

Argyll Archives Library Appeal

A great deal of activity has been taking place at the Castle over the last couple of years which has culminated in a major refurbishment program. Part of this program was requested by the British Government when I inherited the castle in 2001, and this was the removal of the Campbell archives from the Jacob Moore Library (founded by Hugh Moore, High Commissioner of the Society from 1988-1991) that was located on the top floor of the castle. This was cared for and indeed created by the support of the CCS(NA) and the dedication and passion of Alastair Campbell of Airds and Rae Macgregor.

The move was required in order to protect this very valuable resource

from future damage by fire, dampness, etc., and to create better access for people who wish to study these documents. We are now in the process of building a dedicated library with climate control and a study area at the Cherry Park, located in the castle grounds that will meet these new requirements and be large enough to house all the documents in one room at ground level. There will be a great deal of ongoing work that needs to be carried out with the help of the National Archives of Scotland in order to transform the library into a world class resource and asset for those that wish to research our family history. This will then become available free of charge to those who wish to study.

I have now launched an appeal to help with the cost of this development and aim to raise GBP200,000 and hope very much that the world wide clan will see this as a project well worth supporting. If successful we may be in a position to hold an official opening ceremony on the 21st July when many of you will be there.

How to make a donation:

USA Citizens –

Contributions to the Argyll Archives Appeal may be made by writing a check to the “Clan Campbell Education Foundation” and mailing it to CCEF Treasurer, Mr. Ed Cattell at 1104 Kresson Road, Cherry Hill, N.J., 08003-5027. Please write *Argyll Archive Library Appeal* on the notation (message) line. Contributions are tax deductible.

Rest of World –

1/ Secure Payment by Credit Card through the dedicated page on the Inveraray Castle web site

www.inveraray-castle.com

2/ Bank Transfer. Please make sure that you also email through your details with the reference of your payment.

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2/ Cheque (payable to Argyll Estates) and sent by mail to:

Archive Appeal

Argyll Estates Office,

Cherry Park,

Inveraray, Argyll, PA32 8XE,
Scotland



The Argyll Archives Library building was originally part of the Stables courtyard but latterly housed the Combined Operations Museum that displayed artefacts showing Inveraray's involvement during World War II. However, after the Museum closed about 10 years ago, it has been used just as storage space. After renovations are complete, it agains enters active service. The Estate Office is located on the other side of the courtyard.