

94<sup>th</sup>  
President  
2003-2005

EDWARD J. COLLINS, JR.



Mr. Collins was born in Bay Ridge, Brooklyn, in 1961. It was then a Scottish enclave and has produced many of our officers and members. His mother, Elizabeth Muir Giblin, was orphaned at age 16 and emigrated to the United States from Port Glasgow in the 1950s on the original Queen Elizabeth. Mr. Collins attended St. John's University matriculating in Economics. He is currently Senior Portfolio Manager at UBS Wealth Management in New York after having spent twelve years at Lehman Brothers.

Since joining the Society Mr. Collins has served on many committees including social activities, fund raising, and the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee, and most recently as Chairman of the Nominating Committee. He helped set up our original web site, and was part of the group that secured our present headquarters. He was Chairman of the Board 1999-2000, and President 2003-2005.

Mr. Collins was a founding member of New York National Tartan Day Committee, created to ensure the perpetuity of the Annual Parade up Sixth Avenue each April and to nurture its growth. Along with Rev. Barrie Shepherd he founded our annual Kirkin' o' the Tartan, a non-denominational church service held during Tartan Week. Also initiated during his presidency were stricter auditing of the Society's finances and the creation of geographical committees to better communicate with membership.

Mr. Collins has been a board member of Project Children Kruse for Kids, an organization that brings Catholic and Protestant children together from Northern Ireland to the United States for six summer weeks to sow the seeds of tolerance. He has also served on the board of Habitat for Humanity NYC and has served on committees for many charitable organizations.

He and his family live in Rye, New York where they are members of the American Yacht Club and where he and his wife Gabrielle and son Edward enjoy racquet sports, swimming and sailing. Mr. Collins is active in Resurrection Parish, also in Rye.