

## **Ysgoloriaethau / Scholarships**

**Cymdeithas Madog's Cwrs Cymraeg 2017, Cwrs y Seintiau – The Saints' Course** - will be held July 16-23, 2017 at Siena College in Albany, NY.

Albany and the Capital District of New York are served by Albany International Airport (<http://www.albanyairport.com/>). Siena College is located in the hamlet of Loudonville, NY, a little more than 15 minutes away by car from the airport. Rental cars and taxis are available at the airport. The Albany-Rensselaer Amtrak train station is about 15 minutes by taxi from the College for travelers arriving from the south or east. The Schenectady Amtrak station is about 30 minutes by taxi from Siena for travelers coming from the west or north. The closest bus depot is in downtown Albany (the Albany Bus Terminal) and is served by Greyhound as well as other providers. Travel time by taxi to Siena is about 20 minutes at most times of the day. The closest highway exit to the College is from I-87 (the Adirondack Northway) exit 4, about 10 minutes from the College.

If you are traveling from outside the U.S., please be sure you bring a valid passport. Some international travelers from Canada, Ireland, and some other countries will go through customs before boarding their flight to Albany. Others will do so at their first port of entry in the U.S. If you are driving to Siena, be sure to consult the campus map and come directly to Snyder Hall. For anyone wishing to use a taxi, be sure to mention Snyder Hall on Siena's campus to save yourself walking around with luggage!

Thanks to the generosity of Welsh-American organizations such as the **National Welsh American Foundation** and private donations, *Cymdeithas Madog* is able to award scholarships to help students study Welsh.

Please read this brochure carefully. If you are interested in applying for a *Cymdeithas Madog* scholarship or if you have any questions about scholarships for Cwrs Cymraeg 2017 – Cwrs y Seintiau, please contact:

Maegan Langer  
*Cymdeithas Madog* Scholarship Committee  
[scholarships@madog.org](mailto:scholarships@madog.org)

### **Q: What scholarships are available for 2017?**

**A:** (1) The Naomi Mergenthal Memorial Scholarship is awarded to a promising student of the Welsh language who is 22 years of age or younger. The scholarship covers full tuition and shared room and board. Travel costs and optional extra expenses are not covered. Students who have not previously received the Mergenthal scholarship may apply.

(2) The Barckley Scholarship is awarded to the applicant with the most compelling reasons for both attending the *Cwrs* and needing financial aid. The recipient is chosen from the general pool of scholarship applicants and receives a partial scholarship.

(3) *Cymdeithas Madog* also awards several additional partial scholarships annually, depending on the number of applicants and the available funds.

### **Q: Do you have a matching scholarship program?**

**A:** Yes. *Cymdeithas Madog* participates in a matching scholarship program with many local Welsh societies and other organizations. We will match the scholarship contribution of a Welsh group, an educational institution, or other non-profit organization up to a determined amount. Contact your local Welsh society, school, or organization to see if it is willing to cooperate with *Cymdeithas Madog* to fund a scholarship.

### **Q: How do I apply for a scholarship?**

**A:** The scholarship application for 2017 will be

available in October on the *Cymdeithas Madog* website at [www.madog.org](http://www.madog.org). Or, an application may be requested from the Scholarship Coordinator by mail or e-mail.

### **Q: What is the closing date for submitting a scholarship application?**

**A:** It should be postmarked by **April 1, 2017**.

### **Q: Does submission of a scholarship application reserve a place for me on the course?**

**A:** No. You also need to register for the course and send in your \$100 (US) deposit to the Cwrs Cymraeg Registrar.

After you register online or by mail, you may pay your deposit via PayPal, or you may send a check for \$100 made out to Cwrs Cymraeg 2017 to:

Timothy Doughty, Registrar  
350 NW 54<sup>th</sup> Street  
Oakland Park, FL 33309  
[registrar@madog.org](mailto:registrar@madog.org)

### **Q: Is my deposit refundable if I am not awarded a scholarship?**

**A:** Yes. If you are not awarded a scholarship and cannot afford to attend otherwise, you may request a full refund of your deposit within 30 days after the offer is made. **Please notify the scholarship coordinator of your decision to accept or not accept a scholarship offer within 2 weeks of the offer.** If for any reason you cannot come to the course after accepting an offer, please notify the scholarship chair immediately. Your deposit will not be refunded after you accept a scholarship.

### **Q: Do I need a letter of recommendation?**

**A:** Yes. A person who knows of your interest in the Welsh language must write a letter of recommendation on your behalf and send it directly to the Scholarship Committee, postmarked by **April 1, 2017**.

Letters of recommendation have come from teachers, clergy, and fellow members of local Welsh societies.

If you are applying for a matching scholarship, your sponsoring organization must send a letter directly to the Scholarship Committee, confirming the amount of money to be pledged for you.

**Q: How does Cymdeithas Madog fund its scholarships?**

**A:** Funding for the *Cymdeithas Madog* Scholarship Program comes from various sources, including grants provided by the National Welsh American Foundation, contributions by local Welsh societies and private donors, and from *Cymdeithas Madog* itself. *Cymdeithas Madog* has established a Scholarship Endowment Fund to increase its ability to award scholarships.

**Q: How can I make a contribution to the Cymdeithas Madog Scholarship Fund?**

**A:** Many students request assistance with the tuition to attend Cwrs Cymraeg. Your donation can help another student explore the Welsh language. For more information on how you can help, visit the **Friends of Madog** page on our website. Donations to the *Cymdeithas Madog* Scholarship Endowment Fund are tax deductible for U.S. taxpayers.

**Q: Who can answer my other questions about scholarships?**

**A:** The person who can answer all your questions about scholarships is the Scholarship Coordinator:

Maegan Langer  
*Cymdeithas Madog* Scholarship Committee  
640 W. Blue Spruce Rd.  
Alpine, UT 84004  
[scholarships@madog.org](mailto:scholarships@madog.org)

Information about scholarships will be updated regularly on the scholarships page of our website.

**Reminder**

To be eligible to apply for a scholarship and to hold a place in the 2017 course, please send your deposit of \$100 (US) by check or money order payable to “Cwrs Cymraeg 2017” and postmarked by **April 1, 2017**, to:

Timothy Doughty, Registrar  
350 NW 54<sup>th</sup> Street  
Oakland Park, FL 33309  
[registrar@madog.org](mailto:registrar@madog.org)



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*Cymdeithas Madog* produces and sells CDs for learners. For further information about Welsh language resources, please visit our web site.

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active, and waiting for you!*

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