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The Cambrian News

From The Editor:

“The old order changeth, yielding place to new”. Thus it is with our Society. Jane Byrne after nine cumulative years as President has stepped down, and Lynn Owens-Whalen after countless years (13) on the Executive has taken a break. Both will continue to contribute their expertise in different, but important, capacities to the Society. Eifion Williams, who has served many years either as Secretary or as member of the Executive, has also stepped down – but we are in desperate need of an Editor!

We welcome new members of the Executive, Pat Morris and Alcwyn Rogers. Both have heavily committed their time and expertise to our society in the past and I look forward to their continued invaluable support. I myself have also recently been appointed as a Trustee of the Welsh North American Association (WNAA), representing Canada, so my time is not such that I can continue as Editor (13 years). Members are encouraged to stay in contact with our website to be alerted to our events. **Please note the St. Dwynwen’s event is now on February 1st!**

Members should also be aware that a new fee schedule for membership dues was approved at the December AGM. These are apparent on the Membership Form included. Please send your dues to Mathew. The Constitution states that the Membership Secretary is required to inform members who have not paid within three month’s delay that their membership has expired. So make his life easier and renew now!

David Llewelyn Williams

Forthcoming Events

Sunday, January 12th at 11am
Bilingual Church Service.

This will be followed by a *tê bach*.

Monday, January 20th at 10.30 am
Welsh Speaking – Siarad Cymraeg
Monday, January 20th at 7.30 pm
Welsh Lessons

Monday, January 27th from 10am to 3pm. Work Party Day. A delicious lunch will be provided. See you there!

We will celebrate Santes Dwynwen, the Welsh Patron Saint of Lovers on Saturday February 1st in a romantic evening with tempting desserts!

The bar will open at **6.30 pm** and the program will start at **7.00 pm**.

Our M.C., David Llewelyn, will begin the evening with a brief introduction to the legend of St. Dwynwen and will present everyone with a St. Dwynwen card. This is your opportunity to choose a recipient! This will be followed by the singing of several Welsh love songs (translations supplied). Members will then be encouraged to read a favourite love poem or to compose their own. After this feast of music and poetry, we will feast the senses on dessert to further enhance the emerging sensations.

A **limerick competition** will follow; limericks must either have as a first line:

There was a young man from Mumbles
or

There was a young woman from Flint

Submit your entries, maybe by pen name to me by the end of January; efforts at the event will also be accommodated.

After we receive the results, we will sing whatever the spirit moves us.

To help defray the associated costs, a \$5 donation would be appreciated. Where else can you get love and dessert for \$5! Go for it! See you there!

Monday, February 3rd at 7.30 pm
Welsh Lessons

Wednesday, February 5th at 7.30 pm
Executive Meeting

Monday, February 10th at 7.30 pm
GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, February 12th at 12 noon
Cambrian Bookworms.

Monday, February 17th at 10.30 am
Welsh Speaking – Siarad Cymraeg

Monday, February 17th at 7.30 pm
Welsh Lessons

Saint David's Day Dinner

Our annual Dinner will take place on Friday, February 28th at the Cambrian Hall. The doors will be open at 6.00 pm and dinner will be served at 7.00 pm.

Jordan's International Food Designs will cater the meal as usual. The menu will be:

Fresh baked rolls and butter, Leek Soup
Roast Beef with Horseradish and gravy
Roast Chicken, Vegetarian dish,
Hot seasonal vegetables, Fruit Plate
Delicious desserts, Coffee and Tea
Tickets at \$40 each from Gaynor Evans
by email fgevans@telus.net or phone
(604 271-3134). Please reserve early

To celebrate *St. David's Day*, this year we will present a concert involving two outstanding Male Voice Choirs and a wonderful Soprano Soloist. The Concert will be held at the Michael J. Fox Theatre, 7373 Macpherson Ave., Burnaby and will begin at 7.30 pm March 1st. The stage will be shared by the Vancouver Welsh Men's Choir, the Vancouver Orpheus Choir and soloist Suzann Kingston. For tickets, at \$25, Seniors \$22 and Students \$10 (with ID) contact Alcwyn Rogers at 604 742-1378 or Alcwyn@shaw.ca

Annual Membership Renewals

Name:..... Pone No.....

Address:.....

City:.....Postal Code:

e-mail.....

It would be very helpful if you would indicate whether you wish to receive a copy of the Newsletter by mail or if you are content to view the Newsletter on the website. You will then be notified by e-mail when the latest edition appears on the site. I wish to continue to receive the Newsletter by mail (YES or NO).....

Membership Dues for 2014: Regular: \$45
Family (Member, Spouse & Children to 18): \$70
Seniors: \$35
Students: \$20
Out of Town (50 miles or more): \$20

Additional sums as donations are welcomed!

Cheques or Money Orders should be made payable to

“THE WELSH SOCIETY OF VANCOUVER”.

Send your renewals to: **Mathew Parry, Membership Secretary, Cambrian Hall, 215 East 17th Avenue, Vancouver B.C., V5V 1A6**

Please circle any committee(s) that you are willing to serve on in 2014:

Bar/Social

Building

Church Service

Welsh night

Membership

Other?

We would welcome any suggestions you have for the coming year. Please indicate your ideas in the space below or overleaf.

