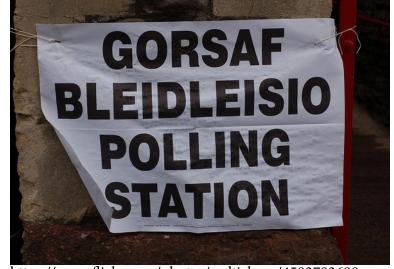


# Join us for the WSOR Annual Meeting and Elections



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February 3 potluck @ 12:30

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# A few words from your out-going President KarenAlice Jones

Our Annual Meeting and Elections are coming up Feb 3 for the Feb 2018 through Jan 2019 term. President, Vice President, and several other board positions will be voted on. The board meets once a month to provide direction for Welsh Society of Oregon programs and activities. This is your opportunity to get more involved and contribute your creative ideas & energy to insure that the Welsh Society grows, inspires, educates, sings, and promotes all things Welsh in Oregon. We need you and your input!

But, one final word as I face riding into the sunset as your WSOR President—I am reminded that I don't check often enough with BBC Wales. I looked recently and found some very intriguing headlines:

- Welshman reunites message in a bottle with the person who threw it into the sea 21 years ago
- Wales' strongest man is now in jail after violent alcohol-fuelled attack on his neighbours
- · Librarian stole rare books and put them up for sale on her personal Amazon account
- Marks & Spencer to close a flag ship store in Swansea...and 13 other locations
- Traditional Welsh Caerphilly cheese wins EU protected status
- GOSSIP: The latest football rumours
- Sign language to be taught through Welsh

After reviewing these headlines for January 31, 2018, I know where part of my leisure time will be spent ... getting all the scoop on Wales BBC!

# Happy Birthday to WSOR'ers born in February!

Penblwydd Hapus i chi! May your day be full of good friends, family, and good cheer!

Feb 1: Aubrey Lloyd

Feb 4: Rhian Rotz

Feb 20 : Angie Fauntleroy

Feb 20 : John Schilke

Feb 27: Jack Lloyd



If we missed you, we may not have your birthday on the list. Please call or email Jeff Lewis (see below). Also note: we are including only 2016 - 2018 paid members



# Images from Wales

Here are a few shots to make you homesick or fuel the desire to travel to Wales!



Llyn Gwernan Snowdonia

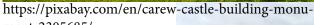
Rugby!





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Carew Castle



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Three Cliffs Bay Gower Peninsula



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We welcome all contributions to this newsletter. Please send your news, stories, anecdotes, poems, jokes, or anything else that you would like to share with the Welsh Society.

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## Membership

Membership in the Welsh Society of Oregon is open to all people interested in Wales.

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**Our mission**: The Welsh Society of Oregon develops, and perpetuates Welsh heritage, culture, and music in Oregon. We strive to sustain: pride in being Welsh, support for learning about Wales, the Welsh language, and exploration of Welsh-American issues by our members and for others in the community.

The Welsh Society of Oregon is an IRS-approved 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

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### **Our Meetings**:

**February 3**Annual Meeting and Elections

March 3
St David's Day Celebration

# April 7

An introduction to printmaking using Welsh-themed prints by Chris Darr

# Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held at:

Kenilworth Presbyterian Church 4028 SE 34th Ave. at Gladstone St. Portland, OR 97202

Potluck starts at 12:30 Program starts around 1:00