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The format of this Gyrolog is different because I am writing some of it before the meeting. We want to get the second posting for the new members published before the meeting at Kelly's Saloon.

SECOND POSTING:

Don Assheton-Smith has applied to become a member of our club. **President Larry** sponsors him. He and his wife Lorraine live at 7211 86 Ave, T6B 0K8. Their phone number is 466-6279.

President Larry is also sponsoring Win Kirkwood and his wife Maureen. They live at # 32, 1203 Carter Crest Road, T6C 2R1. Their phone number is 436-2300.

The 14th game in the hockey pool was in Edmonton on March 2nd with the St Louis Blues in town. There was no score at the end of the first and Dean Rempel and **W. Yakimets** got \$10 for nothing. St. Louis led by one after two and \$15 went to Margo McKinnon and **Peter Fairbridge**. The final score was 1:1 and the \$25 winners were Daniel Larson and **Margaret Butler**.

On March 8th, the Florida Panthers hosted the Oilers and after one they were ahead 4:0. The \$10 winners were Jim McQuarrie and **Gordon Rennie**. The Oilers came back a little in the second and the score was 2:5 with \$15 going to **Valerie Walker** and Doug Ingersoll. The final was 4:5 for the Panthers and the winners were Marcia Larson and Gord McMillan.

NOTE: After April 8, 2002, **Florrie** and **Bryce Van Dusen** will have a new address and telephone number. Please make the changes to your roster. Their new address is: 701 – 11920 – 100 Ave., Edmonton T5K 0K5. The telephone number will be 482-2405.

Although the weather doesn't appear so, it is time to think of GOLF (Gentlemen Only Ladies Forbidden).

The room was full of pregnant women and their partners. The prenatal class was in full swing. "Ladies" said the teacher, "early on in labour, exercise is good for you. Walking is especially beneficial". "Gentlemen" continued the teacher, "it wouldn't hurt to take the time to walk with your partner". There was an awkward silence. Finally a father to be raises his hand. "Yes?" replied the teacher. "Can she carry a golf bag while we walk?"

President Larry and others have decided to publish information about new members in the Gyrolog so that members who are not in attendance when they introduce themselves will have that information.

THOMAS WILLIAM CHAMBERS. P. Eng.

Tom Chambers graduated from the University of Toronto in 1952 with a BAsC in Mining Engineering. Following graduation, he accepted a position with Shell Oil Company and worked as a Petroleum Engineer and Operations Supervisor in oil fields throughout Alberta and Saskatchewan.

Mr. Chambers has been a member of APEGGA since 1957. During the mid-1960's he was involved in career counselling for the Association, followed by service on the Membership Committee of which he eventually became Chairman. From 1972 to 1973 he served on council. Mr. Chambers received the APEGGA Special Award In 1978 which recognizes members who have made outstanding contributions to society.

Mr. Chambers served as the MIA for Edmonton Calder from 1971 to 1986 and as Minister of Housing and Public Works (1972 - 1982) and Public Works, Supply and Services (1982 -- 1996), and was Chairman of the Board of the Alberta Housing Corporation and the Alberta Home Mortgage Corporation.

A highlight of Mr. Chambers' political career was his Involvement with the construction of the 1998 Winter Olympic facilities in and surrounding the City of Calgary.

In 1970, Tom and Lenore Chambers founded Chambers Engineering Ltd - a consulting engineering firm primarily dedicated to petroleum production optimization. Except during his service as a minister of the crown, Mr. Chambers was President and CEO of the f@ until his retirement in 1996.

Mr. Chambers was elected to the position of First Vice President, APEGGA, in 1987 and served as President in 1988-89.

In addition to his work with APECYGA, he has been involved over the years with many community and service organizations including the YMCA, junior Achievement,

the RCAF Association and the 745 Communication Squadron (Reserve) where he served as Honorary Lieutenant Colonel,

Mr. Chambers established a scholarship fund for University of Alberta 2nd and 3rd year engineering students, Three or four scholarships of \$1500.00 each per year have been awarded since 1988-89.

Mr. Chambers has served on the board of directors of a number of organizations including Syncrude Canada Ltd (also a member of the Management Committee) during construction of the oil sands project, Millar Western Pulp Ltd. and Torex Resources Inc., He was a Founding Director and Vice Chairman of The Science Alberta Foundation, and Public Representative on the Council of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Alberta.

Tom and Lenore have four children and eleven grandchildren.

At the last meeting past president **Bruce Foy** officiated because **President Larry**, while recovering well from his operation, is still a little weak of voice. **John Plunkett** led us in Cheerio and **Rev. John Dowds** asked the blessing.

President Larry introduced his guest Win Kirkwood. There were 25 Gyros at the meeting.

Walter Yakimets informed us that **Valerie Walker** and the Gyrettes are planning a joint meeting late in April at the Odysium. It will include a sandwich lunch and a performance at the theatre. There was an opportunity to sign up at the meeting or call **Valerie** if you are interested.

The birthdays this month were **John Pedden** on March 2, **Alan Rustler** on March 3, **Bob Moore** on March 10, **Roy Bennett** on March 17, **Barry Walker** on March 29 and **Dan Lawton** on March 30.

Dave Duchak reported on game 16 held on March 16 with Washington Capitals visiting the Oilers. After the first the score was 2:0 for the Oilers and Lasa Burnett and Robert Lineker won \$10. The Capitals scored one in the second and the \$15 winners were Dana Boyko, **Jack Ellis** and **Amy Wilson**. The final was 4:1 and Cory Russell and Crystal Lawton each won \$25.

Mike Mater reported on the Edmonton/St. Albert Bocci tournament that was held on March 4th. There were 27 participants and the winning team was comprised of **Jack Ellis**, **John Ross**, **Stuart Loomis** and **Joe Jackson**. The trophy is already engraved and the next event will be on the first Monday of March next year.

First lieutenant Governor **Gerry Glassford** reported that he and **Alice**, **David** and **Marlene Burnett**, and **Larry** and **Carol Dobson** attended the District VIII Interim at Fairmont. It was a success with 166 people in attendance.

Gerry Glassford also introduced out guest speaker, Brian Betchel who talked about the Mazankowski report on health care. Brian is one of the board of the Capital Health Authority. **Jack Ellis** thanked him and he drew the card that gave **Andy Friderichsen** a free lunch.

Upcoming Events

Owen Cornish advises that the Gyro Bridge Club wind-up will be held at the Highlands Golf Club, 6603 Ada Blvd (474-4211) on Friday April 26th. Details to follow. Would the hosts of remaining games ensure that they have score sheets. Owen has extra copies (469-1514) After March 1st, would hosts please forward scores and money to Marion Morstad, #1 Estates Court, Sherwood Park, Alberta., T6B 1M9. Please complete the schedule no later than the first week of April.

Past President Bruce Foy invites all members to attend the Club's election night on Tuesday April 2nd at 6:30 p.m. It will be held at Kelly's Saloon at Fort Edmonton Park and the cost is \$30 per person. The Officers for 2002/02 will be elected. Two new members, Win Kirkwood and Don Asshelton-Smith will be inducted. Don't miss this important meeting and enjoy great food and companionship for the evening. For those members who have never been to Kelly's Saloon, call **Bruce** for directions at 436-7142.

The International Convention will be held July 4 to 7th in Halifax. First Lieutenant Governor **Gerry Glassford** is arranging for some travel before and after the convention from June 27 to July 13, 2002. **Peter Carter** is making travel arrangements.

The Crossroads Gyro Club is sponsoring the District VIII Convention from August 8th to 11th 2002. There is a 50's theme and it is entitled "The Grease Ball". The Nomads will be providing the musical entertainment. The cost of registration is \$275 per couple or \$150 single. Let's have a good turnout to support our fellow club!

Same Old Bull

Allan

