



Clan MacDougall Society of North America

MONTHLY NEWS



September 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 kyle@macdougallmn.org.

Scott's Reflections



The Chief of Clan MacDougall has now set the dates for the next International Gathering of Clan MacDougall in Oban, Scotland. The Gathering will be held from Tuesday 30 July to Sunday 4 August, 2019 at Dunollie Castle in Oban. The Gathering is for clansmen from around the world, not just Society members. Though the 2019 event programme has not yet been announced, activities in past years have typically ranged from a choice of sea based tours and overland bus trips to our clan historic sites, to a fine social evening. It is a memorable week in a beautiful location, never forgotten by those of us who have attended it. More information for our 2019 Gathering will be announced as plans are finalized. However, Oban is also a very nice base for trips to surrounding areas and to the islands. You may start planning your visit now by bookmarking some of Scotland's excellent web sites for visitors including these two for the Oban area www.visitscotland.com/info/towns-villages/oban-p235801 and <https://www.oban.org.uk/>. Of course, one excellent site to bookmark is the Dunollie web site at www.dunollie.org. We hope to see you at the Gathering.

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New Members

Nathan Smith
Marlette, MI

James L. Wright
Belfair, WA

Andrew Fowler
Longmont, CO

Eva Nunes
Colorado Spring, CO

Tom Jacobs
Pueblo, CO

Bruce MacDougal
Alexandria, VA

James Cowan
Washington, DC

William Docos
Vienna, VA

Patrick Tompkins
Greensburg, PA

This summer we have spent much time searching out members who had lost contact after they had changed email or telephone addresses, or had moved without updating their postal addresses in our records. Our extensive effort has located some of them with the result that we have several new readers this month. Welcome back! Next month we will be sending our annual postal letter about dues and donations to members. This letter will include a section for you to update us if you have moved or changed your email or telephone in the past few years. It only takes a minute or two to complete and return to us to ensure delivery of your newsletters in future. You also may send your contact information to us at records@macdougall.org at any time.

This month we continue to introduce your Officers and Representatives to you with our article about Kyle Jones who as President Elect is my designated successor. We have a need for many skills within our Society. If you would like to become more involved in any of our Society activities you may contact any of our Officers and Representatives, or send an email to me at president@macdougall.org.

*Cuimhnich air na daoine o'n d'fhàinig thu.
Remember the men from which you came.*

Scott MacDougald
President

Civatte Wins US National Junior Scottish Fiddle Championship

Faith Speidel
New Waterford, OH

Douglas J. Yonker
Johnstown, PA

A hearty welcome to each of you!

Flowers of the Forest

We are always sorry to learn of the loss of our members. We offer sincere sympathy to their loved ones.

Patricia Anne Mooney (Schilling)
Festus, MO

Frederick A. MacDougall
Spring, TX

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 costs, are accepted year-round and are greatly appreciated by the Society and recipients. The Society is a 501(c)(3) organization. Contributions to its endeavors may be tax deductible in the U.S.

Tents at Highland Games

October

[Chesapeake Celtic Festival](#)

Living Heritage Village
Snow Hill, Maryland, USA
October 7, 2017

[Seaside Highland Games](#)

Seaside Park
Ventura, California, USA
October 14-15, 2017

[Central Virginia Celtic Festival](#)

Richmond Raceway Complex
Richmond, Virginia, USA
October 28-29, 2017

Volunteers

Our Society is a volunteer organization



We are pleased to share the success of scholarship recipient Connor Civatte. His wonderful performance is at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IM_VzgVp9go

Officer Profile

needing contributions of time and skill from its members. If you would like to help at our events or volunteer in another capacity, please contact your Regional Commissioner or your State/Provincial Representative listed on our web site or send an email to telling us of your interests to president@macdougall.org

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Clan MacDougall Society of North America

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Twitter

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Membership Year

Membership Dues are on a calendar year basis ending on 31 December. Dues may be paid, or prepaid, online for one or more calendar years through Paypal at:

<http://macdougall.org/membership-information/>

Submissions

Persons wishing to submit articles, photos, or items of interest to our newsletters may contact:

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Please help us keep our records up to date by sending your email, telephone, or postal address changes to:

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Our new President Elect, Kyle Jones, still resides in western Minnesota near the community of Montevideo where his ancestors finally settled after emigrating from Scotland in the 1840's. His ancestor, Charles Brown MacDougall, was an early leader in that community and Kyle continued this tradition by serving as Mayor there for several years. He later held this post in nearby Watson earning him the odd distinction of being the only person in Minnesota history to serve as Mayor of two different communities. He has recently retired from politics and is enjoying the free time.

Kyle studied film and theatre at Southwest State University where he met his wife, Georgette Kautz Jones. (aka "G'ette" pronounced "Jet.") The two have gone on to collaborate on many productions, the most successful of which have been their four children: T'Shael, Piper, Geordan and William. In addition to these, they have also parented 14 children through international exchange and one foster child. He absolutely loves the shocked looks received when he says, "I have 19 kids." Kyle is usually "burning the candle at both ends" with many jobs and organizations but it is the role of "Dad" that he hopes defines him most.

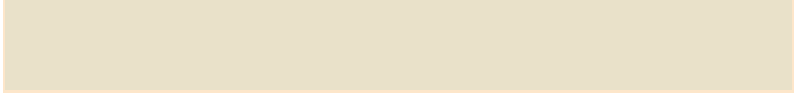
Professionally, he has worked in the motion picture industry for over 20 years with credits too numerous to mention. His role is usually technical as Producer/Director/Writer/Editor. He leaves the acting to Gette and the kids. MacDougall and MacDowall DVDs are among the productions currently in development. (Look for them soon!)

Kyle's main goal is to encourage members to take an active role in the Society by becoming Clan Tent Sponsors, or State or Regional Commissioners. There are currently several open positions that need enthusiastic people to help our two clans grow and become stronger. If this is an area to which you feel you can contribute, please email kyle@macdougallmn.org. Kyle is very verbal and loves to chat on the phone. The best way you can let us know your needs as a member or officer is to simply give him a call at 320-372-0718.

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Join the Member Section

To be invited to our new Member Section,
send your Facebook email address to
kyle@macdougallmn.org.



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