



Clan Gregor Society Great Lakes Chapter

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This issue is dedicated to Clan Gregor Great Lakes President David Macgregor, who sadly passed away last month.

Clan Gregor GLC financial report in on the last page.



David Hewett Macgregor, age 86, of Lorain, passed away on Sunday, January 5, 2020. This summer, his name will be read into the Clan Gregor Society Honor Roll in Scotland, by Keith MacGregor (USA Clan Gregor Council Member). That will take place at a Sunday service at the Balquidder Church which is adjacent to Rob Roy MacGregor's grave.

He attended the Ohio Scottish Games this past summer. Upon arrival at the Clan Gregor table display he happily observed five MacGregors wearing our clan tartan: Marcia Malach Ebert, Joe Greer, Wayne MacGregor Parker, Bill Petrie and Patrick McGregor. He simply exclaimed appropriately, "Gee Whiz!"

Although he lived to be a robust 86 years old, he left us too soon and will be missed. David was truly a "man for all seasons".

- He was born on February 14, 1933 in Urbana, Ohio and moved to Lorain, Ohio at the age of 13.
- David was a 1951 graduate of Lorain High School.
- He served his country in the United States Army Corp of Engineering and was stationed in Europe.
- He graduated from Purdue University in Indiana in 1958.
- David began his career in insurance sales at the Culbertson-Macgregor Insurance Agency and became its sole owner in 1964.

- He served as the past President of the Lorain County Independent Insurance Agents of Lorain, the Lorain International Association, the Clan Gregor Society, and of the United British Society.
- He was a member of the University Club, Towne Club and the Cotillion Club.
- He served as trustee of the Scottish American Cultural Society, Goodwill of Lorain County, and a Founding Father of the Black River Historical Society of Lorain.
- He was also a Mason and was a member of the Kiwanis Club.
- David enjoyed landscaping, Scottish events, and being a tenor drummer with the Lochaber Pipe Band.

He is survived by his wife of 34 years, Kathi Macgregor; we thank her for her many years in support of Clan Gregor.

How David and Kathi met:

There is an annual festival in Lorain called Lorain International. “In 1983 it spotlighted Scotland and as President that year, David presided over the Scottish community. It had a breakfast hosting 500 people with a speaker. David, that year, invited Allan Bean, the astronaut. (He is a McBean). They remained corresponding friends after that. Then a musical night with lots of bagpipes. It's a night of entertainment by the nationality. My drill team performed a precision drill accompanied by David's Lochaber Pipeband. That is when we met.”



*David, Tenor Drummer in
Lochaber Pipe Band*

Originally printed in Summer 2019 issue: David Macgregor's nickname is "Weegee": You may notice that David spells his surname with a lower case "g". This spelling variant, per his wife Kathi, “began when his grandfather was the auditor of the Pittsburgh Steamship company. As auditor, there were many checks to sign. Instead of lifting the pen to make the capital "g", which took additional time, he continued the penstroke with a small g which has continued in his lineage. The Lochaber Pipe Band referred to him as a Macgregor with a wee g...and thus his nickname of "Weegee"...”

Message from Wayne MacGregor Parker, Chairman Clan Gregor Society Canada Chapter (our Sister Chapter):

“David was President of the Great Lakes Chapter at the same time I was Chairman from 1995- 2003. During our years together on Gregor business I came to know him as dear, principled man and a dedicated husband. Never forceful or self-serving, he had a certain polish and statesmanship that let you know you were dealing with a quality leader. I admired his sense of humor and practicality. David always had a story to tell punctuated with his dry little smile and sharp wit. I am so grateful we had the chance to spend some quality time together at the Ohio Games in June. This was a happy connection for me. A solid Gregor through and through, he will be missed.”



David overseeing the children's games, which he organized for many years, at the Ohio Scottish games in 2014. Picture provided by Marcia Malach Ebert.

We now have a Facebook Group; search for Clan Gregor Society Great Lakes.

Future plans/dates:

- CGS GLC Website is under development and will be ready soon.
- Host tent at Games in Berea, Ohio (June 26 & 27, 2020),
- Eagan, Minnesota (Susie), (July 18, 2020),
- Ligonier PA (Sep 2020) and in Fergus ONT (Aug 2020)
- Adding in 2020 western MI (Patrick) and Edinboro PA (Joe); add other state games in region, if volunteers step up
- 2021: one hosted social gathering (e.g., Robert Burns or Rob Roy dinner)
- 2022: International Clan Gregor Gathering in Scotland to mark the 200th anniversary of the founding of the Clan Gregor Society
<http://www.clanregor.com/international-gathering-2022/>

SUMMARY OF CLAN GREGOR GLC INCOME AND EXPENSES					
		FY 2018		FY 2019	
<u>INCOME</u>					
Dues		\$ 330.00		\$ 478.00	
W&M income(w.o. Rob Roy)		\$ 10.00		\$ 146.00	
Other		\$ 100.00		\$ 58.00	
Teller Error		\$ 30.00			
TOTAL INCOME		\$ 470.00		\$ 682.00	
<u>EXPENSES</u>					
Dues to Scotland		\$ 300.00		\$ 240.00	
Insurance		\$ 250.00		\$ 250.00	
Postage		\$ 37.25		\$ 50.00	
Games		\$ 70.00		\$ 149.00	
Fee to change name on account				\$ 21.50	
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ 657.25		\$ 710.50	
INCOME - EXPENSE		\$ (187.25)		\$ (28.50)	
<u>RECONCILIATION WITH CHECKING ACCOUNT</u>					
CHECKING, START OF FY		\$ 998.09		\$ 810.84	
CHECKING, END OF FY		\$ 810.84		\$ 662.34	
NET CHANGE		\$ (187.25)		\$ (148.50)	

What your dues paid for in 2019

