

Members travel to Wales with a somber purpose

David Richards and Gail Manning and their son Hayden and his wife Kelly traveled to Dolbadarn Castle in Llanberis, North Wales, in August to spread their daughter's ashes at her request. Claire died three years ago at age 24.

All of David's grandparents were from North Wales and eventually settled in Powell, South Dakota. While in Wales this summer, the Richards Family summited Mount Snowden—by foot, not train. It was very cold, windy and rained the entire hike, but it was worth it! Spectacular scenery!

Gail Manning

RIGHT: David Richards and Kelly Hamilton, Gail Manning and David Richards



BELOW: Dolbadarn Castle near Llanberis, North Wales.





Winter comes to Wales, too, but not as severely as here in Minnesota.

Photo by Ilene Alexander.

OBITUARY — Barbara Leedy

Barbara Leedy, 76, of Grand Rapids, Mich., died Oct. 3, 2017.

While she and her husband Charles lived in Minneapolis, she served as president of our St. David's Society.

After their move to Michigan, she worked in insurance and in retirement she served as a student mentor/tutor for Grand Rapids Public Schools.

Barbara joined the Welsh North American Association Board in 2011 and served as president 2013-'15. She maintained her membership in our Society the whole time she lived in Michigan, and even flew in for our centennial banquet.

She was preceded in death by her husband Charles Leedy. She is survived by two daughters, Paula and Christine Bristol; three grandchildren; a sister, Gwen Jones, three step-daughters, Janet (Bill) Pearson, Joanna (Dave) Huizenga, Jeanine (Luke) Brown, and her cat Pickles.

Calendar of coming events

Sat., Nov. 18, 3–6 p.m. Merlins Rest pub gathering, 3601 E. Lake St., Mpls, 55406.

Our production schedule may not allow readers to receive this information in time for this gathering. For info on the next gathering, contact President Janice Barbee, (763) 370-9880, or janicegwb@yahoo.com.

Sat., Dec. 8, 2–4 p.m. Holiday Tea.

University Lutheran Church of Hope in Dinkytown.
See page 1 for details.

Sgwrs Gymraeg [Welsh conversation].

Rhagfyr [December] meeting cancelled.

Ionawr 14 [Jan. 14], 2 p.m., 8844 Stevens Ave. S., Burnsville 55420. Contact llawryf@yahoo.com.

If you have moved, or have a new email address, please be sure Janice Barbee receives that information. Her info is above. Then you'll receive occasional e-blasts + the next newsletter with news of our St. David's celebration event.

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Hayden and David Richards on Mount Snowdon.

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A view across the hills of Wales in winter.

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