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### FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT



CWS President Bob & Mrs. Lois Wallace.

It amazes at times just how quickly ninety days can come and go! Our third newsletter this year is almost ready.

April found us in Las Vegas for the games at Floyd Lamb Park, marking the first time a Clan Wallace tent has been onsite in five years. Despite being placed in a relatively remote section of the park, a number of visitors were happy to see Clan Wallace represented again. This year's event had more clan tents, and what appeared to be a larger number of visitors over two days than what we saw last year. Surprising us at this year's games were John T. and Debbie Wallace, conveners from Alberta, Canada, who had traveled to Las Vegas for an extended weekend. They will be hosting many of us at next year's Gathering in Calgary, Alberta.

That April weekend included a military tattoo-style performance on Friday and Saturday evenings at UNLV's Thomas and Mack Center. Combining both Scottish and American history into this event made for a most enjoyable evening for those who attended, featuring several

pipe bands and military bands from this side of the pond, including Canada, and one pipe band from Scotland.

Over the weekend of May 7 and 8, we were in Woodland, California for the 135<sup>th</sup> Sacramento Valley Scottish Games & Festival. We were saddened earlier in the day to learn of the passing of Clan Wallace Society's Laurie Isdell following a lengthy battle with cancer. Our condolences to her husband, Dan Isdell, and all who knew Laurie. Everyone will miss her radiant smile.

On Thursday, May 12th, we left the RV Park in Redwood City and traveled to Carmel Valley in northern California to attend my daughter Deanna's wedding ceremony and marriage to Eric Berger on Saturday, May 15th.

Late in July we will be en route to Scotland for a visit of about three weeks. Given the timing of that visit we will be in Aberdeen for the Wallace 700 ceremony, assisting the Lord Provost in placing the wreath at the statue of Sir William Wallace on July 30th. Our last visit to Aberdeen in 2005 found some fifty of us participating in this annual event. Should you have plans to be in Aberdeen at the end of July or beginning of August, depending on the timing each year, consider being a part of this celebration that honors one of Scotland's outstanding historic figures.

As you visit Highland games and Scottish festivals this year, you will find Wallace conveners displaying flyers on the Gathering next year in Calgary and Canmore, Alberta. Following our visit of last year, we are looking forward to that event. Additional details will be forthcoming in future newsletters as Bill and his committee finalizes them.

Finally, congratulations to Past President John R. Wallace, who was recently presented with Society's Lifetime Achievement Award. The LAA is given to those

who, in the opinion of the Board, have provided exceptional service to the Society. Details of the event can be found on Page 2 in this newsletter.

*Bob.*

Robert B. Wallace, President

### Ciad Mile Fàilte! Welcome to the CWSW.

On behalf of Ian Francis Wallace of that ilk, 35th Chief of Clan Wallace, the President and Board of Directors welcome the individuals listed below to the fellowship of our Society. Fàilte!

#### NEW LIFE MEMBERS

Debbi Wallace *Parker, CO*

#### NEW ANNUAL MEMBERS

John A. Wallace *Ortonville, MI*

Hugh Scanlen *Ft. Davis, TX*

Jean Van Nest *Helotes, TX*

Christopher D. Wallace *San Antonio, TX*

William Wallace *San Antonio, TX*

Christopher Wailes *San Antonio, TX*

Jeremy Wallace *San Antonio, TX*

Jane Grim Duffy *McMinnville, OR*

Andrew Beach Maze *McMinnville, OR*

James B. Coffey *Winston-Salem, NC*

Frank Randall *Charlotte, NC*

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for the next edition will be

**August 24, 2011**

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## LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENT: CAPT. JOHN R. WALLACE



*Executive VP Lawrence Slight presents Capt. John R. Wallace with his LAA Award and Quaich.*

The President and Board of Directors are pleased to announce that the high honor of Life Achievement Award has been presented to Council Member and Past-President Capt. John R. Wallace (USCG Ret.).

John has served twelve years on the Clan Wallace Society - Worldwide Board of Directors; three years in the late 1980's; and nine years from 2001 through 2010. He served as Executive Vice President for two years, and President of the Society from 2004 through 2006. Significant contributions during John's presidency include:

- ◆ Established and designed a pewter President's Medallion to be worn by all who have served as President of the Society.
- ◆ Established and implemented the Rewards Program to encourage members to make voluntary donations to strengthen the Society's financial position, and provide funding to achieve the missions and goals prescribed in the CWSW Charter. He has served as Chairman of this program since its

approval, which has received over \$25,000 in contributions to date. John was the first contributor and first to attain the highest reward, "The Circle of Sir William Wallace."

- ◆ Established and implemented the Awards Program, which consists of three levels of major awards to recognize good works conducted by Society Members on behalf of the Society and its members. He also developed a series of Certificates to be presented to qualifying Conveners, Directors, Advisors, and Members.
- ◆ Authored the Recognition Manual and prepared the Job Description to guide the administration of the Rewards and Awards Programs. John continues to serve as the Recognition Chairperson for these programs.
- ◆ Served as Chair of the Major International Projects Committee from 2005 through 2010. With the assistance of other Board Members and Society Advisors, John identified, researched, documented, coordinated, and cham-

pioned several Wallace- and Scottish-significant projects in Scotland, Canada, and the United States. One highlight of his efforts was his work with the Rejuvenation of the Wallace Yew Tree in Elderslie, Scotland in 2005. He has traveled several times to Scotland at his own expense to investigate possible projects for the Society.

- ◆ Championed and coordinated a major By-Laws change that created an Annual Membership category, discount for seniors, and implemented an increase in the Life and Council Membership donations that were realistic and consistent with other clan societies. These changes were made to stabilize the finances of the Society and prevent the annual erosion of its financial base.
- ◆ Traveled extensively at his own expense throughout the United States, Canada, and Scotland representing Clan Wallace and "Waving the Flag" for the Society. In his three years as President, he visited over 36 locations in 13 states to attend Scottish games, festivals, funerals, gatherings, dinners, speeches, Sir William Wallace commemorations, and other special events.
- ◆ Assisted the Special Projects Director in writing a series of Handbooks to guide the Board Members in their responsibilities, and ensure the workload would be evenly shared with all 11 members of the Board.

In addition to his strong leadership and many contributions to the Society, John has been a leader and contributing member of the Scottish community wherever he resided. He is a Past President of the Virginia-Carolina Scottish Society of Danville, VA; the Scottish Society of Richmond, VA; and the Saint Andrews Society of Tidewater, VA.

In January 2005, John was honored at a Saint Andrews dinner as Tidewater's "Scot of the Year 2004" for his many contributions to the Scottish community worldwide. He has also been a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland since 2003. At the Burns Dinner held in Charleston in January 2010, John was installed onto the Board of the Scottish Society of Charleston as a Director.

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## CONVENER'S CORNER



By Jean R. Wallace

News flash from Texas! Marcus Jim Wallace has semi-retired and has recruited Frank Leslie as a new Convener to help him at some of the games. Marcus's brother, Wayne Wallace, has retired from Convening, and he has recruited Deidre Prince to take his place. We encourage all Wallaces going to the festivals in Texas to please welcome them and thank them for taking on these jobs.

As we conveners get older, we should consider trying to find someone who can replace us when it gets time for us to step down, for whatever reason. If you find someone interested, invite them co-convene with you so you can mentor them; and so they get to know the games circuit, basics of welcoming visitors, content of flyers, and meet the people associated with the festival, etc. We are losing some of our games this year so we will be looking for new ones in our surrounding states to see if time and travel will allow. Sadly, many games have also been cancelled around the country due to the economy. Please be sure to report these to the Society so that we can communicate the information.

Do not forget to post the Calgary flyer in your tents on next years gathering. When the Newsletter comes out with all the final information, be sure to have some of those handy for members who may want to attend. As always, have fun and let me know if there is anything that you require. Good luck out there!

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John has served as a heritage convener/co-convener for CWSW for most of his 23 member years at many venues in Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Louisiana, and Florida. He continues to convene at many Scottish festivals across the southeastern United States, tirelessly and effortlessly. He has attended all six of our International Gatherings, and was on the plan-



French author Béatrice Balti challenges popular misconceptions on the life and times of William Wallace. The book is available from publisher Éditions Yoran-Embanner (ISBN 978-2-914855-54-9).

By Tom E.S. Wallace

I was delighted when the CWS Board of Directors asked me to review a French-language biographical novel on the life and times of Sir William Wallace. I was pleased to discover that Béatrice Balti's present 270-page offering is an easy read; it is logical and coherent, and draws upon multiple sources and traditions in order to present a well-balanced view of Scotland's national hero.

Béatrice Balti was born in Nérac (France), between Bordeaux and Toulouse, where she also studied business and foreign languages before a career business. During her time in Paris, she studied history at La Sorbonne (Paris) and at the École des Hautes Études, specializing in medieval heresies. Later in life she returned to Toulouse and, after several trips to Andalusia, she started her research for the first of her historic novels, namely *Zeyda, servante de l'Alhambra*.

ning Committees that conducted the Williamsburg VA, Gathering, and the Estes Park (Colorado) Gathering. In addition, John has assisted in the planning and implementation of several others.

During the 2005 Gathering in Scotland, Captain John led the contingent of 52 Wallaces to several monuments and Wallace-significant areas, while participating in the Wallace 700 events commemorating the life of Sir William Wallace. John has been an exceptional leader in all

## BOOK REVIEW : « LE CRI DE LA LIBERTÉ »



Currently, her fourth book is entitled *William Wallace : le cri de la liberté* (William Wallace: the Cry of Liberty), was published in March 2009 by Breton publishing house, Éditions Yoran-Embanner. The work explores the life, deeds and death of the immortal Sir William Wallace, the 13th century national hero and Scottish patriot.

While written in French, the Ms. Balti has expressed her sincere desire that her novel will be translated into English in

order to obtain a wider appeal. Mel Gibson's 1995 blockbuster "Braveheart" has certainly created mass public awareness of the life and times of Sir William Wallace as well as generating a great deal of interest in the Scottish Wars for Independence at the turn of the 14<sup>th</sup> century.

In final analysis, *Le cri de la liberté* is a fine addition to the present bibliography that chronicle the exploits and relevance of Wallace. Béatrice Balti is contributing to the universal appeal of William Wallace. She presents his story as an archetypal tale that is sure to inspire a new appreciation for Scottish heritage and for William Wallace in the francophone world.

In the context of a Celtic cultural awakening in Brittany, a new generation will have the opportunity to learn about "The Guardian of Scotland."

Price: Euro €18.00/US \$25.85/UK £15.83

Society affairs, a devoted contributor to all things Wallace and all things Scottish, and a strong supporter of the Society's missions and goals. Without doubt, John Robert Wallace is most deserving of the Lifetime Achievement Award.



## MEMORIAL TO SCOTTISH IMMIGRATION TO BE UNVEILED IN PHILADELPHIA

By R. Wayne Jones

In April 2009, the Clan Wallace Society - Worldwide made a donation in the amount of \$2,000.00 to the St. Andrew's Society of Philadelphia, PA, to assist them in developing and building a monument to memorialize the difficult work, hardships, courage, and contributions made by Scottish immigrants who came to America and became farmers, frontiersmen, architects, bankers, soldiers, and statesmen.



*Sculptor Terry Jones, creator of this magnificent monument to Scottish pioneers in North America.*

The dedication of this monument was to have taken place on November 30, 2010. Due to inclement weather, this presentation did not take place. Since the project is still in progress this delay was appropriate.

At a meeting of the St. Andrew's Society of Baltimore, MD, on May 12, 2011, John McDonald, Jr., the Past-President of the St. Andrew's Society of Philadelphia, gave a presentation on the progress of the project. It has been a work in progress for the last seven years.

The bronze figures are almost complete. First, each figure has a Styrofoam armature carved and then clay is overlaid (up to a thousand pounds each.) Then wax is covered over the entire clay figure, and the figure is cut into sections and bronze is cast using the lost wax method. The sections of each figure are then brazed back together and finished. Next, a ferrous oxide patina is applied and then waxed.

The artist expects that the wax and patina will last about five to seven years before it will be redone for maintenance. Funds in the amount of \$740,000.00 have already been raised, and they expect the project to be completed for \$780,000.00. This will include the funds to maintain the memorial for perpetuity.

The monument will be located in a professionally landscaped setting between Chestnut and Sansom Streets, Philadelphia, near the site of the Tun Tavern where the St. Andrew's Society of Philadelphia was founded in 1747.

Moreover, the Monument will be adjacent to the existing Irish monument. The site has been designed by renowned landscape architect Laurie Dewar Olin, who is of Scottish descent, and the setting will include Scottish plants together with standing stones and a cairn intended to reflect the ancient Celtic heritage of Scots and to acknowledge the many contributions made by the community of donors.

The full dedication of the memorial (not just the ground-breaking) will be held on St. Andrew's Day, Wednesday, November 30, 2011.

The monument shows a Scottish family led by the patriarch of the family or clan with his faithful Scottish deerhound. His son, who arrived in advance of the rest of the family, is already dressed as a frontiersman, ready for his new life in America. Along with his wife and children, and the many other immigrants, they set forth to develop the frontier.

Many Scottish settlers came to improve their lot in life, as has been the case with so many of our proud citizens. Many left Scotland after the failed rebellions of 1685, 1715, and 1745, or as a result of the highland clearances and of famines of the later 1700's and early 1800's. All of these individuals had one thing in common, beyond their Scottish origin and roots. They were

all drawn to this country to add their individual contributions to building a new and great nation.

All CWSW members in the area are encouraged to attend the presentation. Keep watch on the CWS website [clanwallace.org](http://clanwallace.org), for further announcements and confirmation of the dedication date.

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## CELEBRATING NATIONAL TARTAN DAY AND SCOTS-IRISH HERITAGE MONTH

By Marcia Harper

One of the last things that President Bush did while in office was to declare April 6<sup>th</sup> National Tartan Day.

North Carolina, along with several other states, has passed a bill to make the month of April "Scots-Irish Heritage Month." One of the many ways we choose to celebrate it is to do display windows in the local library. Here are just two examples of what Russ and Marcia Harper did for the Hemphill Library in Greensboro, NC.

The displays were there all month, and it gave us the opportunity to share our heritage and culture with other folks.

Check with your local Librarian months in advance to secure a display space during the month of April next year.

Contact your local Congressman to find out if your state has designated April as Scots-Irish Heritage Month. If not, talk with, or write to your Congressman about how to get that accomplished.



*A simple display in your public library can do much toward raising awareness of Scots-Irish Heritage Month each April. Many libraries welcome cultural displays as a way to better connect to their communities. Marcia Harper put together this collection at the Hemphill Library in Greensboro, NC.*

## WHAT'S IN A NAME: THE ORIGINS OF "WALLACE"

Submitted by Wayne Jones

Surnames did not always exist in Scotland — as a matter of fact, their use almost coincides with the Norman Conquest in 1066. Genealogist George F. Black contended that "The use of fixed surnames or descriptive names appears to have commenced in France about the year 1000, and such names were introduced into Scotland through the Normans a little over one hundred years later, though the custom of using them was by no means common for many years afterward."

William Stewart, in his metrical vernacular version of *The History of Scotland* by Hector Boece, says that at a general council held at Forfar in 1061 during the reign of Malcolm Ceanmor (1057-1093 A.D.) the latter directed his chief subjects, after the custom of other nations, to adapt surnames from their territorial possessions.

In descending order of probability (though some combination of them could well be the case), the following are the theories of the origin of the name:

1. That it referred to a Strathclyde Briton.
2. That it referred to a Welshman.

3. That it came from a word or words meaning "stranger."
4. That it was English in origin.
5. That it was Saxon in origin.
6. That it was Norman/French in origin.
7. That it was derived from a Celtic tribe of Hebrew extraction.
8. That it was from Volcae, a tribe in North Gaul.

Although Wallace is its own Sept with no other associated families, there are many spellings of the name. Following is a list of the various spellings of the name Wallace through the centuries.

For a time, there were some unusual spellings of the name:

Gales, Galeis, Galleins, Galeys, Galles, Galeius, Galeius, Uallas, Vallance, Vallibus, Valensi, Valace, Vallace, Vallas, Valles, Valleys, and Valeyns.

By the 13th century and subsequently the family name was variously written:

Wal', Walys, Walays, Wallays, Wallang, Walais, Waleis, Walleis, Waces, Waleiss, Walency, Wallass, Walensi, Waleys, Waleys, Walois, Walles, Wallayis, Walleyis,

Walas, Wales, Waleiss, Walleys, Wallyis, Walys, Wallas, Waleng, Waleiss, Wallaise, Wallis, Walens, Walensen, Walans, Walense, Wallensis, Walace, and Wallace.

John Patrick Crichton-Stuart, 3rd Marquess of Bute (1847-1900), in tracing forms of the spelling of the name through Celtic, Teutonic, Latin, French, and Welsh origins, came up with these variations:

Gallois, Galles, Galli, Gallia, Gaul, Gweddol, and Gadhel.

This is just one example of Wallace history that is available in *The Clan Wallace, 3rd Edition*, one of books on the family of Wallace published by the Clan Wallace Society. A description of all Society books available for purchase can be found at [www.clanwallace.org](http://www.clanwallace.org).

After clicking on the Clan Wallace Crest, click on the Society Books Link. The link contains a summary of the books and order information.

Please remember, all proceeds from the sale of books go to support the goals, missions and projects of the Clan Wallace Society—Worldwide.



## NEWS FROM THE GAMES AND FESTIVALS



L to R: Marcia, Marie Wallace, Russ, Rebecca Wallace Hamill, Stephen Wallace and Dina, and Judy Wallace Moore (who, incidentally, is sporting a Nova Scotia Tartan visor).

These games are held at the Mint Hill Park in Mint Hill, North Carolina. We had seven Wallaces join us for the parade of tartans. Once again the Wallaces led the way onto the parade field.

The entertainment included the Mint Hill Pipe Band, and the musical group Glengarry Bhoys. The games included heavy athletics, Bonnie knees competition, border collies, and children's events.

As Honored Clan, Clan Wallace had the privilege of selecting best clan tent. Frank Randal, Russ and Marcia Harper were among the judges. They selected Clan Nesbitt/Nisbett Society of North America for that award and Teri Roberts of Clan Nesbitt/Nisbet was awarded a trophy for "Best Clan Tent."

Thanks to all that came out and enjoyed the day with us. Special thanks goes to Megan Painter for stamping all of the children's passports. Our thanks to Sue Waller and Frank Randall for providing Sue's award winning shortbread that was shared with everyone that stopped by the tent.

### Laurel Hill Scottish Games

*Submitted by Marcia Harper*

The Laurel Hill Scottish Games (VA) was held on April 23, 2011. Due to the cool and overcast weather, there were only four clan tents participating and Clan Wallace was one of them. Other participants included the J.E.B. Stuart Birthplace and Trust, Patrick County Genealogical Society, Patrick County Historical Society, Reynolds Weaving Society. Russ and Marcia Harper hosted the Clan Wallace tent.

These games are held at the birthplace of Jeb Stuart, the Confederate General. The crowd was small but steady all day. In spite of the inclement weather, lots of folks came by the tent. Many wanted information about how the local (Cherokee) Indians and Scots were connected.

The parade of tartans was held at noon. It was late in the day when the rest of our special "Wallace friends" showed up - Judy Wallace Moore, Rebecca Wallace Hamill, Stephen Wallace and dog Dina, and Marie Wallace.

The entertainment included the Triad Highlanders Pipe Band, and the musical group, Celthix. The games included heavy

athletics, and the athletes broke both caber poles during the caber toss. Vendors included Blackman Pottery, and two other vendors selling polished stone jewelry, and wind chimes. For the children (and adults) there was the Infinity Acres Petting Zoo, Rob Herbst, a Falconer, and a lady doing face painting. The food was provided by a local Bar-B-Que, a vendor selling fried apple pies, and Lumpy's Ice-cream.

This is the smallest game we do, but just as important as any other. We feel like traveling preachers getting the word of the Scots out to the masses so that they may understand more about who they are and where they came from.

### Mint Hill Scottish Games

*Submitted by Marcia Harper*

The Mint Hill Scottish Games (NC) was held on May 7, 2011. A perfect day for a Scottish games, sunny skies and gentle breezes was the weather of the day. There were ten clan tents participating and Clan Wallace was the Honored Clan. Russ and Marcia Harper hosted the Clan Wallace tent, along with their Granddaughter Megan Painter.



Proudly displaying the Gold Medal and crystal serving tray, Sue Waller took 1st Place for the "Traditional Shortbread" competition.





*Smiles, everyone! Russ and Marcia Harper with Bill and Marion Phillips*

## Triad Highland Games

*Submitted by Marcia Harper*

The Triad Highland Games (NC) was held on April 30, 2011. The sunny skies and warm weather resulted in eighteen clan tents participating, and Clan Wallace was the Honored Clan. Other participants included the SAMS (Scottish American Military Society) Scottish Tartan Museum, Council of Scottish Clans and Societies and the Scottish Cultural Organization of Triangle (SCOT). Russ and Marcia Harper hosted the Clan Wallace tent. As Honored Clan we wanted to do something special, so we provided a lunch of ham, turkey, and potato salad, fresh fruit, and desserts including Key Lime pound cake and cinnamon rolls for all Wallace clan members and their guests.

These games are held at the Bryan Park in Greensboro, North Carolina. They have had a two-year absence due to the economy, but the crowd came this year and was steady all day. Our special guests from Canada, Dorothy and Norman Knight, were unable to attend. Bill and Marion Phillips from Florida and Aaron and Dr. Erin Byrd from Raleigh, NC came to spend the day with us.

The parade of tartans was held at noon and Clan Wallace led the way. We are not normally at the front of the line but I could get used to that.

The entertainment included the Triad Highlanders Pipe Band, Jamestown Pipe and Drum, and the musical group, Rathkeltair. The games included heavy athletics, and the Lassie games, Bonnie knees competition, Battle Ax Competition, Shortbread Competition, Tartan Tea Tent, Scot-

tish Country Highland Dancing and Irish Dancing, Border Colliers, and Children events.

A special Military Appreciation ceremony was held to honor all current military and former military for their service. We owe a great debt of gratitude to these men and women who have selflessly put their lives on the line

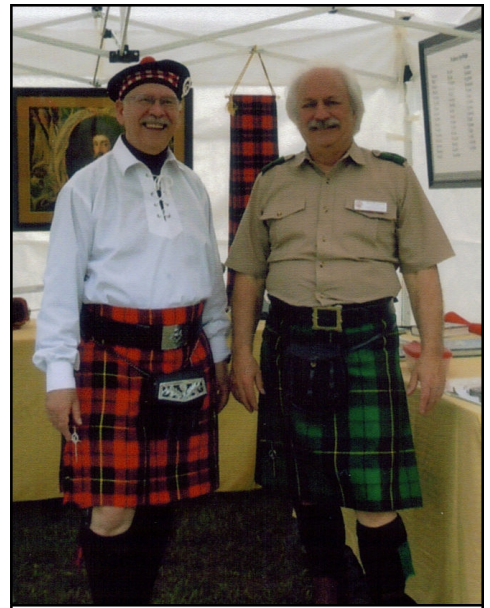
to ensure our freedom. SAMS. Post 1775, of the Triad Community, wishes to thank them in a public way and honor them as they have honored us.

Wallace had two duties to perform as Honored Clan. The first was to judge the shortbread competition. Aaron and Dr. Erin Byrd were our judges in the Non-Traditional and Traditional shortbread. One of our members, Sue Waller, wife of Frank Randall, came in first in the Traditional Shortbread. Sue was awarded a medal and a glass-serving tray for her award winning shortbread (see Page 6). Congratulations to all of the winners!

The second duty of the day was to judge Best Clan Tent. Frank Randall and Aaron and Dr. Erin Byrd were our judges. They selected the Clan Montgomery Society International for that award. Don Waugh of Clan Montgomery was awarded a knife for Best Clan Tent.



*Arron Byrd and Dr. Erin Byrd at Triad HG & SF.*



*Glen Wolfe and Wayne Jones at Bridgeport*

We had one new member, Jim Coffey to join Clan Wallace. Welcome, Jim! Frank Randall renewed his membership to Clan Wallace. Thanks Frank. And thanks to all that came out and enjoyed the day with us. We can't do this without you!

## Bridgeport Scottish Festival

*Submitted by R. Wayne Jones*

On May 7th, the 10th Annual Scottish Festival and Celtic Gathering was held at the City Park in Bridgeport WV. The event activities began on Friday with a Ceilidh. The festival was held on Saturday, and Kirkin' o' the Tartans was held on Sunday morning at the First Presbyterian Church in Clarksburg, WV.

Saturday was met with good old Scottish weather, cloudy and scattered showers. However, this did not deter attendance. The festival committee does an excellent job of getting young folks involved, and this year they outnumbered adults. The clans stamped many passports so youngsters could turn them in for rewards. The festival also provided them an opportunity to experience what the heavy athletics are like by having them participate in a mock Highland games using lighter likenesses of actual equipment.

Entertainment included Alasdair Fraser and Natalie Haas, The Rogues, the WV Highland Dancers, and Rathkeltair, the best Celt-Rock group as voted by the Celtic MP3s Music Magazine annual audience pool; and, of course, everybody's favorite, the Scottish Heavy Athletic events.



This year the festival conducted the West Virginia Pipe Band Championship. There was also Bagpipe band, solo bagpipe, and highland dance competition.

There was also an excellent Scottish breed dog exhibit and herding demonstrations wherein the dogs rounded up sheep and ducks.

There certainly was a diverse variety of entertainment and something for everyone to enjoy. Life member Glen Wolfe and Mary Jo Hutchinson joined Wallace in the Parade of Clans and provided company at the Clan tent.

## Bethabara Highland Games

*Submitted by Marcia Harper*

The Bethabara Highland Games was held on May 14, 2011. A perfect Scottish day, overcast skies and a light rain on and off all day. There were 15 clan tents participating, and at the end of the day, Clan Wallace won Best Clan Tent. This is the second year in a row that Clan Wallace has been selected for this honor. Russ and Marcia Harper hosted the Clan Wallace tent.

These games are held at Historic Bethabara Park in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. The Highland Games at Historic Bethabara Park are held to pay respect to the heritage of the early Scots and Scots-Irish pioneers who helped and guided the Moravians in their settlement of the Wachovia tract.

These games are free and open for the enjoyment of the public. We had seven Wallaces in the parade of Tartans. They



*The Triad Highlanders Pipe Band warming up at the Bethabara Games in Winston-Salem, NC.*

saved the best for last as the Wallaces were the last to take the field and the largest clan marching.

The entertainment included the Triad Highlanders Pipe Band, Jamestown Pipes and Drum, NC State Pipe Band, Rogue Brigade Drum Corps, The Fiddle and Bow Society.

The Bethabara Games included heavy athletics, children's Highland games competition, Children's colonial games and storytelling, and Border collie demonstrations. The vendors included Lady Susan's Shortbread, Near and Far Scottish, Peter Blum, Tinsmith, Renaissance Iron, Rose Crag History of Family Names, Scottish Leather, The Heelan Hound, Kelpie Pottery, Carolina Celt, Lumpy's Ice Cream, Celtic Traditions, and Cameron British Food.

After the games a cook-out was held at the home of Russ and Marcia Harper as a "thank you" for all who came out and enjoyed the day with us, especially Frank Randall and Sue Waller, Aaron Harper, and Kim and Bella Fragola.

## 135th Sacramento Valley Scottish Games & Festival

*Submitted by Bob Wallace*

The Caledonian Club of Sacramento hosted its 135<sup>th</sup> Sacramento Valley Scottish Games & Festival over the weekend of May 7 and 8, at the Yolo County Fairgrounds in Woodland, California. Warm weather welcomed a large number of attendees on Saturday. A cold front overnight cooled both the temperature and attendance on Sunday.

Clan Wallace Society was represented with two tents at the games. Kay and Russ Cayler hosted the official Wallace tent in the Glen of the Clans, and Lois and Bob Wallace brought their tent to provide additional space for those who wanted to sit and talk for a spell.

On Saturday we were delighted to find Jan Wallace of Marysville, California, attending, and Penny Wallace of Berry Creek, California. Jan's grandson, Logan, and great grandson, Lee led the Saturday Wallace contingent in the March of the Clans. One carried the Sir William Wallace replica sword and the other, the Wallace banner, the same banner that we had carried when we marched in Aberdeen, Scotland in 2005.

Sacramento is always fabulous fun!



*Logan Wallace Wurm (left) and Lee Ander Foster (right) lead the Clan Wallace contingent at the Sacramento Valley Highland Games on May 7, 2011. President Bob Wallace follows closely behind.*





*2nd Marine Division Band were a welcome addition at the Greenville (SC) Scottish Games.*



*MSG John F. Baker, wearing the Medal of Honor received for conspicuous gallantry.*

## Greenville Scottish Games

*Submitted by Marcia Harper*

The Greenville Scottish Games (SC) was held on May 28, 2011. Bright sunny skies and humid weather greeted the 32 clan tents participating, and Clan Wallace was among them. Other participants included the SAMS (Scottish American Military Society) Scottish Tartan Museum, Council of Scottish Clans and Societies and Scottish Culture and St. Andrew's Society of Upper South Carolina. Russ and Marcia Harper hosted the Clan Wallace tent.

These games are held at Furman University in Greenville, South Carolina. Chief Emeritus of the Games, Malcolm Ian Sinclair, the Earl of Caithness, was on hand for the games. The downtown parade held on Friday night was canceled due to heavy thunder storms moving through the area.

This years' game had the added theme of a tribute to our Military Heroes. One of the highlights of the tribute was the Royal Highland Fusiliers just recently returned from Afghanistan. The Fusiliers (Princess Margaret's Own Glasgow and Ayrshire Regiment) was a regular Scottish Division, and abbreviated as 'The RHF'. The regiment was formed on January 20, 1959 by the then amalgamation of the Royal Scots Fusiliers, with Highland Light Infantry (City of Glasgow Regiment).

The 2nd Marine Division Band was also part of the Tribute to our Military Heroes. During opening ceremonies Medal of Honor Recipient MSG John F. Baker, Jr. (USA Retired) was honored for his service in the Army where he was stationed in Vietnam. M.Sgt. Baker was awarded the

Congressional Medal of Honor, Silver Star, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, and Purple Heart during his illustrious military service. It was an honor to meet him and the men who escorted him around. We thank him for all that he did for our country.

The parade of tartans was held at 10:30 a.m. after the opening ceremonies. For the first time this year Clan Wallace was not the last in line. We were followed by Clan Wardlaw and Clan Wood.

The entertainment included the Celtic bands "Barley Juice" and "Rathkeltair" along with 14 pipe bands that were in the Piping and Drum Major competition. The Games included heavy athletics with our own William 'Billy' Wallace competing, and British Car Show, Scottish Country Highland Dancing and Irish Dancing, Border Collies, and Children events.

The Honored Clan for the Greenville Games was Clan Gregor. Their 24th Clan Chief, Sir Malcolm MacGregor, was able to join them. With all of the volcanic ash falling in Scotland, he had to drive himself to London to catch a plane to South Carolina. Sir Malcolm came by the Wallace tent to say hello and to invite us to the next clan gathering in Scotland in 2014. We had a wonderful time visiting with Sir Malcolm MacGregor.

Frank Randall and wife Sue Waller, and Trish Wallace joined us for the day. Our thanks to all that came out and enjoy the day with us.



*Heavy athletics competitor Billy Wallace readies for competition in the Clan Wallace compound at the Greenville Scottish Games.*



*Recently returned from Afghanistan, special visitors to Greenville were the Princess Margaret's Own Glasgow and Ayrshire Regiment (a.k.a. the Royal Highland Fusiliers, or RHF).*





## The 2012 Clan Wallace International Gathering at Calgary & Canmore, Alberta

Plans for the 7<sup>th</sup> Society Gathering are moving along as expected. A limited number of rooms have been reserved in Calgary for Thursday 30 Aug 2012 through Sunday 2 September 2012. The Gathering committee is exploring programs that might be offered on Friday 31 Aug, and commercial group transportation to/from Canmore for their Sunday games. Since the host Hotel has two bars for socializing, there will not be a Society hospitality suite.

The committee anticipates publishing the final agenda and sign up sheets concurrent with the Spring 2012 issue of The Guardian. If you want to receive Hotel, Gathering and other pertinent information, send your full name(s), ages if youth, address, phone number and email address and mail to:

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E-mail to [lisa7454@verizon.net](mailto:lisa7454@verizon.net)

Respondents will be placed on a Priority List for the Gathering and will be provided with all required information for attendance, which will be mailed early in 2012. Address any questions to Lisa Donant, [lisa7454@verizon.net](mailto:lisa7454@verizon.net) - (804) 730-5580; or Bill Wallace, [billandnorma@gmail.com](mailto:billandnorma@gmail.com) - (541) 633-7685.

We look forward to seeing you in the Rockies of Alberta in 2012!



*The flag of the Province of Alberta.*

## Brave-Hearth: From Celtic Kitchens



*By Lisa Donant*

The following two recipes are personal favorites. As we move into the summer, I encourage you to try them. Remember, though, to practice moderation in all things. Sweet to beat the heat...

### Margarita Ice Cream

½ cup Lime Juice  
2 Tbsp. Tequila  
3 Tbsp. Orange Liqueur  
1 ¼ cups Confectioners Sugar  
2 cups Heavy Cream

Pour the limejuice, tequila and orange liqueur into a bowl and stir in the powdered sugar to dissolve. Add the cream and then softly whip until thick and smooth but not stiff.

Spoon mixture into an airtight container and freeze overnight. This ice cream does



not need ripening (softening before serving), as it will not freeze too hard and melts quickly. Perfect when served with a slice of pound cake.

### Bailey's Irish Ice Cream Pie

1½ cups Chocolate Wafer Cookie Crumbs  
¼ cup Sugar  
3 Tbsp. Butter, melted  
½ cup Bailey's Irish Cream Liqueur  
2 Tbsp. Cream de Cacao (or Kahlua)  
1 Qt. Vanilla Ice Cream  
1 jar Hot Fudge Sauce  
Optional: additional chocolate wafer cookie crumbs, chopped nuts, whipped cream

Combine cookie crumbs, sugar and butter and press into a 9" pie plate. Mix liqueurs into the slightly softened ice cream. Spoon mixture into the crust and spread evenly. Cover with cling wrap and re-freeze. Optionally served with warmed hot fudge sauce and/or additional chocolate cookie crumbs and chopped nuts, and whipped cream. Delicious!

## A CHANGING-OF-THE-GUARD IN TEXAS



The San Antonio Games were held April 1st—3rd, 2011 with surprisingly excellent weather. There were five people who signed up as Annual Members and one annual renewal.

Pictured at left are veteran convener William Wayne Wallace and new convener Deidre Prince. Deidre lives in Houston and is currently planning on covering the San Antonio and Houston games. Wayne is giving her his tent and most convening materials. Visitors who visited the tent included members Lance Wallace of Houston and Mike Wallace of Canyon Lake. Several visitors took materials and application forms with them.

These games are actually held in Helotes, a San Antonio suburb. The site is well shaded and compact enough that it is easy to move between clans, and the vendor and performance areas are permanent with adequate seating.



## THE FLOWERS OF THE FOREST



### Laurie Isdell

The Clan Wallace Society Worldwide is deeply saddened by the passing of Clan Wallace Society Lifetime Member Laurie Isdell on April 29, 2011.

Laurie had been courageously battling breast cancer for the past five years. Laurie is survived by her husband Dan.

Dan and Laurie were very active convening Clan Wallace Society tents at games and festivals across central California.

A celebration of Laurie's life was held at the Sacramento Valley Scottish Games & Festival in Woodland, CA, on Saturday, May 7, 2011.

She will be profoundly missed.

## CWS REWARDS PROGRAM: QUARTERLY UPDATE

*By John R. Wallace, Past President*

Since the last newsletter, we have received several additional donations from our members. Congratulations go to our newest Member of the Circle of the Thistle:



**The Circle of the Thistle  
Thomas H. Wallace (LM)  
of Brevard, North Carolina**

Tom's recent donation of \$150.00 to the Program qualifies him for this entry level Circle Reward and is sincerely appreciated by the CWSW Board of Directors.

During this period donations have also been received from several other CWSW Members and their generous contributions are listed herein:

An additional donation of \$134.61 was received in May 2011 from **Circle of the Knight and Council Member Marcia Harper of Lewisville, NC**, bringing her total giving to \$1,834.61.

**Circle of the Knight and Council Member Russell Harper of Lewisville, NC**, made an additional contribution in May 2011 of \$134.60, thus boosting his total giving to \$1,234.60.

President Robert Bruce Wallace and the Board of Directors of the Clan Wallace Society Worldwide extend a hearty thanks and well done to these loyal and dedicated contributors for their energetic and loyal support of our Society and its important programs. Further, they encourage all members to consider joining the ranks of those who give. You can participate by contacting:

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The funds from this program are utilized principally by the Board to accomplish the goals and missions of the Society as set forth in our bylaws and documents of incorporation. As always, all donations to the CWS Rewards Program are tax-exempt.

Pro Liberate,  
Capt. John R. Wallace

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## ABOUT THOSE SCOTTISH KILTS: WHAT YOU REALLY OUGHT TO KNOW...

By Dr. John V. Richardson, Jr.

Tartans as we know them today are not that old when it comes to tradition. The first registered sett or tartan pattern for a kilt only dates to 1822, when George IV visited Edinburgh (see the Scottish Tartans World Register). That's right; William

Wallace would not have worn one like we see today.

So what's the oldest? District tartans, probably, which indicate a geographical region to which the clan was attached. Regimental tartans, such as the so-called Government or Black Watch, were the first and only legal ones, in a sense. And there are also royal tartans and clan chief's tartans. Let's not forget corporate tartans like the University of California, River-



*The "fheile mòr" (great kilt), was traditional Highland attire until the middle decade of the 18th century.*

side's tartan. Ok, so they aren't old enough for you; well, how about the so-called Shepherd's Check, a 1700-year-old undyed dark brown and light brown/green wool "tartan," made from the wool of Soay sheep found near Falkirk, Scotland? Mostly, we can date many tartans in the pattern books from Wilson's of Bannockburn (circa 1819). Otherwise, we can see tartans in old portraits such as a 1631 German woodcut.

What about all those patterns? Ah, you mean Ancient, Modern, Reproduction, Weathered, or Hunting? Ancient and Modern are the same patterns, usually just the



*King George IV (above) unleashed the rage for the "breacan fheile" (small kilt) during his "jaunt" to Scotland in August 1822, the style of which has remained largely unchanged since.*

weavers' efforts in the past 20 years attempting to imagine what natural dyes would look like—yes, the more muted



*Permanent pleats distinguish the modern kilt from its pre-Victorian counterparts.*

color of the so-called Ancient and so, Ancient is newer than Modern, if you follow the logic. Reproduction tries to use natural vegetable dyes to get more authentic

colors. I suppose it's up to you as to the choice, unless your clan society is really picky or you are in a band and you have to conform. The sett's pattern is controlled by thread count established by the World Register folks.

What should one cost? That depends upon your gender and your sporran (i.e., pocket book). A man's kilt can require up to 8 yards of wool, so it's going to be more expensive. The front apron can be matched in the back (more expensive) or not and the pleats can be deep or not (less expensive). The work can be by hand or machine (less expensive). In short, roughly \$150.00 to \$1,000.00, or even much more if you want to add the Brogues shoes, socks and flashes, sgian dhub (pronounced as "skeen-DOO", meaning black knife), kilt pin, shirt, Prince Charlie jacket, cap, badge, etc.

[References: "Kilts," *Encyclopedia Britannica* (1910-1911), and the *Scottish Tartan World Register*].



*The Prince Charlie and the modern kilt: today's standard for formal Scottish national attire.*

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