

## **Background**

The American-Scottish Foundation® introduced the Wallace Award® in 1970. It was awarded annually until 1988. After a hiatus the Foundation revived the Wallace Award® in 2000. The recipient was Senator Trent Lott, then Republican Senate Majority Leader, who received the Award in recognition of his sponsorship of Senate Resolution 155 that adopted April 6, in perpetuity, as National Tartan Day.

## **Honorees**

The Award was originally conceived as a singular opportunity to recognize the extraordinary diversity of contribution that Scots have made to the world; and, in particular, to recognize one or more living citizens or residents of the United States of Scottish descent for their individual contributions to the well being of this country. The Foundation has now expanded the Award's reach to include either Scots or Americans who have made an important contribution to Scottish-American relationships. Honorees are selected by the Board of Directors of the American Scottish Foundation® from nominations submitted by interested groups.

## **Purposes**

- To recognize living citizens or residents of the United States or Canada of Scottish Descent for outstanding achievement or significant contribution in their field of endeavor.
- To recognize "in memoriam" citizens or residents of the United States or Canada of Scottish descent for outstanding achievement or significant contribution in their field of endeavor.
- To recognize living Scots and Americans for their contribution to Scottish-American relationships.

## Wallace Award® Recipients 2000 - 2011

Lord Smith of Kelvin - Chairman, Weir Group

Duncan A. Bruce - Historian

Lord George Robertson of Port Ellen - Former Secretary General of NATO

Euan Baird - Chairman, Schlumberger; Non-Executive Chairman, Rolls Royce

Donald & Eleanor Taffner - Philanthropists

The Forbes Family: Christopher Forbes - Vice Chairman, Forbes Inc.;

Moira Forbes - Mumma President, The Community Coalition;

Robert L. Forbes - Vice President, Forbes Inc.; President, Forbes Life magazine

Steve Forbes - Chairman and CEO, Forbes; Editor-in-Chief, Forbes magazine

Timothy Forbes - President and COO, Forbes

Sir Sean Connery - Actor

Former Senator Trent Lott - U.S. Senate Majority Leader (1996 - 2003)