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My introduction to all things Scottish came with a trip to Scotland in 2001 so my husband, Paul, could play golf and I could take in the castles. Two years later I went to work for a Presbyterian church that celebrated Kirkin' O' the Tartan service and I was introduced to Don Malcolm who was the point person for that service. Don was instrumental in bringing in the St. Andrews Society to march in with the different tartan banners. It was quite a gathering and wonderful to watch. Of course, I enjoyed the bagpipers too. It wasn't long before Don, Joan and I became good friends. In 2005, former Society President Don Malcolm asked if I would be willing to do the clan newsletter. It sounded very interesting and working with Don was a plus. That is how I became involved with the MacCallum-Malcolm Clan Society.



Shirley Carrier - 2006 Stone Mountain Games

That summer Paul and I went to the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games where I met Clan Chief Robin Malcolm and lots of very friendly folks from all over the US and Australia. It was a grand time and a wonderful introduction to Scottish games.

Over the years I have come to appreciate all the conveners that work so hard to represent our Clan Society all over the country as well as share our rich clan history with visitors and new members alike. While working with our wonderful leadership throughout the years, I have come to treasure the many friendships I have made. So many acts of kindness and acceptance have been sent my way through the years. The rich family histories shared, the history and stories of our bagpipers, the different games reports which let us know that our Clan Society was well represented and that we might have missed a grand opportunity to meet fellow members and encourage new members...all to encourage our participation. Each Argent Castle newsletter is a labor of love and a learning experience each time.

It has been my honor to serve as your Editor all these years. I was so surprised and pleased to receive the award and to be part of this illustrious group. I thank you all.