbey Magruder and wife, Lillian, at the cocktail party  
before the Saturday evening banquet are Betty and Ernest Magruder,  
Marie and Len Mobley and Fred Magruder.

Past Chieftains Bill McGregor and James Macgregor smile for the camera at the Saturday evening cocktail party.



Helen MacGregor Garrett poses with grandson John MacGregor Garrett at Saturday evening party.



Two Grand Gregor Gents:  
Ranking Deputy Chieftain Jeffrey McGregor and Sir Gregor  
at Saturday night banquet.



The 1999 Haggis Team - Left to right: Scott MacGregor;  
Bill McGregor, Jr.; Bill Garrett; Bill Garrett, the Younger;  
Carrington Ewell and Greg O'Brien.



American Clan Gregor Pipe Band performs  
at Saturday evening banquet.



Nolan Sanders, Barb MacGregor and Richard Greer  
relax at party after the banquet on Saturday evening.

# ATTENDANCE AT THE 1999 GATHERING

## Williamsburg, Virginia

Brig. & Mrs. Gregor MacGregor, Bart .....	Scotland
Mr. James A. Allensworth .....	NM
Mr. Clinton Appleby .....	MD
Mrs. Gene L. Appleby .....	MD
Mr. & Mrs. Richard M. Bare .....	NC
Mr. & Mrs. W. Burke Belknap .....	CA
Mr. & Mrs. John K. Bellasai .....	DC
Mr. Paul Berilla .....	VA
Mrs. Howard T. Bierer .....	VA
Mr. Neale Bierer .....	VA
Mrs. Robert L. Blanck .....	CA
Mr. & Mrs. James M. Bolles .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas J. Boots .....	TN
Mrs. Adelle Drane-Bosch .....	SC
Mr. & Mrs. Leon S. Bradshaw .....	NC
Mr. Joseph M. Britt .....	KY
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Britt .....	KY
Mr. William L. Bromley .....	VA
Miss Diana G. Browne .....	NY
Mrs. Frances A. Browne .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Buckingham .....	VA
Miss Lindsay Ann Burnett .....	VA
Mr. William Camm .....	VA
Mr. Argyle Campbell .....	VA
Mrs. Ruth M. E. Cannon .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Kim Chamness .....	GA
Mr. Eugene M. Cole .....	TN
Mr. & Mrs. Hunter Crain .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph H. Crain .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin M. Daland .....	DE
Mr. & Mrs. Dallas Davis .....	CA
Ms. Linda DeJohn .....	FL
Mr. & Mrs. Harold I. Donnelly .....	VA
Miss H. Elizabeth Dorsett .....	MD
Mr. J. Wanzer Drane .....	SC
Ms. Mariana T. Drane .....	SC
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Embrey .....	VA
Mrs. Elizabeth MacGregor Embrey .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Carrington W. Ewell .....	VA
Mrs. Mildred H. Ewell .....	VA



Mr. & Mrs. Nathaniel M. Ewell .....	VA
Mrs. Patrice Foster .....	NC
Mr. Henry Frey .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Alvin E. Gantt .....	FL
Mr. R. Bruce Gantt .....	FL
Mr. David Garlitz .....	UT
Mrs. Lois Ann Garlitz .....	UT
Miss Deirdre M. Garrett .....	NJ
Mr. & Mrs. William Garrett .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. William Garrett, Jr. ....	VA
Ms. Angela Goodson .....	VA
Miss Betty Goss .....	VA
Miss Eileen Grant .....	MD
Mr. John A. Greer .....	KY
Mr. Richard M. Greer .....	KY
Mr. & Mrs. Donald A. Gregg .....	IL
Mr. & Mrs. Donald B. Gregg .....	NJ
Mr. Donald W. Gregg .....	GA
Mr. & Mrs. E. Stuart Gregg .....	SC
Capt. & Mrs. Paul C. Gregg .....	FL
Mr. Richard T. Gregg .....	NJ
Cdr. & Mrs. Thomas A. Gregg .....	SC
Mr. & Mrs. Edward K. Gregor .....	NY
Mr. Marshall G. Gregory .....	PA
Mr. & Mrs. Hugh S. Greig .....	IA
LTCE. Phillips Grier .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Frederic A. Grier, III .....	MD
Mr. & Mrs. John A. Grier .....	MD
Mr. & Mrs. Marshall V. Grier .....	MD
Mr. & Mrs. Michael J. Grier .....	MD
Mrs. Benjamin Grimm .....	VA
Mr. Jonathan W. Halw .....	VA
Ms. Gina L. Hall .....	TN
Mrs. Hannah M. Hall .....	NH
Mrs. Susan Halligan .....	MD
Mr. & Mrs. Henry U. Harris, III .....	VA
Mr. Johnston Harris .....	VA
Mr. Ned Harris .....	VA
Hon. & Mrs. David G. Hatfield .....	VA
Capt. & Mrs. John H. Hatfield .....	FL
Mr. & Mrs. Kevin G. Hatfield .....	VA
Miss Crista D. Henneberry .....	VA
Ms. Muriel A. Higgins .....	TN
Mrs. Frances C. E. Honsharuk .....	MT
Ms. Lessie A. House .....	LA
Mr. & Mrs. R. Russell James .....	FL
Mr. & Mrs. David L. King .....	TX

Dr. & Mrs. Merrill J. King .....	ME
Mr. Mathew Kuldell .....	VA
Mrs. Craig Lardent .....	NH
Mr. Christopher Leddy .....	VA
Miss Elizabeth Leddy .....	VA
Mr. James Leddy .....	VA
Mrs. Katherine Velez-Leddy .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Daniel W. Lee .....	MD
Mr. Jonathan Lees .....	VA
Mrs. Frances L. Lloyd .....	VA
LTC & Mrs. Mason M. Lummis .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Wayne M. Lummis .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. South T. Lynn .....	MD
Miss Darcie MacGregor .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. James B. MacGregor .....	VA
Miss Jamie MacGregor .....	VA
Mr. Malcolm C. MacGregor .....	SC
Mr. & Mrs. Malcolm G. MacGregor .....	FL
Mr. Richard A. MacGregor .....	SC
Mr. & Mrs. R. James Macgregor .....	VA
Mr. Rob R. MacGregor .....	AR
Mr. Rob Roy MacGregor .....	CT
Mr. Robert F. MacGregor, Jr. ....	VA
Mr. Scott F. MacGregor .....	VA
Mr. Stuart J. MacGregor .....	VA
Mr. Tobey A. MacGregor .....	VA
Miss Kelly MacKenzie .....	MD
Mrs. Robert C. MacKenzie .....	MD
Mr. & Mrs. Abbey W. Magruder .....	MS
Mr. & Mrs. Ernest R. Magruder .....	LA
Mr. Frederick A. Magruder .....	SC
Maj. Gen. Warren A. E. Magruder .....	MD
Miss Elizabeth Marklewicz .....	PA
Mr. & Mrs. John Marklewicz .....	PA
Miss Joanna Masterson .....	MD
Mr. & Mrs. John Masterson .....	MD
Mrs. Frank H. McGehee .....	MS
Mr. & Mrs. David F. McGregor .....	FL
Mr. & Mrs. Donald N. McGregor .....	CT
Mr. & Mrs. George F. McGregor .....	NC
Mr. Jeffrey R. McGregor .....	FL
Mr. & Mrs. John C. McGregor .....	FL
Mr. & Mrs. Richard McGregor .....	NC

Mr. Robert P. McGregor .....	AL
Mr. Ronald A. McGregor .....	CO
Mr. Scott McGregor .....	CO
Mr. William E. McGregor .....	NC
Mr. & Mrs. William E. McGregor, Jr. ....	NC
Mrs. Nell McGregor McMahon .....	PA
Mrs. Perrynell M. McMahon .....	PA
Mr. & Mrs. John R. McNeary .....	MD
Mr. & Mrs. Louis D. Megehee .....	MS
Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Miller .....	FL
Mr. Brian D. Mills .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Duncan M. Mills .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Leonard A. Mobley .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph E. Monroe .....	VA
Miss Eugenia Morgan .....	MD
Mr. & Mrs. Douglas K. Murdock .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. John R. Murdock .....	FL
Hon. Robert D. Murdock .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Peter Murray .....	MD
Ms. Khrys Myrddin .....	PA
Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Nelson .....	VA
Mrs. Ralph Noyes .....	TN
Mr. & Mrs. Walter J. Nyga .....	PA
Mr. J. Gregory O'Brien .....	VA
Mr. Patrick O'Brien .....	VA
Mr. Thaddeus G. Osborne .....	TN
Ms. Elaine T. Patterson .....	VA
Mrs. Stanley D. Peirce .....	NH
Mrs. Vernon B. Pruett .....	IL
Miss Sarah Ross .....	VA
Mrs. Virginia A. Rousseau .....	VA
Ms. Margaret A. Sanderfield .....	IL
Mr. Troy Sanderfield .....	IL
Mr. Nolan Sanders .....	KY
Ms. Amy C. Scantling .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Ronald L. Shankland .....	MI
Mr. Alan J. Shotwell .....	VA
Ms. Sara Shotwell .....	VA
Lt. Douglas L. Simon .....	AL
Mr. & Mrs. Jack Simon .....	AL
Mr. & Mrs. Charles L. Skinner .....	NY
Mr. & Mrs. Gerald R. Skinner .....	FL

Mr. & Mrs. C. Taylor Smith .....	VA
Miss Sarah M. Smith .....	VA
Mrs. Elizabeth M. Snyder .....	TN
Mr. Erin Soper .....	VA
Ms. Carol Lee M. Spitznagle .....	FL
Mr. & Mrs. David Taylor .....	MD
Miss Louise E. Taylor .....	KY
Mr. & Mrs. John H. Terry .....	GA
Miss Jennifer Thurmond .....	IL
Mrs. Eugene Tibbs .....	TN
Mr. Joseph C. Tichy, Jr. ....	NC
Ms. Susan E. Tichy .....	CO
Miss Miriam E. Trojahn .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. William E. Tyler, III .....	NJ
Mr. & Mrs. William E. Tyler, IV .....	NJ
Mr. & Mrs. Robert G. Uebel .....	MD
Mr. & Mrs. Hallam Walker .....	NC
Mr. & Mrs. Taylor Walker .....	VA
Mr. William B. Ward .....	NV
Mr. David Weber .....	NJ
Mr. Clinton F. Wells .....	MD
Miss Deborah L. Wells .....	MD
Mr. & Mrs. R. Fenton Wicker .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Peter Williams .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Steven Wilson .....	VA
Mr. & Mrs. James E. Woolley .....	NC
Mr. & Mrs. Robert W. Wren .....	FL
Mr. Randal B. Zimmerman .....	TN
Mr. & Mrs. William Zimmerman .....	FL

## ABSENTEE GUESTS

We wish to thank the following people for their generous contributions toward the success of the Gathering; these contributions play a large part in helping us to keep the Gathering within our limited budget and let us know you are really with us in spirit.

Mr. & Mrs. John W. Key  
 Mr. & Mrs. James W. Lowrey  
 Mrs. L. Burns Magruder  
 Mr. & Mrs. Gary McKee  
 Mrs. Edward M. Passano  
 Mrs. Lydia P. Priest  
 Mrs. Robert Stoops





On the 15th of May, 1999, Fiona Graham and Ninian MacGregor were married in London. Ninian is the second son of Sir Gregor and Lady Fanny MacGregor.

On behalf of the American Clan Gregor Society, a lovely Waterford crystal vase, designed by John Rochas for Waterford, was sent to the young couple in London. Helen MacGregor Garrett, who was in Scotland at the time, chose the gift and arranged to have it sent. Lady Fanny conveyed the thanks of Fiona and Ninian when she spoke of the wedding at the General Meeting of the Society at the Gathering in Williamsburg.



**REPORTS OF STATE DEPUTY CHIEFTAINS**  
**1999 Annual Report for Arkansas**  
submitted by Robert Richard MacGregor

The events of Clan Gregor in and around Arkansas are too numerous to include them all, so here are some highlights I am personally aware of.

In November 1998 The MacGregors made a grand showing at the first Mid-America Celtic Festival and Scottish Games in Hot Springs, Arkansas. We had about 25 at the Ceilidh on Saturday night. This year the Mid-America Celtic Festival and Scottish Games will be November 5-6. This will be the AGM for Clan MacGregor of the South Central United States. Most of the officers of the CMSCUS (come see us) are members of ACGS also.

Arkansas has three Scottish Festivals or Games; The Ozark Highland Games was at Arkansas College originally and is now at Lyons College in Batesville, Arkansas (21 years old); the Borders Games are in Ft. Smith, Arkansas (3 years old); and the Mid-America Celtic Festival and Scottish Games is in Hot Springs, Arkansas (1 year old).

In the early part of 1999 I was active with Clan McGregor (1st Ark. Inf. Co. "D" C.S.A.), our reenactment unit at several memorial services. In addition to myself, we have two other MacGregors, Pvt. Michael Gordon Greggson and Corpl. Chris McGehee. Although most in the unit are not of MacGregor descent, they are all aware of the MacGregor heritage. Some even wear pine, the MacGregor plant badge, in their kепies or hats when we reenact.

The Clan Gregor tent in April at Ozark Games was very active and we had many visitors. The pipe band director at Lyon College is Will Muirhead from Scotland, and his ancestors were MacGregors from the Black Isle.

In June I attended, along with other ACGS members, the Glasgow Highland Games at Glasgow, Kentucky. We were the honored clan and the ACGS pipe band was there also.

I, along with ACGS members Dan and Josephine McGehee, Eve Dunn, Gene Cole (West Tennessee Deputy Clan Chieftain) and other MacGregors manned the Clan Gregor tent in late August at the Mississippi Highland Games, in Jackson, Mississippi. We provided a venue for the after Ceilidh Ceilidh. Some of the Strath Ruadh (Red River Valley) pipe band, mostly MacGregors, from Shreveport, Louisiana had "Amazing Grace" competition.

On Saturday of Labor Day weekend, with the help of Eve Dunn, the Clan Gregor tent was the only one at the first heritage Celtic Nations Music Festival in Shreveport, Louisiana. On September 17-19, Clan Gregor was one of only seven clans at the first Clanjamfry, a Scottish Festival in Memphis, Tennessee. This event was sponsored by the Evergreen Presbyte-

rian Church. Gene Cole must be commended for the efforts as the VP of the Memphis Scottish Society and ACGS's West Tennessee Deputy Clan Chieftain.

Gene and I plan to attend the Heart of Tennessee Scottish Games in Murphreesboro, Tennessee on October 2, 1999. The Tennessee tartan will be introduced at these games. Gene and I will also be in attendance at the Clan Gathering in Williamsburg, Virginia.

I am researching the McGregors of Rutherford County, Tennessee in the early 1800s and would be interested in hearing from any of their descendants. I am also trying to locate MacGregor and related place names. Rob Roy, Arkansas began as a plantation on the Arkansas River in 1815. Kentucky and Indiana both have a Rob Roy and California has a Rob Roy Junction. Anyone knowing the history of these and other MacGregor place names, please contact me.

## **1999 Annual Report for California** submitted by Carolyne McGregor Long

Greetings, kith & kin! Indeed, it is with sincere pleasure that I send special greetings to Sir Gregor MacGregor and Lady Fanny MacGregor on this most joyous and splendid occasion. Currently, due to restrictive schedules, my husband, Doyle, and I are unable to share with you in this gala gathering. Any road, I feel highly fortunate to send along to you a wee, but hearty, accounting from our area here on the West Coast. The "torch" (cross) burns bright! Today, it would appear the meaning of the "burning cross" (not to take away from it's original, historical meaning) takes on a more positive significance to the Clan Alpin Confederation, in particular, Clan Gregor.

Here in the Western USA, Clan Gregor is carrying our "torch" to new heights. Thus far, we've experienced a tremendously productive year. This year, here in the Western Region, has found us hosting the greatest number of Scottish/Celtic events ever, with California leading the way. I'm happy to report Clan Gregor, "MacGregor, despite them....," is among those Scottish clans setting the pace in the Highland arena, with much positive publicity. One case in point: the annual Veteran's Day Parade in Southern California. This parade is a highly profiled event, via the media (i.e., TV, newspapers, etc.), and some of our finest veterans marched, clad in full dress MacGregor regalia, doing us quite proud. This was only one of several annual, key events, which take place here in California, and the enthusiasm, for Scottish culture/history, appears to be growing with each passing year. With new members in tow (figuratively speaking, of course), we continue to take ground in the public eye, our banner is proudly displayed, as we go.

Thus far, our games season, 1999, has been well attended, with much interest in things Scottish/Celtic and those people searching for a link to their ancestry. Clan Gregor not only welcomes our own folk, but helps direct those others to find their Scottish connection. And, at the Monterey Games, Doyle and I spent a brief, but grand time with Marilyn Blanck. That evening, we had a lovely chat over dinner, at the Wharf, with she, and ACGS members Robert and Carolynn Black Stoops.

We've returned home, just, from California's largest Scottish Highland Games, Pleasanton. It was a tremendous success. Indeed, this year was truly special for Clan Gregor, as several of the "olde guard" gathered over the two day event, to revisit times past and catch up on the happenings of today. We are encouraged that renewed participation, as possible, will be forthcoming from some of these fine Clansmen. Among those in attendance were Joe Foss, who came down from the rain forests of Oregon; Bill Wellover and Patrick McGregor, from the San Francisco Bay area; Jerry Lee, Sr. & Jr., and Fran Lee, all of Lodi. Needless to say, with a large gathering of MacGregors, along with visitors at the tent, a happy time was shared by all.

Many of you are aware that my duties as CGS, Western USA Chapter President, takes up a great deal of my time; however, I have been busy with ACGS, as well. This year, I'm pleased to report that California has added new members to the growing ACGS roster/register. As aye, I continue to promote all Clan Gregor activity(s), with a positive goal in mind, and that is to build a solid MacGregor contingency for Clan Gregor's rightful place in the Scottish world scene. Truly, I wish to thank you for your continued support and confidence in my ability to represent ACGS in this region.

## **1999 Annual Report for Colorado**

submitted by Ron McGregor

The year 1999 has been the busiest yet for this Deputy Chieftain. Thus far, I have received and responded to 46 pieces of Clan Gregor correspondence, and several dozen phone queries. And I still have 54 queries for information stemming from visitors to our Clan tent to respond to before the Christmas holidays. Fortunately I did not have to attend any funerals for any of our Clansmen this year and was happy to support one wedding. I drove 1,135 miles to set up and man the ACGS clan tent at four highland games.

On April 6th I represented Clan Gregor for the National Tartan Day ceremonies at the Colorado State Capitol. By coincidence I was fortunately placed to the right of our National Flag.

On May 1st we were proud to sponsor the trophy for the Outstanding Novice - Age 12 and Under, at the Southwest Regional Highland Dance competition. The event was scheduled to be held at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colorado, but as the world now knows of the terrible tragedy that occurred there only ten days before, the event was relocated to another facility.

The 22nd annual Kirkin' of the Tartan at Denver's St. John's Episcopal Cathedral in early May. The usual standing room only service was held in this very beautiful cathedral. The weather was absolutely perfect, warm and sunny with the beds of spring flowers all in bloom. After the service refreshments and entertainment were provided on the lawn. More than thirty Clan Gregor types were in attendance. Clan Gregor dancers and pipers were part of the entertainment following the service. Two days later I was informed that my son Scott has been nominated to be one of the Tartan Bearers for next year's Kirkin', for which we are very proud.

On May 29th my wife Ann and I attended the wedding of Jacob Grossnickle of Parker and Jenna Seeley of Estes Park. (Jake is the son of ACGS member Howard Grossnickle. Jake and his father Howard are regular features at the Clan Gregor tent at various Games here in Colorado and are of immense help in having our Clan well represented.) Jake and Jenna were married in the lovely chapel at Loretta Heights University. Jake, his best man and his father wore the newly designed "mini plaids" in the MacGregor Modern tartan. Jake and Jenna requested an abbreviated version of the ceremony of accepting Jenna as a 'lady of the clan' with the adorning her with the MacGregor sash and crest. The ceremony was conducted at the reception following the wedding, and I was honored to have assisted. I have since received a note from Jenna and wish to share a portion with our Clan Gregor kinsmen:

*"You do know that Jake loves the MacGregor Clan so much that he and I have changed our last name to MacGregor in honor of his Grandmother maiden name. It has been lovely to be brought into such a fine clan."*

*Mrs. Jenna MacGregor*

The very lovely and talented Miss Erin MacGregor of Vail, Colorado was crowned the new Miss Colorado at this year's pageant held in June at La Junta, Colorado. In August Howard Grossnickle and I met with Miss MacGregor and her matron. At that meeting we presented her with a Clan Gregor sash, Clan Badge and a beautiful certificate of congratulations from the Chieftain of the American Clan Gregor Society. The meeting that was expected to last only a few minutes continued for over an hour as Miss MacGregor wanted to learn more and more about her Clan Gregor heritage.



I was unable to prepare the March issue of the ACGS newsletter "Ardchoille" due to lack of input from our members. The July issue was prepared and sent to Joe Tichy on time for reproduction and mailing. The next issue would normally go out in November, but I intend to publish it in December again this year as a holiday issue. We are still having trouble with members moving without providing ACGS forwarding addresses.

Also, I will need input from the members and particularly items from the State Deputy Chieftains.

In July we had our ACGS tent at the Pikes Peak Highland Games. These Games were held at a new location this year and it would be difficult to think of a more beautiful site. The Games were held at the Air Force Academy, located just north of Colorado Springs. We enjoyed seeing old friends and meeting several new ones. We had thirty-eight Clan Gregor types visit our tent, including a family of McGregors vacationing from the Isle of Man.

Bob McGregor of Colorado Springs and President of the Scottish Games Association of the US visited the tent and gave us a gift of a color photo of our past Hereditary Chief Sir Malcolm MacGregor of MacGregor. The photo was taken of Sir Malcolm sitting in the trophy room of the then seat of the MacGregors at Edinchip at Lochearnhead, Perthshire. The photo is circa 1954 and depicts Sir Malcolm wearing a kilt of the Rob Roy tartan and holding a broadsword..."swung by a MacGregor battling under Prince Charlie"...during the '45' rising. The photo depicts portraits of several of Sir Malcolm's progenitors, as well as family and Clan heirlooms. We are most grateful to Bob for the thoughtful gift, which will be on display at the Clan Gregor tent at future Scottish Games.

The 36th annual Colorado Scottish Festival was held at Highlands Ranch just south of Denver on August 14-15. The Colorado members of the ACGS again sponsored the trophy for the winner of the Outstanding Novice in Highland Dance. This year's winner was twelve year old Laura Venable, daughter of Pat and Bill Venable of Piedmont, Oklahoma. We had an estimated 18,000 visitors to this year's Games. We had fifty-five Clan Gregor types visit our ACGS tent. The highlight of each of these Games is the noontime ceremony consisting of the March of the Clans, after which we return to the Clan Gregor tent for light refreshments. This year we had an added attraction at the Clan Gregor tent when Michelle Huber, a young Clan Gregor lady, graced us with a lively performance with the fiddle.

The 23rd annual Long Peak Highland Festival was held September 10-11 in the beautiful mountain resort of Estes Park. Visitors driving the main road from Lyons, Colorado travel much of the way over the route of the original road between Lyons and Estes Park built by Alexander MacGregor in 1875, one of the earliest ranchers in the park. As you drop over the last mountain leading into Estes, you see the town lying in the valley below and directly



beyond is the imposing MacGregor Mountain. And at the base of MacGregor Mountain is the MacGregor Ranch homesteaded in 1862 along the Black Canyon Creek, which was donated by Muriel L. MacGregor in 1983 as a charitable trust and living museum; and remains a working cattle ranch within the boundaries of Rocky Mountain National Park.

In addition to the noon-time ceremonies at the Games which includes the March of the Clans, the city of Estes Park has a parade through the town on Saturday morning prior to the start of the Games that day. The parade includes the bands, clans, athletes, dancers, canine, floats, military units, etc. The Clans are judged in the parade with points earned for Clan Banner, Parade Presentation (some semblance of marching order and interaction with crowd), Dress (wearing kilts, kilt skirts, or some bit of tartan), and number of clan members participating. In 1993 Clan Gregor won the "Best in Parade" trophy.

These games also award a trophy for the "Best Clan Tent" of the Games, which is judged by a second set of judges. Points are earned on presentation of clan history/heritage, genealogy assistance, displays of crests, tartans, etc. In 1992 Clan Gregor won the "Best Clan Tent" award. This year we had ninety-six Clan Gregor types visit our ACGS tent.

The highest award a clan can receive is the "Best Clan of the Festival" award, which is based on a combination of performance in the city parade, clan tent displays, participation in the two noon-time ceremonies, knowledge of clan history and oral presentations. I am very proud to announce that this year, with between 50,000 - 60,000 attendees and with 73 clans participating, Clan Gregor won the "Best in Parade" trophy, "Best Clan Tent" trophy, and "Best Clan of the Festival" trophy. According to the Clans committee, this has happened only one other time several years ago and that was by a clan that was holding their annual general membership meeting in conjunction with the Games.

The 4th annual celebration of these games were held in the far west region of the state on September 25th. This was the first year the ACGS tent was present at these Games and proved to be of service to our kinsmen on the west slope of the state. This year we had twenty-seven Clan Gregor types visit our ACGS tent. We have an industrious and able young Clan Gregor couple there working very hard to develop these Games. These Games show much promise.

October finds me supporting the Annual ACGS Gathering and in December I will be putting another issue of "Ardchoille" to bed. I am about halfway towards completion of the booklet "A MacGregor's Guide to Scotland".

## **1999 Annual Report for Delaware** submitted by B. MacGregor Daland

This year getting started was hampered by two somewhat minor problems. First off, I found that the Delco Games in Delaware County, Pennsylvania were canceled again. I had planned to put up a tent for that, because the last time I had been there many MacGregors had asked about clans societies and clan information. At the time I was not a member of ACGS. If they start up again, I will be there.

The other item is that I had a total shoulder replacement on May 4th, 1999. Needless to say, this summer has not been fun. But enough of that; over this summer I have handed out clan information to about half a dozen potential new members.

On Tartan Day the 6th of April, at Mulligans Restaurant and Pub, I had some Scottish Ale on tap and did a bit of advertising for the day. They had a piper in kilts. It was a small beginning, but I plan to work with them for next year and we will see what happens.

I put up a clan tent at Furnacetown, Maryland, which is just outside of Snow Hill, Maryland. The weekend was beautiful over there and a good turnout. Six clans were expected, but only two showed up - MacGregor and Stewart. We have handed out literature and lots of information and many subjects sold to clan histories by Forbes MacGregor. All in all, not a bad start. Hopefully Delco will be on again in 2000 and things will pick up.

## **1999 Annual Report for Florida** submitted by Barbara MacGregor

Soon after our return from the Nashville Gathering in October, 1998, we published the ACGS Florida Newsletter containing the list of locations where we would be having a tent for the remainder of 1998 and the 1999 season. A week later we sent out a correction notice for the date of the Sarasota Games, and again requested as many members as possible attend the Games in Lake Placid and Ocala in November.

**Nov. 7, 1998 - Lake Placid, FL** - The location for these 2nd Scottish Games in Highlands County, FL was much nicer at Lake June Park in Lake Placid. However, despite a lovely day, more Clan Tents and more vendors, there were not many spectators due to a lack of advertising and publicity, hence few prospects. ACGS members in attendance were Mal and Barb MacGregor; Charles and Betty Lou Black; Gerry and Shirley Skinner; and prospects and game organizers Ron and Sue Hutchings. A super-fun ceilidh was held at the host hotel after the Games (also not well attended). It is doubtful these Games will continue.

**Nov. 14, 1998 - Ocala, FL** - 2nd Annual Championship Games and Irish Feis - Another gorgeous day and the added attractions of a Celtic Horse Exhibition and Paso Fino Drill Team Exhibition brought out a crowd of over 12,000. John and Ena McGregor, with five grandchildren, were a great help at the tent and marched with us in the Parade of Tartans, along with two prospects (John Porter of Plant City and Jon Hutchings from Sebring).

**Jan. 16, 1999 - Orlando, FL** - Ten ACGS members came to enjoy a beautiful day at the "Fete on the Field of Bannockburn" - complete with theatrical group portraying Mary, Queen of Scots and her court and Queen Elizabeth I - warriors on heavy horse, craftsmen, dancers, athletes, pipe bands, even a tinker with his cart, a juggler, and birds of the Gauntlet, all pleased the crowds. Ten ACGS members attended: John and Ena McGregor; Gill and Betty Croft; John and Virginia Terry from Macon, GA, with daughter and family; Huelan Grier and son; Barb and Mal MacGregor. About 33 prospects signed the Register. We wrote follow-up letters to those who requested specific information. Our new Story Board drew a lot of attention. The Games were great, but the Sponsor's Reception and the Ceilidh and Royal Banquet were so bad we won't attend those again.

**Feb. 6, 1999 - Sarasota, FL** - This is our Florida West Coast mini-gathering and six ACGS members met at the Cadillac Motel and dined at Sullivan's Pub: Margaret and Hamish Copland, John and Bernice Rogers, and Mal and Barb MacGregor. Joining us on the field on Games Day were Sylvia Miller and husband and Jeff and Frieda McGregor and son Jason and two Shelties, Remington and Rally, who led our Parade of Tartans. Also joining us was Wesley Walker, member of the Scottish Clan Gregor, who recently moved to Bradenton. We were sorry Bob and Mary Wren had to cancel at the last minute, due to illness.

**Feb. 20, 1999 - Jacksonville, FL** - An East Coast mini-gathering with John and Bernice Rogers, John and Beth Wassell and Mal and Barb MacGregor meeting at Lynch's Irish Pub for dinner and fellowship. Games day started out with temperature at 45 degrees, windy and chilly, but by 11:00 a.m. the sun shone and we were blessed with a magnificent day and a huge turnout. Other ACGS members who joined us on the field were Ross T. Gregg, Virginia and Ross T. Gregg, III and John and Ena McGregor with granddaughter Shannon Heather. Prospects, wearing some MacGregor tartan, who marched with us were John Grier from Atlantic Beach and Valorie Baylis and Winston King from Atlanta, GA. John and Beth Wassell kindly provided lunch for all of us at the tent. Ross T. Gregg and son and John and Bernice Rogers worked on some of the Games committees, and we were very proud of them!

**March 6, 1999 - Miami - Ft. Lauderdale, FL** (at Plantation Heritage Park) - 16th Annual SE Fla. Games attracted a good crowd in this lovely setting. About 18 prospects signed the Register and nine ACGS members helped at the tent and marched in the Parade of Tartans:

Barb and Mal MacGregor, Jim and Mylene White; Dave, Suzanne and Jeff McGregor, Jon Ferguson (new member from Palm Beach Gardens) and Carol Spitznagle from Hollywood, FL. These are also very well-run games.

In June we attended the very successful Glasgow, KY Highland Games, where ACGS was the featured Clan, and we were honored to march behind our very own Pipe Band in the parade in downtown Glasgow.

In July we attended the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games in Linville, North Carolina, which seem to grow larger in scope each year.

## **1999 Annual Report for Georgia**

submitted by Donald Waid Gregg

How sweet it is! It's Atlanta for the first ACGS Gathering of the new millennium! Joe Tichy has already made arrangements with the hotel, and Dianne and I are looking into tour options.

Last year's Gathering found your Georgia State Deputy Chieftain one month into what would prove to be a year of work on out-of-state computer contracts. At that time it was in Tennessee, which was convenient for the Nashville Gathering, but I've since been in Alabama and - timing is everything - have just returned to Atlanta for good. Perfect timing for a flying trip to Williamsburg for the Gathering, the council meeting, and to be near Sir Gregor again, then back here to help staff the Clan Gregor tent for the Stone Mountain Highland Games on Saturday and Sunday.

Last year (following the Nashville Gathering) was my sixteenth SMHG (and fifteenth time to help run the tent). Our red and black banner, matching the CGS one, gave the tent a more unified look than in previous years, but the resolve to do away with Our side/Your side broke down. Well, things take time. When I helped found this CGS chapter in December of 1982 (oversees chapter number one), it was to loosen things up at the MacGregor tent. At that time, many ACGS members would only speak to you if you were SAR/DAR and knew a Colonial Dame. Now the pendulum has swung the other way, and we're the friendly side. Hat's off to Dr. Paul Gregg and others for introducing rule changes that have encouraged the ACGS to move in that direction. The bottom line - we share a tent in clan amity, share expenses, and swap off awarding the Clan Gregor trophy, while I look forward to the time when everyone gets the idea that IT'S THE BLOOD, NOT THE INK.



In another case of mis-cummunication, the really cool, jointly sponsored Rob Roy Birthday Dinner has become a CGS event. No malice involved - just the usual fumbling and bumbling that attends the year-to-year running of volunteer organizations.

In all, I feel best about our second appearance at the Savannah Scottish Games. What a good crew we have running the tent there! Additionally, Dianne and I brought our respective granddaughters, age seven, who call each other sister/cousins. There couldn't be a better venue for kids, ripping and snorting around Old Fort Jackson. Shoals of kids. Great kid activities. Great Music.

In town again for good, I look forward to a year of activity with MacGregors and fellow Scots in the Burns Club and the Atlanta St. Andrew's Society. By the way, I was of course consulting on Y2K projects while out of town, so let's hear it for all those hardworking computer folks when things keep working on January 1!

## **1999 Annual Report for Illinois**

submitted by Maggie Sanderfield

On a cloudy Saturday, May 15, 1999, St. Andrew's Society of Central Illinois sponsored their annual Highland Games and Celtic Festival in Springfield, Illinois. By late morning the sun came out, making a beautiful day and bringing out the people to enjoy a beautiful spring day with Celtic music, games, merchandise and Clan history.

The MacGregors were well represented with Don and Katie Gregg and Eileen Pruett working the tent. I helped set up the tent and decorated the table with MacGregor tartan, Coat of Arms, membership brochures, etc. Since I am in charge of the awards and photography for the Games, I didn't get to stay at the tent to help. I must say our tent looked very nice.

Because the tent was well positioned along Clan Row, there were many people who stopped by to inquire about the MacGregors (thanks to the movie "Rob Roy"). There were about 12-15 people who asked for membership forms.

During the Parade of Tartans, Don, Katie, Eileen and myself proudly marched with the MacGregor banner and Coat of Arms held high.

Don and Katie were the Illinois representatives who attended the Glasgow, Kentucky Highland Games.



## **1999 Annual Report for Kentucky**

submitted by Nolan Sanders

The weekend of June 4-6, 1999, provided a great time for kinship during the 14th Annual Glasgow Highland Games on the grounds of Barron River Lake State Resort Park. The MacGregors were one of the charter clans establishing the 1st Glasgow Highland Games, and this year our American Clan Gregor, one of over 50 clans and societies represented at the Games, was honored as the 1999 featured clan. We truly let all in attendance know that as we move toward the close of the millennium, MacGregors can look back on our tempestuous history and declare "MacGregor, Despite Them, Shall Flourish Forever."

To make our point, the American Clan Gregor Pipe Band was featured prominently throughout the weekend. On Friday afternoon the band, along with twenty members of the Society, marched proudly through downtown Glasgow, KY as part of the annual Highland Games Parade. That evening the band motivated the Ceilidh audience to a standing ovation and were featured, along with our Chieftain Malcolm MacGregor, on the local ABC television affiliate's Glasgow Highland Games Special.

On Saturday, morning and afternoon performances by our band were enthusiastically received. Richard Greer, Nola Willeford and myself greatly appreciated all the help from so many of our fellow members who made the Glasgow, KY weekend a tremendous celebration of heritage, tradition and friendship. A special thanks to both our Chieftain Malcolm MacGregor and Assistant Chieftain Joe Tichy, who were present to provide leadership and direction for the weekend's festivities.

## **1999 Annual Report for Michigan**

submitted by Ron Shankland

I worked in the Clan Tent at the Alma Highland Games on May 29 and also the Saline Celtic Festival on July 10.

Alma is the first for the season in Michigan and everyone has a high for the Scottish flavor. Lots of interest in every aspect and particularly people tracing their Scottish heritage.

The Saline Festival is growing every year in attendance. Reporting an article from the Ann Arbor News about it on July 11:

*"The announcer proclaimed: 'There are only two kinds of people in this world. Them that are Scots and them that would like to be.'"*

And nobody objected, not at the Fourth Annual Saline Celtic Festival.

About 10,000 people converged Saturday on hundreds of acres of grass at Mill Pond Park to savor a great Highland tradition. They watched the reenactment of medieval sword fights between armored warriors, rooted for muscular men throwing an 18-pound stone or flipping a caber - that's a wooden pole 20 feet long, weighing 125 pounds. Or they could listen to the drone of bagpipes, marvel at the agility of a border collie herding sheep, munch on Polish kielbasa or hum along with a Celtic band from Toronto.

I like it. It's a great place to bring kids, said Eugenia Buvnette, 21, who moved to Michigan from Utah a few years ago. She and her husband Ken were sitting under a tree eating nachos with their two children, Katie (2) and Dyllon (4 months).

Walter McNeil, 36, owner of Mac's Acadian Seafood Shack in Saline, said the Saline festival is different from other affairs, such as Ann Arbor Art Fairs, because it is small and specialized.

John Thunder, 72, of Royal Oak, is a drummer for the Celtic Pipes and Drums of Birmingham, one of five bagpipe groups performing Saturday. A native of Great Britain, he emigrated to the United States in 1949 at age 23 and has never lost touch with the pomp and circumstance of the musical tradition of his homeland.

"I was talked into it by the drum major," said the retired advertising designer of his involvement with the 36-member band for the past 17 years. In addition to participating in parades and fairs, his group also performs at weddings and banquets.

Pinckney elementary schoolteacher Kevin Galbraith doesn't normally wear in his class what he did Saturday - a green plaid skirt more correctly known as a kilt. But his class would have been proud of what he did - throw a 16-pound stone 40 feet.

Galbraith, 35, sporting the tartan of the 17th century Highlands clan known as the "wild and lawless bunch", was among a dozen participants in Highland athletic events. They included the stone throw, sheaf toss (instead of hay, nylon rope was used), the caber toss and frozen haggis hurling.

A haggis is a kind of pudding made of the heart, liver and lungs of a sheep or calf, minced with suet, onion and oatmeal, boiled in the stomach of the animal. Legend has it that Highland wives would throw a meal across the stream to where their husbands were working to spare them the trouble of crossing the water for lunch.

An amateur competitor in Highland sporting events, Galbraith prepares for events such as do modern-day athletes, including regular weight lifting. But events such as the stone throw or caber toss require more focus and adaptability because their implements are not standardized like today's shot put.

For the Saline community, the festival is a rallying point for everyone from the Girl Scouts to the Kiwanis Club, according to Steve Chapin, one of 350 volunteers working various details. Everybody in the community gets involved. And the community feels good about it.

The festival was started in 1996 after years of talks and planning on how to add a more permanent tradition to Saline's sister city relationship with Brecon, Wales. Plans for next year are already underway.

And as an ending note - the mayor of Saline is a woman McGregor, Mrs. Gretchen Driskill.

## **1999 Annual Report for New York**

submitted by Edward K. Gregor

This year the weather was just about right at all the events. We participated in all the Tartan Parades at the Opening Ceremonies and anyone in MacGregor tartan was and is invited to participate with us. The application worksheets, internet address of our society home page, and the "Ard Choille" newsletter were very helpful and impressive. New members not yet in our directory visited our tent.

**June 5th and 6th, 1999** - "A Highland Gathering" held at the Genesee Country Museum in Mumford, Genesee County, NY. My cousin Nancy and her husband Dave arrived with some scones made with a recipe inherited from our aunt Rose. New member Ruth Hall, with her son and daughter, Curt and Becca, from Seneca Castle, NY came and offered to help.

**August 14th, 1999** - "Central New York Scottish Games and Celtic Festival" at Long Branch Park, Liverpool, Onondaga County, NY near Exit 39 of the NYS Thruway. I was thankful for the visit by Martha McNeil West, who is a neighbor of Russell C. McGregor from Rome, NY.

**August 28th, 1999** - "15th Annual Scottish Festival and Highland Games" at Amherst Museum, at 3755 Tonawanda Creek Road, Amherst, Niagara County, NY. I was thankful the museum office made a dozen copies of our application worksheet for me. We had only one copy left. A prospective member stopped by with his completed application worksheet.

September 4th and 5th, 1999 - "Capital District Scottish Games" at Altamont Fair Grounds, Altamont, Albany County, NY. This event was well attended again and we were busy mostly on Saturday.

This year I received a report and pictures from the Clan Gregor Society of Canada on two Games close to New York. August 7, 8 and 9th, 1999 "53rd Fergus Scottish Festival and Highland Games" at Fergus, Ontario, Canada, and on September 11th and 12th, "9th Celtic Festival" at Fort Henry, Kingston, Ontario, Canada. The Rob Roy Pipe Band and Dancers from Kingston, the R.M.C. Pipe Band, and the Queen's University Band performed. The MacLeans, MacLennans, Fergusons, Munros, Macfies, and MacGregors were represented at Fort Henry.

### **1999 Annual Report for East Tennessee** submitted by Thaddeus Osborne

Your East Tennessee Deputy Chieftain represented our Society at the Gatlinburg Scottish Festival and Games on May 15 and 16, 1999. Other clansmen David and Nancy King and Bob and Dore Dumas helped with tent decorations and hospitality.

Not only was this year's attendance the largest ever, but visitors to the American Clan Gregor Society tent were at an all-time high.

Your Deputy sponsored a trophy in open piping on the Society's behalf. Inasmuch as there was only one competitor in open piping, the trophy was not awarded this year.

Your Deputy continues to be involved in other Scottish and Scottish-American activities in the East Tennessee area.

### **1999 Annual Report for West Tennessee** submitted by Eugene M. Cole

My activities during the year were:

Elected Vice President of the Memphis Scottish Society, whose duties included being Program Chairman. As Program Chairman I selected the speaker and subject for the monthly meetings as well as the Honored Clan. The Clan MacGregor was selected first and second. Then there was no trouble getting volunteers. During the year our attendance increased to the point that we had to move to larger quarters.



The highlight of the year was Robert Burns Night, where I was in charge of advertising and door prizes and the awarding of the door prizes at the dinner. Our attendance was over 450.

We helped plan, organize and hold the 1st Annual Scottish Games in Memphis with the Evergreen Presbyterian Church, which was a great success. I helped Rob McGregor man the MacGregor tent. I also worked with Rob at the Lyons College Festival in Batesville, Arkansas and again at the Scottish Highland Games in Jackson, Mississippi.

As President of the "Glen and Kin" Family Reunion Association, I was the featured speaker and gave an address on the Clan MacGregor, wearing my kilt and had a Scottish display and American Clan Gregor applications for membership.

### **1999 Annual Report for Utah** submitted by Lois Ann Cox Garlitz

One of the bigger events in the Utah Scottish community is the annual Scottish Festival and Highland Games held in Salt Lake City each second weekend in June. This year the weather was quite pleasant and we had a goodly number of visitors to the Clan Gregor tent. This was the first year that all of my family members that live in the area came to the Games; my mother, always present, my two sisters, kids and spouses, all the grandchildren. My son Don participated in the athletics for the first time, and pleased his two kids by bringing home 7 medals, winning in two events. A McGregor lady from Arizona marched with us in the noon parade. My mother Jeanette Cox won second place in the shortbread contest. Men of Worth were the featured musical group and several local Scottish entertainers also played throughout the day. The vendors provided a variety of goods, as always, and the bands and dancers competed to the delight of the crowds. Special thanks go to Pam Todd and Angelica Virginia who helped at the tent. Murray Park is a wonderful place for such an event, allowing lots of space to spread out, and there is even a municipal swimming pool nearby to help entertain. A wonderful Tattoo was held the evening before and all the clan flags were brought forward and torches carried to a saltair shaped stand where they could blaze forth into the night. 14 year old Sean Todd, a descendant of Rob Roy, carried the Clan banner. On Sunday there was a Kirk'n at an open air amphitheater.

Dodd Greer from Cedar Hills and Gordon Orr from Spanish Fork and their children helped to man a tent at the Payson Games in July. The Clan Gregor tent was set up at a main intersection of the walkways and again enjoyed many visitors. Our day was begun by helping celebrate a lovely wedding held at the bandstand, featuring "The Ballard of Lizzie Lindsay", both recited and sung to the bride as part of the ceremony. Don Garlitz again wore the McGregor colors onto the athletic field and brought home medals.



Using names and addresses from a games guest book, I mailed out forty plus invitations to a potluck gathering at my home in August. It was a small but sincere group that came; one lady and her friend came from two hours away. After meeting the other clan members, she discovered that she shared a great-grandfather with another of the guests. A husband and wife folk singers (McLarens) came to entertain us against the backdrop of Mount Timpanogas and a wonderfully colorful sunset.

The St. Andrews Society, supported by the Utah Scottish Association, has taken on the project of sponsoring a Scotland area in the famous Peace Gardens in Salt Lake City, Utah. They are currently soliciting donations for a statue to be called Scottish Solace, inspired by the epic movie "Braveheart", with a young lass offering a Scottish thistle to the bereaved lad who had just buried his father, and the inscription says "For these and all the tragedies the Scots have endured, let them have peace."

Other events we supported during the year included Cowboy Poetry Gathering in Elko, Nevada in January, where the "Scottish Impact on the American West" was one of the featured presentations; concerts by the Salt Lake Scots Pipe Band at St. Patricks Day, Ed Miller folk singer, Steve McDonald, and yet to come this fall, Alex Beaton.



# **GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES**

## **A brief history of ACGS participation and Report of Games - July 8-11, 1999**

**by Barbara MacGregor**

The Grandfather Mountain Highland Games are one of the largest, most colorful and best-attended of all the Games on the East Coast, due in part to their spectacular location on MacRae Meadows of magnificent Grandfather Mountain. As there has been a gap in our reporting of this event in recent years, below is a brief history of ACGS participation in these Games, and remarks covering the 1999 Games. When queried, Assistant Chieftain Joe Tichy provided a wealth of information: it is regrettable that time and space prohibits reporting all of the interesting stories he recalled.

Nestor J. MacDonald, one of the founding fathers of Grandfather Mountain Highland Games in 1955, approached one of his personal friends, Harry Blunt (Then ACGS Assist. Chieftain) concerning the possibility of Clan Gregor becoming a Charter Clan of these Games. It did not take Harry Blunt long to convince other members of ACGS, and Harry and Edith Blunt, Bill and Lou McGregor, Joe and Peg Tichy, John and Margaret McAdams, John and Mary Tyler Urquhart and Arthur and Betty Lecky became enthusiastic supporters and hosts of the first Clan Gregor tent. ACGS has been represented each of the 44 years of these Games: in fact, it was not long before attendance of members, prospects and visitors grew to such a point that ACGS reserved two tent spaces, as they are doing now.

In turn, Nestor MacDonald became such a supporter of ACGS, that in 1970 he and his wife Helen were named the first Honorary Members of our Society.

ACGS introduced the Tossing of the Sheath to these Games and has provided the Trophy for this event.

In 1970 our Hereditary Chieftain Sir Gregor MacGregor of MacGregor and his wife Fanny came from Scotland to be the Guest of Honor at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games.

Abbey W. Magruder, Jr. (ACGS Chieftain 1987-1990) became Vice-President of Grandfather Mountain Highland Games for two years and then President in 1985 and 1986.

Grandfather Mountain Highland Games are first and foremost a family-oriented event. From 1985-1987 Tom and Maggie Gregg of Mt. Pleasant, SC were the hosts of the ACGS tent; their son Alan R. Gregg acted as photographer and reporter of the Games events for our Yearbook. Alan's son Ian (who has just become a Junior Member of ACGS) has attended the Games several times and he led ACGS in the Parade of Tartans in 1997.

Following Tom and Maggie as hosts of the ACGS tent, Lou and Bill McGregor and Joe and Peg Tichy became co-hosts, extending their warm hospitality and wisdom to all members and prospects who visited. In 1992, Jeffrey McGregor, his wife Frieda (and son Jason) assumed the responsibilities of hosting the tent, with the assistance of Jeff's parents, Dave and Suzanne McGregor, and they continue to do so today.

Over the years, Clan Gregor has been represented in the athletic Clan competitions. Of special mention was our current Surgeon, Dr. Thomas McNish, who in his youth set a high standard by becoming Athlete of the Day!! Carl Petersen, renowned Scottish Balladeer, has worn the MacGregor Tartan and represented ACGS in the kilted Mile (adult group) several times recently. In 1998, Jason Seidman (Member #2001JA - son of Frieda McGregor) placed third in the Kilted Mile for ages 13-15 yrs.

Clan Gregor has also been represented at the Kirling of the Tartan, with Thad Osborne, Deputy Chieftain for Tennessee, carrying our Tartan Banner most recently for these services.

Members, prospects and visitors to the Clan Tent are extended such hospitality that it is not long before they become "regulars" too. If you decide to attend the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games, it is advisable to make plans well in advance, as they have become a huge tourist attraction, not only to those of Scottish descent, but the general public as well. Accommodations in the nearby vicinities of Banner Elk, Boone and Blowing Rock are becoming difficult to obtain, so early booking of rooms is a MUST!

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"The first people to raise smoke and boil water in Glenorchy, Glenlyon and Glenstrae, 'the Children of the Mist' - CLAN MacGREGOR IS HERE!" Thus our Chieftain Malcolm G. MacGregor answered the Call for the Gathering of the Clans during the Torchlight Ceremony opening the 44th Annual Grandfather Mountain Highland Games on Thursday evening, July 8, 1999. A slight drizzle and mist descending from the mountain top gave a touch of authenticity to this very stirring performance. This event was preceded by the arrival on the field of the participants in "The Bear", the 5-mile footrace from Linville to the top of the mountain, as well as sheep dog demonstrations, a barbecue and performances by massed pipe bands. An impressive program such as this should not be missed!

This year, for the first time, the field on MacRae Meadows was open from 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM on Friday for preliminary music and athletic competitions, as well as sheepdog performances. Scottish Country Dancing, Irish Step Dancing, Square Dancing and Clogging were performed on a new dance platform. The Clan Gregor tent was not open on Friday,

although some ACGS members did attend. Arthur Lecky (Lyman, SC) came over for the day, and came back again on Rainy Sunday Morning. Talk about a Good Old Sport!

A wide spectrum of entertainment was available throughout the area. Friday night - Celtic Jam on the Meadow; Ceilidh at Lees McRae College, Banner Elk both Friday and Saturday nights; Scottish Country Dancing at Williams Gymnasium in Banner Elk; on Saturday night a piping concert was held at Broyhill Center; Seven Nations held a special Celtic Rock Concert in Newland; and Alex Beaton held a concert in Boone. Most of these performers had their individual tents at the Games, and entertained periodically throughout the week-end. Three Celtic Groves on the edges of the Games Field, similar to Highland Glens, were the setting for entertainers of Scottish and Celtic music, and drew an enthusiastic audience.

The weather cooperated for the Opening Ceremonies on Saturday, which were enjoyed by these ACGS members: Chieftain Malcolm & Barbara MacGregor (FL), Assist. Chieftain Joe Tichy (NC), John and Ena McGregor (FL), Dave and Suzanne McGregor (NC-FL), Jeffrey and Frieda McGregor (FL), David and Nancy King (NC), Thad Osborne and friend Muriel Higgins (TN), Gerry and Shirley Skinner (FL), Carrington and Polly Ewell (VA), Alison MacGregor Swaford (NC), Anna McGregor Urr (NC), Dorothy Jean Winslow (TN), Dr. and Mrs. Raymond (Ann) Azbell and children (NC), Craig Miner and daughters Autumn and Jessica (NC), George and Carrie McGregor (memberships pending-nephew of Dave McGregor), son Gordon and daughters Sarah and Laurel (NC).

As if by magic, hostesses Suzanne and Frieda McGregor set forth a lovely luncheon, which disappeared in short order. Sales of sweatshirts and the new green tee shirts were brisk - only the children's sizes were left by the end of the afternoon.

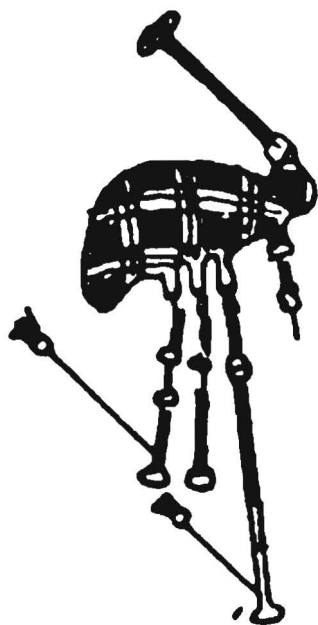
On Sunday, despite rain, wind, fog and just plain DRIZZLE, Arthur Lecky (SC) returned for the Clan events (he had come on Friday for the pre-games). Arthur donated to ACGS two albums of pictures he and his wife Betty had taken of past games.

About 44 prospects signed the Guest Book and were given ACGS information. Of particular note amongst these were Don and Judy McGregor of Hickory, NC and their son and wife, Andy and Gretchen McGregor. Don's father was Archibald McGregor, Chieftain 1976-1979. They and Joe Tichy had a wonderful time reminiscing!

Polly and Carrington Ewell's friend Miles Mennell from Bristol, TN returned again this year, adding much to the merriment and camaraderie. Miles is a White and is in the throes of tracing her genealogy - we hope she gets it prepared in time to join us for the Williamsburg Gathering!



All of us thoroughly enjoyed the visit of Mollie McGregor Johnson from East Petersburg, PA, her husband and son Daniel and daughters Bonnie and Sara, as well as her mother, Jean McGregor Lindsay of Greensboro, NC. Mollie was a star athlete in cross-country and track and field for N.C. State and had entered the kilted mile race for adults. Therefore, we all had high hopes for Clan Gregor in this event, but Mother Nature refused to cooperate. Gordon McGregor was also entered in the kilted mile, ages 13-15 years. A light drizzle came down during the Kirking of the Tartan, increased during the Parade of Tartans, then a heavy fog descended, winds picked up and the decision was made to cancel the track and field events. We were so bitterly disappointed that Mollie ran a lap for us anyway! While waiting for the judges' decision, Suzanne and Frieda served a bountiful luncheon again, and everyone's spirits were lifted by the good food (as well as liquid libations). Many hands helped to lighten the task of dismantling the displays and merchandise exhibits and we left the mountainside around 2:00 PM to meet again at 4:00 PM at the home of Dave and Suzanne McGregor in Blowing Rock. More lively conversations, laughter and enjoyment of the "spread", again attractively arranged and prepared by Suzanne and Dave and Jeff and Frieda, followed until 7:00 PM, when we reluctantly took our leave, and said our "Thank Yous" and "Good-Byes" until next year.





## SCENES FROM HIGHLAND GAMES



Don and Judy McGregor with son Andy and wife Gretchen McGregor visit tent at GMHG. Don's father was Archibald McGregor, Chieftain 1976-1979. They enjoyed visiting with Joe Tichy.



Hostesses Frieda and Suzanne McGregor preparing hot soup for a cold and windy day at Grandfather Mountain.



Ena and John McGregor and Barb MacGregor try  
and escape the downpour under the Clan Gregor  
tent at Grandfather Mountain Highland Games.



And the rain continues at GMHG, but doesn't wet  
the spirits of Arthur Lecky, Joe Tichy and Carrington Ewell.



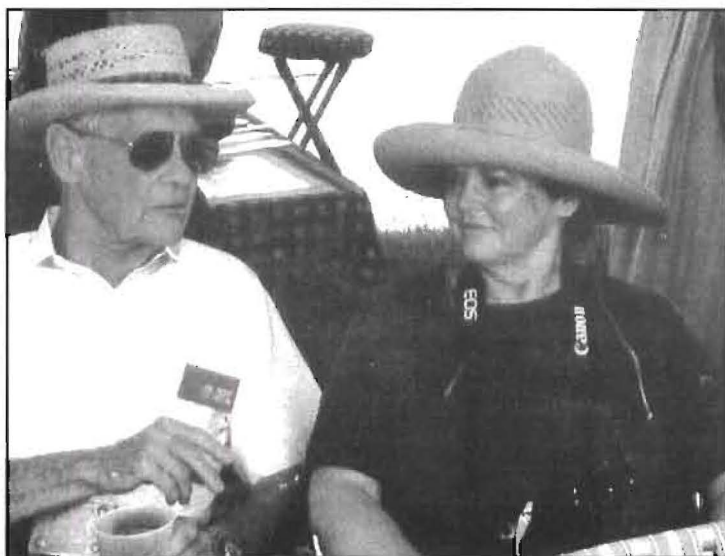
After a soggy day on the mountain, ACGS types enjoy a dryer party at Blowing Rock home of Dave and Suzanne McGregor. Front row, left to right: Suzanne McGregor, Polly Ewell, Mollie McGregoor Johnson & daughter Bonnie, Barb MacGregor, Jeff McGregor, Ena McGregor, Daniel McGregor Johnson; Middle row: Jean McGregor Lindsay (Mollie's mother), Carrington Ewell and host Dave McGregor; Back Row: Frieda McGregor, Joe Tichy, Malcolm MacGregor, Mollie's husband and daughter Sara, and John C. McGregor.



Ena and John McGregor of Edgewater, FL were a great help at ACGS tent at Orlando Central Florida Highland Games.



Hostess Retta Greer sets out the viands  
for members and guests  
at Glasgow, KY Highland Games



Asst. Chieftain Joe Tichy is in deep discussion with  
ACGS member Marilyn Blanck, who came all the way from  
Alhambra, CA for the Glasgow, KY Highland Games.



ACGS member L. Dan McGehee of Mississippi and prospect Janice Kay (Greer) Britt of Kentucky prepare to march in parade of downtown Glasgow, Kentucky.



Nolan Sanders, Deputy Chieftain for Kentucky, holds ACGS banners in preparation for parade in downtown Glasgow, KY.





ACGS members marching in 90 degree plus heat/humidity in downtown Glasgow, Kentucky, followed by ACGS Pipe Band. Marchers are Nolan Sanders, Dave McGregor, Bob Wren, Joe Tichy, Barb MacGregor, Donald A. and Katie Gregg and prospect Janice Kay (Greer) Britt.



Marching for ACGS in Parade of Tartans at 4th Annual Highland Games in Jacksonville, FL are: Back Row: Prospects Winston King and Valorie Bayliss from Atlanta and members Ross T. Gregg II, Ross T. Gregg, III and Malcolm MacGregor; and Front Row: Beth Wassell and Barb MacGregor.



Don Gregg, Maggie Sanderfield, Eileen Pruett and Katie Gregg march in Parade of Tartans, St. Andrew Highland Games & Celtic Festival, Springfield, Illinois



Second Annual Championship Ocala, FL Scottish Games & Irish Feis. Back row, with banner: Prospects John Porter and Jon Hutchings; 2nd row: Malcolm & Barb MacGregor and Grandma Ena McGregor (head only); 1st row: Grandpa John McGregor with grandchildren Dillon, Quinton, Amanda, Shauna and Shannon.



Scott MacGregor and Sandy MacGregor man the ACGS tent at Fredricksburg, Virginia Highland Games.



Marilyn Gregor handles the ACGS tent at Amherst Scottish Festival.



S.E. Florida Highland Games, Plantation Heritage Park. Marching in Parade of Tartans are Jim & Mylene White, Jim & Derek Goldie, Jon Ferguson, Jeff McGregor, Dot Goldie, Barb MacGregor and Carol Spitznagle.



Annual Scottish Games, Sarasota, Florida. Back row are Jeff McGregor, Wesley Walker, Chieftain Malcolm MacGregor and Jason Seidman. Front row are Bernice Rogers, Sylvia Miller, Margaret Copland, Freida McGregor and Barb MacGregor.



Editor's Note: Several years ago I started a new tradition of re-printing a biographical sketch from one of the early yearbooks. These sketches are most interesting and a very valuable source of genealogical information. I hope that some of you may be encouraged to submit a sketch on an ancestor for inclusion in a later yearbook. This year I have chosen a sketch on Mrs. Isabella MacGregor Dorsett. It comes from the Yearbook of 1925, and was written by her daughter, Suzie Mitchell (Dorsett) McColl.

## **MRS. ISABELLA MacGREGOR DORSETT**

By Suzie Mitchell (Dorsett) McColl

Isabella MacGregor Dorsett, the seventh daughter of Nathaniel Mortimer MacGregor and Susan Euphemia Mitchell, of Edinburgh, Scotland, was born in Washington, D.C. July 23, 1841 and was educated at Miss Rucker's Seminary; by private tutors, and at Dr. McLeod's finishing school for young ladies.

Just prior to the Civil War, her Father being in full sympathy with the South, disposed of his merchantile business in Washington, and established his family on his plantation in Prince George's County, Maryland, where he remained until his death on June 14, 1870.

Miss Belle MacGregor, by which name the subject of this sketch was well known among her many friends and acquaintances, was also an acknowledged social belle among them, and in addition to being a very handsome and attractive girl, was gifted with a beautiful voice and a remarkable talent for the guitar and piano. She clung to her music through the many years of her life and it was a great comfort and pleasure to her and to those intimately associated with her. Up until a few months prior to her death she sang and played with the most remarkable sweetness and power. Always at Christmas there was a family gathering at her ancestral home "The Rest" in Prince George's County, Maryland (which was inherited by her and where her closing years were spent) and the members of her family including her children and grandchildren, would group around the piano and sing with her, as leader, Christmas carols and anthems making the old house ring with the joyous music.

Miss Belle MacGregor married Thomas Somervell Dorsett, who was the 2nd son of Col. William Newman Dorsett and Amelia Somervell, his wife, both of Prince George's County, Maryland.

The marriage of Belle MacGregor and Somervell Dorsett was consummated at Trinity Church, Upper Marlboro, Md. by Rev. Henry I. Kenshaw, on Dec. 3, 1868. A double ceremony was performed, Agnes Woods MacGregor, a younger sister of Belle MacGregor, and Thomas Truman Somervell Bowie, a first cousin of Thomas Somervell Dorsett, being the other contracting parties.

Four children were born to Mrs. Dorsett, two of whom died in infancy. Her only son, and third child, William Newman Dorsett, was a charter member, a councilman and very active in the interests of the American Clan Gregor Society. Her only surviving daughter is (Mrs.) Suzie Mitchell McColl, of Washington, D.C. and Prince George's County,



Maryland, who is also a member of the Society.

Mr. Dorsett met with a serious accident while riding a spirited colt, which rendered him an invalid for life, when his two children were very small. The accident caused an injury to the base of his spine, which resulted in a gradual paralysis for which the physicians of those days knew no cure. Mrs. Dorsett took him from one famous physician to another, until their resources were exhausted. Then Mrs. Dorsett, who had been reared in luxury with slaves at her beck and call, found herself facing life with an invalid husband and two small children to provide for. She met the emergency bravely and for some years taught in the public schools of Prince George's County, Maryland. Under Cleveland's administration she obtained a position in the auditor's office of the Treasury Department where she served until her children were able to provide for her. She resided in Washington, D.C. for a number of years, moving to the old home place in Prince George's in the latter part of her life where she died after a few months illness on Oct. 11, 1923.

Funeral services were held at Epiphany Church, Forestville, Md. Rev. W. C. Shears, officiating, on Oct. 13, 1923 with her nephews acting as body bearers, and the interment took place in the church ceremony.

Mrs. Dorsett was a member of Epiphany Protestant Episcopal church, Washington, D.C. for many years before and until her death.

She was a charter member of the American Clan Gregor Society and attended the meetings regularly being much interested in everything concerning its interests.

She was a woman of strong character and although she suffered much physical pain during the last few years of her life she was always bright and cheerful and concealed as far as possible her suffering from those around her.

The idol of her life was her grandson, her only son's only boy, Telfair Bowie Dorsett, who spent much of his babyhood and boyhood with her on the farm and who was a great source of pleasure and comfort to her in her old age. She had one granddaughter, Mrs. Suzie Mr. Dorsett MacAllister of whom she was also very fond.

Mrs. Dorsett was the daughter of Nathaniel Mortimer MacGregor and Susan Euphemia Mitchell, granddaughter of John Smith Magruder and Eleanor Clark (born Hall), great granddaughter of Nathaniel and Margaret Magruder (daughter of James Magruder and Barbara Coombs), great-great granddaughter of John Magruder and Susanna Smith, great-great-great granddaughter of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall, and great-great-great-great granddaughter of Alexander Magruder, Maryland immigrant.

Editor's Note: Each year we reprint an article of interest from a past yearbook. This year I have chosen to go back seventy-four years to the 1926 yearbook. This is a letter from George Corbin Washington Magruder telling of his pursuit of new members for the Society. We hope that you will enjoy it.

## LETTER OF G. C. W. MAGRUDER

### "The Highlands."

July 11, 1925

My dear Friend and Fellow Clansman:

I wish to thank our faithful Scribe for a letter of December 5, 1924 with inclosures; also for one of July, 1925, in which he stated that the Society expected a good report from me of my work in Oklahoma for the ensuing year.

He said it was not nearly so hard to secure new members as many of us imagined. To show you that I have made an effort to hunt up new members, I laid down my work on the farm and canvassed Oklahoma City last Tuesday and Wednesday. Thermometer from 100 to 109 degrees. Now, I am 70 years young, having passed the three score and ten mile-stone of this life the 11th of June.

I have suffered with rheumatism in my feet for several years and I find it difficult to walk in the city, even with the aid of my cane. After consulting the latest directory and phone book I found fourteen persons by the name of McGregor and Gregory, but not one Magruder. According to the directory they are rare birds.

My son gave me the name of a Magruder at Packingtown. Will have to make a special hunt for him. Out of the fourteen names I located five of the name McGregor and Gregory in Oklahoma City. Being satisfied that two of them would have to be traced to Scotland via Africa, I concluded to cut their names out then and there.

After pacing up and down many streets and skyscrapers, and meeting with many disappointments, I finally came upon one George G. McGregor, clerk in Freight Department, Rock Island Railroad Company. Finding him a busy man, concluded best to ask for his home address, and promised to call to see him there some time when I might have his attention.

I was pleased with him. I then called to see Dr. A. E. Gregory who has been a resident of Oklahoma City for years. I have known him since 1906. But have my reasons for not calling upon him sooner. He seemed interested, read the little folder, gave me his attention, and I promised to show him one of our Year Books later.

My son Lyles has recently accepted a position as traveling salesman for southwestern Oklahoma (six months) for a firm in Oklahoma City. I asked Lyles to take the address of all of the name of Magruder, McGregor, Gregory, or Gregory, that he might meet or hear of and send the name to me. I may be able to find some new members through him. He gave me the name of Fred Magruder, an oil man of Tulsa when here last, and I wrote to this

gentleman yesterday and sent him a folder and application paper.

My experience has been that the Southern and Eastern people like to talk family pedigree first, while the Northern people take up that subject last.

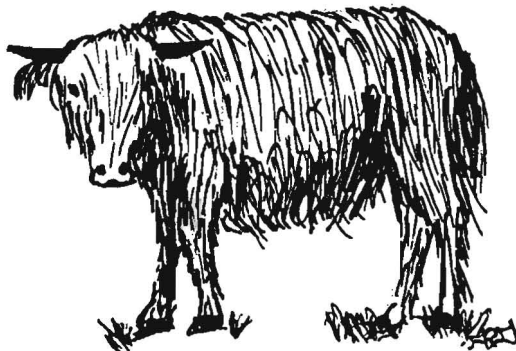
But I am not discouraged. I keep boosting A. C. G. S. whenever I hear of one of our name, and I write to or go to see him. I read a few days ago of a Presbyterian missionary in India who had worked hard for three years in one place and had made three converts. If he was not discouraged why should we be. If each of us could bring in one new member a year we would equal the Indian missionary in numbers.

My dear friends, I do feel so much for you all in the great loss of our beloved Chieftain. His death was a great blow to me, coming so soon after the death of my dear brother Julian. I loved our Chieftain for his character as a man, father, friend, and Christian. His lovely friendly letters are precious keepsakes. Whilst I never had the pleasure of knowing him in person, I learned to love him from his letters and I wrote him more than once that I looked forward to the day when I might meet him face to face and lay my hand in his.

Whenever I may turn to his picture in my Year Book and the annual gathering call us to meet together, we will continue to be impressed with his greatness as a lovable man; and I shall see in visions as it were, his spirit leading us and cheering us onward in the good work he laid down, that we might continue to even greater success.

Geo. C. W. Magruder

Deputy Chieftain of Oklahoma.  
Choctaw, Okla.



## NEWS NOTES FROM LILLIAN

I had a note from Frances Loyd (Clan No. 1052LM) where she enclosed a picture taken at a luncheon held by the University of Virginia School of Nursing to honor the donors of scholarships. Frances is pictured with Amanda Gentile and Felicia Stokes, the two recipients of the American Clan Gregor Scholarships. Frances reminds us that although members of the Society and children of members are the first to be considered for these scholarships, when none apply the school makes the choice. It is good to call our attention to these scholarships and make us aware of the recipients.



Frances Lloyd with scholarship recipients Amanda Gentile and Felicia Stokes.

Claire Sessford-Kurz Crain (Clan No. 1781LM), writes that she and her children, Claire MacGregor Crain and Joseph Hunter Crain, drove across the United States in the summer of 1998. In their travels, they stayed in McGregor, Iowa on the banks of the Mississippi River. An Alexander MacGregor founded the town in 1837. Claire asks if anyone knows if this Alexander is directly descended to Alexander, the Immigrant, and how. If anyone has information on this, please communicate with Claire or with me.



Claire MacGregor Crain and Joseph Hunter Crain, Jr. at McGregor, Iowa.



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### **EDITOR'S NOTE:**

I want to thank everyone for sending in so many wonderful pictures this year. I wish we could have used all of them, but the cost would not allow it. Choosing the ones to go in the yearbook was a most difficult task, but I tried to show as many different people as possible. The pictures not used in the yearbook will go in the picture album kept by Millie Gregg and will be on display at our Gatherings. Please do keep sending pictures. I would certainly rather have too many than not enough.