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## New Members

On behalf of Ian Francis Wallace of that Ilk, 35th Chief of Clan Wallace, the President and Board of Directors of the Clan Wallace Society Worldwide welcome the **FORTY-SEVEN** individuals listed below to the Clan Council and to our Society, respectively. *Ciad mìle failte!*

### COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP:

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Michael Douglas Wallace, Georgetown, TX  
Joseph H. Wallace, Georgetown, TX  
Billy Joe Wallace, Georgetown, TX  
Russell Lynn Wallace, Georgetown, TX  
William A. Bailey, Richmond, VA  
William Wayne Wallace, Vienna, VA  
Raffi Joujaty, Vienna, VA  
Sabrena Wallace, Lakewood, WA

## From the President's Desk

This winter/spring your President represented the Clan Wallace Society, criss-crossing the United States, from Moultrie (GA) to Mesa (AZ) and most games in between.

The weekend in Moultrie was somewhat unusual in that this is not a Scottish Games and Gathering but rather a Scottish Family Gathering with emphasis on family histories. This annual weekend was sponsored by *The Family Tree Magazine* and the Ellen Payne Odem Library. You will find an article outlining how Clan Wallace came to deposit its archives there on the cover of the next *Family Tree Magazine*. This article will be reprinted in the newsletter once permission is received from the publishers. These archival materials are available to anyone doing research at the library. They are not, however, available for loan.

Clans Wallace, Bruce and Duncan were the honored clans at Moultrie. I was assisted on this weekend by fellow convenors Jean and Dick Wallace of Little Rock (AR). Thomas Allen Bruce of Clan Bruce Society again represented his clan as he did last August at the Fergus (Ontario, Canada) Games.

At my last count, the Society has 888 members. Recruiting has been very good this past year, placing us well within reach of our goal of 1,000 members. Several new convenors have taken their places, but usual, more are needed to maintain the pace. As well, several key convenors have retired after many years or due to health problems. With the new season starting up, please consider at least doing the games closest to your home. You can get people more involved with your local club or organization in addition to doing a good job representing CWS. Please contact me or Secretary Wayne Jones if you are interested in becoming a convenor. For instance, as far as I can tell, I have been the only Wallace representative in Alabama for the past several years. Nine hundred miles one-way is a big trip and I can only cover one such game a year. The same is true is so many other regions. **Help do you part: volunteer.**

Wishing you all a safe and pleasant games season. We look forward to hearing about your successes and challenges.

Pro Libertate, Marcus (Jim) Wallace Jr.

## Royal Pardon Sought for William Wallace

*The following article appeared on the BBC News website, and was reprinted across North America and the world. Thanks to Ken Wallace for bringing this one to our attention.*

Scottish hero William Wallace could receive a pardon 700 years after his execution following the launch of a Scottish Parliament campaign it emerged today.

Tory MSP Phil Gaillie has lodged a motion calling for Wallace to be officially recognized as a "patriot" before the 700th anniversary of his death in August 1305.

Mr. Gaillie, Tory constitutional affairs spokesman, said the anniversary of Wallace's death was an opportunity to "right a wrong".

He tabled a motion, which so far has been backed by 11 Tory MSP's calling for a royal pardon who was the hero of Mel Gibson's epic 1995 film "Braveheart."

The South of Scotland MSP has also called for Wallace to be recognized as a "patriot, loyal to his country in the days before the Union of the Crowns and parliaments".

He said: "William Wallace was somebody that Scotland can be proud of and today he is an international name".

"Surely we would all agree that he was a great patriot and he shouldn't have the stain of treason left over his name. He wasn't a traitor."

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## History Bites: "Braveheart" vs. William Wallace

Every member of the CWS should be able to speak on each of the following sixteen points. This is a nice little refresher on where film "Braveheart" and facts disagree:

1. Wallace was the son of a Knight; not a poor cottar (farmer) as depicted.
2. Wallace was not a highlander; he did not wear a kilt.
3. His father, Sir Malcolm, was executed when Wallace was an adult.
4. There is no record of Edward re-instituting "First Night".
5. Wallace's wife "Murren" (Marion Broadfoot) was executed because she helped Wallace evade capture.
6. Scots did not paint themselves blue in the thirteenth century AD. The blue emulsion is called "woad" and was reportedly used by ancient Celts in Roman times.
7. The wooden "castle" of Lanark was pure fantasy.
8. The battle at Stirling took place at a

bridge, not in open ground; the bridge was the key to success.

9. Wallace never met Princess Isabella; he was dead before she came to England from France.
10. Edward II (who really did prefer the company of men) married Isabella after his father's death. (1308).
11. Robert the Bruce did not "rescue" Wallace after Falkirk.
12. Robert the Bruce's father did not have leprosy.
13. Wallace was betrayed by Sir John Menteith of Dumbarton; Robert the Bruce was not present.
14. Wallace was dragged behind a horse to his execution. (1305)
15. Wallace was executed in the city of London; it is highly unlikely that any of his friends or followers could have been present.
16. Bruce never intended to "parlay" at Bannockburn; he knew from the start that this battle was the keystone to Scotland's

### MEMBERS INFORMATION CHANGE FORM

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## "Windtalkers"

The current movie "Wind Talkers" tells the experiences of the Navaho Code Talkers of WWII. The original 29 Navaho code talkers were honored in a ceremony in Washington, D.C. on July 26, 2001. There were 4 of the 5 living recipients there. They and the relatives of the others were presented with Congressional gold medals. The subsequent 200-plus code talkers were honored in November 2001 at Window Rock, AZ. This group received the Congressional Silver medal. Among this last group was the only non-Navaho code talker to be recognized as part of this group. He was a Caucasian whose father was an Indian Service Agent assigned to the Newcomb Region of the Four Corners area. His name was Stephen Paul Wallace.

## Membership Reminder

Effective January 1, 2002, Director Dick Wallace assumed the Membership Chair.

### All new membership applications must be forwarded to his attention.

Please modify or destroy any old membership applications that do not list Dick's contact information. As well, there are approximately five Convenor's Kits and ten red-and-white Clan Wallace Flags in stock. Dick's contact information is listed in the article on the right.

## ADM Reminder & 2003 Gathering Announced

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2002, DIXON, CALIFORNIA.** Director Dick and Jan Wallace wish to remind the Society that the 2002 Annual Director's Meeting is in Dixon (CA) on Saturday, September 28th, 2002. Dixon is 25 minutes from Sacramento, 35 minutes from Sacramento International Airport and 60 minutes from San Francisco. The actual meeting will start at 1PM at Clan Wallace Tents on the games field. **Accommodations:** A block of rooms has been set aside at Western Inn, 1345 Commercial Way, Dixon (CA). Register with Clan Wallace Reservation.#2770. Rooms are \$78.50 (tax incl.) per night and are reserved for Friday (27th) and Saturday (28th). Reserve before August 27th, 2002. **Call Best Western direct at 707-678-1400 or fax 707-678-0754.**

The assembly for dinner will be Saturday evening, September 28th at the Cattleman's Restaurant in Dixon. Dick and Jan invite all to relax and imbibe at 7PM with dinner at 7:30PM. Order from the menu; individual checks. If anyone is interested in surrounding attractions, let Dick and Jan know and they will forward brochures to you.

## CLAN WALLACE INTERNATIONAL GATHERING JULY 24-27, 2003, at RENO, NEVADA

In conjunction with Reno Celtic Celebration on Saturday, July 26th, 2003. Wallace Central will be at the Atlantis Hotel Resort Casino. The hotels have transportation to and from the Reno Airport and most of the big casinos (Atlantis included) are within walking distance of one another. If there is enough interest Dick and Jan will arrange a day tour of the surrounding sites such as Virginia City, Carson City and Lake Tahoe. A dinner show can be arranged; participants could attend as a group and perhaps be piped in.

At the Reno Celtic Celebration there will be a parade through downtown Reno before the Games begin, ending at the game site along the Truckee River that runs through downtown Reno. It all sounds very exciting and Dick and Jan hope to have Reno overrun with Wallaces!!!

Though in the preliminary stages, if there is something in particular Society members would like to see or do while in Reno, let them know and we will try to arrange it. E-mail Jan and Dick at [gotcha1@otn.net](mailto:gotcha1@otn.net) or forward written correspondence to 728 E 19th St, Marysville, CA, 95901-4438. You can also call them at 530-743-1060. More details as they become available.

## Our Members Write: Society Forum and Notices

On Page 37 of the Autumn 2001 edition of the "Clan MacLeod Newsletter" is a report from Matt McCloud representing the Gulf Central Region. Part of that report deals with the games at Glasgow, Kentucky: "This year's Tug of War was exciting as always. The [Clan Wallace], (infamous for challenging other clans, had thrown down the gauntlet to Clan Campbell; since the Campbells had earlier been ballyhooing a sure victory against the burly Wallaces. Unfortunately, when the Tug of War was announced, Clan Wallace stepped on to the field... and met no challenger. Several rumors circulated, one of which said the Campbells had eaten some bad haggis ... another indicated there were no Campbells to be found. Feeling sorry, the Wallaces had no one to accept the challenge, I rounded up a few fellow kinsman for the pull. As they say in Braveheart, 'We dinnae get all dressed up for nothing.' It was a valiant effort for MacLeods and our 'mercenaries' ... but ultimately Clan Wallace won the pull. I hope to rally our troops and give the Wallaces a good competition next year. Meanwhile, congratulations to the Wallace Clan." The preceding report was obviously the effort of CWSW convenor Tim Young and his well-known crew. Hopefully Tim may be able to furnish ideas about staging similar events (and how to win them) at other games. The Society is very proud of you, Tim. Keep up the great work.

Council Member Andrew Wallace Wrenn, age 13 – and an 8<sup>th</sup> grader at St. John the Evangelist Elementary School in Clinton (MD) – was selected by the Johns Hopkins University Talent Search Program to take the college SAT's. This was the result of scoring 99% on the previous year's standardized testing. Typically, only 3% nationwide score between 97% and 99%. Andrew scored 1190 on the SAT. You must score 1200 to apply for college scholarships but he has 4 more years before he takes the test again as a high school senior at St. Mary's Ryken in St. Mary's County, (MD) where he will be in Honors English Class. That requires 620 in verbal comprehension and composition. Andrew scored 680. His math score was exceptional considering that he hasn't been exposed to trig or calculus and has had only preliminary algebra and geometry. He completed the SAT in 90 minutes, well ahead of the 3 hours allotted. Needless to say, his parents and grandparents (Barb & Charlie Wrenn) are very proud of him. *(Editor's Note: The Society needs to hear more stories about our younger members, like Andrew Wrenn. Please forward any good news story on to the Editor.)*

Jeane Wallace Whittenburg, of St. Peters (MO), was notified on August 30<sup>th</sup> last year that she had been selected to carry the Olympic torch on its journey across the United States for the 2002 Olympic Winter Games. In order to be selected you had to be nominated through the sponsors; Chevrolet, Coca Cola, and the Salt Lake 2002 nominating committee.

Jeane was nominated by six family members and friends and was chosen on behalf of Chevrolet. She was one of three torchbearers from the St. Louis area chosen to participate in press conferences held at City Hall in St. Louis on December 4<sup>th</sup> and again on January 17<sup>th</sup>. Jeane has battled sinus cancer since 1990 and was diagnosed cancer free last November 30<sup>th</sup>, which made this a very triumphant run for her. She carried the torch 0.2 of a mile on Arsenal Street in St. Louis on January 8<sup>th</sup> this year to the joy and cheering of all of those who were there to watch. Jeane said "This was one of the most exciting things I have ever done in my life, and I am so proud to have been a part of the relay." Jeane and her sister, Patti Wallace Lewellen of Tulsa (OK) are proud and fairly recent members of the Society. Congrats, Jeane, on your once-in-a-lifetime experience.

Correction: In the last issue's "President's Message" former Director Chuck Bearman was recorded as residing in Macon (GA). Of course, Chuck lives in Valdosta (GA). New director Charles Wallace is a resident of Macon. We apologize for the oversight.

Inside the back cover of "The Highlander" (Vol.39, No 5 Sept/Oct 2001) where they post photos from the readers is a photo of the color guard of the Scottish American Military Society, Post #48 (Phoenix) being led by the Society's own Ben Howard, Color Guard Commander. Ben is one of the convenors in the Phoenix - Mesa (AZ) area.

Convenor Jean Wallace has volunteered to head up the Clan activities at the Lyon College (Ozark) Scottish Festival this year. She and husband Dick have been associated with these games since they started 22 years ago. As well, Convenor Tom E.S. Wallace was asked by the New Brunswick Highland Games Committee to coordinate the clans at the Fredericton (NB) Games in late July.

It has come to the Society's attention that new member George T. Hubbard, Kingsland (TX), is the great-grandson of Dr. D. R. Wallace. Dr. Wallace's 171-page biography has been published by Timberland Foundation of Dallas. *(The Editor is seeking more information on Dr. Wallace for a future edition of the newsletter.)*

The President reports that the Scottish Weekend in Moultrie (GA) this past February 15<sup>th</sup> through 17<sup>th</sup> was a success. Dick and Jean Wallace of Little Rock (AR) and Chuck and Alta Bearman of Valdosta (GA) were also there. Chuck was one of the speakers representing T.E.C.A. (Tartan Educational & Cultural Association). The honored clans were Wallace, Bruce and Douglas (coincidentally, the same three honored clans at the Fergus Highland Games last August). There was a Ceilidh and a Quail Supper on Friday night with some excellent entertainment provided by Colin Grant-Adams, Dr. Pat Talbert, Eric Dun-

can, Bobby Murray, Carl Peterson and Rixey & Macmillan. There was story telling and music aplenty. Saturday was crammed with presentations by Chuck, Dick Lucas of The Scottish Armory, Dr. Pat Talbert on Burns Women, and by John Douglas on the historical connections of Clans Wallace, Bruce and Douglas. There was a presentation on falconry by Kitty Carroll. The honored guests were Duncan Bruce, author of "Mark of the Scots" and Mrs. Tamara Bruce; The Hon. Stephen Collier, Deputy Consul, British Consulate in Atlanta and Mrs. Erica Collier; Clan Presidents and Officers and Library Officials. Special recognition was given to Clans Wallace, Bruce and Douglas and the Society was presented with commemorative plaques. Clan officials were presented with commemorative tokens. The honor guard was provided by the Scottish American Military Society and the Centerville Fire Department Highland Bagpipes and Drum Band Society of Centerville (GA). Saturday evening the party moved to the Community Building at Spence Field for a Gala Banquet and Ceilidh. The music was provided by the performers listed above. A special presentation was made of the birthday cards which had been sent to the library to honor Duncan Bruce. There was also a surprise birthday cake. The Haggis was piped in and Burns' "ADDRESS TO THE HAGGIS was done by James C. Grizzard and Jim Kilpatrick. The Centerville Fire Department Highland Bagpipes and Drum Band Society uses an old bus for transportation and on the way to Moultrie the fan belt broke cutting the line to the oil cooler from the transmission. Like most volunteer groups, they operate on a shoe string and this could have been a disaster. The hat was passed and \$550.00 was raised for repairs. The weekend finished with a Kirkin' o' the Tartan at First Presbyterian Church of Moultrie on Sunday followed by a feast in the fellowship hall of the church. Jim Marcus also adds that from Georgia he continued on his 4,700-mile journey west to Mesa (AZ) for Scottish Games there, the following weekend.

Regarding Mesa, Bill and Norma Wallace write: "Clan Wallace was well represented at the Mesa, Highland Games on 23, 24 Feb. As usual William H. Wallace hosted the Wallace tent. Several Society members from the Mesa area and Tucson assisted throughout the weekend. About 50 folks signed the guest book while several more just stopped to chat. One new life member joined the Society. Chief James McBain of McBain and Chief George Macmillan of Macmillan visited the Wallace tent as they made their way through the clan tent area. Guests gave the Society red Wallace tartan material for table covers and fine snapshots of the Wallace Monument near Dryburgh Abbey." While at the Games at Mesa, Bill Wallace was given pictures of a statue of Wallace. These were in color and he shared those

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pictures with those assembled. In researching Charles Rogers book, Jim Marcus found the following entry: "A statue of Wallace stands on a rocky eminence on the margin of the Tweed near Dryburgh. Constructed at the sole expense of David Stewart Erskine, eleventh Earl of Buchan, it consists of a rude figure in sandstone, twenty-one feet in height. Designed and fashioned by a builder at Darnick named Smith, it was unveiled on the 22d September 1814." The first monument to Wallace according to Rogers was a small statue erected in 1809 in Ayr. The one at Dryburgh, then, would have been the second.

This year's 7<sup>th</sup> annual USCO Scottish Heritage Festival was moved this year from Barnes Park in Midwest City (OK) to Hafer Park in Edmond (OK). President Jim Marcus reports that both locations are suburbs of Oklahoma City. "Unlike last year," he writes, "when the wind chill index was 12 degrees F. the mornings were cool with warming into the 60's by mid afternoon. As is usual in Oklahoma City it was a bit windy with gusts to 30 mph. There were several tents destroyed Saturday night when a front came through. Some tents were turned into metal pretzels while others went traveling. I was assisted by prospective member Patricia Wallace-McGhee and Clan Wallace Convenor Joyce Allison. Patricia donated a beaded Christmas Tree ornament to the society for the annual judging and eventual decoration of the Scottish Christmas Tree at the Kirkpatrick Center. Every Christmas, Kirkpatrick Center has Christmas Trees from different countries decorated by local clubs. The Scottish Tree is decorated by the United Scottish Clans of Oklahoma. The donated decoration won first prize. This win entitles the society to free tent space at this festival next year. Society member Dorothy Wallace Scheidt came by visited. There were several other Wallaces who were enthusiastic about the society and took applications including Robert Wallace in a Red Wallace Kilt who had just moved into the area. Who knows? We may get a new convenor yet." Jim Marcus notes that he may have had a possible far distant cousin show up who had ancestors in Cecil County (MD) before the Revolutionary War. "Her ancestors moved to Mecklenburg County (NC)."

On that note, Joyce Allison has reported the passing of her mother Jimmie Wallace Roberts on January 14<sup>th</sup> this year. Joyce is a life member and part-time Clan Wallace convenor. She normally is the only convenor at the Celtic festival at Kilgore (TX). It is also reported that Joyce lives in Scotland part of the year. Our deepest sympathies on your loss, Joyce.

Our Executive Vice President Captain John R. Wallace attended the fifth Tartan Day Festival at Tidewater Virginia. He informs that Tartan Day 2002 in Tidewater was sponsored this year at Virginia Wesleyan College by the Scottish Society of Tidewater. "Except for the ath-

letics, the Festival was held inside a gym in the College's new Student Activity Center. Members of the College's International Studies Staff provided assistance and liaison to the Society for that day's activities which included 2 Pipe & Drum Bands, a Scottish Dance Troup, Celtic Weapons Demonstrations, Whiskey Tastings, Scottish Country Dancers, Great Kilt Demonstrations, Face Painting, Children's Scottish Athletic Contests, Tartan Weaving Demonstrations, Clan and Society Tables and Displays, and several Celtic Music Groups, who entertained all day. There were 5 vendors present who sold Scottish goods. The College Dining Room also made a luncheon available and prepared several types of Scottish dishes including Haggis. Our Banners and Flags were flown from the railing that surrounded the gym floor to provide color and recognition. The event was attended by several hundred visitors and college students." As for clan tents, a CWS table was among the many clans represented and we had many visitors who stopped by to chat and look at the display materials. Several made entries in the sign up log and many others took Clan Wallace Membership materials." Concludes Captain John, "All in all it was a tremendous day and I have added this event to my convenor's schedule for next year."

From Edmonds to Batesville, Jim Marcus submits the following: "I returned late last night from the Scottish Festival at Lyon College in Batesville, Arkansas. Dick and Jean Wallace of Little Rock were the tent hosts. Saturday was excellent Scottish weather, cool, rainy and overcast. The rain never did get heavy, just sort of hung in there like vertical dew. Sunday was more typical of this time of year with the temperature getting up around 80 degrees F. The crowds Saturday were very enthusiastic with several comments that this was the first time they had been to a Scottish Gathering and Highlands Games. Several took applications and copies of any of the materials we had. They were also impressed with the Clan Wallace Banner that Dick and Jean's son Scott had made. Several other clans expressed interest in having their own made. I'll try to send you a copy of the picture. Since Lyon College teaches Piping and Highland Dance, there were several Pipe and drum bands competing. The first ever Virtual Highland Pipes and Drum Band chose this weekend at Lyon College to meet and perform. They normally meet on the Internet. It did seem strange when they kept taking pictures of each other. They seldom get a chance to do that. There bands from Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas and Oklahoma competing. The rancher from southern Arkansas that raises Highland Cattle was back with several members of her herd. They sell not only the meat from the animals but also the tanned hides with the hair still on. One lady asked her son if they had to kill the animals to get the hides. He replied 'No, Ma'am.' We just go out in the fields in the spring when they shed then and gather them up." The lady was

greatly relieved. He has to be Scottish. Sunday morning was a little slow and since I discovered that my Parsons line qualified me to join the McPherson Clan Society, I also looked up Harris and discovered I qualified for Clan Campbell. I think I'll pass on the opportunity to increase the ones I belong to." (Editor's Note: with all the criss-crossing the continent you do, Jim, you don't have time to belong to other societies.)

Dick and Jan Wallace, Marysville (CA) recently established a Clan Wallace Tent at the Sacramento Valley Scottish Games in Woodland (CA) on April 28<sup>th</sup>. Jan says that she was so busy "we flowed out onto the area to the side and in back of the tent. Even though the weather was cool and windy (unseasonable for California in April) we had a grand visit with Elmer Inman, convenor from Utah, Chris and Ron Wallace from San Jose, and Dan and Laurie Wallace from San Jose, including Laurie's father from out of state." The highlight of the Sacramento Valley event was a performance by Seamus Kennedy, a balladeer and comedian. Jan continues, "We passed out flyers for the ADM in Dixon in September 2002 and for the International Gathering in Reno in July 2003. Both seemed to be eagerly anticipated. The sign up sheet was active as we had 47 people that signed the register. All seemed eager at the time! We are looking forward to being a part of the Kit Carson Rendezvous in Carson City (NV). A new adventure for us and the other Scottish clans that were invited to come." (Editor's Note: for more info on the Annual Director's Meeting and the third Clan Wallace Gathering in Reno (NV) in 2003, consult the article on page 2.)

Tom E.S. Wallace represented Clan Wallace at the first "Gathering of Scots" in Perth-Andover (NB) on May 25<sup>th</sup>. Right across the international border from Houlton (ME), the Perth-Andover Scottish Gathering had attracted a great deal of attention for a region known more for its Acadian French population. Organized by Rod Wallace MacIntosh, this event specifically revolved around heavy athletics which are becoming very popular in Canada. There were clinics in the morning, and competitions in the afternoon. The provincial Scottish association and Clans Chatan and MacKinnon were also in attendance. Surprisingly, quite a few Wallaces introduced themselves, and are seriously considering joining the Society. Tom also plans to convene at the provincial Highland Games in the capital city Fredericton, the Montreal (QC) Highland Games, the Fergus (ON) Highland Games with James (Jamie) Hamilton Wallace of Newburgh (ON) and at the Miramichi (NB) Celebration of Scots. Depending on the schedule, he may also make an appearance at the Maine Highland Games. Plans are also in the works to gather the Wallaces of New England and Eastern Canada for the

## CWS Nametags Still Available

Jim Leland Wallace of Bowie (MD), who procures nametags for interested members wishes to inform that the new URL to order is:

<http://www.cccwebs.com/jlwallace/cwstag/index.html>

As the number of CWS members approaches one thousand strong, it's getting increasingly difficult to associate a name with a face.

These nametags mark you as a Wallace to everyone and, like our tartans, easily and instantly identify you to other Society members. The nametags come in four styles:

- A. Engraved, black on gold**
- B. Printed color (laminated)**
- C. Engraved, red on white**
- D. Engraved, white on red**

Each tag is \$5 each, plus \$1 for S&H and only 50 cents for each additional tag.



Samples of the four Clan Wallace nametags that are available from Jim (Bowie) Wallace.

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## Editorial

Spring and summer are the Society's busiest seasons. The majority of the games in North America take place in the six-month stretch from March to September. The Board really does appreciate each and every one of you who support the society in your own particular and unique way.

Big plans are in the works. Dick and Jan are facilitating the ADM at Dixon (CA) this coming September 28th. Furthermore, they have taken on the more daunting task of hosting the 3rd International Clan Wallace Gathering at Reno (NV) from July 24-27, 2003.

Elections are scheduled to take place in the next sixty days. All Council members will receive ballots by mail and will be asked to elect four directors (out of 10) whose terms will run from 2003-2006. Lifetime members should consider the US\$50 upgrade to Council status ASAP in order to qualify as an elector and/or nominee. Details are available from President Marcus (Jim) Wallace or Sec'y Wayne Jones.

Keep your submissions coming, and have a great and safe summer. Pro Lib!

*Tom E. S. Wallace*

## 2002 Roster of Society Convenors

Following is the most current list of society convenors. These folks are the true backbone of the Society as each ventures out to set up a Clan Wallace Tent. Any errors or omissions — which are purely unintentional — should be reported to the Editor ASAP. Listed geographically by North American state/province.

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## David Ross' "Wallace March"

Reprinted from the Glasgow Sunday Herald, March 2002. For those of us fortunate enough to have met David Ross in August 2001 at Fergus (ON), we cannot be surprised to read the following article. Indeed, David mentioned during his visit with members of the Clan Wallace Society that he was considering organizing just such an event.

It is evident that he is following through on his plan to commemorate the death of William Wallace appropriately by retracing Wallace's journey from Robroyston to Westminster to Smithfield for his subsequent trial and execution.

Incidentally, David Ross will return to Canada between July 26 and August 12 promoting his new book, A Passion for Scotland.

### Connery Set For Wallace March

**Hundreds to retrace Scots hero's 450-mile journey to execution**  
By Alan Crawford

SCOTS from all over the world are planning to commemorate the 700th anniversary of William Wallace's death by walking from the place of his betrayal and capture to London, scene of his execution.

Arrangements are already being made for hundreds of patriotic Scots to follow the 450-mile route that Wallace was taken on in 1305 between Robroyston, near Glasgow, and the English capital.

Organizers are planning for Sir Sean Connery to deliver a speech along with top Scots politicians, celebrities and musicians at the spot where Wallace achieved martyrdom in London. The Clan Wallace Society in America has already chartered an airplane to join other Scots for the pilgrimage which is being dubbed The Walk For Wallace in August 2005.

They will re-enact Wallace's journey, covering up to 25 miles per day for 19 days, before arriving on the 20th day at Smithfield, London, the scene of his untimely demise at the command of Edward I of England.

Historian and Wallace Society Convenor David Ross, who has already begun training for the march, said yesterday that he would lead the walk south.

'Wallace was betrayed and captured on August 3, 1305, and appeared in London on the 22nd, so it is a very long, hard walk,' he said.

'Wallace was bound by his legs to a horse, his hands tied behind his back, and taken through back roads to London.

'I didn't want the 700th anniversary to go unmarked and this is a way of giving Scots a tangible link with the man who remains

Scotland's greatest hero. It should be a very poignant occasion for a lot of people.'

Ross, 44, who presented a scroll on behalf of the Society of William Wallace to Sir Sean Connery to mark the recent Tartan Day celebrations in New York, said he believed the actor would make an appearance.

'I am quite sure that Sean Connery would love to deliver a speech to mark the 700th anniversary of Wallace's death. We are still in the early stages of organizing the events, but it would certainly appeal to him. I have also discussed the matter with former SNP leader Alex Salmond and other political figures. It would also be good to hear The Proclaimers sing 500 Miles.'

Wallace is remembered as a charismatic warlord who led an insurrection against English occupation forces which culminated after his death in the Battle of Bannockburn in 1314 and the Declaration of Arbroath six years later.

According to historian Michael Lynch, writing in Scotland: A New History, Edward's treatment of Wallace, ending in 'the grisly, ritual horror of hanging, disemboweling, beheading and quartering', differed from the normal course of rough justice meted out only in that Wallace was afforded a show trial at Westminster Hall. Edward had no concept that Wallace would become a martyr for the Scottish cause.

'For Edward, the 'war of Scotland' was a police action; to the Scots it was a war of conquest,' said Lynch.

The walk south will pass through Carlisle, where Wallace was handed over by his captors to English nobles, who took him the last leg of his final journey.

Several groups, including English-based Scots, have already committed to walking parts of the route. At Smithfield, speeches will be made to commemorate Wallace, who was executed on August 23.

The commemoration could also include tributes in Newcastle, Berwick, Perth and Stirling, where his limbs were sent to discourage other Scots patriots.

Mr. Ross, who devised the walk after researching his best-selling book, *On The Trail of William Wallace*, added: 'We know that Wallace's left arm was nailed to Stirling Bridge and that a street called Wallace Green in Berwick was named because it was where part of his body was displayed. Some kind of commemoration in these places is definitely a possibility.'

Money generated from the events will be distributed among 'appropriate causes', including the upkeep of monuments, statues and such events as Wallace Day, which is held

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## Flowers of the Forest

### MRS. JIMMIE ROBERTS WALLACE

The Clan Wallace Society is saddened to report the passing of Mrs. Jimmie Roberts Wallace on January 14th of this year. Mrs. Wallace was the mother of Council Member Joyce Allison of Keithville, LA.

### JOHN ADAMS WALLACE, SR.

The Clan Wallace Society is saddened to report the passing of John Adams Wallace, Sr., father of John Adams Wallace, Jr., both of Warren Street, Charleston, South Carolina. John Sr., was a long-time member and supporter of the Society, holding membership number 40.

## Society Biography

*There has been some discussion at the Executive and Board of Directors level that the general membership of the Society may not always be familiar with many of the names that appear time and time again in the newsletter. For this reason, the Gléidhidh will regularly feature biographies on some of our key support personnel and convenors.*

*For this issue, we present to you our Executive Vice President and Director, John R. Wallace (lovingly known as "Captain John")*

### **John Robert Wallace (Virginia)**

I am John Robert Wallace. I was born in Indiana in 1939, but have been a Virginian for most of my adult life and currently reside at 4327 Gadwall Place, Virginia Beach (VA), 23462. E-mail: [johnrwallace@earthlink.net](mailto:johnrwallace@earthlink.net), and phone: 757-495-8194. Though not married now, I do have two children; a daughter,



Kristine Lynn McGlade, who is married, pursuing a banking career, and living in Charlotte, NC, with her husband, Pat; and a son, Mark Keoni Wallace, who is in the Los Angeles (CA) area building and servicing computers.

I am a graduate of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy (1961) in New London (CN) and of the University of Illinois (1967); both with honors engineering degrees.

I am a retired U.S. Coast Guard Captain (32 years), a retired County Administrator (Amelia County, VA and Pittsylvania County, VA – 10 years), and the retired CEO of Highland Consultant Services (Virginia – 3 years).

I currently serve as Executive Vice President on the Clan Wallace Society Council. This is my second time on the Board. I am the President of The Saint Andrew's Society of Tidewater, VA and am a Director on the Executive Board of the Scottish Society of Tidewater, VA. I am also a Past President of the Scottish Society of Richmond and a Past President of the Virginia-Carolina Scottish Society in Danville (VA). I currently serve as the Post Commander for the Royal Canadian Legion Post #180, Virginia. Serving and being active in Scottish organizations has been a major activity and interest for me for many years.

My hobbies include white-water rafting and canoeing, snow skiing, travel, auto racing, and, of course, Scottish Activities. I am a convenor for Clan Wallace Society Worldwide for several annual events in the Virginia-Maryland area.

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2003 International Gathering of the Clans in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Capt. John R. Wallace of Virginia convened at the Second Annual Celtic Heritage Festival in Hanover County, held this year at Graymont Park located just north of Ashland, Virginia, on the weekend of 17-19 May 2002. Confirms John, "The Friday daytime schedule was filled with Public Workshops in many heritage subjects focused on both children and adults, followed by a VIP Reception and a Scottish Ceilidh, both on site. The Reception and the Ceilidh were excellent. Typical of the Virginia weather at that time of year, Saturday early morning brought a major rain and wind storm which blew down many tents and made a bog of the retail area of the grounds. Needless to say the schedule was delayed many hours while we recovered and dried out our tents and equipment." After this setback things picked up and moved along; attendance for that day was not very good. Honored Clan for 2002 was "Clan Barkley" and Honored Nation was "Ireland". The entertainment was first class and included "Lenahan" and "Killultagh" as well as several other excellent entertainers throughout the weekend. An Irish Hooley Finished up the Saturday activities. Sunday brought better weather, a Kirking O' the Tartans, a bigger crowd, and rescued the weekend. Wallaces Jim Schmelzer, Jim Bowie Wallace, Lisa Deiss and John Wallace were present at the Festival to man the tent and enjoy the activities

The following week, Capt. John Wallace attended the Glasgow (KY) Highland Games. He reports "This excellent Festival has been around for 17 years. Situated at Barren River Lake State Resort Park, near Glasgow, Kentucky, this event started with a 5K RUN on May 25th and followed with Lunch with the Chiefs, Genealogy Seminars, and a Rock Concert by 'ClannAnDrumma' and 'The Glengarry Boys' on Thursday, May 30th; and a Kentucky Barbeque, a Festival on the Square in downtown Glasgow, a Volleyball Tournament, more Seminars, and a Ceilidh on Friday, May 31st. Saturday, June 1st started with the Governors Breakfast and the opening of the major fields at the Park, where there was a full set of competitions (athletics, dance, harp, pipes and drumming." He was pleased to note that the popular Tug of War contest which is won annually by Convenor Tim Young and his HUGE group of Clan Wallace Members. The evening brought a Sponsors Reception and a Grande Banquet and Tartan Ball, plus a "Seven Nations" Concert and Scottish Country Dance Ball. There was something for everyone.

"The activities continued on Sunday, June 2nd, with more entertainment, contests, and all around good times. The Chief of the Games for this year was Chief George MacMillan of Clan MacMillan, who traveled with his wife Jane from Glasgow, Scotland, to

preside over the Games for 2002. Clan Wallace was Honor Clan this year. Tim Young and his family unit get great marks for an excellent Clan Wallace tent setup and for his warm hospitality. Dick and Jean Wallace attended from Arkansas, Jim Schmelzer and Jim Bowie Wallace came in from Maryland, and Captain John Wallace was there from Virginia. About 25 Wallaces visited the Tent during the 2 days. All in all, it was a good time and a festival that everyone should put on their schedule for the future."

Dick and Jan Wallace of Marysville (CA) attended the Kit Carson Rendezvous in Carson City, NV, the state capitol, on June 8th 2002. Jan writes, "It was four days of riotous interaction with Mountain Men who eat bagpipes for breakfast washed down with plenty of mountain moonshine. We rode in a bus with them and nearly lost our breakfast of corn flakes! Evidently Kit Carson, who blazed a trail over the Sierras, had a group of Scots riding with him and became very attached to them. We were one of 10 clans 'invited' to participate in their exclusive gathering. There were demonstrations of Dutch Oven cooking (delicious!) and other things happening throughout the weekend. We, of course, made the most of kilts and bagpipes." Jan continues that they even found a few Wallaces that scurried out of the sagebrush! The "pipin" padre" had us up and running for the parade through downtown and for the cowboy church service. There were many beautiful horses and wagons in the parade and we quickly learned the "Carson Side Step" as there were no pooper scoopers in the crowd! The wind blew all weekend and it was in the upper 50s Saturday. Seems a cold front had moved down from Alaska! Our Wallace full time RV'ers, Wayne and Sydna were with us as we camped in the Pinion Plaza Casino and Hotel RV Park in Carson City. They were so much help and we doubt that we would have made it without them! They left us to continue their travels to cooler climes in Oregon and Washington for the summer. Meanwhile, Jan and Dick have their eyes looking forward the third International Gathering of Clan Wallace. (details Page 2) "Wayne Wallace gave us many suggestions for the Reno Gathering and will help us from afar and hopefully be at the Gathering in July 2003 in Reno. Sunday night we were invited to stay at the Atlantis Hotel and Casino in Reno which included breakfast to see what they had to offer our group. It is a beautiful place with good prices. [Following] we were on to Circus Circus and the Reno Hilton. We will make our final decision for a hotel this weekend. We arrived home Monday night, pulling the 5th wheel, after hearing that it had snowed over the Sierras that day! We were thankful we didn't know about the storm before we left as 5th wheels don't have chains! Our next set up will be Monterey."

*Editor's Note: send in your reports as soon as they happen. Contact info on next page (8).*

# The Canonization of William Wallace?

*Sir William Wallace, our most renowned orebear, has already received Hollywood sanctification in the film "Braveheart." Now a number of prominent Scottish Roman Catholics and historians want to pursue the cause of his canonization.*

They argue that his personal faith and martyrdom have parallels with Joan of Arc, the French warrior-maiden who was canonized in 1920 — long after she was revered by France and people of French origin around the world — especially in Quebec. She personified France's twin values of language and religion. Wallace, who personifies Scottish independence, remained loyal to Pope Boniface VIII during his turbulent life and read the psalms as he was disemboweled.

The office of Thomas Cardinal Winning, the head of Scotland's Catholic Church, has said that the Cardinal was aware of the interest. A spokesman said that the precondition for opening a cause for canonization was that there should be a "local cultus or popular devotion" to the person in question. The spokesman offered this caveat: "While it is clear that Wallace is a widely admired Scot, it would be stretching things a little to suggest that most people were devotees of his sanctity."

John McGill, a Catholic, historian, researcher and personal friend of the author of the book *In Pursuit of Sir William Wallace*, Craufurd C. Loudoun, said that he hoped the cause would now gather momentum. He is party to amassing fresh evidence of Wallace's saintly qualities. Elspeth King, a leading expert on Wallace, said that the Catholic Church had been preparing a case for Wallace's canonization soon after his death, but the

project foundered because of turmoil in the papacy.

Mr. McGill said that his research had led him to conclude that Wallace was more of a "warrior monk", a man of "great spirituality" who carried his personal Psalter with him at all times. Mr. McGill says that evidence for his martyrdom centres on his execution by hanging, drawing and quartering. On the gallows, he calmly requested the last rites, which were administered against the orders of the King, Edward 1, by the then Archbishop of Canterbury, Robert Winchelsea. He then demanded his personal Psalter, and trial records note that he was seen "to be reading in humble tones, his lips moving".

Mr. McGill claims that he had unearthed reports of English priests praying for him, including one who claimed to have had a vision of Wallace's soul being welcomed into paradise. Mr. McGill said: "Had Sir William Wallace done what he did in England, France or Italy or a great European state in the 13th century, and had he been killed for what he did in the manner of that killing, I have no doubt that he would have been a canonized saint by now."

Other senior clergy and historians argue that Wallace could not be regarded as a martyr by the Church because he died for political rather than religious reasons. His violent nature and morally dubious private life also count against him.

The spokesman for the Catholic Church said: "There is some evidence that Wallace was a pious, spiritual man, and a faithful son of the Church. However, there does not seem to be a prima facie case to sustain the theory that he lived his faith to a heroic degree and subsequently died because of that faith." Normally, proof of one miracle is needed for beatification and two for sainthood, though in cases such as martyrdom those requirements can be waived by the Pope.

The great Scots chronicler, John of Fordun, who died in 1384, gives us a great insight into the spiritual character of Sir William Wallace. According to Fordun, Wallace attended to the needs of the sick and infirm and made sure that food and clothing was given to the poor. He looked after widows and orphans, came down heavily on crime and his greatest aversion was to treason. Crucially we are told he carried with him a personal Psalter at all times which in itself is a sign of piety. It is recorded that Wallace never missed public worship and was a frequent attendant at pilgrimages, especially to St. Margaret's shrine at Dunfermline. He was accompanied at all times by his personal confessor and lifelong friend, John Arnold Blair, a renowned Benedictine Monk and priest. Hume of Godscroft and the Reverend Andrew Wynton, two well-respected chroniclers in their time, are worth studying. It is to them that we owe a debt

of gratitude for their reports of miracles occurring in the name of Wallace. Miracles were reported on the very day of and in the days and months following Wallace's cruel death. These reported miracles occurred throughout England with some reports of miracles in Scotland. It is a matter of historic record that prior to his execution Wallace asked for a priest to administer the last rites of the Holy Church. Edward 1 of England roared his defiance that no-one was to go near Wallace. But England's leading prelate, the Benedictine Archbishop of Canterbury, Robert Winchelsea, stepped forward and said "The Church will not suffer any of her penitent children, whatsoever may have been his guilt, or to whatever country or kindred he may belong, to request the offices of a priest in his last moments and to be refused, and I myself will officiate, since none other is so near." Archbishop Robert Winchelsea then in defiance of his King gave Wallace the last rights of the Holy Church.

Wallace next asked for a priest to hold open his personal Psalter and while the cruel mode of killing took place, Wallace read the Psalms.

It is in the mode of Wallace's death that the odor of sanctity surrounding him lies heavily in the air. Condemned to die by hanging, drawing and quartering which meant he was still alive and conscious until his head was cut off reading the Psalms. It is of serious note that Blind Harry the Minstrel in his epic poem of Wallace refers to the warrior carrying a personal Psalter at all times.

About 1314, some nine years after Wallace's death, the Bishop of Dunkeld, William Sinclair, commissioned John Arnold Blair to retire to Dunfermline Abbey to write down all he knew about the life and times of Sir William Wallace with a view to presenting a petition to the Pope for the canonization of Sir William Wallace. That this did not happen was due to the fact that the Papacy was in turmoil with the enforced removal of the Holy See from Rome to Avignon, France,

Wallace's canonization was sidelined until recently." says Mr. Loudoun, "There is unfinished business here for the Church to deal with in the name of William Sinclair, Bishop of Dunkeld 1309-1336."

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