

## Benefits of Membership

- A subscription to our newsletter, “The Dunrobin Piper”
- Genealogical assistance
- An annual membership card
- A digital membership handbook
- **Free entry to Dunrobin Castle** when open to the public
- An opportunity to connect with members of our extended family and enjoy the camaraderie of others celebrating the heritage we share

## How To Apply For Membership

Joining the Clan Sutherland Society of North America is easy and simple. Join any time of the year for just \$10.00. That’s our basic processing/enrollment fee and all it takes to get started. Our annual dues—which are very affordable—are due each January 1, which is when we send out renewals.

### Clan Sutherland Annual Renewal Fees

(all memberships renew each January 1)

- Family: \$25.00
- Adult: \$20.00
- Junior: \$ 5.00

A membership application and genealogy form are available for downloading at [www.clansutherland.org](http://www.clansutherland.org). You may pay online or send in payment—with your application and genealogy form—mailed to our treasurer: Richard Langford, 130 Windsong Lane, Christiansburg, VA 24073. Lifetime memberships are available for a one-time fee.



Dunrobin Castle has been the home of the Earls and Dukes of Sutherland since the 1300s. Just one mile north of Golspie, Scotland, on the east coast of the Northern Highlands, it is the largest and most northerly of the great houses with 189 rooms. Dunrobin is also Britain’s oldest continuously inhabited castle. The name derives from Robin’s hill or fort (Dun Robin) in Gaelic and is believed to be named after Robert, the 6th Earl of Sutherland, who died in 1427.



The estate also features falconry displays and a museum with ethnographic items, Pictish stones, and a collection of archeological relics. Coming soon to the estate is the Dunrobin Highland Distillery.



Castle website: [www.dunrobincastle.co.uk](http://www.dunrobincastle.co.uk)

# Clan Sutherland Society Of North America, Inc.



*Ceud Mìle Fàilte*

*“One Hundred Thousand Welcomes”*



Sutherland engraving from R.R. McLan’s “Costumes of the Clans of Scotland” published in Glasgow, Scotland, 1845

Member, Council of Scottish Clans and Associations, Inc.

## About Us

Anyone of a Sutherland lineage, or a lineage of one of the septs or historically associated families—Cheyne, Clyne, Düffus, Federith, Gray, Keith, Murray, and Mowat—is invited to join (regardless of any spelling variations). Relation by marriage is acceptable.



It is my privilege and pleasure—on behalf of our Clan Chief Alistair, Earl of Sutherland, the Officers, Executive Council, Adjunct Officers, Regional Commissioners, and members of the Clan Sutherland Society of North America (CSSNA)—to welcome all Sutherlands and members of any one of our septs or associated families to join our Society. I extend my personal invitation.

I invite you to view the CSSNA website, [www.clansutherland.org](http://www.clansutherland.org), where you may apply for membership and find many other items of interest. The site will also acquaint you with our history and goals.

In this brochure, you'll also find basic information about our organization and how to apply for membership. As a Sutherland, or member of one of our septs or associated families, I hope to hear from you. Please contact me at [president@clansutherland.org](mailto:president@clansutherland.org) for any additional information you require.

Yours Aye,  
David Goode  
CSSNA President



## Clan Facts

**Chief** – Alistair, Earl of Sutherland

**Motto** – Sans Peur (Without Fear)

**Plant Badge** – (worn normally on the bonnet) -  
“Cotton Sedge”

**Clan War Cry** – “Ceann na Drochaide Bige”  
meaning “The Head of the Little Bridge”

**Official Clan Pipe Music** – “The Earl of  
Sutherland’s March”



## Sutherland Tartans

Old Sutherland Ancient



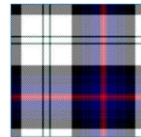
Old Sutherland Modern



Old Sutherland Weathered



Old Sutherland Dress



## Our Objectives

The object and purpose of the Society shall be educational, historical, patriotic, social, and benevolent.

To promote a spirit of kinship within the Clan by providing a focal point for expressing Clan sentiment and to keep Clan members in touch with each other throughout the world.

To collect and preserve literary, historical, and genealogical records and documents relating to the CSSNA and to cooperate with the Clan Sutherland Society of Scotland by contributing materials and assistance toward the development of an informational archives center for records and genealogy of the Clan.

To mark with plaques or other appropriate mediums any historical sites in North America or Scotland where members of the Clan have gained undying fame.

To promote a deeper understanding of the cultural background of the Clan by encouraging the publication of scholarly manuscripts dealing with history, heritage, language, music, literature, or other aspects of the Clan’s past.

To establish and maintain a Charitable and Educational Fund to provide educational assistance to the youth of the Clan and to render aid to our Clan members should they meet adversity.



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