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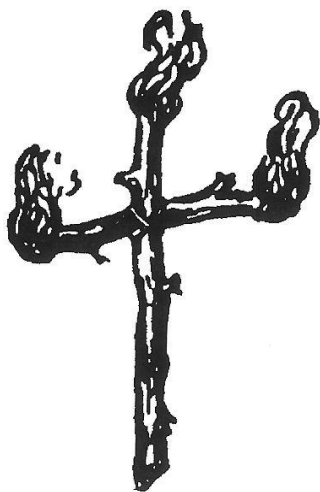
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The Council consists of the Officers of the Society, the former Chieftains, the Trustees, ten members-at-large appointed by the Chieftain for a three year term, and appointed positions selected by the Chieftain annually. The term of office ends at the adjournment of the annual Gathering of the year indicated.

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2011-2012

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ONE HUNDRED SECOND ANNUAL GATHERING

Detroit, Michigan

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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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MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

American Clan Gregor Society, Inc
102d Annual Gathering - Detroit, Michigan
Marriott Detroit
At The Renaissance Center

The Council of the American Clan Gregor Society, Inc., met on Friday, October 7, 2011. The Society Chieftain, Maj. Ronald McGregor at 8:34 a.m, called the meeting to order after it was determined that a quorum existed. The following members of Council were present:

Ronald McGregor – Chieftain
Scott MacGregor – Asst. Chieftain
Randolph Walker – Scribe/SDC Southern TX
Dr. Bruce MacGregor Whyte – Treasurer
Lois Ann Garlitz – Registrar
Thaddeus G. Osborne – Past Chieftain
Robert F. MacGregor – Past Chieftain
Diana Browne – Chancellor
John A. Grier – Trustee
Steven C. Grier – Librarian
Carol Spitznagle – Member At Large/News Letter Editor
Jean MacGregor Simon – Member At Large/ SDC Alabama
Dan Megehee – Member At Large/SDC Mississippi
Jane Montmeny – Member At Large
Fred Magruder – Member At Large
Keith MacGregor – Member/North American Representative of Clan Gregor
Scotland
Lou Ann MacGregor – Member

Past Chieftain, Thad Osborne gave the invocation to open the meeting.

The Scribe, Randolph Walker, asked for a motion to waive the reading of minutes of council at the last Annual Gathering since they had been printed in the last Year Book and distributed. The motion was made by John Grier with a second by Carol Spitznagle. Motion carried.

Dr. Bruce MacGregor Whyte gave the Treasurer's Report. He submitted a detailed written report to Council as well as an oral report. Cash on hand has increased by \$15,000.00 over last year and investments have grown by \$7,432.83. A motion was made by Dan Megehee to accept the report as submitted with a second by Lois Ann Garlitz. Motion carried.

Lois Ann Garlitz made the Report from the Registrar. A detailed written report was submitted to Council. There were 58 new members. Ron McGregor suggested that for future reports the total number of ACGS members in good standing should be included. A motion was made by Thad Osborne to accept the report as submitted with a second by John Grier. Motion carried.

Since the Historian was absent due to illness a short verbal report was given by Scott MacGregor. A written report from the Historian will follow. A motion was made by Bruce MacGregor Whyte to accept the report as submitted with a second by Thad Osborne. Motion carried.

Scott MacGregor gave the Year Book Editor's Report. The Society is still in need of a Year Book Editor. John Grier made a motion to accept the report as submitted with a second by Bruce MacGregor Whyte. Motion carried.

Steven Grier gave the Librarian's Report. He stated that it had been a great year for the library with all debt being paid off. A motion was made by Lois Ann Garlitz to accept the report as submitted with a second by John Grier. Motion carried.

The Report from the Assist. Chieftain was made by Scott MacGregor. He stated that his report was not complete but would submit a full report during the AGM. A motion was made by Dan Megehee to accept this interim report with a second by Carol Spitznagle. Motion carried.

The position of Ranking Deputy Chieftain is vacant at this time. Ron MacGregor gave an interim report with more to follow at the AGM. Thad Osborne made a motion to accept this interim report with as second by John Grier. Motion carried.

The Web Master did not submit a report.

The Piper did not submit a report.

Scott MacGregor gave the report for the Gathering Committee. He said that the local group in charge of the AGM had done an outstanding job that required a tremendous amount of work. John Grier made a motion to accept the report as given with a second by Lois Ann Garlitz. Motion carried.

Ron McGregor gave the Report for the Recognition Committee. Several people will be receiving recognition soon. Carol Spitznagle made a motion to accept the report as given with a second by John Grier. Motion carried.

Ron McGregor also gave the report on the work of the Heraldry Committee. He stated that their work should be completed by the end of November 2011 with additional information to be given at the AGM. After some discussion by members of Council Dan Megehee made a motion to accept the report as submitted with a second by Fred Magruder.

The Council then voted on the proposed changes to the By Laws. After some discussion as to whether the proposals were completed a vote was taken. 13 members voted yes and 1 member voted no. Council accepted the proposed changes to the By Laws.

The Council then voted for the revised Policies & Procedures proposals. The vote on P&P Revision Number 1 (Policies & Procedures) was 13 yes and 1 no. The vote on P&P Revision Number 2 (Chieftain) was 100% yes. The vote on P&P Revision Number 3 (RDC) was 100% yes. The vote on P&P Revision Number 4 (Registrar) was 100% yes. The vote on P&P Revision Number 5 (Treasurer) was 13 yes with 1 abstention. The Vote on P&P Revision Number 6 (Chancellor) was 100% yes. The vote on P&P Revision Number 7 (Heraldry) was 9 yes, 1 no and 2 absentions. The vote on P&P Revision Number 8 (News Letter) was 13

yes and 1 no. The vote on P&P Revision Number 9 (Recognition Committee) was 8 yes, 1 no and 3 abstentions.

New Business: Ron MacGregor stated that clarification was needed on procedures to validate need by members seeking grant assistance. After some discussion the Society Chancellor provided clarification.

Ron McGregor then announced his appointment of a new Ranking Deputy Chieftain to be announced at the AGM as well. All members of Council were in favor of this appointment.

Ron McGregor then announced his appointment of new members at large with formal announcement to be made at the AGM, along with members of the Scholarship Committee and Long Range Planning.

Keith McGregor then made a most interesting presentation on work being done in Scotland related to preserving MacGregor history. This presentation will also be made at the AGM. The meeting was adjourned at 10:40a.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Randolph W. Walker
ACGS Scribe 2011



MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING

American Clan Gregor Society, Inc
102d Annual Gathering - Detroit, Michigan
Marriott Detroit
At The Renaissance Center

The ACGS Chieftain, Maj. Ronald McGregor, called the meeting to order once it was determined that a quorum was present, at 8:40a.m on Saturday, October 8, 2011. There were forty-two Society members present. He then proceeded to welcome the members present and guests Lou Ann McGregor, new Member of Council at Large, and Keith McGregor who would be bringing a special presentation from Clan Gregor Scotland. He then brought greetings from Sir Malcolm MacGregor, Hereditary Chief of Clan Gregor and Lady Fiona MacGregor. Maj. McGregor announced to the members present that this meeting would be historic and that he would clarify this statement further as the meeting proceeded. He then asked Past Chieftain and Chaplain Thad Osborne to give the invocation.

The Scribe, Randolph Walker asked for a motion to waive with the reading of the minutes of the 101st General Meeting since this report had been published in the Year Book and all members were in receipt of the Year Book. Motion made by Fred Magruder with a second by Carol Spitznagle. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Treasurer, Dr. Bruce MacGregor Whyte, gave a detailed report as the new Society Treasurer. He briefed the members present on his efforts to convert the Society financial records from paper books to electronic data and the costs associated with that conversion. He also explained that some new categories for profit and loss with more detail had been established. He advised members that the cash on hand has increased by \$15,000.00 over last year and investments have grown by \$7,432.83. A detailed written report had been submitted to Council. Motion made by John Grier to accept the Treasurer's report as submitted. A second made by Fred Magruder. All in favor, motion carried.

The Society Registrar, Lois Ann Garlitz, gave the Registrar's Report. She reported to the general membership that since becoming the Registrar some five years ago she had processed over two hundred lineal members. She also reported that during the previous year there had been ninety-five contacts with prospective members and that she had mailed out ninety applications. She stated that several of the contacts were general queries addressed to the ACGS website and that those had been forwarded to the Society Chieftain or Assistant Chieftain.

There were fifty-eight new members added during the year. These included seven new junior members, three junior members advancing to Lineal membership, forty-one new lineal members, four new Life members, three Associate members, plus two people converted to Life membership. In addition she added that four of the new members were awarded Harry and Edith Blunt scholarships. Thirty-four individuals have not returned their membership applications. She stated that the number of positive responders has gone up.

Lois Ann advised the membership that she had accounts on Facebook, read Children of the Mist Message Board every day, received several newsletters, had subscriptions to several online databases, including Ancestry.com, World Vital Records, Genealogy Bank, and Footnote, which has an emphasis on military records. She stated that the Treasurer had

reimbursed her for the cost of the world membership on Ancestry from the Peg Tichy fund, which is to be used for genealogical purposes. She stated that since there is so much more data available on the Internet, information from these sources assists her in proofing new applications before mailing them to the Chieftain for signature.

The Registrar also gave an updated report on the Preservation/Digitizing Project. She stated that the digitizing of the membership records from 1909 to 2009 had begun. She stated that the Treasurer has pre-authorized funding to a company in Provo, Utah to do the work. There are over 14,000 images to digitize with a total cost of \$1,036.00 depending on the number of images actually scanned. This was a fraction of the bid price received from another company received the previous year.

She also posed the question that the Society needs to begin thinking about what will be done with the data once the digitizing is complete. She stated that the data would be available in TIFF, JPG, and PDF file formats. She also asked if anyone in the Society had copies of these records other than herself.

Lois Ann then posed several questions as to the use of the new Corporate Arms. She discussed the various issues associated with the use of the new Arms on certificates, membership cards, brochures, membership lapel pins etc. She also stated that she was “back ordered” on approximately fifty lapel pins.

After some discussion and comments from members of council and the general membership, the Society Chieftain, Ron McGregor suggested that this issue be tabled until all remaining issues related to the final approval of our new arms are resolved.

On a personal note Lois Ann stated that it would be nice to have a flag to use at the various festivals and other activities such as the Burns Supper, Tartan Day and the St. Patrick’s Day Parade.

She stated that the current membership applications do not have a graphic on it to make room for three more lines for each couple grouping on the pedigree: (1) list the sources/documents to show how one generation connects to the next, and (2) list the other children of the couple, in addition to (3) listing the applicant’s immigrant ancestor. She stated that one of the trends in genealogical circles today is to provide more information related to sources.

She advised the membership that she had been “printing on demand” application forms onto archival paper and stapling the two sheets together. She said that once approved art work was available, the Society might want to get a more professional application printed, bi-fold, but still letter size and that a cost estimate would be needed from our printer.

The Registrar also gave more information on the new Provisional Membership. She stated that she could foresee using this type of membership as a recruiting tool that the State Deputy Chieftains could use at their clan tent to offer membership right away and then accept the membership fees right away as the other Scottish clan societies do.

She also announced that Peter Gregg was the Society Recruiter of The Year.

After some general discussion and questions from the general membership a motion was made by Dan Megehee to accept the report of the Registrar and a second was made by Jane Montmeny. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The Assistant Chieftain, Scott MacGregor, gave the report for the Historian, Lillian Magruder, who was absent due to illness.

A motion was made by John Grier to accept the report of the Historian. Thad Osborne made the second. All in favor. Motion carried.

Assistant Chieftain, Scott MacGregor gave the Year Book Report. He stated that the yearbooks had gone out. He reminded members that a decision had been made several years ago to not send books to members who were two years or more in arrears with their dues. He also made an appeal to members who might have photos of last year's gathering to consider sharing them for publication in the Year Book. Scott also reminded the membership that the Society still does not have a Year Book Editor and made an appeal for someone to step forward to assume this very important task. John Grier made a motion to accept the report on the Year Book as given. Ron Shankland made the second. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Steven C. Grier gave the Librarian's report. He advised the membership that the \$26,000.00 cost for the Archivist project has now been paid off. This was accomplished by generous donations and support of the raffles held at the Gatherings. The best news was that the donations exceeded the cost of the project and this surplus was transferred to the General Marshall Magruder Library Fund. He stated that this fund has a current balance of \$2,526.04. From this point forward all proceeds from donations and raffles will go directly to this fund. He advised the members that even though the Librarian is authorized to spend \$250.00 annually on books/publications, no purchases had been made during the year.

Steven reported that all of the major objectives for the MML have been accomplished. These include the following:

1. Improved working relationship with the Langsdale Library administration and staff as per our contract with the Library.
2. All archives and artifacts received prior to October 2009 have been professionally processed in to the MML.
3. The library or books/publications component of the MML was moved to its own location within Special collections at the Langsdale Library. All of these books/publications were re-cataloged in to a separate Special Collections entity. Each book/publication received a special identification mark on the spine indicating it belongs to the MML.
4. All Yearbooks are available in PDF format on the Langsdale Library website. Other publications and photos, including the Newsletter are also available on line.
5. The MML portion of the Langsdale Library website was updated to make it more user friendly. In order to eliminate the need to search the Langsdale Library catalog for MML books/publications, a separate listing of all the books/publications in the MML was added to the web site. In August of this year the Library rolled out a new website, and the MML was incorporated in to this improved design. Steven also gave the new link to the MML Langsdale Library:
<http://langsdale.ubalt.edu/special-collections/a-z-holding-list/american-clan-gregor-society/index.cfm>.

Steven also advised the membership that there is still a quantity of archive material, which needs to be processed, and that planning for the hiring of a qualified archivist needs to begin.

He stated that it is very important that the ACGS not fall behind in preserving these important documents.

He stated that in an effort to recover the costs of renting a storage unit and to reduce the inventory of the Yearbooks, the ACGS now offers Yearbooks for sale. The cost of a Yearbook is \$13.50 and includes the mailing costs. Not all years are available. Interested purchasers should check with the Librarian to determine if a particular Yearbook is in stock.

Steven advised the membership that since very few Yearbooks have been sold within the last couple of years, and with the Yearbooks available in PDF format on the Langsdale Library website, it is time to seriously consider the disposition of the remaining Yearbooks in storage.

After some discussion and questions from the membership to include additional questions related to the new charter from the Lord Lyon and the official seal and its use, a motion was made by Carol Spitznagle to accept the report from the Librarian with a second by John Grier. All in favor. Motion carried.

John Grier gave the Trustees Report. He explained their efforts related to accepting the books from Joe Tichy and the various changes made to include finding a new broker. He advised the membership that the ACGS investments had made \$18,000.00 last year. This was \$6,000.00 less than the previous year. He then went on to explain the reasons for this drop, which included a late accounting from Joe Tichy and the need to sell some stocks at a loss. He also reminded membership that it was ACGS policy to distribute 70% of profits and reinvest 30%. He suggested that some consideration be made to a larger distribution. He also pointed out that a detailed accounting report from the Trustees was included in the written report from the Treasurer.

Ron McGregor complimented the Trustees and their work related to the investment of ACGS funds for the betterment of the Society and its work. A motion was made by Fred Magruder to accept the report of the Trustees with a second made by Lois Ann Garlitz. All in favor. Motion carried.

Ron McGregor gave some remarks related to the State Deputy Chieftains and the report for the Ranking Deputy Chieftain. He reminded members that at this time he had not appointed a new Ranking Deputy Chieftain, however, by the end of the Gathering he would announce the appointment a new RDC and that this would depend on the approval of the proposed changes to the bylaws. He talked at length about the importance of the SDCs and the RDC. At this time the Society has SDC positions that are vacant. Thirty-five positions are filled. Ron also advised members that several SDCs would not be reappointed for a variety of reasons. Thad Osborne, past Chieftain/Chaplain also made some remarks related to the SDCs and how important they are to the Society. He made an appeal to members to consider taking on those duties if possible where the Society has an opening. Ron McGregor made some remarks about how several of the SDCs had traveled to other states to assist with the clan tent presentations at various highland games. Thad Osborne made a motion to accept the report of the Ranking Deputy Chieftain, second was made by Fred Magruder. All In favor. Motion carried.

Scott MacGregor, Assistant Chieftain, gave a report on the business functions of the Society that are the responsibilities of the Assistant Chieftain. He also advised the membership that a

final decision had not been made on the location for the Gathering next year but it would be announced before the end of the gathering. He also advised members that he had advised the Chieftain that he would continue to fulfill the duties of the Assistant Chieftain until 2013 and that the Society would need to begin thinking about a replacement. He also complimented the gathering committee. Ron McGregor stated that this position is the “heart and soul” of the Society and that it is where the really hard work gets done. A motion was made to accept the report of the Assistant Chieftain by John Grier, second by Dan Megehee. All in favor. Motion carried.

There was no report from the Web Master. Ron McGregor advised the members that Sir Malcolm reviewed the ACGS Web Site on a regular basis and was very pleased with it. There were several people who asked questions about the website and whether or not people contacted the Society about membership as a result of that visit. Members made several remarks about the importance of a great web site and how it could make a positive impact on new member recruiting. Lois Ann Garlitz stated that a number of people did apply for membership or additional information as a result of their website visit.

Bruce MacGregor Whyte gave the report for the Scholarship Committee. Eight people received scholarships. Five were made in the amount of \$1,200.00 and three in the amount of \$1,000.00. Bruce did not have the names of the individuals receiving the awards. A motion was made by John Grier to accept the report from the Scholarship Committee as given and a second by Lois Ann Garlitz. All in favor. Motion carried.

Ron McGregor gave the report for the Recognition Committee. He advised members that no Certificates had been given during the past year. He stated that several nominations had been received and would be approved, but that he wanted to hold off until the new logo/seal for the Society had final approval. A motion was made by Carol Spitznagle to accept the report from the Recognition Committee with a second by John Grier. All in favor. Motion carried.

Ron McGregor also gave the report for the Records Management Committee. He stated that he had appointed this committee in an ad-hoc status thinking that it would have a limited time of work and function. He stated that he had revised his thinking about this committee and has decided that it should be a permanent committee. He appointed Steven Grier as the Chairperson of the committee and asked for proposed policy and procedure guidelines. Lois Ann Garlitz stated that she had one ready for his review. Steven Grier advised members that this was an area of critical importance since so much Society data and material was now available to the public and that the Society did need to have some rules as to what people could do with the information. Carol Spitznagle made a motion to accept the report for the Records Management Committee, second by John Grier. All in favor. Motion carried.

Ron McGregor advised members that he was very sorry that he could not present the new coat of arms to the membership as had been projected. He stated that there was some work yet to be done and that it would be several weeks before it would be completed. He stated that the committee had been composed of two people and that one person had resigned. Ron advised members that he had appointed John Bellassai to head up this committee since he had several years experience doing this with the Scottish American Heraldry Society. After some discussion related to the proper design, who would be involved with the design, and proper use of the coat of arms by the Society and members of the Society a motion was made

by Dan Megehee to accept the report of the Heraldry Committee as submitted with a second by Bruce MacGregor Whyte. All in favor. Motion carried.

Ron McGregor made remarks related to the duties and responsibilities of our Hereditary Chief, Sir Malcolm MacGregor and how busy he was. He also pointed out to members how much Sir Malcolm is respected everywhere he goes and gave a number of personal experiences related to that subject. He stated that the members of the American Clan Gregor Society can be very proud of their Chief and his standing in the community of Scots worldwide.

After his remarks related to Sir Malcolm MacGregor, Ron advised membership that the next item of business was to vote on the proposed changes to the Society Bylaws and the reasons for doing so. He also advised membership as to the method used by Council and that it was the first time in the history of the Society that the Council had held a meeting by way of conference call and that it went very well. The Society Chancellor brought a point of order as to whether or not there was a quorum. She was advised that there was. The requirement was that there must be at least 10 percent of the membership present at the Gathering voting on the proposed changes. The Scribe advised her that there was a quorum as required. Thirty-eight members present at the AGM and twenty-eight voting by proxy and or e-mail for a total of sixty-six voting members. Ron MacGregor then went over each of the proposed changes for the members present. 100% voted yes to the proposed changes to the bylaws by voice vote.

Ron McGregor stated that the ACGS was a Society that members could be proud of and that it had members with interesting personal histories and stories. He said that some were sad stories. He then told the story related to the fires in Colorado that had affected the family of Lou Ann MacGregor.

The Society Chancellor reminded Ron McGregor that members needed to vote on the acceptance of the new DC Law governing the Society. This vote was taken by voice vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

Assistant Chieftain, Scott MacGregor, announced the slate of Officers for the coming year. The nominees are:

Sir Malcolm MacGregor of MacGregor, Baronet – Hereditary Chief
Maj. Ronald A. McGregor – Chieftain
Mr. Scott MacGregor – Assistant Chieftain
Ms. Lois Ann Garlitz – Ranking Deputy Chieftain
Mr. Randolph W. Walker – Scribe
Ms. Lillian Magruder - Historian
Dr. Bruce MacGregor Whyte – Treasurer
Ms. Lois Ann Garlitz – Registrar
Mr. Thaddeus G. Osborne – Chaplain
Ms. Diana Browne – Chancellor
Mr. Steven Grier – Librarian
Mr. Scott MacGregor (interim Year Book Editor)
Mr. Randal Zimmerman – Piper

Ron McGregor asked for a motion to accept the recommendations of the nominating committee. Motion was made by Ron McGregor and a second by Ron Shankland. All in favor. Motion carried.

Society Chieftain, Ron McGregor, then announced his appointments as Chieftain:

Scott MacGregor as Assistant Chieftain

Lois Ann Garlitz as Ranking Deputy Chieftain

Ron Shankland, Lou Ann MacGregor, and Don Greer as new Members At Large

A vote is required on the appointment of the Assistant Chieftain. The membership voted by voice vote. All in favor.

Ron McGregor made the official announcement that he had nominated Lois Ann Garlitz as the Ranking Deputy Chieftain. He stated that this was the first time in Society history that a woman had held this position and went on to compliment Lois Ann on her performance as a State Deputy and Registrar and her determined support for the work of the Society.

Ron McGregor also made several appointments to Ad-Hoc Committees: John Bellasai to the Heraldry Committee as Chairman; Keith MacGregor- Chair, Lois Ann Garlitz and Bruce MacGregor Whyte to the Committee on Society Activities and Support for Clan Gregor related work in Scotland. He stated that he would also be appointing members to a Long Range Planning Committed to be chaired by John Bellasai and a committee to develop policies and procedures for dispensing money for members who were in financial need.

Keith MacGregor then gave a presentation on behalf of Clan Gregor Scotland related to efforts being made in Scotland to further identify the site of Stronmilchan, documented home of the MacGregor Chiefs as well as expand the existing antiquities project in Dalmally through use of improved technological devices. He provided a handout with a detailed description of what was being done that included photographs of the area in question and the costs associated with this work. He asked that the ACGS consider financial support for this work.

Keith also discussed some of the work being done in Scotland by Sir Malcolm related to the proposed Gathering in Scotland for 2014. He made an appeal to ACGS members to make every effort to attend the Gathering in 2014.

Ron McGregor asked Keith to make himself available for questions at the Banquet. He also asked the State Deputy Chieftains to meet after the tour to Canada. The location for the meeting would be announced later.

Ron McGregor then asked for a motion to close the Annual General Meeting. John Grier made the motion with a second by Bruce MacGregor Whyte. All in favor. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:48 a.m., October 8, 2011.

Respectfully Submitted by
Randolph W. Walker
Scribe 2011

STATE DEPUTY CHIEFTAINS MEETING

American Clan Gregor Society, Inc.
102d Annual Gathering – Detroit, MI
Marriott, Detroit
At The Renaissance Center

Attendees, Officers:

Maj. Ronald McGregor – Chieftain
Scott F. MacGregor – Assistant Chieftain/SDC Virginia
Thad Osborne – Past Chieftain/SDC Tennessee
Lois Ann Garlitz – Ranking Deputy Chieftain
Randolph Walker – Scribe/SDC South Texas

State Deputies:

Edward K. Gregor – New York
John Grier – Maryland
Carol Spitznagle – Southern Florida
L. Dan Magehee – Mississippi
Mike McGregor – South Carolina
Ron Shankland – Michigan
Bruce Whyte – Georgia
Jean Simon – Alabama

The State Deputies meeting was called to order by Society Chieftain, Ronald McGregor at 5:30p.m. on Saturday, October 8, 2011. There were five members of Council present and eleven State Deputies.

The Society Chieftain introduced the new Ranking Deputy Chieftain, Lois Ann Garlitz to those assembled. He talked at some length about this being a distinct honor and history setting moment for the American Clan Gregor Society. Lois Ann will be the first woman to be so honored to serve in this position. He then turned the meeting over to Lois Ann.

She stated that it was her desire to be of the maximum support and assistance to the State Deputies in their efforts to be the face of the American Clan Gregor Society. She requested that the State Deputies bring to her attention all new ideas to improve the work of the State Deputies.

A question arose as to who had received the maroon tablecloths for their clan tents. Several people indicated that they had not received one. Lois Ann requested that each State Deputy who needed a tablecloth contact her as to how many were needed and what size table they were using.

Another need that was brought up was the availability of a clan badge stamp to be used at Highland Games where they gave children a task to search out the various clan tents and obtain a stamp on their “clan hunt” passport. Randy Walker stated that he had one made that worked well and that it was not expensive. Thad Osborne asked that he send him the

information about where it was made and that he would defray the expense of providing stamps to all the SDCs.

Some of the SDCs would like a listing of ACGS members in their area of responsibilities so that they can be contacted to assist at the clan tent during the highland games.

Michael A. MacGregor agreed to send Lois Ann his Excel file of names and addresses for the SDCs. As Registrar, Lois Ann has been notifying the appropriate SDC when there is a new member in their area.

Lois Ann handed out draft copies of the Provisional Membership Applications. A discussion followed and it was agreed that the SDCs use these next year at the various highland games.

It was mentioned during the General Meeting that the SDCs are becoming their own community within the ACGS and that several of them have been to neighboring states to assist their fellow SDCs at the different games. This support and effort is much applauded and is very much appreciated.

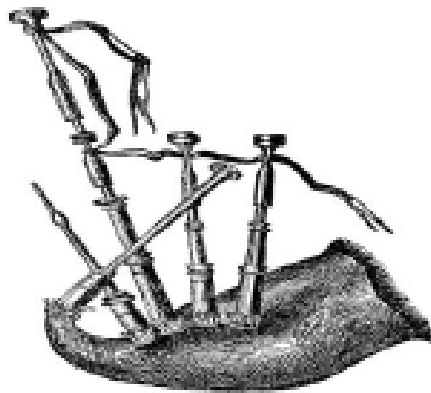
A drawing was held for the SDC sword and Bruce Whyte was this year's winner. There was no drawing for the regimental dirk because it had been damaged in transit.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50p.m.

Respectfully submitted jointly,

Randolph W. Walker – Scribe

Lois Ann Garlitz – Ranking Deputy Chieftain



TREASURER'S REPORT 2010-2011

Bruce MacGregor Whyte

Background

All accounting has now been converted to electronic means. We are using QuickBooks Premier for Non-Profit Organizations ver 2011 effectively donated by TechSoup. It has taken some time to convert to this. Reports are based on the time frame October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011, although very little was actually added in October 2009. As a result of the computerization, all transactions can be made far easier, faster and more accurately without need to transpose elsewhere. Reports can be produced quickly and reliably. Accompanying this report are:

Balance sheets for all accounts as of 9/30/2011;

Accounts payable listing as of 9/30/2011;

Profit and loss statement for all accounts as of 9/30/2011.

Individual details within accounts are available for the asking as the database is here with us.

Balance sheets

Overall we are in better financial shape than this time last year. Our cash on hand has increased by \$15,208.41 and investments have grown by \$7,432.83 during a poor economic year. A simple comparison shows:

	<u>November 30, 2010¹</u>	<u>September 30, 2011</u>
<u>Assets</u>		
Blunt	\$2,530.24	\$2,632.98
Magruder	\$2,125.08	\$3,826.73
Tichy	\$9,816.66	\$13,226.69
Charity & Ed check	\$28,126.43	\$7,008.45
Charity & Ed savings	\$100.01	\$22,123.34
General checking	\$26,845.38	\$15,670.15
General savings	\$2,393.14	\$22,649.01
Subtotal	\$71,938.94	\$87,147.35
Investments	\$283,264.30	\$290,697.13
Total Assets	\$355,203.24	377,844.48
<u>Liabilities & Equity</u>	\$355,203.24	\$377,844.48

¹ Since so little was completed in October and considering October was empty, the November 1 date is more reliable.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR

Lois Ann Garlitz

(listing new members or other changes in membership status between the 2010 Gathering at Annapolis, Maryland and the Gathering at Detroit, Michigan in October 2011. If you should notice a discrepancy, please notify the Registrar)

Readers are reminded that the genealogies presented here are as they were submitted by the member. Any inquiries should be sent to that member.

NEW MEMBERS – includes Associate and Life Members

#2956 MORTON, Cynthia Jan Proctor, 4223 New Bern Highway, Jacksonville, NC 28456. She is the daughter of Troy John Proctor and Virginia Newton, she the daughter of Arcemus N. Newton and Ruby Leona Wilson; she the daughter of Adolphus A. Wilson and Mary Belle Gragg; she the daughter of M. Woodfin Gragg and Anna Fritts; he the son of William Gragg and Mary Simmons; he the son of Isom Gragg and Elizabeth Harris; he the son of William Buchanan Gragg and Celia Caroline Boone; he the son of William Obidiah Gragg, Jr. and Elizabeth Pulliam.

#2957 MERCIER, Francis Raymond, 608 Elephant Road, Perkasio, PA 18944. She is the daughter of Claude JM Mercier and Dorothy Gregg Mercier, ACGS#2958.

#2958 MERCIER, Dorothy Gregg, 608 Elephant Road, Perkasio, PA 18944. She is the spouse of Claude Jean Marie Mercier ACGS#2961A and the daughter of Charles Stone Gregg #2313 and Patricia Hagerty.

#2959 MERCIER, Michelle Claude, 187 Green Street, Apt. 2, Annapolis, MD 21401. She is the daughter of Claude JM Mercier #2961A and Dorothy Gregg Mercier #2958.

#2960 MERCIER, Roland Gregg, 118 Hughes Ave. Sellersville, PA 18960. He is the son of Claude JM Mercier #2961A and Dorothy Gregg Mercier #2958.

#2961A MERCIER, Claude Jean Marie, 608 Elephant Road, Perkasio, PA 18944. He is the husband of Dorothy Gregg Mercier #2958.

#2962 GREGG, James Burr, 617 West 32nd St. Apt. 1, Richmond, VA 23225. He is the son of Charles Stone Gregg #2313 and Patricia J. Hagerty.

#2963 WEISNIGHT, William Gregg, 12424 Hulsey Drive, Chesterfield, VA 23838. He is the son of David B. Weisnight #2928A and Catherine Gregg Weisnight #2927; and the grandson of Charles Stone Gregg #2313 and Patricia H. Glowka.

#2964LM CUNEO, Catherine Camper Pugh, 12 Cunningham Circle, Taylors, SC 29687. She is the daughter of Olin Sharpe Pugh and Louise Camper Ewell Pugh #939.

#2965LM PUGH, Walter Ewell, 215 Vincenne Road, Columbia, SC 29212. He is the son of Olin Sharpe Pugh and Louise Camper Ewell Pugh #939.

#2966LM PUGH, Ernest Olin, 973 Liberty Oaks Court, Charlottesville, VA 22901. He is the son of Olin Sharpe Pugh and Louise Camper Ewell Pugh #939.

#2967 ELLIOTT, Richard Holt, 2032 Munden Point Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23457-1212. He is the son of John Frank Elliott III and Mary Hathaway Gregg, and the brother of Millard Gregg Elliott #2655.

#2968 NUNLEY, Irene MacGregor, 1605 Earlham Ave., Crofton, MD, 21114. She is the spouse of Clyde Dale Nunley and the daughter of James MacGregor and Irene D. MacGregor; he the son of James MacGregor and Annie Grey.

#2969 WALKER, William Russell, 735 E. Summit, Bolivar, MO 65613. He is the spouse of Rebecca Ann Condren and the son of Durward Kenneth Walker and Ada Lee Lipe; he the son of Russell Hightower Walker and Anna Elizabeth Roberts; he the son of Robert Benjamin Walker and Nancy Catherine Carroll; he the son of Robert Hightower Walker and Nancy Kenner Gilliland; he the son of Benjamin Walker and Sally Hightower; he the son of John Walker and Rachel Parr.

#2970A WALKER, Rebecca Ann Condren, 735 E. Summit, Bolivar, MO 65613. She is the spouse of William Russell Walker #2969.

#2971 ENGEL, Juliette Michaelson, M.D., 115 Grant Ave., Tacoma Park, MD 20912. She is the daughter of James Christian Michaelson and Alexandrienne Eloise Friestedt; she the daughter of Luther Dufur Friestedt and Agnes Chabrison; he the son of Luther Peter Friestedt. Here her pedigree joins that of her cousin Lynn Friestedt Steffen # 2943.

#2972 JONES, Cheryl Elyse Furches, 39 Shull Drive, Newark, DE 19711. She is the spouse of Wesley Larkin Jones and the daughter of William Roy Furches and Dorothy McFarland; he the son of Robert Alexander Furches and Sallie Ellen Miller; she the daughter of William Riley Miller and Martha Ellen Jones; he the son of John Alexander Miller and Nancy (Betty) Elizabeth Greer; she the daughter of William Riley Greer and Frances T. Watson; he the son of Samuel Greer and Sarah Sallie Church; he the son of Benjamin Greer and Nancy Wilcockson; he the son of John Greer, Jr. and Nancy Ann Walker; he the son of John Greer, Sr. and Sarah Day; he the son of James Greer and Ann Taylor.

#2973 JONES, Grace No'el, 39 Shull Drive, Newark, DE 19711. She is the daughter of Wesley Larkin Jones and Cheryl Elyse Furches #2972.

#2974 MCGREGOR, Shealean Marie, 2792 Nordman Ave., New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168. She is the daughter of Ian James McGregor #2732 and Patricia Ann Clute; he the son of John C. McGregor #2379 and Ena Julia Blackwood.

#2975 HORNBACK, Alice Pauline, 1538 Belfrey Drive, Venice, FL 34292. She is the spouse of Vernon T. Hornback, and the daughter of Joseph Paul Troutman and Gracie Agnes Daugherty. He the son of Henry Troutman and Nora Hoskins; he the son of M. Frank Troutman and Mary V. Church; he the son of Ferdinand A. Troutman and Emaline Jenkins; he the son of Abraham Troutman and Eleanor "Nelly" Magruder; she the daughter of Archibald Magruder and Cassandra Offutt; she the daughter of John Magruder and Jane Offutt; he the son of Ninian Magruder and Elizabeth Brewer; he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall; he the son of Alexander Magruder (the Immigrant) and Margaret Braithwaite.

#2976 MASONE, Marsha Lee Hauschild, 13617 Bluestone Court, Clifton, VA 20124. She is the spouse of Roger John Masone and the daughter of Thomas Burke Hauchild and

June Eleana Frey. She the daughter of John Michael Frey and Myrtle Pearl Adkins; she the daughter of Henry Conley Adkins and Eleana Alma French; he the son of George Buchanan Adkins and Susan Ellen Barrows; she the daughter of Joseph Adkins and Elizabeth Connelly/Conley/Conly; she the daughter of Henry Connelly and Sarah/Sary Phillips; he the son of Henry Conley (Capt.) and Ann MacGregor; and she the daughter of Archibald MacGregor and Edith MacAlpine.

#2977 GUNDERSON, Robert Christian, 15515 Wallingford Ave. N, Seattle, WA 98133. He is the spouse of Jacqueline Beck, and the son of Thomas Christian Gunderson and Helen Elizabeth May. His sister is Susan Kathryn Gunderson, ACGS#2476.

#2978 FRANK, Eric Christian, 1300 – 156th St, SE #B104, Mill Creek, WA 98012. He is the son of Ralph Frank and Susan Kathryn Gunderson ACGS#2476.

#2979 FRANK, Katy, 2429 St. Paul Street, Bellingham, WA 98229-5427. She is the spouse of Peter Kendall MacCoy and the daughter of Ralph Frank and Susan Kathryn Gunderson ACGS#2476.

#2981 LYND, Raymond Carl, 1310 Jeff Street, Ypsilanti, MI 48198. He is the brother of Donald Emerson Lynd ACGS#2663.

#2982 LACKEY, Joshua Taylor, 4502 Sunflower Lane, Temple, TX 76502. He is the son of Glenn Franklin Lackey and Deborah Anne Arnold; he the son of William Donald Lackey and Betty Jo Hunt; he the son of Thomas F. Lackey and Elsie E. Savage; he the son of John Lawson Lackey and Nancy Kate Barkley; he the son of Moses Monroe Lackey and Lucinda Harvey; he the son of Moses Lackey and Margaret Lusk.

#2983 GREER, John Michael, 100 Hostler Road, Buckner, MO 64016. He is the spouse of Marie Key and the brother of Lawrence Raymond Greer ACGS#2901.

#2984 O'HARA, Elizabeth Ann, 675 Vernon Street, Oakland CA 94610. She is the daughter of John James O'Hara and Julia Sarah Read; she the daughter of Lloyd Magruder Read and Julia Elizabeth Turner; he the son of James Peter Read and Sallie Magruder; she the daughter of Lloyd Magruder, Jr. and Caroline Elizabeth Pelham; he the son of Lloyd Magruder and Ann Holmes; he the son of Samuel Wade Magruder and Lucy Beall; he the son of Alexander Magruder and Ann Wade; he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beal; he the son of Alexander Magruder (the Immigrant) and Margaret Braithwaite; he the son of Alexander McGregor and Margaret Campbell Drummond.

#2985 HITCHCOCK, Terri Ellen Owsley, 5520 Georgia Ave., New Port Richey, FL 34652. She is the spouse of Charles Duncan Hitchcock and the daughter of Sherman Franklin Owsley and Edith Patricia Sharpe. He the son of Sherman Hager Owsley and Helen Bessie Lay; she the daughter of Jefferson Franklin Lay and Mary Violet McGregor; she the daughter of Archibald McGregor, Jr., and Elizabeth "Bessie" Pollock; he the son of Archibald McGregor and Nancy Ann McLean; he the son of Peter McGregor and Margaret Mary McArthur.

#2986 STREET, William Alpheus, Jr., 719 Edgehill Drive, Bel Air, MD 21014. He is the spouse of Renee Dion Pollack, and the son of William Alton Street ACGS#1838 and Camellia Joan Whitaker; he the son of William Alpheus Street ACGS#1836.

#2987 STREET, Catherine Alexandra, 4 Bishop St., Unit 409, Framingham, MA 01702. She is the daughter of William Anton Street ACGS#1838LM and Diane Lynn Kuelper.

#2988 MacGREGOR, Ian Douglas, 802 Ulysses Street, Golden, CO 80401. He is the spouse of Jennifer Joy MacGregor, and the son of John R. MacGregor ACGS#2717 and Louise Ann Bauer ACGS#2995A.

#2989 PULLEASE, Robert J., 187 Cinnamon Fern Lane, Banner Elk, NC 28604. He is the spouse of Dorothy Fields and the son of Theodore W. Pullease and Josephine Lipinski. He the son of Dominic A. Pullease and Edith Peterkin Whitlock; she the daughter of Harrison Hartwell Whitlock and Margaret Peterkin; she the daughter of John Peterkin and Jane Forrest; he the son of John Peterkin and Janet Allen.

#2990 McGREGOR, Michael Kelly, 200002 4th St. SE, Snohomish, WA 98290. He is the spouse of Diana L. Walters and the son of Larry L. McGregor ACGS#2824LM and Leona Jaeger.

#2991 BRANDS, Lennie Jane McGhee, P.O. Box 309, Walden, CO 80480. She is the spouse of Fred Joseph Brands and the daughter of William Homer McGhee (aka Joseph William McGhee) and Martha Zerilda. He the son of Leander McGhee and Amanda Jane Coffman; he the son of Isaac McGhee and Mary Jane Rider; he the son of James Mayfield McGhee and Anna Thorn; he the son of Lively McGhee and Winifred Stodghill; he the son of William Mackgehee and Elizabeth Lively.

#2992 McGHEE, Judith Ann, 437 Expedition Lane, Johnstown, CO 80534. She is the sister of Lennie Jane McGhee Brands (above) ACGS#2991 and the daughter of William Homer McGhee (aka Joseph William McGhee) and Martha Zerilda.

#2993 McGREGOR, George, 303 Cherrywood Lane, Edgewood, FL 32132. He is the spouse of Nancy McGregor and the son of John C. McGregor ACGS# 2379 and Ena Julia Blackwood.

#2994 MacGREGOR, Hailey Elizabeth, 16095 W. 14th Pl., Golden, CO 80401. She is the daughter of John R. MacGregor ACGS#2717 and Louise Ann Bauer ACGS#2995A.

#2995A MacGREGOR, Louise Ann (Lou Ann) Bauer, 862 Primos Road, Boulder, CO 80302. She is the spouse of John Robert MacGregor ACGS#2717.

#2997A READ, Caroline J. Richardson, 17 Camino don Miguel, Orlinda, CA 94563. She is the spouse of James Peter Read (now deceased). James was the son of Lloyd Magruder Read and Julia Elizabeth Turner; he the son of James Peter Read and Sallie Magruder; she the daughter of Lloyd Magruder and Caroline Elizabeth Pelham; he the son of Lloyd Magruder and Ann Holmes (second wife); he the son of Samuel Wade Magruder and Lucy Beal; he the son of Alexander Magruder and Ann Wade; he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beal; he the son of Alexander Magruder (the Immigrant) and Margaret Braithwaite; he the son of Alexander MacGregor and Margaret Campbell Drummond. Caroline's niece is new member Elizabeth Ann O'Hara ACGS#2984.

#2998 Ewell, Mary Bird, 4604 Bay Creek Drive, Winston-Salem, NC 27103. She is the daughter of Richard Stoddert Ewell ACGS#2205 and Elizabeth Jean Rickert.

#2999 GREGG, Jeffrey Bryan, 100 East Santa Anita Ave., Burbank, CA 91502. He is the spouse of Danielle Y. Perez and the son of Jeffrey L. Gregg and Debbie A. Fricke. He the son of John Irvin Gregg and Naomi June Scaif; he the son of John Irvin Gregg and Lydia L. Bangerter; he the son of Andrew Gregg and Mary Smythe; he the son of Andrew Gregg and Margaret Irvin; he the son of Andrew Gregg and Martha Potter; he the son of Andrew Gregg and Jean Scott (second wife); he the son of John Gregg and Rachael (not recorded); he the son of David Gregg and (unknown); he the son of John Gregg and Janet Gibson.

#3000 WHITE, Koby Jay, P.O. Box 30063, Midland, TX 79712. He is the spouse of Savannah Lindsey Grulich and the son of Tommie Lee White, Jr. and Cleta Vanette Dill. He the son of Tommie Lee White and Lamona Newman; he the son of Jesse Lee White and Grady Mae Smith; he the son of John Bullock White and Ellen Clara Hester; he the son of Thomas Arthur White and Harriet E. Johnson; he the son of Hugh White and Evaline Long; he the son of James White and Mary Barker; he the son of John White, Sr. and Sara Marget; he the son of Isaac John White and Mary Ann Ewell; he the son of Thomas White and (unknown).

#3002 MORTON, Jason Neil, 7186 Spring Hill Road, Lewisville, NC 27023. He is the spouse of Ashley Nicole Schmidt and the son of Cynthia Jan Proctor Morton ACGS#2956.

#3003 WHYTE, Timothy Bruce, Hebron, Kentucky. He the spouse of Lisa Boh and the son of Bruce MacGregor Whyte ACGS#2783 and Hanya Lena Whyte. Timothy was deceased 22 June 2011.

#3004 WHYTE, Jeremy MacGregor, 3160 Windsor Gate Run, Duluth, GA 30096. He is the son of Bruce MacGregor Whyte ACGS#2783 and Hanya Lena Whyte.

#3005 ARGYLE, Steven Mark, 443 Wheatridge Road, Stansbury Park, UT 84074. He is the spouse of Lisa Ann Pratt and the son of Horace Mark Argyle and Joyce Edith Baumgart. He the son of Mark Mann Argyle and Susan Clark; he the son of Thomas Holroyd Argyle and Lavinia Mann; he the son of Joseph Argyle and Ellen Taylor Holroyd; he the son of Joseph Argyle and Rebecca Jane Finch; he the son of Joseph Argyle and Frances Smith. A DNA report accompanied his application.

#3006 MAGEE, Derry David, 9265 Brookwater Circle, College Station, TX 77845. He is the spouse of Gwendora Wilkes and the son of Marvin Mangum Magee and Mary Aline Bridges. He the son of Derry David Magee and Zora Easterling; he the son of Robert Solomon Magee and Eugenia Elizabeth Mangum; he the son of Willis Sims Magee and Mary Norwood; he the son of Solomon Magee and Elizabeth Weathersby; he the son of Phillip Magee and Mary Butler.

#3007 KROUSE, Curtis Vance, 9726 East Fairview Ct., Spokane, WA 99206. He is the spouse of Ramona Jo Herner and the son of Vernon Eugene Krouse and Norma Alean Greer. She the daughter of Charles Franklin Greer, Sr. and Mary Ruth Goins; he the son of John W. Greer and Betty Johnson; he the son of Benjamin Franklin Greer and Milfred Davis; he the son of John C. Greer and Jane C. Burk; he the son of Samuel Greer and Jane Davis Wright; he the son of David Greer and Mary Ann Locke; he the son of Walter Greer and Pricilla Ann Graham; he the son of William Greer and Mary Ann Fitch; he the son of John Greer and Sarah Day; he the son of James Greer and Ann Taylor.

#3009 GREGG, Timothy Cochran, 50 Washington Ave., Whippany NJ 07981. He is the spouse of Jill Jacquin and the son of Donald Benjamin Gregg ACGS#2367 and Catherine Jane Quinn. His uncle was Paul Charles Gregg ACGS#1939, former chieftain.

Convert to LIFE MEMBER

#1838LM STREET, William Alton, Fallston, Maryland

#2808LM MONTMENY, Donna Jane, Aurora, Colorado

REINSTATED MEMBERS in 2011

None

ADVANCE from Junior membership to Lineal membership

#2980 BOSCH, Reuben Michael, 3432 Crestview Way, Napa, CA 94558-5328. He is the son of Milton K.D. Bosch ACGS#2743LM and Elizabeth A. Walker ACGS#2850A.

#2996 HIGHT, Nathan Reese, 10335 NW 35th Lane, Gainesville FL 32606. He is the son of Joe Wesley Hight and Cynthia Leigh Drane ACGS#1904.

#3001 JOINER, Abbey Elizabeth, 342 Tyneridge Road, Banner Elk, NC 28604. She is the daughter of John Andrew Joiner and Elizabeth Magruder Joiner ACGS#2172LM; she the daughter of Abbey Wailes Magruder, Jr. ACGS#1658 and Mary Lillian Ledbetter ACGS#1977A.

#3008 GARLITZ, Rachel Lea, c/o Don Garlitz, 1082 South Slate Canyon Drive, Provo UT 84606. She is the daughter of Donald W. Garlitz and Michelle Davey Knapp; he the son of Richard Garlitz and Lois Ann Cox Garlitz ACGS#2561LM.

new JUNIOR MEMBERS *(their # indicates the year they turn 18 years of age)*

#2016J MAGRUDER, Leslie Charles, Jr. of Las Vegas, Nevada. His sponsor is his grandmother Mary Lillian Magruder #1977LM.

#2018J STREET, William Alpheus III, of Bel Air, Maryland. His sponsor is his grandfather William Alton Street #1838LM.

#2021J STREET, Kylie Morgan, of Bel Air, Maryland. Her sponsor is her grandfather William Alton Street #1838LM.

#2026J MERCIER, Carter Claude, of Sellersville, Pennsylvania. His sponsor is his father Roland Gregg Mercier ACGS#2960.

#2027J BENEDICT-WILLIAMS, Kolton Elijah, of Gainesville, Florida. His sponsor is his grandfather Gary Benedict ACGS#2786.

#2028J STREET, Gavin MacGregor, of Bel Air, Maryland. His sponsor is his grandfather William Alton Street #1838LM.

#2028J WHYTE, Blaise Kingsley of Hebron, Kentucky. His sponsor is his grandfather Bruce MacGregor Whyte #2783.

RECRUITER for the Year 2011 is again Peter K. Gregg (ACGS#2686), SDC for Delaware, who assisted eight family members to join ACGS. Congratulations for a job well done! Looking forward, I think there is a chance for the rest of you for next year; Peter may now be running short of persons in his family who are not members ☺

Runners-up who assisted 2 or more persons to join this year were: William Alton Street ACGS#1838LM - five family members, plus converting to a Life Membership for himself; Susan Gunderson ACGS#2476, - three family members recruited; John R. MacGregor ACGS#2717 - three family members assisted; Louise Camper Ewell Pugh ACGS#939 - three family members; then John C. McGregor ACGS#2379, with two family recruits.

Way to go folks! This is only one way our society can remain strong... to share the tradition of belonging to your very own clan society. We are more than just a newsletter and a yearbook. We are clansmen and clanswomen honoring our mutual heritage by gathering together and keeping ours and our ancestors' stories alive. Why not tell us yours for the next yearbook or newsletter?



REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

Lillian Magruder

Since the last Gathering of the Society in Annapolis, Maryland in 2010 until the Gathering in Detroit, Michigan in 2011, there have been reported one birth, one marriage, ten deaths of members, and five deaths of relatives of members.

BIRTHS

WHYTE, Blaise Kingsley, born September 2, 2010, son of Timothy Bruce Whyte and Elizabeth Armela Boh, and grandson of Bruce Macgregor Whyte (Clan No. 2783) and Hanya Lena Baran.

MARRIAGES

INGRAM – DARROW

Nancy Lee Ingram (Clan No. 2909LM) and Phillip Darrow were married on January 29, 2011 in Zephyrhills, Florida.

DEATHS OF MEMBERS

GREGORY, Jeff, (Clan No. 2124), died in April of 2008.

GREGORY, Corbett H. “Jerry”, (Clan No. 2108), died on August 10, 2010.

TOERNER, Mary (Clan No. 2669), died on June 27, 2002.

BELKNAP, William Burke, Jr. (Clan No. 2673A), died on November 26, 2010.

GRAVELINE, Elizabeth (Clan No. 2357), died on March 10, 2011, in Arlington, Virginia.

MAGRUDER, Leslie Charles (Clan No. 2173LM), died on June 14, 2011, in Las Vegas, Nevada. He was the son of Abbey W. Magruder, Jr., deceased, and Lillian Magruder.

CAMPBELL, Paula Hammond (Clan No. 2550), died on May 29, 2011, in Florence, Alabama.

MacGREGOR, Barbara (Clan No. 2349A), died on July 22, 2011. Barbara was the widow of Past Chieftain Malcolm G. MacGregor.

BURNS, Mary Louise Brister (Clan No. 2188), died on July 16, 2011.

TERRY, Mrs. John H. (Clan No. 1346), died on March 14, 2010.

DEATHS OF RELATIVES OF MEMBERS

GREGORY, Lillie Ree, wife of Corbett H. “Jerry” Gregory (Clan No. 2108) died in 2010.

WHYTE, Timothy B. “Tim”, son of Bruce Whyte and Hanya Whyte, died on June 22, 2011, in Hebron, Kentucky.

CAMPBELL, William, husband of Paula Hammond Campbell (Clan NO. 2550), died on May 29, 2011.

ZIMMERMAN, Bill, husband of Mary Zimmerman (Clan No. 2335), died on September 8, 2011.

WAGNER, Marion Ida Baker, mother of Marilyn Gregor (Clan No. 1594ALM), died on July 19, 2011.





MEMORIALS

TIMOTHY BRUCE WHYTE

November 12, 1981 – June 22, 2011



Easter 2011

Tim was born in Canberra, Australia in 1981. Known for his *joie de vie*, he never stopped, would run rather than walk and would stay awake in case he missed something. He flew to the UK in 1982, did not sleep more than 10 minutes on the floor at the feet of his mother. He remembered nothing of this time in his life, not surprisingly. Moved with his family to Atlanta, Georgia in 1989, attended and finished schooling where he graduated with a high distinction in the art of socialization.

He lived a good and somewhat carefree life until landing a position in the hospitality industry with the Marriott hotel chain. There he excelled, so much so that as a 22 year old, he was sent to various properties as a consultant to correct their front office issues. His procedures put into place at those hotels and his base hotel in Covington are used today, have resulted in his hotel receiving the award for best in class and have improved all their satisfaction surveys to top 5 in the country. It was also there that he met Lisa Boh. She complemented Tim perfectly. They were married in June 2009 and moved to Kentucky, near her family, when he accepted the position of front desk manager at the Riverfront Marriott in Covington, KY. They bought a house and started doing all the usual activities of creating a home.

Their son Blaise Kingsley Whyte was born September 2010 and is carrying the good looks of his Dad forward. He is also as cheeky, prepared to challenge any rule and has a wonderful sense of humour already. January 2011 Tim was diagnosed with Stage 4 bowel cancer after a minimal illness over 7 days and commenced treatments in February. In June, he and Lisa ceased all further treatment and took him home. He died June 22, 2011 at the age of 29 years.

Love you Son! Brother! Father! Husband! Cousin! Nephew! Friend! And all your family in Australia, the USA, the UK and India.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

THE GENERAL MARSHALL MAGRUDER LIBRARY (MML)

The great news this year is the cost of the Archivist project for the MML, which was little over \$26,000, is now paid off. This was accomplished by generous donations and support of the raffles held at the Gatherings. Even better news is donations exceeded the cost of the project. This surplus was transferred to the MML Fund. The MML Fund has a current balance of \$2526.04. From this point forward, donations and raffle proceeds will be able go directly in to this fund. Although the Librarian is authorized to spend \$250 annually on books/publications, no purchases were made this year.

I am also glad to report all major objectives for the MML have been accomplished. These include the following:

1. Re-established working relationship with the Langsdale Library administration and staff as per our contract.
2. All archives and artifacts received prior to October 2009 have been professionally processed in to the MML.
3. The library or books/publications component of the MML was moved to its own location within Special Collections at the Langsdale Library. All of these books/publications were re-cataloged in to a separate Special Collections entity. Each book/publication received a special identification mark on the spine indicating it belongs to the MML.
4. All Yearbooks are available in PDF format on the Langsdale Library website. Other publications and photos, including the Newsletter are also available on line.
5. The MML portion of the Langsdale Library website was updated to make it more user friendly. So to eliminate the need to search the Langsdale Library catalog for MML books/publications, a separate listing of all the books/publications in the MML was added to the web site. In August of this year, the Library rolled a new website, and the MML was incorporated in to this improved design. The new link to the MML at Langsdale Library is: <http://langsdale.ubalt.edu/special-collections/a-z-holdings-list/american-clan-gregor-society/index.cfm>

Path forward for the MML

There is a quantity of archive material which needs to be processed. Thus, planning for the hiring of a qualified archivist needs to begin. It is important that ACGS not fall behind in preserving these important documents.

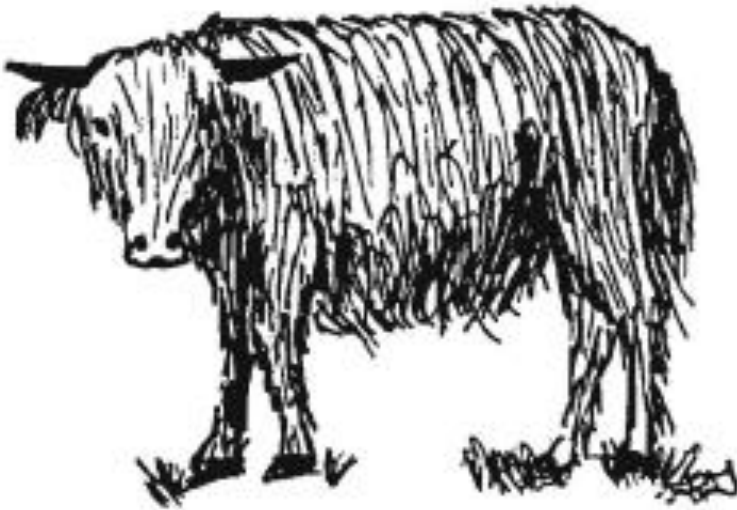
CLIMATE CONTROLLED STORAGE UNIT

In effort to recover the costs of renting the storage unit and to reduce the inventory of the Yearbooks, the ACGS now offers Yearbooks for sale. The cost of a Yearbook is \$13.50 and includes all mailing costs. Not all years are available. Interested purchasers should check with the Librarian to determine if a particular Yearbook is in stock.

Path Forward for the Controlled Storage Unit

Since very few Year books have been sold within the last couple of years, and with the Yearbooks now available in PDF format on the Langsdale Library website, it is seriously time to consider the disposition of the Yearbooks in storage.

Respectfully submitted,
Steven C. Grier
ACGS Librarian



SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

Susan Tichy

We had 15 viable applications this year, and are able to fund 8, using earnings from the Blunt fund and additional donations from members. We chose to fund the 5 freshmen and 3 sophomores. We are waiting for a transcript from one applicant; otherwise all paperwork is in order, memberships and dues confirmed.

Among other first-time applicants we also had a senior, a grad student, and 3 adult students. We also had applications from 2 seniors who have had previous scholarships.

Nathan Hight

Gainesville, FL. Lifetime membership, purchased for him by his grandfather John Wanzer Drane. Top 10% of his graduating class. Plays guitar, speaks Spanish, AP in Psychology, American History, and Government. He will be attending LaGrange College, Georgia, where he will study music and a broad liberal arts curriculum.

Abbey Joiner

Banner Elk, NC. Junior member, d/o John and Elizabeth Magruder Joiner, granddaughter of Abbey and Lillian Magruder. She is attending Savannah College of Art and Design, Savannah, GA, to study illustration and animation, with minor in graphics design.

Rachel Garlitz

Provo, UT. Junior member. Plays soccer, on debate team. She is attending BYU-Idaho, to study education and become a teacher. She is the granddaughter of Lois Ann. I have no information re: her parents' membership but Lois Ann says Rachel is a Junior Member.

Mary Byrd Ewell

Winston-Salem, NC. Active in Key Club, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, debate, math team, and more; also a leukemia survivor. She is accepted at several schools, probably attending UNC-Chapel Hill, with ambition to become a pediatric oncologist.

Joseph Greer

Bridgeport, WV. Active in sports, voice, chess club, and several service organizations. He will be attending West Virginia Wesleyan, with scholarships for voice and community service, to study biology and pre-dentistry, with ambition to become an orthodontist. Grandson of Michael D. Greer, State Deputy Chieftan for West Virginia, and son of Robert L. Greer, also a member. His family runs a clan tent at the North Central Highland Scottish Festival in Bridgeport.

Ardath Osbourne

She is a sophomore at West Virginia University, studying communications and broadcast journalism. Has an internship this summer with the BBC. Niece of Thad Osbourne and Ardath has joined the society.

Taylor Lackey

Sophomore at University of Texas, Austin, in Exercise Science/pre-Med. Society member.

Daniel Knight

Sophomore at Murray State University, KY. He has joined the society. We are waiting to hear about Daniel's plans for the fall—he may be transferring to a new college.

ASSISTANT CHIEFTAIN'S REPORT

Scott F. MacGregor

In the past year I have been busy with the mailings which have grown to over 700 letters when we mail to everyone. For newsletters and the yearbook the printer mails them to roughly 450 members. You ask why the difference, there are over 250 members who are over two years behind in their dues. Some of these individuals go back to 2004. All one has to do to become current on their membership status is pay for one year's back dues and the current year's dues. Once you're a member of the society you are always a member.

I continue to work organizing the annual Gathering which this year's in Detroit was one of the best with excellent weather, wonderful sites visited in two countries, plenty of wonderful food and activities to keep everyone busy, and MacGregor history abound everywhere. The article and pictures in the yearbook will not do the weekend justice; you had to experience it in person. Our Gathering chairperson, Kathleen Stone, and her wonderful committee of Henry Stone, Alice and Ronald Shankland, and Jim and Annie Stadden deserve all the credit for pulling off this great Gathering in a location that many were skeptical about and a few stayed away.

If you did not make the Gathering or skipped the General meeting on Saturday morning (*shame on you members as this is your society; you should at least hear what your elected officers are doing and where your society is going*). I announced that I have tendered my resignation as Assistant Chieftain effective in 2013. I will continue my many duties through the completion of Ron's term as Chieftain, and then the first year of the next Chieftain's term.

This was not an easy decision to make as I love the society and believe you get out of something what you put into it. I also believe and noted when taking this position that no one person should hold any single position for too long a consecutive time. The position can become stale and the membership becomes complacent in them always being there to handle things.

After thirteen plus years serving on Council; first being appointed as a member-at-large by then Chieftain Malcolm MacGregor at the last Gathering in Nashville, Tennessee in 1998, then being elected as Scribe at the Gathering in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania in 2002, and then being appointed as Assistant Chieftain by then Chieftain Robert F. MacGregor, Jr. at the Gathering in Virginia Beach, Virginia in 2006. All during this time I juggled a full-time job and raised my three children. I do have to thank my family and friends who have assisted me greatly in these past few years especially with the mailings. Having your assistance made each mailing move smoother and quicker.

With only so much time in a day my original passion for joining the society has been neglected. This being genealogy and unlocking the many mysteries of my ancestor's past. I think they worked hard to leave very little of a trail behind.

So while I am stepping down in two years I am not disappearing. You will still find me enjoying the Gatherings, just now without so much worry and late night/early morning scrambling to ensure everything continues smoothly.

With my departure the society is going to need a new Assistant Chieftain. Should you have some extra time and energy your society can really use you. The position requires some travel in coordinating the annual Gatherings, handling the mailings, and maintaining the membership database.



[The following report was given by Keith MacGregor, ACGS #2941, on the recent possible discovery of a key location in Scotland and in Clan Gregor history and how he sees we should proceed to preserve it for future generations.]

Identifying the MacGregor Chiefs' fortified house and carved stones at Dalmally, Argyllshire

Mission:

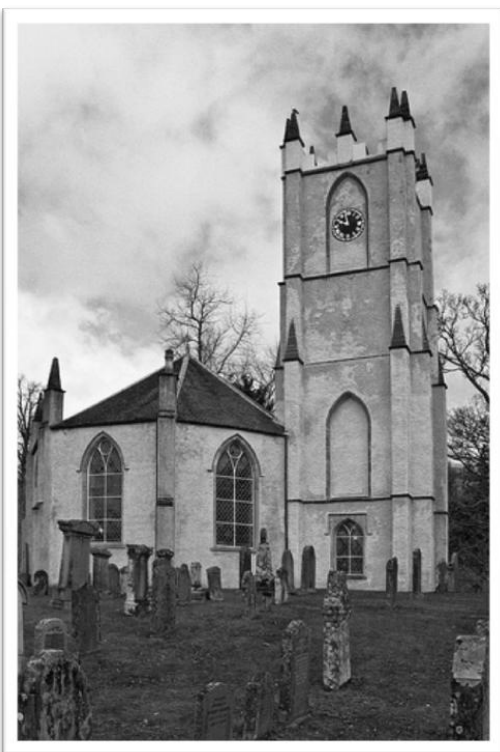
To further identify the site of Stronmilchan, documented home of the MacGregor Chiefs as well as expand the scope of the Dalmally stones project through the use of improved technological advances.

Object:

In July, 2012 I propose to engage the services of Gavin MacGregor, PhD. Archaeology and his team from Glasgow in the non-invasive study of two sites in Dalmally glen. The project would entail the use of Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR), gradiometer and flux gradiometers and two sites to be investigated are the Dalmally churchyard and a site identified by Scottish records as Stronmilchan. In a 1967 report, Stronmilchan is listed as "a fortalice (fortified house) made of mud and wattles and surrounded by a moat with drawbridge" near the river Orchy, about one-half mile west of the church (see attached).

The Stronmilchan site encompasses a rough mound located in a field, spanning about 25 x 75 meters, and is referred to in a government RCAHMS study as "Bothan na Dige" – the House of the Moat. My purpose is to identify a substantial stone foundation, any markings of a moat or drawbridge, and artifacts, if any, that may remain beneath the soil. The RCAHMS report (posted in this paper) indicates that Stronmilchan was home to the MacGregor Chiefs for many generations, and possibly as late as the 17th century.

The results would be prepared for publication in both academic and archaeological papers, and would be included in the petition to Historic Scotland to have the site declared a historic monument.



Dalmally Kirk

Moving on to Dalmally church, I propose to take GPR readings of the east end of the church floor (the medieval altar) and around the perimeter of the building to discover the outlines of the first church and to verify the “in situ” descriptions of the MacGregor burials given in the Book of the Dean of Lismore. These results should prove invaluable as next steps are taken with Historic Scotland on the Dalmally stones project. To date only seven stones have been identified in the churchyard, despite Robert Brydall’s report in 1898 which describes twelve carved stones as well as the foliated side-slab of a raised coffin.



Gathering around a couple of the stone in the Dalmally Kirkyard



Highlights of 102nd Annual Gathering of the American Clan Gregor Society

Submitted by: Juliette M. Engel, MD

When Detroit set out to make the 102nd Annual Gathering of the American Clan Gregor Society “one of the best,” a very high bar was set by the organizing chairman, Mrs. Kathleen Stone, and her excellent Hosting Committee. True to their promise, Clan Gregor members assembled at the Renaissance Center, world headquarters for General Motors, were treated to a unique insider’s view of the great Motor City through its history, culture, philanthropy and arts. No sooner had we arrived on Wednesday, unpacked, and taken a stroll along the Detroit River, than it was time to dress for Michigan’s Reception on the 72nd floor of the Renaissance Center tower where we enjoyed magnificent views over the city and the river. It was a great opportunity to greet old friends, and to make new friends as we sipped cocktails and nibbled on snacks from the top of the world.

From that moment until the final Sunday morning church service in the famous Mariner’s Church; our days were packed with opportunities to learn. Through specially produced DVD’s and historic materials, Kathy laid before us the significant role that legendary MacGregors from history played in local development. Every moment was offered up by our hosts with interesting information and a broad choice of activities including tours of the Henry Ford Museum, Greenfield Village, the Ford Rouge Plant and the Automotive Hall of Fame. It was to be a busy three days indeed.

On Thursday, members were still straggling in through bad weather in other parts of the country, but those of us lucky enough to be on site took shuttle buses to the complex of museums related to Henry Ford and Ford Motors. A beautiful day made the exploration of the outdoor museum of Greenfield Village particularly memorable. We were able to visit the laboratory of Thomas Edison and many other historic buildings that had been transported and reconstructed on the park-like grounds by Henry Ford himself. That evening, although still missing some members, we attended the Chieftain’s Reception at the Renaissance Center tower hosted by Chieftain Ron MacGregor. Following the reception fifty plus members and guests boarded the People Mover monorail for a short ride to nearby Greektown for an authentic ethnic Greek dinner. A wonderful evening was had by everyone as we enjoyed dinner, mingled, shared pleasant conversations with one another and perhaps drank a little too much ouzo and Greek wine.

Friday, following the council meeting, we began our serious tour of MacGregor history in the Detroit area with a visit to the Mariner’s Church where we had been granted special permission to ring the bell after reading the name of each beloved ACGS member who had passed away during the past year. This honor is usually reserved for fallen mariners. From there we ventured north to the shores of Lake St. Clair for lunch at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, a large splendid early home with some lovely gardens, topiary and statues. Further along the shore, we stopped at the home of Edsel and Eleanor Ford for a tour of the house, garage filled with famous collectible automobiles, and a child-sized doll house built for their daughter on the extensive landscaped grounds. The perfect little house with its small furniture and appliances was just big enough for us to walk through, but only if the tall ones ducked.

From there we visited the gravesite of philanthropist Tracy MacGregor, founder of the McGregor Fund Foundation and while en-route, viewed specially produced DVDs which gave a unique perspective on the life and work of Tracy MacGregor. This was a surprising connection to our 100th Gathering in Charlottesville, Virginia in 2009 as Tracy had donated his large book collection to the University of Virginia. On the way back to the hotel we made one last stop on the campus of Wayne State University where the McGregor Fund was instrumental in the building of the McGregor Memorial Conference Center.

After a quick dinner everyone came back together within the hotel for one mighty fine Ceilidh with members partaking in the Scottish Country Dancing, taking turns with jokes and riddles at the microphone, having a rip roaring time with our pipeband and dancers, and then the foot-stomping music of the Celtic rock group which concluded the evening. Then tired MacGregors wandered off to bed for a well-earned rest.

Of course, business was enacted starting with a meeting of the Council on Friday morning where amendments to modernize the American Clan Gregor Society bylaws were discussed and approved for presentation to the AGM for a vote. On Saturday morning at the Annual General Meeting, the new bylaws were unanimously approved and the appointment of Lois Ann Garlitz, Registrar, as the new Ranking Deputy Chieftain was announced.

Following the Annual General Meeting, we took our passports and boarded the buses to explore some MacGregor history in Canada. After crossing the Detroit River on the famous Ambassador Bridge, which provided grand views up and down the magnificent river, we stopped at St. John's Church in the historic town of Sandwich in Windsor to lay a plaque recognizing Gregor MacGregor. Gregor was a well known early settler to the Detroit area and a real character in his time. We then travelled across the street in two groups for a tasty lunch of Shepherd's Pie or Lasagna prepared by the owners of the McGregor-Cowan house who also operate an enticing bakery on site. With full tummies we crossed the street and entered the impressive Mackenzie Hall for a grand pipeband concert and performance by our pipers and dancers. A highlight of this performance was the opportunity taken to recognize two young people from a local grade school that is named for Gregor MacGregor. These two individuals read their winning essays that had earned them the opportunity to join us. Throughout our time in Sandwich, we were accompanied by charming actors who impersonated Gregor MacGregor and his wife, regaling us with anecdotes, interesting stories and tidbits of history.

The time seemed too short and before we knew it, we were climbing back on the buses to return to the hotel to prepare for our annual banquet, but our hosts were still full of surprises. The buses made a short excursion through the neighborhood where Gregor MacGregor once lived and where his home still stands. We then enjoyed a beautiful drive along the Detroit River where we had an unparalleled view of the Detroit skyline and our temporary home, the Marriott Renaissance Center Hotel across the river.

That final evening, the MacGregor Banquet was attended by elegantly dressed ladies and kilted gentlemen. After leading the group in prayers, toasts and songs, Chieftain Ron MacGregor announced that the incoming chieftain would be Lois Ann Garlitz, the first woman chieftain in the history of the society. This news was met with a standing ovation from assembled members. The evening proceeded with pipes, drums, the traditional "piping

in the haggis”, and hearty toasts to great traditions and songs sung to heroes long-dead but long-remembered in MacGregor hearts.

On Sunday additional activities included a special MacGregor worship service at the Mariner’s Church followed by a brunch and tour at the Detroit Institute of the Arts and Detroit Historical Museum.

All in all, we had been treated to a lovingly displayed, action packed overview of one of America’s great cities – presented in great style by those who live there, and take great pride in their hometown of Detroit, Michigan.



*American Clan Gregor Society Corporate Grant of Arms
as presented by the Lord Lyon's court*

The Gathering in Pictures

Detroit, Michigan

Views from atop the Renaissance Center Marriott Hotel

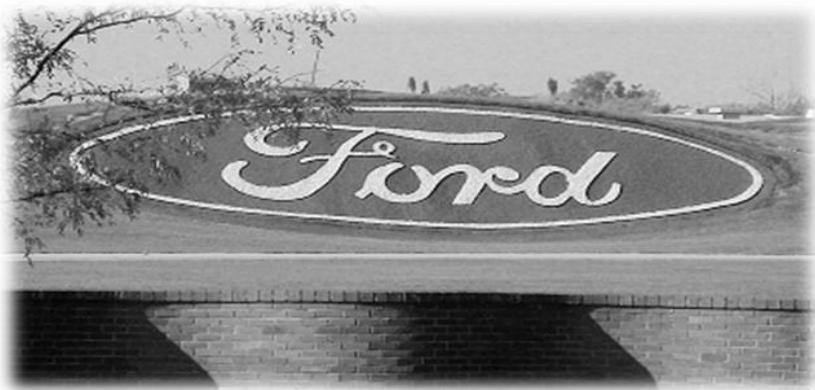


Looking up the Detroit River towards Lake St. Clair; Belle Island is on the horizon.



Looking down the Detroit River with the Ambassador Bridge in the distance.





Cruising Around Greenfield Village on Thursday.



Chieftain Ronald A. McGregor



Miriam Trojahn and Scott F. MacGregor

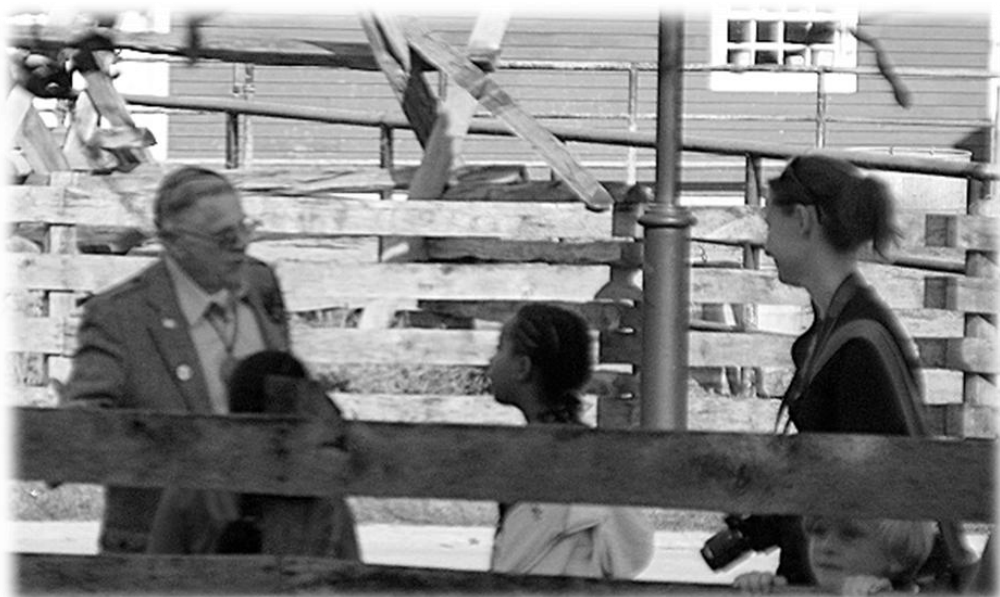


Linda DeJohn, Carol Spitznagle, Lois Ann Garlitz, Jane Montmeny, and Juliette Engel



*Miriam Trojahn and
Scott F. MacGregor*





Chieftain Ron McGregor explaining his kilt to passer-bys.



*Lou Ann and John MacGregor,
Carol Spitznagle,
Scott F. MacGregor, and
Miriam Trojahn*





John R. and Lou Ann MacGregor



Carol Spitznagle and Lou Ann MacGregor





*Lou Ann MacGregor, Carol Spitznagle, and John R. MacGregor
found the wiener mobile in the museum.*



*Chieftain Ronald A.
McGregor and
John R. MacGregor*

You never know where you'll find a MacGregor





Some of our members after the Memorial Service at the Mariner's Church

Paul Magruder, John R. MacGregor, Josephine Megehee, Louise Taylor, Lou Ann MacGregor, Leah Magruder, Mary Stradley, Jack Simon, R. Jean MacGregor Simon, Linda DeJohn, Carol Spitznagle, James E. Woolley, Jr., Patricia Woolley, Alice Shankland, L. Dan Megehee, Jr., Adele Shotwell, Lillian Grier, John A. Grier, Donald B. Gregg, Matt Kuldell, Robert F. MacGregor, Jr., Ronald A. McGreggor, Marilyn Gregor, Edward K. Gregor, Jr., Alan Shotwell, Steven C. Grier, Audrey Gregg, Teresa Walker, Michael A. McGreggor, James L. Boyd, Tara Gill, Doug Simon, Leighton Stradley, III, Kathy Stone, Randy Walker, Joe White, Larry McGreggor, Miriam Trojahn, Juliette Engel, Sally Smith, Scott F. MacGregor, Fred Magruder, Ian MacGregor, Susan Gunderson, Ronald Shankland, Galen Stone, Sharon Walker, Michael K. McGreggor, Gregory Smith, Nicholas Smith, Jane Montmeny, Elizabeth McDonald, and numerous others whom we enjoyed their company.



*Carol Spitznagle, Adele Shotwell, Sally Smith,
and Louise Taylor*



*Members riding the People Mover
on the way to the Pegasus restaurant
for a great Greek dinner.*

Susan Gunderson and Henry Stone





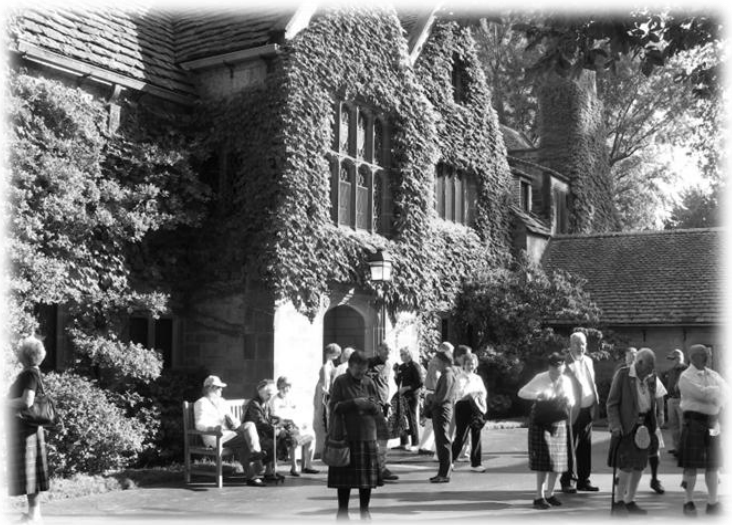
Our Memorial Service at the Mariner's Church



This church was noted in Gordon Lightfoot's song "The wreck of the Edmond Fitzgerald"

We were honored to be allowed to ring the bell after each name of those members who had passed since our last Gathering





Home of Edsel & Eleanor Ford



PLAY HOUSE

Josephine Fords' Playhouse



From the Collection of The Henry Ford

Compare your view today with this look into the past.

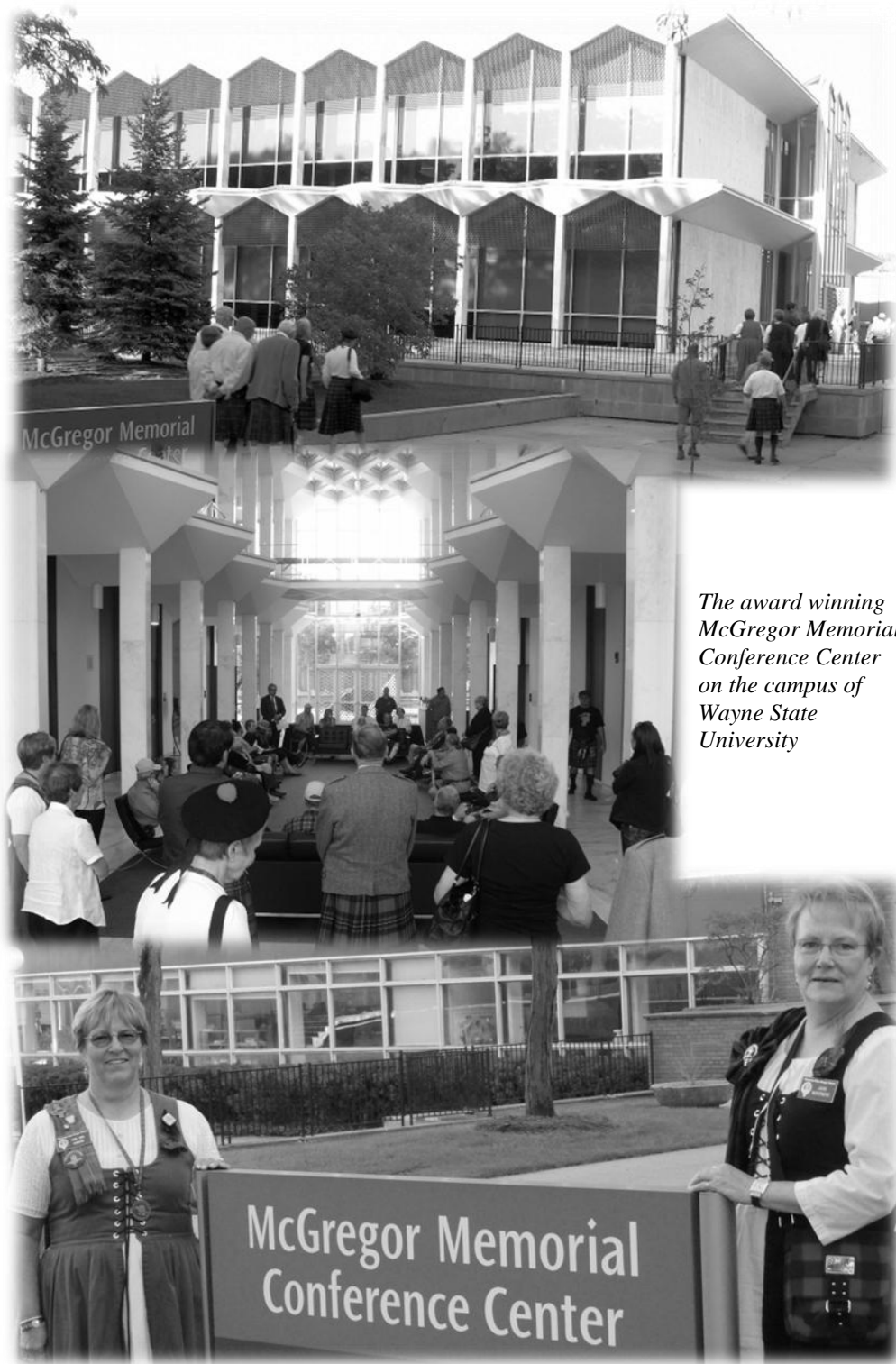
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This child-sized home was a seventh birthday present to Josephine from her grandmother, Clara Ford. Designed by Robert O. Derrick, architect of Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn, the playhouse was completed in 1930 with scaled doorways, furniture and furnishings.



*Our wreath laying at the grave
site of Tracy W. McGregor
(philanthropist and founder of the
McGregor Foundation)*





*The award winning
McGregor Memorial
Conference Center
on the campus of
Wayne State
University*



Recognition of our fallen veterans at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial



Randy Walker and Ann Stadden



*Don & Audrey Gregg and John & Lou Ann MacGregor
enjoying a little afternoon treat*



*A lively Ceilidh
for all to enjoy!!!*





Across the Ambassador Bridge to Canada



*A quick visit to the McGregor – Cowan House
They provided the fantastic luncheon during our
visit to Canada.*





*A moment to recognize Gregor McGregor
an early settler of the Detroit area*

WITH HONOR AND PRIDE IN MEMORY OF
GREGOR ROBERT MCGREGOR ESQ.
BORN 1737 PERTHSHIRE, SCOTLAND. SERVED IN THE
FRENCH-INDIAN WAR THEN SETTLED NEAR FORT
DETROIT WHERE HE ROSE TO PROMINENCE AS 1ST
SHERIFF OF THE DISTRICT OF HESSE IN 1788,
SUPERINTENDENT OF INLAND NAVIGATION,
COMMANDANT OF FORT DETROIT 1791-92, LT. COL. OF
THE KENT MILITIA IN 1796. AS A FUR TRADER,
"GREGOIRE, McLEOD AND CO." HELPED LAUNCH THE
FAMOUS NORTH WEST CO. GREGOR RECEIVED
NUMEROUS LAND GRANTS FOR HIS SERVICES. HE
PASSED AWAY AT SANDWICH ON NOV. 24, 1810 BUT HIS
SPIRIT LIVES ON IN THE MCGREGOR CLAN.





Oh, what a pipeband and dancers !!!

*Matt Kuldell, Doug Nelson,
Tim Kirkpatrick, and Paul Berilla*

*Eileen Grant, Deb Fuller, Luci Finucan,
and Patrick Grant*





L. Dan & Josephine Megehee



Paul & Leah Magruder



*Ronald L. & Alice
Shankland*



James L. & Charlotte Boyd



Scott F. MacGregor



Bruce M. Whyte and Chieftain Ronald A. McGregor



*Thaddeus G. Osborne
Past Chieftain*



*Robert F. "Sandy" MacGregor
Past Chieftain*



Larry McGregor



Edward K. & Marilyn Gregor



Miriam Trojahn

"Sally" Smith



Patrick VanMeter and Alan Shotwell



Adele Shotwell and Louise Taylor



Christine Fortenberry Eaton and Fran Browne



Mary & Leighton Stradley, Janet Guillot, and Barbara Hodges



*James B. & Ann Nicholson and Susan & C. David Campbell
Honored Guests from the Tracy McGregor Fund*



*Sharon Walker and
Brian Shankland
joined us from Scotland*



R. Jean MacGregor Simon, Jack Simon, Tara Gill, Doug Simon



Fred Magruder, Dan Megehee, Bruce Whyte



Galen & Anne Stone, Lynda Stone



Lois Ann Garlitz, Keith MacGregor, Jane Montmeny, and Carol Spitznagle



Scenes from the banquet



*Special **Thanks** are extended to the following members who have shared their Gathering pictures with us.*

*Alan Shotwell, Lois Ann Garlitz, Lou Ann MacGregor, Scott F. MacGregor,
Stuart MacGregor, Ron Shankland, Ann Stadden, Miriam Trojahn,
and Randy Walker*

2011 GATHERING ATTENDEES

Detroit, Michigan

<u>HONORED GUESTS</u>	<u>CITY/STATE/COUNTRY</u>
Campbell, C. David (<i>MacGregor Foundation</i>)	Detroit, MI
Campbell, Susan	Detroit, MI
Nicholson, James B. (<i>MacGregor Foundation</i>)	Detroit, MI
Nicholson, Ann	Detroit, MI
Marzka, Joe (<i>St. Andrew's of Detroit</i>)	Detroit, MI
MacGregor, Ian	Canada

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>CITY/STATE</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>
Azman, Alberta		Guest
Boyd, Charlotte	Town & Country, MO	Guest
Boyd, James L.	Town & Country, MO	2399LM
Bradley, Bill		Guest
Browne, Adrian	Ann Arbor, MI	Guest
Browne, Cynthia	Ann Arbor, MI	1967A
Browne, Diana G.	New York City, NY	1737LM
Browne, Frances A.	Fairfax, VA	1550LM
Browne, Kingsley	Ann Arbor, MI	1966
Browne, Lillian	Ann Arbor, MI	Guest
Carters, Chris		
DeJohn, Linda	Hollywood, FL	Guest
Eaton, Christine Fortenberry	Columbia, MS	2372
Eaton, Roy A.	Columbia, MS	Guest
Engel, Juliette	Takoma Park, MD	2971
Ferry, Joshua		
Garlitz, Lois Ann	American Fork, UT	2561LM
Gill, Tara	Chicago, IL	Guest
Gregg, Anahbelle	Wolcott, NY	Guest
Gregg, Audrey R.	Pompano Beach, FL	2414A
Gregg, Donald B.	Pompano Beach, FL	2367
Gregg, Iseabelle	Wolcott, NY	Guest
Gregg, Judith	Wolcott, NY	Guest
Gregg, Keith D.	Wolcott, NY	2618
Gregg, Obadiah	Wolcott, NY	Guest
Gregg, Sadie	Wolcott, NY	Guest
Gregor, Jr., Edward K.	Rochester, NY	933LM
Gregor, Marilyn	Rochester, NY	1594ALM
Grier, John A.	Grasonville, MD	2243
Grier, Lillian	Grasonville, MD	2896A
Grier, Steven C.	Kenneth Square, PA	2552
Griffin, Gaytha		Guest
Grigg, Stuart	Grosse Pointe, MI	Guest
Guillot, Janet W.	Maple Grove, MN	Guest
Gundersen, Susan	Brooksville, FL	2476

MEMBER	CITY/STATE	NUMBER
Harper, David	Jackson, MI	Guest
Harper, Julie	Jackson, MI	Guest
Henshaw, Julia P.	South Lyon, MI	Guest
Heynsbroek, Judy	Ontario, Canada	Guest
Heynsbroek, Tony	Ontario, Canada	Guest
Hodges, Barbara Walters	Maple Grove, MN	2809
Horn, Jean MacGregor	Topsham, ME	Guest
Katulic, Joseph	Grosse Pointe, MI	Guest
Lynd, Raymond	Ypsilanti, MI	2981
Lynn, Bob	Baltimore, MD	Guest
MacGregor, Ian	Canada	Guest
MacGregor, John R.	Boulder, CO	2717
MacGregor, Keith	Redding, CT	2941
MacGregor, Lou Ann	Boulder, CO	2995A
MacGregor, Robert F., Jr.	Smithfield, VA	2316LM
MacGregor, Scott	Norfolk, VA	2450LM
MacGregor, Stuart J.	Pittsburgh, PA	2759LM
Magruder, Fred A.	McCormick, SC	2433
Magruder, Leah	Chicago, IL	Guest
Magruder, Paul L.	Chicago, IL	2692LM
McDonald, Elizabeth	Sarnia, Ontario, CA	Guest
McGregor, Jason A.	Ferndale, MI	Guest
McGregor, Larry	Scottsdale, AZ	2824LM
McGregor, Lisa A.	Ferndale, MI	Guest
McGregor, Michael A.	Greenville, SC	2883LM
McGregor, Ronald A.	Aurora, CO	2142LM
Meece, Beth	Dayton, OH	Guest
Meece, John	Dayton, OH	Guest
Meek, John		Guest
Meek, Katie		Guest
Megehee, Josephine	Carriere, MS	2576ALM
Megehee, Jr., L. Dan	Carriere, MS	2478LM
Michael K. McGregor	Snohomish, WA	2990LM
Moldenhauer, Judith	South Lyon, MI	Guest
Monroe, Joe	Ashland, VA	2425
Montmeny, D. Jane	Aurora, CO	2808
Osborne, Thaddeus G.	Knoxville, TN	1929
Parent, Edith		Guest
Parent, Gerald		Guest
Parent, wife		Guest
Pierce, Anne Cole	Harrisville, MI	Guest
Ruscio, Aimee	Philadelphia, PA	Guest
Ruscio, Carolyn M.	Webster, NY	Guest
Schneider, Betsy		Guest
Schneider, Jack		Guest
Schneider, Kurt		Guest

MEMBER	CITY/STATE	NUMBER
Schneider, Sophia		Guest
Seelow, John		Guest
Seelow,		Guest
Shankland, Alice	Jackson, MI	Guest
Shankland, Brian	Livingston, Scotland	Guest
Shankland, Ronald	Jackson, MI	2471
Shotwell, Adele	Rapidan, VA	Guest
Shotwell, Alan	Rapidan, VA	2375LM
Simon, Doug	Chicago, IL	2935LM
Simon, Jack E.	Huntsville, AL	Guest
Simon, R. Jean (MacGregor)	Huntsville, AL	1526
Smith, Gregory T.	Westwood, MA	Guest
Smith, Nicholas B.	Westwood, MA	Guest
Smith, Sarah "Sally"	Quinton, VA	2183LM
Spickett, Ernest		Guest
Spickett,		Guest
Spitznagle, Carol	Hollywood, FL	2555
Stadden, Ann	Woodstock, Canada	2826
Stibich, Anne	Dayton, OH	Guest
Stibich, Clarie	Dayton, OH	Guest
Stibich, Grace	Dayton, OH	Guest
Stibich, Paul	Dayton, OH	Guest
Stibich, Paula	Dayton, OH	Guest
Stone, Anne B.	Westwood, MA	Guest
Stone, Galen L.	Westwood, MA	1371LM
Stone, Henry A.	Harrisville, MI	1920LM
Stone, Kathleen	Harrisville, MI	Guest
Stone, Lynda C.D.	Ann Arbor, MI	Guest
Stradley III, Leighton P.	Fairfax, VA	1938
Stradley, Mary R.	Fairfax, VA	Guest
Taylor, Louise E.	Ashland, KY	2376
Trojahn, Miriam	Norfolk, VA	Guest
VanMeter, Kathleen	Elida, OH	2917LM
VanMeter, Michael	Elida, OH	Guest
VanMeter, Paige	Elida, OH	Guest
VanMeter, Patrick	Elida, OH	Guest
Walker, Randolph	San Antonio, TX	2587
Walker, Sharon	Livingston, Scotland	Guest
Walker, Teresa M.	San Antonio, TX	Guest
White, Joe	Maryville, TN	1999LM
Whyte, Bruce MacGregor	Roswell, GA	2783
Woolley, Jr., James E.	Charlotte, NC	2050LM
Woolley, Patricia R.	Charlotte, NC	2215A

BAND PARTICIPANTS

MEMBERS

Drums

Berilla, Paul (*tenor*)

Pipes

Kuldell, Matt (*Pipe Major*)

Kirkpatrick, Tim

Nelson, Doug

Dancers

Fuller, Deb

Grant, Eileen

Finucan, Luci

Grant, Patrick

GUESTS

Nelson, Ruth

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.

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>CITY/STATE</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>
Elliott, M. Gregg	Chesapeake, VA	2655
Elliott, Susan D.	Chesapeake, VA	2945A
Magruder, Lillian	Ridgeland, MS	1977ALM
Pruett, Eileen	Mason City, IL	2186LM
Sanderfield, Maggie	Athens, IL	2253

WINE DONATION CONTRIBUTORS

We'd also like to thank everyone who made an additional contribution towards the toasting wines for the banquet. Your contributions further assisted in keeping the Gathering within budget and such a success.



Thanks to everyone who made our 102nd Annual Gathering such a memorable event through their participation. We are look forward to sharing and enjoying yet another wonderful Gathering in 2012 in Tampa, Florida. **See you there!**

Sir Malcolm MacGregor Leads the Honored Clan Gregor at the Greenville Scottish Games

May 27 and 28, 2011

Juliette M. Engel, MD

As thunderstorms rattled windows and brought tree branches crashing to the ground, the “Children of the Mist” answered the call of their Clan Gregor chief and gathered in the lush, South Carolina township of Greenville for the Scottish Games of 2011. For the MacGregors, this was a special gathering presided over by their hereditary chief, Sir Malcolm MacGregor who faced difficult travel conditions himself with airline cancellations caused by an Icelandic volcano. Still, Sir Malcolm managed safe travel from Scotland to join his loyal clansmen for two days of camaraderie, fellowship and, of course, the traditional Scottish games. The hardships faced by the travelers made the gathering all the more meaningful -- reminiscent of the days when the fiery cross would pass through the highlands and MacGregors would lay aside their axes and ploughs to answer the call of the chief. In ancient times, the summons to gather usually meant that the clan was going into battle. In Greenville, the only battles would be played out on the fields of Furman University as the traditional sports of Highland competition were enjoyed by participants and viewers.

On Thursday night, those who had made it to the Greenville Hilton, were subjected to wind, rain and hail as they were transported to Portofino’s Restaurant for an excellent Italian style dinner (no haggis yet) while waiting for the clan who were still en route. Sir Malcolm presided along with ACGS Chieftain, Ron McGregor, and the dinner provided an opportunity to catch up with old friends and meet new friends. The fellowship continued on in the hotel bar in the traditional MacGregor way into the wee hours of Friday morning as stragglers continued to arrive from around the country to join their clan in a well deserved whisky or “fine beare”.

The continued heavy rain and threat of serious thunder and lightning storms caused the organizing committee of the games to cancel the Greenville Clan Parade on the following day so everyone was kilted up and full of restless energy by the time that Sir Malcolm made the presentation of the society’s new Corporate Grant of Arms to Ron McGregor on behalf of the ACGS. Then the smart looking group assembled to pose for historic photos. A bit later, all of the clans assembled for the Clan Dinner where haggis was piped and served and Robert Burns was read in Gaelic; then translated into English. Following dinner, those of us with a hankering to dance were off to the Great Scot! Celidh with music by top-tier Celtic bands for a street party that “Braveheart would have loved.” After another gathering in the hotel bar, everyone slept soundly in anticipation of the Scottish Games that were yet to come.

On Saturday morning, the bleary-eyed MacGregors gathered for breakfast and enough coffee to fill Loch Tay before kilted up in their best kit to lead the parade as the honored clan of the games. At the head of the parade, Sir Malcolm wore his three eagle feathers and our clansmen marched behind him with dignity and pride. As honored clan, the Clan Gregor/ACGS tent was one of the larger ones and provided a shady venue from which to watch the games. There an elegant buffet of every Southern delicacy from fried chicken to cupcakes was laid on groaning boards for clan and visitors to share. From the cool shade, we

watched the traditional highland competitions of caber toss, stone put and weight throws for men and women. There were dozens of vendor tents selling a range of Scottish traditional wares from sporrans to broadswords and food sellers with traditional treats such as the bridie and funnel cakes. Meanwhile, a Celtic Music Jam kept seats filled in the large tent. A short walk away, Border Collie trials and an antique car exhibition provided additional entertainment.

By the time of the closing ceremonies, participants were hot, tired, well fed and ready for yet another feast either at the Clan Gregor barbecue hosted by Bill and Martie Lancaster or another superb restaurant, Augusta Grill, for dinner hosted by Fred and Lillian Magruder. Back at the hotel, there was barely time to share photographs of the weekend before the irresistible call of the pillow and sleepy Scots went off to bed.

As always, it seemed that the gathering was over much too quickly -- but the memories of the coming together of my clan will always be with me. Thank you for the opportunity to share my reminiscence of this wonderful event and I hope to see you all in Detroit in October.



The Clan Gregor tent was a hub of activity all day long



Clan Gregor taking the field



*Sir Malcolm MacGregor of MacGregor
7th Baronet, 24th Chief of Clan Gregor*



*Sir Malcolm MacGregor
Bob Terpening carrying his standard*



Activity abound in the Clan Gregor tent



*Sir Malcolm MacGregor engaging
with John Gregg*

*Ron McGregor, Peter Gregg, Pat Skelton,
Jane Montmeny, Scott MacGregor*



Greenville Scottish Games – May 27 & 28, 2011

Sandy MacGregor

The MacGregors were the honored Clan at the Greenville (South Carolina) Scottish Games in May and were well represented by a large contingent of MacGregors and our Chief Sir Malcolm MacGregor who flew over from Scotland for the games. On Thursday evening there was an ACGS Gathering with Sir Malcolm at Portofino's Italian Restaurant across from the Hilton Hotel. There were eighteen in attendance at the gathering with Sir Malcolm. Also on Thursday, arrangements had been made for Sir Malcolm to drive a BMW on the company's local test track and then he attended a bootleg whiskey sampling.

Friday morning we awoke to rain which lasted most of the morning. Select members of the ACGS Council had a meeting with Sir Malcolm on Friday morning to discuss the handling of our Corporate Coat of Arms.

The rest of us had the day to explore the sights of Greenville. Greenville has taken considerable effort to revitalize its downtown area with many local restaurants, civic auditoriums/theaters, new baseball park, and a lovely scenic park along the Reedy River which flows through the downtown area.

At four on Friday afternoon all ACGS members present at the Hilton Hotel gathered in the lobby of the hotel for the presentation of the new ACGS Corporate Coat of Arms to be presented to the society. Ian Greig, a member of our Heraldry Committee, representing the Court of the Lord Lyon presented the illustrated ACGS Corporate Coat of Arms which was painted on parchment to Sir Malcolm who in turn presented the Coat of Arms to our society Chieftain, Ron McGregor. The Coat of Arms will be presented formally to the society's members at the Annual Gathering in Detroit this coming October.

The Friday afternoon parade down Main Street was cancelled because severe thunder storms had been predicted for late afternoon. The thunder storms did not materialize. Friday evening the Games hosted a wonderful reception in the Hilton Hotel's ballroom with a gorgeous menu of heavy hors d'oeuvres and music provided by two young ladies playing a hammered dulcimer, harp, and violin. Sir Malcolm made opening remarks at the reception.

Saturday turned out to be a beautiful hot sunny day for the games which were held on the campus of Furman University, a private university with about 2,700 students. It was a beautiful location for the games which were well attended. There were approximately forty-six clan tents at the games. With the games being held on Memorial Day weekend, this year the games were a tribute to our military heroes with several military dignitaries, both American and Scottish, in attendance. The ACGS shared a double tent with the Clan Gregor Society which provided lunch for those in the tent. Over thirty visitors signed the ACGS visitors log at the tent. I would like to compliment the Greenville Scottish Games for publishing a beautiful program. One of the best I have seen over the years.

Sir Malcolm made opening and closing remarks at the games and visited all of the Clan tents. After the games some members were invited to a barbecue at a private home and others went out to eat at the Augusta Grill which is owned by Abbey Magruder's nephew.



Kirkin of the Tartan held at the Salt Lake City First Presbyterian Church

My McGregor Ancestors

by Lois Ann Cox Garlitz

This is a revision of an article by Ruth Elizabeth MacGregor Henkel (ACGS#684), my 1st cousin twice removed, originally on page 32 of the 1932 ACGS yearbook. This is the story of our immigrant ancestors who are buried in Detroit in the Woodmere Cemetery on Fort Street. Lois Ann and her sister Jane Montmeny visited this cemetery in October 2011, just before the ACGS Gathering in Detroit. We found Alexander McGregor and his wife Rebecca Brown buried under a big oak tree (how appropriate for a MacGregor), and a flock of Canadian geese nearby. They were my mother's favorite bird.

My 3rd great grandfather on my mother's side was John MacGregor, who was born in Scotland in 1766. On June 21, 1788, he married Annie Lang, of Eastwood, near Glasgow, Scotland. Eight children were born to them: John, born 1790; James, born 1792; Robert, born 1794 (died when a baby); Robert 2nd, born 1796; Mary, born 1798; Jessie, born 1800; Annie, born 1802; and Alexander, born 9 April 1805 at Renton, Scotland.

John had a business in Kelvinhaugh, Glasgow, Scotland, a printfield employing 1500 men and women. It was called "John MacGregor and Sons". [There is a map of their land at the Mitchell Library in Glasgow from 1830, with his sons James and Alexander McGregor being the owners at that time. There were 38 buildings listed on the property]. Raw cotton was bought, spun, woven, bleached, printed, and shiploads were sent all over the world. The business made all concerned in it millionaires. For a time, all lived gloriously. Some of the sons had married girls with fortunes in their own names. All had put their money in confidence and trust in the Glasgow Bank. This bank failed and the MacGregors lost everything. John MacGregor and his wife Annie Lang are buried at Govan, a village on the south bank of the Clyde River, just across from Glasgow, in the Old Parish Church cemetery.

Alexander MacGregor, youngest child of John McGregor and Annie Lang, was born 9 April 1805, in Renton, Scotland, [probably during the time John was an apprentice learning the cotton printing business in the Vale of Leven, the short five mile river between Loch Lomond and the River Clyde.] Alexander received a scholastic education and then entered the University of Glasgow, where for several years he was a diligent and distinguished student, under the various professors, but particularly under Sir D.K. Sandiford, at that time one of the best Greek scholars in all Europe. After his university course, Alexander turned his attention to mercantile pursuits.

On June 12, 1832, in the city of Glasgow, Alexander McGregor led to the alter his bonnie bride, Miss Rebecca Brown. Rev. Dr. Willis, professor of divinity in Knox College, Toronto, performed the marriage ceremony. Both bride and groom had the same birthday – hers was 9 April 1812; his was 9 April 1805.

Ten years after their marriage they decided to come to America. On October 25, 1842 [recorded in New York passenger lists as 2 November] this Alexander McGregor, his wife Rebecca Brown and several children, landed in New York City on the ship New York from Liverpool. They first settled at Thorold, in the province of Ontario, Canada, a village not far from Niagara Falls.

By 1851, they were living in Guelph in Wellington County, Ontario, and in the 1861 census, were on land near Komoka, in Middlesex County, near London, Ontario, where Alexander farmed and was a school teacher.

In 1869, they moved to St. Joseph, Missouri. There Alexander established the Buchanan Ladies Institute and was president of it for several years. Rebecca, his wife, was a noble and worthy lady and theirs was a harmonious life. Ten children were born, but two died. Five boys and three girls grew to adulthood. Respected and honored, they kept pure and untarnished the noble name they bore. (Those newspaper reporters of that era spoke with such flourish, didn't they?)

On June 12, 1882, the golden wedding anniversary of Alexander and his wife Rebecca was celebrated at their home in St. Joseph. Surrounded by their children and grandchildren, they presided over a banquet at which was used antique silver that had been in the family for generations. At this banquet it was recalled that Alexander MacGregor was a lineal descendant of Gregor, third son of Alpine, King of Scots in the eighth century. The Armorial Ensign or coat of Arms is the crown at a point of the sword with the motto "E'en do and spare not". The escutcheon and motto are engraved on an elegant watch seal of cairn gorm of unusual size and great brilliance and is still in the possession of the family. When Scotland and England were united, the English Parliament removed all disabilities from Clan Gregor and immediately after, 826 of the name met and named Sir John MacGregor, of Glen Strae, their Chief. His descendant, Sir John Murray MacGregor of Edenchip, Balquidder, was head of the clan in 1882.

Alexander died 5 June 1888 and Rebecca his wife died 23 May 1889; both are buried in Detroit.

Ruth's father, John McGregor, oldest child of Alexander and Rebecca, was born 20 August 1833, at Sandyford, Lanarkshire, Scotland. As a boy in Scotland, he visited Stirling Castle and saw hanging there the sword of Wallace. This inspired him very much. He came to America when nine years old with his parents and brothers and sisters, lived in Canada for awhile, then went to the Midwest states of Michigan and Nebraska. On 28 July 1872, he married Marguerite Rouselle at Falls City, Nebraska. Nine children were born to them, six boys and three girls. Ruth was the youngest of the family. John McGregor, Ruth's father, died 28 January 1892, and is buried at Koszta, Iowa County, Iowa.

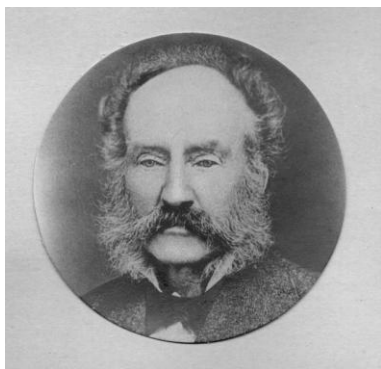
[You may read more about this family by going to the 1932 yearbook, as referenced above <http://archives.ubalt.edu/acgs/pdf/1932.pdf>.

Children of Alexander McGregor (1805-1888) and Rebecca Brown (1812-1889) were:

John McGregor (1833-1892), David McGregor (1835-1929), Alexander McGregor, Jr. (1836- 1917) [Lois Ann and Jane's great grandfather], Elizabeth McGregor (1839-1933), James Duncan McGregor (1842-1843), Pringle McGregor (1844-1912), Robert McGregor (1846-after 1920), Annie McGregor (1859-1850), Rebecca Brown McGregor (1851-1937), and Mark Clark Scotten (1855-1948) who married Oren Scotten and raised their family in Detroit, attending the Fort Street Presbyterian Church.

Postscript... if you have ever been witness to the dispersing of family memorabilia after the death of a beloved elder in your family, you might have noticed that many of the items are one of a kind. After even a few years have passed, others in the family lose track of who

received which item. Imagine my surprise and delight to discover I have a distant cousin who is also a member of ACGS – Sarah Lynn Freeman Rees ACGS# 2660, a descendant of Alexander and Rebecca's oldest son John. The treasure she has shared with me is a little booklet containing the life story of Mary Clark McGregor Scotten (mentioned above) and also the recounting of the 50th wedding anniversary of Alexander McGregor and Rebecca Brown in St. Joseph Missouri in 1882. And how did Lynn find me? Because I had listed my furthest back known ancestors John McGregor and Annie Lang with our DNA Project administrator Professor Richard McGregor, and Lynn recognized the names. These photos are from Lynn's little book...



Alexander McGregor, Sr.



Rebecca Brown McGregor



REPORTS OF STATE DEPUTY CHIEFTAINS

Alabama, Jean Simon, SDC

Last fall in 2010 it so happened that our annual North Alabama Scottish Festival, also known as the Tennessee Valley Scottish Society (TVSS) Games, in Scottsboro Alabama, coincided on the very same weekend as our American Clan Gregor Society (ACGS) Annual Gathering last year in Annapolis MD. Our Northern Alabama Games were held on 1-2 October 2010 at beautiful Goose Pond Colony Resort in Scottsboro Alabama, on the Tennessee River. Consequently, my husband, Jack Simon, and I preferred to travel to exciting Annapolis for our beloved Clan Gregor ACGS annual gathering to see all our old friends! Bless our oldest son, Frank Stewart Simon of Huntsville Alabama, a new ACGS member #2933LM, who graciously came to our rescue, despite his many responsibilities with work, a young family, and home! Frank magnanimously agreed to run my ACGS MacGregor tent for me in Scottsboro, since Jack and I had flown to Maryland. Frank made new friends and enjoyed their camaraderie, including that of new ACGS member #2952 Tom Lackey, Tom's wife Mary, and family. Mary runs the Clan Baird tent. Consequently, at their request, the Baird and MacGregor tents are side by side, sharing tarpaulins, chairs, food, and their shade backdrops, etc. It makes for a very jovial group! The Lackey family, formerly of Scottsboro, have been the founders, movers and shakers in establishing excellent success in having the Northern Alabama Games' venue changed from Huntsville, Alabama to Scottsboro, Alabama. The TVSS or Northern Alabama Games' monthly meetings and other events are still held in Huntsville, but the actual games and Friday through Sunday festival are now held in Scottsboro, where we get better financial sponsorship for our Games. Frank Simon's wife, Dena (Gordon) Simon, born a member of Clan Gordon, and their 2 little daughters (my grandchildren), Alexandra "Lexie" Simon, then age 7, and Sullivan "Livie" Simon, then age 5, came later to the Games in a separate car, after the girls' then Saturday softball games. Scottsboro is an hour or more away from Huntsville, so Frank and family had a very busy weekend. This year, 2011, fortunately for the undersigned, the TVSS's Northern Alabama Games' Scottish Festival will fall on 30 September to 2 October, just one week before our annual ACGS Gathering in Detroit, Michigan, 6-9 October. Therefore, I shall be able to enjoy two wonderful MacGregor weekends back to back! First with the MacGregor tent and festivities in Scottsboro, and the second with our whole ACGS clan in Detroit!

The undersigned proudly represented our famous MacGregor Clan for ACGS at the usual St. Andrews Banquet and celebration in November 2010, the Robert Burns potluck in January/February 2011, the Tartan Day celebration in April, and the annual TVSS potluck picnic in August, latter event each year at the home of the ever gracious Sybil Wilkinson in Huntsville and past president of TVSS. This event is always covered by the Huntsville Times on the society page with photos. Other MacGregor descendants have attended these functions, but one at least is a member of the Scottish Clan Gregor Society. Nevertheless, my feeling towards them is that we are all MacGregors! MacGregor blood is thicker than water! For our annual TVSS membership and their guest functions, we have moved from the very crowded, though free, basement and kitchen of a Masonic lodge in Huntsville to the Elks Lodge in Huntsville, which is quite spacious and accommodating. The Elks have a bar there as well, for those who wish to imbibe.

It is with great regret that I report the death of ACGS Clan Member #2550, Mrs. Paula (Hammond) Campbell of 1302 N. Columbia Ave., Sheffield, Alabama 35660, age 84, on Sunday, 29 May 2011. She was an active pharmacist and the wife of Clyde "Bill" Henson Campbell, LCDR USN (Ret.). Also regrettably, Paula's husband, Bill Campbell, of the same address, died soon after, on Friday, 26 August 2011. Bill was the national President of Clan Campbell Society USA from 1993 to 1995. On the phone to me this fall, Bill Campbell said that his wife, Paula, "loved her MacGregors"! May they both rest in peace. Hail to them for their uniting once again the Campbells and the MacGregors in love, peace, and harmony. They have 3 loving sons, Clyde Jr., Paul, and John, and a loving daughter, Ruth, plus 2 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Expressions of condolences may be sent to their son, John Campbell at eoicaimbeul@gmail.com.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean (MacGregor) Simon
State Deputy Chieftain, Alabama &
Council Member at Large
Huntsville, Alabama

Arizona, Don Lynd, SDC

I have nothing to report -- this has been a "down year" while I am completing the research phase of my dissertation. I have not found anyone who will take over hosting the tent or even help in doing so. Will have to think about my hosting in the future, but for now I must get the dissertation completed.

Will let you know late -- January perhaps.

Now, back to analysis of my data.

California, Carolyn McGregor Long, SCD

Greetings from California!

It is with sincere pleasure I send you news from my state, along with my warm regards to our Chief, Sir Malcolm MacGregor and Lady MacGregor, our esteemed Chieftain, Ron McGregor and all ACGS members. Clan Gregor on the West Coast is still enjoying our games season. Although the economy seems to have affected turnout again this year, there is still plenty of enthusiasm and participation by all the clans in general and especially our MacGregors'.

I have mentioned this previously, but deem it worthy to repeat....as a descendant of "The Children of the Mists", I am still excited regarding the possibility of exploring/expanding ACGS in California. I welcome any and all innovated ideas to not only maintain our proud heritage and culture, but to keep our Macgregor "torch" leading the way future. Again, I respectfully ask your patience as I research a creative approach to strengthen ACGS here in California. I welcome input and ideas from you, and especially ACGS members in my region of responsibility, that I might better serve our membership.

This has been another difficult year for yours truly with three surgeries, two of which were fairly major. I appreciate and thank those of you who supported me through this time. Once again I am unable to be at our AGM, however, it is my continued goal to eventually be there with you, my kith and kin. Having said that, I will be looking forward to next year's gathering.

May your 2011 Gathering be tremendously productive and clanship reigns supreme....“while there are leaves in the forest and foam on the river...”

S'RIOGHAL MO DHREAM

Carolyne J. McGregor Long
State Deputy Chieftain, California

*PS A big hello to those who share my McGregor DNA connection... never forget - Ardchoille!

Florida (South), Carol MacGregor Spitznagle, SDC

The sky was blue and the sun was shining for the 2011 Fort Lauderdale Scottish Festival on January 8th (quite a difference from last year). Attendance was great and we had many visitors to the MacGregor tent, 16 of whom indicated clan connections and 5 who wanted to know how to join our society. Audrey and Don Gregg once again helped greet visitors and this year we were joined by their daughter, Audrey, and two grandsons. The boys seemed to enjoy the parade and all the festivities as did the other numerous attendees. Great local groups sang and danced and the fun lasted until well into the evening.

Later that month on January 29th, Sarasota held their Scottish Games. As usual, Ron and Alice Shankland and Don and Katie Gregg helped to answer questions and mingle with our guests. With the addition of Ian and Alma Greig, we had enough kilt power to win third prize for best tent -as the prize included a bottle of Scotch as well as shortbread cookies, everyone was very pleased with our win. A lot of activities were provided for the younger set and the new Games committee seems to have found the right recipe for a great day of Scottish fun.

Georgia, Bruce MacGregor Whyte, SDC

This was the first year I have spent as an active member of ACGS having been a passive member for 5 years. I was appointed by the Chieftain as SDC Georgia at the Gathering in Annapolis in 2010. This year has been spent “getting up to speed” and learning the role of an SDC. Let alone that of Treasurer to boot! I am not sure when you last received a report from Georgia so I am assuming this is the first for quite awhile.

In the vein of freshman, I acted as the backup for several Games in the southeast to the SDC from South Carolina. November 2010 we spent an absolutely miserably cold day in Hendersonville, North Carolina. Not only did it snow that morning, but the wind blew all day from the arctic and the attendance at the Games was, shall we say, low. Despite that,

those who attended were genuinely interested. It was great to see how Clans presented themselves and what visitors were interested in.

In May, myself, the SDC South Carolina and Mike Patillo attended the 35th Savannah Scottish Games. Mike has staffed a Gregor tent there for years without any support and was somewhat disbelieving when told he actually had help this year! Held in the beautiful setting of the historic 1738 Bethesda Boys Home, on a peninsular in the spectacular marshes, it was warm, bug free (no no-see-ums, no gnats, no mosquitoes, no flies) with a light breeze all day. There was a lot of interest in the Clan and follow ups initiated from Florida, Texas, Georgia, South Carolina, Tennessee and North Carolina.

Once again the May Greenville Scottish Games acted as a learning opportunity as a support person to the local SDC. This was obviously not an ordinary Games since Clan Gregor was the honored Clan, Sir Malcolm MacGregor attended as the honored Clan Chieftain and Honorary Games Chieftain and it was held in collaboration with our partners the Clan Gregor Society. Sir Malcolm had major roles on the opening and closing ceremonies giving rousing speeches at both. Following the Parade of Tartans, Sir Malcolm chose to visit each Clan tent at the Games and spent time with every single representative of each Clan. Not a minor duty since there were in excess of 40 Clans present, plus the St. Andrew's Society and the Tartan Museum from North Carolina.

June saw us at the 8th Blairsville Highland Games, held over two days in a scenic riverside sports field in north Georgia. Once again many Clans attended and our tent received more than its fair share of enquiries. Some are worth mentioning because not many people expected a lot of genuine interest in that geographic area of Appalachia. We had one woman come to us stating she was a MacGregor, could trace her lineage back to their arrival in the US in 1700 or so and had a steamer trunk of original papers she did not know what to do with. Of course we tried to relieve her of that trunk as soon as we could. Another family came in saying they were of one family but were related to MacGregors and had the paper work to prove it. We had over 40 interested people wanting follow up from that one Games alone.

Lesson learned. Appalachia is the second home of many Scots from the Proscription and the Clearances. It was no surprise to this SDC that we had so much interest since I had worked in this area for 10 years. And from where does Blue Grass music originate?

Games being attended in the September include Ringgold Highland Games in North Georgia and the Charleston Highland Games in Charleston, South Carolina as an assistant again. Then of course there are the Stone Mountain Games in Atlanta in October. I hope as many as you as possible are able to attend. I would also like to thank each and every one of you for your support, patience and teaching over the last year. I hope you do not need to repeat all of it.

Iowa and Wisconsin, Howard R. MacGregor Grossnickle, SDC

I regret to say that due to additional injuries to my right knee, and awaiting knee replacement surgery; I have been unable to setup my tent at the Highland games for Iowa and Wisconsin. I hope to have finally passed a chemical stress test for my heart, so that I can finally have

surgery in October. I do hope to be back for the full season of Highland games, activities, and of course, our Gathering.

Kentucky, Nolan Sanders, SDC

The Glasgow Kentucky Highland Games have provided a variety of weather conditions over the 25 years of existence, but this year's tornado scare on Sunday, June 5, 2011, was a first. Setting up tables and displays within the American Clan Gregor tent on Saturday was accomplished with blue skies and pleasant temperatures. The over 40 clan tents encompassing Loch Barren Field, partially surrounded by the wooded area of the state park made for an impressive site. Vendors on both Loch Barren Field and Strathbarren Field, provided a wide variety of food and items for purchase. A steady crowd attended throughout Saturday.

Being able to attend the Friday afternoon Scottish parade event at the city square in Glasgow, Kentucky, was a nice added event for myself and provided a chance to meet new visitors, many of whom were motivated to attend the games at Barren River Lake State Resort Park twelve miles down the road the following day. This first weekend in June sometimes can supply steady showers and sometimes heavy rains, but Saturday maintained only pleasant skies and sunshine. Visitors from several states (Tennessee, Indiana, Ohio, Virginia and Georgia) came by our American Clan Gregor Tent. Our tent location near the two main music shelters provided a prime location. It was also very nice to have the Celtic Music group Needfire as visitors both Saturday and Sunday, which helped draw more attendees of the games to our tent.

Band competitions did not happen this year, which was a first, but two bands were available for music and participation in the field ceremonies. Sunday started as a tranquil day, a slower, more laid back version of Saturday. Children's races and tug of war was a change from the many athletic competitions of the previous day.

The early afternoon concluded the Scottish weekend with our surprise event of nature; around 2 p.m. heavy pellets of raindrops suddenly came falling, though not in great volume. Then, the sudden darkening of the blue skies caused pause for concern. The previous month had much news attention from tornadoes in the area and many of us thought it was necessary to take cover. Not a tornado, but strong straight line winds hit the games field.

Display items, books, table coverings, display cases and other items started traveling onto the central games field area. Approximately six of the clan tents on the left hand vendor's side of the Loch Barren Field had their posts upended from the ground with the tents either blowing onto the center of the field or collapsing from within the center of the tent itself.

Fortunately, no injuries occurred and the several permanent shelters provided initial cover for the visitors. The harrowing winds were menacing, but only moderately damaging to property and of no physical injury to people. It did nonetheless; cause an abrupt end to the festivities.

Throughout most of this time, the announcer did not lose communication with those in attendance and kept us all informed, thereby maintaining calm among the crowds. Next year he declared that we would have more fun and less wind. The announcer admitted that when

it came to talking, he was a big blowhard; but didn't realize he was that enormously full of hot air!

Respectfully submitted,
Nolan Sanders

Michigan, Ronald Shankland, SDC

I attended all of the Michigan Scottish Games to promote and recruit for the Annual ACGS Gathering in Detroit, Michigan, on 5-9 Oct 2011.

These games were at Alma, Lake Orion, Saline, Livonia, and Kalamazoo - all Michigan cities. Alma and Livonia were the busiest followed by Saline, Livonia, and Kalamazoo. Both ACGS/CGS were represented at the McGregor clan tent at each.

Points of Interest popped up at the following two games:

1. Mr. David MacGregor stopped by at the Livonia McGregor Clan Tent and plans on coming to our ACGS October Gathering in Detroit, MI. He wrote a play "Consider the Oyster" which played at the Purple Rose Theater in Chelsea, Michigan. I told him that I wrote the book "Reward for Family Tree Information about William of Orange's Officer Lt. Gen. W. R. Shanklin, Reg of Scottish Dragoons, in the Battle of the Boyne, 1690, Ireland, or known as the Glorious Revolution", 358 pages, and on file in ACGS Library. I asked him about doing a playwright on the McGregors and mentioned, I might like to do one. He gave some pointers. Presently, he has no intentions to write about this subject concerning the McGregors. However, regarding his play "Consider the Oyster"; my wife Alice and I went to see it. Very Good! This deceptively light comedy takes two scientific facts - 1) All oysters are born male, then turn female and 2) Doctors now use oyster shells to help repair the human bone, and spins these facts into a comedy. Included are references to Detroit Lions Football Team, Mother-In-Law, Marriage Proposal, Possible Law Suit, etc!

Our "MacGregor" surname clan is lucky to have this author, David MacGregor, as a member. He has now had four of his plays grace the stage of the Purple Rose Theater. His previous productions were "The Late Great Henry Boyle", "Vino Veritas", and "Gravity". His plays have been performed throughout North America and Europe; he has sold or optioned numerous screen plays as well. An independent movie based on his play "Vino Veritas" will be filmed this summer in Lincoln, Nebraska. The present one concerning "Consider the Oyster" is for those of us lucky enough to know what it means to love someoneno matter what.

2. The Bruce Clan was at the Kalamazoo games this year. Mrs. Polly Ann (Brix or Bruce) Tilford represented them. Since I had no active McGregors besides myself at the tent, no sales took place of tee or sweat shirts. The Bruce Clan was my focus for the day. Polly gave me a copy of their newsletter, "The Blue Lion", May Issue, 2011. It tells about the location of Brix or Bruce Castle, in Normandy, France, found by using the Google search engine.

To sum up, I hope to at the Gathering to have a breakfast meeting where all Michigan McGregors can elect a slate of officers for this coming year in Michigan. My reason is that I will be 74 years old in 2012 and need to pass on the torch to the younger generation and to have MacGregors forever to exist!

Mississippi/Louisiana, L. Dan Megehee, SDC

The 25th Scottish Highland Games and Celtic Music festival on the Mississippi Gulf Coast was held on Saturday and Sunday, November 13 & 14, 2009. I had loaded my truck, getting ready to drive down to Gulfport on Friday, November 12th, but I became very sick with some kind of stomach virus, and Josephine and I were unable to attend.

We will be in attendance for the 2011 Gathering in October.

Montana, Frances Carrington Ewell Honsharuk, SDC

I am regretfully unable to attend this year's gathering. Please send my best regards to all of the members and especially all my dear SDCs.

News from Montana is sparse. Due to work obligations and long distance from Montana to Virginia watching over Mother, there is little time for much else. She turned 88 in August - still hanging in there- but really never the same after the sudden death of Carrington. I don't even ride my wonderful horses much anymore, much less try and travel the state for Highland games- which are few and far between. Really nonexistent - I think there is one in Missoula - but I have never been able to attend.

I remain deeply honored to be the State Deputy Chieftain from Montana.

Please accept to the Clan best regards from Montana. Also, please remember my dearest baby brother Carrington when you bring in the Haggis. That was one of his favorite honors aside from organizing many other activities. Our family is still in a state of shock and are still very much grieving his loss. His love of the Clan and his participation I am sure is still with you all.

yours aye,

Frances Carrington Ewell Honsharuk
State Deputy Chieftain - Montana
Member # 1799

South Carolina, Michael A. McGregor, SDC

Led Games Activities:

- 2011 Greater Greenville Scottish Games and Highland Festival (6th annual); Greenville, SC (Downtown & Furman University Campus); Friday, May 27 (evening) & Saturday, May 28 (full day). Clan Gregor (MacGregor) honored Clan with Sir Malcolm MacGregor of MacGregor attending as honored Chief. Special program – “joint salute to the military forces of the USA and Scotland. Shared Honoree tent with Clan Gregor Society (CGS). Marketed Sir Malcolm’s visit and general Clan Gregor (MacGregor) information to 300+ potential members in the greater Greenville area. Non-Member Visitor Attendance (sign-in): 23
- 2011 Charleston Scottish Games and Highland Gathering (40th annual); Mt. Pleasant, SC (Boone Hall Plantation); Friday, September 16 (evening), Saturday, September 17

(full day), & Sunday, September 18 (morning). Non-Member Visitor Attendance (sign-in): 17

Assisted with Games Activities:

- 2011 Savannah Scottish Games (35th annual); Savannah, GA (Bethesda Home for Boys); Friday, May 6 (evening), Saturday, May 7 (full day), & Sunday, May 8 (morning). Assisted Bruce Whyte – GA SDC.
- 2011 Blairsville Scottish Festival and Highland Games; Blairsville, GA (Meeks Park); Friday, June 10 (evening), Saturday, June 11 (full day), & Sunday, June 12 (full day). Assisted Bruce Whyte – GA SDC.

General:

- Vacation in Scotland; July 15 to 24; Attended the 200th Anniversary of the Dalmally Kirk, Friday, July 22, and the annual CGS Gathering at the Lochearnhead Highland Games, Saturday, July 23.
- For 2012, making plans for the 2nd Annual “Tartan Day South” Games in Columbia, SC at the end of March; 7th Annual Greenville Scottish Games at the end of May; and the 41st Annual Charleston Scottish Games in mid-September.

Tennessee, Thaddeus G. Osborne, SDC

As I have wound up my planned SDC activities for 2011, I offer the following report:

May 2011: Assisted Georgia deputy Dr. Bruce Whyte and South Carolina deputy Mike McGregor at Savannah Scottish Games and Gathering. Former Assistant Chieftain John McGregor and Mrs. Ena McGregor attend.

May 2011: Represented Society at Smoky Mountain Highland Games, Maryville, Tennessee (formerly Gatlinburg Scottish Festival and Games. Yours truly named to Council of Games organization.

May 2011: Attended Greater Greenville (SC) Games in presence of Chief Sir Malcolm MacGregor and state deputies Bruce Whyte and Mike McGregor.

July 2011: Represented Society at Grandfather Mountain Highland Games with co-hostesses Elizabeth Joiner & Lillian Magruder.

September 2011: Represented Society at Sycamore Shoals Celtic Festival (Elizabethton, Tennessee) with co-hosts Robert and Ernestine Ellington (SDC, Central and Northern Florida). ACGS was recognized as best clan tent.

November 2011: Foothills Highland Games (Hendersonville, NC) cancelled for this year.

A state deputy is still needed for North Carolina, although I shall continue to take care of Grandfather Mountain as able.

Yours aye,
Thad Osborne

Texas (North), Muriel Gregory King, SDC

I regret that once again there is no activity of a Scottish nature to report from North Texas. The only venue this year that did offer an essence of Scotland is held in early June some distance from where I live that has, over the years, degenerated into hard rock and is no longer 'family friendly'. The excessive heat of over 100 days of 100 degree plus temperatures also caused the cancellation of a venue that I had applied to for a space. However, hope springs eternal and I will 'just keep trucking'.

Yours aye,
Muriel Gregory King

Texas (South), Randolph W. Walker, SDC

The celebration of Scottish American history and heritage began in San Antonio, Texas with the annual Burns' Night Dinner and Dance held at the Parr Officer's Club, Randolph AFB, TX on Saturday, January 22, 2011. This event was well attended as usual and the representatives of Clan Gregor Scotland and the American Clan Gregor Society were both recognized by the host for the event.

The celebration of Tartan Day in Texas was on Friday, April 1, at the Alamo. It was an honor to represent the ACGS and present a floral tribute at the gates of the Alamo in honor of the piper John McGregor.

This event was followed by the San Antonio Highland Games, held on Saturday, April 2, and Sunday, April 3, 2011. We had beautiful weather this year and the turnout was heavy on both days. The ACGS Clan Tent was once again co-located with the clan tent for Clan Gregor Scotland. This area is now being referred to by the other clan societies as "MacGregor Corner".

The Houston Highland Games were canceled this year due to a poor turnout resulting from very bad weather the prior year.

November 2011 will be a busy month for Scottish Americans in Southern Texas. There will be a St. Andrews Day Concert at John Calvin Presbyterian Church on November 18, 2011 followed by a Kirkin of The Tartan at the Oak Hills Presbyterian Church (date to be determined), the Salado Highland Games, in Salado, TX, on November 11-13, 2011 and the Day of The Scots in Texas on November 30, 2011.

Respectively Submitted
Randolph W. Walker
SDC – Southern Texas

Utah, Dodd Greer, SDC

Utah MacGregors had an active and productive year 2011 so far. Clan Gregor was represented in all the major Scottish



events in the state of Utah, including a double-size clan booth at the three major events in state.

- January's Burns Suppers at Brigham Young and Utah State Universities saw a table full of MacGregor guests.
- March was still frigid in the Utah Highlands, but MacGregors were among the throng in Utah's Annual St Paddy's Day Parade.
- April's Tartan Ball & Banquet was graced by plenty of MacGregor Tartans.
- June at Thanksgiving Point about 15,000 attendees were greeted and challenged by Clan Gregor at the Gathering of the Clans.
- July at the Payson Scottish Festival Dodd Greer was the Honorary Chieftain of the Games. MacGregors led the parade, accompanied by Dodd's OE Sheepdog, Hamish.
- August, at relatively new venue for Utah, the Cache Valley Celtic Festival featured our very own Lois Ann Garlitz as the Honorary Chieftain.
- Also at the Cache Festival, Lois Ann made a wonderful presentation of the history of Scots in the settling of the American West.
- Every October, a beautiful Kirkin of the Tartan is held at the Salt Lake City First Presbyterian Church, where a ceilidh is held Saturday, and enough attendance for two Kirkin services on Sunday. Clan Gregor was well represented at each event and session.
- Honoring November 30th and St Andrew's Day, the Utah Scottish Association held their AGM, and Clan Gregor members were in attendance in MacGregor Tartans.

Clan Gregor continues to grow with new members in Utah, and to expand interest at our historical-oriented and information-rich booth at the festivals. We are always represented well at all Festivals, Kirkins the Tartan, November St. Andrews Day celebrations, January's Burns Suppers at BYU and Utah State University, April's Tartan Day Gatherings, and in March we march with the Irish St. Paddy's Day Parade in SLC.

You can be proud of the MacGregors in Utah when knowing greet and challenge all with our motto, 'S Rìghal Mo Dhream.

Ard Choille!

Dodd Greer, SDC Utah



Virginia, Scott Mac Gregor SDC

It's been another great year around Virginia. Well wishes go out to all my fellow clans folk around Virginia and across the country.

Upon returning from yet another great Gathering in Annapolis it was off to the Richmond Games where we had wonderful two days of greeting visit to our clan tent, helping them with questions about their genealogy, and introducing them to our fine society.

Due to conflicting events we were not able to host a clan tent at the Lexington Scot Irish Heritage Festival in April or the Front Royal Celtic Festival in June. We had a strong Clan Gregor presence for the annual Burns Nicht Supper, St. Patrick's Day Parade, and Tartan Day in the Hampton Roads area.

The trip to Detroit for the Gathering started the weekend before with the Williamsburg Games. While it started out rainy on Friday evening, Saturday was clear and we had a productive day.

After serving as the state deputy chieftain for many years, I believe it is time to allow another member the opportunity to serve. So if you'd like the opportunity to assist in introducing prospective individuals to the society around the Virginia area then your society would like to hear from you. It is not hard work and not very time consuming but does bring many rewards in the people you help and the new friends you'll make.

October will be here before we know it and I hope you are making plans now to attend the 2012 Gathering in Tampa, Florida. I'm looking forward to seeing and chatting with you.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Scott MacGregor". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Wyoming, Paul E. Dobkins, SDC

We went to Cheyenne again this year for 3 days of the Celtic Music Arts festival. We were well received. Invited and they saved the same spot as last year; next to the Campbells. I think 15 Clans were there.

We attended Estes Park festival in Colorado again this year. Did the parade with Ron and Scott McGregor's group. This year the parade didn't end where it was supposed to. The cops on their 2 wheelers wanted us to keep going. They wanted us to go all the way to the fair grounds - that's another mile and a half. Everybody went about a quarter mile and everybody quit; too many old people and little kids.

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