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Clan MacDougall Society of North America

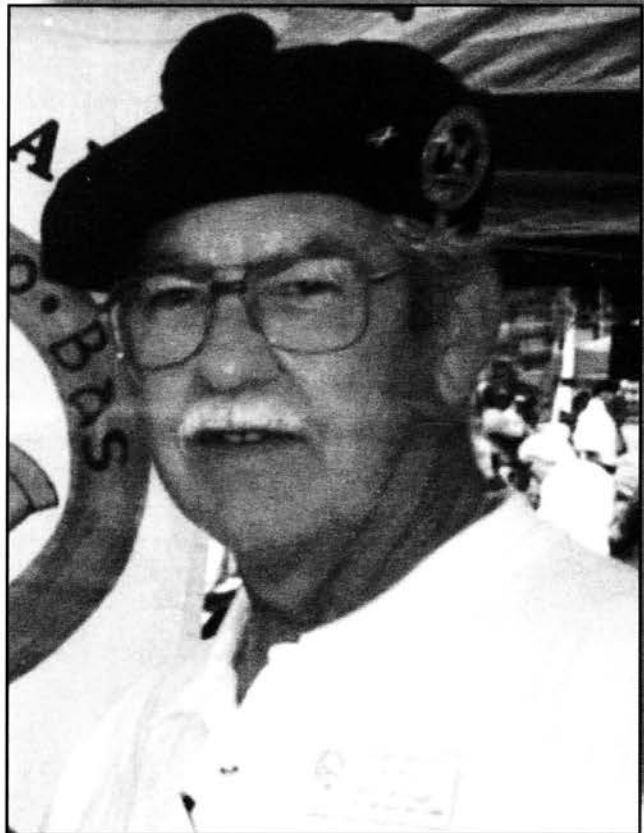
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Wylie and Mary McDougall,
Founding Editors

Clan MacDougall Welcomes New President

Melton E. McDougal was born September 24, 1937, to Melvin and Cora McDougal, in Red Bluff, CA. Mel went to school in Auburn, CA, where his father owned his own business with Tidewater Oil Co. His high school was Placer Union, and after went on to Sierra Community College and to Chapman College, where he received his BA in Criminal Justice. Mel worked for a short time with his father, and later with the Pacific Telephone Co. He was, at first, in the U.S. Naval Reserve (electronics div.) located in Auburn, but was short on attendance, and was drafted into the Army in June of 1957, he trained in Fort Lewis, WA. and then in Fort Gordon, GA, with the Signal Corps. He was then assigned 2 years in Karlsruhe, Germany, and discharged in 1959. Mel then rejoined the Naval Reserve with his buddies, and the ship they were assigned to was called to active duty in 1961 during the Cuban Crisis. They were sent to the South Pacific and into Vietnam; they spent 1-year during this trip and returned to the States and was released from active duty. He was assigned with the California National Guard as an officer candidate, until he entered the employment of the Placer County Sheriff's Department.



In the 19 years he was with that department, he was promoted through the ranks of deputy, to sergeant, inspector (detective) to Lieutenant. He was both 2nd in command and Commander of the Tahoe City sub-station, Lake Tahoe, CA. Mel became the Chief of Police for Nevada City, CA, where he remained until retirement in 1995.

Mel and Nyla owned a small business in Nevada city called *The Celtic Heir*. Nyla operated this business until June of 1999, when she closed the doors and together they began their retirement and travel. They sold their home and they are now calling their 38 ft. motorhome their place of residence, which could be most anyplace in the U.S. They have 5 children between them, Michael 37 years, Jacque 29 years, Kim 34, Tammy 32, Joy 26. Of course each are married and have given them 11 grandchildren. This alone keeps them busy traveling about to keep in close contact. ☘



The Editor's Desk

by Pat McDougal

Grandfather Mountain Highland Games carries

me and all who attend to the great reunion of Scottish families. The MacDougall family is the greatest of all the clans as we really get into the family thing. With hugg'in and kiss'in all around. It is a great joy to see members of the family not seen for a whole year. You can see by the center spread we're a happy group.

The meeting was well attended and the evening dinner was beautiful. The piper had only crisp clear notes and brought tears of pride to the eyes as we watched the Haggis come into the dinning room. Troy McDougal did a marvelous job of The Address and the warm reack'in haggis was quite wonderful to the Scottish taste buds.

When the awards were given late Sunday, David MacDougall of Charleston, SC received third place in the big bass drum, Megan Amorosi of Norfolk, VA received three 6th in the shuttle pipe, Malcolm Macdougall of Kernersville, NC came in third in the 440 run. Also, a special thanks to D. Todd McDougal who judged the Amateur athletes this year. Several dancers were in attendance, however, no reporting came from them. Clan MacDougall thanks all persons who work throughout the year to better their skills and make the clan proud. I might add, the members in the clan tent did a splendid job of cheering!

Yours aye,
Pat



Births

Harry W. McDougal of Crystal River, Florida announces the birth of a son, **James Allen McDougal** on April 21, 2000. Also, to let you know, they are proud to be clansmen of Clan MacDougall.



He's not talking yet, but if he could **A. Wylie McDougall IV** would tell you that "Grandpa is the new 1st Vice President of Clan MacDougall Society!"

See page 3, Spring 2000 issue for more information.

Past President Richard MacDougall reports the arrival of a new grandson, **Bryce Richard MacDougall** on June 23, 2000. He weighed 8 lbs. 11 ozs., was 22 inches long and already has size 3 feet! The parents are Damina and Robert MacDougall of suburban Dallas, TX. They have every right to be proud and joyful with their first child.

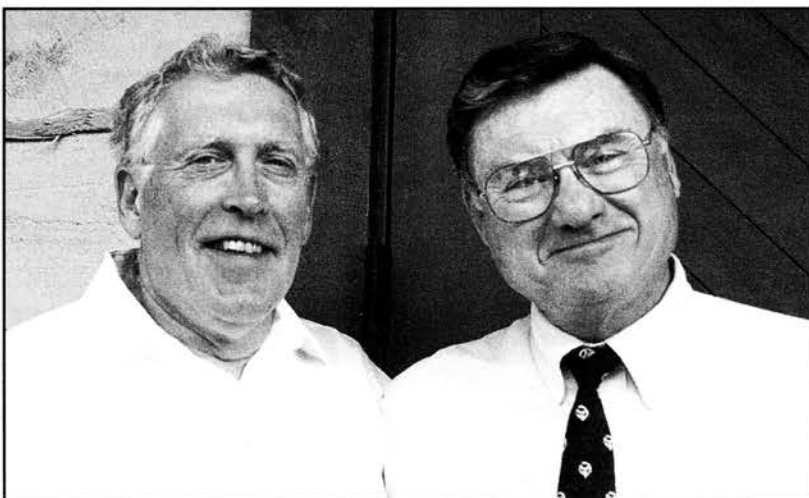
Scottish Wedding Quaich



In 1589, Scotland's King James VI gave his bride a wedding gift of a quaich (pronounced Kwakh). A shallow drinking cup and a symbol of love, the quaich had flat handles that allowed it to be easily passed from the

bride to groom. Today, a quaich is a meaningful way to commemorate a wedding or a cherished Scottish heritage.

(Editor's note: pronounced as in earth quake).



Chief Appointments

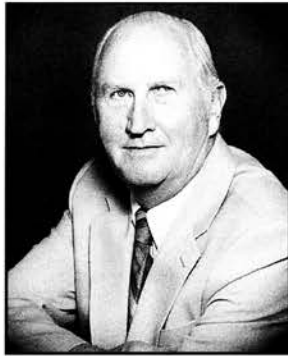
Clan Chief Morag MacDougall of MacDougall and Dunollie has appointed Past Presidents Walter M. Macdougall and Richard T. MacDougall as members of the Board of Trustees for the new "MacDougall of Dunollie Castle Preservation Trust."

Clan MacDougall Society of N.A. wishes to thank our Chief for this appointment.

Left: Walter Macdougall and Richard McDougall

Flowers of the Forest

Please accept our expression of sympathy at the loss of your loved one..
Clan MacDougall Society



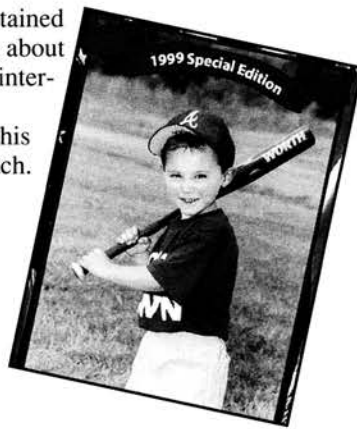
On April 19, 2000 our member **Josiah John MacDougald** of Stratford, Ontario, Canada passed away at the age of 72. John's grandfather Allan emigrated from the Hebridian Isle of Islay in 1847 to Perth County in South Western Ontario. He pioneered a farm which is still occupied by his descendants.

John was always proud of his Scottish heritage. His children still recall the annual family visit to the Highland Games held at nearby Embro and their first exposure to the music and games of the Scots.

Other Society members in John's family include his brother Colin, and son Scott who is our Regional Commissioner for Quebec and Society Vice President. Clan MacDougall wishes to express our sympathy to John's wife Margaret, sons Scott, Barry and Ray, brother Colin and sister Annie.

The summer issue of *The Tartan* contained several noteworthy features. The one about Marshall McDougall was especially interesting, since my grandson, Max McDougald, just this year, launched his baseball career with his father as coach. I don't know if he'll achieve the prowess of Marshall, but then again who knows?

Yours truly,
Douglas McDougald, Jr.



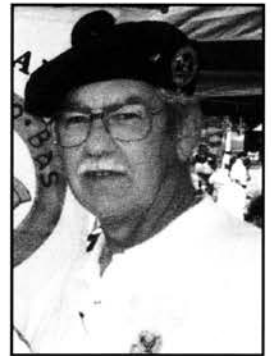
Correction: *The Tartan*, Spring issue 2000, Page 10

"Reason for Pride" by Walter M. Macdougall

The middle of the fourth paragraph should read..."Fergus Macdowall of Garthland bears the Arms of Galloway as senior representative of the ancient Lords of Galloway. Madam Morag MacDougall of MacDougall bears her baronial Arms as Chief of the MacDougalls of Lorn, representatives of the ancient Lords of Argyll. What has materialized within our Clan Society is the revitalization of an old alliance rather than an invention or a meaningless amalgamation.
(Editor's note: We regret any concerns this may have caused).

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

by Mel E. McDougal



I would like to begin my first message to you all, by saying how proud I am, being a member of our fine society and having just recently been elected your President. This position will challenge me over the next three years, and I will do my utmost to do the job expected of me. To the core of officers, congratulations on being elected to your new offices, and I know you all will do a great job for all our Clan persons.

This was my second year at the Grandfather Mountain games, and I must say, it will always give me a thrill to participate in this great event. Nyla an I want to express our gratefulness to everyone for making us feel at home. We will forever remember the fine people of our family (the Clan), and how well we were treated. Thank you all.

This is a new era in the life of our Clan, and I feel we have much to look forward to in the future months. As you will see by our budget report and financial position, we are very solid and will be able to step forward with assistance in various areas. It is a must to develop our children in the interest of the Clan, they are the future, I would like to see us do all we can to keep the interest of the children motivated towards the Scottish heritage and especially Clan MacDougall. I will do all I can to keep our Regional Commissioners updated on Clan activities and issues. Please keep me informed as to what is taking place in your regions, and keep *The Tartan* abreast of any things that might be occurring in your regions by submitting items to be placed into the news letter. Pat McDougal needs all your articles of interest. I would say the first thing on our agenda would be to beat the drums for new members. Pacific Crescent Region is one of the fastest growing regions, so I challenge all the other regions to beat us in members (if you can). We have selected 5 of our members (Officers and others) to form a review committee to look at our by-laws: Troy McDougal, Walter and Malcolm MacDougall, Simms McDowall, and myself. Once we have looked into our by-laws; we will come before the society and the Board of Directors and submit our suggestions. We will try to have this done in approximately 6 months.

This will be a fine year and we will all have the advantage of making visits to the various Scottish Games, give your Regional Commissioners a helping hand (it is a lot of work in those tents and relief is very much desired), so help is needed. Don't worry about what you may not know, you will learn by being there. We look forward to making some visits to other areas this year, hope to see you at one of those events. So until then,

Slanti,

Mel McDougal

Membership Secretary/Treasurer Annual Report

We have added 178 new members this year, (62s via the internet) for a total of 1029 active members and a total of 2248 who have joined the Society since it began.

Total income FY 2000	\$14,845.29
Total Expenses	15,426.46
Net income	581.17
Ending bank account	\$9,676.53
Canadian bank account	696.59
Investment account	23,764.29
Total assets	34,137.41
Donations	
Foundation	\$1,035.46
Gylen Castle	1,217.07

The Tartan newsletter is the greatest single expense of the clan at \$8,403.01. The increase in number of pages to report more news, color printing and postage increases have all added to this rise in cost.



Radio Scotland will provide the "Scottish/Celtic Community," world wide, with music, entertainment, history, stories, special children's programming, Gaelic lessons and several other services.

We broadcast via computer streaming and via short wave radio. Our services will be broadcast live via short wave and computer streaming and also archived for listeners to go to for programming on demand. SW: 3985 kHz & 7120 kHz.

CLAN PROFILE:



Peter Allan Clepper

After returning from a trip to Scotland and eager to learn more about Scottish culture, Peter enrolled in a Gaelic class. Since then, he has been active in An Communn Gaidhealach America (a past president), Saint Andrew's Society of Washington, DC (current vice president), Alexandria Scottish Heritage Fair Foundation (charter member and past president), and the Clan MacDougall Society of North America (member).

His grandparents immigrated from Ayreshire, Scotland, in 1892, when a Scottish lace company built a new factory in Pennsylvania. Interestingly, they made a special trip "home" to Scotland so that Peter's mother, Mary Robertson MacDougall, would be born there. Peter himself was born in Columbia, Pennsylvania, but moved with his family to southern California at the age of 15. He has a degree in history from the University of California, Berkeley. He lives in Bethesda, Maryland, where he is a Research Program Officer for the National Library of Medicine.

Peter encourages everyone to participate in Scottish cultural activities; he particularly invites all MacDougalls to represent their clan as members of a local Saint Andrew's Society.

Murray Hamilton of Oban graduated from Scotland High School in Oban's twin city of Laurinburg, North Carolina on May 26, 2000. Murray is the son of George and Val Hamilton, both teachers at Oban High School.

While a senior at Scotland High School, Murray was a member of the Scotland High School football (soccer in America) team and a staff member for the school newspaper, "The Bagpipe."

Murray will be returning to Oban later this summer and will be attending a university in Scotland next year.



Stockar McDougle

T 6-5 **354**
1st Round **20th Pick**
Oklahoma To Detroit
6'5"
352

McDougle is a giant. He also has decent agility and good (4.9 40-yard dash) speed. He dominated solely by size in college, driving opposing linemen into the ground. His footwork is decent for a player his size, but he is not the most consistent performer. He made an effort to lower the number of penalties he was called for in his first season and he still needs to work in that area. You might enjoy following this fine young man through his career.

2000 REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES

by W. Troy McDougal,
Recording Secretary/Archivist

The 36th Annual Meeting of the Membership of Clan MacDougall Society of North America, Inc. was marked by a ceremonial "passing of the flag" at the Eseola Lodge in Linville, North Carolina on Friday, July 7, 2000. As a part of the ceremony, outgoing President Richard MacDougall presented a new President's Flag to newly elected President Mel McDougal. The flag, a field of blue with the clan crest on a white field in the upper-right corner and lettering indicating the office of presidency, will be flown wherever the President is present on behalf of the Society to indicate that our highest officer is present. More than forty members attended the Annual Meeting. After everyone introduced themselves, William Leroy, Membership Secretary/Treasurer, reported that the Society is fiscally sound. We have an increase in our membership of 97 members which is a 10.4 percent growth from last year. Members have donated \$1,045.36 to the MacDougall Foundation, and \$1,217.07 to the Gylen Castle Repair Fund. The Southeast Region was, once again, the fastest growing area. However, we have just increased our presence in British Columbia, Canada, so we look forward to additional growth there. William Ermatinger, Clan Genealogist, reported that he has recommended to the Board of Directors that our statement of who can be a member of the Society be expanded to include any person willing to give loyalty as a member.

Pat McDougal, *Tartan* Editor, donated a copy of *From a Hollow on the Hill* signed by the author, Nancy MacDougall Black, to the archives of the Society. *The Tartan* was entered this year in the Family Tree clan newsletter competition, since they have broken the competition into more appropriate categories. We were given a Clan of Excellence award in this year's competition. The members present rose to the occasion and passed a resolution recognizing the outstanding work that has been done by Pat McDougal as Editor of *The Tartan*.

The Scholarship Committee reported that they are now getting more applications for scholarships since the funding has been raised from \$100.00 per scholarship to \$200.00. One scholarship, it was reported, was granted to a young lassie who wanted

to learn Gaelic so she could talk with her grandmother who spoke nothing else. Not only has she learned to speak Gaelic, she has become enthused with the language so much that she is now enrolled in Gaelic Studies at Dublin University.

Outgoing President, Richard MacDougall, reported that, going into the 2000's, our treasury is healthy, our membership is at an all-time high, and we have Society Representatives in far more places than ever before. This year, the membership has surpassed the 1,000 mark, with current active membership at 1,020. He is pleased that the receipts for the Gylen Castle Repair Fund show that project to be a high priority to the members, and he will continue to direct the fundraising program after his term of office. Through his leadership, there are now Regional Commissioners in every region of North America except the Atlantic Provinces of Canada, which is being covered by an area representative in Antigonish. Since the last meeting, Harold MacDowell has taken hold in the Southwest and has manned tents in several states for the first time in his region that includes Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas and New Mexico. A new State Representative for New Mexico, Donny MacDougall, manned the first clan tent at a games in that state. Donald R. MacDougall

was appointed Regional Commissioner to British Columbia so he could set up the administration there and see it run smoothly before handing the reins to his daughter, Barbara Jo MacDougall. David and Carol MacDougall share the responsibility of Southeast Regional Commissioner, and Marta MacDougall will be taking over the Rocky Mountain Region as it's Commissioner. We have also appointed Beacham McDougall as North Carolina State Representative and Wallace McDowell Shelby as the State Representative for New Jersey. There are many states and a few provinces yet to go, but each year we fill a few more.

According to the Regional Commissioners, we were represented at 95 highland games and festivals and 41 other activities; a total of 136 events which is an increase in our presence of 21% over last year's representation. This is due in very large part to the dedication and commitment of time and resources of our Regional Commissioners and their State Representatives. Past President Richard MacDougall also announced that the Somerled Award was given to David MacDougall of Charleston, S.C. who has done a valuable and dependable job as our webmaster.

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MacDougalls of all ages proudly represented the clan during the Parade of Tartans at the 2000 Grandfather Mountain Highland Games.

Clan MacDougall at Grandfather



James Hereford



Richard T. McDougall



Andy Doyle



Donald McCullough



Above: Megan Amorosi played the shuttle pipes.



Left: Malcolm Macdougall ran for the clan.



Right: Peter Gilmore did a wonderful job of "piping in the haggis".



Above: With happy faces and stout readies themselves for their p...



John W. & Sally McDougall



Debbie & A. Wylie McDougall



Nancy & Jack Kane



Nancy & Richard Von Valkenburg



Douglas & Dotty McDougall



John A. McDougall & Cheri



Alec & Monica McDougall



Troy & Barbie McDougall

Mountain Highland Games 2000



Sarah Hereford



Sibyl M. Wilkinson



Jean & Troy Proctor



Elizabeth & Bruce McClintock



hearts, Clan MacDougall proudly
ace in the Parade of Tartans.

Right: Nephew
Noah, Kathy,
Brad and Mike
McDougall
stopped by the
clan tent.



Left: Findlay &
Margaret Morrison
Irene & Don Stansik



Above: Beacham McDougald
presents Richard MacDougall
with canned haggis.



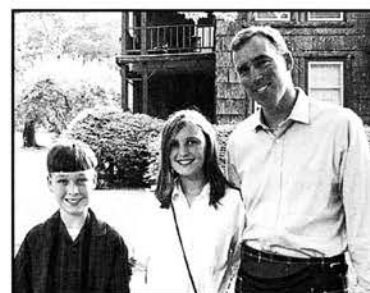
Mel & Nyla McDougal



William & Mary Jean Ermitinger



William MacDougall



Jan, Jessica & Malcolm Macdougall



Lynn & Beacham McDougald



Phillips & Pam MacDowell



Simms MacDowell, II & Elsa



Walter & Judy Macdougall

Class honored for environmental efforts

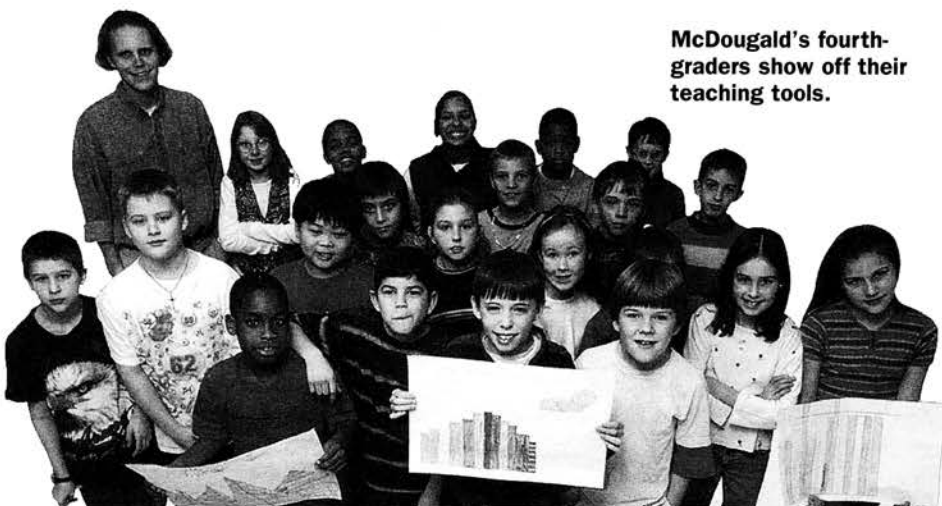
by Clarke Morrison, Staff writer
Asheville Citizens-Times

Black Mountain - When Jason McDougald's fourth-graders at Black Mountain Elementary School were working to protect a popular local nature preserve, they didn't expect to receive national recognition as "Kid Heroes for the Planet."

But for its efforts to educate the community about environmental threats to Graybeard Wilderness, the class is among nine across the country to be featured in a special edition of "Time for Kids" magazine published for the 30th anniversary of Earth Day.

Three Western North Carolina classes were picked by the magazine's editors from 329 entries submitted Challenge competition. "I think it's pretty cool," said 10 year old Nolan Just, a member of McDougald's class.

The fourth grader's picked Graybeard Wilderness, a popular hiking spot in near-by Montreat. They decided to educate the public about its overuse by hikers, backpackers and mountain bikers. Too many people were leaving the public trails to cut their own paths, called switchbacks,



McDougald's fourth-graders show off their teaching tools.

tramping plants and causing erosion.

The students studied ways to enjoy the wilderness responsibly and presented what they learned to second-graders at the school. "I think both myself and the kids were very proud," McDougall said of the Time honor. "We were very surprised that we won. We did it because we thought it was something that was important to our community."

Donald and Betty McDougald, life members, are proud of grandson Jason and

the work he is doing with his kids. Hundreds of children all over the U.S. have written to him and his class about their efforts in Wilderness Preservation.

We are busy tracing the adventures of our great-grandfather, Dugald McDougald, born on the Isle of Jura in 1837, died in Statesboro, GA, March 15, 1904. He apparently fathered 15 children in two families and three marriages. ☺

2000 REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES

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Incoming President Mel McDougall said that he had appointed Pat McDougall, *Tartan* Editor, as a member-at-large of the Executive Committee. He congratulated Bill Leroy for the state of our finances and commented that we were now able to do such things as increasing the amount of the scholarship and increasing our donation to the Dunollie House upkeep from \$500.00 to \$1,000.00 this year. He will seek to continue the increase in membership, especially in the Oregon, Washington and Colorado areas. There are thousands of potential members who don't know Clan MacDougall exists. Some of them look for the clan at games and we are not represented, others just simply don't know where to look. We need to promote the clan through brochures, the internet and other sources. He urged all members to attend a games in his home state of California this year. Pleasanton is the largest games and it is held on Labor Day weekend. We are all family, and we need to include the members all across North America.

Following the report of the incoming President, several people were given opportunity to make presentations.

Beecham McDougald, North Carolina State Representative, presented outgoing President Richard MacDougall with an honorary can of haggis.

William L. MacDougall announced the publication of his latest book, *American Revolutionary, a Biography of General Alexander MacDougall*. He made a copy available to the Society archives. He is also currently working on a history of the clan from 1750 to the present which will be available in the near future.

Following the meetings, the members adjourned to the Eseeola Lodge for a happy hour. After a brief social hour, the piper, Peter Gilmore, piped the members to dinner that began with the "Address to a Haggis" given by W. Troy McDougall. Following dinner, Walter MacDougall presented slides of Kerrera Island and other portions of MacDougall country during the

fall of the year, a time of year when many are unable to visit the area. The program ended with a short selection of slides from the region of Garthland, the home of the MacDowells, and the traditional singing of "Auld Lang Syne." A wonderful time was had by all. ☺



Clan MacDougall looking good coming and going in the Parade of Tartans.



FROM HIGHLAND GAMES & GATHERINGS

Long Beach and QM Games

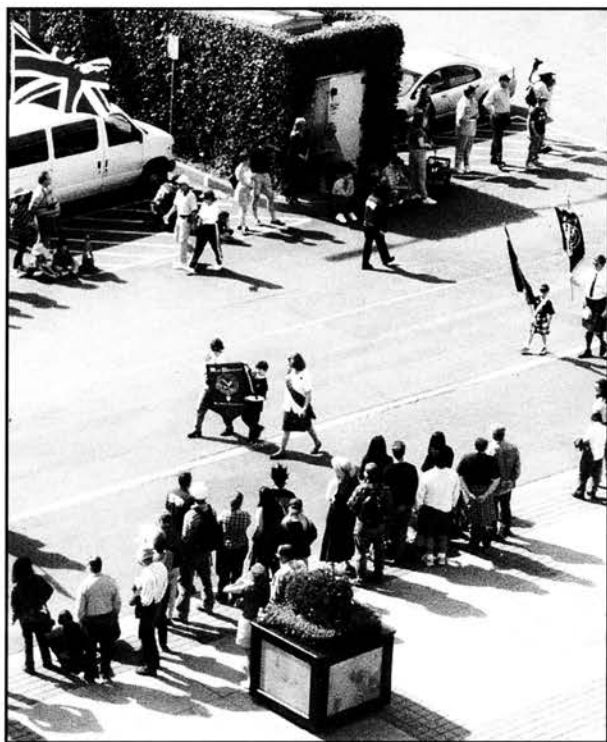
by Robert A. McDougal, M.D.

We are back to Indianapolis from our winter vacation to the Los Angeles area. Lee and I went to Long Beach to visit the Queen Mary Games on Saturday and it rained heavily on Sunday.

The ship is very impressive (we'd stayed on it in Long Beach in the 1970's). The clans, vendors and entertainment were all in a huge area of the ship and it was crowded. We visited the Clan MacDougall table (no tent there!) and they did a good job of displaying Clan material and information.

The athletic contests were a good half mile ahead of the ship on the edge of the bay. The best feature was that the many pipe bands marched to the food vendor area in the village on the dock and entertained visitors for one half hour each. Enclosed is a photo taken, from the deck of the Queen Mary, of the opening parade Saturday noon. Clans and bands marched from the parking area past and then into the ship. You can see Clan MacDougall participants, whose names I do not know.

On the way back we visited Don MacDougall in Sun City, AZ, who took over the Arizona Games this year. Those games went well. ☺



Beatty-Cramer Celtic Festival

by Don McCullough

The festival, on May 13, 2000, is hosted by the St. Andrew's Society of Mid-Maryland and the Frederick County Landmark Association. Suzanne MacDougall hosted the MacDougall tent and was helped throughout the day by Donna & Dennis McDowall, William MacDougall, author of the book *American Revolutionary: A Biography of General Alexander McDougall* *and the Don McCullough family.



It was pretty hot at the festival but on and off there was a cooling breeze. The Beatty-Cramer museum is dedicated to Suzannah Beatty, A Scottish immigrant who came to this area in 1732. ☺

(Editor's note: For more on this author and book, see the Spring 2000 issue).

June 8 issue of *The Oban Times* carried this interesting note:

A visit on Sunday, May 28, to the 'field of cairns' in the Pass of Brander near Taynuilt, by 14 members of the Lorn Archaeological and History Society taking part in the first of the society's summer outings, left the group impressed by the archaeological diversity of a site which may have a prehistorical genesis.

Said society member Lisa Bourne, Oban: "This an extremely rich site covering many periods and there is a whole archaeological landscape here."

The area is also the scene of two significant battles; the first in 1297 when William Wallace and a force of Campbells ambushed and slaughtered a contingent of MacDougalls supported by a group of Irish mercenaries, the second in 1308, an engagement which left the MacDougalls in possession of the now famous Brooch of Lorn following a skirmish with a small group under Robert the Bruce. ☺

The Brooch of Lorn

By Alastair Dalton

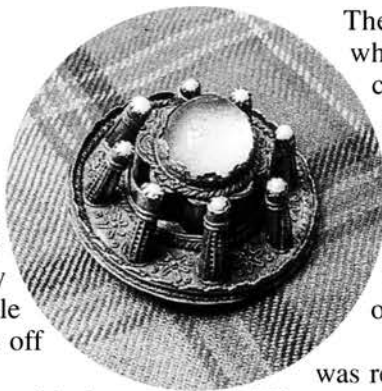
A CLAN which snatched a war trophy from Robert the Bruce as he narrowly escaped being killed in battle is preparing to finally show off its highly-prized bounty.

The MacDougalls are considering publicly displaying the brooch of Lorn, which their forefathers carried off in triumph almost 700 years ago, as part of a planned museum at the clan seat in Oban.

The rarely-seen royal jewel was torn from the Scottish kings cloak as he fled from defeat at the battle of Dalrigh, near Tyndrum, in 1306. However, the brooch was later stolen from the MacDougalls during the religious wars of the 1640s and has been jealously guarded by the clan since its return almost 200 years later.

It is now kept in a bank vault, which can only be opened by the clan chief. One of the brooches last appearances was when a previous chief wore it for the Queen's visit to Oban in 1956.

The brooch, an oval-shaped crystal set in silver and surrounded by pearls, could be displayed at Dunollie House, the clan seat, as part of a proposed museum of Highland social history. It was seen as a badge of authority, with the crystal unscrewing to reveal a chamber that may have held a relic or memento.



The MacDougalls, whose motto is to conquer or die, attacked Bruce in 1306 as revenge for the kings murder of his rival for the throne, John Comyn, a nephew of the clan chief.

Bruce, who was retreating west with 300 supporters from defeat by the English at Methven, found himself outnumbered by 1,000 clan troops and sought to escape. However, he was attacked by three clansmen who managed to grab the brooch from his shoulder before he could get away. The brooch was kept at Dunollie Castle until being moved to another MacDougall stronghold, Bylen Castle on the nearby island of Kerrera, for safety during the Covenanting wars which accompanied the English Civil War. However, the brooch was captured when the castle was sacked by General Leslie, backed by English troops, in 1647.

It did not resurface until being found in 1819 in a chest after the death of Major Campbell of Bragleen. A paper accompanying the brooch confirmed it had been taken by the Campbells in the raid on Gylen Castle.

The brooch was returned to the MacDougalls by General Duncan Campbell of Lochnell, a trustee of the majors estate, five years later Queen Victoria later examined the trophy during a visit to the MacDougall clan

chief in 1842.

Dr. David Brown, a lecturer in Scottish history at Glasgow University, said the brooch fell into MacDougall hands at a key moment in Bruce 's reign. He said: "It was the low point of his career. He had gambled everything and was making a desperate flight. He was a hunted man and was lucky to survive."

Members of the Clan MacDougall Society of North America, which is helping to raise funds to restore Gylen Castle, also expressed delight at plans to exhibit the brooch.

Alan MacDougall, its second vice-president, said: "I am very excited about the prospect of the brooch being on public display. It would be a wonderful contribution to Scottish history and the spirit of the family and clan if Dunollie House could be open to all.

Mike Robertson, factor for the Dunollie estate, said he hoped the brooch would be put on show as part of the museum plans. A feasibility study has just been completed to display a major Highland folk art collection amassed by the late Hope MacDougall, aunt of the current clan chief.

Robertson said: The family has expressed a willingness for a 19th century replica of the brooch to be made available if the project comes off, but I hope the actual one will be eventually displayed.

They are very conscious of its importance, and if the circumstances were right, it would be considered.

The Brooch of Lorn

by Alan M. MacDougall

On a personal note, my 4 times grandfather was Major Campbell of Bragleen.....

My 4 times great grandfather was Major Campbell of Bragleen. His daughter married Alexander MacDougall of Raray. They were my third great grandparents. It was Major Campbell's family that had the brooch. When he died his wife's brother Sir Duncan Campbell of Lochnell came into possession of the Brooch. Sir Duncan was motivated to return the Brooch because of the heroic death, under his command, in the Peninsula Campaign of Captain MacDougall of MacDougall, the son and heir of the then chief. I once discussed this history with our late Chief Coline MacDougall of MacDougall while on a visit to Dunollie. I also told her that Major Campbell's wife had written to her daughter that the young Captain's mother saw him at the foot of her bed the night that he died in Spain. Madam

MacDougall confirmed the story and took my wife and me into the garden to see a tree that had been planted in Captain MacDougall's memory. The pipe tune, Lament for Captain MacDougall, was written in his memory.

Alexander MacDougall became the tacksman of Mingary Castle in 1793 and the family (9 children) lived there until they emigrated to Nova Scotia and ultimately to Prince Edward Island in 1819.

Thanks to research by Walter Macdougall and others it has been determined that I am the "representative" i.e. senior member of this family which is the Raray Cadet family of the MacDougalls. All of this is of interest to very few historians but it is nice to know my own roots (thanks the work of Walter and others, so well. By the way, none of my ancestors were "Lords," just members of important branches of Clan MacDougall and Clan Campbell. As an American, all this is irrelevant, except that I have named by house "Mingary" and I am the CEO of the Mingary Corporation.



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Lucinda (McDougle) Zett, of Keene, New Hampshire, clan member for just over one year, is shown wearing her new vest made of tartan material she ordered last year through Tartan editor, Pat McDougall. Lucinda's vest was lovingly sewn by her mother, Margaret (Hurney) McDougle.



Mary Kay McDowell writes:

I am enclosing a photograph of Les's Lazy-Boy recliner that we had recovered in the 100% cotton fabric we bought from you. With what additional fabric we have, I made a seat cushion for a folding chair and a tissue box cover. All of these items are in his study in our home. Yet to be done is a pair of curtains in green (I have found a perfect match to the tartan color and texture) and then a padded cornice in tartan. We just thought you might enjoy seeing how some of this fabric was used. Do you still have some left for sale?



Thank you Lucinda, letters of this nature concerning the material come to this office very slowly! YES, Mary Kay, I have more cotton material ordered and it will be ready for sale in the fall. It is very rewarding to see what you are doing with it. Many MacDougall's are wearing clothing made from the 100% cotton because it is cooler. Send a check for \$17.75 for each yard you want to : Pat McDougal, 8540 Rancho Dr., Ooltewah, TN 37363.



This is **Hannah & Chanel McDougall**, Clan Society Scholarship recipients this spring. At age 5, they won these ribbons at the San Diego Highland Games in June, just their 3rd competition in the primary group. They love to dance--and sing--at anytime and anywhere, and are delightful ambassadors for our clan. We're working on getting them MacDougall tartan outfits now. They also like to sing and dance with Alex Beaton and Alasdair Fraser and the other musicians, who call them up on stage frequently to join in, as they are real crowd pleasers.

Submitted by Darleen Weisz, So. Cal. Rep.



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