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Subject: Re: introduction / cookbook
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Lynn:

Received the Cookbook Introduction and it looks fine. Only change I would suggest is near the end "Members of the WNGGA number about 3,000" rather than 4,000. In fact we are still below 3,000. We know precisely within a couple weeks when we do our six month membership status report.

I agree that the address phone number etc for the new office should be a part. However, John Ellis is currently in Aberystwyth and will not be returning until July 7. Earlier this summer he had asked about establishing an official e-mail address and I suggested that he wait on that until around September 1 when we'll be issuing all kinds of notices of official address, telephone number, toll free number, e-mail address, and FAX number. We did this when I took over and it worked very well--we gave out special 3 x 5 cards with the basic information and it still took months for people to realize there was a change.

Currently, the email address we are using is kellis321@comcast.net. Their home address is in the BOT directory but they may want to use a post office box or some other address.

Ellis J.

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Hi Ellis,

I am just finishing off the introduction to the cookbook. By the way, we have 275 recipes not bad, huh ?
I have done one small piece to introduce the cookbook and a second piece to describe the North American Festival of Wales. I would also like to put in a piece on the WNGGA (which is also listed on the title of the book).

So, I went to the web site and worked off it.

What do you think of this ? Please edit. I would appreciate it. Oh, and if you have the new address for HQ, I would like to include that with the website for further information.

I need to courier off all the information asap so please see what you can do.

Cheers and thanks.

Lynn

The Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu Association

It all started back in 1929 when, in its September 5, 1929 issue, Y Drych, The North American Welsh Newspaper, headlined: Yn Cael Gymanfa Ganu Gymraeg yn Swm y Niagara Falls (Having a Welsh gymanfa Ganu Within the sound of Niagara Falls), thousands there !

Delegations from Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, Michigan and Ontario converged on the town of Niagara Falls, New York and specifically on Goat Island in 1929 to raise their voices at the first national Gymanfa Ganu. Some believe that there were 3,000 in attendance at that first singing festival and a slate plaque marks the spot and commemorates the event. Another gymanfa followed the next year, also in Niagara Falls, New York and this was the beginning of what is today known as the Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu Association (WNGGA).

Since then a total of 72 Annual Welsh National Gymanfaoedd have been held in various locations around the United States and Canada and two in Wales. Over the years, the 'National' Cymanfaoedd has evolved into four days of celebration which include many other activities and opportunities, all designed to further our knowledge and understanding of Wales and what it is to be Welsh.

The 72nd Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu in Richmond / Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada also initiates the North American Festival of Wales, which is a coming of age for the WNGGA as it assumes responsibility for the organizing and implementation of the festival in the future. In 2004, the Welsh of North America will gather in Buffalo, New York close to the site of Goat Island that that great celebration of 1929 to mark the 75th anniversary of the founding of the WNGGA.

The Board of Trustees of the WNGGA is the unifying force that provides the institutional memory, plans and presents the the North American Festival of Wales, provides general guidance and supervision, and assures that desired cultural and religious standards are maintained. It also arranges for printing and distribution for sale of the hymnal, folk song book and other publications of the WNGGA and has also become an important source for information about Wales and Welsh culture in North America. Members of the WNGGA number about 4,000 and come from all parts of Canada, the United States, Wales and other nations around the world.

For more information about the Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu Association, please visit the web site at: www.wngga.org