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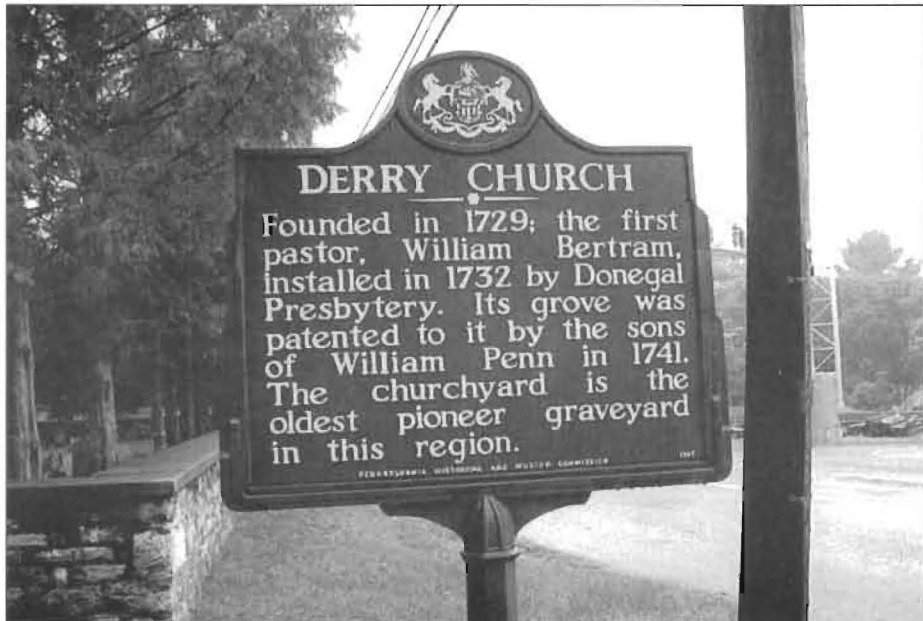
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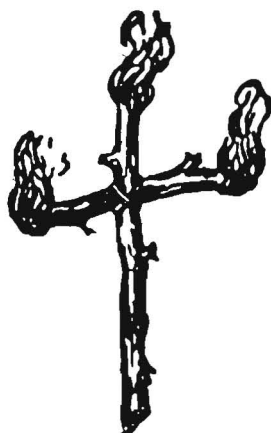


Derry Church in suburbs of Hershey, Pennsylvania,
Scene of the Memorial Service of American Clan Gregor Society



Plaque in front of Derry Church

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2002 - 2003

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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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AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY, INC. COUNCIL MEETING - OCTOBER 4TH, 2002

The Chieftain Jeffrey McGregor called the meeting to order at 08:35 October 4th, 2002 and called on Thaddeus Osborne to give the invocation.

The Scribe then read the minutes of the 2001 Council Meeting. A Motion was made to accept the minutes as read, seconded and passed.

Our Treasurer, Sandy MacGregor, gave an oral summary of his report and passed around copies of his 9 page written report. The report shows Net Worth of \$337,515.49 and a positive Cash Flow of \$26,515.54. The report will be published in its entirety in the Yearbook. A motion was made by Malcolm MacGregor to accept his report, seconded and passed.

Our Registrar, Bill Tyler, was called upon to give his report. He said that he has finally settled into the position of Registrar and feels comfortable with his duties. He reported 32 new members have been added since last year, 2 members converted to Life Membership, 3 re-instatements and 7 Junior Members for a total of 44 additions and changes to the membership. The total income from these transactions was \$2,345.00. Bill then gave a brief description of the database program he has developed to handle most of the duties of the Registrar. He had 61 contacts last year, not all of which will result in new members. Bill said he can now generate meaningful reports and he passed around a sample copy of these reports.

At this point our Chieftain informed everyone that there were 3 past Chieftains present and he welcomed them to the Meeting. They were William E. McGregor, George F. McGregor and Malcolm G. MacGregor.

Joe Tichy gave the report of the Historian, Tess James, who was unable to attend. Last year there were 11 deaths, 5 births and 3 weddings. Details will be given at the General Meeting and will be published in the next yearbook.

Joe Tichy also gave the report of the Editor, Lillian Magruder. Lillian was absent due to the fact that her intended flight was cancelled because of a pending hurricane in the Gulf of Mexico. Joe reported for Lillian that she wished to remind everyone that the cut-off date for the Yearbook is March 1st.

She would like as many people as possible to send pictures with a self-addressed envelope should you wish the photos returned. In addition, put the names of the people in the photograph on the back of the photo.

The Report of the Librarian, Marshall Grier, was given and he indicated that the University of Baltimore is still working on cataloging the contents of our Library and the protocol for

lending out books. It is important to mention that this Library is known as The American Clan Gregor "collection". The Web address will be published in the next News Letter.

Hallum Walker gave the Report of the Scholarship Committee. He reported increased usage of our scholarship awards and passed around a photo of one of the recipients. In all, 4 scholarships were given and for the first time a scholarship was given to the child of an Honorary Member.

Our Assistant Chieftain, Joe Tichy, gave his report, in which he mentioned that although we have added new members we are still having trouble locating Members who have moved. We were left an endowment by Jessie Richardson and this was added to the Blunt Scholarship Fund.

Joe reported that we have purchased a new computer to replace the existing one purchased in 1982. Joe indicated that the new computer is fully compatible with the Treasurer and Registrar's computers.

Comments were then solicited for our News Letter Editor, Ron McGregor. Ron requested more input from the Membership and especially the Deputy Chieftains, as well as Holiday Greetings from the Council Members. Bill Tyler was asked to forward the names of new members to Ron and he would publish them.

Our Chieftain, Jeffrey McGregor, announced he would withhold his remarks until the General Meeting. He mentioned that he had intended to invite our webmaster, Jim McGregor, to the Council Meeting to discuss our Web site, as this is a project of special interest to him. He will have Jim speak at the General Meeting.

Under the heading of 'Unfinished Business' Joe Tichy mentioned that the Pledge Cards for the Artifact Restoration Project in Scotland have been passed out to all attendees at this gathering and will be mailed to all other members. Malcolm MacGregor re-stated his intention of two years ago that the Council should vote on an annual basis as to the amount of money to put in an escrow account to be sent to Scotland each year.

John McGregor suggested that we could conservatively guess the amount of money we expect to receive this year and determine an amount to send to Scotland this year. Our Treasurer made his objection to dealing with intangible monies and counter-suggested that we should wait until the pledges are in and counted. The \$1000.00 contribution voted on last year has already been sent.

A general discussion on the pledge cards and their distribution followed. Joe Tichy informed the Council that a letter of information is sent out in January and included in this letter will be membership dues notice (exception life members) as well as reminders re the Pledge Cards.

Malcolm MacGregor then made a motion that the pledged money should be held in an escrow account and voted on by the Council each year as to the amount to be forwarded to the CGS. The motion was seconded and carried.

Ron McGregor reminded the Council that two years ago, the Council voted to send a letter of appreciation to Jim and Scott McGregor for their work on our Web Site and the electronic version of Ardchoile. Our Scribe made a quiet mental vote to undertake this task at the earliest opportunity.

New Business: Past Chieftain James Macgregor asked if our Society had, or could make provision to repair Historical Artifacts here in the U.S. He specifically referred to a Magruder headstone badly storm damaged and close to this residence. After considerable discussion it was the consensus that the required repair work should be the responsibility of the particular Magruder family in question.

Ron McGregor brought to the Council's attention a project that he and two others have been working on for the past 18 months. This centers around a privately owned McGregor Chief's Kit, which Ron described in detail and distributed photos to the council. Ron said that there are some private individuals interested in acquiring the Kit for their private collection. The Kit is in very good condition and is possibly available for sale or could otherwise be acquired by our Society. A figure for purchase that has been alluded to is around \$10,000. Ron is exploring options for acquiring this item and will report back to the Society if a purchase is feasible.

The Nominating Committee gave a list of Officers for the year 2003. These nominees will be presented to the General Membership for their approval. A motion was made and approved to accept the slate of Officers as presented by the Nominating Committee. Our Chieftain announced the appointment of John C. McGregor as Assistant Chieftain and Carrington Ewell to the position of Deputy Assistant Chieftain. Jeffrey also thanked Joe Tichy for accepting a position as a Trustee.

Past Chieftain George McGregor made a motion that the Council express its appreciation for the work done by Joe Tichy over the past years. Seconded and passed unanimously. Our Chieftain brought to our attention the need to consider appointing a new treasurer since our current treasurer is slated to become Chieftain in 2003. Although there is nothing in our by-laws to prevent this, Jeffrey felt it would be unethical for one person to hold both positions. Our Chancellor, Diana Browne agreed that it is an ethical question and Auditors would not look favorably on such an arrangement. We will seek a new treasurer during the coming year.

With no further business from the Council, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion was carried and the Chieftain declared the Meeting adjourned at 10:15.



Respectively submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John C. McGregor'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'John' being more prominent.

John C. McGregor

AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY GENERAL MEETING - OCTOBER 5TH 2002

Chieftain Jeffrey McGregor called the 93rd meeting of The American Clan Gregor Society to order on October 5th 2002 at 09:05 am with the words "Children of the Mist, the MacGregors are here". Our Chieftain brought greetings from Scotland. Sir Gregor MacGregor of MacGregor and his wife Fanny, extend their best wishes to all American Clan Gregor Society Members and their families.

On behalf of the members of the Council and the Officers of the Society, our Chieftain extended his greetings and a hand of friendship to all present.

The meeting began with the invocation given by Thaddeus Osborne.

John McGregor, Scribe, was called upon to read the minutes of the 2002 Council meeting. 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 2001 General Meeting as recorded in the yearbook. Motion carried.

Treasurer Sandy MacGregor gave his report. This is an interim report and the final report will be published in the Yearbook. Sandy reported total Assets of \$322,009.49 as compared to \$314,652.92 last year. Total liabilities as of 2000/01 were \$79,230, leaving a Net Worth Total for 9/30/01 of \$235,422.31 and a Total Net Worth for 9/30/02 of \$322,009.49.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the report as presented.

Registrar Bill Tyler reported that 32 new members have been added since last year, 2 members converted to Life Membership, 3 re-instatements and 7 Junior members for a total of 44 additions and changes to the total membership. The income from these transactions was \$2,345.00.

Bill then gave a brief description of the database program he has developed to handle most of the duties of the Registrar. He had 61 contacts last year, not all of which will result in new members.

He has divided the application process into four stages.

1. People sent applications.
2. People sent computerized applications for their review and signature.
3. Applications sent to Jeff for his review and signature.
4. Accepted applicants that are sent Membership packages.

The Registrar's report was accepted as presented.

Tess James, our Historian, was unable to be present. Joe Tichy gave her report. He reported for Tess that there were 11 deaths, 5 births and 3 weddings.

Joe Tichy also gave the report of the Editor, Lillian Magruder. Lillian was absent due to her flight being cancelled because of a pending hurricane.

Joe reported that Lillian wishes to remind everyone that the cut-off date for news for the Yearbook is March 1st. She would like as many people as possible to send pictures and please send a self-addressed envelope if pictures need to be returned. In addition, please put the names of the people in the photograph on the back of the photo. The deadline for photos etc. is February.

Marshall Grier was called upon to give The Librarian's Report. Marshall reported that the cataloguing was an ongoing project and the method of accessing our library content is still under review. Virginia Grier gave a glowing dissertation on a book she has just read called "How the Scots Invented the Modern World" by Arthur Herman.

Hallam Walker was called upon to give the Board of Trustees report as well as the report of the Scholarship Committee. Hallam began by expressing gratitude to our highly competent Treasurer, Sandy MacGregor. The Board of Trustees oversees the finances but does not audit them. Due to the excellent accounting and presentation, done by our treasurer, the Board enjoyed a light workload.

Hallum further reported that as Chairman of the Scholarship Committee, he deals primarily with the Blunt Scholarship, which goes to children of members who are attending College. There are several other Scholarships, which we administer. Last year there were no applicants for a Blunt Scholarship, happily this year we were able to give four scholarships to highly deserving young people. Hallam read the names as follows:

Susan B. Auld, attending the University of Michigan

Catherine Street, attending the University of Oklahoma

Ian McGregor, attending the Colorado School of Mines

Joanna Masterson attending St. Mary's College in Maryland

A Motion was made to accept Hallum's report. The motion carried.

Assistant Chieftain Joe Tichy reported that our total membership is approximately 650, we added 32 members and there were 10 deaths, which indicates we are growing. However, we lose people every year due to the fact that they move and mail is only forwarded for 90 days. Since our mailings don't fall within that deadline mail is returned undelivered. Therefore, Joe asked everyone if they know of someone who has moved please notify him of their forwarding address. It was agreed that the names of missing members be published in the Newsletter.

Location of next year's Gathering has not yet been decided. New Orleans is under consideration, however, the room rates are rather high @ \$200/night. We will continue to explore this possibility.

There are 200 members present at this Gathering. Joe noted that the increase in our income this year is partly due to a donation from the estate of Jessie Richardson, who died last

year. This \$10,000 donation was placed in the Blunt Scholarship Fund. A motion was made and seconded to accept the report as presented.

Ron McGregor, our News Letter Editor, was called upon to give his report. Ron stated that information for the News Letter is bleak at the moment. The deadline is November 3rd and he welcomes all input. He would particularly like to hear from all Deputy Chieftains regarding the activities in their areas. He also suggested that The Members of Council might like to send out Season Greetings. He also added that if someone had an article for sale or maybe was looking for something in particular, this could be included in the Newsletter.

At this point our Chieftain Jeffrey McGregor began his remarks by thanking all the Society Officers for the time spent on maintaining records, answering mail and communicating with prospects. He continued with a special thanks to all the Deputy Chieftains, who maintain tents at Scottish Games all around the U.S. Joe Tichy was acclaimed for special mention for the time and effort he dedicates to help all the Officers do their job and to keep our Society going forward. Also, a special mention to Bill Tyler, who continues the tradition of being an expert Registrar, with innovative ideas to improve our membership records.

The Chieftain reminded us that we have made our first monetary donation to CGS Scotland to preserve the MacGregor Antiquities and Artifacts, which have been suffering from the ravages of time, abuse and neglect. All members have been given letters explaining the details of these projects, as well as pledge cards. The pledges are for five years so he reminded everyone to please be as generous as you can in this worthy cause. After five years the project will be evaluated and it will be decided whether or not to continue.

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

Jean Simon brought to the attention of the assembly that she had visited Culloden and found there was no mention of the Macgregor's at the site. A discussion resulted and there were mixed views as to whether or not the Macgregor's were there.

Bill Tyler brought to our attention that he often gets inquiries on genealogy matters. In particular, a William A. McGregor of Wilmington, De. has traced his ancestry back to Alabama and has reached a dead end. If anyone has any information of MacGregors in Alabama he would appreciate it if they would contact William A. McGregor and give him any information they may have. It was suggested that we should place this inquiry in our Newsletter so that it would reach a greater number of people.

Kay Greer Britt brought with her a copy of a Ships Manifest of 1685. Her Grandfather was on that ship and also a Fergus Grier was listed. Anyone wishing to look at this Manifest should see Kay.

Our Chieftain noted that there will come a time when our Ranking Deputy Chieftain will become Chieftain. Since our Ranking Deputy Chieftain is currently our Treasurer it appears that there is an ethical problem of both positions being held by the same person. Our By-Laws do not disallow this. However, ethically it is a poor idea. For this reason our Chieftain called upon the Gathering to consider finding someone in our Society to fill the

position of Treasurer. So please notify the Nominating Committee of anyone interested in filling Sandy's 'big shoes'. Jeff mentioned that we are making the Web Site more functional. He encouraged everyone to visit the Web Site, especially the State Deputy Chieftains, who now have their own special spot within the Site. It was suggested that we should add our Web Site address to the ACGS brochure. It is too late to add it to the new brochures but we will certainly keep it in mind for future printings. In addition we can add Bill Tyler's e-mail address. Anyone giving out these brochures should write in the Web site as well as Bill's e-mail address, which is wetyler3@ntelos.net.

It was brought to our attention by Keith Grier, who is a Graduate of the U.S. Marine Academy, that there are opportunities for High School students in the various Military Academies and he would be glad to assist them in exploring possibilities in these careers, all paid for by Uncle Sam.

There being no more New Business Past Chieftain Malolm MacGregor was called upon to present the Nominating Committee's new slate of Officers for ratification.

Chieftain - Jeffrey R. McGregor

Ranking Deputy Chieftain - Robert F. MacGregor

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Registrar - William E. Tyler III

Historian - Mrs. R. Russell James

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Piper - J. Gregory O'Brien

The Board of Trustees - Hallam Walker - E. Magruder Passano and Joseph F. Tichy Jr.

The Chieftain called for nominations from the floor. Hearing none, a motion from the floor was made to approve the entire slate of officers as presented. The motion was carried unanimously. The Chieftain declared the slate of officers approved and hereby elected.

With the concurrence of the Council the Chieftain appointed John C. McGregor as Assistant Chieftain and Carrington Ewell as Deputy Assistant Chieftain. Jeffrey mentioned that we were giving Joe Tichy a rest from his time consuming job and would make further comment at the Banquet tonight.

The Nominating Committee for the coming year is as follows: - Malcolm C. MacGregor, John C. McGregor and Joseph C. Tichy Jr. A motion was made and carried to accept the Nominating Committee report as presented.

Jeffrey reminded everyone that the State Deputies meeting would be held immediately following this meeting.

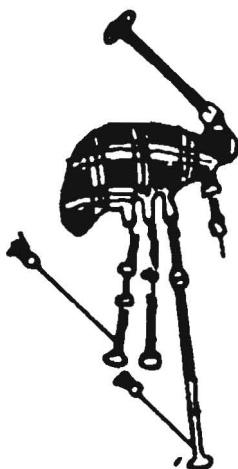
Our Chieftain asked Ron McGregor to report on the 2003 International Gathering in Scotland. Ron informed us that the Gathering is the last week in July and the first week in August. The next Newsletter will give the details of the events. On Saturday July 26th, at the Loch Earnhead Scottish Games, we will be the honored Clan and all attendees from the U.S. are asked to bring a flag from their home State. On Sunday will be the meeting at Glen Fruen and please note that the Banquet will be held in the Chapel Royal at Stirling Castle. Accommodations are at the University and unfortunately have been limited to 200 rooms, which are all sold out.

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:10 am.

Respectfully submitted,

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John C. McGregor, Scribe



AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY, INC.
STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES FOR YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2002

<u>ASSETS</u>	\$	\$	\$
Cash - Checking Accounts			
Wachovia Bank, Smithfield, Va.	9,483.98		
First Bank Southern Pines, N.C.	98,244.88		
Quick & Reilly Money Market Account	<u>12,311.93</u>		
Total Cash in Checking Accounts		120,040.79	
Cash - Savings Accounts			
General Fund Invested Assets	8,426.88		
Peg Tichy Memorial Fund	8,642.22		
Marshall Magruder Library Fund	5,380.96		
Charity & Education Fund	13,490.17		
Harry & Edith Blunt Scholarship Fund	<u>8,526.47</u>		
Total Cash in Savings Accounts		44,466.70	
Short Term Investments			
Quick & Reilly Investment Account	169,883.95		
Unrealized Profit/Loss on Q & R Equities	<u>(8,840.15)</u>		
Total Short Term Investments		161,043.80	
Total Assets			<u>325,551.29</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>			
There are no outstanding liabilities	<u>0.00</u>		
Total Liabilities		0.00	<u>0.00</u>
Total Net Worth 9/30021			<u><u>325,551.29</u></u>



 Robert F. MacGregor, Jr., Treasurer

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New Members

- 2697 ELLINGTON, Robert N., Jr.**, 2905 Sunset Rd., Melbourne, FL 32904; he the husband of Ernestine Horschel; he the son of Robert N. Ellington, Sr. and Mary Jordan; she the daughter of Edward T. Jordan and Mary Brown; he the son of Alexander S. Jordan and Victoria Elizabeth Crosswhite; he the son of Thomas I. Jordan and Rebecca Greer; she the daughter of Thomas Greer and Mary Anne Carter; he the son of Andrew Greer and Ruth Kincaid; he the son of Alexander Greer and Lydia Rea.
- 2698 SCARFF, John Edwin, Jr.**, 503 Parker Drive, Clinton, NC 28328; he the husband of Rebecca Till Chambless; he the son of John Edwin Scarff (Clan No. 189) and Ellen Backland; he the son of Edwin Curl Scarff and Margaret Gorton Riddle (Clan No. 188).
- 2699 SCARFF, Ellen Rebecca**, 503 Parker Drive, Clinton, NC 28328; she the daughter of John Edwin Scarff, Jr. (Clan No. 2698) and Rebecca Till Chambless; he the son of John Edwin Scarff (Clan No. 189) and Ellen Backland; he the son of Edwin Curl Scarff and Margaret Gorton Riddle (Clan No. 188).
- 2700 SCARFF, Jonthan Riddle**, 503 Parker Drive, Clinton, NC 28328; he the son of John Edwin Scarff, Jr. (Clan No. 2698) and Rebecca Till Chambless; he the son of John Edwin Scarff (Clan No. 189) and Ellen Backland; he the son of Edwin Curl Scarff and Margaret Gorton Riddle (Clan No. 188).
- 2701 GREGG, Cheryl J.**, 811 S. 348th Avenue, Tonopah, AZ 85354; she the wife of Donald Petersen; she the daughter of Virgil William Gregg and Betty Berg; he the son of Cleveland Hendricks Gregg and Annie J. Bass; he the son of William Samuel Gregg and Emily Eliza Conner; he the son of John Jack Gregg and Harriet Chapman; he the son of William Gregg and Rebecca Clark; he the son of John Gregg and Katherine Grots; he the son of Jacob Gregg and Polly Hatcher; he the son of William Gregg II and Margery Hinkey; he the son of John Gregg and Elizabeth Cooke; he the son of William Gregg I and Unknown.
- 2702 SALISBURY, Lynda Williams**, 1228 Sherman Avenue, Janesville, WI 53545-1887; she the wife of Laird W. Salisbury; she the daughter of Rufus Morgan Williams and Grace Legay West; she the daughter of Thomas Franklin West and Florrie Gertrude Butts; she the daughter of Jesse G. Butts and Mary E. Hall; he the son of Jesse Goodwin Butts and Sarah Jernigan; he the son of Thomas Clements Butts and Sarah Hunt; he the son of John Butts, Sr. and Sarah Clements;

he the son of Thomas Butts and Catherine MacLagehe; she the daughter of William MackGehee and Mary Carr; he the son of Thomas MackGehee, formerly James MacGregor, and Unknown.

- 2703 MACGREGOR, Roberta Kay**, 10418 Woodlake Ct., Spotsylvania, VA 22553; she the wife of James D. Heincy; she the daughter of Rob Roy MacGregor and Athea Suzanne Hitchcock; he the son of Rob Roy MacGregor and Beatrice Mae Griffiths; he the son of William R. MacGregor and Lydia Ann Summerill; he the son of William Macgregor and Rosanna Shick; he the son of William M. Macgregor and Unknown.
- 2704 MACGREGOR, Gylla Anne**, 267 Turkey Hill Rd., Bloomsbury, NJ 08804; she the daughter of Rob Roy MacGregor and Athea Suzanne Hitchcock; he the son of Rob Roy MacGregor and Beatrice Mae Griffiths; he the son of William R. MacGregor and Lydia Ann Summerill; he the son of William Macgregor and Rosanna Shick; he the son of William M. MacGregor and Unknown.
- 2705 MACGREGOR, James William**, 222 Chandra Way, Hinesville, GA 31313; he the husband of Debbie Willard; he the son of Rob Roy MacGregor and Athlea Suzanne Hitchcock; he the son of Rob Roy MacGregor and Beatrice Mae Griffiths; he the son of William R. MacGregor and Lydia Ann Summerill; he the son of William Macgregor and Rosanna Shick; he the son of William M. MacGregor and Unknown.
- 2706 SCARFF, Timothy Backland**, 1055 Wedgewood Drive, Fayetteville, GA 30214; he the husband of Lindley Hunter; he the son of John Edwin Scarff (Clan No. 189) and Ellen Backland; he the son of Edwin Curl Scarff and Margaret Gorton Riddle (Clan No. 188).
- 2707 MILLETTE, Marjorie Kate Shaddock**, 331 Bay Hill Drive, Daphne, AL 36526; she the wife of Thomas Shannon Millette; she the daughter of George Stigler Shaddock and Alice Rosalie Magruder Gordon (Clan No. 966LM).
- 2708 ORR, Ronald Roy, Jr.**, 17319 Lazy Hill Lane, Spring, TX 77379-4513; he the husband of Carol Anne Needham; he the son of Ronald Roy Orr, Sr. and Jo Ann Farrell; he the son of Robert Roy (Bob) Orr, Jr. and Evalyn Mae McMillan; he the son of Robert Roy Orr, Sr. and Bertha Elizabeth Rutherford; he the son of Alexander (Alex) Orr, Sr. and Caroline Francis (Carrie) Price; he the son of William E. Orr and Martha Thistle Brown; he the son of John Orr and Isabella McCanlish; he the son of Thomas Orr and Catherine Denholme.
- 2709 SHADDOCK, George Hampton**, 5034 Sherrier Place NW, Washington, DC 20016; he the son of George Stigler Shaddock and Alice Rosalie Magruder Gordon (Clan No. 966LM).

- 2710 MAGRUDER, Don Frederick**, 1720 Sylvan Drive, Poplar Bluff, MO 63901; he the son of Fred Magruder and Mary E. "Golden" McCauley; he the son of Benjamin F. Magruder and Sarah Loutrissa "Babe" Vaughn; he the son of Thornton Jesse "Thorn" Magruder and Elizabeth (Trafford) Reiger; he the son of Elias Magruder, II and Ann (Dyson) Thorne; he the son of Thomas Magruder and Priscilla Beall; he the son of Elias Magruder, I and Rebecca Unknown; he the son of Samuel Magruder II and Eleanor Wade; he the son of Capt. Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall; he the son of Alexander Magruder, the Immigrant, and Margaret Braithwaite; he the son of Alexander Magruder (the Elder) and Lady Margaret Campbell Drummond.
- 2711 MAGEE, Augustus Benton, III (Ben)**, 461 Pin Oak Drive, Madison, MS 39110; he the husband of Nancy Ellen Howell; he the son of Augustus Benton Magee, Jr. and Frances Ann Hendrix; he the son of Augustus Benton Magee and Hattie Virginia Donnell Ware; he the son of Emanuel Jackson Magee and Emily Jane Weathersby; he the son of Robert Magee and Margaret Graves; he the son of Philip Magee and Mary Butler; he the son of John MacGehee and Ann Moore.
- 2712 WITTIG, Laurin Watkins**, 100 Marion, Williamsburg, VA 23188-9120; she the wife of Dean Richard Wittig; she the daughter of Joseph Wesley Watkins, III and Jane Magruder; she the daughter of Douglas Neil Magruder, Sr. (Clan No. 588) and Marjorie Murphy.
- 2713 ALBRECHT, Irwin A., Jr.**, 12832 Glenbernie Lane, St. Louis, MO 63146; he the husband of Margaret Louise Wilkinson; he the son of Irwin A. Albrecht, Sr. and Melba Stephens; she the daughter of Archibald Bryant Stephens and Adele Ida Gussid; he the son of Richard Johnson Stephens and Margaret Jane Phillips; he the son of Isaac Bowman Stephens and Martha Jane Hancock; he the son of Gaberiel Jones Stephens and Mary (Polly) Stephens; he the son of Isaac Stephens and Mary Jane Wright; she the daughter of Thomas Wright and Elizabeth McGehee; she the daughter of Edward MackGehee and Elizabeth DeJarnette; he the son of Thomas MackGehee, formerly James MacGregor, and Ann Bastrop.
- 2714 CAREY, James Joseph**, 6022 Knights Ridge Way, Alexandria, VA 22310-1635; he the husband of Arlene Brooks; he the son of Robert Emmett Cary and Ruth Margaret Harrison; she the daughter of Cadwalder Joseph Edmund Harrison and Jennie Mae McGregor; she the daughter of John McGregor and Margaret Gourley; he the son of Duncan MacGregor and Margaret Docharty; he the son of Donald MacGregor and Margaret MacKercher.
- 2715 JONES, Brandt G.**, 28 Wimbledon Lakes Drive, Plantation, FL 33324; he the husband of Elizabeth Wincek; he the son of C. Walker Jones, Jr. and Elsie McKinney; he the son of C. Walker Jones and Catherine Frank; he of son of John J. Jones and Eliza Wilson; he the son of John H. Jones and Addie Pate; he the son of John Walker (Jones) and Unknown.

- 2716 MAGRUDER, Jerry Buren, Jr.**, 63 Conestoga Trail, Sparta, NJ 07871; he the husband of Marion Helm Reily; he the son of Jerry Buren Magruder and Elsie Ethyl Tyler; he the son of James Alphaeus Magruder and Nettie Ann Porter; he the son of Thornton Jesse (Thorn) Magruder and Susan Elizabeth Rials; he the son of Elias Magruder II and Ann Dyson Thorne; he the son of Thomas Magruder and Priscilla Beall; he the son of Elias Magruder, I and Rebecca Unknown; he the son of Samuel Magruder II and Eleanor Wade; he the son of Capt. Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall; he the son of Alexander Magruder, the Immigrant, and Margaret Braithwaite; he the son of Alexander Magruder and Lady Margaret Campbell Drummond.
- 2717 MACGREGOR, John Robert**, 862 Primos Road, Boulder, CO 80302-9213; he the husband of Louise Ann Bauer; he the son of John Edward Francis MacGregor and Betty Lou Gaskill; he the son of John MacGregor and Alice Ross; he the son of William MacGregor and Jean MacDonald; he the son of John Patience Ross and Harriet McGregor.
- 2718 DEVENNEY, Steven Donald**, 5026 S. Hunter Ct., Columbia, MO 65203-9227; he the son of Russell Frederick Devenny, Jr. and Laura Helen Hunter; he the son of Russell Frederick Devenny and Mildred Lolita Moore; he the son of Francis Patrick DeVinny and Nettie S. Shearer; she the daughter of Thomas William Shearer and Amelia (Emily) Davis; he the son of John Shearer and Jean White; she the daughter of Thomas White and Jean Wilson.
- 2719 HASTY, Deborah Lee Stahl**, 1011 Arundel Station Road, Millersville, MD 21108; she the wife of James Bonner Hasty; she the daughter of Melvin Anthony Stahl and Lacy Irene Drane Stahl (Clan No. 2063).
- 2720 MAGRUDER, Joshua Alexander**, 4108 Byrnes Blvd., Florence, SC 29506; he the son of Douglas Neil Magruder, Jr. (Clan No. 1093) and Debra Ann Jeffcoat.
- 2721 KING, David Richard**, 5494 B Jamison St., Ft. Knox, KY 40121; he the husband of Patricia Ellen Soard; he the son of Richard Dean King and Sandra Fay Linton; he the son of Cordelle King and Bertha Knopp; he the son of Raymond Dean King and Minnie Mae Wiggim, he the son of Albert Franklin King and Sarepta Bass Dean; he the son of Clarkson Shotwell King and Huldah M. Caskey; he the son of William King and Eliza Wilkinson; he the son of George King and Maria Phoenix; he the son of James King and Margaret King.
- 2722 UTLEY, Charlene**, 12706 Ashford Brook, Houston, TX 77082; she the daughter of Charles E. Utley and Mary Ruth Wilkey; she the daughter of James Harvey Wilkey and Anna Laurentine Franklin; she the daughter of John Riley Franklin and Mary Ann McGregor; she the daughter of William McGregor and Isabelle Bishop; he the son of John McGregor and Mary Alice Franklin; he the son of William McGregor and Mary Wylie; he the son of Unknown and Molly McGregor.

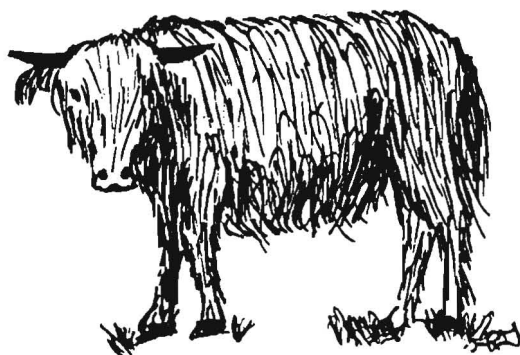
- 2723 ALDRIDGE, Byron David, Jr.**, 104 Pecanwood Drive, Natchez, MS 39120; he the husband of Beverly Alice Baker; he the son of Byron David Aldridge and Carrie Starkey; he the son of Thomas William Aldridge and Josephine Eliza Hart; he the son of William Aldridge and Caroline J. Massey (Black); he the son of Thomas Aldridge and Catherine King; she the daughter of David King and Unknown.
- 2724 MCGEHEE, William D.**, 114 Pecanwood Drive, Natchez, MS 39120; he the husband of Dorothy Windham; he the son of Dewey McGehee and Annis Mosher; he the son of Micajah Cicero McGehee and Ella Lumpkin; he the son of James Madison McGehee (See Frank H. McGehee, Clan No. 1795) and Rebecca Ann Jones; he the son of James McGehee and Zelpha Downs; he the son of Samuel McGehee and Olive Muse; he the son of Edward MackGehee and Elizabeth DeJarnette; he the son of Thomas MackGehee and Ann Bastrop.
- 2725 SOVKOPLAS, Ellen Skapski**, 2054 Central Blvd., Brownsville, TX 78520; she the wife of Paul Sovkoplas; she the daughter of Adam Skapski and Mary King; she the daughter of Clarence King and Eleanor Bader; he the son of Henry King and Minnie Watson; he the son of Mason B. King and Maritta Albro; he the son of Jesse King and Abigail Noyes.
- 2726 TERRELL, Nancy Clendenin**, P.O. Box 11156, St. Thomas, USVI 00801-1156; she the wife of Morton Franklin Longnecker; she the daughter of James Emmett Terrell and Nannie Belle Clendenin; he the son of Early Thomas Terrell and Ophelia Louise Harris; he the son of Charles W. Terrell and Frances Pierce McGehee; she the daughter of Alexander Stewart McGehee and Mary Jane Thompson; he the son of Garrett Connor McGehee and Elizabeth Lewis Cole; he the son of John McGehee, Jr. and Mary Stewart; he the son of John McGehee and Ann Graves; he the son of William MackGehee and Mary Carr; he the son of Thomas MackGehee, formerly James MacGregor, and Mary Momford; he the son of Patrick Macgregor and Marion Macdonald.
- 2727 TUCKER, Landrum Sylvanins, Jr.**, 2005 N. Lakeshore Drive, Chapel Hill, NC 27514; he the husband of Eleanor Muenzer; he the son of Landrum S. Tucker and Helen Roberts; he the son of Joseph Magruder Tucker and Ida Majors; he the son of William Tucker and Annie Elizabeth Watkins; she the daughter of Joseph Magruder Watkins and Margaret Linster; he the son of Thomas Spencer Watkins and Catherine Magruder; she the daughter of Joseph Magruder and Catherine Fleming.
- 2728 WATKINS, Eugene Dale**, 1859 Cedar Hill Road, Mineral, VA 23117-3714; he the husband of Donna Lynn (Rowe) Powers; he the son of Ned Ellsworth Watkins and Edith Gertrude Pelky; she the daughter of James John Pelky and Edith Ruth

McGregor; she the daughter of Mahlon Richard McGregor and Maddie Martha Isabell Elkin; he the son of Daniel Clark McGregor and Elizabeth Catherine Adams; he the son of Mahlon McGregor and Margaret Chambers; he the son of Daniel McGregor and Catherine Sink; he the son of Alex McGregor and Ruth Adams.

The following converted to Life Member status:

2582LM TYLER, William E., III, 228 Florence Avenue, Waynesboro, VA 22980.

2594LM GANTT, R. Bruce, 1 Flamingo Hwy., Flamingo, FL 33034.



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New Members

The following are new Junior Members:

- 2005J GREGG, Sophie Ste John**, 24 Water St., P.O. Box 255, Ft. Covington, NY 12937; she the daughter of Keith Douglas Gregg and Judith Ann Gregg; he the son of Donald A. Gregg (Clan No. 2580) and Katie Gregg.
- 2006J GREGG, Oliver Alexander**, 24 Water St., P.O. Box 255, Ft. Covington, NY 12937; he the son of Keith Douglas Gregg and Judith Ann Gregg; he the son of Donald A. Gregg (Clan No. 2580) and Katie Gregg.
- 2008J MILLETTE, Margaret Alice**, 331 Bay Hill Drive, Daphne, AL 36526; she the daughter of Thomas Shannon Millette and Marjorie Kate Shaddock Millette; she the daughter of George Stigler Shaddock and Alice Rosalie Magruder Gordon (Clan No. 966LM).
- 2011J MILLETTE, Joseph Walsh**, 331 Bay Hill Drive, Daphne, AL 36526; he the son of Thomas Shannon Millette and Marjorie Kate Shaddock Millette; she the daughter of George Stigler Shaddock and Alice Rosalie Magruder Gordon (Clan No. 966LM).
- 2019J MAGRUDER, Mary Olivia**, 10512 Jeremy Ridge Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89134; she the daughter of Leslie Charles Magruder (Clan No. 2173LM) and Dr. Mary Jane Park Magruder (Clan No. 2622ALM); he the son of Abbey W. Magruder, Jr. (Clan No. 1658LM) and Lillian Magruder (Clan No. 1977ALM).
- 2019J TYLER, Matthew Hall**, 10255 Brickerton Drive, Mechanicsville, VA 223116; he the son of Markham Hall Tyler and Michele Carroll Tyler; he the son of William E. Tyler, III (Clan No. 2582LM) and Helen L. Diffey Tyler.
- 2020J JAMES, Clay Edward**, 41 Coquina Ridge Way, Ormond Beach, FL 32174; he the son of Bruce James and Shirley Ruth Skinner James (Clan No. 2465LM); she the daughter of Gerald R. Skinner (Clan No. 2386LM) and Shirley Skinner.

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New Members

The following members were reinstated:

- 1600** **STICK, T. Howard F.**, Sticky Wicket, 1501 Monticello Drive, Gladwyne, PA 19035.
- 2320** **WALKER, Stephens A.**, 28792 Via Buena Vista, San Jaun Capistrano, CA 92675.
- 2276** **TAYLOR, Louise Elizabeth**, 2501 Hackworth Street, Ashland, KY 41101-3834.



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

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

Tess James

Since the last Gathering of the Society in Denver, Colorado in 2001 until the Gathering in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania in 2002, there have been reported four births, four marriages, nine deaths of members, and one death of relatives of members.

BIRTHS

LUMMIS, Camille Baer, born October 21, 2001, daughter of Wayne (Clan No. 2264LM) and Melissa Lummis, granddaughter of Mason (Clan No. 1742) and Shirley Lummis.

WASELL, Samuel Corydon, born August 6, 2002, son of Stephen and Shari Wassell, grandson of Elizabeth (Clan No. 2182) and John R. Wassell.

JAMES, Clay Edward, born April 29, 2002, son of Shirley (Clan No. 2465LM) and Bruce James, grandson of Gerald (Clan No. 2386LM) and Shirley Skinner.

MAGRUDER, Mary Olivia, born December 6, 2001, daughter of Leslie Charles (Clan No. 2173LM) and Dr. Mary Jane Park (Clan No. 2622ALM) Magruder, granddaughter of Past Chieftain Abbey W. Magruder, Jr. (Clan No. 1658LM) and Lillian Magruder (Clan No. 1977ALM).



Mary Olivia Magruder with brother, Charlie Magruder

MARRIAGES

Buchheit - Bremer

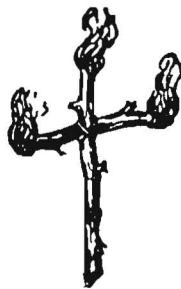
Stephanie J. Buchheit and Randall Christian Bremer were married on February 9, 2002, in Murrysville, Pennsylvania. Randall is the son of William and Shirlene Magruder Bremer.



Mr. & Mrs. Randall Christian Bremer

Bernowich - Gregor

Tracie Ann Bernowich and David Arleigh Gregor (Clan No. 2298LM) were married on May 12, 2001 in Rochester, New York. Tracie is the daughter of William C. Bernowich and the late Carol A. Bernowich. David is the son of Edward (Clan No. 933LM) and Marilyn (Clan No. 1594ALM) Gregor.



Cothran - Gregg

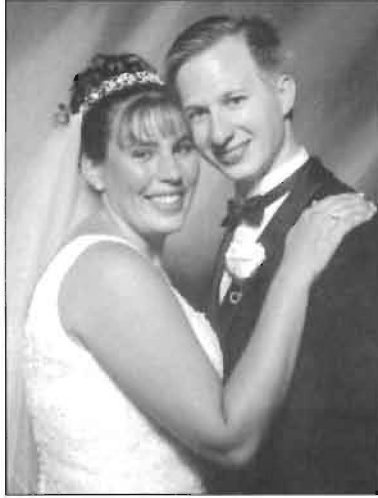
Carol Thompson Cothran and Ross Thomas Gregg, III were married on July 20, 2002 in Jacksonville, Florida. The groom is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Ross Thomas Gegg, Jr. (Clan No. 2090). The bridegroom's sister, Rebecca K. Gregg, was Maid of Honor and his father was Best Man. Both the bridegroom and best man wore their MacGregor Kilts. The bride's beautiful satin dress was a renaissance style in fitting with the other Scottish attire. The Maid of Honor wore a green Celtic dress with a MacGregor sash. A piper from the First Coast Scottish Band piped the entrance of the bride.



Mr. & Mrs. Ross Thomas, Gregg, III with his father,
Ross Thomas Gregg, Jr. and sister, Rebecca K. Gregg

Thurman - Sanderfield

Jenny Lynn Thurman and Troy Thomas Sanderfield were married on July 20, 2002 at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Petersburg, Illinois. The bride is the daughter of Joe and Vicki Thurman of Petersburg, Illinois. The groom is the son of Maggie Sanderfield (Clan No. 2253) of Athens, Illinois, and the grandson of Eileen Pruett (Clan No. 2186LM) of Mason City, Illinois. The St. Andrews Pipes and Drums of Central Illinois entertained the wedding guests.



Jenny and Troy Sanderfield



DEATHS OF MEMBERS

BURNETT, Louise Catherine Drane, Clan No. 1443LM, died on June 8, 2001.

NEALE, Jessie C. (Mrs. Joseph F.), Clan No. 2179LM, died in December, 2000.

NICODEMUS, Kent, Clan No. 1492, died on June 23, 2001.

MAGRUDER, George, Clan No. 913, died on April 30, 2000.

GREGG, Cdr. Thomas A., Clan No. 2030LM, died on July 1, 2002.

SHOEMAKER, Suzanne Withers Shepherd, Clan No. 1506, died on February 25, 2002. Her survivors include three children: retired Army Maj. Francis Dodge Shoemaker, III (Clan No. 1687LM), Mrs. Suzanne Withers Shoemaker Dale (Clan No. 1591) and Dr. Judith Mary Shoemaker. She is also survived by two grandchildren.

JORDAN, Thornton M. (Mrs. Ralph), Clan No. 698, died on August 22, 2002.

PARKER, Cary (Mrs. Newton B.), Clan No. 1586LM, died since our last Gathering.

GREGG, Maggie (Mrs. Thomas A.), Clan No. 2145ALM, died on September 2, 2002.

DEATHS OF RELATIVES OF MEMBERS

JAMES, Russell, husband of Tess James (Clan No. 2305), died on February 23, 2002. Tess James is Historian of the American Clan Gregor Society, and she and Russ have been faithful attendees of our Gatherings for many years.

MEMORIALS

COMMANDER THOMAS A. GREGG, USN (RET)

1914-2002

Thomas Albert Gregg (Tom) died July 1, 2002 in Charleston, South Carolina. He was born on May 29, 1914, in Lorain, Ohio. He was the son of Albert Sherman Gregg (Clan No. 775) and Celia Bowen Gregg, and had lived in the Charleston area since 1960.

Cdr. Gregg was a graduate of Lorain High School and Northwestern University, where he was an NROTC candidate and also a member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. He received his Bachelors Degree in Business Administration. Upon graduation from Northwestern, he was commissioned an ensign in the U.S. Naval Reserves, but was quickly assigned to active duty as an administrator at several CCC camps in northern Michigan, where he met his wife-to-be, Margaret W. Gregg (Clan No. 2145ALM).

After two years service in the CCC camps, Cdr. Gregg reported for sea duty aboard the U.S.S. Omaha, where he stayed well into WWII. In 1944 he was transferred to the U.S.S. Nashville and shipped out to the Pacific theater, where he ended his wartime service. Also in 1944 he married Margaret Anna Misener Weed. They were married for 57 years.

Following WWII Cdr. Gregg served in various assignments throughout the Sixth Naval District, including service as an ordnance officer in Pusan, Korea during the Korean War, mine-sweeper squadron commander, duty at the Pentagon and finally, as the administrative officer of the U.S. Naval Air Station in Kenitra, Morocco. He retired from the Navy in 1960 with twenty-four years of service.

After his military service he returned to school to obtain his Master's Degree in Personnel Management. In 1964 he became the Personnel Director for the South Carolina Retarded Children's Rehabilitation Centers, where he played an integral role in establishing the three major centers throughout the state. He finally retired from this position in 1979.

Cdr. Gregg and his wife enjoyed their retirement by traveling, volunteering for the ACGS, visiting family and friends all over the world, and helping to watch over and raise three grandchildren. He was a member of the Retired Officer's Association, the Navy League, and, of course, the American Clan Gregor Society.

Cdr. Gregg served the ACGS Council as a member-at-large from 1986 through 1989. He and his wife, Maggie, served as Chairmen of the 1993 Gathering in Charleston, South Carolina. He and Maggie also served as "tentmasters" of the Clan tent several times at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games.

Cdr. Gregg was buried with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia on July 25, 2002. He was survived by his wife, Margaret W. Gregg (Clan No. 2145ALM); a son, Alan R. Gregg (Clan No. 2118LM); a daughter, Dr. Jane H. Pulling (Clan No. 2352LM); a granddaughter, Catherine E. Bedard (Clan No. 2651LM); two grandsons, Thomas H. Higdon, and Ian M. Gregg (Clan No. 2006J); and a great grandson, Thomas Jean-Luc Bedard.

MARGARET ANNA MISENER WEED GREGG

1918 - 2002

Margaret Anna Misener Weed Gregg died on September 2, 2002, at her home in Pinopolia, South Carolina. She was born on May 16, 1918, in East Tawas, Michigan. She was the daughter of Edson Misener and Murel Elizabeth McVicar Misener. Her natural father died shortly after her birth and Dr. John E. Weed, MD, later adopted her and her sister when their mother remarried. She was the wife of Cdr. Thomas Albert Gregg and they were residents of the Charleston, South Carolina area since 1960.

Maggie was a graduate of the Detroit Business University. She went to work for the Jam Handy Picture Corporation following her graduation. With the onset of WWII she enlisted in the U.S. Navy as a Wave and achieved the rank of Yeoman First Class. She served three years in the Navy and was honorably discharged in October of 1945. She married Cdr. Thomas A. Gregg on December 27, 1944, and they were married 57 years until his death on July 1, 2002. They had known each other for a total of 62 years.

Maggie stayed at home whenever Tom had sea duty and kept the household and home affairs running ship-shape. She became used to uprooting the family every two or three years as Tom was assigned to different posts. After Tom retired from the Navy in 1960, Maggie went back to work so that he could study for his Master's Degree. She subsequently worked twenty years as a personnel clerk in the "classified" division of the Sixth Naval District Headquarters in Charleston, South Carolina.

After her retirement from civil service in 1980, she spent a great deal of her time volunteering. When Tom was still in the Navy, she had worked with the American Red Cross in Kenitra, Morocco, teaching English to Moroccan elementary students. After the family finally settled in the Charleston area, she worked with the Veterans Hospital in Charleston and also the Charleston Symphony Orchestra. One of her greatest joys was mentoring and tutoring in the Charleston County School District, working primarily with elementary school students. She was a member of the Carolina Art Association, the Women's Association of the Charleston Symphony Orchestra, the Navy League, the Naval Officers' Wives Club and the American Clan Gregor Society.

Maggie served the ACGS as Editor of the Yearbook from 1986-1991. She and Tom also served as Chairmen of the 1993 Gathering in Charleston, South Carolina, and several times as "tentmasters" for the Clan tent at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games.

Maggie was buried with her husband, Thomas, at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia on September 18, 2002. Due to her WWII military service, she was accorded full military honors.

She is survived by her sister, Jane W. Leetch; a son, Alan R. Gregg (Clan No. 2118LM); a daughter, Dr. Jane H. Pulling (Clan No. 2352LM); a granddaughter, Catherine E. Bedard (Clan No. 2651LM); two grandsons, Thomas H. Higdon, Ian M. Gregg (Clan No. 2006J); and a great grandson, Thomas Jean-Luc Bedard.

LOUISA CATHERINE DRANE BURNETT

1926 - 2001

Louisa Catherine Drane Burnett died June 8, 2001, in Houston, Texas. She was born in Natchez, Adams County, Mississippi, on April 11, 1926, the daughter of Hayward Benton Drane and Louisa Catherine Sloan Drane. Her early education was at the Kingston and Natchez public schools, followed by the University of Tennessee Medical Branch, Copiah Lincoln Junior College and the University of Texas at Austin. Her scholastic awards include Phi Beta Kappa, Bluestockings and Alpha Gamma Lambda. She was a life member of Phi Mu social sorority.

She was a volunteer for 34 years at the Spring Branch Medical Center and was a 25 year docent at Sam Houston Park for the Harris County Heritage Society, having been awarded the Friend of the Society. She was a member of the Daughters of Colonial Wars and the American Clan Gregor Society.

A member of the Episcopal Church from her youth, she attended Trinity, Natchez, Mississippi; All Saints, Austin, Texas; and St. James, Houston, Texas, and was a 50-year member of St. Francis, Houston, Texas, where she was very active.

Catherine was married in 1948 and is survived by her husband, Thomas Jefferson Burnett, Jr. of Houston, Texas. Four children were born to the marriage: Sarah Jane Burnett (deceased), Thomas Jefferson Burnett, III, Robert Erle Burnett and Anna Catherine MacGregor Burnett Gaeke. She is also survived by eight grandchildren and two brothers, Hayward Benton Drane, Jr. and Theodore Erle Drane, their wives and numerous nieces and nephews.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2002 GATHERING

October 3-5, 2002

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

By Maggie Sanderfield

Children of the mist, gather-

Approximately 190 MacGregors gathered for the 93rd annual American Clan Gregor Society Gathering held Oct. 3-5, 2002 at the Harrisburg Hilton in lovely downtown Harrisburg, PA.

It was great seeing some familiar faces as soon as we arrived in Harrisburg. As I went in search of the Hilton courtesy van, it was pleasant to see Nolan Sanders "commandeering" the van in anticipation of more MacGregors. It was nice to see Ernest & Betty Magruder waiting in the van, also.

It was good seeing a lot of the members during the Thursday evening welcome reception. It is always good to see everyone again after a year has past and catch up on what has been happening in each person's "world".

Since the hotel was conveniently located close to several nice restaurants, the state capitol, and only a block from the riverfront, it made it convenient to explore the area of Harrisburg around the hotel. Thursday evening was a beautiful evening to do some exploring as it was pleasant and warm so Betty Magruder and I decided to walk to the riverfront. The riverfront was beautiful! There was a bridge for pedestrians that was lit up and went from the riverfront to City Island. It really made the riverfront area very pretty enhancing the beauty and charm of the colonial style buildings.

Many of our members were busy Friday morning attending the council meeting, working the registration desk, the merchandise table, getting registered, and visiting with each other. With all the necessary work being completed, we were anxious to get started on our tour to Chocolate World! (Well, at least I was anxious to get to Chocolate World!)

We boarded the buses at 11:30 AM to head to Hershey, "the city of chocolate". It was a pretty drive from Harrisburg to Hershey even if the weather was cool and rainy. It was fun arriving into Hershey and seeing the streetlights as replicas of Hershey's candy kisses. As we were heading to the church, we ran into a roadblock - literally - the road was closed. After some expert driving by our bus drivers, we got turned around, found the detour and made it to the "church on time". We arrived at a pretty little chapel at Derry Presbyterian Church for our memorial service. The chapel was overflowing with MacGregors! Thad Osborne conducted a very nice service for our members.

Then on to Chocolate World! Wasn't it fun going on the ride that took you through the history of the Hershey Chocolate Company! Then going through the gift shop - that is the

biggest “candy” gift shop I’ve seen! We just didn’t have enough time to see everything in the gift shop and make our purchases. I had to be sure to make selective purchases; otherwise, I could have easily maxed out my credit card! As we were enjoying our purchases, we arrived at the Milton Hershey School.

The Milton Hershey School was absolutely magnificent! Can you imagine attending a school of that grandeur? The marble foyer was beautiful, but the auditorium/theater was awesome! Not only was it beautiful with the brick and oak construction, but the mechanics of it were outstanding. The light fixtures that were designed for the crown of thorns and would lower for easy light bulb replacement, the size of the stage, the acoustics - it was beyond words! Even the houses for the students and the grounds were beautiful.

Then there was the hotel. I would love to have seen the inside of it. I bet it was gorgeous because the outside was beautiful with hanging flower baskets on the balcony, gardens, fountains, and gazebos. Milton Hershey certainly did a lot for the city of Hershey!

A pleasant bus ride returned us back to our hotel so we could get ready for the evening ceilidh.

After dinner on the riverfront, we looked forward to the ceilidh with John Peterson, a Scottish balladeer as our entertainment. Of course, Friday evening was topped off by our own pipe band entertaining us.

As Saturday morning dawned bright and sunny, again the MacGregors were busy getting ready for the general meeting. If you haven’t attended a general meeting, you might want to give it a try. It is a good way to know what is going on in the society and find out interesting facts and news about the MacGregors in the U.S. and Scotland.

After a delicious lunch at an Irish pub, we got ready for the pipe band concert in front of the beautiful state capital building. The inside of the capital was spectacular with the mosaic tile floor, the grand staircase leading to the Legislative Chambers, the dome which was inspired by the dome of St. Peter’s Basilica in Rome, statutes, chandeliers, etc. It is one of the biggest capital buildings I think I have seen! It was nice that we got to go into the rotunda area and look around. It would have been very interesting to see the rest of the capitol. Of course, the pipe band concert was excellent - but then I am partial!

Since it was such a beautiful fall day, I decided to take the footbridge from the riverfront to City Island. It was a great walk and I had fun looking at the little fishing village and getting a view of Harrisburg from the island. The Riverfront Park was very nice, also. The Harrisburg area is very pretty with the Sesquehanna River winding through the area. Then I returned to the hotel to get ready for the banquet.

Everyone looked very nice in their formal attire Saturday evening. The ladies looked lovely and elegant in their evening gowns and the gentlemen looked ever so handsome in their kilts and doublets. Of course nothing can match the beauty of a MacGregor tartan! After a

nice dinner of pork chops and haggis!!!!, was the highlight of the weekend - the tribute to Joe Tichy and then the MacGregor Pipe Band!!!!

Joe, or Mr. MacGregor as I refer to him, definitely deserved the accolades showered on him by our Chieftain Jeff McGregor. Joe has worked tirelessly and devotedly (along with many others) to make the American Clan Gregor Society the success it is today! I certainly have appreciated all that Joe has done for the society - making sure that everything runs smoothly, personally welcoming everyone to each year's gatherings, etc. After the tribute to Joe, was the performance by our pipe band.

Have you ever seen a better looking pipe band than the MacGregor's? The red and green tartan with the white doublets are beautiful. Not only do they look fantastic, but they sound fantastic also. Then we have our dancers. They are so graceful and elegant as they perform the Scottish dances for us. It has been fun watching Joanne Masterson grow up from a young girl learning the Highland Fling to a young lady mastering the Highland Fling, sword dance, etc.

Then, we were entertained by our own John Masterson. I really look forward to John's entertainment each year. He has a beautiful voice and always comes up with some good jokes!

All too soon it is time to say our farewells to each other. Another great gathering has come to and end.

So until next year, MacGregors -

Gather, gather, gather, gather, gather, gather,
While there's leaves in the forest, and foam on the river,
MacGregor, despite them, shall flourish forever!

May you have a wonderful 2003 and hope to see everyone next year - wherever the gathering may be.

SCENES FROM HARRISBURG GATHERING

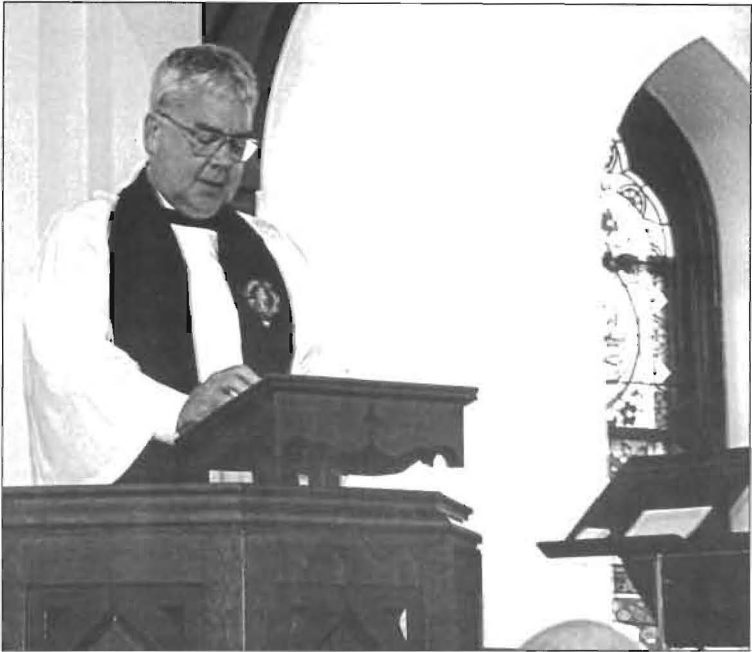


Hallam Walker "signing in" with Helen Tyler, Ena McGregor, Katie Gregg, Kay Britt and Barb MacGregor



Past Chieftains R. James Macgregor and George F. McGregor
Registering for the Harrisburg Gathering

Thad Osborne,
our pro-tem
Chaplain,
conducting the
Memorial
Service at the
Derry Church.



Frieda McGregor, Ranking Deputy
Chieftain & Treasurer "Sandy"
MacGregor and Barb MacGregor
at the Welcoming Reception.



Ena McGregor, Kay Greer Britt, John McGregor, Dan and Josephine Megehee, Barb MacGregor and Dolores Rengert busy making boutonnières at the Harrisburg Gathering



Ron McGregor (Deputy Chieftain CO and Editor of Ardchoille) with grandson Jonathan, who celebrated his 13th birthday at the Harrisburg Gathering



William McKee (son of Mary McKee of Columbia, TN and grandson of James Allensworth, Deputy Chieftain, NM) sporting his new kilt

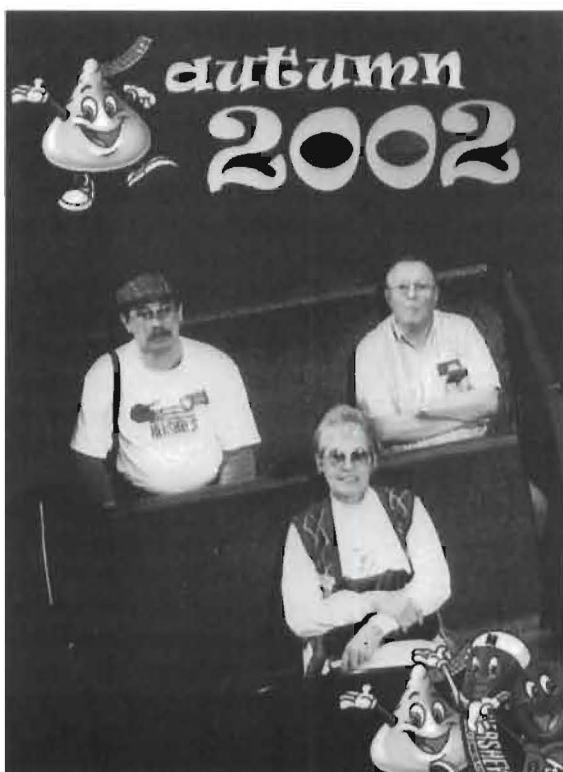
Barb MacGregor receiving one of 25 roses graciously presented to ACGS ladies by Jonathan McGregor in recognition for their contributions to the Society over the years,





Fred Grier's family - the largest group at the Harrisburg Gathering

Tour of "Chocolate World" at Hershey, PA during ACGS Gathering (l-r back) Scott MacGregor, Sandy MacGregor; (front) Miriam Trojahn (Scott's mom)





The Megehee family attends the Saturday evening banquet
 (back row) Dan Megehee, Elise Megehee (Dan III's wife),
 and Dan Megehee III; (front row) Josephine Megehee,
 Victoria Megehee and Laura Megehee



Family of Scott MacGregor at Saturday evening reception
 (l-r) Vicky Mountjoy, Stuart MacGregor, Jamie MacGregor,
 Darcie MacGregor, Scott and Scott's mom Miriam Trojahn

Retiring Assistant Chieftain
Joe Tichy was presented an
"apple computer"



Chieftain Jeff McGregor
reading the plaque
presented to Joe Tichy
for his many years of
dedicated service to
ACGS as Asst. Chieftain.



John C. McGregor giving his well-presented Address to the Haggis

ATTENDANCE AT THE 2002 GATHERING

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Mr. James A. M. Allensworth	NM
Dr. & Mrs. Richard M. Auld	VA
Mr. Clinton E. Appleby	MD
Mrs. Gene L. Appleby	MD
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Britt	KY
Miss Diana G. Browne	NY
Mrs. Frances A. Browne	VA
Dr. & Mrs. William F. Carr	PA
Eleanor B. Chase	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin MacGregor Daland	DE
Mr. & Mrs. Dallas R. Davis	CA
Dr. & Mrs. John R. Davis	NM
Mr. Donald Donnelly	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Harold I. Donnelly	VA
Mr. M. Gregg Elliott	VA
Elizabeth Evans	FL
Mr. & Mrs. Carrington W. Ewell	VA
Mr. Brian Flanigan	MD
Mr. & Mrs. William Foster	NC
Mrs. Lois Ann Garlitz	UT
Mr. & Mrs. Harry Gibbs	OH
Mr. & Mrs. David W. Gilbert	NJ
Dr. & Mrs. Richard M. Greer	KY
Mr. Brian Gregg	IL
Mr. Richard T. Gregg	NJ
Mr. & Mrs. Edward K. Gregor	NY
Mr. David Grier	MD
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Grier	MD
Mr. & Mrs. Frederic A. Grier, III	MD
Mr. & Mrs. Frederic A. Grier, IV	MD
Mr. & Mrs. John A. Grier	MD
Mr. & Mrs. Marshall V. Grier	MD
Mr. Michael Grier	MD
Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin Grimm	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Bret King	MD
Meg Knight	PA
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Knight	PA
Mr. Alexander Lee	MD

Eleanor Lee	MD
Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Lee	MD
Kathy M. Lindsey	AR
Lalla M. Lindsey	AR
Mrs. Frances L. Lloyd	DC
LTC & Mrs. Mason M. Lummis	VA
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, Jr.	TX
Mr. & Mrs. R. James Macgregor	VA
Mr. Robert F. MacGregor	VA
Mr. Scott F. MacGregor	VA
Mr. Stuart MacGregor	VA
Mr. Andrew MacKenzie	MD
Kelley MacKenzie	MD
Pamela MacKenzie	MD
Mr. & Mrs. Ernest R. Magruder	LA
Mr. Jerry B. Magruder, Jr.	NJ
Mr. & Mrs. John B. Magruder, Jr.	MD
Mr. & Mrs. Paul L. Magruder	IL
Mr. Robert S. Magruder	NY
Gen. Warren A. E. Magruder	MD
Mr. & Mrs. John Mays	MD
Mr. & Mrs. David F. McGregor	FL
Mr. & Mrs. George F. McGregor	NC
Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey R. McGregor	FL
Mr. & Mrs. John C. McGregor	FL
Mr. Jonathan McGregor	GA
Mr. Ronald A. McGregor	CO
Mr. & Mrs. Gary McKee	TN
Mr. William S. McKee	TN
Dr. Elise G. Megehee	NJ
Laura E. Megehee	NJ
Mr. & Mrs. L. Dan Megehee, Jr.	MS
Mr. & Mrs. Louis D. Megehee, III	NJ
Mr. & Mrs. Duncan M. Mills	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Leonard A. Mobley	VA
Cathy Moody	SC
Mr. Gene Morgan	MD
Vicky Mountjoy	VA
Marti Noval	NJ

Mr. Thaddeus G. Osborne	TN
Mrs. Eileen Pruett	IL
Mrs. Dolores B. Rengert	NC
Ms. Margaret A. Sanderfield	IL
Mr. & Mrs. Troy Sanderfield	IL
Mr. Nolan S. Sanders	KY
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Sars	MD
Mr. & Mrs. Ronald L. Shankland	MI
Mr. & Mrs. Jack E. Simon	AL
Debora J. Skinner	NY
Mr. & Mrs. Charles L. Skinner	NY
Sarah M. Smith	VA
Carol Lee M. Spitznagle	FL
Mr. & Mrs. Marvin Stibick	OH
Mr. & Mrs. Henry A. Stone	MI
Adrienne Taylor	MD
Louise E. Taylor	KY
Meredith Taylor	MD
Rebecca Taylor	MD
Mr. Timothy Taylor	MD
Mr. Joseph C. Tichy, Jr.	NC
Shirley Triplett	FL
Ms. Miriam Trojahn	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Trumbo	VA
Dr. & Mrs. William E. Tyler, III	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Van Meter	OH
Mr. & Mrs. Hallam Walker	NC
Mr. & Mrs. Clinton F. Wells	MD
Deborah Wells	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Harold Willard	MD
Mr. & Mrs. James E. Woolley	NC
Charlotte Wuebker	OH
Christine Wuebker	OH
James Wuebker	OH
Jennifer Wuebker	OH
Michael Wuebker	OH
Nicholas Wuebker	OH
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 to help us keep the Gathering within our limited budget and to let us know you are really with us in spirit.

Mrs. Howard T. Bierer
Mrs. Bessie Chamness
Mr. & Mrs. William Cosgrove
Mr. & Mrs. Nathaniel M. Ewell, III
Mr. & Mrs. Jon M. Ferguson
Mr. & Mrs. E. Stuart Gregg
Mr. Richard T. Gregg
Mr. & Mrs. Frederic A. Grier, III
Mrs. Muriel King
Mr. & Mrs. James M. Lowrey
Mrs. Beatrice Magruder
Mrs. JoBerta McGehee
Dr. & Mrs. Thomas M. McNish
Mrs. Lydia P. Priest
Amb. Galen L. Stone

REPORTS OF STATE DEPUTY CHIEFTAINS

2002 Annual Report for Alabama
submitted by Jean Simon

This has been my first year, 2002, as State Deputy Chieftain, Alabama. I am thrilled to promote our royally descended clan, our Scottish-American culture, and the American Clan Gregor Society.

My husband, Jack Simon, and I attended first, this year, the Pelham, Alabama 2nd Annual Oak Mountain Highland Games & Scottish Gathering, 4 & 5 May 2002. Pelham is a suburb of the large city, Birmingham, AL. These games were commenced, managed and promoted, at the local Scottish community's request, by Mr. Gib McKenzie, who has started and helped initiate many Scottish games elsewhere over the considerable decades. Just as the Georgia SDC, my good friend Donald Gregg, has stated in his report, Gib McKenzie has graciously asked our American Clan Gregor Society to be the guest clan of honor next year, in 2003. Gib McKenzie's late son and Donald Gregg, a native of Birmingham, AL, were close friends. It is this old college friendship of Donald Gregg's that has been the catalyst to our clan being asked and chosen by Gib McKenzie to be the honored clan. We urgently need as many MacGregors as we can muster to attend the 2003 games in Pelham, to make a good showing for our clan and our society. It is Donald's and my fervent hope that our illustrious ACGS Chieftain, Jeffrey McGregor of Delray Beach, Florida, and hopefully some SDCs from neighboring states will be able to attend this 9 May 2003 Pelham AL Oak Mountain Games, to support the prestige of being the honored clan, with honored ACGS guests. Please mark your calendars for Saturday, 9 May 2003.

The weather in Pelham could have been a great deal better, for the 2-day affair. Donald Gregg, my esteemed mentor, gave me much moral support with his presence, both days, at his own expense, at our tent at these games. He brought some of his props as well for our clan tent.

Donald informed me that he had received his MacGregor wool tartan table covers as donations from other ACGS members who had the extra yardage left over from the making of their kilts. If any other ACGS members should have any spare tartan yardage left over from the making of their kilts, I too shall be ecstatic to receive such a donation. Please call me at 256-881-3873, or write me at Rjmsimon@knology.net, should you be able to make such a helpful contribution to our ACGS tents in Alabama.

I must also give credit to a powerful attraction at our tent. Our 112-pound Russian Wolfhound - German Shepherd dog, "Apollo MacGregor Simon", wearing his specially tailored MacGregor tartan collar designed for the seamstress by me, has been such a draw from people of all ages and all clans to our tent, at every Scottish Games we attended this year. Even Gib MacKenzie saw what a cogent attraction our dog was, and asked us to be sure to bring our dog to the Pelham Games in Alabama next year. Our dog has been very well

trained, formally, and just adores people. We expect the same people and new people to come to see our dog at the games next year. We appreciate it that he is valued as a draw to the games and to our tent.

The next Games were in our hometown, Huntsville, AL. We could not attend these games this year, because husband Jack Simon and I were in England celebrating our 40th wedding anniversary on 16 June 2002 with our highly valued internet friends, the Scottish Clan Gregor Society members Jimmy McGregor and his wife Angela nee Walton, in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England. Jimmy is a Geordie, and oh, so proud of it. They had just returned from their vacation in Cyprus. Jimmy thinks his McGregors come from the Callander area of Scotland, and we had such a merry, rewarding time with them, over 3 days. On 17 June they celebrated their 24th wedding anniversary, and we met their whole family. Jimmy was a great ambassador, and he and Angela were the highlights of our latest trip to Britain.

We have made quite a few trips to Scotland and England over the years since 1960, and this time we went with Jimmy and Angela to see Hadrian's Wall, a tourist mecca that we had never seen before, and neither had Angela. The intricacies of the Roman Fort on the River Tyne were amazing, for almost 19 centuries ago. I like to imagine that the powerful Roman soldiers were afraid of the Pictish branch of the ancestors of our MacGregors in North Britain, and built Emperor Hadian's Wall to keep us out! Emperor Hadrian died in 138 A.D.

The third and last Games were this past weekend in Montgomery, AL, Friday through Sunday, 27-29 September 2002. They were entitled "The Alabama Highland Games" held at the Alabama Shakespeare Festival Grounds in Wynton Blount Cultural Park, Montgomery, AL. Honored Guests were Lord Hugh Montgomerie, Clan Montgomery, and Mr. and Mrs. Winton Blount, former candidate for Governor.

My husband Jack and I drove the three and one half hour drive down to Montgomery very early Saturday morning, and at Jack's urging, drove the same trip back in the evening. I don't recommend such punishment to ourselves again, but these games were quite enjoyable.

Here at the Montgomery Games I joyfully achieved beginners' luck! I received an application from a provisional and prospective member, along with his \$30 initiation fee in cash. This young gentleman is a Robert Randall Walker of Lucedale, Mississippi, who has Walker ancestors on both his mother and father's sides. His Scottish immigrant Walker ancestor arrived in South Carolina in 1763, in the Orangeburg district. This ancestor, a Daniel Walker the elder, took a loan from the South Carolina representatives of the British Crown for ten pounds. Mr. Walker has lived in both Canada and Great Britain. At my suggestion, he preferred to fill out the membership qualification worksheet right at our ACGS tent in Montgomery. He paid his provisional initiation fee for Lineal Membership in cash. The amount in cash will be turned over to the proper recipient right away, with a receipt requested for me, since it is cash.

Mr. Walker's name and address are: Mr. Robert Randall Walker, 14284C, Highway 613, Lucedale, Mississippi 39452.

The name and address should be given to our State Deputy Chieftain for Mississippi, upon Mr. Walker's eventual acceptance as a member of our ACGS. He has a wife, a son 5, and a daughter age 3. He also seems to be a world traveler.

Mr. Walker's qualification worksheet will be given to our registrar, William E. Tyler III, of Waynesboro VA. I shall write a note to Mr. Walker notifying him that we are processing his qualification worksheet.

At these Montgomery games, there were 3 MacGregor tents. The first one was called "just a family" tent. The 2nd and 3rd tents, across the field, were the Scottish Clan Gregor Society's tent and ours. It is the first games I have ever attended where there were three MacGregor tents, and I have lived in nine different states.

In Montgomery I finally had merchandise to sell, thanks to a kit or package from Thaddeus Osborne in Knoxville, Tennessee, and thanks to the advice of our Assistant Chieftain, Joe Tichy. I sold a Carl Peterson CD entitled "Rob Roy and the MacGregors" on the spot, so as not to lose the sale. A few people also took the order form home to request various t-shirts. Their claim was no cash or checks remaining in their possession. I hope they follow suit. I have requested via phone more CDs from Thaddeus Osborne.

Lastly, I have a "show-and-tell" for members present at this meeting only. This past summer, Richard McGregor, Chairman of the Scottish CGS, requested of Jimmy McGregor of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England to go to Inveraray Castle in Argyle, Scotland, the Campbell Clan seat, to photograph the sporran of Rob Roy MacGregor and the letters on either side of the sporran. They were on display under glass in the castle's museum area. The sporran was discovered only about 100 years ago in Rob Roy's Glen Shira, Argyle hideout, not very far from Inveraray Castle. When Jimmy told the authorities at the Inveraray Castle that he wished to photograph the sporran and letters for the Clan Gregor Society, without an appointment, he said that the Campbell employees couldn't have been nicer. They opened up the closed glass case for him to photograph the items. Jimmy said that he was only wearing a MacGregor t-shirt, he didn't look official, and he jokingly felt very bold walking up to them with his request, without announcement and without an appointment. I have to remind myself that Rob Roy's mother was a Campbell, and be grateful, rather than resentful, that the Campbells have Rob Roy's sporran. I do appreciate it that the Duke of Argyle, the Campbell chief, is preserving the sporran and presenting it to the public for their pleasure. I suppose that I must have seen the sporran years before, on a trip to Inveraray at some time.

Jimmy McGregor very generously sent me an internet photo of his work, of his photo of the sporran, with a handsome clasp, perhaps renovated or provided by the Duke of Argyle, so I speculate. Just this past week, I had the photo redone on thick photographic paper by my

eldest son, Frank Simon, and framed with museum glass, acid-free double matting, and a sunken brass plate, the framing done by a Huntsville English lady. My youngest son Doug exclaimed that he did not want this item to stray out of the family. I retorted that I expected this framed Rob Roy sporran to last longer than the lives of either him or me, and Doug is 27! The gentlemen who did the actual framing, a Geordie like Jimmy McGregor, was born surprisingly in Karachi, Pakistan. He or the English lady wrapped the gold frame in a huge box with peanuts and tape, to make its long journey by car from Alabama to Harrisburg, PA safely. My husband picked up the frame, and here is the frame for you to look at.

2002 Annual Report for Colorado

submitted by Ronald McGregor

This has been another busy year for this Deputy Chieftain. In February, I began preparing a list of the books, magazine articles and other documents in my family history that might be of interest to members of Clan Gregor. This project became more daunting than I imagined. I decided to prepare it in the same manner as a public library might include a brief synopsis of the contents; but I also added personal comments. I did not realize when I began this task just how many items I have accumulated over the years. I have included my list (in work) as an appendix to the ACGS library list and have it available for reference at our Clan Gregor tent for the various Colorado games and festivals. We also learned in February of the destruction of Lanrick Castle (aka MacGregor Castle) in Scotland. What a terrible loss. In addition, in February, we supported the meeting of the Colorado Celtic Clan Council for planning our state Tartan Day activities.

In April my son Scott and I represented Clan Gregor in the annual Tartan Day ceremonies at our state Capitol while Howard Grossnickle (ACGS #2638) and his son Jake represented our clan at the new Tartan Day festivities at Manitou Springs, Colorado. The Manitou Springs activities included a parade, kirk'n and Ceilidh. Tartan Day activities in Colorado are growing each year. This year's "Kirkin' of the Tartan" at Denver's St. John's Cathedral proved to be far more solemn and meaningful in light of the September 11th tragedy and the death of the Queen Mother. I sent a message of condolence to our Clan kinsmen of Great Britain on behalf of their Clan Gregor classmen of Colorado.

In May, the tenth annual Kiowa Celtic Festival was held in Kiowa, Colorado. Howard Grossnickle of the ACGS hosted Clan Gregor tent. These games continue to grow each year and now there is even more incentive for the clans to make a good showing there. They have begun presenting a beautiful broad sword to the "Best Clan" of the games, which the clan retains. We are in high hopes that we Clan Gregor types in Colorado will have to find extra wall space to display these swords in the future. Our thanks to Howard are added to the thanks of dozens of Clan Gregor types who visited our clan tent for his efforts in our behalf. I also requested and received one hundred fifty address labels from our new membership chairman, Dr. William Tyler III, to attach to my remaining supply of the ACGS brochures. Finally, I forwarded an application for a Harry and Edith Blunt scholarship sub-

mitted by Ian MacGregor, son of John and Lou Ann MacGregor (ACGS #2717) of Boulder, Colorado. I was proud to endorse the application of this fine young man and was thrilled to learn that he was awarded the scholarship.

In June, I completed another issue of the Ardchoille newsletter and submitted it to Joe. I continue to be somewhat frustrated by not receiving more articles from our members but particularly from those individuals holding key positions within our Society. I believe our newsletter could be an excellent method for our members to share interesting information with the rest of our society and for those holding key positions in the Society to inform our members of their efforts in our behalf.

In July, I was able to dedicate several days working on my "MacGregor's Guide to Scotland". I started this endeavor two years ago but have not been able to dedicate as much time to it as I would have liked. Still, it is coming along and I hope to have the first draft completed and ready for review next year. I placed another order with Jamie McGregor for more dark green t-shirts and sweatshirts depicting our Clan Crest. ACGS member Paul Skinner of Nebraska notified me that he discovered an interesting item in a local antique store. It was an empty tin for "Rob Roy Coffee". The tin is decorated with the Rob Roy tartan and a MacGregor coat of arms. "Rob Roy Coffee" is emblazoned across the front of the tin in large Old English print. The Donald Company of Grand Island, Nebraska, copyrighted in 1919, produced it. Paul also found a large advertising poster for "Rob Roy Tea" produced by the same company. He was able to acquire the coffee tin for me, but I chose not to acquire the poster for lack of a place to display it.

August proved to be an extremely busy month. The Colorado Scottish Festival was held on August 10-11 in the south Denver suburb of Highlands Ranch. It was a perfect weekend for us. Over sixty MacGregor types visited our Clan tent, including five young men from a rugby team visiting from Scotland. Two of the five confided that they were a bit embarrassed to learn there were many people working at the various clan tents that had never been to Scotland, yet knew more of the history of Scotland than they did themselves. Three days later, Ann and I left for a two-week trip to California where I was able to complete another milestone in (by then) a seventeen month "quest". More on the "quest" later. Ann also made four more Clan Gregor tartan flags to be displayed at the Clan tent and carried in the Parade of the Clan - two each "Modern" and "Hunting".

September: Upon returning from California I had only a week to prepare for the Longs Peak Scottish Festival held September 6-8th in Estes Park, Colorado. Because last year Clan Gregor made a clean sweep of the clan events, as we did in 1999, (beating out 70 other clans), we were declared the Outstanding Clan of the Games; we could not compete this year but were requested to provide judges for the events. The Saturday morning parade through the town was particularly delightful for us. We had the largest turnout ever of our fellow clansmen joining our Clan Gregor unit in marching in the parade - thirty-two. All of them wearing either full highland attire or simply tartan sashes, and carrying our large Clan Gregor banner, two smaller Clan Gregor crest banners, twelve tartan flags, and escorted by

three clansmen in full highland attire with broadswords. Afterwards, several games officials, including two parade judges, told us that were we being scored we would have “walked away” with first place. That made us feel great.

We were also told that our clan tent was one of the most impressive at the games. Thanks for that goes to Howard Grossnickle for coming up with an entirely new tent concept. Several representatives of other clans dropped by to talk to Howard about his set-up. On Sunday afternoon, one of the officials dropped by our tent to personally extend a “Congratulations to Clan Gregor”. The Longs Peak Games is the largest Celtic festival in the Rocky Mountain region so we are truly proud of our accomplishments.

While at the Estes games one of the vendors asked to speak to me about a Rob Roy letter he possessed. He described the letter to me and said he has two “Letters of Authentication” from Scottish appraisers. He wants to sell the letter and said that both Christies and Sotheby’s asked to auction the letter. He added that he would prefer to sell it directly because the major auction houses charge such a high fee. He asked if either of our Societies would be interested in discussing possibly purchasing it from him. I told him I would bring it up at the Council meeting and get back with him.

THE “QUEST”

On April 5th, 2001, I received an email from Joe Foss regarding a situation he became involved with back in 1986. While driving home from an out-of-town Scottish event, he stopped for dinner at a restaurant in a northern California town still wearing his kilt. One of the patrons recognizing the MacGregor tartan stopped at his table to chat with him. The patron had been born and raised in Scotland and during the conversation mentioned he possessed a MacGregor presentation dress kit. As he described the kit, Joe became quite fascinated by the description of the kit and indicated that he would love to have the opportunity of seeing it. The patron took Joe to his home and produced the kit. The kit included a beautiful sporran, sporran belt, finely tooled kilt belt, kilt buckle, plaid brooch, skean dhu, and a regimental dirk with fork and knife. The metal pieces are of sterling silver with gold engravings and have insetted white cairngorm stones. A Clan Gregor shield with tree crossed with a sword holding a crown, and the lion’s head topped with a crown are also engraved along with Clan Gregor mottos. The entire kit is contained in a presentation kit made of oak. Joe reported the find to a representative of the Clan Gregor Society.

The owner of the kit provided photos and details of how he acquired the kit to the CGS representative. Several letters passed between the two. When the CGS representative suggested the kit was a fake, further communications ceased. Joe asked if I would look into the matter. I agreed to take on the “quest” and between Joe, Carolyne MacGregor-Long and myself we agreed to keep the matter confidential until I could: a) relocate the owner, b) see if he still possessed the kit, c) if so, would he be interested in selling it, d) develop more information about the origin of the it, e) arrange for an appraisal, and f) determine if either Society would be interested in acquiring it. The purpose of keeping the quest confidential

was to preclude the possibility of ‘too many hands ruining the batter as well as to reduce the chance of a “collector” outside of Clan Gregor getting possession of it and therefore losing it forever. After ninety-seven e-mails, dozens of phone calls within the US and Scotland, and two attempts to meet with the gentleman in California, I finally was successful in meeting with him on August 19th and personally viewing the kit. It was even more beautiful than I had imagined. I am now in a position to report to Council on my ‘quest’.

Summary: For those that prefer numbers to support subjective reports I offer the following. In direct support of the American Clan Gregor Society and/or Clan Gregor activities in general: I received or made over one hundred local phone calls and more than fifty long distance and/or international phone calls. I sent or received over four hundred fifty emails and more than eighty-five letters and packages. I spent more than twenty-five hours preparing issues of the “Ardchoille”. I drove almost eighteen hundred miles hosting the Clan Gregor tent at Scottish games, representing Clan Gregor at special events, etc. On eleven occasions, I welcomed visitors to my home seeking assistance researching their Clan Gregor connections, borrowing kilts and tartan items for weddings, etc. In total, I have spent more than three hundred eighty hours this year in support of the ACGS and/or Clan Gregor in general. I know there are others in our Society who have contributed far more time and effort to the cause of Clan Gregor that would make my efforts dim in comparison. However, it is up to each of us to do our small part to keep “MacGregor, despite them, shall flourish forever” a reality.

2002 Annual Report for Florida

submitted by Malcolm G. MacGregor

Hosting of the ACGS tent at the Ocala, FL games is always our first Scottish activity following the Annual Gathering in October.

November 11, 2001 was a beautiful day for this always well-attended Scottish & Irish Festival. However, attendance by ACGS members was down this year. Besides Barbara and me, only Donald A. and Katie Gregg of McHenry, IL and the family of Ena McGregor of Edgewater, FL, consisting of Ena, son George, 3 grandchildren (Shannon Heather, Dillon and Quinton) came for most of the day, despite the fact that John, our Scribe, had to remain at home due to illness. Ena brought a lovely cake decorated with the Clan Crest, and we fed all members and prospects and the neighboring Clans, too!

The sister of Ron McGregor (ACGS Deputy Chieftain, Denver CO) came by the tent to say Hello and to those she had met at the Denver Gathering in October.

On January 4, 2002, we sent out our annual Florida Newsletter, explaining that our participation in hosting a tent at the Florida Games would be limited to the following locations in 2002.

February 22-23, 2002: JACKSONVILLE: Mini-Gathering and Games.

Mr. & Mrs. John Wassell arranged for our Friday night get-together to be held in a separate room at Vinney's Restaurant this year. Nineteen ACGS members had a merry time and enjoyed the excellent food and service. Again, John and Ena McGregor provided us with a cake beautifully decorated with the ACGS crest. Those attending were John and Beth Wassell, John and Bernice Rogers, Mal and Barb MacGregor, John and Ena McGregor, Donald and Katie Gregg (Brian came to the games), Jim and Susan Mitchell, Lori Anderson and Chuck Malspie; also five Greggs - T. Ross II and wife Virginia, son Ross III and fiancée Carol Cothran and daughter Rebecca,

All of the above came to the games the next day plus Lisa Johnson from Savannah, GA. The weather was TERRIBLE - extremely cold, windy, rainy, so that we put up only one sign and worked out of the tent box. Seven stalwart members actually marched in the Parade of Tartans in the rain. Had only four good prospect inquiries.

March 2, 2002: 19th Annual S.E. Florida Games at the C.B. Smith Park, Pembroke Pines, FL. A fair but windy day brought out a big crowd at this new location. Fourteen ACGS members and six active prospects came to visit and march in the Parade of Tartans: Mal and Barb MacGregor, Chieftain Jeff and Frieda McGregor with their 4 month old Sheltie, Robbie (star of the show), Jim and Mylene White, Donald and Audrey Gregg, Dot, Jim and Derek Goldie and fiancée Robyn, Brandt Jones (P), Bob and Mary Wren, Orville Simon Bower, Carl Spitznagle and daughter. Dave and Suzanne McGregor came late in the afternoon, just to make sure to say Hello! (They were in charge of their Church Bazaar that day.) We did have about fourteen prospects to sign the register.

On May 11, 2002, we again attended the Savannah, Georgia games with John and Ena McGregor and enjoyed visiting with Mike and Terri Patillo, Lisa Johnson, Malcolm C. MacGregor from Beaufort, South Carolina and Deputy Chieftain Donald W. Gregg and his grandchildren.

July 11-13, 2002: Grandfather Mountain Highland Games, Linville North Carolina. We were again fortunate to attend this always-spectacular event, specifics of which are covered in a separate report.

Through the initiative of John McGregor, plans are being organized for the assistance of other Florida ACGS members to help host the Clan tent, so that we will be represented at the following games for the rest of the 2002-2003 season:

November 9, 2002 - Ocala	March 1, 2003 - S.E. FL Games at
January 18, 2002 - Orlando	Pembroke Pines
February 1, 2003 Sarasota	April 12, 2003 - Dunedin
February 22, 2003 - Jacksonville	November 8, 2003 - Ocala

2002 Annual Report for Georgia

submitted by Donald Gregg

Greetings! The splendid Gathering in Denver last year is still fresh in our memory. As we prepare for the thirtieth Stone Mountain Highland Games on October 19 and 20, we look back over the previous two decades and try to recall the journey that brings us now to our twentieth time to stand with our fellow MacGregors at this excellent event. Last year the joint ACGS/CGS tent won Best Clan Tent trophy - not easy to do in a field of more than a hundred.

This year, for the tenth time, we will award the Clan Gregor trophy - initiated by your State Deputy Chieftain - to the winner of the Adult Kilted Mile race. Happily, the gathering in Harrisburg occurs early enough to free up our kinsmen to join us for a better than usual showing.

And it has been a great year for games in the area. Malcolm MacGregor, of Beaufort, South Carolina, runs an attractive tent at the Charleston Games. Jack and Jean Simon ran tents for the first time at two Alabama games, at Pelham (Birmingham) and Montgomery. The Pelham Games are at Oak Mountain State Park, the first weekend in May, and next year Clan Gregor is the honored clan. Jack and Jean are hoping to have several ACGS officers and state deputy chieftains from nearby states to serve as honored guests.

The Savannah Scottish Games are the second weekend in May, and Mike and Terri Patillo did their usual good job. Your state deputy chieftain attended with his two nine year old granddaughters. Without Diane (who was visiting relatives in Copenhagen) to supervise, our motel room was a riot of shrieks, bouncing on beds, and the contents of the girls' suitcases ankle deep on the floor. Morgan Patillo, now age ten, who is dancing in the Nutcracker ballet this year, led the kids in impromptu Highland dancing at the Ceilidh.

We were delighted to spend time with kinmen at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games in July. The weather was cool and attendance was down, but the Clan made a good showing.

Your state deputy chieftain has enrolled in a master's degree program in psychology, but, depending on class schedules, will be available for most events in the area. We particularly wish to support the Jacksonville, Florida games next year.

Kudos! Your state deputy chieftain had a long, scholarly article published in the prestigious *2001 Burns Chronicle*, in Scotland, entitled "Hard Times and the Common Man in Burns' Day". If you want a copy for your library, contact Margaret Craig, RobertBurnsFederation@kilarnock26.freeservice.co.uk.

2002 Annual Report for Southern Illinois

submitted by Maggie Sanderfield

Cold, rainy, windy weather greeted Troy and me on May 17, 2002 as we headed to the Illinois State Fairgrounds to set up for the Central Illinois Highland Games and Celtic Festival to be held May 18, 2002

We worked all afternoon setting up tents, tables, chairs, etc. in a driving, cold rain, wondering what "tomorrow" would bring.

As we had taken a very small portion of the prairies of Illinois and turned them into a wee bit of Scotland, we were blessed as Saturday morning dawned to bright sunshine. We had to dodge mud puddles, but it was sunny with mild temperatures.

Troy Sanderfield and Jenny Thurman manned the MacGregor tent this year. Jenny and I marched in the Parade of Tartans while Troy stood guard over the MacGregor memorabilia. There were quite a few attendees interested in the MacGregors. Troy and Jenny did a good job in answering questions about the Clan Gregor Society, our annual gatherings, Rob Roy, and Scotland.

As the hot humid Midwest summer progressed, preparations were being made for Troy and Jenny's wedding on July 20. I made bows, spray painted candelabras white (I didn't like their original color), bought ivy garland, helped Jenny and her mom with the candle centerpieces and decorated the reception hall.

As 4:00 p.m. on July 20 arrived, the bride was piped down the aisle to the tune of "Highland Cathedral". Many of the guests were surprised to see and hear the pipers. In the middle of the ceremony the pipers played Amazing Grace in a moving tribute to the bride and groom's deceased grandparents. The couple was then piped out of the church to the wonderful song - "Scotland the Brave".

The wedding party was piped into their reception to a medley of Scottish tunes. The St. Andrew's Pipes and Drums of Central Illinois entertained the wedding guests with a concert. We received many favorable comments on how nice, unusual, and pretty the pipers were and how much they added to the wedding.

September 14, 2002, Troy, Jenny and I attended a traditional Scottish wedding at Lake Springfield as guests of the groom. We did not know until several weeks before the wedding that the bride was of MacGregor heritage. The bride was dressed in a traditional Scottish wedding gown and carried a bouquet of heather and roses. After dinner (no, there was no haggis served), we were served a traditional Scottish wedding cake made of almonds, raisins, cranberries, orange and lemon peel adorned with Scottish heather, thistle and roses.

The entertainment for the reception was the St. Andrew's Pipes and Drums of Central Illinois. I talked to the bride and her mom about joining the American Clan Gregor Society. I have sent applications to the bride to fill out.

Also, at the wedding we were given some interesting news. Several years ago Steve Scaife, a piper with the St. Andrew's Pipes and Drums, wrote a song and named it "Maggie Sanderfield" in dedication to all the work I had done for the pipe band. The song was selected for publication in the "Piping Times" of Scotland. Steve presented me with a copy of the song and of the Piping Times. Steve has recently been informed that his song will go to "competition" level. That means that the song has been selected to be reviewed for use in piping competitions!

I will keep you posted as to what happens to the song.

2002 Annual Report for Northern Illinois

submitted by Donald A. Gregg

Katie and I were lucky enough to stay with our daughter, Diana, and her family for the Denver MacGregor Gathering last autumn. Our grandchildren really enjoyed the pipe band and the dancers. Now we can look forward to meeting our sons in Harrisburg and having a wee bit of haggis with them.

The month after the MacGregor Gathering found us in Ocala at the highland games. That is always a good venue and we loved seeing so many of those good Florida clansmen. What a hard working group. Most everyone showed up for the 7th annual Scottish Highland Games in Jacksonville. Just happy to say that we were part of the crowd.

In June we sponsored a tent at the Oak Brook Highland Games. The weather was horrible; the turnout was reasonable. We sent follow-up correspondence to the visitors that seemed most interested in our society. Since we are members of the Illinois Saint Andrew Society, we did volunteer to work at their tent in September (trying to keep the Clan Gregor name in their memory) at the Chicago Celtic Fest. It is hard to find recruits in the Chicago land area, but we are having a great time while making the effort.

2002 Annual Report of Michigan

submitted by Ronald L. Shankland

I attended the 35th Annual Alma Highland Festival and Games on 24-26 May 2002 in Alma, Michigan. Plus, I attended the 153rd Annual Detroit Highland Games on 3 August 2002 in Michigan, making it the oldest event of its kind in North America. We shared the McGregor Clan Tent with the Clan Gregor Society, who actually provided the subject tent. We all had a most happy time together! It is always good to renew old friendships.

The Detroit Games is organized, sponsored, and managed by the volunteer-members of the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit. Greenmead Historic Village provides a unique setting for Scotland to come to life in Livonia. It comprises a village, a farm and gardens, beautifully laid out with historic buildings dating back to the 1850's.

Following are some Scottish terms and definitions:

Ceildh (Kay-Lee) - A social gathering with singing, dancing, and piping. A party.

Clan - Originally a family unit, the clan became the basic political, economic, and social unit of the Scottish highlands until the political oppression of 1745.

Highlands - That portion of Scotland which lies north of a line roughly between Glasgow and Edinburgh.

Kilt - The traditional clothing of Scotland. Originally a large blanket wrapped about the body, the present kilt contains about six yards of material.

Saint Andrew - The patron saint of Scotland. The first disciple of Christ, his bones are reported to rest in St. Andrew, Scotland.

Scottish - An adjective describing things pertaining to Scotland, e.g., Scottish descent, Scottish heritage.

Scotch - A whiskey distilled in Scotland. Sometimes called the "Water of Life."

e.g., Scots and those of Scottish descent sometimes drink Scotch.

Sept - A family not having the name of the clan, but associated with the clan and entitled to wear its tartan, e.g., Shaw is a Sept of Clan Mackintosh.

A DNA concept is starting to surface in the genealogical field. At the beginning of summer I read in the Clan Gregor Society Newsletter No. 53/2002 about the outcome of DNA testing for six clan members. See website:

<http://www.ancestry.com/library/view/ancmg/2985.asp>.

I jumped on the bandwagon to find a DNA connection for Shankland as a Sept of the McGregor Clan. See website: <http://www.familytreedna.com/>.

I sent my message to start: Richard McGregor [richardmcgregor@ntlworld.com] or (Web page: <http://www.changregor.com>. search on site for "The Children of the Mist Message Board"). I signed up for item "18YPM", description "This test combines our 21 marker Y-DNA test along with an mtDNA test for deep anthropology on the part of the female side.", and cost "\$289.00". I received from: Family Tree DNA, 1919 North Loop West, Suite 110, Houston, TX 77008; a DNA Collection Method which is collecting buccal cells from inside the cheek with a scraper applicator stick. Thus I received an assigned code for my sample from "family tree dna" laboratory. In seven weeks I got word of "Family Tree DNAY-DNA Test Match 12 for 12. This person, a DNA cousin, is a Beal from the Bell Clan that comes from the Borders of SW Scotland.

At the Detroit Scottish Games I heard from the McGregor Clan Tent about the "Beallie"

(Ref: Tartan For Me, 6th Ed by Philip D. Smith, Heritage Books, Inc.) being a Sept of the McGregor Clan. I am now pursuing a possible connection of Beal vs Beallie. Resource will be a current advertisement about "DNA comes to the Bell/Beall/Beal/Beil/Bale/Beale/Baile family." A contact is Janet Beall Broadbent at j.broadbent@juno.com or 214 Frances Dr., Los Altos, CA 94022-3727; Phone No. 650-941-5426.

Do any McGregors know anything about the Sept of "Beallie"? If so, email: ronald.l.shankland@prodigy.net of phone 517-783-6742 or 941-923-0968. Thanks.

All American Clan Gregor Society and Clan Gregor Society members plus Shanklands, Shanklins, Shankletons, Griers, Griersons, and McGregors lineage whose is from 11th (Lame) Lord of McGregor (died in 1274 and ally of Robert the Bruce) and his children, particularly, Gilbert, his 2nd son that settled in Dunscore Parish, Dumfriesshire, Scotland, are needed, if you want to, to submit samples and monies for the DNA database testing to support analogies of the McGregor Genealogy. Thanks!

2002 Annual Report for Mississippi

submitted by L. Dan Megehee

This year's activities again began with the Jackson, Mississippi Highland Games, on March 23rd. Being again somewhat wet and chilly, attendance was down, but we did have 34 guests sign our guest register. We were assisted by our son, Raymond (Clan No. 1690) and his son, Greg, and our nephew, Jim Megehee, with his wife, Kim, and daughters, Mary and Kimsey.

Due to the schedule of the ACGS Gathering on the first weekend of October, we were unable to host the Clan Gregor Tent at the Gulfport, Mississippi Highland Games on October 5th and 6th.

2002 Annual Report for New York

submitted by Edward K. Gregor

Many thanks to members for helping at our tent and making it a base and shelter at the Games! Wear your tartan and march in the opening ceremonies! Many enjoyed the address labels I gave out with handy web page addresses of Scotland and our Clan printed on them.

June 1st and 2nd, 2002, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. - "Genesee Highland Gathering" held at the Genesee Country Museum in Mumford, Genesee County, NY. Stephanie Zeller, sister-in-law of ACGS member L. Dan Megehee, Jr., visited our tent and made our day more enjoyable.

July 13th, 2002, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. - "The Third Highbanks Celtic Gathering" presented by the Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation - Letchworth State Park, and the Feadon Or Pipe Band. Many more in attendance this year with the nice weather. There were vendors and excellent demonstrations in the weaving, and other crafts. ACGS member Carol

O'Brien came this year with her husband, Paul Willsea, and their three children, Clair, Flynn and Ronan. It was nice visiting and having their help.

August 10th, 2002, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and a Ceilidh 6:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. - "Central New York Scottish Games and Celtic Festival" at Long Branch Park, Liverpool, Onondaga County, NY near Exit 39 of the NYS Thruway. Ellen and Karl Sovkoplas visited us from Texas and marched in the Tartan Parade for the Opening Ceremonies.

August 17th, 2002, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. - "18th Annual Scottish Festival and Highland Games" at Amherst Museum, at 3755 Tonawanda Creek Road, Amherst, Niagara County, NY. ACGS member William Mitchell of Amherst, NY visited our tent. During the day visitors included some from Scotland showing me where their homes were and MacGregors gather.

August 31st, 2002, 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and September 1st, 2002, 10:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. - "Capital District Scottish Games", presented by the Schenectady Pipe Band, Ltd. At Altamont Fairgrounds, Altamont, Albany County, NY about 20 miles from Albany, NY. This year is the 25th year of the revived "Capital District Scottish Games" originally hosted in 1960. This year there were 37 clan tents and 6 others including the Schenectady, St. Andrews and Albany, St. Andrews. The weather was pleasant with a huge grandstand attendance for our Opening Ceremonies and Tartan Parade.

2002 Annual Report from Tennessee

submitted by Thad Osborne

I continue to serve on the board of the Scottish Society of Knoxville with ACGS Dore Dumas and to spread the story of our society to anyone who will listen.

The Gatlinburg Scottish Festival and Games took place in May. The preliminary activities on Friday took place in gorgeous spring weather. Unfortunately, Saturday turned unexpectedly cold and wet. Although the attendance was good, merchandise sales and membership inquiries were close to non-existent. In spite of all, Dan and Josephine Megehee, Robert and Dore Dumas, David and Nancy King, and your deputy enjoyed drying out and thawing out later, and sharing a good time otherwise.

Conditions for the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games in July were somewhat damp on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, but not as cold as Gatlinburg. Those of us who have been attending these games for many years enjoyed the smaller crowds, but gate receipts, according to sources with these games, were severely impacted. Malcolm and Barbara MacGregor, John and Ena McGregor, and Jeff and Frieda McGregor came all the way from south Florida. Donald and Diane Gregg of Atlanta, Georgia, Sandy MacGregor, our faithful treasurer from Smithfield, Virginia, and Dan and Josephine Megehee of Mississippi were

all there. Sales of merchandise were moderate, with the exception of sweatshirts, which the conditions made quite popular. Again, we thank David, Suzanne, Jeff, and Frieda for decorating the tent and providing plenty of good food and goodies. For Ray Azbell and family, it was a short trip up the mountain from their home in Morganton. We were saddened by the news brought to Joe Tichy and friend Delores Rengert of the death of his son-in-law in Colorado. We also learned that member Arthur Lecky of Lyman, South Carolina, had been admitted to hospital. After the conclusion of the games on Sunday, MacGregors gathered at Ichabod's in Blowing Rock for dinner.

The Sycamore Shoals Celtic Festival is not a new event, having been previously held in Jonesboro, Tennessee. This was their second year in the state Historic Area located on the Watauga River where American revolutionaries mustered for their march to Kings Mountain, North Carolina, where they ultimately defeated British forces. I did not establish a tent this year, but visited and spoke with event organizers about having a tent next year. This is a relatively new and small festival, having neither games nor pipe bands (but plenty of other entertainment), but has great potential because of its proximity to the population centers of Johnson City, Kingsport, and Bristol. I found that clans are welcome without charge except for tent rental of approximately one hundred dollars. Clans and societies are welcome to sell items related to their organizations. Your deputy anticipates having a tent for the Society next year.

The Heart of Tennessee Scottish Festival in Murfreesboro is the major Scottish event in Middle Tennessee. Unfortunately, it follows tradition by again scheduling this year on the same weekend as our Society's gathering.

On 12 October, the Cumberland Gap Scottish Festival will be held in Harrogate, Tennessee, about sixty-five miles north of Knoxville, where Kentucky, Virginia and Tennessee meet. This is a one-day event, and I plan to share a tent with the Scottish Society of Knoxville, where I can field membership inquiries, and hopefully sell some merchandise. This is the second year for this festival, but the first in which the American Clan Gregor Society will be represented.

The Foothills Highland Games will again be held this year, moving from Tryon, North Carolina, site of the festival in 2001, to the campus of Blue Ridge Technical Community College near Hendersonville. Your deputy has already reserved a tent in the Society's name, which will be staffed on Saturday 2 November. David and Nancy King of Candler, North Carolina, and Eric Burkhalter of Clinton, South Carolina, are expected to be on hand as well. Last year's Games were well attended, but expenses significantly exceeded revenues, so come one, come all, and enjoy western North Carolina in the fall.

In summary, this region suddenly is awash with Scottish festivals and games. Your deputy is making a practice of attending new ones as a visitor first, and then returning the following year with a tent if that seems justified.

2002 Annual Report from Virginia

submitted by Scott F. MacGregor

Hello once again my fellow clansmen from across America. It's hard to believe yet another year has gone by so quickly since we last gathered in Denver. I hope this past year has treated everyone kindly.

Around Virginia, we've been busy hosting Clan tents at two Games: Heritage Festival in Ashland in May and the Williamsburg Scottish Festival in Williamsburg in September just prior to our Gathering. We are looking forward to hosting additional Clan tents at the highland Games in Radford the weekend following our Gathering and the Richmond Highland Games the end of October. In July we joined our D.C. clansmen for the Virginia Scottish Games in Alexandria and our southern clansmen for the Grandfather Mountain Games in Western North Carolina. Our experience at the Grandfather Mountain Games lived up to the Clan nickname "Children of the Mist" as we were high on a mountain and in clouds with visibility at times of no more than twenty feet.

We attended Kirkins in Norfolk and Irvington in April, and look forward to another in Norfolk in November. Our own Mr. William Garrett gave another exceptional "Immortal Toast to Robert Burns" speech at the annual Burn's Night dinner in Virginia Beach in January. We'll be back in Northern Virginia in December for the Alexandria Christmas Walk. We MacGregors participated in several events with our local Scottish society by sponsoring a Clan table at their Tartan Day celebration held on the campus of Virginia Wesleyan College in Virginia Beach and provided marchers for several local parades: St. Paddy's Day Parade in Norfolk, the Neptune Festival Parade in Virginia Beach, and are looking forward to the Christmas Walk in Portsmouth.

At each of these events we've answered many inquiries about our society while promoting our MacGregor ancestry and history. I'd like to extend a warm welcome to our new Virginia members who've joined or renewed during the past year. Whether you're a new or a long time ACGS member from Virginia I'd love to hear from you. Come out and join us at the Games or any of the other events happening across Virginia throughout the year. The Virginia state sub-page is up and accessible from the ACGS website (http://acgs.thecapitalscot.com/acgs_deputies.html).

This year's Gathering in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania should be another exceptional weekend of events where I once again look forward to mingling with so many of you. Afterwards returning home once again with many fond memories of my fellow clansmen and the weekend's happenings. Why don't you make these memories even fonder in 2003 by joining us in the festivities?

I look forward to seeing many of you at our local happenings across Virginia in the upcoming year and again at the 94th ACGS Gathering in October.

2002 Annual Report from Washington, DC Metro Area

submitted by John King Bellassai

Following is my Summary Annual Report as ACGS State Deputy Chieftain for the Washington, DC Metropolitan Area (DC and surrounding counties of Northern Virginia and Maryland). We sponsored three major activities in our area since last year's Gathering in Colorado. These were as follows:

- participation in the Annual Scottish Christmas Walk and Parade of the Clans in Olde Towne, Alexandria, VA on the 1st weekend in December, 2001;
- participation in the Potomac Celtic Festival in Leesburg, VA on June 8th and 9th, 2002; and
- participation in the Virginia Scottish Games at Episcopal High School in Alexandria, VA, July 27 and 28, 2002.

As in years past, the ACGS sponsored an array of events on the day of the Christmas Walk Parade, designed to maximize the turnout of MacGregors for this annual event - the largest Scottish parade in the eastern USA. Fortunately for parade participants and viewers, the weather was beautiful, if a little on the warm side. We started the morning off with breakfast for the ACGS contingent at the Holiday Inn in Olde Towne, which was attended by 12 persons. Thanks to James B. ("Big Jim") MacGregor for organizing this portion of the day!

This was followed by our ACGS contingent participating in the hour-long parade (17 adults, six kids and two dogs!) marching through the streets of Olde Towne. We closed out the day with what has also become an annual event - the MacGregor house party at the townhouse of Jim and Bettie MacGregor Collins. We had an excellent turnout for the party - over 40 persons, mostly MacGregors but also other friends of the Society, including several current officers and past presidents of the Washington, DC Saint Andrew's Society, as well as several members of our own Pipe Band. ACGS Council Members Sandy MacGregor and Scott MacGregor both came up for the day's events.

The Potomac Celtic Festival has in recent years become a very large pan-Celtic gathering, with a growing number of vendors, bands, and clan and society tents, and is held in rural Leesburg, VA, about one hour outside Washington, DC. Each year, the focus shifts to another Celtic "nation" - Scotland, Ireland, Wales, Cornwall, Brittany, Galicia. This year, the focus was on Scotland. With the active assistance of ACGS members Don Lynd and Jim MacGregor, the ACGS tent was staffed for both days - Saturday and Sunday - of what turned out to be a sunny, cool and most delightful weekend. Overall attendance at the event was at a record high, and 38 MacGregors - very few of whom were ACGS members - stopped by our tent and registered. Membership materials were passed out to all those interested (almost all who stopped by) and genealogical advice and referrals were made.

The Virginia Scottish Games were held as usual this year at Episcopal High School in Alexandria, VA on the 3rd weekend in July. Once one of the premier two-day Scottish games in the Eastern United States, this event has been struggling in recent years due to poor weather (high heat and humidity, coupled with severe thunderstorms) and diminishing attendance. This year was no exception. Visitors at the ACGS tent on both days were few - only 16 persons - despite a full complement of volunteers being on hand to assist. Thanks to Jim MacGregor, Don Lynd, Clarke and Marcella Magruder, Scott MacGregor and Sandy MacGregor for their help at the tent over this weekend.

As was the case last year, Tartan Day was celebrated on the National Mall in downtown Washington, at the foot of the Capitol Building, on Saturday, April 6th, this year. The turnout was respectable and five pipe bands performed during the day for the crowd - including our own Pipes & Drums. Unfortunately, the organizers of the Festival on the Mall this year only allowed space for a dozen clan societies to set up tents, and the ACGS was not among them - though many of us were in attendance as individuals. As is well known, most of the Tartan Day action this year was in New York City, with the parade of a thousand pipers. Next year, however, much of the attention will shift back to Washington, DC. The newly formed National Capital Tartan Day Committee is already busy planning a Festival that will take up the entire National Mall - with plenty of space for all clan societies who wish to attend. The ACGS has already reserved its space. In addition, the Smithsonian will be recognizing Scotland as the "featured country" for their Annual Folk Life Festival on the Mall next summer, and the ACGS tent will make an appearance there, as well.

47th ANNUAL GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES

Linville, North Carolina

July 11-13, 2002

Submitted by Malcolm & Barbara MacGregor

Three days of non-stop "Scottish Weather" hampered the over-all crowd attendance this year, but it certainly did not affect the spirit and grandeur of these magnificent Games.

It was very fitting that Chieftain Jeffrey McGregor announced " 'The Children of the Mist', CLAN GREGOR is here", at the opening Torchlight Ceremony, on a really cold, rainy, misty Thursday night, July 11, 2002.

The complete Schedule of Activities (day and night) took place, despite the weather, including "The Bear", a five-mile foot race starting in Linville and ending at the top of Grandfather Mountain on Thursday night, and The Mountain Marathon Saturday morning, starting in Boone. It is always a thrill to watch the Massed Pipe Bands at the Opening Ceremonies, and feel the sense of pride as the ACGS members march by in the Parade of Tartans, and it is always impossible to choose which entertainers to listen to in the Celtic Groves, there is so much going on at once.

Attendance by ACGS members was great this year, despite the weather (our unofficial count is 35). Azbells, Dr. Ray, Allison and Mack; Burkhalter, Eric, Ellington, Ernest/Robert; Greer, Mike; Gregg, Donald W. and Dianne; Jarvis, Carol; Joiner, Elizabeth and Abbey; King, David and Nancy; MacGregor, Mal and Barb; MacGregor, Robert F.; McGregor, Chieftain Jeff and Frieda; McGregor, David and Suzanne; McGregor, John and Ena; McGregor, Scott; Megehee, and and Josephine; Osborne, Thad; Perry, Margaret and McGehee; Ruth, Alice and Wayne; Tichy, Joseph; Rengert, Dolores; Wolff, George and Linda; Yonce, Don I Greer (CGS). Also, approximately 40 "prospects" signed the Registration Book.

Special Happenings: At the pre-games on Friday, Carl Peterson's son Deven, fourteen years old, represented ACGS in the wrestling competition for ages 14-17, and won FIRST PRIZE.

ACGS was proud to be represented by ALLISON AZBELL in the quarter mile kilted race for girls ages 11-14 (she came in 4th) in the Clan competitions on Sunday.

Our group suffered a minor casualty on Friday afternoon at the GMHG office when Ena McGregor sprained her ankle going down some steps and was put out of commission for the rest of the weekend, so she and John returned home early Sunday.

One of the best surprises was to have Linda and George Wolff appear out of the mists at our tent on Saturday. They have now moved to Bradenton, Florida (although George still works part-time in Harrisburg, PA), and they have promised to attend more Florida games again in 2003.

Special merchandise for sale at our tent this year: CARL PETERSON's new tape - "Remembering the Alamo", honoring the piper John McGregor.

Thad Osborne again represented ACGS at the Kirkin of the Tartan on Sunday morning.

We had been waiting for the annual visit of Arthur Lecky, when Judge and Mrs. Alexander Banner-Lyerly came by to advise us that Arthur was in the hospital in Greer, South Carolina after a stroke. We all signed a card for him and Thad Osborne will keep everyone advised about Arthur's progress, as the Banner-Lyerlys keep in touch with him.

Just before the Parade of Tartans, a messenger came from the GMHG office to deliver an urgent phone message to Joe Tichy. His daughter Susan had been trying to reach him since Wednesday to tell him that her husband Mike had been killed in a hiking accident on the mountains in Colorado, so of course Joe and Dolores and Donald and Dianne Gregg left immediately.

At the "After-dinner at Ichabod's", attendance was down to seventeen: Chieftain Jeff and Frieda McGregor, Dave and Suzanne McGregor, Barb and Mal MacGregor, Thad Osborne, Dan and Josephine Megehee, the Azbell family (Dr. Ray, Allison and Mack), Donald Lynd and two Lockhart friends and prospects Jim and Dot Goldie.

Dave and Suzanne McGregor invited everyone to their home in Blowing Rock for coffee and cake, and more enjoyable "Clanship".

SCENE FROM HIGHLAND GAMES



Barb MacGregor and Chieftain Jeff McGregor
at Grandfather Mountain Highland Games



ACGS members Dan Megehee, Donald W. Gregg, John C. McGregor
and Dave McGregor gather in the dusk for The Raising of the Clans



Assistant Chieftain Joe Tichy visits with Abbey Joiner, granddaughter of Past Chieftain Abbey Magruder, at the MacGregor tent at Grandfather Mountain Highland Games

Dr. Raymond Azbell and daughter Allison prior to Allison entering the 1/4 mile kilted race for girls age 11-12





The Grandfather Mountain Highland Games Parade of Tartans; Dave McGregor carrying "Arms of the Chief", Dan Megehee carrying ACGS Banner, Chieftain Jeff McGregor and Asst. Chieftain Joe Tichy, Donald W. Gregg and Thad Osborne carrying Gregor Tartan banners, followed by other ACGS members.



Dylan and Corey Magruder share cousin Abbey Joiner's umbrella as they enjoy a wee bit of Scottish mist at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games

Charles Skinner, Marian Skinner,
Scott MacGregor and
Sandy MacGregor at the
Williamsburg Scottish Festival



Scott MacGregor and
Sandy MacGregor at
the ACGS tent at the
Williamsburg Scottish
Festival



ACGS members in attendance at the Ocala, FL Scottish Games & Irish Feis include (l-r) George McGregor, Ena McGregor, Quinton, Dillon and Shannon-Heather McGregor, Barb MacGregor, Donald and Katie Gregg, and Malcolm MacGregor



Some of the ACGS members attending the 19th Annual S.E. Florida Highland Games are (l-5) Donald B. and Audry Gregg, Chieftain Jeffrey McGregor with "Robbie", Brandt Jones, Dot and Jim Goldie and son Derek with fiancée Robyn



Frieda McGregor with 4 mo.
Old Sheltie "Robbie" at the
19th Annual S.E. Florida
Highland Games



Mark Orr, Sr., Sandy MacGregor, Cindy Orr and Scott MacGregor
take part in the Scottish Christmas Walk at Alexandria, Virginia

Charles Skinner and Jim Collins at
the Scottish Christmas Walk at
Alexandria, Virginia



Lone Piper from the MacGregor
Pipe Band at the Scottish
Christmas Walk, Alexandria, Virginia



Hallie Grieg, Andy Grieg
and Sandy MacGregor enjoy
fellowship at the Collins
home after the Scottish
Christmas Walk in
Alexandria, Virginia



Betty MacGregor-Collins and
Cindy Orr visit
after the Scottish
Christmas Walk
in Alexandria, Virginia

Editor's Note: When I became Editor of the yearbook I started a new tradition of reprinting a biographical sketch from one of the early yearbooks. These sketches are most interesting and a very valuable source of genealogical information. It has been my 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 Robert Walter Magruder. It comes from the 1930 yearbook and was written by a former Chieftain, Douglas Neil Magruder.

ROBERT WALTER MAGRUDER

By Douglas Neil Magruder, Mississippi

Robert Walter Magruder was born in Jefferson County, Mississippi, May 14, 1850, and died in Port Gibson, Claiborne County, Mississippi, January 6, 1926, at the age of 75 years and 9 months. He was the second son of Dr. Thomas Baldwin Magruder and Sarah Olivia Dunbar (widow West).

His father (born in Prince Georges county, Maryland, September 25, 1800) migrated to Mississippi in 1849, and settled in Claiborne County on Oak Grove Plantation. This land still belongs to members of the family. From there he moved to Sligo Plantation, Jefferson County but in 1856 he returned to Claiborne county, where he purchased his former home, "Cabin Wood," (at one time called Melrose Abbey).

Cabin Wood was built in 1830 on his first trip to Mississippi. The land was cleared, and the timbers cut and sawed by hand by the slaves on the plantation. He lived in Port Gibson during the process of opening the plantation, but often went out and stayed in a cabin on the place while the house was being built.

Here at Cabin Wood, Robert Walter Magruder spent his boyhood and grew into manhood. He lost his mother while still a youth, but her place was taken by a father whose love was as tender as a mother's could be, which love was handed down to his children. Cabin Wood was noted throughout the whole section for its beauty, as well as for its geniality and the warm reception one would receive on visiting there. It was a meeting place for old and young throughout the neighborhood. To the left of the house were terraced gardens which one saw on entering the front gate. On one terrace was a row of cape jasmine (now called gardenias); on the slope grew verbenas in wild profusion, while other terraces were filled with roses and bulbs of every description. Hyacinths and lilacs grew likewise as if wild. A broad walk, extended through the garden, hedged on each side, to the orchard which was filled with everything to tempt one's appetite. The grapes especially being noted for their size and flavor.

In such a surrounding, with a father whose every influence was for good, and whose every thought was for the welfare of his family, did Walter Magruder grow up. The neighborhood was filled with young people near his age and because of his genial nature he was a friend to all he knew and was soon recognized as the most popular boy in the section.

Prior to the War Between the States, Indians made an annual pilgrimage to Cabin Wood

during the winter, and soon these, too, were warm friends of Walter. The writer will never forget one Indian whose friendship was shown until his death. While still a boy, Walter saw a large negro taking a blow-gun from a small Indian. He immediately took up the Indian's fight and made the negro return the blow-gun. This Indian, following his ancestors, returned each year to Port Gibson, and each year brought baskets which he had made, and when my brother and I were old enough, he made blow-guns for us. Such were the friendships created by Walter while a boy.

When the war broke out he had two brothers, Captain Joseph Moore Magruder (who was later killed) and Isaac Dunbar Magruder, who enlisted in the Confederate Army, and while only 14 years of age, Walter, too, ran off to enlist. He was recognized, however, by Lieut.-Col. B.H. Moorhead and was returned home. However, he received one of the biggest thrills of his life during the siege of Vicksburg when he acted as messenger between two Confederate divisions at the battle of Port Gibson.

After the war had taken its toll, though still a young man, Walter took up the fight to rid the south of carpet-bag rule. His nerve and valor were soon recognized. He was one of the leaders of the old Ku Klux Klan which eventually reestablished white rule throughout the south. Many are the interesting tales he would tell of his adventures during this period. At times when his life was on the point of being taken by some negro, another negro who knew him for his fairness would prevent it. The writer can remember one negro who used to tell with pride, how he had knocked a gun up-raised at my father out of another negro's hand.

The editor of the Port Gibson *Reveille* had this to say of him: "His physical courage knew no bounds during the trying days of Reconstruction. He figured prominently among the leaders who finally restored order out of chaos." Dr. James F. McCaleb, one of his boyhood friends, said upon his death: "The death of R. W. Magruder is regretful to his friends and admirers. He reminds one of Fennimore Cooper's character, Leatherstocking. A figure of reconstruction passes to join the army of the Great Beyond."

Robert Walter Magruder was educated in the schools of Port Gibson where he rode each day on horseback. Upon finishing there he attended Port Gibson Academy. In 1875 he began the study of law under J.D. Vertner. He was a great lover of books - the best he could get, especially poetry. Next to the poems of his chum and school-mate Irwin Russell, he was most fond of those of the Elizabethan and Victorian ages. His intimacy and friendship with Russell dated from childhood when Russell was a frequent visitor to Cabin Wood, and where many happy hours were spent in the fields and woods, hunting, fishing and swimming. In the room where they slept, Irwin Russell wrote a poem on the wall, and under it, wrote:

"Chaucer, Milton, Byron, Moore
Are poets dead and gone before,
But Watt Magruder beats them all,
And writes his sonnetta on the wall".

Now that Irwin Russell's negro dialect poems have brought him into prominence and the town of Port Gibson is to honor him by erecting a memorial arch at the entrance of the town, relatives and friends are bewailing the fact that two sisters, Ann and Rosa Magruder,

in their zeal for good housekeeping, had the poetry erased from the wall.

The most noted of Robert Walter Magruder's friendships was that between his two law partners, Messrs. John McC. Martin who framed the bill creating the Mississippi State College for Women and carried it to a successful conclusion through the legislature and Lauch McLaurin who later moved to Texas, and became a prominent judge in that state, and Dr. W. D. Redus, then a rising young physician, and later one of the best in that section. The friendship and loyalty between the four was often remarked upon, and it lasted throughout their lives. The four reached a very ripe old age, and at the last, so deep was this love for each other, we could not tell our father about the death of the next to the last who passed away.

On January 22, 1880, Robert Walter Magruder was married at Albino Plantation to Caroline Jane Sims. She was a graduate of Hillman College, Clinton, Miss. She was a most lovable character and her many Christian virtues won for her the love and respect of all who knew her. She died December 10, 1880, leaving one son, John Martin Magruder, now Vice President of the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of New Orleans, La. After the death of his wife and her father, he took upon himself the management of the latter's entire estate, thereby having to give up the practice of law.

In 1892 he was married to Rosa Montgomery (widow Yeiser) who lived only two years, and died October 28, 1894, aged 45 years. On November 24, 1898, he was married to Annie Greenwood Neil (widow Humphreys). He was full of the pride of fatherhood and rejoiced over his daughter and two sons by this marriage who are Fannie Rosalie, now Mrs. Chas. D. Humphreys of Port Gibson; Lauch McLaurin, of Cleveland, Miss., who married Will Nelson DeLoach; and Douglas Neil, who is unmarried and is connected with The Yazoo Sentinel, in Yazoo City, Miss.

In politics he was a Democrat, often being called upon by the people to serve them in positions of trust. He served them long and well, being faithful to every duty. Always on the side of right, he strove to maintain peace. He served several terms in the State Legislature and Senate and was Postmaster in Port Gibson for ten years, (1911-1921). He displayed indomitable courage, working at the Court House among his friends until the day before his death. For more than half a century he had moved a familiar figure among us, and had walked with us, through shadow and sunshine, flower and thorn. His courage faltered not, whether the path was smooth or rough. In him we could securely trust because of his loyalty, unswerving principles of right, spotless integrity, and high sense of honor. In all places and to all men his was a gentle, godly, generous nature, seeking the happiness of others rather than his own. His hand was ever extended to comfort the needy and succor the distressed. When his voice always lifted in their defense, was silenced forever, a multitude mourned.

As a father, he was kind, gentle and generous. His understanding was God-given. There was not a fault, but what he could understand; never a mistake, but that his advice was always given. Seldom harsh in his punishments and then only when deserved; and never was his reminder of a mistake forgotten. Not only was he a father, but a "buddy" as well and as close to this children as the closest friend we ever had. Nothing gave him greater pleasure than to take us swimming, on picnics, or out camping; always asking the boys

whom he knew to go along. Each summer he spent his vacation on the banks of Baker's Creek which ran through the Cabin Wood Plantation, and here he taught practically every boy and girl in the community to swim. It was here we would gather around the camp fire at night and listen to his tales of reconstruction days which were ever interesting. The writer will never forget the pleasure he derived when he took him to this old swimming hole on his seventy-second birthday.

When we were right, he was with us; when we were wrong, he was our consellor. He was truly a father in every sense of its meaning. And though he grew up in an age vastly different from ours, he could always understand the change and was ever ready and willing to give us every pleasure that he felt was for our good and contentment.

The principles for which he lived and died are still with us; his courage to dare to do the right at all times and under all circumstances has left its indelible mark and has inspired us to be like him.

The burial service for Robert Walter Magruder was held in St. James Episcopal Church, and because of the fact that there was no presiding rector at that time, near Port Gibson the service was read by Drs. Brownlee and Huntley, of the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches respectively. These ministers had known him and loved him as a friend. His funeral was attended by both white and colored, for he was known and loved by all. Until this day, none can be found to say he was ever an enemy to this man.

Robert Walter Magruder was the son of Thomas Baldwin Magruder and Sarah Dunbar (widow West); grandson of Thomas Magruder and Mary Clarke; great-grandson of Isaac Magruder and Sophia Baldwin; great-great-grandson of Nathan Magruder and Rebecca Beall; great-great-great-grandson of John Magruder and Susanna Smith; great-great-great-great-grandson of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall; great-great-great-great-great-grandson of Alexander Magruder, immigrant.

Editor's Note: Each year we reprint an article of interest from a past yearbook. This year I have chosen to go back to the 1936 yearbook and reprint an article about Harmony Hall, one of the Magruder ancestral homes. We hope that you will enjoy it.

Harmony Hall

*Remarks by Charles W. Collins upon the occasion of the visit to
Harmony Hall, Broad Creek, Prince George's County,
Maryland, of the American Clan Gregor Society
on Saturday, October 19, 1935.*

I am delighted indeed to extend to you a hearty welcome to "Harmony Hall". While I have not the honor of a direct relationship to your clan I may claim a remote connection in that my father's brother married one of the Virginia Magruders and my maternal grandfather, Littlebury Woodson Allen, whose portrait you see in the hall, was a captain on General Magruder's staff in the army of northern Virginia during the Civil War.

You are no doubt interested in the history of Harmony Hall because it is one of the ancestral homes of the Magruders. The house as you see it today appears just about as it did when it was purchased in 1769 from James Marshall by Enoch Magruder, great grandson of Alexander Magruder, the immigrant.

There was a north and a south wing to the house, added at a later date, but these have long ago disappeared. This property remained in the possession of Enoch Magruder until his death and passed by his will of 1785 to his daughter, Sarah, who had, a short time before the Revolution, married Colonel William M. Lyles.

Enoch Magruder as you may know also owned a beautiful brick house some twenty odd miles east of here near Largo known as Mt. Lubentia. This property fell to his son Dennis who was also the executor of Enoch Magruder's will.

Apparently Harmony Hall was not occupied by Sarah Magruder Lyles but was used as a residence by Dennis in addition to his residence at Largo. Dennis Magruder was a man of great wealth and social prestige and lived the life of a country gentleman in the grand manner, riding in his coach and four with liveried servants and giving dinners in great festivity at which the elite of southern Maryland and the budding society of the new National Capital then rising at the conjunction of the Potomac and Anacostia rivers were welcomed.

Dennis as you know was married four times and had twenty-two children. They may have been the occasion and even the necessity for having two residences and the wings to Harmony Hall.

A word about the history of this tract of land. It was first patented under the name of "Battersea" by Humphrey Haggett in 1662. Humphrey Haggett was a lawyer and the records of cases tried by him may be seen in the court house of Charles County. He built a house on this piece of land but I am inclined to think that it was somewhat closer to the water

than the present building. In excavating for the ha-ha wall some years ago I discovered the floor of one large room perfectly laid in square slabs of red sandstone so well fitted that mortar was unnecessary. This may have been a part of the original house. From that time to the acquisition of the property by Enoch Magruder there were frequent changes of owners indicating that there was at that early period a considerable activity in the real estate market.

Although Battersea was the legal name of the grant it was displaced subsequently by the name of "Harmony Hall" whereby hangs a romantic story. In the year 1792 the two brothers, John and Walter Dulaney Addison, having returned from school in England and taken their position in southern Maryland society, were married. John married Sarah Leitch, the daughter of Major Leitch, an aide to General Washington and who was killed in the battle of Harlem Plains. Walter Dulaney married the daughter of Hesselius, the well known portrait painter. The ancestral estates of both of these young men, namely Geisseborough Manor belonging to John and Oxon Hill Manor belonging to Walter Dulaney had been rented. The two young couples looking around for a place to live in the meantime were attracted by Battersea on Broad Creek and rented it for one year. Such was their pleasure during this occupancy that in a sentimental gesture (1793) Mrs. Walter Dulaney Addison called the place "Harmony Hall". This name gradually displaced the original grant name of Battersea and found its way into the legal records about 1850 - an illustration that romance may sometimes be stronger than law.

The interior of the house as you see it today contains the original board floors, the original wood work, panelling and stairway and the original hardware. In the hall you will see a framed certificate from the Government of the United States showing that this house has been selected as an historic house which should be preserved for posterity and stating that complete record of its present condition including drawings and photographs is on file with the Library of Congress.

If you will turn and look down there on the edge of the water you will see another house older perhaps by half a century than Harmony Hall. From where you stand you can see the massive William and Mary outside chimneys and the William and Mary influence in the Dutch hip-roof with dormers. That is ancient Want Water still in an unrestored condition. Architects tell me that it was probably built about 1695. The earliest records I have been able to find show that it was owned in 1706 by Colonel Thomas Addison, son of Colonel John Addison, the immigrant. It is possible that it is the first Addison house built in America.

This property was purchased in 1761 by Enoch Magruder - eight years before he purchased Battersea. During the Revolution Colonel William M. Lyles, a close friend of General Washington, lived here with his wife who was Sarah Magruder. It appears that Enoch Magruder let them have this place during his lifetime and it along with Harmony Hall (Battersea) was left to her by his will.

Colonel William M. Lyles was one of the founders of the Farmers Bank of Alexandria and one of the greatest landowners in southern Maryland.

According to strong local tradition George Washington frequently came across the Potomac and Broad Creek by water and worshipped at old St. John's Church. During such excursions he was said to be frequently a guest at Want Water and Harmony Hall.

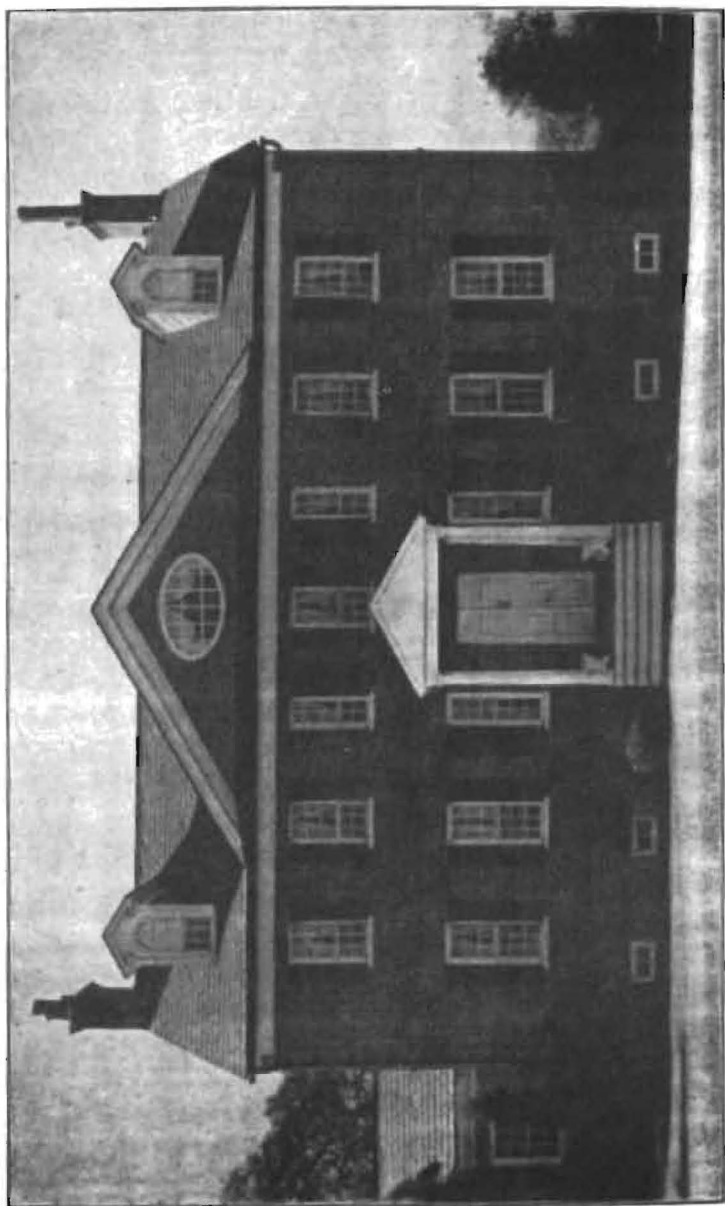
A sketch of Want Water would not be complete without a reference to the tragic duel between Enoch Magruder Lyles, youngest son of Colonel Lyles, and his cousin John Frazier Bowie. It seems that at a dance an incident which we would now regard as trivial was taken to be a mortal insult and it was Colonel Lyles himself, it is said, who insisted on his son giving the challenge. Early on the morning of August 7, 1805, the two young men were rowed by slaves across Broad Creek and the Potomac to the Virginia shore. Colonel Lyles with his field glasses was looking on from the Maryland side. His son Enoch fell mortally wounded and was brought back to die that same morning at Want Water. Young Lyles is buried in the old graveyard of St. John's Church and the epitaph written by Colonel Lyles and calling for divine vengeance for the death of his son may still be read. It may be interesting to observe the story that this duel was supposed to have furnished the material for the duel in Joseph Hergesheimer's "Balisand", the scene for which is laid further down in tide-water Virginia.

Nearly all old manor and plantation houses have a ghost, especially those long isolated from the highways of travel and which have suffered from neglect. These conditions may account for the presence and perhaps the necessity for some sort of spirit protection. Harmony Hall is no exception to this rule. When it was first built the only convenient method of transportation was by water. Later the stage coach roads were built and it was then on the main line of travel from the old town of Piscataway to Alexandria, the District of Columbia not yet being in existence. However the invention and use of the steam locomotive resulted in complete isolation of the peninsula of that part of Maryland where Harmony Hall is situated, there being not enough traffic to justify the building of a railroad. So for a period of about three-quarters of a century, that is until the use of the automobile brought the old stage coach roads back to civilization, this old weather-beaten house completely lost the gentle ministration of the distinguished family which for so long a time cherished it.

When we first took the house local tradition that the spirit of Enoch Magruder had never left it was so strong that it was impossible to employ house servants from the surrounding community. The story is that about half past nine o'clock each night keys may be heard turning in the locks particularly audible at the great brass lock on the garden front door (this may be a mere matter of Scotch precaution on the part of old Enoch seeing that everything is securely fastened for the night). On a quiet winter's night when the log fires are gently burning in wide fireplaces and all is still through the house these sounds may be heard with startling clarity.

There is another story well authenticated by competent evidence that often about half past two in the morning a heavy tread is heard going down the stairway. (Perhaps an early morning tour of inspection). Occasionally other and louder sounds are heard as though someone were being knocked down or furniture thrown, indicating perhaps that all was not smooth sailing in the old days.

At any rate Enoch Magruder although perhaps a hearty and robust ghost is nevertheless a benevolent one and we are glad to have his company at Harmony Hall.



Harmony Hall

SKINNER (CLAN MAC GREGOR) 50TH ANNIVERSARY

The Community Baptist Church in Poland, NY was the setting of the 50th Anniversary Scottish Wedding Ceremony of Charles L. (Chick) Skinner - (CLAN No. 2661) and Marian J. Skinner (CLAN No. 2672-A). The ceremony was held on August 10th in the very same church where this couple was married on August 20th, 1952. Pastor Mark Sellers officiated at this historic ceremony, and Scottish attire was the dress of the day.

Marian arrived at the church with her elder escort, John Anderson, in a carriage decorated in pine, heather, and MacGregor ribbon and drawn by a horse whose mane and tail was also braided with MacGregor ribbon. This mode of transportation was a surprise from her children. It was a 3-mile ride from the home of the Matron of Honor where she dressed, to the church and took 35 minutes to accomplish.

Charles L. (Chuck) Skinner, Jr. was his father's Best Man, and Joan Dixon, a friend of nearly 60 years was Marian's Matron of Honor. The couple's grandchildren were their other attendants: Laura Pritchard was Bridesmaid, Randolph Darrow II was Reader, and Nicole Pritchard was their Ring Princess. They followed Scottish procedure in their processional, including the piper, the pastor, the reader and the groom, in addition to the bride and her attendants. Piper, Keith Hoover played "Westering Home" as he led the bridal procession into the church, and "Scotland, the Brave" for the recessional.

A Cletic blessing was sung by Debora Skinner (CLAN No. 2671) Joanne Walter, Charles Skinner, Jr., Donna Pritchard, and Carla Darrow, the couple's five children. Each of their five children and thirteen grandchildren were involved in different ways in this celebration.

During the ceremony, Chick called, "Bring furrit the tartan", and Debora Skinner (CLAN No. 2671), eldest daughter, "sashed" her mother with the MacGregor tartan. Following their own written vows to continue their lives in love and devotion, the couple exchanged new Celtic wedding rings. The couple was driven around town in the carriage following the ceremony. During this time, guests were served light refreshments of oak cakes and lemonade on the lawn of the church.

A reception was given by Chick and Marian's children at Twin Ponds Golf and Country Club in New York Mills, NY. Their 4-tiered wedding cake was topped with a replica of the bride in her long tartan skirt and the groom in his kilt. The couple was given a purse toward their anniversary trip and their children presented them with this night in a suite at the Hotel Utica including a room service breakfast of their choice. Their anniversary trip will be to Scotland some time this year.

A special guest at her daughter's 50th anniversary celebration was 94 year-old Florence Storandt of Poland, NY. Out-of-state guests came from GA, SD, FL, VT, DE, MI, and Oakville, ONT, CANADA.

As members of American Clan Gregor Society, they have found much enjoyment in Scottish events during their 5-6 years of retirement, most recently attending their 5th year at the great Glengarry Highland Games in Maxville, ONT, CANADA. They also look forward each fall to the MacGregor Clan Gathering, wherever it may be held - this year in Harrisburg, PA.



NEWS NOTES FROM LILLIAN

Carolyn J. McGregor-Long, our State Deputy Chieftain for Southern California, also holds the office of Chapter President of the Clan Gregor Society, California Chapter. This group held its 20th year celebration in 2002, and a great time was had by all. Carolyn has provided us with two photos from the celebration, shown below. One photo shows several of the chapter officers being piped into the meeting. The other photo is a group shot of the members attending the meeting. Carolyn tells us that this was the largest turnout they have had in some years, but only reflects a portion of the total membership.



Carolyn McGregor-Long, Gregory Hand and Donald L. Motter are piped into the Annual General Meeting of the California Clan Gregor Society



Members of California Clan Gregor Society at
Annual General Meeting

Tess James, our Historian, spent part of August 2002 on a cruise with her daughter, and sent the picture below to show us what a wonderful time they had. Tess is shown with two friends and her daughter as they enjoyed the cruise.



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