

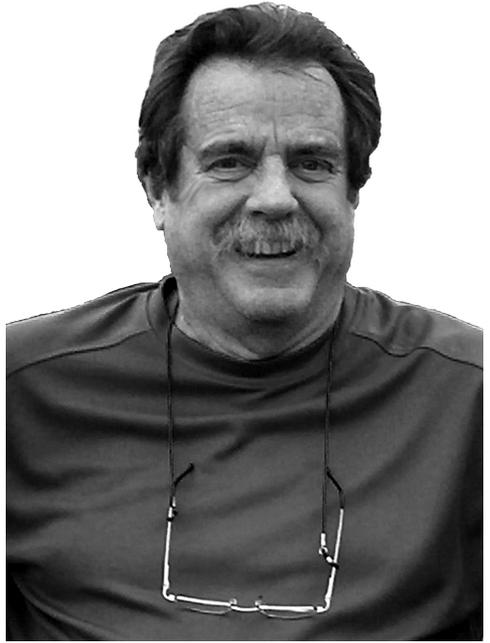


The LEOD VOICE

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IN
MEMORY
OF RICK
TIPPLE
1943-2005



LEGACY

When I die
Share my spirit
With all those you encounter.
Put your arms around anyone
And give to them
What you want to give to me.

I want to leave you something,
Something more
Than words or sounds.
I want to leave you the love of
ideas,
The sharing of thoughts
And feelings.

Look for me
In the people I've known
And loved.
Remember me this way,
Let me live on in your eyes
As well as in your deeds.

You can love me most
By letting hands touch hands,
By letting bodies touch
bodies.

Love doesn't die,
People do.
So, when all that's left of me
Is love, share me with others.

Original author unknown
Adapted for Rick by Judy Tipple

rick tipple

BY ED & JEAN MCKENNA, JUNE 25, 2005

Rick was raised in Nepean, Ontario. We Nepeanites always managed our affairs better than our Ottawa neighbours with whom we are now regrettably amalgamated. With this orientation it was not difficult for Rick to adopt the principles of clanship and to Hold Fast to the Clan MacLeod. It was in clanship that I met Rick and his dear wife Judy and there developed a friendship that my wife Jean and I deeply cherish.

When the Clan MacLeod Society of Ottawa began publishing a newsletter, It became apparent that there was a thirst for news of local societies across Canada and world wide.

Ottawa membership was 60 families but we were distributing 125 copies to clan societies and interested clanspersons around the world. When Rod MacLeod became Vice President of the Central Region, he took over the newsletter to give it a broader base. When the Canadian National Council structure was developed the importance of communications among the Canadian Clan Societies was recognized and the constitution provided for the office of Newsletter Editor. Rick Tipple was appointed and he has produced all of the editions of what became the *Leod Voice*: The Clan MacLeod Societies of Canada national newsletter.

The importance of the *Leod Voice* to the development of the Clan MacLeod Societies of Canada cannot be overstated. While there has been an ebb and flow of membership and some societies seem to almost disappear to pop up like mushrooms when a showing of the colours is required. Somewhat like the 'Fairie Flag' they come to the fore in time of great need. In this difficult environment Rick never faltered; he was the epitomy of 'Hold Fast'. His regular reminders of the deadlines for the *Leod Voice* were crisp and clear. While he did not always receive news of the activities of Local Societies that good communications required, he always produced the *Leod Voice*.

When the Clan MacLeod Societies of Canada extended communications to the internet, the masthead of the Canada Page on the Clan MacLeod website was one that Rick had designed. The proud red and white colours of the Canadian flag with the badge of Chief John MacLeod of MacLeod placed on one red bar and the badge of the Chief of the Lewes placed on the other red bar, identifies us to the world and throughout cyber space.

Rick and Judy were generous friends and they invited Jean and I to

visit them in their beautiful home on Saturna Island. It was a privilege indeed to share the view from their living room of the setting sun which was like seeing a Turner painting live. Their home which was designed by Judy and Rick stood out in a community of exceptional homes. Rick published a monthly community newsletter and in many other ways he and Judy were an important part of the community.

On this visit we found the many talents of Rick. Although we both attended many MacLeod gatherings, Rick was always busy taking pictures and gathering material for the *Leod Voice*. At home he proved not only to be a photographer and writer but also a woodworker and cook. Fresh scallops purchased from a local fisherman were quickly cooked to a turn and coupled with a salad and the right white wine became a gourmet delight. Truly a man for all seasons was Rick Tipple.

As a former English teacher, Rick was particular in his use of the language. When I proposed 'Hold Fast and Shine Bright' as a motto for the Internet Society, he pointed out that it should be 'Shine Brightly'. Correct Rick, but perhaps for you 'We Shall Hold a Light' is best. Your *Leod Voice* shone throughout the Clan MacLeod Societies of Canada.

Hold Fast Rick. We know you will 'Hold a Light' and 'Shine Brightly' in the better world you now enjoy. You will be greatly missed by the Clan MacLeod.



Five Scots on Saturna, July 9, 2005

WE MISS YOU, RICK

BY IAN C. MACLEOD, CMSC PRESIDENT

Most of you will now have heard of the sudden, untimely and tragic death of Rick Tipple, husband to Judy and our long time Editor of the *Leod Voice*. 14 of us from the Vancouver Society attended a memorial service to Rick on July 9 on Saturna Island. I spoke at that memorial on behalf of the Clan MacLeod. I have written a tribute to Rick, which will be published in the next issue of the *Clan Magazine*. Rather than repeat it here (especially as other tributes will be included in this issue of the *Leod Voice*), I will simply repeat my, and the Canadian Clan MacLeod, condolences and sympathies to Judy and offer her any help that we can provide.

I also express to her our heartfelt thanks for her volunteered willingness to take on the production of this issue of the *Leod Voice*. Hold Fast has a very special meaning to MacLeods in times of difficulty, and Judy shows that admirably. Thanks again Judy.

RICK TIPPLE REMEMBERED

BY JOHN ROBERTSON

My first encounter with Rick a few years ago was characteristic of our subsequent encounters. He was friendly, humorous, and curious. We shared personal stories, about why we came to Saturna, our backgrounds, hobbies and interests. Rick sought out information in order to find common interests, to build connections and to share ideas and concerns. He was always non-judgmental and seemed to relish the idiosyncrasies and individualism that flourishes in small communities like Saturna. He did what he could in the *Scribbler* to promote harmony and good will in the community.

One interest we shared was in language. Rick was an English teacher and had an interest in the history and evolution of the English language. He liked to play with words, extract their root meaning and speculate on their evolution. He was an iconoclast (as he would say, a breaker of icons). He liked to show the inconsistency and arbitrariness of grammar. It was all part of his joy in the language.

He enthusiastically recommended I read a book called *The Liar* before he and Judy left on their trip. The book was offbeat in subject matter but showed great virtuosity in the use of words. Part

of the loss I feel is that I will not have a chance to discuss the book with Rick or to share new authors and discoveries. He had many interests that he shared with others and they will feel the same loss; a dialogue ended too soon.

I will also miss his irreverent humour. A recent picture in the *Scribbler* featured me at the helm of Judy's sewing machine. Rick phoned me to make sure I had noticed it. I had decided to re-sew my sail covers, and Rick adjusted the machine for this use. He had built a custom sewing table for Judy, and his curiosity had led him to learn how to use the sewing machine. Once I sat down at the machine, he could not resist teaching me the fine points. He had a lively intelligence about how things

worked and skill with tools and his hands. He was rightly proud of the beautiful home he and Judy had built and had the satisfaction of enjoying their joint undertaking for too few years.

While a group of us were reminiscing about Rick, many of the same themes came up. He was a man of integrity, good will, intellectual scope and humour. However, the individual characteristic that distinguished him was his unfailing kindness and courtesy. Henry David Thoreau wrote, "to improve the quality of the day is the highest of arts". Meeting Rick always improved the quality of my day and raised my spirits, and he had the same effect on others. He will be missed.

Photos on left: Clansfolk arriving, Panel of Clan MacLeod involvement, Ian C. speaking, Judy welcoming June & Neil R. to Saturna, July 9, 2005

Message to Judy from Allan MacLeod after attending the Celebration of Rick's Life on Saturna, July 9, 2005

I'm so glad I was able to get over to Saturna to see you and to attend Rick's Celebration of Life! What a great effort the people of your Island Paradise put out for everyone! Wow, are they a great community family or what.

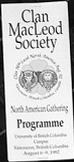
The testimonies concerning Rick were so heartfelt! All of the folks did so well, and their respect for and appreciation of you both was very evident. You also have great singing talent there on Saturna, that I much appreciated.

You both have been a real asset to the island community, and that speaks well for the MacLeods. Again, thank you, Judy, for all you have done for, and given to the Clan MacLeod folks of Vancouver.

I am so glad to have gotten to know you and Rick!

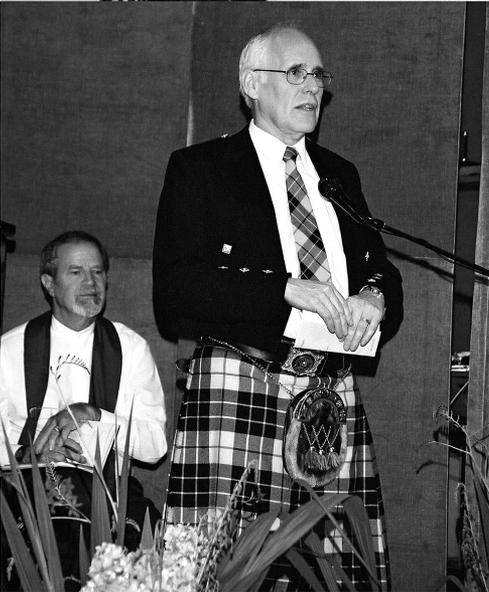


**CLAN
MACLEOD**



DUNVEGAN
 13 June 2005

Dear Sirs,
 We are pleased to have been invited to
 your club and to have been given the opportunity
 to meet you and your family. We were
 very much interested in the history of the
 club and the many years of service
 you have given to the club. We were
 particularly interested in the fact that
 you were the first to be elected to the
 position of President. We were also
 interested in the fact that you were
 the first to be elected to the position of
 Vice-President. We were also
 interested in the fact that you were
 the first to be elected to the position of
 Secretary. We were also interested
 in the fact that you were the first to
 be elected to the position of Treasurer.



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

IAN C MACLEOD

Greetings to all Clansfolk. It, as always, is absolutely breathtaking how fast time flies, especially when one has a deadline. There is much on which to report or comment in this issue, so the challenge will be to keep it from becoming a tome. To help keep the many topics apart and for ease of reading, I will set up my comments under several headings.

Fort Macleod: 2005 is the 100th anniversary of both Alberta and Saskatchewan joining Canadian Confederation. A big name in Alberta history is Col. James F. Macleod, an early commissioner of the NWMP (now RCMP). He negotiated Treaty 7 with the aboriginals and is also widely credited with bringing law and order to the West and with avoiding the Indian Wars experienced in the USA. In fact, he even met with the Sioux fleeing Montana after the wiping out of General Custer at the Little Big Horn. There is a good summary of his contributions at the RCMP Veterans web site, at http://members.shaw.ca/rcmpvets.calgary/macleod_statue.htm.

Fort Macleod is named after Col. Macleod, as is Macleod



Trail in Calgary. Calgary itself was named by James Macleod, after Calgary House on the Isle of Mull, in Scotland. The crest of the University of Calgary incorporates the bull's head from the MacLeod crest, due to the influence of Col. Macleod.

The RCMP Veterans Association is spearheading a number of projects to recognize the contributions of Col. Macleod to the history of Alberta and to Canada. One of those projects involves an interpretive museum type display in Fort Macleod. They have approached both the Blackfoot Nation and the Clan MacLeod to each do independent, but parallel, displays.

That will involve, for each, setting up a permanent display (4 feet wide, 5 feet tall and 18 inches deep) that will hopefully include a close to life size mannequin in period costume, some period artefacts and some display text and picture panels describing the Blackfoot and the MacLeods.

An interesting part of the display will be in juxtaposing the similarities between the Chief-led tribal culture of the Blackfoot and the Chief-led clan culture of the Highland Scots. Comparisons may

look to clan/tribal structures, relationship between small groups vis a vis the dominant culture of the day (i.e. Indians vs. the growing eastern US Government / Highland Scots in relation to the dominant southern English culture), family basis for culture, rural backgrounds and so on, to show how the empathy between Macleod and the natives led to communication and respect and, in turn, peace.

The project must be completed by August 25, the date of a formal dedication at Fort Macleod.

The Clan MacLeod has very little in the way of funds. As such, I have approached the Canadian Federal Government (Heritage and Multiculturalism) for some grant money (perhaps \$5,000). I expect that the funds will be used to acquire period costumes and artefacts, prepare the display panels, acquire a Canadian flag (from 1870s era) and to prepare and set up the display. I have not yet heard back, but have had favourable indications.

I would appreciate hearing if any of you have, or know where I can locate, MacLeod (or even Highland Scot) memorabilia from the 1870s, or earlier, time frame that would fit into a display. That could include clothing, weaponry, household effects or personal effects. Within the limited funds that will hopefully be available, we would be willing to pay for relevant

artefacts.

For those of you who might be interested in attending the opening (some of you would have been to Fort Macleod after the North American Gathering in Vancouver in 1992), the official opening of the Fort Macleod displays (including ours) will be August 25.

Alma MacLeod of our Alberta South Society in Calgary (alrodmacleod@shaw.ca) has given me information on accommodations in the area. She or I (icmacleod@telus.net) can pass that on to any of you that are interested in attending.

A few days later, on September 1 in Calgary, the RCMP Veterans Association will also be unveiling a new statue of Col. Macleod, on horseback.

Clanspersons of the Year: Bob and Connie McLeod, Winnipeg. For many years, on behalf of National Council, Bob has looked after the Clansperson(s) of the Year Award. That created one challenge, he couldn't nominate himself. Past President Neil and I made an "executive decision" to remedy that shortcoming. Neil attended Winnipeg's AGM in February (I was in Edinburgh for ACMS meetings) as a surprise guest, and presented the award to Bob and Connie. The certificate says, among other things, "Your contributions have been many, and include each of you being a

founding member of the Manitoba Society in 1987 and attending and participating in three Clan Parliaments and four North American Gatherings and Bob serving six years (1987-92 and 1997-98) as President of the Manitoba Society, serving for many years as Chair of the National Clansperson of the Year Award committee and serving for many years as Vice-President, Prairie Region.”

Congratulations to Bob and Connie and, again, many thanks!

Victoria Highland Games

The Victoria Society has been inactive for about 6 years. However, other groups in Victoria have put on a set of Highland games for many years. This year, Bob Tanner (president of the Vancouver Society), Edie Kernighan, Ken MacLeod and I attended the Victoria Highland Games, on May 22. About 13 clans had tents set up (up from only 3 last year).

The weather ranged from heavy winds to cold to rain to bright and sunny (that’s Victoria for you). In spite of the weather, there was a large turnout.

We had a steady stream of people by our tent. As always, the large maps and clan books were a big draw. We handed out a number of membership forms and cards, so hopefully there will be some renewed interest in Clan MacLeod in Victoria. Vancouver’s new banner looked great.

One of the visitors was Wendy (Vantreight) Gedney, a distant cousin of Norman MacLeod Rogers (Wendy’s mother’s mother was a MacLeod) and an old high school friend of mine from Mount Doug High School (1967) in Victoria. I can’t help but point out here that the Hollywood powerhouse, David Foster (Wendy’s cousin) and Art Vickers, the native artist, were classmates of ours at Mount Doug. Nellie Furtado, the rock star, and Steve Nash, the basket ball star, also attended Mount Doug (many years after us, of course).

All in all, it was a good event, and well worth attending in future years.

Migration Volume (Hunter book) Most of you know that the ACMS has commissioned Dr. James Hunter to write a book on the emigration of MacLeods throughout the world. The book is intentionally structured to look at the real life stories of real life MacLeods as they worked to survive or thrive in new lands. As such, it is more anecdotal than textbook historical. I have seen several chapters, and I think that it will be very well received. It will be available in September or October, at a cost of £15 to £17 plus £5 shipping and handling. Look to the *Clan Magazine* for more details.

This is another one of the major projects taken on in recent years by the ACMS, and shows that the

Clan MacLeod is alive and active in building the bonds of clanship amongst our MacLeod Clansfolk around the world.

Youth – NRG and Parliament

Many of the current leadership in Clan MacLeod became “hooked” due to their participation with the youth (the oldest group known as NRG, or North Room Group, aged 18 to 25) at a Clan Parliament at Dunvegan. Certainly, many of the active young people today forged those friendships at a Parliament. For example, the two Magazine Co-Editors, Heather (Canada, my daughter), and Emma (Scotland, daughter of Ruari – a former NRG member) and the new ACMS Youth Coordinator, Kirsteen (Australia, daughter of Ian and Ruth– themselves both former NRG members) met and became friends at the Clan Parliament 1998. In the past, often for a couple of weeks around Parliament, the NRG would provide volunteer labour on a project at Dunvegan Castle estate, in exchange for free room and cheaper food (their biggest challenge was sleep deprivation and bad diets – lager is not one of the primary food groups). However, as with all things, costs are going up. The ACMS has asked each of the National Societies to help sponsor the youth to take part. They have asked that Canada sponsor two youth, to the level of £400 in total (about \$925). They would prefer that each

national society give their support into a general fund, but understand that some may tie their sponsorship to support of local youth. National Council has agreed to the sponsorship, through the ACMS (i.e. not directly to any specific attendee), of up to two Canadian youth to attend Parliament to a total of £400.

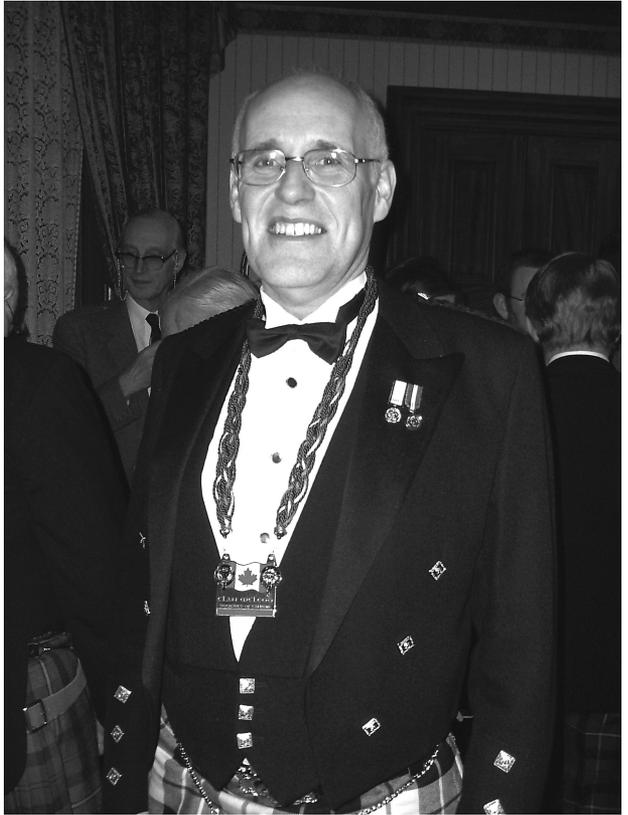
Youth Initiative – Encouraging Membership Along with Emma Halford-MacLeod (former ACMS Youth Coordinator, now “just” Magazine Co-Editor) and Malcolm (President, CMS England), I have been working on a project to determine why more youth are not involved in Clan activities, and what activities might make things more appealing to them. There is a questionnaire enclosed with this issue of the *Leod Voice*. I ask that each of you (of all ages) complete it and return it to me as quickly as possible.

Parliament 2006 Plans are well under way in organizing the 15th Clan Parliament, 2006. The “traditional” Parliament will be held at Dunvegan from Saturday, July 29 to Saturday, August 5, 2006. Something different next year will be a three day tour (Wednesday, July 26 to Saturday, July 29) around Stornoway, Lewis and Tarbert, Harris. This has been structured as part of Parliament itself, not as an add on. I encourage all MacLeods to take part, and bring the kids. It is a fabulous

experience, and builds a worldwide network of MacLeod friends. Ardie and I will be on Harris the whole week before Parliament, sharing a house with Ruari and Ann (Scotland), Ian and Ruth (Australia) and Doug (Canada, and Ruth's brother). Parliament details are in each issue of the magazine

ACMS Meeting in Scotland

The ACMS is the umbrella organization for the Clan MacLeod, worldwide. It organizes Parliaments, publishes the *Clan Magazine*, supports national societies, runs the youth (NRG) programs and takes on significant projects (such as the Migration Volume and the genetics project), among other things. Management of the ACMS is controlled by the nine National Society Presidents. The ACMS meets in October in England, February in Edinburgh, Scotland and once more somewhere else, preferably around a major gathering, such as the North American gathering or Parliament itself. Given travel costs, those of us from "the colonies" tend to only get to one meeting a year in Great Britain.



I attended the meetings this February, and was very kindly hosted by Ruari and Ann Halford-MacLeod. Ruari is the President of the Scotland Society and Ann is the Parliament 2006 Coordinator. The meetings were full and very productive, looking at a new strategic plan, a draft of the Migration Volume and the new youth initiative, among other things. I expect that more detail will be provided in the next *Clan Magazine*. I also attended the annual meeting and banquet of the Scotland Society. I had a delightful evening, seated across from Chief John.



Presidents Ian C. (Canada), Ruari (Scotland) and Bill C. (USA) at The Ship Inn in St. Andrews (Will Wales declined the photo op)

There was also much reminiscing about the life of Norman of Suardal, who had passed away just a few days before the meetings. He was a great friend of the Clan and will be sorely missed. The latest issue of the *Magazine* has a much fuller story.

For me, there were a few interesting side bars to the trip. First, my son Cam's (then) girlfriend was working as a flight attendant with Air Canada on my flight from Toronto to London. With over 7,000 flight attendants, what are the odds of that! I got some first class service (even though she couldn't bump me up, business class was full). I even got a picture of me hugging a flight attendant in the skies over London!

Second, on the Sunday after-

noon several of us (Ruari, Anne and Emma Halford-MacLeod, Bill C – CMS-USA and I) went for a drive up the east coast of the Kingdom of Fyfe to Saint Andrews. We stopped at a little seaside pub in Elie. The room we were in had about 8 tables and 15 people in it. At the next table was Prince William (or Will Wales to the locals), with two other lads and two young ladies. Unlike North America, his security was quite unobtrusive. He looks younger and slimmer in real life. Everyone left him alone. Third, Ruari, Bill and I walked the 18th hole at Saint Andrews (the skies were clear, but it was cool and the winds were blowing off the North Sea - standard fare for Saint Andrews I believe). All told, a great trip.

National Vice-President Donald has found it necessary to resign as National Council Vice-President. Among other things, he was concerned over the time and travel commitments (all self-funded) in taking on the role as President. I am sorry to see him step aside, because he has always worked hard for the Clan. In particular, he did a fabulous job on both publicising in Nova Scotia the genetics project and in coordinating Jim Hunter's interviews for the Migration Project book. Thanks again Don (and Eleanor) for all your work and support over the years.

He will not be lost to the Clan however. Along with some ongoing role with the Halifax Society, he, with Jonathan Wighting of the UK, will be the ACMS Internet Co-Editors. There have been some challenges in recent years in updating the web site (www.clan-macleod.com), so hopefully that challenge will be a thing of the past. Congratulations Don.

North American Gathering, 2008 Due to difficulty in arranging support workers for the planned NAG in Halifax in 2008, our Clansfolk in Halifax have had to withdraw their offer to host the NAG in 2008. That is particularly unfortunate, as it was Nova Scotia's "turn" (1992 was in Vancouver and 2000 in Guelph). Fortunately our Ottawa Society has agreed to host the 2008 NAG, under the

leadership of Past CMSC President (1994-2000) Barbara Armstrong. Her committee is already well into the organizing. Thanks very much to all of them.

Web Site Jen and Rory, another couple of younger MacLeods, late of Winnipeg, but now in Melita, Manitoba, have taken on developing a new Canadian web site. The site has been created at www.clan-macleod.ca, but content is just now being created and entered. Check every so often to see what has been added. Thanks Jen and Rory.

Future Writings #1 I have found, both from talking to people at our booth at Highland Games and from my trip last year across Canada, that people have many questions about Scottish ancestry and the structure of Clan MacLeod in Canada. Being so close to all this, one just assumes, quite wrongly, that people will simply know this stuff. On the heritage side, people ask about the location of the Highlands, the nature of the Chiefs, the septs, the tartans, the logos and mottos and much more. On the Canadian "administrative" side, they ask how the National Executive is chosen, what we do for them, what the dues are for, do we undertake any projects and so on. Given the length of this report, I don't have room to cover these questions in this issue, but I will try to answer them in future

issues of the *Leod Voice* or the *Clan Magazine*.

A New Challenge – “MacLeods in the News” As you can see from the early part of this report, Col. James MacLeod (1836-94) was a significant figure in Canadian history. And there are other MacLeods who have made a huge difference in Canada. Alan McLeod (1899-1918) (born MacLeod, but the Canadian military couldn't get his name right) was one of three Canadian airmen to win the Victoria Cross in WWI. Neil McLeod (1842-1915) was Premier of PEI in 1889-91. Pegi Nicol MacLeod (1904-1949) was an early Canadian modernist painter. Dr. J.J.R. MacLeod (1876-1935), was

a native Scot, but was a professor at the University of Toronto from 1918 to 1928. He and F.G. Banting co-discovered insulin, for which they shared the Nobel Prize in 1923 (as such, it was MacLeod and Banting, not Banting and Best, who are credited with discovering insulin.)

But Clan MacLeod is not all about looking backward. We are a living, breathing family, who are continuing to contribute to our communities. In keeping with the theme of the emigration project, I would like to recognize MacLeods (and the septs – a list is included at <http://www.clan-macleod.com/gensepts.html>) who are making a difference today.



Bill C., Ian C. and Ruari walk the 18th hole at St. Andrews Golf Course in February

CLAN YOUTH GATHER

BY KIRSTEEN MACLEOD

This is my first attempt to up-date my contact information.

It is my hope that you will forward this to the younger generation of MacLeods or anyone interested in Clan Youth updates. It is very important that I can get an idea of who is interested and who will be attending NRG in 2006.

I know some of us will be too old for NRG but Emma has Orbost house booked which will accommodate some/most of us depending on who actually attends.

I look forward to an awesome two weeks next year.

Cheers from Kirsteen MacLeod email: neetski_macleod@hotmail.com

McLeod Searching

By Dorothy Nixon

I just developed a website (<<http://www.tighsolas.ca>>) about my husband's ancestors, Nicholsons and McLeods, who came from Lewis in 1838 and 1841 to Quebec. They left behind letters which you can read on the website. I'm sure there are relatives out there: indeed, I have John McLeod's crayon picture hanging in the room and two others of his sister and brother. Many thanks for your interest.

The challenge to you is this: please let me know whenever you hear of a MacLeod (or sept) who has made a special contribution. That could be anything from a young person winning a piping contest, to a teacher receiving a master teacher award, to someone being elected as president of a local chamber of commerce or trade union, to someone being elected to public office, to someone excelling in any field, and so on. Through this, we can celebrate today's MacLeod clansfolk.

Some Closing Fun: Jeopardy

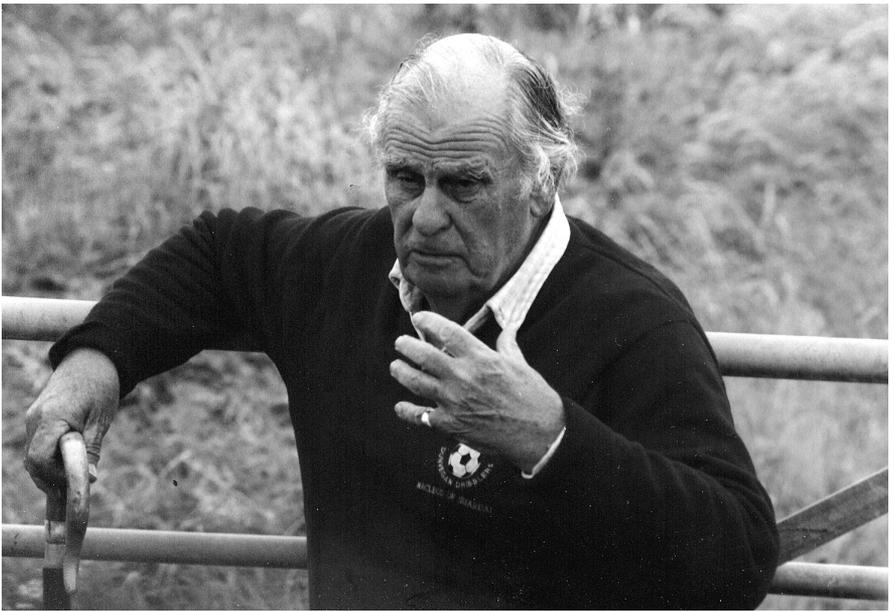
A number of years ago, Norman MacLeod (then President of the Vancouver Society) created a game patterned on the TV Jeopardy show. He had categories of questions under (Round 1) Skye, pipes, tartans, music and CMSC and (Round 2) Dunvegan, Western Isles, Chiefs, battles and Gaelic. It made for a fun game at one of the luncheons. It was lost in his old computer system for years, but recently resurfaced.

If anyone is interested, I will forward it on to you.

As you can see, there is a lot happening, both in Canada and worldwide.

We really do have a wonderful, worldwide network, joined in kinship.

Have a wonderful summer.



The news of Norman of Suardal's death is from Past Editor of the *Clan MacLeod Magazine*, John of Glendale.

We will all miss Norman's humour, good will, stories and wisdom. That combination of human beauty is unlikely to be seen again in our time. If anyone ever did so, Norman "Held the Light" and magnificently so. The greatest memorial we can give him is to strive together to both remember him with fondness as well as befriend one another as he befriended each of us.

Bob & Connie
McLeod of
Winnipeg, named
CMSC Clanspersons
of the Year. Bob
gets to cut their cake
while Connie must
rest at home with
the 'flu'.



PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT

NEIL R MACLEOD

Clan MacLeod Society of Manitoba held their annual potluck dinner at the home of Bruce and Florence MacLeod on February 19, 2005. I had the pleasure of presenting to Bob and Connie McLeod the Clanspersons of the Year Award.

Bob and Connie were founding members of the Manitoba Society and have been strong supporters of CMSC. Bob has held the position of Regional Vice-President of the Prairie Provinces for many years, and has also handled the responsibility of citations for service and the Clanperson of the Year awards. As the Clanperson of the Year award is a surprise, we were unable to

nominate Bob and Connie in the usual way. As Past President of CMSC and with the approval of President Ian C. MacLeod I was able to present this much-deserved award to Bob and Connie.

This was a real surprise to Bob (unfortunately Connie was unable to attend due to illness) as we had their three sons and families attend the evening. Also accompanying me at this presentation was CMS Vancouver President, Bob Tanner, who was in Winnipeg visiting a long time friend.



CLANSPERSONS OF THE YEAR AWARD GIVEN TO ROBERT (BOB) AND CONNIE MCLEOD

BY FLORENCE MCLEOD, PRESIDENT, CMS MANITOBA

Bob and Connie were founding members of the Clan MacLeod Society of Manitoba, October 1987.

Always interested in Scottish history, especially MacLeod history, genealogy, tartans, folklore and participating in various Scottish activities, it was natural that they participated in the Manitoba Highland Games, Scottish Festivals and Folklorama, displaying Scottish heritage.

They have attended three Clan MacLeod Parliaments on the Isle of Skye, four North American Gatherings beginning in 1984, at Sydney, NS, Chicago, West Point, and Vancouver. On separate occasions they have attended CMSC Council meetings in Guelph, Pictou, Vancouver and helped host the meeting in Winnipeg.

Bob is Regional Vice-President for the Prairie provinces, an officer of the CMSC Foundation and a regular contributor to this CMSC newsletter, *The Leod Voice*. Bob co-authored the article on Lt. Alan Arnett McLeod, V.C. recipient for the ACMS *Clan Magazine*. He participated in the dedication of the Alan Arnett McLeod Building, Southport, MB (student pilot residence) and the dedication of the stained glass shield at #1 Canadian Air Division Headquarters (Billy Bishop Building). Through arrangements with the St Andrews Society, the Clan MacLeod Society of Manitoba has a plaque installed on the Cairn of Tears in Winnipeg.

Bob was president of CMS Manitoba from 1987 to 1992 and again from 1997 to 1998. He has also held positions of treasurer, newsletter editor, membership chairman and fundraiser and is still a very active board member. In 2000, Bob received the Award of Merit for his outstanding contributions.

Bob is an active member and Past Master of Ancient Landmark #3 of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, an active member and Past President of the Komediants Unit of the Shrine, member of the Sons of Scotland, Melrose Camp and a member of the St Andrews Society.

Connie and Bob have celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary and have four children and nine grandchildren.

Connie has hosted numerous meetings for CMS Manitoba, as a secretary and currently looks after benevolence and archives as well as doing extensive work cataloguing books for the CMSM library. She is very generous of her time concerning genealogy, and is pianist for Sons of Scotland and district functions such as Robbie Burns dinners. Connie is also an active member of the Daughters of the Nile.

CMSC MANITOBA REPORT

BY BOB MCLEOD

The first meeting of the year was combined with a pot luck dinner and held at the home of Florence and Bruce MacLeod. On my arrival, I was surprised to see Past National President Neil R. McLeod there, in full regalia, but I knew that Neil likes to dress up and that he was probably in Winnipeg to do a photo shoot of a curling game or something along that line. We all visited for a time, started and finished our meeting and were well into the food when I looked around and saw our son Bruce. I looked some more and saw our other two sons Gordon and Glen, their wives Debbie and Barb also grand-daughter Paula and her boyfriend. Then I knew that something was up. Connie was sick with the flu and unable to attend. I was called up and presented with the Outstanding Clanspersons Award which I accepted on behalf of Connie and myself. You could have knocked me over with a feather. This is the highest Award presented by the National Council, usually every two years at a major MacLeod Gathering, so I was really surprised. We don't feel we deserve special recognition because whatever we did was because we wanted to do it, plus we've met a lot of people and



made a lot of friends along the way and that's certainly reward enough. Thanks Neil for your visit.

The Kirkin' O'Tartan scheduled for April 3 was cancelled for this year but we'll try to make it happen in 2006. The 39th Annual Manitoba Highland Gathering occurred in Selkirk Park in Selkirk, MB on Saturday July 2nd. We are one of the few Clans who have attended faithfully (for at least 17 years) and attended again this year. The Highland Dancers, the Heavy Games and the Dog Agility Trials stole the show last year. Folklorama and the Scottish Pavilion will be open from July 31 to August 6th. This is the #1 Scottish event in the city and province and the cost of admission is only \$3.00. Scottish food and drink, continuous Scottish entertainment, Tam and Thistle Novelty Shop, Clan booths and more.

Our new President is Carole (McLeod) Cox and helper husband John. They've been members since 1988, so Clan Manitoba is in good hands.

PACIFIC REPORT

BY MARK MACLEOD

Interior BC:

Pat and Phil send their greetings. This stalwart group is planning to have a gathering in Vernon at Ian and Koralie's in August. Pat had a very bad car accident in December. Amazingly, after being cut out of her car with the Jaws of Life, she walked to the ambulance! We wish her well as something such as this can have long lasting effects as Ollie and Ray (CMSV) know so well.

Vancouver Island:

Unfortunately unable to contact Robin, four members of the Greater Vancouver CMS traveled 'over the seas' to Vancouver Island and participated in their 68th Highland Games. Despite the blazingly-hot-turned-to-rain-to-sun-to-stormy-winds weather, the day was a great success. Vancouver President Bob Tanner, CMSC President Ian C. MacLeod, Vancouver Past President Ken MacLeod along with Edie Kernighan joined the throng of an estimated 5000, handing out brochures and making the presence of CMS well known. From reports I have received, it sounds like it was a very enjoyable day.

Vancouver:

This is Bob Tanner's first year as President for Vancouver. He had served many years as Treasurer and



has now taken over the reins from Ken MacLeod. Kirstin Rideout is energetically serving as Vice-President. For many years Kirstin and her sister Kali have entertained at our gatherings with their wonderful piping and drumming. We have supported them as they grew from young beginners to accomplished musicians.

This year's Event List is particularly well filled.

In early April members attended a Kirkin o' the Tartan in Burnaby. Later in the month a fun Ceilidh style Spring Brunch was well attended. This was held at a Richmond Winter Club and organized by Bill G. in his usual great style.

This summer the group will attend the largest Highland Games in the Lower Mainland. Held in Coquitlam, CMSV will be on-site with a tent, displays, books, maps and camaraderie – always a great day and the main event for CMSV to promote membership, society awareness and clan fellowship.

In August, Judy and Rick Tipple (known by all I am sure for taking

on the arduous tasks of National Membership Registrar and *Leod Voice* Editor and Publishers) have invited MacLeods to share a day on beautiful Saturna Island for a fun filled picnic. The day will begin with an ocean cruise of over 3 hours. The ship's schedule varies as it weaves its way through the Gulf Islands and stops at various ports of call enroute. This will be an excellent day of meeting and greeting friends old and new!

On a personal note, after many years of convincing, Alison has accepted my proposal. On August 21st we will be wed.

[**Update:** *The August 13 Picnic on Saturna will be held despite Rick's untimely passing on June 4. Judy insists that this would be Rick's wish and a great tribute to him.*]

Hold Fast, Shine Bright



GREETINGS FROM BC

BY ALLAN MACLEOD

It has been an odd spring here--hot weather last month to over 30 C for several days, setting records, now sun and showers about 20 C which is normal. Strawberries came on a week ago, and are great. Saturday night we were 15 people for supper, and we cleaned up a whole flat of strawberries--on strawberry shortcake! Wish you had been here!



We are still hoping to get to NS this summer, but I'm not sure yet when. We want to visit my brother Gordon, also Stanley Graham. Stanley is 96 now, still living on his own--and ready to do some garden-when the rain stops!

I am still Asst. Pastor at our church until we get a new Senior Pastor. That is happening soon as of which time I shall be let go, and I may apply for UI, as I have it coming--though I am not looking for a new position--at age 73. However, both pastors will be away in August--our present pastor for vacation, and our new pastor for earlier promised family camp ministry, so I shall find out tonight at our Elders Board meeting if they want me to fill in for those three weeks in August. If so, I will not be free to travel for any length of time until the end of August. So we may very well end up in NS during September and October, but those can be lovely months too.

Our new grandson, now six months old, delights us continually. Marcia our daughter and Keith live upstairs, and we are in the basement apartment which we have completely renovated over the last two years here, and we are very comfortably settled. Marcia, as Office Manager for Canadian Sunday School Mission works out of her office here, while Meryle takes care of the baby for Marcia, and I help (with pleasure) when I am home. He is such a happy, smiling baby, and a pleasure to be with. I am enclosing a picture of Grayson that I took last week.

Trust you have a great summer together! We shall look forward to visiting some of you whenever we get to travel.



CENTRAL ONTARIO CELEBRATES 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Fifty years ago, ten MacLeods met and decided to establish a Clan Society in Toronto. We now look forward to celebrating this event and 50 years of Clanship.

Our 50th Anniversary Dinner and Ball will be held on Saturday, October 22, 2005, at the Toronto Cricket Skating and Curling Club in Toronto, just 2 blocks from Hwy 401. The evening will include a four-course dinner, cash bar and ballroom and Ceilidh dancing to the music of "Sounds Special", a five-piece band.

Reception at 6:00 pm for dinner at 7:00. Tickets are \$60.00 per person.

Members of other Societies are welcome to join us for this historic event.

For information and reservations, contact Colin or Beth Macleod at 905-880-4456 Email: lochlann@csolve.net.

WE HAVE A WEBPAGE!

BY JENNIFER AND RORY
MCLEOD

clanmacleodonline.ca



After many months of struggling and fussing we've brought The Clan MacLeod Society of Canada to the internet. You'll be able to view news and events and contact information for MacLeod/McLeods across the country and the world. Did you know South Africa has a Society? Or that Germany does? We're everywhere! Now you can learn all about MacLeods from all over.

Just as the *Leod Voice* can't function without your support and contributions neither can the webpage. We can only be as up to date as you help us to be. So please, if you have a birth announcement or engagement or any other exciting event or photo you'd like to share please let us know. If you don't know how to email your information to us please ask the teenager nearest you to help, or write me a letter and I'll take care of it.

We'll be running online contests and quizzes each month so check back often to see what's new.

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Snail mail: Jennifer & Rory McLeod

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Another Interesting Website

By David Cann-MacLean

I was surfing the net and found the Clan MacLeod site and was very pleased that the traditions of Scotland are being kept alive so well by the MacLeods of Canada. Being a very proud Scot myself it's nice to see other folk who love my homeland in any way.

I am actually an artist, and have a website which I use to showcase my work. Is there any chance that you could maybe give my website details to your readers in the possibility that one of them may be interested in my artwork? I would be most grateful.

My website is fairly new and most of my work has a Scottish theme, for reasons that are obvious to the viewer. Please find the time to have a wee look and let me know what you think?

Website <http://www.DavidCannMacLean.co.uk>

Email: David.Cann-MacLean@NTLWorld.Com

macLEOD DISCUSSION GROUP

BY BOB macLEOD

Membership Chairman, Clan MacLeod Society USA

Recently we have discussed our tartans, kilts, Chief John, and the Gaelic language. Does that sound interesting? You bet it is. While not an 'official' site, you can access it and join directly at: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/clanmacleod> or click on the link for Blue's Chat Room on the official Clan MacLeod USA site at: <http://www.clan-macleod.com/>. You will find knowledgeable participants from Australia, Scotland, the United States, and even Italy as well as other far flung places where MacLeods have found their homes.

You are welcome to listen and learn or better still post your questions and comments. It is a cordial meeting place for all things MacLeod. No telling what today's topic will be!

So if you are a MacLeod, a sept, a descendant, or a friend, won't you please come and join us? We would love to have you.



THE UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY CREST

WHY DOES IT CONTAIN THE BULL'S HEAD?

[This question was posed by Norman MacLeod CMSV. The first response is his, followed by Ian C. MacLeod's response.]



In late November, 1874, Macleod met with the leaders of the Blackfoot Confederacy to establish relations. Before Treaty #7, peace in the area was kept by the gentleman's agreement reached between Chief Crowfoot and Macleod at this and subsequent meetings. Crowfoot called Macleod *Bull's Head*, probably from the bull depicted on Macleod's family crest. The Macleod family legacy is honoured by the inclusion of the bull in the crest of The University of Calgary.

To read the entire page, go to:

<<http://www.acs.ucalgary.ca/~dsucha/mountie/macleod.html>><http://www.acs.ucalgary.ca/~dsucha/mountie/macleod.html>

Regards, Norman

Great question, Norm.

I did a bit more research, and found a fuller answer on the University's web site (<<http://www.ucalgary.ca/mp2003/logo/history.html>><http://www.ucalgary.ca/mp2003/logo/history.html>).

The Coat of Arms was adopted as the official mark of the University of Calgary in 1999.

The Coat of Arms consists of a shield, an escroll containing the motto and the wordmark in either a horizontal (with the wordmark to the right of the crest) or vertical (with the wordmark below the crest) format.

The shield consists of two parts, the upper part (the chief) separated from the lower (the base) by an arched line symbolizing the Chinook arch. The ground colour of the chief is scarlet, commemorating the North West Mounted Police under whose influence Western Canada was settled. Upon this colour is a pair of open books bound in gold. Between the books is a white rose, symbolic of Alberta. The ground colour of the base is gold, indicative of golden sunshine or golden grain. *Upon this is a black bull's head with red horns and crossed staves bearing red flags, reminiscent of the family crest of Lt. Col. J.F. Macleod, the NWMP officer who founded Fort Calgary.*

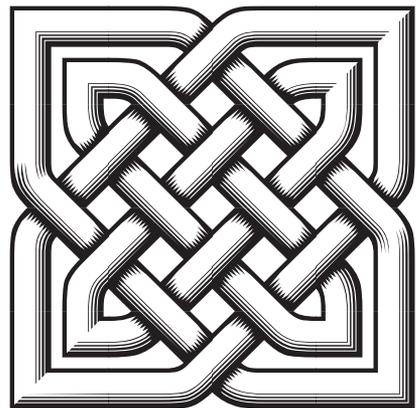
Below the shield, printed on an escroll, is *the university's motto, "Mo shuile togam suas"* (trans-

lated as "I will lift up my eyes"), rendered in Gaelic uncial letters. The motto is a Gaelic version of Psalm 121 of the King James Bible. The scroll is white; the draped ends are red.

In the Warrent for Letters Patent from Lord Lyon King of Arms dated April 29, 1966, the official description reads:

"The Lord Lyon King of Arms, having considered the foregoing Petition, authorises the Lyon Clerk to prepare Letters Patent granting unto the Petitioner the following Ensigns Armorial, videlicet: Or, a bull's head cabossed Sable, horned Gules, between two flags Gules, their staves onjoined in base, on a chief enarched of the Third a rose Argent, barbed and seeded Vert, between two open books of the Fourth, bindings and fore-edges of the First; and in an Escroll under the same this Motto MO SHUILE TOGAM SUAS."

Ian



GENEALOGY PROJECT

BY LESLEY
MCCRIMMON

Hi everyone. My name is Lesley McCrimmon (yes, another McCrimmon) and I have been working with Irene since 2002 on this fascinating project.

We are trying to trace the roots of any MacLeods and their sept's who have ever been born in or lived in Canada. Descendants of the MacLeod families are spread throughout Canada, the United States and other parts of the world.

"Sept" is of Irish origin and refers specifically to a "division of a tribe". The word owes something to the Latin *secta* – 'a following', which perfectly describes the meaning of "sept".

Clan sept's were of three classes: (a) important clansmen, related by blood to the principal or Chiefly line, who established their own branches; (b) old families, often related to their adoptive clan, which performed hereditary duties and retained their own name (eg. the MacCrimmons were pipers to the MacLeods of Dunvegan); (c) individuals or groups who sought and obtained the protection of the clan, either retaining their own name or adopting that of their protector.

For the past ten years, we have been collecting individual and

family histories. These family histories (charts) have been compiled into five volumes, each volume adding additional family histories to the previous one. Currently we have a database of over 17,000 names. It is our goal to make sure that all members of the Clan MacLeod Societies of Canada are included in this project.

Probably the most fascinating part of this project is allowing the participants to discover unknown family connections. Hope you decide to get involved. Who knows? You might be related to your neighbour down the street!

If you need family history charts to fill in, or just want to find out if you or your family have already been included, please contact me by snail mail at: Lesley McCrimmon, 16619 Innis Lake Road, Caledon East, ON, L0N 1E0, or online at:

lmccrimmon@hotmail.com

As Irene indicated in the last issue of the *Leod Voice*, Volume 5, or any previous volumes, are now available at a cost of \$35.00 plus \$5.00 for postage.

On behalf of the Clan MacLeod Society, I would like to thank Irene for the countless hours of work she has dedicated to establishing and building this worthwhile project.

I look forward to hearing from you. Yours in clanship, Lesley

AUTHOR CELEBRATES CANADIAN HEROES

[Story by Lisa Queen.

Photography by Steve Somerville

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Admitting she has a soft spot for Terry Fox, Elizabeth MacLeod is rooting for the young one-legged runner who raised millions of dollars for cancer research to win the CBC's contest for the title of Greatest Canadian.

"You can't help but be proud of Terry Fox. His achievement was remarkable," the Thornhill, Ontario native said.

"How many able-bodied athletes can run a marathon a day?"

The children's author is also delighted to see Alexander Graham Bell in the running for the title, which will be awarded next Monday.

"I would probably pick Terry Fox but I did a book on Alexander Graham Bell and found him fascinating. Not only was he clever but he was very kind," she said.

"Kindness was what motivated a lot of his inventions. He didn't want to be known as the inventor of the telephone but a teacher of the deaf."

While Ms MacLeod is pleased the poll focuses attention on heroes, she is annoyed there isn't a woman to be found on the list



of top 10 nominees. Really, she argues, couldn't the CBC find one female Canadian to bump hockey commentator Don Cherry from the list?

After writing *The Kids Book of Great Canadians* this year, Ms MacLeod is well aware of the contributions women have made to our society.

"I'm amazed at their obstinance and perseverance," said the good-natured author and editor while visiting her father's Thornhill home last week.

"I found it astounding no women were on the list. It does give a message, doesn't it, that women don't belong."

Ms MacLeod, who had trouble scaling her book of great Canadians down to 150 names, said Canadian history is full of outstanding women.

"What about the Famous Five and the whole Persons Case? Up to that point, women were not considered persons."

He jokingly brushes off suggestions about being his daughter's biggest fan, saying that honour should go to her husband, Paul Wilson.

"He's bigger than me," Mr. MacLeod says with a smile. "I am *one* of her biggest fans."

Mr. MacLeod became aware of his daughter's writing talent many years ago when he was asked to give a eulogy, an invitation he wasn't keen to accept.

His daughter suggested she could help, an offer not immediately supported by her proud father.

"I thought I don't need my daughter to tell me what to do," Mr. MacLeod said.

"But she took my words and ideas and made them into a wonderful speech. I realized then what a good editor can do."

After obtaining a university science degree, she attended the Banff Publishing Workshop and caught the writing bug. Soon afterwards, she began working as

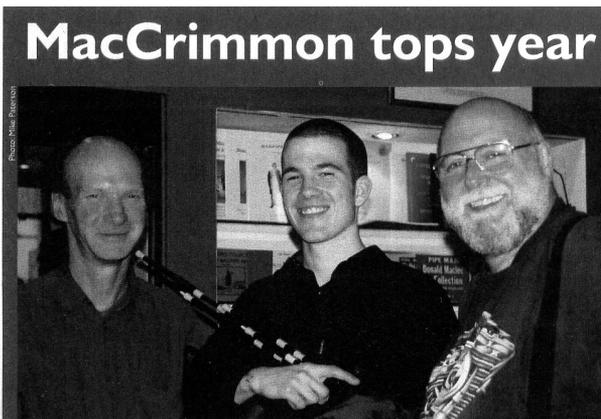
an assistant editor at *Owl Magazine* for children.

Ms MacLeod took a break from children's publishing to write for a software company and then went on to become an editor at Kids Can Press where she is now an author and freelance writer.

Although she now lives in midtown Toronto with her husband, Ms. MacLeod said growing up in Thornhill with her father, mother Vel, who died 25 years ago, and older brothers John and Douglas provided an almost idyllic childhood.

"My best friend (Marilyn Belch-Venner) from when I was a kid, is still my best friend today. That's an experience a lot of kids don't have today, of growing up in the same place and having one best friend all their lives," she said.

For more information about Ms MacLeod, visit the Canadian Society of Children's Authors, Illustrators and Performers at www.canscaip.org.



Descendant of the great MacCrimmon pipers of Skye, Calum MacCrimmon, centre, is presented with a fine set of smallpipes by their maker Hamish Moore (left) and is congratulated by Brian McNeill, director of Royal Scottish Academy of Music & Drama, Glasgow.

WORLD WAR I STORY

BY BOB MCLEOD

In July last year, I received a phone call from a couple in Matlock, MB, not far from Winnipeg. They were given our phone number by an owner of the McLeod Teahouse in Stonewall. The lady on the phone advised that when visiting their daughter and family in Victoria, BC, they found a secret door below the inside stairway and therein found a box belonging to Lieut. Arthur W. Hammond, MC. This soldier was Lieut. Alan Arnett McLeod's observer/gunner. Imagine... this at one time was the Hammond home. Hammond died in 1959 and is buried in the Royal Oak Cemetery in Victoria. In the box were approximately fifty typewritten copies of letters that Arthur had sent to his mother and dad between 1914 and 1918. They read like this:

France

Dec 17, 1915

My Dear Mother,

Just fancy I have just been and got wounded just in time for Xmas, however I hope you will not be worrying and thinking all sorts of rash things as it is not very serious, only a few bits of German old iron to be dug out which is quite a simple operation. I have also got just a touch of gas but not much. I don't even think they will send me home but I still have hopes. Well

dear Mother this is a rather short note but "nurse" says I must go to sleep. I am in a lovely place (The Duchess of Westminster's) and my address is No 1, Red Cross Hospital, (D. of W.), B.E.F., France.

P.S. I hope you will all have a Happy Xmas and not worry too much about me.

Your loving son, Arthur.

Also in the box were two ordinance maps, one of France and one of Belgium, and a flight instruction book from the RAF, c1930. A meeting was arranged with the lady on the phone, her husband, Connie and me to meet at McLeod House in Stonewall. We saw first hand all of the above materials then discussed what should be the next step. Subsequently, all items were presented to the historian and Chief of Protocol at #1 Canadian Air Division Headquarters in Winnipeg, who copied the letters and took them and the other items (on loan) to the Canadian War Museum in Ottawa. On return of same, the Matlock owners decided to leave the maps, the flight instruction book, on long term loan, to the Winnipeg Air Division Museum, bearing in mind, they have a copy of the letters. Comox Museum on Vancouver Island is also interested in anything Hammond or anything World War I.

I'll keep you posted. Bob

JAMES FARQUHARSON MACLEOD

BY HUGH A. DEMPSEY

James F. Macleod (Commissioner of the North West Mounted Police)

In 1877, when the Blackfoot treaty was being negotiated, Red Crow, great chief of the Bloods, said:

“Three years ago, when the Police first came to the country, I met and shook hands with Stamixotokon (Colonel Macleod) at Belly River. Since that time he made me many promises. He kept them all, not one of them was ever broken. Everything that the police have done has been good. I entirely trust Stamixotokon, and will leave everything to him. I will sign (the treaty) with Crowfoot.”

These were stirring words from a leader of one of the most warlike tribes in the West and a fitting tribute to the wisdom, honesty, and stature of Colonel James Macleod, Commissioner of the North-West Mounted Police.

James Farquharson Macleod was born in Scotland on September 25, 1836, and came to Canada as a boy. He received a law degree at the age of twenty-four and was active in the local militia in Ontario. He was commissioned a Brigade Major in 1870 and came west to help put down the Red River Rebellion. A year later he was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel and in 1873, when the North West Mounted

Police were being formed, he was appointed Inspector, and a year later Assistant Commissioner. He took part in the great march west in 1874, when the Force suffered great hardships in crossing the barren plains. When Commissioner George French turned back, Macleod continued on to southern Alberta where he established Fort Macleod.

In the West, Colonel Macleod soon revealed his abilities in organization and diplomacy. The whiskey trade which had plagued the area was immediately suppressed, and friendly relations were established with the Blackfoot tribes.

He was respected and admired by his men and showed patience and understanding when bringing law and order to southern Alberta. A leading Peigan chief was so impressed with the bearded officer that he gave him his own name, Stamixotokon, or Bull Head.

In the following year, Fort Calgary was built and at Macleod's suggestion it was named after Calgary House, a castle on the Isle of Mull in Scotland.

In 1876, Macleod left the force to become a stipendiary magistrate, but less than six months later he accepted the position of Commissioner of the Mounted Police and member of the North-West Territories Council. He was one of the

SFU Centre for Scottish Studies offers course/tour

Stephen Duguid is considering offering another educational travel opportunity to Scotland in May 2006 via the Centre for Scottish Studies. The course/tour would focus on three areas of Scotland — the Western Isles from Islay to Skye, the Speyside region, and Aberdeenshire — with a focus on the three themes of landscape, geology and whisky.

The tour would feature weekly stays at self-catering accommodations, local site visits to historical locations, distilleries and geological locations, seminars and guest lectures. The size of the group would be limited to about 15 persons.

Stephen welcomes expressions of interest prior to beginning specific planning.

Contact: Stephen Duguid, Director, Centre for Scottish Studies, Simon Fraser University (duguid@sfu.ca)

commissioners appointed to negotiate Treaty Seven with the Blackfoot tribes, and the chiefs signed primarily because of their trust in him. Over the next few years, Col. Macleod had to deal with Sitting Bull's refugee Sioux who had fled to Canada after the defeat of General Custer, the extermination of the buffalo and subsequent starvation among the tribes, as well as frontier problems of horse stealing and cattle rustling. Through his ability he was able to maintain law and order, and the Canadian West suffered none of the Indian wars, lynchings, and lawlessness that plagued the Americans.

In 1880, Macleod resigned from the Force and moved to a ranch near Pincher Creek. He remained a full time magistrate and seven years later he was ap-

pointed to the Supreme Court of the North-West Territories. In May 1894, his judicial seat was moved to Calgary but he had just taken up his new duties when he died of Bright's Disease on September 5 of that year.

As stated by historian Rod Macleod, "James Farquharson Macleod exercised a decisive influence on the early development of western Canada. More than any other single individual, he was responsible for establishing the policies followed by the NWMP in their dealings with the Indians, and for setting the tone of Canadian Indian policy in the NWT. His vision of the region was of a place where newcomers and the native population might live together in peace, and where disputes could be settled by reason."

CLAN MACLEOD SOCIETY OF MANITOBA REMEMBERS YEAR OF THE VETERANS 2005

Veterans from: World War I

1914 – 1918

- Lt. Alan Arnett McLeod, V.C.

Royal Flying Corps

World War II 1939 – 1945

- Pipe Major Bill MacLeod

Cameron Highlanders 1940 – 1945

- Kenneth McLeod

Royal Hamilton Light Infantry 2nd Div.

- Robert McLeod

Royal Canadian Corp of Engineers



Kenneth, P. M. William and Robert E. McLeod are all veterans of D-Day



The real reason Andrew was selected as Scotlands's patron saint, was because it was he who thriftily suggested to Jesus after the feeding of the 5,000, that they ought to get some baskets to pick up what was left over.....Prairie Bob

Looking for MacLeod Information?

The website for Father Greg MacLeod, the new President of
CMS-Cape Breton is

<http://www3.ns.sympatico.ca/gregmacleod>

THE EDITOR'S PAGE



In producing this issue of the *Leod Voice*, my first thought has been to thank all of you for the patience, understanding and support shown me following Rick's sudden and untimely passing. Your phone calls, email messages, cards and letters have been greatly appreciated. To know that Rick was held in such high esteem by so many has brought me tremendous comfort during this difficult time.

The wonderful contingent of clansfolk that were able to come to the Celebration of Rick's Life on July 9th was very heartwarming and quite impressed my Saturna 'family' who had heard Rick and I expound on our Clan MacLeod 'family' over the past nine years. I look forward to welcoming 35 to 40 clansfolk to Saturna for a picnic on Saturday August 13th.

I also want to thank all of those who sent in articles and reports for this issue, especially Ian C. To my Saturna friends Beverly and Dawn, your help was life-saving. The *Leod Voice* has been the primary communication vehicle of the CMSC for the past decade and I strongly feel, that it continues to be essential in this role.

I have learned much in the production of this issue. Rick's vast knowledge and skills in both the finesse of publishing and the command of the computer programs he used to accomplish the task have been sharply brought into focus for me. I will happily hand over the 'pen' to anyone who would like to take on this task. In the meantime I will continue my efforts to maintain the membership registry and receive articles and reports as they come in for the next *Leod Voice* issue and then to publish it in early November.

It was Rick's vision that we should keep in touch with one another through the *Leod Voice* and I'll do everything in my power to support that end.

Newsletter Timelines:

Copies of photographs and copy to be typed:

June Newsletter— May 15
November— October 15

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June Newsletter— June 1
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