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A LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT

*CWS President Lawrence Slight*

Greetings,

As Christmas and New Year 2015 approach, we are looking back to our Annual Directors Meeting (ADM) held here in St. Augustine at the end of September. A number of issues were discussed and all can be reviewed in the meeting minutes published in this Newsletter.

One of the more important changes that the Board of Directors discussed and approved is the reimbursement of

our conveners for certain expenses up to a total of \$300. The final decision provides each convener with three options concerning the costs of spaces at the various games and festivals where Clan Wallace is represented. First, the convener may continue to pay the full amount of the cost of the space and deduct that amount from their Federal taxes as a donation to the Society. Second, the convener may pay the amount of the cost of the space and provide a receipt or a copy of the cancelled check and ask that this amount, up to \$300, be credited to their account in the Rewards Program. Third, the convener may pay the amount of the cost of the space and provide a receipt or a copy of the cancelled check and ask that this amount, up to \$300, be reimbursed and a check for that amount will be sent. It must be understood that only the cost of setting up the space can be claimed and that if any reimbursement, Rewards Program or refund, is applied for, a tax benefit cannot be claimed. Also, each convener must provide the Society with a receipt or a copy of a cancelled check and a copy of the application form sent to the Festival/Games. The request for reimbursement must be sent to the Direc-

tor of Convener Affairs within one month of the Festival/Games attended.

Every year at the ADM, the Board of Directors elect the President, Executive Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer to serve for the next year. At that time, the newly elected President has the option of renewing any and all persons holding appointed offices, appointing new persons to hold these offices or not appointing or renewing any such office. This year, our Associate Director for Canada, Dorothy Knight, has accepted appointment for the 2015 term. The Board of Directors has approved this appointment and welcomes Dorothy again to that position. After much thought and consideration, that is the only position renewed for this coming year.

Lastly, I want to express my hope that all members of the Society enjoy and happy Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

Pro Libertate,

Larry.

Lawrence Slight, President
The Clan Wallace Society



*Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year!*



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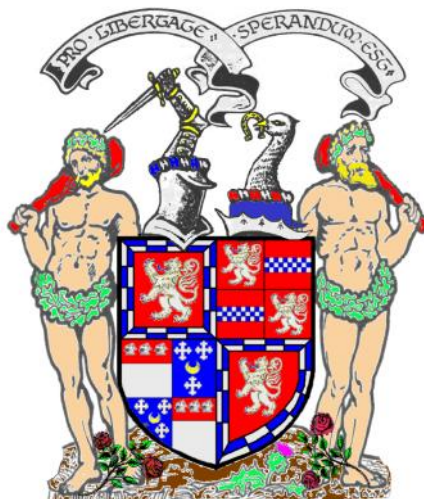
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On behalf of Ian Francis Wallace of that Ilk, 35th Chief of Clan Wallace; Acting Chief Andrew R. Wallace the Younger of that Ilk; and the President and the Board of Directors, we welcome the 55 individuals listed below to the fellowship of our Society.

Council Membership

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Chris Wallace, Tucson, AZ

2014 CLAN WALLACE GATHERING IN SCOTLAND



A fine looking group in front of the Dunstane Hotel being piped in for the Farewell Dinner with Andrew Wallace, Younger of that Ilk, and Acting Chief in second row center.

By Bob Wallace

The Bannockburn 700 Festival commemorating the Battle of Bannockburn in 1314 was the focus of the Clan Wallace Society's (CWS) recent Gathering held in Scotland. The eighth of such Gatherings, the second to be held in Scotland, was organized by Council member Lois Wallace of Ships and Trips Travel.

Thirty-seven members, relatives and friends from 15 U.S. states and one Canadian province were represented within the group, ages ranging from 17 to 80, making this an extremely diverse group with a common interest in

all things Scottish, particularly Sir William Wallace.

The Gathering tour was based in the convenient Haymarket district of Edinburgh. Arriving in Edinburgh on Tuesday, June 24th, much of that first day was spent getting settled in our rooms, visiting with those in the group to get acquainted during the day before and after our welcome briefing, walking the Haymarket neighborhood or up to Princes Street and back to stay awake following a long overnight flight for many of us, finishing the day with a welcome dinner held in our hotel that evening.

Our first several days were filled visiting locations from Kilmarnock to Lanark, Dunfermline to Falkirk. Wednesday morning found us boarding our coach and heading west through Glasgow to Kilmarnock's Dean Castle for a visit that included viewing a bust of Sir William Wallace, claimed to be the earliest known sculpture of Wallace dating to 1802 and located just inside the entry door to the lower portion of the castle. Just beyond, a view of the kitchen as it may have looked when the castle would have been lived in many decades ago.

Up the stairs to the Great Hall where the host would welcome and entertain visitors of an afternoon or evening where we found banners hanging from the ceiling, several cabinets along the walls filled with items of historical interest.

Following an appetizing lunch in the gift shop, part of which included an informative narrative about the influence William Wallace's life had on Robert Burns' writing by our good friend Jim Shields, we boarded our coach for the short trip to Kay Park, home of the Burns Monument Center. Much of the original structure was destroyed by fire near the end of 2004, the fire brigade fortunately saving the Burns statue, canopy and staircase to serve as the starting point to erect the current building, incorporating within it the East Ayrshire History Center. Among historical documents stored within, three relating to the later Wallace family of Ayrshire dating to 1397 and 1419 for Wallace of Craigie, and 1524 for Wallace, then of Newton Castle in Ayr.

Thursday found us crossing over the Firth of Forth highway bridge, viewing the massive Forth Rail Bridge to the east, the new highway bridge under construction to the west, headed for Dunfermline Abbey to view its connection with Sir William Wallace. Tradition holds that Wallace buried his mother under a thorn tree in the Abbey grounds, not marking her grave at the time to avoid it being pilfered by the English. A thorn tree still stands over the site, a sign beneath detailing the historical significance. With King Robert I, the Bruce, buried inside the Abbey Kirk, the top of the tower spells out the words King Robert The Bruce around the top, one word to each quarter. Bruce's body is beneath the High Altar absent his heart which is buried at Melrose Abbey in the Borders.

Back to the coach for the relatively quick trip to Abbey Craig and the National Wallace Monument, the shuttle up the hill which many of us used to walk during earlier visits to the Monument, but now happy to have the

shuttle available, at least for the uphill portion. Our first stop was around the side of the tower for a docent's history of the Battle of Stirling Bridge on 11 September 1297, the battlefield just below the Abbey Craig tower honoring Wallace. Sir Andrew Murray and Wallace are said to have watched the English as they crossed the narrow bridge, probably no more than two Knights on horseback at a time plus foot soldiers, waited for about half of that English army to get across before signaling their men to attack.

Having crossed into a narrow and boggy portion of the river's meander, the English horses and infantry found it difficult to maneuver to deal with the Scots attack. Within a very few moments it would have been clear that the English were not going to win that engagement as there was no way to get additional troops across the bridge to assist those under attack, nor for those under attack to retreat. Whether the bridge failed on its own from the weight on it or was taken down by Scots as part of their plan of attack is still unclear at this late date. Those English remaining on the Stirling Castle side of the river quickly fled the scene, leaving their fellow soldiers to deal with the Scots as best they could. Making the trip down the hill later, some of us managed that walk, despite having also climbed the 246 steps to the top of the Monument for the stunning view of the Forth valley, then fetching the paperwork in the gift shop acknowledging that we'd been to the top. Just below the Abbey Craig we found the William Wallace High School. Back to the cafe and a quick lunch.

Once again on the coach for the short run back to Edinburgh to meet with Jim Shields for the locals walking tour down the Royal Mile. Starting just below Edinburgh Castle, off to the Writers Museum honoring Burns, Sir Walter Scott and Robert Louis Stevenson in a Close off the Royal Mile, then on to St. Giles Cathedral with its magnificent stained glass windows, across the parking lot for a visit to the old Parliament building, further down the hill to the World's End Pub, located at a cor-

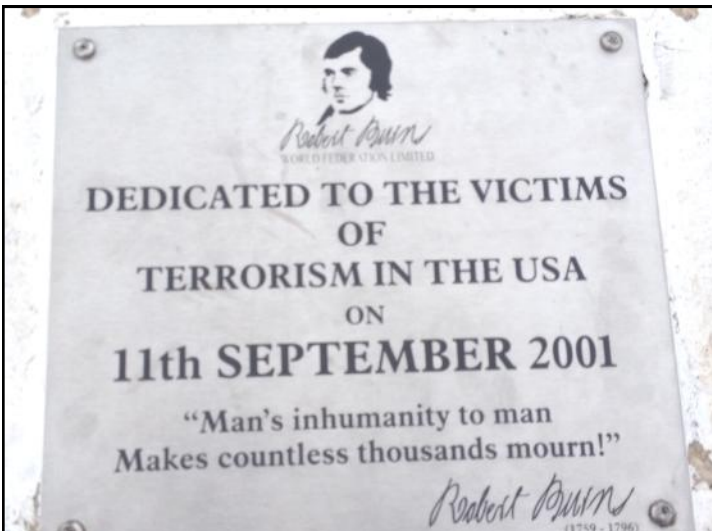
ner where the wall around the town used to mark the edge of it centuries ago. As we make our way along the Royal Mile, we pass shops selling just about anything one might want, maybe a few things we don't want.

Further along, we stop at the Canongate Kirk and Cemetery. This is the church the queen visits when she is in residence at Holyrood Palace. Jim Shields explains the history of the church and cemetery and walks us around to the monument for Robert Fergusson, Poet, the man credited with pushing Burns in the direction of becoming a poet. Around the back of the church to another marker, this the woman named Clarinda, she and Burns exchanging letters for a period of time, each using an alias to protect themselves had their letters been intercepted and made public. Among his many talents, Jim Shields knows many of the songs by Burns, sings one at the Clarinda marker. As Lois notes later, this is the first time in her life she's heard someone serenade in a cemetery!

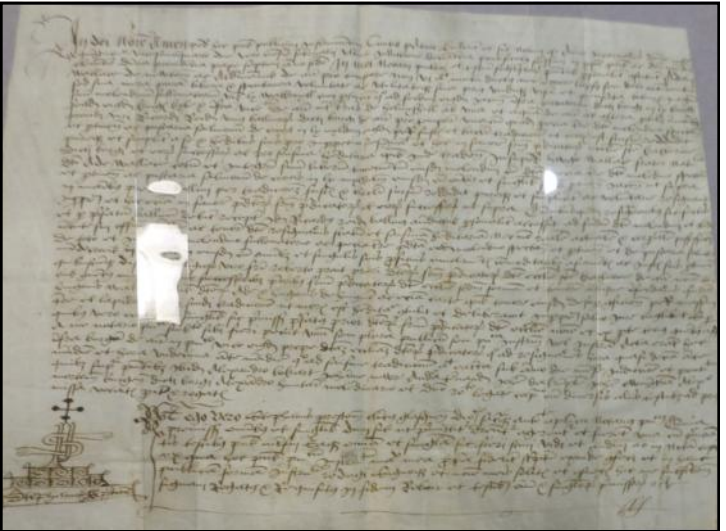
On Friday morning we're off to Lanark, the village in May of 1297 where Wallace is said to first raise his head in defense of his country. In historical terms, at least, the first time that is documented for us that historians seem to agree with. It was here where Wallace and some 30 men killed the English sheriff and some number of English soldiers in the middle of the night. Whether it was retribution for a personal difference between Wallace and the sheriff, something involving the sheriff and Marion Braidfute that set Wallace off, historians are still attempting to determine what it might have been that caused some 30 men to dispatch the sheriff and soldiers that night.

Today's town of Lanark is interesting. The very old Kirk, that dating to the time of Wallace, sits on top of the hill overlooking the town. It doesn't appear to have changed since our visit in 2005, but it is still an ancient structure with only the walls standing; the roof

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Close-up of the 9-11 Memorial.



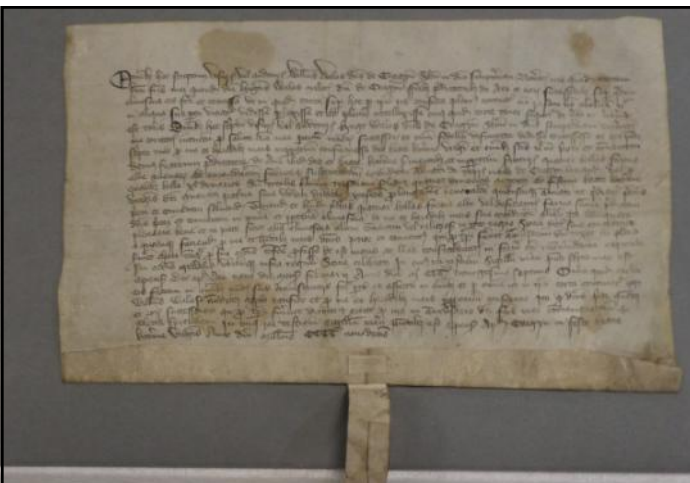
Sasine (transfer of property) in favor of the Friars Preachers for the Walkmill belonging to Adam Wallace of Newton. 29 Feb 1524



Charter by Hugh Wallace of Cragy (Craigie)



Abbey Church, Dunfermline, listening to our Blue Badge guide Maggie McCann.



Confirmation by William Wallace, Lord of Cragy (Craigie) of Charter by his brother Sir Hugh Wallace, to the Friar Preachers for 4 Bolls of oatmeal. 29 April 1419



Linda Tyrrell, Christian Matson, Glen Wolfe at Dunfermline Kirkyard.



Welcome and briefing for the International Gathering



Attentive group in the Great Hall at Dean Castle.



Welcome dinner at the Dunstane Hotel



Jim Shields, past president, Robert Burns World Federation, pointing out the 9-11 Memorial erected by the Federation



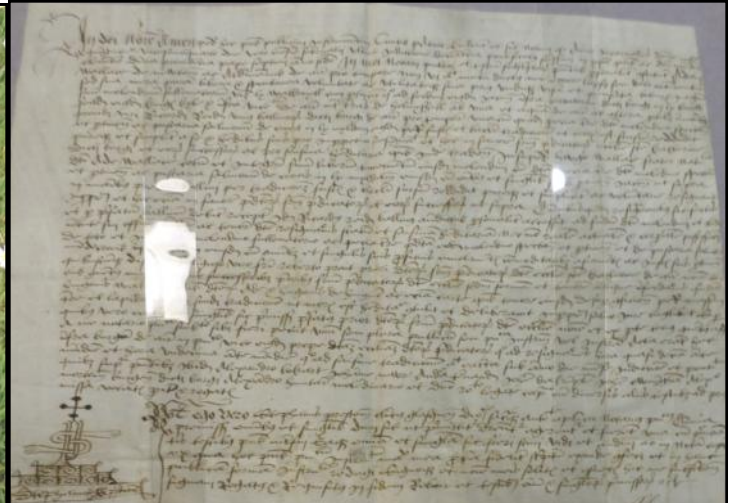
Ann and David Pummel with the bust of Wallace at Dean Castle, in Kilmarnock.



Phyllis Peterson and Arlene Wallace Tomlin inside the Dean Castle courtyard.



Margaret Wallace marker at Dunfermline Abbey.



Sasine (transfer of property) in favor of the Friars Preachers for the Walkmill belonging to Adam Wallace of Newton. 29 Feb 1524



Stirling Castle from the National Wallace Monument, Abbey Craig.



Docent acting the part of one of Sir William Wallace's soldiers at the Battle of Stirling Bridge.



Docent and Susanne Dykes acting fierce at the Wallace Monument.



*Two tall Wallace men, one average Scot:
Jim "Bowie" Wallace and Russ Harper.*



William R. Wallace brandishing a replica of Wallace's sword.



*Group listening to Jim Shields at the Writers Museum, Lady Close,
just off the Royal Mile, Edinburgh.*



*Jim Shields at the Clarinda marker, Canongate Cemetery,
singing the tune "Clarinda" by Robert Burns.*



Lanark Church with a statue of Wallace on alcove on its steeple.



Falkirk Wheel waiting for the Wallace group and others to make their trip up to the top.



Wallace group preparing to march at Stirling Castle on Friday night for Pipe Fest.



John W.A. Wallace and John T. Wallace at the refurbished Graham tomb in Falkirk.



Lois and Bob Wallace take a quick sit-down.



Wallace group yelling "F-R-E-E-D-O-M" at the Faw Kirk fair.



Gathering group on staircase, Victorian-era Burns Monument Center.

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is long gone. The castle of Lanark is long gone, but its location is still known, today being the lawn bowling grounds in Lanark. Not so the alleged Wallace and Braidfute home across from the Kirk in the middle of town. What is said to have been the site of the Braidfute home is marked with a small post and sign, the current sign dating to 2005, the 700th anniversary of Wallace's execution at Smithfield. The Kirk in town just across from the Braidfute home dates to the 1770s, the tower with a representation of Wallace on its front dates to 1822. Reminders of Wallace are to be found around Lanark, with a Wallace Tea Room and Wallace Cave (pub) just behind the church.

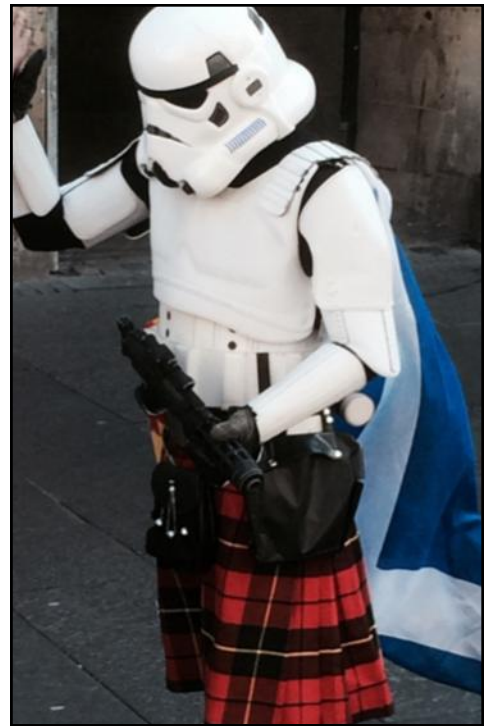
Next visit finds us having lunch at the Falkirk Wheel. Our coach driver takes us in via a road which passes a portion of the Antonine Wall still visible today nearly 2000 years after it was built. Light lunch, a stroll around the gift shop, then we're off to the boat that will take us to the upper canal that now connects the Forth and Clyde Canal with the Union Canal, a connection that for many years had been accomplished via a series of locks reaching around the hill. Years ago when canal usage declined, the lower series of locks quickly became unusable. As part of the Millennium Project, the massive wheel was constructed to allow boats to once again make the journey from Glasgow to Edinburgh via water, a lei-

surely trip that takes two days. That massive wheel structure with water and boats is turned with minimal horsepower as it simultaneously raises and lowers boats, is always balanced regardless of the number of boats in either arm. Archimedes' principle of buoyancy combined with a Celtic design.

Following a quick trip into the center of Falkirk, we walk around the corner, up a slight hill and turn into the area behind the Faw Kirk. There we find the refurbished tomb of Sir John de Graeme (or Graham), one of the knights who served with Wallace over the period of time the Scots were fighting the English army. Graham fell at the Battle of Falkirk in 1298, was carried from the field by Wallace. The Kirk is holding their own Bannockburn event and church fair that Friday afternoon, including a talk on Bannockburn by a local historian. We are warmly welcomed to their festival.

Following our visit to the Faw Kirk and Graham's tomb, most of us take the coach back to our hotel while others leave for Stirling Castle and the Friday evening march down the hill with clans, pipes and drums in conjunction with Pipefest 2014.

Then came the weekend event we went to Scotland to participate in, the 700th anniversary of the Battle of Bannockburn, fought over two days in June of 1314 near the site of the Bannockburn Monument with its statue of King Robert I, the Bruce, sitting astride



Acting Chief, Andrew Wallace said that he knew that Clan Wallace was worldwide in its membership and operations, "But I had no idea we had expanded to galaxies far, far away..."

his horse. One can readily learn how close the battlefield was to Stirling Castle, but standing at the monument and looking toward the castle, it's also clear that anyone in the castle over that two-day period would have had some idea of the battle raging just two miles away.

For members of our group attending their first Gathering, there is no question but that the phrase information overload is uppermost in their minds following three days of visits to historic sites in Scotland's Central Belt, and a weekend visit to the area where it's generally believed the Battle of Bannockburn took place seven centuries ago. Being immersed in history relating to that period in Scotland's history can be overwhelming the first time through, the expert knowledge of Magee McCann and Jim Shields' insider tidbits making it somewhat easier, hopefully. As one of our group put it later in the year, it was like standing at the end of a huge water hose and getting blasted!



These two heads stand next to the M9 highway in Falkirk and an extension of the Forth and Clyde Canal. The two heads are easily visible from the Motorway going in either direction, and were modeled on two living Clydesdale horses.

THE BANNOCKBURN 700 CELEBRATION



Reenactment of the Battle of Bannockburn.

By Bob Wallace

On Saturday and Sunday was the major event at Bannockburn celebrating King Robert I, the Bruce, and his victory over England's King Edward II. Several of our group attended the pitch (tent) on Saturday to assist CWS President Larry Slight, while the rest enjoyed a free day in Edinburgh to shop and sightsee.

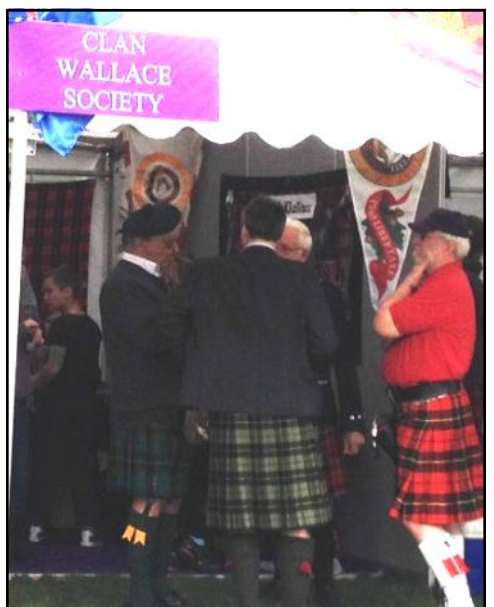
CWS was one of 40 clans at the Bannockburn 700 Celebration and Reenactment, providing information about the Society and Sir William Wallace to all who attended and explaining why we were there and what we do at Games and Festivals in the US and Canada. Several showers across the Bannockburn monument on Saturday briefly scattered some of the folks standing in queues for the reenactment or refreshments, but didn't dampen their enthusiasm for being part of this historic event. The second day found everyone at the Bannockburn grounds.

Across the grass near the visitor center was a massive tent where bands were playing throughout the day on Satur-

day and Sunday. Stretched along a line beside and behind the Bruce Monument were tents representing clans from Arthur, Boyd, Buchanan and Bruce to Stewart, Urquhart, Wallace and Young, nearly 40 clans in all. How many of these clans fought with Bruce is open to serious question. The likelihood of anyone recording who was there on 23/24 June 1314 is doubtful, although records are said to exist for who led which division under Bruce's command. Those named typically include Edward Bruce, James Douglas, the Earl of Moray and the king.

During the festivities a reporter for the Mail on Sunday newspaper asked Bob Wallace and Marcia Harper some questions. They were among those who traveled the farthest to attend the celebration and representing American branch of CWS. Bob told the reporter that his great-great grandfather was originally from Aberdeenshire but the family left in the mid 1800s, and he felt like he was bringing the genes home. Marcia told him how CWS had been planning the trip to Bannockburn for two years, and that it had not been disappointing.

Sunday's weather could not have been better and was special for everyone in our group with the presence of Andrew Wallace, Younger of that Ilk, Acting Chief of Clan Wallace Society, who spent much of the day from 10:00 until late in the afternoon visiting with members attending the Bannockburn 700 grounds.



Wallace tartans at the Wallace tent at Bannockburn



*Front L-R: Marilyn Wallace , Lois Wallace , Miriam Wallace and Marcia Harper
Rear L-R: Cornelius Wallace, Tresha Marshall, Bob Wallace, Jim Wallace, William Wallace and Susanne Dykes*



Cornelius Wallace, Russ Harper, Andrew Wallace (Acting Chief), David Pummell, Jim "Bowie" Wallace and President Larry Slight.

INTERNATIONAL GATHERING FAREWELL DINNER



Andrew Wallace, Younger of that Ilk, our Acting Chief, addressing the participants at the Farewell Dinner.

By Bob Wallace

The Bannockburn 700 Festival commemorating the Battle of Bannockburn in 1314 came to a close Monday, our last day in Edinburgh, the day typically set aside for a festive Farewell Dinner with reception taking place at our Haymarket district hotel. Following an excellent dinner of Orkney beef prepared by the Dunstane Hotel chef, outstanding teamwork by the hotel's wait staff to serve us among a very tight table arrangement due to the number of diners, we heard from Andrew Wallace, Larry Slight and Russ Harper before the evening's entertainment began.

Jim Shields serenaded us with songs connected to Robert Burns, and award-winning young piper Craig Easton entertained us with several sets of tunes.

Days after the event, Andrew summed up the visit this way: *"It was a privilege to be able to welcome so many of the Clan Wallace Society to Scotland on the important occasion of the Bannockburn celebrations in late June. Given the substantial crowds and energetic celebrations that surrounded this historic anniversary, people would have been left in no doubt about the strength of the Scottish diaspora and the interest in and loyalty to our country expressed by so many people of Scots descent from all over the world".*

David Pummell, one of the attendees, sums up his experience: *"The Wallace Gathering Tour was the trip of a lifetime! Ann and I enjoyed every minute of our stay in Edinburgh with Clan Wallace and getting to know all the other members in the group."*



President Larry and Judy Slight on their way to dinner.



Craig Easton, award winning piper for the evening, played several selections for the assembled group.



Russ and Marcia Harper, granddaughters Samantha and Megan, ready for dinner.



Bob Wallace, Ann Pummel, Jim Shields, Tresha Marshall, David Pummel, dressed for the evening's formal Farewell Dinner.

FAREWELL, SCOTLAND, 'TIL WE MEET AGAIN.

By Bob Wallace

Our thanks to those who went visiting with us to Scotland, and for sharing many of your pictures to help tell the story of the 2014 International Gathering of Clan Wallace Society.

Unfortunately, not every picture can be included here without straining the patience of our editors, Wayne and Tom, or the electrons in getting all this information sent to them, then this issue assembled and sent out to most of you via email delivery. Again, thank you for participating with us in

Scotland, and many thanks for sharing thoughts and pictures!

This was the eighth in a series of Clan Wallace Society Gatherings that began in 1999 in Halifax, Nova Scotia, and continued in 2001 in Fergus Ontario; 2003 in Reno, NV; 2005 in Scotland; 2007 in Williamsburg, VA; 2009 in Estes Park, CO; and 2012 in Calgary, Alberta.

In 2016, the next Gathering for Clan Wallace Society will take place in or near Salado, that part of central Texas where the idea for the Society first took shape in 1966 under Charles B.

Wallace of Dallas, and Joe P. Wallace of Killeen. Details on that 2016 Gathering will be found in upcoming issues of the newsletter and on the web site. For further information about the Society, visit our website at: <http://clanwallace.org/>, clicking on one of the links on the left side of the page. Our Webmaster Jim "Bowie" Wallace maintains the site, making changes frequently to keep the information current.

Bob Wallace is a Council member and past president of Clan Wallace Society, served three terms on the Society's Board of Directors.

JOB OPPORTUNITY: SEEKING WEBPAGE ADMIN

The Society Web Page Administrator position will be open soon. Jim "Bowie" Wallace will be finishing his ninth year on the Board of Directors at the end of December 2014.

The position does not need to be occupied by a sitting Board Member, therefore the recruitment is open to all Society members. The Web Page Administrator is responsible for maintaining the Clan Wallace Society Web Page in keeping its attributes refreshed and current.

The duties include the following:

- ◆ Maintain the Society website: **<http://clanwallace.org>**
 - ◆ Design and create individual web pages
 - ◆ Scan submitted pictures from members for inclusion on pages
 - ◆ Creates various formats of Society documents for inclusion on Web-site
 - ◆ Maintain Web-page Convener List with Annual Games they will convene
 - ◆ Generate the annual Games Schedule for Newsletter and Web-site
- ◆ Review and validate contents of individual member Web-sites for Society-sanctioned content and accuracy if they contain references to the Society (in instances where they contain words such as "Official Clan Wallace Society Web- site" or "This Web-site Approved by the Clan Wallace Society")

Knowledge of web-page design programming is necessary, with proficiency in the following:

- ◆ HTML, Flash – (HTML 5.0 required in 2015)
 - ◆ CGI, PHP, SQL etc.
- ◆ Managing Society email addresses & forwarders
- ◆ Knowledge of the hosting service front end (currently, CPanel-X2)

This is a terrific opportunity for a member to support the Clan Wallace Society. Interested members should contact the Webmaster via email at **webmaster@clanwallace.org**.

PROCEEDINGS: 2013 ANNUAL DIRECTORS MEETING

Following is a synopsis of the 2013 CWS Annual Directors Meeting:

The Annual Directors Meeting (ADM) of Clan Wallace Society was held in St. Augustine, Florida, on 27 September 2014.

Directors Attending: Six Directors attended which included 3 of the 4 officers. Two directors voted by Proxy and 2 by letter of Attorney. Other Attendees: Past Executive Vice President Wayne Jones.

Meeting of Fiscal Year 2014

Opening: The ADM was convened by the President at 9:11 a.m. on 27 September 2014.

2013 Minutes were approved and accepted with two corrections.

Treasurer's FY 2014 Report through September 15, 2014 was presented and approved.

Reports: All reports, statistics and cost figures were presented to cover Fiscal Year October 1, 2013 and (as projected) through September 30, 2014.

A. Election Committee: President Larry Slight presented for John R. Wallace that only two nominations were received for three open positions, so there is no requirement for an election. Darrell Wallace and Karen Wallace are both declared re-elected as Directors. A third open position will have to be filled pursuant to the by-laws.

B. By-Laws Amendment Vote: Committee Chairman James L. Wallace reported that the vote for the amendment was denied by the council membership 10 votes out of the 90 votes received. The amendment was certified as not passed and the bylaws will remain unchanged.

C. Membership Chair: Karen Wallace reported that CWS received 58 new annual members.

D. Newsletter Manager: Wayne Jones reported that the newsletter has remained consistent as to the cost. In 2014 fiscal year 621 were sent via email, 77 sent USPS, and 2 via International mail.

E. Convener Affairs: Russ Harper reported that Games participation has increased during 2014 from 49 to 62. A dis-

cussion ensued about providing some financial assistance to the conveners to defray some of the registration costs. This was tabled to new business, 2015 budget.

F. Secretary: Garret Whiteside reported on the midyear resignation of the 2013 secretary. Garret stated that he was doing his best to pull together all the records for 2013 and 2014 to be mailed to the Odom Library for archive.

G. Rewards Program: The President presenting for John Wallace reported that this program is one of the most successful and major source of funding for the society, as witnessed by the program statistics.

H. International Projects: Garret Whiteside reported that there were no major changes to the international projects with the exception of Wallace 700 organization request that is covered under new business.

I. Advisory Director for Canada: Russ Harper reported for Dorothy Knight on activities in Alberta and Ontario, Canada.

J. Executive Vice President: Elements of the Executive Vice President's report were contained in the Treasurer's report and 2015 fiscal budget review.

K. Unfinished Business for 2013: The consensus on a Director of Education position was that since it overlapped and duplicated work of other board positions, it was unnecessary.

L. Documents and Publications: 1) Maitland Papers – Wayne Jones presented a draft copy for board review. Marcus "Jim" Wallace and Wayne are working on the final which is nearly completed. 2) Directors attending the ADM were provided with an advanced copy of The Clan Wallace, 4th Edition. It will be completed, printed in black and white with a full color on CD, and made available to the membership on January 1, 2015.

M. Certification of New Directors: New Directors Darryl Wallace and Karen Wallace were certified.

N. Web Master: James Wallace again announced his intention to resign as web master for the society. The aspects of CWS' ability to replace him and the increased cost of outsourcing our IT were discussed.

The President will follow-up and provide a report in preparation for Jim "Bowie" Wallace retiring from the board.

O. Castles for Christmas as a Special Project: The board determined after reviewing this proposal from 2013 that this project would not be a good idea for CWS. The project was dropped.

New Business

A. Election of 2015 Officers: 2015 Officers (proposed)

President: Larry Slight (Approved)
EVP: Russ Harper (Approved)
Secretary: Garret Whiteside (Approved)
Treasurer: Lisa Donant (Approved)

B. Presentation of 2015 CWS Budget: The following line items were amended or changed by unanimous vote.

Allow a budget of \$6,500 for conveners of the Clan Tents. A report for submission will be prepared and posted online.

Provide a maximum of £2,000 in support of the Wallace 700 organization.

A motion was made by Larry Slight and seconded by James Wallace; motion passed unanimously.

C. 2015 ADM Site: Based on locations of recent board meetings, it was unanimously decided to hold the 2015 meeting in St. Louis, Missouri, on September 26, 2015.

D. 2016 Gathering: Discussed whether to have the 2016 Gathering and ADM meeting at the Games in Salado, TX. The size of the town and limitations on lodging availability was discussed. President Larry Slight will contact JoAnne McIntosh requesting had she head this gathering effort. Larry will also invite Acting Chief Andrew Wallace on behalf of the Society. The date was also discussed as the Games take place during the second week of November 2016.

AFTER MEETING UPDATE: JoAnne McIntosh accepted.

VII - Close Meeting Sine Die

Meeting was adjourned by the President at 1:29 p.m.