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For The 57th Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu, September 1, 2, 3 and 4, 1988

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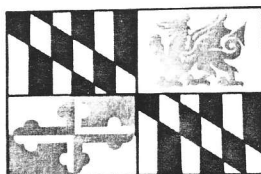
To the editor:

The Baltimore Organizing Committee thanks you for the interesting and extensive way in which Ninnau's reporters covered many of the events at this year's National Gymanfa Ganu. We're delighted that so many people found so much to enjoy.

However, the National Gymanfa Ganu is much more than "a mini-Welsh Heritage Week." The weekend's activities were planned to provide opportunities for fellowship and to raise our level of Welsh consciousness in preparation for the actual Gymanfa Ganu sessions on Sunday.

Happily, we think we succeeded. The members of the committee have received many comments about the Sunday sessions, and we would like to share some special memories with Ninnau's readers:

- * Pride in seeing Pennsylvania's own Dr. Carlton Jones Lake at the podium.
- * Gwyndaf Roberts' uncanny rapport with both Dr. Lake and the congregation.
- * The thrill of hearing the voices of the Caernarfon Male Voice Choir mingle with the voices in the auditorium on Sunday afternoon.
- * The moving way in which Dr. Lake conducted "Crimond."
- * Mark Slater's stirring call to worship and praise in the evening session.



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- * The delicate echoes in the chorus of "Y Delyn Aur," a hymn which we hope will regain its rightful place in the repertoire of the Gymanfa Ganu.
- * The excellent performances by soloists Steven James and Mabel Lewis Pizarro.
- * Dr. Lake's thorough research into the scriptural sources of the text of "Cwm Rhondda."
- * The poignant tears as we joined hands to sing "God Be With You."

The folk dancing and boat rides and general hwy! are nice and they're important, but they're only the icing on the cake.

Our real reason for being in Baltimore on Labor Day weekend was to gather together as Welsh-Americans and raise our voices in worship and praise. That, after all, is what the National Gymanfa Ganu is all about.

Sincerely yours,

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1988 Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu

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