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On a beautiful May day we only had a handful of Gyros (19) out to our regular luncheon meeting. **President Jack** welcomed us and golden throated **Mike Matei** led us in Cheerio. Then the solemn **Marty Larson** asked the blessing.

There was a bumper crop of birthdays this month with the following gentlemen celebrating. On May 10th, **Allan Ursulak**, on May 13th, **Andy Friderichsen**, on the 18th, **David Burnett**, on the 23rd, **Ivan Ivankovich**, and on the 24th, **Allan Warrack**.

President Jack welcomed home our **Immediate Past President, Gerry Glassford** who has returned from a vacation in Hawaii. **Gerry** joins another Past President, **Mike Matei** in holding the honour of never missing a meeting while President. **Gerry** received the appreciation of those present for the hard work and successful year he had as our leader.

As you know there is a rotating responsibility for events that involve the four clubs in the Edmonton area. In the past there was an effort to establish a roster to that each club has at least one function a year, so that we avoid having one club with an undue load in any one year. **President Jack** announced that this year it is our turn to host Founders' Night. As usual, it will be held in October and **Marty Larson** and **Ed Edlund** have agreed to do the planning. This event has been poorly attended in recent years and we want to host an event that is more fun and can bring out larger numbers. Let's get behind **Marty** and **Ed** and have terrific participation from our club this year.

President Jack informed those present that **Dr. Walter Yakimets** has agreed to head the Health and Welfare Committee and promised that not only do we now have someone to report on the health of the club, we also have someone who can do something about it. It was not clear whether or not he makes house calls. On the matter of health of the club, **Past President Gerry** reported that

Marg Ogilvie was in the hospital for an operation and that **Dick** was unable to attend the meeting.

Mike Matei reminded us that the Red Deer Golf Tournament will take place on June 4th, and that nine members of our club have signed up. The St. Albert Club is hosting the event this year.

From the bloopers department comes the question asked by Fred McMillan, "I wonder if the Germans have a word for 'blitzkrieg' in their language?" Or the translation of the General Motors slogan into Flemish as 'Corpse by Fisher'. Then there was the announcer introducing banjoist Eddie Peabody by saying "Ladies and Gentlemen, and now Mr. Eddie Playbody will pee for you".

Our guest speaker was Doreen Dunkley who has been involved for about six years with providing dental services in developing countries. She and others volunteer their time to take trips to provide free dental care to those who would not otherwise receive it. Since I had to leave early, I cannot report on who thanked the speaker or who won the free lunch.

Please come out on June 2nd to hear **John Ross** talk about taking a slow boat to nowhere.

Upcoming Events.

At our regular meeting on June 2nd, the program will be a slide presentation by our own **John Ross**, on canal boat adventures in Europe. The Ross family has taken vacations on canal boats in France, England and Scotland and **John** will share some experiences. **Peter Carter** confirms that this type of vacation is becoming more popular so come along and get some ideas for a future vacation.

From July 2 to 5 The International and District IV Conventions will be held in Penticton, British Columbia. There are a number of Edmonton Gyros planning on attending that event and a convoy to travel there and back is being planned. Joins us and help us win the man/mile award.

Barry Walker reminded us that the annual Gyro Golf Scramble will be on Wednesday July 22, 1998 at Westridge. Once again thanks to the generosity of the **Van Dusens**, we will have a BBQ afterwards at their ranch. As has become the custom, **Barry** is eager for prizes and is willing to store them until the event.

The District VIII Convention is being hosted by the Gyro Club of Calgary from August 13-16, 1998. The information has just come out. Registration is \$270.00 per couple and it will be at the Carriage House Inn.

