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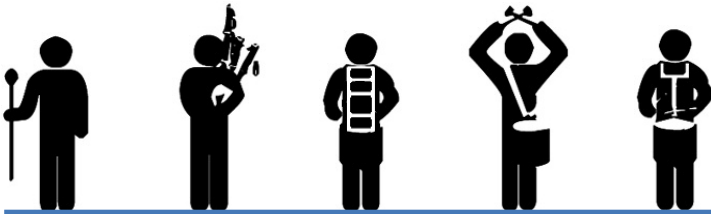
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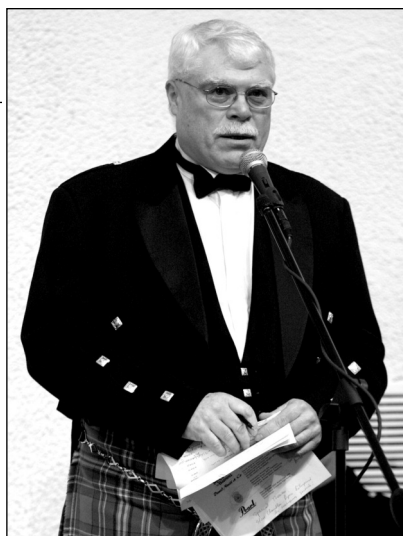
## master of ceremonies

### Ken Eller

Former Pipe Major of one of Canada's great bands, Clan MacFarlane, Ken led the band to eight North American Championships. After almost twenty years with the Clan, Ken became an influential member of Ontario's 78th Fraser Highlanders, and recently concluded his ten year tenure with that championship band.

An internationally acclaimed teacher and judge, Ken co-founded the Ohio School for the Scottish Arts in 1978, and in the 80's was a principal in the pipe manufacturing firm, Dunbar-Eller of St. Catharines.

Recently retired from a 30+ year teaching career, Ken lives in Fonthill, Ontario.



### Kansas City Highland Dancers

Kansas City Highland Dancers return to the Winter Storm stage. All of the dancers have achieved the Premier competitive level within Highland dancing; most have danced 10 years or more. They have competed successfully all over the United States, Canada, and Scotland. The dancers are: Shannon Corson, Jeanna McNally, Kristen Powell and Rhianna Rice. *The kilts and swords the dancers are using this evening are a gift from the KC St. Andrew Society in celebration of their 100th anniversary, and the Powell family. The dancers appreciate their generous support.*

### Heartland Highland Dance

Heartland Highland Dance was founded in 2015 by Caroline Campbell, Haley Wilson, and Sarah McKee. The combined resumes of the dancers include numerous awards in premier competitions in the United States, Canada and Scotland; over a dozen qualifications to the United States National Highland Dance Championships; and multiple invitations to the prestigious North American Sadie Simpson Scholarship competition. Tonight's dancers are: Caroline Campbell, Sarah McKee, Emily Ritter, Cailin Wilson, and Haley Wilson.



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# gold medal pipers

## Callum Beaumont

Callum Beaumont: Callum Beaumont has won almost every major soloist prize and recently became the youngest piper in history to win the Clasp. He has also earned both Highland Society of London Gold Medals, and was the champion piper at the 2018 London events. Callum lives in Linlithgow, West Lothian and is a piping instructor at Dollar Academy. In addition to his solo piping success, Callum has won the World Pipe Band Championships with Simon Fraser University Pipe Band, Shotts & Dykehead Pipe Band, and Inveraray & District Pipe Band.



## Brian Donaldson

Brian Donaldson was taught to play the pipes by his father, Pipe Major Andrew Donaldson, himself a renowned piper and teacher. As a young age Brian played with the world famous Dysart & Dundonald Pipe Band, winning all the major championships in Grade 1. In 1978, Brian enlisted in the Scots Guards and served all over the world. He passed his Pipe Majors course at the Army School of Piping in 1982.

Brian has achieved an amazing list of prizes including the Gold Medal at Oban. Brian recently was appointed as Piping Instructor at St. John's Northwestern Military Academy in Delafield, Wisconsin.



## Jenny Hazzard

Jenny is originally from Toronto, Canada. She has won many top prizes, including the Silver Medal at Inverness, and the Gold Medal MSR at Maxville. Jenny was a member of the 78th Fraser Highlanders Pipe Band, and most recently a member the original Spirit of Scotland Pipe Band. She played in the 'Live in Ireland 87' concert in Glasgow in 2016 and the 'Live Back in Ireland' event in Belfast in early 2017. She currently plays with Field Marshal Montgomery Pipe Band.



# gold medal pipers

## Jack Lee

Jack Lee is Pipe Sergeant of the six-time World Champion Simon Fraser University Pipe Band, in Vancouver, British Columbia. Featured on Lismor's "World's Greatest Pipers" volume 15, he's won the Gold Medal and Clasp at Inverness, and the Gold Medal and Senior Piobaireachd at Oban. Jack won the overall prize at the 2017 Glenfiddich and was recognized as "Piper of the Year" by pipesdrums.com.



## Stuart Liddell

Stuart Liddell, from Inveraray, started piping at the age of nine and was originally taught by his grandfather, the late Pipe Major Ronald McCallum M.B.E. For seven years he was a member of the Scottish Power Pipe Band thereafter joining the Simon Fraser University Pipe Band from Vancouver, Canada with whom he played for eleven years. Stuart formed the Inveraray & District Pipe Band in 2004, and has enjoyed a meteoric rise through the top grades, including winning the 2017 World Pipe Band Championships.



## Ian K. MacDonald

Ian began playing at the age of eight years old and was taught by his father, P/M John MacDonald.

At thirteen he received piobaireachd instruction from Jim McGillivray. That same year he joined the Toronto Police Pipe Band where he has remained a member, eventually taking over as Pipe Major from his father in 1996. In 2016 Ian became the twelfth piper in history to win the "Double" Gold medal in Piobaireachd at Oban and Inverness.



## Roddy MacDonald

Originally from Inverness, Scotland, Roddy MacDonald now resides in Japan and is a professional Piper. Roddy retired earlier this year as the longest serving Pipe Major for the Queensland Police Service Pipe Band (Australia).

One of the most renowned bagpipe music composers of the modern era, his compositions have been played by Simon Fraser University, Inveraray & District, Shotts & Dykehead, Field Marshal Montgomery, Vale of Atholl, Boghall & Bathgate, and Scottish Power. Roddy is an Approved Light Music Judge on the Solo Piping Judges Association panel.



# gold medal pipers

## Colin MacLellan

Colin MacLellan is the Director of Piping at the College of Piping in Glasgow. Starting as Pipe Major of the 1986 Grade 4 Glengarry Pipe Band, he led the band to the 1996 Grade 2 North American and US Championships; the band was promoted to Grade 1 the following year. He was appointed Pipe Major of Edinburgh's storied Lothian and Borders Police Pipe Band in 1999, serving to 2004. Colin won the Gold Medal at the Northern Meeting in 1982, consecutive MacCrimmon Silver Chanters in 1990 and 1991, and the Gold Medal at the Argyllshire Gathering in 1992. He served as President of the Competing Pipers Association from 1999 – 2004, and is featured on Lismor Recordings' "World's Greatest Pipers" volume 11. He is a member of the Spirit of Scotland Pipe Band.



## Fred Morrison

Fred Morrison has carved an international reputation with a highly improvisational style, combining the Gaelic piping tradition with contemporary and eclectic influences. One of the few pipers achieving success in both the competitive piping and folk music scenes, Fred is a master of the Highland pipes and the bellows-blown Lowland or Border pipes, as well as playing Irish uilleann pipes and low whistle. His prowess on the Great Highland Bagpipe gained him honors in the exacting Scottish competition piping circuit, including the Gold Medals at Oban and Inverness, while he has taken the prestigious Macallan trophy at Brittany's Loriant Celtic Festival seven times.



## Richard Parkes, MBE

Richard is Pipe Major of 12-time World Champion Field Marshal Montgomery Pipe Band, the most successful pipe band ever to come from Northern Ireland. Richard was honored with an MBE from Her Majesty The Queen in 2004 for recognition of his services to pipe band music in Northern Ireland. Although Richard has always put the band first, he also managed to win 7 All Ireland Senior Solo Championships, eight Northern Ireland Piper of the Year titles, nine Ulster Senior Championships, as well as winning the Strachan in London, the Jig in Inverness and a number of other prizes at major solo competitions.





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# champion drummers

## Kahlil Cappuccino

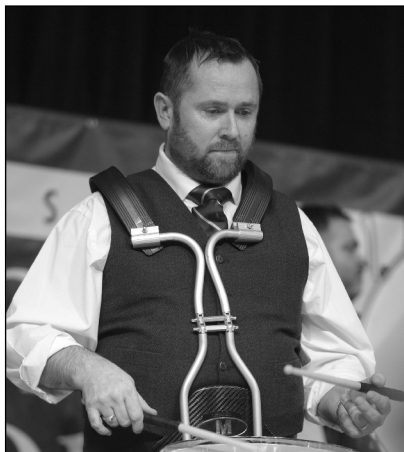
Kahlil Cappuccino resides in Ottawa, Canada and is the bass drummer for the 78th Highlanders Halifax Citadel Pipe Band. In 2008 Kahlil was a member of the Spirit of Scotland Pipe Band.

Kahlil won the Gold Medal for bass drumming at Winter Storm in 2008 and 2015, and was the Grade 2 best bass at the 2004 World Pipe Band Championships.



## Stephen Creighton

Stephen Creighton is the lead drummer of the 2010 World Pipe Band Champion St. Laurence O'Toole Pipe Band. His honors include the 1989 World Junior Champion, 19 World Solo Finals, 5 Senior all Ireland Championships and 3 Ulster Senior Championships. With his corps, Stephen has won five Grade 1 all Ireland drumming prizes and World Grade 1 Drumming prize in 2015, 2016, and 2018.



## John Fisher

A former North American Drumming Champion, John was a member of the World Champion Shotts & Dykehead Caledonia Pipe Band drum corps under the leadership of Alex Duthart. John was Lead Drummer of the 78th Fraser Highlanders Pipe Band, and performed for many years as a session drummer in Los Angeles and Canada. With over 30 years experience as a performer and educator, John has gained an international reputation as a master of technique. He was Lead Drummer of 2008's Spirit of Scotland Pipe Band.



# champion drummers

## Steve Foley

Steve began his pipe band career at the age of nine as a tenor drummer with LAPD Pipe Band, Beach Cities Pipe Band, and Prince Charles Pipe Band. He started bass drumming at age 16 with Scottish Heritage Pipe Band, and shortly after the majority of his drumming career with the LA Scots Pipe Band. From 2014 through early 2015, Steve joined SFU Pipe Band as the bass drummer. In 2016, Steve returned to the LA Scots Pipe Band.

His accomplishments include the following awards both as an individual and band member: Grade 1 World Bass Drum Champion (1999). Grade 2 World Pipe Band Champion (1997), and World Bass Drum Champion (1997), and three-time Gold Medal Bass Drummer at MHA Winter Storm.



## Simon Hodgett

Simon Hodgett is from Blackskull, Northern Ireland. He began playing the snare drum at age 10, being tutored for numerous years by Field Marshal Montgomery drummer Keith Gourley. During that same timeframe Simon moved to tenor drum, where he has dedicated his talents ever since.

In 2013 Simon joined St. Laurence O'Toole Pipe Band. Simon has contributed to the Band's success with over 20 RSPBA & IPBA Major titles including three World Drumming Champion titles, and three Champion of Champion Grade 1 Drumming titles. In Northern Ireland & Ireland Simon continues to coordinate and instruct several bass sections and solo players



## Stevie McQuillan

Stevie McQuillan of Boghall & Bathgate Caledonia Pipe Band is ranked amongst the world's top pipe band drummers and is the holder of six World Bass Section and six World Drum Corps Championships, as well as over 40 major pipe band championships wins. The Boghall drum corps won the MSR, medley, and overall drumming at the 2012 World Pipe Band Championship.



# champion drummers

## Steven McWhirter

Steven McWhirter is a native of Northern Ireland and now resides in Falkirk, Scotland. He has won the Adult World Solo Drumming Championships on eight occasions, including 2017. He is a full time drumming instructor with the Edinburgh Academy & Dollar Academy Pipe Bands. He is the leading drummer of the 2017 World Pipe Band Champions Inveraray and District Pipe Band.



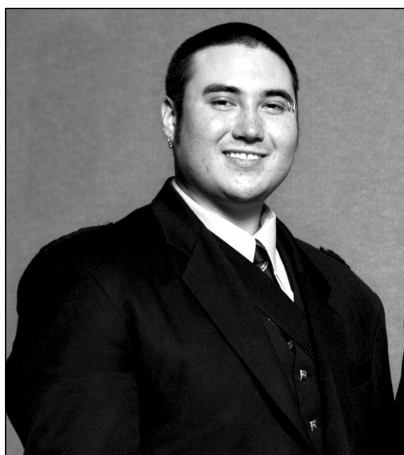
## Duncan Millar

Duncan has played with the Simon Fraser University Pipe Band since 1997 and helped the band win four World Pipe Band Championship titles since then, including four Best Drum Corps titles in 1999, 2004, 2008 and 2009. The winner of many solo drumming prizes, Duncan has appeared in the final round at the World Solo Drumming Championships multiple times.



## Michael O'Neil

He was a member of the Grade 2 World Pipe Band Champions Robert Malcolm Memorial Pipe Band in 2006, and played with the Simon Fraser University Pipe Band during their World Champion runs in 2008 and 2009. Mike was Champion of MHAF's Gold Medal Tenor Drumming contest in 2005 and 2006, and runnerup in 2007. Mike is a currently a member of the 2017 World Pipe Band Champions Inveraray & District Pipe Band.



# champion drummers

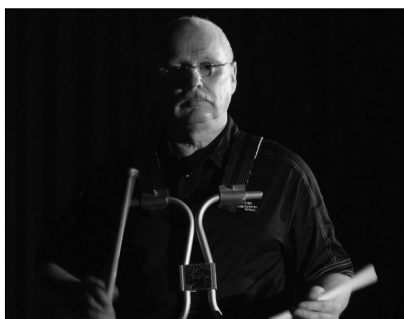
## Jason Paguio

At 25 years old, Jason Paguio is five time and current World Champion (2004 Juvenile; 2007, 2010, 2013, 2014 Adult), and two times U.S. Champion (2009 and 2010). In 2007, Paguio made international history by becoming the first non-UK drum major to win the World Championships title. He is drum major for six time World Champions, Simon Fraser University Pipe Band.



## Eric Ward

Eric came to Scotland in 1980 to join Shotts & Dykehead Caledonia Pipe Band. Since then, Eric has become one of the top Lead Drummers in Grade 1, having led several drum corps at the highest level, including a twenty-year stint with Strathclyde Police. Eric has successfully elevated the drum corps' status to regular contenders for top drumming awards. Eric is also a successful solo competitor and is a regular contender/prize winner at the World Solo Drumming Championships.



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(noun)

of pipe bands. I loved learning about \_\_\_\_\_  
(noun)

from \_\_\_\_\_ & it's so inspiring to hear that  
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instructor \_\_\_\_\_ Strathspeys. When I heard it played  
(verb)

with \_\_\_\_\_, I yelled, " \_\_\_\_\_ !"  
(Winter Storm Piping Faculty Member) (fake Celtic/Gaelic word)

I play with the \_\_\_\_\_ Pipe Band from \_\_\_\_\_,  
(name of company or business) (name a town, from anywhere)

\_\_\_\_\_. This year we'll have \_\_\_\_\_ pipers, \_\_\_\_\_  
(name a country, from anywhere) (a number) (another number)

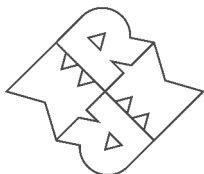
tenors, \_\_\_\_\_ snares, & \_\_\_\_\_ bass drums. Check-out our set of  
(another number) (a different number)

\_\_\_\_\_ with the tunes, " \_\_\_\_\_ "  
(name a pipe band tune type) (adjective) (noun)

& " \_\_\_\_\_ 's \_\_\_\_\_ from Perth.  
(favorite Super Hero) (noun) (verb ending in "ed")

The judges will \_\_\_\_\_ after hearing us \_\_\_\_\_ that set!  
(verb) (verb)

We're definitely taking home the \_\_\_\_\_ this year!  
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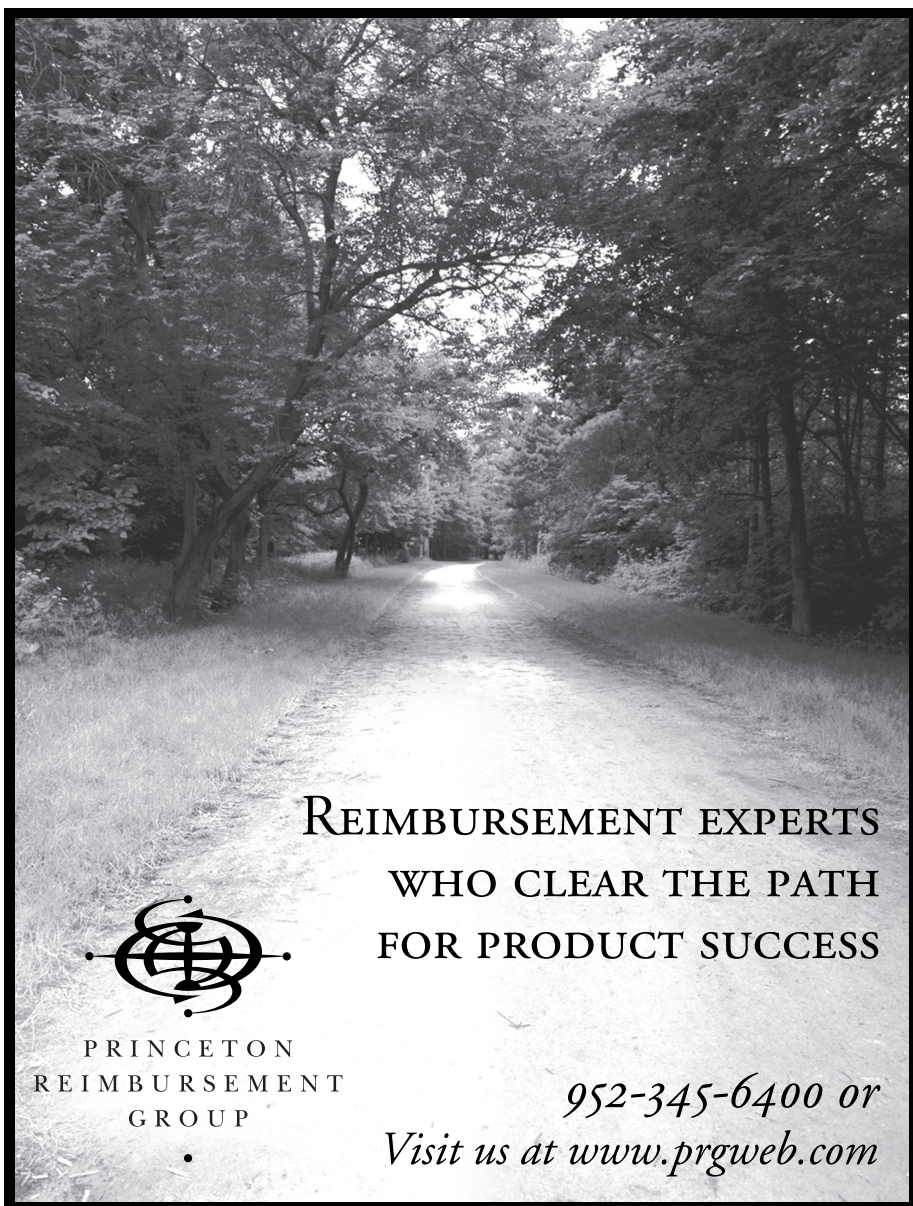


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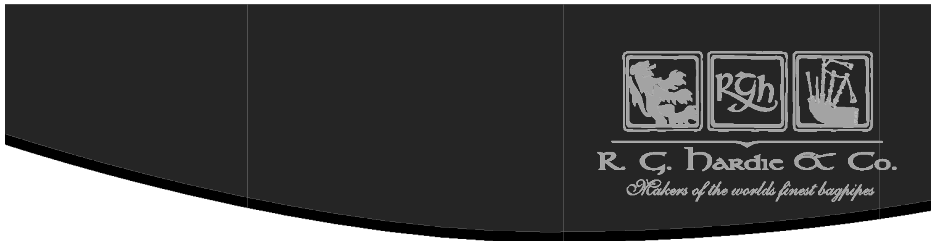
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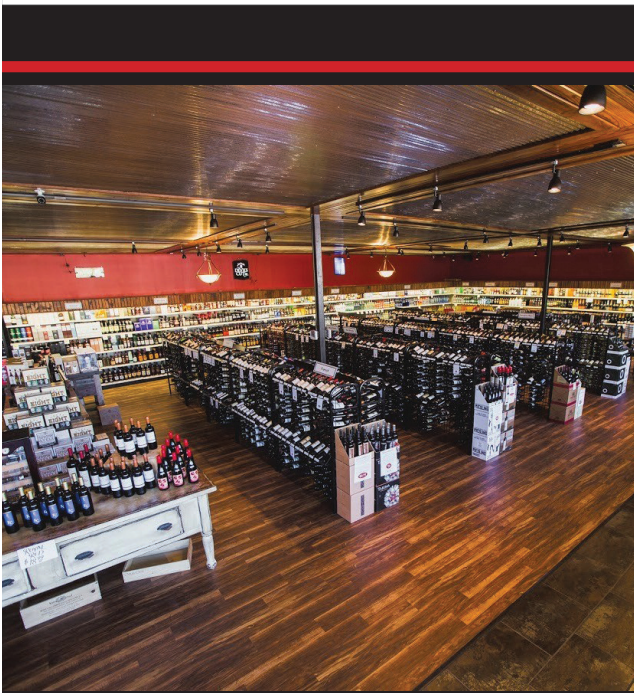
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Amateur & Gold Medal  
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# 2019 competitions

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## **U.S. Silver Medal Piobaireachd Competition**

The Seventeenth Annual McCallum & MidWest Pipe Band Association United States Silver Medal Piobaireachd Competition was held January 18, 2019. Over thirty competitors entered this premier event, unique in North America. The McCallum & MWPBA Silver Medal (USA), 2.5 inches (6.5 cm) in diameter featuring the ancient MacCrimmon piper and “MidWest Pipe Band Association” on the obverse, and the MHAF logo on the reverse, was awarded to the day’s champion in Piobaireachd. Prize moneys included First winning USD \$500 through Fifth \$100. The Silver Medal Champion was also awarded a set of Duncan MacRae Bagpipes (developed by Stuart Liddell and McCallum Bagpipes), courtesy of Kenny MacLeod and McCallum Bagpipes with runners-up receiving McCallum McC<sup>2</sup> pipe chanters. The judges were award-winning pipers Callum Beaumont and Jenny Hazzard.

## **U.S. Gold Medal Piobaireachd Competition**

The Sixteenth Annual R.G. Hardie & Co. – MHAF United States Gold Medal Piobaireachd Competition was held January 18, 2019. Pipers from the United States, Canada, and N. Ireland entered this event. The R.G. Hardie & Co. – MHAF Gold Medal (USA), 2.5 inches (6.5 cm) in diameter of gold-plated silver featuring the R.G. Hardie logo on the obverse, and the MHAF logo on the reverse, was awarded to the day’s Champion in Piobaireachd. Prize moneys included First winning USD \$750, Second \$500, and Third \$250. The Gold Medal Champion was also awarded an R.G. Hardie pipe chanter, courtesy of Alastair Dunn. The judges were award-winning pipers and Gold Medallists Ian K. MacDonald, Colin MacLellan, and Fred Morrison.

## **Gold Medal Ceol Beag Championship**

The Thirteenth Annual Henderson’s Pipe & Drum Supply – MHAF North American Professional Ceol Beag Competition was held January 18, 2019. Over forty-five pipers from the United States, Canada, N. Ireland, and Scotland entered this event. The Henderson – MHAF Gold Medal (USA), 2.5 inches (6.5 cm) in diameter of gold-plated silver featuring the Henderson’s Pipe & Drum Supply logo on the obverse, and the MHAF logo on the reverse, was awarded to the day’s Champion. Prize moneys included First winning USD \$750, Second \$500, and Third \$250. Judges for the qualifying round were Ken Eller, Roddy MacDonald, and Richard Parkes. Judges for the final round were Stuart Liddell, Colin MacLellan, and Fred Morrison.

## **North American Amateur Ceol Beag Championships**

The Sixth Annual MHAF North American Amateur Piping Championships were held January 18, 2019. Over eighty pipers from the United States and Canada entered this event. Pipers placing First through Third in the three grades won the North American Amateur Medal. Minted with the Gold Medal, the bronze replica is 2.5 inches (6.5 cm) in diameter, featuring the MHAF logo. Lee & Sons Bagpipes provided custom pipe bags as prizes. The judges were award winning pipers Murray Blair, Jack Lee, and Terry Lee.

## **North American Amateur Piobaireachd Championships**

The Third Annual MHAF North American Amateur Piping Championships were held January 12, 2018. Over sixty pipers from the United States and Canada entered this event. Pipers placing First through Third in the three grades won the North American Amateur Medal. Minted with the Gold Medal, the bronze replica is 2.5 inches (6.5 cm) in diameter, featuring the MHAF logo. The Tone Protector provided prizes to each of the prizewinners. The judges were award winning pipers Brian Donaldson, Stuart Liddell, and Roddy MacLeod.

# 2019 competitions

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## **North American Gold Medal Drumming Championship**

The annual Henderson's Pipe & Drum Supply – MHAF North American Gold Medal Drumming Championship, presented by Andante Percussion, Pearl Drums, and Premier Percussion, was held January 18, 2019. Drummers from the United States, Canada and Scotland entered this event. The generous contest prizes have been unmatched by any such contest in the World. The North American Gold Medal, 2.5 inches (6.5 cm) in diameter of gold-plated solid silver, featuring the MHAF logo on the obverse, and the Henderson's Pipe & Drum Supply logo on the reverse, was awarded to the Winner in Scottish snare drumming. Prize moneys included First USD \$750, Second \$500, and Third \$250. MHAF will supplement the First Prize to include up to \$1,500 USD for air travel from North America for the Champion and his/her piper to compete in the World Solo Drumming Championships in October 2019, or to return to compete at Winter Storm 2020. Andante Percussion, Pearl Drums, and Premier Percussion provided snare drums as prizes. The judges for the qualifying round were award-winning drummers Stephen Creighton, Jim Sim, and Steven McWhirter. Judges for the final round were Hugh Cameron, Duncan Millar, and Eric Ward.

## **North American Amateur Drumming Championships**

The annual Cameron Drumming Studios – MHAF North American Amateur Drumming Championships were held January 18, 2019 at the Holiday Inn – at the Plaza, in Kansas City. Over forty drummers from the United States, Canada, Scotland and N. Ireland entered this event. Drummers placing First through Third in the three grades won the North American Amateur Medal. Minted with the Gold Medal, the bronze replica is 2.5 inches (6.5 cm) in diameter, featuring the MHAF logo on the obverse, and the Cameron logo on the reverse. Andante Percussion, Pearl Drums, and Premier Percussion provided snare drums as prizes. The judges were award winning drummers Hugh Cameron, John Fisher, Duncan Millar, Jim Sim, Doug Stronach, and Eric Ward.

## **Gold Medal & Amateur Tenor Drumming Championships**

MHAF held the Annual Gold Medal and Amateur Tenor Drumming Championships on January 18, 2019, at the Holiday Inn – at the Plaza, in Kansas City. The Gold Medallion, 2.5 inches in diameter of gold-plated silver, featuring the MHAF logo, was awarded to the Champion in tenor drumming. Prize moneys included First winning \$750, Second \$500, and Third \$250 USD. Andante Percussion, Pearl Drums, and Premier Percussion provided tenor drums as prizes. The Novice and Intermediate Amateur Champions placing first, second, and third in each amateur grade won the Amateur Tenor Drum Medal, a bronze replica of the Gold Medal. Judges were award-winning drummers Simon Hodgett, Stevie McQuillan, and Michael O'Neil.

## **Gold Medal & Amateur Bass Drumming Championships**

The Thirteenth Annual MHAF Gold Medal and Amateur Bass Drumming Championships were held on January 18, 2019 at the Marriott - Country Club Plaza, in Kansas City. The MHAF Gold Medal, 2.5 inch (6.5 cm) diameter gold-plated solid silver, featuring the MHAF logo, was awarded to the day's Champion in Bass Drumming. Prize moneys included First winning USD \$750, Second \$500, and Third \$250. Andante Percussion, Pearl Drums, and Premier Percussion provided bass drums as prizes. The Amateur drummers placing first, second, and third in the amateur championship won the Amateur Bass Drum Medal, a replica of the Gold. The judges were award-winning drummers Kahlil Cappuccino and Steve Foley.

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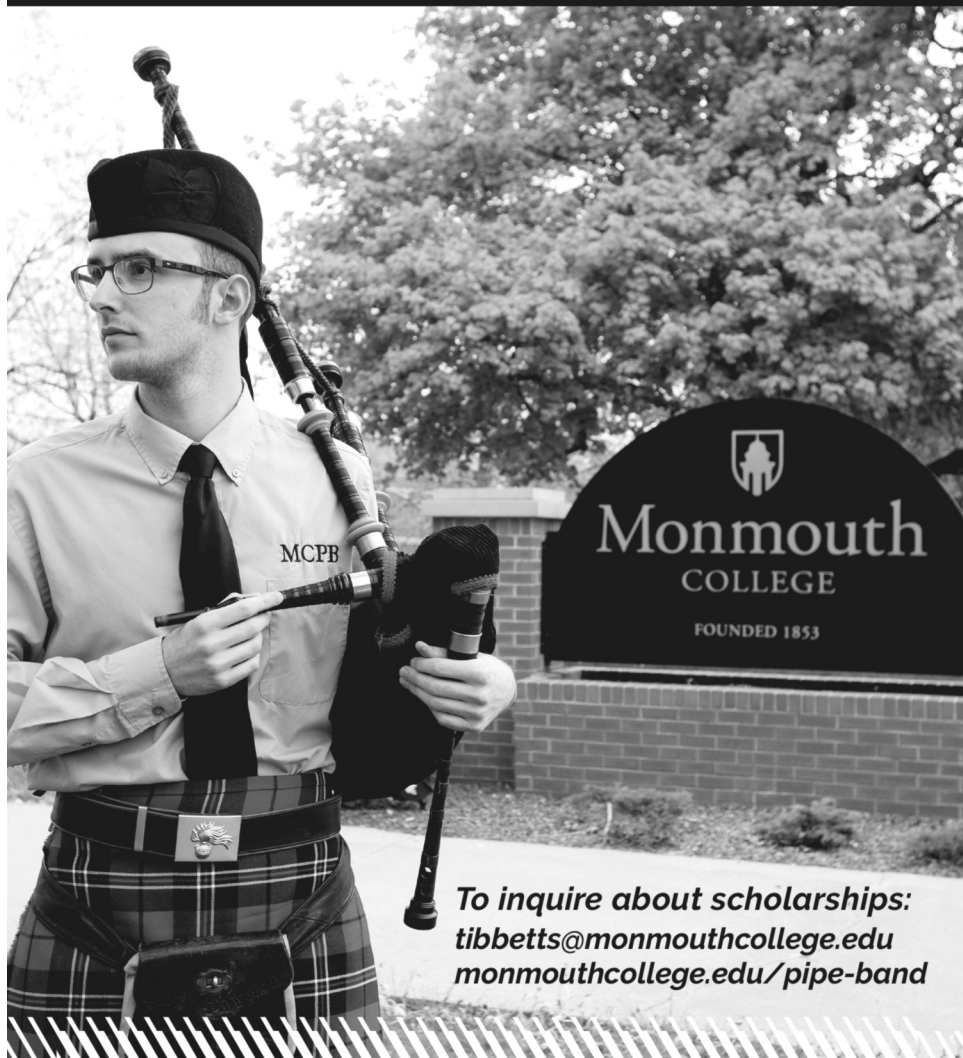
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