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Dear Members of the Harp Community,

This year the Seaside Highland Games will feature a new Harp attraction sponsored by The Clan Currie Society. Harp Glen will include a series of panels tracing the history and development of the Harp with particular emphasis on the Celtic Harp and its role within the Bardic community of ancient Scotland. Harpers, both accomplished and students of the instrument, will be on hand to play and demonstrate the versatility of this historic instrument. A more formal ensemble will play both days of the Games and harpers will have an opportunity to be evaluated by leading harp exponents.

One of the goals of the Harp Glen is to introduce the harp to a wider group of people who may not be familiar with the instrument. Young children and adults will have an opportunity to try out a harp in the "Harp Petting Zoo," and we hope this exposure will encourage them to consider learning to play themselves.

As President of The Clan Currie Society I would like to extend my personal invitation to all harpers to participate in this inaugural event. Harp Glen will offer you a way to further promote the harp over two days to a very large audience who come to the Games because of their interest in Celtic culture.

Clan Currie has long been associated with the Harp as descendants of the celebrated MacMhuirich bards of Medieval Scotland and the instrument of the Bard was the clarsach. More recently Clan Currie is the Title Sponsor of the National Scottish Harp Championship of America.

Clan Currie is pleased to be associated with Aedan MacDonnell who together with Clan Currie Commissioner Ian Skone-Rees is coordinating this exciting new event at Seaside. Please contact them to arrange your participation.

I look forward to meeting with you personally in October.

Yours Aye,

Robert Currie
President, Clan Currie Society.