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May 14, 1987

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ATTENTION: Nelson Llewellyn, Secretary

Dear Nelson,

This is a formal invitation, from the St. David's Society of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, to the Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu Association, to host its annual meeting and Gymanfa Ganu in Pittsburgh, in 1989.

We have received the approval of our membership, have begun organizational operations, and are well on the way of establishing committees, etc.

We have been in contact with you, Nelson, and have kept you informed as to our progress in these planning stages, so you are aware of our progress in this endeavor. We look for a very successful Gymanfa, especially in view of the proximity of the Cymraeg in Scranton, Wilkes-Barre, the area of mid-Pennsylvania, and the Tri-State area. We are enthused about this Gymanfa, not that it will be a success, but how much of a success it will be!

Unfortunately, because of planning, the date of this Gymanfa invitation is not flexible. We await your response, so we may continue in further preparations. Hoping you look with favor on our invitation, we remain,

Very truly yours,

J. C. Williams, President

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Welcome you to St. Paul

For The 56th Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu, September 3, 4, 5 and 6, 1987

June 19, 1987

MEMO TO: All Officers and Trustees of W.N.G.G.A.

It is with much pleasure that I enclose the letter of invitation to our Association from the President of the ST. DAVID'S SOCIETY of PITTSBURGH, INC.

John C. Williams is the President and also one of our Trustees.

The conception of this invitation goes back a few years I'm sure as I recall hearing J. C. Williams make the statement many times, "We must have another National in Pittsburgh again".

You will note the second sentence of the last paragraph in the letter of invitation, "We await your response". Let me assure you that J. C. Williams and the St. David's Society of Pittsburgh are well aware that the final decision will need to be action by the Board of Trustees at the next meeting in St. Paul.

Our President David Thomas has asked me to pass along the following information regarding the second meeting of the board which is usually held on Saturday afternoon of the Gymanfa weekend. We will not be meeting on Saturday afternoon but the meeting will be held on Sunday morning, September 6, 1987 at 7:30 A. M. The President feels this will afford you the opportunity to participate in other activities on Saturday afternoon. Arrangements will probably be made for a Continental Breakfast to be served at the Sunday morning meeting. More on this later in the letter you will receive early in August.

We look forward to seeing you all in St. Paul in September.

Sincerely,


Nelson L. Llewellyn, Secretary

enclosure

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November 9, 1987

John C. Williams, Chairman
'89 WNGG - Pittsburgh
[redacted] McNeal Rd.
Allison Par, PA 15101

Dear JC:

How great it was to attend your Gymanfa and also sit down with the officers and committee chairmen for a meeting on that beautiful Sunday afternoon.


Enclosed is the check you asked about that day. The \$2,000.00 is a contribution which David L. Mandry made which he indicated should go to the sponsor of the 1989 WNGG. Your Society is the lucky one and congratulations.

I am assuming you will direct these funds to the treasury which is set up for the '89 WNGG and not into your Society treasury. Please let me know if you have any question about this.

You asked me concerning a letter from the WNGGA informing your Society that the WNGGA Trustees and Officers had taken official action on the invitation extended by you for the 1989 NGG to be held in Pittsburgh. Enclosed is that letter which I dated September 10, 1987

I trust you and Mrs. Williams are feeling well and enjoying the wonderful fall weather. Betty and I send our very best to you both.

Sincerely,


Nelson L. Llewellyn, Secretary

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I. Dates: Friday Sept. 1st. to Monday Sept. 4th. 1989

II. Experience Factor: Columbus, Ohio 1986.

Registered Factor: 1700 people
Total Attendance: 3000 " (Approx.)

Sleeping Rooms Reported: Headquarters Hotel High Night 390
Total Sleeping Rooms " : Headquarters and Others 491

III. Sites: Hyatt Hotel, Columbus Conv. Ctr. and Downtown Theater.

IV. Pittsburgh Potential: Use of- OPTIONS

- a. Vista Hotel & David L. Lawrence Conv. Ctr.
- b. Hilton Hotel: use of ballroom and sleeping rooms.
- c. Westin William Penn Hotel & David L. Lawrence Conv. Ctr.(OVERFLOW)
- d. Use of the Benedum Ctr. for the Arts. One Day?
- e. Use of Heinz Hall. One Day?
- f. Use of Syria Temple-Cost saving?
- g. Use of Sailors and Soldiers Hall-Cost saving?

Cannot use the following due to Size Constraints.

Hyatt Hotel-Sheraton Station Sq.- Westin William Penn Ballroom-
Vista Hotel Ballroom.

V. David L. Lawrence Conv. Ctr.- use of "South Hall"- 3000 capacity dependent on physical set up of stage. 20' Ceiling. Attached to Vista Hotel. Approx. Cost- \$1600. per day. Decorating probably necessary. Flat floor seating.

Benedum Center and /or Heinz Hall- See cost sheet from Benedum. One Day?

Others would probably be cheaper, but involve use of transportation to Oakland.

Hilton Hotel Ballroom: Seating for Approx. 2200. Flat floor. If Sleeping Room pickup is 350 for the three nights- no charge. If Average is 250-349, \$2000. one time charge; If Average is 150-249, \$4000. one time charge; If 150 average or under, \$6000. one time charge.

VI. Sleeping Room Rates

Vista Hotel	\$75.	Single, Double or Twin.
William Penn	\$58.	Single, Double, or Twin (Overflow Only) 1987 Rate
Hilton Hotel	\$60.	Single
	\$70.	Double or Twin 1987 Rate.

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THE SAINT DAVID'S SOCIETY OF MONTREAL
Invites You To Make Montreal Your "Home From Home" For
The 54th Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu August 29, 30, 31 and September 1, 1985

November 12, 1985

Mr. John T. Watkins
Greater Pittsburgh Convention
and Visitor's Bureau
● Gateway Center, Suite 514
Pittsburgh, PA 15222

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Dear John:

It certainly was a pleasure talking with you by phone today and I almost feel as though we have always been friends.

We discussed the possibility of Pittsburgh being a future venue for the National. J. C. Williams had also mentioned this to me right after Montreal and I have to agree with him that the Welsh community of the Greater Pittsburgh Area could again sponsor the National.

The National was last sponsored by Pittsburgh in 1965 and then in 1938 just a few years after the first one in Niagara Falls in 1929.

As I indicated to you, we have received invitations for the years 1986, 1987 and 1988 which the board has approved. Also as I indicated the 1987 and 1988 are not for publication at this time.

I look forward to receiving information from you about the great city of Pittsburgh. Also please give my warm regards to J. C. Willims.

Sincerely,


Nelson L. Llewellyn, Secretary

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October 7, 1986

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ATTENTION: Nelson Llewellyn, Secretary

Dear Nelson,

We of the Pittsburgh St. David's Society intend to issue an invitation to host the WNGGA Gaymanfa Ganu here in Pittsburgh. It will be called the Pittsburgh and Tri-State Gymanfa Ganu and will include the entire southwestern part of Pennsylvania, the northeastern part of West Virginia, and parts of Ohio adjacent to the border of Pennsylvania.

Upon receipt of approval from our members, and all that we have contacted thus far are overwhelmingly in favor of hosting this event, a formal invitation will be proffered. This shall be for the year 1989. We have already set the wheels in motion and are looking forward to a most successful event upon your acceptance of our invitation.

Sincerely,

J. C. Williams
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THE WELSH SOCIETY OF CENTRAL OHIO

Welcomes you to Columbus

For The 55th Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu, August 28-31, 1986

OCT 21, 1986

Mr. John T. Watkins
Greater Pittsburgh Conv. Bureau
Gateway Center, Suite 514
Pittsburgh, PA 15222

Dear John:

It has been some time since our last communication.

I want to thank you very much for the information which you so promptly sent to me and I am quite anxious to see what can be done in order for the St. David's Society of Pittsburgh to host a National Gymanfa.

Just yesterday my wife and I attended the annual Gymanfa at the Shady Side Presbyterian Church and it certainly was a fine Gymanfa.

In talking with J. C. Williams over the past year I feel he is very strong in wanting Pittsburgh to sponsor the National. As you know it will take a very strong nucleus to be able to set things in motion and I trust we can count on you to lend your expert support, since I believe you indicated to me that you had a great part in the plans for the 1976 Philadelphia National.

I certainly do hope that the Welsh Community in the Pittsburgh area will once again rally 'round to support their organization in a most rewarding venture.

I would appreciate any comments or views which you may have to offer.

Diolch yn fawr and warm regards.

Sincerely,

Nelson L. Llewellyn, Secretary



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J. C. WILLIAMS
St. David Society

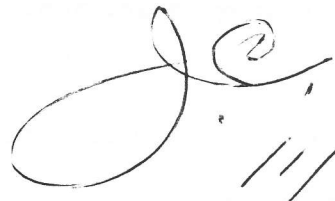
Pittsburgh

Here is what shall
be sent to our members,
if you approve.

It will be retyped,
single spaced—

Any questions call me—
collect, if you wish. Hurry—
we want to get this off
soon as possible

Thank



11/2/86

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J. C. WILLIAMS
2924 McNeal Rd.
Allison Park, PA 15101

TO: The Pittsburgh and Tri-State GANU Associations

FROM: St. David's Executive Board

The Executive Board of your St. David's Society realizes something must be done to revitalize our organization. We need younger people to take over the reins of government. We are getting more and more young people who are interested in their roots, and wish to take a more active part in the events of our group. After much discussion, we feel the perfect solution to the problem would be to host the National Gymanfa Ganu Association here in Pittsburgh in 1989. We have already sent a letter of intent to the secretary of the National. This action is not binding on our Society or the National, but it does give them something to consider when a decision for the location of the National comes under discussion.

This ballot is most necessary, because we must have the approval of the majority of our membership to continue our efforts in establishing a framework of committees with which to work out the details of this endeavor. Pittsburgh is a wonderful city with many advantages to show off to visitors. We have a beautiful story to tell, and many sights to show. The last National was held here in 1965. We are long overdue to host our National in Pittsburgh.

Would you please mark your ballot according to your opinion.

_____ I am in favor of having a National Gymanfa here in Pittsburgh in 1989.

_____ I am not in favor of having a National Gymanfa here in Pittsburgh in 1989.

If you have marked your ballot "Yes" and would be willing to work on this project, please contact J. C. Williams, giving your name, address, telephone number, and your area of interest.

If you have marked your ballot "No", please, if you can, give us your ideas on how we can achieve our objective to interest our younger Welsh people.

Send your ballot to:

J. C. WILLIAMS
2724 McNeal Rd.
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RICHARD W. GORMAN
President and
Chief Executive Officer

February 5, 1987

Mr. Nelson L. Llewellyn
Secretary
The Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu
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██████████ Melwood Drive, NE
Warren, OH 44483

9/26/88
HOME PHONE
412/831-0218

Dear Nelson:

J. C. Williams leads up the strong drive to see the 1989 Gymanfa here in America's most positively changed city.

April 11, will see the St. David's annual dinner at the Presbyterian Seminary located on Highland Avenue. We would be most appreciative of a visit by you to the city, and I'll make the accommodations for you to stay over on Saturday night.

If possible, earlier in the day, we can show you the David L. Lawrence Convention Center and the major hotels with an eye toward 1989.

We will look for direction from you and extend our best wishes.

Cordially,

John T. Watkins
National Sales Director

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cc Mr. J. C. Williams

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Dear President Williams:

It is certainly a joy to be sending you this communication following very productive meetings by the Board of Trustees and Officers in St. Paul where we all enjoyed a delightful weekend.

You made a very fine presentation to the Board on Friday afternoon, September 4, 1987 when you extended the formal invitation for the Welsh National Gymnafa Ganu to be held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in 1989.


Congratulations to you, The St. David's Society members and others who will work with you in preparing for 1989.

The Trustees and Officers were pleased with the invitation and took the proper action to accept and approve your invitation as will be reflected in the minutes.

Also of interest you will be receiving a check in the amount of \$2,000.00 which Dr. David L. Mandry contributed to the WNGGA with the provision that it would be directed to the sponsor of the '89 WNGG whoever the sponsor might be.

We are very pleased that the National will be held in the great city of Pittsburgh where Welsh activities have done well in the past. Good Luck!

Sincerely,


Nelson L. Llewellyn, Secretary

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