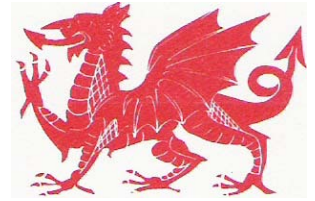


The Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu Association



Dear Welsh Friends,

The purpose of the Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu Association (WNGGA) is "to preserve, develop and promote our Welsh religious and cultural heritage and our religious and cultural traditions, including but not limited to the Gymanfa Ganu, and to do all things necessary and proper to accomplish and enhance the same." Since 1929, North Americans have been demonstrating their passion for song through the medium of "the National" and now the North American Festival of Wales. We trust also that you, like us, want this tradition and the efforts of individuals across the United States and Canada to continue and flourish.

The continuation of the North American Festival of Wales and the Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu is dependent upon the efforts of dedicated, talented people who get satisfaction from the accomplishment of seeing a successful festival take place. Each festival is planned and developed under the guidance of the Board of Directors of the WNGGA, with the assistance of many volunteers.

We know that there are many individuals throughout the United States and Canada that work tirelessly to promote Wales and Welsh culture in their community and many of those are also a valued part of the Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu and the North American Festival of Wales. Many more may wish to join in both a continental as well as local Welsh community effort to share and celebrate our Welsh heritage with others. In this regard, we are writing to encourage members of your organization or society to consider joining the membership of the Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu Association, for your local Welsh organization per se to become an Associated member of the WNGGA, if it is not already one, and also for your organization to forward suggestions for nomination to the Board of Trustees of the WNGGA. Candidates for membership, either by the Nominating Committee or by Associated Organizations of which your organization or society may be one, can be presented for election at the Annual Meeting of the WNGGA, which takes place in conjunction with the Festival. To be eligible for nomination, a person must be either a life member of the WNGGA or have been an annual member for one year preceding nomination. By our constitution, Trustees are nominated to represent one of three geographical areas ... the United States East, the United States West and Canada. We sincerely invite you to give careful consideration to our request. The WNGGA needs talented, dedicated people to further its mission, and we believe that with your assistance, the WNGGA will be better enabled to preserve, develop and promote Welsh culture across North America

If you do have any suggestions of individuals in this regard, we would encourage you to indicate your recommendations on the enclosed reply sheet and mail it to the address indicated. Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated. Diolch yn fawr iawn.

Pob hwyl,

On behalf of the Nominating Committee,

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Name of prospective contact:

Mailing Address:

E-mail address:

Telephone number:

Thank you for your participation!

Please mail to:

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