

THE GYROLOG



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THE GYRO CLUB OF EDMONTON
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We enjoyed a temporary change of location for our luncheon meeting on October 19, 1993, which was held at the new Grant MacEwan Community College, City Centre Campus, at 10700-104th Avenue, Edmonton.

Following lunch, Barry Walker introduced two members of the College Staff; Bruce Vincent and Dianne Allen; who gave us a very interesting & informative talk about the programs and services of this great new facility, followed by a guided tour of the premises.

The four buildings which comprise this complex are quite remarkable. It is obvious that a great deal of careful planning and organization took place to erect this fine facility, which includes special arrangements for the physically handicapped.

As a post-secondary institution, Grant MacEwan College will provide quality education which meets the lifelong learning needs of the community; as well as a range of programs and services related to sport, recreation & fitness, for all ages.

The thanks of our club were very nicely expressed by Al McClure, to our hosts. Our thanks to the Program Team of Barry Walker, Al McClure & Garry Diment, for arranging this special meeting.

Birthdays - two birthdays coming up - Bert Boren on October 23rd and for Mike Matei on October 28th. Happy birthday, our best wishes for a super day.

Curlarama - this District 8 annual event is all set for November 5/6/7, 1993 at Banff, AB. Mike Matei is looking after our club entry. If you haven't told him you are going - then get on the blower pronto!

The Calgary Gyro Club held their 72nd Installation on Saturday 16 October 1993 at the Blackfoot Inn, Calgary. Four couples from our club attended (Larsons: Walkers: McClures: and Rennies:) where we were made most welcome and had a great time.

Bill McIntyre was the MC and carried out his duties in his usual efficient & humorous way. Governor of Gyro District 8, Len Cary, of the Stampede City Club, capably carried out the installation of Officers. Our congratulations to President Ernie Mitchell and all the new Executive members, and best wishes for an active, happy year in office.

Imm. Past Int'l President Marty Larson, presented Gyro Certificates of Appreciation for long service. A forty year membership to Past President Larry Himmelman, and twenty five year certificate to Past President Bill McIntyre; and to Dr. Don MacMahon, newly elected Vice President, who has been the Calgary Club's Padre for many years.

A Sunday morning farewell breakfast at the Inn was well attended and ended a very pleasant week-end visit with our Calgary friends.

Other Gyro Club Installation Dates:- 13 November 1993 - Lethbridge Gyro Club.

4 December " - Coeur d'Alene Gyro Club.

Both clubs will be installing their new Executive for the next 12 months. Visiting Gyros would be most welcome.

Membership - we report with regret, the resignations of Ian Fraser and Ian McIntyre of our Gyro club.

Change of Address - Dick & Marion Mandlis are now residing at 148 Laurier Drive, Edmonton, AB T5R 5P9. Their telephone number is 489-2349.

Hockey pool - at our last meeting, Al McClure announced that all of our hockey pool tickets have been distributed and there are no more for sale. Quite a number of tickets have been sold and the money turned in, with super-salesman Ron Ewoniak leading the way. Ron has sold 45 tickets and that is most appreciated. Now if the rest of us do our part in sales, we can reach our objective. Let's go!!

Gyro Plaque & Cairn in Fort Edmonton Park - Dick Ogilvie & Allan Ursulak advised that this special Gyro project, as explained in the Gyrolog of 12 Oct 1993, is about 90% complete. Our thanks to Dick & Allan for their work on behalf of our membership.

Sherwood Park Gyro Club is arranging a Ski week-end in Jasper, Alberta for February 25th 1994. Travel will be by motor coach and accomodation will be at the Jasper Inn. Skiing will be at the Marmot Basin on Saturday & Sunday. Cost is \$375.00 per couple (Double occupancy). Anyone interested in joining the S/P group, call either Bob Lennox (467-4500) or Keith Bradley at 467-2786, for further information.

Gyro Founder's Night - this year's celebration by the Quad Clubs (Crossroads: Sherwood Park: St. Albert and Edmonton) was held on 18 October at the Regency Hotel, as arranged by the Crossroads Club. The overall attendance of members and guests was good, with the Sherwood Park Club having the largest attendance with 25.

We were pleased to welcome 5 guests from Red Deer, Alberta, who are part of a group which we hope will form a new Gyro club in that city. These friends were introduced by Marty Larson; they are Glenn Simon: Lloyd Yankee: Roy Busby: Don Gukert and Bob Greig.

Our keynote speaker for the evening was Wayne Knight, Past President of the St. Albert Gyro Club. Wayne's unique and very special talk, not only paid tribute to our Gyro Founders, but he described his own experiences in Gyro, which he holds in the highest regard; since becoming a charter member of the St. Albert Club on 11 April 1992.

His understanding and appreciation of the meaning and objective of Gyro, was very well defined, which together with his great sense of humor made his presentation one to remember.

The other highlight of the evening was the induction of two new members into the Sherwood Park Club. Our new friends are Eric Brawn, who was introduced by Keith Bradley, and Al Schuster, by Gary Kleebaum. Their official welcome and induction into Gyro, was very capably conducted by Don Coyne, a Past President of the Sherwood Park Club.

During the meeting, Rick Little of Crossroads exercised his salemanship by running a draw for some bottled hospitality. The lucky winners were Kelly Mitchell of the St. Albert Club getting the top prize, a Texas Mickey; while Jerry Hlady, a Sherwood Park Gyro won the runner-up prize.

The whole evening was very upbeat and full of fun, one which we think would give the potential new Gyros from Red Deer, and added insight into our fraternity of friends.

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HOW ABOUT THOSE BLUE JAYS! - WORLD BASEBALL CHAMPIONS - even though it may not have been a "classic series" it was an exciting, nail biting experience.

The story is told about baseball's great Ty Cobb. When he was 70, a reporter asked him, "what do you think you would hit if you were playing baseball these days?". Cobb, who was a lifetime .367 hitter, said, "oh about .290 or maybe .300". The reporter then said, "that's because of the travel, the night games, the artificial turf and all the new pitches, right?" "No" said Cobb, "it's because I'm seventy".

Definitions (Gyro Gems) - from the notebook of Bill Cartelli, of the Sherwood Park Club.

Abalone - An expression of disbelief.

Acoustic - What you use when you play pool.

Bilious - the nauseous feeling you get when opening your mail at the end of the month.

Coincide - What you do when it starts to rain.

Cartelli's "thought for the day". I like a finished speaker, I really truly do. I don't mean one that polished, I just mean one who is through!
(Carter)

Vox Pop - Faults are like the highlights on a car - those of others always seem more glaring than our own. (Bill Agnew)

An egotist is not a man who think too much of himself, he is a man who thinks too little of other people. (Gunnar Anderson)

Prejudice is a great time saver, it enables a person to form an opinion without getting the facts. (Roy Bennett)

"To me", one man said, "he's a pain in the neck"."Strange", said another, " I have a much lower opinion of him". (Dave Burnett)

Wife to husband, "that's the fourth time you have gone back for another drink, doesn't it embarass you at all?" Husband, "why should it, I keep telling the bartender it's for you." (Rick Little) (Xrds)

"Well", as the Irish lad said to his chiropodist, "me fate is in your hands". (Dan O'Brien)

Don't lend people money. It gives them amnesia. (Bill Shankaruk, Trail G.C.) (S/Park)

OUR NEXT MEETING

THE DATE - TUESDAY 2 NOVEMBER 1993
THE PLACE - MAYFAIR GOLF CLUB
THE TIME - 12.00 NOON

Program Team No.6 with Team Captain Owen Cornish, Russ Shepherd and Boyd Slavik, are in charge of arrangements.

The speaker will be Mr. Garry King, Vice President; Marketing and Corporate Development, for Edmonton Regional Airport.

His talk will be about the problems of International Airport traffic. Seems like a timely topic and a good attendance is expected.

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