

History of Clan Cunningham, USA

Our fifth year: 11 May 2006 – 11 May 2007

1. **The Board of Directors** at the end of the year: David Pickens, President; William D. Cunningham, Vice-President; Margie Cheatham, Secretary-Treasurer; Steve Cunningham, Membership Coordinator; Carole Bishop, Historian; Beverly Lueke, Webmaster; Jon Czarowitz, Genealogist; Bonnie Cunningham, Newsletter Editor; Jerry Lester, Delegate-at-Large. Additionally, Dr William Cunningham is a non-voting Advisor to the President.

2. **Board Meetings:** The Board conducted its meetings using the CommunityZero Website chat room. Meetings were held on: 25 June 2006, 20 August 2006, 1 October 2006, 5 November 2006, 7 January 2007, 18, February 2007, 11 March 2007 and 29 April 2007.

3. **Board Actions and Decisions:**

a) The Board voted to give \$100 per year each to no more than two athletes who are members in good standing of CCUSA, (with renewals waived), provided they participate in a minimum of 4 Highland Games in a 12 month period, and provided the athletes make a formal written request for support.

b) The Board voted unanimously in favor of the appointment of Kelly Cunningham as California State Representative, since Bartley Payne moved to Texas.

c) The Board voted to hold the second Triennial Meeting at the Glasgow, KY games in early June 2007. Officers will be elected.

d) The Board voted to spend about \$38 on postage to mail out a pamphlet on the Glencairn Aisle Project, to the membership.

e) The Board voted to establish an Ad Hoc committee to study the By-Laws, with the intent of instituting regional representatives. Doc Bill Cunningham chaired the committee.

f) The Board approved of the appointment of Bartley Payne as Texas State representative.

g) The Board voted unanimously to keep Café Press on the Members Only site for now, for our Clan Store.

h) The Board voted on changes to the By-Laws, as recommended by the Ad Hoc committee.

The amendments to the By-Laws must be presented at the next Triennial meeting for the official vote, but they must go to the membership 45 days before the meeting.

i) The Board voted to accept the Operations Manual as written by the Ad Hoc committee on By-Laws.

4. The **Unicorn newsletter** was published four times.

a) The **Summer 2006** edition (Vol 5, Issue #1) featured an article on Allan Cunningham (the Botanist), by Bonnie Cunningham; the Annual Report for our 4th year; games reports on Loch Norman and Sacramento Valley; plus a list of future games (July to October 2006)..

b) The **Fall 2006** edition (Vol 5 Issue #2) featured an article on John Cunningham the last Earl, by Carole Bishop; The Family Tree Climber by Jon Czarowitz; information on the Triennial Meeting in Glasgow; games reports from many games; an article on the Glencairn Aisle Project.

c) The **Winter 2007** edition (Vol 5, Issue #3) featured an article on the Whistle and Caprington Castle by David Pickens; the Whistle poem by Robert Burns; more information on the Triennial meeting; an article on Hogmanay; and several games reports.

d) The **Spring 2007** edition (Vol 5, Issue #4) featured an article on Scottish Music Tunes for the Earl of Glencairn by David Pickens; final information on the Triennial Meeting; games reports and a list of games (April 2007 to August 2007).

5. **Membership Coordinator:** Steve Cunningham reported that by the end of the fifth year, there were 85 members in CCUSA, from 29 states and other countries. 29 previous members have not renewed.

6. **Treasurer:** Margie Cheatham reported that the balance on hand at the beginning of the year (as of 31 May 2006) was \$1,812.69. Income received during the year was \$1,989.75. Expenditures were \$1,953.63. Glencairn Aisle Account has \$570. The balance on hand (working capital) as of 10 May 2007 was \$1,278.81.

7. **Webmaster:** Beverly Lueke...

8. **Genealogist:** Jon Czarowitz's report: Opening 2006 with a lively response to genealogy requests, the interest dropped toward the end of the year. Several connections were found among the members, but the slower response toward the end of the year from old and new members prevented additional connections possible even though new forms were sent out with membership packets. The interest in genealogy still seems high however and additional activities in many states will draw out researchers.

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

LOCATION	DATE	HOST
Livermore, CA	May 2006	Bartley Payne
Rhode Island	May 2006	Steve Cunningham
Pomona, CA	May 2006	Bartley Payne
Glasgow, KY	June 2006	David Pickens
Fort Wayne, IN	June 2006	Bob & Chris Cunningham; Pat & Shawn Paisley
Greenville, SC	June 2006	Beverly & Larry Lueke
Western Mass	June 2006	Steve & Bonnie Cunningham
Michiana, IN	July 2006	Bill & Venita Cunningham
Norwalk, CT	July 2006	Steve & Bonnie Cunningham
Dunsmuir, Oakland, CA	July 2006	Bartley Payne
Monterey, CA	July 2006	Bartley Payne
Brunswick, ME	Aug 2006	Steve Cunningham & Dr Bill Cunningham
Pleasanton, CA	Sept 2006	Bartley Payne

Charleston, SC	Sept 2006	Cheathams, Stocks and David Pickens
Ligonier, PA	Sept 2006	Carole Bishop
Columbus, IN	Sept 2006	Robert & Chris Cunningham
New Hampshire	Sept 2006	Steve Cunningham
Clanjamfry (Memphis)	Sept 2006	Jackie & Lou Garner
Bethlehem, PA	Sept 2006	Carole Bishop
Murphreesboro, TN	Oct 2006	David Pickens, Jackie & Lou Garner
Scotland, CT	Oct 2006	Steve Cunningham
Stone Mountain, GA	Oct 2005	David Pickens, Carole Bishop, etc.
Waxhaw, NC	Oct 2006	Phil & Jan Cunningham
Hendersonville, NC	Nov 2006	Bruce Hatfield
Salado, TX	Nov 2006	Jon & Ruth Czarowitz
Irish Fest, Dallas, TX	Mar 2007	Bartley Payne
Calaveras Celtic, Stockton, CA	Mar 2007	Kelly Cunningham
San Antonio	Mar/Apr 2007	Bartley Payne
Loch Norman, NC	Apr 2007	Beverly Lueke, Margie Cheatham, David Pickens
Las Vegas	Apr 2007	Jerry Lester
Sacramento	Apr 2007	Kelly Cunningham
Greensboro, NC	May 2007	Phil & Jan Cunningham