

## Mike McCollum

Christian G. Malcolm Kehm U.S.M.C. Memorial Piping Scholarship Recipient 2011

Mike and Jodi McCollum's family cut quite a swath through the Alma games this year.

Mike's piping 'career' was given a jump start when he attended the National Academy of Piping and drumming as a Christian Malcolm Kehm Memorial Scholarship winner. At Alma, Mike, playing his McCallum bagpipes, competed in solo piping. Daughter Abby won a first place medal in Scottish dance, and sons Joe and Tom won medals in the road race.

Did I mention that Abby, Joe and Tom are seven year old triplets! Their accomplishments are noteworthy in that they live in a remote town very close to Lake Superior in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Distances to private instruction are far and most of their practice time is on their own. (they are no their own during practice time).

Mike's mom and dad, Mike and Anita also joined the MacCallum-Malcolm Society at the Alma games.

We salute Mike and his family for their dedication and efforts to maintain and preserve our Scottish heritage.