CHELMSFORD and DISTRICT WELSH SOCIETY



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FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER / CYLCHLYTHYR MIS CHWEFROR 2017

Annwyl Gyfeillion . Dear Friends,

Our President, **Arthur Williams**, wishes to thank all those who ±olunteeredqto perform at our annual **Noson Lawen** in January. The evening was a great success and much enjoyed by all present. It was lovely to welcome some new faces, Gwyn & Vera Davies, Philip Truscott, Stuart Austin, Dai and Tina Rees, and Anna Buttimore with her daughter Angharad. We hope that you all enjoyed the evening.

A presentation by Sir Deian Hopkin- 'The Devil's Music in Wales'

Thursday, 16th February 2017 at Chelmsford Cathedral Chapter House at 7pm for a 7.30pm start. Sir Deian Hopkin is an academic and former Vice Chancellor and Chief Executive of the London Southbank University. He was also President of the National Library of Wales from 2011-15.

Refreshments and raffle prizes . Marion Farmer, Sue Bridger and Dianne Moul

WELSH CLASSES – The next classes will be held on Monday, 6th and 20th February 2017 at Radley Green Farm at 1.30pm. Please ask for more details if you are interested in joining the Welsh classes.

ST DAVID'S DAY DINNER, Friday 24th February 2017 at The County Hotel, Chelmsford at 7pm

Tickets costing £37.50 for this annual event are available from Kay Bright on 01245 380543, or email kay.bright14@yahoo.co.uk. Tickets will be sold at our February monthly meeting. Cheques should be payable to Chelmsford & District Welsh Society. There is a Vegetarian option available, and if you require this, then please inform Kay Bright of your requirements. I hope that you will all support the Society and attend this most important function. Please get in touch with Kay asap if you are interested in attending this event as she will need to confirm the final numbers with The County Hotel by early February.

ST DAVID'S DAY SERVICE, Sunday 26th February 2017 at Little Baddow URC at 3.30pm

This service is a most special event in our programme and it will be taken by the **Revd Dr Cally Hammond**. All members and non -members are welcome. It would be wonderful to see some new faces attending. Tea and biscuits will be served after the service.

VISIT TO ANGLESEY SEPTEMBER 17th- 20th, 2017 - For those of you who have booked to go on this visit, a **deposit** of **£75 per person** will need to be paid **asap**. Cheques should be payable to Chelmsford & District Welsh Society, and should be passed on to **Carys Williams**, **3 Englefields**, **South Street**, **Tillingham**, **CM0 7AT**. There are still some spaces available if you would be interested in joining this trip. Please contact **Arthur & Carys Williams** on **01621 778711 ASAP**, as they will need to confirm numbers with the hotel to confirm the booking.

MIKE'S MUSICAL MISCELLANY (An evening of Mirth, Music and Mayhem)- will be held on Saturday 11th March, 2017 at 7.30pm at Radley Green Farm. Those of you who have attended before will know what an interesting, entertaining and enjoyable evening it always is. Tickets are £15 each to include a fish and chips supper. Please ring Mike & Ivy Price on 01277 210541 or Eddie Alcock on 01245 603448 to reserve your place.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES - Please make a note in your diaries that our ANNUAL CONCERT featuring the North Wales Male Voice Choir, will be held at Chelmsford Cathedral on Saturday 10th June at 7.30pm. Tickets will be on sale from March onwards. HARVEST SONGS OF PRAISE/CYMANFA GANU DIOLCHGARWCH' will take place on Sunday 15th October 2017. This is another special event for our Society and would encourage you all to attend.

SOCIETY NEWS-

Mair and Brian Thomas would like to say **#Thank You'** for all the cards and messages that they have received. They are settling in well to their new home in Cambridgeshire. If you would like to send them a card or get in touch, here are the details- 4 Laxton Grange, Bluntisham, Cambridgeshire, PE28 3XU. 01487 840335. They would be delighted to hear from you.

We wish all of our members who have been unwell recently a speedy recovery- especially Shirley Moody, Cynthia Styles and Jean Jones. A special mention to Vera Thomas also, who is unable to attend the monthly meetings, but it was lovely to see Vera and Marie Alcock at our Christmas Tea in December.

Cofion Cynnes, *Gwenno Pope*