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Web Site

Most of you will have met our newest member Carl Morgan at recent meetings. You may not have realised that Carl has totally redesigned our website. The new address is

www.Petersfieldwelshsociety.org

Have a browse and feel free to comment and make suggestions as to what you would like to have included on the website. One suggestion has been to have photographs of the Home Town/Local Area of each member. Another idea is to have a recipe page. Carl deserves a big Thank You for the work he has put in so far.



Harvest



At our October meeting we enjoyed our traditional Harvest Supper. Tony was our host for the evening and he began the entertainment by reading some poetry with a Welsh flavour. These included Welsh Daffodils and Welsh Rugby by David Boyce. To acknowledge the Dylan Thomas Centenary Tony had included some of Dylan's work which Menna and Carwyn read. We then enjoyed our Harvest Supper. As always there was a splendid selection of culinary delights to feast on.

A Night at the Movies!



In November we paid tribute to the centenary celebrations for Dylan Thomas with our own screening of the 1972 film of Under Milkwood. Filming had taken place in the picturesque setting of the old harbour in Fishguard. The cast included some of our Welsh Greats such as Richard Burton, Sian Phillips, Angharad Rees and Ryan Davies. Other famous names included Elizabeth Taylor and Peter O'Toole who at that time were the spouses of Richard Burton and Sian Phillips. Amongst the cast you may have spotted a young Ruth Madoc (Hi Di Hi) and also a young David Jason.

The film was very entertaining and enjoyed by all. Perhaps we can select another Welsh film to view next year. If you have any suggestions please make them known to a member of the committee.





Natter, Nosh and Noggin

An alternative title would be “the show must go on...” With our traditional hostess Morfydd out of action this year the evening’s entertainment had been expertly planned by Tony. (Morfydd would have been very impressed.)

Unfortunately on the big night he too was put out of action with a virus. So... Elizabeth valiantly came to the rescue (despite suffering with a heavy cold) and was our excellent hostess for the evening.



Elizabeth welcomed our traditional guests The Salvation Army Band under the leadership of John Bird. John asked for suggestions for a favourite carol to get our singing voices warmed up. The programme included a variety of poems, bible readings and prayers which were interspersed between a selection of traditional carols sung heartily by one and all.

A poem titled “No Room” was read by Morfydd’s daughter Helen. Gwen gave a reading from the Bible in Welsh and Huw read a prayer specially written for the evening which he had translated into Welsh.

We then had a very special treat with Irwen and Bethan singing a duet. They sang “Whisper in the Wind” which is a Christmas lullaby known as Sua’r Gwynt in Welsh. They sang beautifully. We then had a sketch based on the carol “O Come All Ye Faithful” where a character tries to invite some rather reluctant friends to join in the excitement of Christmas. The carol was then sung by us all.

We then had a reading from Carwyn about “Silent Night” which we then all sang.



The entertainment part of the evening came to a close with “The First Nowell” and “We wish you a Merry Christmas”.

A big Thank You to Tony for organising the programme, and an even bigger Thank You to Elizabeth for being such an excellent hostess. We all enjoyed the musical presence of the band and are very grateful for their commitment to us each year. The collection money was donated to the Food Bank and also towards the work of the Salvation Army. Then it was on to the Natter, Nosh (plenty of it as always!) and Noggin. The Christmas post was delivered and we all wished our friends a Nadolig Llawen a Blwyddyn Newydd Dda or in other words a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year.

