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Our **Immediate Past President Gord Robertson** took the mike to start the program. He used his last time in charge to provide our new **President Bruce Foy** with his President's pin. This made the change of authority official.

President Bruce asked our friend **Roger Russell** to lead us in Cheerio and **David Burnett** asked the blessing. **President Bruce** then told the gathered throng that the Quad Club Installation was a great success and thanked **Gerry Glassford** and **Immediate Past President Gord Robertson** for their efforts at organizing the event on behalf of the Edmonton Club. All four clubs enjoyed a great evening at the Edmonton Petroleum Club.

President Bruce then told us that the 10th Bridge windup party had been a success with **Mike** and **Sharon Matei** arranging for it and agreeing to look after bridge again next year. There was a warm round of applause of appreciation that **Mike** arrived too late to receive.

Walter Yakimets announced a special mixed function that will be held on Saturday June 3, 2000. The town of Westlock has a farm machinery museum and the Edmonton Club will be going to the annual celebration. We will leave Edmonton by coach at about 12:30 p.m. for the trip to Westlock. There will be a parade from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. and the display of antique farm machinery will be open until 5:00 p.m. this will be followed by a buffet dinner at the Westlock Inn and the return coach ride to Edmonton. I have had business meetings at the Westlock Inn and can attest to the quality of their buffet dinners. The cost for the day including coach and dinner is \$28.00 per person. The dinner alone is worth that amount.

This was a business meeting and **President Bruce** informed us that the Executive had met and determined that the priority for the year is to increase membership and to continue to have fun. Our club, like many in Gyro

is not growing and our target this year is to increase our membership by 10 percent. At the present time we have 47 members and we hope to increase that number by having interesting programs and social events. We want to have the programs published well in advance so that prospective members can be attracted.

The last issue of the Gyrolog looked a little different because the version that was copied was emailed to **Barry Walker's** office and some of the formatting was changed. The one I received had the Ode to Golf totally garbled. If others had the same experience I will run it again. I guess I will have to go back to the old method of printing and delivering a paper copy. Incidentally, although I am listed as the Gyrolog Editor, I only do part of the job that **Gord 'Retread' Rennie** used to do. The other part of the job is done by our **Immediate Past President Gord Robertson**. He is the one who makes the copies, stuffs the envelopes and mails your copy. Thanks for all your work **Gord!**

At the last Executive meeting, the committees for this year were appointed. They are:

Program Coordinator
Marty Larson

Membership Committee
John Ross
Walter Yakimets
Barry Walker

Health and Welfare
Mort Morter
Owen Cornish

Hockey Pool
Al McClure
Dave Duchak
Bob Lippe
Marty Larson
Joe Ramsay

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Gord Robertson

Historical Records
Gord Rennie

Inter Club Liaison
Bruce Foy
Larry Dobson
Geoff Brewer

Padre
John Dowds

Roster
Barry Walker
Geoff Brewer

Gyroscope
Marty Larson (Editor)
Larry Dobson
(Photographer)

Ways and Means
Jack Ellis
Dave Burnett
Dick Nichols

Barry Walker is in the process of updating the Gyro Roster and he would like to include the e-mail addresses of our members. If you have an e-mail address to be included in the roster please let **Barry** know at walkerb@petersonwalker.ab.ca

From the dumb statements of politicians department comes our favorite Dan Quayle "Rural Americans are real Americans. There is no doubt about that. You can't always be sure with other Americans. Not all of them are real". Then there was US Representative Frank Guarini who stated "Spending on the federal deficit programs is growing at an excremental rate". Or how about new Dad, John Major who declared "U.N. goodwill may be a bottomless pit, but it's by no means limitless".

Upcoming Events:

For our next meeting on June 6th, **David Burnett** has arranged for Sheila O'Kelly to speak to us. She is the Executive Director of the World Triathlon 2001 that will be held in Edmonton. This looks like an interesting program, bring out a friend.

The **Millennium Golf Tournament** is being organized by the Crossroads Club and will be held at the Riverbend Golf Course in Red Deer on Thursday June 1, 2000. **Mike Matei** informed us that the cost will be \$65.00 per person including the banquet and prizes and that the first T-time will be at 8:00 a.m. Please let Mike know if you are attending, they would like to have the money by May 20, 2000.

The annual **Edmonton Club Golf Scramble** is scheduled for Wednesday July 5, 2000 at the Westridge Golf Club. Once again, **Florrie and Bryce Van Dusen** have generously offered to host the banquet at their ranch near the golf club. Cost details will follow. This will surprise you but the organizers are looking for prizes. Contact **Barrie Walker** or **Roger Russell** if you can make a donation.

The **Gyro International and District VIII Convention** will be held in Winnipeg July 13 – 16, 2000. The Convention hotel is the historic Hotel Fort Garry. Many of the Edmonton Gyros who attend the convention are planning further fun and friendship after the Sunday breakfast. **John and Helen Ross** are organizing a week in Killarney after the convention. There will be cabins for those who want to spend a week (or less) with Gyro friends. There is a terrific golf course in Killarney and other attractions nearby. If you are interested in participating in this Gyro week please contact **John** or **Helen**.

The Gyro Club of Sherwood Park is hosting the **District VIII Convention** from August 24 to August 27, 2000 at the Fantasyland Hotel. The program includes a Beach Party at the Waterpark on Thursday evening, golf and a tour of the Ukrainian Village and bocci on Friday, dinner at Festival Place, a ladies brunch and the Governor's Ball on Saturday and a float away breakfast on Sunday. For more information, contact the Convention Chairman, **Bernie Kropp** at 440-1234.

The Sherwood Park Club is organizing the Second Annual "**Gyro/Gyrette**" **Quad Club Golf Tournament** on Monday September 11, 2000 at the Legends Golf & Country Club. Registration is limited to the first 48 **PAID** golfers and groups will be made up in advance. The ladies will play first commencing at 12:00 noon. The cost is \$52.00 per person, which includes a power cart and a Ribeye steak dinner. The price for dinner only is \$25.00.

Same Old Bull

Allan

