



Clan MacDougall Society of North America

MONTHLY NEWS



March 2014

Welcome to our monthly report to you of happenings in our Society. We are always looking for information about YOU, so if you have a birth or wedding or special event, please send us a photo and information to president@macdougall.org. For more information, please check our website at www.MacDougall.org.

Malcolm's Meanderings -- Notes from our President

Greetings and welcome to our new electronic newsletter.

We're excited to introduce this brief monthly summary of news, features and items of interest. It provides a quick, concise way to interact with our membership. I think you'll agree that it fits nicely with our other communications media:



- *The Tartan*, which remains the Society's primary journal publication.
- The electronic Bulletins for broadcasting important announcements to active members.
- Our evolving website, popular Facebook page and Twitter account—all intended to reach out to current as well as prospective new members via the internet.

We're trying to make this truly feel like YOUR Society. For this e-newsletter to succeed, we need your input, ideas, news items, photos, announcements and whatever else we can share with our membership. Please let us hear from you.

Yours Aye,

Malcolm MacDougall

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New Members

Jane MacDougal Eldredge
Lawrence KS
Kathryn Lausen
West Roxbury MA
Victoria Loop
Wellesley Hills MA
Donald MacDougall
Castle Rock CO
Kristy MacDougall
Murieta CA
James McDowell
Fayetteville GA

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Homecoming 2014 -- August 24 - 28: A Message from Dunollie House

The Gathering will be held at Dunollie, which has been the Clan Seat for the 850 years of its existence. Gatherings are held roughly every five years, and are an opportunity for kinsmen to come together and celebrate their heritage.

The 2014 Clan MacDougall Gathering will last five days,



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during which you have the opportunity to meet the 31st Clan Chief, Madam MacDougall of MacDougall, and her family, as well as enjoy a busy programme of trips and events.

You will shortly be able to book your programme online. Meanwhile, you will want to begin planning your visit. We recommend you book your accommodations as soon as possible.

For a quick summary of activities, access www.dundlie.org/clan-gathering/. For a more complete overview, click on [this article](#) from the December Tartan. For accommodations, click on [Oban Rooms](#).

[Note: Clan MacDougall events take place in August, not July as erroneously mentioned recently on the website.]

MacDougall Tents at Highland Games

Please notify us if you've signed up to host a tent at other games!

APRIL

5-6 San Antonio, TX
26 Southern Maryland Celtic Festival
26-27 Houston (TX) Celtic Festival

MAY

2-4 Texas Scottish Festival, Arlington, TX
17 Colonial Highland Gathering, Fair Hill, MD
24-25 ScotsFest: Orange County Fair & Exposition Center, Costa Mesa, CA

JUNE

28-29 San Diego Scottish Highland Games & Gathering: Brengle Park, Vista, CA

JULY

10-13 Grandfather Mountain, NC - Annual Meeting and Founders Dinner

AUGUST

23 California Celtic Classic: Dana Point, CA
24-28 MacDougall Homecoming, Oban Scotland

Scholarship Winner

John A. McDougall Memorial Scholarship Winner

TYLER W. WEAVER

Tyler was a sophomore at Tarleton State University in Stephenville, Texas, and a History major when he was awarded a scholarship from Clan MacDougall Society. He studied for five weeks last summer in Edinburgh, Scotland and received six credit hours towards his education. In addition to visiting museums and historical sites, his daily



studies focused on Scotland's history and society. Quoting from his thank you note, "I must say that my time in Scotland changed my life. The memories I have will stick with me forever. Thank you again for contributing to the greatest summer of my life."

If you donated to our scholarship program, you should feel proud and happy.

Famous MacDougalls

General Douglas C. McDougal

Major General Douglas Cassel McDougal was born on 23 April 1876, and served his country first as a naval cadet in 1893. In 1900 he was appointed as a second lieutenant in the U. S. Marine Corps, and retired 40 years later as a Major General in 1940. He and his wife, Selina Watts McDougal then lived in La Jolla CA until his death in 1964.

Foreign service included the Far East, Mexico, Haiti, and Nicaragua. His many decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal presented by the president of the United States, and the Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal. Other medals include the Spanish War Medal, China Campaign, Mexican Campaign, Haitian Campaign, Nicaraguan Campaign, World War I Victory Medal.



Gen. Douglas C. McDougal

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