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Dear Friend:

We who are Welsh-Americans of the New York Metropolitan Area are organizing one of the greatest Welsh events ever to take place in our experience....On Labor-Day week-end in 1975, the National Gymanfa Ganu (hymn-singing festival) will be held at the New York Hilton Hotel at Rockefeller Center, as the grand climax of the first Wales Week in New York. We expect more than 500 visitors from Wales to attend our Gymanfa.

> We need your support Now for this great Gymanfa, and write to ask that you consider giving a liberal donation to help us meet our operating Budget of \$15,000 for the many items of expenditures which will be necessary to insure the success of the Gymanfa and related events.

We respectfully request your earnest and generous help.

Diolch yn fawr.

The Rev. Kenneth Jones

Note: All contributions to the 1975 Welsh NGGA are tax-deductible.

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TO ALL MEMBERS AND FRIENDS FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

It's hard telling how many North Americans are Welsh or of Welsh extraction. It must be assumed that they number in the many thousands. Unlike our Irish cousins, rarely do we the Cymru let it be known that we are Welsh--and proud of it. Yes, we are proud of our heritage--culture, traditions, and our strong religious faith.

Few countries if any can claim a greater share in the building of the United States as a young nation almost 200 years ago. Canada likewise has a strong representation in its history.

For reasons yet unknown we have never been able to gather together in truly large numbers that would do justice to the heritage which is ours--THAT IS UNTIL NOW. As you know, our annual Gymanfa Ganu is being held in New York this year and the hosting committee is doing everything in its power to reach all the Welsh people of Canada and the United States. They offer you an opportunity to make New York your vacation spot for 1975. It is their intention to bring Wales to New York in almost every detail climaxing your vacation with our beloved Gymanfa Ganu on the Sunday.

This Gymanfa Ganu could very possibly be the greatest we have ever held. It will be supported by the world famous Morriston Orpheus Choir who will also give concerts during the week. Terry James, one of Wales finest conductors will lead the Gymanfa, all of which means of course that we want you to make "WALES WEEK IN NEW YORK" a reality.

To help you Mr. Greenway, chairman of the New York '75 committee, tells me that they have arranged with the New York Hilton to get reasonably low rates for registrants. Also, he asked me to tell you that "you may register direct through the hotel if you wish. The Hilton has included the WNGGA in their computer space bank and reservations will be cleared through them at the low rate, provided you specify that you are a WNGGA registrant".

On behalf of the board of trustees of the WNGGA may I extend to you a most sincere and hearty welcome to share with us the joy of getting together singing those wonderful Welsh hymns so cherished by Cymru the world over.

arri, President

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Mr. Jack Meadows.

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Youngstown, Ohio 44512

Dear Jack:

I was sorry to hear via Morris Wrench and my Registration Office that you have been confined to hospital with an appendectomy. I understand that you are progressing well and that you will be your usual dynamic self by Gymanfa Ganu time.

I am pleased to say that we are slowly moving down the last lap on our way to the Gymanfa I promised you when all the sceptics thought otherwise. The hotel thought we could only fill 300 rooms but we passed that figure over a week ago and with the Wales contribution we are already over 400.

I only wish I knew how to make the Welsh plan ahead so that I could give the hotel some figures for attendance. This is still conjectural at best but we will handle whatever comes to the door.

With Best Wishes for a complete recovery,

Sincerely,

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- Noson Lawen (Merry Evening)
 Top names in Welsh enterainment
- 3. CONCERT Morriston Orpheus Male Voice Choir with full supporting cast ofartistes. (Choir will tour the Eastern USA and Canada after the New York Visit)
- 4. Welsh Crafts Displays and Boutiques
- 5. Visiting groups and celebrities from Wales.
- 6. Lots of exciting Sightseeing Tours and Excursions

DON'T DELAY - Tell the Committee of your willingness to help organize and promote groups from your area to attend the 44th Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu in NEW YORK CITY/

Address your letter to:

Mr, Norman Morris, Hon. Secretary,
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