



Clan MacDougall Society of North America

MONTHLY NEWS



May 2017

Welcome to our monthly report of events and activities of our Society. We are always looking for information to share with our members, so if you have a birth or wedding or know of a special event, please send a photo along with relevant information to president@macdougall.org.

Ashby's Reflections

Deagh-chàirdean
Good Friends

Seo aimsir cruinneachadh anns na domhan-leudan meadhanach a-nist. 'S iad cothroman matha air teaghlachan, eachdraidh, agus dualchas a bheachdachadh.

The season of games and gatherings in the middle latitudes is on us now. I attended three in the month of May, enjoying each for their special focus and for the opportunity to chat about family, history and heritage. At the end of the month the Society held its Annual General Meeting at the Scottish Fest in Orange County, California. This was an exciting event that will be described in more detail in next month's newsletter. Our annual gathering at the Grandfather Mountain Games offers a very rich weekend. The schedule of weekend events is given again in this newsletter along with a reservation form for those who wish to attend the Founders Dinner on Saturday evening.

The Flowers of the Forest section of this issue pays tribute to three distinguished members of the Society who have passed away. Our condolences to their families. Our lives have been enriched for having known them.

Le meas // Respectfully

Tòmas MacCòmhghan//Thomas Ashby McCown
Ceann-suidhe // President

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New Members

Jim McDougale
Rowlett, TN

Brent Rich
Nacogdoches, TX

Barbara McDougal
Catoosa, OK

Joyce Downin
Columbia, MD

T'Shael Joslyn Jones
Burnsville, MN

Piper Page Gutterman Plymouth, MN

Geordan McDougal Jones Watson, MN

J David Wall
Whispering Pines, NC

Fredrich Miller
Cochranville, PA

Mid-Maryland Celtic Festival May 13, 2017

The Mid-Maryland Celtic Festival was in Mount Airy, Maryland, in reasonably unpleasant weather. There was rain, wind, and a touch of chill in the air. It was roughly the same as the weather in Oban that day.



The MacDougall/MacDowall tent was dauntlessly hosted by our Maryland State Representative, Dennis McDowell. We met old and new friends from across the

region and spoke of our heritage as well as of warmer days to come - alas much warmer days to come. In a month we will recall the day with nostalgia.



Fair Hill Scottish Games May 20, 2017

May 20 was a fair day at Fair Hill and the Fair Hill Scottish Games, or "Colonial Highland Gathering", basked in the sunshine. These games are held in the north-east corner of Maryland, drawing attendance from neighboring parts of Delaware and Pennsylvania as well as Maryland. The games are, in fact, put on by the Scottish Games Association of Delaware. They began in Delaware in the early 1960s as a venue for pipers to play and compete.



These are special games for a number of our members, who have attended and/or hosted Clan MacDougall Society tents for more than a generation. We are annually visited by members of other Clans who say they had been made honorary MacDougalls because of some gallant act they performed in the misty past.



Charlotte McDowell Freund Baltimore, MD

Darlene McDowell McCall Perryville, MD

Tents at Highland Games

June

3 - Garrett County Celtic Festival
Friendsville, MD

16-18 Pikes Peak Celtic Festival
Colorado Springs, CO

24-25 San Diego Highland Games and Gathering
San Diego, CA

July

1- Embro Highland Games
Embro, ON

6-9 Grandfather Mountain Games
Linville, NC

8- Kincardine Scottish Festival
Kincardine, ON

15- Minnesota Scottish Fair and Highland Games
Farmington, MN

August

12- Fergus Scottish Festival
Fergus, ON

24- Argyllshire Gathering
Oban, Scotland

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This year two MacDougall/MacDowall tents were hosted by Bill and Cathy McHoul, our Mid-Atlantic Commissioners. An extra tent was secured to hold all the visiting McHoul cousins who attend the affair

There were many visitors in addition to McHouls. We met new and old friends and had interesting conversations about families, heritage, and the Society's activities.



Flowers of the Forest

Delmar L. McDougal

Delmar L. "Del" McDougal, 84, of Olathe, Kansas died June 10, 2015. Del was born April 1, 1931 in Lane, Kansas, the son of Henry and Nellie Bartlett McDougal. He graduated from Lane High School with the class of 1949, and lived the last 40 years in Olathe.

Del was employed as an Illinois Highway Patrolman, railroad clerk and yardmaster for 40 years in Illinois, Iowa and Kansas. He served in the United States Navy, as an electrician and fireman apprentice, from June 9, 1949 to June 9, 1950.

He was active as a Scout and 4-H leader, was marshal at Heritage Golf Course, and traveled to Hawaii and Scotland. He enjoyed golf, gardening and dreamed of hiking the Appalachian Trail.

He is survived by Kay, his wife of 41 years, six children, ten grandchildren, six great grandchildren, a sister, Jeanie Aklow, sister-in-law, Carl McDougal, and many cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents, his former wife, Roberta, and his brother, Mervin.

Del was a proud member of our Society, joining in 1994. His wife Kay writes us that:

In 2001 he and his two sons played 20 golf courses in Scotland and visited the MacDougall Castle in Oban, Scotland. I'm so thankful he got to do this.

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She adds that a piper played at his interment at Highland Cemetery, Ottawa, Kansas.

David J. MacDougall

David J. MacDougall of Janesville, Wisconsin died surrounded by his family on Saturday, April 30, 2016 at Cedar Crest. He was born in Milwaukee on April 2, 1939, the son of Fred J. and Helen (Carroll) MacDougall.

He is survived by his wife, Trina, 4 children, 11 grandchildren, 2 brothers, Gerry and Fred, and 2 sisters, Mary Emery and Carol Dovi. He was preceded in death by his parents.

He graduated from Marquette High School, Milwaukee in 1957, Marquette Business School in 1961, and Marquette Law School in 1964. David married Trina Critelli in Rochester, NY on Aug. 4, 1962. In 1964, he joined the Brennan, Steil, Ryan, Basting & MacDougall law firm, leaving in 2002 to become the in-house attorney for LeMans. He was a member of Nativity of Mary Catholic Church, and was awarded the Outstanding Young Man of the Year in 1974 by the Junior Chamber of Commerce. He served as Easter Seal President, and on the Fellows of Wisconsin Law Foundation. David was the youngest Director of the Rock County National Bank, President of the Senior Lawyers, and active with the Marquette Law School.

David has been an active member of the Society since joining in 1978. He was among seven members of his family that his father, in a short period of time, persuaded to join the Society after a family gathering at Linville in 1978 -- as recorded in the Fall 1978 Tartan. David and his father were instrumental in establishing the Clan MacDougall Society Foundation, for which David served as Assistant Secretary until 2003.

Alexander Stewart Orton MacDougall

Alexander Stewart Orton MacDougall, or Stewart, passed away peacefully at home June 21, 2016, surrounded by family and close friends. He was born in Pasadena, California on May 7, 1927, the son of Alexander H. and Katherine MacDougall. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Louisa, four children from a previous marriage, Lauren, Brinn, Alexander, and Brandon, as well as two stepchildren, Piero Fenci and Kendal Cramer Bazemore.

Stewart grew up in Pasadena and developed a love for the sea. He completed secondary education in Pasadena at the Orton School of Classical Learning, which was directed by his mother. He was in the first class to enter University of California at Santa Barbara, but left to serve in the Navy on a mine-sweeper in the western Pacific during World War II. Afterwards, he then attended the Chouinard School to study art and design, later working with Victor Gruen and Associates, Rudolf Baumfeld, and LeCourbusier. In the 1950's, he worked with a small architecture firm in Montecito.

Stewart produced a significant body of design work. He was among the lead designers for the Monsanto House of the Future in Disneyland in 1957. He created many types of mid-century modern chairs, tables and cabinets in the Eames fashion. He designed and sold golf clubs, special putters, push-carts, and was working on a set of clubs for seniors at the time of his death. He published "A Natural Golf Swing" in 2014, and "A Cruise Journal to Santa Cruz Island" in 2004. In his later years, he designed and built several large, colorful and distinctively named sculptures (Hal, Prancing Horse, High C) that reside in Santa Barbara, and a smaller piece that is in the Metropolitan

Museum of Art.

He joined the Society in 1998, and was true to his MacDougall and Scottish traditions. He enjoyed enormously golf and sailing. At various times, he was an active member of the Santa Barbara, Saint Francis, San Diego, New York, and Nantucket Yacht Clubs. He designed and built twenty unusual boats, sailed all of the Channel Islands, and raced his boats from San Francisco to Mexico, and Nantucket to Maine. Perhaps his favorite nautical experiences were with Louisa, on the yacht "Zapata", which he built in her honor.

Annual MacDougall Society Gathering at Grandfather Mountain Games July 6-9, 2017

We would like to remind all members of the Society events during the Grandfather Mountain Games. We will be meeting our kinfolk on MacRae Meadow on Grandfather Mountain throughout the weekend, beginning with the Torchlight Opening Ceremony on Thursday evening.

Special MacDougall Society events for the weekend include:

Friday, July 7

- 3:00 pm Society Board of Directors Meeting at Eseedla Lodge in Linville, NC
- 6:00 pm Reception with cash bar and piper on the lawn at the Eseedla Lodge
- 7:00 pm Founders Dinner at the Eseedla Lodge

Saturday, July 8

- 4:30 pm Family picnic/Bar B Que at the shelter of the Sugar Mountain Baptist Church in Newland, NC

Friday's Founders Dinner will feature two dishes, a chicken dish priced at \$35 and a beef and trout dish priced at \$46. Both dishes are served with a pear salad and peach ice cream dessert. And yes, there will be haggis and more than one of Burns poems, for which there will be no extra charge.

If you would like to attend the Founders Dinner please complete and return the Reservation Form, which can be accessed by [clicking here](#), as soon as possible. This will assist our planning enormously.

We look forward to seeing you again.

John A. McDougall Memorial Scholarships

Our Scholarship Program supports one of the key purposes of our Society. Access our website for the procedures for applying for a scholarship. Donations to our Scholarship Fund help defray the costs, are accepted year-round and are greatly appreciated by the Society and recipients. The Society is a 501(c)(3) organization and contributions to its endeavors may be tax deductible in the U.S.

