

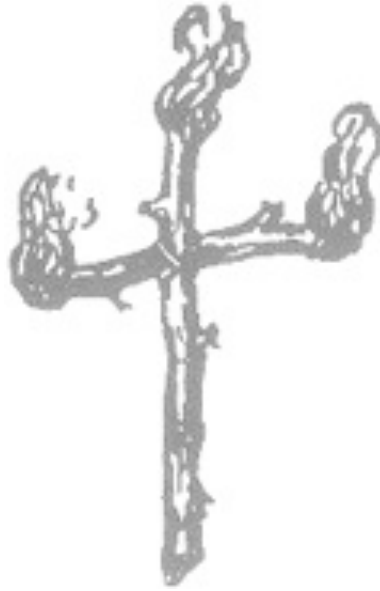
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2015 ACGS COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

American Clan Gregor Society, Inc.
Submitted by D. Jane Montmeny, Scribe
106th Annual Gathering – Crystal City, VA
October 2, 2015



Officers and Council Members in attendance:

Ms. Lois Ann Garlitz, ACGS Chieftain
Mr. Keith D. Gregg, Assistant Chieftain
Mr. Randolph W. Walker, Ranking Deputy Chieftain
Ms. D. Jane Montmeny, Scribe
Dr. Bruce MacGregor Whyte, Treasurer
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Ms. Jeanne Lehr, Registrar
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Ms. Jean Simon, Member-At-Large
Mr. Richard M. Greer, Member-At-Large, Scholarship Committee
Mr. John King Bellasai, Heraldry Committee, Chairman Board of Trustees
Mr. Thomas Peter, Audit Committee Advisor
Mr. Matthew Kuldell, Piper
Mr. Thomas R. King, Member-At-Large 2016
Mr. Donald A. Gregg, Member guest
Mr. Robert F. MacGregor Jr., Member guest
Mr. John Gregg, Member guest

The 2015 Council meeting of the American Clan Gregor Society was called to order on October 2, 2015, in Crystal City, Virginia, at 2:05pm by Lois Ann Garlitz, Chieftain. A quorum was confirmed with 11 (eleven) voting council members present. Invocation was

given by Thaddeus G. Osborne, Chaplain. Council members who were excused as unable to attend were Lori A. Connery, Member-at-Large, and Ronald A. McGregor, Immediate Past Chieftain.

Opening remarks by the Chieftain, Lois Ann Garlitz: Flash drives with the recently approved and signed Policies and Procedures are available from the Chieftain. Please sign up if you wish to receive one. Over the last year, there are eight new Area Deputy Chieftains who will be representing the Society in a variety of events in their areas.

Report of the Assistant Chieftain (AC): Keith Gregg announced that he has decided not to seek re-appointment to the position for a number of factors. He recommended that the person succeeding him have time to accomplish the duties, a high level of computer skills with reliable online or internet service, and people skills; he pledged assistance in the turnover process in passing on the knowledge and data he has acquired.

Accomplishments by Mr. Gregg were the transition to electronic publishing of the newsletter in an attempt to reduce the cost of mailings and printing, to satisfy members who like to have hard copies, and to manage a new method of delivery and databases. An interesting use of the electronic database was to reach out to members with past-due memberships.

In closing, Mr. Gregg stated that even though there are a lot of changes, however, there is no change in our commitment to our core values as a Society; it has been an honor and a privilege to have served as AC and thanked all for their support. He also thanked everyone for their attendance at this Gathering and for making it successful. The Chieftain stated that she much appreciated all the effort that Mr. Gregg has put forth. It has shown the Society that it is possible that the duties of the AC may need to be spread out over more than one person.

Old Business

Policy and Procedures deferred from the last Council teleconference call:

- IT Committee: Out of four suggested documents distributed to Council members for review, a basic policy was approved knowing that it will be updated in the future. Peter K. Gregg moved and Randy Walker seconded that the policy be approved; motion carried. The Scribe will do grammatical clean-up and send it out to Council for final review;
- Merchandise Manager: Discussion included the pros and cons of having a UPS account, and that the Manager always seeks input before making merchandise decisions. Richard Geer moved and Bruce MacGregor Whyte seconded that the P&P be approved; motion carried;
- Gathering Planner document: Jeanne Lehr had written one after the 2014 Gathering. Scott McGregor had written one in 2008 based on his planning experience over many years. Neither discussed the finance planning which should include the Treasurer. When an event planner is used, there are specific

things that need to be included in contracts. The Chieftain asked if anyone with planning experience at this level would be willing to give a “fresh-eyes” look at the documents, taking into account the peculiarities of contracts for ACGS. The advantages of using Helms-Briscoe as an event planner were discussed. Thad Osborne volunteered to work with Jeanne Lehr in reviewing the Gathering Planner document;

- Relationship with Clan Gregor Society and its chapters in the US was reported by Lois Ann Garlitz, Chieftain, and Randy Walker, Ranking Deputy Chieftain.

A four person video conference took place Friday 25 September 2015 via Skype: participants: Richard McGregor, Chairman of Clan Gregor Society Scotland; Keith MacGregor, overseas representative in US for CGS Scotland (both at Keith’s home in Redding CT); Randolph W. Walker, Ranking Deputy Chieftain ACGS (in San Antonio TX); and Lois Ann Garlitz, Chieftain ACGS, (in American Fork, UT). Purpose for the conference: to discuss and resolve, insofar it is possible, the occasional conflicts arising between the American Clan Gregor Society members and the members of CGS Chapters at various locations in the US.

A brief review of how MacGregor descendants’ clan societies were organized: Clan Gregor Society in Scotland was founded in Edinburgh in 1822, one of the first clan societies in that country. In 1909, the American Clan Gregor Society was organized in Charlottesville, VA with the guidance of Sir Malcolm MacGregor, grandfather of the current Chief, also a Sir Malcolm. In the early 1980’s, Sheila MacGregor, at that time Chairman of CGS Scotland came to the US and other locations around the world to establish groups/chapters of CGS to financially support the activities of CGS Scotland. One of the Chapters she organized was in Atlanta, Georgia. At various times there has been dissention between that Chapter and ACGS, particularly who has rights to a MacGregor display at the Stone Mountain games, which is the current issue that brought these leaders together. In the present day, when visitors come to a clan tent or other activity of MacGregors in any location, and learn there are two societies which they may join, what can we teach to help them decide? Do the hosts at the event take the time to ask “What are your goals in coming here today, and how can we help you?”

The conference discussion began with each participant vocalizing the aims, goals, and benefits of membership in each of their own organizations. CGS in Scotland is in a unique position as it has access to original records and geographical locations which are all part of the MacGregor heritage. A fair number of MacGregors in either society do not understand that position or what it might mean to them personally. CGS leaders have a passion to share that knowledge with MacGregors wherever they are around the world. No other clan is doing what CGS is doing in archeology in Scotland. Others may be repairing castles and such, but not the archeology. In addition CGS leaders have probably a ten-foot pile of notes, like Amelia MacGregor did 100 years ago when she wrote her book. Richard, Keith, and Peter Lawrie (vice-chairman of CGS Council, Scotland) intend to write and update such a history, before their own knowledge is lost. These projects are not inexpensive. ACGS has a

mission statement as a lineage based organization to collect and publish historical and genealogical material and help educate MacGregors about the history of the American descendants of the Clan Gregor of Scotland. Members of ACGS submit their lineage back to a MacGregor or other family “sept” name born in Scotland or in America before 1870. ACGS has archives housed at the University of Baltimore.

MacGregors in the US sometimes can trace their heritage back to Scotland, but for some, “jumping the pond” is a long search, and they focus on their records and stories in America. Because any society requires funding to pursue their projects, it is not unexpected that dissension and unpleasantness arise in areas where there is competition for members and their financial support. Personalities can be difficult for leaders and others to manage and deal with. Among the ideas waiting for further collaboration are: 1] what are the benefits of membership in each (or both) societies, what do members think is important 2] How to increase understanding among members of both societies and appreciation for their common heritage.

Report of the Scribe: Submitted by Jane Montmeny, Scribe

The minutes from the 2014 ACGS Gathering, St. Louis, Missouri, were published in the 2015 Yearbook of ACGS. The following interim ACGS Council meetings were held:

- Sunday January 4, 2015: During the meeting, ACGS Council members voted to approve the Policy and Procedure (P&P) for Trustees. The appointment of Adrienne Tomkins was approved to be the acting Newsletter Editor until elections are held at the 2015 Gathering. Items were identified as business that the Council needs to address this year;
- Monday April 13, 2015: The purposes of the meeting were for ACGS Council members to vote on the Policy and Procedures (P&P) for seven officers, a report on the 2015 Gathering by Keith Gregg and to review progress toward our 2015 goals.
Based on the report from Keith Gregg and other information, a no-frills Gathering is being proposed in the Washington DC area at a location with access to the Metro. There would be a Council meeting on Friday and an AGM on Saturday and possibly a luncheon. The proposed dates would be either the first or second weekends of October. An established schedule for review of all Policies and Procedures was approved. Hopefully an announcement will be made by the end of the week.
Policies and Procedures for the following officers were discussed and approved: Chieftain, Ranking Deputy Chieftain, Scribe, Registrar, Immediate Past Chieftain, Chancellor and At-Large-Council members;
- Monday June 1, 2015: The Council call was held to vote on the Policy and Procedures (P&P) for ten officers. The Chieftain requested consideration and approval of the appointment of Peter Gregg to the Heraldry Committee; motion carried. The Policies and Procedures approved were for Historian, Librarian, Piper, Webmaster, Yearbook Editor, Area Deputy Chieftain, Chaplain, Newsletter Editor, Treasurer and Assistant Chieftain;

- Monday August 31, 2015: The Chieftain requested consideration and approval of the following appointments: Dr. Amy E. Fleming to the Scholarship Committee, Ron McGregor to the Recognition Committee, and Stuart McGregor to the Recognition Committee. The Audit Committee had named Paul Collinson as their new chair resulting in a change in committee position for M. Gregg Elliott, former chair.

Policies and Procedures for the following Committees were approved: Gathering Committee, Gathering Site Selection Committee, Heraldry Committee, Recognition Committee, Nominating Committee, Scholarship Committee and the Audit Committee.

Report of the Trustees: John King Bellasai reported that he was elected to the Board of Trustees at the 2014 Gathering in St. Louis to fill a vacant position. Because of resignations, John Bellasai and Treasurer Bruce Whyte, met by telephone and nominated to fill the vacancies with Robert F. ("Sandy") MacGregor and Thaddeus Osborne. Both were subsequently appointed in early 2015.

June 1 2015: The newly constituted Board of Trustees of the ACGS Charity & Education (C&E) Fund met by telephone conference call. The Treasurer reported on the status of invested assets and the amount of revenue (interest income) available for scholarship awards. The performance by the outside investment manager, Stifel Nicolaus, of St. Louis, MO and Jackson, MS, was reviewed. The recommendations from the Audit Committee were reviewed. The Board reviewed scholarship recommendations for 2015 made by ACGS Scholarship Committee Chairman Richard Greer and his Committee and selection of individual scholarship recipients and amounts.

The situation with regard to the "MacGregor Antiquities" category of charitable giving, was discussed including the level of funds currently available for this purpose and the status of the ACGS/ CGS "negotiations" now under way about possible transfer of limited ACGS funds to CGS, and under what circumstances this might be done.

June 4, 2015: A meeting by telephone conference call was held to consider whether to pay out of C&E funds for the newly commissioned Pipe Band Banner (displaying the Society's new coat of arms from the Lord Lyon) and the 30 smaller heraldic tent banners of similar design, to be flown by the Area Deputy Chieftains at their tents at highland games and other outreach events. A recommended that this be done, as the display of these banners at the annual Gathering and at other Scottish heritage-related events across the country have an essentially educational purpose as to the very origins of our Society. The Trustees were in full agreement with this rationale and with the decision to pay for these banners out of C&E funds.

Report of the Registrar: The report given by Jeanne Lehr, Registrar, covered the year November 2014 to October 2, 2015: During that period there have been twenty-eight new members, one new provisional member, one member advanced from provisional to lineal status, one member converted to life membership, one junior advancing to lineal membership, six new junior members and two reinstated members. There was favorable discussion about using on-line applications. Because of the cost of postage, new members may be asked to order membership pins through the merchandise manager

(requiring their ACGS member number on the form) rather than the pin being included in the membership package mailed by the Registrar.

Report of the Historian: Elizabeth Magruder Joiner, Historian, reported that since the last Gathering of the Society in St. Louis, Missouri in 2014 until the Gathering in Arlington, Virginia in 2015, there has been 1 birth reported, no marriages, 6 deaths of members, and 3 deaths of relatives of members.

Report of the Chaplain: Thad Osborne, Chaplain attended the Society's annual Gathering in St. Louis, Missouri in November 2014, delivering the opening prayers for the meeting of council and the general membership. He officiated at the annual Memorial Service at the Third Baptist Church of St. Louis; he was not consulted for any private counsel during the Gathering. The Chaplain completed his preparation at Logos House of Studies in Maine in December, and was ordained to the sacred ministry of a Deacon in the Anglican Province of America by the Right Reverend Walter Grundorf, D.D., at Holy Cross Church in Farragut, Tennessee on 28 March 2015.

Report of the Yearbook Editor: ACGS Yearbook 2015 will be distributed soon and stands as the report from Elizabeth Magruder Joiner, Yearbook Editor.

Report of the Newsletter Editor: The 2015 issues of the "*Ardchoille*" stand as the report from Adrienne Tomkins, Newsletter Editor.

Report of the Webmaster: Richard Walker provided an in-depth report of the ACGS web site, which included detailed web site statistics. In addition, Randy Walker, RDC, has been given access and authority to help make updates to the ACGS website as needed.

The above reports had been distributed to and reviewed by Council members the week prior to the meeting. The Chieftain asked if there were questions/comments on any of the reports. Hearing none, Jeanne Lehr moved and Peter Gregg seconded that all the above reports be approved as submitted; motion carried.

Old Business: Policy and Procedures deferred from the last Council teleconference call:

- Heraldry Committee P&P: (tabled from last teleconference call) after consideration, Bruce Whyte moved and Jeanne Lehr seconded that the P&P be approved; motion carried;
- Scholarship Committee P&P: This had been tabled from the last teleconference call to better delineate the priorities for awarding scholarships which was effected by changes in the 2014 Bylaws. Richard Greer will draft the document and forward it to the Scribe to be distributed to the Council for approval. Stuart McGregor moved and Bruce Whyte seconded approval subject to rewrite by Richard Greer; motion carried.

New Business:

- The Chieftain announced that George F. McGregor, former chieftain from 1990-1993, recently celebrated his 97th birthday and was sent a mug featuring the

ACGS membership pin design. He had sent back a nice thank you letter for the gift;

- Keith Gregg, Nomination Committee chair, announced that because of stipulations in the 2014 Bylaws that election for office are for two years, all current officers will continue until 2016;
- Nomination Committee for 2016 will be Keith Gregg, Diana Browne and John Bellassai. They will decide on who will be their chairman. Bruce Whyte moved and Richard Greer seconded the proposed members of the committee; motion carried;
- There was discussion about a location for Gathering 2016 which will be continued at the AGM tomorrow;
- The Chieftain announced her appointments for 2016
 - The assistant Chieftain is vacant at the present time; it was proposed that the duties be divided between several people.
 - Chaplain: Rev. Thad Osborne
 - Yearbook Editor: Elizabeth Joiner
 - Newsletter Editor: Adrienne Tomkins
 - Webmaster: Richard Walker
 - Piper: Matt Kuldell
 - Member-at-Large: Thomas R. King
 - Mary Kate Gregg had submitted her resignation as an At-Large-Member of Council and was given a vote of thanks for her contributions
 - Scholarship Committee: Richard Greer, chair, Nolan Sanders and Dr. Amy E. Fleming.
 - Recognition Committee: Maggie Sanderfield chair, Ron McGregor and Stuart McGregor
 - Heraldry Committee: John Bellassai and Peter Gregg
 - Audit Committee: Paul Collinson chair, M. Gregg Elliott and Tom Peters
 - Merchandise Manager: Peter Gregg
 - IT Committee: Bruce Whyte chair, Rick Walker and Bill Tyler
 - Gathering Site Selection Committee: Bruce Whyte and Ian Gregg
 - Peter Gregg moved and Randy Walker seconded that these appointments be approved; motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15pm by Lois Ann Garlitz, Chieftain.



Ray Azbell, John Bellasai, Lillian Magruder, Thad Osborn at Grandfather Mountain.



Thomas Magruder, son of Herbert Magruder, nephew of Abbey Magruder (past chieftain)

2015 ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

MINUTES

American Clan Gregor Society, Inc.
Submitted by D. Jane Montmeny, Scribe
106th Annual Gathering – Crystal City, Virginia
October 3, 2015

The 2015 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the American Clan Gregor Society (ACGS) was called to order on October 3, 2015 in Crystal City, Virginia at 8:32 am by Lois Ann Garlitz, Chieftain. The Chieftain asked that if anyone has a proxy form that has not yet been given to the Scribe, please do so for a quorum to be established. Quorum was established at 49 with 30 members present plus 19 proxies; a quorum of 47 was required.

Invocation was given by Rev. Thaddeus G. Osborne, Chaplain. Council members who were excused as unable to attend were Lori A. Connery, Member-At-Large and Ronald A. McGregor, Immediate Past Chieftain.

Opening remarks by the Chieftain, Lois Ann Garlitz: She shared greetings and best wishes from the Chairman Clan Gregor Society (CGS), Scotland, Richard McGregor. CGS Scotland are continuing their archeological and Dalmally stones projects as recorded in their twice yearly newsletter reports, a benefit of membership in their society. Membership in ACGS does not constitute membership in CGS Scotland and vice-versa. We are two separate societies each with a common heritage but different membership requirements. CGS Scotland is in a unique position due to access to original records and geographical locations in our ancestral homeland. ACGS is a lineage-based heritage preservation society organized to collect and publish historical and genealogical material and educate McGregors about the history of the American descendants of the Clan Gregor in Scotland. Often it is difficult for those in America to trace their ancestors “across the pond” and to tap into the records in Scotland. Therefore, we focus on our records and stories in America. If you also wish to join CGS Scotland, and hear about the things they are doing and receive their publications, just go to their website, which is www.clangregor.org

Report of the Scribe: Submitted by Jane Montmeny, Scribe

The minutes from the 2014 ACGS Gathering, St. Louis, Missouri, were published in the 2015 Yearbook of ACGS. The following interim ACGS Council meetings were held:

Sunday January 4, 2015: During the meeting, ACGS Council members voted to approve the Policy and Procedure (P&P) for Trustees. The appointment of Adrienne Tomkins was approved to be the acting Newsletter Editor until elections are held at the 2015 Gathering. Items were identified as business that the Council needs to address this year.

Monday April 13, 2015: The purposes of the meeting were for ACGS Council members to vote on the Policy and Procedures (P&P) for seven officers, a report on the 2015 Gathering by Keith Gregg and to review progress toward our 2015 goals. Based on the report from Keith Gregg and other information, a no-frills Gathering is being proposed in the Washington DC area. An established schedule for review of all Policies and Procedures was approved. Policies and Procedures for the following officers were discussed and approved: Chieftain, Ranking Deputy Chieftain, Scribe, Registrar, Immediate Past Chieftain, Chancellor and At-Large-Council members.

Monday June 1, 2015: The Council call was held to vote on the Policy and Procedures (P&P) for ten officers. The Chieftain requested approval of the appointment of Peter Gregg to the Heraldry Committee which was approved. The Policies and Procedures approved were for Historian, Librarian, Piper, Webmaster, Yearbook Editor, Area Deputy Chieftain, Chaplain, Newsletter Editor, Treasurer and Assistant Chieftain.

Monday August 31, 2015: The Chieftain requested consideration and approval of the following appointments: Dr. Amy E. Fleming to the Scholarship Committee, Ron McGregor to the Recognition Committee, and Stuart McGregor to the Recognition Committee. The Audit Committee had named Paul Collinson as their new chair resulting in a change in committee position for M. Gregg Elliott, former chair. Policies and Procedures for the following Committees were approved: Gathering Committee, Gathering Site Selection Committee, Heraldry Committee, Recognition Committee, Nominating Committee, Scholarship Committee and the Audit Committee.

The Scribe summarized the forthcoming minutes for the ACGS Council meeting held the day before on October 2, 2015. The report was accepted.

Report of Assistant Chieftain: Keith Gregg presented his report. He is resigning his position and expressed thanks for the things he learned and the support he has received during his tenure. The skills needed to fulfill the position as being computer skills, time available, home internet access and people skills, which may be divided up rather than just one person.

Report of the Treasurer: Bruce Whyte presented his report. Because of the 2014 Bylaws changes, our fiscal year now runs to January to December, which has made it more difficult to give a coherent report. We currently have about \$12,000.00 in the bank with a net loss of about \$2,000 for the first three quarters. The biggest expenses we have continue to be printing, copying and postage in spite of trying to transition to electronic communication. The second report on the C&E fund shows that the year started with \$411,000 and has grown to \$436,000 in assets. The main expense from the C&E fund this year has been granting eight scholarships for total of \$16,000.

Report of the Board of Trustees: Rev. Thad Osborne reported that because of retirements last year, he and John Bellasai are new trustees who joined Bruce Whyte, treasurer, in administering the investments of the C&E Fund, mainly through the use of teleconference. ACGS uses an outside investment manager, Stifel-Nicolaus, of Jackson, MS, and are considering whether to use them for more management services in an effort

to make prudent decisions about the investment funds. The Board continues to support antiquities efforts of CGS in Scotland for their archeological project and the Dalmally stones project. Area Deputy Chieftains have received new flags with ACGS arms on them, which were funded from the C&E fund.

Lois Ann Garlitz read names of the eight scholarship recipients who each received \$2000.00. This is the first year that the Scholarship Committee has worked with the Trustees who actually award the monies in keeping the specifications in the 2014 Bylaws. The Harry and Edith Blunt fund was changed to the C&E fund which made more scholarship funds available. Lois Ann also described the pinsel, a heraldic flag which was presented to ACGS by the Chief, CGS Scotland several years ago and indicates that whoever has it on display is an official representative of Sir Malcolm McGregor.

Report of the Registrar: Jeanne Lehr presented her report. There are twenty-eight new lineal, associate and life members, one new provisional member, one member advanced from provisional to lineal status, one member converted to life membership, one junior advancing to lineal membership, six new junior members and two reinstated members. Please refer to the Registrar's actual report for details.

Report of the Historian: The names will be read during the memorial service during the noontime luncheon.

Report of the Chaplain: Rev. Thad Osborne announced that in March 2015 he was ordained a Deacon in the Anglican Church of America. Congratulations were extended to Thad on this achievement.

Report of the Yearbook Editor: Lois Ann Garlitz reported that it has been a learning year for Elizabeth Joiner in preparing the Yearbook which will be in our mailboxes soon.

Report of the Newsletter Editor: Newsletters, which have been published and distributed to members, stand as the report from Adrienne Tomkins for this year. Positive comments from those present will be forwarded to Ms. Tomkins.

Report of the Webmaster/ Ranking Deputy Chieftain: Randy Walker reported that ACGS has two public faces to the public: our web site (www.acgsus.org) has a fair amount of traffic by those seeking information about the Society. The second public face is the Area Deputy Chieftains (ADC) who represent ACGS, Clan Gregor and our Chief and his lady. For the first time in many years, there have been representatives from coast to coast, which includes eight new ADC's. All of the ADC's were recognized for their hard work and for being the face of the Society. Mr. Walker displayed a new banner, which shows the new Society arms and says American Clan Gregor; these represent us in a very attractive way and have been given to many of the ADC's.

Report of the Librarian: This office is currently vacant but Lois Ann Garlitz reported that she is going to the Baltimore Library on Monday. She has had contact with Benjamin Blake at the library who reported that our ACGS publications have been digitized and are available on their website.

Reports from Committee Chairs:

Report of the Scholarship Committee: Richard Greer reported that they basically provide a clerical function for applicants by reviewing submitted forms to ensure that they are complete. The committee members gather and make recommendations by priority group to the Board of Trustees for their approval and awarding of scholarship funds through the Treasurer. A cut-off date of April first has been established to apply; all requirements are available on ACGS website. After receiving a scholarship, the student is required to provide a report each semester to the Trustees about their academic progress. Mr. Greer commended Nolan Sanders for his contributions to the committee for a number of years.

Report of the Heraldry Committee: John Bellasai displayed the new clan banners that have been distributed to Area Deputy Chieftains. These have been funded from the C&E fund because they are considered an educational tool about the clan. The flag represents McGregors sailing from Scotland to America which is the story of this clan. More of these flags are being purchased from the National Capitol Flag Company and will be available for purchase by members. The bigger silk embroidered banner, which is intended to be carried by the pipe band, will be on display at the luncheon.

Mr. Bellasai also reported that the new Lord Lyon, King of Arms, Reverend Dr. Joseph Morrow, happens to be a McGregor. Sir Malcolm and several ACGS members met him at the Council of Scottish Clans and Associations (COSCA) meeting in July 2015. ACGS is a member of the organization and Mr. Bellasai is the current president. Dr. Morrow has been invited to attend Tartan Day in Washington DC in April 2016 as a speaker about Scottish heraldry. He wants to broaden the eligibility for the application process for a grant of arms to include officers in good standing of Scottish organizations in America. This is different because you would not have to bear the surname but would be eligible to apply to the Lyon Court. If you are interested, Mr. Bellasai could be contacted.

Report of Recognition Committee: In lieu of Maggie Sanderfield, Committee chair, Lois Ann Garlitz announced that Carolyn J. McGregor Long is being presented with a certificate of appreciation. For outstanding efforts as the State Deputy Chieftain for southern California for the past twenty 20 years, she represented our Society, our Chief and our Clan with honor and respect. So devoted to our heritage, she and her late husband traveled to Scotland in 2003 for the commemoration of the 400th anniversary of the Battle of Glen Fruin and the affirmation of Sir Malcolm as our Chief following the death of his father, Sir Gregor. We truly appreciate all of her efforts on our behalf.

Lois Ann and Peter Gregg have been discussing the possibility of having a challenge coin that would be available for the Chieftain or other person to give in recognition. The medallions given at the 2009 Gathering were basically the same idea but a different format. There was general agreement with the idea.

Report of the Audit Committee: Paul Collinson, Audit Committee chair, reported that in responding to simple requests made over the past couple of years, their audit process has moved forward. John Bellassai, chair of the Board of Trustees, recognized Bruce Whyte, Treasurer, for the level of detail and excellence of his work in supporting the finances of the Society.

Report from the Merchandise Manager: Peter Gregg, Merchandise Manager, reported on sales for the year, the proceeds of which go to the C&E fund. He displayed new T-shirts of various colors which have our logo and web site. The Council agreed to rotate colors each year; cardinal red will be the color for 2016. There will be an event T-shirt for the 2017 Gathering in San Antonio; the color at this time is classified. Order forms from merchandise are being developed and will be available through the newsletter, on the web site and in the membership package. The silkscreen flags have been ordered and will be available through merchandise as will the ACGS membership pins.

Report of IT Committee: Bruce Whyte reported that the committee continues to grow and develop.

New Business:

Gathering 2016: This year's Gathering has been an abbreviated version of those in the past. A traditional Gathering is being planned for 2017 in San Antonio; discussion focused on plans for 2016.

John Bellassai, former chair of the long-range planning committee shared the following: Our Society is healthy, membership has not dropped, we keep existing and enroll new members. However, because of the economic reality of the times, younger members are not travelling like the older members which has made a decline in attendance at Gathering. We need to be careful and conserve so we don't drain our resources.

Feedback from the discussion that will be forwarded to the Council includes the need to determine a location and local chairman for 2016, possibly of scheduling during the summer and in conjunction with established games, and the possibility of raising the cost of dues to increase Society income.

Grandfather Mountain stones: Grandfather Mountain Games want to establish memorial stones for the clans; they are asking any clan who wishes to donate \$1000.00 to the fund. ACGS is a supporter of the games and is gathering donations.

Election of Officers: Keith Gregg, Chair of the Nominating Committee, presented the following slate of officers who agreed to serve for 2016 according to the 2014 Bylaws, which stipulated a two year term of office:

Chieftain: Lois Ann Garlitz
Ranking Deputy Chieftain: Randolph W. Walker
Scribe: D. Jane Montmeny
Registrar: Jeanne Peter Lehr
Treasurer: Bruce McGregor Whyte
Chancellor: Diana Browne

The Nominating Committee for 2016 will be Keith Gregg, Diana Browne and John Bellassai; they will choose their own chairman.

Board of Trustees: John Bellassai, chair, was elected to fill a position at the 2014 AGM; the position expires in 2017. After the AGM, two of the trustees resigned which necessitated two temporary appointments to fill the vacancies. Robert F. “Sandy” MacGregor, past chieftain and past treasurer was appointed to the position that expires in 2015. Rev. Thad Osborne, past chieftain, was appointed to fill the position that expires in 2016. Keith Gregg nominated Robert F. “Sandy” MacGregor to be a trustee and Richard Adams seconded the nomination; motion carried. His term will expire in 2018.

Because the trustees are elected at the AGM, a motion to ratify the temporary appointment of Rev. Osborne as a trustee was made by Peter Gregg and seconded by Richard Greer; motion carried.

Appointments by Lois Ann Garlitz, Chieftain:

Assistant Chieftain: vacant

Chaplain: Thad Osborne

Historian: Elizabeth Magruder Joiner

Librarian: vacant

Yearbook Editor: Elizabeth Magruder Joiner

Newsletter Editor: Adrienne Tomkins

Web Master: Richard Walker

Piper: Matt Kuldell

Member-at-Large: Thomas R. King ‘2018

Scholarship Committee: Richard Greer, chair, Nolan Sanders, Amy Higgins Fleming

Recognition Committee: Margaret Sanderfield, chair, Ronald A. McGregor and Stuart W. McGregor

Heraldry Committee: John King Bellassai, chair and Peter K. Gregg

Audit Committee: Paul Owen Collinson, chair, M. Gregg Elliott, Thomas Peter, advisor

Merchandise Manager: Peter K. Gregg

IT Committee: Bruce McGregor Whyte, chair and Richard Walker plus new Assistant Chieftain

Gathering Site Selection Committee: Bruce McGregor Whyte and Ian Gregg

Meeting was adjourned by Lois Ann Garlitz, Chieftain at 10:35am.

2015 AREA DEPUTY CHIEFTAIN MEETING

**American Clan Gregor Society
Submitted by D. Jane Montmeny, Scribe
October 3, 2015**

Attendees:

Chair, Randy W. Walker, Ranking Deputy Chieftain and ADC Texas
D. Jane Montmeny, Scribe
Leighton P. and Mary Stradley, ADC VA, MD, West VA
Peter K. Gregg, ADC DE, MD, NJ, Eastern PA
Jean Simon, ADC Alabama
Thaddeus G. Osborne, ADC East and Mid-Tennessee
Bruce M. Whyte, ADC Georgia, North FL
Lois Ann Garlitz, ADC UT, NV
Jeanne Lehr, ADC MO East
Kay Britt, ADC KY, IL, IN
Richard Adams, ADC Southern CA
Edward K. Gregor, ADC NY
Sandy MacGregor, guest, Southeast VA

The meeting was called to order by Randy Walker, Ranking Deputy Chieftain at 10:40am on October 3, 2015. He expressed appreciation for the work and efforts by ADC's on behalf of the Society over the last year. He distributed packages of ACGS pens and new brochures as items for use in clan tents. He also had a list of tips to help run down McGregor heritage for those investigating Scottish family heritage. Coffee mugs showing the Dalmally Church in Scotland were available. One of the new McGregor clan banners was given to Edward Gregor for the clan tent.

Randy asked that he be emailed if there are any concerns about the job of an ADC; he also encouraged sharing ideas between ADC's by email.

The ACGS Council yesterday approved a new reimbursement policy for ADC expenses. Each ADC may be reimbursed up to \$150.00 per game for expenses related to that game. They were instructed to submit a request directly to Bruce Whyte, ACGS Treasurer, using one of the forms from Randy and including their receipts.

One of the ADC's requested a handout about the McGregor DNA project that could be given out from a clan tent. The American Clan Gregor Society Facebook page can be used to post photos and/or information for the Society. Each ADC may set up a ACGS email address to receive inquiries about ACGS in their area. If interested, send a request to Bruce Whyte, Treasurer, to get the addresses of active ACGS members in your area.

With a conclusion of further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 11:12pm by Randy Walker.

REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEFTAIN

Keith D. Gregg

This year is a year of change and transition.

- A. Transition to new council membership. Within the last year several members have stepped up to replace the members that have carried the society for a long time. We have had a turnover of office holders which has not been easy for our Chieftain to manage. Lois Ann Garlitz, “failure is not an option”, has spurred me and others on to perform better.

I will not be seeking reappointment to the position of Assistant Chieftain (AC). There are several factors for my decision. The first is the time it takes in order to do justice to the position. With the demands of my work and family, I simple cannot devote more time or the time that is necessary to perform the job as it needs to be.

Secondly I am technically challenged. The internet service to my home is phone lines. Therefore it is difficult to send and receive data. Coupled with that is loss of AC power a couple of times a month. Hence I have the computer up, power goes out and computer dies. “Save often” works as my motto but not for corrupted files when I bring them back from the dead.

Thirdly is the lack of familiarity with programing and computer systems.

So I therefore would like to see someone in the position with time to accomplish the duties, high levels of computer skills with reliable service, and people skills.

I do pledge to assist the turnover process for the upcoming year and assist the person taking AC as necessary.

- B. Transition to electronic publishing of the Newsletter:

1. Being mindful of cost and the shift to consumer electronic data I have begun to send the newsletters out as attachment in emails. I have received largely 99% positive feedback. Three challenges are what I perceive that we have:

- Reducing the cost of mailings and printing to a minimum.
- Satisfying the members who like to have hard copies.
- Managing a new method of delivery and databases. The transition is in progress to get the databases aligned to the particular needs of the members and form of newsletter they would like as well as conducting society business.

One interesting outcome of the shift in technology was the names of members past due. The Chieftain, Lois Ann, and I have discussed an outreach to those individuals. Times and economics being what they are, have caused some hardships on people.

The electronic database allowed us to reach out to members past due. This may entice some to come back after the economy turns around.

- C. The Gathering for next year will be up to the new AC. I have not chosen a location nor received any input for an east coast location. The decision should be made for a long or a short program within a month.
- D. In closing, there has been a lot of change, however not our commitment to our core values as a society. I want to thank everyone for their attendance and making this Gathering successful.



Eric, Janet and Buster Magruder

TREASURER'S REPORT

Gathering 2015, Washington, DC
October 2, 2015

General Accounts

This report covers two different time periods. At the last Gathering it was agreed within the Bylaw changes that the fiscal year would change from October 1 – September 30 to the calendar year of January 1 – December 31. Solely for the purpose of comparison, the standard profit/loss report for the period October 1, 2014 – September 30, 2015 is presented to be compared to the same time interval the previous year.

	Oct '13 - Aug	Oct '14 - Aug
Profit and Loss Standard October 2013 through August 2015		
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
4010 — Gathering income	\$4,962.68	\$8,230.00
4090 — Membership Dues	\$10,380.68	\$8,961.00
4130 — Donations & pledges	\$1,665.00	\$2,080.00
4150 — Miscellaneous Income	\$2,087.00	\$892.00
Total Income	\$19,095.36	\$20,163.00
Expense		
6292 — Chieftain medallions	\$300.00	\$0.00
5000 — Gathering Expenses	\$19,545.52	\$19,640.38
5050 — SDC reimbursements	\$596.00	\$235.00
6120 — Bank Service Charges	\$481.68	\$251.96
6140 — Contributions	\$0.00	\$1,941.70
6160 — Dues and Subscriptions	\$320.01	\$183.06
6175 — Storage rental	\$581.02	\$0.00
6180 — Insurance	\$853.00	\$435.00
6240 — Miscellaneous	\$1,142.38	-\$25.00
6250 — Postage and Delivery	\$835.42	\$1,878.44
6270 — Professional Fees	\$750.00	\$750.00
6260 — Printing & Copying	\$1,701.36	\$5,026.99
6340 — Telephone	\$336.98	\$881.07
6345 — Advertizing	\$420.00	\$195.00
6550 — Office Supplies	\$335.60	\$48.63
6770 — Supplies	\$1,314.50	\$72.26
6800 — Write off/Inkind donation	-\$50.00	-\$10.00
Total Expense	\$29,463.47	\$31,504.49
Net Ordinary Income	-\$10,368.11	-\$11,341.49
Other Income/Expense	\$3.78	\$1.68
Net Income	-\$10,364.33	-\$11,341.49

Several points to note:

1. There has been a net loss for each of the two years;
2. Income for both years has been similar;
3. Expenses have increased in FY15 compared to FY14, largely due to an increase in printing costs;
4. Postage costs have actually increased;
5. Rental of the storage shed has been shifted to the C&E account;

Also, the report of the 2015 fiscal year is presented for the period January 1, 2015 – September 30, 2015 (the first 3 quarters of the current fiscal year).

Profit and Loss Standard	
January 1, 2015 through September 27, 2015	
	Jan '15 - Sep '15
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
4010 — Gathering income	\$2,750.00
4090 — Membership Dues	\$8,436.00
4130 — Donations & pledges	\$1,522.56
4150 — Miscellaneous Income	\$424.00
Total Income	\$13,132.56
Expense	
6292 — Chieftain medallions	\$0.00
5000 — Gathering Expenses	\$7,925.32
5050 — SDC reimbursements	\$40.00
6120 — Bank Service Charges	\$159.28
6140 — Contributions (PayPal)	\$1,941.70
6160 — Dues and Subscriptions	\$0.00
6175 — Storage rental	\$0.00
6180 — Insurance	\$435.00
6240 — Miscellaneous	\$0.00
6250 — Postage and Delivery	\$1,058.32
6270 — Professional Fees	\$1,500.00
6260 — Printing & Copying	\$1,831.76
6340 — Telephone	\$358.36
6345 — Advertizing	\$195.00
6550 — Office Supplies	\$48.63
6770 — Supplies	\$0.00
6800 — Write off/Inkind donation	-\$10.00
Total Expense	\$15,483.37
Net Ordinary Income	-\$2,350.81
Other Income/Expense	\$0.61
Net Income	-\$2,350.20

Thus, for the first three quarters of FY15, there is a net loss of \$2,350.20. Certainly an improvement on previous years. There are still some areas we should be reducing:

1. Gathering income has commenced for this report's time frame. An additional \$1,000 has been received that is not included in these reports;
2. Membership dues continue to decline;
3. Postage is still high at \$1,058.32;
4. Printing and copying is still high at \$1,831.76. This should be reduced especially since doing more on-line.

There was no formal budget prepared for FY15 due to difficulties in determining both income and expenses as a result of changing fiscal years and the Gathering losses over the years. If there had been a budget it would have had fewer expenses (postage, printing) and a Gathering that should cover itself.

Having said that, ACGS is currently running very close to achieving a balanced budget.

Recommendations

1. A more proactive should be made to seek membership renewals of existing and/or delinquent members, which should result in an additional 50 members and \$2,500.00;
2. The Gathering should at worst be balanced. That is, income and expense for the Gathering should be the same and balance each other resulting in no further losses;
3. If legally possible, the Gathering for 2016 should be cancelled since the 2017 Gathering in San Antonio is already planned on being a more traditional Gathering;
4. Costs of printing and copying need to be drastically reduced due to a stated heavier reliance on the internet;
5. Costs of postage should also be greatly reduced for the same reason as printing and copying.

It is estimated that by implementing the above recommendations, a minimum of \$10,000 in expenses will be save with an increase in income of at least \$2,500. That is, a net gain of \$12,500.

Charity and Education Fund

Finally there are the two reports for the Charity and Education Fund (C&E) for the current fiscal year to date, a balance sheet and a profit/loss report.

	<u>Aug 31, '15</u>	
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Checking/Savings		
Blunt Scholarship Fund C&E	2,684.40	
Charity Education Checking	10,507.07 ^{&}	
General Checking	100.00	
Magruder Library Fund C&E	1,600.60	
Transfers	-4,454.34	
Total Checking/Savings	<u>10,437.73</u>	
Total Current Assets		<u>10,437.73</u>
Other Assets		
1500 — Investments - Stifel		
1543 — Apollo Investment	9,981.41	
1521 — AT&T	22,919.26	
1526 — Lilly Eli	25,254.34	
1528 — Altria	30,125.81	
1530 — Verizon Communications	30,164.82	
1531 — Lockheed Martin	41,996.61	
1534 — Southern Company	30,113.15	
1537 — Royal Dutch Shell	20,946.94	
1598 — Money Market	108,389.67	
1599 — Unrealized gain/loss	105,182.21	
Total 1500 — Investments - Stifel	<u>425,074.22</u>	
Total Other Assets		<u>425,074.22</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>435,511.95</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable		
2000 — Accounts Payable	-1,092.00	
Total Accounts Payable	<u>-1,092.00</u>	
Total Current Liabilities		<u>-1,092.00</u>
Total Liabilities		<u>-1,092.00</u>
Equity		
1110 — Retained Earnings	417,084.87	
3000 — Opening Bal Equity	623.95	
Net Income	18,895.13	
	<u>Total Equity</u>	<u>436,603.95</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY		<u>435,511.95</u>

[&] *Includes \$557.44 for the Grandfather Mountain Stones Project*

The total assets have increased in the last year:

- \$411,781.55 in 2014;
- \$435,511.95 in 2015.

At present the Trustees use Stifel Nicolaus investment firm in Jackson, MS and have tended to use some information provided by Stifel which has been somewhat passive, meaning Stifel only suggests, does not recommend buying or selling. They have been asked if they could play a more active role since that is their business and it is not that of the Trustees. A report on this consideration will be presented at the Council meeting.

Recommendations

1. It is time to finally stop renting a storage shed. For at least 4 years that has been recommended and it needs to be implemented;
2. A more aggressive approach needs to be taken towards increasing the assets; and
3. A documented investment plan needs to be developed and implemented.

ACGS C&E	
Profit and Loss Standard	
January 1 through August 30, 2015	
<u>Jan 1 - Aug 30, '15</u>	
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
4130 — Donations &	3,531.70
Total Income	3,531.70
Expense	
5051 — CoA, banners, flags	2,778.48
6145 — Scholarships	16,000.00
6175 — Storage rental	615.00
6180 — Insurance	435.00
6270 — Professional Fees	750.00
6380 — Travel	340.38
Total Expense	<u>20,918.86</u>
Net Ordinary Income	-17,387.16
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	22,914.93
7200 — Dividends Stifel	10,269.89
Total 7200 — Dividends	<u>10,269.89</u>
Total Other Income	33,185.35
Other Expense	84.60
Total Other Expense	<u>84.60</u>
Net Other Income	<u>33,100.75</u>
Net Income	<u>15,713.59</u>

Not surprisingly the profit/loss report is minimal as there is little activity in the C&E funds. The only expenses tend to be preparation of taxes, issuing of scholarships, insurance and the storage shed.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR

Jeanne Peter Lehr, Registrar

(Listing new members or other changes in membership status between the Gathering at St Louis, Missouri, 6-8 November 2014 and the Gathering at Arlington, VA 2nd and 3rd October 2015. 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 the member.

Here are the numbers at a glance for the year November 2014 to October 2015:

Corrections from previous years = 0

New members (lineal, associate and life) = 28

New provisional members = 1

Members advancing from provisional to lineal = 1

Members converting to life membership = 1

Juniors advancing to lineal membership = 1

New Junior members = 6

Reinstated members = 2

CORRECTIONS from previous years

NEW MEMBERS – includes Lineal, Associate and Life Members

#3109 King, Christie DeForest, 4030 Tates Creek Road, Apt #1266, Lexington, KY 40517 She the sister of Nicholas Pieter King ACGS #3093 and the daughter of Timothy Earl King and Patricia Anne DeForest; he the son of George Moerdyke King and Madelyn Ethel King; he the son of Karl Grant King and Miriam Moerdyke; he the son of Samuel Henry King and Girttie Dorn; he the son of George Edward King and Eliza Margaret Kraft; he the son of Gorham King and Eunice Stephenson; he the son of Elisha King and Molly Knowlton; he the son of Dr Robert King and Rachel Knox; he the son of Robert King and Jennet Sterling; he the son of Henry John King and Margaret Scott.

#3114LM Gregg, Kevin Donald, 4421 Edgewood Road, Louisville, TN 37777-4638 He is the spouse of Deborah Elizabeth Brown and the son of Donald Ray Gregg and Sandra Lynn Rogers; he the son of Fred Robert Gregg and Ozell Lane;; he the son of John W. Gregg (Gragg) and Sarah Frances (Sallie) Reed; he the son of James Gregg (Gragg) and Elizabeth Snyder (Snider).

#3115 Mead, Michael Allen, 621 West Oregon Avenue, Klamath Falls, OR 97603 He is the son of Kenneth DeWayne Walker (ACGS #3070LM) and Kena Marie Vanrooyen; he the son of Paul William Walker (ACGS #3058) and Ruth Ann Hilbert (ACGS #3059A); he the son of Paul Vernon Walker and Kathleen Lavern Russell; he the son of John Alford Walker and Minnie Catherine Howerton; he the son of Joseph Hays Walker and Susan Adaline Hubbard; he the son of William Walker and Rachel Potter; he the son of Thomas Walter Walker and Elizabeth Ann Magill; he the son of John Walker III and

Mary Anderson; he the son of John Walker II and Ann Houston; he the son of John Walker and Katherine Rutherford.

#3116 Howard, Carolyn Lee Birkhead, 108 Chestnut Street, Clinton, NC 28328 She is the spouse of Timothy Ward Howard and the daughter of Thomas Fox Birkhead and Carolyn Senter; he the son of Kendall Palmer Birkhead and Glayds Eleanor Fox; he the son of Thomas Graves Birkhead (ACGS #159) and Annie Leonardine Clowes (ACGS #170A); he the son of Dr Edward Francis Birkhead and Cornelia Rachel Magruder Graves; she the daughter of Thomas W. Graves and Mildred Peed Thrift; she the daughter of Robert Thrift and Rachel Magruder; she the daughter of James Magruder and Mary Beal Bowie

#3117 Gregg, Michael Calvin, 3100 Skyline Drive, Oceanside, CA 2056 He is the spouse of Tawn Marie Burton and the son of Malcolm Calvin Gregg and Lola Kathrine Lemberg; he the son of Calvin James Gregg and Margaret S. Smylmo; he the son of Calvin Dana Gregg and Anna Marie Splane; he the son of Christy Gregg and Mary M. Merrill; he the son of James Gregg and Judith Hadlock; he the son of Alexander Gregg and Mary Christie.

#3118 King, Timothy Earl, 15366 Mission Hills Drive, Carmel, IN 46033 He is the spouse of Patricia Anne DeForeest, the father of Nicholas Pieter King ACGS #3093 and Christie DeForeest King ACGS #3109, and the son of George Moerdyke King and Madelyn Ethel Hatfield; he the son of Karl Grant King and Miriam Moerdyke; he the son of Samuel Henry King and Girttie Dorn; he the son of George Edward King and Eliza Margaret Kraft; he the son of Gorham King and Eunice Stephenson; he the son of Elisha King and Molly Knowlton; he the son of Dr Robert King and Rachel Knox; he the son of Robert King and Jennet Sterling; he the son of Henry John King and Margaret Scott.

#3119A King, Patricia Anne DeForeest, 15366 Mission Hills Drive, Carmel, IN 46033 She is the spouse of Timothy Earl King ACGS #3118.

#3120 Gregg, Bill, 2835 McCombs Drive, Merced, CA 95340 He is the spouse of Denise Morgan and the son of L. G. Gregg and Mary Lee Rush; he the son of Maude May "Bud" Gregg and Eva Mae Smith; he the son of Edward Love Gregg and Sarah Caroline Matheny; he the son of Silas Gregg and Sarah Conner; he the son of John Gregg and Sarah; he the son of Silas Gregg and Rhoda Armstrong.

#3121 Gordon, Hilary Beth, PSC 809 Box 2258, FPO AE09626-0023 She the spouse of Matthew Kevin Gordon and the daughter of Richard Harold Smith and Nancy Ann Forte; he the son of Harold Edwin Smith and Ruth Barres; he the son of Stephen A Smith and Stella Marie Crow; he the son of Edward D Smith and Nellie Hodge; she the daughter of Carroll Hodge and Nancy Summers; he the son of Peyton Randolph Hodge and Sarah Owen; she the daughter of David Owen and Mary Polly Wilson; he the son of Brackett Owen and Elizabeth Wooten McGehee; she the daughter of Jacob McGehee and Eleanor DeJarnette.

#3122 Slater, Victoria Sebrell, 24 Glen Road, Greenwich, CT 06830 She the daughter of Andrew David Slater and Elizabeth Wynn McDaniel; she the daughter of James Raymond McDaniel and Elizabeth Randolph Johnson; she the daughter of William Waller Johnson and Elizabeth Page Sebrell; she the daughter of William Joseph Sebrell and Nannie Prince; he the son of William Nicholas Sebrell and Elizabeth Randolph Pretlow; he the son of William Jones Sebrell and Mary (Griffith) Bell Butts; she the daughter of Peter Butts and Elizabeth Griffith, he the son of Capt. Thomas Butts and Mary Edwards, he the son of Peter Butts and Elizabeth Clements; he the son of Thomas Butts and Catherine McGehee; she the daughter of William Mackgahye (McGehee) and Mary; he the son of William Mackgahye.

#3123LM Tormey, Brian Bertram, 4516 Standing Stone 2D, Huntingdon, PA 16652 He the spouse of Judith Eleanor Anderson and the son of Bertram Michael Tormey and Margaret Jean Mildrum; she the daughter of Alan Ian Mildrum and Margaret Catton Comrie; she the daughter of Alexander Comrie and Jane Gray Thomson; he the son of John Comrie and Mary Spalding Thomson; he the son of alexander Comrie and Jean Kennedy.

#3124 Tormey, Jennifer Ellen, 6820 Hwy 70S #416, Nashville, TN 37221. She the daughter of Brian Bertram Tormey and Judith Eleanor Anderson; he the son of Bertram Michael Tormey and Margaret Jean Mildrum; she the daughter of Alan Ian Mildrum and Margaret Catton Comrie; she the daughter of Alexander Comrie and Jane Gray Thomson; he the son of John Comrie and Mary Spalding Thomson; he the son of alexander Comrie and Jean Kennedy.

#3125 Tormey, Megan Anne, 5655 Ridge View Road, Alexandria, VA 22310. She the spouse of John Nelson Whitaker and the daughter of Brian Bertram Tormey and Judith Eleanor Anderson; he the son of Bertram Michael Tormey and Margaret Jean Mildrum; she the daughter of Alan Ian Mildrum and Margaret Catton Comrie; she the daughter of Alexander Comrie and Jane Gray Thomson; he the son of John Comrie and Mary Spalding Thomson; he the son of alexander Comrie and Jean Kennedy.

#3126 Payne, Johnny Floyd, 60 Monroe Avenue, Clarksburg, WV 26301. He is the spouse of Rosetta Melissa Gross-Heston and the son of Floyd Payne and Audrey Lenora Gregory; she the daughter of Jarvis Washington Gregory and Clara Belle Stiers; he the son of Arthur Yates Gregory and Maude Belle Wilder.

#3127 Grierson, Charles Samuel, 6801 Shoestring Hill Road, Waynesboro, PA 17268. He the son of Michael Elmer Grierson and Deborah LaVonne Godwin; he the son of William Alvin Grierson and Doris Louise Trott; he the son of Lawrence Alvey Grierson and Sarah Iola Phipps; he the son of Andrew Cornelius Grierson and Annie M Smith; he the son of John Andrew Grierson and Elizabeth Anne Dorsey; he the son of Andrew Grierson and Anne Thompson Miller

#3128 Bilson, Austin Parker, 2307 West Avenue M-4, Palmdale, CA 93551. He is the son of Brian Bilson and Julie Austin; he the son of Wayne Harold Bilson and Jerilee Elizabeth Faulkner; he the son of Harold Ira Bilson and Marie Evelyn Scarf; he the son of

Thomas Bilson and Lorena Marie Gregg; she the daughter of Ellis Bailey Gregg and Mary Elizabeth Hayden; he the son of Alford Gregg and Mary Kerr.

#3129 Stark, Donna Marjorie (Thompson), 12 Breckinridge Blvd, Frankfort, KY 40601. She is the spouse of Milton D Thompson and the daughter of William Strother Stark and Cordelia Alice Montfort; she the daughter of Benjamin LaMaster Montfort and Lydia Gregory Hilton; he the son of George Drane Montfort and Sarah Elizabeth Johnston; she the daughter of Nathaniel Johnston and Katherine Vories; he the son of John O'Bannon Johnston and Sarah Magruder; she the daughter of William Nathaniel Magruder and Jemima Ann Sutherland; he the son of Thomas Magruder and Priscilla Beall; he the son of Elias Magruder and Susannah Enk; he the son of Samuel Magruder and Eleanor Wade; he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall; he the son of Alexander Magruder and Margaret Braithwaite.

#3130 Register, Joyce Lee, 277 Purdue Avenue, Kensington, CA 94708. She is the spouse of David Wichner and the daughter of Richard Herbert Register and Willa Overstreet; she the daughter of Samuel Jackson Overstreet and Lillian Mae McGee; she the daughter of Henry Moriah McGee and Mattie Kelly; he the son of John J McGee and Martha; he the son of Tobias McGee and Nancy Stevens; he the son of Robert McGehee and Rachel Crumpler.

#3131 King, David Ray, 6181 E Saginaw Ave, Selma, CA 93662. He is the spouse of Carrie Self and the son of Alvin Ray King and Linda Ann Garner; he the son of Raymond Edwin King and Edith E Mierau; he the son of Alvin Solomon King and Eva Wilberta Sweezey; he the son of Jonathan Allen King and Florence J Lewis; he the son of Solomon Maxwell King and Phebe Rebecca Parlier; he the son of Jonathan King and Jemima Maxwell; he the son of Isaac King and Martha Crouch; he the son of Edward King and Elizabeth Nichols; he the son of Thomas King and Jane Catherine Sharp; he the son of Walter King and Helen McIndoe; he the son of Gilbert King and Helin Foyer; he the son of James King; he the son of James King and Marione Heart; he the son of William King and Margaret Couper.

#3132 Hodges, Gary Owen, 211 Mistletoe Drive, Newport News, VA 23606. He is the spouse of Elogene Wooten and the son of Boyd Owen Hodges and Rosa Jean Wilcox; she the daughter of General Grant Wilcox and Cornelia Alice McGuire; he the son of Martin VanBuren Wilcox and Rebecca Iva Wilson; he the son of William M Wilcox/Wilcoxson and Levina Hatton; he the son of Isaiah Wilcoxson and Frances Greer; she the daughter of William Greer; he the son of Benjamin Greer (Grier) and Nancy Wilcoxson; he the son of John Grier (Greer) and Nancy; he the son of John G Greer and Sarah Day; he the son of James Greer (Gear) and Ann Taylor.

#3133 Borkovec, Daniel Dominic, 920 Peak View Drive, Estes Park, CO 80517. He is the son of Robert Borkovec and Cynthia Lovejoy; she the daughter of Clarence Vernon Lovejoy and Florence Ruth Webster; she the daughter of John MacGregor Webster and Florence Etta Antle; he the son of William Webster and Margaret MacGregor Davidson; she the daughter of William Davidson and Mary Duncan; she the daughter of Robert Duncan and Margaret MacGregor.

#3134 Ebaugh, Bonnie Carol, 14 South Shaffer Drive, New Freedom, PA 17349. She is the spouse of John Daniel Ebaugh and the daughter of George Denwood Young Jr. and Sarah Katherine Doherty; she the daughter of Murray Doherty and Gladys Regina King; he the son of Malcolm Docherty and Sarah Bell Morrison; he the son of Angus Docherty and Ann MacInnes; he the son of Malcolm Docherty and Flora Matheson MacPherson; he the son of Angus Docherty and Rachel McKay.

#3135 Webb, Scott Howard, 3108 Tuckaleechee Pike, Maryville, TN 37803. He is the spouse of Linda Louise Graves and the son of Howard Lee Webb and Mary Alice Eisenhower; he the son of Frank Elmer Webb and Ethel Blanche Myers; she the daughter of Joseph Rosencrans Myers and Laura Ann Feezell; he the son of William Myers and Mary C Walker; she the daughter of Capt. William Walker and Elizabeth Culbertson; he the son of Thomas Walker Sr and Elizabeth Magill; he the son of John Walker IV and Mary M Anderson; he the son of John Walker III and Ann Houston; he the son of John Walker II and Katherine Rutherford; he the son of John Walker and Jane McKnight; he the son of George Walker and Isabella Barclay; he the son of Samuel Walker; he the son of John Thomas Walker; he the son of John Walker.

#3136 Britt, Joey Wade, 291 Ringo Way, Columbus, MS 39701. He is the spouse of Tracey Nell Coleman and the son of Jerry Wayne Britt and Polly Anna McGregor; she the daughter of Wilbur Maxwell McGregor and Eurec Grubbs; he the son of Audley Harrison McGregor and Carrie Susie Collums; he the son of Joseph John McGregor and Mary Elizabeth Tutor; he the son of Willis Nard McGregor and Nettie Ellen Harrison; he the son of Ezekiel McGregor and Sarah Ware; he the son of William McGregor and Sarah Flowers.

#3137 Allred, Danielle Rae, 1005 View Street, Rock Springs, WY 82901. She is the daughter of Zen Daniel Allred and Rebecca Anne Garlitz; she the daughter of Richard Lewis Garlitz and Lois Ann Cox; she the daughter of Donald Cox and Jeanette Sneath; she the daughter of Charles Alexander Sneath and Lois Rebecca McGregor; she the daughter of Alexander McGregor Jr and Mary Lois Bridges.

#3138 Schwalm, Dorathea Bauer, 805 Shelton Circle, Clarksville, TN 37042. She is the spouse of Eric Paul Schwalm and beth daughter of Eugene Bauer and Mae Laura Schutt; she the daughter of Henry Fredrick Schutt and Laura Mae Black; she the daughter of Philomen T Black and Cora Anna Clark; he the son of Joseph S Black and Anna M Thompson; she the daughter of Philemon J Thompson and Marion Bower; he the son of John Black and Mary Sloan.

#3139 Drane, William Hyde, 4312 Lorena Lane, Maryville, TN 37804. He is the spouse of Elizabeth Mae Goodrich and the son of Thomas Gerald Drane and Rosa Lois Lindsay; he the son of Hiram Walter Drane and Sarah Ann Haywood; he the son of Hiram Drane and Eleanor Magruder; he the son of William Drane and Casandra Magruder; he the son of James Anthony Drane and Elizabeth M Piles; he the son of James Anthony Drane and Elizabeth Nichols.

#3140 Johnston, Cecilia Marie Boone Kendrick (Bonnie), P.O. Box 99, Bryantown, MD 20617. She is the spouse of Bruce Paul Johnston and the daughter of Richard Henry Boone Sr and Theresa Helene Jameson; he the son of William McKinley Boone and Rebekah Bowie Compton; she the daughter of Henry Compton and Louisa Wood; he the son of John Thomas Wood Compton and Mary Sothoron Key; he the son of Henry Compton and Eliza Thomas Wood; he the son of Henry Truman Compton and Ann Swann;

PROVISIONAL MEMBERS

We are excited to gain Provisional members this year. These are persons who visited a clan tent and decided to be part of us on the spot. They are allowed five years to further their research into their MacGregor family line and provide that to the Registrar to become a Lineal Member. As with Juniors, their membership number reflects the end of their five year period, and ends with the letter P to indicate their status.

#2019P Payne, Johnny Floyd, 60 Monroe Avenue, Clarksburg, WV 26301. He is the spouse of Rosetta Melissa Gross-Heston and the son of Floyd Payne and Audrey Lenora Gregory; she the daughter of Jarvis Washington Gregory and Clara Belle Stiers

ADVANCE from Provisional membership to LINEAL MEMBER

#2019P to 3126 Johnny Floyd Payne

CONVERT to LIFE MEMBER

#2645LM Britt, Janice Kay Greer

ADVANCE from Junior membership to LINEAL MEMBER

#3137 Danielle Rae Allred

REINSTATED MEMBERS in 2015

#2445 Beverly Kay Rigler Smith, 126 Country Club Road, Nashville, AR 71852
#2608 Leslie Catherine MacGregor-Levine, 213 Pearl Street, Newton, MA 02458

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

#2016J Knight, Christopher Seth MacGregor, O'Fallon, IL. Sponsor is his father Dr. David MacGregor Knight #2954

#2016J Grubbs, Jordan Marie, King, NC. Sponsor is her grandfather Horance Ronald Grubbs #2827

#2017J Ewell, Anne Carrington, Winston-Salem, NC. Sponsor is her father Richard Stoddert Ewell #2205

#2021J Gregg, Seth, Louisville, TN. Sponsor is his father Kevin Donald Gregg #3114LM

#2025J Tormey, Liam Brett, Sylva, NC. Sponsor is his father Blair Ryan Tormey #3104

#2031J Mead, Shayleen Raevin, Great Falls, MT. Sponsor is her grandfather Kenneth DeWayne Walker #3070LM



REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

Elizabeth Magruder Joiner

Since the last Gathering of the Society in St. Louis, Missouri in 2014 until the Gathering in Arlington, Virginia in 2015, there has been 1 birth reported, no marriages, 6 deaths of members, and 2 deaths of relatives of members.

BIRTHS

Mark Broden Beach, born February 5, 2015, son of Heather Beach and Anthony Candelaria, grandson of Mark (ACGS#3020) and Cindy Beach.

DEATHS OF MEMBERS

Peter Boxley MacGregor (ACGS#1621) died May 12, 2013.

Josephine Louis Reed (ACGS#2436) died October 8, 2013.

Stuart E. Gregg, Jr. (ACGS#1739LM) died September 22, 2014.

Robert LeCuyer Black (ACGS#2534) died January 3, 2015.

Frances A. Browne (ACGS#1550LM) died March 25, 2015.

Donald B. Gregg (ACGS#2367LM) died April 10, 2015.

DEATHS OF RELATIVES OF MEMBERS

Anne McGregor, wife of George F. McGregor (ACGS#1828LM), died August 14, 2012.

Douglas McGregor, cousin of Lois Ann Garlitz (ACGS#2561LM), died March 20, 2015.

John B. Stewart, cousin of Rosamond Jean MacGregor Simon (ACGS#1526), died June 11, 2015.



MEMORIALS

*I've heard the lilting, at the yowe-milking,
Lassies a-lilting before dawn o' day;
But now they are moaning on ilka green loaning;
"The Flowers of the Forest are a' wede away".*

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*Dool and wae for the order sent oor lads tae the Border!
The English for ance, by guile wan the day,
The Flooers o' the Forest, that fought aye the foremost,
The pride o' oor land lie cauld in the clay.
From "Flowers of the Forest"*

Peter Boxley MacGregor

Peter Boxley MacGregor, 70 of Crozet, Virginia, passed away on Sunday, May 12, 2013. Peter was the son of Douglas Donald MacGregor and Elvira Cabell Boxley MacGregor. Peter was pre-deceased by his wife Elizabeth Cook MacGregor, and his brother, Douglas Donald MacGregor III. Peter is survived by his stepson Richard L. Hudson Jr., daughter-in-law Jean Hudson; granddaughter Sarah Catherine Hudson; and sister-in-law Gaylee L. MacGregor.

Peter loved Clan MacGregor and looked forward to getting the yearbook, as well as the invitations to the annual gatherings, though his health for several years prohibited him from participating in many activities. When Glan Gregor was in Charlottesville, his daughter-in-law, Jean Hudson, went to the church service and bagpipe concert and took pictures so that he could share to a degree in those activities.

Peter will be deeply missed by his special friends Trudy Londeree, Carroll and Barbara Fisher, and Binky Walton. Peter was a lifelong member of Tabor Presbyterian Church in Crozet, Virginia and a member of the Crozet Moose Lodge. According to Peter's wishes a graveside memorial service was held at Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Greenwood, Virginia, with the Reverend Jewell Ann Parton officiated.

Josephine Louise Reed



Josephine Louise Reed passed away October 8, 2013 at her home in Longmont, CO. She was 99 years old. She was born February 18, 1914 in Kremmling, CO to Roy and Magdeline (Graff) Polhamus. She attended a one room school house near Troublesome Post Office called Primrose School, and graduated from Kremmling Union High School in 1932. She then attended Colorado A&M where she received her BA in 1937 and her MS in 1962 from Colorado State University.

On December 8, 1940 she married Jesse James Reed. They moved from Colorado to California for a warmer climate in 1963. She returned to Longmont, CO from California in 1993.

Josephine taught at Pearmont School, a one room school, and kindergarten and first grade at Kremmling and Climax, CO and middle and high school in Livermore and Bakersfield, CA. After receiving her Master's degree, she was a special education teacher for primary grades to high school for 30 years.

Josephine was a member of the AFT-American Federation of Teachers, the Colonial Daughters, Territorial Daughters of Colorado and Clan Gregor. Josephine was proud to be a 3rd generation Coloradoan and enjoyed keeping track of the family's genealogy.

Josephine was preceded in death by her husband, Jesse James Reed, her parents, and four brothers, Richard, Robert, Edward, and LeRoy. She is survived by her son, Robert James Reed (Barbara) of Aurora; her daughters, Farita Anne Polhamus, of Lakewood, and Shirley Catherine "Kay" Evatz, of Longmont; her sister, Catherine Anne Pickering, of Ft. Collins; 7 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Douglas Walter McGregor

Douglas Walter McGregor was born on April 15, 1930 to Floyd and Adeline McGregor. He grew up in Sheridan, Montana where his father was an agronomist for Ferry Morse Seed Company. His mother was the first woman pharmacist graduate from the University of Montana in Missoula.

Doug went to school at the University of Montana where he met his wonderful wife of 59 years, Barbara Bartels. They moved to Ames, Iowa where Barb finished her degree and Doug received a degree in veterinary medicine. In 1963 they moved to Billings, Montana where they eventually started and operated both the Shiloh and Rimrock Veterinary

Clinics. They lived on Yellowstone Avenue, only one half block from St. Pius X Church, yet they still managed to usually be late.



Doug served as a signalman in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War during the first testing of the hydrogen bomb at the Bikini Atoll in the Pacific Ocean. He earned several medals and was honorably discharged.

Although he took his family fishing, hunting and skiing, his favorite thing to do was golf. Every year he held a family reunion and golf tournament called the McGregor Open, which he usually won.

Douglas is survived by his wife Barbara; sons Steven, Byron (Arlyne), John (Sandy), Mike (Juanita); daughters Kathy and Jennifer (Brian James); daughter-in-law Cindy. His grandchildren include Kristina, Tavi, Floyd, Megan, Russell, Shayla, Roy, Barbara, Abigail, Brayden, and several greatgrandchildren. He was preceded in death by his son Joe; and sister MaryLynn (who died when she was only 2). Doug was a fine man who was loved and respected by all of them.

After a long illness, he died peacefully on the morning of March 21, 2015. He kept up a good spirit right until the very end, surrounded by his wife and kids. He is the kind of person you could count on to do the right thing. He lived a good life.

Douglas was the cousin of Lois Ann Garlitz (ACGS#2561LM) and her sister Jane Montmeny (ACGS#2808LM) who participated in the Clan Gregor YDNA Study on their behalf.

Dr. John B. Stewart

Dr. Stewart died June 11, 2015, in Green Meadows Community Residence, Antigonish County. Born in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, he was the son of the late George and Minnie (MacGregor) Stewart. He was raised in Southport until the age of five, then moved to Bayfield, Antigonish County. After finishing his schooling in Antigonish, he went to Acadia University (1941-1945) where he earned BA and MA degrees in history. After graduation from Acadia, he was accepted at Columbia University in NYC in the field of political law and government. With his PhD completed, concentrating on constitutional law, he was appointed an assistant professor at Barnard College, the women's undergraduate school at Columbia. For several years he worked part time as a consultant on legal and political philosophy at the Rockefeller Foundation. In 1959, Dr. Somers, the president of StFX, made a proposal that brought him back to the Antigonish university and Bayfield. He entered an election as the Liberal candidate for Antigonish-Guysborough and was elected in 1962, 1963 and 1965. During his time in office as MP, he served as Parliamentary Secretary to The Secretary of State for External Affairs (63-

64) and Parliamentary Secretary to The Secretary of State of Canada (64-65) and Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Public Works (66-68). His many portfolios took him worldwide from NATO, to the United Nations, and he represented Canada at President John F. Kennedy's funeral service in Washington. After his riding disappeared through redistribution in 1968, he was asked to stay in Ottawa by then Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau, where he worked on House of Commons reform, later authoring a book *The Canadian House of Commons: Procedure and Reform* (1977). He was also a student of and expert on philosopher David Hume and published two books on the subject. He returned to teaching political science at StFX University in 1969. As a teacher, he continued to have an impact on his students, producing Rhodes Scholars in his classes. In 1984, he was appointed to the Senate by Prime Minister Trudeau and served until his retirement in 1999. While a senator, he chaired the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and was a member of a number of other committees including Energy and Natural Resources; Fisheries; Banking, Trade and Commerce; and Legal and Constitutional Affairs. He is survived by many cousins.



John was the cousin of Rosamond Jean MacGregor Simon (ACGS#1526)



REPORT OF THE SCRIBE

Jane Montmeny

1. The minutes from the 2014 ACGS Gathering, St. Louis, Missouri, were published in the 2015 Yearbook of ACGS.
2. The ACGS conferencing account with CenturyLink for telephonic conferencing services has been used this year for interim Council calls.
3. The following interim ACGS Council meetings were held:

Sunday January 4, 2015:

ACGS Chieftain, Lois Ann Garlitz, called the interim Council Meeting to order at 6:04 PM MST on Sunday January 4, 2015, per teleconference call. Jane Montmeny, Scribe, completed roll call to determine that a quorum (11) was present.

The purpose of the meeting was for ACGS Council members to vote on the Policy and Procedure (P&P) for Trustees, approve appointment of acting Newsletter Editor, and to identify upcoming Council business for 2015.

The 2014 ACGS Bylaws, Article III, Section B, Subsection 2, Subsection 2(a) state "Revisions to the Policies and Procedures Manual may be proposed by any eligible voting member of the Society who is in good standing. Proposed revisions shall be submitted in writing to the Scribe with the signatures of five (5) eligible voting members of the Society." To meet this requirement, the Scribe had received signatures from five (5) eligible voting members stating that they supported the proposed P&P for the Trustees and approved forwarding to the Council for consideration and approval. The statements were received electronically, which included instruction that the sender's name in the email shall serve as their signature. The five were Jeanne Lehr, Diana Browne, Randy Walker, Jane Montmeny and Lois Ann Garlitz.

Item #1: Approve P&P for Trustees.

Discussion included a proposal to reword the last item under Society Support for the Trustees to read "Trustees are included under Article IV, Section B, Indemnification of the Bylaws." Ron McGregor moved and Stuart McGregor seconded to approve the change. Motion carried unanimously.

Further discussion was held to change some of the headings/wording to clarify the document. Bruce Whyte moved and Jeanne Lehr seconded a motion to approve the P&P as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Item #2: Approval of an "acting" Newsletter Editor.

Lori Connery has resigned as our Ardchoille editor. The Chieftain has found a volunteer, Adrienne Tomkins from Walnut Creek, CA, who is willing to assume the role.

Ron McGregor moved and Stuart McGregor seconded a motion to approve the appointment. Motion carried unanimously.

Item #3: Upcoming Council business for 2015:

- A. Keith Gregg gave the following plans so far for our Gathering 2015: The proposed location will be Savannah, GA on the first weekend of October. Because of the necessity to economize, it is planned to be a two-day event with Council meeting on Friday afternoon, Saturday will be a tour and evening banquet (to include the memorial service) and the AGM on Sunday morning. There was some discussion of ideas; at this point there is not a local chairperson. Keith will keep us informed as plans move forward.
- B. P&P completion: The Scribe and Chieftain will be sending out drafts for the positions to each individual who currently holds the position (in some cases, the immediate past person in that position) to get input. Then those drafts will be sent to Council for approval. The plan is to work in three groups – elected officials, appointed officials and committee chairs.
- C. The following items were identified as business that the Council needs to address this year:
 - a. Financials, live within our budget
 - b. Complete the P&P's
 - c. Get out of Microsoft Access software program into another software program that works for Treasurer/Registrar/Assistant Chieftain
 - d. Committee to provide support for Area Deputy Chieftains (ADC), such as mentoring, resources like banners/handouts, etc.
 - e. P&P for Site Selection committee; P&P for Scholarship Committee
 - f. Other comments on annual Gathering included site selection to attract participation of members, an event hotel plus others at different cost, get budget set for each part of the Gathering, hotel may give free meeting rooms with guarantee of certain number of registered guests. Jeanne will forward her information from the St. Louis Gathering to those who request it.
- D. The deadline for submission for the 2015 Yearbook is February 28th.
- E. A new ADC for Montana has been found and a likely candidate for ADC in West Virginia is promising.
- F. Richard Greer reported that he is already receiving information requests for scholarships.

The teleconference meeting was adjourned by Lois Ann Garlitz, Chieftain, at 7:02PM, MST.

Monday April 13, 2015:

ACGS Chieftain, Lois Ann Garlitz, opened the interim Council Meeting on Monday April 13, 2015, per teleconference call. While waiting for members to call in and establish a quorum, discussion was held re: the procedure of approving the P&P's. It was decided not to approve individual words or language but instead to discuss the substance of concepts or duties and allow the Scribe to do grammatical clean-up. The only real

question was regarding the Registrar's section detailing which member receives specific things. It was agreed to consider and vote on the P&P's as drafted without specific consideration of grammar/spelling. The Scribe will then re-draft the documents and submit to the members for final approval.

Jane Montmeny, Scribe, completed roll call at 6:19 pm (MDT) and determined that six voting members were on the call; a quorum of seven is required.

Keith Gregg summarized the results of the 40 returned questionnaires distributed to members re: the annual Gathering. Priorities were price, location, social events and duration. Priorities re: events were to include a ceilidh, reception, lunch and a bus tour. Eighteen of the 40 respondents wanted to keep it the same regardless of price. Highest number of comments wanted a location on the east coast, activities for younger people, switching it to summer, keeping it on weekends, raising the price and changing to biannual meetings. Diana stated that from the Bylaws we have to have at least an annual Council meeting and an annual general membership meeting (AGM), but not necessarily the associated social events.

The initial thought of having the 2015 Gathering in Savannah GA did not turn out. After researching other locations, a no-frills Gathering is being proposed in the Washington DC area at a location with access to the Metro. There would be a Council meeting on Friday and an AGM on Saturday and possibly a luncheon. Keith provided estimated costs for lodging, meeting rooms and a meal. Keith is still waiting for responses from some other hotels. The proposed dates would be either the first or second weekends of October. Hopefully an announcement will be made by the end of the week.

Other Council members called in which made a total of eight; the Chieftain called the meeting to order at 6:29pm MDT.

The Chieftain stated that the purposes of the meeting were for ACGS Council members to vote on the Policy and Procedures (P&P) for seven officers, a report on the 2015 Gathering by Keith Gregg and to review progress toward our 2015 goals.

(Although this was not read during the conference call, this procedure needs to be noted for the minutes: The 2014 ACGS Bylaws, Article III, Section B, Subsection 2, Subsection 2(a) state "Revisions to the Policies and Procedures Manual may be proposed by any eligible voting member of the Society who is in good standing. Proposed revisions shall be submitted in writing to the Scribe with the signatures of five (5) eligible voting members of the Society." To meet this requirement, the Scribe had received signatures from five (5) eligible voting members stating that they supported the proposed P&P's and approved forwarding to the Council for consideration and approval. The statements were received electronically which included instruction that the sender's name in the email shall serve as their signature. The five were Stuart McGregor, Peter Gregg, Katie Gregg, Diana Browne and Ron McGregor.)

Item #1: The Chieftain explained that the intent for the format of the P&P's was to create "stand-alone" documents that contain not only the specific Bylaws references but also the

duties of each office or position. This was opened to discussion. Ron McGregor moved and Diana Browne seconded to accept the inclusive format as written; motion carried.

Item #2: Jane Montmeny proposed that there be an established schedule for automatic review of each P&P, within groups, on an alternating three year review schedule starting in 2018. This would not preclude, as stated in the 2014 Bylaws Article III, Section B, Subsection 2, that P&P's can be considered for revision at any Council meeting when five members submit a proposal. Jane Montmeny moved and Diana Browne seconded that an automatic review schedule be established; motion carried.

Item #3: 02-Chieftain Policy & Procedure.

The Chancellor summarized for those most recently joining the call that the focus will be to agree on the concepts substantively for each office or position. Ron McGregor moved and Diana Browne seconded that the P&P for the Chieftain be accepted as written. Motion carried.

Item #4: 03-Ranking Deputy Chieftain Policy & Procedure

The call was opened for comments. Diana Browne moved and Ron McGregor seconded that the P&P be accepted as written. Motion carried.

Item #5: 04-Scribe Policy and Procedure

The call was opened for comments. Diana Browne moved and Ron McGregor seconded that the P&P be accepted as written. Motion carried.

Item #6: 05-Registrar Policy and Procedure

Discussion focused on the section describing items that each type member receives upon receipt of initiation fee. It was decided that Lois Ann and Jeanne Lehr would revise this section and send it to the Scribe. Diana Browne moved and Ron McGregor seconded that the P&P be approved as revised. Motion carried.

Item #7: 07-Immediate Past Chieftain Policy and Procedure

This is a new position was opened for discussion. Ron McGregor moved and Peter Gregg seconded that the P&P be approved as written. Motion carried.

Item #8: 08: Chancellor Policy and Procedure

The call was opened for comments. Diana Browne moved and Lori Connery seconded that the P&P be accepted as written. Motion carried.

Item #9: 10-At-Large-Council Members Policy and Procedure

The call was opened for comments. Diana Browne moved and Peter Gregg seconded that the P&P be accepted as written. Motion carried.

Item #10: For the Good of the Order

A. From the Council call January 4, 2015, the Chieftain reminded that there were three items that were agreed upon:

1. Financials, live within our budget. By having a “no-frills” Gathering this year, that will catch us up with the debits that have been incurred in the past.

2. Complete the P&P's. We are off to a good start in accomplishing this task.
3. Get out of Access program into another software program that works for Treasurer/Registrar/Assistant Chieftain and IT Committee. The IT Committee Chair is writing a report for us.

B. Have we determined a budget yet for the 2015 Gathering? The Chieftain will be discussing this with the Treasurer.

C. Diana Browne asked if anyone would be interested in several old ACGS yearbooks that belonged to her mother. Please let Diana know if anyone is interested; she will give them to anyone interested.

The teleconference meeting was adjourned by Lois Ann Garlitz, Chieftain, at 6:52pm MDT.

Monday June 1, 2015

ACGS Chieftain, Lois Ann Garlitz, opened the interim Council Meeting on Monday June 1, 2015 at 6:02pm MDT, per teleconference call. Jane Montmeny, Scribe, completed roll call and determined that eight voting members were on the call; a quorum of seven is required.

The Chieftain stated that the purpose of the meeting is for ACGS Council members to vote on the Policy and Procedures (P&P) for ten officers and to consider and approve an appointment made by the Chieftain.

The 2014 ACGS Bylaws, Article III, Section B, Subsection 2, Subsection 2(a) state "Revisions to the Policies and Procedures Manual may be proposed by any eligible voting member of the Society who is in good standing. Proposed revisions shall be submitted in writing to the Scribe with the signatures of five (5) eligible voting members of the Society." To meet this requirement, the Scribe had received signatures from six (6) eligible voting members stating that they supported the proposed P&P's and approved forwarding to the Council for consideration and approval. The statements were received electronically which included instruction that the sender's name in the email shall serve as their signature; those were Diana Browne, Randy Walker, Peter Gregg, Jane Montmeny, Lois Ann Garlitz and Bruce Whyte.

The Chieftain requested consideration and approval of the appointment of Peter Gregg to the Heraldry Committee. Ron McGregor moved and Randy Walker seconded approval of the appointment; motion carried.

As in the previous interim meeting, it was agreed to consider and vote on the P&P's as drafted without specific consideration of grammar/spelling. The Scribe will then re-draft the documents and submit to the members for final approval.

The Chieftain divided the proposed P&P's into two groups; those which do not have comments and those which do have comments. It was decided to vote on those with no comments as a group; those being:

13 – Historian (change “Procedures” to “Duties”)

14 – Librarian

16 – Piper (change “Procedures” to “Duties”)

17 – Webmaster

18 – Yearbook Editor

Richard Greer moved and Diana Browne seconded that these five P&P's be approved as presented; motion carried.

The P&P's with comments:

•Area Deputy Chieftain: Discussion was held re: the submitted comments. Richard Greer moved and Peter Gregg seconded that the reimbursement amount be increased to \$150.00 per games and that Randy Walker bring a reconsideration to the next ADC meeting to further increase the amount to \$200.00 per game. Motion carried. Diana Browne moved and Ron McGregor seconded that the “Appointments” section be deleted; motion carried.

•Chaplain: Discussion was held re: the submitted comments. Diana Browne moved and Ron McGregor seconded that there not be a requirement for the Chaplain to be ordained; motion carried. Diana Browne moved and Peter Gregg seconded that the statement that the Chaplain provide private counsel to members be deleted from the P&P; motion carried.

•Newsletter Editor: Discussion was held re: submitted comments. It was clarified that requesting articles from our Hereditary Chief is done via our Chieftain, not Assistant Chieftain. Diana Browne moved and Richard Greer seconded that the “Appointment” section be deleted; motion carried.

•Treasurer: Discussion was held re: submitted comments. It was decided that early pre-payment for the Annual Gathering would be refundable to the extent that is permitted in the contract with the vendor.

Reimbursement may be given to a member when representing the Society under extraordinary circumstances with approval of the Chieftain and Treasurer. In an emergent situation when authorization from the Chieftain cannot be obtained prior to issuance of the check, a check up to the value of \$12,000 may be issued. Diana Browne moved and Randy Walker seconded that the P&P be approved with the above changes; motion carried.

•Assistant Chieftain: Discussion was held re: submitted comments. The reference to the Blunt Scholarship as a part of the operating fund was deleted. We will continue to send Gathering letters to members who are within two years being current on their dues. Richard Greer moved and Randy Walker seconded that the P&P be approved with the above changes; motion carried.

For the Good of the Order: Letters were sent out announcing the 2015 Gathering to be in the Washington DC area on October 2 & 3rd. Those on the call indicated that the letter has been received.

The teleconference meeting was adjourned by Lois Ann Garlitz, Chieftain, at 7:38pm MDT.

Monday August 31, 2015

ACGS Chieftain, Lois Ann Garlitz, opened the interim Council Meeting on Monday August 31, 2015 at 6:05pm MDT, per teleconference call. Jane Montmeny, Scribe, completed roll call and determined that ten voting members were on the call; a quorum of seven is required.

The Chieftain stated that the purpose of the meeting is for ACGS Council members to vote on the Policy and Procedures (P&P) for seven committees and to consider and approve appointments made by the Chieftain.

The 2014 ACGS Bylaws, Article III, Section B, Subsection 2, Subsection 2(a) state "Revisions to the Policies and Procedures Manual may be proposed by any eligible voting member of the Society who is in good standing. Proposed revisions shall be submitted in writing to the Scribe with the signatures of five (5) eligible voting members of the Society." To meet this requirement, the Scribe had received signatures from five (5) eligible voting members stating that they supported the proposed P&P's and approved forwarding to the Council for consideration and approval. The statements were received electronically which included instruction that the sender's name in the email shall serve as their signature; those were Randy Walker, Peter Gregg, Ron McGregor, Richard Greer, and Jeanne Lehr.

The Chieftain requested consideration and approval of the following appointments:

- Amy Higgins Fleming to the Scholarship Committee; Richard Greer moved and Jeanne Lehr seconded, motion carried.
- Ron McGregor to the Recognition Committee; Jeanne Lehr moved and Randy Walker seconded. After discussion the motion carried.
- Stuart McGregor to the Recognition Committee; Richard Greer moved and Bruce Whyte seconded, motion carried.

The Chieftain announced that the Audit Committee had named Paul Collinson as their new chair resulting in a change in committee position for M. Gregg Elliott, former chair.

As in the previous interim meetings, it was agreed to consider and vote on the P&P's as drafted without specific consideration of grammar/spelling. The Scribe will then re-draft the documents and submit to the members for final approval.

The Chieftain presented for discussion and approval the following Committee P&P's: 20 – Gathering Committee. Discussion included that there may be more than one annual Gathering Committee in operation at a time if ACGS is planning more than one year in

advance. The term of the Committee would then expire following the Gathering for which they had responsibility. Bruce Whyte moved and Peter Gregg seconded that the P&P be approved with the agreed upon changes; motion carried.

28 – Gathering Site Selection Committee. Discussion covered the proposed yearly calendar. Bruce Whyte moved and Richard Greer seconded that the P&P be approved with removal of the proposed yearly calendar; motion carried. It was decided to place the Gathering Planner Guide on the agenda for the annual Council meeting in October for review.

21 – Heraldry Committee. Many items of the P&P were discussed as possibly being more appropriate in the Merchandise Manager P&P. Jeanne Lehr moved and Diana Browne seconded that the Heraldry Committee P&P be held over and put on the agenda of the annual Council meeting in October when the Merchandise Manager P&P will also be discussed for approval; motion carried.

23 – Recognition Committee. After discussion, changes were made to remove verification that a person is in good standing and that the Registrar does not confirm membership status. Bruce Whyte moved and Richard Greer seconded to approve with changes; motion carried.

22 – Nominating Committee. Bruce Whyte moved and Jeanne Lehr seconded that the P&P be approved without changes; motion carried.

24 – Scholarship Committee. After much discussion it was recommended to table approval of the P&P and place it on the agenda of the annual Council meeting in October. Richard Greer moved and Randy Walker seconded the recommendation; motion carried.

25 – Audit Committee. After minimal discussion, Bruce Whyte moved and Jeanne Lehr seconded that the P&P be approved; motion carried.

For the Good of the Order:

- Report on the 2015 Gathering included that we need to have 30 room nights reserved; tonight there are 24 rooms reserved. Reservations need to be made by September 2nd. The cost of parking fees was questioned; it will be seen if the fees can be negotiated. Members who require a handicapped room have not been included in the number of room nights; that will also be investigated.
- It is anticipated that voting proxy letters will need to be sent out so there are the number of votes to meet the required number.

As there was no further business, the teleconference meeting was adjourned by Lois Ann Garlitz, Chieftain, at 7:14pm MDT.

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Interim Meeting- teleconference
October 19, 2015

Attendees, Officers:

Lois Ann Garlitz, ACGS Chieftain
Jane Montmeny, Scribe
Diana Browne, Chancellor
Randy Walker, Ranking Deputy
Jeanne Lehr, RegistrarChieftain
Bruce M. Whyte, Treasurer
Thomas King, Member-at-Large
Ron McGregor, Immed. Past Chieftain
Richard Greer, Member-at-Large

ACGS Chieftain, Lois Ann Garlitz, opened the interim Council Meeting on Monday October 19, 2015, at 6:05pm MDT, per teleconference call. Jane Montmeny, Scribe, completed roll call and determined that nine voting members were on the call; a quorum of six is required.

The Chieftain opened with general announcements:

- Our ACGS web site is down because of an issue with the server; Rick Walker is working to resolve the issue and get the web site back up.
- Copy deadline for sending articles, reports, photos to Elizabeth Magruder Joiner for the 2016 Yearbook is December 7, 2015.
- Copy deadline getting input for the Newsletter to Adrienne Tomkins is November 15, 2015.

Item #1: Increase of membership dues:

The last increase of membership dues to \$25.00 was in 1986. Based on the increase in overall economy, discussion favored an increase in yearly dues. Diana Browne moved and Richard Greer seconded that dues be increased to \$40.00. Motion carried. This will be effective for 2016 membership dues.

Item #2: Contents of Membership package:

Jeanne Lehr provided data as to cost of items included in the membership package plus the cost of mailing. After much discussion and consideration of options, Richard Greer moved and Ron McGregor seconded that the cost of the membership package be \$60.00, to include \$20.00 initiation fee plus \$40.00 membership fee. Motion carried. This change will be effective January 1, 2016. New members will be provided information to order a membership pin from the Merchandise Manager, if they want to.

Item #3: Annual Gathering 2016:

Various ideas were presented re: the 2016 Gathering - abbreviated or traditional, location, local chairman, etc. Richard Greer was calling from Louisville KY and volunteered to do a basic research at that location for about 75 attendees. He will report back to Lois Ann Garlitz and Bruce Whyte. Kay Britt is a possible helper. A determination will be made when to involve Helms-Briscoe.

Item #4: Assistant Chieftain responsibilities:

Lois Ann had identified the four following responsibilities for the Assistant Chieftain:

- Business manager
- Associated with Newsletter and Yearbook
- Membership database
- Annual Gathering

Discussion centered on having the editors of the Newsletter and of the Yearbook have complete control over their respective publications. They may engage members to help proof-read as they determine the need. Jeanne Lehr moved and Randy Walker seconded that the editors be responsible for the creation, publishing and dissemination of their respective publications. Motion carried.

The Assistant Chieftain responsibility for signing contracts was discussed. It was clarified by Diana Browne, Chancellor, that there is not a conflict of interest if the Treasurer has this responsibility. Randy Walker moved and Jeanne Lehr seconded that the responsibility for signing contracts be delegated to the Treasurer. Motion carried.

Other items:

- Lois Ann Garlitz and Bruce Whyte will draft the dues notice letter to be sent to members with an explanation for the increase in dues.
- Changes of address of members should be handled by the Treasurer who has access to the data base.
- Richard Greer asked that information for the 2016 Scholarships go on the web site. Randy Walker stated that the information will be on the web site and he has also sent the information to be included in the next Newsletter.

As there was no further business, the teleconference meeting was adjourned by Lois Ann Garlitz, Chieftain, at 7:49 pm MDT.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, CHARITY & EDUCATION FUND

John King Bellassai, Chair

John King Bellassai was elected to the Board of Trustees (BOT) at the 2014 Gathering in St. Louis to fill a vacant position. Shortly thereafter, two other Trustees resigned--both in late 2014, immediately after the last Gathering. These were James Woolley and Margaret Sanderfield. The remaining Trustees, John Bellassai and Treasurer Bruce Whyte, met by telephone to fill these two vacancies, as per the newly adopted Policies & Procedures for the ACGS Board of Trustees. Past Chieftain Robert F. ("Sandy") MacGregor was nominated to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Woolley, while past Chieftain Thaddeus Osborne was nominated to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Ms. Sanderfield. Both individuals were contacted and agreed to serve if appointed; both were subsequently appointed in early 2015—Sandy MacGregor to serve out the remainder of the term on the position which is up for re-election at the annual General Meeting (AGM) in 2016, Thad Osborne to serve out the remainder of the term on the position which is not up for reelection until the Gathering of 2017—the latter subject to ratification of the membership at the AGM in 2016.

First Meeting of New Board of Trustees. The newly constituted Board of Trustees of the ACGS Charity & Education (C&E) Fund met by telephone conference call on June 1st, 2015. John King Bellassai, Chairman, called the meeting to order. All members of the Board of Trustees were present by phone and participated: Robert F. (Sandy) MacGregor, Thaddeus Osborne, and Bruce MacGregor Whyte (ACGS Treasurer, ex officio and non-voting). The Agenda items considered were as follows:

- Report from the Treasurer on the status of our invested assets and the amount of revenue (interest income) we have available to us this year to make scholarship awards.
- Review of the performance by our outside investment manager, Stifel-Nicolaus, of St. Louis, MO and Jackson, MS, and whether to continue to retain their services for this purpose.
- Recommendation of the Society's Audit Committee that a formal Investment Policy be adopted by the Trustees for the Society, and what one might look like.
- Review of the scholarship recommendations for 2015 made by ACGS Scholarship Committee Chairman Richard Greer and his Committee and selection of individual scholarship recipients and amounts.

- Review of the situation with regard to the "MacGregor Antiquities" category of charitable giving, including the level of funds currently available for this purpose and the status of the ACGS/ CGS "negotiations" now under way about possible transfer of limited ACGS funds to CGS, and under what circumstances this might be done.

In advance of the conference call, the Chairman had distributed several items to be referenced during the call: (1) an excerpt from the most recent version of the Society's Bylaws (2014 revisions) which lays out, at Article IX, the duties and responsibilities of the ACGS trustees and the scope of the invested assets we are responsible for managing; (2) Richard Greer's May 1, 2015 memo to the Trustees Chairman, outlining his Committee's (nine) recommendations for scholarship awards; (3) copies of the nine (9) individual scholarship applications Greer recommends be funded for 2015; and (4) the Investment Policy recently adopted (2012) by the Board of Trustees of the St. Andrew's Society of Washington, DC--a possible model for a similar policy for the ACGS.

Treasurer's Report. The treasurer reported that the C&E Fund currently has approximately \$425,000 in its portfolio, of which over \$315,000 consists of various invested assets and another approximately \$110,000 is held in in cash, which currently earns no interest.

Scholarship Disbursements for 2015. On the subject of the scholarship recommendations for 2015, the names and applications of nine (9) undergraduate applicants which were ~~you~~ furnished on April 26 to the Chairman, for dissemination to the Trustees. In advance of the conference call, all four Trustees each reviewed all the applications received, together with the recent performance of our invested assets. The members conferred by telephone as a committee. After determining the amount of interest income available for this purpose, the Trustees voted unanimously to fund eight (8) of the above nine (9) applicants, at the level of two thousand dollars and no cents (\$2,000.00) each, for a total amount of scholarship awards this year of sixteen thousand dollars and no cents (\$16,000.00).

Priority Number One: First-time freshmen:

- *Victoria Sebrell Slater: Attending Connecticut College*
- *Patrick VanMeter: Attending Heidelberg University*
- *Daniel Joseph McGregor: Attending Washington State University*
- *Rhiannon Faye Greer: Attending Millsaps College*
- *Danielle Allred: Attending University of Utah*

Priority Number Two: Upper classmen with no prior ACGS scholarships:

- *John Knight (Junior): Attending Greenville College*

Priority Number Three: Undergraduate and Prior ACGS Scholarship Recipient:

- *Rachael Garlitz: Attending Utah Valley University*

Priority Number Four: Graduate School:

- *Christie King: Attending University of the Cumberland*

Investment Policy Going Forward. On the subject of investment policy, the BOT discussed the difference between a passive investment strategy—which the ACGS currently has in place—and an active investment strategy—which if adopted would require a much more “hands-on” day-to-day management of invested assets, with pro-active sales and purchases of stocks, based on fluctuating market conditions and stock prices. The Board agreed in principal that moving to an Active Investment Strategy is desirable but that to do so, an overall Investment Policy would need to be drafted and adopted by and for the ACGS, and a professional funds manager would need to be retained.

The Treasurer was asked to inquire whether Stifel-Nicolaus of Jackson, MS, with which the ACGS already has a “passive” advisory relationship, would be open to being formally retained as Investment Manager for the ACGS, to perform professional services for us under an active investment strategy which would involve them reporting to the BOT and taking general investment policy guidance from the BOT. Stifel-Nicolaus responded in the affirmative, and this decision is now pending. (If retained, it would cost the ACGS a management fee; the fee is a percentage based on the size of the portfolio; their minimum management fee is \$1,500/year.)

C&E Support for CGS Antiquities Projects in Scotland and their MacGregor DNA Study. On the subject of transferring sums from our invested assets to the Clan Gregor Society (CGS) in Scotland to support one or more CGS antiquities projects or their MacGregor DNA study, the BOT were in unanimous agreement “in principle” to such a process, provided the ACGS’s BOT and Council both decide, on a case-by-case basis how much to contribute, when and exactly for what; and (2) that the CGS Council in Scotland, as a sign of good faith, first take steps to resolve the non-collegial behavior of some of its U.S.-based Chapters directed against the ACGS, and ACGS representatives at various U.S.-based highland games.

It was pointed out in the BOT discussion of this subject that there exists two precedents for doing this—that \$10,000 was so transferred from the ACGS C&E Fund to the CGS in 1999, at the time of the late Sir Gregor’s last visit to America as Chief of the Clan, when

he attended the ACGS Gathering that year. In addition, another \$3,000 was transferred to the CGS in 2014 to support such activities. The Treasurer reported the circumstances under which U.S. law permits such asset transfers to a foreign country by a U.S.-based 501(c)(3)-certified nonprofit entity such as the ACGS C&E Fund, and the amount limitations to each such transfer (\$5,000).

Newly Purchased ACGS Heraldic Banners to Be Classified As An Educational Expense. The newly constituted BOT met a second time this year by telephone conference call, on June 4th 2015, to consider whether to pay out of C&E funds for the newly commissioned Pipe Band Banner (displaying the Society's new coat of arms from the Lord Lyon) and the 30 smaller heraldic tent banners of similar design, to be flown by the state deputy chieftains at their tents at highland games and other outreach events. (All these banners were procured from the National Capital Flag Company of Alexandria, VA, by the Society's Heraldry Committee, at the direction of the Chieftain and the Council, as per a Council decision made at the 2014 Gathering.)

The Chairman and the Treasurer recommended that this be done, as the display of these banners at the annual Gathering and at other Scottish heritage-related events across the country have an essentially educational purpose, given that the Society's newly granted arms display a MacGregor ship under sail on the high seas, departing Scotland and bound for America—the very origins of our Society. The Trustees were in full agreement with this rationale and with the decision to pay for these banners out of C&E funds (at the cost of approximately \$2,000). A motion to this effect by the Treasurer was agreed to unanimously by the Trustees.

REPORT OF THE WEBMASTER

Webmasters Report

I am providing website statistical data for this past year. I have made some minor site changes as shown below.



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American Clan Gregor Website Statistics

An average is the sum of views divided by the number of days.
We exclude days prior to the first recorded view and future days.
Today (Sep 19) is excluded from averages because it isn't over yet.
Yearly averages are computed from sums, not an average of monthly averages.

Averages are rounded to the nearest integer for display.
 Gray zeroes are exactly zero. Black zeroes have been rounded down.
 Percent change is computed from weekly averages before they are rounded.

Months and Years													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2012											1,028	829	1,857
2013	2,030	1,269	1,834	1,302	1,288	1,108	1,001	1,669	1,076	1,624	952	997	16,150
2014	1,309	1,381	1,566	1,394	1,067	1,051	1,330	1,312	1,728	1,394	1,535	1,359	16,426
2015	1,516	1,226	1,613	1,174	1,093	972	1,115	1,736	925				11,370

Average per Day													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Overall
2012											103	27	45
2013	65	45	59	43	42	37	32	54	36	52	32	32	44
2014	42	49	51	46	34	35	43	42	58	45	51	44	45
2015	49	44	52	39	35	32	36	56	51				44

Number of Visits to Website



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Operating System	Acquisition			Behavior		
	Sessions	% New Sessions	New Users	Bounce Rate	Pages / Session	Avg. Session Duration
	499 <small>% of Total: 100.00% (499)</small>	71.34% <small>Avg for View: 71.34% (0.00%)</small>	356 <small>% of Total: 100.00% (356)</small>	6.21% <small>Avg for View: 6.21% (0.00%)</small>	6.95 <small>Avg for View: 6.95 (0.00%)</small>	00:03:32 <small>Avg for View: 00:03:32 (0.00%)</small>
1. Windows	220 (44.09%)	70.45%	155 (43.54%)	3.18%	5.91	00:03:13
2. iOS	118 (23.65%)	66.95%	79 (22.19%)	1.69%	6.31	00:03:10
3. Macintosh	65 (13.03%)	56.92%	37 (10.39%)	0.00%	18.26	00:09:50
4. Android	58 (11.62%)	81.03%	47 (13.20%)	1.72%	3.53	00:00:48
5. Linux	21 (4.21%)	100.00%	21 (5.90%)	85.71%	1.14	<00:00:01
6. (not set)	17 (3.41%)	100.00%	17 (4.78%)	17.65%	0.29	00:00:00

Browser	Acquisition			Behavior		
	Sessions	% New Sessions	New Users	Bounce Rate	Pages / Session	Avg. Session Duration
	499 <small>% of Total: 100.00% (499)</small>	71.34% <small>Avg for View: 71.34% (0.00%)</small>	356 <small>% of Total: 100.00% (356)</small>	6.21% <small>Avg for View: 6.21% (0.00%)</small>	6.95 <small>Avg for View: 6.95 (0.00%)</small>	00:03:32 <small>Avg for View: 00:03:32 (0.00%)</small>
1. Chrome	174 (34.87%)	78.74%	137 (38.48%)	2.30%	5.25	00:02:12
2. Safari	159 (31.86%)	60.38%	96 (26.97%)	1.26%	10.99	00:05:49
3. Internet Explorer	65 (13.03%)	50.77%	33 (9.27%)	4.62%	6.28	00:04:15
4. Firefox	61 (12.22%)	90.16%	55 (15.45%)	31.15%	4.64	00:02:07
5. (not set)	17 (3.41%)	100.00%	17 (4.78%)	17.65%	0.29	00:00:00
6. Android Browser	7 (1.40%)	57.14%	4 (1.12%)	0.00%	2.29	00:00:15
7. Edge	7 (1.40%)	85.71%	6 (1.69%)	0.00%	9.43	00:06:38
8. Safari (in-app)	3 (0.60%)	66.67%	2 (0.56%)	0.00%	4.00	00:01:29
9. Amazon Silk	2 (0.40%)	100.00%	2 (0.56%)	0.00%	2.00	00:00:00

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	Sessions	% New Sessions	New Users	Bounce Rate	Pages / Session	Avg. Session Duration
	249 <small>% of Total: 49.90% (499)</small>	66.67% <small>Avg for View: 71.34% (-6.55%)</small>	166 <small>% of Total: 46.63% (356)</small>	0.00% <small>Avg for View: 6.21% (-100.00%)</small>	6.78 <small>Avg for View: 6.95 (-2.40%)</small>	00:03:41 <small>Avg for View: 00:03:32 (3.89%)</small>
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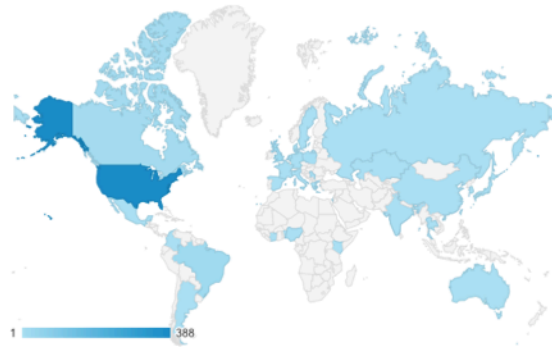
Software Used to Visit Website

Screen Resolution ?	Acquisition			Behavior		
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1. 1366x768	63 (12.63%)	87.30%	55 (15.45%)	31.75%	3.24	00:01:19
2. 768x1024	59 (11.82%)	64.41%	38 (10.67%)	1.69%	8.51	00:03:53
3. 1920x1080	57 (11.42%)	57.89%	33 (9.27%)	0.00%	8.70	00:04:53
4. 320x568	35 (7.01%)	65.71%	23 (6.46%)	0.00%	4.34	00:03:15
5. 1600x900	34 (6.81%)	55.88%	19 (5.34%)	0.00%	9.03	00:05:40
6. 1440x900	31 (6.21%)	58.06%	18 (5.06%)	0.00%	5.68	00:02:43
7. 360x640	30 (6.01%)	83.33%	25 (7.02%)	0.00%	3.60	00:01:05
8. 1280x800	29 (5.81%)	75.86%	22 (6.18%)	0.00%	24.66	00:12:46
9. (not set)	17 (3.41%)	94.12%	16 (4.49%)	23.53%	0.24	00:00:00
10. 1536x864	17 (3.41%)	23.53%	4 (1.12%)	0.00%	5.00	00:03:09

Screen Resolution of Visitors to Website

Summary Site Usage Ecommerce

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Geographic Origin of Website Visits

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1. United States	388 (77.76%)	64.69%	251 (70.51%)	3.09%	8.21	00:04:21
2. United Kingdom	25 (5.01%)	100.00%	25 (7.02%)	40.00%	2.68	00:00:54
3. Brazil	22 (4.41%)	100.00%	22 (6.18%)	9.09%	1.91	00:00:01
4. Canada	12 (2.40%)	91.67%	11 (3.09%)	0.00%	4.83	00:01:43
5. (not set)	7 (1.40%)	100.00%	7 (1.97%)	42.86%	1.00	<00:00:01
6. Poland	5 (1.00%)	40.00%	2 (0.56%)	0.00%	2.00	<00:00:01
7. Australia	3 (0.60%)	100.00%	3 (0.84%)	0.00%	2.67	00:08:52
8. Germany	3 (0.60%)	100.00%	3 (0.84%)	0.00%	1.33	00:00:00
9. Japan	3 (0.60%)	100.00%	3 (0.84%)	33.33%	0.33	00:00:00
10. France	2 (0.40%)	100.00%	2 (0.56%)	0.00%	10.00	00:01:47

Country ?	Acquisition			Behavior		
	Sessions ? ↓	% New Sessions ?	New Users ?	Pages / Session ?	Avg. Session Duration ?	Bounce Rate ?
	12.30% 499 vs 569	1.95% 71.34% vs 72.76%	14.01% 356 vs 414	185.36% 6.95 vs 2.43	93.95% 00:03:32 vs 00:01:50	90.04% 6.21% vs 62.39%
1. United States	55.82% 388 vs 249	-11.01% 64.69% vs 72.69%	38.67% 251 vs 181	233.00% 8.21 vs 2.47	127.53% 00:04:21 vs 00:01:55	-94.73% 3.09% vs 58.63%
2. Brazil	-80.00% 22 vs 110	17.02% 100.00% vs 85.45%	-76.60% 22 vs 94	-8.70% 1.91 vs 2.09	-98.51% 00:00:01 vs 00:01:35	-87.18% 9.09% vs 70.91%
3. United Kingdom	-83.44% 25 vs 161	36.04% 100.00% vs 73.51%	-77.48% 25 vs 111	3.76% 2.68 vs 2.58	-52.04% 00:00:54 vs 00:01:52	-32.89% 40.00% vs 59.60%
4. (not set)	-87.50% 7 vs 56	0.00% 100.00% vs 100.00%	-87.50% 7 vs 56	-6.67% 1.00 vs 1.07	-99.18% <00:00:01 vs 00:00:17	-45.45% 42.86% vs 78.57%
5. Canada	-91.30% 12 vs 138	30.41% 91.67% vs 70.29%	-88.66% 11 vs 97	74.61% 4.83 vs 2.77	-19.70% 00:01:43 vs 00:02:58	-100.00% 0.00% vs 55.80%
6. Benin	-97.06% 1 vs 34	21.43% 100.00% vs 82.35%	-96.43% 1 vs 29	-23.60% 2.00 vs 2.62	-98.39% 00:00:03 vs 00:03:07	-100.00% 0.00% vs 82.35%
7. Germany	-97.50% 3 vs 120	39.53% 100.00% vs 71.67%	-96.51% 3 vs 86	-56.04% 1.33 vs 3.03	-100.00% 00:00:00 vs 00:02:08	-100.00% 0.00% vs 55.00%
8. Singapore	-97.62% 2 vs 84	50.00% 100.00% vs 66.67%	-96.43% 2 vs 56	328.57% 10.00 vs 2.33	-36.54% 00:01:06 vs 00:01:43	-100.00% 0.00% vs 66.67%
9. Australia	-97.76% 3 vs 134	44.09% 100.00% vs 69.40%	-96.77% 3 vs 93	1.52% 2.67 vs 2.63	314.92% 00:08:52 vs 00:02:08	-100.00% 0.00% vs 58.72%
10. China	-98.21% 1 vs 56	16.67% 100.00% vs 85.71%	-97.92% 1 vs 48	-100.00% 0.00 vs 1.21	-100.00% 00:00:00 vs 00:00:35	-100.00% 0.00% vs 71.43%

International Usage of Website



Page Flow by Origin of Visit USA



Page Flow by Browser

Total Sales:	\$10,538.00
Total Sales This Year:	\$3,312.00
Total Orders:	61
No. Of Customers:	47

Online Sales

REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

April 20, 2015

The Audit Committee, for the American Clan Gregor Society, has received the financial statements of the Society for the period:
October 1, 2013 – December 31, 2014

The Committee, composed of M. Gregg Elliott, Chairman, Paul Collinson, and Tom Peter, finds that the financial statements reviewed, fairly reflect the American Clan Gregor Society to be free and clear of any financial mismanagement.

The committee recommends the following items for consideration:

1. Check memo line completion – there was certainly improvement from the previous year's audit, and a small improvement remains in order to have all checks accounted for. This year's audit review did include a sampling of backup information to support checks written by the Chieftain, Treasurer and Assistant Chieftain. Each was accounted for and properly documented.

2. Professional audit – while objections arise to this, primarily due to costs, the committee still believes it is in the best interest of ALL concerned that this be done. As alternatives:

* Perhaps there is an ACGS member who is qualified to do an audit and would consider lowering cost fees to provide such.

* An audit could be conducted on a limited basis (expenses only, investments only, etc.)

* An audit could be conducted on a limited basis, say, over 3 years, and cover 1/3 of items each year.

3. The ACGS investments should be reviewed re: the amount of cash on hand and the balance of the portfolio (stocks, bonds, mutual funds, etc.). Also, consideration should be given to the balance of equities we have to insure we are not top heavy in one area, say technology or communications as examples. Also, while Trustees are the primary investors, perhaps thought should be given to having professional investment services, considering costs and return on investments. Much of this is judgment and certainly no criticism is made of the persons in charge of our investments, just some points to consider.

4. The committee will start input on the draft Audit Committee Procedures as part of our Policies and Procedures Manual. IF a professional audit is approved, then it may be possible to piggyback on such an audit in developing our P&P audit procedures.

5. Last, the Committee would like to explore the possibility of meeting together, perhaps at the annual gathering, and to also include the Treasurer and any other responsible officials.

REPORT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Richard M. Greer and Nolan Sanders

A total of eleven (11) applications were received. They were classified according to current policy. Five (5) were classified as Priority One, first time freshmen. Two (2) were classified as Priority Two, upper classmen who had not previously received scholarships. One (1) was classified as Priority Three, upperclassmen who had previously received a scholarship. One (1) was classified as Priority Four, graduate or post-graduate. Two (2) were incomplete. All applications that were incomplete were contacted to complete their applications. One (1) of the incompletes responded to the contact and was then moved to Priority One. One (1) application missed the deadline. All applications were reviewed by the committee, and recommendations were forwarded to the Trustees. The Trustees are the body that determines the actual recipients and the amount of the awards.

REPORT OF THE CHAPLAIN

Rev. Thad Osborne

The Chaplain attended the Society's annual Gathering in St. Louis, Missouri in November 2014. He delivered the opening prayers for the meeting of council and the general membership. He officiated at the annual Memorial Service at the Third Baptist Church of St. Louis.

The chaplain was not consulted for any private counsel during the Gathering. The Chaplain completed his preparation at Logos House of Studies in Maine in December, and was ordained to the sacred ministry of a Deacon in the Anglican Province of America by the Right Reverend Walter Grundorf, D.D., at Holy Cross Church in Farragut, Tennessee on 28 March 2015.

The Chaplain looks forward to continued service to the Society with his new and expanded credentials, and thanks the Society for its continued confidence

REPORT OF THE HERALDRY COMMITTEE

John King Bellasai, Chairman

Over the past year, the Committee continued to advise and assist the Chieftain, Ranking Deputy Chieftain, and the Council with matters heraldic. In recent months, this extended to working with the merchandise manager to decide which depictions of the Society's arms will appear on which new items being commissioned by the Society for sale to members.

The Chairman was also asked by the Chieftain to advise on the proper way to display the Pinsel (a small triangular heraldic guidon) given to the ACGS back in the 70's by our Hereditary Chief in Scotland to signify that we are his official representatives in America. (When it is properly displayed, it is attached to a flagpole, which is carried at the head of a line of marchers, or it is affixed upright in the ground at the entranceway to a Society tent.) The Chieftain was intending to take the Pinsel with her to various Scottish highland games around the country to signify the Society's official status in the eyes of the Chief of Clan Gregor.

It was agreed by the Chieftain and the Council at the 2014 Gathering that the ACGS wanted to have fabricated an applique'd/ embroidered banner (NOT one that is digitally printed), and one that was two-sided (i.e., with double image), in the dimensions of four feet by six feet (4' x 6'), fringed, and with a pole-sleeve. In early May 2015, with the permission and at the direction of the Chieftain, the Chairman contacted the National Capital Flag Company in Alexandria, VA—a major flag design vendor in the Nation's Capital which not only designs flags for the various U.S. armed services but also for nonprofit heritage groups such as the St. Andrew's Society of Washington, DC. For the past five decades, the DC St. Andrew's Society has co-sponsored PM Matt Kuldell's pipe band, the Washington pipes & Drums, as has our Society. And like the DC St. Andrew's Society (which also enjoys a grant-of-arms from Lyon Court) has done, the ACGS wanted to commission a large heraldic banner for the pipe band to carry when it marches at ACGS events.

So at the recommendation of the Chairman of the Society's Heraldry Committee (himself a Past President of the DC St. Andrew's Society), the ACGS turned to the National Capital Flag Co. to have such an heraldic banner designed and fabricated. The ACGS also requisitioned a seven foot (7') sectioned wooden flagpole, with a spear point finial, on which to display the new banner.

The banner was completed according to specifications in mid-July of this year; the Treasurer paid for it and the Heraldry Committee Chairman took physical possession of it from the manufacturer. He will bring it to the 2015 Gathering, to be held in the DC Metro Area. It features the new Society coat-of-arms (a ship under sail, on a dark blue background (field) and riding atop four stylized waves, undy white and blue), and on the ship's sail are the arms of the Chief of Clan Gregor (the crossed oak tree and broadsword, with a crown on its tip). At the top of the ship's mast is a pennon of the national flag of Scotland (a white saltire on a light blue field).

This banner will be carried by the ACGS Pipe Band at all official Society events where they perform, beginning at the 2015 Gathering. In the interim, it will be safely stored by the Chairman of the Heraldry Committee and kept in his custody. He will be responsible for transporting it to other Society-sponsored events, such as the Scottish Christmas Walk Parade held each year in Alexandria, VA on the first weekend in December.

In addition, 30 smaller, printed versions of the same (two-sided) heraldic banner were purchased from National Capital Flags for display by state deputy chieftains at Society tents at various highland games around the country. These were delivered to the Chairman by the manufacturer in mid-July and shipped to the Ranking Deputy Chieftain, who in turn sent one out by mail to each current state deputy chieftain for display on Society tents, etc. at their local Scottish games and other heritage-related events.

Subsequently, the Chieftain and Ranking Deputy requested that the Chairman of the Heraldry Committee approach National Capital Flag Co. to have another 30 smaller (printed) banners fabricated; upon delivery, these will be sold at Society events to members, at cost plus a modest fee.



REPORT OF THE MERCHANDISE MANAGER

Peter Gregg

On hand inventory:

	T-shirts \$5 ea	Sweat shirts \$15 ea	Polo shirts \$25 ea	Coffee mugs \$15 ea	Pillows \$70 ea
XXL	-	1	3		
XLG	-	19	-		
LG	-	12	1		
M	-	8	5		
SM	9	8	3		
14/16	-	2	-		
10/12	-	6	-		
6/8-2	-	2	-		
Total	9	58	12	20	6

Merchandise On Hand

All of the old T-shirts and sweatshirts are forest green with MacGregor Clan Crest. The Golf/Polo shirts forest green with the new ACGS coat of arms shield. The color of the new T-shirts to be purchased will be decided at the 2015 Gathering.

Since last year's gathering the following items were sold:

- Sweat Shirts – 4 each (Provided at no charge for tent display)
- T-shirts – 1 each (Provided at no charge for tent display)
- Golf/Polo Shirts – 0 each
- Coffee Mug – 3 each
- Pillow, 12 x 12” – 1 each
- Name Tag – 6 each

I request suggestions from Council for additional items to be researched for potential sales to our membership.

Item	Purchase Cost	Postage (based on 1 each)	Actual Cost plus Postage	Suggested Price	Money for C&E Fund (Each)
Polo Shirt	\$14.13	\$5.80	\$19.93	\$25.00	\$5.07
Pillow	\$50.00	\$17.45	\$67.45	\$70.00	\$2.55
Coffee Mug	\$4.00	\$8.98	\$12.98	\$15.00	\$2.02

-Min Order 4	\$16.00		\$29.35	\$35.00	\$5.65 (for 4)
New T-shirts (SM-XLG)	\$7.50	\$5.80 (est)	\$13.30	\$16.00	\$2.70
(2XLG)	\$9.50	\$5.80 (est)	\$15.30	\$20.00	\$4.70
(3XLG)	\$10.75	\$5.80 (est)	\$16.55	\$20.00	\$3.45

Costs of ACGS Merchandise



ONE HUNDRETH SIXTH GATHERING

October 3, 2015
Crystal City, VA

Clark Scott, Honored Guest

THE MOON'S ON THE LAKE AND THE MIST'S ON THE BRAE

AND THE CLAN HAS A NAME THAT IS NAMELESS BY DAY:

THEN GATHER, GATHER, GATHER GREGALACH!

I am sure most if not all of you recognize those words, the beginning of Sir Walter Scott's beautiful poem "MacGregor's Gathering". As a member of Sir Walter's clan and kinsman, it gives me much PERSONAL pleasure to join you all here on this special Gathering today....

Why.... Because that's what Scots do.... **They Gather!**

And here we are today in Virginia in 2015 continuing to Gather... --- something that Scots do; as my own grandfather would have said...it's peculiarly Scottish"... That was his explanation to explain the unexplainable or more aptly, to put an end to a session of countless questions from all his many grandkids who would pester him with,... why, ... why, what... and eventually a point would come and he'd reply, '*well it's just peculiarly Scottish*' we came to understand that was the end of that session of endless questions....in retrospect, I realize I was in college before I realized, I had little or no idea what that great mystery '*peculiarly Scottish*' really meant, other than at the time, it seemed to fit the occasion and satisfied us that we had come to understand - no more questions.

And let me thank John Bellasai and Keith Gregg for the invitation for my wife Judith and I both to join you today at this gathering, I'm happy to share what I know about the relationship of Sir Walter and Clan Gregor; I suspect probably many in the audience know far more than I about this subject, but maybe I'll be able to add a few new facts or anecdotes which will entertain or amuse.

For starters, I'm pleased to see some familiar faces that know – Lois Garlitz and Randy Walker and others whom I met at the COSCA Caucus held last April in Loch Norman / HRH (Historic Rural Hill) in North Carolina. That event was attended also by your Chief, Sir Malcolm and Lady MacGregor, Fiona Armstrong, both of whom were key presenters at the forum. Other notables were Dr. Joseph Morrow, the Lord Lyon for Scotland, Lord Dunrossill (Morrison) and Dr Bruce Durie – noted genealogists. Sir

Malcolm is the Senior Advisor to COSCA (Council of Scottish Clans and Associations) - and has helped tremendously to achieve a closer working relationship between COSCA on behalf of the American Clan Societies and the SCSC- Standing Council of Scottish Chiefs. (let me add - I'm sure you are all aware that John Bellassai is the new recently appointed President of COSCA)

As I contemplated what I might say about the relationship between Sir Walter Scott and Clan Gregor, I called on a close friend, Professor Caroline McCracken-Flesher who is a world leading expert on Sir Walter – we had attended a conference, the 10th International Conference on Sir Walter Scott that Caroline had organized at the University of Wyoming in Laramie where she is the Head of the Literature and English Department. Caroline is well known in Scotland –lectures there frequently and in fact has been invited to address the full Scots Parliament in Edinburgh next month. She gladly gave me much reference material and I've reproduced a list of some of that material which is available for handout for those who may want to read further. If so, I'm sure you'll be amazed at the wealth of information – interesting stuff – that you will find. I'll also add that the Clan Scott held a gathering last year for Homecoming Scotland 2014 hosted by the chief of Clan Scott - His Grace The Duke of Buccleuch & Queensberry at his Borders home Bowhill near Selkirk. Caroline was invited by the Duke to be his overnite guest at Bowhill and to attend the gathering and he also graciously invited other notable guests including your chief Sir Malcolm and Lady MacGregor, which I feel, is an illustration of the continuing special relationship between Scotts and MacGregors. John Bellassai was also invited by Duke Richard, but was regrettably unable to attend.

When Caroline sent the reference material she reminded me of advice from a very talented and outstanding public speaker, David Purdie, past President of the prestigious Sir Walter Scott Club in Edinburgh, who lectures on many subjects and writes a column in the Scot's Golf digest; his advice to anyone speaking at an after meal event such as this one is – two points;

1. Be sure to have had less to drink than the audience ... and equally important,
2. Make the speech far shorter than anyone dares hope! Wise advise indeed! ...

Sir Walter recorded many of his subjects and stories in his 3 volume "Tales of a Grandfather" which he wrote for his grandson. Today, I have a copy of those books from his collection on my own shelves, but if truth be told, I must confess I've not read them in their entirety. For years, I was reluctant to admit that but while in Scotland for Homecoming in 2009 we attended a dinner at Abbotsford House, the baronial home of Sir Walter near Melrose and at the dinner, the chairman of the Abbotsford Trust, Lord Sanderson of Bowdon admitted that when he left his home in Melrose for school in England, - Eton - his father gave him a complete set of Sir Walter's Waverly novels,

quite a collection - 26 books – and he admitted that he had never read them either until being appointed as Chairman of the Trust, and at the time he was then on book nbr 7. I was rather relieved to hear that!

Sir Walter Scott, as you may appreciate, is a source of tremendous pride for our Clan. Not only was he known for his tremendous contributions to literature but he can be widely credited for resurrecting Scottish culture through his efforts. ...and **that's where his story intersects with the MacGregors.**

During his lifetime, he penned a series of 26 historical novels, the Waverly Novels, set among the Scottish lands, which he described so effectively that they ignited a new appreciation for Scottish culture. By the time of the publication of the most famous of the Waverly Novels, **Rob Roy**, in 1817, Sir Walter's works had propelled him to national fame and worldwide admiration. He had become the most acclaimed literary and cultural figure of his day – 1771 – 1832 and arguably one of the most influential Scots that has ever lived!

As you all know much better than I, the MacGregor Clan, up until this point, had suffered greatly for their participation in – shall I say episodes of 'misbehavior' including also the Jacobite Uprising of 1715. In July 1717, Rob Roy and the whole of the Clan Gregor were specifically excluded from the benefits of the Indemnity Act which pardoned all others who took part in the rising. Yet the Macgregor Clan remained outlawed. Even using the name was illegal and anyone caught using the name or helping a Macgregor could be killed on the spot.

The MacGregors were eventually pardoned in 1822. How this came about had began in 1815 and followed a series of events of history and the shared destiny of Sir Walter Scott and the MacGregors.

In 1815, when the future King George was still the Prince Regent, he asked to meet the "author of Waverly." And thus Walter Scott was given the 'honor' to dine with George. According to lore, Sir Walter persuaded the Prince that he could lay claim to being a Highland Chief, a conversation that became an important precursor to his visit to Scotland as king a few years later.

The second fateful event came in 1817, with the publication of Rob Roy, probably his most famous of the Waverly Novels and instantly established the legend of Rob Roy MacGregor, who went from a little known outlaw to national hero – his lore forever sealed as the "Scottish Robin Hood". It has been speculated that Rob Roy embodied Scott's love of the Scotland of yore, where courage, family and national pride were integral to one's character. These characteristics and values were positively received by the public, whose admiration for this folk hero helped to put Scotland, its culture, and its heritage in a favorable light. It is also probably that Scott recognized similar and parallel

elements of his own ancestors with those of the MacGregors. The Scotts had been just as lawless as were the MacGregors, being part of the famous – infamous -riding clans of the **Border Reivers** who had struck terror in the hearts of Englishmen as well as among their own Scottish neighbors. Over 400 years of almost constant warfare had produced a ‘wicked lot’ if I say so myself.

Sir Walter had reached the epitome of his literary fame and prosperity when in 1822 he was called upon to orchestrate the visit of the King George to Scotland – the first visit by a reigning monarch to Scotland in almost 200 hundred years - the visit became known as the ‘King’s Jaunt’ and created a great stir in the nation among all classes. Because of his fame, Sir Walter was put in charge of arranging/staging the major events, which he accomplished brilliantly in only 3 weeks time.

Holyrood Palace was in a deployable condition and not fit for habitation, so Scott arranged for the King to stay with his own clan chief, the young Duke of Buccleuch, only age 16 at the family seat at Dalkeith Palace.

As his epilogue to his conversation a few years before, he persuaded the King, George IV, to appear as the ‘Chief of Chief’s, attired in full highland regalia. In anticipation of King George’s visit, SWS effectively convinced the Highland Chiefs to welcome the King’s arrival by attending with all of their kinsmen and as many of their clansmen they could muster, attired in their finest tartans and clan emblems/regalia.

Sir Walter was close personal friend of the MacGregor Chief at the time –**Sir John Murray MacGregor**. With his son **Sir Evan Murray MacGregor**, he arranged that the MacGregor clansmen were given the prestigious and distinctive honor and responsibility of guarding the King during his visit. At the Royal banquet in Edinburgh the visit was crowned with the famous toast by Sir Evan “to the ‘Chief of Chiefs’ King George”. And with that success, the transition from outlaw to revered family was complete. *So, again, congratulations!* As others have already surmised, Sir Walter’s public vindication of the MacGregor clan no doubt played an important part to establish the feeling of close friendship between our two clans.

Along with the public vindication, the King’s Jaunt also reestablished tartan as an important cultural symbol, one that continues even today. Until that time, tartan had not been universally appreciated; but in re-igniting this cultural pride, many families all over the country rushed out to acquire their own ‘family tartan’. It’s interest to note that the Scott clan tartan appears about this time and it has a remarkable similarity to the MacGregor tartan – *coincidence, maybe?* Actually, Sir Walter himself always used a Shepard’s Plaid – Black and White which is very similar to the Scott chief’s tartan – the Buccleuch tartan; the difference being one has a blue stripe and the other a red stripe. Eventually the Scott clan today came to have 11 different tartans – offering a wide choice

and good business for the mills in the borders region – many owned by members of the Scott name – i.e. Lyle & Scott, Peter Scott, Pringle are some that come to mind.

Sir Walter had written his already famous “**Lady of the Lake**” in 1810 which had helped put Scotland on the map as an international ‘tourist destination’ for the leisure class not only of Britain but throughout Europe and in America as well. It can be said that if it were not for SWS, it’s unlikely that so many would today be aware of or celebrate Scottish heritage as widely as we do. The reestablishment of tartan as an important emblem of Scottish heritage created an economic boom for the mills and tartan industry, much of which is concentrated in the border region from which Sir Walter came. He is widely credited with promoting the image of Scotland that is so iconic today. Even, in America he is sometimes referred to as the ‘Father of Tartan Day’.

As many know, John Bellasai is VP of the NCTDC – National Capital Tartan Day Committee, in Washington and it pleases me to share with you the first notice that this organization is in process to plan a 20th anniversary commemoration of Tartan Day, to take place in April 2018. We will celebrate the legacy of tartan, the everlasting symbol of Scottish pride. As part of the anniversary commemoration we are planning a significant exhibition in partnership with leading educational and historical institutions in the United States and Scotland. We also plan to invite esteemed scholars to speak at the symposium including Lord Lyon, King of Arms for Scotland, Dr Joseph Morrow, and also your own chief Sir Malcolm MacGregor of MacGregor who is the principal advisor for this project in Scotland. We look forward to sharing these exciting details with you all as developments are confirmed, so mark your calendars now and stay tuned.

Earlier I mentioned visiting Abbotsford House, SWS Ancestral Home, during Homecoming in 2009. We had first gone there in the early 80s when it was still occupied by the descendants of Sir Walter’s family and were given a very warm welcome and personal tour by Lady Maxwell-Scott who was one of the two sisters living there then with Dame Jean Maxwell Scott who was Lady in Waiting to HRH the Duchess of Gloucester, AKA Princess Alice, nee Scott who had married the Queen’s uncle, Duke of Gloucester. During our tour, she opened one of the exhibit cases and took out a small book, which she explained was one of Sir Walter’s favorite items. Sir Walter was a great collector and the house was and still is literally overflowing with famous artifacts and historical treasures. On display were scores of famous invaluable items, which included items from Bonnie Prince Charles, Mary Queen of Scots, the Stuart Kings, and Napoleon, and including also a sporran that had belonged to Rob Roy MacGregor. Unfortunately, as you all probably know, this item was stolen recently - earlier this year, and has yet to be recovered. A famous Quaich stolen many years earlier has recently turned up in a flea market in France where a curator from a museum in the UK recognized it and it has now been successfully returned – so hope springs eternal for eventual recovery of Rob Roy’s sporran as well.

The small book that was handed to me to read was remarkable.... It contained the genealogies of the various branches of the Scot families in the borders from the earliest of times. It was written by a Captain Walter Scott from an earlier generation in 1688 – actually he hadn't written it but had instead recited it in verse to a school lad who wrote down his words... as a Scott (the two t variety) I was utterly amazed at this small book and learned that originally the author Capt. Walter Scot of Satchells had produced 20 copies, which he presented to the head of the 20 cadet branches of Clan Scott Sir Walter later had 60 copies reproduced and I was fortunate to find and purchase one thru an antique book dealer. The title reads...."*The True History of the Right Honourable Name of Scot Gathered from the Annals of Our History*" and signed 'By Captain Walter Scot, an old soldier and no scholar and one who can write nane but just the letters of his name these he learned for shame when he was in command'. The epistle dedicatory addressed to each of the chieftains, reads..."Seek then Heavens Kingdom and things that are right, and all things else shall be upon thee cast. Holy days of joy shall never turn to night, thy holy state shall everlasting last. Live always as in thy maker's sight, remember ye must drink of deaths sharp cup and of thy stewardship account give up. Let repentance purge thou vices past ... " These words ring as true today as they did when recorded in 1688, no doubt its wise and beautiful verses appreciated by the famous cultural guardian of Scotland, just as he appreciated the MacGregors who'd fought valiantly as guardians of their highland home.

Many may not intimately know Sir Walter's contributions to not just Scotland but to literature - that he created the first historical novels and the genre of historical fiction. Until his time, polite society read only 3 things: the Bible, History and Poetry. He was influential in creating the popularity of the modern historical novel, influencing all the important writers of his day and many subsequently. International conferences continue to be held around the world where scholars study and examine the significance of his works. Sir Walter has inspired more operas than any other writer except for Shakespeare and it's interesting to note this includes also the words of the US Presidential march "**Hail to the Chief**" taken from his poem "Lady of the Lake" and first performed in NYC in the early 1800s.

As I conclude, what our two clans share is our pride for our family, our ancestors, our culture and our heritage. We hold dear the values that they epitomize and fought dearly for, sometimes at great personal expense.

With the collaboration of these important MacGregor and Scott ancestors, I believe we can be assured that their shared friendship resulted in important and significant contributions to Scottish heritage and culture that will never be forgotten.

Scott in another poem wrote ...

“Breathes there a man, with soul so dead,
Who never to himself hath said,
This is my own, my native land!
Whose heart hath ne’er within him burn’d,
As home his footsteps he hath turn’d,
From wandering upon a foreign strand!

Oh Caledonia! Stern and wild,
Meet nurse for a poetic child!
Land of brown heather and shaggy wood,
Land of the mountain and the flood,
Land of my sires! What mortal hand
Can e’er untie the filia band,
That knits me to thy rugged strand!

As the tombstone for Rob Roy boldly declares:

'MacGregor, despite them, shall flourish forever!



**Clark Scott, Chieftain Lois Ann
Garlitz, John Bellassai**

CLARK R. SCOTT

Clark Scott, Trustee and Treasurer for the Council of Scottish Clans & Associations (COSCA), has been actively involved with Scottish heritage since the mid-80's. He descends from many lines of Scottish ancestors of both parents—his father's Scott, Morton, Douglas and Hamilton families from the Borders and Dumfries area, who immigrated overseas in the 18th century, and from his Mother's Cairns and Colquhoun ancestors, who immigrated to South Carolina from the Kirkcudbright and Dunbartonshire areas.

Clark has over 30 years diversified experience in the air transportation industry, has held worldwide positions with Pan American World Airways and the Air Transport Association, USA, and is currently employed with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, working in the International Planning Department of the Federal Air Marshall Service.

While with Pan Am, he served for many years on international assignments in South East Asia and later in Europe, based at the airline's European headquarters in Germany, providing service to the U.S. Government and military in Europe, the Middle East & Africa.

Clark is a graduate of Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas with Bachelor's degrees in Political Science and in Latin American Studies. Post-graduate studies included study in Spain, at Universidad de Madrid, and Universidad de Menendez Pelayo, Santander, Spain, and at Tulane University in New Orleans.

Clark Scott is a Past Chieftain and Ex-officio Board member of the Clan Scott Society USA, and a past executive board member of the National Capital Tartan Day Committee of Washington, D.C. where he served for many years as Treasurer. He was elected Trustee and Treasurer for COSCA, the Council of Scottish Clans and Associations, Inc., which is a founding organization of the Scottish-American Coalition, and was appointed as liaison for the Friends of Abbotsford Trust campaign on behalf of The Scottish Coalition, while a longtime Trustee of The Caledonian Foundation, USA. Clark is also a Life Member of the National Defense Transportation Association and the Pan American Historical Foundation, and a member of the St. Andrew's Society of Richmond, VA.

Clark is married to Judith Campos-Betancourt, recently retired from the Smithsonian Institution. Clark and Judith make their home in Oakton, Virginia and Palos Verdes, California. They have three adult children, an adopted daughter and three grandchildren.

REPORT OF THE RANKING DEPUTY CHIEFTAIN

Randolph W. Walker

The Area Deputy Chieftains have been very busy throughout the year. They have participated in Scottish Heritage Events from coast to coast. Several have other events scheduled for the remainder of the year.

At present the Society has twenty-four Area Deputy Chieftains. Of the twenty-four, eight are new ADCs. The new ADCs are as follows:

California – Ms. Adrienne Tomkins (North) and Mr. Richard Adams (South)

Kentucky – Ms. Janice K. Britt (West)

Mississippi – Col Robert E. Young

Montana – Ms. Vida A. Anderson

Missouri – Ms. Jeanne Lehr (SW)

North Carolina – Ms. Mary Byrd Ewell

West Virginia – Rev. Johnny Payne

Between our Chieftain and myself we have supplied new banners to several of the new ADCs and others purchased the same design themselves. The newly designed banners establish the brand of ACGS. The design incorporates the Arms of the Society and says Clan Gregor with American Clan Gregor Society – Est. 1909 underneath. The response to these new banners has been 100 percent positive, not only from our ADCs but the public as well. Many people are curious about our Arms and it gives the ADC another point of interest to talk about Clan Gregor and ACGS.

For the ADCs who have been working in this capacity for awhile they are not required to give up a banner that they have been using and one that they purchased at their own expense.

The Trustees of the Society purchased a very attractive flag that also incorporates the Arms of the Society for each ADC. These flags are of very high quality and are very attractive. They can be attached to a flagpole to be carried during a parade of the Clans or hung in the Clan Tent during highland games. Flags have been issued to every ADC.

REPORTS OF THE AREA DEPUTY CHIEFTAINS

ALABAMA

Jean MacGregor Simon

The American Clan Gregor Society was not able to participate in any Scottish Games in the state of Alabama during 2015. The organizers of the games decided to postpone the 2015 Games while they rebuild the organization and recruited additional new members. They do have plans to host the Games in 2016.

In spite of the above, my husband, Jack, and I have been active representing ACGS and Clan Gregor in this area. I am currently serving as Secretary for the Tennessee Valley Scottish Society here in Huntsville, Alabama. The TVSS Board meets every month. We participate in a variety of Scottish heritage events and show our "Society Flag" for all to see. We were able to participate in the Burns Night Supper, St. Andrews Day, Tartan Day and the annual picnic. Our youngest son and his wife have been of assistance during the year and we all were able to attend the ACGS Gathering in St. Louis this last October.

TVSS celebrates St. Andrews Day with a big dinner at the Elks Club in Huntsville, Robert Burns Birthday, occasional kilt nights at a restaurant for publicity, Tartan Day, summer picnic indoors, some parades in the past, and experimenting with running a booth or table at the International Festival (iFest) at the University of Alabama Huntsville later this month of September. Each country represented at the iFest held 26 September 2015 is by invitation only. This year has been very hectic and electric for us on the TVSS Board, but we are managing it very well. We wisely have voted to postpone our St. Andrews Day celebration until fall 2016. Our TVSS finances are substantial, but volunteerism for chairmanships from the membership is a little shy. Illness and the resulting resignations from the TVSS Board were understandably obstacles that we are overcoming. We, TVSS, are looking forward to new plans and excitement for Christmas at a local posh country club, which celebrates and hosts a grand Scottish Christmas every year, so we were told. The costs for this Christmas function will be +- \$100 per person, but we hope that this function will still be successful for TVSS and will draw new members to TVSS. It is a target market for us. Our new TVSS president is very ambitious and active, very artistic in designing a new coat of arms for TVSS, as well as banners, etc. Many things! He and 2 or 3 other members of TVSS are in their 30s and 40s, with lots of energy and ideas, and another board member is very valuable to us, since he seems to adore computers and all the bells and whistles of the 21st century. I look forward to meeting you all in two weeks!



Gareth Helmink, Piper with CGS

ARKANSAS

Prize winning ACGS tent at Arkansas Highland Games



COLORADO

Scott S. McGregor

The Annual Rocky Mountain Highland Games were held in Snowmass, Colorado this year. I was unable to participate due to this change of location and additional costs. Once again a check was sent to sponsor the winner of the Novice Under Twelve category. At this time I have not been advised as to who won that event.

I did attend the Long's Peak Highland Games in Estes Park, Colorado. There were close to thirty-five tartan clad clansmen and women who marched in the parade before an estimated 50,000 spectators.

This year we proudly displayed the large statue that was awarded to American Clan Gregor last year for winning the Best Clan of 2014.

Ninety people signed our guest book during the games and several membership applications were handed out.

A special thanks is due to Jeanne Lehr who came up from Missouri and worked so hard to assist in making this a successful event. Special thanks are also due to Janet Orr and Tom Peters who have been the backbone in helping set up and tear down the clan tent for many years. They have been the backbone of our efforts through the years.

The Black family has always been a large part of our Clan Gregor parade. In the past they have held their family reunion in Estes Park and the Scottish Games with us. This year it was very sad because we were missing one of the most inspiring individuals in their family. Robert LeCuyer Black passed away this past January and will be greatly missed. Black family members from Colorado, Indiana, Kansas, North Dakota, California and Alaska have participated in past parades. Bob Black's interest has always been honoring and preserving the Black and MacGregor heritage. The Estes Park Scottish Festival was the highlight of Bob's year.

We spoke to several men who showed interest in becoming active members and might be able to take over several of the clan activities such as hosting a clan tent and attending the Kirk-N-Of-The-Tartan in April. They all seemed highly motivated and I believe we have some real winners among them.

I will be unable to attend the Annual Gathering in Virginia but I send my best wishes to all those attending.

As always ... Thank you DAD (Past Chieftain Ronald McGregor) without you none of this would ever be possible.

DELAWARE, MARYLAND, NEW JERSEY and EAST PENNSYLVANIA

Peter K. Gregg

2015 is my first full year with my expanded area of responsibility. I contacted my State representative and facilitated this year's Scotts – Scotts Irish Heritage Month Proclamation from Governor Markel. I also received a like proclamation from Mayor Christensen, the Mayor of Dover, DE. I then began my gaming season by signing up for the Colonial Highland Gathering in Fair Hill Maryland. These games are presented by the Scottish Games Association of Delaware. I have been attending these games since 2002. This year I not only had the honor of representing the American Clan Gregor Society but also assisting with the Scottish American Military Society. I was selected to carry one of the flags during the opening ceremony. After set up, with help from my brother John, My sister, Didi and her family showed up to help. We were also assisted by fellow ACGS member Chuck Grierson and a potential future member, Jon Welsh. We had the pipes in the background and the wonderful sounds of the fiddles in front as the mid-Atlantic competition for both was in full swing.

I proudly wore my MacGregor Tartan at the State House in the Senate Chambers for the presentation of the Delaware Tartan Stone to the State by Frank Maurer, who is a stone carver who wishes to create a tartan stone for each of the 50 states.



My next event was setting up at the McClain Celtic Festival in Carlisle, PA. My other sister Cathy accompanied me to the grounds and helped me set up. We were later joined by her family, John and Tad. To my surprise, both Chuck and Jon from Fair Hill showed up to help. At first I was disappointed in my location. We were directly across from the athletics but had a tree three feet from the front of the tent. We were also the last tent closest to the porta potties. To my surprise, this location brought at least 150 people to the tent. Many people visited while waiting for family and friends to

conduct business.

Finally, there was a new event this year. It was the Second Annual Covenanter Scottish Festival. I was told it was twice the size as last year, They advertised the flaming caber toss as one of the heavy athletic events. Unfortunately, it rained most of the day. The athletics went on but the crowd was sparse. Even with the rain, we had a good two dozen people visit. I believe this venue has great potential and I plan on visiting again next year.

KENTUCKY

Kay Britt

Hello to all and hope this finds everyone on a great start to your highland games. On May 28-30th started my new duties of Kentucky's Area Deputy chieftain. It couldn't have been any better. It started out at the Glasgow Highland games in Glasgow, Kentucky. Although the weather was a hit and miss the crowd come out despite it. For the first time our clan tent was over running with visitors. I was successful in handing out at least 12 applications for membership and had around fifty visitors, not all signing the registration book. I couldn't have been more excited. This year the clan society was honored to have an McGregor athlete to represent us in the amateurs division. Although he didn't win he did make himself known and will be back again. The next trip we are planning to take will be to Grandfather Mountain to help Thad Osborne with their tent. This season at the Murray game Dillian will be there with his cousins to defend their title. The Murray Highland festival is the fourth Saturday of each year. This year it will be on the 26th of October. Admission is \$ 5.00 at the gate and children under 10 free accompanied by an adult. On September 12th my husband and I will be traveling to Nashville, Tennessee to join our good friends Clan Wallace at their clan tent for their Middle Tennessee highland games at the famous Hermitage . Richard Greer and Thad Osborne plan to joint me to scope out this event. Its been years since there has been a Scottish event in the Nashville area and the Wallace's are excited to help get it started back again. I hope to see everyone in Crystal City (DC) for our yearly gathering. All take care on your travels and be safe.



Gregors at Kentucky Games

EASTERN TENNESSEE

Thad Osborne

Blairsville Highland Games 2015

On 13-14 June, I represented our Society at the Blairsville Scottish Festival & Highland Games in the absence of Georgia ADC Bruce Whyte, who was at sea. Things began with a music concert downtown on Friday evening, then moved to Meeks Park on the west side of town. The clans were situated along a running creek in a shaded area, relieving the

warm Georgia sun. Tent traffic was steady all Saturday, with many visitors attending a Scottish Festival for the first time. In addition to telling the story of the MacGregors, we were able to refer many visitors to a clan or family of their own. Some very good Highland athletes competed for prizes. Blairsville is a very small city in the north Georgia mountains; the festival is their biggest event of the year, and they make every effort to do things well, including making the clans welcome. As you know, Michael McGregor of South Carolina has been working under my supervision this year. He also helped out at the Smoky Mountain Games in Maryville, Tennessee this year and is very familiar with the MacGregor DNA project. We referred many of our visitors to the MacGregor project at Family Tree DNA. My next event will be the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games at Linville, North Carolina, on 9-12 July 2015. This will be the fifty-sixth year of continuous ACGS presence at Grandfather Mountain.



Michael MacGregor doing what he does best, educating visitors

GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN



Children of the Mist Banner

We are delighted to send this report from the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games in Linville, North Carolina, the “Balcony of the Blue Ridge.”.

At the torchlight ceremony on Thursday night, Warren Porter from Minnesota proclaimed the MacGregors present. It was a pleasure to have Warren and Judy with us. The Games proper continued on Friday with several visitors to the tent. Member John Bellasai from Washington, D.C. was at Grandfather Mountain on behalf of the Council of Scottish Clan Associations, and we congratulate John for taking a leadership role in this group. On Sunday, John gave a very good report to members of COSCA about its work. Treasurer Dr. Bruce Whyte, Kentucky deputy Kay Britt and Michael, former Trustee Lillian Magruder, Elizabeth Magruder Joiner, and five others including yours truly helped staff the tent.

Austin Millard came in first place in the Lads 16-30 yr old kilted mile, winning the American Clan Gregor Society trophy with a time of 6 minutes, 20:49 seconds. Congratulations to Austin on his performance.

On Sunday, twelve MacGregors marched in the parade of Tartans, a recent record. A mid-afternoon shower brought everything to conclusion. Over 60 people visited our tent, and about ten provisional membership applications were distributed. It was a great time to be together and to tell the MacGregor story. Good weather and many hands helped us make a good presentation.



Left front Kay Britt, left back Gareth Horner, Ian Dalton, Mason Dalton, right Nancy Chick & Fred Magruder



Thad Osborne, Lillian Magruder, Kathy and Bruce Whyte, Gregors on the March



UTAH

Lois Ann Garlitz

During the past year, Utah MacGregors have participated in these community events: in October, for Reformation Sunday, MacGregors walked with other clans at their Kirkin' of the Tartan in the First Presbyterian Church in Salt Lake City, a 107 year old building with large stained glass windows, one of our favorites in that city. In January, twelve MacGregors shared a table at BYU's Burns Supper where the haggis is always tasty, thanks to fellow MacGregor Dean Wright, a manager in Catering at BYU. Marching in the St. Patrick's Day parade in March while following one of our area's pipe bands was exhilarating, followed with many choices of Irish food at the Greek Orthodox Church's Siamsa activities in Salt Lake City on that day.

In November 2014, Dodd Greer represented us at the first annual Scots on the Rocks, Moab Celtic festival, among the red rocks of southern Utah, which is a very beautiful destination location. Dodd also served as their Master of Ceremonies. This festival was held during the same weekend as our Gathering last year in St. Louis; however I will certainly make plans to be there this November 2015.

In June, Utah MacGregors received recognition as Honored Clan at the Utah Scottish Associations' Scottish Festival and Highland Games at Thanksgiving Point. An additional honor for me as Chieftain of the Games was being asked by the Chief of Clan Gregor, Sir Malcolm MacGregor to fly his Pinsel flag as his personal representative in the US. What is a Pinsel? In heraldry, a Pinsel is a small triangular flag granted by the



**Steve Argyle and Chieftain Lois
Ann Garlitz**

Lord Lyon King of Arms Scotland only to Chiefs or very special chieftain-barons for practical use to denote a person to whom the Chief has delegated authority to act in his behalf on a particular occasion. This MacGregor Pinsel was presented to the American Clan Gregor Society decades ago by Sir Malcolm's father Sir Gregor MacGregor.

In July, Randall Nish and his family again supplied his generous 10 X 20 tent for us and our visitors at Payson's Scottish Festival in their city park. One hundred year old trees to shade us all and a more relaxed environment is part of this festival's charm.

In August, our own Dodd Greer played the part of Mr. Lundie, the village schoolmaster in Timpanogas Arts Festival's production of Brigadoon. Needless to say, the MacGregor banner was one of the several local ones in the scene for clans at the wedding.

Steven Argyle and his son Adam and families have

been instrumental in continuing our activity of periodic no-host suppers for MacGregors at a local restaurant. This casual meeting has provided an excellent atmosphere to catch up with each other away from the hustle and bustle of larger Scottish events in our area.

Participation with other MacGregors in the various events keeps us together – “MacGregors Despite Them.”

"Enjoyed a lovely weekend as their Chieftain of the Games at Utah Scottish Festival and Highland Games at Thanksgiving Point in Lehi, Utah. An additional honor was being asked by the Chief of Clan Gregor Sir Malcolm MacGregor to fly his Pinsel flag as his personal representative in the US. What is a Pinsel? In heraldry, a Pinsel is small triangular flag granted by the Lord Lyon King of Arms Scotland only to Chiefs or very special chieftain-barons for practical use to denote a person to whom the Chief has delegated authority to act in his behalf on a particular occasion. This MacGregor Pinsel was presented to the American Clan Gregor Society decades ago by Sir Malcolm's father Sir Gregor MacGregor."



Chaplain Dodd Greer in black shirt

4TH ANNUAL COSCA CAUCUS MEETING

Randolph W. Walker

Our Chieftain, Lois Ann Garlitz, Chairman of the ACGS Trustees, John Bellasai, Treasurer, Dr. Bruce Whyte, my wife and I just returned from the 4th Annual Caucus of the Council of Scottish Clans and Associations. This meeting was held at Historic Rural Hill, NC in conjunction with the Highland Games at Lake Norman. We are all members of COSCA as well as ACGS as a society.

Also attending and presenting on a variety of subjects associated with Scottish Heritage:

The Reverend Canon Dr. Joseph John Morrow C.St.J, the current Lord Lyon King of Arms. He has also served as the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Scotland in addition to many other high level positions.

Sir Malcolm MacGregor of MacGregor, Chief of Clan Gregor and Convener of the Standing Council of Scottish Chiefs along with Lady Fiona Armstrong MacGregor.

Lord Andrew Morrison, 3d Viscount Dunrossil and Honorary British Consul to San Antonio, Texas. Andrew also sits on the Standing Council of Scottish Chiefs standing in for his cousin who is Chief of Clan Morrison.

Dr. Bruce Drurie, PhD, Shennachie to the Chief of Drurie and Shennachie to COSCA who is most likely the finest Scottish Genealogist today.

Professor Donna Heddle, Director of The Centre for Nordic Studies, Orkney and Shetland College, University of the Highlands & Islands.

Dr. Thor Ewing, Medieval Celtic & Viking Scholar.

Dr. Michael Newton, Celtic and Gaelic Scholar.

We were able to have lunch with the Lord Lyon, a meet and greet with all of the above, dinner twice with Sir Malcolm and Lady MacGregor and we met many other members of COSCA from all over the United States and Canada. We were also able to attend the Highland Games at Lake Norman. These are quite large with a significant number of clan societies in attendance.

We were able to attend seminars on Scottish Genealogy, the History of Scottish Literature, the Vikings (Northmen), the Border Clans (presented by Lady MacGregor), and much more.

Not a minute was wasted. Our days started early and ended late. For many of us it included a wee dram of the water of life.

There are several significant items that you need to be aware of:

Sir Malcolm stated clearly once again, that ACGS and its Chieftain are his official representatives in the United States. Why is that important? It means that all of us who are the public face of our society are also the personal representatives of our Chief. As we participate in various Scottish Heritage Events we must remember that everything we say and do will reflect in some way, not only on ourselves, but our society and Sir Malcolm MacGregor, Chief of Clan Gregor and his Lady.

John Bellasai who is Vice President of COSCA was elected President of the organization until another president can be elected due to the present president stepping down. Three cheers for John.

In 1997 ACGS held their Annual Gathering in San Antonio, TX. There were about 145 people attending. The planning has begun for another Gathering in San Antonio to be held in 2017. I wanted to give everyone a heads up about this so that you can begin thinking about attending if at all possible. I think it would be fantastic if every one of our Area Deputy Chieftains were able to attend this event. That would be quite a site, all of you, in tartan, meeting one another and getting to know other members of ACGS. Plus...who knows who else might show up.

I will be sending you a series of papers on a variety of things Scottish and MacGregor that I hope will allow you to be better prepared as you represent Clan Gregor and ACGS. One of the items that I hope to be able to obtain for all of you is a searchable CD, The History of The Clan Gregor, by Amelia Georgiana Murray MacGregor, who was Vice President of the Society in Scotland in 1898. She was Sir Malcolm's aunt as I understand.

RELATIONSHIP WITH CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY AND ITS CHAPTERS IN THE US

Lois Ann Garlitz, Chieftain

Randolph W. Walker, Ranking Deputy Chieftain

Report to Council, 2015 ACGS Gathering

A four person video conference took place Friday 25 September 2015 via Skype: participants: Richard McGregor, Chairman of Clan Gregor Society Scotland; Keith MacGregor, overseas representative in US for CGS Scotland (both at Keith's home in Redding CT); Randolph Walker, Ranking Deputy Chieftain ACGS (in San Antonio TX); and Lois Ann Garlitz, Chieftain ACGS, (in American Fork, UT).

Purpose for the conference: to discuss and resolve, insofar as it is possible, the occasional conflicts arising between the American Clan Gregor Society members and the members of CGS Chapters at various locations in the US.

A brief review of how MacGregor descendants' clan societies were organized:

Clan Gregor Society in Scotland was founded in Edinburgh in 1822, one of the first clan societies in that country. In 1909, the American Clan Gregor Society was organized in Charlottesville, VA with the guidance of Sir Malcolm MacGregor, grandfather of the current Chief, also a Sir Malcolm. In the early 1980's, Sheila MacGregor, at that time Chairman of CGS Scotland came to the US and other locations around the world to establish groups/chapters of CGS to financially support the activities of CGS Scotland. One of the Chapters she organized was in Atlanta, Georgia. At various times there has been dissention between that Chapter and ACGS, particularly who has rights to a MacGregor display at the Stone Mountain games, which is the current issue that brought these leaders together.

In the present day, when visitors come to a clan tent or other activity of MacGregors in any location, and learn there are two societies, which they may join, what can we teach, to help them decide? Do the hosts at the event take the time to ask "What are your goals in coming here today, and how can we help you?"

The conference discussion began with each participant vocalizing the aims, goals, and benefits of membership in each of their own organizations.

CGS in Scotland is in a unique position as it has access to original records and geographical locations which are all part of the MacGregor heritage. A fair number of MacGregors in either society do not understand that position or what it might mean to them personally. CGS leaders have a passion to share that knowledge with MacGregors wherever they are around the world. No other clan is doing what CGS is doing in archeology in Scotland. Others may be repairing castles and such, but not the archeology.

In addition CGS leaders have probably a ten-foot pile of notes, like Amelia MacGregor did 100 years ago when she wrote her book "*History of Clan Gregor*". Richard, Keith, and Peter Lawrie (vice-chairman of CGS Council, Scotland) intend to write and update such a history, before their own knowledge is lost. These projects are not inexpensive. In addition, the MacGregor DNA Project is administered by Dr. Richard McGregor to benefit MacGregors world-wide..

ACGS has a mission statement as a lineage based, heritage preservation organization to collect and publish historical and genealogical material and help educate MacGregors about the history of the American descendants of the Clan Gregor of Scotland. Members of ACGS submit their lineage back to a MacGregor or other family "sept" name born in Scotland or in America before 1870. ACGS has archives housed at the University of Baltimore in their Special Collections at the Langsdale Library, which includes over 440 books and 28 linear feet of paper records. A complete collection of ACGS yearbooks since 1909 is now digitized and available on line, which includes many biographies of members over the years. MacGregors in the US sometimes can trace their heritage back to Scotland, but for some, "jumping the pond" is a long search, and they focus on their records and stories in America.

Because any society requires funding to pursue their projects, it is not unexpected that dissension and unpleasantness occasionally arise in areas where there is competition for members and their financial support. Personalities can be difficult for leaders and others to manage and deal with. Actually, membership in both societies is an asset for any MacGregor descendant living in the US. If you wish to also join CGS in Scotland, as well as ACGS, go to their website www.clangregor.org.

Among the ideas waiting for further collaboration are: 1] what are the benefits of membership in each (or both) societies, what do members think is important? 2] how to increase understanding among members of both societies and appreciation for their common heritage. Randy - CGS in Scotland is doing an important work and ACGS should be a part it.

ACGS – THE EARLY YEARS

This article about Sir Malcolm MacGregor (Grandfather of our current Chief) appeared in the 1911-1912 Year Book.

SIR MALCOLM MACGREGOR OF MACGREGOR, BARONET, CAPTAIN, ROYAL NAVY, RETIRED, DEPUTY LIEUTENANT FOR PERTHSHIRE, SCOTLAND

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Sir Malcolm MacGregor, of MacGregor, Chief of Clan Gregor, was born at Edinchip, Balquhider, Perthshire, Scotland, August 3, 1873, and succeeded to the title upon the death of his father, Sir Malcolm MacGregor of MacGregor, August 31, 1879.

At the age of thirteen he became a naval cadet aboard the Britannia and three years later joined the Bellerophon, the flagship of the North American Station fleet, as midshipman.

Passing all required examinations with distinction he won the rank of Lieutenant in 1894, and for two years thereafter served as an officer aboard the Royal Sovereign and the Majestic.

Having qualified as a Gunnery Lieutenant at Portsmouth and Greenwich he was next assigned to the Excellent as a member of the junior staff.

Joining the channel fleet he was four years aboard the Hannibal, and then with the Mediterranean fleet aboard the Albemarle when promoted to the rank of Commander in 1904.

He spent the next two years on the Juno before entering upon his duties as assistant to the Director of Naval Ordnance in 1907 and retired with the rank of Captain in 1911.

Sir Malcolm lives at Edinchip, built by the Third Baronet in 1848, which is consequently a modern structure, but its contents at once recall the past. This seat of the Chiefs of Clan Gregor stands on a wooded hillock above Loch Earn, near the heart of the olden MacGregor estates.

The property is of some five thousand acres, "mountain and moor," and furnishes rare sport for baggers of grouse, red deer, and pheasants.

Just beyond is “The Glen” fringed with huge Scots pines, heather carpeted and loud with the call of grouse, with Craig Mac Ranaich standing guard and Kendrum Burn bickering by on its way to Loch Earn.

Standing upon MacGregor tartan-carpet one looks up at oil paintings of distinguished MacGregors, among them Sir Evan John Murray MacGregor, great-grandfather of the Chief, as he appeared before George IV claiming the right to escort the regalia of Scotland: also the flag carried by the MacGregor regiment in “The 45”; the tassels of an English flag captured by the MacGregors; swords, dirks, powder horns, and other trophies of war gathered by the MacGregors who have followed the sea and the field representing many climes and periods of time.

Among the most prized relics are the gun with which the last of the blood hounds used for tracking the MacGregors was killed before the revocation of the Acts of Proscription; a letter from King Charles I written to a member of the family; a dirk given by “Bonnie Prince Charlie” to Evan MacGregor, his aide-de-camp, Major of the MacGregor regiment in “The 45; and the broad sword used by Major MacGregor in that uprising, reduced in size from a two-handed weapon used in the battle of Glen Fruin in 1602.

Sir Malcolm is thus descended from the First Baronet. He is the son of Sir Malcolm MacGregor, Fourth Baronet, Rear-Admiral, Royal Navy, who received the Crimean medal and clasp for Sevastopol, Turkish War medal, and medal of the Royal Humane Society, and Lady Helen Laura McDonnell, daughter of Hugh Seymour, Ninth Earl of Antrim; grandson of Sir John Atholl Bannatyne MacGregor, Third Baronet, Lieutenant-Governor of the Virgin Islands; and Mary Charlotte, daughter of Rear-Admiral Sir Thomas Masterman Hardy, Baronet, Captain of Nelson’s flagship at Trafalgar; great-grandson of Sir Evan John Murray MacGregor, Second Baronet, Major-General in the Royal Army, Governor of the Windward Islands, who assumed by Royal license the additional name “of MacGregor”; and Elizabeth, daughter of John, Fourth Duke of Atholl; great-great-grandson of Sir John Murray MacGregor, created First Baronet, July 3, 1795, Lieutenant-Colonel in the East India Company’s Service and Auditor-General of Bengal; and Ann, daughter of Roderick Macleod of Bernera.

The Chief’s brother, Alexander (Alasdair) Ronald, of “The Hermitage,” Rothesay, Isle of Bute, is heir presumptive, and the latter’s son, Malcolm Findanus, aged five years (1913), is second heir.

At the request of its membership Sir Malcolm MacGregor became hereditary Chief of the American Clan Gregor Society in 1911.

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