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The Welsh Society of Greater Cincinnati  
Welcomes you to  
THE SIXTIETH WELSH NATIONAL GYMANFA GANU  
August 29, 30, 31, September 1, 1991

May 20, 1991

Mr. Jack Nesbitt, Chairman  
61st National Gymanfa Ganu  
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Dear Jack:

We had a great time in Niagara Falls, Ontario enjoying the various activities of the Ontario Gymanfa Ganu Association Welsh Festival.

We missed you at our mid-year meeting of the Board, I passed on the information which you had provided to me concerning activity (committee) for 1992 WNGG. The Board was pleased to hear from you and of course I am anxious to receive word by way of the minutes from your meeting the same weekend we were in NF.

One of the most pleasing parts of the Festival was the Concert by The Canadian Orpheus Male Choir, directed by Lyn Harry. I have enclosed the bio of Lyn which appeared in the program booklet and also a cassette for your pleasure. I must say I received much positive input from various friends and also from Board members as to the very high quality of the choir and the director. I pass this on to you in that here is a "local" choir that numbers around 100 choirsters that sang a varied program which contained many Welsh numbers. Would you mind devoting some consideration to this choir and director for '92 Kansas City? I mention this only because there has been much comment from Gymanfa attendees regarding the need to use "local talent." Diolch!

Would you mind letting me know your feeling on this matter before you pass it on to your committee?

One matter which will require your attention almost immediately will be your '92 Kansas City WNGG ad to appear in the Cincinnati Program Booklet. You may already have attended to this, the logo, ad, etc. The same ad could also be used for the OGGGA Program Booklet for next April. Please let know how this stands. Diolch!



Sincerely,

Nelson L. Llewellyn, Secretary

cc - Dr. Don Mills, Dr. Ellis J. Jones

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## ST. DAVID'S WELSH SOCIETY OF GREATER KANSAS CITY

June 12, 1991

Mr. Glyn R. Griffiths, Secretary  
Ystradgynlais Male Choir  
43 Ystradgynlais Road

Swansea SA9 1BH  
Wales, Great Britain

Dear Mr. Griffiths:

Your letter of June 4, 1991, arrived today. That is faster service than I get from Cardiff!

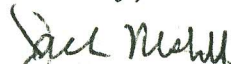
We are pleased at the choir's interest in the 1992 Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu which will be held in Kansas City September 3-6, 1992. I have forwarded your letter and the tapes to the chairperson of our music committee (her grandparents are from Aberdare and Pontypridd; mine are from Abersychan, near Pontypool). The committee includes a retired professor of vocal music, an Episcopal priest, and a Swansea Valley native who is a minister of music in a Baptist Church. They will give your choir every consideration. We would like to work out the choice of visiting choir by the time of the 1991 Welsh National or soon thereafter.

Mary Wise is on that committee. Mary and I have had encouragement from Marylou Wilkinson. I have played the tape sent by Marylou many times, including on long automobile trips (your 1983 and 1986 tapes), and I saw the choir appear on TV from Scranton on the Frugal Gourmet show!

The Welsh National normally features a Saturday evening choir concert and two singing sessions on Sunday afternoon and evening. The visiting choir sometimes offers a public concert in the same city a day or two earlier (this was the case in Victoria, B. C., Canada, last year). The Monday following is "Labor Day" in the United States, a national holiday when most businesses and banks are closed.

Thank you for contacting me. You will be hearing from us.

Sincerely,

  
JACK NESBITT, Chairperson  
1992 Welsh National  
Gymanfa Ganu

6/22/91

# Côr Meibion Ystradgynlais



## Ystradgynlais Male Choir

Founded 1947

Patron: Sally Thomas (Cwmlllynfell)  
Musical Director: Mr D. Leighton Jenkins

Accompanist/Deputy Conductor: Mr Conway Morgan  
Deputy Accompanist: Mr Stephen Evans  
Associate Accompanist: Mrs Gloria Lloyd

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Dear Mr Nesbitt,

I write on behalf of Côr Meibion Ystradgynlais, a choir which I know is no stranger to you due to the approaches made so kindly on our behalf by Mr Tom Gable, Scranton, Pennsylvania, Mrs Marylou Wilkinson, Collingswood, New Jersey, and Mrs Mary Wise, Kansas City.

I sincerely hope their diligent work on our behalf will not be in vain and I can assure you that if you decide to invite our Choir to your 1992 National Gymanfa Ganu we will in every way possible contribute to the success of the event.

Our 1989 visit to Scranton, Pennsylvania, and four cities in Ontario, Canada, was an overwhelming success, due mainly to the personality and artistic talent of our choir and Music Staff. We brought to America what the American people wanted of a Welsh choir and we will never forget the respect and appreciation of every audience we entertained. Our American friends have provided you with tapes and detailed information and I am happy that, through them, you must by now feel that you know Côr Meibion Ystradgynlais very well.

An added bonus is that our Musical Director, D. Leighton Jenkins, is an accomplished Gymanfa Ganu conductor and is in much demand at festivals in our Country. His conducting is superb and is complemented by a gift of personality which commands the best from those who sing by his baton.

I can assure you that D. Leighton Jenkins and Côr Meibion Ystradgynlais can be of valuable support to your doubtless wish to make the Kansas City National Gymanfa Ganu, 1992, one which will live for ever in the memory of those who attend. With respect, I ask that we be allowed the honour of sharing this memorable occasion with you, and be given an opportunity to show the Welsh Americans congregated in Kansas City that we the people of Ystradgynlais are united with you the people of America through the love and devotion one of Ystradgynlais's famous Sons, Dr Daniel Protheroe, had for the Country of his adoption, the U.S.A. and the Country of his birth, Wales.

Yours sincerely,

*Mannah Protheroe Griffiths*

P.R.O.

*G.R. Griffiths*

Hon. Secretary.

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ST. DAVID'S WELSH SOCIETY  
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June 10, 1991

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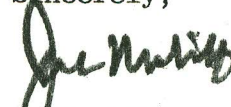
Dear Mr. Rock:

I have received your package of tapes and information on the Canadian Orpheus Male Choir. Thank you. I plan to pass it along to the chairperson of our Music Committee for the 1992 Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu in Kansas City (September 3-6, 1992).

As things now stand, assuming we following the usual schedule, a choir concert would take place Saturday evening, September 5, and afternoon and evening singing sessions (all participants) would take place Sunday, September 6.

We shall give the Canadian Orpheus Male Choir every consideration.

Sincerely,

  
JACK NESBITT