

Y Bwletin

Mis Ionawr 2010 – January 2010

DIGWYDDIADAU - EVENTS FOR 2010

Welsh Skating! Sunday Feb 7
St David's Luncheon Banquet Saturday Feb 27
Gymanfa Ganu Sunday Feb 28
Concert with Gwyndaf Jones - Tenor Sunday Apr 11
Ontario Welsh Festival April 30 - May 2
Pot Luck Dinner & AGM May 19

Get your Welsh Skates on!

Join the OWS for a skate on the world's largest skating rink during Winterlude. If you don't want to skate, come along to enjoy the Winterlude followed by some Penderyn Welsh Whisky.

Date: 7th Feb 2010

Meet-up: Parliament Pub, 101 Sparks St. 2pm

Return: to Parliament Pub to thaw with some Penderyn Welsh Whisky or Hot Chocolate (ETA 4pm)

Please e-mail Gareth.Jones@celticconnect.com if you plan to join us either to skate or socially at 4pm

St. DAVID'S DAY CELEBRATIONS - 2010

Saturday, February 27th

Luncheon banquet followed by a guest speaker (Dr. Elwyn Griffiths, Director General of the Biologics and Genetic Therapies Directorate of Health Canada) and guest soloist (Shawne Elizabeth) at the Royal Ottawa Golf Club, Aylmer Rd., Quebec (just over the Champlain Bridge).

Shawne Elizabeth is a proud Canadian Soprano with generations of musicians on both sides of the family. She describes herself as a "working soprano" creating opportunities for and living in the musical milieu in which she supports herself. She holds an Honours Bachelor of Arts from University of Toronto and a Bachelor of Education from Ottawa University. Prominent teachers with whom Shawne has studied include Canadian International Diva Maria Pellegrini, Quebecoise Legend Fernande Chiochio and Laurier University Professor Victor Martens. She has been recorded for CBC Radio and is seen regularly on Rogers Cable 22 French Network. She keeps a private voice studio in Ottawa and also teaches voice at Carleton University.

Over the years Shawne's beautiful voice has been heard interpreting a wide variety of musical genres including sacred works, opera and operetta. Some groups she has performed with are Ottawa Savoy Company, Associate Artist Programme with Opera Lyra, Opera Breva, Ottawa Pocket Opera, Opera in Piazza. Shawne is currently resident soprano with highly acclaimed Fusion Company Ooh La La Opera, mixing topical themes with familiar opera arias.

For more information please visit Shawne Elizabeth's web site at www.shawneelizabeth.com

ST DAVID'S DAY GYMANFA GANU

Sunday, February 28th 3 p.m.

Westminster Presbyterian Church, 470 Roosevelt Ave.

Come and join us to sing some wonderful hymns in English and in Welsh. It is sure to be a very special occasion. Alan Thomas will be our conductor, John Griffiths and Shannon Mercer will be soloists and Deidre Piper will accompany us on the organ. If you have the Welsh hymn book, please remember to bring it.

We always have a friendly reception afterwards and we would be

very grateful if you could bring some goodies to share.

Please come and support us in this event.

GWYNDAF JONES - TENOR

Sunday April 11th at 3pm, Westminster Presbyterian Church Choir will present a concert of sacred choral music, with international tenor, Gwyndaf Jones.

Freewill offering and refreshments

Gwyndaf was the soloist, and Alan Thomas the accompanist, at the North American Festival of Wales held in Pittsburgh Labour Day weekend, and lives in Toronto with his wife and baby daughter when not travelling to concert engagements in Canada and abroad.

ONTARIO WELSH FESTIVAL - STRATFORD

April 30-May 2

The Festival will be held in the Arden Park Hotel, in the beautiful community of Stratford, located on the romantic Avon River and home of Canada's famous Shakespearean Theatre.

It will feature all the favourite events that we have come to enjoy over the years including a traditional noson lawen on the Friday evening, children's activities on Saturday morning, poetry reading and a seminar on Saturday afternoon, the grand banquet on Saturday evening followed by one of the highlights of the weekend-a concert by the renowned Llangwm Welsh Male Voice Choir from North Wales, and to top it all, two glorious sessions of hymn singing on Sunday. How can you resist it!

Make sure to mark it in your brand new 2010 calendars now.

Info: www.ontariowelshfestival.ca or e-mail at inquiries@ontariowelshfestival.ca or phone 613-725-2704

POTLUCK DINNER AND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WEDNESDAY, May 19th

Come and enjoy fabulous home-cooked food!

Potluck Dinner 5:30 pm for 6 pm

Annual General Meeting 7:30 pm

Westminster Presbyterian Church

470 Roosevelt Ave, Ottawa.

MEMBER NEWS

We were sorry to hear of the passing of Gordon Scott in December. Gordon, and his late wife Elsie, were faithful members of the Society for many years.

On a happier note, congratulations and best wishes are sent to Eleri Evans and Dave Keen, who were married in early January. They have just returned from living in Australia for two years and we welcome them back to Canada. Eleri is the youngest daughter of Ron and Dorothy Evans.

AWR SGWRSIO

Dewch ac ymunwch gyda ni i sgwrsio yn Gymraeg. 'Rydym yn cwrdd bob mis i ymarfer yr iaith wrth drafod bob math o bwnciau.

LLE? Tafarn Y Clock Tower, 575 Stryd Bank

PA DDIWRNOD? nos Lun olaf pob mis, 7-9 p.m.

Bydd croeso cynnes i bawb sydd yn siarad Cymraeg neu yn ei dysgu. **Bydd y cyfarfod nesaf am 7 o'r gloch, Nos Lun, Ionawr 25 (ac wedyn, Chwefror 22).**

Ffoniwch Alison Lawson 613 725-2704 am wybodaeth.