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**This year's cover photo is of
the family of the late Dr. Lamar McMillin.
It was taken at the 69th Annual Reunion of the
Mississippi McMillins which features on pages 10 & 11.**

Seated from left:

Grayson & Millin Moomaw sons of Charlie Moomaw and Ashley McMillin; Ethan Lamar McMillin, son of David Lamar McMillin and Grace Lo; Lynlee & Lyla McMillin, daughters of Stephen Lee McMillin and Jennifer Lynn.

Back row from the left:

Baby Charleston and Ashley McMillin and Charlie Moomaw;
David Lamar McMillin and Grace Lo;
Carol McMillin; Stephen Lee McMillin and Jennifer Lynn.

Editorial - Looking Back and Thinking Ahead

The turning of the decade means that it's about thirty years since I became involved with Clan MacMillan; at first, in the late 1980s, just with my own branch of the clan in Glenurquhart, and then in the early 1990s with the rest of the clan as Curator of the then-new Clan MacMillan Centre.

In those early days, as we struggled to find a way to finance the Centre's day-to-day operations and I learned about email and then how to create a website, the Scottish clan was fortunate to have two flourishing societies: the original Clan MacMillan Society [CMS] that had been founded in 1892, and the Glenurquhart MacMillan Society founded in 1991. An annual highlight then was the CMS's annual Burns Supper hosted in Finlaystone House by Chief George and his wife Jane, and every few years they would welcome into their home MacMillans from all over the world for an International Gathering.

Today there is a temptation to look back on those times as the clan's golden age since we no longer have a Scottish or UK society to organise regular events for MacMillans in Britain, or any staff at the Clan Centre to help the chief in his role as the keystone of the clan. However, rather than looking back with rose-tinted spectacles, we should use the arrival of the new decade to count our present blessings and to plan for the future.

Though we no longer have a purely Scottish society, we have instead an international society based in Scotland, and we have national, provincial/state and regional societies (not to mention various family groups) who all recognise the worth of the Clan Centre and regularly contribute to its work. In return we support them with the website, our publications, and the availability of both myself and our chief to communicate with and to meet clanspeople from around the world.

We have been fortunate for the last thirty years to have been supported by outstanding individuals around the world who shared the chief's vision of an inclusive clan working together towards shared goals. Though in recent years we have lost some of them - most notably perhaps Lamar McMillin, whose family are featured on our cover - others are still going strong. Chris McMullen in Canada had already written "The MacMillan Endeavour" when I arrived at the Clan Centre and he's still regularly contributing to the corpus of the clan's knowledge. Margaret Pool, who founded the New Zealand society in 1991, is still its Patron and its genealogist. Mike McMillen from Minneapolis was one of the chief's regular correspondents in the early 1990s and when my crude early attempts at a CMI website needed improving he offered his services as a professional website designer - with the results that we can all see now at www.clanmacmillan.org.

Mike McMillen and his son Tom have now taken up the challenge of creating an official Clan MacMillan Facebook page, which our branches are invited to use to advertise their events. Gary McMillion from Texas has been joined by Robert McMillan from Alabama as Joint-Administrator of the Clan MacMillan Y-DNA Project. Jerry Pilkington in California fulfils a vital role as the Clan Centre's USA financial representative; and Blanche McMillan in Canada continues to do an wonderful job as Abbot of the CTS - a body upon which the Clan Centre relies (as its founder Father Mac intended) to give it financial stability and spiritual support.

Around the world, while some Clan MacMillan branches and societies rise and fall as founders and Presidents come and go, others march on as a new generation takes up the burdens once borne by their fathers and predecessors - notably in Appalachia, the Pacific, and the North Central States of the USA.

The gatherings of the CMSNA every two or three years on alternating sides of the US/Canadian border remind us of the North American inauguration in 1958 of the first clan chief to be recognised since the late 1700s - General Sir Gordon MacMillan - and of the unstinting service he and then his son George have given the clan around the world.

As a clan historian & genealogist, and now as Chairman of the Association of Highland Clans & Societies, I have observed and interacted with many clan organisations and chiefs. Each have their own way of doing things; but in terms of the time, money, and care spent on his clan, George MacMillan stands alone. That's recognised by his fellow chiefs, by games organisers the world over (who would like him particularly to be their honoured guest) and by the members of many clans who ask me how George is and when they might expect to see him again. Sadly however, as he approaches his 90th birthday, the chief's international travelling days are over, though he remains busy and cheerful - and happy to welcome those that travel to see him at Finlaystone.

So, as George himself is the first to say, we have to begin to prepare to do without him (though I'm confident he will be with us for a while yet) and because he has been so-uniquely hands-on, things will have to change. Pauline Simpson, who ceased to be the Curator of the Clan Centre a few years ago but who has continued to help George as his Personal Assistant, will no longer be available to post out our publications and help deal with visiting clanspeople. Arthur, who has an estate and businesses to run, will not be able to devote the same amount of time to the clan that his father has been able to; and while I can take on a little of the day-to-day communication with the clan that George currently handles, there's a limit to what I too can do.

So the challenge goes out - to the Clan Centre Trustees and members of CMI (especially those resident in Scotland or elsewhere in the UK): What can you do to make sure the wonderful work George and Jane have done for the clan over the last thirty years is perpetuated? It might be little things like helping dispatch books ordered by clan members, or being available to show visiting clanspeople around the Clan Centre when Arthur and Barbara are away. It might be bigger things like taking Clan MacMillan to Highland Games in Scotland or organising an annual event (lunch, dinner, ceilidh or whatever) for the clan in Scotland - maybe even reviving the original Clan MacMillan Society (1892) in order to do these things. It could even be a very big thing, like offering your services - if you are suitably qualified - as CMI Treasurer (a role currently filled by Arthur, but which should ideally be held by someone else - and will have to be when he succeeds as chief).

While we may be able to wait a while yet for a new CMI Treasurer, some changes are having to be made immediately. As previously announced, this edition of the magazine will be the last of our annual publications to be sent out in hard copies (except for those few of our members who do not have email). From the June 2020 newsletter onwards, the PDFs sent out as email attachments will be formatted for both UK and North American paper sizes in such a way that members wanting paper copies will be able to get them printed out at a copyshop (though an alternative might be for volunteers in each country - Trustees perhaps - to get them printed out and then posted on to members requesting hard copies). An amended membership renewal form reflecting the new system will be sent out with this magazine.

George's ninetieth birthday will be in June, and will be marked by his immediate family then. His clan will have the chance to celebrate it in August when we know that some overseas members will be in Scotland for the HRAT Lochaber tour. If you would like to join us for a celebratory lunch on Saturday 29th August please let us know ASAP so we have an idea of likely numbers in order to book a suitable venue. I look forward to seeing many of you then.

Graeme Mackenzie.

Would you like to join us to
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 Raise money for
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James John McMillan 1929-2019

We were very sad to hear the news of the death in August of Jim McMillan, who served for many years as the Chairman of the Glenurquhart MacMillan Society. Jim, who lived in his later years at Burnieboozle in Formby, England, was born in Tain in Ross-shire. He was a descendant of Donald MacMillan, "The Grey Smith of Inchvalgar", who was the only Glenurquhart MacMillan banished to the West Indies after The '45 Jacobite Rising who was able to return to his native glen. Jim and his sister Elizabeth joined the Glenurquhart Society when it was founded in the early 1990s, and he regularly attended its events along with his wife Rhoda. They were also frequent visitors to Finlaystone and participants in many Clan MacMillan events elsewhere in Scotland.

News from the Clan around the World

CLAN MACMILLAN NORTH CENTRAL STATES (USA)



2020 EVENTS:

Branch social events at
Tillie's Farmhouse,
232 N. Cleveland Ave.,
St. Paul:
February 15
April 18
June 13

Minnesota Scottish
Fair & Highland
Games, in Eagan,
July 18

Minnesota Irish Fair,
St. Paul,
August 18
(not a Clan event)

CLAN MACMILLAN SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA - from their Newsletter

President's Report, July 2018

A lot has been happening at CMSA in the last few months.... We missed Bendigo Scots Day Out due to the extreme heat expected and Scots on the Swap was cancelled by the event organisers. 26th January: Australia Day Parade, Ross and Myrna represented CMSA on the day. 31st March: Mick and Mary-Anne McMillan hosted our tent at the Ringwood Highland Games & Celtic Festival in the new venue at J. W. Manson Reserve in Wantirna. The day started out damp and gloomy but the rain held off for most of it. We are making this event our annual members get together and picnic, we hope to see you there next year. 1st June: I went along to the Victorian Associations of Family History Organisations (VAFHO), Family History Expo in Hamilton with our information table. A highlight of my day was a visit from Yarrowonga member Judy Coates who kept me company for most of the day. Together we later had dinner with the VAFHO team at the Thai Town restaurant. A great end to the day. 21st July: 4 Members of CMSA presented our tartan at the Kirkin of the Tartan in Scots Church Melbourne as part of its Tartan Festival. The church was as full as I have ever seen it. The Celtic Choir sang with their usual grace and although I couldn't understand the Celtic readings the language of my ancestors was very moving. After the service we went over to the hall for tea and sandwiches and caught up with a few Scots we have become friends with over the years. The day concluded with the Pipe band parade down Collins Street.

Kaye O'Reilly

Vale

It was with deep sadness we heard of the Passing of Life Member Maxwell (Max) Senior who passed away on the 15th March. A lovely man, a true Gentleman, He was an inaugural member of the CMSA. Max and his wife June were made Life Members in 2012 for their years of commitment to our Clan. They are both sadly missed.

Out and About

In March we had a visit from the Clan Genealogist Graeme Mackenzie and his partner Carol Morris. Graeme was on a speaking tour of New Zealand and called into Melbourne on his way home for some talks at the GSV. He spoke on the History of the Scottish Highlands, the culture and traditions of the clans as well as tracing your ancestors in the Highlands of Scotland. Afterwards we caught up for a late lunch at the Emporio restaurant at Crown - where we are pictured:

From the left: Myrna Robinson, Carol Morris, Graeme Mackenzie, Kaye O'Reilly & Janice Brooks



CLAN MACMILLAN SOC. OF NEW ZEALAND - from their Newsletter



Peter Pool reports on Clan Plaques in Waipu

This project is being led by the Waipu Residents & Ratepayers Association for the Waipu community, a plan that has evolved over two years that will greatly enhance the heritage profile of the Scottish Clan families that settled in Waipu.

The plan is for sixty four oval-shaped tartan shields, each with the Clan name on them, to be erected back-to-back on thirty-two power poles along the three entrances to the town and the main street. The tartan selection is completed, based on local research and discussions.

Your committee has supported this project and have sent a donation to help with the erection and maintenance of a McMillan shield.

Origins of the project – by Julie Paton, Northern Advocate, 27 June 2019

A trip to Nova Scotia five years ago sparked the idea. As Waipu's Ross Boyd and wife Wendy walked along the waterfront of Pictou town they noticed plaques on each light pole representing different clan tartans. "We thought: wouldn't that be great in Waipu?" said Boyd. "Each of us thought the other had taken a photo, but it turned out neither of us did." Relying on memory, Boyd pitched the idea to the Waipu Residents and Ratepayers Association, which received it enthusiastically. Enlisting the help of sign company Splash Signs to make the plaques, he began the arduous task of sorting out which clans should be recognised. He looked at the names on the monument outside Waipu's museum, which lists families of Scottish ancestry who travelled to Waipu from Nova Scotia in the mid-19th century. Boyd whittled the list down further, using the phone book for the names of families still in Waipu.

Deciding an oval rather than a square plaque shape would stand out more, Boyd next chose which form of each tartan to use, a trickier task than he expected. "The first one I looked at had 42 varieties ... ancient, modern, hunting, private, corporate." He consulted local families, asking which they thought was appropriate, but sometimes had to choose for them. Putting the signs up last month also proved tricky. Boyd planned to install them on poles in alphabetical order so people could find their clans easily, but unstable roadsides by some poles meant the plan had to change. Boyd plans to put a map showing the location of all the signs on the Waipu facebook page so people can find their clans.

The project has taken him hundreds of hours over more than two years and the overriding feeling he has, seeing them all in place, is relief. He is grateful to all the people and organisations who supported and helped fund the project — the Lotteries Commission, Whangarei District Council, along with several local businesses, families and a couple of clan organisations. People seem to like the new plaques, he said. "One girl said to me: 'That's my mother's clan on the pole outside her house,'" he said. "She was thrilled — it wasn't planned, it just happened."

PACIFIC BRANCH (USA) from *The Tonsured Times* for Winter 2019

The Seaside Highland games in Ventura CA were great. The weather was very nice, so we did not have to brave the heat to watch games, or the dog competition. We had a steady stream of visitors paying dues, and buying t-shirts. Colleen Wilson, our favorite MacMillan Pipe Major, won third place in her competition. Congratulations to her and her dedication to her craft. *The picture right of the bands marching to the games (taken from the Ventura Games Facebook Page), does not feature Colleen! Ed.* Thank you to all who attended the games, and we hope to see everyone at Costa Mesa.

Our long time Membership Chair, Newsletter Co-editor, and friend Judy Young was in a serious car accident, with Clan Past President, Linda Cook in St. George, Utah. Linda and her dog were uninjured in the crash, but Judy sustained serious injuries. After her surgery, Judy is back at home recuperating.



APPALACHIAN BRANCH (USA) - from *The Chatterbox* for August 2019



The Appalachian Branch on parade at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games

From The President's Pen

As we begin another great year for Clan MacMillan, we have the opportunity to reflect on what a great year we have had. We have had another successful Florida Highland Games, and I am pleased to watch it grow. I encourage everyone to try and attend these games at some point, as it is becoming one of my favorite games. Loch Norman proved to be a bit of a wash out, with ankle high standing mud, but we made the most of it, and the kids loved the mess! And as for Grandfather this year, we had one of the best Grandfather games we have had in 20 years, welcoming over 20 new members. Well done Clan MacMillan!

We look forward to the upcoming year and all of the changes and excitement it will bring. Sarah and I will not be attending Stone Mountain this year, as we will be welcoming a new baby boy to clan in the upcoming weeks. We cannot tell you how much we appreciate the love and support from our Clansmen who will be filling in for us at these games. We could not do it without you all. We are truly a family, and one in which I am proud to be a part of.

Thank you to everyone who helps and participates in our Clan. Thank you for bringing friends and family and introducing more and more people to such an amazing group. We choose to make this Clan a priority, and choose to be a part of this family, which is part of what makes us so strong and so close. Let's keep it up Clan MacMillan! Let's look forward to another wonderful year. We pray for each of you, and look forward to seeing you and sharing in your joy over the upcoming year. Please keep us posted about any life changes, any celebrations as well as trying times in which we may lift each other up. All of our love!

Logan Bell



Appalachian Branch youngsters once again shone in competition at Grandfather Mountain. Kassidy McMillan (pictured above left with her protégé Ali Bell) won her athletic competition, and piper Josh McMillan (above right) came first in his march category and second in the piobaireached.

Ellis Eyre and his Portrait of the Chief



Ellis Eyre, who's pictured above with his friend Moyna Scotland, was born in 1933 in Sydney, Australia. He's the youngest child of Amelia Sarah McMillan (1899-1978) and Ellis Eyre (1894-1935). He attended local schools and joined the Scouting Movement where his artistic skills were first noticed and encouraged. Supported by his widowed mother, Ellis attended the National Art School in Darlinghurst, Sydney, from which he graduated with a BA in Painting and Sculpture. The family's Scottish Heritage came to the fore when Amelia and Ellis attended the Sydney Highland Gathering where he found his love of the bagpipes, which he went on to play with the Cunningham Pipe Band, and then at Anzac Services, Weddings, and Highland Dancing & Pipe Band Competitions.

After the Second World War graduates were encouraged to travel overseas to visit Art Galleries and experience at first-hand the paintings, statues, architecture and other works of Art that had been previously only available in books. Ellis worked to save for a trip to Europe, and in 1956 travelled on a French cargo ship to Marseille and then overland to the UK, where he worked as a window-dresser in London and Edinburgh and in his spare time painted three landscapes for the Australian Exhibition at the Royal Commonwealth Society.

On his return to Australia in 1960 he enrolled as a student at the Sydney Teachers' College, Sydney University, from which he graduated as a mature student with a BA in Art Education. In 1962 his double degree qualified him to become the Head Art Teacher at Matraville High School. He later moved to the James Cook High School where in 1970 he

designed and supervised the building of a Monument & Fountain to commemorate the Queen's Visit to the school during the Captain Cook Bi-centenary.

Ellis continued to paint Australian Landscapes, and in 1972 – at the request of a former pupil – he designed and made costumes for a performance by the Australian Ballet Company. The following year he designed and made a stained glass window – the first to be produced in Australia using the “dalles de verte” technique – for a church in the Sydney suburb of Bundeena. He then undertook a one year Adult Apprenticeship Course in Stained Glass to learn and understand the various techniques of this ancient craft, which led to his teaching this subject as well as painting at Workers Education Australia (WEA) and TAFE Colleges around Sydney until he retired as a teacher in 2004.

In 2010 Ellis moved to a friend's property in the Blue Mountains where he built a bothy and planned to spend time drawing and painting landscapes of the area. In 2013 he and his friend Moyna travelled to the UK to visit ancestral homelands in Scotland, England and Northern Ireland. Amongst the many highlights of this trip were two meetings with Chief George at Finlaystone in the course of which they noticed there was no portrait of George in the Clan Centre. Having returned to Australia, wild fires forced Ellis to relocate to a Retirement Complex in Bellambi where he has since completed a full length Pencil Drawing and the three-quarter length Oil Portrait of Chief George pictured below.



This feature is based on a longer biographical account of Ellis Eyre supplied to the Clan Centre by Moyna Scotland.

The Mississippi McMillins' Reunion

by Sylvia McMillin

The 69th reunion of the *McMillin & Related Families of Louisville & Winston County, Mississippi*, was held on July 27 & 28 at Lake Tiak O'Khata, Louisville, MS. The two day event began with a cookout on Saturday evening, and on Sunday comprised a morning devotional, program, luncheon, and business meeting. This annual gathering began in 1951 and ninety-four McMillin kin attended this year.

The McMillins came to Winston County more than 180 years ago and helped to settle the community of Louisville. They trace their lineage back to "William, the Immigrant," the Scots-Irish for-bearer, who was born in Belfast, Northern Ireland, about 1763. He, with his family, immigrated to America in about 1799 as one of thousands of Ulster Scots, or "Scots-Irish" immigrants. He married a Scots-Irish lass named Margaret Elizabeth McInnis. The McMillins landed first in North Carolina, then settled in South Carolina for a little over 30 years before making their move to Mississippi. The Scots-Irish McMillins of Winston County likely were originally part of the Galloway Branch of Clan MacMillan in southwest Scotland. Galloway is only about 40 miles by sea from Northern Ireland, so migration was common throughout the centuries.

Tim Gordon, from Carthage, MS, bagpiper and frequent traveler to Scotland, welcomed the group on Sunday morning with his melodious sounds under the pines. He also entertained the group with "Scotland the Brave" and "Highland Cathedral" during the meeting. The Colonial Room was splendidly decorated with the McMillin Banner, MacMillan tartan flags, the American and Scottish flags, and floral centerpieces complementing the colors of the tartan. The meeting there commenced with the tartan-clad McMillin grandchildren marching in and singing "The MacMillan Rally Song" written by Rev. Somerled MacMillan, Bard of Clan MacMillan. Each child carried objects referenced in the song: the plaid, the crest, the holly, the shield and the sword. One person from each family group introduced each kin present and told how that family was related to William McMillin, the immigrant. A tradition that has remained in effect from early reunions is recognizing these special guests: the oldest in attendance, the youngest in attendance, the person traveling the greatest distance, and the person bringing the most direct descendants.

After the morning devotional given by John McMillin CTS of Ooltewah TN, entitled "Leaving a Legacy," the prayer for lunch was given by David Lamar McMillin CTS, son of the late Dr. Fitten Lamar McMillin Jr. Since this would be the first reunion without our Lamar McMillin, the one who preserved and gave each of his kin the great gift of

the McMillin heritage, Lamar's wife Carol was invited to present the program for the reunion. July 27, the first day of the reunion, would have been Carol and Lamar's 45th wedding anniversary, so this was a very significant week-end. All three of their children, along with their spouses and their children, attended this reunion – the first without their beloved husband, father, granddad and father-in law. Carol had fashioned Dress MacMillan tartan outfits for each of her six grandchildren for this important day.

Carol, along with their three children, Ashley McMillin Moomaw, David Lamar, and Stephen Lee are CTS members, all joining in 1999 during "A Journey to Mississippi 1799–1999", the International Gathering of The Clan MacMillan Society of North America [CMSNA] held in Louisville during Lamar's time as President of the CMSNA. Chief George and his wife Jane, clan historian Graeme MacKenzie, and many others joined this two week event.

Carol's exceptional video presentation was titled "A Tribute to Lamar", and began: "Fitten Lamar McMillin Jr. was born on July 25, 1944, and died on December 3, 2018. This video is about 'The Dash Between', or how Lamar filled his 74 years with so much living and so much love." Lamar was born in Little Rock, Arkansas, to Dr. Fitten Lamar McMillin and Claudia McMillin (President of CMSNA 1982-84). He graduated college from the University of the South at Sewanee TN, and his Masters from the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville. He received his medical doctor's degree from the University of Arkansas School of Medicine in 1971. Lamar did his residency in Family Practice at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis, where he worked from 1971–1974. It was in Minneapolis that he met his wife, Carol Ellingson. They were married on July 27, 1974. They lived in Vicksburg MS from 1975 until the time of his death, and Lamar practiced medicine from 1975 until his retirement in 2010.

One of the many loves of Lamar was Scotland. He was extremely proud of his Scottish Heritage. That love for Scotland and Clan MacMillan took him and Carol to Paisley, Scotland, where they lived for their first year of marriage. Lamar worked for the National Health Service of Great Britain and he immersed himself in all things Scottish. Souvenirs of that year abroad were their first MacMillan kilts.

Lamar had a great love for Clan MacMillan. He was active in Clan MacMillan International, as well as the Community of the Tonsured Servant, of which he was an early member. As well as serving as President of CMSNA, he was a personal friend of the former chief, Sir Gordon MacMillan and his wife Marion, and also of the current chief George and his late wife Jane.



Piper Tim Gordon with, from L to R: Mac Faulkner, son of Andrew & Jamie Faulkner, Houston, TX; Eli, Isaac, Eleanor, Maggie & Samuel Crew, children of Melissa McMillin Crew, Ringgold, GA - grandchildren of John Arnell and Sylvia McMillin of Ooltewah, TN.

Lamar was known for the Dress MacMillan tartan, but many may not know that he was instrumental in getting it woven in the proper colors. An earlier version of the tartan looked more orange than red, and the gold had a green tinge to it. An elderly lady of MacMillan descent became acquainted with Lamar and shared a swatch of the 1894 tartan that had belonged to her great grandmother – a version with deep red and yellow gold colors. Lamar sent a piece of this tartan to a weaver in Scotland and had several bolts of fabric woven, from which he had men’s ties and a lady’s shawl made, and a new kilt for himself. So smitten was he with the tartan, he even had one of their chairs upholstered in it.

Lamar was somewhat of an architect and a bit of an engineer. While he made a living as a Family Physician, his hobby was drawing plans for his buildings and restoration projects. His greatest and most extensive works were the preliminary architectural drawings for the renovation of two old houses: The Mary Harwood and Catherine's Palace. “The Mary Harwood” is an 1825 antebellum home he and Carol lovingly restored and where they lived and raised their family. “Catherine's Palace,” a very run down 1839 grocery store and residence in Vicksburg, was Lamar's dream to restore and make into a bed and breakfast; unfortunately he did not get to complete his dream. The house is preserved by his efforts, but not restored to completion.

Of the many loves of Lamar, the greatest was for family. The beginning of the family was on July 27, 1974. Three children were added to the family and as the years passed, new additions came. Ashley McMillin married Charlie Moomaw and they have three children: Grayson, Millin, and Baby Charleston. They reside in Madison MS. David Lamar McMillin

married Grace Lo and they have one son, Ethan Lamar. They live in Dallas TX. Stephen Lee McMillin married Jennifer Lynn and they have two daughters, Lynlee and Lyla. They live in Vicksburg MS. Carol declared that Lamar loved and enjoyed the McMillin and Related Families of Louisville and Winston County, Mississippi, as much or more than anything else. He looked forward to this annual reunion, sharing family stories and genealogy. He probably knew more about this large family than anyone else. This group knew Lamar as one who was relentless in keeping these reunions going. He made an enormous impact on each of our lives. He seemed to have an encyclopedic knowledge of McMillin history and genealogy, and he inspired all to learn as much about our ancestors as possible.

Jane McMillin of Lampasas TX, who began attending the reunions after years of Lamar's invitation to her family, voiced a tribute that each of Lamar's kin present at this 69th reunion want to express also: “Thank you, Lamar, for preserving and giving us the great gift of our heritage — this roomful of blessings I see before me, this property that Shakespeare described as ‘the grace of kinsmen’. Thank you for being so impassioned and so insistent that we learn about the bonds we share; that we share that learning with each other; and that we pass it on, in due time, to future generations. By so doing, we honor Lamar and perpetuate his precious legacy.”

The remainder of the meeting gave attention to reports, business, and the election of officers. Carol and Lamar’s son Stephen then ended the reunion with the “MacMillan Exhortation,” written by Lamar in 1999, reminding all to “remember the poor, pray for the sick, make no peace with injustice ... and to continue to learn to aid the distressed ...”.

The Scots-Irish: The Forgotten Migration

by Mike McMillen

Some years ago three of us, all members of the Twin Cities' Scottish community, developed a display and supporting media for the Minnesota Irish Fair. The objective was to create awareness of Scottish history, culture and the local Scottish community through illustrating commonalities of Ireland and Scotland. A majority of the fair attendees that approached us expressed interest in their Scots-Irish ancestry, the topic addressed on the display. This was a surprising response in a region populated mostly by the descendants of Scandinavians and Germans. Almost all of these fair attendees claimed to be new to the subject. They had discovered this genealogical connection online by submitting to DNA studies or information from relatives.

The Scots-Irish in (or not in) American history texts.

American history, at least as taught in public schools when I attended in the 1950's and 1960's, tended to oversimplify and distort immigration at a variety of levels. Traditional textbook history recounted dramatic events and the deeds of famous individuals; this communicated in story-telling narratives underpinning a simplistic, idealized, "patriotic" perception of our country's history. Social history emerged later in the 20th century which addressed immigrant groups, the common people who were to become Americans, not just the individuals who led them or were featured to illustrate particular narratives.

In my opinion the Scots-Irish have been slighted if not ignored altogether in American history textbooks, an opinion shared by everyone acquainted with the subject with whom I've discussed it. While they were the second largest immigrant group to the American Colonies before the American Revolution, they have been virtually ignored by public school education. The result has been

a lack of awareness of the Scots-Irish among the American populace in general, even among their descendants, this displayed by the aforementioned attendees at the Minnesota Irish Fair.

Some possible reasons for the dearth of Scots-Irish references in American history education:

1. Until the 1890's, American history texts were written almost exclusively by New England historians and published by New England publishers, this according to "History in the Making" by Kyle Ward. Therefore, a regional "Yankee" slant would have been pervasive in school texts.

2. Pre-Revolutionary American immigration was represented by a stereotype: "The Pilgrims", English Puritans of Plymouth, Massachusetts. This narrative - simplified and sanitized - made a convenient morality tale for the birth of the nation: exemplified by escape from the Crown's tyrannical persecution, the quest for religious freedom and the Puritan work ethic.



An early 20th century textbook illustration of a Pilgrim couple. After a few boatloads of Scots-Irish incomers, the Puritans turned these Ulster immigrants away, despite the common Calvinist roots of Presbyterianism and Puritanism. The "Shining City on the Hill" was becoming exclusive.



Our display at the Irish-themed Minnesota Renaissance Festival.

3. In many respects, the story of the Scots-Irish is more complex than those of other immigrant groups. As the name implies, they emigrated twice. They were actually an amalgam of English and French as well as Scots. Motives for emigration were numerous. Theirs is a story difficult to condense into a simple schoolbook narrative.

4. As Winston Churchill stated: "History is always written by the winners..." Most Scots-Irish moved south along the Appalachian Trail then west, settling primarily in states that would later comprise the Confederacy or border states like Kentucky and Missouri. Scots-Irish descendants were therefore likely perceived as Confederates despite the fact that the populations of some states in the Confederacy had divided loyalties. Tennessee, for instance, actually provided more combatants to the North than the Confederacy.

Evolving nomenclature.

The terminology applied to the Scots-Irish evolved, creating confusion for those attempting to trace their ancestral roots. After generations in the Ulster Plantation during the 17th century and the early 18th century, they considered themselves "Irish" and took this label to the colonies. American documents of the period tend to reflect this.

The term "Scots-Irish" wasn't consistently applied until the mid-19th century when these Protestants wished to be distinguished from millions of indigenous Catholic Irish immigrants escaping the Potato Famine of the 1840's and 1850's. The latter rarely emigrated before the mid-19th century. Now Scots-Irish descendants often refer to their ethnicity as simply "American" dropping all reference to the countries from which their ancestors emigrated. The descendants of Lowland Scots in Ulster are termed "Ulster Scots" in the United Kingdom.

The Scots-Irish weren't all Scots or Irish.

The only thing certain about Scots-Irish immigration numbers is historians strongly disagree on the subject. There is no hard data for either the migration to Ulster or that to the American colonies that followed. The total number of Scots-Irish immigrants to America prior to the American Revolution has been estimated between 100,000 and 500,000 depending on the source.

Regarding national origins, Andrew Leyburn, author of "The Scotch-Irish: A Social History", estimates approximately 75% Scots, 20% English and 5% French Huguenots immigrated to Ulster. Other sources suggest a significant number of these immigrants joined

the migration to the American Colonies directly from Scotland or England, bypassing Ulster.

Many Americans like to believe a surname is a reliable indication of national origin. This is especially problematic when applied to the Scots-Irish. The Lowland Scots and the English shared many surnames. Some with Scots-Irish ancestry automatically make the assumption their surname is Scottish when there is a significant possibility they are descended from Ulster English immigrants.

Indentured servitude.

Indentured servitude was the only recourse for those lacking the funds to pay for their passage to the American Colonies. On arrival they would be auctioned to their new master, serving from three to seven years after which they were to be provided with the necessities to strike out on their own.

This is another issue at which historians are at odds. The proportion of indentured servants among these Scots-Irish immigrants again lacks hard data. Sources differ dramatically. Some have stated that a large proportion of the Ulster Scots immigrating to the American Colonies were so desperately poor (often departing during a famine, bad harvest, or other economically-related problems) that it was the only alternative to starvation.

One source notes that Scots-Irish were considered poor servants. They were too proud and bridled at authority. The frontier (before the American Revolution this referred to the Eastern slopes of the Appalachian Mountains) was said to contain large numbers of servants who had broken their indentures and fled.

Frontier assimilation with descendants of other British nationalities.

While subsequent European migratory groups tended to cluster among those of their nationality, the Scottish, English and later French Huguenot Scots-Irish were on cordial terms in Ulster even before immigrating to the American Colonies. Integrated on arrival in North America, they migrated together into the Colonial backcountry assimilating with other British descendants on the way.

The Scots-Irish would constitute the vanguard of European Americans moving west immediately before and after the Revolution. They migrated west over the Appalachian Mountains before other rival American groups, seeking neither the permission of the government nor their military assistance against the Native tribes.

The "Melting Pot" myth

Like the Pilgrim narrative, the "Melting Pot" myth is another fixture in American history books. Colin Woodard's "American Nations, A history of the Eleven Rival Regional Cultures of North America" convincingly defines these immigrant groups, their spheres of influence and how they are still dominant regional influences on American culture and politics today.

Woodard defines "Greater Appalachia", that region with a dominant Scots-Irish populace and culture, as comprising a large portion of the American South and Midwest. See a map online of this and the other regions comprising the eleven American nations at:

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/americas/us-map-11-separate-nations-colin-woodard-yankeedom-new-netherland-the-midlands-tidewater-greater-a8078261.html>

As Woodard defines them, the Appalachian Scots-Irish were in contention with rival American groups: to the north the New England Yankees and to the south the aristocratic, slave-owning planters. They resented the condescending, proselytizing Yankees who sent missionaries to their communities and distrusted the Deep Southern planter class whose strict hierarchy clashed with their egalitarian independence.

MacMillans among the Scots-Irish

MacMillans found themselves on both sides in Ulster. For centuries Highlanders had traditionally been allied to the indigenous Catholic Irish. MacMillans inhabited Ulster before "The Plantation" of the 17th century. William Buchanan of Auchmar reported in the early 18th century, "... there are a great number also of the MacMillans in the parishes

of Leud and Armuy in the county of Antrim”, referring to the Highland MacMillans from Kintyre and Knapdale, followers of the Lord of the Isles.

Just 20 miles from Ulster is Galloway, one of the MacMillan homelands, which figured prominently in the Reformation so, it might be deduced, made significant contributions to the Presbyterian population of Ulster in the 17th century. Just as the followers of Richard Cameron had been called “Cameronians” (a radical faction of Covenanters), so the followers of his successor, John McMillan, were often called “McMillanites”. Many of them joined the Presbyterian population of northern Ireland.

From the 1720s onwards large numbers of these Covenanters joined the migration to the American Colonies. They initially settled in Pennsylvania, later following the Philadelphia Wagon Road into the Carolinas.

More information on the Scots-Irish.

For a brief historical overview, the Clan MacMillan International website has a page devoted to Scottish migrations:

<http://clanmacmillan.org/pages/history/emigration.html>

A page specific to the Scots-Irish in more detail is in the members' section of the site:

http://clanmacmillan.org/pages/members/members_login.html - under the dropdown menu Members' Pages > Emigration > Scots-Irish emigration.

A comprehensive but very readable chronological history of the Scots-Irish is Andrew Leyburn's "The Scotch-Irish: A Social History". This is considered the definitive book on the subject.

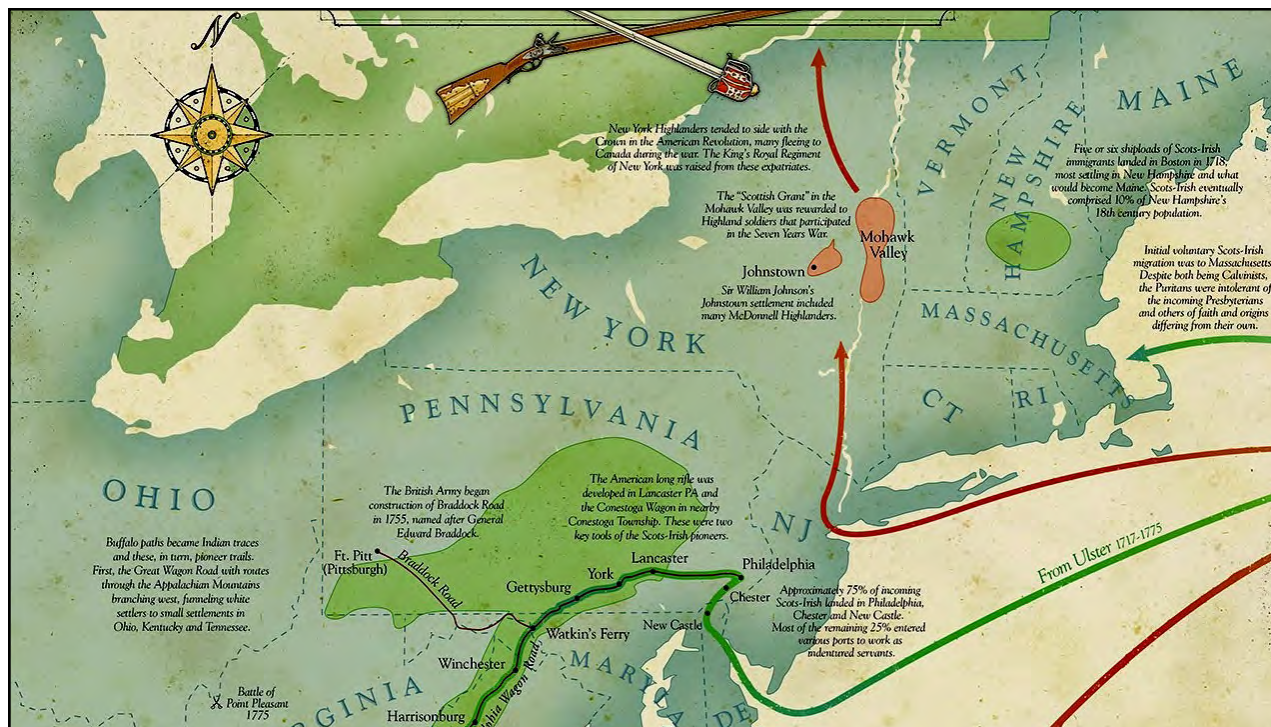
"Albion's Seed" defines the four British immigrant groups that were the primary influences on what would become the American nation.

"American Nations, A history of the Eleven Rival Regional Cultures of North America" by Colin Woodard delineates the cultural divisions within North America. One of these is the Scots-Irish in "Greater Appalachia" which stretches from Virginia to New Mexico.

Two books address the treatment of history in American textbooks:

"Lies My Teacher Told Me" by James W. Loewen.

"History in the Making" by Kyle Ward.



This is part of a map illustrating pre-Revolutionary lands and immigration routes of the Scots-Irish. The whole map can be found on the Clan MacMillan International website at:

http://clanmacmillan.org/pages/history/immigration_map.html

CLAN MACMILLAN DNA PROJECT REPORT

Part of the clan's genealogy attention going forward into the future should include the use of genetic genealogy. Our forward thinking chief realized this early on. At a time when many chiefs were skeptical (something that has changed over nearly two decades).

The Clan MacMillan has a Y-DNA project at Family Tree DNA. This company was chosen for the type testing and it's focus on genealogy and not extracting medical information or ethnicity from the data. The Y chromosome, one of the sex chromosomes, defines a male. The usefulness of the Y chromosome was found in genealogical purposes. This is because it is passed down, largely unchanged, from father to son. Over the course of time slight changes have made Y-DNA testing useful for genealogical projects.

This is a test for genealogical purposes only on your direct male line. At ten generations, you have 1024 gggggggg grandparents. A Y-DNA test is only for one of them. However, by participating in the Clan MacMillan Y-DNA project you are indirectly assisting your cousins with their genealogy research. And they are helping you, by proving the paternal lines of your related families.

Testers remain anonymous, being assigned a number by the testing company. This number identifies your kit. While you can elect to retain complete anonymity, you can actively participate in the project by providing your email address and allowing your Y-DNA matches to contact you. By sharing your tests results you can help define the several Y-DNA branches of Clan MacMillan.

The tracking of small mutations over the course of time in the form of STRs (short tandem repeats) and SNPs (single nucleotide polymorphisms) pronounced Snip, is steadily defining how we are all connected through our genome and identifying the branches of the tree named MacMillan.

Testing has come a long way since it started 20 years ago. Then we started with a mere 12 STR (short tandem repeat) markers. Today we have what is called the Big Y-700, which test 700 plus markers and 150,000 SNPs. More expensive, but the biggest bang for your buck.

Prices:

The 37-marker test is \$169 (USD), on sale in November for \$99. This is a good starting point, and this test will allow you to make connections to your branch of the MacMillan family tree.

The highest level of STR testing is the 111 marker test normally at \$359, on sale this November for \$199. This test tightens your TMRCA (time to most recent common ancestor)

estimate when compared to another test. By listing your most distant known ancestor, you enable other participants to judge from the TMRCA if you might share that common ancestor.

Big Y-700 is the best, most comprehensive Y-DNA test offered by FTDNA. It is normally \$649, on sale this November for \$399.

You can upgrade later if you take one of the lesser tests.

Fortunately for prospective participants at this time, the 400 MacMillans who have tested Y-DNA in our project have laid the groundwork for a smooth transition into your related grouping. Once there, you will be able to find your "cousins" and start comparing genealogical info.

Equally effective for a genealogist, but less gratifying, is seeing that you may not match a particular ancestor as close as you thought. Saving countless hours of genealogical work. This has saved me personally very much time.

Personally, from my results I see close matches to other MacMillans and distant matches with a substantial group of McCallums, a few McLellans, and McCools, in the distant past. Even a Cameron or two. Other participants match larger groups of Camerons (along with MacMillans). Still others align with McKinnons, McGregors, etc. Like our history tells us.

Septs of Clan MacMillan are members of the project. There is not "one MacMillan" DNA line but several. This is expected and how a Clan System worked.

Females cannot take a Y-DNA test. However, they can encourage or sponsor a MacMillan male in their family to take the test.

MacMillans are encouraged to participate by testing. Or you can donate directly to the project to help us fulfill our goals.

<https://www.familytreedna.com/group-general-fund-contribution.aspx?g=MacMillan>

As we move forward there are immediate goals:

1. Identify and have tested a male descendant of the chiefs of the Lochaber Branch.
2. Identify and have tested a male descendant of the chiefs of the Galloway Branch.
3. Identify and have tested descendants of other notable clansmen such as Kirkpatrick McMillan etc
4. Maintain the newest Y-DNA tests for Chief George as long as he allows.

Robert McMillan, Stockton, AL, USA
Joint Project Administrator

Clan MacMillan Society of North America Gathering

Calgary, Canada, 15 -19 July 2020



Keith MacMillan, President of the CMSNA, outlines the programme for the gathering which will be the first to be held in Western Canada.

On the afternoon of Wednesday, July 15th, registration will be available at the Hotel Alma (as in Alma Mater), part of the University of Calgary. A reception area is set aside just inside the lobby with plenty of finger food and a bar to welcome Clan members and allow them to relax and greet each other upon their arrival. It will continue into the evening, but some starving souls may wish to go to nearby restaurants/pubs to obtain a more substantial respite.

Thursday morning we will have breakfast at the hotel before boarding a bus to start our adventure. Calgary is ideally located on the dividing line between the mountains and the prairie. We will be heading to the mountains and two of the best known mountain/tourist resorts in North America.

First, to Lake Louise and the fabulous Chateau Lake Louise where we can explore the grounds, shop and have a morning coffee in the chateau, or venture off in a canoe on the lake or hike a trail to the Tea House. Lunch is available at the Chateau or you can wait until 1.00pm when we board the bus and head back to Banff, a half hour away, which we passed through earlier. Here you can explore the town site with all the amazing sources of snacks or restaurants and shops to explore. In mid-afternoon we will go to the Banff Springs Hotel for “high tea”, for those who want to enjoy the atmosphere and bend their little pinky.

If you prefer, you can explore the wonders of the hotel and again take part in the exclusive shopping experience. (HINT: bring lots of money or enjoy the scenery). We will then board the bus and do a little tour of the area and then a detour on the way home so we can see Kananaskis Village, the site of the 1988 Olympic downhill skiing, where we will have a fabulous dinner.

On Friday morning we will board the bus and head off in the opposite direction, to the prairies and, in particular, to the badlands of Drumheller. However, we will stop along the way at the largest retail western store in Canada. If you are not in the market for a couple hundred saddles, maybe you would be interested in a cowboy hat. If Alberta had a desert, the badlands would be it. Almost guaranteed to be HOT (like the southern USA, but not quite). This is the home of the world famous Royal Tyrrell Museum of Paleontology – the dinosaur museum. And still hundreds or thousands more dinosaurs there waiting to be dug up.

What makes this trip even more special is that we very recently heard from Barbara McMullen from Nova Scotia who heard about our Gathering (I am still trying to get her to come) and sent an E-mail with the incredible story of her ancestor who came west to Drumheller at the turn of the century (early 1900s) and opened up the largest and most successful coal mines. He sounds like an amazing man, as does his son, and they left the world a legacy. They donated approx. 1,700 acres of their land to be a provincial park – known as the dinosaur



The Canadian Rockies - photo from Calgary Economic Development

park. This is where the museum and all the dinosaurs are !!!!! I am hoping to get some local official to speak to us about this amazing man who contributed greatly to the business and social life of Drumheller, a philanthropist who took great interest in the militia and became an honorary Colonel of the Calgary Highlanders and the Royal Canadian Army Service Corps.

Both of his sons were officers who served overseas in the second world war. I am hoping we can visit McMullen Island, a day use picnic site, which is apparently near the museum.

On Saturday we will slow things down. Breakfast at the hotel again, the business meeting, a CTS meeting, some time to explore Calgary, a trip to the nearby town of Cochrane for the CTS Investiture Service and a local site for a fabulous banquet.

Sunday is breakfast again and the sad departure. I have booked a couple of rooms for a few days before and after our scheduled time at the Hotel if someone wants to arrive early or depart later.



Keith MacMillan accepts the Presidential cromach & targe from the outgoing President, Jane Strauss, at the 2018 gathering in Belfast, Maine, USA.

Remember the “Greatest outdoor show on earth”, the Calgary Stampede, ends on the Sunday before our Gathering starts. *For further information about the gathering, please go to the website:*

<http://www.clanmacmillan.org/pages/societies/cmsna.html>

Who’s Who in the CMSNA: Chris Wittenberg, USA Secretary



Chris was born in Concord, NH, but raised in the town of Loudon, NH. Her family have lived in Loudon since its incorporation in 1773, and before that in Canterbury, of which Loudon was previously a part.

One of Chris’s ancestors, *John Sinkler*, is thought to be the second earliest documented Sinclair in the New World - not counting Henry Sinclair of Orkney who may have visited New England in the fourteenth century - and its believed that he too (like Henry) belonged to the family of the Sinclairs of Rosslyn. It’s said that he came to the New World in 1651 on the ship the “John and Sara” which was carrying 273 Scottish prisoners captured at the Battle of Worcester by Oliver Cromwell. These Scots were employed as indentured servants for six years in the sawmills at Oyster River and Exeter in New Hampshire, where some stayed after their release from bondage. John Sinkler/Sinclair settled at Exeter NH. His great-grandson (who is Chris’s 5xgreat-grandfather) Noah Sinclair was a Revolutionary War hero who was injured in the Battle of Bunker Hill.

Chris attended Southern New Hampshire University and has a BA in Computer Science. She worked for Equifax, Inc. and then for the State of New Hampshire including NH Homeland Security, retiring in 2017. She has one daughter who is married and living in North Carolina with her husband and three children.

Chris and her partner Michael Drotar - who’s the grandson of Agnes MacMillan from North Carolina - have been together for 25 years. Chris became interested in Clan MacMillan following attendance at the New Hampshire Highland Games at Loon Mountain and subsequent attendance at the Great Return Gathering in Scotland in 2002.

Chris became Secretary of the CMSNA in 2015 and accepted reappointment in 2018. Chris and Mike strive to live by the MacMillan clan motto, *Miseris succurrere disco* (I learn to succour the unfortunate), and are involved with various volunteer groups, including the Loudon Economic Development Committee, Loudon Historical Society, Loudon Communication Council, Maxfield Public Library Board of Trustees, Loudon Young at Heart Social Group, Instructor for Bone Builders with the Friends Program, Concord Garden Club, Maxfield Public Library Book Club, Making Strides Against Breast Cancer.

Thanks to Chris for the picture and the autobiographical material for this feature.

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CTS was founded in 1995: Supporting the Clan MacMillan International Centre (CMIC) at Finlaystone, Scotland, and providing educational materials and events for Clan MacMillan and Sept members around the world.



Keith MacMillan CTS (left) is President of the Clan MacMillan Society of North America (CMSNA). He is planning the 2020 CMSNA Gathering which will take place from July 15 (registration) to July 19 (departure), 2020 in Calgary, Alberta. This will be the first time a CMSNA gathering has taken place in Western Canada. Calgary (named after a hamlet on the Isle of Mull) is a city of approximately 1,300,000 just east of the Canadian Rockies. In 2018, The Economist magazine ranked Calgary the fourth-most liveable city in the world. The city and nearby environs have a lot to offer visitors and we hope to take full advantage of that.

The gathering starts just three days after the Calgary Stampede ends, itself a ten-day event. We invite you to attend the "Greatest Outdoor Show on Earth" before the gathering. Provisional activities include bus trips to Banff, Lake Louise and Drumheller, the Dinosaur capital of North America, and the Royal Museum. Keith has planned an exciting program for this Calgary Gathering. Hope to see you there.

Our next CTS Investiture Service will be held on Saturday 18 July 2020. Details will appear on the Clan MacMillan International website at: <http://clanmacmillan.org>

If you are aware of anyone who would wish to join CTS at this Gathering, please contact Blanche McMillan, Abbot CTS, at 1-905-637-3395 or email: jbcmillan@sympatico.ca

News of CTS Members:

You are encouraged to join the MacMillan DNA project. They especially need participants with known lines back to Scotland. To date (Nov 1, 2019) the Clan MacMillan Project has a total of 399 Y DNA results. You can join here: <https://www.familytreedna.com/groups/mac-millan/about/background>

Beverly Pottle Bell CTS, age 89, died peacefully at Good Samaritan Center, Dowling Park, Florida, on Good Friday, April 19, 2019. Wife of **James W. Bell CTS**, one of the founders of the Appalachian Branch of Clan MacMillan

Mary Joan Baxter Owens CTS, age 92, died 24 February 2019 in Mount Pleasant, South Carolina. She was the widow of Kenneth N. Owens M.D.

Clan MacMillan Pacific Branch Past President, **Linda Cooke CTS**, and **Judy Young CTS**, Membership Chair, Newsletter Co-editor of the Tonsured Times were in a car accident in St. George, Utah. Linda was uninjured in the crash, but Judy sustained serious injuries. After her surgery, Judy is back at home recuperating.

We have three new CTS members: **Colleen McMillin Wilson CTS** of Clovis, California, USA; **Robert Malcolm McMillan CTS** of Stockton, Alabama, USA and **Robert Malcolm McMillan Jr. CTS** of Stockton, Alabama, USA

There are 3 potential CTS members Robert Walker (husband of **Rowene (Conn) Walker CTS**, of California, USA; Teresa McMillan, wife of **Butch McMillan CTS**, of Mississippi, USA; Butch is the vice president of CMSNA, nominated at the Belfast Gathering in Maine; and one other.

Grants by CTS to Clan MacMillan International Centre (CMIC):

This year, CTS has granted \$1,000.00 USD to CMIC. The total of CTS Grants to CMIC to date is \$45,143.00US since 1996 averaging \$1880.96USD per year for 23 years. A big thank you goes to **Anne Neuman CTS**, Treasurer (Almoner) of CTS for all the good work she does for us.

CTS has two Tribute Investment Funds and welcomes donations:

(1) **The Rev. Canon A. Malcolm and Sally MacMillan Tribute Endowment Fund**: Established March 2003. Sally, Malcolm's wife, died 1 March 1999 and "Father Mac" died 9 September 2008.

(2) **The Jane MacMillan Tribute Fund**: Established 15 June 2005. Jane, was the wife of George, Chief of Clan MacMillan, and died of cancer on 27 June 2005 at age 74 years. It is a fitting way to remember her tireless work, wisdom and friendship and her founding of the Clan MacMillan International Centre in 1991.

We thank you for your tremendous support over the last 24 years

For further information about CTS memberships, Donations, Tribute/Endowment Funds, Bequests or Memorial Gifts, contact Blanche McMillan, phone: 905-637-3395 or e-mail: jbcmillan@sympatico.ca

For more information about Clan MacMillan's CTS, please go to www.clanmacmillan.org/CTS.htm

This CTS page was submitted by Blanche McMillan, Abbot CTS, 14 December 2019.

More MacMillans around the world in 2019



George with Jill Parker from NZ at Finlaystone in August



Rodney Jones at Murlagan in Sept.



Members of the Appalachian Branch at the Stone Mountain Games in October



Clan MacMillan Society of New Zealand at the Auckland Games in November



Clan MacMillan



Knapdale



Lochaber



Galloway



Septs and Related Names

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| Baxter | MacGillemaoil |
| Bell | MacIldonich |
| Blue | MacIlveil/voyle |
| Brown | MacMaoldonich |
| Cathan/Cannan | MacNuccator |
| Calman/Colmin | Melanson |
| Laney/Lenie | Millan/Mullan |
| MacCalman | Milliken/Mulligan |
| MacColmin | Walker |



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