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President Barry Walker

1st V/President Mike Matei

2nd V/President Allan Douglas

Secretary Dick Ogilvie

Treasurer Jack Ellis

Directors Owen Cornish Gordon Robertson Russ Shepherd Tony Sheppard 10/04/95

Our last meeting was held at Kelly's Saloon at Fort Edmonton park on Tuesday April 4, 1995. There was an excellent turn out of 36 Gyros who responded to John Stroppa's invitation to come and elect the officers for the upcoming year.

There was a cocktail hour from six to seven p.m. with the bartending duties ably performed by John Stroppa and Ron Ewoniak. Then President Barry Walker called the meeting to order, and eventually someone listened.

Harry Mills led us in Cheerio and by then the group really needed to be led. Following right along was the **Reverend Bill Graham** who asked the blessing. Then **David Burnett** introduced his guest the Reverend John Dowds who has been out to Gyro functions on a number of occasions.

President Barry then tried once more to herd the cats and maintain some semblance of order to make his important announcements. There seemed to be a sense that this was a lame duck President so his influence was somewhat diminished. Those who could lip read learned about the following upcoming events:

• On Saturday, April 29, 1995 the Quad Club installation will take place at the Chateau Louis Convention Centre at a cost of \$65.00 per couple. This is a very important event when the officers of the four clubs in the Edmonton area are installed. Please mark this

event on your calendar and be there. The incoming officers of your club and the other clubs will appreciate your support.

- The District IV Convention will take place in Kelowna from June 1 3, 1995. District IV is the largest market outside of District VIII we have for our 1996 International Convention so as many Edmonton Gyros and Gyrettes as possible should attend this convention. It is before the 1995 International Convention in Chicago so our promotion cannot be unfettered, but we do want a good representation. The Edmonton Club would like to take along Klondike clothes for any conventions we attend between now and 1996.
- The International Convention will be held in Chicago from July 13 16, 1995. This is the last International Convention before ours so a good turn out would help promote our convention. If you can go to Chicago, please do and support the efforts to draw a large number of people to Edmonton in July of 1996. Applications forms are in the last Gyrolog or are available from **President Barry**. **Peter Rausch** informed us that he had been in discussion with Air Canada who have reduced their airfares for the Convention in Chicago and we can get reduced fares by 15% 35% including on seat sales.
- From July 27 to 30, 1995, the District VIII Convention is being held in Calgary. Again, this is an opportunity for us to promote our convention within our largest market. The theme is western and there are events planned at the Millarville Racetrack There is also a talent show scheduled for the mixed luncheon on Saturday July 29, so get your act together and give the Edmonton Club some profile!
- There was an article in the Edmonton Sun on April 5, about our friend and member Dr. Larry Wong. It highlights some of the products that this creative individual has invented.



A FRATERNITY OF FRIENDSHIP



• Birthdays to report were Larry Wang on April 5, Wes Van Dusen on April 12, and Fred Schulte on April 13, congratulations to all. Unfortunately we have no pictures at press time.

Bert Boren reporting on health and welfare informed us of the passing of Gyrette Greta Stanley at the age of 92. She was a resident of the Good Samaritan Auxiliary Hospital. Andy Friderichsen reported that Garry Diment is not well and that he will be entering hospital for an operation on April 11. Allan Warrack noted that Gord and Ivy Rennie were invited to spend two weeks in Phoenix with Al and Betty McClure. Everyone hopes that this will assist Ivy in her recovery.

Ed Edlund passed out material related to the GYRO District VIII cookbook that Natalie is coordinating on behalf or our club. Please bring your favorite recipes to the next Gyrette meeting on Tuesday April 11 so that they can be forwarded to the Coeur d'Alene club.

President Barry announced that June Molestad from Edmonton Parks and Recreation has approached out club about contributing to the renovations of the former GYRO Park Number one. He also reported that Lafleche Brothers will make jackets for us for \$175 each since we will be ordering a large number (a saving of \$50). These jackets go with navy, grey or black slacks but if we want to order matching slacks they will be \$75. Members voted to order jackets and a tailor will come to our next meeting to measure us and will be there from 11:15 a.m. to 12:00 and from 1:30 to 2:00.

Marty Larson announced that the final vote for Directors will be at our next meeting on April 18. He has also invited Bill McCallum head of the Nait Foundation and Bill Hunter and probably some other Oilers. The other clubs have also been invited to attend. It will be at the Mayfair at 12.00 p.m.

Ron Ewoniak donated an interesting looking bottle of fine Italian wine for a raffle. He vigorously promoted ticket sales and raised \$125 for our convention fund. The lucky winner was Gunnar Anderson.

The draw for the gift certificate towards the Conference fees for our 1996 convention was won by **Ron Ewoniak.**

John Stroppa began the election of new officers. The nominee for President was Mike Matei. There were no nominations from the floor and Marty Larson moved that nominations be closed, seconded by John Ross. The nominee for First-Vice President was Allan Douglas. There were no nominations from the floor and John Ross moved that nominations be closed, seconded by Bill Graham. The nominee for Second Vice-President was Gerry Glassford. There were no further nominations from the floor. The nominee for Secretary is Dick Ogilvie. There were no further nominations from the floor. The nominee for Treasurer was John Stroppa. There were no further nominations from the floor.

The two Directors who will be continuing for a second year are Owen Cornish and Gordon Robertson. There were 8 candidates for the other two Director positions. The members voted for five of the eight. The candidates were John Plunkett, Victor Jagoldas, Peter Rausch, Dick Mandlis, Andy Friderichsen, Pat Rasko, Fred Schulte, and Dean Paterson. The five successful candidates who will have their campaign managers all revved up on March 18, are John Plunkett, Victor Jagoldas, Dick Mandlis, Andy Friderichsen, and Fred Schulte.

The news from south of the border is that **Roger** and **Janet Russell** were driving through the states in their new motor home when they encountered an underpass much like the rathole on 109 Street. As they approached it there was a menacing looking sign that said maximum clearance 8 feet. **Roger** grew concerned because his vehicle is over 11 feet. After trying to decide what to do for a moment, he said to **Janet**, "What the heck, there are no state troopers around, lets go for it!".

