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New Members

Ciad mile failte!

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

Life Members

- Marion L. Wallace
Swartz Creek, MI
- John Oliver Tilley-Wallace
Sevierville, TN
- Patricia P. Cook
Lewisburg, TN
- Dr. Hubert de Marcy
Les Orfosses, France

Annual Members

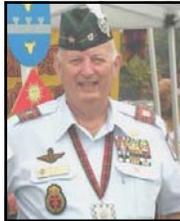
- George Theodore Wallace
Anthem, AZ
- Frederick W. Feilzer, Jr.
Stockton, CA
- Susan Mary Sorum
Brubergveien, Norway
- George Lane
Maryville, TN
- Jim Morton
Douglasville, GA

**As of 26 August 2006,
Clan Wallace Society
Worldwide has
1208 active members.**

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From the Desk of the President



Greetings Again!

As I reviewed the input for this newsletter, I made the decision to limit my remarks to allow room for all the great articles and photos that were prepared for your enjoyment and information. Life for your President has been very busy during this my final year in office. My schedule has been filled with excellent games and festivals. As I write this, I am preparing to be guest speaker at yet another Commemoration for our great hero Sir William Wallace. Since the last newsletter, I was honored to represent the Clan Society as Honored Guest at the Glasgow, Kentucky, Highland Games. What a wonderful experience. We will be honored three more times this year as I mentioned in my last letter to you. Join me for the fun in Tennessee, North Carolina, and Virginia.

I draw special attention to the announcement in this newsletter of the 2007 Clan Wallace International Gathering in Williamsburg, Virginia. Sign up now and guarantee your attendance. At the last Director's Meeting, your Board approved a Lifetime Achievement Award for Past Presi-

dent Tom Wallace of Jonesborough, TN. I was privileged to present it to Tom at the Gatlinburg Games in May. During these past few months the Society joined in partnership with the Renfrewshire Council in Scotland for a project to rejuvenate the damaged Wallace Yew Tree at the Monument in Elderslie. A forthcoming article will detail the work to date. There has been good progress. The CWSW Rewards Program continues to be generously supported by the membership, which provided the funds for such projects.

On a sad note, the Society recently lost long time Council Member, LAA Recipient, and good friend Charlie Wrenn from Maryland. Charlie will be sincerely missed by all of us who knew him well.

I leave you now to enjoy this edition of *The Guardian*. I wish you all a wonderful Fall Heritage Season. Keep an eye on the Clan Wallace Society Website for Special Announcements and photos from our events.

In your Service. Pro Libertate!

Capt. John R. Wallace, President
Clan Wallace Society Worldwide

Circle of the Cross Awarded to Marion L. Wallace



Congratulations from the President and the Board of Directors to donors who continue to demonstrate their dedication and support to the Society by making contributions to the CWSW Rewards Program.

All persons, whether members of the Society or not, may participate in this important Rewards Program and receive the uniquely designed pins, medals, and medallions. Information on how to get involved is found at the at www.clanwallace.org. As well, please contact the CWSW Rewards Program Coordinator at:

CIRCLE OF THE CROSS

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CWSW Convenors' Corner



Hello to all our wonderful convenors, hope you are gearing up for the upcoming season. Please take the time to go through your games box and see what needs to be updated or refreshed. We all

want to present a great image for Clan Wallace to those to come by our tents. Be on the watch at the Scottish festivals you attend the new "Tartan for Me" is now available. If you have never taken the time to purchase one of these they are well worth the cost and remember that, they may be deductible as well as your expenses for convening.

Back to school time is here, all school supplies are at good prices and this is a great time to stock up on pens, and any other items that you might need for your

tent. I have bought at Sam's a set of wire racks and use them to put the handout materials in on the table, this gives you more table space and you can even leave them in your folders. This is much neater and the wind does not play havoc with your papers. Another good source of items is your local dollar store. We have had to go to one where we were convening to get the corkscrews (dog run) and bungee cords to help hold down the tent because of wind. I wish you all the best this year and lets get lots of new members.

Convenors, Attention!!!

Please, Please! Please, Please!

(that's the best I can do for flashing lights)
Remember to submit your email address changes. Very often a new game or event will be announced late and when the closest convenor is sent an email, I get the dreaded message that the recipient no longer exists, does not have a valid address, or is unknown. Thanks!

Lifetime Of Achievement Is Recognized

At a reception held at the Gatlinburg, Tennessee, Scottish Festival and Games on 19 May 2006, Clan Wallace Society President Captain John R. Wallace presented the Society's highest award to Past President Tom Wallace. This award, consisting of an engraved Quaich and Framed Certificate, is presented for longtime service and exceptional achievements and contributions made to Clan Wallace Society Worldwide.

Past President Thomas B. Wallace of Johnson City, TN, has been a Council Member of the Society since 1968, and is one of the Society's original members. Tom served 21 years on the Society's Board of Directors and was the President for 7 of these years from 1990 to 1998; an unprecedented and significant period of dedication and service. During his time on the Board, Clan Wallace Society grew from a small group in numbers to one of the premiere Clan Societies in the world. During his administration he was personally involved in several significant projects, including a By-Laws rewrite, the re-editing of several Wallace publications, the promotion of the movie "Braveheart", and serving as a Clan Society Convener at several locations in the Kentucky-Tennessee area. Tom also served as the

Newsletter editor for the Society for 12 years from 1980 to 1992.

Past President Tom received his Doctorate Degree in Educational Technology and Policy Analysis in 2004 and currently is a full time Educational Administrator. He is a member of the Freemasons and Shriners, serving as President of the Jericho Shriners Highlander Unit and is Pipe Major of their Pipe Band. Tom's wife, Susan, also a longtime Council Member and former Director of the Society, was present at the Ceremony, as was his daughter, Allison.



PP Tom B. Wallace receiving his LAA, flanked by wife Susan and daughter Allison, receives his presentation from CWS President John Wallace.

Flowers of the Forest: Charles M. Wrenn II

Charles (Charlie) M. Wrenn II Temple Hills, MD. 1936—2006

Charlie Wrenn, a mainstay of the Clan Wallace Society, passed away on Tuesday, 04 July 2006.

He will be greatly missed by his beloved wife Barbara, loving son Charles M. Wrenn III, daughter in-law Miriam, and his grandsons Andrew and Jeremy.

A veteran of the US Navy, Charlie began his government career at the Veterans Administration as a tabulating machine operator. A true mustang, he worked his way up the ladder of success. He was a Computer Operator with the Federal Reserve, and later became a Computer Programmer running the payroll for the Federal Reserve and also the US Army at Ft. McNair.

In 1972, Charlie joined the Atomic Energy Commission (now the Department of Energy), serving in many computer related capacities. Most recently with DOE, Charlie was a Computer Specialist, writing many DOE policies regarding Computer Security. Retiring from DOE in 1991,

he worked for a major subcontractor where he applied his computer security expertise.

Charlie enjoyed many hobbies, including leather craft, model railroading, and participating at wine festivals. Most particularly, he was an avid woodworker and handcrafted a complete set of Queen Anne furniture for the family living room. Charlie also shared a hobby with his son Charlie III (Kip) - the Boy Scouts. Over the years, they were actively involved in the Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and the Explorer Scouts.

Charlie joined the Clan Wallace Society Council in 1983, becoming its 34th member. Charlie and Barbara were promptly mentored by Chuck and Alta Bearman and became convenors that same year.

Charlie and Barbara themselves mentored many members who became convenors. That impressive list includes current President Captain John Wallace and Board member Wayne Jones, and past Board members Larry Slight, William (Bill) H.S. Wallace, and Tom Wallace (Canada). Charlie also trained many Convenors by phone and mail across the United States and Canada.

Charlie served on the Board of Directors for 15 years from 1985 to 1999. During those times there was little Society activity, and Charlie became the foundation of the Society.

With distinction, he served as



Charles M. Wrenn II, 1936-2006.

Husband, father, grandfather, mentor, and friend.

the Secretary for six years, and Executive Vice President for three years. Concurrently, he was also the Newsletter Editor, Newsletter Manager, and managed Convenor Affairs.

In April 2003, to honor their numerous exceptional contributions and longtime dedication to the Society, Charlie and Barbara were presented with the Society's very first Lifetime Achievement Award and an engraved silver Quaich — the Society's highest honor.

The Board and Council of the Clan Wallace Society Worldwide express their heartfelt sorrow to Charlie's family at his passing. He will be missed by the entire membership of the Society.



Happy Times: Charlie Wrenn surrounded by his family, grandsons Jeremy and Andrew, and wife, Barbara.

Convenor's News and Other Clan Wallace Stories

Clan Wallace Wins Gold in the 2006 Glasgow Games Championships



Convenor Tim Young presents a "CWS Pullers" tee-shirt to Chief Margaret Elliott following his team's 11th annual victory at the Glasgow (KY).

Under the able leadership of Team Captain Tim Young, Clan Wallace Convenor for Kentucky and Tennessee, the Clan Wallace "Pullers of the Rope" Tug Team won its 11th Championship in a row at the 2006 Glasgow Highland Games on June 3 at Barren River Lake State Resort Park, Kentucky. In preparation for the pull this year, all of the Wallace Team Members had their faces painted with blue "Braveheart style" designs. The Wallaces pulled against a team from Clan MacDuff. The Clan Wallace Team is undefeated in this competition, which started 11 years ago. This year to honor Margaret Elliott of Redheugh, Chief of Clan Elliot, and Chief of the 2006 Glasgow Highland Games, the Challenge Pull was dedicated by Clan Wallace to her and the team pulled in her honor. After the win, Team Captain Tim Young and Clan Wallace Society President Captain John Wallace presented Chief Margaret with one of the winning Gold Medallions and a Clan Wallace Gold "Pullers" T-Shirt on the field. Captain John was present in Kentucky this year representing Clan Wallace, who was honored this Year as "Honored Clan" of the Glasgow Highland Games 2006. Following the Clan Challenge Pull, the Wallace Team conducted its Annual Children's Tug-of-War event created and named in honor of Alice Wallace Young, mother of Tim and several other of the Wallace Family who migrate to the Glasgow Games each year. Mrs. Young passed

away 2 years ago and because of her love for the children and active involvement in the Games, this event was dedicated to her memory. As many as 50 plus children participate in this event and are coached and trained by Mad Max MacDougal, the annual coordinator of the Highland Games Children's Scottish Activities. As usual the children out-pull the Wallace Team and are awarded Commemorative Medallions at an appropriate ceremony.

Gatlinburg (TN) Scottish Festival & Games

Situated in the Heart of the beautiful Great Smoky Mountains in Tennessee, this Festival and Games provides a full schedule of activities ranging from Clans, Highland Dancing, Athletics, Entertainment and the ever-popular Pipes Bands.

This year's event was held over the weekend of 19-21 May 2006 and started with a Gala Reception/Dinner on Friday night in downtown Gatlinburg. This formal reception was attended by several of the Wallaces who were at the Games, including Gatlinburg Convenor Ronald Heacock and his wife, Terri, from North Carolina; Tricia Wallace; our Convenor from Georgia, Past President Tom Wallace, his wife Susan, and daughter Allison from Jonesborough, Tennessee; and current Society President, Captain John Wallace from Virginia. During that evening President John presented The

Lifetime Achievement Award, the Clan Society's Highest Award, to Past President Tom for his many years of distinguished service to the Clan Wallace Society Worldwide. Ron and Terri set up their usual excellent Wallace Tent on the field, unfortunately, the weather did not cooperate and the field was muddy and under water all weekend. Regardless of the rain, those in attendance had a grand time. On Saturday, the Clan welcomed aboard a new Life Member, Patricia Cook, from Lewisburg, TN. President John took the opportunity during the day to present to North Carolina Convenor Russ Harper the "Circle of the Cross" Certificate and Cross Pin for his continued contributions to the Society's Rewards Program. Russ' wife Marcia was present at the ceremony held at the Clan Wallace Tent. All in all, it was a successful weekend; enjoyed by those who attended.

2006 Mint Hill Scottish Festival and Highland Games

The Second Annual Mint Hill Scottish Festival and Highland Games were held at Mint Hill, North Carolina (near Charlotte, NC) on March 25th this year. In only its second year, the Festival has expanded to include a full set of Highland Heavy Athletic Competitions and has more than doubled the number of Clans represented on the field. In addition the



Convenors Russ and Marcia Harper pose with very special tent visitors Samantha Teague and Megan Painter at Mint Hill, NC.

Convenor's News and Other Clan Wallace Stories

Highland Vendor Village was overflowing with shops selling Celtic goodies and gifts. North Carolina-Tennessee Conveners Russ and Marcia Harper, who put up their usual great heritage tent, represented Clan Wallace this year. Clan Wallace Society President Captain John R. Wallace was also present as one of the Festivals Distinguished Guests. The day's events included Pipe bands, Sheep Dog and Border Collie Demonstrations, Celtic entertainment, a variety of food, and Scottish Ceremonies; something for everyone. Although the attendance was not overpowering, this new Festival and Games is growing rapidly and is worth attending if you are in the Charlotte area in late March. Look for it.

Southern Maryland Celtic Festival and Games

Co-Convenors Jim Schmelzer and Jim "Bowie" Wallace report that this year's event was one for the books: Games Day, April 29, 2006, was extremely beautiful and they had a record crowd attending the site. The venue improves each year and has become a significant activity for the Clans, the athletes, and the visitors. About 12 Wallaces stopped by to spend time at the Tent. Everyone had a terrific day.

Potomac Celtic Festival

The 2006 Potomac Celtic Festival was held this year on 17-18 June 2006 at Morvan Park in Leesburg VA, where Wayne Jones, Garret Whiteside, and Larry Slight set up two spaces for Clan



Tamlin's Fine Corned Beef & Cabbage has been a mainstay of the Flagstaff (AZ) Scottish Games for many, many years.

Wallace. Jim Schmelzer, Mike Walker, and Jim (Bowie) Wallace provided great assistance in welcoming the many Wallace visitors and answering an array of questions regarding Sir William Wallace and the Clan Wallace. As in previous years at this Festival, the Clans were arranged in a Celtic village theme, with vendors located throughout the rolling hills of the Park. Seven stages were alive with continuous Scottish, Irish, and Welsh music throughout the 2-day event. The weather was hot, but there was no rain. Moving the Festival forward a week into the weekend of Fathers Day may have resulted in the lighter turnout on Sunday. We are looking forward to seeing many Wallaces next year, and invite all Wallaces in the Region to attend in 2007!

Flagstaff (AZ) Highland Celtic Festival

The 9th Annual Arizona Highland Celtic Festival were held on 16 July 2006. Most of our normal contingent of Arizona Wal-

lace's were there. Norma and Bill Wallace convened for the last time in AZ before their move to Oregon. This game report isn't about the Wallace Clan Tent Cavaliers. Instead it is about the Wallace 'cousins' who fuel the throngs at games around Arizona. For several years the Tamlins have dished up some of the best Ruben sandwiches and corned beef with cabbage found in Arizona. Wearing Wallace kilts and T-shirts (except for the photo op) they are welcome

fixtures on the vendor's row and visitors to our tent. Mom Jodi, son David, Joanne, soon to be David's wife and niece Tina hale from Tucson where David will soon be a law school student. The photo shows the 1/2 of the Tamlin booth remaining after the Saturday night micro-burst leveled several tents.

Kincardine (ON) Highland Gathering

July 1st marks the kick-off for Dorothy and Norman Knight's games season in the Province of Ontario. Kincardine is a town situated on the beautiful "Loch" Huron. Fourteen clans gathered at Kincardine, and Keith Davidson was the Chieftain while MacGregors were the Honored Clan. As usual, the Kincardine Pipes and Drums paraded down main street with almost the whole town falling in behind. Outside the games, at dusk, during July and August, a "phantom piper" plays from atop the lighthouse.

Chatham-Sertoma Supreme Games

Held on 08 July, eight clans participated. Dorothy and Norman Knight say: "We had a lot more interest this year. Life Member Bill Wallace of Windsor, ON, informed me that he is now a "bon-l-fide" Scottish Laird, having purchased land in the Orkneys (although it is only one foot squared), and he won't be able to put a castle or even a lawn chair on it. While at the games in Chatham we were personally invited to attend the Embro, ON, Games, which we will do in 2007. It is hard to convene at all games since the events of southern Ontario are concentrated in a two-month period.

Hamilton (ON) Highland Games

New convenor for Ontario Terry Wallace writes: "The Hamilton (ON) Highland Games this year expanded to a two-day



Clan Wallace in Maryland at its finest. Jim "Bowie" Wallace and Jim Schmelzer welcome all visitors to the Clan Wallace Tent, but they protect their books and papers by brandishing these big broadswords.

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event and though the second day was very light it is a start. Many pipe bands were represented, and the music was grand. We can't mention music without saying that Hunting Macleod played at



Canadian Convenor Terry Wallace proves why kilned gentlemen need to keep both feet on the ground... at all times... really.

the ceilidh Friday night, and at the Alexander Keith beer tent Saturday and Sunday. Their music would stir the soul of a Sasanach. There were nine clans represented and Clan Wallace was invited to March with the bands at opening ceremonies, and we were treated well over all. My son Jeff and I entered the Haggis Hurl as a team and held the lead most of the day but I understand we were beaten out in the end by another team.

Fergus (ON) Highland Games

Dorothy Knight contributes, "Our tent at the Fergus Festival was quite popular and buzzed with many Wallaces. On opening night, we had four members join us in the "lighting" which is a beautiful sight to see 45 clans plus visitors with their lighted candles on the games field, plus a lone piper playing "Amazing Grace." The finale is the impressive fireworks. We were glad to have Terry Wallace help co-host; answering questions and giving out handouts. The traffic was great, especially since author David R. Ross was guest speaker, just across from our tent. We had 15 Wallaces in the annual Parade of Clans. Here's hoping that all 23 enthusiastic signatures become members!"

The Cruise of the Kylebhan

Submitted by Norma Wallace (Bend, OR)

Scotland is a small country that could fit in the United States many times. How can it be that every visit has been an entirely different experience? Last year a whole issue of "The Guardian" was dedicated to the fantastic Wallace Gathering and the tour around Wallace country.

This year Bill and I had an adventure with the *Men of Worth*. The *Men of Worth* are two musicians (Donnie Macdonald and Jimmy Keigher), Celtic folk singers who create tours that are unique experiences in music and Scottish or Irish culture. This year our adventure with them was on a 65-foot converted fishing boat, called the *Kylebhan* cruising amongst the Inner Hebrides with six other people. In the evenings the *Men of Worth* accompanied by some members of our group played in the local pub or on a ship. Although Bill and I have a long ways to go before we can join them as musicians; we sure enjoy their music.

From Oban to Mull, Iona, and, Col we cruised on occasionally rough waters safely arriving to dock at night to go ashore. After having fresh mackerel for breakfast (caught by our group); great soups prepared by Sandy, *The Kylebhan's* cook, for lunch; we had exquisite dinners ashore. On Col, an island with a population 170 with terrain that is known for being rugged and wild we walked the beaches and saw common seals. I never expected to discover fine dining in a little island hotel. There

wasn't room for us in the dining room, so tables were



This portrait of William Wallace hangs in the home of David James, laird of Torosay Castle, Isle of Mull. Bill and Norma toured the castle during their trip.

brought in and we were served in the parlor. Where on earth can you find people who will go out of their way like that? Most places would just close their doors. Scottish hospitality was incredible.

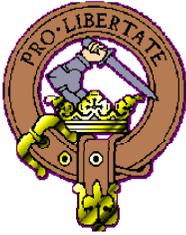
On the last day we visited Torosay Castle and Gardens on the Isle of Mull. It is the family home of David James where he shares family heirlooms. Most of the portraits about family, with one exception — a fantastic portrait of William Wallace. Painted in the 17th Century in the School of Jamesone, it is one of the oldest in existence, and hung — until the dispersal of its contents in 1985 — at Guthrie Castle. It was purchased as a memento to Torosay's links with the Guthrie family, as it had been commissioned originally to mark the Guthries' links with Wallace. Blind Harry the major source of information about Wallace, recorded that a knight called Guthrie was sent to France in 1299 to persuade Wallace to return to Scotland.



Kylebhan, on which Bill and Norma Wallace toured with musical duo Men Of Worth in July

2007 Clan Wallace International Gathering

Wednesday, September 26th to Tuesday, October 2nd, 2007



Colonial Williamsburg



Tentative Schedule

Wednesday September 26:	Arrival
Thursday September 27:	Welcome Reception
Friday September 28:	Williamsburg Games, Balmoral Reception
Saturday September 29:	Williamsburg Scottish Festival Whisky Tasting (host hotel) Genealogy Workshop (host hotel)
Sunday September 30:	Farewell Banquet
Tuesday October 2:	Departure
All Week	Hospitality (host hotel) and Sight-seeing

Anticipated Expenditures...

For planning purposes, assume the following Gathering Expense. Adult \$110. Young Adult \$65.

	Adult	20 mos—6yrs.
Hospitality:	\$25	\$15
	<i>6 Days of Drinks & Snacks</i>	
Reception:	\$30	\$15
	<i>Lite Hors d'oeuvres & Open Bar</i>	
Dinner:	\$40	\$20
	<i>3 Entrée VA Country Buffet</i>	

Prices are per person. Children under 6-Free. Function scheduling and pricing subject to change. Specific Sign Up Options will be on Gathering Registration Form.

Gathering Registration Fee... \$15

Price per person. Fee covers Mailing, Gathering Souvenir, Decorations, misc. expenses, etc...

Host Hotel... the Best Western...

Best Western Williamsburg on Richmond Road. A special Gathering rate of \$56 Double Occupancy (\$62 Triple / \$67 Quad) per Night has been secured. Attendees will make their own reservations, a credit card or an advance deposit will be required when making reservations. Daily Continental Breakfast Included. Room costs include 10% tax & \$2 Service Charge.

Getting on the Mailing List...

If you want to receive Hotel, Games and other pertinent information, send your full name(s), ages, address, phone numbers and e-mail addresses along with a non-refundable payment of \$10 per person made payable to CWSW and mail to:

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CWSW Treasurer
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Dayton, NV 89403

Persons responding will be placed on a Priority List for the Gathering and provided with all required information for attendance. Address any questions to Lisa Deiss, 2007 CWSW Gathering Chairperson at or (804) 730-5580 or email at lisa7454@verizon.net

Williamsburg Scottish Festival

Clan Wallace is scheduled to be Honored Clan in 2007. *Cost of Games & Balmoral Reception will be separate and borne by the Attendees. Check Festival website for structure and 2006 Cost for estimating 2007 pricing. RV & Camp Sites are available at the Games site for those who would desire.

<http://www.wsonline.org>

Watch *The Guardian* & CWSW Website for Updated Information!