



# THE GYROLOG

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**President Gerry** welcomed 29 members, one guest and our guest speaker to the regular meeting on October 7<sup>th</sup>. Cheerio sounded better than it has for a long time because we had **Larry Dobson** there to lead us. That was followed by a blessing by **Rev. John Dowds**.

**President Gerry** reminded us of Founders Night which will be on October 15, 1997 at the Holiday Inn at 4520 76<sup>th</sup> Ave. Cocktails at 6:30 dinner at 7:30. The cost is \$15 per person. This is one of the major events in Gyro and we would like to have a great turnout from our club.

**Marty Larson** told us about a phone call he had received from a resident of the Tipton area expressing concern that the city is moving out some of the playground equipment that was provided by the Gyro Club. This will be explored with Recreation and Parks to see if there is a way that our contribution to the history of the city can be recognized. One suggestion was that the equipment be relocated to Fort Edmonton Park. There is a concern that the equipment does not meet modern safety standards and this may be why it is being moved and may influence future use.

Information was provided at each place about the International and District IV Convention to be held at Penticton from July 2-5, 1998. For those who have not been to an International Convention outside of Edmonton, this is an excellent opportunity to participate at relatively low cost. Plan to attend and you will enjoy a wonderful weekend of friendship.

**Rev. Bill Graham** reported that our good friend **Stu Graham** is not well and is in Room 6124 of the Royal Alex Hospital. **Gord Rennie** and **Al McClure** have visited him and others are encouraged to do so. Also, **President Gerry** reported that **Dick Mandlis** is feeling

quite well but is unable to attend luncheon meetings because of the schedule of dialysis. He hopes to attend Founders Night and we look forward to seeing him there. President Gerry announced the passing of long time Gyrette Gladys Buchanan and a memorial service which was held on October 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Mike Matei** informed us that Curlorama this year will be held on October 31, November 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Banff. The cost is \$145.00 per curler which includes hotel for two nights, buffet on Friday night, two breakfasts, the banquet on Saturday night and curling. The cost to non curlers is \$110.00. This has to be one of the best values in Gyroland so lets have a good turnout. Contact **Mike** soon so he can let the host club know our numbers.

**President Gerry** brought forward a motion from the Executive Committee to the effect that the club make a donation of \$1,000 to the Good Samaritan Society in **Bert Boren's** name. After some discussion a motion to donate \$1,000 to the **Bert Boren Endowment Fund** was passed unanimously.

**Al McClure** offered those present an opportunity to get their hockey tickets. As in other years, if we sell all the tickets we will raise approximately \$2,000 for the benevolent fund which will allow us to make a contribution to a future worthy cause. If you do not have tickets, contact **Al**.

Our guest speaker was introduced by **Al McClure**. Robin Carr is a neighbour of **Al** and **Betty's** and who has been in the labour relations field since 1973. He is currently the senior labour relations practitioner at Canada Post, offers private consulting to employers. He has been serving employers for 24 years and represents them in mediation, arbitration, and Employment Insurance and WCB disputes.

He outlined how the courts have made interpretations to the human rights legislation that have changed the employment relationship by creating the requirement for the employer to accommodate the employee unless to do so would create 'undue hardship'. The rulings have said that the employer must accommodate employees if there are medical or religious reasons why the individual cannot operate without accommodations. If employers do not ensure they are represented at these tribunals, they may have adverse decisions made on the basis of one side of the story. **John Pedden** thanked the speaker and presented him with a token of our appreciation for coming.

*Oct 21<sup>st</sup>* **Up Coming Events:** **Larry Dobson** announced that the guest speaker at our meeting on ~~November 4<sup>th</sup>~~ will be a representative of the STARS Air Ambulance. The Christmas Party is scheduled for Tuesday December 16, 1997 at Fort Edmonton Park. At the same time we will have a Christmas message from the padres. As a result, the regular meeting on Tuesday December 23<sup>rd</sup> will be canceled. **President Gerry** asked those present for their preference for the Valentines Party and the majority voted for Friday February 13<sup>th</sup>.

Our guest Warren Douglas cut the cards and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President **Jack Ellis** won a free lunch.