



FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 3 December – District Christmas Service at Wick Chapel at 11am.

Saturday 6 January – Copy deadline for the next issue of the District News.

COLIN MORGAN

In a previous District News, the death of Colin Morgan of Trebanos was reported. He died at the age of 86 years. Colin was a lifelong member of Y Graig and Gellionnen congregation and his ancestors had been leaders of the congregation for generations. Colin worked as a Mechanical Engineer with BP and his work took him to Poland where he mastered the language and we sometimes heard his voice singing a Polish song at the Gymanfa Ganu. He sang with the Trebanos Mixed Choir and was proud of its achievements under the leadership of Laurence Bowen. He was an expert weaver also, having constructed his own spinning wheel. He took pride in restoring old furniture, wrote poetry and mastered the complexities of the computer and social media.

He lost his first wife, Jean at a young age but he and Dolores enjoyed a further 22 years of marriage together. We sympathise with Dolores in her loss and also with daughter Anya and grandchildren Morgan, Hamish and Cameron as well as a stepdaughter, Almyra and her family. The funeral was at Margam Crematorium on 22nd June, conducted by Rev Eric Jones.

JEJ

FROM THE DISTRICT PRESIDENT

As I write this article, my rabbit Ned, who is very old, is sitting patiently beside me on the sofa, Martha the cat is sprawled over the piano, the two Labradors are squashed up on the other sofa in their dream world of juicy bones and 'walkies' and the chickens have gone to roost. Oh and yes – the two cockatiels, and two lovebirds are dozing on their perches and the tortoise has gone into his little house to sleep. All is well apart from the tail end of "Storm Brian" lashing against the window pane. However there is a lot to be thankful about when one considers the devastation and anguish which other hurricanes far more fierce than "Storm Brian" have inflicted on our fellow human beings in other parts of the world over the past two months.

Is Mother Nature trying to tell us something? Do I hear the words "global warming" echoing faintly in the far distance? Or is it, as one certain president would have us believe, "all fake news"?

The destruction left by hurricanes Irma and Harvey has left many wondering why this year has been particularly bad. Many thousands of homes have been destroyed and lives have been lost.

Hurricanes are common occurrences in many parts of the world but not of this magnitude. So why is it so bad? And can we expect more in the future?

According to the Met Office hurricanes of this kind are not totally unexpected and we have seen hurricanes of this magnitude in the past. On the other hand, Richard Allan, Professor of Climate Change at Reading University believes that the hurricanes we have seen are made worse by climate change. And Dr James Baldini, Reader in Earth Science at Durham University declared recently "just like one blizzard does not discount the reality of global warming ... it is worrying to consider that unless greenhouse gas emissions are actively curbed these types of storms may represent the new 'normal' in the future." And so the debate continues.

As if hurricanes are not enough there are other kinds of storm clouds sweeping across the globe. Some are caused by natural occurrences such as bad harvests and droughts etc. Others like poverty, starvation, human suffering animal cruelty, and war are more often than not caused by unscrupulous Multi Nationals and Despots in pursuit of money, power and greed and who have no respect for the sanctity of life. One of the worst things I came across on Facebook this week was a petition to stop MONSANTO (the company

which produced the deadly chemical Agent Orange and the hormone which caused mad cow disease) and a well known other drug company are joining up in partnership in order to gain monopoly on the production of genetically produced agricultural seed crops. The outcome of this would mean that in future farmers will not be able to save seed from crops for planting from year to year as they do now because MONSANTO aim to produce crop seeds which can only be used once. This means that farmers will have to buy new seeds every year. A fat lot of use that will be, especially for farmers in developing countries who can hardly afford to purchase a single packet of seeds to begin with, without having to fork out money every year to buy a new stock of seeds. How immoral and disgusting is that?

And while we are on the subject. Let us remember 51 years ago on the 21st of October 1966 when 144 people were killed when a coal tip on the hillside above the town of Aberfan collapsed and created a tidal wave of slurry that engulfed a primary school and houses below. One hundred and sixteen of those killed in the tragedy were children. Following that horrific tragedy a Tribunal concluded that the "Blame for the disaster rested upon the National Coal Board ... and the disregard of the NCB and the Colliery Staff for the tips unstable geological conditions and its failure to act had contributed to the catastrophe." No charges were brought against the NCB or any individuals, but recommendations were made that the tip should be removed. The NCB declared that they would not pay for the total cost for removing the tip. In the end the government had to cover some of the costs while the rest of the money (£150,000) came from the Disaster Fund which had been set up for the local residents from monies donated from people all over the world. How immoral is that?

I shall now get off my high horse and, on a lighter note, let you know that I am enjoying my presidency so far. I have one or two projects planned for next year and I will reveal all hopefully after the next SEWUS Committee meeting.

In the meantime I would like to thank Gellionen for inviting me to visit them as SEWUS president last Sunday and a very special thanks for the wonderful harvest spread you prepared—Diolch o galon.

I think there is some wine left over from last night (only a small glass) waiting for me. It will have to suffice for there is no way I will be following the usual exodus of Grangetown residents in pyjamas and slippers to the corner shop for more wine in this weather. But first I have to wash the supper dishes. Now where did I put that bottle of ECOVER washing up liquid I bought earlier today?

Diana Bianchi

THOUGHT FOR NOW

(We are indebted to Anne Jones for bringing the following to our attention)

Happiness is to have enough for the day's needs with always some to spare for those who have not. It is to have the love of friends and to have the knowledge that all is well with them.

Anon.

ABERDARE

Women's League

Dear All,

Hope you had a pleasant and refreshing summer break.

I am sorry to report that Mrs Celia Evans and Mrs Dorothy Jones have been unwell. I understand Miss Betty Evans has been under the weather too. We wish them all a speedy recovery as we miss them in our Women's League gathering.

On 13th October, we met, this autumn, for the first time and had a planning session. A week later, we enjoyed a quiz, which tested our 'green' credentials! There was great hilarity and a great deal of eco-information imparted! Thanks to Mrs Anne Jones, who ensured that we had a very enjoyable afternoon.

On 27th September, we had a pleasant afternoon viewing the film, 'Shall We Dance' and were impressed with the dancing skills of Richard Gere and Jennifer Lopez.

A speaker, Mr Geoffrey Evans, an accomplished historian, gave a talk on 'Aberdare Park', ensuring the beauty and history of our precious, local amenity was fully appreciated by all on 4th October.

A new venture for our Women's League was undertaken when there was an outing to Aberdare Coliseum for the screening of 'Calamity Jane' on October 11th. The film brought childhood memories to mind as a young Doris Day was at her best.

On 18th October, there was an open invitation to the beautiful Dare Country Park for those who wished to have a chat and tea.

Aberdare Women's League is hosting the District women's League Meeting at Highland Place Church on 25th October. We look forward to greeting our National President, Mrs Celia Cartwright, who will address the assembly of Women's League Groups. Preparations are well advanced and we look forward to welcoming all our guests. I wish to thank Ms Lis Dyson-Jones for her unstinting work in preparing for such events and the members of Aberdare Women's League, who ensure that such milestone meetings are a success in our Church.

Best Wishes to all

Anne Watts

Aberdare Unitarians met at Hen Dy Cwrdd, Trecynon for our August alternative service. It was unfortunate that it turned out to be a very cold and dark day, and with no electricity in the building conditions weren't ideal. But we are hardy souls and it didn't prevent Ken Morgan from delivering an excellent service. With no organ or piano, it was left to Rev Eric Jones to lead the singing. Eric also supplied and served the liquid refreshments (non-alcoholic of course!) Christine Moore of the Welsh Religious Buildings Trust gave a brief talk on the exciting plans for the future of the building

Our Harvest Service in September took on a new look this year, as part of our once a month alternative service. We held a Café style service, where tables and chairs were placed at the front of the church and tea, coffee and cakes were served during the service. Rev Eric Jones led the service with twelve members of the congregation giving personal offerings of appreciation for what they felt grateful for during the last 12 months. We were also delighted to hear a message of gratitude from our former organist Jacob Jones who is studying at Warwick University. Other members of the congregation also took part in various ways, and we were also entertained by Grace Jones playing the flute. It was a relaxed atmosphere and a much-appreciated service with a substantial amount of food donated to the Merthyr Cynon Food Bank.

On October 8th we held another different type of service when First Minister Carwyn Jones gave the address. The service was led by Rev Eric Jones with a reading from Humphrey Evans. District President Diana Bianchi introduced Carwyn Jones. Although it was a short address Carwyn Jones gave an informative address which struck the right balance and it was enjoyed by everyone. After the address, Alun Watts presented Carwyn Jones with a Cambrian Lampworks miners' lamp, explaining the significance of the connection of the Lampworks with Highland Place Church. We were very pleased to welcome Cynon Valley AM Vikki Howells as well as friends from Cardiff, Cefncoed, Gellionnen, Swansea and Ceredigion, who came along to support the event. Everyone gathered in the schoolroom after the service for tea, cake and fellowship and we appreciate Carwyn Jones joining us for a chat and having his photograph taken with various groups. Our thanks also to Anne and Alun Watts for all their hard work in making all the arrangements with Carwyn Jones's secretary.



Assembly Member Vikki Howells, First Minister Carwyn Jones, Minister Emeritus Rev J Eric Jones, District President Diana Bianchi, and District Vice President Alun Watts

Photo: Joy Foster

Our next alternative service is on December 6th at 6pm when we will have a joint service with the Aberdare Muslim Group.

On December 17th at 6pm we hold our Christmas Concert. Rechoir and Nathan Jones will be entertaining us once again. It is guaranteed to be an enjoyable evening and everyone is welcome.

On October 12th we held our Annual Lecture with Nick Thomas-Saunders, MP for Torfaen. The lecture 'Aneurin Bevan and the Health Service' had been postponed a couple of times due to the General Election and parliamentary business. It was a well-attended event considering it was only four days after the visit of

Carwyn Jones. Alun Watts introduced the speaker and pointed out that although the recent annual lectures had been running since 2010, it was not a new initiative for Highland Place and referred to a ticket found under the floorboards of the gallery for a Lecture given by Fred Maddison, MP for Burnley on October 7th 1912.

Nick Thomas-Saunders, who had driven directly from Westminster, gave an excellent, passionate and impressive talk without the aid of notes and it was well received by everyone present. Mark Jones gave the vote of thanks and presented Nick Thomas-Saunders with a bottle of Penderyn whisky. We thank Nick Thomas-Saunders for his time – he was unable to join us for refreshments as he was eager to go home to his family as he had not seen them for a number of days. Thanks also to Alun Watts for all the arrangements.

The Open Day held at Hen Dy Cwrdd, Trecynon in September was a great success with around 30 visitors during the day. There was an informative display and people from Cardiff, Swansea and Pontypridd as well as locals visited.

As this is the last issue of the District News for 2017, I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Peaceful New Year.

Tony Foster

CARDIFF UNITARIANS / UNDODIAID CAERDYDD

On 1st January 2018 we will welcome Stephen Lingwood as our new Minister. Educated in Birmingham, Boston (Massachusetts) and Unitarian College Manchester, he became the Minister at Bank Street Bolton in 2008. He will say goodbye to that congregation in November this year after nine years of working with them and the local community.

Stephen has worked tirelessly within the Unitarian denomination as his writings and lecturing on Unitarian Theology and his strong involvement in the education and training of Ministers demonstrates.

In applying for the post of Minister in Cardiff, Stephen was following his strong sense of calling to do work outside the framework of 'traditional church'. He recognises that Unitarians need to operate in more diverse and imaginative ways if, as he says, "we are to reach out to those not among us, rather than expecting them to always come to us." A strong belief in nurturing the current congregation according to its worship, pastoral and educational need will run parallel to evangelism and mission in what will initially be a researching and pioneering ministry working towards the ultimate position of re-launching a new Unitarian congregation in Cardiff. These are indeed exciting times and we look forward to welcoming our new Minister (who prefers not to use the title 'Reverend') to the Capital City. Until that time, we are grateful to those who have agreed to conduct worship: we are always happy to welcome them to the Friend's Meeting House.

We have not however, been able to welcome Marjorie Collins to our services for a few months due to her ill health and Gareth Evans is in Llandough Hospital, currently awaiting decisions on treatment for the future. We miss them and Sally and wish them well.

The next public meetings of the United Nations in Cardiff will be:-

- Wednesday 1st November when Sergey Radchenko, Professor of International Relations at Cardiff University will speak about North Korea and its Foreign relations.
- Thursday 23rd November when Professor Richard Wyn Jones from the Cardiff University Centre for Welsh Governance, will speak about Brexit, Wales and Europe.

Both meetings will be held at the Temple of Peace Cardiff at 7pm.

Cardiff Unitarians are corporate members of The United Nations.

Robin Attfield's latest book 'The Ethics of the Global Environment' (2nd Edition) is available in all good bookshops and through www.edinburghuniversitypress.com/ethics

Thought to Ponder

'When I loved myself enough – I began to accept the unacceptable.' – Kim McMillen

Lis Dyson-Jones

CEFNCOED

Women's League

Our Autumn schedule has continued with members meeting fortnightly on a Wednesday afternoon to socialize and put the world to rights over a cup of tea and a cake.

A few of us made the trip to Highland Place, Aberdare on 25th October, for the visit of Women's League National President, Rev Celia Cartwright to the South East Wales District League meeting. We were pleased to have one of our members, Marian Lewis provide the piano accompaniment for the short period of worship.. Business matters were dealt with speedily and efficiently and we found Rev Celia's address most interesting.

Unfortunately, our number able to attend the meeting was depleted due to illness and other commitments so the planned mini-bus had to be cancelled. Our attendance at the event seemed unlikely until two kind gentlemen intervened and obligingly offered to transport us to and from Aberdare: we are most grateful to them.

We were warmly welcomed when we arrived, but it is doubtful that the feelings among our Aberdare friends were quite as cordial when, at the tea following the meeting, we ended our visit by winning *all four* of the raffle prizes!

Heritage

At a congregation-led service on Sunday, 10th September, we celebrated the 270th anniversary of the chapel's founding in 1747. There were Readings from local and national newspapers, of the mid-1800s to the early 1900s, which included reference to chapel members of the day. Many mentioned had a personal significance for the members of today—in some cases being a close relative of the person presenting the reading.

The anniversary celebration formed part of a weekend 'Open Doors' heritage event at Hen Dŷ Cwrdd which, despite rather inclement weather on the Saturday, attracted visitors from 'near and far'. One young lady from Cardiff who was overjoyed at locating two family graves dating back to the 1870s, emailed – *"It was great to see inside the chapel and for me to learn about where my ancestors attended chapel and a bit of the history surrounding this. Siân"*

Out and About

A number of us availed ourselves of the opportunity to visit Highland Place Church on two occasions during October: on Sunday the 8th, for a service with the address being given by First Minister Carwyn Jones, and then on the 12th for the Annual Lecture delivered by Nick Thomas-Saunders MP. Both events were interesting and well worth attending.

Rites of Passage at Hen Dŷ Cwrdd

On Sunday, 17 September Rev Eric Jones conducted the Naming Ceremony of William Arthur, son of Catherine and Carl Parkes.

On Saturday, 21 October a ceremony took place to bless the marriage of Kate Thomas and Matthew Williams.

On 4 October, Rev Eric Jones officiated at the funeral service of Thelma Davies who passed away on 19 September. Cremation took place at Llwydcoed Crematorium. Thelma was a much loved and respected lady who had a lifelong association with Hen Dŷ Cwrdd – she will be sorely missed. We extend our sympathy to family members.

On 27 October, the funeral took place of local resident David Peters (brother-in-law of Margaret Edwards.) Diana Bianchi officiated at the chapel and at Llwydcoed Crematorium. We extend our sympathy to Kaye and family.

Ken Morgan

NOTTAGE

We are very pleased to have Lewis back with us after his recent illness. It will take him some time yet to recover properly, so he has not resumed all he was doing before. Sadly, he is not able to conduct two services in one day, so cannot fulfil his previous role at Wick. We have invited the Wick congregation to join us on the 2nd Sunday of the month, when he would have been there.

One of his first services when he returned was the Baptism of a young lady who had been a neighbour of his in Alltwen. Miss Rhian Bennett now lives in Cardiff, but asked Lewis to Baptise her, so the service was conducted in Nottage after our usual morning service. Rhian and her family and friends joined us for both services and then coffee afterwards. They were all pleased with their warm welcome and inclusion, and Lewis conducted a lovely, meaningful, service. The Holy Water Lewis used in the Baptism Ceremony, was from Glastonbury, thanks to Helen. We hope to see some of them in the future.

A representative of the Boys Brigade has been to Nottage on two occasions to discuss the possibility of starting a group in our schoolroom. It would be wonderful, but we need Leaders first.

We are really pleased to have June Pattimore back with us after months of inactivity because of health problems. We missed her at both our services and our coffee mornings.

Our Harvest Service was quite an event, with both Cheryl and Siân `written in` to the Service.....look out for them in 'Pobol Y Cwm'!! Our thanks to both. Thank you also to all those who brought gifts of food for the Foodbank, and plates of food for us to eat for lunch after the service.

The flowers for Harvest were thanks to Helen, who had put a beautiful arrangement in Chapel before jetting off to Malta to celebrate the 'special' birthdays of both her and her husband. Penblwydd Hapus!

We are very pleased that our Macmillan Coffee Morning this year raised £133, we are also sending £60 to the Swansea Bay Asylum Seekers Support Group.

We now meet at 10.30 on Friday mornings for a 'Mindfulness' group before we join for coffee and a chat. All are welcome!

Avril Protheroe

SWANSEA

Our congregation has been out and about recently. We were invited to join Gellionnen for a visit to the Swansea Fire Station where we were shown all over the fire engine and its equipment. Then we had our own "hands on" fun with the fire hoses, ending with a ride in the fire engine with sirens and blue light flashing! We all enjoyed the trip immensely especially our 6 year old who managed to spot the "lady" stuck in a burning building.

Our harvest festival was celebrated on the first Sunday in October with Julianne giving a thought provoking service. We all gave donations of tins, dried and other foods and toiletries which were taken by Lynn and Margaret to Cae'r Fechan, the hostel for the homeless in the Strand. Swansea has the highest percentage of homeless per population in Wales. It is good to consider those people who have absolutely nothing when we have so much.

Some of our congregation went to the talk by Carwyn Jones in Aberdare. We found it really interesting and were pleased to support the congregation there.

We were really sorry to hear about Stephen who was rushed into hospital for an appendix operation. Although he had to return to hospital with an infection we are pleased to report he is now out again and we all wish him a speedy recovery.



Rookie Fire-fighters prepare for inspection

Young `recruit` Tirion looks ready for action and six-year-old James Parker gets last minute advice from his Dad, Huw Dumpleton.

Meanwhile, Fireman Dave keeps a watchful eye on things.

Photo: Hilda Dumpleton

Our church building has had some work done on the lower roof. More roof tiles have been renewed and the guttering cleaned out. The same should be done to the roof above the church but it is a little higher! Scaffolding is needed for such a job.

We are now planning ahead for Christmas. The date for a carol service has been fixed for 17th December at 5pm. We have had a banner printed inviting anyone passing to come and join us. Our crib is going to have a fresh coat of paint thanks to Hilary and hopefully Stephen will be well enough to set up the music which attracts people's attention.

We all had quite a surprise when opening our local paper to find an article about the Swansea Unitarian Church maintaining a presence in the city since the mid 19th Century. It was a good, informative article together with a photograph of our Church. However the last paragraph stated that Unitarians are not Christians which is causing a lot of talk and discussion both amongst ourselves and others. I think it is good, at times, to be in a position where we have to explain, discuss and even perhaps question our faith.

The Swansea Church sends their best wishes to all the people in our District.

Hilda Dumpleton

TREBANOS

GELLIONNEN

Our August Folk Service was, as ever, a delight. We welcomed back to our pulpit the Rev Alun Wyn Dafis and the performers who come regularly every year to sing and play. We even have a small, very special choir these days!

The barbecue was blessed with good weather. The chapel stands on a site of pre-Christian worship and one wonders how many barbecues and picnics have taken place here over the past couple of thousand years! We were joined by three walkers.

Gellionnen's Open Saturday event was well received. There were thirty three visitors including one who had moved back from Australia on a home visit that day. The weather was mixed but some took a guided walk around the graveyard and everyone was treated to a general tour by Dr Rory Castle Jones.

Our second year students have returned to their places of learning. Harry Evans Mason and Tomos Jenkins have begun their first year at Swansea University and Aneurin Jones is pursuing his studies at the Glasgow Academy of Music. We wish you all well.

Martyn Edwards has celebrated a big birthday since the last SE Wales News was printed. He is still a busy man and has undertaken a degree course. So far, retirement has not been an option.

Lillian and Gary Dermody, past members but now living in the Forest of Dean recently made a surprise mid week visit. Both look well. It was good to catch up on their news. Son Owain married Janine in Gellionnen chapel in the 1990s. They were wed by Dr Beverley Littlepage. Janine is now Professor in Marketing and Consumer Psychology in Oxford.

The Harvest Service was lovely, thank you Rhys Castle Jones. A good supply of dry foodstuffs was collected for the Ponty Pantry (food bank) and we all shared soup and other delights after the service.

Our Animal Service led by Sandra Beynon was much enjoyed, attended by Boris, Finley, Kenzo, Frankie and Eric with their "owners". Photographs of much loved pets were brought including one of Gwynn's long-haired cat Cassie. And animals from time past were remembered also.

Several people enjoyed a pub lunch after service recently before joining friends in Highland Place to hear Wales's First Minister Carwyn Jones address the meeting.

Thank you Tony Foster for taking your first service with us. We have also benefitted this year from the thoughts of Humphrey Evans and Anne Watts—Highland Place seems to have a great deal of talent.

Forge Fach is a local community project offering facilities for all ages and well used and appreciated by those living nearby. We were sorry to hear of damage done by vandals and made a collection of £50 towards repairs. Our treasurer suggested that we make this up to £100 from chapel funds and the contribution was well received.

Some of us are looking out our thermal socks and gloves though things are much more comfortable in Gellionnen these days.

Marian Littlepage

WICK

We returned after our August break to a wonderful Harvest Thanksgiving. A much larger than usual congregation – with villagers joining us – took part in a ‘different Thanksgiving’, and together we amassed an amazing food collection for the Bridgend Food Bank. Helen and Julianne transported it and it was heart-warming to witness the pleasure the items gave the workers. Every item was entered and weighed and we were sent a thank you certificate giving us the total weight of food, number of people fed and the number of days the food lasted. It has inspired us to arrange a similar Christmas Collection.

Continuing with the regular joint Remembrance Service—this year it will be held in the village Anglican church, and we will join them with Julianne taking part as usual.

We are looking forward to welcoming the District members for the annual joint Christmas Service. Luckily we have a gallery to hold us all.

Our best wishes to all our District friends.

Julianne Morgan

MEN'S GROUP

After a brief Summer recess, the Men's Group met at Pontypridd Museum. There are some interesting exhibits at the museum with sections on mining in the valleys, Elaine Morgan and opera stars Stuart Burroughs and Sir Geraint Evans. It is well worth a visit.

Lunch proved to be difficult to find. Our planned venue was shut for refurbishment, our second option doesn't exist anymore, and our third doesn't open in the daytime. Ken Morgan had to change navigators—the first falling short of the mark. We eventually landed up at Frankie and Benny's which was a new experience for some, as was the price on the alcoholic beverages, but the meal was enjoyed by everyone. In November we head North, all will be revealed next time!

Tony Foster

The following item was brought to our attention by Lis Dyson-Jones – It could well have been written by a Unitarian!

COVENTRY CATHEDRAL WELCOME

We extend a special welcome to those who are single, married, divorced, widowed, gay, confused, filthy rich, comfortable or dirt poor.

We extend a special welcome to wailing babies and excited toddlers.

We welcome you whether you can sing like Pavarotti or just growl quietly to yourself. You are welcome here if you're just browsing, have just woken up, just got out of prison. We don't care if you're more Christian than the Archbishop of Canterbury or haven't been to church since Christmas ten years ago.

We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60 but not grown up yet. We welcome keep-fit mums, football dads, starving artists, tree-huggers, latte-sippers, vegetarians, junk food eaters. We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We welcome you if you are having problems or down in the dumps or don't like organised religion (we're not keen on that either!)

We offer a welcome to those who think the earth is flat, work too hard, don't work, can't spell or who are here because granny is visiting and wanted to come to this Cathedral.

We welcome those who are inked, pierced, both or neither. We offer a special welcome to those who could do with a prayer right now, had religion shoved down their throats as kids or just got lost in the city centre and wound up here by mistake.

We welcome pilgrims, tourists, seekers, doubters and YOU!

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