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SWANSEA

TORONTO NEWS

Yes, it's time again to start thinking about the next Gymanfa Ganu which will be held in Swansea, Wales in August, 1974.

Accommodations are available in the hotel or at the University. The actual Gymanfa will be held August 1 - 4, 1974. So -- start saving your pennies.

TIME FLIES. Milwaukee, Salt Lake City, Chicago and even Toronto 1973 are behind us and we are still growing. So much for the past. What about the future? Glowing, exciting, is the answer, but only with much hard work by ALL of us. To this end your dues play a very important part in the building of what we ALL hope to be the finest Welsh organization in North America. In fact, WE WILL SHOW THE WAY so please send in your dues -- now.

A beautiful red rose costs \$1.00. The cost of your dues is the same -- \$1.00, and you will be all set for 1973-4.

SEND TO Miss Gail Roberts
[redacted] N. Kimball Ave.
Chicago, Illinois 60647

In this newsletter you will also find a WAY Membership Application Form and a green Membership card. Please fill them out and return them to Gail with your dues.

Did you know that Cymry has more castles per square mile of total area than any other country on earth? 73 in all.

Well, once again another National Gymanfa Ganu has passed. This year it was held in the Four Seasons-Sheraton in Toronto. It was a lot of fun and once again WAY took an impromptu trip. After the Banquet and Ball on Saturday evening we went for a walk down Yonge Street which is blocked off to traffic. Anyone who went will have to admit that we saw all kinds of people and Dave Davies kept us in line as the leader of our "wagon train".

Something new was started for WAY this year. We now have our own registration. Mr. Gwynn Parri of Milwaukee was kind enough to make up membership cards and applications for us.

I'm sure that many of you know Mr. Parri. If it wasn't for him WAY wouldn't be in existence. Up until 1970 when the National was in Milwaukee WAY was just an idea...it was Mr. Parri who made it a reality. WAY has been his "baby" ever since. He was one of our liaison officers. If we needed anything done Mr. Parri was there, whether it be to get something printed, listen to a problem, or lend moral support. Now he has passed on his office as liaison officer. I think we as members of WAY should not only be proud to be Welsh but we should be proud to have fellow men like Mr. Parri, and from the bottom of our hearts we say to him

"Diolch yn fawr"

Jennifer Monkhouse
Vice President

ATTENTION

If you are interested in some side trips during next year's trip to Wales please notify Jennifer by DECEMBER 1, 1973.

Jennifer Monkhouse
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Utica, N. Y. 13501

DO YOU KNOW YOUR OFFICERS?

President-Daniel Reese

Dan has been active in WAY since its beginning. He has served as Vice President also, and lives in sunny California in the city of Escondido. In the interest of diversified knowledge he has tried a variety of jobs, nurseryman being his latest challenge.

Vice President-Jennifer Monkhouse

Jennifer also a charter member in WAY has served as President before her present position. Jennifer is presently a sophomore at Mohawk Valley Community College in Utica, New York.

Secretary-Gail Roberts

Gail has only been active in WAY for the past year in which she has been secretary. Gail is presently a senior at Northeastern Illinois University in Chicago. She is student teaching in the second grade and will graduate in April, 1974.

Treasurer-Dave Davies

Dave has been active in WAY for the last several years and is the National Advisor along with sweet Bonnie, his wife. Since 1972 Dave and Bonnie have worked hard for the cause of WAY and as advisors have impressed the WNGGA Board of Trustees. You may not have known it but Dave and Bonnie sit in on the board meetings in your interest.

Along with all this Dave is track coach at Morton Junior College in Cicero, Illinois and Bonnie, a former third grade teacher (brain) takes care of Owen, their son. At present they are both taking care of setting their new home in order (anyone for tea?)

DID YOU KNOW that the word Wales is derived from the Anglo-Saxon word "Wealaes", meaning foreigners? To the Welsh it is known as Cymry, the land of comrades or friends.

OFFICERS FOR 1974-76

President-Rod Owen

Rod was born in Coventry, England. He has lived in many places including Detroit, Michigan for nine years, Llandudno Junction where he attended first grade and Colwyn Bay, Wales where he attended his junior year of high school at the Rydal School. He is presently a sophomore at the College of Wooster in Wooster, Ohio.

Vice President-Jane Thomas

As of press time, no information has been received.

Secretary-Janet Martin

Janet has been a member of WAY since 1970. She is presently the secretary of the St. Catharines and Niagara District Welsh Society. She was born in Cardiff, South Wales in 1951 and moved with her family to Canada in 1957. She attended the Investiture of the Prince of Wales in Caernarvon, North Wales.

She is working on her Masters Degree in Psychology at McMaster University in Hamilton. She wants to go on for her doctorate in Child Psychology at Ottawa University.

Treasurer-Penny Brown

Penny is a 17 year old high school senior. She plans a future as a Home Economics teacher. She plays the violin and is a member of the school orchestra, as well as a member of the South Minster Ringers, a bell ringing group. Her hobbies include embroidery, crewel, hooking rugs, and dress making. She enjoys music, reading, sports, meeting other people and Gymanfoedd Ganu.

In her free time Penny works at the Public Library.

DID YOU KNOW that a team of scientists from the University of Wales, Cardiff have unearthed what is believed to be "CAMELOT of King Arthur" in the estuary of the River Severn not far from Newport?

Jennifer tells us that plans now in the embryo stage are a three week trip which would include the Gymanfa Ganu at Swansea with such options as: any Trekking Holiday, live with a Welsh family, attend courses at a university, visit youth camps and many other possibilities.

BUT you must contact Jennifer as soon as possible, December 1 at the latest. Give her your name, address, age, and activities in which you are interested.

The information received will be sent to Mr. Glyn Roberts of the Wales Tourist Board so that he may plan accordingly (how many to plan for, kind of activities desired). Please remember that this is not a definite commitment but it will help him very much to make his plans for a pleasant WAY in Wales.

NEWS OF OTHER GROUPS

There is a rather active WAY group in the Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania area. Penny Brown, our next treasurer, is also in this group.

One of their activities include singing at St. David's Day affairs. They have received much help from the Rev. David Williams of Pitcairn, Pennsylvania who is the son of Dick Williams of Oak Park, Illinois.

We would like to hear from other groups too -- tell us what your group has been doing, what kind of activities your group is involved in. Who knows -- maybe the next newsletter will have news about you!!

THANK YOU, MR. PARRI

WAY extends a giant thank you to GWYNN PARRI

of Milwaukee, Wisconsin who is the former Liaison Officer to WAY from the National Gymanfa Ganu Association. Mr. Parri also had a large part in the founding of WAY. We know even though WAY has a Liaison Officer we will continue to see Mr. Parri as an active part of our growing organization.

NEW LIAISON OFFICER

Mrs. Mair Monkhouse of Hamburg, New York was commissioned a "Special Liaison Officer" a few weeks prior to the Toronto Gymanfa Ganu at the request of the Vice President of WNGGA. This was done in order to assure a strong WAY program at Toronto and the fact that Dr. John R. Jones of Greenville, Michigan (WNGGA has two liaison officers) was hospitalized at Rochester, Minnesota.

Mrs. Monkhouse took up the challenge and with the help of our own Jennifer did an outstanding job overcoming insurmountable problems and presenting a most excellent and happy WAY meeting. For this most valuable help Mair was asked to be a full time liaison officer for the WNGGA. To us this means that we have another friend and helper in building what we hope to be "the future of Welsh in North America".

Mrs. Monkhouse has always been very active in Welsh affairs. She is president of the St. David's Welsh Society of Buffalo, New York.

HELP!!!

WAY cannot continue to grow without your help. We always could use more area groups. We especially need groups in the New York, Philadelphia, and Ottawa areas.

If you're interested in obtaining information about the activities in your area feel free to contact any of the following people. Also contact them if interested in starting an area club.

Western Pennsylvania - Penny Brown
[redacted] Briarwood Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15228
Toronto - Ann Dunets
[redacted] William Cragg Dr., Downsview, Ontario
[redacted] St. Catharines - Janet Martin
[redacted] Lower Glen, R.R.1, St. Catharines, Ontario
New York - Jennifer Monkhouse
[redacted] Lansing St., Apt. 4, Utica, N. Y. 13501
Ohio - Rod Owen
Box [redacted], College of Wooster, Wooster, Ohio
California - Daniel Reese 44691
Rt. 2, Box [redacted], Escondido, Calif. 92105

Any of these people will be happy to help start new groups or answer any of your questions.

THIS IS YOUR SOUND OFF COLUMN

Let us hear from you. It may be in any form. Answer, Question, Gripe, Compliment, or whatever. What would you like to read in the "WAY NEWS"? This is where YOU SOUND OFF.

Since this column actually will not start until we hear from you we will send a beautiful little flag from Cymry to the first letter received and printed here. (3"x6" nylon with the new Royal Crest) Mark your letter "Sound Off".

Send your replies to

Dave Davies

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