

History of Clan Cunningham, USA

Our second year: May 11, 2003 to May 11, 2004

1. **The Board of Directors** at the end of our second year: David Pickens, President; William D. Cunningham, Vice-President; Margie Cheatham, Secretary-Treasurer; Dr Bill Cunningham, Membership Coordinator; Carole Bishop, Historian; Beverly Lueke, Webmaster; Julie Cunningham, Genealogist; Jerry Lester and Jon Czarowits, Delegates-at-Large. The position of Newsletter Editor is currently vacant.

2. **Board Meetings:** The Board conducted its meetings using the CommunityZero Website chat room. Meetings were held on: 15 June 2003, 22 June 2003, 20 July 2003, 10 August 2003, 24 August 2003, 9 November 2003, 14 December 2003, 4 January 2004, 8 February 2004, 29 February 2004, 14 March 2004.

3. **Board Actions and Decisions:**

- a) to reimburse tent sponsors up to \$100 per Games, upon request.
- b) to use PayPal for on-line membership and paying of dues.
- c) to advertise CCUSA in the Odom Payne Genealogical Library, and use them as a repository of our records.
- d) to pursue recognition by the Lord Lyon of our organization, despite that an organization must be in existence for at least 5 years.
- e) to make some changes to the by-laws.
- f) to hold the first Triennial Meeting at Stone Mountain in October 2004. This decision was reached by offering the membership a chance to vote on the location: Glasgow, KY in June 2004, Pleasanton, CA in September 2004 or Stone Mountain outside of Atlanta, GA in October 2004.
- g) to establish State or Area Representatives, in order to have more members participate in our organization's activities.
- h) to prepare and publish a book on Cunningham lore, history, etc.
- i) to offer "The Tartan Card," an affinity VISA card, sponsored by the Standing Council of Scottish Chiefs, and for which CCUSA gets a small donation for every application for the Tartan Card.
- j) to pursue identification of Cunningham armigers.

4. The **Unicorn newsletter** was published four times. The **Summer 2003** edition featured an article on The Cunninghams of Caprington, by Carole Bishop; and reports of many Games where members hosted tents. The **Fall 2003** edition featured an article on the Cunninghames of Craighends, by David Pickens; an article on Stirling Castle – the Cunningham Connection, by Carole Bishop; more Games reports; and some recipes. The **Winter 2004** issue featured an article on Allan Cunningham, Poet and Novelist, by David Pickens; the President's Annual Report to the Membership, submitted by David Pickens, CCUSA President; and many photos from the Games, including a treasured *photo of David Pickens with Sir Robin Blair, the Lord Lyon*, at the Stone Mountain Games. The **Spring 2004** edition featured an article on Scottish Armigers by Carole Bishop, an article on Women's Scottish Attire by Beverly Lueke, photos

from the Loch Norman games, and an announcement on our First Triennial General Membership meeting to be held at the Stone Mountain Games in October 2004.

5. **Membership:** Doc Bill Cunningham, Membership Coordinator, reported that by the end of the second year, there were 72 members in CCUSA, from 26 states, Scotland and Australia.

6. **Treasury:** Margie Cheatham, Treasurer, reported that we started the year with \$1481.95. We had income of \$960.95, expenditures of \$825.35, service charges of \$82.40, and a balance on hand at the end of May 2004, of \$1535.05.

7. **Websites:** Webmaster Beverly Lueke has made enormous progress in updating our two websites: clancunninghamusa.org for the general public, and communityzero for the Board of Directors. She pursued the use of PayPal so that people can now join and pay dues on line.

8. **Genealogist:** Julie Cunningham will begin a project on Cunninghams in the 1790 census.

9. **Games:** CCUSA sponsored a Clan Tent at the following Festivals, Highland Games and other venues during our second year. CCUSA offered to reimburse tent sponsors up to \$100, upon request.

Savannah, GA	May 2003	Ray & Jerry Stocks, and David & Becky Pickens
Cosa Mesa, CA	May 2003	Jerry Lester
Glasgow, KY	June 2003	David Pickens, Jackie & Louis Garner, Beverly & Larry Lueke, Chris & Robert Cunningham
Fort Wayne, IN	June 2003	Venita & Bill Cunningham, and Pat & Shawn Paisley
Murray, UT	June 2003	Kathy Nye
Flagstaff, AZ	July 2003	Jerry Lester
South Bend, IN	July 2003	Bill & Venita Cunningham
Kalamazoo, MI	Aug 2003	Bill & Venita Cunningham
San Francisco, CA	Aug 2003	Jerry Lester
Pleasanton, CA	Aug 2003	Jerry & Kathy Lester, Don & Holly Cunningham, John Cunnyngham and Grace Hardy.
Ligonier, PA	Sept 2003	David Pickens
Memphis, TN	Sep 2003	Jackie and Lou Garner
Middle Tennessee	Oct 2003	David Pickens, Jackie & Lou Garner
Stone Mountain, GA	Oct 2003	David Pickens, Carole Bishop, Sarah Carpenter, Margie & Charlie Cheatham, Beverly Lueke, Bob & Chris Cunningham
Salado, TX	Nov 2003	Jon & Ruth Czarowitz
Loch Norman, NC	Apr 2004	Pickens, Luekes, Cheathams
Henderson, NV	Apr 2004	Jerry & Kathy Lester
Savannah, GA	May 2004	Ray & Jerry Stocks