

Cymdeithas Gymraeg Gogledd Gorllewin. . . Ohio

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The Welsh Society of Northwest Ohio



July 2002

New members:

Bonnie McBeth, Plainfield, IL

George R. Griffith, Mesa, AZ

Members recognized:

Vera Jones, Ottawa Elementary teacher, was named Mary Sheeley I.R.A. Outstanding Teacher of the Year and presented a literacy award.

Lorraine Andrews is an active member of the Enabled Arts Class of the Defiance County Arts Council.

Mark your calendars for the following events:

- ❖ **August 1-Scholarship applications must be submitted to Verona Sandy, 7225 Gomer Road, Gomer, Ohio.**
- ❖ **Saturday, August 10-Welsh Society Picnic. Place- Gomer Dad's Club, located on Lincoln Hwy., in the center of Gomer, Ohio. A sign is located next to the Township House on the north side of Lincoln Hwy. The club has a shelter house, playground equipment and indoor restroom facilities. Please bring a covered dish and your own service. Eat promptly at 1:00 PM. Bring pictures to share for reminiscing and a lawn chair.**
- ❖ **WANTED: Contributions for the Welsh Museum located in Gomer, Ohio. On Saturday, August 10 would be a good chance to bring items for the museum, or call Dave Whittington (419) 642-5911 or Tom Evans (419) 642-3445 for pick-up. Donation, insurance, loan papers will be given for each item. You may put down "any" value you feel or "your" tax or insurance records. Some items may be duplicated, too large or not fit into the museum concept. This will be discussed at the time of the donation. Some suggestions for items needed are as follows:**
 - Welsh clothes/linens/hats
 - 19th c. rocking chair
 - Small wood burning stove

- Antique cooking/ dishes/eating utensils/crocks/tins/coffee grinder
- Any primitives (candle holder's etc.)
- Sleigh bells, brass horse items
- Welsh love spoons
- Kerosene glass lamps
- Antique small table/chairs
- Antique mirror
- Steamer trunk
- Welsh dolls/postcards/maps/souvenirs
- Gomer business memorabilia
- Gomer Church items
- Gomer doctors' items (Jones, Davis, Roebuck)
- Gomer school items
- Photos-homes/streets/group family (enlarged at Wal-Mart or Meijers)
- Picture frames (antique)
- Cradle (lamp stick) telephone
- Antique dry sink
- Old (Welsh/Gomer) furniture
- **Monetary contributions are always welcomed for operating expenses of the museum.**

- ❖ **Sunday, October 6, 2002. Dedication of the museum.** Contributions of items are needed prior to October 6. Contact Tom Evans (419) 642-3445 or Dave Whittington (419) 642-5911. Time for the event: 2:00PM at the museum.
- ❖ **Saturday, November 16, 2002. Welsh Breakfast/flu shots (Delphos Visiting Nurses).** Time: 8:30-11:30 AM Place: Gomer United Church of Christ fellowship room. Cost: \$4.50 per person. Tickets may be obtained at the door or from any Welsh society member.
- ❖ **Saturday & Sunday, December 7 & 8, 2002. Christmas Tour of Homes.** Please contact Alice Ruth Bushong (419) 331-3651, 3837 Pioneer Rd., Elida, Ohio 45807 abushong@wcoil.com if you would like to have your home featured in the tour. It is tentatively scheduled for two days. More information will follow in the next newsletter.
- ❖ **BBC Wales is Coming to the US and Needs Your Help.** How familiar are you with your Welsh family history? Were your ancestors coal miners in the early 1800's? Was your great, great grandfather a local hero during the Civil War? If anyone has a Welsh family history extending back to the 1800's, we want to hear from you. Please contact Alica Ruth Bushong, (419) 331-3651.
- ❖ **The Gomer Welsh Community Museum telephone number is (419) 642-5405**
- ❖ **Next Welsh society meeting is September 10, 2002 – 9:30 AM, Gomer United Church of Christ fellowship hall.**

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