

December 9, 1981

To: Mr. Jack Meadows, Secretary
The Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu Association, Inc.

From: The Welsh Cambrian Social Society of Portland, Ore. and
The Bryn Seion Welsh Church of Beaver Creek, Ore.

Subject: Plans for the 1984 National Gymanfa Ganu.

Bryn Seion Welsh Church will be observing their 100th. anniversary in 1984. As you no doubt know this is the only remaining Welsh church on the west coast that was organized and built by the Welsh settlers. The original building and adjoining tea house are still being used and every effort is being made to keep this Welsh historical site alive and active. Therefore we are extending an invitation to the National Welsh Gymanfa Ganu Association to hold the annual affair in Portland, Oregon over the Labor day weekend in 1984.

It will be a joint effort of the two above mentioned bodies. We have held two meetings to discuss this undertaking and the enthusiasm was very gratifying. There were about 17 persons present, with many more expressing interest. The meetings were held at the Portland Hilton Hotel which is located right downtown. The hotel is very much intersted in having us host this event. They have adequate rooms and promise to negotiate for meeting rooms, ball-room, etc. We have also contacted the Portland Marriott Hotel and they are only 2 years old and very lovely with ample space for the Gymanfa. We plan to hold our next meeting at the Marriott.

As I understand it no action would be taken until the trustees meeting in Toronto, but I wanted to inform you of our action and I sincerely hope we will have the privilege of hosting the Gymanfa in 1984. Please let me know if there is something we should be doing. We will be electing a chair-person at our next meeting and I will let you know who this is.

I hope this finds you feeling better, Dick and I think of you so often, please give our best regards to Katherine and all of your family.

Most sincerely,

Emmaline Davies
Emmaline Davies
Acting Correspondent

*I am much in favour of accepting the bid of the
Cambrian Social Society for the National
Gymanfa in 1984 + the Bryn Seion Welsh Church +
suggest we accept it now not wait until the Toronto meeting. 9/10/81*

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invites you to attend the 51st Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu on September 3, 4 and 5, 1982

Apartment 1704,
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January 12, 1982

Mr. Jack Meadows,
Secretary, WNGGA,
[REDACTED] Southern Blvd.,
Youngstown, Ohio 44512

Dear Jack:

Thank you for a copy of Emmaline Davies' invitation to hold the National Gymanfa in Portland, Oregon in 1984.

Since there is more than two years before that date, as Emmaline suggests I do not think it necessary for the Trustees to consider the invitation until they meet in Toronto in September of this year. It is good, however, that they know about it.

If the majority of the Board feel differently from me and a mail vote is decided upon, my vote would be in favour of accepting the invitation. I am delighted to hear about it.

Hope you are not feeling too bad these days. All the best.

Eluned

Warren, Ohio
January 22, 1982

Mr. Jack Meadows, Secy.
Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu Assoc.
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Youngstown, Ohio 44512

Dear Jack:

With response to copy of letter from Emmaline Davies which you sent to me.

I like the interest shown by the two organizations in Portland and their desire to sponsor the 1984 Gymanfa Ganu. This is the type of planning that should strengthen the National Association.

The letter seems to indicate facilities which would accomodate our Gymanfa and I feel sure that Dick and Emmaline are well aware of facility requirements.

Based on the information presented and their interest, I would favor accepting their invitation now, subject to final approval in Toronto.

Best wishes to you and Katherine.

With warm regards

Nelson L. Mewellyn



January 19, 1982.

Dear Jack:

In answer to y our letter of December 9, 1981, I would like to see us accept the invitation from Bryn Seion Welsh Church in Portland, Oregon right now.

We had a wonderful gymanfa in Vancouver and had an excellent attendance and I am sure it can be accomplished again in Portland, Oregon.

In as much as we need as many invitations as we can get we certainly should not turn this one down.

My vote would be to accept immediately.

Sincerely,

Catherine

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TO: Jack Meadows, Secretary W.N.G.G.A, Inc

DATE: 01-13-82

FROM: Mary E (Betty) Pierce Trustee

SUBJECT: Your letter of January 8 1982.

The plans for the 1984 National Gymanfa Ganu to be held in Portland Oregon.

I vote to accept this proposal without waiting for the Board of Trustees meeting in Toronto this September.

Hope you are in much better health.

Sincerely, *Betty Pierce*



Thursday 2/4/82

Dear Jack

Thank you for your letter and the enclosure from Portland concerning the sponsorship of 84 Synofar.

As far as I know this is the only area that has expressed an interest for 84 so we should certainly keep it open. However I believe the official action can await the Toronto Board meeting. There are several advantages to Portland - 1st a new area 2nd there are now two board members from that area 3rd we have had about Synofar in the past since Vancouver.

Hope that the winter has not been too hard on your folks in Youngstown. We have done some complaining but other areas have been much harder hit. Will see you in Toronto!

address is 2804 (not 2809) and ph #
is 315-735-5037

Best regards,
Tom.

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If you have life membership applications, would appreciate getting \$4.10 prior to St David's banquet (Oct 28)

Thanks

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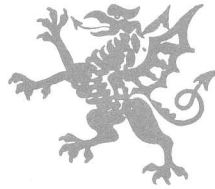
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 welcomes you to the 49th Welsh National Gymnfa Ganu
 on August 28, 29, 30 and 31, 1980.

Jan 24/82

Dear Jack

your Letter Regarding the

Portland Oregon Invitation came when when we were away.

Regarding your question of Either accepting Now or Wait: untill B.O.T. Meets in Toronto - My thought would be to wait untill Board Meets. But if it is the Concensus of the Rest of the Board to accept Now. then I will go with it. Trust you and your wife are feeling well.

Rev. David Mandry will be our speaker at St David's Banquet Feb 27/82 -

*yours truly
 Gwynllyf L. Williams*

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Dear Jack,

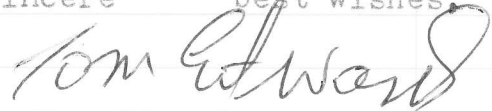
Thank you for the copy of the letter from Emmaline Davies on behalf of the groups from Oregon who wish to stage the Gymanfa in 1984.

May I suggest, that although they sound most enthusiastic, and will probably hold a great Gymanfa, it might be in their interests, as well as the Associations, if we withhold formal approval, until we meet in Toronto.

I am reminded of the bitter disappointment felt by those who came to Utica convinced that the 1982 Gymanfa was going to be held in Sat Lake City. My preference would be to encourage the Oregon group to finalise their arrangements, and to make the presentation to the Board in Toronto, so that they would receive official and final approval.

I trust these comments are of value, and I hope you are feeling better.

sincere best wishes,



Tom Edwards

5915 N. Park Ave.,
Philadelphia, Pa. 19141

Mr. Jack Meadows, Secy.,
Southern Blvd.,
Youngstown, Ohio 44512.

Dear Jack:

It was quite a surprise to receive a copy of the letter inviting the WNGGA to hold its Annual Meeting and Gymanfa Ganu in Portland, Oregon, in 1984.

In considering this I am mindful of the fact the possibility of taking the Gymanfa Ganu to Wales in 1984, was discussed at the B. O. T. meeting in Utica.

Mrs. Davies' letter indicates that they are aware that action on these **invitations is not taken until the annual meeting** of the Board of Trustees. Their plans seem to be in the initial stages. Perhaps it would be better not to make a decision on this until the Board meets in Toronto, when the Portland Committee's planning is further advanced. However, if circumstances arise making it necessary that ^{we} know earlier I would not disapprove of accepting the invitation before that time.

Sincerely yours,



Irene O. Pritchard,