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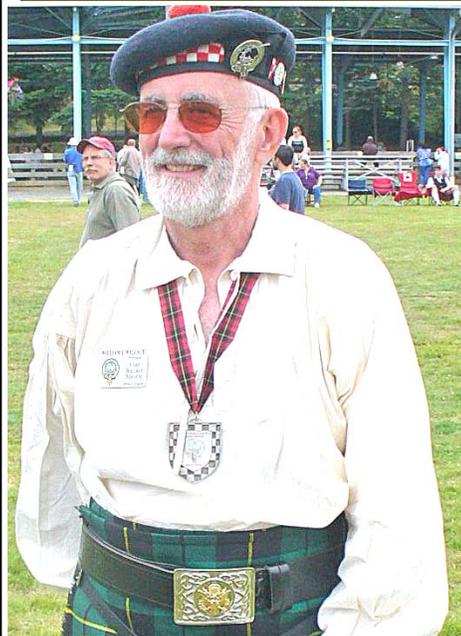
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FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT



**From The President's Desk
Autumn 2008**

As the 2008 highland game and Celtic festival season begins to wind down, on behalf of Society members, Thank You to our conveners, and their families, who expend time and energy to host Clan Wallace Society tents at approximately 79 games throughout Canada and the USA. A quick look at the membership database and list of games on the web site shows that approximately 56 members convene at about 79 festivals. Roughly 4% of members provide hospitality for approximately 1360 members as well as visitors at games. Again, Thank You conveners!

As this is being written the annual election of Directors is underway so I do not know the results. Whatever the results turn out to be, the Council members who ran for director's positions deserve recognition and thanks. The following members volunteered for Society leadership positions:

Donna Wallace, Darrell Wallace, Howard Sloane, Jim 'Bowie' Wallace (incumbent), Charles Wallace (incumbent) and Jean Wallace (incumbent). Thank You and good luck.

In September, I will visit the Long's Peak Scottish/Irish Festival and Highland Games to reconnoiter for next year's gathering and meet with our Society hosts: Richard, and Debra Tomlin and Arlene Tomlin. Lisa anticipates mailing definitive information and registration form about the end of the first quarter of 2009. To be sure get the information in a timely manner get your \$10/person pre-registration fee into Lisa by January 2009.

Our award winning newsletter needs you. Specifically, Jim Wallace is looking for an assistant editor to learn the ropes and help him continue to produce the fine newsletter we all know. Please contact Jim at 940-321-3067 or marcusjw@centurytel.net.

Here is some Society trivia for you. 521 members have Wallace or Wallis as their last name. An additional 136 members have Wallace as their first or middle name. Voting (Council) members constitute 374 or 27% of the approximately 1390 members.

Until next time, Slainte mhath, Bill

Oregon News

Norma and Bill Wallace find Oregon has a plethora of Scottish events—It's amazing!!!! We couldn't begin to go to them all, wish we could!!!! Had fun at these three where we were able to set up tents since last reporting about Albany. More recently, Albany also had a free Men of Worth concert. How great is that!!!

NEW MEMBERS

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

ANNUAL MEMBERS

- Bridger Rawlings Santaquin, UT
- Mary Anne Whiteside Cross Junction VA
- Sherman Wallace Cleveland, VA
- Jeremy Wallace Venice CA
- Marshall Wallace Marina CA
- Ivy Lorraine Wallace Camarillo, CA
- Glen Wolfe Marietta, OH
- Amy H. Wachtel Dayton, NV
- Norman C. Knight Woodslee, Ontario
- Archie Beare Wainwright, Alberta
- Kathleen Wallace McMinnville, OR
- William Wallace McMinnville, OR
- Nic Crawford Afton, TN
- Raymond Ward N. Charleston, SC
- Kelly J. Wallace Nampa, ID
- Melvin W. Wallace Nampa, ID
- Margo A. Wallace Nampa, ID
- Kendrick Edward Wallace Kuna, ID
- Margaret Mascorro Carrollton, TX
- Kevin Wallis Centennial, CO

UPGRADE TO LIFE MEMBERS

- William Wallace Succasunna, NJ

NEW LIFE MEMBERS

- William St. Clair Wallace Grisham, OR
- Martha B. Steinbacher Allenwood, PA
- Scott M. Wallace Stow, MA

TODAY, THERE ARE 1389 MEMBERS OF THE CLAN WALLACE SOCIETY WORLDWIDE.

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CONVENOR'S CORNER

This Convenors Corner is for all members and Convenors. "Wanted", members to convene across the country! We have many good Convenors, but there are many more games than Convenors can cover. There are loads of games where we do not have a Clan Wallace tent. The requirements are very easy; you need to be a member of Clan Wallace - Annual, Life or Council. We have a FREE kit available with supplies to get you started. There are other items available that may be purchased, and I will be happy to send you that list by email, or by snail mail if you do not have access to the Internet.

Members, be sure to check out the web site and see where games are being held in your area. If you go to a festival where there is a Clan participant we do not have listed on the web site, please visit their tent and get the name of the people convening and let me know who they are so we can add them to the web

listing of games convened. It will help members who want to attend a game when they see a Convenor listed their area. This is why it is so important that we have the information listed on the web site. Also, when you attend a games and you go to the Wallace tent, volunteer to sit for awhile so that they can run out get something to eat, or just so they can have a little break.

Convenors, do not forget to send in articles and photos from the festivals you participate in across the country.

These need to go to the Newsletter Editor.

Jean Wallace



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News from our Canadian Commissioner



Under bright sunny skies and cool breezes off beautiful Loch Huron, Kincardine held their 9th Scottish festival and Highland Games. Eleven clans lined the avenue of clans.

Eight Wallaces signed the guest book. This festival is getting bigger and better every year. After the festivities, at 8 o'clock, the Kincardine Pipes and Drums parade down main street with the townsfolk, kids, dogs, and pets following them. There are as

many lining both sides of the street as well! This is a ritual every Saturday night with a Celtic Concert following.

Unfortunately, Chatham and Fergus Festivals were totally wiped out with thunderstorms on both Saturdays!. However, at Fergus, the rallying of the 41 clans and the tattoo went well Friday evening. Three other Festivals in Ontario were also subject to storms. Mother Nature was not kind to us this year.

The photo accompanying this report is a new addition to our tent display. It is a hand-crafted cross with "Wallace" oak leaves and acorns. I display it with the book "The site of "The Wallace Oak" and A Stone Circle and Bronze Age Settlement "by Dr.J.C.Orkney FSA (Scot)

On Aug.30, I will be joining our new convenor at the Calgary games and on the 31st, the Canmore games in Alberta. This will be a 1st for Clan Wallace to be represented at Festivals in Alberta. This will be John Wallaces' 5th games of the season.

I congratulate him on his endeavours and wish him much success in his new ventures.

Dorothy Knight

Canadian Commissioner Woodslee, Ontario

The Flag

The Flag.

Standing on a hill I watched the fray,
Blood, sweat and gore on a summers day.
Pain and hurt that made men cry
To die and sleep ,no fond goodbye.

Some fought, some knelt, some ran away,
But the Banner man helped carry the day.
he charged with heart ,across the field,
Men turned and rose and would not yield.

It was a rout by any means,
The flag survived those awful scenes
To grace the halls where clansmen lay,
To live and rise another day.

Allan Wilson

Highland Line International

Richmond Hill, Ontario

Cooking Corner ~ Fall Fun & Tail Gate Favorites

To a full moon on a dark night, and the road downhill all the way to your door.

Cracker Snacks

1 1 oz. pkg. Ranch dressing mix
 ¼ tsp. each; dillweed- dried whole, lemon pepper
 1/8 tsp. garlic powder
 2 bags oyster crackers
 ½ cup vegetable oil

Combine spices in large bowl. Add crackers tossing well. Drizzle oil – stir well. Place mix in large brown paper bag, fold to close. Let stand 2 hours – shaking occasionally. Remove and store in airtight container.

Alternative:

1 bag oyster crackers, small pretzels, rice checks & gold fish.

Whisky Cake

1 18.25 oz. box yellow cake mix, prepared to directions
 ½ cup raisins
 ½ cup pecans, chopped
 1 tsp. flour
 ¼ cup butter
 ½ cup sugar
 ½ cup Whisky

Preheat oven 350. Spray bundt pan with non-stick spray. Small bowl combine raisins, pecans and flour. Mix until thoroughly coated then stir into prepared cake batter. Pour cake batter into pan and bake 32 to 35 minutes or until tester comes clean. Remove to wire rack. Do not remove cake from pan.

In small sauce pan combine butter,

sugar and Whisky and bring to a boil over medium heat stirring constantly. Let boil 5 minutes.

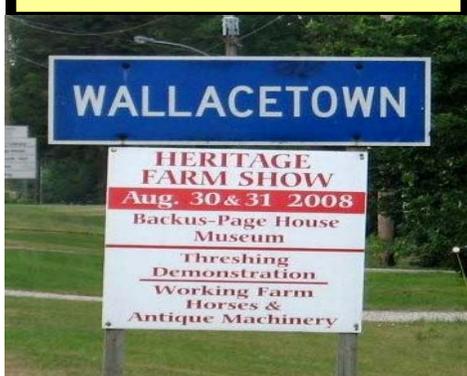
Using skewer, poke holes into top of cake and pour the syrup over the cake. Let cool in the pan for 15 minutes then remove to cake plate to cool completely.

White Chocolate Salties

8 2 oz. squares vanilla almond bark
 2 3 oz. pkgs. salted nuts
 3 cups thin pretzel sticks

Melt candy coating in microwave according to directions – cool 2 minutes then add nuts and pretzels; stir till coated. Drop by spoonfuls onto wax paper. Let set and store in air tight container.

WALLACE TRIVIA



From our Canadian Commissioner Dorothy Knight comes this picture of the city limit sign: Wallacetown, Ontario, Canada.



Ray Morehead of Clan Muirhead

PLEASE SUBMIT ALL OF YOUR ARTICLES, NEWS AND "FLOWERS OF THE FOREST" TO US ELECTRONICALLY AT EDITOR@CLANWALLACE.ORG

From the Editor

MS_Publisher Has lots of tools to simplify the preparation of the newsletter. It does have some quirks and there are several ways that you can make the job easier. Suggestions:

1. Submit your article in plain text or MS-WORD format.
2. Submit pictures in .jpg format
3. Label your pictures. Most cameras label them with something like 100-234 which is pretty meaningless.

Do not embed pictures in MS-Word documents or if you do also submit them separately. Once the picture is in Word Format, I have no way to open it in MS Picture Manager and compress it. Cropping and resizing pictures reduces them somewhat but not nearly enough. For instance some of the better digital cameras have the capability of producing pictures greater than 1.0 MB in size. Great if you are going to blow them up to cover a wall but a couple in a MS-Publisher document renders it too large to send through my DSL access to the internet.

If you send me a paper copy through snail mail I can scan it and put it into digital format. The important thing is to let us hear from you. What is going on in YOUR corner of the world.

Marcus J. (Jim) Wallace Jr.
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Clan Wallace - Chicago, IL



Peter and Mary Ellen Aishton

While occasional rain gave periodic pause to activities at the 22nd Annual Illinois St. Andrews Society Scottish Festival and Highland Games, it didn't dampen the spirits or the fun at the Clan Wallace Society Tent.

A constant stream of visitors stopped by to learn more about the Clan Wallace, it's roots and history, and to discuss their own Scottish/Celtic heritage. Many were fascinated with the Clan map, and while hunting for the location of their own Clan, stayed awhile to learn more about ours.

Peter and Mary Ellen Aishton served as first-time conveners, and thoroughly enjoyed meeting and talking with old and new friends alike. As Peter put it - "It's like discovering you've got an extended family you never knew you had!" Wallaces came from throughout the surrounding Chicago-land area, with one family coming all the way from Milwaukee.

The day was a rousing success, with a multitude of activities held during its two-day run. Guests enjoyed bagpipe and dancing competitions, heavy athletics, whiskey tasting, a shortbread competition, sheep herding, shopping, Celtic bands, Genealogy, a men's "Knobby-Knees" contest, and the women's "Haggis-Hurling" contest.

High Desert Celtic Festival & Highland Games

Madras, OR

The HDCS have held their festival in at least five other locations since forming in 1988. It appears that they have found a friendly, festive & fair-like quality at this small community. Hopefully, Madras will be the festival's permanent home. First time competitors competed along with old times hurling the hammer and tossing the

Arlington, Texas



Three generations of Wallace's attended the June games in Arlington, Texas. The event began with cloudy skies and winds. While the wind toyed with our handouts and sign-in register, we assisted guests. I was so proud of my 13 year old nephew, Johnathan, who was eager to answer questions and could tell folks where the birth place of Clan Wallace was located in Scotland. Being Jim's grandson, the poor kid never had a chance!

My father and I attended a whiskey tasting sponsored by The Six Classic Malts of Scotland. Have you ever tasted whiskey under a tent in high heat and humidity? Of the six tastings offered, I could only taste two, but they were lovely. As always, the music was inspiring. Seven Nations was back this year with a new fiddle player. And I always take great pride in my heritage when I witness the North Texas Caledonian Pipes and Drums led by Pipe Major Don Shannon.

These games were poignant this year for my family as this may be the last year that my father convenes in Arlington. During his tenure, I have learned much about Clan Wallace, William and my own family. My goal is to continue with my father's work for the Clan and uphold the tradition that he worked hard to establish. Pro Libertate,
Donna K. Wallace

cabers. Kids were enthralled with sword fighting demonstrations, of course, and many had their wooden swords. It was fun for them to compare their swords with The Wallace Sword replica at our tent. Besides their eyes getting very big when looking and testing the sword, they gained a little knowledge of The Liberator of Scotland. That's the point, after all.

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6TH CLAN WALLACE INTERNATIONAL GATHERING: SEPT 11-13, 2009

Mark your calendars now and plan to attend the 2009 Clan Wallace International Gathering to be held in Estes Park, Colorado September 11th – 13th in conjunction with the 33rd Longs Peak Scottish / Irish Highland Festival.

We're proud to announce that Clan Wallace has been chosen as one of the Honored Clans for the 2009 Festival.

Over 75,000 are expected to attend the Festival, one of the largest in the United States. Over 50 events run throughout the weekend including a US / International Jousting Competition, Amateur & Professional Scottish Athletics Championships, Evening Tattoo's with Pipe Bands from around the country performing. Dancers, Food, Clan Exhibitions, Dog Competitions, 100+ Celtic Importers and Crafters, nightly Concerts and much, much more!

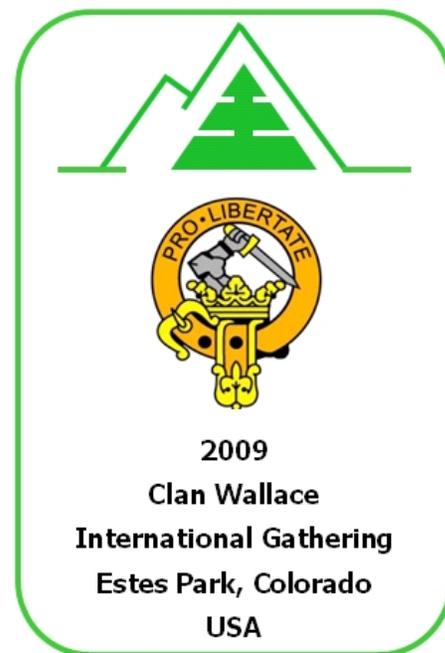
The cost of the Festival and their events are separate from the Gathering and it's

costs will be borne by those wanting to attend. Please check out their website at www.scotsfest.com for Festival structure and pricing.

We are currently in the process of securing hotel rooms for the Gathering and preparing a Gathering schedule. Format and pricing will be made available in the near future.

If you want to receive Hotel, Festival and other pertinent information, send your full name(s), ages if youth, address, phone numbers and e-mail addresses along with a non-refundable payment of **\$10 per person** made payable to CWSW and mail to Lisa Donant, CWSW Treasurer, 7454 Plum Rose Court, Mechanicsville, VA 23111.

Persons responding will be placed on a Priority List for the Gathering and provided with all required information for attendance to be mailed early 2009. Ad-



dress any questions to Lisa Donant at lisa7454@verizon.net or 804-730-5580.

Scotland 2008 – Oban, Iona and the Lowlands By Bob Wallace

By the time this newsletter reaches your computer's Inbox or residential mail box, Lois and I will be boarding our aircraft in Reno for the flight to Glasgow, or maybe just stepping off the aircraft into the terminal at Glasgow International Airport for yet another tour of Scotland.

The original intent for this tour was along the lines of the 2005 trip: five or six days in the Highlands, but then a week in the Lowlands taking in areas that we were unable to find sufficient time for during our visit in 2005.

This year's tour begins at Glasgow Airport, proceeds along the south side of the Clyde River to Gourock where we'll cross the Firth of Clyde to Dunoon, then travel through the Argyll Forest Park, the first such park in Scotland dating back to 1935. Along the route to Oban we'll also stop near Inveraray Castle, in the area where we saw our first Highland cows back in 2000 on our first visit to this country.

Our overnight stop in Oban will allow for a lengthy day on Mull and Iona, with a tour of the Abbey on Iona in the afternoon before returning to Craignure and the ferry trip back to Oban for a second night in the Western Highlands.

The following morning will find us wending our way to Kilchurn Castle on Loch Fyne's northeastern shore, then through the Trossachs to Peebles for a couple of nights. In addition to touring the town of Lanark, we'll stay in Peebles long enough to take in the Peebles Highland Games on Saturday.

Several hours will be spent visiting two of the Border Abbeys and the Wallace statue near Dryburgh before motoring off to Robert Burns country in Dumfries for two days, then on to Culzean Castle in Ayrshire, then on our way back to Glasgow for an overnight before flying home or on to other destinations.



Portland Highland Games

The Portland Games are actually held in Gresham, on the college campus of Mount Hood Community College. It didn't take long to find the bagpipers as the sound resonated throughout the campus. The clan tents and athletics were up on a field a good distance from the athletics and most vendors. That did not deter the Scots who were looking for their Clan Tent to investigate their roots. It was a first for Erik Berg at Eugene Festival to help us at the tent and he did a splendid job. Compliments came from visitors and he recruited William Wallace of Gresham. Tim Garthwaite and his 10 year old son, Shane came by; they plan to be helping in 2009. Over 100 visited the tent- nineteen members and non-member Wallaces signed the register. It was exciting to see, Chip Wallace, wearing the Wallace tartan (of course), throwing weights over the high bar.

Clan Wallace International Projects in Scotland – Update

Submitted by John R. Wallace, Director and Chairman of International Projects

Seven travelers of Scottish descent recently adventured to Scotland during the period 3 to 12 July 2008. In this group were 3 Wallaces and 5 of the members were Knights Templar affiliated with the Sovereign Military Order of the Temple of Jerusalem. During their stay, 4 days were spent staying in the medieval Rosslyn Castle, of Templar-*Da Vinci Code* fame, near Edinburgh and 2 days at historic Borthwick Castle located just southeast of Glasgow. Fitted into the travel schedule of the group were visits to several William Wallace sites to check on the status of several of the Societies International Monument Projects.

A. Wallace Yew Tree Rejuvenation



Directors Lisa Donant and
CAPT John R. Wallace

Project at Elderslie Wallace Monument Site.

High on the priority list of sites to visit by the Wallaces on the trip (Member Michael Donant and his wife, Lisa, the Clan Society Treasurer, and in company with Director and Past President, John Wallace) was Elderslie, Scotland, at William Wallace's birth site where over the years the Wallace Yew Tree has sustained damage from lightning, fire, and vandalism. Clan Wallace Society in partnership with the Renfrewshire Council funded a project to take cuttings from the dying tree, nurture them, and

then implant them back to try to restore the health of the tree. We are happy to report that the tree, although a long way from complete restoration, is looking much healthier than when we last visited in 2005, and looks to be on the road to recovery.



Wallace Yew at Elderslie

B. Wallace Celtic Cross Monument at Robroyston.

While in the Glasgow area, the team visited this important site located on the west side of Glasgow. Formerly the area was quite rural and the monument, located at a roadside location, was surrounded in 2005 by empty fields. In 2005 during the Clan Wallace



WALLACE CELTIC CROSS

the site revealed that the stone wall surrounding the Monument had crumbled from age and needed restoration and repair. Negotiations with the Glasgow Council since that time revealed that upgrades were planned by the Scottish Government in conjunction with major development and building of residential housing and business in the area surrounding the site. Clan Wallace Society delayed offering assistance until a site evaluation could be completed, which was scheduled for this trip in July 2008. The housing and business development is moving along quite extensively and the site is now located adjacent to a community of buildings and side roads. The roadside approach to the Monument has been up-graded with new sidewalks and stone walls. The



New Rear Entrance

Monument has been surrounded by a protective iron fence and a new rear



New Protective Iron Fence

access road/walkway has been built giving access to the Monument from an area where some parking is available.

Although the project is still under construction, the site is nearly finished and looks good. When completed this important Wallace Commemorative site will be more accessible and visitor friendly than ever since its original erection.

C. The Wallace Well Site at Robroyston

Just down the road from the Wallace Celtic Cross Monument is located a Well Site attributed to William Wallace with limited roadside access and no parking. Cars and buses on tours of the area must park on the road to gain access. Since the 2005 Tour the Council has rebuilt several of the



WALLACE WELL

stone walls and walkways in the area of this site although one section of the wall on this possible has sustained accident damage and needs repair. It appeared that this work may be underway. Further discussions may be in order with regards to a future project.

MIKE AND LISA DONANT AND CAPT JOHN AT ENTRANCE TO NEW VISITORS CENTER



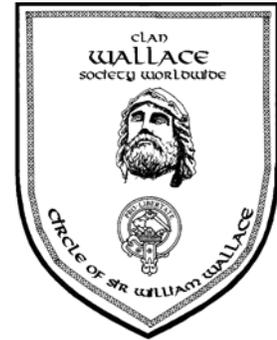
D. Culloden Battlefield Commemorative Paving Stone

On the old historic battlefield at Culloden near Inverness in the Highlands, The National Trust of Scotland has constructed a marvelous new Visitors' Center. During 2007, Clan Wallace Society commissioned a large tile paving stone to be cut from slate and engraved with the Clan Wallace Crest to be laid in the entrance walkway to this new Center. The team visited the site to tour the battlefield, visit the museums and displays in the new Center, and to view the Wallace paving stone. The new building is very modern and utile; containing several museum areas with movies, live action, and interactive displays of this important part of Scottish history. The site has adequate parking, as well as a nice tea room and souvenir shop. Well worth a visit should you be in Scotland. Unfortunately the



NEW VISITORS CENTER

Wallace Tile Paver, although completed and ready for shipping from the engraver, had not arrived and installed at the time of our visit. The Host Staff were most attentive to us and assured us that they would send a photo along as soon as the tile paver was installed in the walkway. Look for more on this project in future newsletters.



CWSW Rewards Program

Clan Wallace Society continues to support our International Projects from the generous donations received through the Rewards Program. The President and the Board of Directors of Clan Wallace Society Worldwide extends its "Appreciation and Thanks" to the many donors who support the Society with participation in this innovative program. Those who have earned to Rewards Medallions, Medals, and Pins are encouraged to wear them whenever appropriate so that you may be recognized and thus encourage others to join us. The program's success will only continue if we continue to get your help and support.

All persons, whether members of the Society or not, may participate in this important Rewards Program and receive the uniquely designed pins, medals, and medallions that represent their tax-exempt donations. Information on how to get involved is found on the Website at < www.clanwallace.org > or by contacting the CWSW Rewards Program Coordinator at:

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Please take note of the address and information changes for the Program Director due to his recent move from Virginia. CW Conveners should insure that the address information change is reflected in the Rewards Program Brochures that you use at your Festival Tents this summer.

Sharing the Fun in Washington

Lori & Darrell Wallace and Norma & Bill Wallace have shared the fun. Since the Puyallap Festival in the spring they have helped each other in Tacoma and Enumclaw.

Tacoma Highland Games

The bagpipes, athletics and Celtic music all part of Highland Games, brings different thoughts to those who are entering into a wee bit of Scotland for the day. To add to the fun at the Clan Tents there was an official Sheep Napping Contest. Hamish, the sheep, was sheepnapped throughout the day. Specific rules were in place to prevent cruelty to animals, even the stuffed one. All was in fun and Hamish spent several hours at the Wallace tent until he was spirited away by the Campbells. The winning Clan was awarded a “ransom” basket. A novel idea that might be tried at other festivals.

Stirling to CWS. On the back is an original poem about Scottish freedom by Raymond



Bill and Raymond

it isn't necessary for the song books— however, with many just learning about their heritage it was so nice to see all the words to tunes that were well known to our ancestors.

The Rising of the Clans with a flaming saltire was a sight to behold! The band competition and dance competition were inspiring as dancers performed in front of filled bleachers.



Danhua and Howard Wallace with Adellia Kleefeld

A special thanks to Howard and Danhua

Wallace who were a great help in Enumclaw, staffing the tent and greeting visitors.

The Crawfords and Wallaces had their tents next to each other—both clans had record number of attendants. After the opening with each clan being announced and welcomed to the games in the most genuine friendly manner ever, the Wallaces and Crawfords were joined by Clan Lindsay for a group picture. One big family. Comments were made that marching and celebrating their Scottish Heritage was such a privilege. Nice to hear! Certainly true



Bill, Norma, Darrell and Lori Wallace Terry Pea of Clan Crawford Society



Norma and Hamish before he was sheepnapped

Raymond Morehead, who has been working with Marcus Wallace for several years to have Documents Illustrative of Sir William Wallace, His Life and Times translated into modern English, presented a beautiful framed photograph of The Liberator statue on the Wallace Monument at

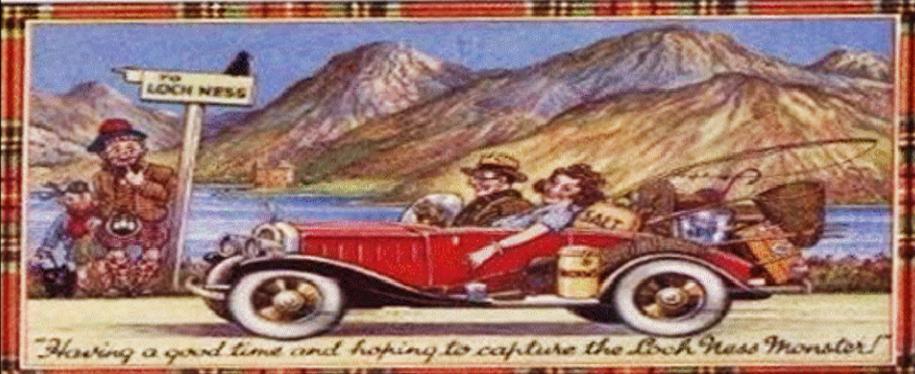
The Pacific Northwest Scottish Highland Games, Enumclaw These games have the **Wow** factor going for them. Starting on Friday night after the set up, there was a sing along with most of the audience joining in. Why, because we had a great leader and song books. In Scotland



Enumclaw Washington Games



Some of you may remember post cards of this era.
Contributed by Dorothy Knight



Doug Patterson and Dorothy Knight



CHILDRENS TUG OF WAR AT GLASGOW GAMES

The Re-enactment of Lord Selkirks' Landing at Baldoon Ont.

, ----Wallace Day-----,was a beautiful ,hot and hazy day. But it did not deter the re-enactment of Thomas Douglass', (Lord Selkirk), landing at Baldoon, located just west of the town of Wallaceburg.Circa 1830.This area was chosen for its rich and fertile lands. Some 15 families settled here on the banks of the Syne River. Later some relocated to the forks of the Sydenham River and made up the community of Wallaceburg, in honour of Sir Wm Wallace ,Scottish hero and patriot.

During the enactment. ,canoes of the French voyageurs lined the shore. and the settlers also arrived by canoe. They proceeded to make temporary homes by pitching their tents, digging fire pits, with tripod and suspended iron pots and kettles for their stoves. The men were knowledgeable in various trades, set up demonstrations in rope making, furniture and wood working. and toys for the children, Ladies proceeded to making candles, and the household items they would need.

The voyageurs displayed pelts of bear, beaver, muskrat and ermine. They would skin the animals and dry them on pelt board to stretch and dry. Children played with simple items2 balls tied together ,each with a stick to catch the balls...a game too dangerous for today's children!!!

The local "store" displayed the necessities:blankets, simple clothing, food, beeswax candles.

The men also demonstrated the canons and a musket loader. Corn on the cob was boiling in a huge covered pot.

During the walk-about, marveling at the fortitude and perseverance of these hearty settlers, we were entertained by highland and Irish dancing; Celtic music; the Chatham pipes and drums. and a story of the Saltire by Doug Patterson, history buff and storyteller. Later that afternoon, moose tongue was served for supper. Needless to saywe didn't stay for supper!

It was a wonderful learning experience.

Dorothy Knight
Canadian Commissioner

Midland Scottish Irish Faire

The Midland Scottish-Irish Faire is held inside the Horseshoe Arena in Midland, TX. This year's Faire was March 7 to 9, 2008. There were a number of vendors and entertainers present. And since it is an indoors venue, there were no Scottish games held. Some of the entertainers were, Don Gabbert, Jed Marum, Red McWilliams and Hugh Morrison's band, "Murder The Stout." The entertainers put on shows throughout Saturday and Sunday.



It was reported that by 11 AM on Saturday, attendance exceeded last year's total, making the 6th Annual Faire a huge success. There were a large number of

Haggis hunters at the Faire seeking the elusive Haggii even though Haggis Hunting season has ended in Scotland. The Haggii whom I suspect hid out due to the Flemish warhorses present for the jousting shows. I certainly spotted no haggis during the Faire! The biggest draw was probably the Knights of the Guild, <http://www.knightlife.net/>, with their large, Flemish Warhorses.

The picture shows Thor (6 years old), at 20 hands tall, Galahad, a much smaller horse, and Thor's younger brother, Maximilian (4 years old), who is expected to be larger than Thor!

Life Member Clifford H. Sherrod and his wife Joyce were there as Cliff is the piper for the event. Wayne Wallace of Canyon Lake, Texas set up for the Clan Wallace Society (Worldwide) and Frank set up for Clan Leslie.

Frank Wallace Leslie
William Wayne Wallace

2008 Loch Norman Highland Games

The 15th Annual Loch Norman Highland Games, held on the weekend of 18-20 April this year were dedicated to the participation of Scots in building America. This excellent Festival is sited at Rural Hill Centre at the shores of Lock Norman near Huntersville, North Carolina. This year there were over 80 Clans and Societies represented on the field and thousands of people attended on all three days of the event to enjoy a full range of entertainment, Athletics, Competitions, Historical reenactments, Pipe Bands, and Ceremonies. The weather was beautiful during the entire event. CWSW Conveners Nina and David Wallace from Huntersville hosted the Clan Wallace Tent for the weekend, providing a gathering place for large numbers of our Clan who annually attend this prestigious event. AS always the Friday night opening ceremonies, "The Calling of the Clans" was inspiring and heart warming. Clan Wallace was represented in the ceremony by CWSW Member Ron Heacock from Fairview, NC and CWSW Past President and Director John Wallace from Walterboro, SC. This year was particularly popular with the Wallace children, who flocked to the Children's Activities, including a large assortment of animals Truly a Highland Games to put on your calendar for 2009.



GLASGOW CHAMPIONS

Eugene Scottish Festival

A bit O Scotland existed in Eugene Oregon at the Peace Presbyterian Church on May 17th. Although a wee festival it had many unique features. Would you believe the Clan tent space was free and this was the first year to charge admission—all of \$2.00. Inside the church there was a unique 'Scottish Museum' with displays ranging from William Wallace to Scottish castles. Outside a 'Highlander' answered children's questions about Scotland while nearby women in period costume presented a waulking demonstration.

The 23rd Annual Glasgow Highland Games

Over the weekend of May 29th through June 1st 2008, Barren River State Resort Park near Glasgow, Kentucky, teemed with thousands of visitors visiting and participating in this wonderful event. This year's weather was marvelous. Over 75 Clan and Society Tents surrounded the St Andrews Field, while athletes tossed cabers and pipe bands marched en-mass to entertain those present this year. As always the entertainment over this 4 day Festival was exceptional. This coupled with the aromas of the ethnic foods and the sounds of the bag pipes echoing up from Strathbarren Field made it all worth while. Each year this exceptional event is sponsored by the City of Glasgow Family, made up of Scottish descent citizens who band together to jointly sponsor what is

probably the best and most comprehensive Highland Games in the Midwest. This years highlight event was the Clan Tug-of-War Challenge, when the mighty Clan Wallace Team defeated the challenging Clan Donald Team, for a record 13th consecutive year win in this event for Team Wallace, led by Convener and Host Tim Young, and this was followed, of course, by the popular Alice Wallace Young Children's Tug-of-War (sponsored by Clan Wallace in honor of Tim's deceased mother, Alice), where the children annually "out-pull" and humiliate the Clan Wallace Team; all in good fun. The Clan Wallace Tent area was filled with clansmen at all times. This year's Honored Chief of the Glasgow Highland Games was Clan Wallace's good friends and our hosts for the 2005 Wallace 700 Ceremonies in Aberdeen, Scotland, David Irvine, the 26th Baron of Drum.